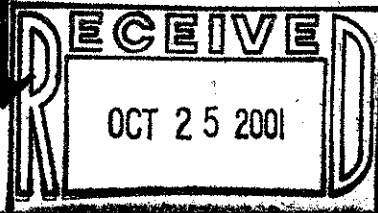


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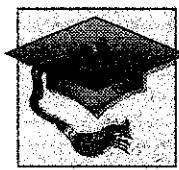
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Booher allies urge her to stay



Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Kathleen Booher told a group of supporters Wednesday that she may reconsider her recent decision to leave the district.

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After a 90-minute meeting with about a dozen community members concerned about recent attacks on the Plymouth-Canton school district,

Superintendent Kathleen Booher left the door open to reconsider resigning her post.

"I have not ruled out the possibility of staying," said Booher. "That's an issue I must resolve for myself very quickly."

Quickly, because Booher is one of three finalists for the superintendent's position at Livingston County Educational Service Agency, formerly the intermediate school district. The LESA Board of Education will interview Booher, and the other two finalists, a second time before making its final decision.

Those in attendance Wednesday morning were clear the meeting was to talk about how to fight back against forces that caused Booher to seek employment elsewhere.

"How do we, as a community, work together when one part of the community is being attacked?" said Liz Givens, president of the Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education.

However, it was clear the group is supportive of Booher, and feels her departure would be a loss to the school district and the communities it serves. "We did, specifically, ask her to stay," said school board vice president Darwin Watts.

Those in attendance also included

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2 a.m. Sunday, October 28th
Don't forget to turn your clock back one hour at 2 a.m. on Sunday, October 28, (or before you go to bed on Saturday, October 27.)

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Dedicating Dodson



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Pledge leaders: First- and second-graders, along with a couple of older boys, lead the Pledge of Allegiance during the dedication ceremonies at Dodson Elementary School in Canton Tuesday. Pictured below, school namesake George Dodson and his wife of 50 years, Melba, listen to Kristine Nguyen read her biography of him during the ceremonies.



Ceremony celebrates township's newest elementary school

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With the unveiling of a portrait that will overlook the halls, and the sounds of elementary children singing the school song, Dodson Elementary School was officially dedicated Tuesday evening, honoring George R. Dodson.

Dodson began his career with Plymouth-Canton Community Schools in 1935 at Geer School, a one-room schoolhouse where he was both teacher and counselor. After serving as principal at Gallimore and Smith elementary schools, Dodson retired for the first time in 1990.

However, retirement just gave him more time to teach at Starkweather Alternative Education, become interim principal at Fiigel and Gallimore elementary schools, and serve two stints in the transportation department.

"Honor is purchased by the deeds we do. To have a school that bears your name is indeed a singular and awesome honor," said Dodson to hundreds of well-wishers at the dedication ceremony. "It gives signature to the credibility of my work as a teacher, counselor and principal with the wonderful youth of the Plymouth/Canton schools. It establishes for me, in the eyes of this community and especially in the eyes of my children and grandchildren, the legacy of service to which I have devoted my life's work."

Neighbor dispute ruffles feathers

Canton Township Board will enact bird feeding ban

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The Sunflower subdivision near Ford and Canton Center roads has gone to the birds. And the squirrels. And the skunks. Some in the neighborhood say it's because their neighbors have gone overboard feeding the animals.

"It's just a mess," said Julie Doberski. "It's really sad."

They're hoping a township ordinance prohibiting the feeding of pigeons, doves, gulls and waterfowl will help restore their neighborhood.

The Canton Township Board of Trustees introduced the ordinance at its Tuesday meeting. While the ordinance more directly addresses feeding waterfowl in parks, its effects could help the Sunflower neighbors resolve their differences.

Crying 'fowl'

The animals began flocking to the neighborhood almost two years ago when Susan Kucinski began feeding birds in her Hathaway Road yard.

"It started out as a simple, honest project," Kucinski said. Her 9-year-old son's Scout troop built bird feeders, and Kucinski said the family enjoyed the many species that frequented the feeder in the yard.

At about the same time, Kucinski was convalescing after being diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor.

"For months, my day was basically to get myself downstairs, fill the feeder, have a cup of tea and watch the birds," she recalled.

One feeder led to two, then to four — two small and two large. Then, Kucinski began ground feeding, tossing whole peanuts, ears of corn and seed on the lawn.

"We noticed that right away," said neighbor Marta Hampel. "There were a lot more birds, hundreds of them. But what really bothers us is the skunks; we can't even sleep with our windows open because we get woke up in the middle of the night by the

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WCCC tax vote is sole ballot issue in Canton

NOVEMBER ELECTION

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Only a year after a millage increase defeat, Wayne County Community College will ask voters again for a 150 percent millage increase.

But, if local lawmakers have their way, it could be the last request.

The 7,000 Canton voters who live in the Van Buren and Wayne-Westland school districts can help decide a 1.5-

mill tax for Wayne County Community College Nov. 6.

The college has five campuses, including a small western campus on Haggerty Road in Belleville. The western campus is under-attended, particularly by Canton students, according to State Rep. Bruce Patterson (R-Canton).

On Oct. 9, State Rep. William O'Neil (D-Allen Park) presented in Lansing

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Artrain chugs into town this weekend

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Here's one train area residents will be happy to see roll into Plymouth.

After nearly a year of planning and fund-raising, the Plymouth Community Arts Council is ready to host Artrain USA, the nation's only art museum on a train, with its

highly-acclaimed *Artistry of Space* exhibit. The on-board art is a collection of paintings, drawings, prints and sketches that reflects the history of space exploration as expressed by various artists, including Norman Rockwell, Andy Warhol and Peter Max.

"These are original paintings from

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Con man batting .500

An unidentified man tried to swindle two Canton motels Sunday afternoon, and was successful at none of them.

He made off with \$90 from the Fairfield Inn at 5700 N. Haggerty Road, police said.

A motel employee told police the man asked her if she could change his \$5 and \$10 bills for a \$100 bill. The woman said he could.

The man gave her the small bills, and she counted them. She set the money beside the cash register and gave the man a \$100 bill. While she was counting the small bills again, the man said, "Look what you just did. You gave me a Ten," and showed her the bill.

COP CALLS

The woman insisted she had given him \$100, but he demanded his money back.

The woman said she was frightened and confused so she gave him his small bills back and took his \$10 bill.

The man tried the same scam at the nearby Baymont Inn, but failed, according to police reports.

Dog attack

A 55-year-old Monroe woman was attacked by a dog Monday morning while she visited a home in the 4300 block of Gordon in Canton, according to

police reports.

The woman was visiting her 38-year-old son-in-law when his dog, a 70-pound, 1-year-old, shepherd and bull dog mix, began biting her.

The Canton man said the dog had not been provoked to attack. When the woman ran toward the door to escape, the dog jumped on her and bit her face.

Police said she was taken to Saint Joseph Mercy Health in Canton, where she received 44 stitches on her hand and face.

The man took the dog to an animal shelter, and elected to have the dog destroyed after 10 days.

Wallet snatcher

An 84-year-old Ypsilanti woman reported someone stole her wallet from her purse Sunday afternoon while she shopped.

The woman left her purse in her cart while she was shopping at Meijer, 45001 Ford Road.

While she was still in the store, she discovered her wallet, which contained \$50, her identification and some blank checks, had been taken.

Police have no suspects.

Cops will be out in force for Halloween period

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As young ghosts and goblins, witches and princesses head out to the streets and subdivision sidewalks next week, the Canton Police Department will be hard at work keeping them safe.

"On Halloween and Devil's Night, no one in the department is allowed time off," reported Canton Police Capt. Laura Golles. "We have every available officer out working those nights."

All selective enforcement

teams will patrol on motorcycles and in cars throughout the township. Bicycle patrols will be increased in subdivisions.

"We're doing what we always do. We always have increased presence out on Halloween," Golles said.

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System will help Canton Police with candy checks. The center will X-ray the candy to check for metal objects from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Halloween.

Trick-or-treaters may bring their candy to Saint Joseph at 1600 S. Canton Center Road.

This year will mark Saint Joseph Mercy's third candy check.

"We haven't found any suspicious items in any of the candy so far," reported Cathy Morgan, diagnostic coordinator, who will supervise the check next Wednesday.

"We'll have two security officers and two police officers, so it should go pretty smoothly," she said.

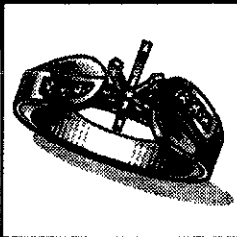
Saint Joseph Mercy will also serve refreshments to trick-or-treaters while they wait to have their candy checked.



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Hugh Harsha of the Educational Excellence Foundation; Plymouth resident Scott Lorenz; Tom Yack, Canton Township supervisor; Steve Mann, Plymouth Township supervisor; Sue

Davis, school board trustee; Joan Noricks, president of the Canton Community Foundation; Elaine Kirchgatter, Canton Township treasurer; Plymouth resident Phil Pursell; Ellison Franklin, West Middle School principal and president of the Plymouth-Canton Administrators union; and the Rev. Eric Moore of Canton Community Church in Plymouth.

Booher told school board members two weeks ago she was seeking another position because her effectiveness had been undermined by community members who are trying to discredit changes she's made in the district.

In fact, the Wayne County prosecutor's office has begun an investigation into the actions of a former board member for possible illegal activities in attempting to find out background information about Booher from the Berkley school district, where Booher was superintendent before being hired by Plymouth-Canton in February 2000.

"Finding a good school superintendent and leaders is becoming more and more difficult," said Yack. "If the school board

positions are undermined by individuals who want to use tactics that are ethically questionable, then we need to stand up and say enough is enough.

"If we lose her (Booher), what does that communicate to the rest of the educational community?" he added. "She has great credentials, has done a fine job, represents the school district well, and cares very deeply about the school district. I think the consensus of the group is they'd like to see her stay."

Booher was surprised at the amount of support she received from fellow community leaders.

"I had no idea the silent majority would speak up as loudly as they're speaking," she said. "That's a great testimonial to the community."

However, will it be enough to keep Booher as CEO of Plymouth-Canton Schools?

"My ethics are such that I knew I had to make my decision with finality. I had to know in my heart that it was what I was going to do, because I would never want to be perceived as making the statement in order to manipulate or as a tactic to create anything," she said.

Physical Therapy UPDATE

Hands On Center


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A WOMAN'S VULNERABILITY

The anterior cruciate ligament (ACL), one of the four stabilizing ligaments in the knee, can be injured due to a blow to the knee or twisting motion of the leg during sporting activities. Women are eight times more likely to sustain this injury than men, and there is now mounting evidence that hormonal activity may be a contributing factor. Recent research shows that a woman's risk of tearing her anterior cruciate ligament is eight times greater during ovulation than at other times of the month. This increased risk may be due to hormonal influences that occur on a neuromuscular level, affecting a woman's coordination and balance as well as the overall response of her muscles and tendons.

As there are few forms of exercise which don't involve the use of your knee, it's important for women to seek diagnosis and treatment of knee pain or stiffness at the onset of the occurrence; sustaining permanent damage. If you have been injured due to accident or overuse, or have recently undergone surgery, ask your physician for a referral to the HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY, located in Plymouth, at 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 20. For more information about our practice, please call 455-8370.

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A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, November 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following items:

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Side Yard Setback-New Addition
Zoned: R-1, Single Family residential
Applicant: Jeff Crampton

Z-01-20 483 Maple Ave. Non-Use Variance Requested
Front Yard Setback-New Addition
Zoned: RT-1, Two Family Residential
Applicant: David & Hedeel Evans

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All interested persons are invited to attend.

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Plenty of 'wow factor' at new Metro terminal

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When they talk about the soon-to-open midfield terminal at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport, they use phrases such as "wow factor" and "passenger-friendly."

And judging by a recent walk-through of the \$1.2 billion structure, those observations by airport and Northwest Airlines officials are as on-the-mark as the pilots who routinely land jumbo jets on nearby runways.

"Our number one priority is to be passenger-friendly, to make sure people have a pleasant travel experience," said the project's construction manager for Northwest, Chuck McCloskey. "We want people to enjoy being at Metro Airport. We want it to be the hub of choice for the eastern United States."

Creature comforts and visual treats abound inside the 97-gate county-owned facility, to officially be called the Edward H. McNamara Terminal.

"Look at the architecture," McCloskey said. "The high ceilings and gentle curves give you the feeling of flight."

Getting to North America's 10th busiest airport will be an improvement, too. A decade or so ago, when Wayne County and airport officials started getting serious about transforming

Metro into a world class terminal, plans for a south access road were panned as a "road to nowhere."

But very soon, motorists can exit I-275 at Eureka Road and approach the midfield terminal on three levels of five-lane roadways — each feeding 1,000 feet of curb space.

Admittedly, McCloskey said Northwest — who will be the primary airline using the 97-gate facility — borrowed some of the best features of other U.S. airports in designing it. Other airlines expected to use the terminal include Northwest partners such as international carriers British Airways, KLM and Lufthansa.

Almost there

Last Thursday, some escalators were missing panels, workers needed to step around construction debris to install wiring and tubing, dust and dirt blanketed plastic-covered seats in gate areas.

"But things are virtually done," said airport spokesman Brian Lassaline, among those wearing hardhats and plastic eye goggles for the tour. "We're still on target for our Jan. 20 opening." The original December unveiling was moved back due to the holidays and North American International Auto Show, slated for early January at Cobo Center in Detroit, Lassaline added.

Meanwhile, McCloskey does not foresee any major design changes inside the terminal to deal with airport security changes ordered by the Federal Aviation Administration in the

wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks — such as the elimination of curbside luggage check-ins and barring the admittance of so-called "meeters and greeters" into gate areas.

"We don't know what the (FAA) policy is going to be," McCloskey emphasized. "We've all been in a state of flux since Sept. 11. Whatever it's going to be it will be, and we'll react to it."

Still, when the general public finally steps into the terminal on Jan. 20, 2002, probably having left their cars in the adjacent 11,500 space, 10-story parking deck, much awaits them:

For example, local eateries and shops such as Buddy's Pizza will be prominent, not to mention certain customer draws such as the Motown Cafe or Henry Ford Museum Store.

Available for use or enjoyment will be 1.5 miles of movable walkways, two elevated indoor trams, a black marble water fountain, a glass rotunda, 14 security check points, 125,000 square feet of retail shops and restaurants, 9,000 gate-area seats and Detroit-made Pewabic tile on exterior restroom facades.

Because of the trams and movable walkways, domestic passengers can make connecting flights in an average of 11 minutes; international connections can be made in 31 minutes, according to a fact sheet for the terminal.

To further ease navigation inside the terminal from gate-to-gate, large information boards will be strategically placed so that they can get on a tram if time is getting tight.

As passengers exit walkways,



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Take off: A Northwest Airlines jet lifts off to the east of the new Northwest Airlines terminal last week. The new parking structure, at right, is said to be the largest in the world.

they will pour out into "support cores" featuring newsstands, coffee shops, restaurants and even destination points such as the Online Cafe Bar & Grille.

"When the moving sidewalk stops the customer has a lot of choices to make if he or she wants to," McCloskey continued.

World class experience

World Club members will get a lot for their \$400 annual membership, with the facility boasting four — count 'em — well-appointed suites, the largest being 20,000 square feet. Mem-

bers can check in with ease at ticketing counters, go to an oxygen bar, store laptops in lockers or even take a shower if they want to.

"Showers are for the international passenger who might want to get freshened up before a meeting," explained McCloskey.

Those international travelers also won't have to move between terminals when trying to catch a connecting flight, as they must currently do at Metro. In fact, McCloskey noted how international and domestic gates share

one of the modernistic terminal's three levels.

And when passengers leave, those being picked up by relatives can jump into vehicles without being hassled by taxis or parking lot shuttle buses because those will use another pick-up point. When all is said and done, the McNamara terminal should leave quite a first impression on those passengers.

"The wow factor is going to be there," Larry Tokarski of the airport's special projects division said in understated fashion. "It's pretty spectacular."



Latest design: Modern design, a clock and practical information welcome travelers at each gate in the new terminal.

Aging terminals date back to the 1950s

BY MIKE MALOTT
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The opening of Metro Airport's new McNamara Terminal this coming January will be the culmination of a project that has been in the works since 1986.

The building was proposed, in concept, in the airport's master plan drafted that year. But it became apparent in 1988 that the project would truly be needed when Republic Airlines, which had already designated Metro as a hub airport, merged with Northwest Orient. Airport spokesman Brian Lassaline said the resulting airline, Northwest, would eventually make Detroit its largest hub.

Today, the airport handles an estimated 35.5 million passengers per year, about three times the number the existing airport terminals were designed to handle. If travelers often have complaints about the existing airport, it ought not be surprising, considering the current terminals were first put up in 1957 and 1966.

Since then, what improvements have been made have really been "a Band-Aid approach," intended as short-term solutions only, Lassaline said.

More building

But the construction won't stop in January. Once the new terminal is opened, and airlines shift their operations there, the airport will begin a second project to reconstruct the current terminals for more efficient operation. By

2006, the project should be completed and ready to handle all the growth and traffic expected at Metro Airport through the year 2020, according to Lassaline.

Airport development is no small task. A key part of the expansions going on there now revolves around the construction of the airport's fourth parallel runway. That runway alone has required 10 years worth of work.

Between the planning and design work,

Lassaline. But the results will be significant. With the additional runway operating, Metro will be able to land three planes at the same time, greatly increasing its capacity.

The terminal, recently renamed after Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara, is also a huge project. Northwest and Wayne County inked the deal for construction of the \$1.2 billion, mile-long building back in 1996.

97 gates

To put up the 2-million-square-foot building, it took 14,500 tons of structural steel and 120,000 cubic yards of concrete.

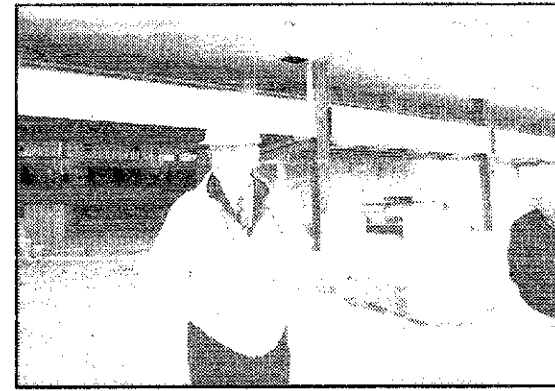
But the result will be 97 new gates, handling everything from 747s to commuter flights. Travelers can make their way around the huge facility on 1.5 miles of moving walkways or riding a 200-passenger tram that moves from one end of the building to the other in just a few minutes, according to director of construction Chuck McCloskey.

Connected to it is an 11,000-space parking deck — the largest in the world, according to Lassaline.

An international terminal will also be connected via underground walkways. International travelers never need to walk outside.

Eighteen luggage carousels will handle passengers' baggage, compared to the four now operating at Metro Airport.

All of it is designed, according to Chuck McCloskey, to be a "passenger friendly airport" giving travelers a "very pleasant travel experience."



Construction boss: Chuck McCloskey of Northwest Airlines describes the features of the new terminal.

along with the required environmental impact statement and studies of the effects of airport noise on the surrounding communities, runway construction has taken a decade, explained

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University of Michigan Health System
Paul Butler

Tax vote from page A1

HB-5157, a bill that would enable voters in Wayne County Community College communities to vote themselves out of the district.

The bill was originally drafted to enable voters statewide to opt out of their community college districts, but has been narrowed to apply only to Wayne County Community College, Patterson said.

"In Canton, voters defeated the last millage increase by two-and-a-half to one," Patterson said, adding he doesn't favor the millage increase.

A 'hard sell'

"Wayne County Community College has had a great deal of struggle," he said. "(The increase) is a hard sell for me. It's hard to believe we're getting a lot of bang for our buck, especially when you compare Wayne County Community College to Schoolcraft College, which is so good." He added his daughter earned a degree from Schoolcraft, and he has been impressed with their quality and number of course offerings.

Further, Patterson said some state elected officials believe Wayne County Community College put the increase on the bal-

Two years ago, WCCC's western campus enrollment was just over 300, and this semester, there are nearly 900 students.

lot too soon after last year's defeat, and in a manner which suburban voters would not come to the polls to vote against it.

"Voters in Detroit, which is also in Wayne County Community College's district, usually approve millage increases, and they will be voting in city elections on Nov. 6. But in Canton, this is the only issue on the ballot," he said.

A homeowner with a \$200,000

house would see taxes increase \$150 a year. The tax would be levied for 10 years, raising \$32.3 million in the first year, alone.

"That's just a lot of money," Patterson said.

Canton residents in the Wayne County Community College district paid nearly \$286,000 in WCCC millage last year. The increase would raise the amount to more than \$428,000.

Just over 100 students from Canton attended the community college last year.

Where it goes

The money would be used, according to ballot language, for "all community college purposes authorized by law."

In the past, that may have meant a lot of funding for program expansion at the Detroit campus, but not much for outer campuses such as the one in Belleville, which at one point was so under-attended it stopped offering classes between 1993 and 1995.

The college has made a new

commitment to the outer campuses, said western campus provost Marjorie Oliver.

"In the past, that was probably true, the western campus was under-served. But that's not the case today. We've expanded programs, and brought in a couple brand new programs, and our enrollment has gone up threefold since 1999," she said.

Two years ago, WCCC's western campus enrollment was just over 300, and this semester, there are nearly 900 students.

Still, she recognized the college has to earn the confidence of its districts.

"Last year, when we lost the millage, we were asking for the increase to be permanent. We knew that we would have to come back to the voters because we still need the money, but we thought if we asked for a 10-year millage, it would be more attractive. The voters could hold us accountable," Oliver said.

College officials have said the money is needed to expand programs and services at locations such as the western Wayne County (Belleville) campus.

"Even if the millage passes, we'll still be one of the least-funded community colleges in the state. Right now we are 26th or 27th out of 28. With the new millage, we would be 22nd," Oliver said, adding community colleges receive on average 3.8 mills.

Schoolcraft Community College levies 1.8 mills.

Staff writer Darrel Clem contributed to this story.

Goodfellows collecting on Saturday

The Canton Goodfellows are looking for people who want to make a difference on Saturday.

The Goodfellows will be stationed at the Freedom Park pavilion 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for Make A Difference Day collecting donations for their annual Christmas baskets.

Items needed for the baskets include new underwear and socks for boys and girls; clean, warm clothing; canned goods (soup, vegetables, etc.); boxed goods (macaroni and cheese, etc.); breakfast cereals; and other, non-perishable foods.

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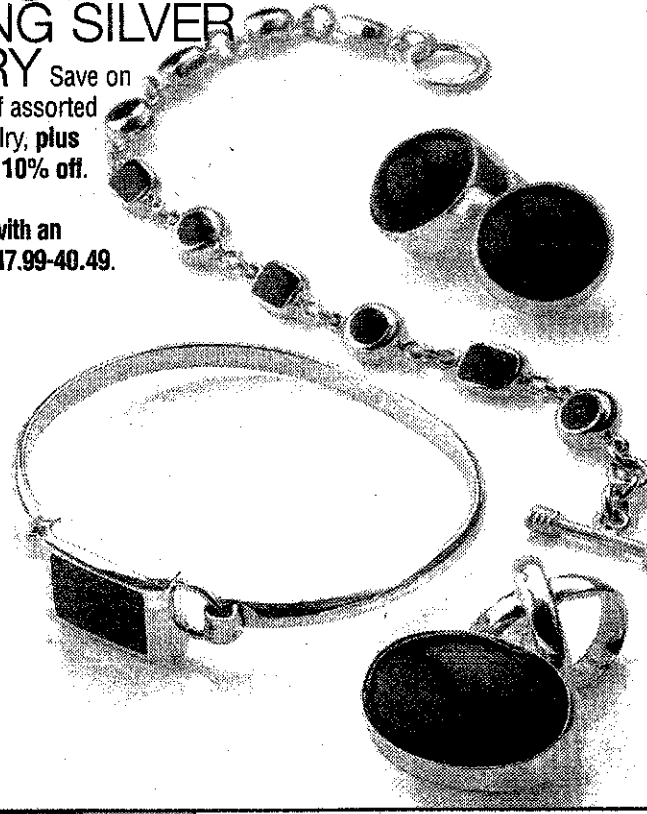
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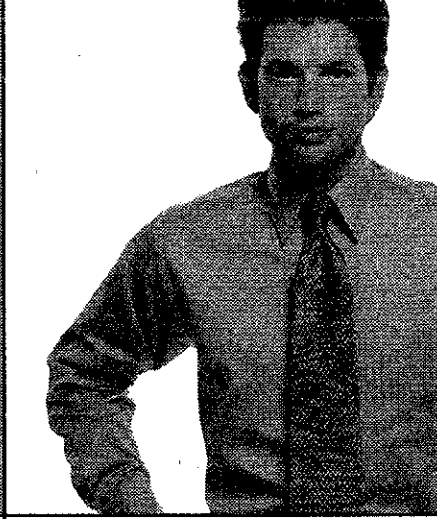
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Artrain *from page A1*

the NASA museum, and they are fabulous. Some of the paintings are so good they look like photographs," said Joyce Costanza, Artrain USA chairwoman for the stop in Plymouth, the only Wayne County community that is hosting the train. "It's been absolutely one of the most rewarding experiences as a volunteer that I've ever had."

After a VIP party on Friday, Artrain USA is open to the public Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. More than 800 school children from Plymouth and Canton will visit on Monday and Tuesday, with additional public viewing those days from 2:30-5 p.m. Artrain's five cars will be stationed on the rail siding behind the Plymouth Cultural Center. Admission is free.

This will be the fourth time Artrain has stopped in Plymouth during its 30-year history, bringing visual art exhibitions and programs to communities across the country.

"It's an opportunity for many who don't get to go to museums in Washington, D.C., New York, or even the Detroit Institute of Arts," said Costanza. "Artrain brings it so the entire community can see the different medias of art."

The PCAC has been working through this week to raise the

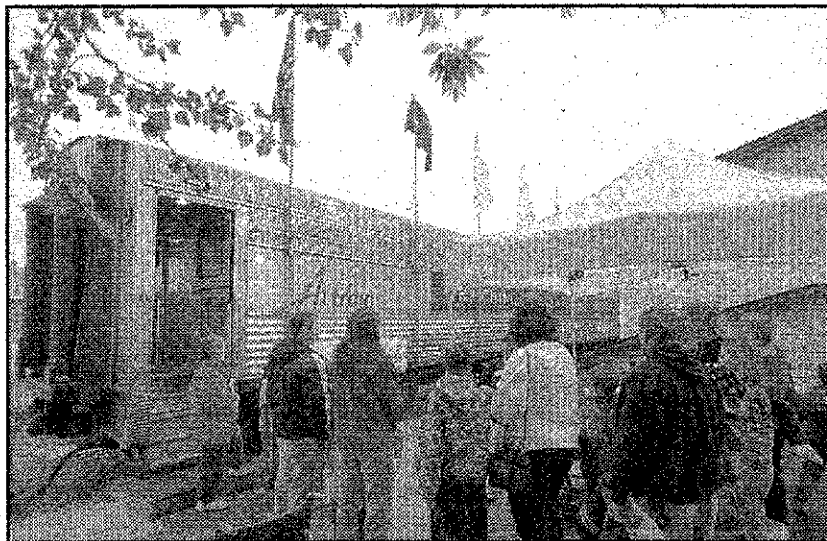
more than \$15,000 it takes to host the exhibit.

"As soon as we realized we could present this in the proper manor, we went to Visteon and they stepped up and acted as our major sponsor," said Costanza. Visteon came up with \$8,000, and PCAC organizers were confident they would raise the remaining few thousand dollars this week, with the help of Friday's Space Odyssey Masquerade Bash at the Plymouth Cultural Center. It's a \$25 gala, costumes optional, which gives party-goers a VIP tour of Artrain USA without having to stand in line.

NASA astronaut Anthony England, currently a professor at the University of Michigan, will also be on hand to tell of his experiences in space.

In conjunction with Artrain USA, the Plymouth Old Village Development Authority is hosting local student artists, musical entertainment and dancing in Cannon Park on Farmer Street. Plymouth Old Village Art Blast 2001 will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Plymouth Cultural Center will also be home to additional demonstrating artists on both Saturday and Sunday.



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All aboard: People line up to board the Art Train in West Branch Oct. 13. The mobile art gallery featuring photos and art work from NASA and space will arrive in Plymouth for public viewing on Oct. 27-28.

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Birds *from A1*

smell."

Kucinski has attracted some beautiful birds, she said, but added she can't control the other birds and animals that are also attracted to the food.

"I can't just hang up a 'No Pigeons' sign to keep them from coming, too," she said.

The neighbors are worried about the mess and diseases spread by the wildlife that now calls their neighborhood home.

"The feeders are attracting pigeons - which are basically flying rats - by the hundreds," said Julie Dobersek. "They cover our roofs, and when they leave, their droppings are all over the place."

Groundhogs, fox and possum have also been attracted to the feed in the Kucinski yard.

"You really don't want these animals in your back yard when you live so close together like this. Kids can't play in their back yards anymore, there's so much filth out there," Dobersek said.

Fat and happy

The neighbors are also worried because the birds and woodland critters don't want to leave.

"The ducks and other birds that usually migrate stayed here all winter," said Dobersek.

That can be dangerous for the animals, said Municipal Services Director Aaron Machnik.

Migratory birds are prompted to migrate when food supply runs short. The search for food lands them in warmer climates.

"If we have a particularly cold, hard winter, we could see a lot of these birds getting sick and dying," if they don't migrate.

Further, the animals are getting fat, and their likelihood to survive and breed successfully is diminished.

Community clash

The feeders have created a neighborhood feud, said Kucinski.

"(Some of my neighbors) came to my house one day, and were using language I was glad my son didn't hear. They told me they hated my guts, and they wish I would move," she said.

One of her neighbors has shot some of the birds, according to Kucinski, and the police have come to visit the neighborhood four times to address complaints from her and her neighbors.

Kucinski called the township to find out if there is an ordinance to prohibit her from feeding the animals, and found there wasn't.

"I found out I'm not breaking any laws, since there's no ordinance, so I'm going to do what I like to do," she said. "If they pass an ordinance, I'll abide by it, but I'm afraid that as soon as one dove shows up in my yard the police will be called to my house."

Dobersek admitted it hasn't been easy sharing a neighborhood with Kucinski.

"We have spoken to her about it. We've tried to be as nice as we can. We even suggested they might want to live out in the country where they can feed all the animals they want, but it's like a big game to her," Dobersek said.

The ordinance is scheduled for a second reading Nov. 13, and could go into effect immediately after its passage and publication.

New high school is topic of Saturday forum

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will be opening its third high school, Plymouth High School, in August 2002. In anticipation of that opening, the community is invited to an event being called "A Community Con-

versation" from 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 27, at the East Middle School cafeteria.

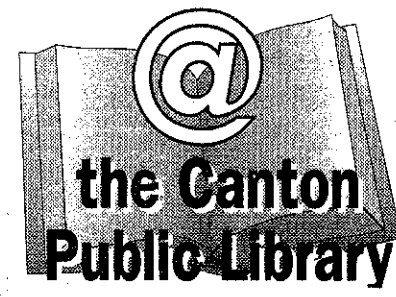
According to school officials, the educational and support teams at Salem and Canton High Schools have been working

for more than a year with consultants from the University of Toronto on High School Renewal. "This process is an element of our plan for bringing the new high school on line and represents our commitment to

"renewing" our program for students at all three high schools," they said.

The Renewal Process is a comprehensive project that involves reviewing the many aspects of the educational program at the district's two high schools. It also includes designing a thorough preparation plan for the merging of the new Plymouth High School with Canton and Salem.

Please RSVP to Linda Kelly at (734) 416-3154 or e-mail her at kellyl@pccs.k12.mi.us.



Did you know?

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Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday at 2 a.m.? Remember to turn your clocks "back" one hour.

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Q & A

Q: When was the Internet created?

A: On Oct. 29, 1969, the first connection on what would become the Internet was made when bits of data flowed between computers at UCLA and the Stanford Research Institute. This was the beginning of Arpanet, the precursor to the Internet developed by the Dept.

of Defense. By the end of 1969, four sites were connected, and by the end of the next year, there were 10 sites, with applications like e-mail and file transfer utilities. The @ symbol was adopted in 1972 and a year later, 75 percent of Arpanet traffic was e-mail. Arpanet was decommissioned in 1990 and the National Science Foundation's NSFnet took over the role of backbone of the Internet.

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Hot Topic Of The Week

Erie Canal Anniversary- Oct. 26, 1825! The Erie Canal was the first US major man-made waterway. When it opened in 1825, it provided a water route from Lake Erie to the Hudson River. Construction started July 4, 1817 at a cost of \$7,602,000. Cannons fired and celebrations were held all along the route for the opening.

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LAWRENCE W. SKAVDAHL

Services for Lawrence Skavdahl, 58, of Plymouth were held Oct. 20 at Christ Lutheran Church in Redford.

Mr. Skavdahl was born March 29, 1943 in Dearborn and died Oct. 15 in Plymouth. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1962-1966, as a sergeant and sentry dog handler in the K-9 Corp. Following the service, he led a K-9 school, training U.S. and European police departments and members of the U.S. Marine Corps in police dog handling, and dog narcotics and bomb detection.

He went south during the 1970s and became a deputy sheriff and narcotics vice detective in Louisiana. After returning to Michigan, he became a freelance dog trainer and co-owned a small pet supplies business in downtown Plymouth from 1979 to 1989. After selling the business, he worked in building security for Unisys in Plymouth. He was a member of the Southern Cruisers Riding Club.

Survivors include father, William Skavdahl; brother, Jon Skavdahl; and girlfriend, Sue. Arrangements were made by

Vermeulen Funeral Home.

LOTTIE A. SCHOTT

Services for Lottie Schott, 86, of Plymouth were held Oct. 19 at St. Edith Catholic Church with the Rev. Timothy J. Murray officiating. Burial was at St. Mary Catholic Cemetery in Kinde, Mich.

Mrs. Schott was born Nov. 26, 1914 in Zuawice, Poland and died Oct. 15 in Northville. In 1922, at the age of 8, she moved with her family to the U.S., where an elementary school teacher suggested that "Wladzia" Americanize her name to Lottie.

After marrying, she spent 14 years in Detroit working and raising her family. The couple moved to Kinde in 1947 to take over the family farm, where they remained until their move to Arizona in 1975. She remained in Arizona until 1991, when she returned to be near her family as her health declined.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Schott.

Survivors include son, Richard E. (Sharon) Schott of Plymouth; daughter, Carol (William) Whiteis of Iowa City, Iowa; brother, John (Betty) Mroczek of Ply-

mouth; grandchildren, Lisa (David) Ringer of Tecumseh and Michael Boyles of Plymouth; great-grandchildren, Mitchell, Jacob and Alyssa Ringer; brother, Harold Reeder of Washington; sisters, Margaret Burghardt of Traverse City, Hazel Riley of Ionia, and Betty Willbee of Citrus Heights, Calif.; sister-in-law, June Hesse of Plymouth; nephew, Ron Hesse of Plymouth; and cousin, Bette Grill of Florida.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lighthouse Hospice, 24293 Telegraph Road, Suite 102, Southfield, Mich. 48034. Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

BILLY W. REEDER

Services for Billy Reeder, 81, of Plymouth were held Oct. 12 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Thomas E. Hart officiating. Burial was at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Mr. Reeder was born May 3, 1920 in Livonia and died Oct. 9 in Plymouth. He was a postman in Plymouth and Livonia and was retired. He was a life-long Plymouth resident. He was a member of the South Lyon Methodist Church. He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1938. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother and friend. He enjoyed farming, was an avid reader, enjoyed Big Band music and watching westerns.

Survivors include daughter, Shari (John) Gritenas of Ply-

mouth; grandchildren, Lisa (David) Ringer of Tecumseh and Michael Boyles of Plymouth; great-grandchildren, Mitchell, Jacob and Alyssa Ringer; brother, Harold Reeder of Washington; sisters, Margaret Burghardt of Traverse City, Hazel Riley of Ionia, and Betty Willbee of Citrus Heights, Calif.; sister-in-law, June Hesse of Plymouth; nephew, Ron Hesse of Plymouth; and cousin, Bette Grill of Florida.

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CARROLL L. "IKE" PORTER

Services for Carroll Porter, 90 of Plymouth will be held Oct. 27 at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth.

Mr. Porter was born Aug. 29, 1911 in Blissfield and died Oct. 19 in Saline. He was a resident of Plymouth for 64 years. After graduating from Michigan State University in 1937 with a bachelor of science degree in landscape

architecture, Ike joined the Parks and Forestry Department of the Wayne County Road Commission as a landscape designer. The last 11 years of his career were spent in his final position as head of the department when he was appointed Superintendent of Parks and Recreation. He retired in 1972.

Highlights of Ike's career include the opening of the 500-acre William Holiday Forest and Wildlife Preserve and the creation of the Nankin Mills Nature Center, but he was most proud of his involvement in the park development of Hines Drive east of Newburgh.

While fulfilling his employment responsibilities, Ike was also deeply involved in professional associations and civic endeavors. He was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, the Michigan Academy of Science, the Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects of which he was president in 1958, and the Plymouth City Planning Commission. He was a

member of the Plymouth Kiwanis Club for 50 years. He loved to golf, garden, and tell stories, but will be remembered most for his wit, kindness and gentleness.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Alice Porter; brother, Merland; and sister, Faith.

Survivors include daughter, Kay (Jerry) Swain; son, J. Michael (Kay) Porter; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and brother, Townsend.

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Canton board should act now on paid MLK holiday

The preliminaries are complete and the window of opportunity is closing. The Canton Township Board of Trustees should vote – the sooner the better – on acknowledging Martin Luther King Day next January.

The Observer believes anything less than full recognition – including a paid holiday for township employees – is unacceptable. We hold fast to this view while conceding that outcome is unlikely, given the current lukewarm support by most board members. At a minimum though, a vote will put each trustee on record regarding the holiday and serve as a starting point for the next round.

The Human Relations Committee set up by the board last year – in the wake of the King debate – has done its job on this issue. Committee representatives presented their report to the board at a study session last week.

In addition to the paid holiday, recommendations include setting up cultural events and diversity training for residents and employees throughout the year; and working jointly with Plymouth-Canton Community Schools on educational tie-ins for local students.

The board will likely adopt some of these measures. But without granting the paid holiday, it will be a hollow, half-hearted compromise. Is that the message trustees want to send to the community? We don't think so. In fact, what better time for forceful, united action than now, with the country at war against an evil no less despicable than the injustices King battled in his lifetime.

The parallel was eloquently drawn by the Rev. Mark Moore of Canton's Agape Family Worship Center. "We've seen recently how ignorance and isolation can promote hatred and destroy lives," Moore said during the study session. "The best

way for our government to show its leadership in diversity issues is to establish a paid day off for its workers on Martin Luther King Day."

Frankly, we find it odd and a bit troubling that the issue of a paid holiday has grown from a minor stumbling block to a brick wall for this particular board. This administration – and the community it represents – is progressive in so many other ways, it puzzles us as to why it refuses to pick up the mantle. Especially in an era when Canton's explosive growth has led to a far more diverse community than anyone could have imagined. Remember, this is a township that saw its first great population spurt in the early 1970s after a federal judge made it the first stop outside the boundaries of a school busing desegregation plan.

We've heard every reason for not granting a paid holiday from loss of productivity and waste of taxpayer dollars to a "fear" that this "precedent" could lead to additional days off in the future. Not only do they all ring false – township hall was shuttered on both Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 during the most recent winter holidays – they raise the specter of foot-dragging by local officials. And history tells us such delay tactics are just plain stupid when it comes to civil rights.

It seems celebrating King's accomplishments in the appropriate manner has become an annual plea on the part of this newspaper. That's unfortunate. But we serve notice here that we'll continue to hammer away until we see meaningful progress on what many believe is a substantive issue.

Racism – even when not overtly present in the community – isn't something you sweep away and forget. Neither are the efforts to combat its evils and prevent its recurrence.

Anthrax outbreak calls for caution, not fear

Franklin Roosevelt told the American people in the 1930s that the only thing they had to fear was fear itself. The economic depression that gripped the nation would pass with time. Things would improve, but only if we did not let unreasoning fear drag us under.

Fear is gripping this nation again. The attacks of Sept. 11 led to a sudden and steep decline in air travel, delivering a crippling blow to an industry already in economic trouble.

In recent weeks, biological terrorism has spread the web of fear even farther.

First several large media companies received letters laced with anthrax, a bacteria that if inhaled can be deadly. Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle received one of these deadly letters, exposing several staff members to the bacteria. This led to a parting of ways by House and Senate, with House Speaker Dennis Hastert opting to close for a few days to decontaminate the Capitol.

And the fear has spread to our own communities. The sight of any white powder is creating high anxiety. In a recent 10-day period, a western Wayne County hazardous materials team has dealt with 17 calls about powder in a letter. Many local police departments are receiving calls about suspicious white powder in everything from Christmas ornaments to dusty stock rooms to a high school in Inkster, where the powder turned out to be cocaine.

In addition to fears generated by incidents in Washington, D.C., New York and Florida, there have been local reports of crank threats to abortion clinics and reports of jokesters sending flour in the mail.

Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano issued a stern warning to those who participate in false scares either for intimidation or for a twisted sense humor. "We will devote the highest priority to capturing you, we will seek the maximum criminal penalty under law, and we will go after your financial assets to pay for the costs associated with evacuating buildings and lab testing of materials."

We agree with Sheriff Ficano that anyone who contributes to the fear already

gripping this country should be vigorously pursued and prosecuted.

We also believe that everyone has to balance caution with common sense. Not all white powder is anthrax. Anthrax is hard to contact. The most common form of anthrax disease is a treatable skin infection. Inhaled anthrax, which attacks the lungs, is deadly but hard to contract.

Your chances of being infected with anthrax are considerably less than your

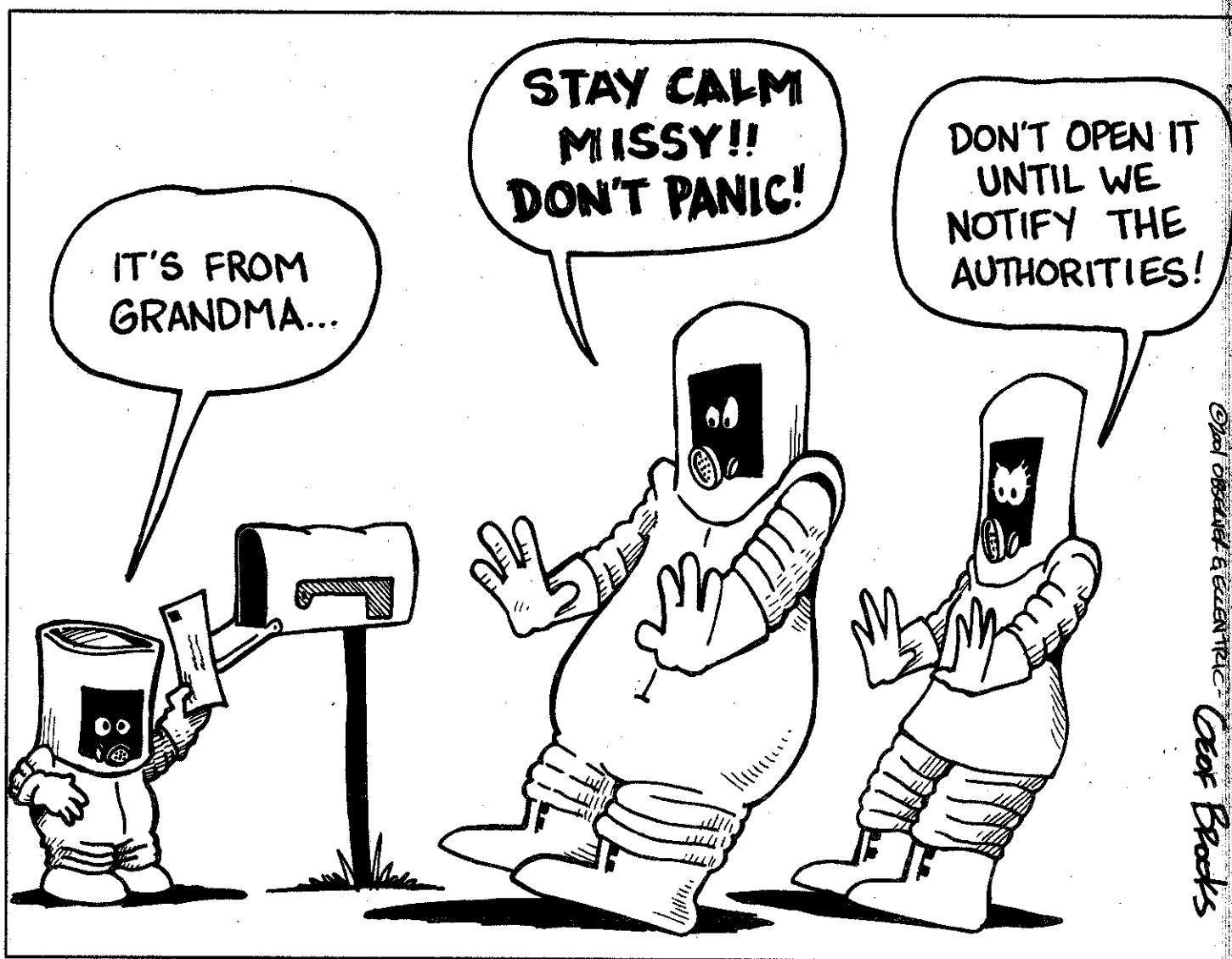
chances of being injured in an auto accident, yet most of us do not drive in a state of fear.

Still, some common sense precautions, like a seat belt when driving, will reduce your chances even further. The sheriff's office has these suggestions for those who are suspicious of letters that appear to have a white powder:

Do not move the envelope; do not attempt to clean up any spilled material; do not shake the contents of suspicious items; do not turn on ventilation systems; do not remain in the area; do not smell the substance; do not expose the substance to wind; do not walk through or track the substance around the area; do not touch any body parts until hands have been washed with soap and water.

Do place unopened letter in a plastic bag; cover any spilled contents; wash hands with soap and water; place clothing in plastic bag that may have come in contact with the substance; leave the room immediately and close doors; shut down fans; call local police department immediately.

Be alert, be careful, but do not be afraid.



LETTERS

■ No to paid holiday

While I agree that Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday should be commemorated and celebrated in many ways, giving Canton employees the day off with pay is not one of them ("HRC calls for King holiday," Canton Observer, Oct. 18).

In reading the article, I did not discern one legitimate reason why granting Canton employees the day off with pay would further the memory or accomplishments of Dr. King or for that matter, promote diversity among Canton residents in any way. There are legitimate ways to honor Dr. King. They include programs in our school system, library and in our community.

Canton is well capable of organizing special events commemorating a special day.

The Canton Human Relations Commission as well as the Canton Board of Trustees should not be pressured by people who equate not granting the day off to Canton employees as somehow racist. Playing the race card may have worked in the past but it will not work today.

Honor the memory of Dr. King by doing something more meaningful than giving a bunch of employees a day off to run errands, etc.

Janusz M. Szyszko
Canton

■ Very disappointed

It was very disappointing for me to learn last week that Dr. Boohar will soon be leaving the district. During her 18 months here, the efforts of the school district staff to provide high-quality educational programs have never been more sharply focused. She has provided a bold vision for the future of the District while earning widespread support and respect among District employees.

What has been particularly disturbing to me and should be very disturbing to the community are the reasons behind her impending departure.

As residents of Canton and Plymouth communities, I urge you to pay close attention to what has happened. The district is about to lose this strong leader because of the highly questionable moral and ethical behavior and possibly illegal actions of at least two community members.

Over the next few weeks, you will begin to find out the details of how these individuals have worked behind the scenes to obstruct the superintendent's efforts to do her job. If you pay close attention, you will see these individuals have worked diligently outside boundaries this community would tolerate as legitimate to advance their own agenda.

If you follow school district business, you will notice that these individuals have operated sometimes within legitimate means. They attend and speak at Board of Education meetings and write letters to editors of local newspapers.

Instead of seeking an even wider forum for their dissent, like running for the school board and letting the voters of the community decide if they agree enough with their positions to elect them, they instead have taken a less courageous route.

These tactics have included misusing the intent of the Freedom of Information Act to overwhelm the superintendent's office with requests for information, meeting minutes, e-mails, and voice mail communication. I have to wonder if these same people are responsible for the tactics outlined in the statement released by the superintendent on Oct. 14.

As residents, you should know these individuals formerly held elected leadership positions in the district. During

their tenure, there was widespread disrespect among district employees for their leadership. From newspaper accounts, these same people are pushing their agenda to return to these "good old days." It appears that these people have moved beyond legitimate forms of dissent to vicious, behind the scenes actions designed to make their point. They appear to have won the first round. Dr. Boohar is leaving.

As residents of our community, you have much to worry about from these people. They have forced a strong leader out of the district. The reasons for her resignation will find their way to other strong candidates for this position. Some of them will not apply.

Unless the new superintendent shares the vision of these individuals, what is to stop them from continuing their work to prevent his or her effectiveness? Be leery of these people. They do not care about the quality of education your child is receiving from our schools. They care about advancing their own agenda outside of legitimate means of dissent. They appear to be willing to do almost anything to force it upon you and those of us who work for the district.

Look forward to the local newspapers carrying accounts of a superintendent search and litigation instead of news that the community, the Board of Education, and employees of the district are working together to improve schools for your children. You will have them to thank for this news.

Jim Burt, Principal
Eriksson Elementary School

■ Sad news

The recent article in the Plymouth Observer (10/14/01) relative to Superintendent Dr. Kathleen Boohar pursuing other interests saddens the Educational Excellence Foundation (EEF). EEF is an independent foundation with a mission of serving the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

We applaud the accomplishments of Dr. Boohar. She has been an invaluable resource to the Foundation. She has facilitated enhancement of overall education and brought new ideas for EEF development. From our view, Dr. Boohar has established harmony in the District, has encouraged individual thought and has listened and responded to educational concerns. She has done this quietly, efficiently and effectively. This letter is a visible means of expressing our wholehearted support for her continuing the excellent work she has begun here.

Educational Excellence
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James Kosteva, Chairman

■ Nefarious methods

I have chosen this medium specifically to communicate to you, and your readers, my extreme distress after reading the article concerning Dr. Kathleen Boohar in your paper on Sunday ("Frustrated Boohar job hunting," Oct. 14). Apparently there are nefarious elements in our community who prefer underhanded and un-American methods of dealing with issues with which, perhaps, they disagree. I find this sort of attack on any public figure disgusting and despicable to the nth degree.

I counted myself fortunate to be selected to serve on the citizen search committee when the school district was last looking for a superintendent. That search, of course, resulted in the hiring of Dr. Boohar. She was, in my estimation, by far the best candidate from which the school board had to choose.

Her professionalism, experience, and leadership qualities far outshone the other candidates being considered by the school board.

This view was in the process of being confirmed, I believe, once she got the job, and started to bring her views of education to the fore by encouraging the implementation of her vision for the school district. There was definitely progress being made in the district that had been meandering without direction for some time.

While I do think public comment and disagreement are healthy, there are plenty of opportunities in this community for everyone to make their viewpoints clear in a public forum. To have what I believe to be the majority of citizens of the district deprived of the high quality leadership that Dr. Boohar could have provided for a very long time is beyond understanding.

I would hope that there is still time for us as a community to make it clear to her that we are not in any way supportive of such devious methods as have been attributed to those who disagree with her administration and, thereby, change her decision to leave the district.

Bill Pratt
Plymouth Township

■ God Bless America

On September eleventh the tragedy struck. A countless number of lives it took. Some friends, some family, and others unknown... we watched in horror as the pictures were shown. Tears were shed, as our nation fell, the evils of terrorism brought on this hell. But Americans united, hand in hand, to protect the country for this is OUR land! "Osama bin Laden, you WILL NOT win!!" this is no holy war... this is hatred, my friends. So keep standing strong in our land of the free and America will prevail, in the end, you shall see! God Bless America!

Jamey Kay
Canton

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Impact of Sept. 11 will be with us for a long time

Two experiences over the weekend convinced me the impact of the September 11 terrorist attacks will be profound, not immediately apparent and certainly not confined to New York or Washington, D.C.

Over the weekend, I flew to New York and back to Detroit to visit a dear friend suffering from brain cancer. The most noticeable change, compared to previous trips, was the enormously increased number of security people at Detroit Metropolitan and LaGuardia airports. In New York, there seemed to be security guards everywhere I went.

During the flight, I fell into conversation with a woman from Birmingham who works on the 35th

floor of the Renaissance Center. "I'm a little worried," she said at one point. "The Ren Cen is just too big and makes too big a target. I'm seriously thinking of getting a different job in a smaller building."

Both episodes got me to thinking about what's going on just under the surface of all the daily news reports of bombing and Afghanistan and anthrax.

A ton of security guards are being hired just now all over the country. In airports. In and around Washington. In lobbies of tall buildings. At drug companies and mailrooms and federal, state and local government installations of all kinds. I have no idea how many people are being hired and/or assigned to security duties around the country, but it must number in the many, many thousands.

Of course, hiring lots of security personnel makes great sense just now.

The threat of terrorism is real and people are anxious and jumpy. But what's really taking place under the surface is a shift in the allocation of resources in the economy from increasing productivity to increasing overall security. Instead of hiring well-trained technicians to improve complex manufacturing processes, companies and the government are hiring security guards and buying sophisticated X-ray machines and metal detectors to be used at airports.

So on the margin, the proportions of labor hours and capital expenditure devoted to security is increasing. Hence the growth in overall productivity – the output per hour of all persons in the labor force – is almost certain to decline. This is serious, because it has been the remarkable increase in productivity – averaging more than 2 percent for the past decade – that has been behind the non-inflationary good times we have experienced over the past 10 years.

Similarly, both businesses and individuals are beginning to reassess the tendency toward concentrating economic activity in enormous cities and gigantic buildings. I have long suspected that the Internet, the cell phone, the laptop computer and the palm pilot together have been contributing to a decentralizing tendency in our society. More and more people seem to have been choosing to live and work in smaller communities or at home, and fewer and fewer people have seen either the desirability or necessity of working in

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big buildings in big cities.

The destruction of the World Trade Center almost surely will accelerate this trend. I doubt very much if we'll ever see again 100-story plus buildings being built. And, like my seatmate who is thinking about working closer to home, I wouldn't be surprised to see people hesitating to go to work in the Sears Tower or the Empire State Building.

Admittedly, I don't now have hard data to go with these twin notions. But I do know economists already are wondering about how much growth in productivity will decelerate and I know folks in commercial real estate who are remarking on deteriorating demand for Class 1 office space in tall buildings in the middle of big cities.

But I have a strong impression that both changes are taking place in our society, only temporarily obscured by the froth of daily news events. And I think the consequences will be with us for a long, long time.

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Mike Malott

State arrives late to airport solutions already in the works

"All the senators are aware that we are building this terminal. And that is what is so frustrating about it, this is happening at a time when we stand on the verge of resolving all the customer service issues that have been out there for years," said Len Singer, spokesman for Metropolitan Airport.

Singer was referring to the state's continuing review of airport contracts and operations before a series of legislative committees.

After having the auditor general's office conduct a series of "reviews," a Senate committee is now considering a bill to create an oversight board for the airport. Senate Bill 690, introduced by Sen. Glenn Steil, R-Grand Rapids, would require that board approve all contracts before they are let.

"No one is saying we don't have problems," Singer continued. "We have stretched these facilities about as much as we can. We have 35 million passengers per year going through a complex that was built to handle a fraction of that number."

In the last two years, the state has indeed uncovered a number of accounting and inventory problems at the airport, problems that need to be fixed.

But the idea of an oversight board does not inspire much confidence, because the state arrived very late to the problem and its reviews of the airport frankly are off-target.

Ask senators, and critics of Metro Airport, what the concern is and they'll tell you the place runs terribly. Parking is a problem. The terminal is old and needs maintenance. It is tough to get baggage checked and long walks await passengers before they can board a plane.

There are long waits and long lines. Senators however are looking at contracts for things like signage, lighting, maintenance and concessions. Even if the airport adopted all the recommendations made by the reviewers, changes would not be apparent anytime soon, if ever.

By contrast, airport officials have been working on the problems since 1986. Back then, they agreed in concept to the need for a new terminal.

Today, construction of that terminal, now known as the Edward McNamara Terminal, is nearing completion.

One only need walk through the facility to see that it will address the vast majority of concerns

customers have about the airport.

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Airport designers were bright enough to include moving walkways inside the parking deck. Travelers can get to the terminal from the deck covered from the weather all the way. If the FAA's new security practices allow it, travelers will be able to check their bags in the deck rather than the terminal, according to airport spokesman Brian Lassaline.

Passenger cars dropping off travelers at the terminal will be separated from cabs and other ground transportation.

The terminal is designed to move planes quickly too.

"We won't have situations where a plane gets to Detroit early but has to sit in the penalty box because we don't have a gate available," Chuck McCloskey, director of construction, said. "We won't have a situation where a plane is loaded but can't push back because it has to wait for another plane to clear."

McCloskey explained that Wayne officials toured a number of other airports to see what features they would want to include and to determine what ideas weren't likely to work well here. While the new terminal is not a copy of any existing airport, ideas were taken from airports across the nation.

Such facilities don't spring up over night. It was back in 1996 that the deal was inked to build the new terminal. It took 10 years just to complete construction of the airport's sixth runway.

So it is not impressive that the state didn't recognize the problems at the airport until just over two years ago.

By that time, the folks at Metro were well on their way to providing some real solutions, which we will all get to see when the terminal opens in January.

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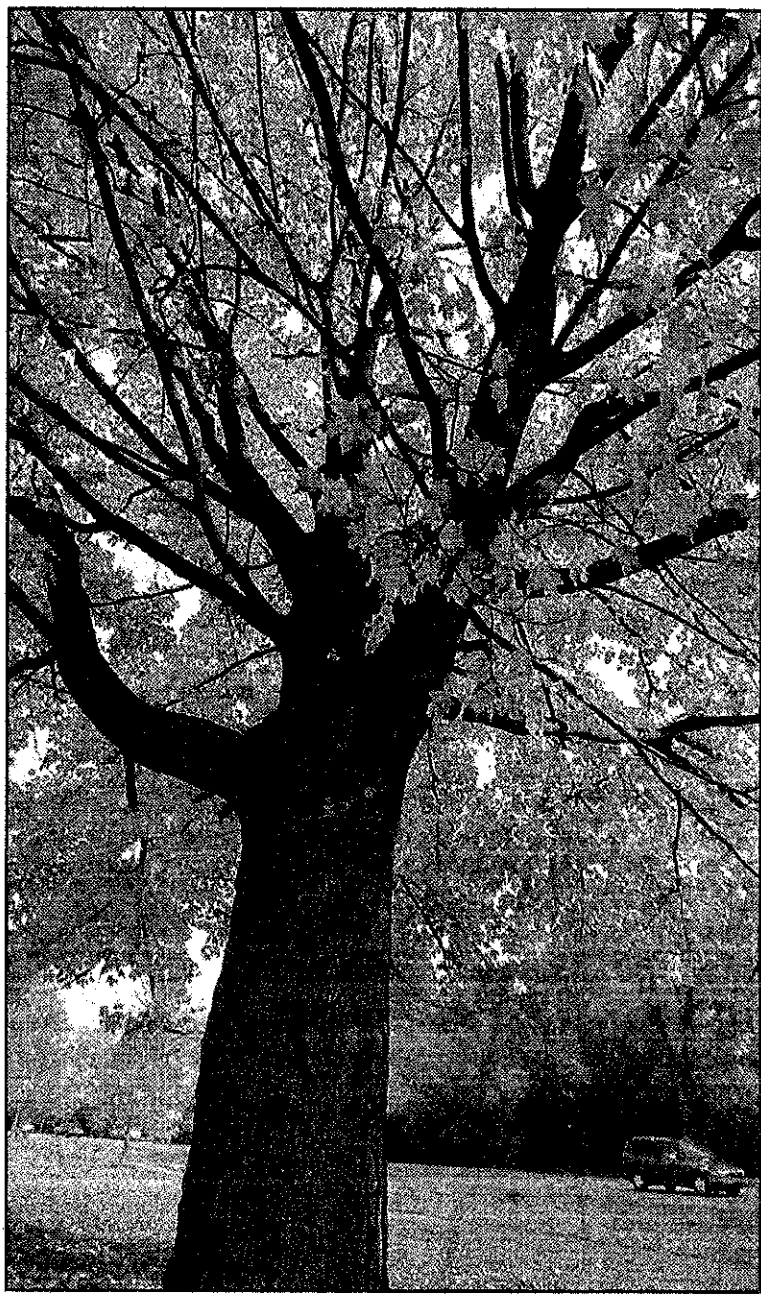
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Be extra careful this Halloween

Livonia Fire and Rescue is offering Halloween safety tips for parents and guardians of trick-or-treaters.

■ Parents should examine treats for evidence of tampering prior to children eating them.

■ Purchase costumes, masks, beards and wigs labeled as "flame resistant." Flimsy materials and outfits with big, baggy sleeves or billowing skirts should be avoided to minimize the risk of contact with candles.

■ Make or buy costumes, bags and sacks bright enough to be clearly visible to motorists at night. For greater visibility, decorate costumes with reflective tape, and give children flashlights to carry.

■ Costumes should be short enough to prevent children from tripping and falling. Children should wear well-fitting, sturdy shoes.

■ Hats and scarves should be tied securely to prevent them from slipping over children's face and eyes.

■ Use cosmetics instead of a loose-fitting mask which may restrict breathing or obscure vision. If a mask is used, make sure it fits securely and has eye-holes large enough to allow full vision.

■ Swords, knives and similar costume accessories should be of soft or flexible material to avoid injury.

■ Children should always be accompanied by an older, responsible child or adult. They should use sidewalks and walk, not run, between homes.

■ Children should only go to homes where residents have outside lights on. They should not enter homes or apartments unless they are accompanied by an adult.

■ Those receiving trick-or-treaters should remove anything that could be an obstacle from steps, lawns or porches. Light jack-o-lanterns with flashlights instead of flames, which could ignite costumes.

Many shared in winning 'Sprawl' entry

Many writers and photographers contributed to the "Sprawl affects us all" special section that won second prize for enterprise features for the Observer Newspapers in the 2000 Michigan Press Association newspaper contest recently

That section contained stories by Sue Buck, staff writer Doug Funke, managing editor Hugh Gallagher, copy editor Jack Gladden, Farmington editor Joni Hubred, staff writer Stephanie Casola, staff writer Mike Malott and staff writer Heather Need-

ham. Photographs were taken by Observer photographers Paul Hirschmann and Tom Hawley.

Graphics were provided by senior graphics editor Helen Furcean.

Past journalist of year winners listed

Dan West, who recently won the 2001 Journalist of the Year Award for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, is the 16th honoree.

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Linda Chomin, 1999-2000; Tim Smith, 1998; Frank Proven-

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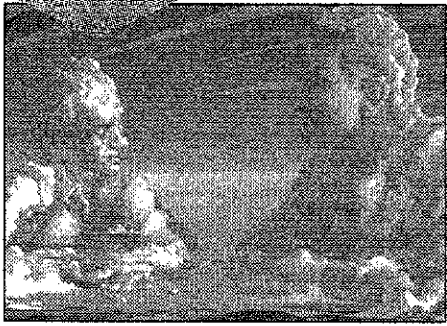
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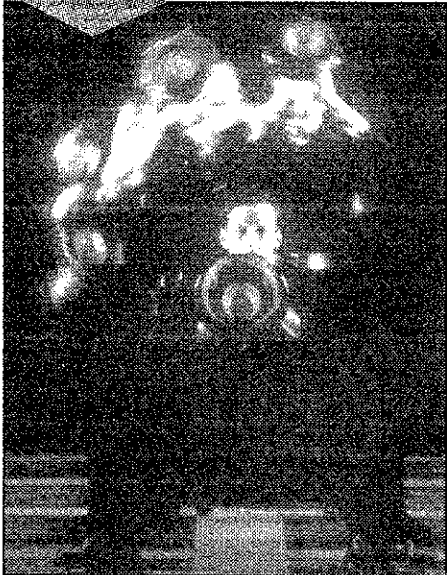
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The Bear Necessities



Arctic Ring provides all the comforts of home

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Wilma, Jewel and Icee roam around the ice pack seemingly dazzled by their new environment in the Arctic Ring of Life at the Detroit Zoo. On the grassy tundra, Nikki rolls in the dirt while Adak looks on.

Polar bears have made their home at the zoo since it opened in 1928, but life's never been quite like this with fresh trout piped in daily, three swimming pools to choose from, and plenty of nooks and crannies to explore in the 4.2 acre habitat. Only three hours before, the five polar bears were laying around listless in the rocky exhibit across from the new \$14.9 million area which simulates the Arctic region ringing the top of the globe.

Currently, five polar bears call the Arctic Ring of Life home. In the next couple of weeks, zoo staff will slowly introduce Triton and Sissy to the rest of the bears.

"It really takes time," said Shawn Stinton, associate curator of education. "Some of them haven't gotten along all that well in the past. It's been very successful so far but there's a lot of preparatory work. The welfare of animals is our primary concern."

Arctic Ring of Life

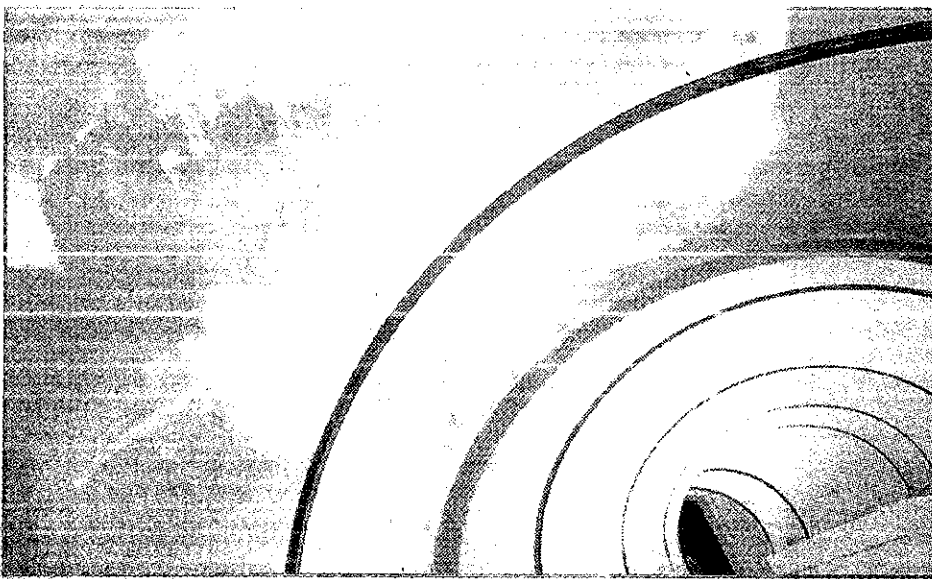
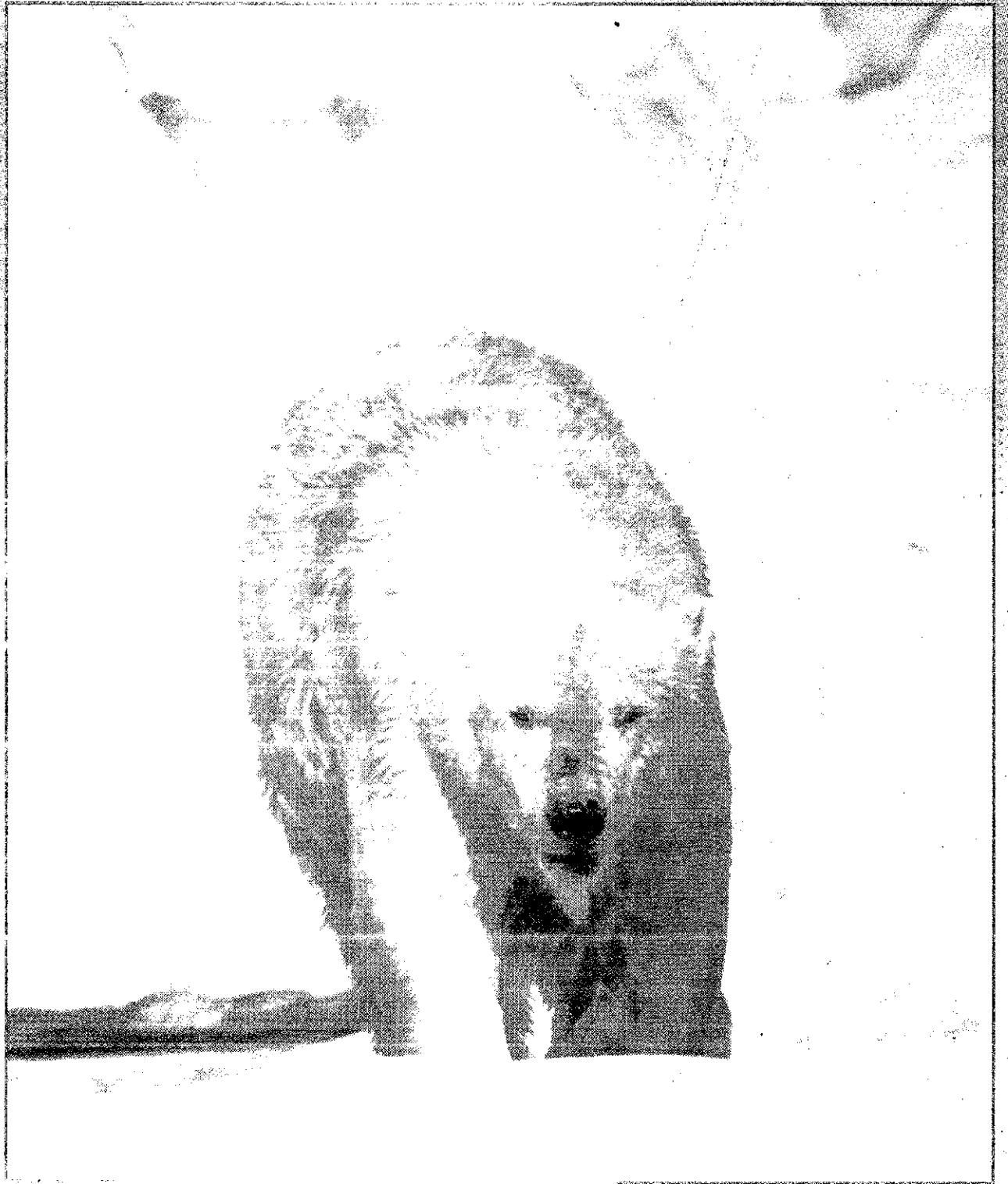
What: New exhibit opens with 7 polar bear, 4 Arctic Fox, snowy owls, and harp, grey and harbor seals
When: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily
Where: Detroit Zoo, 8450 W. 10 Mile, off I-696, Royal Oak
Tickets: \$8, \$6 seniors/children ages 2-18, free for children under age 2; \$4 for parking. Call (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org

Just like the rest of the project, there's no hurry to rush the bears as they explore their new surroundings and meet each other. They pass within feet of one another—too interested in checking out the pool to make a fuss about sharing their home. Zoo director Ron Kagan's been waiting five years to see this day. That's when he first dreamed about building a new home for the polar bears. After three years of research, planning and working with architects Jones & Jones of Seattle, Wash., the construction process began in 1998.

"The real test is what the bears think," said Kagan. "As far as we can tell, they're very curious and interested in investigating."

It looks like Nikki loves her new home as she continues to roll around in the dirt, goes for a quick dip in the pool, and then rolls around some more. Nikki's the dirty bear visitors see when they walk into the tundra on the first step of a journey which follows the bears migratory path to the North Pole.

"Bears like to sand bathe," said Kagan, "so when they're on the tundra they look exactly like that." "They love having dirt," said Scott Carter, curator of mammals. "They had a great time rolling around this morning."



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Bear heaven: (Above) The new Arctic Ring of Life was designed with polar bears in mind.

Polar passage: (Left) Visitors pass through a 70-foot acrylic tunnel where seals and bears swim all around.

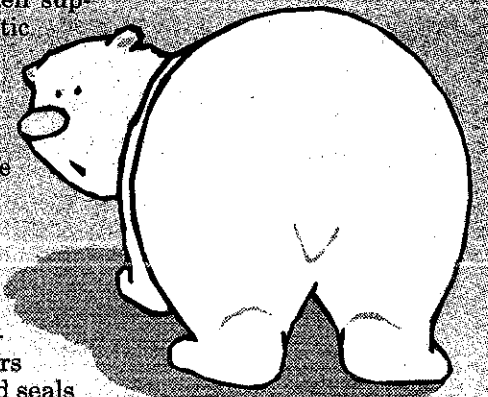
Talking to the staff, one begins to realize, happy bears are what the new Arctic Ring of Life is all about.

"We still have a few details to work out yet," said Carter. "We'll start making 300 pound blocks of ice in the next couple of weeks and continue to make the 5-gallon buckets of ice with fish and other goodies tucked inside to stimulate the bears. The bears are scatter fed. In the wild they don't eat everyday. Seal fat keeps them going. They're fed a dry chow once a day and low fat fruit and veggies for snacks. We expect fitness to improve now that they have plenty of room to roam."

Visitors will learn facts like these as they follow the path through the Arctic Ring of Life. Inside the Nunavut Gallery, the art of the Inuit people illustrates their reverence for the bears.

Did you know the polar bear's black skin absorbs the heat to keep him warm during the long Arctic winter? Signage throughout the park tells visitors about cubs being born the size of

squirrels, and that bears are relatively inactive in summer waiting for ice to form so they can hunt seals. The bears won't be able to make seals their supper in the Arctic Ring of Life though. Harbor, grey and harp seals are kept a safe distance away. At one point in a 70-foot see-through tunnel for visitors, it appears as if bears and seals are swimming together but they're not. Kagan expects a lot of bruised polar



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THEATER

Ghostly tale tricks audience into fun

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The first thing Patricia Willington needed to stage her upcoming production was a ghost. Fortunately, the Great Lakes Lyric Opera artistic/music director didn't have to look far. At 6-foot, 8-inches tall, Chris Grapentine fit the bill.

"The Canterville Ghost" opens Friday, Oct. 26, for a two-day run at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. Based on Oscar Wilde's classic story, the comic opera features a cast of actors

The Canterville Ghost

What: Great Lakes Lyric Opera scares up a comedy classic.
When: 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27.
Where: Southfield Centre for Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, south of 10 mile.
Tickets: \$12, \$10 seniors/students, call (248) 354-9603.

bent on having a good time. "It's really fun and exciting," said Willington, who grew up in Livonia

and now lives in Southfield. "It's the kind of thing that will appeal to families. There's not much out there for families that isn't gory but you can't do it without a good ghost."

Of course, it also helps to have composer Paul Barker and librettist Bridget Crowley on stage during the final rehearsals. The two flew in from London a week ago Friday and Christopher Vaught couldn't be happier. He plays Lord Canterville, the owner of the English estate haunted by the ghost.



Scary opera: Chris Grapentine (right) plays the ghost that haunts Lord Canterville and his housekeeper (played by Sheila Gautreaux).

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ghost. "Most opera music composers are long dead, nobody knows how he wants it done but him. Paul Barker can tell us how he wants certain tempos," said Vaught, a Southfield resident. "Some of it is difficult musically, but I'm enjoying it. Lord Canterville is disinherited and his ancestor from 300 years previous is haunting him. He's trying to sell the estate. He's broke, doesn't have any love life because of this ghost problem."

Despite all of his character's problems, Vaught loves playing Lord Canterville. Juggling his operatic singing schedule is another story. Currently in rehearsals for *Anoush* at the Detroit Opera House, Vaught doesn't seem to mind any minor problems encountered along the way to opening night. It's a lot easier than commuting back and

forth from Ohio to sing with the Michigan Opera Theatre like he did last spring.

"There's a lot of humor as well as slapstick that adults and children would find amusing," said Vaught, who earned a master's degree in vocal performance from Bowling Green University in Ohio. "It's a 20th century type of music with a big barbershop quartet in the middle of it. We're singing in operatic style but I would classify it a musical theater piece. It's set in the late 1800s and the Otis children, whose parents are interested in buying the estate, play dirty tricks on the ghost."

Hailey Willington is one of the children. A student at Covington School in Birmingham, the 10-year-old daughter of the artistic director is having fun playing the role even though she claims it's out of character.

"We're trying to scare the ghost with a fake ghost made out of a pole, balloon and sheet," said Hailey. "I like it because I get to be a horrible little brat. It's fun to do for a while."

Sheila Gautreaux is surprised Hailey has not only mastered her lines but the songs. Gautreaux plays Mrs. Umney, the housekeeper.

"The challenge is the music," said Gautreaux, who's performed with the New York City Opera, New Orleans Opera and Houston Grand Opera. "It's been a lot of fun. There are no diva attitudes. Everybody's down to earth. It's a cast of diversity. I commend Patricia on hiring people according to voices not race. But it's a difficult opera for children. There's so much singing and lines to remember."

Not to mention playing tricks on a ghost.

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together but they're not. Kagan expects a lot of bruised polar bears at first. That is until the bears realize, there's 4-inches of acrylic between them and the seals.

It's an eerie feeling being surrounded by 300,000 gallons of water as you walk through the tunnel. Looking up, visitors can see sky and trees through the water - and polar bears swimming all around.

Through the window in the research station visitors seem mesmerized by more bears out on the simulated ice pack. It's easy to spend hours watching them sniff the air as they amble around.

"It's difficult for us to believe we're finally here," said Carter at a media preview on Oct. 18. "We were working here last night and it just finally sunk in. It's great. There's a lot of new things for the bears to explore."

Carter expects the five female and two male bears, ages 4 to 26, to produce cubs in the future.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER
Polar bear affair: Ron Kagan's dream of a new polar bear exhibit came true when the Arctic Ring of Life opened Oct. 20.

Elsa Poulsen expects that will be as much fun to watch as their first steps in the Arctic Ring of Life on Oct. 18. The polar bear keeper was up at 4 a.m., too excited to sleep. Poulsen's spent her whole life studying bears.

"This is typical bear behavior; it's all about personality," said Poulsen. "Icee jumps in there. She's adventuresome while Vilma and Jewel stand at the door. Vilma is braver. She's food oriented. Jewel's indecisive. She's say-

ing, 'no you go first.'"

Poulsen, most definitely, knows bear. She cared for six different species at the Calgary Zoo in Alberta for 18 years. Coming to the Detroit Zoo seven months ago was a dream for her. She said, the rest of zoo community is already talking about the Arctic Ring of Life.

"The exhibit offers important things for bear husbandry," said Poulsen who began a career as a wildlife biologist 25 years ago. "They designed it on what does their natural environment consist of in the tundra north of Churchill and the Territories. There's no visual barriers. Putting them in a pit or cage is historically what we did.

"Polar bears are difficult to study for human beings because of the harsh environment. Only in the last years have we been able to study them in the Arctic because of NASA's advancements. Everything they developed, the materials and equipment, opened up research in the Arctic."

Polar bear researchers encounter difficulties besides the harsh environment.

"Males have cone shaped heads," said Poulsen. "They can't wear collars. They fall off so it's difficult to get information. Most of the information is based on females."

One frightening fact researchers did reveal is that the big, white creatures are in danger. Global warming is melting polar ice. Research has shown the bears weigh 20 percent less and have fewer cubs than 20 years ago.

"They're eventually going to become endangered," said Poulsen. "The goal is to try to raise physically and mentally healthy bears."

Poulsen can tell if the bears are happy or sad by looking at the expressions on their faces.

"We're learning they have emotions and interaction with others just like human beings," said Poulsen. "They're walking up and down the pool thinking what's going on."

"Icee - she's smiling. She's so excited. She's happy. When a polar bear's lower lip is hanging he or she is exceptionally happy. If they have a pointing upper lip, they're ticked off."

And there's nothing worse than a mad polar bear no matter how cute and cuddly they look.

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THEATER

Say 'Yes!' to local Theatre Guild's autumn production

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford presents "No! No! A Million Times No! (Only a Farmer's Daughter)" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28. In the spirit of 1890s music halls, beer is on tap for this Friday night's performance, which is only open to patrons 18 and older. Tickets \$12, \$10 seniors/students. Wear any kind of false mustache and receive \$1 off admission. Call (313) 531-0554 for more information.

BY BOB WEIBEL
SPECIAL WRITER

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford has come up with a great recipe for a fun-filled evening. They've taken a good old-fashioned musical melodrama, *No! No! A Million Times No!* added sparkling performances, mixed in zesty staging and excellent costumes – and blended in

an unusual secret ingredient you won't soon forget.

Melodrama, of course, was interactive long before the techno-age, so come prepared to cheer and applaud the hero, sigh and swoon over the heroine, boo and hiss the villain and perhaps throw a little popcorn – but please, no vegetables.

You won't think of tossing tomatoes when you see the show's secret ingredient, a series of television-style ads. Think Ron Popeil of Ronco fame, and the phrase "but wait, there is more," or Dan Ackroyd's days on *Saturday Night Live*.

Most were written into the show by Craig Broombaugh, who deftly plays the hero, Noble Hart. The best segment is Doctor Feelgood's Healing and Rectitude Powder in which he portrays a Fundamentalist minister ridding the world of evil with a magic potion. His timing, voice

inflections and character are, in a word, mesmerizing.

And here's the kicker – Craig is a senior at Redford Union High School. He can write and perform far beyond his years. Remember his name. You will be hearing more from him in the future.

The play itself revolves around a farmer's daughter, Nellie Quackenbush, who is pure as the driven snow, of course. She goes to the big city and falls under the spell of one of those city slickers, the reprehensible Stafford Blackman. Nellie returns to the farm only to find herself torn between the worldly villain and her simple-minded childhood sweetheart, Noble Hart.

Stephanie Piquet glows as the innocent heroine and her long, black *rattling* curls are a hoot.

Don Lee scores as her simpleton father, Amos "Pappy" Quack-

ebush. Janet Stevenson is splendid as his long-waiting love interest, Birdie Seed, who sings the title song, *No! No! A Million Times No!*

Steve Morgan has all the looks and moves of a fantastic villain. Michaela Dionne not only directs this wonderful show, but finds time to give a marvelous performance as the villains jilted lover, Gwendolyn Finefeathers. All done up in black mesh stockings, red boa and ample cleavage, she wows the audience with a torchy rendition of *The Moth and the Flame*.

John Hicks is a kick as Iffy Cann, whether that requires hillbilly extraordinaire or cutie pie milkmaid. Rounding out this uniformly good cast are Annette Ripper as Emmaline, Linda Godzick, Sara Belanges, Marie Lee, Diana Williams and Robert Papineau. C.J. Nodis, whose theater credits are longer than the

Dead Sea Scrolls, is the music director and pianist.

Brewing a campy, corny show on purpose takes talent. Don't

miss this opportunity to enjoy low-brow humor in a highly stylish production.

Enjoy lunch with an author this October

The Metro-Detroit Book & Author Society's 59th luncheon Monday, Oct. 29 at Burton Manor in Livonia will feature Sebastin Junger, Sue Miller, Stuart Woods and Letitia Baldrige (appointment secretary to Jackie O).

Book sales room opens 11 a.m., lunch served at noon followed by author presentations. Tickets are \$25, call (734) 397-0999, Ext. 154 or visit bookandauthor.com

Junger is author of *The Perfect*

Storm, Miller, The World Below, The Good Mother, and Distinguished Guest. Woods wrote *Blue Orchids, Cold Paradise and White Cargo*, and Baldrige, *A Lady First*.

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DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: *Missizy and the Angel Tree*, Nov. 1-Dec. 30, 8:30 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays, 3 and 8:30 p.m., Saturdays and 2 and 7:30 p.m., Sundays, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. \$15. (313) 868-1347

FORD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER: *Titanic* performed by the musical's national touring company Sunday, Oct. 28, at the center, Dearborn. \$45-\$59. (313) 943-2354

FOX THEATRE: *Blast*, through Oct. 28, at the theater, Detroit. \$25-\$63. (248) 433-1515

GEM THEATRE: *Dinner with Friends* continues 2 p.m. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. \$27.50-\$37.50. (313) 963-9800

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE: Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* with an Arab-Jewish twist Oct. 25-28 and Oct. 31 to Nov. 4, 8-11 and 14-18, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday, at Aaron DeRoy Theatre in the lower level of the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple at Drake, West Bloomfield. \$21-\$33 with discounts for seniors and students. (248) 788-2900

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: *Murder on the Nile* through Sunday, Nov. 11, at the theater on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. \$26-\$38. (248) 377-3300

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE: *Anoush*, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 16-17, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. (248) 645-6666 or www.michigan-opera.org

THEATRE DE LA JEUNE LUNE: Presents *Tartuffe* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, at the Power Center, Ann Arbor. \$18-\$40. (734) 764-2538

COMMUNITY THEATRE

AVON PLAYERS: *A Streetcar Named Desire*, Oct. 26-28, Nov. 2-4, and Nov. 9-10, Avon Playhouse, 1185 Washington Road, 1 1/4 miles east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays. \$13; discount rates for seniors and groups. (248) 608-9077

BARD AGENCY PRODUCTIONS: Presents a new production of classic poetry and music 8 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, Oct. 21-25 and Nov. 4-8, and Sunday-Tuesday, Oct. 28-30, at Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. \$15, \$13 students/seniors. (313) 595-8875

FIRST THEATER GUILD OF BIRMINGHAM: *Meet Me in St. Louis*, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 9-10, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 3-4, and Sunday, Nov. 11, Knox Auditorium, First Presbyterian Church, 1669 Maple Road, between Southfield and Cranbrook roads. \$10; \$8 seniors and students. Seniors free on Saturday, Nov. 3. (248) 644-2087, ext. 151

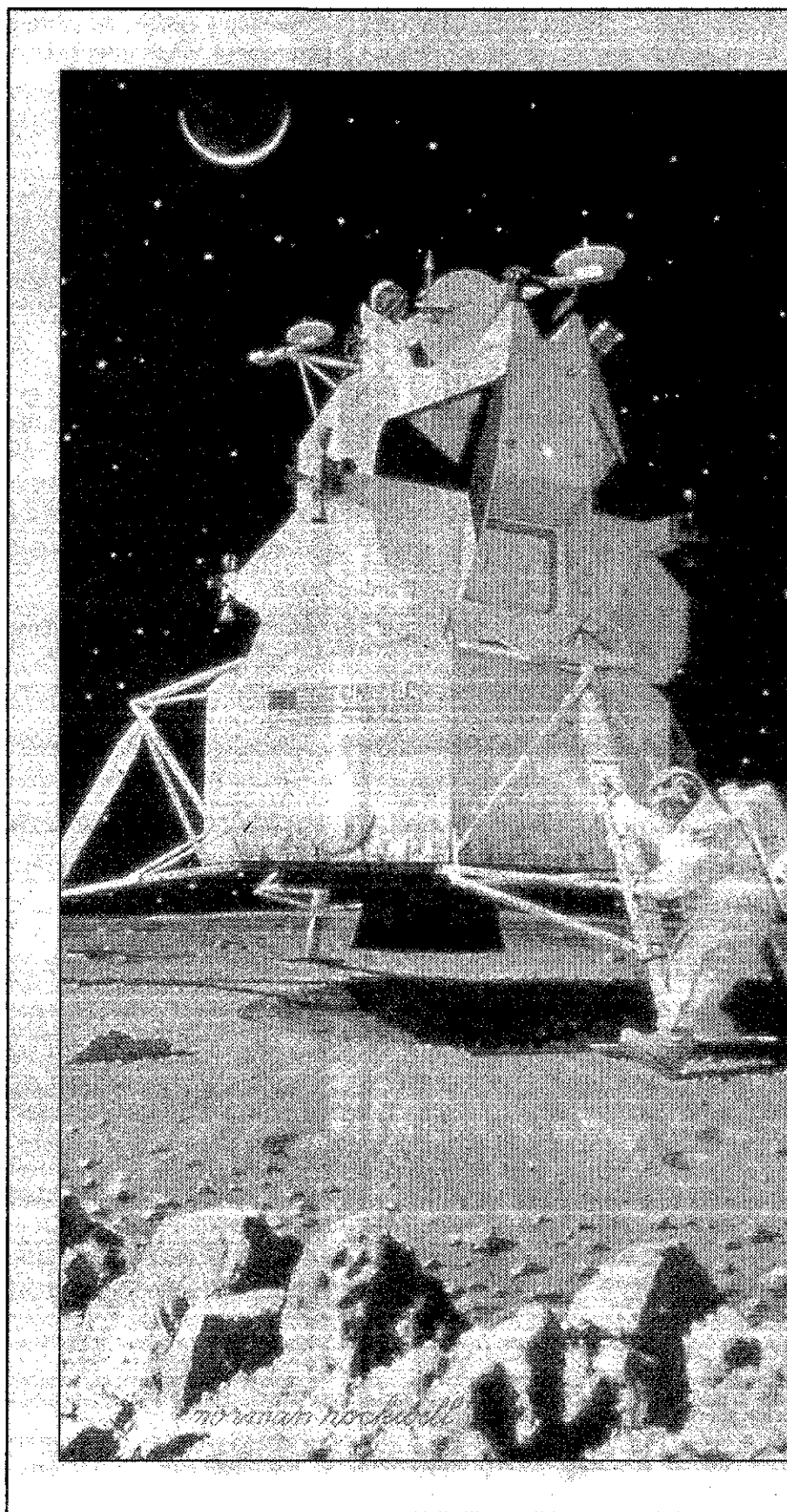
NOVI THEATRES: *The Crucible* 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, at the Novi Civic Center Stage. \$8 advance. \$10 at door. (248) 347-0400

REDBUD PRODUCTIONS: *The Shadow Box* 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 25-27, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 27-28, at Riverside Arts Center, 76 N. Huron St., Ypsilanti. \$14, \$10 students/seniors. (734) 663-7167

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS: *Once Upon a Mattress*, Oct. 26-28, at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. (248) 988-7049. www.ridgedale-players.com

SRO PRODUCTIONS: *Visiting Mr. Green* 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, Burgh Historical Park, Southfield. \$10, \$8 seniors/children. (248) 827-0710

STAGECRAFTERS: *Art*, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 25-27, 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, on the second stage in the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak.



All aboard: Artrain USA displays art from the NASA and National Air and Space Museum collections 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 27-28 on the railroad siding on Theodore Street behind the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. Admission is free but donations are appreciated. A Space Odyssey Masquerade Bash kicks off the event 7-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, at the cultural center. Tickets are \$25. Proceeds go to the Plymouth Community Arts Council to help pay for bringing in Artrain USA. Call (734) 416-4278.

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA-REDFORD: *No, No, No A Million Times No (Only a Farmer's Daughter)* features a moustache-twirling villain, fainting sweetheart, hero and chorus of milkmaids. 8 p.m. Oct. 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, at the theater, Redford. In the spirit of 1890s music halls, beer is on tap for Friday night's performance, which is only open to patrons 18 and older. Tickets \$12, \$10 seniors/students. Wear any kind of false moustache and receive \$1 off admission. (313) 531-0554

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE: "An Evening of One Acts," with *Time Flies*, *Sure Thing* and *The Picketers*, 8 p.m. Fridays Oct. 26, Nov. 2 and 9; 8 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 27, Nov. 3 and 10; and 3 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 28, Nov. 4 and 11, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. \$10. (734) 464-6302

ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS: *Moon Over Buffalo*, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, Nov. 2-3 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28; *Upstage Theatre*, 21728 Grand River Ave., Old Redford. \$11. (313) 537-7716 or (313) 532-4010.

DINNER THEATRE

FRIENDLY PLAYERS: Present *Murder in the Magnolias* 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27 in the Canton Public Library on Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill. \$35, includes dinner. Proceeds to benefit the mystery department at the library. Call (734) 397-0999

GENITTI'S: *Baptizing Junior* 6 p.m. Thursday and Saturday, Oct. 27, and 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, at the restaurant, Northville. (248) 349-0522 or www.Genittis.com

THEATRE ARTS: Hobo Halloween Celebration 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, featuring Theatre Arts presentation of *The Wacky Witches* on the Coe Rail Party Train, 840 Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. The Santa Train, noon and 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, and Thursday, Dec. 27, with *Those Little Dickens Musical Revue*. Reservations required. (248) 960-9440.

COLLEGE THEATRE

BONSTELLE THEATRE: *Equus*, Oct. 26-Nov. 4, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. Weekends through Nov. 4; 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays. \$8-\$10. (313) 577-2960

HILBERRY THEATRE: *A Doll's House* continues in rotating repertoire through Dec. 15, at the theater, Detroit. \$12-\$20. (313) 577-2972

WSU STUDIO THEATRE: *Sweet Eros* and *Tape* 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 25-27, at the theater, 4743 Cass at Hancock, downstairs at the Hilberry, Detroit. \$6-\$8. (313) 577-2972

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

CHILDREN'S LUNCH THEATRE: *Saturday with the Johnsons* 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at Genitti's, Northville. \$12.95, \$11.95 children. (248) 349-0522 or www.Genittis.com

DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE: *Crane Maiden*, 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27; *Kolobok*, a Russian version of *The Gingerbread Man*, 2 p.m. Saturdays in November, at the theater, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7771

MARQUIS THEATRE: *Hocus-Pocus Annabelle Broom*, a musical comedy for the entire family continues 7 p.m. Friday, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday through Oct. 28. \$7.50. No children under age 3. (248) 349-8110

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DETROIT FILM THEATRE: *Under the Sand* 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 27-28, and 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. (313) 833-3237

FALL COLOR TOUR: By Southern Michigan Railroad of Clinton and Tecumseh, 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. through Nov. 4, Southern Michigan's South Yard, 806 S. Evans St., between Patterson Street and Russell Road, Tecumseh. \$15; \$10 seniors ages 65 and older; \$8 for youths ages 2-12. (517) 456-7677 or (517) 423-7230

LIVE ELECTRONICS IN ART MUSIC II: With Lettie Alston & Friends 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at the Museum of African American History, Detroit. \$20, \$15 seniors/children under age 12.

MICHIGAN DOLL MAKERS GUILD: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, Marriott Hotel, 200 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. (240) 357-2090

MOSCOW STATE CIRCUS: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26; 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27; and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills. \$5-\$12. (248) 377-0100 or www.palacenet.com

WITNESS THE MAGIC: With illusionist Jon Ross, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser Road, Detroit. (313) 383-0133 or www.theatreorgans.com/mi/redford

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HALLOWEEN

JULIE AUSTIN: Children's Halloween concert, 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 761-1800

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COSTUME WEEKEND: With juggling comic Jonathan Park, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, and participatory music with Kevin Devine, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, Westview Orchards, 65075 Van Dyke Road, at 30 Mile Road, Romeo. \$6; free for children ages 2 and younger. (810) 752-3123 or www.westvieworchards.com

DAY OF THE DEAD PARTY: Featuring performances by 60 Second Crush 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 2, at Gallery 212, 207 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$5. Costumes encouraged. (734) 665-8224 or www.gallery212.org

FALL FESTIVAL: Children make their way through the Hay Maze while trying to find a needle in a haystack 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at Domino's Petting Farm, Ann Arbor. \$3.50, \$3 seniors/ages 2-12. (734) 998-0182 or www.pettingfarm.com

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND: Spooktacular Halloween concert, 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, Costick Activity Center, Farmington Hills. (734) 261-2202, (248) 489-3412, www.fcbmusic.org

HALLOWEEN SCIENCE FUN DAY: For ages 7-14, 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Oct. 27, at the historic Jarvis Stone School, Curtis and North Territorial, Salem Township. \$10. (313) 438-3337

HAUNTED FOREST: Ghouls and fiends in Sleepy Hollow guide patrons, 7-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, between the Livonia YMCA and Frost Middle School, Livonia. \$3, benefits youth.

HILLS HALLOWEEN HAUNTED HIKE:

7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, in Heritage Park on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. \$5. Not recommended for children under age 7. (248) 473-1800

HORNS & OWLS: The Motor City Brass Band perform eerie music 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$10, \$8 seniors/students, \$25 for a family. (248) 424-9022

LITTLE GOBLINS' NIGHT OUT: Trick and treat and a hayride for children ages 8 and younger, 5-7:30 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Oct. 28-29, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores. \$7. Reservations required. (313) 884-4222

PHILIP ON FILM: Watch *Dracula* with Bela Lugosi while listening to a musical score written, composed and performed by Phillip Glass 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31, at the Michigan Theater, Ann Arbor. \$20-\$34. (734) 763-2538

PLANET ANT: *Boo-Ha-Ha*, "The Necro, Feel-Good Comedy of the Season," Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 18-28, at the theater, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. 8 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays. \$15; \$10 students. (313) 365-4948, ext. 1

PUMPKIN PATCH PARTY: 6-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, trick or treat in our indoor village for developmentally disabled children, at the Livonia Elks Lodge, 31117 Plymouth Road. (734) 425-2246

REDFORD THEATRE: *The Bride of Frankenstein* starring Boris Karloff and Elsa Lanchester, and *Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein* starring Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at the theater 17360 Lahser Road at Grand River, Redford. \$4. Wear a costume and win a prize. (313) 383-0133 or www.theatreorgans.com/mi/redford

SLAUGHTERHOUSE: Featuring 7,000 square feet of sets and adventures designed by artists working for Disney and Universal studios, through Halloween, Tienken Road, east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills.

Recommended to those 12 and older due to graphic nature of exhibits. \$10 Monday-Thursday, \$12 Friday-Saturday. (248) 601-1925, www.slaughterhouseonline.com

WARDS POINT CEMETERY: Scarey graveyard 6:30-10:30 p.m. daily, off Orchard Lake Road on Wards Point Drive, north of Commerce Road, Sylvan Lake. Free but donations accepted for New York Police and Fire. (877) WE BURY U or www.wardspointcemetery.com

ZOO BOO: The Detroit Zoo's annual Halloween event takes place 6 p.m. Oct. 26-28 and 30-31, at the zoo, Royal Oak; and at the Belle Isle Zoo 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, Oct. 17-21. \$4. (248) 398-0900 or www.detroit-zoo.org

CLASSICAL

CRITCHFIELD MEMORIAL CONCERT: Featuring the St. Clair Trio 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, at First Baptist Church, Birmingham. No charge. (248) 644-0550

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: *The Journey Begins*, as part of the Young Peoples' Concerts, 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$8-\$25. And continues with the return of the orchestra from their European tour 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Nov. 1-2, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4, features *The Planets* with guest percussionist Evelyn Glennie, and composer Michael Daugherty's *UFO*. \$20-\$54. (313) 576-5111

HAGEN QUARTET: 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28, Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$25-\$35. (734) 764-2538

ST. PETERSBURG CONSERVATORY: The Chamber Ensemble performs 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30, at the Michigan Theater, Ann Arbor. \$16-\$30. (734) 764-2538

OPERA

GREAT LAKES LYRIC OPERA: North American premiere of *The Canterville Ghost* 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. \$12, \$10 seniors/children. (248) 354-9603 or (248) 547-2027

DINING

Zoup! ladles up some of the best hot soup in town

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER
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We all remember those grilled cheese and tomato soup days of our childhood. And you know ... sometimes, there's nothing more comforting in life than a bowl of hot soup.

Zoup!, which made its debut in the area just three years ago, recently opened a Northville restaurant, its fourth location.

The place is busy. Let's say there's a lot of ladle-dipping going on.

"Lunch is busy, but dinners are going on strong," said Eric Ersher, who owns the chain along with his partner, David Elias.

"They have good soup and a good variety. It's fresh. You always find one or two soups you like, if not more," said customer Ken Gold of Farmington Hills, who polished off a bowl of Smooth Tomato.

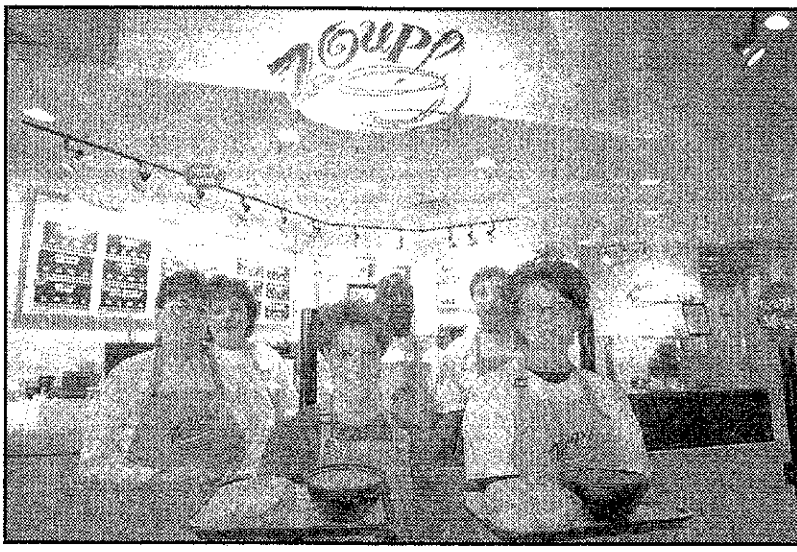
All soups come with a hunk of sourdough or multigrain bread and are served in 8-ounce to 32-ounce portions. With the bread, 12 ounces of soup is plenty. They also serve salads.

Choices, choices, choices

If you visited a Zoup! location seven days a week, it would take you more than half a year to sample all 200 varieties the company cooks up in its Ferndale-based kitchen. Each Zoup! location serves 12 different soups each day, and the selections are constantly rotated. We're talking a soup lover's heaven.

"We make a lot of soup. We're getting good at it," said Ersher in a classic understatement.

The top-selling Zoup! soup is Chicken Potpie, and the Observer's taste-testing entourage (a reporter, editor and photographer) agreed. The soup was thick, almost a stew, creamy and filled with vegetables. The crumbled pie-crust topping made it even more special. We gave it a four-spoon rating. It was comfort food at its best. I called it an "edible pillow."



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Who wants soup? The friendly staff is ready to serve at the new Zoup! location on Haggerty south of Eight Mile. Diane Pintar, front left, and Shannon Welton hold samples of the Zoup! and bread platters, while Wendy Schultz, back from left, Betty Gamble, Emory Curtis and Kevin Kolb stand by.

The El Grandé Chili also received four spoons, as did the Smooth Tomato, which was clear and lightly spiced. The Fire-cracker Shrimp and the Clam

Chowder received three spoons and the Cajun Chicken & Sausage Gumbo three and a half.

Zoup! also offers a daily selec-

tion of low-fat, vegetarian or dairy-free soups.

Getting started

Ersher and Elias, formerly in the wholesale spice business, came up with the concept for Zoup! in 1997. "We went through a lot of back doors in restaurants and saw what kind of soups they served," said Ersher. "The consensus was that really good soup was hard to find."

A group of family and friends met every Saturday morning to sample the chef's weekly batch of 15 new soups. Ersher wouldn't say what recipes were tossed from the pot, but most recipes were keepers.

"We keep them, tweak them or kill them," he said.

There are no industrial-size pots in Zoup!'s kitchen. All soups are made in small batches then quick-chilled in an ice-water bath to preserve freshness and "marry the flavors." It is gently double-boiled before serving.

"Quality is what Zoup! is all about," said Ersher. "We're really focused on being better than the other guy."

Zoup! offers take-home con-

tainers in any size, as well as specially priced Frozen Home-Zoup! in single-serving, microwavable containers. They also provide soup for large gatherings, such as tailgate parties.

What's best, you can order and pay on-line by visiting www.zoup.com. Or, you can have Zoup! e-mail you with their daily menu and a link to their order form.

One last thing - dessert. There's Apple Brown Betty, Mud Pie, Rice Pudding, cobbler, brownies and cookies.

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SHORTCOMINGS



RENEE SKOGLUND

Nailed by a lousy manicure

The nail technician shook her head in disbelief when I told her that, at age 55, this was my first pedicure.

"How come you wait so long?" she said in a thick Vietnamese accent. "You don't like nice toenails?"

I shrugged and settled my feet into the hot whirlpool bath. Even though the woman in the next chair assured me that I would "simply love a pedicure," I was leery. For some people, feet are personal. However, my husband and I were leaving the next morning to visit our son and daughter-in-law in Maryland and I wanted some colorful toes poking out of my sandals.

The technician carefully laid out the tools of her trade on a clean towel: Toenail clippers large enough to behead Marie Antoinette, cuticle trimmers that could easily prune a bush, and an assortment of intimidating files, sanders, peelers and buffers. My callouses were history.

When she finished, my feet were soft and pink enough to ink up and stamp on a birth certificate. I had just shed five decades of callouses.

"Now come fun part. Pick a color," she said.

Bottles of jewel-toned nail colors blinked at me. I eliminated the blues, purples and greens. Too funky. But pink was too timid and orange too neon. Yet I wanted something bold, something that would put my toes on notice.

"I'll take candy apple red," I said. "Hmmm, nice choice for first time. How 'bout I do your fingernails?"

Fingernails? A manicure for my dishwashing, key board-punching, cat-grooming fingernails? Wasn't a pedicure bold enough? Last time I polished my fingernails (my son's wedding four years ago), it sucked out all the moisture and my nails chipped and split for six months.

"Sure," I said in a moment of madness. "Go ahead."

Toes drying, I hobbled over to the manicure table. Within minutes my fingers sported a pound of base coat, two coats of red and a sealer. Wow. I fanned them in front of me, 10 bright red flags that matched my lollipop toes and said, "You go, girl!" I forked over \$43 and left.

I noticed the first chip at 10 o'clock that night while reading in bed. By morning, most of my flags were at half mast. When I showered the polish on my right pinky completely lifted off and spiraled towards the drain like the last rose petal of summer. I dried off and headed to the nail salon.

"Look, look at my nails. The polish is not even 24 hours old and it's coming off." To demonstrate, I peeled the polish on my thumb in one swoop. It came off like a sheet of 1950s kitchen linoleum. The manager remained nonplused.

"That's normal," he said. "You need to have nail ridges sanded before polish put on."

"They were sanded!"

"So sorry. You come back. I do it for free."

"I'm leaving on vacation in two hours!"

"You come back." The rest of what he said was in Vietnamese.

I drove home and removed the polish. Oh well, at least my toenails remained red.

That night in our hotel room, my husband stormed out of the bathroom holding his Bermuda shorts in front of me. "You ruined my shorts," he said accusingly. "There's a spill all over the back of them."

I waived my naked nails in front of him as evidence of my innocence.

"Somehow your polish got on my shorts," he snorted.

We finally figured it out. On the way to the nail salon my polish had self-destructed all over the driver's seat. Several of the flecks had stuck to his behind on the long drive to Maryland, and ... well ... in the heat they simply melted into his shorts.

Quit whining and buy some new ones, I told him. After all, what was one pair of shorts compared to the loss of 10 shiny red nails?

"I hope your toenail polish peels off by morning," he said.

It didn't. Otherwise, I would have gathered up the flecks and deposited them on the driver's seat.

Renee Skoglund is a staff writer for the Observer Newspaper.

Charities prepare for slow season

BY MARY RODRIQUE/KIMBERLY MORTSON
STAFF WRITERS

Americans are opening their hearts and wallets in a big way to help victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, but local charities are hoping donors will remember their needs, too, as the holiday season approaches.

Karen Guerreso, office manager for the local Salvation Army, says being overlooked is her agency's biggest fear as the holidays draw near.

"It might be a little too early to tell," she said. "With layoffs, quite a few people are asking for help. The need is there. We're not sure how we'll be affected."

The branch serves the cities of Livonia, the north end of Redford Township, Farmington, Farmington Hills and Novi.

"I want to say we appreciate all the donations made to New York through the Salvation Army, but don't forget our own community," Guerreso added. "We'll need help here, too. There are a lot of new cases this year. Many people live paycheck to paycheck. Getting laid off puts them over the edge."

Bell ringers needed

Major Steve Hull of the Salvation Army in Plymouth says the big need this season will be bell ringers. "We won't know for three-four weeks some hard numbers as to where we'll stand this season, but we are seeing an increase in the number of requests for help this year," said Hull. "We live and die by the Christmas season and we're a little concerned already."

Bell ringers should be at least high school age - younger with adult supervision. At least a two-hour time commitment is necessary. They ring Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. The Plymouth Salvation Army serves the communities of Northville, Plymouth, Canton and Belleville.

Hull said the Salvation Army is hoping area businesses will serve as sponsor sites for their Red Kettle drive that begins the day after Thanksgiving (Nov. 23).

"If a business adopts a site and lets their employees work in one-hour time blocks each, that helps us fill the day-



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Giving: Karen Guerreso and Major John Klammer of the Salvation Army hope people are generous this holiday season.

time hours when we need volunteers weekends." The Goodfellows won't let a child go work during the evening and on the without a Christmas regardless of the

added adversity the sluggish economy may create.

"The Goodfellows operate on donations from the year before - next year we'll probably be in trouble," said Dan Rapp, Goodfellows president of Livonia. "We've already received about 80 applications for people needing help this season. Last year we served 150 families and 397 children."

Rapp said donations being earmarked for New York are understandable but he hopes people don't pass over the local organizations who serve people right in their own back yard.

On the flip side, the Goodfellows president said he has seen a significant increase in the number of individuals wanting to volunteer to sell Goodfellows newspapers, deliver food baskets and shop for toys. "We had our first kick-off meeting last week and usually have six or eight people attend. Fifty people came to the meeting. It was unbelievable," said Rapp.

Back again this year will be the Unicorn Club of Redford, which not only rings bells in front of the Farmer Jack at Nine Mile and Farmington Road, they put on quite a show, according to Guerreso. They're scheduled Saturday, Dec. 1. A local Mensa group has been ringing for years. They'll put ringers at all 17 locations from 6-8 p.m. on Nov. 24.

William Tyndale College students will ring Saturday, Dec. 8 at 12 Oaks Mall in Novi. There are still plenty of time slots available from the Saturday after Thanksgiving through Christmas Eve.

"If we don't get enough volunteers, we have to hire bell ringers at \$8 an hour," said Guerreso. "Often we'll hire our clients, who need the money."

The Salvation Army also sponsors an Adopt-a-Family program, whereby donors are matched anonymously with area families in need to supply items from wish lists. The Salvation Army acts as the go-between.

Canton resident Karen Williams is about to start the third annual Operation Christmas Child program at NorthRidge Church in Plymouth. The church serves as a collection center for individuals and families interested in

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Enrollment up at area colleges

BY MARGO DEWEY
SPECIAL WRITER

Registration lines are increasing. High-tech course lists continue to expand. The thirst to enhance one's education has never been more popular than it is this now, and community colleges throughout the state are especially witnessing this bulging enrollment.

Students from 18 to 80 are signing up at community colleges hoping to grasp their dream career while spending fewer hours in a classroom than a four-year college would demand.

"We have seen a big upturn in enrollment this year," said Richard Lightbody, director of career planning and placement for Wayne County Community College (WCCC). "The last few registrations we have had around 10,000 students enroll. This year, we just finished registering 15,000 students. With the economy tightening and people being laid off, attending a community college is a more frugal choice."

Convenience also plays a big role when selecting a community college over a four-year institute, Lightbody said.

"WCCC is now offering on-line Internet courses where students don't even have to come in to the campus. They can

earn their degree at home at their convenience. We also have other innovative training methods like home video education where students can take tapes home to educate themselves on a particular subject."

Some of the popular courses for the 2001-2002 school year at WCCC include: technology (computers), electrical, plumbing, autobody service, computer repairing, robotics, telecommunications, nursing, truck driving, and pharmaceutical.

"We are keeping on top of what skills are needed now in the corporate world so we can pass that information on to the students," Lightbody said. "Employers are telling us that they need students trained in specific skills, so we relay that to the students who will then be prepared for that job once they graduate."

Smaller classes

John Titus, director of student advisement services for Schoolcraft College in Livonia, has also seen an increase in enrollment this year. He believes the smaller class size and the lower cost to attend a community college are definite benefits over a four-year college or university.

"We're finding that a lot of students attend a community college to get their two-year degree out of the way, which allows them to better focus on programs that will enhance their chance for a career," Titus said. "Culinary courses as well as high-tech computer system programming remain popular at Schoolcraft. We also feature computer programs that work directly with Microsoft."

Schoolcraft draws not only high school graduates but also

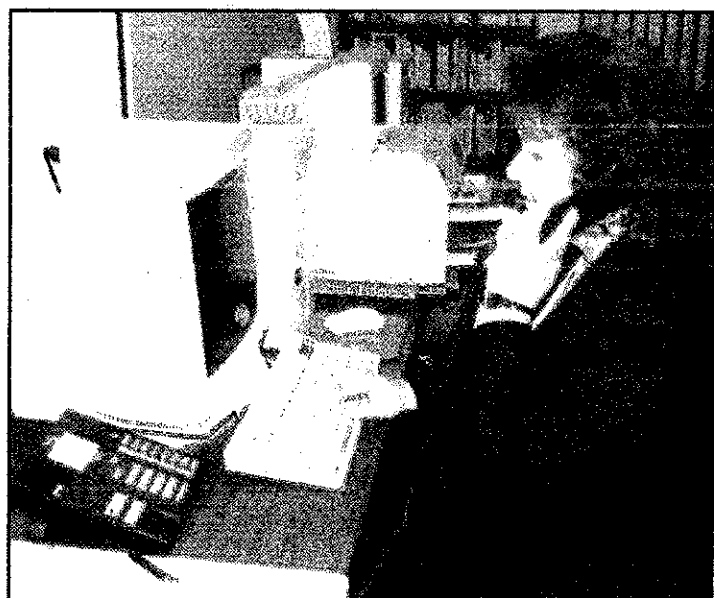


PHOTO BY MARGO DEWEY

Life-changing: Livonia resident Mary Bloedel works as a clerk on the campus of Schoolcraft College while she pursues a degree in computers.

housewives, senior citizens and corporate managers who have been laid off and need to enhance their skills.

"We host four-year schools on the campus to meet with students to keep them updated on the latest information and skills needed for a particular job," Titus said. "Attending any kind of educational institute can help a person succeed with their goals, and, sometimes, it can change their lives. We have a unique program here at Schoolcraft College called From Chocolate Chips to Micro Chips at the Women's Resource Center, which gives women of all backgrounds assistance to get back into the working environment."

Benefits many

Nancy Swanborg is the director of the Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center's Chocolate Chips program. Besides being a life-changing course, the course allows students to earn five college credits.

"Students who attend this course may be a homemaker, someone who is divorced and needs to return to the workforce, someone who is widowed or even someone who is married and has a disabled spouse and needs to gain some skills to get a job," said Swanborg. "This is an excellent program. You get so much support from other students attending the program as well as from the instructors."

The Chocolate Chips to Micro Chips 16-week course offers hands-on computer training, guided career exploration, assertiveness training and keyboarding.

"We also provide physical conditioning because we believe that the physical growth component aids in reinforcing the mind and the spirit," Swanborg said. "We also teach the students how to budget and set goals."

Other key aspects provided by the Chocolate Chips program include: free business clothing at the Chocolate Chips clothing boutique, educational counseling and assistance in applying for school-related financial aid, resume writing,

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Childbirth doesn't slow down mom

BY LAURIE HUMPHREY
SPECIAL WRITER

Heather Wilber is not sitting around patting herself on the back despite her recent accomplishments. It could be because the 29-year-old mother of two doesn't have a free hand. In one hand, she is proudly waving a bachelor's degree from Cleary College, while the other holds her new baby.

Graduating with a 3.8 GPA and having a baby are both commendable achievements, but what sets her apart is that she did both in one week's time. Her 3-day-old daughter, Marissa, was at her graduation ceremony last July.

"The doctor told me I shouldn't walk in the graduation ceremony, but I thought I've worked my butt off and this is the only time I'm going to be able to walk down that aisle." There was no way I wasn't going to walk," said the Westland woman.

She remembers concentrating so hard on walking to the stage, up the stairs and to the podium that she did not hear the announcer tell the crowd that she had just delivered her daughter three days earlier. Later, her husband, Eric, told her that everyone rose from their seats and clapped, including her 2-year-old daughter, Alexandria.

"I was kind of bummed that I didn't hear it, but a lot of people came up to us after the ceremony and asked if this was the baby," she said of Marissa.

Wilber entered Cleary's business management program in February 2000, after leaving Washtenaw Community College several years earlier.

Earning only 60 credits at WCC, Wilber gave in to a demanding work and family schedule.

"I was working a whole day, then studying at work until I went to school. It was too much," she admitted. At the same time, she realized that she had moved up the corporate ladder as far as she

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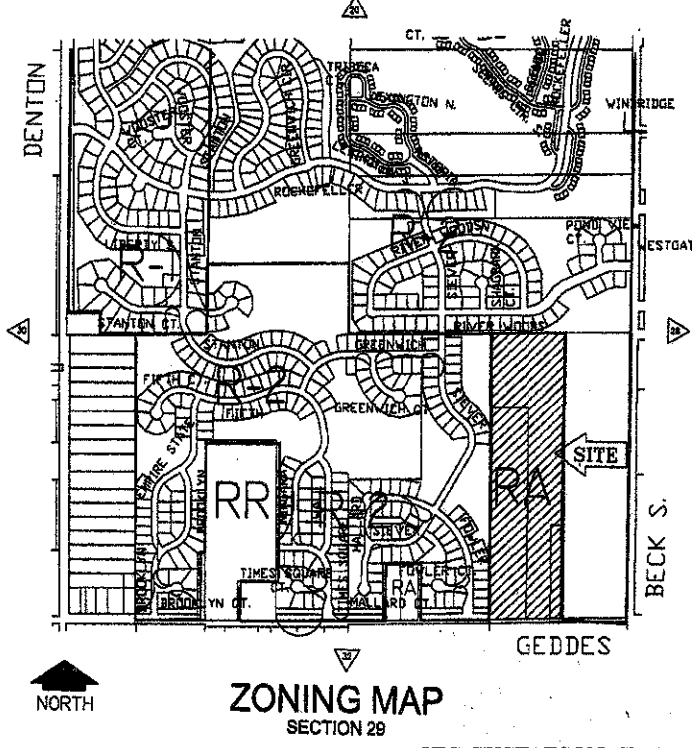
PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 19, 2001 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

GOFF/NEWTON/STREAMCO REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 116 99 0003 000, 116 99 0004 000, AND 116 99 0005 000 FROM RA, RURAL AGRICULTURAL, TO R-2, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the north side of Geddes Road between Beck and Denton Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, November 15, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



ZONING MAP SECTION 29

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: October 25 and November 11, 2001

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - OCTOBER 16, 2001

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, October 16, 2001. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: Kirchgatter

Staff Present: Director Conklin, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the agenda as presented, dismissing to study session following item one. Motion carried unanimously by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of furnishings and accessories for the Bartlett-Travis House by the Historic District Commission members Terry Bennett and Melissa McLaughlin in the amount of \$31,150 and a ten percent contingency of \$3,115 for a total amount of \$34,265; and further that Terry Bennett and Melissa McLaughlin shall be reimbursed by the Township for said purchases upon presentation of proper receipts. Motion carried by all members present.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adjourn from regular session to study session for the purpose of Human Relations Commission update and discussion of relocation of the Leachate evaporator at Sauk Trails Landfill at 7:10 P.M. Motion carried unanimously by all members present.

A regular study session of the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees was held on October 16, 2001. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:11 P.M..

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: Kirchgatter

Members Present: M. Elizabeth Akleh, Thomas Hartnett, Eric Moore, Mark Moore, Joyce Brown Williams

Members Absent: Monika Dua, Fred Bolden, Mary Manger-Lehnert, Father Richard Perfetto

Staff Present: Director Durack, Director Machnik, Director Conklin, Nancy Fogarty

Supervisor Yack introduced Pastor Mark Moore as the spokesperson for the commission in the absence of the Chair Monika Dua for a Human Relations Commission update.

Pastor Mark Moore indicated that the mission of the Commission was to encourage equality, justice, fairness, understanding, respect, harmony and peace among everyone in Canton, including its visitors. On May, 2000, Canton citizens made a request for Martin Luther King Day to be a recognized holiday by the township.

Based on recommendation from Township Supervisor, the Board created the Human Relations Commission to study, review and establish a recommendation regarding recognizing Martin Luther King Day as a paid holiday. The Human Relations Commission formed and began meeting in January, 2001 to discuss Martin Luther King day, as well as other issues.

The Human Relations Commission set the recommendation target date for October, 2001.

The approach used to establish the HRC's recommendation included:

Established working sessions where the Commissioner presented and discussed research data collected by the Commissioners. Each Commissioner was responsible to researching and presenting data around the following areas: establishment and history of MLK day; significance of MLK's achievements and establishment of the pros/cons of recognizing MLK day as paid holiday; determine how communities in metro Detroit (and nationwide) celebrate MLK day; identified how corporate America celebrates MLK day; the financial impact on local government of establishing MLK day as a paid holiday; impact on services to Canton citizens of establishing MLK day as a paid holiday.

The Commission realized that Martin Luther King Day is one part of the bigger process to promote awareness within the Canton community. We believe that the best way for our local government to show its leadership in diversity issues is to establish a paid day off for its workers on MLK day. In addition to a day off, the Human Relations Commission recommends the following initiatives be implemented: Township sponsored community event(s) that celebrates Martin Luther King; Diversity/cultural training for Township employees to allow them to effectively interact with a culturally diverse community and utilize existing communication modes to promote diversity/cultural topics.

The final recommendation is that the Charter Township of Canton should close and give the employees a paid day off to respectively celebrate Martin Luther King Day.

Consider Possible Relocation Options for Leachate Evaporator at Sauk Trails Landfill.

Director Machnik presented a historical background and indicated a sense of the present Host Landfill Agreement and amendments to that agreement for which the Board of Trustees has approved. Five options for relocation of the evaporator have been looked at with the Landfill operator. Director Machnik indicated that any offsite change would require getting a new permit from the Department of Environmental Quality.

The Director indicated that the neighborhood was in opposition to the permitted site for relocation of the evaporator.

Residents of the neighborhood indicated a number of concerns as related to the proposed costs and aesthetics of the relocation project as proposed. Additional concerns are related to the toxic byproducts that are being placed in the air.

Issues related to noise of equipment and beeping as it worked on site was a significant source of discussion both at the fill and on an industrial site next to the neighborhood.

Odor was also discussed. Director Machnik suggested that all odors should be reported to the County for monitoring and corrective action, if needed.

Adjourn

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin at 11:42 P.M. to Adjourn. Motion Carried. The above is a synopsis of the study session of the Board of Trustees held Tuesday October 16, 2001. The full text of the approved minutes (including comments by those present), will be available following the next regular board meeting of October 23, 2001.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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interviewing techniques, and job search strategies.

The Chocolate Chips to Micro Chips program can change a person's life in a matter of 16 weeks, Swanborg said. It certainly changed the life of Livonia resident Mary Bloedel.

Bloedel had been away from the workforce for 13 years. She had secretarial experience, but she needed to update and enhance her skills. She also needed to find an educational support program such as Chocolate Chips that would help her gain strength as a result of a family tragedy.

Two of her children, Rachel, 8 years old, and Sarah, 11 months old, died from an unknown ailment.

Common bond

"It took the encouragement of my husband Roger, and my strong faith to help me get

through this," she said. "I knew I wanted to go back to work, but I wasn't sure what I was going to do."

Bloedel saw a story about the national award-winning "Chips" program on television in the spring of 1999. She was so moved by the program that she decided to sign up.

"At first I was very uneasy. But, after you start talking to everyone in the group, you begin to realize that there are other people who are facing similar situations as you or even those that are facing even more difficult obstacles. I think I liked the aspect that the program makes you deal with your past, present and future."

When the Livonia resident started in the program, she just wanted to learn the skills necessary to obtain a job, she said.

"By the end of the program, I decided I wanted more. I decided

to get a degree. I now want to obtain a two-year degree and work full-time as a computer technician."

Bloedel is now working as a clerk in the Continuing Education Motorcycle Safety program at Schoolcraft College. She recommends the "Chips" program to anyone wanting to change his life for the better.

"As scary as it is to make that first step, make it because you will realize you are not alone. The bond you will share with the women in your class will be incredible. It will last a lifetime."

For more information on the "Chips" program call (734) 462-4443. For more information on community colleges look up the following Web sites: www.occ.cc.mi.us/ or www.schoolcraft.cc.mi.us/ or www.wccc.edu/; or www.henryford.cci.mi.us



Support system: Nancy Swanborg (left) director of the Women's Resource Center with Mary Bloedel (center) and Marlene Ker-shaw, coordinator of the "Chips" program.

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packaging gift-filled shoeboxes for the holidays for children overseas. Williams is hoping people see the "broader" picture and realize need exists all over the world.

"I think people will recognize that their are people in need

everywhere," said Williams. Adopt-a-Family program, whereby donors are matched anonymously with area families in need to supply items from wish lists. The Salvation Army acts as the go-between.

Canton resident Karen

Williams is about to start the third annual Operation Christmas Child program at NorthRidge Church in Plymouth. The church serves as a collection center for individuals and families interested in packaging gift-filled shoeboxes for the

holidays for children overseas. Williams is hoping people see the "broader" picture and realize need exists all over the world. "I think people will recognize that their are people in need everywhere," said Williams.

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could. As an assistant to five bankers in the commercial loan department, she said she was "well paid and appreciated, but I had gotten to the point where I wasn't going to advance without a degree."

Cleary's program offered the solution. "I was taking three or four classes at a time, but we were only meeting once a week," she said. "Everything else was done on the Internet. That made it so much easier."

Wilber is quick to add that while the attendance policies at Cleary College were less demanding, the curriculum was not. In return for convenience, she had to turn in a paper or make a Power Point presentation for every class, every week. She often had to sacrifice fami-

ly time to do homework.

"I always felt guilty about putting (Alexandria) off because I always had a paper due. I'd try to do it during her nap, but if she didn't nap, I'd have to put a Barney video in," she said.

It broke her heart to her Alexandria say "mama have to work on computer" or "mama have to write paper." Wilber recently taught her a new phrase — "mama graduated."

"After 10 years of being out of high school, I finally have my degree. I'm so glad I stuck with it. I don't know if I'll go back to the banking industry," said the Bay City native who expects this degree will bring new opportunities.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT (FY 2000 CDBG "CAPERS") PUBLIC HEARING

The public hearing for the above named document for the Canton Community Development Block Grant Program is schedule for November 14, 2001, at 3 p.m. in the first floor meeting room, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188. The document is available for inspection during regular business hours in the Resource Development Division, third floor, at the above address. Comments received during the public hearing will be forwarded to the Department of HUD and will become an addendum to the aforementioned document.

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOVEMBER 6, 2001 SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

(Four precincts of the Charter Township of Canton Only)

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF PRECINCTS # 2, #15, # 20, AND # 28 of the Charter Township of Canton, notice is hereby given that a Special General Election will be held in the Charter Township of Canton in precinct # 2, #15, #20 and #28 (only) November 6, 2001 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the purpose of casting votes on the following Wayne County Community College District millage proposal:

Shall the Limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District be increased by one dollar and fifty cents per thousand dollars (1.5 mills) of the taxable value of all taxable property in the College District for a period of ten (10) years, 2001 to 2010, inclusive, as new additional millage to provide funds for all community college purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1.5 mills would raise approximately \$32,349,210.00 when first levied in 2001.

Yes No

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the following statement has been received from the County Treasurer of the County of Wayne as to previously voted increases in the constitutional tax rate limitation affecting property in the Community College District, to wit:

"I, Raymond J. Wojtowicz, County Treasurer of the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, do hereby Certify that according to the records of my office, as of October 1, 2001, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the Wayne County Community College District, in the Said County, is as follows:

Table with 5 columns: Local Unit, Date of Election, Voted Increase, Years Effective. Rows include County of Wayne, Wayne County, Regional Educational Service Agency, Wayne County Jail, Wayne County Parks, Wayne County Community College, Wayne-Westland Schools, Van Buren Schools.

Dated : September 26, 2001"

Each person voting must be a United States Citizen over eighteen years of age and a registered elector of the Charter Township of Canton.

Table with 3 columns: Precinct No., Name of Facility, Address. Rows include Human Services Center, Walker Elementary School, Canton Administration Building, Agape Christian Academy.

The Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center, will be open from 9:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, November 2, 2001 for securing and voting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

On Monday, November 5, 2001, those requesting a absentee ballot must appear in person at the Clerk's Office until 4:00 P.M. Emergency absentee ballots ONLY will be issued on Election Day November 6, 2001. All Absentee ballots that are returned in person, must be returned to the Clerk's office by 4:00 P.M. on November 5, 2001.

If you are unsure of your voting location, please refer to your voter registration card or contact the Clerk's office at 1-734-394-5120.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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Read the Health section Sunday

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

David Medley, ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road Canton, MI 48188 (734) 397-5435

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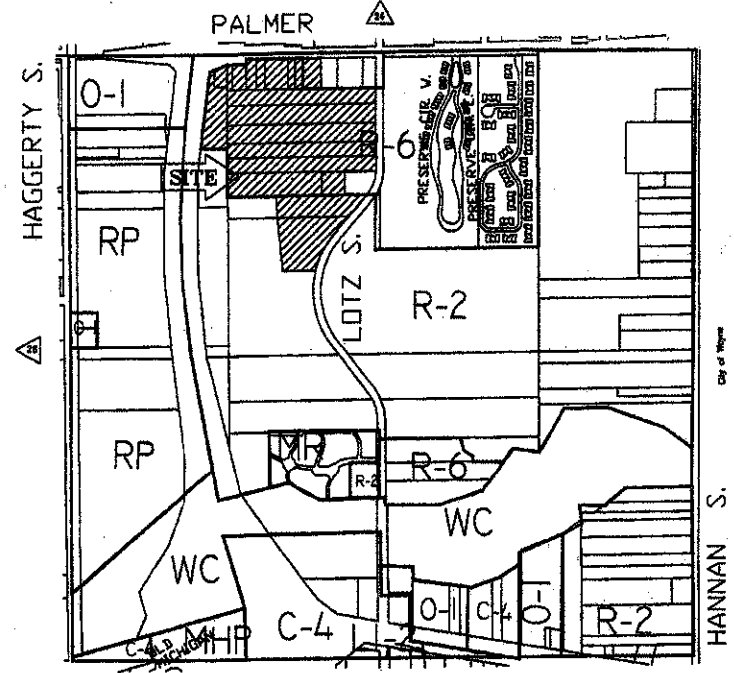
PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 19, 2001, in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

LINKS OF FELLOWS CREEK PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - FINAL PLAN - CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NOS. 098 99 0001 002, 098 99 0003 003, 098 99 0004 000, 098 99 0005 000, 098 99 0007 001, 098 99 0008 001, 098 99 0009 001, 098 99 0010 001, 098 99 0012 001, 098 99 0014 000, 098 99 0015 000, 098 99 0016 000, 098 99 0017 000, 098 99 0018 000, 098 99 0019 703, 098 99 0021 003, 098 99 0021 006, AND PART OF PARCEL NOS. 097 99 0019 000, 098 99 0001 001, AND 098 99 0019 702. Property is located south of Palmer Road between Lotz Road and I-275 Expressway. (Second Public Hearing)

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, November 15, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



ZONING MAP SECTION 25

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

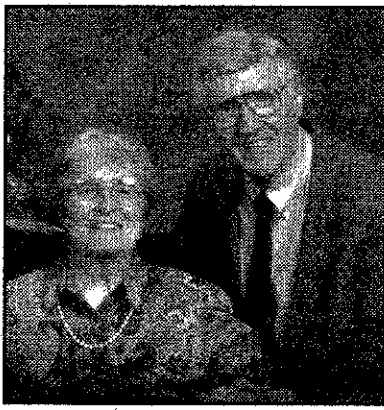
Bobcean

Mel and Nancy Bobcean are celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary this month. The couple has three children: Julie Ash, Laura Freeman and Kurt Bobcean, as well as seven grandchildren.

Mel Bobcean is a barber and owner of Mel's Golden Razor in Plymouth.

Nancy Bobcean, who has multiple sclerosis, is always there to give love, advice and support to her whole family.

On this occasion, the Bobcean's children would like to



say: "We love you Mom and Dad. Happy anniversary."

Bazakis-Pommerville

James and Marisa Bazakis of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Debora Anne, to Stephen Allen Pommerville of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a student at Eastern Michigan University earning a degree in Arts & Entertainment Management. Her concentration is theatre. She plans to graduate in April 2002 and works as an office manager for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Her fiancé, son of Marilyn Edwards of Westland, is a cook at Three Brothers Restaurant in Plymouth.



A June 2002 wedding is planned at The Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church in Plymouth.

Nickel-Murphy

Douglas Nickel of Flushing and Sue MacLean of Flushing announce the marriage of Julie Ann Nickel to Shawn William Murphy of Royal Oak.

The bride is a graduate of Luke M. Powers High School in Flint and Michigan State University. She is an account manager for Imagination U.S.A.

Her husband, son of William and Janet Murphy of Dimondale, formerly of Canton, is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, Michigan State University and University of Detroit - Mercy School of Law. He is an attorney with Ford Motor Credit Corp.

The couple wed Sept. 15 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in East Jordan, Mich. before the Rev. Herbert Willman. The bride was attended by matron of honor

Angela Busch, matron of honor Michele Nickel-Frasz and bridesmaids Leanna Nickel and Kellie Fagerman.

The groom was attended by best man Carl Mitroff, best man Doug Netzloff and groomsmen Greg Nickel, Guy Busch Jr. and Chris Frasz.

Sydney Ann Busch was the flower girl. Andrew James Londini was the ring-bearer.

The Murphys took a trip to Hawaii and will make their home in Royal Oak.

Jackson

Howard and Patti Jackson, formerly of Garden City, now living in Northville, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 5 by repeating their marriage vows before the Rev. Arnold Kosko.

The ceremony took place at a dinner in their honor at The Birmingham Country Club and was given by their eldest son, Steal Jackson and his wife, Sarah. Other children in attendance included: Diana and Dave Thomas, Colleen and George Hynes, Dennis Jackson and his fiancée Brigid Riehl. Eight grandchildren and their dates also attended. The couple was presented with a gift given by their children - an escorted tour of Italy this month.



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Files-Long

Michael James Long, son of Gary and Irene Williams of River Forest, Illinois, is engaged to Amy Lynne Files, daughter of Louis and Diana Files of Canton.

Michael, a 1990 graduate of Geneva High School received his bachelors of arts degree from Southern Illinois University in 1994. He is employed as an advertising sales executive at Outdoor Life Network in Chicago.

Amy Lynne, a 1990 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School received her bachelor of science degree in finance from Arizona State University in 1994. She is a vice president at Ernst & Young Corporate Finance LLC in Chicago.

The wedding ceremony took place Oct. 13 at L'Auberge de Sedona, Sedona, Arizona.

NEW ARRIVALS

■ **Steven and Joann Pietryka** of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, **Rebecca Leigh**, born Sept. 26 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital. Rebecca joins big brother Ryan, 17 months. Rebecca is the first baby girl born in the immediate Pietryka family in over 80 years. Grandparents are Lynda and Raymond Pietryka of Livonia and Narcisa and Vic Deogracias of Westland. Great-grandparents are Mildred Johnson of Wayne and Jean and Walter Pietryka of Deltong, Fla.

■ **Karen and Andrew Dodds** of Redford Township announce the birth of their daughter, **Morgan Elizabeth**, born Oct. 4 at

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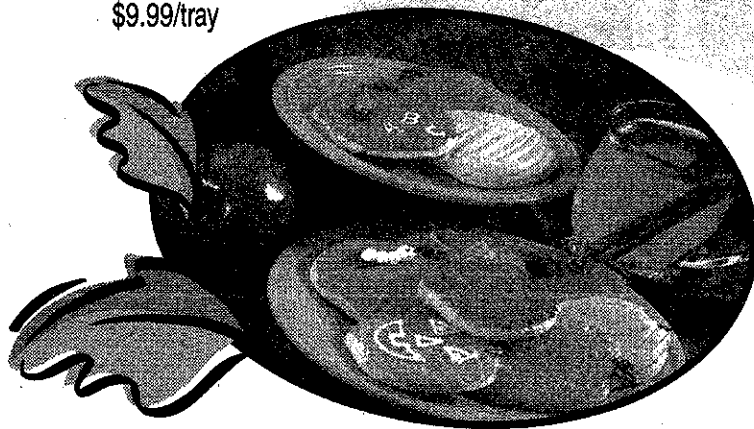
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RELIGION CALENDAR

NEW LOCATION
Beginning Sunday, Oct. 28 Praise Chapel will conduct the first 10 a.m. worship service in a new location — 34645 Cowan Road, Westland. Praise Chapel relocated this week from a temporary facility on Plymouth Road at Levan Road in Livonia. The new facility is located north of Warren Road and east of Wayne Road. Directions are available by telephone at (734) 513-5174.

SPIRITUAL STUDY GROUP
We meet each Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the MSU Tollgate Education Center in Novi to read and discuss "A Course in Miracles." A \$5 donation includes refreshments. Please call Amy at (248) 624-7555.

TERRORISM
September 11th. We too sorrow? An answer to Billy Graham's "mystery." Why does God permit evil? Send for your free booklet: "Why Does God Permit Evil?" Write for a free brochure: Associated Bible Students, P.O. Box 2153, Dearborn, MI 48123.

UPCOMING
SENIOR HOUSING FAIR
Newburg United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail) of Livonia will host a Senior Housing Fair 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27. Featured speakers include Rick Bloom (long term care insurance); Kate Collins (what types of senior facilities are available?); James Frederick (durable power of attorney/medical power of attorney - who needs it/why?); and Honor Raymond (what is Stephens Ministry and how can it help me through this trying time). The fair is free. Call (734) 422-0149 to pre-register.

KAY ARTHUR
Please join Calvary Baptist Women's Ministries as they present "One Thing" with Kay Arthur — best selling author and co-founder of Precepts Ministries. "How in the World Can I be Holy" is a women's event Saturday, Oct. 27 at Calvary Baptist Church (43065 Joy Road) in Canton. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. and includes praise and worship. Write the church for a registration form, call (734) 455-0022 or visit www.calvarybaptistcant.org

OCTOBERFEST
Nativity United Church of Christ (9435 Henry Ruff) in Livonia will host a Community Octoberfest for families and children of all ages. Refreshments, games and more. Noon to 3 p.m. Oct. 27. All are welcome. Wear a costume. This is a non-denominational activity to provide chil-

dren of this community a chance for fun and games in a safe atmosphere. Call (734) 421-5406.

RIVERS OF THE WORLD
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church (27475 Five Mile Road) in Livonia will host Ben Matthew, president of Rivers of the World, 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 28. ROW is an international exploration and development agency that targets remote rivers, seeking long-term projects with people who live in the river basins. All are welcome. Call (734) 422-1470.

POTLUCK DINNER
Join the families of Geneva Presbyterian Church and the Canton Mosque for a potluck dinner followed by a presentation on Islam 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28 at Geneva Church, (Sheldon Road just north of Ford Road). Please bring a dish to pass, bearing in mind the Muslim restriction on eating pork. Call (734) 459-0013 or visit www.genevachurch.org

UNIVERSITY SINGERS
Newburg United Methodist Church will host the University Singers of Ohio Northern University in concert 7:30 p.m. Oct. 29. The 52-member voice choir, directed by Dennis L. Kratzer, director of Choral Activities and Associate Director of Opera, has sung all over the world. The concert is free and open to the public. A free will offering will be

taken to help defray the cost of the tour.

ANGEL NIGHT CELEBRATION
Children, youth, and adults are welcome to drop in at Geneva Presbyterian Church either before or after trick-or-treating on Halloween evening for an "Angel Night Celebration" with pizza, crafts, games and other fun, from 6-7:30 p.m. Oct. 31. Costumes are encouraged but please, no scary ones. Geneva Church is on Sheldon Road (just north of Ford Road). There is no charge, but please call the church office, (734) 459-0013, or Mary Baum, (734) 397-8132 so that there will be enough food. Visit www.genevachurch.org.

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY
Church women will gather at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church (9601 Hubbard Street) Livonia at 12:45 p.m. Nov. 2 for a program titled "Sound the Shofar: Jubilee! Forgive all debts, set people free." In the spirit of jubilee, participants will be informed about the present global debt crisis. Women will gather to pray and call for the cancellation of debts. Reservations needed for baby-sitting only. Call Joan Patterson by Oct. 30 (734) 591-1842. Bring love pillows for Children's Hospital.

IRISH PALLOTTINE DANCE
The Irish Pallottine Fathers will host a dinner dance 6:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 3 at the

Hellenic Cultural Center (36375 Joy Road) Westland. \$45 per person, dinner 7:30 p.m. Call Colleen Karagozian (248) 546-1289 or the Pallottine Fathers (734) 285-2966.

ST. ANDREWS DAY
A St. Andrew's Day service and dinner will be held Nov. 4 at St. James Presbyterian Church (25350 W. Six Mile Road) in Redford. The services begins at 10 a.m. with the dinner to follow. The St. Andrew bagpipe band will be performing at the service and during dinner. Dinner tickets are \$10 for those 12 years and up, children 4-11 are \$5 and 3 years and under free. Call (313) 534-7730.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church (9601 Hubbard) in Livonia, will host a two-evening presentation of "History & Origins of Islam." Guest speaker will be William G. Geford, consultant for Interfaith Ministries of Detroit. Event starts at 7 p.m. in the chapel on Nov. 6 and Nov. 13. Nov. 6 will focus on "Life of the Prophet Muhammad" and Nov. 13 will focus on "Teachings of Islam." All are invited. Child care provided. Call (734) 422-0494.

DIABETES
November is National Diabetes Month. Learn about diabetes and how to control it with diet and exercise. Join Lee McDon-

agh, registered dietitian for a one-hour program about diabetes 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13 at St. Colette Church (17600 Newburgh Road) in Livonia between Six and Seven Mile roads. Reserve your sport — call (734) 464-4436.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. Nov. 16-18 at the St. John's Family Life Center (44011 Five Mile Road) in Plymouth. There is a \$50 registration fee. Call Bill and Carol (248) 528-2512, Dan and Debbie (810) 286-5524 or visit www.rc.net/detroit/wwme

UNITY HEALTH FAIR
Unity of Livonia Church (28660 Five Mile Road) will host a health festival including specialists in all fields of holistic living (chiropractic care, physical therapy, fat analysis, hypnosis, yoga, massage and acupuncture) with over 40 booths, workshops, health screenings, food vendors and door prizes. Holistic health experts will talk about a variety of topics including the correlation between forgiveness and health. You need not be a member of the church to attend. The event will take place 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 17. Admission, \$5. Call (734) 421-1760.

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There are bad acts, but never a bad person. This may seem impossible to believe based on the events in the world and more specifically in our country. It sure seems like a bad group of people are attacking a good group. It certainly appears that there are very clear evil villains and very clear innocent victims. But that is not how God sees us all: it is not even close.

During my education classes in college, the current phrase in disciplining students was consistently that there are bad choices made by children, bad actions they may take, but never a bad

child. This philosophy was mostly about not harming a child's self-esteem, but I have taken it to heart both as a teacher and as a parent.

True nature

It is vital that I realize the true nature of each of God's children, which we all are. And God never made anything bad; the first chapter of Genesis says that everything he made is good.

It is easier to see this goodness in a young child than in a tyrant who celebrates the death of innocent citizens; however, looking to the teachings of the Bible and

Christ Jesus the demand to love everyone is clear. He said that if we can't love the people in the world that we see, how can we possibly love the God whom we have not seen.

In the book of Luke he says, "Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you, bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you." Not just put up with them and try not to hate them, pray for them.

In the book of Romans, Paul, a Christian leader who personally knew about persecution and unjust governments, said, "If it

be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath."

Easier said than done? Possibly. But, again, it is not about forgiving a "bad person." It is about trying to see beneath the outward appearance of anyone to find the child of God: the good and perfect man that he created. Following the Bible directives to love our enemies is about acknowledging that we are all equal in the sight of God. We are all worthy of God's love as his children.

When we are praying for our country and for our world, it should not be a prayer alone of God overcoming evil people. Hating or seeing anyone as evil is not productive toward helping the world heal. What we really need to do is to pray to understand that God is present to govern all of his creation, which includes every person in every corner of the world. We can pray to see the true nature of his creation — the integrity, honesty, peacefulness, and love — and can know that everyone has the right to express these qualities. We can pray that each of us

(American, Arab, and Israeli) are free to express the goodness of our true nature.

God never made an evil man; this must be our prayer. This prayer will lift the hatred that breeds terrorism and thus contribute to bringing peace to the world.

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Arkademy Awards benefit salutes legends Hollywood style

The Ark, one of the nation's oldest non-profit presenters of acoustic based music, has announced its 4th annual fall fundraiser. The public is invited to stroll down the red carpet to The Arkademy Awards: A Salute To Hollywood. The evening will feature among other things, performances by Susan Werner and Josh White Jr. and features a post-show decadent dessert

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The Arkademy awards take place 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9 at The Ark (316 S. Main Street) in Ann Arbor.

This year's Arkademy Awards: A Salute to Hollywood is sure to be a stand out. Just like those "other" awards, The Ark's show will feature limos, a red carpet, their own version of Joan Rivers' fashion commentary, musical

tributes, witty banter, and ornate sets. Patrons are encouraged to dress as their favorite movie star or a character from their favorite film. Anyone and everyone could end up winning an award! Audience members are advised to prepare their acceptance speeches ahead of time so that they don't get the hook for taking too long when holding their statuette. Provid-

ing the musical entertainment for the evening will be Susan Werner and Josh White Jr.

The Ark has been an institution in Southeastern Michigan for over 30 years. It continues to bring the latest and most innovative singers, songwriters, and performances as well as featuring traditional favorites. The organization began holding fall fundraisers four years ago in an

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General admission tickets are on sale now at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and all ticketmaster centers or by phone at (734) 763-TKTS. Special VIP reserved seating/dinner pack-

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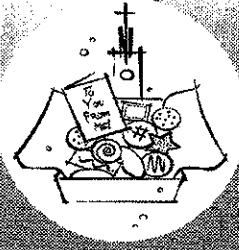
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BISHOP FOLEY
 ■ Class of 1986
 A 15-year reunion is planned from 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 at the Troy Marriott. This will be an informal event that will include hors d'oeuvres, D.J. and set-ups. There will also be a cash bar for those interested. We are also hoping to have some teachers from our Foley days at the reunion. The cost will be \$35 a person. There is a block of rooms that have been set-aside at the Marriott; the rate currently is \$69, which could be reduced if there is enough interest. Please let me know if you are interested in booking a room there. (248) 680-9797. E-mail Shannon Murphy at Murphy@nsf.org

CANTON/SALEM
 ■ Class of 1991
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 10 at Burton Manor in Livonia. Call Class Reunions Plus (810) 446-9636.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL
 ■ Class of 1961
 For information about the Girls Catholic Central of Detroit 40th reunion, call Jan Seefeld (248) 398-7777 or Nancy Nowak Kush (313) 291-1165.

CHADSEY
 ■ Class of 1952
 A "golden anniversary" reunion is in the early planning stages. Alumni are being asked to call and share their interest in attending a reunion. Call Florence A. Azzopardi (313) 937-1246.

CHERRY HILL HIGH SCHOOL

■ Class of 1981
 20+1 year reunion, Saturday, Feb. 9, 2002. Contact- Heidi (Galbraith) Erlanson for more details. Call (248)735-8671 or e-mail heidimama@yahoo.com

CODY
 ■ Class of 1971
 A 30th reunion is planned for 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3 at the Holiday Inn Livonia West (17123 North Laurel Drive) in Livonia. Open bar, dinner and dancing. Men coat and tie please; ladies after five or appropriate evening wear. A block of rooms has been reserved (\$87) call (734) 464-1300. Tickets are still available call Gail (Kaczmarczyk) Kline (313) 846-0845 or Pat (Roman) Baker (734) 981-4682.

■ Class of 1981
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 17 at the Doubletree Guest Suites, Southfield. Call Reunions Made Easy (248) 592-9565.

DETROIT BURT/ELEMENTARY
 ■ January Class of 1948
 Classmates are being sought for a reunion of the January Class of Detroit Burt School Elementary. Contact Mildred Smith-Webster (313) 561-7276 or Gina Stocker-Alexander (313) 794-4997.

DETROIT REDFORD
 ■ January 1952
 Get ready to celebrate our 50th. Call ASAP Gina Stocker Alexander, (313) 794-4997 or e-mail ginaalex2@aol.com or Marlene McGregor Ruppenthal (248) 855-9010.

DONDERO
 ■ Class of 1991
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 23 at the Northfield Hilton in Troy. Call Class Reunions Plus (810) 446-9636.

DWIGHT EISENHOWER
 ■ Class of 1991
 Reunion is planned for Nov. 23 at the Sterling Inn. Call (800) 677-7800, visit www.taylorreunions.com or e-mail: info@taylorreunions.com or culbertson@taylorreunions.com

or write: Taylor Reunion Services, P.O. Box 597, Dallas, TX 75221-9929.

FERNDALE
 ■ Class of 1981
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 23 at Club Venetian, Madison Heights. Call Class Reunions Plus (800) 548-6666.

GARDEN CITY EAST
 ■ Class of 1981
 The class of 1981 will host a 20th reunion Nov. 2. at the Novi Hilton. For more information call Glenn Testa (734) 266-7279 or e-mail thatsmegt@aol.com the following information: last name (maiden), first name, home address, e-mail address and will you help out during the next reunion? Visit classmates.com to read the reunion message board and see the names of the outstanding students.

■ Class of 1991
 A reunion will be held Nov. 24 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Contact (248) 561-4773, (248) 692-0065 or (734) 266-8040.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH
 ■ Class of 1991
 Call (800) 677-7800, visit www.taylorreunions.com or e-mail: info@taylorreunions.com or culbertson@taylorreunions.com or write: Taylor Reunion Services, P.O. Box 597, Dallas, TX 75221-9929.

GROVES
 ■ Class of 1971
 We're looking for interested alumni to help organize our 30th reunion. Call Linda Miller (952) 942-9559 or e-mail kmiller@sprynet.com or send name and number to Linda Miller, P.O. Box 44203, Eden Prairie, MN 55344.

■ Class of 1991
 A 10-year reunion is planned for Friday, Nov. 23. Athenium Hotel in Greektown. Call Darcie Hurbis (248) 877-2036.

HOLY REDEEMER
 ■ Class of 1962
 Classmates call Frank S. Barkovich regarding the class

reunion in 2002. Call (734) 397-8777.

JOHN GLENN
 ■ Class of 1981
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 24 at the Warren Valley Country Club in Dearborn Heights. Call Class Reunions Plus (810) 446-9636.

LIVONIA STEVENSON
 ■ Class of 1972
 A 30 year reunion is planned for Aug. 9, 2002. The reunion committee is taking inquiries. Call Kathy (Guilbault) Harris (734) 462-1772 or Paul St. Henry (734) 591-6081.

MACKENZIE
 ■ Class of 1961 (June)
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 9 at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth. Contact Lynn Walter Vanerian (734) 459-5583 or e-mail vanerian@cs.com or fax Dee Waskul Osler's (248) 656-3196.

MARIAN HIGH
 ■ Class of 1981
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 24 at Birmingham C.C. Call Patty Zack Ghesquire (248) 646-2525 or Nancy Caderette Kennedy (248) 641-8627.

■ Class of 1991
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 24 at Rivercrest Banquet Facility. Call Jennifer Huber (248) 414-5647.

■ Class of 1996
 Contact Jennifer Latimer (248) 646-9060 or Tina Malloy (248) 433-1795.

MCFARLAND JUNIOR HIGH
 ■ Class of 1966
 Classmates are being sought for a 35th reunion. Call Karen (810) 573-7145, Vickey (517) 548-5133 or e-mail misst27@aol.com

MERCY HIGH
 ■ Class of 1981
 A reunion is planned for Nov. 24 at St. John's Conference Center in Plymouth. Call Tammy Forfinski Morris (248) 348-3011.
 ■ Class of 1991
 Nov. 23 at Shenandoah Country Club. Call (248) 738-4868.

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left wondering how to help their children through these difficult times. In response to an observed incidence of agitation and anger in local children, Lifespan Clinical Services, a division of the Western Wayne County non-profit Starfish Family Services, is offering two six-week anger

management groups. These age-specific groups will help kids identify and verbalize their feelings, recognize their anger "triggers," as well as learn productive ways to channel their anger. The groups will begin on Thursday, Oct.

25, and will be held at the Lifespan Clinical Services Livonia office on Middlebelt Road. Children ages 8-12 will meet from 4-5 p.m. and teens ages 13-16 will meet from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The cost is \$25 per session and space is limited. Call (888) 355-LIFE (5433).

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SINGLES MINGLE

Listings for the Singles Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. Call (734) 953-2131 or e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net

SINGLES CRUISE
New Hope Center for Grief Support is planning a seven day Caribbean cruise for widows and widowers aboard Princess Cruise Line's "Sea Princess." The cruise will be leaving Detroit Jan. 27, 2002 and cruising the southern Caribbean with stops at Barbados, St. Thomas, and other ports of call. Call (248) 348-0115.

METRO SINGLES DANCE
Metro Singles Dance every Wednesday from 8-11:30 p.m. at Sandtraps on 5 (35780 Five Mile Road between Levan and Farmington roads) in Livonia. 21 and over, budget bar, proper attire, refreshments. Dee Jay Dick Gerathy. Hotline (313) 438-6258. \$6. Early admission \$4 before 8:30 p.m. Couples welcome.

METROPOLITAN SINGLES

The Metropolitan Singles Professionals invite you to the Oct. 26, 14th Annual Halloween Party/Dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Double Tree Guest Suites in Novi. Semi-scary, costumes are optional/casual. Prizes for the best costumes. Admission, \$10. Call (248) 851-9909 or visit www.mspsc.com.

SINGLE PLACE PROGRAMS

Single Place presents:
■ Friday's meet at Tremor's (6 Mile between Newburgh and I-275). Join us for dancing, eats and conversation. \$3 cover charge and beverage cost.
■ Every Saturday "A Walk in the Park" at Heritage Park (between 10 and 11 Mile roads on Farmington Road) at 10 a.m. n Sunday worship at First Presbyterian Church (200 E. Main Street) Northville. 11 a.m. followed by brunch at 12:30 p.m. at Northville Crossing Restaurant.

DIVORCE SUPPORT
The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College sponsors a Divorce Support Group from 7-9 p.m. at the McDowell Center (room 225). Call (734) 462-4443.

Upcoming schedule includes:
■ Group discussion, Nov. 27, Dec. 11
■ Group discussion, Nov. 29, Dec. 13 (new group for those divorced over 1 year. Meets from 7:30-9 p.m. across the hall from WRC).
■ Oct. 23, Mediation
■ Nov. 13, Getting through the holidays.

BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

■ 10 a.m. Sundays a brunch is served at Redford Inn (Beech Daly and Five Mile Road).
■ 11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Aidan Church (Farmington Road north of Six Mile).
■ Tuesday's: Coffee and Conversation at 7 p.m. at Thomas' Family Dining (33971 Plymouth Road) Livonia.
■ Halloween Dance at St. Kenneth - alumni invited. Costumes. Please watch for future announcements.

■ Oct. 27, Rathskeller Dakota Inn dinner. Call Mary (734) 722-2612. Reservations and payment previously required.
■ Nov. 17, 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Kenneth's with free turkey dinner in hall afterward.

■ Nov. 24, Plymouth Whalers game 7:30 p.m. option dinner before game at Ginopolis Restaurant.
■ Divorce Recovery at St. Kenneth's starting 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14. Call Mary Mumma or Rose Provo to register (734) 414-9736 or (734) 464-3325. \$40 class includes text book and 8 consecutive classes.

■ New Year's Eve Dance Dec. 31 at St. Robert Bellarmine. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tickets will be \$20 if purchased in advance. \$25 at the door.
WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCE
Every Friday WestSide Singles hosts a dance at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Must be over 21 - dressy attire (no jeans). Open to the public. Upcoming dances: Oct. 26 (Halloween Party). A deejay will be playing Top 40 music and current hits. Appetizers will be served (hot/cold). Early admission special \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. Call (734) 981-0909.

SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES

Talk It Over meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost \$6. Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

Parents without Partners, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to the single-parent family. We offer educational, social, and recreational activities for single parents and their children. Dues \$30 per year. Call Ann Arbor Chapter #38 call (734) 973-1933 or visit the Web page at www.aapwp.org;
■ Singles Dances. Public is invited to attend). Zal Gaz Grotto, 2070 W. Stadium, Ann Arbor. Music by DJ Imperial Sound. Cash bar. Non-smoking dance area. Sponsored by HVRC-Parents without Partners, Inc. Dance 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., \$7.00 non-member, \$5.00 members. Call (734) 973-1933.

TALK IT OVER

TIO meets the second Friday of each month in Knox Hall from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free will offering. Coffee/cookies served. Call (248) 374-5920.

METROPOLITAN PROFESSIONALS

The MSP invite you to meet new

friends, dance and socialize from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. There will be a Top 40 D.J., cash bar and hors d'oeuvres (8-9 p.m.) The ballrooms are non-smoking.

■ Euchre, pinochle, bridge and dinner from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Cowley's Old Village Inn, every Monday. (33338 Grand River, Farmington). All skill levels.

CHRISTIAN SINGLES

Attention singles - Christian Singles Today Interactive Saturday Fellowship is held from 7-11 p.m. at The Church of the Savior (Five Mile Road at Newburgh) in Livonia. Call (248) 478-1410 for information.

YOUNG SINGLES

Attention young singles ages 17-29. Join us at the Christian Singles Music Cafe every Saturday from 7-11 p.m. at The Jesus Center, 20911 Inkster Road in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 478-1410 for information.

WEDNESDAY SUBURBAN SINGLES

Wednesday Suburban Singles Dance Parties Inc., meet every Wednesday at The Warren Chateau Banquet Center (10 Mile Road one block east of Mound) in Warren from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Open to the public - ages 21 and up. (13) 842-0443.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Canton Township Planning Commission scheduled for Monday, November 5, 2001 has been canceled due to the Special Election called by Wayne County for November 6, 2001. The Township Meeting Hall is the polling place for Precinct 20.

VIC GUSTAFSON
Chairman

Publish: October 25, 2001

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PUBLIC NOTICE OF ACCURACY TEST

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clerk's Office will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the automatic tabulating equipment to be used for the Special election on Tuesday, November 6, 2001. The test will take place on Thursday, November 1, 2001 at 3 P.M. in the Clerk's Office, Township Administration Building, 1150 South Canton Center Road. This test is open to interested parties. For further information contact Clerk's Office at 394-5120.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: October 25, 2001

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 19, 2001, in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

RAVENSFIELD CONDOMINIUM PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - PRELIMINARY PLAN - CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO. 126 99 0008 002 AND PART OF PARCEL NO. 126 99 0007 000. Property is located south of Geddes Road and east of Denton Road. (First Public Hearing.)

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, November 15, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

ZONING MAP SECTION 32

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: October 25 and November 8, 2001

CANTON TOWNSHIP CHANGES ARE MADE IN DETERMINATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BASE (1% ANNUAL CHANGE) FLOOD ELEVATIONS (BFEs) UNDER THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM (NFIP)

On September 2, 1981, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) identified Special Flood Hazard Areas in the Township of Canton, Michigan, through issuance of a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM).

The Federal Insurance Administration/Mitigation Administrator has determined that modification of the elevations of the flood having a one-percent chance of occurrence in any given year (base flood) for certain locations in the Township of Canton, is appropriate. The modified BFEs amend the FEMA FIRM for the community.

This modification to the effective FIRM reflects the placement of fill and channelization along Willow Creek. As a result of the modifications, there are decreases in the VFEs, narrowing and widening of the 1% annual chance (100-year) floodplain, and narrowing of the regulatory floodway. The revised BFEs for Willow Creek are as follows:

Location	Base Flood Elevations (NGVD)*	Effective	Revised
Approximately 100 feet downstream of Haggerty Road	*673		*674
Approximately 750 feet upstream of Lilley Road	*678		*677

*Elevation in feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum

The changes are made pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234), and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended. (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448) 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65.

Under the above-mentioned Acts of 1968 and 1973, the Federal Insurance Administration/Mitigation Administrator, must develop criteria for floodplain management. In order for the community to participate in the NFIP, the community will be using the new BFEs to administer the floodplain management measures of the NFIP. These modified BFEs will also be used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents.

Upon the second publication of notice of these changes in this paper, any person has 90 days in which he can request through the Chief Executive Officer of the community that the Federal Insurance Administration/Mitigation Administrator reconsider the determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on knowledge of changed conditions or new scientific or technical data. All interested parties are on notice that until the 90-day period elapses, the Federal Insurance Administration/Mitigation Administrator's determination to modify the BFEs may itself be changed.

Any person having knowledge or wishing to comment on these changes should immediately notify:

MR. THOMAS J. YACK
Canton Township Supervisor
1150 South Canton Center Road
Canton, Michigan 48188

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SHURGARD OF CANTON NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that the following unit(s) will be sold to the highest bidder by open auction on November 5, 2001 at approximately 9:30 a.m. at Shurgard Storage located at 2101 Haggerty Rd., Canton, MI 48187. (734-981-0300)

5260 - Belanger - Leather chair, audio equipment, boxes, lawn mower engine, 13" TV, household furniture, lamps, luggage.
5258 - Belanger - Crates of books, magazines, tapes, approx. 50 misc. boxes, heater, fan, shelves, sawhorse.
5043 - Marcinkowski - Trash cans, table, sporting goods, camping gear, kitchen furniture, office chairs, wood furniture, boxes, lamps, file cabinet, misc. household items.
5036 - George - Single bed, multiple children's games and toys, sofa, loveseat, plastic furniture, clothes, shelves, dinette set, misc. household items.
6258 - Moore - Chest of drawers, sofa.
4293 - Cargile - Vacuum, curio cabinet, table, high chair, floor lamps, patio furniture, bed rails, microwave, TV, misc. boxes, misc. household furniture.

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LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 2001

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the City of Plymouth on Tuesday, November 6, 2001 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard time. At that time candidates for the following offices will be voted on in the City of Plymouth.

CITY COMMISSIONER (FOUR POSITIONS)

Absentee ballots may be requested from the Clerk's office, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. The telephone number is 453-1234, ext. 234 or 225. Absentee ballots will be issued to qualified absentee voters in person in the Clerk's office from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 3rd, 2001. On Monday, November 5th, 2001, qualified voters shall receive their ballots and vote them in the City Clerk's office until 4:30 p.m.

All polling places in the City are accessible to the elderly and the handicapped (ADA Requirements). You are further notified that the City's two (2) precinct locations are as follows:

PRECINCT	LOCATION
1, 2, 4	PLYMOUTH CULTURAL CENTER 525 Farmer Street
3	CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL 650 Church Street

If you are a qualified registered voter and find it necessary to require an absent voter ballot and have not applied for one, applications are available for pickup or mailing at the front office or Clerk's office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

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CEPELA REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 018 99 0009 002 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the northeast corner of Gyde and Ridge Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, November 15, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

ZONING MAP SECTION 5

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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New arrivals

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St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. Grandparents are Kevin and Sue Dawley of Livonia and Jim and Sandi Dodds of Michigan City. Great-grandparents are Betty and Matt Kienholz of Novi, Dolores Phillipi of Jackson and Ann Dodds of Oak Park. Great-grandmother is Ann Cook of Saline.

■ **John and Claire Mueller** of Westland announce the birth of their son, **Peter John Paul**, born Aug. 18 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Older siblings are Matthew, Margaret, Elisabeth and Joseph. Grandparents are Lora McComas of Wixom, Jim and Clare Mueller of Plymouth and Andy and Joan McComas of Tonawanda, New York. Great-grandmother is Lucile McClarnon of Avon, Conn.

■ **Richard B. Graham, Jr.** and **Lisa Graham** of Westland announce the birth of their son **Richard Bernard Graham III**, born Oct. 5 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center - Wayne. Grandparents are Carolyn Brown of Westland, and Sandra and Richard B. Graham Sr. of New Castle, Penn. Great-grandmothers are Lucy Graham of New Castle, Penn., Sophia Kendra of New Castle, Penn., and Phyllis Brown of Montgomery, Ill.

■ **Crystal Kincer** and **Anthony Alman** of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter, **Aubrey Morgan Kincer**, born July 23 at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Glenn and Cherrie Kincer and Randy and Dawn Alman of Garden City.

■ **Don and Jennifer Painter** of Garden City announce the birth of their son, **Nicholas Andrew**, born July 24 at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Don and Carol Painter of Westland, and Joe and Bev Ruzicka of Dearborn Heights. Great-grandparents are Jewell Casselman of Westland and Agne Ruzicka of Warren.

■ **Elizabeth Collins** and **Michael Lewis** of Garden City announce the birth of **Timothy Michael** born Aug. 6 at Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Timothy Collins, Cathy Collins, Lynn King and Dennis King Jr.

■ **Richard and Sandra Derscha** of Westland announce the birth of their daughter **Katherine Victoria** born Aug. 9 at Garden City Hospital. Katherine joins brother Richard, 4. Grandparents are Clyde and Ilene Starks of Grosse Ile and Joe and Sue Derscha of Livonia.

■ **Jeanette and Dallas Dewyer** of Wayne announce the birth of their son **Dillon Lee** born Aug. 9 at Garden City Hospital. Dillon joins siblings Dallas 11; and Desiree, 8. Grandparents are Mary and Dennis Dewyer of Inkster.

■ **Pat and Becky Stoliker** of Westland announce the birth of their daughter **Chloe Jeanne** born Aug. 12 at Garden City Hospital. Chloe joins siblings Kim, 27; Jamey, 25; Ashley, 12; Brittany, 10; Bridget, 10; Chelsea, 9; Penny, 3; and Patrick, 19 months. Grandmother is Penny Coffey of Westland.

■ **Cortney and Kathie Hodge** of Belleville announce the birth of their son, **Matthew James**, born Aug. 14 at Garden City Hospital. Matthew joins siblings Nicole, 12; Rebecca, 9; and CJ, 21 months. Grandparents are Barb and Dennis Frye of Westland and Cortney and Betty Hodge of McKeesport, Penn.

■ **Terry and Jessica May** of Wayne announce the birth of their son, **Brandon Michael**, born Aug. 16 at Garden City Hospital. Brandon joins sister Alyssa, 2. Grandparents are Bonnie and Larry Livingston of Canton, Mike and Veronica May of Wayne and Linda Maylona of Linden.

DESSERT AUCTION
The NYC Fire Department Fund will benefit from all proceeds received at the Dessert Auction Saturday, Oct. 27. It will be held in the Fireside Room at Riverside Park Church of God (17771 Newburgh Road) at 6:30 p.m. Desserts have been donated by local businesses and women of the church. The public is welcome.

GARAGE/RENOVATION SALE
Community Free Will Baptist Church will host a garage/renovation sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct.

27 (33031 Cherry Hill Road) in Westland. Items include electronics, piano, organ, toys, clothing, kitchen items and equipment.

BOO BALL SPOOKTACULAR
The Children's Leukemia Foundation (CLF) of Michigan's 3rd Annual Boo Ball Spooktacular will be haunting the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion Saturday, Oct. 27 at 6 p.m. on Oakland University's Campus. Tickets are \$150 for adults and \$75 for children and must be purchased by Oct. 12, there is no ticket

sales at the door. Call (248) 353-8222.

TRICK OR TROT 5K
The third annual Trick or Trot 5K, presented by Ford Motor Company at Milford's Camp Dearborn Saturday, Oct. 27. Money raised benefits Leukemia, Research, Life Inc. and Childhood Cancer Research at Children's Hospital of Michigan. The event begins at 2 p.m. Preceding the main race are two "Tot Trots" the first at 1 p.m. and another at 1:15 p.m. Call (248) 471-7242.

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Record-setter

Kyle Lasko, a senior defensive back on Plymouth Canton's football team, has earned a spot in the MHSAA record book.

In the Chiefs' 36-0 win over Livonia Churchill Sept. 29, Lasko returned an interception 103 yards for a touchdown, joining five others who have interception returns of 100 or more yards.

For the season, Lasko has 10 pick-offs. The state record is held by Enrico Sambiagio, who had 15 intercepts for Petersburg-Summerfield in 1980.

PCA cross country

Plymouth Christian Academy followed the trend and finished second at Saturday's Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Cross Country Championships at Cass Benton.

Southfield Christian emerged with the victory, scoring 29 points. PCA had 51 and Auburn Hills Oakland Christian had 54; Bethesda Christian did not have a full team.

PCA's best finisher was Mark Varney, who was fourth in 18:25. Next best was Ben Baloga, eighth (19:46); Mark Burkhart, ninth (20:13); Matt Worley, 13th (20:39); Reagan Rose, 17th (21:25); and Jason King, 20th (22:04).

PCA has won the MIAC on even years and finished second in the conference on odd years.

College standouts

■ Brian Wozniak, a junior at the University of Buffalo and a Plymouth Salem graduate, earned his third shutout of the season as Buffalo's men's soccer team beat Binghamton 2-0 Oct. 16. Wozniak had five saves in the victory.

In 12 games this season, Wozniak has posted a 1.19 goals-against average for Buffalo, which is 6-6-1.

■ Angela Sillmon, a Plymouth Salem graduate, turned in a solid performance for Western Michigan University's volleyball team Tuesday, collecting five kills, two blocks and a team-high 14 digs.

Sillmon's performance couldn't save the Broncos, however, who lost at Eastern Michigan 30-18, 31-29, 30-25 to fall to 11-7 overall, 6-5 in the Mid-American Conference.

Canton JV perfect

The Plymouth Canton junior varsity football team concluded an 8-0 season by beating Plymouth Salem 38-14 Thursday. Travis McKinney scored three touchdowns and Brian Vella scored two more for the Chiefs.

The Canton-vs.-Westland John Glenn game, which would have decided the Western Lakes Activities Association JV championship, was never played due to poor weather and field conditions. The title will be shared by the two teams.

Lions sweep

The Canton Lions varsity squad won a forfeit Sunday against the Ann Arbor Wildcats, who were one player short of fielding a regulation team. The Lions are now 4-3 heading into Saturday's finale against the Plymouth Steelers.

In an unofficial scrimmage played between the two teams, the Lions won 28-0, thanks to touchdowns from Colin Toth (two), Matt Kennison and Konrad Konsitzke. The Lions' defense was led by Anthony Green.

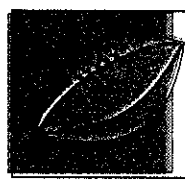
The Lions junior varsity squad defeated the Wildcats 20-0, thanks to touchdowns from Chris Stewart, Chris Hasse and Javon Brown. The Lions, who are now 3-4, opened the scoring by recording a safety when Justin Scott tackled the Wildcats' punter in the end zone.

Defensively, Robert Dellepelle intercepted a pass and William Tidwell and Erik Wright recovered fumbles for the Lions. Cory Amble and Jeremy Epley also turned in stellar defensive performances for the Lions.

The Lions freshmen unit improved to 5-1-1 with a 27-6 victory over the Wildcats. Myron Puryear paced the Lions with three TDs. Thad Lincoln recorded an interception for the defense while Puryear recovered a fumble. Other defensive standouts were Anthony Seling, Luke Konsitzke and Dave Farmer.

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Canton vs. Novi: run it up



Canton plans to play the kind of football it's played all season, running the ball between the tackles quite a bit. Novi plans to stick to its offense, too, which is running the ball with its option-style attack.

BY C.J. RISAK
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Talk about a return to old-style football. That's what you'll see Friday when

Plymouth Canton hosts Novi in the opening round of the state's Division I football playoffs: Two teams that like to run the football down their opponents' throats, although they use different means to do it.

"Offensively, they run a multiple set,

veer option," said Canton coach Tim Baechler. "That can be difficult to stop. They're kind of like Salem. You've got to play assignment football."

The Chiefs are the favorite for Friday's game, slated to begin at 7 p.m. at Canton. They posted an 8-1 record, their only loss coming against Farmington Harrison, everyone's choice as top team in the state. Novi went 6-3 as a member of the Kensington Valley

Please see **CANTON VS. NOVI, D4**

What: Plymouth Canton (8-1) vs. Novi (6-3) in the Division I state football playoffs.
When: 7 p.m. Friday at Canton.
What to watch for from Novi: They have a defense predicated on speed — which means getting to the ball fast. The Wildcats will have to do just that or any one of several Canton running backs could break.
On offense, Novi seems more limited. How well their quarterback, Matt Gorman, performs will say a lot about their chances.
What to watch for from Canton: Dane Kobus will try to run right through the Novi defense. So will Reggie Joyner and Chad Fuller. Canton's depth could be a factor.
On defense, the Chiefs will have to contain Novi and cause turnovers, something they've done well all season.

Canton stretch run proves too much for Salem

BY C.J. RISAK
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It was a tough situation going in for Plymouth Salem, having to face the third-ranked team in the state in the opening round of state district soccer tournament. Knowing that team was your biggest rival — Plymouth Canton — intensified it.

But a plan was in place. And when Salem's Kevin Savitskie outdueled Canton keeper Greg Musser to head the ball into the net with 13:57 left in the first half, giving the Rocks a 1-0 lead, Salem coach Ed McCarthy could implement the rest of his strategy.

"We talked about how we would handle a situation like that last night and during the (pre-game lightning) delay," McCarthy said. "The way we were defending in the first half wouldn't have worked in the second half."

Canton had too many weapons was his reasoning. So after getting a lead, Salem went into a defensive mode, switching Savitskie from offense to defense. It worked — for a while.

But a team like Canton's can't be corralled forever.

With virtually everyone on the attack, the Chiefs got the game-tying goal from Evan Baker with 11:11 left to play, then got the game-winner from Aaron Schultz with just 1:59 remaining to edge Salem 2-1 Monday at CEP.

Canton advanced to Wednesday's district semifinal opposite Ann Arbor Huron. Salem bows out at 11-8-2.

"It's overwhelming," said Schmidt moments after scoring the game-winning goal. "I was just there and tapped it in. It was . . . exciting."

It was the kind of excitement Canton

coach Don Smith would rather avoid. "We finally got a couple in," Smith said. "They were trying to slow it down, slow it down."

"But it was a good ball game, just hard on the heart."

Schmidt's game-winner was really the result of a play started by his teammate, Zak Juntilla, who gained possession of the ball in the corner to the right of Salem keeper Tavio Palazzolo. With a good move, Juntilla beat the Rock defender, carrying the ball along the end line toward the goal and then centering it to a charging Schmidt for the finish.

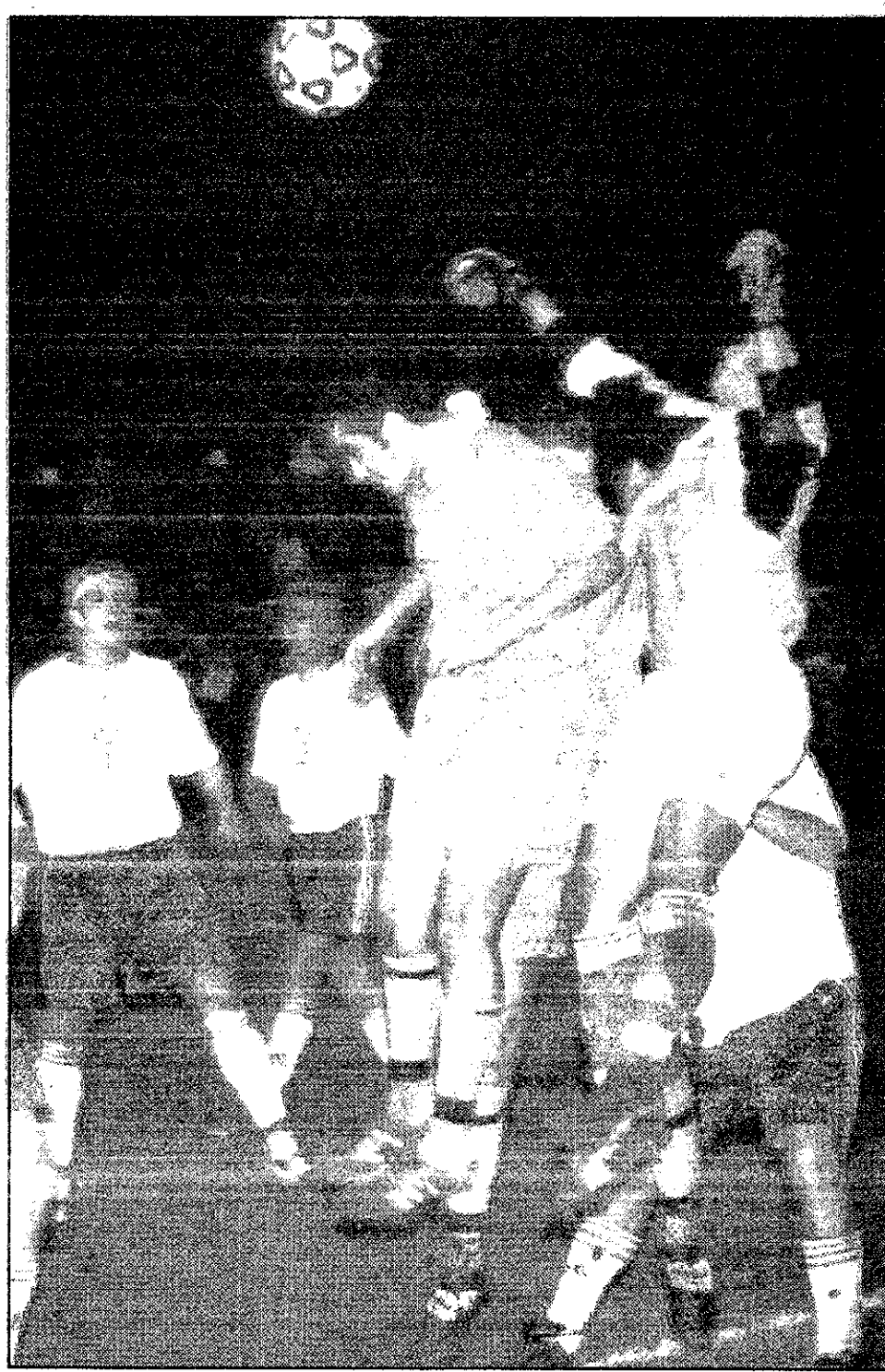
"They had a lot of momentum," said McCarthy. "I thought we had a lot early, but their large number of seniors, and their senior leadership, made a big difference."

What that leadership did was allow Canton to keep attacking a defense-first Salem scheme without panic or frustration. "We kept pressuring, pressuring," said Smith. "But you had to fight to get the ball in there (in front of Salem's goal), it was so crowded."

Although Schmidt got the game-winner, the key goal for the Chiefs was provided by Baker nearly 10 minutes earlier. It was set up by the player McCarthy feared most, senior midfielder Johnny Kaczmarek. "The way he was attacking, we had to drop Savitskie back," McCarthy said.

Ironically, it wasn't his deft ball-handling that resulted in Canton's first goal; rather, Kaczmarek took a free kick from 22 yards out after drawing a foul, to the left of the Salem keeper. The ball ended up in the crowd of red and white jerseys in front of Palazzolo.

Please see **SALEM-CANTON, D5**



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Battle for the ball: It got crowded in front of the Salem goal in the second half. Keeper Tavio Palazzolo (right) maneuvers through the crowd to clear the ball from Brent Kwiatkowski.

It's all over:

The despair of defeat is absorbed by Salem's Tavio Palazzolo. Canton got the game-winner with less than two minutes left.



Soccer semis stopped

The Division I district soccer semifinal between Plymouth Canton and Ann Arbor Huron, scheduled for 7 p.m. last night, was cancelled due to poor weather.

The game will be played at 4 p.m. today at Canton.

The winner of today's match will meet Ann Arbor Pioneer in the district final at 4 p.m. Friday at Wayne Memorial.

Pioneer was one of the few soccer semifinals to be completed Wednesday. The Pioneers defeated Wayne, 6-0, Wednesday afternoon.

The Livonia Stevenson-vs.-North Farmington match was halted with seven minutes left in the first half and Stevenson ahead, 1-0. Because it was stopped before the first half was over, the match will start from the beginning.

Whalers still at the summit of the OHL



Except for about a two-minute span of the second period, the Plymouth Whalers dominated the action Saturday in dismantling the Guelph Storm 8-2 Saturday in an Ontario Hockey League game at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

The win enabled the Whalers to remain tied with the Belleville Bulls as the top team in the OHL, each has 20 points (through Sunday). Plymouth is 9-2-1-1 and in first in the West Division; the Storm was 7-5-2-0 and in first place in the Midwest Division.

Stephen Weiss made certain Plymouth would maintain control of Saturday's game by scoring three-straight Whaler goals. He also had

Please see **WHALERS, D5**

Rocks top Hawks, claim WLAA title

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
STAFF WRITER

Remember the 'Blues Brothers'? Well at Plymouth Salem they've got the 'Blues Sisters' — and they're on a mission from Fred.

That's Fred as in Coach Thomann, whose Rocks have an agenda that includes wrapping up a rare undefeated regular season between now and the Nov. 7 finals of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Salem dispatched host Farmington Harrison, 47-38, Tuesday night to clinch the WLAA title as well as the top seed in the conference tournament which begins next Tuesday.

The Rocks improved to 16-0 overall and 9-0 in the WLAA. The Hawks are 8-8 overall but had won seven of their eight WLAA encounters before losing to Thomann's team.

Some coaches are superstitious talking about zeroes. Thomann has a superstition about losing.

"I've always had a philosophy that

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you can't worry about game 20 or 25," he said. "All this does is lets you get ready to play your next game."

"We've got game No. 17 coming up at Farmington and we know they're going to pack it in and play a 2-3 zone."

"But we did lock up the No. 1 seed for the conference tournament. We're two games up with one to play."

Farmington Harrison has something to play for despite the loss.

The Hawks visit Livonia Churchill tonight and a victory would guarantee Harrison at least a tie for the Western Division title. Coach Pete Mantyla's team is 3-1 in the division, the same as Walled Lake Western and Northville, which play each other.

"I'm proud of our team," Mantyla

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Slicing through: Salem's MaryLou Liebau (32) scored 10 points in the Rocks' victory at Harrison.

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Goalkeepers: Greg Musser, Sr., Canton; Chris Austin, Jr., Franklin.

Defenders: Brent Kwiatkowski, Sr., Canton; Brent Ciodgio, Sr., Canton; David Novara, Sr., Stevenson; Jeff Wilson, Sr., Stevenson; Mike Hildebrandt, Sr., Walled Lake Central.

Midfielders: Paul Johnson, Sr., Stevenson; Brian Popeney, Jr., Salem; Aaron Schmidt, Sr., Canton; Peter Clausler, Sr., Northville; Cory Muniga, Sr., Churchill; Robbie Harmer, Sr., Northville; Brian Emrick, Sr., Churchill; Shinji Miura, Soph., Walled Lake Western; Matt Okopy, Jr., Farmington; Joe Russo, Jr., Farmington; Jeff Shumer, Sr., N. Farmington; Nick Ruppel, Sr., John Glenn.

Forwards: Dave Wendland, Sr., Northville; Marjel Tanl, Sr., Farmington Hills Harrison; Nik Djokic, Jr., Stevenson; Jared Lamborn, Sr., Salem; Shane Smith, Sr., Salem.

HONORABLE MENTION

Stevenson: Joe Lubinski, Charlie Knoll, Patrick Kolodziejczak; **Canton:** Zak Juntilla, Jason Lenahan, Nick Rolfe, Evan Baker; **Salem:** Jamie Zdrodowski, Jeff Bennett, Kevin Peurasari, Steve Shull; **Northville:** Pat Kelleher, Jeff Enehatt, Nick Schoendorf, James Hannah; **Farmington:** Nate Meyer, Andrew Martin, Casey Lopata, Chris McDonald; **Churchill:** Adam Wysocki, Brian James, Lawrence Tople, Dan Jetke, Andy Thompson; **N. Farmington:** Greg Pekarsky, Sermet Alver, Steve Denton, Matt Holland; **Franklin:** Chad Reed, Jake Horgan, Phil Calleja, Matt Austin; **W.L. Central:** Chris King, Ryan Walsh; **W.L. Western:** Alex Saenz, Oleg Petrov, Rodrigo Forseca; **John Firirakis;** **Harrison:** Emery Eriksen, Eric White, Bret Laird, Alfred Gjekaj, Noah Bender; **John Glenn:** Jeff Ballard.

DIVISION STANDINGS

Lakes: 1. Stevenson, 5-0; 2. Salem, 4-1; 3. Farmington, 3-2; 4. N. Farmington, 2-3; 5. W.L. Central, 1-4; 5. John Glenn, 0-5.

Western: 1. Canton, 5-0; 2. Northville, 4-1; 3. Churchill, 3-2; 4. (tie) Franklin, W.L. Western and Harrison, 1-4 each.

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP
Stevenson 2, Canton 1.

Despite a solid performance Canton can't make cut, but McKendry does

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Without a doubt, Plymouth Canton's performance at the Division I state golf tournament was exceptional. Too bad that several other teams had performances that can only be described as phenomenal.

Competing at Forest Akers East on Friday, the Chiefs posted a team score of 311 — an average of 77.8 strokes per man. And they still came away four strokes short of qualifying for Saturday's final round.

One reason for the low scores was the course had been altered due to poor conditions caused by excessive rain. The par-five third hole was converted to a par-three, which meant par went from 72 to 70.

Still, the other team's scores

STATE GOLF

were, as Canton coach Tom Alles described them, "unbelievable." That was particularly true of first-round leader and eventual state champ East Kentwood, which carded a team score of 287 on Friday — an average of 71.8 strokes per golfer. Most formidable in that was score of Matt Harmon, who shot a 64.

Canton's Ryan McKendry did get the opportunity to play Saturday. His team-best 72 earned him a spot in Saturday's round as an individual. He shot an 81 for a two-day total of 153.

"All the scores were higher on Saturday," said Alles. "The wind blew and that made the course more difficult. And they also changed the pin placements, and they made that par-three third

hole 170 yards instead of 160.

"But overall, I was very pleased with the way we played. My thinking going in was a 310 could get us in on Saturday, and we were very close to what we thought it would take."

It ended up taking a 307 to qualify for Saturday. "We only missed the cut by four strokes — that's one stroke per player," Alles noted.

The Chiefs' other scores Friday were a 78 by Andrew Wagner, an 80 by Jason Brand, and 81s by Scott Oliver and Michael Baracy.

Finishing behind Kentwood, which posted a two-day total of 577, was Bay City Western at 588, with Traverse City Central and Ann Arbor Huron tied for third at 602. Harmon followed Friday's round of 64 with a 71 on Saturday to earn overall medalist honors with a two-day total of 135.

SWIM RESULTS

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200-yard freestyle: Amy Lindman (PC), 2:18.81.

200 individual medley: Jaime Bielak (PC), 2:20.88.

50 freestyle: Jaime Bielak (PC), 28.37.

100 freestyle: Allison Goldsmith (PC), 58.48.

500 freestyle: Lindman (PC), 6:01.01.

200 freestyle relay: Canton (Laura Demsky, Lindman, Alex Derian-Toth, Katie Bielak), 1:54.65.

100 backstroke: Goldsmith (PC), 1:07.74.

100 breaststroke: Derian-Toth (PC), 1:16.48.

400 freestyle relay: Canton (Amy Fitzsimmons, Jaime Bielak, Goldsmith, Lindman), 4:02.20.

Canton second-places: 200 medley relay — (Sarah Matheny, Katie Bielak, Susie Patrick, Jaime Bielak), 2:13.99; **100 butterfly** — Allison McDuff, 1:17.48; **diving** — Patty Ahern, 186.00 points.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL PRE-DISTRICT PLAYOFFS

Friday, Oct. 26

DIVISION I

(Region 3-District 1)
Novi (6-3) at Canton (8-1), 7 p.m.

(Region 4-District 1)
Glenn (7-2) at Belleville (7-2), 7 p.m.

DIVISION 5

(Region 3-District 1)
Dundee (6-3) at C'ville (9-0), 7:30 p.m.

DIVISION 8

(Region 3-District 1)
Agatha (5-4) at Borgess (8-1), 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27

DIVISION 1

(Region 4-District 2)
Redford CC (6-3) vs. Det. Cody (6-3) at RU's Kraft Field, 1 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Oct. 25

Mt. Carmel at Luth. W'sld, 6:30 p.m.

Harrison at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.

John Glenn at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Salem at Farmington, 7 p.m.

N. Farm. at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.

Ypsilanti at Wayne, 7 p.m.

Garden City at Woodhaven, 7 p.m.

Redford Union at Allen Park, 7 p.m.

Thurston at Lincoln Park, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 26

Luth. W'sld at N.B. Huron, 5:30 p.m.

Ply. Christian at Zoe, 7:30 p.m.

(ASCI Tourney at Macomb Christian)

Agape vs. Howardsville, 5:30 p.m.

K'zoo Heritage vs. Macomb, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27

ASCI Tournament

at Macomb Christian, 2 & 4 p.m. STATE TOURNAMENT DISTRICT BOYS SOCCER PAIRINGS

DIVISION I at WAYNE MEMORIAL

Friday, Oct. 26: Plymouth Canton vs. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 4 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals Tuesday, Oct. 30 at Novi vs. University of Detroit-Jesuit district champion.)

at NORTHVILLE

Friday, Oct. 26: Championship final, 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30 at Novi vs. Temperance-Bedford district champion.)

UNIV. OF DETROIT-JESUIT (Host)

Thursday, Oct. 25: Garden City at Dearborn Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.; Redford Catholic Central at University of Detroit-Jesuit, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27: Championship final at University of Detroit-Jesuit, noon. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30 at Novi vs. Wayne Memorial district champion.)

DIVISION II FARMINGTON HIGH

Friday, Oct. 26: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinal Tuesday, Oct. 30 at Royal Oak Dondoro vs. Grosse Pointe North district champion.)

DIVISION IV ALLEN PARK INTER-CITY (Host)

Thursday, Oct. 25: Plymouth Christian Academy vs. Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, 2:30 p.m.; Allen Park Cabrini at Taylor Baptist Park, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27: Championship final at Inter-City Baptist, 11:30 a.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30 at the Dearborn Heights Detroit World Outreach vs. Jackson Christian district champion.)

DEARBORN HEIGHTS DETROIT WORLD OUTREACH (Host)

Thursday, Oct. 25: (A) Lutheran High Westland at (B) Novi Franklin Road Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27: Southfield Christian vs. A-B winner at Detroit World Outreach, 11 a.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1 at Detroit World Outreach vs. Lansing Christian district champion.)

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday, Oct. 27

Division I regional meet at Royal Oak Kimball, 10 a.m.

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday, Oct. 27

Division I regional meet at Royal Oak Kimball, 10 a.m.

Division IV regional meet at Grosse Pte. South, 11 a.m.

Division IV regional meet at Detroit's Belle Isle, 11 a.m.

GIRLS SWIMMING

Thursday, Oct. 25

Churchill at Franklin, 7 p.m.

John Glenn at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Ladywood vs. Marian

at East. Mich. Univ., 7 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Saturday, Oct. 27-28

NJCAA Region I2 Playoffs at Schoolcraft, TBA.

(WHAC Playoffs-1st Round)

Madonna vs. Spring Arbor at Farm. Founders Pk., 2:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Saturday, Oct. 27

S'craft at Valparaiso Club, 2 p.m.

(WHAC Playoffs-1st Round)

Madonna vs. 8th seed at Farm. Founders Pk., noon.

Sunday, Oct. 28

S'craft at St. Joseph (Ind.), 1 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Oct. 25

Spring Arbor at Madonna, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 26

Madonna at Aquinas, 7 p.m.

S'craft at MCCA Tourney at Battle Creek, TBA.

Saturday, Oct. 27

MCCA Finals at Kellogg CC, 2 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Oct. 26

Whalers vs. Sudbury at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27

Whalers vs. London at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 28

Whalers at Mississauga, 2 p.m.

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PLAYOFF GRID PICKS



PAUL BEAUDRY

Things I'd like to see during this playoff season:

■ Redford Catholic Central quarterback Tom Jakacki check off on the Shamrocks first offensive play against Cody, change the play on his own and throw deep for a completion.

■ Westland John Glenn coach Chuck Gordon announce that his team would like to play an easier team for homecoming next year. And he'd be happy to take Lloyd Carr up on his offer for John Glenn and Michigan to meet for U-M's homecoming game.

■ Harrison's seniors realize that not everyone is going to get a Division I ride next season, but they still want to play together. So they compromise and announce that they're going to package themselves to one college - Northern Michigan - so they can still wear green and gold.

■ Farmington sports editor Dan O'Meara say "It's only football" and opt to cover a district soccer final on Friday night instead of Harrison football.

■ Canton coach Tim Baechler not only start 5-11, 360-pound Will Stinson and 6-2, 340-pound Derek Johnson at fullback and running back against Novi, but keep them in the backfield for

the first series. ■ Someone from Bishop Borgess or St. Agatha kick the ball through the north goalposts at Borgess, then have to climb the fence into the parking lot at Detroit Diesel Allison to get the ball back.

■ Clarenceville coach Greg Hudkins show a little more emotion on the sideline.

■ CC coach Tom Mach show a little less emotion on the sideline.

As far as the picks go - three of us were a perfect 15-0 last week. None of the three of us were named Plymouth-Canton's C.J. Risak, who tumbled to a 14-1 week - his best performance since getting drilled in the head with a soccer ball at a media game last year.

Overall, Livonia-Westland's Brad Emons is your regular-season winner at 111-20, followed by O'Meara at 105-26, me at 102-29 and Chuckles at 100-31.

But it's a new season now and anything can happen - and will.

Friday's Games (7 p.m. unless noted)

Redford St. Agatha (5-4) at Redford Bishop Borgess (8-1), 4 p.m.: I can hear the whining now - no, it's not the sound of my own voice - "Did you pick against us this week, Paul?" It's going to come from Werner Blakely. I know it's going to be because one of his assistant coaches always tells him I pick against him, even when I don't.

Actually, this is going to be a fun one. I'd pay money to see Dan Boulter against Darryl Anglin. But I'd also pay money to stay warm and dry. The only

other time the two schools met was on Sept. 19, 1997 - Borgess won, 26-24. I don't think it will change this time.

PICKS: Borgess - Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara; **Agatha** - Emons.

Novi (6-3) at Canton (8-1): A year ago, Canton coach Tim Baechler promised to dye his hair or shave his head or paint his nails or some other silly promise if his team won a playoff game. This year, he promised his team that if they win three games he's going to paint his head red and white. (Just trying to help motivate the team there, Timmy...)

Actually, this is the first time the two schools have ever met in football. You'd figure with the school districts so close, they would have played at least once - but n-o-o-o-o. Maybe after Friday night, Dane Kobus and friends might show why they haven't played before. **PICKS: Canton** - Beaudry, Risak, Emons, O'Meara.

Westland John Glenn (7-2) at Belleville (7-2): Two of my favorite people in the whole world are coaching this one. Ol' Rocket-Boy Chuckle has been coaching high schools forever. And Bob LaPointe has too, except for that one stint when he was interim head coach at Eastern Michi... Like I said, LaPointe's been at high schools all his life.

Actually, they share a common bond - they both think I'm a pest. And they both would rather throw a fit than a football but have had some success in the air. The Rockets hold a 6-2 advantage in all games played - the last being a 14-0 playoff win in 1994. In the last six meetings, the Rockets have outscored the Tigers 168-12. Of course this current team can't be blamed for that, since that stretch dates back to 1983. But I don't see the trend chang-

ing any time soon. **PICKS: John Glenn** - Beaudry; **Belleville** - Emons, O'Meara, Risak.

Fowlerville (6-3) at Harrison (9-0): It is in this point of the column where we're going to educate you about Fowlerville. The Gladiators were outscored 147-157, got thumped by Chelsea in the opener (35-13) and have an 0-3 playoff record. On the other hand, the school's logo does look really cool on the town's water tower.

Actually, there is no actually. Harrison has outscored its opponents by an average of 44-10 this year. And if Fowlerville scores more than 10 points on Harrison, O'Meara is gonna re-paint his head green and gold. **PICKS: Harrison** - Beaudry, Risak, O'Meara, Emons.

Dundee (6-3) at Clarenceville (9-0), 7:30 p.m.: Here's Brad Emons' scouting report on Clarenceville: "I'll tell you what. They had a class spread at Kick-

ers on Sunday night. All the team went to watch the playoff show. Man, the food was great. They had redskin potatoes, salad, chicken, pasta, green beans and vegetable medley, dessert, roll, drinks." He hasn't said squat about the game. He can't get over the fact that he got fed and someone else poked at the tab. He got teary-eyed over someone giving him a free flippin'-roll.

Actually, the Trojans COULD be surprised in this one. Not will, but could. If Tim Shaw, Pete Shaw, Andrew Shaw, Artie Shaw, Rita Shaw, and Greg Hudkins-Shaw get caught looking ahead to Country Day next week, the Vikings have a chance. If not, they'll be stocking shelves at Cabela's on Sunday. **PICKS: C'Ville** - Beaudry, Emons, Risak, O'Meara.

Saturday's Game

Detroit Cody (6-3) vs. Redford CC (6-3) at RU's Kraft Field, 1 p.m.: OK, the

burning question here is not, "Why is 6-3 CC hosting a game?" It's ... ok, you got me. Why is 6-3 CC hosting a game? Granted, this playoff group - with Cass Tech and King - isn't exactly the toughest around. I have the distinct feeling that with the Comets making their first playoff appearance ever and their first winning record since 1991, they might have a little bit of that deer-in-the-head-lights look.

Actually, it could be a close game. Actually, no. Unless something really stupid happens, CC should roll through the next two weeks. **PICKS: CC** - Beaudry, Emons, O'Meara, Risak.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

State champs

The under-12 Michigan Hawks, coached by Derek Williford, recently captured the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association Cup championships and competed in the Washington, D.C. Area Girls Soccer Tournament.

Members of the Hawks include: Kathleen Griffith and Alisha Lussez, both of Livonia; Sara Ross, Canton; Courtney Whalen, Redford; Amber Her-

Hoop tourneys

nandez, Farmington Hills; Afton Delvecchio, Birmingham; Amanda Bailey, Fenton; Paige Burke, Clio; Jenna Carosio, Katie Chaklos and Jamie Fratto, Novi; Jalese DeBiasi, Allen Park; Allison Eckler, South Lyon; Kelsey Kassab, Pinckney; Christy Naife, Commerce; Sam Shoemaker, White Lake; Theresa Yankovich, Northville.

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Basketball from page D1

said. "We went down to the last week of the season playing with a chance to win our league and division championships."

"Salem is 16-0 for a reason. They're very good. (Kelly) Jaskot passes the ball really well. And they have a post player (Mary-Lou Liebau) who can hit threes and handle the ball."

A year ago Salem did not win the WLA title. In fact, it was the fourth seed, although the Rocks did go on to win the conference tournament.

But even that victory was tempered by the fact Salem was dribbled right out of the state high school tournament in the districts.

"That's our next set of objectives," Thomann said. "We're a senior team. We start four seniors and those guys have been through the wars."

Tuesday's game started out like it was going to be a game.

Harrison jumped out to a 7-2 lead with 5:30 left in the quarter. But Amy Szawara hit a pair of shots, Liebau made a free throw and Szawara drilled a three as Salem closed the period with eight unanswered points for a 10-7 lead.

The Rocks opened the second quarter with the first four points and eight of the first nine for an 18-8 lead. The Hawks were held to just three points in the period.

"Our defense is outstanding," Thomann said. "We were good in the second quarter and then again from the middle of the third to the middle of the fourth."

"In the first half we were struggling to feed the ball in to the post," Mantyla said. His team trailed, 24-10, at the half.

A little chat from coach at halftime plus some effective full-court pressure helped the Hawks score the first 10 points of the second half.

"We got that spurt when Stephanie Zak hit those outside shots," Mantyla said. "They paid so much attention to Ayana (Richmond) that it left somebody open outside."

Jaskot, who scored 11 points, got a layup when Salem broke the press and then hit two free throws as the Rocks scored eight of the last nine points in the quarter to regain control, 32-21.

It wasn't coincidence the Hawks hit their hot streak when Liebau, who had 14 points, left the floor with her fourth foul at 7:22 of the quarter. She came back two minutes later and played the remainder of the game.

Szawara scored nine points for Salem while Richmond led Harrison with 19 and Zak had 10.

"They've got three players who can handle the ball, shoot from the perimeter and take it to the basket," Mantyla said. "When you've got three players like that..."

Thomann has schooled his players well in passing the ball. Much of the first quarter they'll fling it around just to see what's

working and what isn't.

"We've got a tremendous amount of skill," Thomann said, "and it's carried us all season. We're not the biggest team but you don't hold your breath when the ball hits somebody's hands."

Canton 49, Farmington 38: A big first half was more than enough to carry host Plymouth Canton past Farmington Tuesday.

The win boosted the Chiefs' record to 10-6 overall, 6-4 in the WLA. Farmington fell to 8-7 overall, 4-6 in the conference.

In this foul-filled contest — there were 46 calls made and 61 free throws attempted — Canton broke on top with a 13-9 first quarter. The Chiefs increased their lead to 32-21 by halftime.

The Falcons made a run early in the fourth quarter but could not catch Canton.

Kristen Lake led the Chiefs with 17 points and nine rebounds. Katie Cezat added 11 points.

Julie Kimmel's 16 points paced Farmington. Randin Brown had 13.

"I'm pleased with where we're at right now," said Canton coach Bob Blohm, "with the progress we've made."

Neither team looked too polished at the free-throw stripe. Canton converted just 13-of-30 (43.3 percent); Farmington wasn't much better at 15-of-31 (48.4 percent).

Roeper 57, PCA 32: Turnovers were in abundance for Plymouth Christian Academy Tuesday, and it cost the Eagles any hope of victory over visiting Michigan Independent Athletic Conference rival Bloomfield Hills Roeper.

PCA committed 24 first-half turnovers and finished with 40 for the game. The Eagles trailed 36-16 at the half and 48-25 after three quarters.

Laura Guilfoyle led PCA with eight points. Amanda Saagman, Shannon Murray and Amy Brandt each scored five.

Sondra Morris was best for the Roughriders, netting 18 points. Sarah Pernick added 16.

Salem 44, Southgate 35: Plymouth Salem wasn't at its best Saturday when it hosted Southgate Anderson in a game that was forced to be rescheduled due to the disaster in New York.

But defense carried the Rocks, particularly in the second half when they pulled away from a 17-15 score at halftime by outscoring Anderson 27-20.

"We played fairly competitively, but not our best," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "But we worked through it."

Amy Szawara led the Rocks with 16 points. Kelly Jaskot and MaryLou Liebau each contributed 10, with Jaskot dishing out five assists and Liebau grabbing seven rebounds.

Casey Manning's 16 points paced Anderson.

CC will try to stop Cody offense

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Three weeks ago, making the playoffs didn't look like it would be in the cards for Redford Catholic Central or Detroit Cody.

The Shamrocks had just lost to University of Detroit-Jesuit to fall to 3-3 overall. And Cody displayed more ups and downs than a roller coaster and fell short in making the Detroit Public School League playoffs.

But both teams had enough down the stretch to make the Division 1 playoffs — and the two very different teams will face off for the first time at Redford Union's Hilbert Junior High at 1 p.m. Saturday.

"We have been a Jekyll-and-Hyde team this season," said Cody coach Vernon Brown. "We gave (PSL champion) Henry Ford their only loss and that was a pretty big win for us and our program. But then we'd do something like lose to Mackenzie, which cost us our division, or play Mumford and lose in overtime."

CC coach Tom Mach wasn't sure his team would host or even play PSL schools in the first two rounds. But he did know his team would make the playoffs.

"We scouted schools like Canton, John

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Glenn and Henry Ford, so we kind of missed that," said Mach. "We really thought, at 6-3, that we were going to be on some other field on Friday night. But when we were 3-3, we knew we had to win out to make the playoffs. It's a matter of coming to play your best-prepared game all year. It's the kind of attitude you have to take. Every game is either your last game, or it takes you to the next level."

The two teams have differing styles. Traditionally, CC is a run-oriented team that passes occasionally. The Comets run a 50-50 pass-run mix and isn't afraid to throw more. "We like to spread it out, maybe go four-wide," said Brown. "But we can also go off-tackle or occasionally try to power it."

Mach knows what to expect.

"They aren't afraid to throw it," said Mach. "They have good athletes and can score quick. If we don't contain them, we could find ourselves in trouble trying to play catch-up. We have to work on putting pressure on (quarterback Quincy Burts) and keep their receivers from making the big play."

CC's offensive philosophy is simple: Get the lead early and grind it out.

"We can't let them do that," said Brown. "We want to rely on quickness. They make be stronger, but I think we'll be quicker. We want to make them make tackles one-on-one. It will be a big mistake to go power-on-power. We're going to try and out-quick them."

Cody might be able to do it with Burts splitting time between quarterback and wide receiver and tailback Dominique Darnell, who rushed for 127 yards in the Comets win over Detroit Douglass.

"What we want to do is win the field position battle," said Brown. "If we can control the ball and play good defense, this is a winnable game for us."

But CC hasn't made the playoffs for the seventh-straight year with letting other teams control the tempo. At least not with the backfield of Derrick Brooks, Mike Banaszak and quarterback Tom Jakacki.

Injuries might play a part. Cody lineman Derrick Markray (6-5, 325) is questionable with a bad knee, while CC linebacker Brad Jarzembowski might see action after suffering a bad hamstring pull.

"We're not going to look past them," said Mach. "We expect to play up a level — play better this week than last week — and hope that will be enough."

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Conference, its losses coming against Brighton, Howell and Pinckney — all of them playoff teams.

"Everybody can make that argument, that their losses were to playoff teams," said Novi coach Tab Kellepourey. "We're just happy to be in the playoffs. We're excited to be there."

Even though the offense is similar to that used by Salem, the Wildcats have one thing the Rocks didn't: a quarterback like Matt Gorman. Gorman is the leader of the Novi offense; he was the team's leading ground-gainer, with more than 800 yards rushing.

He isn't their only weapon, however. Fullback Jake Ray gained more than 200 yards in Novi's 42-12 win over playoff-bound Northville last Friday.

What Novi doesn't like to do, according to Kellepourey, is throw the ball. "We threw two passes last week, and one of those was intercepted," he said. "We, too, believe in ball-control."

"That's what I told their coach,

that this could be an early evening for both of us."

The question is, which team can do what they want to do — which is dictate the tempo by swallowing up huge amounts of yardage on time-consuming drives.

Baechler is concerned with Novi's overall team speed. "Obviously, we would like to march down the field, but their defense may be too good for that," the Canton coach said. "Offensively, we want to possess the ball. That's what we want to do, control the tempo of the game. But that's what they like to do, too."

Then he added, "The only way to beat speed it to run right at it."

Certainly the Chiefs have the weapons to do just that, starting with leading rusher Dane Kobus. The 6-foot, 215-pound senior fullback/linebacker has rushed for nearly 1,000 yards, according to Baechler. He's also one of the fastest players on the team, running the 40-yard dash in 4.6.

"That fullback trap," said

Kellepourey. "We know they're going to bust that through there, we just want to make sure they don't bust it for a long one."

What Canton has that Novi lacks is depth, particularly in the backfield. Baechler can call on Reggie Joyner, a slasher who has more than 700 rushing yards; Chad Fuller, who has rushed for over 400 yards; or Brandon Wilcox. All have proven more than capable.

So has quarterback Brendan Murphy. In last Friday's 49-7 win over Salem, Murphy went 6-for-6 passing for 157 yards and two touchdowns.

But passing is not something either team wants to do, at least not in quantity.

Baechler knows what to expect from the Wildcats, and he has an idea what he would like to see happen. As with any option attack, the quarterback faces several alternatives: Give the ball to the fullback up the middle, carry it off tackle or around the end, or pitch it to a trailing

back.

Considering the success Novi's quarterback and fullback have had, Baechler would like to force the pitchout. "We're going to work our butts off to make 'em pitch it," he said.

That could lead to a mistake, something the Chiefs' defense has excelled at this season: causing turnovers. Defensive back Kyle Lasko is the leader in that department with 10 interceptions.

Therein lies the formula for success: No turnovers and control the ball. The defense that is best able to prevent that, and the offense that can execute, will prevail.

"They're averaging 35 points a game," said Kellepourey. "We're real concerned with that. The best way to control it is to get our offense going."

"It comes down to which team can execute on offense."

It's old-style football. Whichever team runs the ball better, wins.

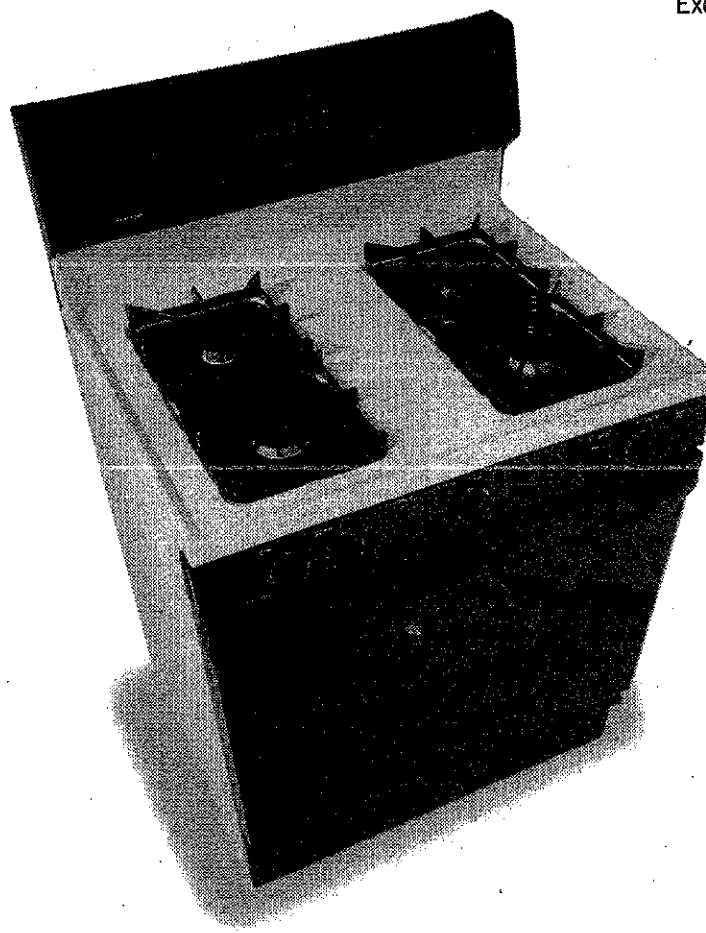
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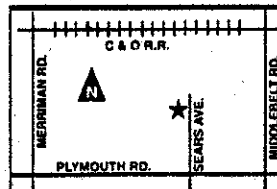
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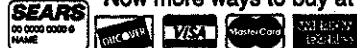
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Salem-Canton *from D1*

Baker, also a senior, reached it and knocked it into the net to tie the game at 1-1. Which changed everything for Salem, and had McCarthy's team facing a predicament he dreaded the most: a tie game with the tide shifting dramatically towards the Chiefs.

Still, the Rocks withstood those early, dangerous moments following Baker's tying goal. Indeed, if things had gone according to plan, they should have had the better scoring opportunities against the pressuring Chiefs

earlier in the second half. "I thought we would get a quick counter, but it didn't happen," said McCarthy. Salem's goal was the result of a great individual effort by Savitskie. Both Musser, the Canton keeper, and Savitskie converged on a high ball delivered into the Chiefs' box by Salem's Kevin Peurasaari. Savitskie beat Musser to it, heading the ball into the goal.

It was a great play — but in the end, it wasn't enough to offset Canton's constant attack.

Crusaders top seed in WHAC

Never want to lose, but at least this one didn't hurt Madonna University's women's soccer team.

At least not as far as the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference standings were concerned. The Lady Crusaders had already clinched the top seed in this weekend's WHAC Tournament; on Saturday, they'll host the loser of today's make-up match between Concordia and Indiana Tech.

The conference semifinals are Tuesday, with the highest seed in each semi hosting. The WHAC final will be Saturday, Nov. 3.

Last Saturday at Aquinas College, Madonna scored first but surrendered the tying goal with just under four minutes left in regulation, then gave up the game-winner nearly 15 minutes into overtime to fall, 2-1.

The loss dropped the Crusaders to 8-5 overall, 6-1 in the WHAC. Aquinas is 10-7 overall, 5-2 in the conference.

Becky Guibord opened the scoring for Madonna, converting a pass from Emily Jackson (from Farmington Harrison) 20:52 into the opening half. Lacey Ginsberg knotted it for the Saints with an unassisted goal with 3:59 to play; the game-winner came from Aryn McCready at 14:50 of OT. Sarah Pennington assisted.

Jennifer Barker (Livonia Stevenson) had seven saves in goal for the Crusaders. Erica deLongpre had four stops for Aquinas.

Comeback falls short

It could have been very interesting. And Madonna University's men's soccer

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team tried to make it so, rallying twice from a two-goal deficit in an effort to catch Aquinas College, which was unbeaten in the WHAC entering Saturday's regular-season league finale. But the clock ran out on the Crusaders, giving Aquinas a 3-2 win and the regular-season WHAC title Saturday at Aquinas.

Madonna fell to 9-8 overall, 5-2 in the WHAC. The Crusaders will be the No. 3 seed in the WHAC Tournament, which starts Saturday. Madonna hosts sixth-seeded Spring Arbor at 2:30 p.m.

First-half goals by Matt Roberts and Eddie Wierzbicki gave the Saints a 2-0 halftime lead. The Crusaders cut that deficit in half with a goal by Patrick Griffin (Plymouth/Redford Catholic Central) with 17:16 left to play. Dan Kurtinaitis assisted.

Aquinas, however, responded with a goal by Andrew Freeman with 3:01 left, making it 3-1. Madonna didn't surrender, answering Freeman's goal with one of its own, this one by Casey Cook (Canton/CC) with 1:55 remaining. But the Crusaders could not get the equalizer.

Matt Strabbing and Doug Koontz (both from Plymouth Canton) divided time in goal for Madonna, combining for five saves. Carl Whitehouse was in goal for Aquinas, making nine saves.

SC women draw

The score would indicate nothing much

happened, but Schoolcraft College women's coach Bill Tolstedt would definitely disagree.

SC battled sixth-ranked Young Harris (Ga.) to a scoreless draw Saturday at SC, which he viewed as definite progress — considering they were pasted 5-1 by the same team on its home field Sept. 27.

"What a turnaround for us," said Tolstedt, his team ranked 10th in the last NJCAA poll. "They clobbered the hell out of us down there. But this time we dominated the field of play, we were more aggressive, we controlled the midfield."

"We're better now than we were before. We're better than we have been."

Tolstedt altered his lineup some since that loss at Young Harris, the only one suffered by the Ocelots this season (they are 13-1-5), moving Toni Perry from sweeper to forward. Young Harris responded by putting two defenders on her, which made it difficult to control play in the midfield. Only a few superb saves by the Young Harris keeper kept SC from claiming victory.

Amy Dorogi (Plymouth Canton) was in goal for the shutout.

SC plays two matches this weekend, at Valparaiso (Ind.) University and St. Joseph (Ind.) College. After that, it's onto the NJCAA District B Tournament in Chicago Heights, Ill., Nov. 3-4. The Ocelots' likely first-round opponent will be Bethany Lutheran (Minn.). The winner goes against the winner of the Iowa Central-vs.-the champion of District IV match. College of DuPage (Ill.) is the favorite to emerge from District IV.

Whalers *from page D1*

an assist. Weiss, selected fourth in the NHL draft last June, now has six goals although he has played just half the season due to his NHL tryout.

He wasn't the only one to cash in at Guelph's expense. Chad LaRose had a goal and four assists in the game, while Kris Vernarsky contributed three assists and Karl Stewart scored two goals.

Other goals were scored by James Wisniewski (from Canton), who gave the Whalers a 1-0 first-period lead, and John Mitchell, who made it 2-0 2:50 into the second. Cole Jarrett and Greg Campbell each had two assists.

The Storm did rally briefly in the second period on two goals by Martin St. Pierre, which narrowed the gap to 3-2 with 11:32 to play in the period. But Weiss ended any comeback hopes with two goals over the next 7:12.

Jason Bacashihua turned away 33 shots to earn the win in goal for Plymouth. Chris Beckford-Tseu and Dwight LaBrosse were in the net for the Storm.

On Friday in Sault Ste. Marie, the Whalers twice allowed one-goal leads to escape them and had to settle for a 2-2 tie.

LaRose scored from Campbell in the first period to give Plymouth a 1-0 lead, but the Greyhounds tied it at 10:16 of the sec-

ond on a goal by Rob Hisey. The Whalers regained the lead on Stewart's power-play goal, from Jarrett and Weiss, at 12:40 of the final period, only to lose it again on an unassisted goal by Dustin VanBallegooie with 4:02 left.

Which is the way it remained. Paul Drew turned away 38 shots on goal for Plymouth; Ray Emery had 29 saves for the Greyhounds.

Surma returns

The good news is getting even better for the Plymouth Whalers.

Going into the season, the greatest fear was how they would start with a new coach and many of last year's team having graduated to NHL tryouts. Well, the start has been phenomenal, and now many of those players who were at tryouts are returning.

The latest is wing Damian Surma, who has played the past three seasons with the Whalers. Surma was drafted in the sixth round of the 1999 NHL entry draft by the Carolina Hurricanes; he had been playing with the Hurricanes' American Hockey League affiliate, the Lowell Lock Monsters.

Last season, Surma scored 26 goals and assisted on 34 others (60 points) in 55 games. In 1999-00, he had 34 goals and 44 assists (78 points) in 66 games.

Victories piling up for Madonna, SC

A lot of the young players are stepping up big-time for Madonna University's volleyball team, making what had been feared would be a rebuilding season a highly successful one.

Last weekend at the Alma College Invitational, the Lady Crusaders swept to the title without losing a single game, winning all four of their matches in straight sets. The four wins boosted Madonna's overall record to 27-7.

In Friday's opening round, the Crusaders beat Millikin University (Decatur, Ill.) 30-16, 30-18, 30-18 and Savannah Art and Design (Savannah, Ga.) 30-10, 30-7, 30-18. On Saturday, Madonna beat St. Francis (Ind.) 30-28, 30-14, 30-22 in the semifinals and Aquinas College 30-23, 30-28, 30-20 in the final.

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Leading Madonna's attack was senior outside hitter Jennifer Frost with 50 kills in the four games. She also had nine service aces, 34 digs and 11 blocks. Donna Birkenhiser, a senior middle hitter, contributed 42 kills and 14 blocks; junior outside hitter Hayley Myers collected 20 kills and 13 blocks; and senior setter Jennie Wind collected 98 set assists and 22 digs.

As for the younger Crusaders, freshmen outside hitters Laura Lesko and Tera Morrill (from Westland/Livonia Franklin) both excelled. Morrill had 32 kills, 26 digs and eight aces and Lesko totalled 42 kills, 14 digs and six blocks. Sophomore outside hitter Amanda Suder (Plymouth

Salem) had 16 aces and 38 digs.

Ocelots shine in Florida

Following a superb performance at the St. Petersburg (Fla.) Tournament last weekend, Schoolcraft College rolled over Delta CC 30-7, 30-17, 30-18 to improve its record in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference.

Overall, the Lady Ocelots have won their last eight matches.

Indeed, in that stretch they have lost just three games.

Andrea Kmet (Westland/Livonia Franklin) led SC's attack against Delta with 10 kills (.368 kill percentage). Kellie Kern had six kills (.545) and two service aces, Fran Hamilton had five kills (.833), two aces and seven digs, and Ioana Vescan finished

with eight aces and 19 set assists.

At St. Petersburg, SC opened with some tough matches, beating the host team 30-18, 30-19, 30-32, 30-24 and Broward (Fla.) CC 30-20, 30-14, 30-23 on Friday, then edging Indian River (Fla.) CC 23-30, 30-16, 30-16, 24-30, 15-3 before sweeping Brevard (Fla.) CC 30-18, 30-18, 30-18 on Saturday.

For the tournament, Kmet's 57 kills led SC; she added 16 aces and 44 digs.

Hamilton contributed 38 kills (.341), 16 aces and 37 digs; Kerstin Marshall (Livonia Franklin) had 18 kills (.444) and 14 blocks; Carly Szajnecki had 31 kills (.325); Kern contributed 24 kills, eight aces, 76 set assists and 46 digs; and Vescan totaled 21 aces, 77 set assists and 29 digs.



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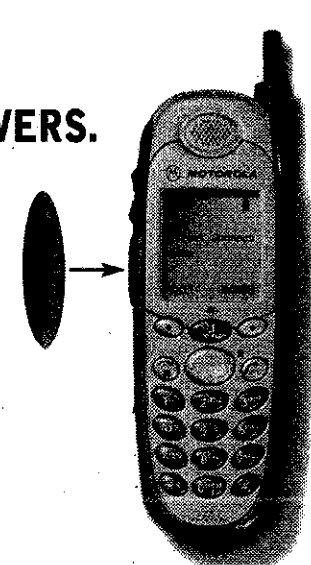
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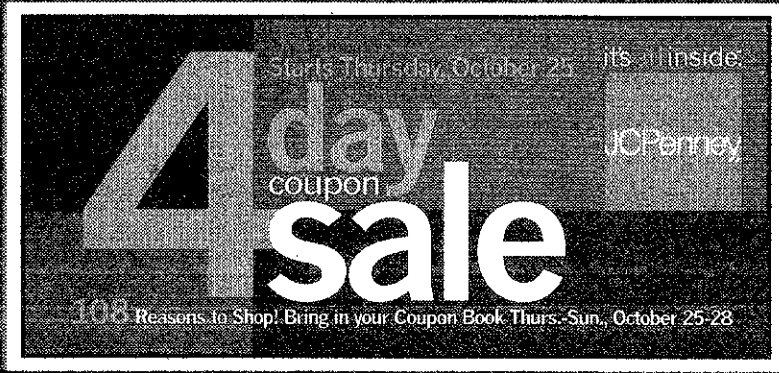
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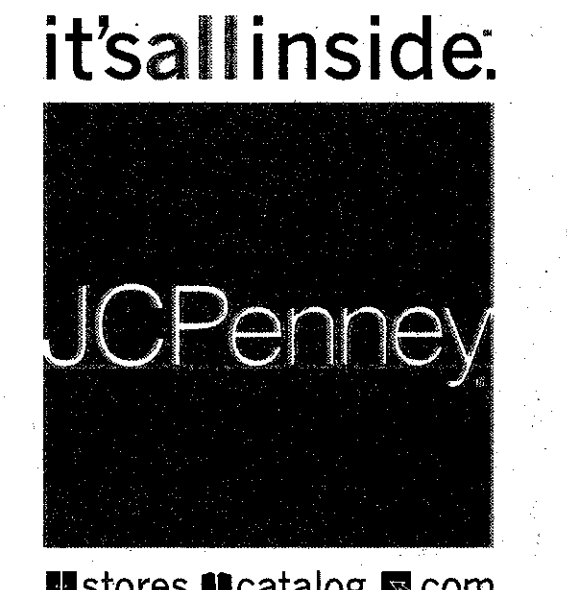
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I own an apartment complex where one of my tenants was shot by an individual who had been loitering in the lobby. I had a security company hired and am wondering whether or not they would have any liability.

That is not the common, everyday

problem faced by a homeowners association, but it did happen.

In a recent unpublished decision of the Michigan Court of Appeals on similar facts, the court cited Section 324A of the Second Restatement of Torts. Based on the tort law, the court concluded that the security company had a duty to discharge its contractual obligations with reasonable care.

Obviously, the issue of whether or not the security guard's performance of their duty is a question of fact for the jury to decide so that there would be liability on the security company.

When does a contract become a binding contract? What is the time limit for rescission on a real estate contract? How long should I have to wait for a refund of my purchase price? Is there any recourse to any State agency concerning a complaint regarding a builder?

A contract becomes binding when both parties have signed the contract and there are no contingencies in the contract. The time for which a contract can be rescinded would be based upon a Statute of Limitations of six years if one can establish that there was fraud in the inducement of the contract or other reasons which would justify rescission under the law.

Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County area attorney. You are invited to submit topics that you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph, Suite 467, Bingham Farms MI 48025. His Web site is www.meisner-law.com. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

HOME SEEKER'S CHECK LIST

- SELLER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (REQUIRED BY LAW)
- LEAD DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (REQUIRED BY LAW)
- HOME SUMMARY FEATURE SHEET (ROOM DIMENSIONS, ETC.)
- SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVING NEIGHBORHOOD (WHERE EXACTLY ARE BUILDINGS, BUS STOPS)
- AGE OF MAJOR MECHANICAL/STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS (FURNACE, WATER HEATER, SHINGLES, WINDOWS, ETC.)
- APPLIANCES INCLUDED?
- PROPERTY TAXES (BASED ON SELLING PRICE, NOT CURRENT RECORDS)
- MUNICIPAL SERVICES PROVIDED (TRASH COLLECTION, LEAF PICK-UP, SNOW REMOVAL, LIBRARY)
- CONDITION OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES



RANDALL MASTERS/STAFF ARTIST

Fall is critical time for home care

BY DOUG FUNKE
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It's time again to spend some quality maintenance time on the homestead.

Attention to detail now will pay off when Old Man Winter shows up with his buddies - Freezing Temperature, Heavy Snow and Blustery Winds.

"It's the old story - an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," said Stephen Taglione, president of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan and president of Westminster Abbey Homes in Bingham Farms.

Taglione, who says he personally tends to many winterizing duties at his own home, suggests that it's human nature to procrastinate.

"There's a lot more fun things to do," he said.

But owners really should lavish some TLC on their houses now.

"If they don't take care of these little jobs, they're just not protecting their investment," said Mike Goewey, president of Property Facts Home Inspections in Livonia and president of the Michigan Chapter of the National Association of Home Inspectors.

"It's also good exercise," Goewey added.

Gutters

Cleaning debris from gutters and downspouts probably is the most important thing a homeowner can do to get ready for winter, the experts agree - especially considering all the ice damming roof problems we've experienced in recent years.

Remember to be careful on and around ladders

"Empty gutters after the leaves are down," Goewey said. "Maybe even put some gutter guards down. Make sure downspouts drain water away from the home.

"If you have some low spots, go ahead

and fill them in so you have a nice, gentle slope away from the foundation," he added.

Sprinkler systems

Harry Carmack, co-owner of Summer Sprinklers in Waterford, said his company winterizes about 1,800 lawn sprinkler systems a year.

The job, which requires an air compressor, takes about 20 minutes and costs about \$55, he said. If it isn't done, problems will crop up 99 percent of the time, he added.

"Things can start freezing and breaking," Carmack said. "It's especially important to drain the backflow and valves. It's big money to replace them - \$700 on up."

Lots of folks enjoy supplementing their regular heat with a fireplace, which also adds a certain romantic flavor.

"Generally speaking, if they have multiple fires a week with dry-seasoned wood, fireplaces and chimneys should be cleaned on an annual basis," said Dennis Kipp of Veteran Chimney in Royal Oak.

"The natural (burning) process will create soot on the walls. Build-up occurs that can be dangerous," he said.

Kipp charges \$89 for a cleaning weekdays, \$105 weekends.

Furnaces

Hopefully, you've tested your furnace by now, said George Klempert, owner of Family Heating & Cooling in Garden City and Madison Heights.

If not and nothing seems to happen when you turn it on, check three things before calling for professional help, he said.

Make sure that the thermostat is set on heat rather than cool or off; make sure the furnace power switch is in the on position; and make sure that the fuse or circuit breaker servicing the furnace at the electrical box is func-

tioning.

"There should be a nice blue flame (on the burner) rather than orange," Klempert added. "Turn the humidifier on."

Furnaces older than five years should be inspected professionally every two years and annually after 10 years, Klempert said. He charges \$69.95 for an inspection, which includes any needed adjustments or repairs exclusive of parts.

Regular filters should be replaced every six weeks, electronic or media filters annually.

Don't wrap a protective covering completely around the outside air conditioning processor, Klempert advised. "It doesn't breathe, condensation forms, metal rots. If there's a possibility of leaves falling in the unit or it's under an eave and there's the possibility of damage from icicles falling, we suggest covering the top with 3/4-inch plywood," Klempert added.

Here are some other simple things to do:

- Place rope caulk in gaps and shrink-wrap plastic covering around older, drafty windows.

- Make sure aluminum-type roof vents are clear of debris, especially bird nests, from both inside and outside perspectives. Vents should be open all year round.

- Turn off the water supply to outdoor spigots from inside shut-off valves, usually found in the basement or the kitchen of homes on a slab.

- Disconnect, drain and put away garden hoses.

- Put a little fresh gasoline in the snowblower and test it.

- Consider investing in a roof snow rake that comes with extenders and is used to clear snow off the edge of the roof and gutters.

Discounting rate may make sense

MORTGAGE BITS



TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

I am normally not a huge fan of discount points on mortgages, but there are times that they can really make sense for certain borrowers. Now may be one of those times. With mortgage rates nearing a thirty-year low, adding discount points to your loan - more commonly known as "buying down the interest rate" - can yield some profound

financial results for borrowers in the long run.

In the mortgage world, one "point" equals one percent of the borrower's loan amount. For example, one point assessed on a \$90,000 mortgage would cost \$900. One discount point will typically reduce the interest rate of a 30-year fixed rate mortgage by about one-quarter percent. For example, a borrower paying zero points at 7.5 percent should expect to pay about 7.25 percent after paying one discount point. That formula is slightly different for shorter-term loans.

By far, the most important thing for borrowers to remember about buying discount points is that it will only benefit them in the long term. A borrower will normally not realize a financial benefit of a discount point until his loan is about five years old. To this point, consider that one discount point on a \$150,000 mortgage costs \$1,500 and will save the borrower about \$25 per month at today's rates. Not accounting for inflation, it will take that borrower 60 months, or five years, to make back the cost of his discount point.

Where's the strategy of using discount points? Obviously, if you are quite certain that the loan you are getting into is going to be your last for well beyond five years, you will probably benefit from a discount point or two. Retiring seniors purchasing homes stand to gain the most from discounting their mortgage rates, especially if they do not plan to move ever again. Using equity from the sale of their existing homes to buy down the interest rate on their new purchase will result in a significant increase in their net disposable income - or their "fun money" - every month. This can be very important to those on a fixed income.

Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer in Plymouth. For a free mortgage pre-qualification or credit assessment, go to www.vlender.com/p/philipshq or call (734) 797-5522 [24 hours]. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 6-10, 2001, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

City	Address	Sale Price
Canton	8423 Alton St	\$182,000
	42678 Barchester Rd	\$151,000
	6693 Chadwick Dr	\$260,000
	46218 Doubletree Rd	\$295,000
	7445 Haverhill Ln	\$429,000
	1646 Heritage Dr	\$185,000
	4661 Hunters Cir E	\$157,000
	4281 Hunters Cir W	\$158,000
	43133 Londonderry Ct	\$190,000
	44283 Nowland Dr	\$315,000
Garden City	41848 Old Bridge Rd	\$170,000
	44056 Palisades Dr	\$182,000
	42231 Palmer Rd	\$282,000
	44240 Proctor Dr	\$182,000
	6617 Raintree Dr	\$203,000
	6944 Arcola St	\$122,000
	27518 Beechwood St	\$116,000
	29446 Bock St	\$125,000
	6719 Leona St	\$125,000
	33603 Leona St	\$120,000
Livonia	36163 Allen St	\$314,000
	18914 Aspen Dr	\$503,000
	41818 Ravenwood St	\$174,000
	2818 River Meadow Cir	\$263,000
	42621 Somerset Dr	\$190,000
	44790 Tillotson Dr	\$235,000
	1578 Valentine Ct	\$254,000
	44234 Vassar St	\$245,000
	1891 Vineyard Dr	\$128,000
	1981 Vineyard Dr	\$128,000
Plymouth	644 Ann St	\$215,000
	46284 Barrington Rd	\$309,000
	44541 Brookside Rd	\$318,000
	9081 Cobblestone Cir	\$346,000
	48096 Colony Farms Cir	\$220,000
	12301 Duxbury Ct	\$422,000
	47652 Edinburgh Dr	\$486,000
	1400 Junction St	\$147,000
	15117 Blue Skies St	\$170,000
	14512 Country Club Dr	\$185,000
Redford	25301 5 Mile Rd	\$36,000
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	15481 Fenton	\$106,000
	18613 Fox	\$96,000
	17438 Garfield	\$105,000
	9373 Kinloch	\$159,000
	9373 Kinloch	\$75,000
	9624 Lenore	\$115,000
Westland	32842 Anita Dr	\$158,000
	33851 Arrowhead St	\$152,000
	37532 Barkridge Cir	\$98,000
	8592 Berwick Dr	\$135,000
	31022 Cooley Blvd	\$162,000
	8618 Diane Ct	\$153,000
	35329 Greenwood St	\$93,000
	8223 Hillcrest Blvd	\$130,000
	8758 Ingram St	\$152,000
	7537 Melvin St	\$139,000
Westland	6086 N Parent St	\$127,000
	6161 N Parent St	\$100,000
	5846 N Walton St	\$126,000
	6481 Pocahontas St	\$185,000
	8158 St Johns Dr	\$294,000
	23341 Plymouth Rd	\$101,000
	11403 Royal Grand	\$130,000
	13541 Royal Grand	\$123,000
	14410 Sarasota	\$163,000
	11407 Sioux	\$109,000
11311 Tecumseh	\$127,000	
24644 W Chicago	\$84,000	

CONDO SALES IN AMERICA

Median (half above, half below) sales price of existing condominiums and co-ops during the second quarter of 2001 by region.

LOCATION:	PRICE	% CHANGE
NORTHEAST	\$124,800	+13%
MIDWEST	133,500	+11%
SOUTH	96,500	+9%
WEST	141,900	-
U.S.	122,200	+10%

Source: U.S. HOUSING MARKETS

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TRAFFIC GRIDLOCK

Michigan Smart Growth Coalition presents a conference, "Is Traffic Gridlock Inevitable? Land Use Solutions," 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 30, at the Troy Marriott.

Cost, which includes continental breakfast, is \$29. To register, call the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan

at (248) 737-4477.

BASEMENT REMODELING

Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute offer an eight-hour basement remodeling seminar 6-10 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Nov. 5 and 7, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Topics include planning, building codes, permits, estimating costs and the basics of instruction.

Cost is \$95, plus an \$8 textbook fee. To register, call (734) 523-9277.

CAREER OPEN HOUSE

Real Estate One presents a free class on how to get into residential real estate sales noon to 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7 and 21, at its West Bloomfield office, 7499 Middlebelt at 14 Mile.

Topics include licensing, training and evaluating a broker.

To register, call Steve Leibhan at (248) 851-4100 Ext. 105.

ARCHITECTURE LECTURE

Mark Sexton, an architect with Krueck & Sexton in Chicago, presents a free lecture 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8, in the architecture auditorium at Lawrence Technological University, 21000 W. 10 Mile at Evergreen, Southfield.

For details, contact Michelle Juras at (248) 204-2880.

LEASING CLASS

The Apartment Association of Michigan Property Management

Council hosts a class, "The XYZs of Advanced Leasing," 8:30 a.m. to noon Friday, Nov. 9, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills.

Kathleen Mabie, president of Success on Site, will give tips to assist property managers in training on-site personnel.

Cost, which includes continental breakfast, is \$69 for property management council members, \$79 for apartment association and BIA members and \$99 for nonmembers.

To register, call (248) 862-1004.

BUY HOME CLASS

Standard Federal Bank hosts a free class on how to select and finance a home 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 10, at Peoples Community Church, 29745 Annapolis, Westland.

To register, call (800) 643-9600 Ext. 28812.

CAREER NIGHT II

Keller Williams Realty in Livonia hosts a free seminar on career opportunities with the firm 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, at its offices, 31500 Schoolcraft Road.

To register, call (734) 266-9000.

EXAM PREPARATION

Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute present a 16-hour class to prepare for the state builders licensing exam 6-10 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Nov. 19-28, at Riley Middle School, 15555

Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Cost is \$199, plus \$20 for the course textbook and sample questions.

To register, call (734) 523-9277.

REAL ESTATE INVESTING

Schoolcraft College presents a four-week class, "Invest in Real Estate," 6-10 p.m. Wednesdays beginning Nov. 21 on campus, Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

Cost is \$115, \$92 for senior citizens. To register, call (734) 462-4448.

FIX-UP TIPS

Felix Usui, a Realtor with Century 21 Today in Farmington Hills, offers a free report, "27 Quick & Easy Fix Ups to Sell Your Home Fast and for Top Dollar."

Call (248) 538-2806, or visit the Web at www.michiganrealty.org

ENERGY CD-ROM

The Building Owners and Managers International has released a CD-ROM, "The Property Professional's Guide to Building Energy Performance."

Cost is \$15 for BOMA members, \$25 for nonmembers.

To purchase or obtain more information, call (800) 426-6292, or visit the Web at www.boma.org/pubs/energy_cd.htm

BIA UPDATES

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of

news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail.

Contact Rosalie Lamb at the association, (248) 737-4477 for details.

CONTAMINATION SITES

VISTAinfo, a publicly owned company based in San Diego, has a Web site that offers a free overview of environmental conditions - contaminated waste sites, hazardous waste locations and landfills - by ZIP code.

The Internet address is www.NearMyHome.com

More specific reports are available for a fee.

PLAYGROUND SAFETY

A book available from the Community Associations Institute can help community association managers and board members ensure that their playgrounds and tot lots are as safe as possible.

Detailed information is provided on safety inspections and implementing an effective maintenance plan.

"Playgrounds for Young Children" is available for \$40 by calling (703) 548-8600, or ordering through www.caonline.org

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Some mortgage rates edge up

(AP) - Mortgage rates around the country edged up this week except for one-year adjustable rates which held steady.

The average interest rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages rose to 6.61 percent, up from

6.58 percent last week, according to the nationwide survey released Thursday by Freddie Mac, the mortgage company.

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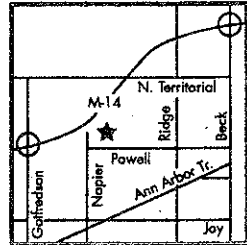
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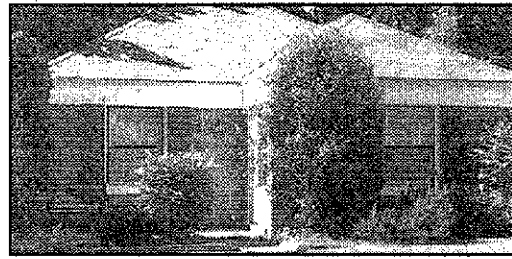
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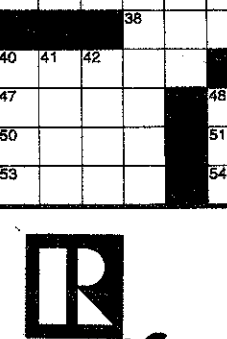
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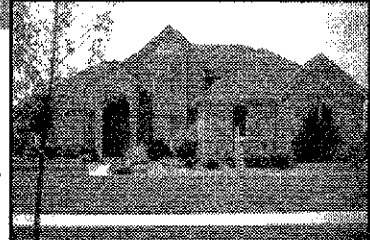
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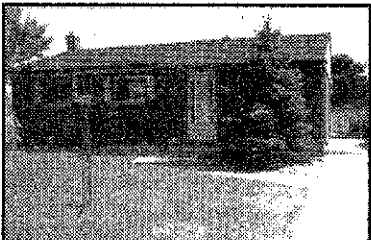
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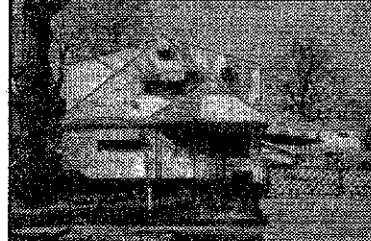
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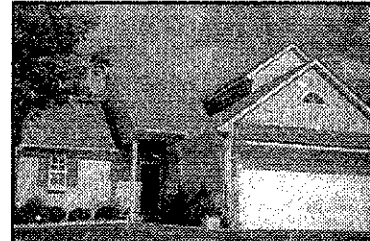
CUT ABOVE. Amenities abound in 4 bedroom Colonial with soaring ceilings, 2 staircases, granite counters, plantation shutters, brick patio/wrought iron, cul-de-sac location. Professionally landscaped with Northville schools. \$599,900 (97AUT) 248-349-5600



HERE IT IS! Five bedroom, 2 bath Colonial. Oversized garage with attached sun room & work shop! Cement RV pad, circuit breakers, newer windows, furnace, central air, carpet. Many walk-in closets! \$144,900 (12COL) 734-455-5600



WHAT A GREAT BUY! Stone front 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial with large front porch. First floor laundry, family room with fireplace & cathedral ceiling & large kitchen with island & work station. Master with cathedral ceiling, bath with garden tub & his & her closets! \$209,900 (61HIC) 734-455-5600



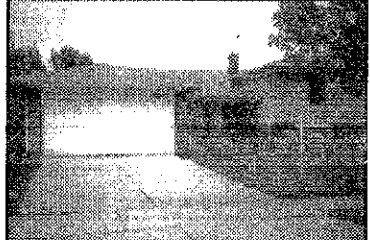
MOVE-IN CONDITION. Fabulous detached Condo. Master & laundry on first floor. Vaulted ceilings in great & master. Beautiful finished basement with family room, rec room & tons of storage. Basement bath with whirlpool tub. Light, bright & shows like a model. \$219,900 (18YOR) 248-349-5600



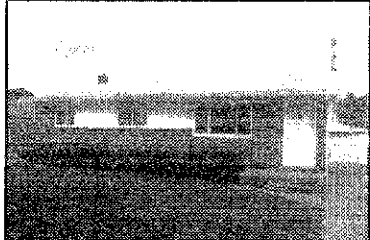
ALL BRICK BUNGALOW with 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, full basement with fireplace. Hardwood floors, air conditioning, glass block windows, slate foyer, newer bath & kitchen. A great buy in a wonderful neighborhood. \$132,000 (28DAL) 248-349-5600



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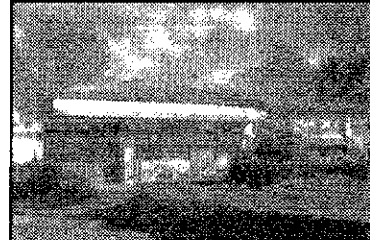
ELEGANCE IN SUNFLOWER VILLAGES! Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath contemporary Quad-level! Newer white washed cabinets in beamed kitchen. Neutral walls and carpet. Parquet floor in foyer. First floor laundry, family room with fireplace! \$259,900 (61HOL) 734-455-5600



MAYBE THE BEST FIND AROUND! Three bedroom brick Ranch in a great neighborhood! Newer windows, doors, carpet & vinyl trim. Huge garage & full basement. Don't miss! \$139,900 (92SAL) 734-455-5600



SPECTACLE OF BEAUTY. This Northville Colonial has spacious rooms, hardwood floor thruout foyer, kitchen and breakfast room. FR with fireplace and cathedral ceilings. Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, den, first floor laundry, basement and 3 car garage. \$419,900 (62WOO) 248-349-5600



SHARP LIVONIA RANCH. Nice 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Ranch featuring a finished basement with wet bar & full bath, 2 car detached garage, sprinkler system & some newer windows. Walking distance to nearby elementary school. Home warranty included. \$169,900 (28CHI) 248-349-5600



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GREAT STARTER! DEEP LOT! Oak kitchen & all the appliances are almost NEW! Newer stripped roof, circuit breakers, furnace & some windows. Updated bath. Fenced yard & home protection plan. Seller wants a quick sale, come take a look! \$97,900 (56COL) 734-455-5600



ONE OF A KIND! Two story ceiling in living room, dining room & great room! Beautiful solarium. Newer siding, stone, windows (01), hardwood floors, carpet & fresh paint. Five ton air conditioner. Many upgrades, large bedrooms and first floor laundry. \$335,000 (35NOW) 734-455-5600



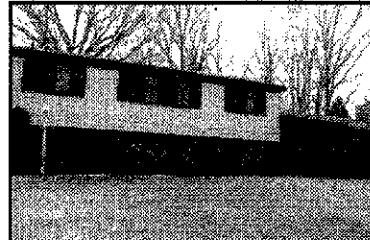
NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP FARMHOUSE. Approximately 100 year old home on 1 1/2 acres! Three bedrooms, two baths and room to roam! Newer vinyl siding, air conditioning and copper plumbing. Fireplace in living room with parlor. Mud room. \$329,900 (00SEV) 734-455-5600



MEADOWBROOK LAKE BEAUTY. Wonderful Colonial on a wooded lot. Huge family room with fireplace. Updated kitchen features Merillat oak cabinets. Master bath with walk-in closet. Hardwood/Pergo throughout. First floor laundry. \$317,500 (95GIL) 248-349-5600



DUNBARTON PINES COLONIAL. Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, living, dining, family room, library, fireplace. One of the largest floor plans. Expanded first floor laundry. Family room nook for wet bar or computers. Large rooms. Northville schools. Two new Pella doorways to deck. \$324,900 (28DUN) 248-349-5600



RURAL NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP. Close to town with quaint shops & restaurants. Beautiful Edenderry area. Four bedrooms & 3 1/2 baths. Treed lot, 2 fireplaces. Huge side-entry garage. Hardwood floors & wet plaster. \$349,900 (05SHA) 248-349-5600



CLEAN AND NEAT BUNGALOW! Three bedroom, 2 bath, hardwood floors, updated kitchen, brick patio, fenced yard, central air, full bath in basement. Ventless gas fireplace, nicely landscaped yard! \$134,900 (12CRO) 734-455-5600



BETTER THAN NEW! Built in 2000! Three bedroom Colonial close to schools & backing to wooded area. hardwood foyer, bay window in living & dining room. Kitchen with oak cabinets & pantry. Appliances. Great room with vaulted ceiling. Professional landscaping. \$227,500 (19OAK) 734-455-5600



DIFFERENT FLOOR PLAN! Three bedroom, 2 bath brick Ranch with newer kitchen, hardwood floors, dining room. Newer (99) 2 car garage. Vinyl siding, newer windows (all but the front). Finished basement. Large living room! \$169,900 (81SHE) 734-455-5600



ABSOLUTELY STUNNING inside & out. Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial sits elegantly on its large spacious lot with professional landscaping, brickscapeing & room to roam. Professionally painted & spacious kitchen with eating area. Shows like a model. \$364,900 (57ASH) 248-349-5600



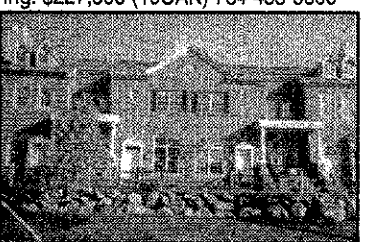
BEAUTIFUL RANCH ON APPROX. 1 ACRE. Three bedroom, 3 bath home with finished basement on gorgeous wooded lot. Living room, dining room, eat-in kitchen & neutral decor. \$409,900 (00SMA) 248-349-5600



SECLUDED YET EASY COMMUTE. You must see this lovely 3 bedroom Colonial in a great family sub. Home backs to open wooded area. Newer Pergo wood floors, bay & box windows, fireplace, 2 car attached garage, central air & basement. \$245,000 (61APP) 248-349-5600



HUNTINGTON PLACE CAPE COD! Beautiful ceramic foyer. Three bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, formal dining room & large great room with fireplace. First floor master overlooks private back yard. Family room loft area, spacious rooms & abundant closet space. \$299,900 (44DON) 734-455-5600



GREAT NEW NORTHVILLE CONDOS! Ready for your personal touches! Many upgrades. Fireplace with gas logs, ceramic tile in baths, first floor laundry, great room, master bedroom & main bath with skylights. Upgraded appliances. \$243,625 (69RIV) 734-455-5600



ON THE GOLF COURSE, TPC! View of the golf course, from almost every room! Three bedroom, 4 bath contemporary. Marble floor entry. Master with glass doorwall leads to golf course patio! Gourmet kitchen, great room with soaring ceilings. \$588,000 (09TUR) 734-455-5600



I'M A CUTIE WITH CHARM. Take a look at this Copper Canyon charmer. Hardwood floors, newer roof, glass block basement windows, central air, circuit breakers and copper plumbing. Newer windows. \$89,900 (15DAC) 248-349-5600



FLORAL PARK - FARMINGTON. Popular location for this great starter home. Close to downtown Farmington. Three bedrooms, wet plaster, dining room with light-fan, large master, basement, garage, fenced yard, sit-down front porch, central air, all appliances stay. \$132,900 (40ORC) 248-349-5600



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ENJOY LAKE VIEWS from this stunning builders model! 4 BR, 3.5 baths, gourmet island kitchen, 2-story GR w/2-way frpl into kitchen. (67CLO2)

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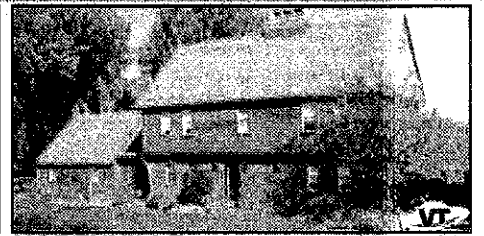
PLYMOUTH \$559,500
SEEING IS BELIEVING! Looking for that special place to call home? Look no more! Lovely turn key col w/4 bdrms, 3 baths, 2 lavs. Fabulous kit w/dual frplc, oak cabinets. 4 car gar. (23F10835)

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PLYMOUTH \$479,900
MAKE IT YOURS! Custom built 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath col. Home backs to woods & has walk-out. Spiral staircase, hrdwd flrs in kit. Newer carpet thru-out. Mstr bdrm has trayed ceiling. (23Q8872)

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CUSTOM BLT HISTORIC DESIGN REPRODUCTION on 2.75 acres! Charming kitchen & breakfast area, FR w/cooking frpl, intimate DR. LR w/gas log frpl, 3 BR, 2.5 baths. Wonderful home! (00BEC2)

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CANTON \$339,900
LOCATION, QUALITY, VALUE, CHARM. 2 yr old 4 BR, 2.5 bath colonial has it all. Mstr BR w/bath, huge w.c., 2550 sq ft of quality liv. area. Cstm kit., formal DR, den, FR w/tp, & prof. landscaped. (H1732)

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LIVONIA \$279,900
LOCATION - LOCATION - LOCATION Beautiful 6 mile & Haggerty area. Close to shopping & transp. 2000 sq ft brick colonial w/huge open GR, fin bsmnt, lg mstr ste w/dbl walk-ins, mint condition! (M38679)

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LIVONIA \$259,999
WELCOME TO THIS CLEAN & WELL MAINTAINED colonial in a great neighborhood! With Livonia schools, loaded w/updates, call to unlock your dream today! (L16757)

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DEARBORN \$249,900
ROYAL SIZED BUNGALOW! In Dearborn Hills with 3 bdrms, 2.5 baths, 2 frpls, hrdwds, fin bemt, huge mastersuite, and luscious landscaping. (23W266)

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LIVONIA \$241,900
ROOM TO ROOM Spacious split level on lg lot. Super design gives family rm and dining rm on main floor. Nice updates. (R15014)

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CANTON \$216,900
BETTER THAN NEW! Wethersfield Condo - mint shape w/prvt deck built for hot tub. This 3 BR, 2.5 bath end unit has 1st fl mstr w/full bath, 2 BR w/up/loft, 2 skylights, fp in GR. (W41631)

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NORTHVILLE \$184,900
HANDYMAN SPECIAL W/LC TERMS! Vinyl exterior, 2-story home, walking distance to downtown Northville. 4 BR, 2 baths, new roof '00, deck, 2-car garage w/insulated walls & commercial elec service. (01YER2)

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WESTLAND \$179,900
ENTIRE HOME BASICALLY REDONE IN '97 3 BR, 2 full baths, freshly painted with crown moldings. Huge garage with 2nd garage and lg lot. Appliances included. (C34647)

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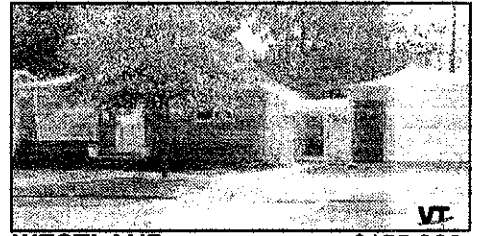
FARMINGTON HILLS \$164,900
FARMINGTON HILLS ON ALMOST AN ACRE LOT (140x287) Tons of updating & remodeling has been done. 2 car garage, maple kitchen cabinets, hrdwd fir in kitchen, pine flrs in living rm. Hurry! (F35315)

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REDFORD \$159,900
ATTENTION FUSSY BUYERS! Over 1700 sq ft in this 4 BR colonial. 2 car atd gar, part fin bsmnt, den, FR, 2 BR up, 2 down, Jack & Jill bath up, lg FR w/dining L, hwdw in a few rms. Hurry! (C12145)

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WESTLAND \$155,900
CLEAN AND NICELY DECORATED 2 full baths, beautiful finished basement w/washroom, and lots of storage, glass block windows. Large yard with nice floral and a patio. Carport off garage. (T844)

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WESTLAND \$149,900
GREAT INVESTMENT Duplex, each featuring 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, full basement, all brick. Ranch style, private entrances, private driveways. (S216)

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WESTLAND \$146,911
ADORABLE & AFFORDABLE! Seller can help w/some closing costs. 3 bdrm brick ranch w/homey oak kit cabinets & lovely master bdrm plus a master bath. Partial fin bsmnt, 2 car gar. (23B34011)

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LIVONIA \$145,900
CHARMING 3 BR HOME on tree and flowered grounds. Newly remodeled, re-built and redecorated. 2-car detached garage, fenced yard. Livonia schools! (50JOY2)

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NORTHVILLE \$143,900
POPULAR FLOOR PLAN w/LR & FR frpls. Partly fin'd bsmnt, close to lake/clubhouse. Great opportunity to live in Nthville. Look out on the Lake! Warranty offered by motivated sellers! (30DEA2)

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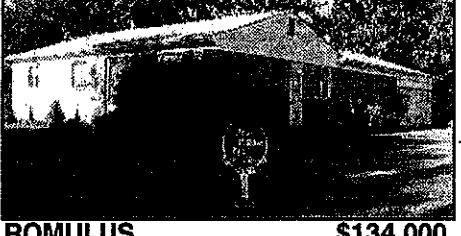
GARDEN CITY \$139,900
SHOW AND SELL Beautiful 3 bedroom ranch in desirable Garden City neighborhood. Furnace and C/A just 2 years old, finished basement, deck, 2 car garage. (R309)

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REDFORD \$137,900
CLEAN, BRIGHT, MOVE RIGHT IN! 3 BR, 2 bath, fin bsmnt, hrdwd floors, quiet street, 2-car garage, South Redford schools and home warranty. (54MAR2)

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ROMULUS \$134,000
AN AMERICAN BEAUTY 3 bedroom brick Ranch has large family room, updated kitchen and all appliances will stay. Basement part finished, 2 car garage, lot size 80X135. (E935)

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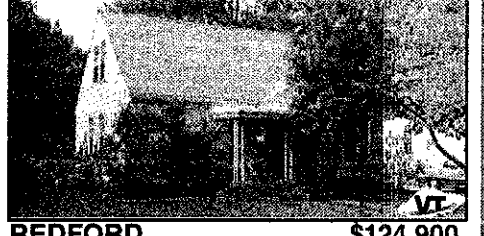
REDFORD \$130,000
LIGHT AND BRIGHT best describes this wonderfully conditioned home. Updates include: kit, windows, furnace & c/a. Refinished hwdwd flrs, spacious yard, South Redford schools. (98BRA2)

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WESTLAND \$130,000
CHARMING BRICK RANCH! Hardwood floors, lovely coved ceilings, 1,204 SF, updated bath and kitchen, detached 1.5 car garage. Great fenced yard with brick patio! (48PAR2)

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REDFORD \$124,900
DON'T MISS OUT on this cute home in one of Redford's most popular neighborhoods. Lots of big ticket updates, neutral decor, garage, bsmnt. walk to parks & schools. (D15507)

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WESTLAND \$122,500
SUPER 3 BR RANCH home in Westland. New entry doors, nice kitchen w/ceramic floor, remodeled bath, fin'd bsmnt w/glass block windows. 2.5 car garage & deck! (40PAR2)

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WESTLAND \$122,000
THE PERFECT HOME IS NOW AVAILABLE! Updated & maintained to perfection. Custom maple kit, crmc bath w/jacuzzi & everything else imaginable. DR, FR, sun rm, lg fenced yd & 2 car gar. Move right in! (S1832)

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WESTLAND \$119,900
READY TO MOVE? This 3 bedroom Ranch is for you. Newer everything, roof, furnace & C/A, kitchen, bath. Large backyard, 1st floor laundry, dry, garage. (F350)

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REDFORD \$119,900
LOVELY & PAMPERED 3 BR ALUM. RANCH Neutral decor, hrdwd fls, furnace, c/a, hwhl('94), fin bsmnt w/bar, 2.5 car garage, nice yd w/covered patio. (G18500)

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WESTLAND \$114,900
STUNNING Features new dining room, oak floor, furnace, C/A, windows, steel beveled glass front door, carpet, custom blinds. Large 2 tiered deck, stove and frige stay. (S334)

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REDFORD \$95,900
UPDATED REDFORD RANCH! New roof, new plumbing, updated kitchen & bath and 3 bdrms, with a 1.5 car garage. Over 1,000 sq ft. (23B18516)

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INKSTER \$94,900
TOTALLY UPDATED Great 3 br Brick Bungalow w/updated kitchen & bath. Newer entry doors & most windows. Fantastic finished bsmnt, newer fur and shingles. (S720)

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INKSTER \$89,900
GET READY To move into this totally renovated Home. New kitchen & bath, windows throughout including glass block in bsmnt, new carpet and fresh paint, steel entry doors. (W262)

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INKSTER \$71,000
GREAT BUY Bungalow on a corner lot has 3 bedrooms, 2 car garage, central air, kitchen is being remodeled. Stove, frig, washer, and dryer included. 1 year Home Warranty (G283)

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DETROIT \$49,900
COMPLETELY REMODELED RANCH! Updates include: furnace, hwh, windows, siding, electrical, plumbing, carpet, bathroom, kitchen, garage door & opener and deck! (27MON2)

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BELLEVILLE
FANTASTIC BRICK LAKEFRONT RANCH landscaped w/private dock. 3 BR w/updated kitchen, 2 car attd & 11x17 greenhouse. Master w/wp looks out onto deck & lake. (L41150)
\$334,900

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FARMINGTON HILLS
GREAT 4 BR, 2.5 BATH COLONIAL! Backs to commons area, updates galore; white kitchen, baths, hrdwd flrs, carpet & more! FR w/gas FP & wet bar, bsmnt & 2-car garage. Hurry! (79CON2)
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WESTLAND
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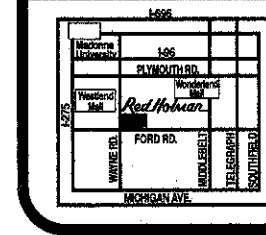
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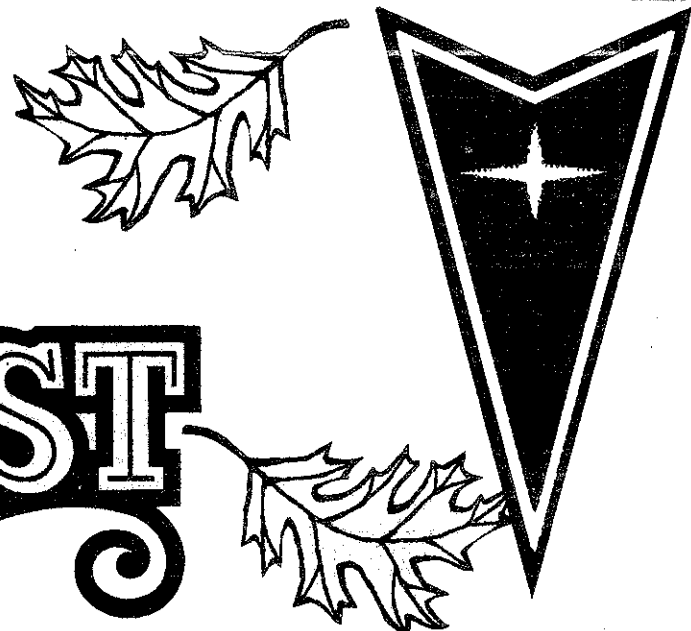
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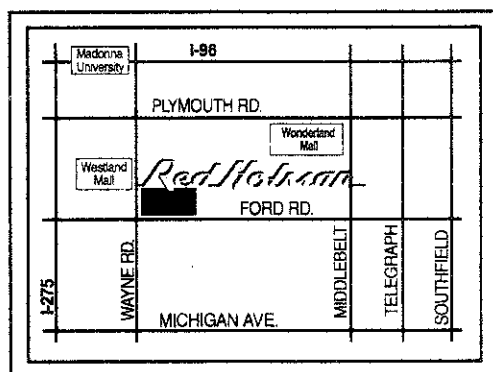


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2 Unique mirrors REFLECT creativity & beauty

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER
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Mirror, mirror on the wall ... who's the fairest of them all? Thanks to Baker Furniture in Birmingham and Frame Works in Plymouth, a beautiful mirror is often the fairest accessory in any room of your home.

"Mirrors go anywhere," said Joe McCambridge, manager of product design for Baker Furniture and Milling Road. "They're perfect for entrances, hallways, bathrooms and over mantles and sideboards. A mirror creates an atmosphere that accents the entire environment."

McCambridge thinks in terms of both function and art when he designs a mirror. He favors a deeply recessed glass with a frame molded from layers of different shapes for character. He also prefers the versatility of gilded woods or a dark mahogany.

"When it's really dark it blends well with any color," he said.

Mirrors make great gifts, he said. Unlike paintings, mirrors are less intrusive into home decor. "Making a selection of a painting is a tough commitment for most people. Selecting a mirror is easier. It doesn't really create an identity for you."

The most popular shape and size mirror sold at Baker Birmingham is the 32-inch round. Few people purchase the flat, rectangular mirrors that were popular a few decades ago, said Cambridge. "They simply don't move people."

Baker Furniture showcases a variety of mirrors ranging in price from \$350

to \$8,000. Several styles also are available through catalogs. Because the company has numerous distribution sites, orders can be processed within days.

Custom-made

Frame Works, which also has locations in Livonia and Canton, specializes in creating multi-angled, wood-framed mirrors.

"The design is totally ours," said manager Sue Gallas. "We can decide if we want a six-sided or eight-sided frame or maybe a custom-designed top. We also can mat a picture and do a custom mirror on the bottom."

Owner Al Larson perfected the multi-angle cutting method that makes Frame Works' mirrors unique. "It takes specialized equipment to cut the frames and put them together. Most frame shops don't have that. We've been practicing the technique for some time and turn out a product that has a very good quality look," he said.

"The corners go together beautifully," said Gallas.

An important advantage to custom-framing a mirror is proportion. While commercially made mirrors are limited in size and shape, custom mirrors can fit above a large fireplace or a small table.

"People don't realize that we can make any size mirror out of any size frame. What's neat is if a cabinet is narrow, we can do a customized elongated frame," said Gallas.

Another advantage is frame selection. Frame Works offers hundreds



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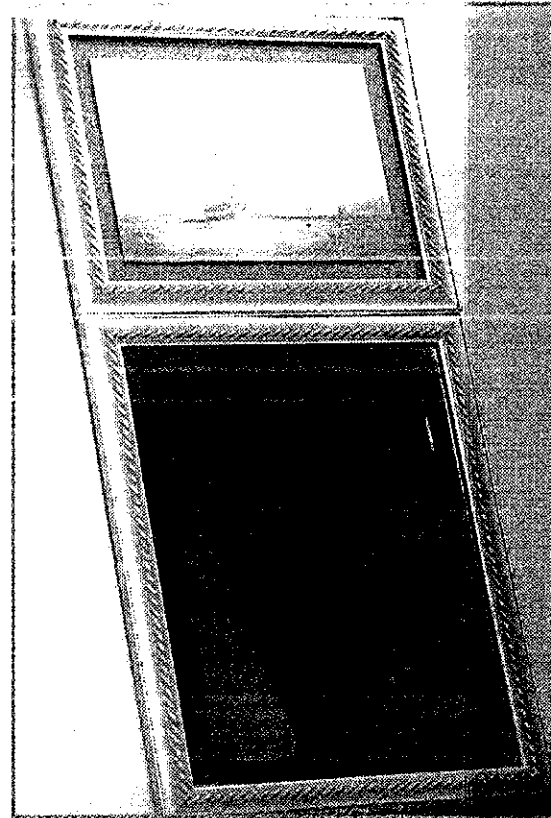
Brighten up: Dress up a wall with elegance with a mirror and a beautiful frame. Add a floral arrangement and you can brighten up the entire room.

of styles in anything from a rich cherry wood to antique gold and the currently popular antique silver, Gallas' favorite. The antique silver is tempered with flecks of gold and has a taupe cast.

Frame Works charges \$4 for each special cut, plus the cost of the frame. A six-sided mirror costs an additional \$24 and an eight-sided mirror \$32. But price has no bearing on effect. Even a less expensive frame takes on a new look when cut into multi angles, said Larson. He estimates a standard size 20-by-24-inch mirror will cost \$75 to \$150 depending on frame choice. A more expensive frame would boost the price.

Gallas is particularly excited about Frame Works' leaded glass mirrors, which require a deeper frame. The mirror is set behind the leaded glass panel, as much as two inches. "The farther the distance the more beautiful the effect of the leaded glass," she said.

Whether you're buying a custom mirror for your own home or as a gift, Gallas suggests allowing three to four weeks for completion, especially with the approaching holiday season.

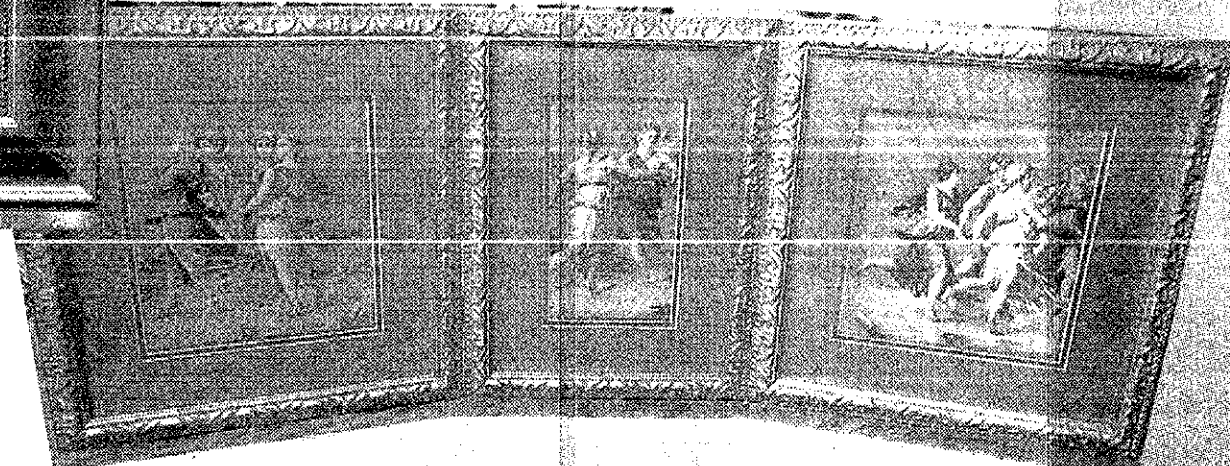


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Reflections: A picture sits atop a mirror in a double frame at Frame Works in Plymouth.



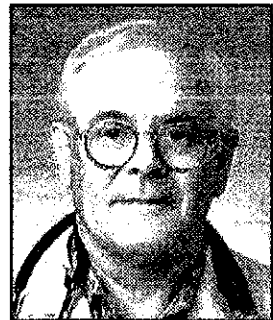
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At any angle: Proprietor Sue Gallas holds a multi-angled frame at Frame Works in Plymouth.



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A new look: A triptych frame with side flourishes can add a nice design touch.

INSIDE



JOE GAGNON

Watch oven temps

Ovens now burn hotter on the surface than the older units.

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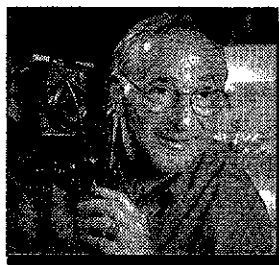
More than 30 dealers, including Judy Shagena, will participate in an antique show in Franklin Oct. 26 and 27.

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CREATIVE LIVING

Clouds carry clout for exciting photos

FOCUS ON PHOTOGRAPHY



MONTE NAGLER

One subject that has always excited me that I've written about in the past is clouds. We've all found ourselves staring at a dramatic cloud pattern, oblivious of our surroundings.

Clouds come in a variety of shapes, textures and colors. They can be huge and billowy or soft and wispy. They can be bold and dramatic and even frightening at times. Capturing them on film is exciting and will definitely enhance your photographs.

How to photograph clouds better? First, learn to really "see" them. Look for shapes and patterns as constantly changing cloud formations float across the

■ Once you 'see' the clouds, how do you enhance your photographs of them? Begin with a good sense of composition by using a low horizon line to accentuate the clouds and give your shot a feeling of spaciousness.

sky. See how clouds can become a colorful palette at an approaching sunset. Notice how a receding black storm cloud becomes a sensational backdrop for foreground objects being lit by the rays of an emerging sun.

Enjoy foggy and misty days as I do. Some of the very best mood-filled pictures are shot in this type of weather.

Once you "see" the clouds, how do you enhance your photographs of them? Begin with a good sense of composition by using a low horizon line to accentuate the clouds and give your shot a feeling of spaciousness.

When shooting white, puffy clouds against a blue sky with

color film, use a polarizer filter. Position yourself at a 45-degree angle to the sun and rotate your polarizer until you see maximum blue. The result will be an impact-filled photograph showing the white clouds contrasted against a rich, deep blue sky.

At sunrise and sunset, add spice to your cloud pictures by using colored filters such as orange or red. The results (use slide film) will be truly dramatic.

Black and white film "sees" white clouds and blue sky as identical tones and the clouds may become lost in the finished print.

But filters in the yellow, orange and red values will achieve cloud/sky separation for

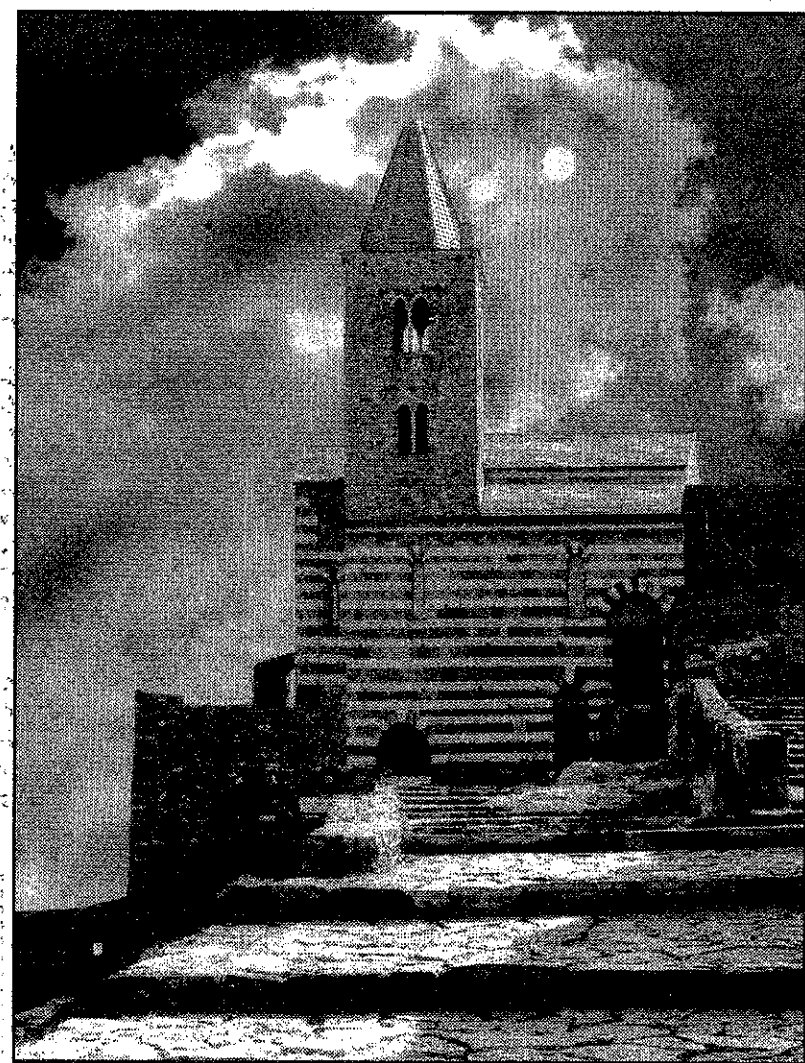
you. A yellow filter will give you normal cloud/sky separation. Orange produces more. And a red filter renders a blue sky almost black, producing very striking results.

Clouds from the air have a character all their own as they appear like a bed of fluffy cotton. Just set your camera at a fast shutter speed to eliminate the airplane's vibration and the shot is yours.

Do you get turned on by sunbeams bursting through a pattern of dramatic clouds? Underexpose slightly and you'll capture them on your film.

Here's another idea. Make a montage of slides of clouds with other images for an unusual look. Clouds superimposed over trees, a lighthouse or flying birds will result in vivid, striking photographs.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (734)953-2047 on a touch-tone phone. His fax number is (248)644-1314.



Cloud and clear: It's the unusual and dramatic cloud patterns that give impact and strength to this Monte Nagler photograph. With the help of a red filter, it was taken recently in Portovenere, Italy.

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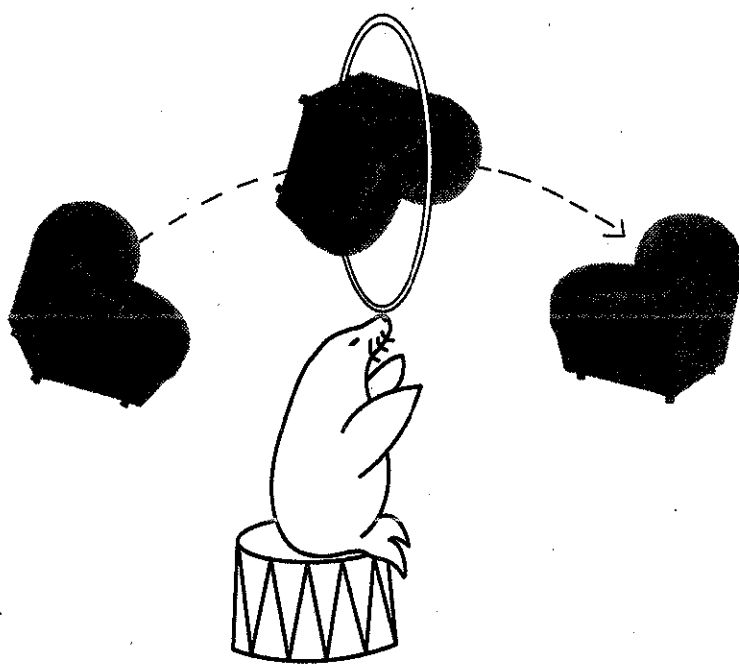
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CLARIFICATION

Information on page 2 of the Oct. 18 At Home's Fabulous Furniture section should have identified photos on the section's cover as follows:

Top: These items are part of the Baker Historic Charleston Collection. Featured are the late 18th century mahogany carved post bed with tester frame, dressing chest circa 1760 inspired from the original which resides in the Nathaniel Russell House, George III Cockpen chair dating from the mid-1700s and writing table in mahogany with brass campaign hardware. Baker Furniture and the Historic Charleston Foundation of Charleston, S.C. have researched the origins of each piece in the collection. The collection is available at Baker Furniture in downtown Birmingham.

Second: Eclipse Window Tinting of Redford Township specializes in solar control window films to protect furniture and flooring from the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays. Solar Gard, Armorgard and Decogard brands are designed to enhance the look of your home. They are available at Eclipse Window Tinting.

Third: The Island Tropics bed from Tommy Bahama Furniture is just one of many pieces that captures the essence of paradise. Tommy Bahama Furniture is available at Classic Interiors Furniture in Livonia.

Fourth: The Vintage Traditions panel bed is by Stanley Furniture and available at

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From "Better Homes and Gardens Halloween Fun" (Meredith Books, \$15.95 softcover).

Make these Halloween pillows for a festive project

BY CAROL MCGARVEY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Halloween has become a magical holiday for home decorating for boys and ghouls of all ages.

Sure, ghosts, bats, monsters and scarecrows add to the fun, but so do less-glamorous holiday trims.

Natural decorations such as pumpkins, gourds, leaves and Indian corn add to the mix and can carry your home through to Thanksgiving.

You can fashion felt pillows by simple hand-sewing. They'll add a festive spirit without your having to get out the sewing machine.

A vivid jack-o'-lantern and a simple checkerboard make easy holiday statements. The ones described are 1-foot square, but you can adjust the pattern sizes to make small sachets or large trick-or-treat bags.

Pumpkin pillow

For the pumpkin pillow, use 6 by 6-inch pieces of felt in neon lime, orange, yellow and black and one-third yard of green felt. Other supplies include cotton embroidery floss in pink, orange and black, and fiberfill for stuffing the pillow.

Trace the pumpkin pattern (or one of your own) onto tracing paper and cut out. Cut one frame shape from neon lime felt and two 12 by 12-inch squares from green. Center the frame on one green square. Pin in place and stitch with straight stitches around the outside using orange floss and around the inside using pink. Use three plies of floss for all stitches.

Use black floss to attach the features to the pumpkin. Make a French knot in the center of each eye. Pin the jack-o'-lantern inside the frame. Stitch around the edges using black floss and straight stitches.

Checkerboard pillow

The checkerboard pillow calls for a 19 by 12-inch piece of felt in black and orange and one-third yard of camel felt. Also, cotton embroidery floss in orange and purple and fiberfill for stuffing the pillow.

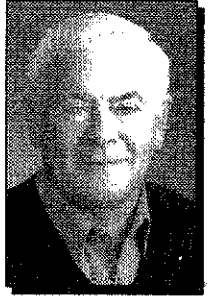
Cut four 6 by 1-inch strips each from orange and black felt. Cut two 12 by 12-inch squares from camel felt. Lay the orange strips side by side, and weave over and under with the black strips. Pin the square centered onto one camel felt base. Using three plies of purple floss and straight stitches, stitch around the outside edges of the woven square.

To finish the pillows, pin the pillow front to the remaining 12-inch felt square. Stitch the front to the back with blanket stitches using floss. Leave a 10-inch opening on one side for stuffing with fiberfill. Stitch pillow shut.

HOME WORK

Today's ranges maintain hotter surfaces

APPLIANCE DOCTOR



JOE GAGNON

Children are hospitalized every year, suffering from burns to their hands, arms and upper bodies. It is alarming to hear about the little innocent ones who happen to brush up against the kitchen range while they're still learning to get around and how that sometimes results in third-degree burns.

I'm sure that we have all felt the sting of a burn at one time or another, but a little toddler certainly should not have to go

through that pain and suffering because a kitchen range isn't built the way it should be by a manufacturer.

Running hot

Yes, I'm saying it again about the appliances of yesteryear. Ranges used to get hot on the outside, but not so hot that they burned your hands. My simple engineering background tells me that the metal on kitchen ranges is not thick enough and the insulation value is inadequate. Why else would they get so hot today?

There is a story in the Appliance Service News written by a "Captain Toolhead." It shocked me to read this information and I'm sure it will alarm you. The title is, "Allowable surface temps on gas and electric ranges."

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ranges. They're concerned about heat exiting the oven vent, heat on the outside oven door surface, and even heat on the side panels. On 30-inch, free-standing gas and electric ranges, you must be able to effectively measure temperatures to reduce consumer fears of burns and know temperature limits.

Heat can transfer

The following procedures from the Underwriters Laboratories

and American Gas Association help you measure temperatures on oven side panels and doors.

Surface temperatures are based on a room temperature of 77° F and an oven set at 400° F. The oven must be heated to 400° for one hour before testing. The product must be undamaged, assembled correctly, and heated to the proper oven temperature. An increase or decrease of one degree in the room allows a one degree increase or decrease in

the maximum allowable surface temperature of the range.

Now the cooktop, lower console or oven vent area will not reach that 400° mark. Consumers still should try to understand the differences between conducted, convected and radiated heat. If the heat from a burner cannot be absorbed into a cooking vessel, the heat not absorbed can migrate by any or all of these three ways to the surrounding cooking surfaces, thus increasing cooktop temperature.

There are many variables involved in reducing or increasing the cooktop area heat: type and size of cookware, cooktop material, such as glass or porcelain, and length of cooking time. These all contribute to cooktop surface temperatures.

The maximum allowable surface temperatures for various

surfaces of the range are as follows: side panel, painted, 152° F; side panel, porcelain, 160° F; oven door, glass, 172° F; oven door, painted, 152° F; oven door, porcelain, 160° F; warmer drawer, painted, 152° F, and warmer drawer, porcelain, 160° F.

Manufacturers of major appliances should build a better product that does not have the potential to burn the hands of little children or for that matter, anyone else. The children can't do much but cry, but we as adults can sit down and write a letter and voice our opinions. Please do so.

Joe Gagnon can be heard Saturday and Sunday on 760 WJR. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

Change furnace filters and follow these tips before winter

ASK DAD



HARRY JACHYM

It's so easy to put off the chores of getting our homes ready for winter until winter is upon us. Now I'm not the master procrastinator, but easily in the top 10 and I tend to be "cost-conscious" (the politically correct term for cheap). With this in mind let's look at some simple, inexpensive things we can do to get ready for the winter season.

Change the furnace filter often. Depending on the brand and how often the blower runs, it should be changed every three weeks (for inexpensive mat filters) to every three months (for the high-efficiency pleated types). Read the package's direc-

■ Use compact fluorescent bulbs in lights that are turned on for long periods of time. Though somewhat expensive to purchase, the longer life and lower operating costs make these bulbs a practical investment.

tions for recommendations. Dirty filters make your furnace motor work harder and the air in your home more difficult to breathe.

If you feel real ambitious, consider installing an electronic setback thermostat. They're available at home improvement stores for as little as \$30 and are relatively easy to install.

Save on lighting

Because the nights last longer in the winter means lights are on longer. Use compact fluorescent bulbs in lights that are turned on for long periods of time. Though somewhat expensive to purchase, the longer life and lower operating costs make these bulbs a practical investment.

The fall is an excellent time to caulk outside. Moderate temperatures makes caulk easier to work with and it will hold up better.

Drafty doors and windows need to be addressed. There are many simple, easy and inexpensive ways to deal with these, from self-stick weather stripping to heat shrinkable window films. Of course, better ways to fix this problem would include window replacement and/or having a makeup air device added to your furnace. Make-up air keeps the air pressure in your home close to outside levels, which helps reduce drafts. These are costly and often not for the do-it-yourselfer.

Take a few minutes to look over your fireplace and chimney. Pay attention to cracks in the masonry. If you are still burning wood in your fireplace, I suggest having the chimney checked for creosote and cleaned if necessary.

Looking outside

A quick walk around your yard with a fertilizer spreader will help give your lawn a head start on next spring.

Get your garden ready. Our friend, a master gardener, puts wire cages around his roses and fills these with composted horse manure. He feels leaf mulch promotes black spot on the roses.

Mice don't really like cold weather and can find the smallest opening to get into your home, and they like to eat just about every thing you do. Since our house is near a field, we set mousetraps in the fall. If you prefer using non-lethal traps, release the furry little friend well away from the house.

Finally, it's never too early to

check your snow removal equipment. Put some fresh gas in your snow blower, change the spark plug and start it. This is much better than my usual method of waiting for the first large snowfall, then trying to start the blower and then cursing while you shovel.

Harry Jachym, a licensed builder, lives in Plymouth and teaches building trades to high school students in western Wayne County.

Since we all seem to ask our fathers for repair or remodeling advice, Jachym writes "Ask Dad," a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. Send any questions or comments to Harry Jachym care of Ken Abramczyk, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

Stop mildew

It's not unusual to find mildew in humid areas of the home. Here are a few helpful tips to stop it from Wm. Zinsser & Company:

■ Install exhaust fans and replace solid doors with louvered doors to improve ventilation in mildew-prone areas.

■ Wipe down bathroom shower walls with a dry towel after each use.

■ Kill existing mildew by cleaning surfaces thoroughly with a solution of two cups bleach to one gallon of water, followed by a clean water rinse.

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Technology expected to change space needs in tomorrow's homes

Each year residential architects discuss trends in housing designs at the International Builders' Show sponsored by the National Association of Home Builders.

"One of the biggest factors impacting design is how technology will change the space needs in the home," said Stephen J. Taglione, president of Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan and of Westminster & Abbey Homes in Bingham Farms.

With the option of telecommuting expanding throughout the

country, people will need dedicated home office space with appropriate telephone, fax, modem and computer service. While this will create a more fluid workday with less rigid lines between professional and personal lives, it will also affect the use of space in the home and family dynamics.

"In addition, people are looking to the home to be their center for entertainment," Taglione said. Many homes will have media rooms with sophisticated sound and video systems built in or retrofitted to suit the owners.

Life cycle housing is another trend in home design. Many people are moving less, and they want their homes to grow and change with them as they go through different stages in their lives.

For example, a builder may offer a home with three bedrooms today, but he'll give the new owner the option to finish an attic or garage area as needed to accommodate a new child or a parent that comes to live with the family.

Other homes will be placed on a lot so that there will be plenty

of room to add an addition for a family room or sitting area, and the owner can see the plans for that addition when the original house is purchased. This will also help when the owner wants to sell the home since the floor plan is flexible and can meet the needs of many potential buyers.

Garages are likely to be set back from the street and be attached or detached depending on the market. In addition, the space above the garage can be flex space for later additions such as an in-law suite or home office. Garages are increasing in

size to an average of three berths, both to accommodate more vehicles in the household and to provide more storage space.

We will see more features designed for casual entertaining such as front porches and expanded kitchens and family rooms. Dining and living rooms are becoming multi-purpose rooms.

For example, many new custom homes come with bookshelves built into the dining room so the area can be used as a substitute home office or study

area when it is not needed for formal entertaining. The architects also called for all-season rooms to allow for specialized areas for exercising, hobbies and other projects. The rooms will have light shafts from the ground level to allow for natural lighting, floors designed to cushion an exerciser's feet and specialized storage for tools and hobby supplies.

Homeowners will continue to ask for homes that use energy efficiently and are easy to maintain.

Maintain gutters to maintain your home

Now that fall is here, many homeowners are beginning to winterize their homes to ensure they won't incur any problems from the harsh winter weather.

Yet, among of the most overlooked areas of home maintenance are the gutters.

According to Tom Hutchins, owner of HandyPro Handyman Service in Southfield, proper gutter maintenance in the fall can eliminate many potential problems homeowners can face during the winter months.

Most people spend a lot of time putting away lawn furniture, changing their furnace filters or making sure their windows are sealed with weatherstripping, but they neglect to clean and check the gutters, Hutchins said.

If the home's gutters are full of leaves and debris, aren't properly aligned or have leaks in the seams, it could cause problems when the winter snows melt in the spring.

To ensure gutters are ready for the winter, Hutchins suggests the following maintenance tips:

■ Clean leaves and other debris from the inside of the gutters, and make sure the holes going to the downspouts are clear to allow water to run freely.

■ Check the seams in the gutters and downspouts for leaks. If the seams are leaking, clean the seam with a wire brush to remove old caulk or adhesive, and recaulk with a silicone caulk.

■ Make sure the downspouts drain far enough away from the home to avoid puddles in the grass. Buy downspout extensions to help the water drain farther from the home if necessary.

■ Check the gutters to ensure they are aligned properly to allow water to flow to the downspouts. If they aren't aligned properly, reposition them to increase the water flow toward the downspouts.

Properly working gutters allow water to drain quickly and away from the house, which helps alleviate the potential for ice dams building up and causing roof leaks, Hutchins said.

Water from leaky gutters can also drip on a porch or sidewalk, which could then freeze and cause someone to slip and fall, he said.

While some gutter maintenance is fairly simple, others could be more complicated for the average homeowner, especially if people don't like to be on top of their roof, he said.

"Many homeowners, especially senior citizens, aren't comfortable climbing on a roof to clean or fix their gutters, and we get a lot of calls during this time of year to handle people's gutter maintenance or to replace the gutters," Hutchins said.

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The company currently serves the western Wayne County area from its corporate location in Plymouth, and also has franchise locations in Farmington Hills and Ann Arbor.

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CLARIFICATION

A story on grandfather clocks in the Thursday, Oct. 11, issue of the Observer should have indicated that Jeffrey Pulver worked at the Sligh Co. A photograph of a Garrison clock should have indicated that the clock was created by Sligh.

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GARDENING

Garden to pay tribute to Sept. 11 victims

English Gardens employees and community volunteers from across metro Detroit will plant a Tribute Garden in the shape of an American flag in memory of the victims of the Sept. 11 tragedy. The 20-by-13-foot, three-season garden will be planted with tulip bulbs to bloom in the

spring, and pansies and mums for color this fall. In the summer, red, white and blue petunias will be planted. The planting will take place 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 27, at Memorial Park, on the northeast corner of 13 Mile and Woodward roads in Royal Oak. Anyone interested in partici-

pating in the Tribute Garden Planting Day should register at englishgardens.com or at any one of the five English Gardens locations. For more information, call (248)855-9240, Ext. 230, or (800)335-GROW. "Flowers are a beautiful tribute to a tragic situation," said John Darin, president of English

Gardens. "The events of Sept. 11 have affected all of us deeply. We wanted to do something positive to help the country heal." Approximately 2,500 tulip bulbs, 400 to 500 mums and 240 pansies will be planted. The mums are being donated by Theisen Greenhouses in Memphis, Mi. English Gardens plans

to plant petunias in the bed next spring. Oct. 27 is Make a Difference Day. English Gardens and The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers are sponsoring the planting.

CALENDAR

Does your garden club have an upcoming event or meeting you want publicized? Send items for consideration, including date, time, location and a phone number of a contact for publication, at least three weeks in advance to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150 or e-mail homecomm.net. To send a fax, call (734) 591-7279.

BACK TO SCHOOL

A LITTLE CLASS
The Michigan School of Gardening offers morning and evening classes weekdays and Saturdays at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia and Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, and Saturday classes in the Historic Detroit Garden Center (Moross House) in Detroit. Children's programs are also available. Call (248) 4-GARDEN, or visit www.michigan-gardening.com, for more information or a complete schedule. Advance registration requested. Some classes have pre-requisites. Sessions include the five-session Practical Gardening: So Many Ways to Grow, beginning Thursday, Oct. 25, in Pontiac; and Business Administration: Growing Your Business, Thursdays, Oct. 25 to Nov. 1, in Pontiac. November advanced classes include Groundcovers, Nov. 6 and 8; Care of Tools, Nov. 13 or 15 and the Gardener's Health, Nov. 14.

GARDEN CLUBS

MEADOW BROOK
Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club will meet 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 26, in the Courtyard Room at Meadow Brook Hall on the OU campus, off Adams in Rochester. Roger Bajorek of Stoney Creek Nature Center will speak and show slides on Taking the Sting Out of Bees and Wasps. Non-member donation \$5.

LIVONIA
Members and guests are welcome to attend the Livonia Garden Club meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6 at the Livonia Senior Center on Farmington Road. A Christmas sweatshirt workshop is the featured program. Members and guests are asked to bring their own supplies which are: a pre-washed sweatshirt (not red or white), a child's paintbrush, a piece of cardboard to fit inside the sweatshirt, a 4-inch high stack of newspaper cut into 6-inch squares and a small plastic grocery bag.

FALL SPLENDOR
Tours on the theme Fall Splendor in the Garden are led by docents each Sunday afternoon in October at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor. Cost is \$1 per person in addition to any admission charge. Conservatory tours take place 2 p.m. each Sunday. Arrive 15 minutes before the start of the tour. Wear comfortable shoes and clothes appropriate for the weather. For more information, call (734) 998-7061.

Scheduled classes in the Adult Education Program at Matthaei include the three-session Late Fall Hawks, beginning Thursday, Oct. 25; In-between Seasons, Wednesdays, Oct. 31 to Nov. 7; and Dazzle with Perennials, Thursdays, Nov. 1-8. Call (734) 998-7061.

Seasonal, children and family classes and events are offered at the gardens. For registration and information, call (734) 998-7061. The Conservatory will be transformed into a most unusual and scary haunted house where you will hear tales that will curl your hair and chill your spine in A Halloween Happening: Spirited Plants 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 28. Afterward enjoy a seasonal treat. Wear your wildest costume. Fee is \$5. Scouts can learn while they earn points toward merit badges and awards at the Gardens' Scout and Community Group Workshops, which take place each Thursday after school. They include a tour and scavenger hunt in the tropical house of the Conservatory, a chance to make a terrarium, and a snack. Registration must be made at least two weeks before any session. Fee is \$5 per person.

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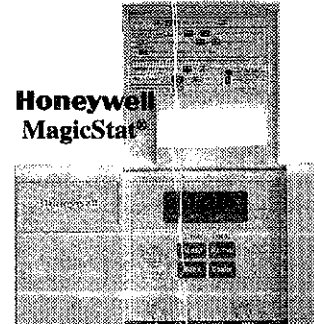
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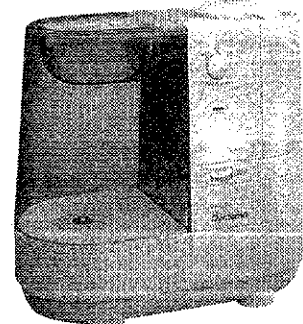
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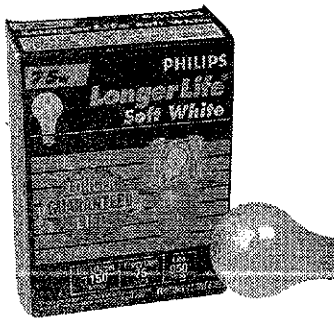
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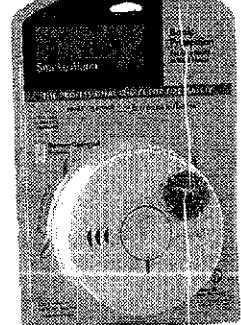
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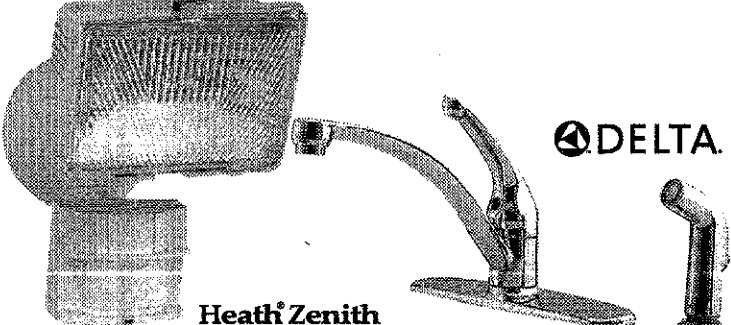
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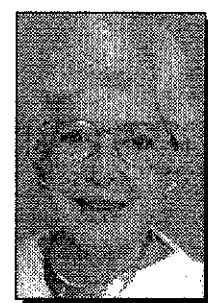
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GARDENING

New garden books feature apples and artistry

GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

It's nice to be back! I will review books as usual on this fourth Thursday of the month.

It's apple season in Michigan, and *Apple Cookbook*, Olwen Woodier (Storey, \$9.95, soft), will encourage readers to try a new variety. Interesting facts about apples—such as their origin (cultivated around 8,000 years ago), and their history in America—are included. The 142 recipes run the gamut

from sweet treats to savory dishes, beverages and chutneys, and tips for healthy snacks. Each recipe is prefaced by personal comments.

A list of the many varieties of apples will guide in selection. *Van Gogh's Gardens*, Dereck Fell (Simon & Schuster, \$35), is the account of the artist's life, where he lived and worked and where he was inspired by the beauty of the countryside, other artists and Japanese prints.

His use of color combinations in gardens and his flower arrangements (often used to study color concepts) were transferred to his paintings. Letters to his brother and sister are filled with instruction.

This treasure of Van Gogh paintings and Fell's excellent photography is superb. Garden-

ers throughout the United States can replicate these gardens with plants suitable for their growing conditions.

Fell and his wife, Carolyn, have interpreted the artist's ideas and color theories into 20 theme gardens at their Cedaridge Farm in Pennsylvania. It can be visited by appointment only.

Garden dancers

Dancers in the Garden, Joanne Ryder (Sierra Club Books for children, distributed by Gibbs-Smith, \$6.95, soft), follows two hummingbirds as they wend their way through the garden.

Lyrically written, the words flow together without pause, as the hummingbirds gather nectar and enchant children with their antics. This award-winning book is beautifully illustrated by Judith Lopez. A personal note from the author shares many pertinent facts about these wonders.

Waterfalls, Fountains, Pools & Streams, Helen Nash and Eamon Hughes (Sterling, \$17.95, soft), teaches how to construct many of these water features.

From the initial planning stage to the completed product, the authors guide as each step is explained. Insider information is shared, such as how to move large rocks or how to find quali-

fied professionals. The illustrations provide good examples.

From nature

"The spirit of wabi sabi is based on a simple set of ideals adopted from nature." *Wabi Sabi Style*, James and Sandra Crowley (Gibbs-Smith, \$39.95), gives many examples and shows how to correlate very subtly the colors of nature in the home in each season of the year.

If we look to nature we will discover the muted colors, mauves, tans, golds and greens that add a restful look to all parts of the home. Simplicity is the goal. The book is full of design ideas with photographs that beautifully illustrate this concept.

"In the traditional Japanese culture, attachment to nature was so complete that a house was not considered a home without the inclusion of a garden," the Crowleys write. "Wherever possible, one should allow the outside to come in."

The Cactus Family, Edward Anderson (Timber Press, \$99.95), is an up-to-date study of this group of plants.

"Cacti live for many years, in a variety of habitats, and have a wide range of shapes from simple to branched, from globose to columnar, and some are essentially subterranean," Anderson



MARTY FIGLEY

Variety: A cactus greenhouse in Florida holds many species.

says. Each has distinctive features. They have been used medicinally and for religious purposes as well as food by American Indians for thousands of years.

This book tells it all. In this encyclopedic account, the author describes 125 genera and 1,810 species! The many photographs show the beauty and diversity of cacti.

Growers and hobbyists, taxonomists, ethnobotanists, conser-

vationists and other interested people will find the chapter by Roger Brown on the cultivation of cacti quite helpful.

Have a fun and safe Halloween. Roast some pumpkin seeds for a special treat.

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

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Don't forget to mulch your trees this fall.

The freezing temperatures of winter can be hard on trees' root systems, and preventative measures must be taken to ensure the health of trees.

Roots are more vulnerable to cold winters because they do not "harden" like the plant's crown as the temperatures drop. Roots can barely withstand temperatures a few degrees below freezing.

When the temperature is very low and snow covers the ground, roots are protected from extreme cold by the insulating layer of snow. But when the temperature is low and there is no snow, root systems may be vulnerable if the ground temperature drops below

their tolerance level.

Mulch helps protect roots from being injured by low temperatures by providing an insulating layer and protecting the ground underneath it from cooling as quickly as the air. It also protects the critical root zone of the tree from competition for water and nutrients from turfgrass or weeds.

Additionally, mulching provides a "landscape bed" buffer zone that can help protect the base of the tree's trunk from becoming damaged by lawn mowers.

Remove the turf and weeds within a two-foot circle around the trunk and preferably within

a five- to six-foot circle around the tree. Choose organic mulch like bark or wood chips.

Apply the mulch to a depth of 2 to 4 inches. The mulch bed can be as large as is practical, but it should be at least 3 to 5 feet from the trunk. This reduces competition from weeds and minimizes the potential for mower injury. Also, it will conserve moisture and keep the soil cooler in summer and warmer in winter.

Do not over-mulch. This can make it harder for the roots to get oxygen. Mulch should be maintained at a depth of 2 inches on clay soils and 4 inches on sandy soils at the plants' drip

line, tapering to nothing just outside the stem.

Symptoms of root damage are wilted, brown leaves or a generally weak appearance. These signs often do not appear until late spring or early summer because as temperatures warm and the ground becomes dry, the damaged roots cannot take up enough water and nutrients to support the plant.

Information courtesy of the Davey Tree Expert Co. Davey provides tree services, grounds maintenance, vegetation management and consulting services to utility, residential, commercial and governmental markets throughout the United States and Canada.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

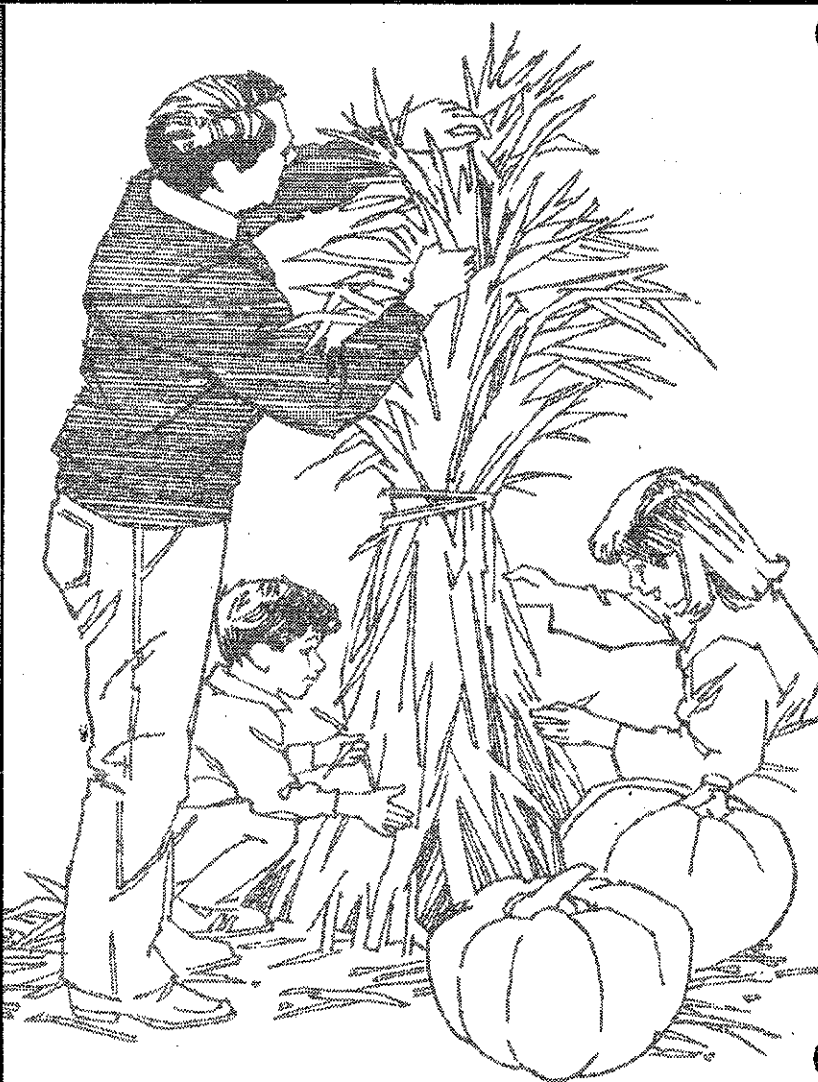
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CRAFTS CALENDAR

If you would like to announce an upcoming craft show, bazaar, or arts boutique — items can be sent to: Crafts Calendar, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI, 48150 or e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net

QUILTS FROM THE HEART
First United Methodist Church of Plymouth (45201 N. Territorial) in Plymouth will host a quilt show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 26-27. "Quilts from the heart," will be presented by The United Methodist Women and Quilt Guild of First UMC of Plymouth. Admission, \$4. Lunch available.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR
St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church, 26431 W. Chicago Road in Redford Township, will hold this special event 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27 at the church. Vendors are needed. Call (313) 937-2880.

ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW
Our Redeemer Lutheran Church (24931 Union at Westwood) of Dearborn has tables available for its 20th Annual Craft Show on Saturday, Oct. 27. Eight foot tables are \$25. Call (313) 562-9246 for information.

HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW
St. Robert Bellarmine at West Chicago and Inkster in Redford is sponsoring their annual Christmas Bazaar on Oct. 27 (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.). Meet in the activities building. Admission, \$1. Call Nancy (313) 937-1741 for information.

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CRAFTERS SOUGHT
The "Home for the Holidays" Arts and Craft Show, sponsored by Farmington High School (32000 Shiawasse), is seeking crafters for its 12th annual show on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call Susan Nichols at (248) 476-9674.

HOLIDAY MAGIC CRAFT SHOW
Leonard Elementary (4401 Tallman) in Troy is accepting applications for the Nov. 3, 15th Annual Holiday Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The show will feature 60 booths offering a wide variety of handcrafted items, a raffle, bake sale and more. Admission: \$2 for everyone over 14 years of age. Fourteen and under are admitted free. For

more information and an application call (248) 680-1533 or e-mail craftshow@prodigy.net

HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW
Frost Middle School is holding its 25th Annual Holiday Craft Show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 3 (14041 Stark Road - just west of Farmington). \$2 admission. Call (734) 762-0421.

CRAFTERS WANTED
Livonia Stevenson High School (33500 W. Six Mile Road - west of Farmington) in Livonia presents their Holiday Happening Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3. Approximately 150 crafters. Concession lunch available, strollers welcome, lunch runners available for crafters. Admission: \$2. Call Barb (248) 478-2395 or Debbie (248) 476-0315.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW
Crafters are wanted for the St. Sabina Craft Show (Ann Arbor Trail between Inkster and Telegraph) 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3. Six-foot-tables \$25; 8' \$27.50. Call Jane (734) 953-5914.

CRAFT FAIR
The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn (600 N. Brady, Dearborn) presents Craft Fair 2001, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3. Items include quilting, lighted potpourri jars, hand knit sweaters, quilted place mats, counted cross stitch, homemade preserves and baked goods. Call (313) 274-1313.

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE
Clarenceville High School's Athletic Booster Club will host a Holiday Boutique 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 at the high school (Middlebelt between Seven and Eight Mile roads). Over 150 juried crafters, babysitting, raffle, bakesale. Admission, \$2. No strollers please.

CRAFTERS WANTED
St. Valentine PTC will host their 10th Annual Holiday Arts & Crafts Shoppe on Saturday, Nov. 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Limited table space available. Call (313) 255-6825 or visit www.geocities.com/stvalcraft.

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SCHOOLCRAFT FALL SHOW
Schoolcraft Craft Show will feature seasonal crafts in the Physi-

cal Education Building. More than 150 crafters will be on hand — among the holiday items available are wreaths, snowmen and Santas in various mediums, glass angels, fabric tree skirts and fireplace mantel covers, fruitcakes, and dolls and dolls' clothing. Among the more unusual items in the show are Faberge eggs made from real egg shells of birds ranging from finches to ostriches; barnwood and twig furniture; genuine fur teddy bears; and papier mache reindeer. Take home velvet gift pillows, hand-painted coins, light-catchers, Victorian lampshades or decorative items made from horseshoes. Refreshments will be available, parking is free and there will be hourly raffles. Craft show hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 and 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11. Admission is \$2 for adults and children 12 years and older, and 50 cents for children five to 12 years old. Children under five are admitted free. Proceeds from the craft show help fund student scholarships at Schoolcraft (18600 Haggerty Road) Livonia.

CRAFTERS WANTED
Crafters are needed for the 19th Annual Arts & Crafts Boutique at SS. Simon and Jude Church (32500 Palmer Road) Westland from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 10. Free door prizes, snack food, bake sale, crafts and more. Call (734) 722-1343.

RESIDENT HOLIDAY BAZAAR
Normandy Apartments residents will host a Holiday Bazaar 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 10 (24320 Michigan Ave.) in Dearborn just west of Telegraph. Crafts, flower arrangements, white elephant sale, baked good and homemade chili. Everyone is welcome. Crafters are still wanted. Call Normandy (313) 562-4024. \$5 per table.

CRAFTERS SOUGHT
Crafters are being sought for the Holiday Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 10-11 at the Wayne Ford Civic League in Westland (Wayne Road). 7x12 tables are \$35. Call Sharon (734) 722-4857.

CRAFTERS NEEDED
Crafters are needed for the Fall Craft Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 at St. Edith School (15089 Newburgh Road) in Livonia. Admission is \$1. 10 x 8 spot \$42.00, electricity extra. Homemade items only. Call Diana (734) 462-6037 or Joann (734) 464-9370.



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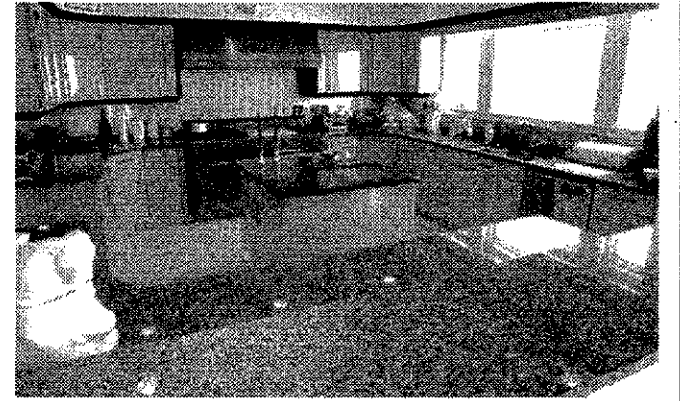
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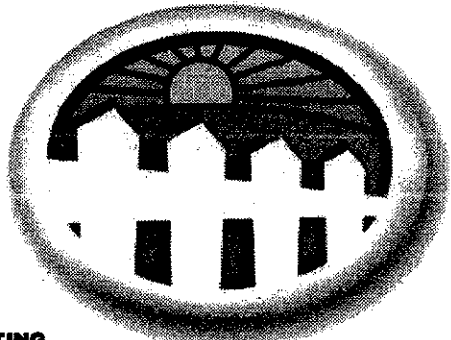
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INTERIOR DESIGN

Dealer says buy antiques to use and enjoy at home

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Town Crier Antiques has a location that is fitting in many ways.

The building at 32750 Franklin Road in Franklin Village is a house that was built in 1840. It features the original wavy glass in the windows, and the low ceiling.

Not only is it befitting for an antiques shop to be situated in a structure that is more than 150 years old, but it is significant that the building is a house. Owner Judy Shagena encourages people to be at home with antiques.

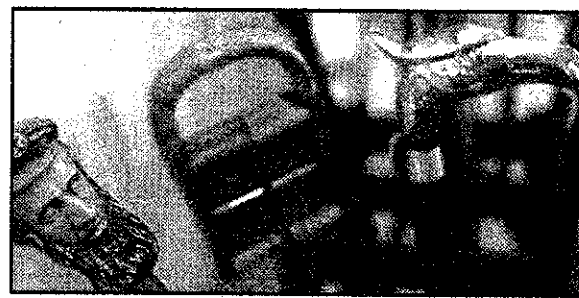
"I encourage people to buy something that they would use and enjoy," said Shagena, who with husband Pete opened the business Aug. 1.

Town Crier Antiques is one of the more than 30 dealers that will participate in this year's Franklin Community Antiques Show, taking place Friday-Saturday, Oct. 26-27, at Franklin Community Church, 26425 Wellington. A country cafe, and lunch catered by Market Basket of Franklin, will be included.

A new feature to the event this year is a preview continental breakfast with complementary appraisal clinic, 8:30-10 a.m. Oct. 26. Admission to the preview is \$15 presale, \$20 at the door, and includes re-admission to the show.

The Shagenas have collected antiques for years, and understand the appeal of the pieces.

"I think it is a nostalgia factor," Judy Shagena said. "People can relate, even young people. They remember things in their homes or that their mother or grandmother had. It's kind of a way of finding a connection to their heritage, their past."



Raising cane: Antique walking sticks are among the eclectic items at Town Crier Antiques.

"Having a collection or looking for antiques is a nice kind of hobby as well."

Shagena's favorite antiques include Queen Anne and Sheraton items, but a tour of the cozy shop reveals a wide variety of pieces. The arrangement helps a visitor to visualize the furnishings in a residence.

The counter by the front door is behind a bank teller's cage from Boyne City, Mich., dating from the early 1900s. Except for the welcome sign, the cage is in the original condition.

A bell from a locomotive stands on a pedestal. Graceful oak furnishings are arranged in rooms. Elegant beauty is displayed in porcelain. An assortment of walking sticks (canes), including one with a folding seat, shows a range of personalities.

One corner is arranged with play in mind. Among the items here are an old slot machine (nickels are provided) and a

Wurlitzer juke box, Model No. 1015.

Shagena offered practical advice about buying antiques.

"First of all, buy something that you'll enjoy living with," she said. "Second, don't be afraid to ask questions."

Find out about the condition of a piece before you buy, she said.

"You don't want to get home and have a surprise."

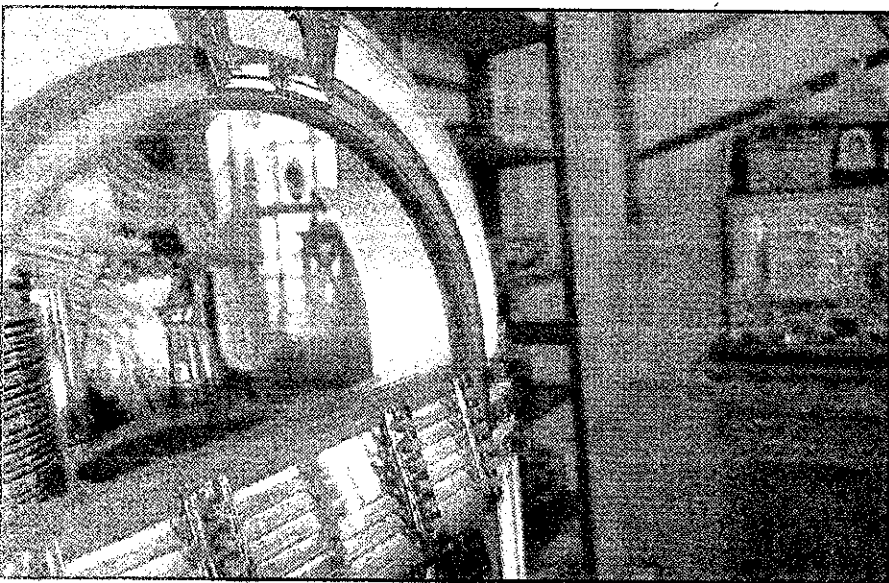
Show hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Oct. 26, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 27. Admission is \$6 per person.

Franklin Community Church is on the Village Green at Wellington and Normandy in Franklin Village, off Franklin Road between 13 Mile and 14 Mile. Proceeds will benefit programs of Franklin Community Church, New York/Washington, D.C., disaster relief, and Methodist Children's Village.

For information, call (248) 626-6606.



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Welcome: Judy Shagena of Town Crier Antiques encourages people to buy antiques they can live with. A bank teller's cage from the early 1900s is at the counter in the shop. A Wurlitzer is among the eclectic items at Town Crier Antiques, one of the dealers in the Franklin Community Antiques Show.

DESIGN CALENDAR

Family Fun Days at Meadow Brook Hall take place 10-11:30 a.m. the last Saturday of each month, featuring family programs filled with activities that help to interpret the history, architecture and collections of Meadow Brook Hall in a fun and engaging manner. The next Family Fun Day is Oct. 27. Reservations are required; call (248) 370-3140. Admission is \$4 per child, one free adult per child. Meadow Brook Hall is on the Oakland University campus off Adams in Rochester.

Guardians may bring children to any Art Van Furniture store Saturday-Wednesday, Oct. 27-31, to receive a reflective Halloween safety bag and a treat (while supplies last).

Cranbrook House, 380 Lone

Pine in Bloomfield Hills, is open for walk-in tours 3 p.m. Sundays, now through Oct. 28, for \$10. Walk-in tours are scheduled 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Thursdays, now through Oct. 25. Visitors may include lunch at noon Thursdays for an additional \$15 by making a reservation. Lunch is available only with a \$10 tour. For private or group Thursday lunch and tour reservations, call (248) 645-3147.

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