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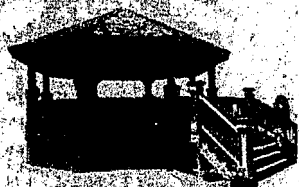
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## VINTAGE



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School is back in session, and summer is officially over. Before we know it, the leaves will be changing, and the chill of fall will be in the air. For those of us involved with the Clarkston Historical Society, fall brings our busiest time of the year. In two short weeks, the society will host its 22nd annual Crafts and Cider Festival in Depot Park, Clarkston. This juried art fair, to be held Sept. 19-20, is bigger and better than ever this year. We will host approximately 90 artists, both local and from across the state and throughout the East and Midwest. The artists will present a wide range of mediums, from pottery and carvings to painting, jewelry and fabric art.

But art isn't all there is to see at the festival. Along with the traditional apple cider and fresh donuts sold by members of the historical society, other area charity groups come to sell delicious food and drinks to help raise money for their causes. These include pizza from the Clarkston Museum Foundation, cappuccino from the Friends of the Library, and tasty treats from the Daughters of the American Revolution.

There will also be musical entertainment, activities for the children and, new this year, to alleviate some of the parking problems, a shuttle service will run from the old Clarkston High School to the park, courtesy of the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department. We hope to see all of Clarkston at the park!

Vintage Clarkston is written by Kim Huttenlocher, vice president of the Clarkston Community Historical Society.



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## Shooting shocks Springfield residents



**The quiet, normally untroubled town of Davisburg met tragedy, alarm and a flurry of activity on Wednesday as deputies from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department searched for the man who shot a local office worker.**

 BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Shock, dismay, alarm and a media frenzy overcame the small, normally quiet town of Davisburg on Wednesday — the aftermath of a shooting of a billing/business manager who worked in the community.

Gwen Hunter, 43, was shot twice in the lower portion of her body at approximately 11 a.m. Wednesday just outside her office, the New Oakland Child-Adolescent and Family Center on Andersonville Road in Springfield Township. A suspect was in police custody Wednesday afternoon.

Hunter was taken to Genesys Regional Medical Center Health Park in Grand Blanc, according to Springfield Township Fire Chief Charles Oaks, who was at the scene.

Hunter underwent surgery Wednesday afternoon, according to hospital officials. Her condition was undetermined at press time.

Although her wounds did not appear serious, according to Elizabeth Boyce, community relations and marketing director at the family counseling center, Hunter's co-workers are concerned, frightened and in shock, she said.

"We're really worried about her," Boyce said. "You never know what's going to happen."

Likewise, nearby residents and those who work in the area were startled by the news.

"I was just cleaning this morning and there were cop cars everywhere. I had no clue what was going on," said Fran Blum, who lives across the street from the counseling center office. "I walk my dog there everyday in that field. It could have been me," she said, adding.

Please see SHOOTING, A2



STAFF PHOTOS BY STEVE CANTRELL

**That's the way:** Instructor Cammie Garrett (center) of Independence Township leads Linda Wanstreet (left), Desiree Tolliver (right) and other members of the Giddy Up Group in Ortonville in an exercise program on horseback.

## Equestrian exercise

*Riders, horses share in morning workout*

 BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

A punctuated morning news report comes over the radio as six women standing in a circle perform a series of sideways stretches.

Steam rises from a Styrofoam McDonald's coffee cup on a nearby ledge.

A few of the women grumble about the hour. "What do you mean, 'early'? I've been to my office for an hour already," says Brigitte Todd, goading her female comrades.

"Hands on the hips ... open up the hips," interrupts instructor Cammie Garrett of Independence Township. "Really stretch them out as far as you can ... good." Her voice is commanding but encouraging — a mix of army sergeant and mother.

While it may be 10:30 a.m. and the scene suffers from all the tedious signs of a modern-day exercise class — surely Garrett is about to launch into aerobic speak, "Okay, ladies, let's take up that heart rate" — the scene is only half way there.

Please see GIDDY UP GROUP, A6



**Limbering up:** Giddy Up members (above, right) limber up before continuing their workout on horseback. Brigitte Todd (above, left) heads out for more exercise.



**Stable stretch:** Kitsi Anger and Tob Bennett stretch in a pre-riding workout.



## Crash critically injures teen; guard rail sought for curve

 BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

A one-car accident on Clarkston Road near Eston Road critically injured a Clarkston High School junior Friday morning — and at the same time motivated a nearby resident in her quest to get further protection along the road's curve.

Amy Covault, who said she witnessed the accident at Lakeview that sent 17-year-old Ryan Lorian to the hospital with severe injuries, said she will step up her efforts to get a guard rail along the road.

On Wednesday morning she was in the early stages of writing a petition to send to the Road Commission

for Oakland County.

"We have these accidents all the time," Covault said. She has lived along Clarkston Road for three years, after purchasing the home from her mother-in-law, a long-time resident. "I'm always calling 9-1-1. Somebody's going to get killed."

Covault said she phones 9-1-1 — for serious accidents only — on the average of once every three months. In the past, she said, as many as 24 cars at one time have gone off the curve during severe weather, and once a vehicle landed on their deck.

"You can't tell me driver error is the problem every time," Covault said, adding that ice, sleet and loose

gravel may contribute to the number of accidents.

According to a press release from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, Lorian, an Independence Township resident, was a passenger in a 1998 Dodge that was being driven by a 16-year-old Clarkston High School junior.

After the 16-year-old lost control of his car, at about 9:25 a.m., it went into a ditch and rolled over, throwing both young men from the vehicle, the release said.

The teens were taken to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital and Lorian was later transferred in critical condition.

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## Accident from page A1

dison to Henry Ford Hospital, said a POH spokesperson. The 16-year-old was released from POH Saturday. The teens were not wearing seat belts and alcohol was not believed to be a factor in the accident, according to police.

On Tuesday night, Toni King, a friend of the Lorton family, said Ryan's mother, Donna, wants to publicly emphasize the importance of wearing seat belts. "She wants to specify that there wouldn't be this much damage if they had their seat belts on. She really wants the message out," King said.

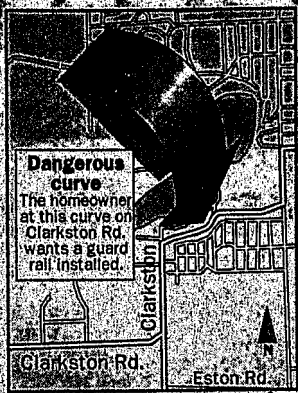
Covault said she called the Road Commission for Oakland County earlier this summer to complain about the number of

accidents and to seek a guard rail and was told that the safety measures along Clarkston Road meet the requirements of the law.

The speed limit is 25 mph and there are flashing warning lights before the curves begin, Covault said.

"They (the commission) said that complete driver error is the reason people go into the ditch. There's nothing keeping them on the road," she said. "They're saying driver error is the only reason people are getting in these accidents."

Craig Bryson, a public relations representative for the road commission, said guard rails can sometimes cause more hazards than they prevent, especially for



HELEN FURCEAN/STAFF ARTIST

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**Amy Covault**  
Concerned homeowner

## Fatal crash 2nd in week for Springfield Township

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

Springfield Township emergency personnel faced one of their toughest — and largest — multi-vehicle accidents over the Labor Day weekend when two North Branch teens died in a Sunday night collision on I-75 near East Holly Road.

On Labor Day, counselors were called in to help firefighters, police and paramedics deal with their emotions following the four-car collision, which also injured 10 other people.

"We're all human beings," said Springfield Township Fire Chief Charles Oaks on Tuesday as he reflected on the enormity of the crash and its implications to emergency personnel — especially as he considered the fact that it was the second fatal accident to hit I-75 in less than a week.

Oaks said frequent accidents of this magnitude are unusual for not only Springfield, but for most communities. The fire department had adequate equipment and manpower to handle the situation, Oaks said, adding that a number of physicians and nurses who were driving by the scene stopped to help as well.

"This is just not something, thank God, that we see each day," he said. "You can sort of help each other when you get in a situation like this. We like to be tough and think it doesn't bother us, but anybody who's out there cares about people and it does bother them."

Troopers from the Michigan State Police and Oakland County Sheriff's Department, along with firefighters from the Grove-

land Township Fire Department and paramedics from American Medical Response, assisted at the scene.

The 7:05 p.m. accident involved more people than any accident during his tenure, said Oaks, who has more than 20 years experience with the Springfield department.

The accident occurred when 18-year-old Jason David Smith, for an unknown reason, lost control of his northbound Mercury Sable. The Sable went into the median, struck a guard rail, went airborne and collided with a southbound Chevrolet Suburban containing five people.

Smith and his 13-year-old passenger, Jennifer Elizabeth-Maria Hibbs, were pronounced dead at the scene.

Two additional vehicles, a Chevrolet van containing four people and a Chevrolet Tahoe with one occupant, also crashed in an effort to avoid the first accident, according to a press release from the Michigan State Police. The occupants of the Suburban were transferred to Genesys Health Park in Grand Blanc. The occupants of the Chevrolet van and the Tahoe were taken by ambulance to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac.

Oaks said the teens' accident occurred directly across I-75 from the location of an Aug. 31 accident that claimed the lives of Timothy Robert Melvin, 35, of Warren and Shawn Lynn Cherven, 24, of Burton. In that accident Melvin's southbound car went across the median near East Holly Road and struck Cherven's northbound vehicle.

## Armed robber hits Dixie store

Officers from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department are investigating an armed robbery that took place at the General Nutrition Center on Dixie Highway Sept. 8.

According to a report at the sheriff's Independence Township substation, a man estimated to be in his 30s or 40s entered the store and insinuated that he was going to make a purchase.

When the clerk opened the cash register, the man produced a gun and ordered the clerk to lie on the floor. The clerk complied

and he told him to "count to 50." The suspect then threatened to shoot the clerk before fleeing the store with an unspecified amount of money.

According to Lt. Dale LaBair of the sheriff's Independence substation, the clerk was not injured.

Police are seeking a white male, believed to be about 6 feet tall.

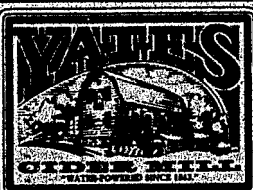
He was described as having dark hair and wearing a pink polo shirt, blue jeans and a baseball cap.

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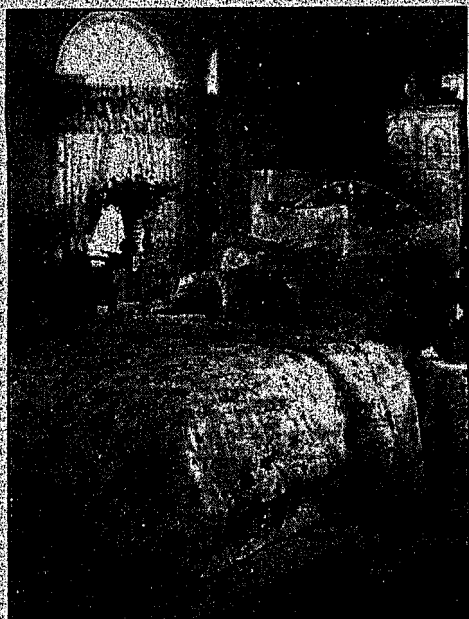
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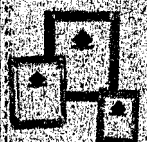
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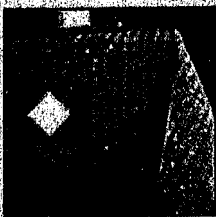
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## Labor Day leisure



Something to cheer about: Above, the Clarkston Chiefs pom-pom squad performs for the crowd during the Labor Day parade. Below, downtown streets are packed with parade spectators.



### Rotary parade turns into real holiday crowd pleaser

Clarkston Rotary Club members called their annual Labor Day Parade a great success.

Crowds gathered Monday along the parade route before 10 a.m. And the sun broke through the rain clouds just before it began, said Lu Hewko, past president of the club and chairman of international projects. He also served on a panel of parade judges to choose exceptional entries. Winners carried banners and received plaques.

"Rotarians do it gladly for the community," said Hewko. "The Clarkston community seems to like parades."

The parade theme "Follow Your Dream," placed emphasis on young people and their aspirations of the future. It was modeled after the current Rotary Club theme, "Follow Your Rotary Dream." The event included more than 40 entries this year, many of which involved area youth groups. Al Roberts, superintendent of Clarkston Schools, was the grand marshal.

The Clarkston Rotary Club announced four award-winners from the event. The President's Award was given to the Clarkston High School Marching Band. It was determined by the current Rotary president, Jeff Lichty. The Best Theme Award was given to VIP Realty for "Live the American Dream."

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce walked away with the Best Float Award. It displayed a large building with children and flowers surrounding it.

And Best Costume went to the First Congregational Church for its colorful outfits and upbeat atmosphere, said Hewko.

But not everyone who prepared to show off at the Labor Day Parade got their chance. Rain-soaked streets prevented the Clarkston High School Varsity Cheerleaders from joining the parade and demonstrating their tumbling techniques.

Candy posed a controversial issue with parade organizers this year. But once the time came, most goodies were distributed safely. To prevent children from running into the streets, parade participants handed out the candy to eager children.



Lookin' good: The Swamp King, from Weeki-Wachee, Fla., turned a lot of heads.



Dressed for the occasion: Haley Fry, 2, from Ortonville, sports a colorful headpiece for the festivities.

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Along for the ride: Sasha Jorris rides in the VIP Realty float, which was judged best theme float during the parade.

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The following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Springfield and Independence townships and the city of Clarkston Sept. 3-8.

#### Springfield Police

##### Vandalism

On Sept. 4, headstones were reported overturned at the Andersonville Cemetery on Big Lake Road.

On Sept. 5, tire marks were made in the grass at Springfield Christian Academy off Dixie Highway.

##### Thefts

On Sept. 3, a bull mastiff dog was reported stolen from a residence on Oak Valley.

On Sept. 6, a golf bag and clubs were reported stolen from a vehicle on Tindall Road.

On Sept. 7, a boat motor was reported stolen from a garage on Sherwood Road.

##### Boat Fire

On Sept. 6, a boat fire was reported near a dead end on Bridge Lake Road. The boat was located on a trailer; there were no injuries.

#### Independence Police

##### Thefts

On Sept. 3, a necklace was reported stolen from a residence

##### on Morning Mist.

On Sept. 5, cash was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Dark Lake.

On Sept. 6, landscaping items were reported stolen from a site on White Lake Road.

On Sept. 6, a vehicle was reported broken into while parked on Pine Knob Road. It was not immediately known what was taken.

##### Vandalism

On Sept. 4, a vehicle reportedly had its windshield damaged while it was parked on Briarwood.

On Sept. 5, a vehicle was reported to have its paint damaged while it was parked on Woodside.

On Sept. 7, a vehicle was reported scratched while parked on South River Street.

##### Barn Fire

On Sept. 5, a barn fire was reported on Indianwood Road. There were no injuries.

#### Independence Fire

Between Sept. 3-9, firefighters responded to 17 incidents. Among them were six medical runs, five personal-injury accidents and one building fire. They included:

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"There is never anything going on around here."

According to Capt. Barnett Jones of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, Hunter had stepped outside her office to smoke a cigarette when the suspect approached her with a gun hidden beneath a jacket.

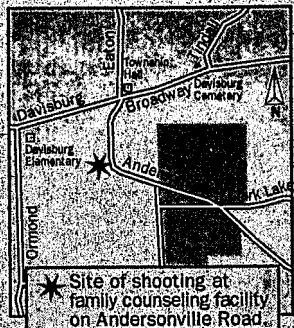
The suspect, a Springfield Township resident who has a history of mental illness, then fled the scene in a white, late-model, four-door Oldsmobile, but was not detained immediately, Barnett said.

In the meantime, deputies cordoned off the scene, placed road blocks around the building and searched the area, as reporters, television and radio station vehicles descended on the rural community.

Activity at nearby Davisburg Elementary School was also out of the ordinary.

"My office window looks out on a cornfield. It's not something that I would picture happening in Davisburg," said the school's principal, Barb Bloom, who learned about the incident at about 11:35 a.m.

"At the time that we were notified, some of our students were out on recess and we brought all those children in," she said,



Site of shooting at family counseling facility on Andersonville Road.

describing the mood in school as "calm" but one of "alert."

"The teachers were notified, but we did not let the students know. We just kind of told students that we were practicing an indoor recess," Bloom said. "We just didn't want to panic the children."

The building's doors were locked and Officer Matt Hogan, the school district's police liaison, was dispatched to the school to patrol the perimeter.

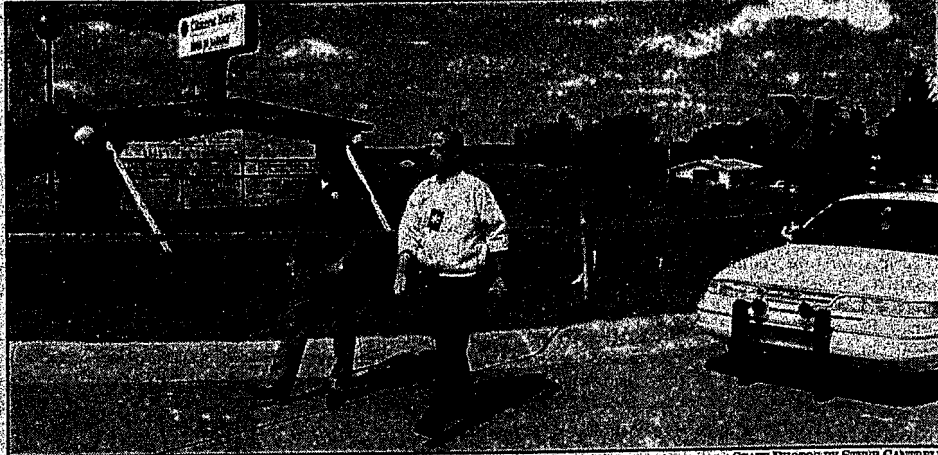
"The feeling was that you've got 500 students that you have to secure. It's just one of those things in your mind that you know might happen one day



Close to home: Fran Blum lives across the street from the scene of the shooting.

and you hope it doesn't - but you respond in the most calm and safe way for the kids," Bloom said.

The school also received about 30 phone calls from parents who had heard about the shooting on television, she said.



From the road: Police officers pass by the scene of a shooting outside the New Oakland Child-Adolescent and Family Center in Davisburg. A suspect was apprehended less than an hour after the incident occurred.

At about 12:15 p.m., the school was notified that the suspect had been detained. Jones said deputies arrested the suspect at home after a brief struggle. Deputies tracked the suspect to a nearby home after running a license plate number obtained from a witness.

Although the shooting appears to be random, "at this point in time, we are just beginning our investigation," Jones said.

According to Oaks, Hunter, who remained conscious after the shooting, said she did not know the suspect.

While Barnett said that several witnesses had come forward, deputies had not yet located a weapon. The sheriff's department was in the process of obtaining a search warrant for the suspect's home and vehicle, as of press time.

"Everyone is very upset," said

Boyce, within a few hours of the incident. "And because of the nature of our business, we have some clients here that are very upset."

"We are in the process of doing two things - helping our clients to process what has happened and to cope with it ourselves."

Staff writers Stephanie Angelyn Casola and Carolyn Walker contributed to this report.

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# County commissioners question cultural tax

BY PAT MURPHY  
STAFF WRITER

Taxes from Oakland County could be dedicated to supporting the arts and cultural activities as proposed by State Sen. Michael Bouchard of Birmingham.

But not without conditions, according to John P. McCulloch, chair of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. "I don't know anybody who isn't willing to support the arts," said the Royal Oak Republican. "But we want some guarantees — such as accountability."

Commissioner John P. Garfield, R-Rochester Hills, is more adamant. At Thursday's regular meeting of the county board, he drafted a resolution calling for him and his colleagues to oppose Bouchard's bill as it's written.

That resolution was not introduced, in part because McCulloch conferred with Garfield. But the resolution is an indication of mixed feelings one the part of commissioners and others.

"I can think of several places where that money might be put to better use," Garfield said, "like community mental health."

Bouchard's bill, Senate Bill 1136, was introduced in May and has already been approved in the Senate. It's currently in the House of Representatives and could be voted upon yet this year.

It changes the existing Metropolitan Regional Councils Act to enable counties to allocate tax money for the arts and cultural activities. In metro Detroit, the money would provide operating revenue for the Detroit Institute

of Arts, Cranbrook, the Detroit Zoo and other organizations.

The proposed one-half mill would raise \$18 million from Oakland annually. The owner of a \$200,000 house would pay about \$50 each year.

McCulloch said his reluctance and concern is a matter of principle, not money. "We (the county board) would provide the money without a tax hike," he said. "It would require a vote of the people, but not a property tax increase."

But we would want some controls, he said, such as a performance audit or some other guarantees of accountability.

"We have too many important interests — law enforcement, infrastructure improvements, mass transit, community mental health, etc. — competing for tax dollars for the

county to spend tax dollars without guarantees," he said.

"Remember, these organizations are in financial difficulty because state funding was cut," said McCulloch. "Before we pick up the slack, we want some guarantees."

Bouchard Friday said he understands the concerns of McCulloch and other Oakland County officials. "We've already tried to address them," he said. To illustrate, he cited a provision within his proposal that requires at least one "yes" vote from each county for any specific project.

"My bill gives control to individual counties like Oakland," he said. "It's enabling legislation. If a county wants more controls — more accountability — it can insist on more controls."



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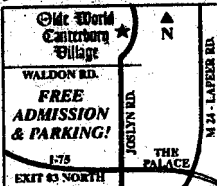
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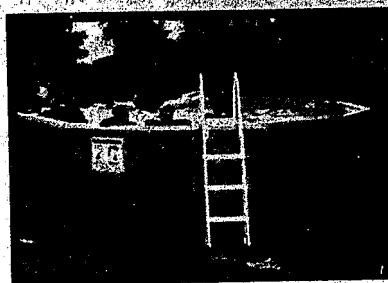
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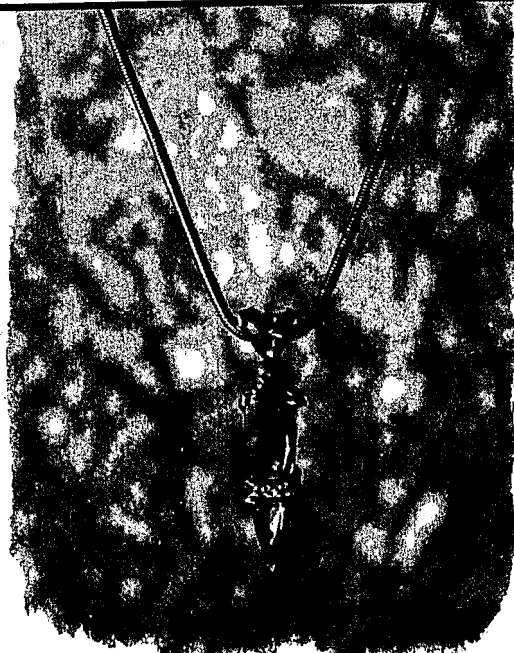


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# CROP walk to benefit Lighthouse

The Clarkston CROP Walk/Run, which benefits Lighthouse Clarkston, will begin Sunday, Sept. 27, in the parking lot of Calvary Lutheran Church, Clarkston.

Registration begins at 1:30 p.m., the walk/run starts at 2 p.m. Calvary Lutheran Church is at 6805 Bluegrass, west of Main Street.

Churches involved in Clarkston's 1998 CROP Walk/Run are Calvary Lutheran Church, St.

## CLARKSTON

Daniel's Catholic Church, Clarkston United Methodist Church, Sashabaw United Presbyterian Church, Clarkston Community Church of God, First Congregational Church of North Oakland, Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, Clarkston Christian Association.

Participants may call any of the above churches for a registra-

tion form to be a walker/runner. Walker/runners seek sponsors ahead of the event.

Twenty-five percent of the donations received during the Clarkston walk/run will be given to Lighthouse Clarkston.

There are 20 CROP Walk/Runs going on in Michigan the same day. CROP, which celebrated its 60th anniversary in 1997, is the community hunger appeal of Church World Service (CWS).

Gambia — (CWS) is seeking \$25,000 to help provide for the immediate and long-term needs of some 2,000 newly arrived refugees in the West African nation of Gambia.

Colleagues in Gambia are providing emergency food, shelter and medicines for the refugees, a large number of whom are women, children and elderly people.

Longer-term assistance will include farming tools and inputs, and educational help for some youngsters.

Skills training will also be organized.

# Giddy Up Group from page A1

The air at Ortonville's Groveland Club, for example, smacks of notorious barnyard scents. And there's a horse tied to a stall beside the exercisers.

Yes, these ladies, members of "The Giddy-Up Group," are stretching in preparation to journey via the powerful, graceful curves of a horse—but also in an effort to shape up their own curves.

The alternative exercise program began Sept. 2 and runs through the end of the month.

"Aerobics just isn't for me," says Todd, a relative newcomer to the class, which begins at 10 a.m. with 15 minutes of vigorous horse grooming and ends with 30 minutes of controlled posturing on horseback.

"In aerobics, the instructor says grapevine left, and I go right," says Todd, echoing a common complaint.

"In aerobics, there are too many complicated steps and the instructor yells at you," she says, stretching her muscles further while standing in the Groveland Club's outdoor riding arena.

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Brigittee Todd  
Giddy Up Group member

dance floor, I just have to make sure the horse is going in the right direction.

While that may be true as far as the eye can tell—and members of "The Giddy-Up Group" agree the workout is loads more fun than an hour of mindless stair-stepping—Todd and her classmates are working more than their horses' limbs.

"It teaches them to have confidence in themselves, to have better balance and use their legs instead of holding the horse with the reins," explains Garrett, who has taken her command post in the center of the riding ring. As loud as any aerobics instructor, she calls out various postures to her students as they circle the ring perimeter by horse.

She issues specific directives and corrections, too. "Now the correct position is—eyes up, shoulders back, back straight."

Responding to Garrett's calls, the riders assume and hold a variety of poses in isometric tension for extended periods of time—like yoga on horseback.

At one point, the riders' feet dangle in the air, free of their stirrups. Drawing imaginary circles with their toes apparently increases ankle flexibility and loosens the calves.

Later, the riders test their balance and leg strength by partly and fully relinquishing their reins.

Reaching one arm towards their horses' tails, the riders are not only stretching their upper torso muscles but using their

legs to steer the horse. Toning up the legs is an end in itself, but the exercises also work to improve riding ability, said Kisti Anger, a self-described horse nut who is enrolled in the class.

While every rider will sooner or later encounter the more advanced technique of using one's legs to steer the horse, "taking this class, you probably learn it faster and earlier," she said.

"It does work," Anger insists. "You'll feel it. And if you don't right away, you'll feel it when you get off."

One exercise calls for the riders to release both reins and stirrups—a risky, not to mention odd-looking, move that prompts the slow down of cars passing on a nearby road.

"We don't pay much attention to them," says Todd of the observers. "We're not here to impress anybody."

Fully extinguishing the notion that appearances count, Garrett yells out, "Open up the chest. Stick the b— out, whether you got 'em or not."

While a few of the riders quickly release their reins and continue to ride with ease, others appear less confident. One bites her lips. Another rider, who has never risked the move, laughs at the idea of performing the exercise.

"Try it; try it," Garrett tells the rider. "It's hard, but it's good for you. Everything that is good for you is hard."

"She's trying to kill us," one rider retorts.

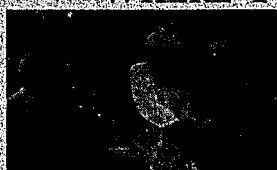
In the end, however, the entire group manages to perform the exercise in perfect unison; and satisfaction comes over the riders' faces.

A few more times around the ring followed by a quick dismount and the riders limp back to the barn.

For information about "The Giddy-Up Club" at The Groveland Club, call (248) 627-2121.

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## Charter Township of Springfield

### NOTICE OF HEARING ON SUSIN LAKE IMPROVEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

1. That the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield has formerly declared its intention to have Susin Lake improved during 1999 by the eradication or control of aquatic weeds and plants by chemically treating and/or harvesting weeds in selective locations of the lake, as needed, and to hire a consultant to inspect and maintain the dam, if needed, and if the funds are available.

2. That plans showing the improvement, the location of the improvement, and an estimate of the cost of the improvement are on file at the Clerk's Office, Charter Township of Springfield, Davisburg, for public inspection during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, until the date of the Public Hearing.

3. That township intends to levy a special assessment against properties that benefit from the improvement to pay for the improvements. A Special Assessment District was established by the Township Board on July 14, 1998.

4. The following is a description of the proposed Special Assessment District:

- Lots 1 through 45 and Outlots B, C, and D located in Supervisor's Plat No. 12.
- All lots located in Susin Lake Subdivision.
- All lots in Harbortowne Village Subdivision.
- Lots 41 through 44 and the south 165 feet of Lot 45 located in the Amended Plat of Jossman Acres No. 1.

5. That special assessment roll number 98-1-1 in the amount of \$19,500.00 for 1999 for the improvement has been filed in the office of the Springfield Township Clerk for public inspection during regular office hours.

6. That pursuant to the special assessment roll, a special assessment will be levied against properties located in the Special Assessment District. Such assessment shall be due and payable on the first day of December of 1998.

7. That the Township Board shall meet at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan, on September 16, 1998, at 7:30 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing to review and consider the said special assessment roll, to hear any objections thereto, and to confirm the special assessment roll.

8. That appearance and protest at the Public Hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. This appearance and protest may be made either by the owner of the property, a party in interest, or his or her agent appearing in person to protest the special assessment, or by filing an appearance or protest letter addressed to the Township Clerk, received at or before the Public Hearing. If the appearance or protest is filed by letter, a personal appearance shall not be required. If the special assessment is protested as provided in this notice, the owner or any party having interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days after confirmation of the special assessment roll.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that records pertaining to the proposed lake improvement and special assessment roll may be examined at the Clerk's Office, Charter Township of Springfield, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, until the date of the Public Hearing. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Township Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance of the meeting.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield

Published August 27 and September 10, 1998.



## Charter Township of Springfield

### NOTICE ON HEARING ON SHERWOOD/PATRICK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

1. That the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield has formerly declared its intention to have Sherwood/Patrick improved during 1999, 2000, 2001 by providing periodic grading, addition of gravel, minimal drainage improvements, snow removal, safety improvements, and other standard "maintenance" items on an as-needed basis, together with other work incidental thereto.

2. That plans showing the improvement, the location of the improvement, and an estimate of the cost of the improvement are on file at the Clerk's Office, Charter Township of Springfield, Davisburg, for public inspection during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, until the date of the Public Hearing.

3. That township intends to levy a special assessment against properties that benefit from the improvement to pay for the improvements. A Special Assessment District was established by the Township Board on August 13, 1998.

4. The following is a description of the proposed Special Assessment District:

Hitchman's Island Estates, the portion of Supervisor's Plat #8 located within the west 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 of Section 10, and that portion of Supervisor's Plat #10 using Sherwood Road for access.

5. That special assessment roll number 98-3-1 in the amount of \$17,423.36 for 1999; \$17,423.36 for 2000; and \$17,423.36 for 2001, for the improvement to Sherwood/Patrick Roads, has been filed in the office of the Springfield Township Clerk for public inspection during regular office hours.

6. That pursuant to the special assessment roll, a special assessment will be levied against properties located in the Special Assessment District. Such assessment shall be due and payable on the first day of December 1998.

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that records pertaining to the proposed Sherwood/Patrick Road improvement and special assessment roll may be examined at the Clerk's Office, Charter Township of Springfield, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, until the date of the Public Hearing. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Township Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance of the meeting.

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# HEALTH & LIFESTYLE

## Life Time Fitness to open three new north suburban megacclubs

By KIM KENNEDY

If the change in seasons has inspired you to make a change in yourself, three new Life Time Fitness sports and recreation centers in Troy, Novi and Shelby Township can help make it happen.

Life Time Fitness is one of the fastest growing health and fitness companies in the country and, perhaps, the most forward-thinking company in the industry.

"Our mission," says founder and president, Bahram Akradi, "is to provide an educational, entertaining, friendly and inviting, functional and innovative environment of uncompromising quality that meets the health and fitness needs of the entire family."

The company's three new centers serve as excellent examples of how well they carry out their mission.

### Fun and entertaining

In their effort to provide fitness that's fun—and something for everyone—the new Life Time Fitness clubs of Troy, Novi and Shelby Township all feature two floors and 95,000 sq. ft. of cutting-edge facilities.

The first floor's glass atrium lobby is surrounded by a variety of large-scale amenities that include indoor/outdoor swimming pools with two-story waterslides, interconnected rock climbing walls, basketball and volleyball courts, racquetball and squash courts, whirlpools, dry saunas and immaculate locker rooms. Each locker room also features its own steam room, tanning room, hair dryers, and a lounge area with large-screen television and courtesy telephone. Every aspect seems dedicated to making each visit as entertaining as possible.

Upstairs, members will find a variety of aerobic, step aerobic and cycling studios surrounding an extensive selection of free weight systems and more than 400 resistance training and cardiovascular machines—all of which make any workout more enjoyable.

Perhaps most interesting is the company's trademarked Multivision Frequent-Sees entertainment system; an invention that allows members to workout while watching any of twenty 60-inch television screens and listening to the audio portion on the FM band of a personal headset stereo.

"The whole idea is to make the experience more entertaining, less boring, so you get a better workout and better results," says Akradi. "We do whatever we can to provide members with a fun place they really want to go—not just a fitness place they think they ought to go."

### Focus on the family

As part of its commitment to serve the health and fitness needs of the entire family, Life Time Fitness offers its members a variety of children's programs—including free child care services.

"Many of the people in Troy, Novi, Northville, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Shelby Township, Sterling Heights, Macomb, Clinton and all of their surrounding communities have children. We want those children to feel welcome," says Mark Zaebst, Vice President of Development.

The free child care center is staffed seven days a week by certified professionals and features a variety of fun, educational activities for children aged 12 and under. Toddlers are entertained by special games and developmental toys. Preschoolers enjoy space mazes, ball pits and junior sport courts. And older children can exercise their minds through the use of kid-friendly computers and a reading library. There's even a special surround-sound theatre for young members who would like to watch educational shows or family movies.

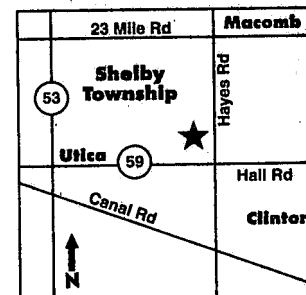
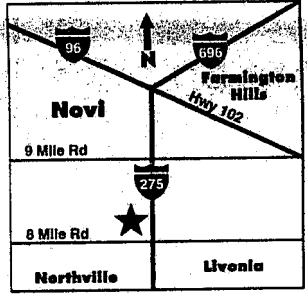
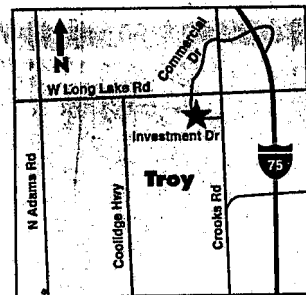
Another dimension of the company's focus on the family



Life Time Fitness of Troy, Novi and Shelby Township feature 95,000 sq. ft. of facilities including indoor/outdoor swimming pools, two-story waterslides (below right), indoor climbing walls (below center), basketball, volleyball, racquetball, squash and free child care.



Members of Life Time Fitness enjoy an extensive selection of equipment and the company's large-screen entertainment system.



Located along major thoroughfares, the three new Life Time Fitness centers provide central sports and recreation facilities for all north and northwest suburban communities.

is its Life Time Kids educational program. Designed to provide young members with structured activities and safe instruction, Life Time Kids courses cover everything from swimming and tumbling to karate and rock climbing.

"We're committed to the well-being of the entire family," asserts Zaebst. "The Life Time Kids programs are one more way in which we help kids make early lifestyle choices and develop important skills."

### Commitment to education

Life Time Fitness places such a high value on education that they now invest more than one-half million dollars each year in special courses for its staff and membership through the company's own Life Time Fitness University (LTFU).

"Education is the single most important element in creating a healthier lifestyle and a key element in our commitment to members," adds Michael Brown, Vice President of Training and Development. "If you'll learn more about how your body works, you'll get more results from your workouts and stay a member much longer. That's why we discount our enrollment fee for new

members who'll attend one of our free fitness and nutrition seminars. We want to make a meaningful difference in the quality of people's lives."

### Superior amenities and services

The Life Time Fitness approach to health, sports and fitness facilities resembles that of a high-end department store: Everything you could need or want under one roof. A wide array of amenities includes state-of-the-art cardiovascular and resistance training machines, indoor/outdoor swimming pools, waterslides, indoor rock climbing walls, basketball/volleyball courts, racquetball/squash courts, aerobics and cycling studios, extensive free weight center—plus special family locker rooms for parents with opposite sex children.

Very few boundaries are placed on the array of services provided by Life Time Fitness, as well. Members enjoy free childcare services, free educational seminars, free locker and towel service and free aerobic instruction. Tanning, therapeutic massage and certified personal trainers are also available.

Furthermore, Life Time Fitness clubs are open 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Adding to the superior level of service are a unique health food cafe and a full-service salon that offers a variety of hair, nail and spa services.

There is truly something for everyone with everything under one roof.

### Friendly and inviting

Life Time Fitness takes every step necessary to ensure that all aspects of every club create an environment that is friendly and inviting.

Color psychology, multi-level lighting and ergonomic design are all employed to create an environment of uncom-

promising quality.

The company also believes that for any environment to be truly inviting, it must also be clean. Custom-designed air flow systems monitor air composition and automated sanitizing systems release a pressurized spray to keep shower rooms safe and spotless.

On a more personal level, every employee is required to complete a comprehensive training program—through the company's Life Time Fitness University—in order to

ensure friendly, professional conduct and superior service.

### No long-term contracts

As with everything else at Life Time Fitness, memberships are designed with member convenience in mind. The company offers a unique, month-to-month membership program with no long-term contract and a low, one-time enrollment fee. "A long-term contract does nothing to protect the customer," claims Akradi. "Most companies with

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# Governor Engler slams phone slamming

## Slam 'slamming'

Telephone companies are praising Gov. Engler for signing a bill by Sen. Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, putting tougher penalties on "slamming."

"Slamming" is the practice of switching a customer's local, short-haul long distance, or long-distance

provider without the customer's knowledge. The new law allows the Michigan Public Service Commission to penalize companies up to \$20,000 for a first offense and \$40,000 for a second offense.

A related law will require that the customer must give permission, orally or in writing, to switch carriers.

## STATE CAPITOL CAPSULES

The Michigan Competitive Telecommunications Providers Association praised the legislation, saying, "This new law provides much stronger safeguards against a practice that preys on the trust of our customers."

### 2-party toughness

Both parties hailed a new law implementing "truth in sentencing." It requires no parole or community service placement for felony offenders until their entire minimum sentence is served.

Instead of "good time" credits being considered by the parole board, only disciplinary or "bad time" credits will be considered.

Gov. John Engler said as he signed the measure, "Now the length of sentences will be determined not by a calculator but by a calendar — five years is five years, 10 years is 10 years."

Rep. A.T. Frank, D-Saginaw, said the bill he sponsored "ensures peace of mind for crime victims and local communities." The law will apply to all violent felonies beginning Dec. 15, 1998, and will be extended to all felonies Dec. 15, 2000.

### Ameritech wins

Ameritech won an age discrimination case when the Court of Appeals upheld a Wayne Circuit Court order dismissing the suit.

Edward Hannum worked for the telephone company from 1970 until he was terminated in 1993. He accepted a severance package and signed an agreement promising not to sue or, if he did, to "tender" (pay back) the settlement. Hannum said he signed under duress and was replaced by a much younger person, though he didn't discover that until later.

"Contrary to plaintiff's argument," said the Court of Appeals, "we find that plaintiff's age discrimination claim related to his employment and existed at the time of his termination, despite the fact that he did not discover his claim until after the release was executed (signed)."

The court also said the Supreme Court "recognized the harshness of the tender-back rule, but found it necessary to preserve the stability and integrity of release agreements."

So because Hannum failed to tender back the settlement, the circuit judge properly dismissed his claim. The appellate panel included Janet Neff, Peter O'Connell and Robert Young Jr.

Source: Hannum v. Ameritech, CA 199910, decided July 31, 1998.

### Visits restricted

A state Court of Appeals panel upheld the right of the Michigan Department of Corrections to restrict visitors to women's prison inmates. The women's suit had been dismissed by Wayne Circuit Judge Diane Hathaway, who was upheld by the appellate panel.

DOC director Kenneth McGinnis in 1995 issued a new visitation policy limiting visitors to the inmates' immediate family and 10 other people. A person under 18 was not allowed on the list unless the person is a child, stepchild or grandchild of the inmate.

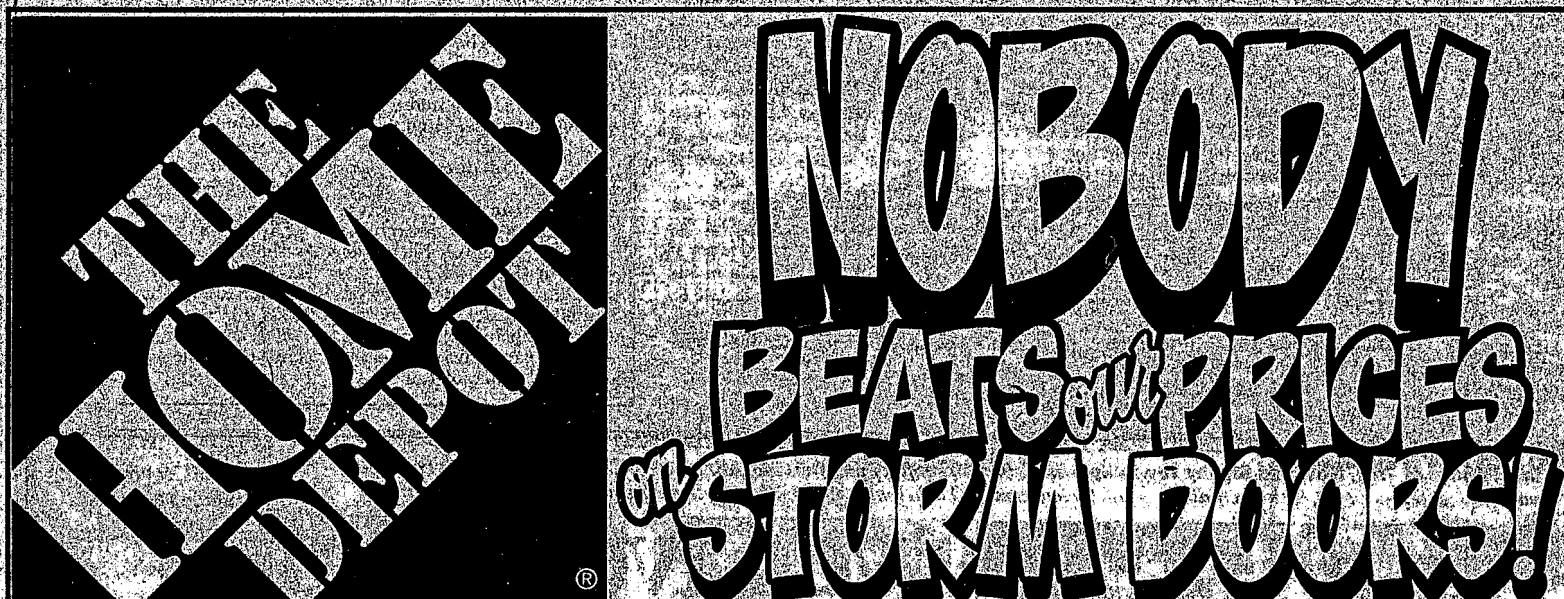
Former prisoners may not be on the list unless they are immediate family members.

In a separate suit, a federal court held there were no violations of constitutional rights. That persuaded Judge Hathaway to reject the inmates' claims of violation of state civil rights laws.

The Court of Appeals panel included Hilda Gage, former Oakland circuit judge; Maureen Pulte Reilly and Kathleen Jansen. They held that "these regulations reasonably relate to prison administration and management concerns" and don't violate the rights of either prisoners or visitors.

Another MDOC rule allows visits by these persons if they're not on the approved visitors' list: clergy, outreach program volunteers, attorneys, legal paraprofessionals, and official representatives of the government.

Source: Michelle Bazzetta v. Department of Corrections, CA No. 198107, decided Aug. 4, 1998.



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## OAKLAND DIGEST

**Oakland County Digest** provides a summary of headline stories from around the county leading up to Sept. 6.

## Birmingham

Bloomfield Township residents who filed a lawsuit against the township over the costs associated with a retention basin have a refund coming to them. A federal court recently ruled that the case, which is still unsettled, is for the state courts to decide, and ordered the township to reimburse the plaintiffs \$25,000 for unnecessary attorney fees. The Michigan Court of Appeals is the next stop for the lawsuit, but a specific hearing date has not been set.

## Clarkston

Students attending the new Clarkston High School were sampled on how they liked the new cafeteria in the building. The consensus: the atmosphere is great but the food selection is only so-so. Some students said they enjoyed it more when they could leave campus and grab a

fast-food meal before heading back to class. The new, larger cafeteria, however, accommodates more students, so no one has to leave the building to eat. Lunch periods are now 25 minutes long.

## Farmington Hills

A group of concerned parents held a meeting to try to get more information about the move to a block schedule format at Farmington Harrison High School in 1999. The parents say they are having a hard time getting details about the change, which will see students attending four 90-minute class sessions each day. Parents aren't sure they like the idea, and want to have some input on the program before the district makes a commitment.

## Rochester

Tired of taking his 10 year old all the way to Port Huron to get ice time, local resident Ray Nicholson says he's got his eye on a 13-acre site at Dequindre and Parkdale for construction of an ice arena. Nicholson plans to

present his proposal to the Rochester Planning Commission at an Oct. 5 meeting. If all goes well and he gets a special exemption and site plan approval for the project, the new arena could be completed within a year.

## Southfield

For the second time in 10 days, residents of the Country Corner Apartments on Southfield Road watched as their possessions went up in flames. The first blaze at the complex broke out in late August after a lightning bolt struck one of the apartment buildings. The second fire Sept. 3 was electrical in nature, but was probably related to the lightning strike, fire officials said. Four units in the complex were destroyed by the fires, but no tenants were injured.

## Troy

Residents living near the world headquarters of Kmart Corp. are expressing concern over the company's plans to locate a computer data center in

the Coolidge/Big Beaver vicinity. Neighbors say the building will aggravate already existing problems with traffic and noise. Kmart, in May, unveiled plans to locate the center in Troy, rather than in Kentucky as originally intended. Kmart changed its mind after Gov. John Engler and the City of Troy promised to help finance certain improvements.

## West Bloomfield

Local attorney Sean Kerman donated 40,000 valuable sports cards to the West Bloomfield Police Department's Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program. Kerman, 28, has been collecting cards since he was 6 and has a vast assortment of about two million of the collectibles. Kerman works as an assistant attorney general for the state and sees many cases of juvenile substance abuse in his job. West Bloomfield D.A.R.E. officer Bridget Ryan says the cards will be used for fund-raising.

## Memorial honors U.S. Navy vets

The U.S. Naval Memorial offers a highly personal way to help commemorate important military anniversaries like World War II and the Korean and Vietnam wars. Enrolling in the Navy Log.

The Navy Log is part of the U.S. Navy Memorial and Naval Heritage Center located in Washington, D.C., midway between the White House and the Capitol. The permanent and publicly accessible video register has thus far collected names and service information on 236,000 present and former naval personnel.

For a tax-deductible donation of \$25, a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, Navy, Coast Guard or Merchant Marines can enroll his or her name in the Navy Log while simultaneously supporting the United States Navy Memorial. Along with his or her name, the veteran can include the date and place of his or her

birth, dates of naval service and highest rank or rate achieved.

For an additional \$25, the veteran can include a portrait photo.

The donation enrolls the veteran and supports the Navy Memorial Foundation, a non-profit, tax-exempt organization that receives no government assistance. Each year the memorial hosts commemorative services and ceremonies. It also supports "Concerts on the Avenue" with the U.S. Navy Band.


Enrollments in the Navy Log are welcomed as gifts or memorial to living or deceased veterans.

Enrollment is accomplished by sending the donation to the Navy Log-Dept. V, Post Office Box 96570, Washington, D.C. 20077-7685.

The memorial's internet site is <http://www.lonesailor.org>.

## Anniversary bash to benefit HAVEN

The Deer Lake Racquet Club in Clarkston is hosting a fun-filled day of activities to benefit HAVEN on Sunday, Sept. 13, from 4 to 9 p.m. The event will feature a silent auction, an upscale resale shop, a dance with a DJ and refreshments for 25 cents. Haven offers prevention and treatment services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse in Oakland County. The racquet club, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary, is located at White Lake Road and Dixie Highway. For more information, call 625-8686.



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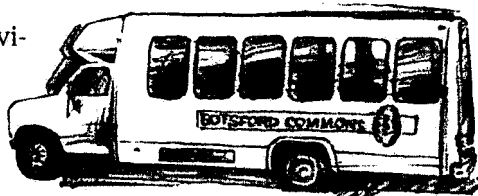
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1998

## Calmer voices needed Traffic problems at new school bound to clear up in good time

We observed some finger pointing last week over the traffic problems at the new Clarkston High School. Some people blamed school officials. Others blamed the road commission.

Our purpose here is not to add to the accusations, but to suggest a few possible solutions.

While the problems improved as the week waned and likely will get better as each school day goes by, they probably will not go away entirely without some changes.

In case you were out of town for the week, here's what the problem is: Too many vehicles trying to turn into the new Clarkston High School parking lot at Clarkston Road and Flemings Lake are causing traffic to back up and students to be tardy for class.

Non-school traffic is affected as well. One motorist told us traffic was backed up on Clarkston Road around the corner and onto M-15 north of I-75 because cars couldn't turn into the Clarkston High School parking lot fast enough. Motorists complained of being late to work and to meetings because of the traffic.

Some of the congestion will ease up naturally.

Students who drive themselves or are driven by their parents will probably opt to ride the bus at least temporarily, car pool or leave a few minutes earlier to avoid the congestion.

The Road Commission for Oakland County will finish paving Flemings Lake Road — estimated date of completion is Oct. 31 — making it easier and quicker for traffic to turn into Clarkston High School since cars won't

need to dodge construction barrels, machinery and workers.

And, a traffic light and turn lane will be installed at Clarkston and Flemings Lake roads.

But, if traffic continues to be a problem even after these improvements are complete — as some predict it will be — the school district will need to consider one or more of the following solutions:

■ **Restrict student driving.** We remember a day when schools allowed only seniors to drive.

■ **Add a second entrance/exit to the student parking lot.** Currently there is only one. Yet, students driving themselves, parents driving students and even parents dropping off their little ones at the high school-based day care center must all use the same entrance/exit.

■ **Allow students to park in the event parking lot now reserved for construction vehicle parking.**

■ **Allow parents to drop students off at a different door than the one accessible from the student parking lot.**

■ **Pay for the paving of Walters Road so that an equal number of motorists elect to use Walters Road as Flemings Lake Road.**

By press time, school officials may have already implemented some of these ideas or found even better solutions.

The important thing is, we need to be patient and supportive as school officials work to resolve the congestion with the help of township and county officials.

And, last but not least, let's stop the finger pointing. It doesn't solve a thing.

## First term-limits election shows flaws in the system

Looking back at last month's primary election, it's evident that a disturbing trend is surfacing. Legislators who have been forced out of office because of term limits are trying to avoid the law by shifting venues.

It's happening around the state, but the 15th State Senate race was a prime example of what has gone wrong with the system.

In that race, focused on the West Bloomfield-Commerce Township area, incumbent Republican Bill Bullard was challenged by Barbara Dobb, late of the 39th State House, who found herself looking for a job after being forced out of office because of term limits.

Dobb took aim at Bullard and his Senate seat. She lost but put up a good fight, coming within 2,500 votes of pulling off an upset. Her strong showing was indicative of how respected she was as a state representative.

Bullard's stronger performance indicated an even higher level of voter satisfaction. In between the two was a divided electorate, nearly evenly split between the candidates.

Although there were some significant differences between Dobb and Bullard's political philosophies, they both were Republicans and tended to vote the same on issues.

So the people were not likely to be losers regardless of who was elected or not elected. Still, this race put some voters in a quandary that they should not have faced and divided the loyalties of supporters of both candidates who, prior to this race, were allies.

Term limitation was not enacted to force

■ **Politicians jumping from one jurisdiction to another is just another demonstration of what is wrong with this procedure.**

legislators to seek new jobs elsewhere in the Legislature. It was designed to bring in new leaders who had not lost touch with the people in the political system. Proponents of term limits said some legislators had become entrenched in the Capitol for years, even decades, where they acquired an inordinate amount of power and became insulated from the "real world."

Term limits also were supposed to end the innate advantage incumbents have in seeking re-election.

Those were the goals. The reality is that term limits have forced some fine legislators out of office where they served the people well, despite their longevity.

Politicians jumping from one jurisdiction to another is just another demonstration of what is wrong with this procedure. Term limits should be abolished, but that's not likely to happen soon. For now, displaced legislators who skip from one district election to another don't help the election process. They merely emphasize how flawed it is.

This game of political hopscotch is not fair to the candidates or the voters.

### COMMUNITY VOICE

#### QUESTION:

Have you seen the movie "Titanic"?



'No, I haven't seen it. Can you believe it?'

Kay Miranda  
Waterford Township



'No, I haven't.'

Peggy Jacobites  
Independence Township



'No, I haven't. I heard too many people cried and I don't want to be one of them.'

Joseph Deni  
Independence Township



'Yes, we've seen the movie. Yes, we've bought the movie. Good movie.'

Diane Libby  
Independence Township

This question was asked at the United States Post Office on M-15.

### LETTERS

#### Get to work on sewers, roads

The Sunday, Aug. 9, rain storm which turned into a slow flood here in Clarkston has put me, my family, and our neighbors, over the edge. The DPW, however, was on the spot cleaning up the mess and patching the road holes the storm made in short order. However, the infrastructure (sewer and road) conditions are deplorable. They were built decades ago and are in immediate need of attention.

My family moved to Oakland County from Genesee County five short years ago. We love the community and the neighborhood we live in. We appreciate the outstanding parks, police, fire and general services the county provides.

With the taxes our subdivision pays, as well as Oakland County in general, we should expect better conditions and a greater share of the hundreds of millions the state will receive from the federal government in the near future.

Congested roads, just in the three square mile area where our children go to school, are a major and dangerous threat. One of the neighborhood children has a frightening story to tell about a near miss accident by a speeding car on a weekly basis. Just waiting to be picked up and bused to their school each morning is anyone's guess what will happen.

I cannot imagine what lies ahead from a business growth and development standpoint if this neglect continues. All of Brooks Patterson's (as well as his team's) hard work retaining and growing business and industry will begin to take a toll on Oakland County. We must work together proactively, and get to work on our infrastructure at once. We need support and action, not obstacles ... now!

I look forward to your support on this subject on your editorial page.

Steven D. Hoffman  
Clarkston

#### Strategic plan must be upheld

As a follow up to a letter to the editor published Aug. 27 titled, "Day Care Decision Didn't Follow Township's 2020 Strategic Plan," I may have found an underpinning of people's concern over some governmental decisions.

The 2020 Strategic Plan calls for an area on the corner of Clarkston Road and Pine Knob Road to be zoned "residential."

The editor's note attached to the letter to the editor indicated that "day care centers are specially permitted uses within residentially-zoned areas."

I took a moment to review The Merriam-Webster Dictionary and found the definition of "residential" as follows: res-i-den-tial..adj. 1. Used as a residence or by residents. 2. Occu-

pied by or restricted to residences.

Based on the definition, my objections should have been directed to the use of the English language rather than criticism of the planning commission!

What should be noted by the residents of Independence Township is that the 2020 Strategic Plan can be used by special-interest groups to manipulate and in some cases modify the plan to build commercial facilities in a residential designated area.

Many government documents contain loop holes that permit officials to slip and slide when they feel it's politically astute. It is referred to as "wiggle room." I think the banner township document, the 2020 Strategic Plan, encompasses wiggle room in numerous places.

As a community, we need to be aware of everything our township officials pass or legislate.

The property next door may be zoned or changed and guess what? If you don't follow announcements in the local papers, you may be living next to a half-way drug rehabilitation center. That's because certain officials say "residential" has its own special meaning. Residential does not really mean residential! Just sometime.

We have some planning commission members who want to bend, wiggle and not follow the wishes of the residents of the 2020 Plan.

In order to maintain quality residential areas, the 2020 Plan was put in place to insure natural division of commercial and residential areas. Past actions of some planning commission members show disregard of the plan.

Everyone in our community needs to follow the plan or Independence Township could become a hodge-podge of residential, commercial or whatever.

Jim Carlson  
Independence Township

#### Watch politicians, not autos

Your editorial (8-27-98) "Use of traffic cameras goes too far" was right on target.

Most people would probably say that we need cameras watching politicians, not cars.

Richard Rosenbaum  
Birmingham

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## POINTS OF VIEW

## Please be patient as traffic problems get worked out

If I needed any more proof that people are the key to our success, it became clear to me this week as we opened our new high school to students for the first time. Believe me, I wish all the construction projects were complete, especially the roadwork. Since that isn't possible, I have to appeal to our students, parents, and the other residents of our community to have patience, to be courteous, and to bear with us as we get our routines into reasonable order. In the meantime, please know that we are doing everything in our power to make the new facility work for the entire community.

The predicament we face reminds me of a movie I saw years ago. Michelangelo is painting the Sistine Chapel. After years of work, the pope, who is growing impatient, asks, "When will it be done?" The answer, to his dismay is, "When it is finished." The pontiff had no control and was

not in a position to do the job himself. Our experience seems to mirror this story. The good news is that, when the dust settles, we will also have a masterpiece!

You need to know that discussion of the roadwork began months ago. Your school officials, with the cooperation of our municipal colleagues and the Road Commission for Oakland County, signed an intergovernmental agreement. The schools provided the funds for road construction. Township engineers developed plans for the intersection improvements, let out bids and recommended the bid awards to the Independence Township Board. The road commission furnished engineering and on-site management services. The original intent was to complete the work by Aug. 31.

There are probably many valid reasons why the job is not finished, but the schools have no direct control over the road construction. We also have



AL ROBERTS

no excuses. Given the situation, we have been working feverishly to find some solutions:

■ Requesting and receiving the assistance of the Clarkston Police and the Oakland County Sheriff's Department since day one;

■ Redesigning signs to better direct traffic;

■ Rethinking the present parking lot designations so that students will enter in an additional location;

■ Addressing the possible paving of

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4) Be patient and courteous as we work through the growing pains;

5) Understand that patterns take some time to develop. Daily commuters can tell you when they can best travel down I-75. After the pattern is established, we will be in a better position to find additional solutions.

We are also considering limiting student drivers, and/or staggering student arrival/departure times during this crisis period (until the roads are completed).

As you can see, the traffic issues

have our attention. We want to make the new Clarkston High School the pride and joy of this entire community. It is a magnificent building. Those who have visited, including a crew from CBS, have been "blown away" by this wonderful facility. I also want to remind all my fellow citizens that we are in the process of creating school facilities that will be capable of providing all of our kids with a 21st century education.

We are eager to allow our community into the building, and will do so as soon as we finish construction of the pool and auditorium. The school will be dedicated in a ceremony that will be open to the public.

Please consider attending this event at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, in the gymnasium.

Al Roberts is superintendent of Clarkston Community Schools. His hotline number is 620-7350.

## Workfare succeeds in first phase; now must make gains last

Sometimes it's better to be lucky than good.

Take, for example, the profound shift in domestic policy associated with welfare reform. After prolonged and bitter debate, the political system finally got it right. The government is to quit just handing out welfare checks. Instead, it first requires folks who want public assistance either to go to work or be in training for work.

Lots of policy wonks wondered what would happen if the economy went into recession just as the new welfare-to-work policy hit. Most folks on welfare have limited skills, the argument went. If a recession economy were to generate few low-skill, entry-level jobs, lots of folks would be in a terrible Catch-22. No skills, no jobs, no welfare check, no income.

But the lucky stars shone on welfare reform. The economy was humming, and it kept humming. Demand

for labor was high and went higher. The mighty engine of economic growth started sucking previously unemployed folks off the welfare rolls and into productive jobs.

Today, as the manager of any fast food store will tell you, the big problem is to get labor of any kind. And as the manager of any company in need of skilled workers will tell you, the biggest problem is to find anyone with skills to hire. In some classifications, there is an absolute labor shortage.

In Michigan, where for the first time in decades the unemployment rate is less than the national rate, it's fair to say that the biggest barrier to economic growth is the short supply of labor.

That's why Oakland University and Public Policy Associates were smart to co-sponsor last week a conference on "Untapped Resources — National Solutions to a Tight Labor Market." Because I'm both an employer (through this newspaper) and a job



PHILIP POWER

training fan (I used to be chairman of the Michigan Job Training Coordinating Council), they asked me to make some remarks after lunch to keep people awake enough to get to the afternoon sessions.

As an employer, I'm not particularly interested in receiving corporate welfare, in this case government subsidies to hire folks off welfare. That just labels them as damaged goods and provides an excuse for some government bureaucrat to start nosing

around inside my company.

The big task, both for employers and for folks coming from welfare to work, is finding ways to go beyond the low-skill, low-pay, entry-level job and get to the higher-skill, higher-paid second or third job. That's how former welfare recipients can earn enough money to support their families. And that's how employers can find people with suitable skill-sets to help them grow their companies.

The key to this, in turn, is training. Entry-level employees have to get information on where the high-skill, high-pay jobs are coming from to get themselves positioned. Most public agencies don't do a good job at this.

And wise companies might begin to think about training and retraining the ones they already have.

My company, for example, has had a policy for years that allocated 1 percent of payroll for training. It's not an expense. It's an investment in human capital that I believe will pay off bet-

**■ The big task, both for employers and for folks coming from welfare to work, is finding ways to go beyond the low-skill, low-pay, entry-level job and get to the higher-skill, higher-paid second or third job.**

ter than buying new equipment or buildings.

And while we're at it, we just might keep our fingers crossed that the economy stays healthy so the experiment in welfare reform, so promisingly started, can have a chance to succeed.

Phil Power is chairman of Home-Town Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, ext. 1880, or by e-mail: ppower@oeonline.com.

## Unique program can help make important difference in lives of community youth

Would you like to learn how you can make a difference in a child's life in a matter of minutes with a little bit of effort and without spending a dime? It's called Asset Building, and it's coming to Clarkston. You are invited to attend the interactive workshop "What Kids Need to Succeed!" from 6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, at Springfield Plains Elementary School.

Flora Sanchez, a speaker from Search Institute, comes to us from Albuquerque, N.M., and will share the power of what developmental assets can do for every child and adolescent in our community. From simple, practical ideas like sending birthday cards to neighborhood children, to creating family-friendly checkouts, everyone present will leave with a handful of ideas to use the very next day.

This workshop is about helping all the youth in our community. Even if you have no children, everyone — adults, parents, seniors, members of civic and faith organizations, business owners, and youth themselves — will see how building assets is useful every time you come in contact with a young person.

Too often people feel as if their actions do not make a difference in the world. When we hear, "It takes a village to raise a child," we sometimes think, "If only parents would take an active role in raising and supervising their own children, the youth of today would be happier and more productive."

Although Asset Building strongly urges parents to become and remain active participants in their children's lives, it also stresses the importance of the community role as well. Because children are away from home frequently, especially during the teen years (or younger children who are in latchkey or daycare situations) and away from mom and dad's watchful eye, community members who model respect, interact positively with young members, and work toward creating safe places for them to hang out, help youth become competent, caring and responsible.

Rather than focusing on the problems of society or a particular child, this research concentrates on developmental assets — the positive things (like personal integrity, volunteering, and caring neighborhoods) that act as building blocks to help young people thrive.

Search Institute believes that kids need adults who

care and we believe Clarkston already has many people who are eager to empower youth. This program will make you feel good about society again. It will restore your belief that individual people can make a difference, and that there is hope for our children's future!

Child care will be provided at "What Kids Need to Succeed!" for children over 2 years old with pre-registration. Cost is \$7/person, \$10/person at the door. Tickets can be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce, 5850 Lorac, Suite C, or at Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department, 90 N. Main.

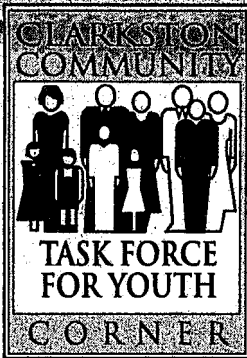
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Tune in to TCI Cable channel 65, Tuesdays at 9 p.m. and Thursdays at 6 p.m., during the month of September to learn more about creating a healthy community for youth.

All Asset material was developed by Search Institute, 700 S. Third St., Suite 210, Minneapolis, MN 55415. You can contact Search Institute at 1-800-888-7828 or on the web at [www.search-institute.org](http://www.search-institute.org).

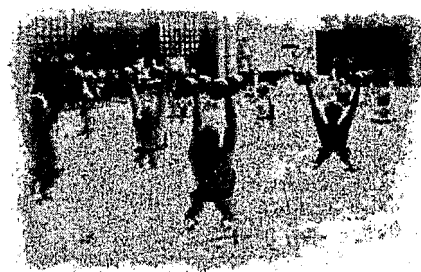
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CAROLYN WALKER

## Spoiled feline makes world's worst patient

Imagine my surprise last week when a local veterinarian, without so much as a glimmer of merriment or a hint of a forthcoming tease in his eyes, looked at me from behind his counter and told me that my 4-year-old fat and pampered tomcat (that macho and self-confident fellow who long ago took over as lord of our domain) is suffering from colitis.

Colitis? Oh, bane of our modern era. "You've got to be kidding," I said, aghast, my thoughts traveling across town and down through time to the travails of my aging mother. All that I know about colitis — I will spare you the details of that knowledge — I learned from her.

In point of fact, there was a period in time when I thought about petitioning the Michigan Department of Transportation to see if they would consider naming a rest stop in her honor. She's never missed one during her many cross-state travels.

But that is a different story. "I'll send home an antibiotic and an anti-inflammatory with you," the vet continued. "But if that doesn't work, you might have to increase the amount of fiber in his diet."

The vet stood, steadfast.

My head began to reel. How does one increase the fiber in a finicky cat's diet? Daily salads? A bran mouse each morning? Catamucil?

"What do you feed your cat?" the vet then intoned.

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## Devoted health care worker learns healing arts

Teacher, nurse, physician assistant, mother of two does it all



BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

Susan Kuhn Braun ushers a stranger into her expansive Independence Township living room, gestures toward a surviving Christmas poinsettia in a corner and says, with a modicum of irony that she doesn't intend, "I can't throw living things out. I just sort of nurse them along."

Braun, an old hand at nursing things along, recently completed the physician assistant program at Central Michigan University, becoming a member of the school's first physician assistant graduating class on Aug. 8. In that class, she says, the average age of the students was 32.

Formally educated as both a teacher and a registered nurse in the 1970s, Braun spent five years as a critical care nurse at Henry Ford and Providence hospitals before deciding to go back to school and become a physician assistant.

Physician assistants practice medicine on a level that is more advanced than that of nurses — but somewhat below that of doctors. They are frequently hired to work in doctors' offices, clinics and ambulatory care centers, treating patients with routine complaints while freeing the physicians for more serious problems or emergencies.

Generally, they make diagnoses but do not perform surgery, Braun says, although there are exceptions to that rule in areas where physicians are a rarity.

"We're not necessarily there to take on the really complex. We're there for the routine care," she says. "I can see almost any level of patient that I'm comfortable with. So much of medicine

is routine stuff."

In most cases, a physician would conduct the initial visit with a patient and the physician assistant would then assume responsibility for future visits or cover for the physician while he or she is on vacation.

With required national board exams still before her, Braun has accepted a position at McLaren Care Center in Colmbiaville, which she will assume next week. At that clinic, she will work alongside an internist and a pediatrician.

"If she does not pass her required tests," she says, she will automatically lose her license until she passes them on another try.

"The thought of that hanging over my head at my age and my debt..." she says, her comment falling off into nervous laughter at the horrible possibility.

Braun's education, like that of the other physician assistant students in her class, took 27 months and 7,000 hours of patient care.

Braun decided to pursue a degree as a physician assistant after working as a nurse, and later a medical representative who sold and taught the use of ultrasound equipment to doctors.

"Once you got on that level where you're a peer with a doctor, it's hard to go back to nursing," she says, adding that she longed to resume interaction with patients after her stint in sales. "I think you have to be comfortable getting close to your patients."

"I found myself wanting to be part of their care. I enjoy school also. I'm a person who enjoys learning."

The 42-year-old mother of two school-aged children decided to become a nurse when she was a fifth-grader. She had sustained a serious kidney injury after hitting a tree while tobogganing, she says, and was hospitalized when she made her choice of careers.

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Susan Kuhn Braun  
medical student



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Preparing to practice: A childhood trip to the hospital convinced Susan Kuhn Braun to go into the health care field.

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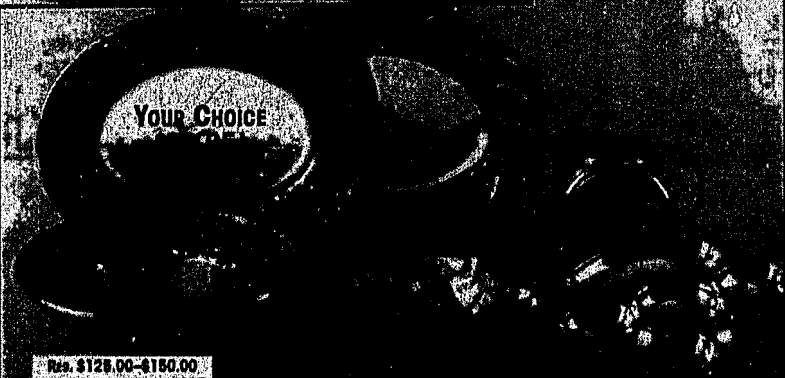
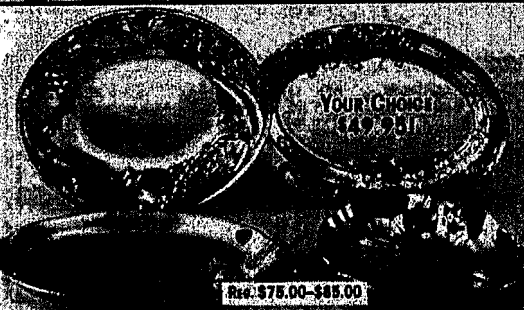
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"Well," I said, squinting and thinking hard. "I've got him on low-fat, high-priced cat food because you said he needs to lose weight." (Like I don't have enough trouble getting weight off of my own self.)

Pondering further, I remembered that the cat can't eat cheap cat food or table scraps because he's got a sensitive stomach.

Suddenly, my entire existence began to make more sense. I realized that my life is revolving aimlessly around dietary concepts, out of control, swirling in a sea of (forgive me) cataclysmic proportions.

I felt a frustrated urge to race home and help my tomato beat a grocery bag, which is his answer

to stress, you might recall.

Reaching across the counter, the vet handed me two bottles of pills the cat will have to take twice daily for over a week, along with a booklet about feline and canine colitis.

Oh, euphoric! Literature for my spare time.

So prevalent is the problem, I theorized, that someone actually investigated and wrote about the topic then got that information published. (I admit I was a little bit jealous.)

I have always understood colitis to be a hereditary, diet-influenced, stress-related malady. In short, what moves you emotionally, moves your stomach as well.

Good stress, bad stress, it

doesn't matter. I've learned from watching my mother that one kind of stress is as efficient as another when it comes to upsetting the delicate balance of the digestive system.

Driving home, I began wondering about the stress in my cat's life. Just where, exactly, is it?

He doesn't work a job of any sort. He's not a parent or a taxpayer. He's not wanted for a felony. He's not studying for the bar exam. He hasn't bounced a check or wrecked the car recently — or even lost a spoon down the garbage disposal, as far as I know.

And we gave away our dog.

It didn't occur to me to ask the veterinarian whether psychiatric counseling might help the animal. (Don't laugh. I have a friend whose sister is a Broadway actress. She was trying out for a part in a play that also required a cat actor. She actually took her cat to a pet psychologist in an effort to help the cat perform during try-outs and overcome its stage fright. Ah, life in the '90s.)

When I got home, I tentatively approached The Perfectionist and said, "Well, guess what? The cat has colitis. Can you believe it?"

Without waiting for an answer, I continued, "You're

going to have to help me give him his pills."

Getting pills down that hefty beast is a two-human, four-hand job, I've learned. He's got jaws as tight as a finely tuned vice grip and reflexes as keen as those of a highly disciplined athlete.

In the midst of a lot of pouncing and clawing (on the humans' part), it took The Perfectionist and me a good 15 minutes to get those pills down the cat on our first try — even though I had flavored them, temptingly, with a coating of cat tuna.

The whole episode brings back memories of a cat my mother raised during my childhood. It was a black angora, monster-on-the-prowl, named simply "Puss" that once got its tail caught and stretched out, in the fan of our car.

It rode eight miles under the hood before a service station attendant could find it. It also gave birth, got lost, survived distemper and shared its house with a hound.

Talk about stress!

As far as I know, though, the cat never had colitis. Never in all of its nine lives.

Life was definitely easier in the good ol' days.

Carolyn Walker is a staff writer for the Clarkston Eccentric. She lives in the city of Clarkston.

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Fortinberry stated that this is just another step in a long-term partnership between business and education.

"We hope that we will continue a strong working relationship," he said.

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"I remember being so impressed with the nursing staff," she says.

As a wife and mother, as well as a student, Braun says, she sometimes found it difficult to get in studying time.

"I could have realistically studied for five hours a day and not covered everything," she says, adding that on her "free" days she spent seven to eight hours in libraries and that she taped her professors' lectures so

she could listen to them a second time while driving.

As she looks forward to sharing her talents in Colombiaville, Braun says she recognizes that the constant changes in medicine will require her to be the proverbial student and stay on top of things.

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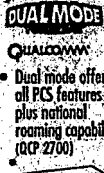
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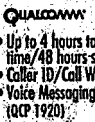
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11 a.m. Indian Springs Metropark. Homeschooled students ages 6 and up will learn what makes a mammal a "mammal" through the use of slides, skins and skulls. Siblings are welcome, but must be able to sit quietly. Free. Registration required. Call 625-7280 or 1-800-477-3192.

## SPAGHETTI DINNER

5-7 p.m. Independence Township Senior Center. All-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner including tossed salad and garlic toast. (Dessert is 75 cents extra.) All proceeds go directly to the senior center. No registration required. Center is at 5980 Clarkston Road in Clintonwood Park. Cost \$4 adults, \$2 child.

## FRIDAY, SEPT. 11 &amp; SUNDAY, SEPT. 13

## AUDITIONS

7 p.m. Friday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Clarkston Village Players. Auditions for "Bullshot Crummond." Madcap comedy pits Teutonic villain Otto Von Bruno and his evil mistress against the famed Bullshot Crummond. The fiendish duo kidnap professor Fenton and his diamond formula. Beseched by Rosemary, the professor's beautiful daughter, Bullshot defies the paralyzing Converse Forcefield, and in a wild and zany car chase rescues the professor and saves the world. Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston. For more information, call 625-8811.

## SATURDAY, SEPT. 12

## FALL PERENNIAL SWAP

10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Mill Pond Park, Davisburg. Sponsored by Springfield Township Parks and Recreation. Last perennial swap for the season. Take home as many plants as you bring with you. Participate in exchange of knowledge, helpful hints and plants. For more information, call 634-0412 or 634-3382.

## BEANIE BABY ANIMAL ADVENTURE

1:30-4 p.m. Lewis E. Wint Nature Center. Independence Oaks County Park. Beanie Baby enthusiasts ages 7-11 are invited to round up five of their favorite "wildlife" beanie babies for an afternoon filled with animal facts and

fun. Through slides, games, crafts and more, we'll explore the "real life" animals after which the popular toys are named. Each pre-registered child should bring no more than five Beanie Babies, each one labeled with the child's name. Cost: \$10 per child. To register call 625-6473.

## SATURDAY, SEPT. 12

## SINGLES EARLY AUTUMN DANCE

8 p.m. - midnight. For separated, divorced and never married individuals. Held at St. Daniel Parish, Cushing Center, 7010 Valley Park, Clarkston. Sponsored by Bethany North Oakland. Proper attire please. Admission of \$8 includes refreshments and snacks. For further information call Don 623-6771 or Joann 620-6410.

## SUNDAY, SEPT. 13

## ROSCO THE CLOWN

7 p.m. Cohn Amphitheater, Independence Oaks County Park. Celebrate "Grandparents' Day" with laughter and Rosco the Clown. He knows how to tickle the funny bone of anyone, especially the young and the young at heart. A grandparent is free with one paid admission. Cost: \$2.50 per person. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Nature Center. Call 625-6473.

## MONDAYS, STARTING SEPT. 14

## VATICAN II: HISTORY &amp; DOCUMENTS

6-9 p.m. St. Daniel Church, 7010 Valley Park, Clarkston. Learn more about the historical events and documents that made such a difference in the Catholic church. Course will include discussion and sharing on the impact of the Second Vatican Council on parish life. \$35 for 10-week series or \$5 per session up to a maximum of \$35; book \$14. Highly recommended for

parishioners involved in parish leadership or ministries and anyone interested in church and church history in general. Call 625-1750 for more information.

## MONDAYS, SEPT. 14, 21, 28 &amp; OCT. 5

## BABYTIME AT THE LIBRARY

Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston. New lapset program designed for infants and tots. 20-30 minute session intended to unite first-time parents in the community and introduce wee ones to the library atmosphere and to encourage exploration of language. Stimulating songs, catchy rhymes and one-on-one interaction with mom or dad. Limited to 10 children; no siblings allowed in activity room during babytime. Registration starts now. You may register for only one of the two four-week sessions and for either the morning or evening program. 10 a.m. - Babies (newborn-8 months) 11 a.m. - Tots (9 months-15 months). For more information, call 625-2212.


## WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 16

## STAR-TIME STORYTIME

10 a.m. & 11 a.m. Independence Township Library. Registration is requested for this sparkle-filled program that features twinkling stars, moons and other celestial bodies. We invite preschoolers ages 3-5 able to stay in the storyroom while their care-giver remains in the library. Each child will take home a star. Join us for a half hour of fun, stories and socialization. To register call 625-2212.

## THURSDAY, SEPT. 17 CLARKSTON COMMUNITY WOMEN'S CLUB

7:30 p.m. Independence Township Library. Business meeting followed by program. For additional information call Gail at 623-9462 or 335-6986.



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## ENGAGEMENT



## Meredith-Kerbawy

Richard Kelterborn and Janis Meredith-Kelterborn of Clarkston and Mrs. Ann Meredith of Brighton announce the engagement of their daughter Michelle Meredith of Birmingham to Kyle Cochran Kerbawy Jr. of Bloomfield Hills. He is the son of Gail and Paul Geiger of Birmingham. Kyle Cochran Sr. and Teri Kerbawy of Bloomfield Hills and grandson of Trudy and Ralph Vogt of Florida and Antha Kerbawy of Bloomfield Hills. Michelle is the daughter of the late Paul Meredith.

The bride-elect attended Savannah College of Arts and Design and graduated from Siena Heights College in Adrian with a bachelor's degree. She is employed for Prime Care Services of Bingham Farms in community education and marketing.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Michigan and is an administrator of finance at Kelly Services in Troy.

A September wedding is planned.

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*Dan Dirks*  
New SMART  
general manager



# New chief wants to expand SMART's reach

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Dan Dirks believes you can't have job growth unless workers can get to those jobs.

That's why the new general manager of the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation wants to expand the SMART bus system to include the Great Lakes Crossings in Auburn Hills to Laurel Park Place in Livonia.

Dirks, 47, was named

SMART's general manager Aug. 27 by SMART's board of directors.

"With the whole welfare-to-work program, people on welfare have to get a job within two years," Dirks said. "Public transit is a big part of them getting to their jobs."

Dirks will face the short-term task of eliminating an approximate \$4 million deficit, which is expected to be removed next year, and continuing to work with local communities on transportation needs. He will administer a \$70 million budget on the heels of voter approval in August of 0.33 mills to fund SMART, which was a four-year renewal for residents many Oakland and Wayne County communities.

Dirks will replace Richard Kaufman, whose resignation is effective Oct. 1. Kaufman, of Plymouth Township and a former Wayne County circuit judge, resigned to pursue a private law practice.

"(Dirks) is hard-working and intelligent, and probably knows more about mass transit than anyone I know," Kaufman said.

## His background

Dirks has run the day-to-day operations over the past year since becoming the deputy general manager. Before that promotion, he was director of planning and service development. There he was responsible for the design of SMART services and acted as the liaison to local

communities within the SMART service area.

Dirks actually started as an intern at SMART in 1974 while he was a student at Wayne State University. Once he received his degree in political science, he was hired at SMART as an operations planner in 1976 and promoted two years later to public affairs representative. In 1992, he became marketing manager. SMART promoted him to director of operations-paratransit services in 1994.

That experience has helped forge a philosophy that the public sector should try using some of the business logic from the private sector. "And that is identify what the customers need and react to it," Dirks said.

## Studying surveys

Dirks has used information from surveys from R.L. Polk such as the number of bus riders who use SMART and work at businesses along corridors to market SMART. "We would survey those businesses, invite them to breakfast and ask them 'how can we help you?'"

Through discussions with officials at Technicolor, a Westland firm, Dirks found that employees who rode the bus were walking a mile from Michigan Avenue to the building in the area of Newburgh and Palmer roads.

"We expanded the trip and found that we could fill the bus with 25 or 30 persons," Dirks

said.

Dirks hopes to eventually develop partnerships with the medical community. "Wouldn't it be nice for a senior to call and make an appointment with their doctor and have bus arrangements all taken care of, instead of the seniors making other travel arrangements?" Dirks asked. "That can be a reality within the next five years."

"It makes it easier for a person who needs a service to get back and forth."

## Possible merger?

Dirks agrees with the SMART board's position on a merger with the Detroit Department of Transportation. "A lot needs to be done before a merger is discussed," Dirks said.

SMART has picked up a few DDOT routes that were discontinued earlier this year, but only when the riders were there. SMART officials also hesitate to pick up routes or other budget areas where DDOT loses money.

But the two systems are studying ways to work better together, Dirks said. "We are looking at ways of connecting the radio system," Dirks said. "They have one of their (DDOT) staff people on the radio selection committee."

National trends indicate cities are moving away from mergers of transportation systems, Dirks said. "The trend is to have more than one suburban mass transit system." San Francisco has seven or eight. Chicago has three.

"A merger for merger's sake doesn't work." But if areas with jobs need workers to be transported, SMART is always looking to expand, Dirks added.

SMART will be studying ways to service Ford Motor Co.'s move to add or revise bus runs in Dearborn as the automaker relocates workers from its offices downtown at the Renaissance Center to offices in Dearborn.

Dirks received special recognition for the Michigan chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America for his work in recognizing the needs of the disabled.

As far as Dirks working his way up the SMART ladder, Dirks said: "It's really a reflection on the staff who care about public transportation."

Dirks lives in Sterling Heights with his wife, Nancy. Both his son and daughter are in college.

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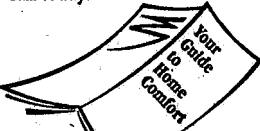
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### GEMINI - ROCHESTER AREA

I'm a DW, 51, blonde/blue, who desires a romantic, caring, animal lover. **#9028**

### LUV-LOVING

Outgoing DW, 45, blonde/blue, dancing, singing, and more. Seeking a SM, 45+, for friendship and possible LTR. **#9021**

### TALL ATTRACTIVE

Blonde, 5'10", likes dancing, biking, golf, walks, boating. Seeking an honest gentleman, 6+, who wants a monogamous relationship, and has varied interests. **#9026**

### GARDEN CITY WOMAN

DW, 47, 5', full-figured, likes walks in the park, movies, dancing, and more. Seeking a monogamous relationship with a SM, 45+, for a LTR. No games please. **#9027**

### LIGHTHOUSE LOVER

Very independent SF, young 48, likes sightseeing, lighthouses, great lakes, cat racing, fishing, pool, tennis and more. Seeking a SM, 35-40, for friendship and possible LTR. **#9029**

### YOU-ME-US

SWF, 35, 5'2", 250lbs, enjoys bowling, dancing, dining out, quiet evenings at home. Seeking SM, 35-39, for friendship. **#9040**

### ALMOST AN ANGEL

Widowed female, 56, 5'6", blonde/blue, full-figured, seeks a SM, 45-50, tall, cowboy boots a plus, who likes C&W and Harley's. Must be down-to-earth. **#9030**

### PRETTY, SMART, SEXY

Honest, sincere, financially secure DW, 39, 5'6", 145lbs, great legs, one child, enjoys sports, music, movies and romance. Seeking a SM, 35-40, who is physically fit, SM, 38-48, NS, social drinker. **#9033**

### ATTRACTIVE DOCTOR

SWF, 38, never married, worked hard, has time now, for sincere relationship with similarly educated, honest, and secure man. **#9034**

### FUN & FLIRTY

SWF, 26, 5'6", who likes all outdoors, 4-wheeling, fast cars, snowmobiling, seeks SM, 25-30, who likes quiet evenings and fun times. Give me a call. **#9035**

### GOOD COMPANIONSHIP

Pretty, understanding, financially secure, young single, professional lady, beautiful inside/outside, physically fit, healthy, enjoys nature, going to the beach, and good music. Seeking energetic, educated gentleman, for friendship first, possible relationship. **#9045**

### ARE YOU READY?

Fun-loving, 5'10", brown/blue, college-educated, loves Goth, rollerblading, walks, movies. Seeking a SM, 28-32, who is ready for a relationship. **#9055**

### FRIENDSHIP AND MORE

SWF, 26, 5'7", 120lbs, funny, outgoing, likes to be romantic, dancing, movies, walks, curling. Seeking a SM, 30-35, who is ready for a relationship. **#9056**

### ONLY REAL MEN NEED APPLY

SWF, 26, 5'9", seeks professional male, 30-35, 6', financially secure, who thinks with his head on his shoulders, for friendship first. Race unimportant. **#9070**

### DARLING BLACK CHERRY

27, seeks passionate, energetic white male, 20+, for exciting new experiences. **#9059**

### MOTORCYCLE?

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### SWEET AND SINCERE

SWF, 28, 5'7", brown/blonde, enjoys dining, dancing, quiet evenings, fun weekends and playing cards. Looking for a SM, 27-35, who is not afraid of commitment. **#9082**

### BEAUTIFUL, BLUE EYES

SWF, 28, seeks mature, responsible SM, 28-32, who is ready for a relationship. **#9083**

### DESIRE SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP

Intelligent, passionate, outgoing, honest DW, 57, 120lbs, beautiful inside and out, willing to learn. Seeking a secure gentleman, 40-45, who is into sports, dining, theater, and more. **#9085**

### LUCK BE A LADY

Imaginative, witty, educated SF, 50, 5'6", blonde/blue, slim, sweet disposition, self-supported, enjoys baking and cooking. Bakes good loopy-funny cookies. Dutch Treat! Food and fun conversation. Commitment if right. **#9373**

### GENTLEMAN

DW, 44, blonde/blue, size 14, enjoys music, movies, romantic dinner, seeks dining and camping. Seeking DW, professional male, 35-55, NS, likes small dogs, with similar interests, for friendship. **#9486**

### LET ME BE YOUR SUNSHINE

Widowed WF, 60, 5'2", blonde/blue, NS, social drinker, enjoys movies, all secure, seeks honest, caring man, 55-65, good sense of humor. **#9407**

### BEAUTIFUL SMILE

Attractive, athletic SF, 47, 5'7", slender, college graduate, enjoys sports, movies, concerts, dining, and laughter. Seeking tall, healthy, honest, sincere, spontaneous SM, 50-55, NS, social drinker, college graduate, for LTR. **#9121**

### GEMINI GIRL

DW, 44, slender, attractive, blonde, seeks tall, attractive, outdoors type, 40-50, outgoing, happy, has good qualities. **#9081**

### STRIKINGLY PRETTY

Classy brown-eyed blonde, slender, intelligent, degree professional, no dependents, NS, social drinker. Seeking educated 47+, who is emotionally/financially secure, sense of humor, for friendship. **#9029**

### CUTE & CUDLY

Very compassionate, upbeat DW, 44, blonde/blue, NS, ND, good sense of humor, enjoys music, movies, and more. Seeking someone to share good times and long summer nights. For friendship. **#9081**

### BIKELIFE PARTNER

Just bought a motorcycle! SWF, 46, 5'6", blonde, full-figured, seeks SM, 40-55, to teach me to ride. **#9415**

### HANDSOME DOCTOR WANTED

Very sexy blonde/blue, bright and witty, 48, 5'0", slightly overweight, seeking friendship. Try me. **#9071**

### SELF MADE MAN

Seeking SWF, secure, average attractive, trustworthy, emotionally/financially stable, 40-45, 5'0", 170+, 5'11", 170+. No games, I'm pretty, classy, slim, 5'7", secure, open, hip gal. No kids. You won't be disappointed. **#9350**

### 40-YEAR-OLD PROFESSIONAL

WF, 39, 5'6", slim, long brown hair, with warm smile, enjoys music, arts, antiques, car shows, travel, quiet evenings at home. Seeking honest, WM, 37-45, NS, tall, fit, creative, similar interests. Children/pets okay. **#9227**

### FRIENDSHIP FIRST

This petite, slender, romantic professional DW, 30s, brown hair/eyes, enjoys movies, theater, dining out and travel. Seeking tall, professional SM, 35-40, with similar interests. **#9109**

### PRETTY, FUN, FIT, FREE

SWF, 50, slim, red hair, seeks SM, 45-55, 6'+, NS, who's attractive, fun, romantic, and enjoys dancing, movies, theater, travel, and more. Seeking quiet times, for friendship, possible relationship. **#9093**

### SEEKING ROMANCE

I'm 52, pretty, slender, tall, intelligent, refined yet fun, classy yet eccentric, outspoken yet sensitive and a smoker. Seeking Gent 52-65, tall, intelligent, articulate, easy-going, and into romantic dating. **#9025**

### SOMEONE SPECIAL

Pretty, educated, active, artistic female, mid-40s, seeks a male, similar attributes, for a monogamous, caring relationship. **#9599**

### WOMAN WITH BAGGAGE

(2 kids and a neurotic dog). Seeking a SM, to wine, dine, entertain and make me laugh. SF, 5'7", fit, trim, gorgeous, intelligent, outgoing, partially deaf, sense of humor. **#9099**

### LOOK NO MORE

DW, 44, good sense of humor, seeks tall, outgoing, SM, 45-55, who enjoys movies, football, eating out, and who I can enjoy life with. **#9552**

### A SHOT IN THE DARK

Attractive, fun, outgoing, and more SWF, 34, 5'6", hard-working, honest and financially secure. Enjoys outdoors, water sports, travel, and concerts. Seeking SM, 37-45, honest, outgoing, responsible and goal oriented. **#9547**

### SOMEONE SPECIAL

SWF, 43, 5'6", blonde/blue, social drinker, enjoys movies, quiet dinners, dancing, antiques. Seeking honest, romantic, financially secure gentleman, 45-55, tall, status. **#9507**

### PARTNER IN ADVENTURE

Attractive, articulate, green-eyed sales professional, 42, 5'6", blonde/blue, outgoing, fun, outgoing, and more. Seeking SM, 35-45, who is physically fit, SM, 38-48, NS, social drinker. **#9033**

### ATTRACTIVE DOCTOR

SWF, 38, never married, worked hard, has time now, for sincere relationship with similarly educated, honest, and secure man. **#9034**

### FUN & FLIRTY

SWF, 26, 5'6", who likes all outdoors, 4-wheeling, fast cars, snowmobiling, seeks SM, 25-30, who likes quiet evenings and fun times. Give me a call. **#9035**

### GOOD COMPANIONSHIP

Pretty, understanding, financially secure, young single, professional lady, beautiful inside/outside, physically fit, healthy, enjoys nature, going to the beach, and good music. Seeking energetic, educated gentleman, for friendship first, possible relationship. **#9045**

### ARE YOU READY?

Fun-loving, 5'10", brown/blue, college-educated, loves Goth, rollerblading, walks, movies. Seeking a SM, 28-32, who is ready for a relationship. **#9055**

### FRIENDSHIP AND MORE

SWF, 26, 5'7", 120lbs, funny, outgoing, likes to be romantic, dancing, movies, walks, curling. Seeking a SM, 30-35, who is ready for a relationship. **#9056**

### ONLY REAL MEN NEED APPLY

SWF, 26, 5'9", seeks professional male, 30-35, 6', financially secure, who thinks with his head on his shoulders, for friendship first. Race unimportant. **#9070**

### DARLING BLACK CHERRY

27, seeks passionate, energetic white male, 20+, for exciting new experiences. **#9059**

### MOTORCYCLE?

Wives Harley men - it must be something in the genes! Romantic, passionate, blonde, mid-40s, seeks a SM, 35-40, who is looking for strong, silent type and conversation. **#9106**

### SWEET AND SINCERE

SWF, 28, 5'7", brown/blonde, enjoys dining, dancing, quiet evenings, fun weekends and playing cards. Looking for a SM, 27-35, who is not afraid of commitment. **#9082**

### BEAUTIFUL, BLUE EYES

SWF, 28, seeks mature, responsible SM, 28-32, who is ready for a relationship. **#9083**

### DESIRE SPECIAL FRIENDSHIP

Intelligent, passionate, outgoing, honest DW, 57, 120lbs, beautiful inside and out, willing to learn. Seeking a secure gentleman, 40-45, who is into sports, dining, theater, and more. **#9085**

### LUCK BE A LADY

Imaginative, witty, educated SF, 50, 5'6", blonde/blue, slim, sweet disposition, self-supported, enjoys baking and cooking. Bakes good loopy-funny cookies. Dutch Treat! Food and fun conversation. Commitment if right. **#9373**

### GENTLEMAN

DW, 44, blonde/blue, size 14, enjoys music, movies, romantic dinner, seeks dining and camping. Seeking DW, professional male, 35-55, NS, likes small dogs, with similar interests, for friendship. **#9486**

### LET ME BE YOUR SUNSHINE

Widowed WF, 60, 5'2", blonde/blue, NS, social drinker, enjoys movies, all secure, seeks honest, caring man, 55-65, good sense of humor. **#9407**

### BEAUTIFUL SMILE

Attractive, athletic SF, 47, 5'7", slender, college graduate, enjoys sports, movies, concerts, dining, and laughter. Seeking tall, healthy, honest, sincere, spontaneous SM, 50-55, NS, social drinker, college graduate, for LTR. **#9121**

### GEMINI GIRL

DW, 44, slender, attractive, blonde, seeks tall, attractive, outdoors type, 40-50, outgoing, happy, has good qualities. **#9081**

### STRIKINGLY PRETTY

Classy brown-eyed blonde, slender, intelligent, degree professional, no dependents, NS, social drinker. Seeking educated 47+, who is emotionally/financially secure, sense of humor, for friendship. **#9029**

### CUTE & CUDLY

Very compassionate, upbeat DW, 44, blonde/blue, NS, ND, good sense of humor, enjoys music, movies, and more. Seeking someone to share good times and long summer nights. For friendship. **#9081**

### BIKELIFE PARTNER

Just bought a motorcycle! SWF, 46, 5'6", blonde, full-figured, seeks SM, 40-55, to teach me to ride. **#9415**

### SPECIAL REQUEST

Petite SF, 48, rosycheeked, young in attitude and appearance. If you're honest, stable, no game playing gentleman, 40-55, good sense of humor, with a love of life. Looking for friendship and companionship. Northern Oakland County. **#9349**

### ATTRACTIVE BLONDE LADY

European-born, refined, giving, loving, educated, young 60s; 5'5", good figured, NS, many interests, seeks gentleman, 45-55, with sense of humor, caring, intelligent, secure, NS, for lasting relationship. **#9349**

### YOUR SEARCH IS OVER

Attractive DW, who's intelligent, honest, just what about the right amount of wit and charm, seeks SM, 40-51, who's honest, caring, and has strong moral values. Serious replies only. Rochester area. **#9172**

### GARDEN CITY

SWF, 22, 5'0", young, short brown hair, seeking for SM, 18-27, who's not into playing games. **#9315**

### LET'S MEET FOR COFFEE

WF, young, 42, Hamilton Hills area, seeks companionship/friendship with man of same age group. Loves animals; long walks/drives, dining out, movies and shows. Would like to meet for coffee conversation. **#9275**

### PETITE ATTRACTIVE 63

DW, very active, enjoys water, outdoor, 63, 5'0", casual, social, tall, intelligent, enjoys quiet times, sense of humor, seeking emotionally, financially secure, socially successful LTR. **#9294**

### SEEKING CHEMISTRY

Very attractive, fun SF, 40, 5'6", blonde/blue, great catch, single parent, intelligent, good values, seeks emotionally, clear-cut, handsome SM, executive type, for LTR. **#9170**

### NO NONSENSE AD

DW, 44, intelligent, outgoing, mature, with diversified interests, NS, D/F-free, same in WPM, 45-55, for a relationship with a committed future. No nonsense please. **#9210**

### FRIENDSHIP FIRST

Thoughtful, considerate SF, 65, 5'3", intelligent, artistic, gardening, movies, travel, and more. Seeking SM, 50-55, who is outgoing, fun, and more. **#9205**

### SPARKLING, SPUNKY, STYLISH

Sensuous, gorgeous, fit, 40, 5'7", 130lbs, MA, seeks into like touring, reading, antiquing, piggling. Seeking SM, NS, degreed, fit, outgoing guy. **#9023**

### 52 YEAR-OLD ENTREPRENEUR

Pretty, successful, giving, loving, looking for her soulmate. Any sincere, successful, 45-50, please apply. **#9201**

### WISH UPON A STAR

SWF, 44, 5'7", brown/blonde, NS, enjoys life, C&W, quiet times at home. Two kids, 45-55, tall status. **#9196**

### SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL

Attractive DW, 42, 5'4", blonde/blue, NS, financially/emotionally secure, enjoys movies, dining, sports, travel, and more. Seeking SM, 45-55, who is outgoing, fun, and more. **#9111**

### WANTING ONE GOOD MAN

Are you a nice, kind, considerate, loving, caring, sharing, tall, nice-looking, financially secure, NS, social drinking, man seeking someone to share his life, quality lady with a great personality? **#9124**

### LADY IN WAITING

Good-looking, 40, 5'0", blonde/blue, NS, enjoys traveling, movies, reading, exercising, outdoor activities. Seeking SPCM, NS, with similar interests, for friendship. **#9125**

### STARTING OVER

DW, 42, 5'10", NS, ND, enjoys easygoing, overweight, South Lyon Area, enjoys movies, theater, dining, long walks, pets, traveling. Seeking SM, 40-45, NS, ND, enjoys easygoing, overweight, South Lyon Area, enjoys movies, theater, dining, long walks, pets, traveling. Seeking SM, 40-45, NS, ND, enjoys easygoing, overweight, South Lyon Area, enjoys movies, theater, dining, long walks, pets, traveling. **#9126**

### RUBENQUE FIGURE

Major WF, 44, longer the outdoors, dancing and rustic camping. Seeking LTR with SM, 30-48. Let's get together and see if we can make it work. No games, no emotional baggage. **#9073**

### ORIENTAL BEAUTY

Intelligent, educated SF, seeks gentleman, 40-60, easygoing, educated, caring, friendship, possible relationship. **#9034**

### LOOKING FOR COMPANION

DW, 43, medium build, seeks SM, 40-50, must be employed, NS, like children, outdoor activities and sports. For possible LTR. **#9371**

### LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE

SWF, 51, 5'3", 125lbs, brown eyes, financially secure, outgoing, enjoys travel, quiet at home evenings, seeks SM, gentleman, caring, romantic, humorous, for a possible relationship. **#9085**

### BEST FRIEND WANTED

Very classy, attractive, young FF, 45, 5'1", enjoys travel, day trips, antiques, dining, movies, seeks outgoing gentleman, 40-55, to make my Irish eyes smile. **#9089**

### EXCITING CLASSY DW

Intriguing, attractive DW, 5'5", 135lbs, black haired, sexy eyes, many interests, seeks outgoing gentleman, 40-55, to make my Irish eyes smile. **#9089**

### HONEST AND LOVING

Full-figured, hard-working, blue-collar DW, 46, 5'3", traditional values, NS, ND, seeks same type of man to live love, laugh, and build a future with. **#9191**

### SMART SEXY & STILL SINGLE

SWF, 39, 5'5", 110lbs, who is professional, very classy and attractive; seeks similar, between 35-50. I'm adventurous, optimistic, and romantic. You must be kind, loving, and value family and friends. **#9021**

### I'M READY, ARE YOU?

Can you relate to my dilemma? Attractive SWF, seeks an open, honest, physically fit, intelligent SM, 45-55, NS, loves life and challenges. If this fits, let's start with friendship, explore the possibilities. **#9016</**



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## Kickers down Berkley for first win of season



**Clarkston, behind Mike Lenhardt, beat Berkley to the punch three times Tuesday night and came away with a much-needed win over the equally winless Bears.**

BY MIKE SCOTT  
SPECIAL WRITER

Two teams were looking for their first victory of the season at Berkley High School Tuesday, but you wouldn't have guessed from watching the game.

Clarkston, led by forward Mike Lenhardt, scored twice in

the second half to down the Bears, 3-1. Lenhardt scored twice for the Wolves (1-1) and midfielder Tom Dews added the game-winner minutes into the second half to provide the margin of victory.

Both teams had numerous opportunities in the game, but it was Clarkston which had more

quality scoring chances. Trailing 2-1 late in the game, Berkley (0-5) had three great chances to tie the game before Lenhardt found the net with five minutes to play for the capper.

"We gave them three good scoring chances in the last few minutes and we need to play with more composure than that," Clarkston head coach Dan Fitzgerald said. "But overall that second half we played well, creating scoring chances and playing a lot smarter in the back."

This game was noticeably different than the Wolves' matches

with Berkley last year, because even though the Bears also entered the game winless, they were clearly a better team on both sides of the ball. For periods of the game, Berkley was able to control the ball, but still rarely threatened Clarkston goalkeeper Dustin Coleman.

Just over eight minutes into the first half, senior Eric Klemm knocked the ball away from a Berkley defender and Lenhardt carried the ball uncontested for 25 yards before putting one past Berkley goalkeeper Jim Thomson for a 1-0 lead.

But the Wolves were unable to sustain constant pressure. Just after senior Mike Dillon drilled a shot just over the Clarkston goal, Berkley's Kevin Gustafson took a throw-in and placed a perfect shot in the top, left-hand corner from over 20 yards out to tie the score.

After the teams traded scoring chances, Lenhardt picked up a yellow card with 10 minutes remaining in the first half on an innocent-looking play when he slid into Thomson for a loose ball. That placed the Wolves in a difficult position, losing one of

the top scorers for an extended period.

But Clarkston executed a perfect play early in the second half with Lenhardt still sitting on the sidelines. Off a free kick, the Wolves used pinpoint passing with Dews firing the ball past a helpless Thomson for a 2-1 advantage.

"We just wanted to make a good run with the ball and make (Berkley) move to the other side on defense," Dews said. "I give Berkley a lot of credit, they

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## Eagles win own tourney in 3-0 start

BY DAN STICKRAUT  
STAFF WRITER

Tigg Vanaman can't remember the last time his team began a season 3-0.

"It's been a longtime, probably 10 years," admitted Vanaman, the veteran boys soccer coach at Clarkston Springfield Christian.

Vanaman's Eagles capped off their fast start by winning the school's annual eight-team Labor Day Tournament, outscoring its three opponents by a combined 7-2 margin in the process.

Springfield defeated Oxford Christian 1-0 in its opener on September 1, edged Warren Life Summit Christian 3-1 in the semi-finals last Thursday, before taking the championship match Saturday with a 3-1 triumph over Vassar Juniata Christian.

Junior midfielder Matt Christie scored twice and sophomore forward Roger Vanderver added Springfield's other goal in the final against Juniata. Vanderver and Christie, along with senior sweeper Tom Reese and junior midfielder Jon Vanaman, the coach's nephew, were named to the all-tournament team.

"I think we played a little better in each game," said Vanaman. "The first game we played good for the first 30 minutes, then we kind of tapered off. In our second game, we played really physical but not very good (tactical) soccer. In the finals against Juniata, I think we played a somewhat better brand of soccer."

Looking ahead, the road gets much tougher for the Eagles as the Fundamental Baptist Athletic Conference season kicks off this week. Springfield finished third in the Red Division last season.

"I think the competition will get tougher," added Vanaman. "But we're playing with some confidence right now and I think that will help us in the league this year."

**■ Rochester Hills Christian 4, Clarkston Springfield Christian 3.** Senior forward Jon Bronsing scored two goals and assisted on another as Rochester Hills Christian opened up EBAC Red Division play with this hard-fought triumph Tuesday in Clarkston. Senior midfielder Tony Purdy and junior fullback Ryan Berlin also scored for the Eagles (3-0, 1-0). Matt Christie, junior forward Greg Irish and freshman forward Knoa Knapper scored for Springfield (3-1, 0-1).

## Exercising his options New leader takes over new offense for Wolves

BY BRAD KADRICH  
SPORTS EDITOR

Eric Jenks knew they would come.

Comparisons to former Clarkston quarterback Dane Fife, the Wolves' starting quarterback the last few years, were inevitable. Outsiders, in particular, would be unable to help themselves from holding Jenks up to the standards set by perhaps the best-known athlete to come out of Clarkston.

But insiders knew better, and it is from them Jenks, the first-year senior starter, draws his comfort. It is from them that Jenks draws his confidence.

"I've heard it from people, but I don't feel any pressure," said Jenks, whose varsity experience consists of one half of playing time in the Troy Athens game last year. "We're a totally different team from last year, the way we run things. The coaches know what's going on, and the people who really watch us know what's happening (with Jenks as the starter). This team has played together, so I don't feel any pressure."

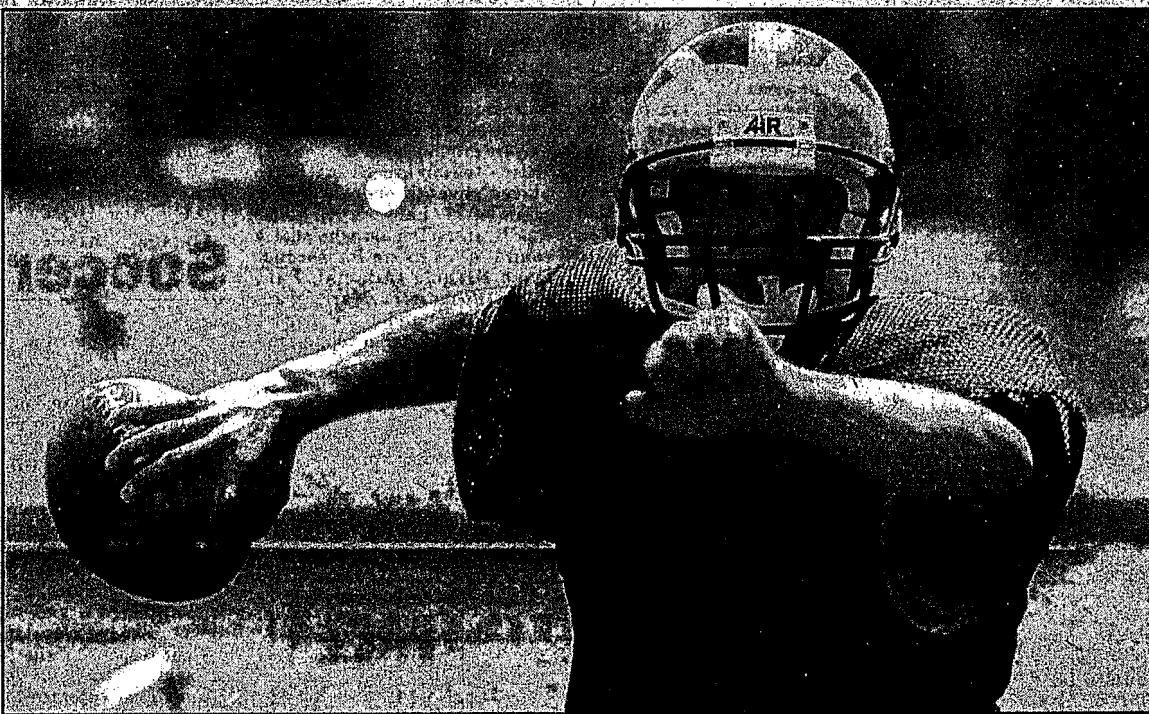
Jenks gets the nod at quarterback after understudying behind Fife last year. He got into one game: an easy win over Troy Athens during which Jenks led three scoring drives.

He isn't the drop-back passer Fife was, so when Clarkston coach Kurt Richardson decided Jenks would be the guy this season, he went in search of an offense that suited Jenks' natural running ability and athleticism.

The answer is Jenks' dream: the option. The Wolves, whose offense already had some plays that incorporate the quarterback running.

Richardson and his staff also went in search of other coaches who use the option, notably Bud Rowley at Oxford.

Since pre-season camp started, Jenks has run the offense nearly everyday. The Wolves have made a total



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

**Top dog:** Clarkston senior Eric Jenks, a first-year starter at quarterback for the Wolves, will get a chance to run to his strength this year as Clarkston becomes an option team.

commitment to the option, a decision Richardson said will help relieve the Fife comparisons.

"We're an option team now and (Jenks) has been very good in the offense," Richardson said. "Eric is not Dane, but Dane isn't Eric, either. They're two different quarterbacks, and we have to create situations where they can be successful."

That's OK with Jenks, a tremendous athlete who had a stellar season for the Wolves' baseball team last spring. He started all nine games at quarterback for Clarkston's junior varsity when he was a sophomore.

That team went 8-1. This year, many of the players against whom Jenks played are now also varsity players in the Oakland Activities Association.

That experience left Jenks confident heading into his

**■ 'I always hoped I could be the starting quarterback... but I never thought I'd get the opportunity. Now I just want to make the most of it.'**

**Eric Jenks**  
—Clarkston quarterback

senior season.

"I wasn't really nervous (at the start of the season), because we went 8-1 as a sophomore," Jenks said. "Most of the teams are the same as they were then, so I was pretty confident."

Jenks was among the happiest people in the Clarkston program when Richardson decided to install the option. He excelled at football camps at Saginaw Valley State Uni-

versity and at Eisenhower High School.

"I felt (installing the option) helped a lot, because that's my strong point," Jenks said. "Coach is always telling me that. I got pretty good reviews (at camps)."

Jenks said he will take some lessons from playing with Fife, particularly patience in the pocket.

"I did learn a lot from Dane last year about being patient in the pocket, and if it opens, then you can run," Jenks said. "That helps me out, because if you get back there and think throw it as soon as you can, there are so many missed opportunities to run."

Richardson doesn't think Jenks will miss many opportunities this year.

He's already led them to one win — Friday's 35-3 opening-night win over Waterford Kettering — and Richardson

said Jenks could spark plenty more.

"When we first switched offenses, we just wanted Eric to not hurt us," Richardson said. "We didn't expect him to win games for us then. But that has changed. He's comfortable enough now that we are counting on him to make the big plays that help us win."

For his part, Jenks is happy to have that responsibility. He's always wanted to be right where he is, and now he's hoping to see exactly what he can do, which is his major goal for the season.

"Hopefully, I will have proved to myself that I could do it," he said. "I always hoped I could be the starting quarterback on the varsity team, but I never thought I'd get the opportunity. Now I just want to make the most of it."

## Dragons rip Milford, 7-1

BY DAN STICKRAUT  
STAFF WRITER

Finally!

After nearly a month of struggles, Lake Orion was able to accomplish two things on the soccer field that had eluded the Dragons — score goals in abundance and, more importantly, record their first win on the season.

All of this came in the efforts of a 7-1 thrashing Tuesday over visiting Milford in a non-league game.

"It's definitely nice to finally get that first win," said a relieved Lake Orion coach Paul Elder. "I think this will really help with their confidence."

Milford (2-4) came out of the gate and controlled play during the first five minutes, but a goal by Lake Orion junior Jordan Masson in the 10th minute quickly turned the tides as the rout was on for the Dragons (1-5-0), who led 4-1 by halftime and outshot Milford by a 27-

16 margin.

"Milford came out and put some pressure on us, but once we scored we started to play our game," said Elder. "We really started to attack their net. Derek Elliott and Aaron Collins started to go to goal more often instead of always trying to cut back. It really helped us generate some offense."

Elliott led the Dragons with two goals and two assists. Masson added two goals; Collins had a goal and assist, and junior Ryan Bailey chipped in a goal for Lake Orion, who visit state-ranked Rochester Adams tonight.

Senior midfielder Eric D'Andrea scored for Milford, while sophomore goalkeeper Brian Murphy recorded 18 saves for the Redskins.

"It's nice to get that win, but we still have a lot to work on," offered Elder. "We've played good against some pretty good teams so far this season."

## Cranes defend Eccentric golf title

BY MARTY BUDNER  
STAFF WRITER

Despite losing an All-State Dream Team golfer, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook's boys golf program is on solid ground.

The Cranes entered this season minus Del de Windt — the cornerstone of Cranbrook's golf team the past four years — who is now playing at Stanford University. But, if Tuesday's scintillating performance in The 14th annual Eccentric Golf Tournament is any indication, Cranbrook is driving towards new heights.

Ranked No. 4 in Division II, Cranbrook outlasted a formidable field of 20 teams to defend its Eccentric championship at the well-manicured and highly-challenging Orchard Lake Country Club course. The Cranes matched their 1997 score of 305.

Birmingham Brother Rice, No. 4 in

Division I, was second at 317. Bloomfield Hills Lahser was third with a 320 and Rochester Adams, ranked No. 3 in Division I, placed fourth at 321.

Birmingham-Detroit Country Day was fifth at 328, followed by West Bloomfield (330), Clarkston (333), Troy (334), Seaholm (336) and Rochester (341) rounded out the top ten team scores.

The Cranes captured their third title overall in bouncing weather conditions that included an interesting mixture of sun and rain, and warm and cool temperatures. Cranbrook had three players break 76 and four players among the top 17.

"Del (de Windt) was a leader here for four years, but we still have some quality players," said Cranbrook coach Ed Van Dam. "We were hoping to improve from last year because we have four players back. Andrew

(Klein) and Scott (Strickland) were All-Staters from last year, and Andrew, Scott and Steve (Strickland) all played in some quality tournaments over the summer."

Klein, a junior, tied for second with a 74 to lead the Cranbrook scoring attack on the par-72 course. Seniors Chris Allen and Steve Strickland were in a group that finished with rounds of 75, while Scott Strickland finished with an 81 to also earn a medal.

The key for Cranbrook was Allen, the team's fourth golfer who earned the medal that allowed the Cranes to score a surprising 12-stroke triumph.

"When you play team golf you have to have all of them scoring," said Van Dam, whose team placed ninth in the Brighton Invitational — its only other outing so far this season. "It doesn't matter if your top two scorers have

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## Success story



Back-to-back: Chase Plastics continued a three-year championship run in Independence Township Parks and Recreation Boys Baseball by winning the playoff championship again. The team won the league championship in 1996 and league and playoff championships last year. Members of the team include (front, l-r) Scott Medlen, Trevor Johns, Bryan Morin, Robbie Hoff, Alec Sanger and Franklin Kramer; (middle, l-r) Danny Walsh, Jack Kinsey, Tom Garavaglia, Kyle Shepherd, Brian Chase and Keith Boatman; (back, l-r) head coach Craig Medlen and assistants Bob Hoff and Tom Johns. Not shown are Jeffrey Pearce and Luke Ward.

## Oxford, Lancers play 1-1 tie

BY DAN STICKRAT  
STAFF WRITER

Auburn Hills Oakland Christian was looking for respect to back its undefeated record and Oxford was seeking one more quality match before they open up Flint Metro League play later this week.

So when the two met on the soccer field Tuesday night in Oxford, they both found what they were looking for in a 1-1 non-league tie.

"This is nice for us, being a Division IV school and coming away with this type of result," said Oakland Christian coach Randy Johnson. "But the nice thing about it is that these kids came off the field and were not satisfied. They want to win, no matter what the size of the opposition. They believe they can compete with the big schools and they showed that tonight."

For Oxford, the result highlighted another strong defensive effort and the improvement of senior goalkeeper Chris Castro.

"We dominated most of the game, especially on defense," said Oxford coach David Summers. "I really like the effort of our sweeper David Rayner and our goalkeeper Chris Castro. Chris made some nice stops tonight. He keeps getting better and better each game."

Castro, who finished with eight saves, set the tone of the deadlock, stopping Oakland Christian senior Jeremy Powell cold on a breakaway just 1:01 into the game. Castro's counterpart, freshman Kevin Mahan, was just as brilliant between the pipes, turning aside seven shots — three from point-blank range.

"He's going to be a good one," said Johnson of Mahan. "He



PHOTO BY BOB KNOSSA

Loose ball: Oxford's Gareth Summers keeps Matt Pirmann of Oakland Christian away from the ball during the 1-1 tie Tuesday night.

came up big tonight and I'm very pleased with that because Oxford is the toughest team we've played against so far."

Oxford (3-3-1), ranked 10th in Division II, was finally able to draw first blood when junior midfielder Kellen Kalso took a pass from Rayner and dribbled the ball up the middle of the field nearly 60 yards before blasting a shot inside the far post at the 70:50 mark.

The lead was short lived, however, as the fourth-ranked Lancers (10-0-1) knotted the score with 5:35 left on a header by senior midfielder Rob Case. Senior Matt Pirmann started the play with a cornerkick, which sophomore Adam Hallett flicked

to Case, who one-timed the ball past Castro.

"I'm pleased that we didn't give up, that we were able to fight back despite being down late," said Johnson. "Coming into this game, we've outscored our opponents 52-3, so we haven't been down very much."

For Oxford, goals have been much harder to come by this season.

"Our defense and midfielders have been doing a great job of getting the ball up to our forwards, we've just been struggling to score," said Summers. "It's frustrating, but I know we're capable of putting the ball into the net."

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good scores if you can't get any other scoring.

"But we carried the trophy here with us today and we said 'let's see if we can take it back with us,'" said Van Dam. "This is one of our favorite tournaments because there are a lot of good teams out here and it's played on such a good course. We enjoy coming here."

Brother Rice, which won the recent West Bloomfield Invitational, placed third at the East Lansing invite and sixth at the Traverse City Tee-Off Classic, had the individual tournament champion and two players among the top 17.

Justin Sokol, a senior, captured medalist honors with a four-birdie round of 72. He also won the recent West Bloomfield tourney and took 11th place in East Lansing. Tuesday at the Orchard Lake Country Club, Sokol chipped in three times.

"It was pretty tough out there with the wind and the rain," said Sokol. "But I thought I played well. I thought I had a chance to win it once I got to the 18th hole."

Rice coach Jim Rademacher believes Sokol is one of the state's top players.

"He was playing in a national tournament so he didn't have a

chance to prove (he's one of the state's best) at the Traverse City tournament," said Rademacher. "But he won the West Bloomfield tournament and, by winning this one, it shows he's one of the top players around."

Rice teammate Brent Borio placed seventh overall with a round of 77. Lahser's top golfer was Ryan McDonald who shot a round of 74 to tie for second. Dave Nichols (Adams), Paul Rizzo (Rochester), Marc Swanson (Lahser) and Dave Turner (Troy) were the other top finishers.

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played really hard and played aggressively. It was a good game.

Fitzgerald said one of the keys to Clarkston taking control of the game was winning the 50/50 and loose balls in the second half. He was also pleased with the way his defense responded to the challenge, in particular the way they marked Gustafson, Berkley's top offensive player, in the final 40 minutes.

"We played a smarter game, and our defense was more aware of their responsibilities," Fitzgerald said.

The Wolves seemed to subconsciously pull back on defense as the match wound down and the Bears took advantage with offensive pressure. Fullback Rob Allyn thwarted one effort with a tackle. Berkley then had two consecutive corner kicks, their only two of the game, and Coleman made an impressive save on one to keep it a one-goal lead.

On a counterattack, Clarkston

moved the ball deep into the Berkley end. Russ Parrott's acrobatic throw-in found Lenhardt's foot and he made no mistake, putting it by a leaping Thomson in the final minutes.

Berkley head coach Vince Gigliotti, who was extremely animated and positive on the sidelines throughout the game, was pleased with his team's performance and felt the result could have easily gone the other way.

"The story of our season is that we seem unable to get the break we need, especially on offense," said Gigliotti. "Our goal at the beginning of the season was to develop a team concept, and I think we've done that."

Dews admitted that in knowing the ease with which Clarkston stomped the Bears last year, his squad may have felt the game would be easier coming in.

"I think we thought they weren't going to be as good as

they were," he said. "It's just good to get a win."

It has been difficult for the Wolves early in the season as a result of the suspensions and injuries the team has suffered, which has taken six starters out of the lineup. Those players aren't likely to return for at least another couple of weeks.

Fitzgerald said his team has handled the adversity well despite struggling for victories on the field, and added most of the players are maintaining a positive attitude.

"We're trying to look past it," Fitzgerald said. "We've lost a few close games where we played well, but were just missing some of those guys who aren't playing. But it always helps to win as we did today."

The Wolves visited Grand Blanc in a non-league match Wednesday night, but results weren't available at press time.

## NORTH OAKLAND SPORTS SCENE

### Call in your results

To report varsity prep results to the North Oakland Eccentric Sports Department, please call (248) 693-4900 or fax to (248) 693-9716. Schools within the North Oakland coverage region include Clarkston, Clarkston Springfield Christian, Lake Orion, Lake Orion Shalom Baptist, Oxford and Oxford Christian. Publication deadlines are 11 p.m. on Tuesday and Friday evenings.

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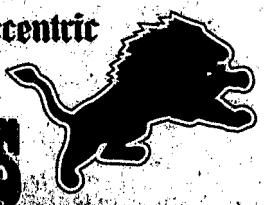
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# Program introduces children to deer hunting, game management

If only every one cared about the welfare of our youth as much as Bob Laich cares.

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The Westland resident and father of two grown children has combined his love for the outdoors with his concern for children and the negative influences they face in today's society to come up with a marvelous program aimed at

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introducing children to the sport of deer hunting and wild game management.

"I had this idea about two years ago to let kids, who otherwise might not have the opportunity, get a chance to go deer hunting," said Laich, a past president of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs. "So many kids today come from split families, for whatever reason. Many times these children started out learning about the outdoors, but then the opportunity left them. This program will give that opportunity back."

Youth Hunting Day is a combined effort of MUCC and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Although some of the

details are still being hammered out, the plan is to have this special program ready to roll for the 1999 deer hunting season.

The program will be open to a limited number of youths between the ages of 12-14 who come from single-parent homes. Each child will have his/her own special mentor and will be required to complete a DNR Hunter Safety Certification Program and the International Bowhunter Education Program. Kids will be taught safety, map and compass reading, wilderness survival skills, simple first aid, game management, hunting ethics, conservation, shooting skills, hunting skills and much more before ever stepping foot in

the field.

At the end of the program the kids will be able to participate in two separate weekend deer hunts at Maybury State Park. The park is traditionally closed to hunting, but the plan is to open the park for these special hunts only to help thin an abundant deer population in the park.

"So far everyone has been great and very supportive," said Laich. "There's a group called 'Friends of Maybury,' and I wasn't sure how well they'd like the idea of opening the park to hunting, but when they heard about the kids (program) they said 'OK' and wished them good luck. There are so many deer out there and they're eating every-

thing. This will benefit the park."

Laich said the first year will be sort of a pilot program and if everything goes well he already has the blessing of the DNR to possibly expand the program.

(DNR) Director Kool told me that if everything comes off well we could do this across the state," Laich said.

Mentors are needed and will begin training after January 1 so the program can be initiated in time for next fall. If you're interested in assisting with this invaluable program and becoming a mentor contact Dennis Knapp at MUCC by calling 1-800-777-6720.

"I grew up in the country (near

Ford and Wayne roads) and maybe that's why this is so important to me," Laich added. "There is so much a kid can learn out in nature. There's so much out there to enjoy and it's a shame to not even have an opportunity. I just hope they get as much enjoyment out of the outdoors as I have."

(Anglers and hunters are urged to report your success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (248) 644-1314; send e-mail to bparker@oe.homedcomm.net or call Bill Parker evenings at (248) 901-2573.)

## Outdoor Calendar

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## ARCHERY

### BROADHEAD

Royal Oak Archers will hold a broad-head shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, on its walk-through course in Lake Orion. Call (248) 693-9799 or (248) 693-1369 for more information.

### JAMBOREE

The Oakland County Sportsman Club will hold a Bowhunter Jamboree on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12-13, on its walk-through course in Clarkston. Registration runs 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

### BENEFIT 3D

Wayne Firefighters Local No. 1620 and the Western Wayne County Conservation Association will hold a benefit 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the WWCCA grounds in Plymouth. Proceeds from the shoot will benefit the Great Lakes Burn Camp. Activities include a 30-target 3D shoot (\$8), MUCC's wetland animal exhibit, a birds of prey exhibit, trophies, a supervised child archery shoot, raffles, novelty shoots, a dunk tank, a 50/50 long distance shoot, fire safety house, Sparky the Fire Dog, and much more. There

will also be a buffet dinner/banquet 6 p.m.-midnight featuring music, dancing and a cash bar. Dinner tickets are \$15 per person and \$25 for a couple. Call (313) 722-1112 for tickets and more information.

### JAMBOREE

Detroit Archers will hold a Bowhunter Jamboree on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 19-20, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. Registration will be held 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday. Call (248) 661-9610 for more information.

### WWCCA 3D

The Western Wayne County Conservation Association will hold a 30-target 3D shoot on Sunday, Sept. 20, on its walk-through course in Plymouth. WWCCA is located at 6700 Napier Rd. Call (734) 453-9843 for more information.

### JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

### JUNIOR ARCHERS

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## CLASSES/CLINICS

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REI staff member Dave Tate will give a slide presentation on his adventures

this summer while backpacking Glacier National Park in Montana during this program, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, at REI. REI is located at 17559 Haggerty Road in Northville (at Six Mile and Haggerty). The presentation includes trail suggestions, photography tips and information on low impact backpacking.

### TURKEY HUNTING

Jay's Sporting Goods of Clare, the Michigan DNR and the Michigan Wild Turkey Hunters Association will be conducting Michigan's first fall wild turkey hunting workshop beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at Jay's. Fall hunting techniques, calling, the use of decoys, laws, turkey biology and much more will be discussed by some of the state's most noted turkey experts.

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Wayne County Sportsman's Club will hold hunter education classes in the upcoming months at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. These classes will be taught by certified instructors. Students must be present for both days of their respective class. All equipment will be provided. Classes will be offered Oct. 17-18 and Nov. 7-8. Cost is \$10.50 and includes lunch both days. Call (313) 532-0285 to pre-register.

## WING SHOOTING SCHOOL

Hunters Ridge Hunt Club in Oxford will host the Fieldsport Wingshooting School on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12-13. Master gunfitter and certified instructor Bryan Bilinski, who is credited with bringing sporting clays to the United States, will lead the school, which will cover all aspects of proficient shooting. Call (616) 933-0767 (daytime) or (248) 637-2446 (evenings) for more information.

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### DEER

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### DUCK

The open season on ducks, mergansers, coots and gallinules will be Oct. 3 - Dec. 1 in the North and Middle zones and Oct. 10-Dec. 8 in the South Zone.

### ELK

The special elk hunt will run Sept. 12-20, by early permit in designated elk management units only. The late hunt will be held Dec. 8-14, also by special permit and in designated elk manage-

ment units only.

## GOOSE

The early Canada goose season will be Sept. 1-15 in the Lower Peninsula and Sept. 1-10 in the Upper Peninsula. (The counties of Huron, Tuscola and Saginaw will be closed for the early season.) The daily bag limit is five. The regular season is Sept. 19-Oct. 4 statewide with a daily bag limit of two.

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Farmington Hills accounting office, part time, flexible hours. Telephone, light bookkeeping, payroll taxes, computer experience. Must be able to prepare financial statements with salary requirements to: Box #1187, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150.

**BORING MILL & JIG MILL OPERATORS**  
Manual/CNC prototype & detail work. Days, overtime, 401k, medical & dental, profit sharing, air conditioned shop, other benefits. Delta Research, 32971 Capitol, Livonia, MI 48150. 734-261-6400.

**BRICKLAYERS & LABORERS**  
Experienced in commercial masonry. Excellent pay. (910) 752-2248.

### Computer/Info Systems

**Has Class**

Its own classification that is...more than ever there is a high demand for technical professionals, that's why the Observer & Eccentric has designated classification 501 for Computer/Info Systems so in the future be sure to check it out!

### 500 Help Wanted General

**CABINET & COUNTER** top company. For shop & delivery help. Apply in person: 30966 Grand River & 9 Mile.

**CABLE TV**  
Technicians needed immediately to wire apt. bldgs. & bury drops in Metro area. Must have own truck & tools. Ask for Mr. Brown at: 800-821-0079.

**CAD OPERATOR**  
Western Wayne County automotive supplier is looking for an experienced CAD Operator. The successful candidate must be familiar with AUTOCAD, Version 14. We offer a competitive wage and benefit package which includes health, dental, life, 401(k) and pension. Please mail or fax resume in confidence to: Federal Screw Works, 24404 Goddard Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Fax: (734) 941-5740.

**CALL CENTER REPRESENTATIVE**  
Credit Union has full time opening for an Account Representative. Position involves knowledge of all credit union services; including lending. Financial institution experience a plus. Benefits provided. Send resume to Vice-President Call Center, 22081 Farmington Rd., Farmington, MI 48335.

**CARPENTER/APPRENTICE**  
Must know how to measure, layout, and install a door work week. (810) 227-5800.

**CARPENTER**  
Needed for Birmingham residential developer. Call Bob: (248) 644-8288.

**CARPENTER/LEAD**  
Are you ready to run a job, residential experience required. Benefits, 4 day work week. (810) 227-5800.

**CARPENTER-LEAD**  
Minimum 5 yrs. experience in rough & finish. Year round work & benefits. Call: (248) 588-6447.

**CARPENTERS**  
Experienced FRAMERS & HELPERS. Top Pay & Insurance. 313-255-0424.

**CARPENTERS/LABORERS**  
For custom builder. Must be dependable, knowledgeable to take job from start to finish. Wages based on experience. (248) 959-1107.

**CARPENTERS & LABORERS**  
Experienced, full time, health, insurance, available. South Lyon/Canton area. After 6pm: Steve, (734) 425-0752.

**CARPENTERS**  
Rough framers in South Lyon/Good pay. Blue Cross. Hard workers only call: (810) 232-9232.

**CARPENTERS**  
Rough Framers. Minimum of 2 yrs. experience. Excellent pay & benefits. (248) 477-9488.

**CASE MANAGER**  
Full time, Sun., Thurs. Non-profit, community organization. Experience necessary. Fax resume to: PATH, 248-335-0040.

**CASHIER**  
For large dealership. Experience necessary. People skills important. We offer excellent pay & benefits. Apply in person at: Don Massey Cadillac, 40475 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth.

**CASHIER**  
For self serve gas station. Part time, up to \$7/hr. to start. Will train. Apply in person at: Dandy's Marathon, 14 Mile/Middlebelt, Farmington Hills.

### 500 Help Wanted General

**CASHIER**  
Plymouth cafeteria. Immediate opening. Days, Mon-Fri. Benefits included. 41100 Plymouth Rd. Call Shirley: (734) 737-4900.

**CASHIERS**  
Experience preferred. Full & part time positions available. Full time benefits include medical, dental & vacation. Apply in person only: JOE'S PRODUCE, 33152 W. 7 Mile Rd., Livonia.

**CASHIERS**  
Now hiring dependable, self-motivated people who are interested in working in a clean, pleasant retail environment. All shifts available, part & full-time. Up to \$8.50/hr. to start with scheduled reviews, holiday/vacation pay, opportunity for medical insurance and advancement. Apply at the following: SUNCOCO Food Markets.

**Ford & Newburgh**  
5 Mile & Haggerty Joy & Lilley.

**CASHIERS**  
Rochester, Farmington & Clawson. Days only. BC/BS. Call Eva: 248-474-7105. Village Shoe Inn.

**CASHIERS/SALES**  
Positions available; full or part time, full time benefits include health, dental & vacation. Apply Warren's Prescription, 35910 Middlebelt at 14 Mile, Farmington Hills. 248-555-1177.

**CATALOG SALES ASSOCIATES**  
Upscale Catalog seeking well spoken individuals (to take incoming phone orders in Novi). Full-time/Flexible. Part-time nights & weekends. \$7.00/hr. Also needed: mail processing person. Call Marie for interview/application. (248) 348-7050.

**CHAUFFEURS**  
Busy limousine service hiring full-time. Resumes to: 4772 Tara Ct., W. Bloomfield, MI 48323.

**CHEMIST**  
Full-time for environmental testing laboratory. Must have GFAA/FAA experience. For interview call: 734-948-4990.

**ASSISTANT TEACHER**  
Full or Part-time CHILD TIME CHILDREN'S CENTERS.

Plymouth location is now seeking caring, energetic professionals to work with infant, toddler & preschool children. Benefits include 401(k), insurance option, and paid vacations & holidays. 734-455-4490.

**CHILD CARE CENTER**  
Immediate openings. Canton & Farmington locations. Flexible hours. 734-459-9909.

**CHILD CARE/COMMUNITY SUPPORT STAFF**  
Want to make a difference in a disabled child's life? We are looking for motivated staff to work 1:1 with these children in their homes. Experience working with disabled individuals is a plus. Part-time after school, evening and weekend hours available. High School diploma and valid driver's license required. Call TTI for more information. 248-644-9354.

**CHILDCARE**  
Full & part-time positions. Immediate openings. \$6.50 per hour to start. Experience preferred. Birmingham area. 248-645-8393.

**CHILD CARE PROVIDERS**  
needed for infants, toddlers, & pre-schoolers. 248-471-1022.

**CHIMNEY SWEEPS**  
\$600 + per week. Truck & ladder needed. Full time will train. Call (734) 416-0192.

### 500 Help Wanted General

**CHILD CARE PROVIDERS NEEDED**  
at Farmington YMCA approx 95 flexible hours/week. Will work with ages 0-5. Must be at least 18 years old. Call: Nancy 248-552-5982, ext 222.

**CHILDCARE TEACHER-ASSISTANT**  
Full & Part Time for Christian Day Care located in Plymouth. Please call Amy or Christine: 734-455-3195.

**CHILDCARE TEACHERS**  
ASSISTANTS & SUBS. Competitive Pay. Benefits Available. Farmington Hills, Novi & Redford. Pathways To Learning. 248-473-1880.

**CLEANERS**  
Farmington Hills/Novi areas. Ideal for couples. Part-time, even, and/or weekends. Call: (734) 254-0960.

**CLEANERS & SUPERVISORS**  
Part & Full Time. Needed for immediate start! Evenings, Monday-Friday. • Route Cleaners \$9 • Crew Cleaners \$12-15 • Supervisors \$3-\$12 • Project Managers \$17-15.00. Holiday & vacation pay, health insurance, attendance bonuses. \$75 referral bonus. New Image Building Services. (810) 465-4220.

**CLEANING PERSON**  
needed 5 nights per wk., Mon-Fri, 6-11pm. Uniforms provided. No week-ends. 248-362-1668.

**CLEANING PERSON**  
needed full time for apartment complex in Westland. \$7.00 per hour. Call (734) 729-6636.

**CLEANING PERSON**  
Office, 3+ hours. Even. Plymouth/Novi. Also openings Farmington & Novi. 734-254-0860.

**CLEANING PERSON**  
We need your help at our mid-size apartment community in Plymouth. \$7.00/hr. Call: 734-455-3880.

### CLERK

**LAW FIRM needs...**  
dependable person with transportation to run errands. Must be well organized. Starting at \$8.00/hour plus expenses. 30 to 35 hours per week. Call Darlene at 248-948-0000.

### CNC

Lathe Program and Set-Up. Mazaks and Okumas. 5 years experience minimum. Day shift. Clean, air conditioned shop. BC/BS, dental. Excellent 401k program. Immediate paid holidays. \$16/hour starting wage. Walled Lake. Call (248) 624-2583.

**CNC MACHINIST**  
Vertical Mill Machinist experienced with FANUC Controller. Benefits. Days. EDPRI Industries, 12928 Stark Rd., Livonia. (734) 425-7102.

**COACHES GYMNASTICS**  
Girls and Boys USA. Pre-team. Compulsory-Optional levels, part-time and full-time, experienced, team player, ethical, reliable, enthusiastic, great communication skills. Excellent pay. Fax resume 248-539-0245 or call 248-624-6025.

**COLLECTOR FOR NW LIVONIA**  
finance company. Experience in used cars or collection agency preferred. Call Dave Thomas: (248) 474-4017.

### 500 Help Wanted General

**CNC OPERATOR**  
CNC OPERATOR DIE MAKERS MACHINIST.

Our "O-1" die shop is seeking career minded individuals to join our team. We offer overtime, excellent pay and benefits, 12 paid holidays per year, bonus pay, 401(k) plan and education reimbursement.

Vicount Industries, Inc. 24704 Hathaway Farmington Hills, MI 48335. 248-471-5071. Fax: 248-471-2682.

**COLLECTIONS/ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**  
quality wood window & door distributor has immediate opening. Duties: to include but not limited to the following: review of credit applications, collectors: bank deposits & accounts receivable. Knowledge of computer accounting system & ten laws a plus. Excellent benefits. Salary commensurate with experience. Please send resume, or apply in person: Glass Window & Door Co. 2000 Haggerty Rd. (1/2 mi. N. of 15 Mile) Maple Rd. W. Bloomfield, MI 48322. Attn: Hertha.

**COLLECTIONS**  
Growing Lease Company is experiencing stable growth in our Commercial Leasing business and is now seeking highly motivated, responsible and hard working individuals to join our collection team. We offer a professional atmosphere, competitive salary, and a full benefits package.

If you possess:  
• Excellent communication skills  
• Excellent customer service skills  
• Problem solving skills  
• Competitive spirit  
Send/Fax your resume to:  
COLLECTION MANAGER  
PO BOX 4415  
TROY, MI 48064-4415  
FAX: 248-524-1896

**COLLECTORS**  
Southfield Collection Agency has immediate openings for both full and part-time Collectors. Positions are available for days, evenings and Saturdays. We will train, however experience with a predictive dialer is helpful. Fax resume 248-354-1515 or call Ken, 248-827-1503.

**CONSTRUCTION LABORER**  
Residential Remodeling. Good pay. Pick-up truck a must. Call: 348-9284.

**CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT**  
For new Canton Community 3-5 yrs. minimum of new home construction. Must be able to build 15-20 homes at a time, detail oriented & have good people skills. Fax resume to: (248) 661-4402 or call: (248) 661-5100.

**CONTACT LENS CLERK**  
Entry level position. Will train. Organizational skills a must. Located in Farmdale. Apply 9am-1pm, Mon-Fri. Interview at time of application. Eye Glass Factory 1603 E. 9 MI Rd., Farmdale.

**COOK/DIETARY AIDE**  
Full time experience in long term care preferred, but will train. Apply in person at Whitehall, 43455 W. 10 Mile Rd., Novi 48375 or send resume to the attention of Dietary Manager.

**COUNTER HELP**  
Full & part-time. Call Katie or Jennifer: 248-642-0807.

### 500 Help Wanted General

**CUSTODIAN**  
Sunshine Honda is now hiring part-time custodial services. Competitive pay, benefits available. Apply in person: 1205 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth.

**CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE**  
Large kitchen & bath cabinet wholesaler seeking motivated, hard working, courteous individual. Cabinet knowledge helpful but not required. Will train. Salary & benefits: 401K. Send resume to: C. Davis, P.O. Box 930368, Wixom, MI 48393. Fax: 248-347-8284.

**CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE**  
Earnings to \$10/hr. plus. Join a national company with opportunity for advancement. We are looking for people who are excited about coming to work and can offer quality service & sales advice to our call-in customers, and handle general office duties. We offer a casual work atmosphere, excellent pay, training & benefits. Stanley Steamer International, Inc., 23000 Commerce Dr., Farmington Hills (248-426-9000).

**CUSTOMER SERVICE REPS**  
immediate full & part-time positions for Customer Service Reps in the Novi area. Must have strong communication skills, customer oriented. Strong computer & phone experience would be helpful. Interested individuals apply at our Farmington Hills location at: 3071 Grand River. U-HAUL EOE.

**CUSTOMER SERVICE**  
Nellcor Puritan Bennett, a leading medical gas producer/distributor is seeking a conscientious and reliable person to process and fill medical gas cylinders and to deliver related equipment to hospital distributors. Prefer existing, or must be able to obtain a commercial driver license with Haz Mat and air brakes endorsements and a clean driving record. Require high school graduate or equivalent ability to lift 125 lbs. Prior related experience helpful. We offer a competitive salary and excellent benefit package. If qualified, apply in person for an application form: NELLCOR PURITAN BENNETT, 33326 Glenfield, Livonia, MI 48150.

**CUSTOMER SERVICE NEW OPENINGS THIS WEEK**  
Customer Service - join the staff of major companies part and flex time openings in Livonia and Troy. Great benefits. Experience required \$9.50/hr to start. Benefits. Credit/Collection - growing field with frequent increases for success. For training and experience.

**DELIVERY AGENT - Part-time**  
USA Today has an opportunity for a reliable individual to handle delivery responsibilities in the Northville, Farmington Hills & Detroit areas. Earnings are \$160-\$200/wk. Early morning hours. 4am-9am, Mon-Fri (actual delivery time 2 1/2 hours). Must have reliable vehicle, proof of insurance, current drivers license & good credit history. Call 1-800-778-5266, Ext. 223.

**DELIVERY ASSISTANT**  
needed for full-time position. Apply at: Wayne Oakland Building Supply, 25010 Plymouth Road, Redford.

**DELIVERY SUPERVISOR**  
Crain Communications Inc., a prestigious publishing company, is looking for a Delivery Supervisor. Duties will include managing day-to-day relationships with various alternative delivery vendors, resolving subscriber delivery issues, assisting customer service with subscriber calls and generating various reports. The ideal candidate will have prior supervisory and vendor relations experience, effective verbal and written communication skills and a customer service oriented background. PC proficiency required, specifically Access. Excellent benefits package including profit sharing, pension, bonus and free parking. Please fax/send resume with salary requirements to: Human Resources/JM, 1400 Woodbridge, Detroit, MI 48207-3187. Fax: 313-446-6489.

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**  
Male/Female/Handicapped/Vet No Calls Please. Learn more about us at our website: <http://www.crain.com>

**DIRECT CARE AIDE**  
Group home openings for days, evenings, midnights. Valid driver's license, paid training. Competitive wage & benefits. Call: Patty, 734-762-0338. Frances, 734-663-6337. Tracy, 313-581-3019.

**DIRECT CARE AIDE**  
No experience required. Entry level para-professional opportunity, assisting adult special population. Full and part time. Health & dental included. Flexible schedule. Wages up to \$7.25/hr. Lakerville. 810-798-2517.

**DIRECT CARE AIDE**  
No experience required. Entry level position for assisted living caring person. Assist special population with Rec, Social & Personal skills. Includes personal time, health & dental plan. Afternoon & midnight shifts. 734-926-5220.

**DIRECT CARE & ASSISTANT MANAGER**  
For TBI rehab program. Farmington & Southfield group homes. All shifts. Competitive pay & benefits. Leave message for Erin: 248-615-0488.

**DIRECT CARE**  
Looking for caring, qualified individuals to work full or part time in a S.I.P. program in Rochester Hills. Benefits available to full-time employees after 90 days. For more information call Wendy at: (248) 360-4039.

**Direct Care Positions**  
All shifts & LIVE-IN WEEK-END POSITION in Dearborn area. \$7.50/hr. for DCH trained & experienced staff. 313-945-0044.

**DIRECT CARE positions**  
Full part-time, midnights, afternoons, day-medical coordinator. Paid insurance. \$7.55 trained \$7.80 coordinator. Call Linda: (734) 374-9110.

**DIRECT CARE**  
Staff needed to work in group home in Livonia. Must be trained WCLS or MORC. Afternoons, midnights, 7 days on, 7 days off. Full benefits. Pleasant environment. (734) 953-8553. Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm.

**DOZER OPERATOR**  
Pay based on experience. CDL Class A preferred. (810) 560-9582.

### 500 Help Wanted General

**DIRECT CARE WORKERS**  
wanted for group homes in Canton; Full-time midnights and other shifts available. Up to \$7.25 per hour. Call Dan: (313) 389-1702.

**DIRECT CARE WORKERS**  
Independent Opportunities of Michigan is now hiring in-home trainers to work with developmentally disabled emotionally handicapped children and adults, part and full time. Call: (810) 739-3164.

**DRAFTSPERSON**  
With knowledge of Microstation CAD system for rapidly expanding civil/environmental engineering firm in Livonia. Experience w/civil engineering drawings required. Call Richard Scramstad at: Backer-Scramstad, Inc.: (734) 241-6880.

**DRIVER**  
Auto Dealer is seeking an individual to assist in the service department with customers. Ideal candidate must have a pleasant disposition and be able to work well with others. Contact Service Manager at Jaguar of Troy: (248) 614-3181.

**DRIVER / ERRAND PERSON**  
Needed part-time on Thursday & Friday for Troy based general contractor. Knowledge of metro roadways necessary. Duties vary but include equipment delivery & light warehouse work. Must be dependable, personable and have good driving record. \$8/hour to start. Call Barb: (248) 288-8300.

**DRIVER**  
Growing fuel company needs experienced CDL-B drivers. Good wages & benefits. Call Dayne at (810) 229-6323 EOE.

**DRIVER**  
Light deliveries, 3 days per week. Excellent position for retiree. Company car. Approximately 6 hrs. per day. Minimum wage. Call Lynn: after 10am. 734-427-8300.

**DRIVER**  
Local delivery position for progressive growing distributor. Excellent benefits & competitive wages. Required: CDL-A, DOT physical and drug test, good communication skills and driving record. Please call: 1-800-635-0426, x293 or x292.

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## HOMETOWN CLASSIFIED Employment

### 500 Help Wanted General

**DRIVER NEEDED - CDL Class A**  
A. Wainwright, Full-time, Apply person: Wayne, Oakland Building Supplies, 25018 Plymouth Rd., Redford.  
**DRIVERS**  
Dynamic and expanding H-Tech transportation Co. has excellent opportunity for motivated individuals. This position involves daily pickups and deliveries of our customers' products. You must be able to lift 100 lbs.; have a Class C license, technical aptitude and great customer service skills. Individuals who are interested in long term career growth. We offer a competitive wage and excellent benefit package. Please apply in person or send resume to:  
COMPUTER VISIONS  
13119 Waco Court  
Livonia, MI 48150  
Near 99 & Newburgh

**DRIVERS - Part-time**  
Possible full-time. Retirees welcome. Call between 8:30-4:30pm.  
Mon - Fri. 734-247-7521

**DRIVERS**  
Railroad crew hauling in the Plymouth area. Good supplemental income. Flexible hours. Full and part-time positions available. Must be 23 yrs. old, have valid driver's license, good driving record, clean & neat in appearance. Successful applicants subject to drug screen. \$5.15-\$7/hr. Call 800-471-2440, leave name, area code & phone number.

**DRIVERS/SEMI**  
O.T.R. & Local  
Long and Short haul  
Class A  
Up to 30 per mile, teams  
33  
odometer pay  
benefits  
late model equipment  
refrigerated experience a plus  
Howell-based company  
Owner/Operators welcome  
(800)633-0733

**DRIVERS WANTED**  
CDL A. Overtime available, local, benefits.  
Call: 734-721-0197

**DRIVERS/WAREHOUSE**  
Positions for established glass distributor. We desire self-motivated & service oriented people. Great opportunity for men/women/students/trainees. Full/part-time. All shifts open. Second shift: 4 p.m.-Midnight. Progressive wage package. Benefits. Call for info. Apply in person: SAF-T-Glass, 11950 Globe Rd., Livonia, MI 48150. I-98, 1 blk. E. of Newburgh or SAF-T-Glass, 449 Executive Dr., Troy MI, 1 blk. E. of John R.

**DRIVER WANTED** for dental lab. Must be dependable & have a good driving record. Full time position. Please call John or Ed at (734) 595-7000

**DRIVER/WAREHOUSE**  
Full time. Earn up to \$8.75/hr. benefits. Call for info. Apply in person: SAF-T-Glass, 11950 Globe Rd., Livonia, MI 48150. I-98, 1 blk. E. of Newburgh or SAF-T-Glass, 449 Executive Dr., Troy MI, 1 blk. E. of John R.

**DUMP TRUCK DRIVER** wanted. CDL license with A & T endorsement. Must be experienced. Experience necessary. (248)437-8223

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD** substitutes needed for accredited infant, toddler, & pre-school program. Birmingham area. Experience a must. 248-844-6154

**EDUCATIONAL DISTRIBUTORSHIP**  
WBEP Inc., a Warren Buffett owned company looking for an associate distributor in the Michigan area. This is for both children & adults with special emphasis on multi-media and print working together. Experience working with children, marketing or direct sales helpful. 734-971-5815 or Fax resume to: 734-971-5946

**ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTOR**  
Seeks personnel for Auburn Hills & New facility in MACOMB TWP. Warehouse/Driver Counter Sales - Experienced. Send or fax resume: Royalite Electric, 1000 N. Opdyke Suite E, Auburn Hills, MI 48326-2672. Fax: 248-370-9250

**ELECTRICIAN**  
Journeyman or 4 yrs experience in commercial/residential. 734-753-2252

**ELECTRICIAN / Machine Tool**  
Panel Wire person, field wire person. Experienced full time & trainees. Plymouth area. Call 8a-5p (734) 459-6400

**ELECTRICIAN - Master, Journeyman** & Apprentice with minimum 6000 hrs. Good wage & benefits. Fran (248) 285-3900

**ELECTRICIANS**  
Looking for hardworking, knowledgeable, licensed (Fremont) & Journeyman Electricians for commercial & residential work. Starting wage at \$28/hour with company van, excellent benefit package & matching 401K. Call 248-615-4448 or fax resume: 248-615-4453

**EXPERIENCED INDIVIDUAL** to manage Leasing Office for suburban apartment community. (248) 474-6500

### 500 Help Wanted General

**ELECTRONIC TECH**  
Wixom firm has immediate openings for technician. Previous electronic/electronic experience required. Full benefits. Call: (248) 380-6264. Ext. 640

**ENGINEER**  
Energetic, Active, Assistant needed part-time. Flexible hours, good benefits, excellent work environment. Call: Dave Hausman, 12345 Main St., Farmington Hills, MI 48334. (248)437-2048

**EQUIPMENT OPERATOR**  
Needed for permanent part-time position. Must have a valid CDL, excellent skills in handling a backhoe and a dozer. Excellent opportunity for retired person. Pay commensurate with qualifications and proficiency. Please call George: 734-455-4320

**ESTIMATOR/ADVISOR**  
Art Moran's Body Shop is now hiring a State Certified collision repair estimator. Competitive salary plus benefits. Blue Cross/Blue Shield & 401K benefits. Mon. - Fri. work-week (no weekends). Serious applicants only. Apply in person at: 21375 Telegraph Road in Southfield. 248-685-0991 ext. 228

**FABRICATOR/STRUCTURAL STEEL & LAYOUT PERSON**  
Salary negotiable. Apply at: Smedley Steel, 12401 Inkster Rd., Redford, MI 48239

**FIRE EXTINGUISHER TECHNICIAN**  
Ansul fire equipment sales & service. Pension, profit sharing, BCBS. Troy. 248-585-7650

**FITTER**  
Conveyor fabricator has an excellent opening for an experienced fitter. Must be able to work from blue prints. Good benefits & overtime. Reply to: P.O. Box 27129, Detroit, MI 48227

**FITTER/WELDER**  
for parts feeding company. Must be able to work from prints. Mechanical ability & conveyor experience a plus. Reply to: P.O. Box 18, Benefits. Apply in person: Aurora Manufacturing, 13301 Northland, Oak Park, (Coolidge) & 8 Mile E. of Coolidge

**FORMER CHEERLEADERS**  
needed to teach evening youth program. (248) 620-9357

**FURNITURE WAREHOUSE**  
needs warehouse & delivery people. Full benefits. Wixom area. Call (248) 624-9950

**Gardener/Horticultural Technician**  
experienced landscape help. Established property in Troy in need of care takers. Full time. Call for info. Call for info: 248-643-8663, ext. 107

**Gatehouse Attendant**  
For apt community in Farmington Hills. Part time position. Includes competitive hourly wages. Apply in person at: CITATION CLUB APTS. 13 Mile & Haggerty

**GENERAL LABORER**  
Rapid advancement. Immediate openings available. Send resume or fax possible overtime. Benefits. Starting \$7 to \$10 per hour. Milford Twp. (248)684-0555

**GENERAL LABORERS**  
Full/part time positions available, immediately. Call Novi Fence. (248) 344-9595

**GENERAL LABOR**  
Production workers needed for immediate openings. Heavy lifting required. Competitive pay/benefits. No experience necessary. 777 Northfield Rd. Northville. (248) 448-9200

**GENERAL LABOR**  
To work in our Plymouth manufacturing plant. Send resume or apply in person to: Classic Container, 350 S. Mill Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. No phone calls please.

**GENERAL MERCHANDISE**  
Spartan Stores, Inc. is looking for an individual to provide service to retailers in Metro-Detroit. Duties include product ordering, display, advertising, pricing, shelf replacement and general record-keeping. Retail experience, preferably in the non-food area, is a plus. General knowledge of the supermarket industry. Excellent written and verbal communication skills are required. Selling and organizational skills are a necessity. This position offers a competitive salary, flex benefits and 401k plan. To be considered for this position send your resume in confidence to: Spartan Stores, Inc. Attn: Human Resources GM 2075 Haggerty Road Plymouth, MI 48170

**GENERAL PRODUCTION**  
Mid-size powder detergent manufacturer, located in Wixom, MI, is seeking candidates for the position of General Production. The qualified candidate will possess experience working on a high speed packaging line. The ability to work different shifts is necessary. Starting pay is \$8.00/hr with an increase available after 90 days. We offer a full benefit package, including a 401K and tuition reimbursement program. Applications are being accepted Tuesday, Sept. 8 through Sept. 16, from 9am-4pm. Korex Corp. Human Resources 50000 W. Pontiac Trail Wixom, MI 48393 Fax: (248) 624-8863 An Equal Opportunity Employer

**GROUND & MAINTENANCE**  
person. Seasonal work. Westland. Seasonal work. 734-422-6411

**GROUND PEOPLE**  
Full-time. Experience helpful but not necessary. Apply in person. 17040 Middlebelt (N of 8).

### 500 Help Wanted General

**GRAPHIC DESIGNER**  
Crain Communications Inc., a progressive publishing company, is looking for a Graphic Designer for its in-house creative department. Duties will include creating informational graphics, computer-aided illustrations, page layout/ad-campaigns and custom publishing projects. Graphic Design degree preferred. Macintosh experience utilizing Quark Xpress, Freehand and Photoshop a must. Several years of design experience required. Competitive salary and benefits including profit sharing, bonus and parking. Sendfax your resume & salary guidelines to: Human Resources/BA 1400 Woodward Detroit, MI 48227 Fax: 313-446-8488 Equal Opportunity Employer Male/Female/Handicapped/Vet No calls please Visit our web site: www.crain.com

**HOME & LAP OPERATOR**  
Experienced on precision machined aircraft parts. Full benefits. Hybrid. Midland Garden City. (734) 281-9030

**Courtyard by Marriott NOW HIRING!**  
Servers - Front Desk Clerks - Housekeeping Staff - Please apply in person: 1625 E. Maple (Maple/Stephenson Hwy.) Troy. EOE M/F/H/V

**HOTEL**  
Courtyard by Marriott - Cook - part-time - Front Desk - Night Audit - part-time - Lounge Server - full-time. Must be flexible and able to work weekends. Please apply: 5200 Mercury Dr., Dearborn or call (313) 271-1400. Ask for Human Resources

**HOUSECLEANERS**  
Starting wage \$8.11/hr. 248-669-6120 Union/Lake

**HOUSEKEEPERS**  
For small business. Full & part-time. Good pay. Oakland County area. Leave message: (248) 651-6934

**HOUSEKEEPING DEPT.**  
Applications are now being accepted at Whitetail Health Center, 43455 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, for full time Housekeeper. Day Shift. (248)349-2200

**Housekeeping & Front Desk**  
help needed. Apply in person at: Hotel Baronette, 27790 Novi Rd., Novi.

**HOUSEKEEPING**  
Wanted for large apartment community in Southfield. Full time with benefits. Fax resume to: Anne (248) -357-2351

**HVAC INSTALLERS**  
New construction, experienced. Excellent benefits. Immediate openings, good. (248) 335-4555

**IDEAL FOR RETIREES**  
Hardware sales, full or flexible part time. 24001 Pleasantville, 5135 Ford Rd., Garden City. If you are an experienced self starter with strong sales skills, we have an excellent opportunity for you. Our Baby Boutique in 12 Oaks Mall has an opening for Sales Manager. Fax resume to: (248)347-8625

**INDIVIDUALS NEEDED**  
for closing swimming pools. \$8.50 per hour. Call (248) 288-0080

**INDUSTRIAL SEWING MACHINE OPERATOR**  
Production experience needed for office chair manufacturer. Full/part time, full benefits, profit sharing. (734)722-8000

**INDUSTRIAL SHOP**  
no experience necessary. Will train. 40 hrs. plus. Immediate advancement for right person. Starting \$7.25 - \$10/hour with benefits. (248)488-5255

**INFORMATION BOOTH**  
Oakland Mall, part time Fri. & Sat. evenings. Apply in person only at lower level information booth.

**INSULATION INSTALLERS**  
will train. \$11/hour. Experienced paid by footage rate. Jones Insulation, 22811 Heslop, N. of Novi Rd., N. off 8 Mile Novi (248)348-9880

**CUSTOMER SERVICE**  
at retail insurance agency. Insurance experience preferred. (734) 459-9797

**INSURANCE AGENCY**  
in Rochester Hills needs full-time CSR. P&C license preferred. Call: 248-652-8000, ask for Cindy or fax: 248-674-2600

**INSURANCE INSPECTORS**  
Detroit based inspection company looking for Field Inspectors. Call Mr. Bell, 9-3pm.: (248) 559-8616

**INTERIOR DESIGNER**  
Immediate need for full time designer/space planner, experience in Systems Furniture, CAD experience & health care design a +. Send resumes to: Design Services People 24081 Pleasantville, Farmington Hills, MI 48335.

**INTERNATIONAL COMPANY**  
Seeking individuals with full time help. WORK FROM HOME \$500-\$1,500/Mo. - Part time \$2,000-\$4,000/Mo. - Full time \$2,000-\$4,000/Mo. (248)88-238-5872

**CANTON**  
Immediate opening for full-time janitorial positions. All shifts available for warehouse cleaning. 734-663-7505

**KITCHEN & BATHROOM**  
remodeler. Experienced only. Reliable transportation. Health insurance optional. Also needed helper with some construction knowledge & experience. Call between 8pm-10pm: (734) 326-5242

**KIT PACKAGING SUPERVISOR**  
Seeking individual with high mechanical aptitude, strong problem solving ability, a hands-on type with automated packaging systems conforming to various types of packaging requirements. Excellent working conditions and benefits. We promote a drug-free environment. Substance abuse testing is part of the pre-employment process. EOE. Please submit resume via fax to: (248) 478-6029 e-mail address: dzatkoit@zattkoit.com

**Latex Operator**  
Must have 5 years experience. Apply to: 33100 Capitol, Livonia, MI 48150. 734-427-8550

**LANDSCAPE LABORERS**  
Sprinkler installers needed immediately. (248)348-4484

**Lathe Operator**  
Must have 5 years experience. Apply to: 33100 Capitol, Livonia, MI 48150. 734-427-8550

**LAWN & LANDSCAPE**  
Experience preferred. Full/Part time. (248) 478-8587

### 500 Help Wanted General

**Lawn Care**  
ROUTE DRIVERS/No Experience Necessary. We will train you for a new career in the growing industry of lawn care. You must have a good driving record and be able to pass a pre-employment physical/drug screening. Earning potential \$500+ weekly with excellent benefits including medical, dental and 401K. Apply in person at: TRUGREEN-CENTIMARK 13033 Fairlane Livonia, MI 48151 (734) 535-5277 EOE M/F/H/V

**LAWN CARE Specialist**  
Are you looking for reasonable work schedule and a good working environment? Our growth has opened full time year around lawn fertilization positions. We will pay for experience but are willing to train the right individual. Salary commensurate with position, free medical, dental, optical benefits and 401K. Call Shawn at (248) 478-9393

**LAWN MAINTENANCE**  
Farmington area. Hiring immediately. Experience helpful, but will train. Top pay. 248-882-2416

**LEARN A TRADE**  
Hardwood flooring company needs installers & finishers. Year round work. Competitive pay. Generous benefits. (248)334-8864

**LEARN TO EARN**  
Tuition FREE! - Classes now forming! Tax preparers wanted. Experienced or will train. Call for info. to-date class schedule. Jackson Hewitt Tax Service (800)398-7355

**LEASING AGENT**  
Part-time including weekends for Farmington Hills Apt. complex. Call Mon.-Fri. 9-5pm. 248-851-0111 E.O.E.

**LEASING CONSULTANT**  
Full time leasing consultant needed to move between several properties, call between 9-3, 734-326-8270

**LEASING CONSULTANT**  
Needed for a luxury apartment community in Ann Arbor. We are looking for an enthusiastic and energetic person with strong sales skills for a full-time position. Experience preferred, but not necessary. Please call Lori at (734) 662-0330 or send resume to: Windermere Apartments at 2820 Windwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105

**LEASING CONSULTANT**  
Career minded individual needed to assist in the office of an attractive mid-size apartment community. Work for top property management team. Great salary, benefits. Call 734-782-9591

**LEASING CONSULTANT/MANAGER TRAINER**  
Novi apartment community has immediate, full time career opportunity for an organized, outgoing individual who enjoys working with people. Must have good general office & computer skills. Experience preferred. Superior employment package. 401K, major medical & dental. Also Part Time Position Opening. Call 248-348-0626

**★LEASING★ CONSULTANT**  
Growing property management company seeking to fill full-time leasing position. Plenty of job leads seeking apartments. Successful candidate must be energetic, self-motivated, have the ability to work well with public, prior sales experience and be available for weekend work. We offer competitive salary plus commissions and benefits. Send resume to: P.O. Box 5008, Dearborn, MI 48128

**MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR**  
Experienced maintenance supervisor for mid-size apartment community located in the south suburbs. Property requires your expertise in rehabbing and in all aspects of maintenance, including HVAC. Live on-site or nearby. Competitive salary and benefits including pension. Call: (248) 358-3777 Or Fax (248) 358-3779

**MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT**  
Novi construction Co. seeking individual w/ experience in full maintenance for full time renovation position. Salary plus benefits. Call: (248)478-8435 (248)478-8435

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**MANAGER**  
U-Haul is now hiring hardworking career minded individuals into entry level Management positions. Some experience in retail sales or dealing directly with the public preferred. Salary, Bonus & Michigan Ave., Inkster. (Rear of Building) No Phone Calls Please! U-HAUL E.O.E.

**MANAGER**  
China and Gifts is looking for a shipping dept. supervisor. Responsibilities include: overseeing the pulling, wrapping & shipping of merchandise for 12 retail stores, and national catalog. Must be motivated, self starting, and able to work well with employees. \$10/hr., plus 401K, life, and health benefits. Send resume or call: 247-7090 Heslop Dr. Novi, MI 48375 (248) 348-7050 Attn: Kathy

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**NEED EXTRA MONEY!**  
Part time helping Maintenance Manager in apt complex. 20 hr w/ \$7.50/hr. EOE. 732-22-5558

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**MACHINISTS**  
Our company has excellent opportunity for experienced persons: • CNC MILL PROGRAMMER • BRIDGEPORT OPERATOR We offer excellent benefits, apply at: 248-950-7620 or fax 248-950-8018

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Mid-size apartment community needs experienced maintenance and landscaping skills. Live on-site or nearby. Competitive salary and benefits including pension. CALL: (248) 358-3777 Or Fax: (248) 358-3779

**MAINTENANCE**  
For general maintenance and landscaping at mid-size apartment community in Southfield. Full-time, dependable, person. Call: 248-358-3779 Or fax 248-358-3779

**MAINTENANCE**  
Full-time and Part-time \$13/Hr. (Midnights) Detroit area national chain now accepting applications for qualified building maintenance personnel. Must have experience in general building maintenance and repairs. Experience with HVAC and pool maintenance helpful. If you are qualified: Send resume to: Vice President, Fitness USA SUPERCENTERS, 7081 Orchard Lake Rd., #300, W. Bloomfield MI, 48322 or call (248) 737-7977 for a phone interview.

**Maintenance/Grounds**  
Wanted for large apartment community in Southfield. Full time, excellent benefits. Fax resume to: Anne 248-357-2351

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Novi apt community seeking full-time individual. Excellent benefits and competitive wages. Call (248) 349-6512

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Experienced person needed full or part time for Plymouth apt. complex. Flexible competitive package. Call 734-455-6570

**MAINTENANCE PERSON**  
Person experienced in apartment maintenance. Own tools & transportation. Salary plus apartment. Polo Club Apts. (248) 478-6800

**MAINTENANCE PERSON**  
Needed full time for apt. complex in South Lyon. Experience preferred. Competitive wage, & great benefits. Please call: (248) 437-1223

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Full time. Good wages & benefits. Willing to train. Call (248)344-9770

**MAINTENANCE PERSON**  
Full-time for Bloomfield Hills Apt. complex. Experienced electrical/plumbing/heating & cooling. Call Mon.-Fri. 9-5pm. 248-645-0026

**MAINTENANCE PERSON**  
\$8 hr. needed immediately. For management company (248) 888-8400

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For general maintenance at mid-size apartment community in Westland. Full time, dependable person. CALL - 734-782-9591

**MAINTENANCE & REPAIR**  
Full time for motor vehicle. Wages commensurate with experience & ability. Apply in person 9-4pm, Mon. - Fri. 22600 Middlebelt Rd., N. of 9 Mile

**MAINTENANCE**  
Skilled in welding, pipe fitting, pumps & motors. Fax resume to: 313-382-9784 or mail to: P. O. Box 5008, Dearborn, MI 48128

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Property Management company seeking highly motivated individual to manage apartment community in downtown Novi. Successful candidates must have the ability to work with the public and a minimum of 2 years on-site property management experience. Position offers competitive salary and benefits plus the opportunity to work with a growing and successful company. Call Marilyn at 248-865-1600 or FAX resume: 248-865-1630

**MANUFACTURING**  
3rd Shift Production Position for an international copy shop. Position located in Macomb & Oakland Counties. Full benefits, 401K plan & opportunity for advancement. Please send or fax resume to: Regional Recruiter (248) 376-8515. Interchange P. Farmington Hills, MI 48335 Fax: 248-868-0819

**MARKETING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE**  
Responsible for a major Tier-One auto-related account. Coordinates and executes corporate marketing and communications plan. Works with top level executives in client's corporate office. Coordinates client's in-house communications and marketing including newsletters, meetings, exhibits, brochures, and events. Good writing and presentation skills are required. Two years Advertising or Public Relations Agency experience is a must. Excellent opportunity to expand growth potential and fringe benefits. If you have excellent people skills, send your resume to: Box #1265 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

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As a Marketing Assistant for Interim Personnel you would be responsible for maintaining and growth of clerical & light industrial accounts that use temporary & full-time staffing in the Taylor/Romulus area. You must be persistent, a team player, have the ability to develop professional relationships with key decision makers, excellent problem solving skills & strong follow up. We offer an attractive compensation package, car allowance, BCBS ins., 2 wks. paid vacation & much more. If you are looking for a career with advancement opportunities, send resume & salary request to: Box #1265 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

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# Employment

### 500 Help Wanted General

#### RETAIL DEPARTMENT STORES

**MANAGER TRAINEE**  
Immediate opening. Expanding retail chain seeks highly motivated & aggressive individuals for positions in the Detroit metro area. Responsibilities include supervising staff of 35, managing customer satisfaction, increasing sales. Excellent starting salary & unlimited earning potential. Guaranteed quick advancement for those who produce. Previous supervisory experience plus, but not required, will train. This is considered a 5 day work schedule. Apply in person Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm at: 9531 Manufacturers Drive, Westland, (Newburgh/Cherry Hill area).

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**RV TRAILER** Michigan's General Trailer Inc. is looking for experienced RV Technicians. Excellent pay, good benefits and a great work environment. Send resume or apply in person at General Trailer, 48500 12 Mile Rd., Wixom, MI 48393.

**SCREW MACHINE OPERATOR/SET UP**  
Acme Gridley's  
New shop, full time, days.  
With benefits.  
Call (734) 591-1800

**SEAMSTRESSES**  
GOOD wages, expenses paid. Travel to help open new casino, hotel in Las Vegas.  
(740) 560-5320

#### SECURITY OFFICERS

Guardmark Inc., the Nations 5th largest private security company is seeking Security Officers for their new Farmington Hills location. Positions in Livonia, Brighton and Howell.  
Benefits include:  
• \$7.50 Starting Wages  
• Free Blue Cross Medical  
• Free Life Insurance  
• 401(K) Company Matching  
• Tuition Assistance  
• Free Uniforms  
Qualifications:  
• NO Criminal History  
• High School Grad/GED  
• Pre-Employment Drug Testing  
Call: 1-800-763-6790 in order to set up positions available.  
Guardmark Inc.  
34005 W. 12 Mile, Suite 155  
Farmington Hills, MI 48331

#### SERVICE TECHNICIANS

WE OFFER: Complete training, excellent benefits including Profit, Sharing, Health, Dental, Life Insurance.  
• Apply in person or send resume to: Bernard Thomas  
800-332-6782  
39810 Grand River, Ste 180  
Novi, Michigan 48375

#### SHAMPOO ASSISTANT

Licensed, Tues-Sat, 9am-5pm. Retired hairstylist or recent graduate. \$8 an hour. Call Ruth.  
(734) 420-3540

#### SHEET METAL MECHANIC

Retired metal work. Company truck, excellent pay & benefits. Send resume to:  
PO Box 65, Milford, MI 48361

#### SHIPPING CLERK

Manufacturing business in Wixom. Full-time help. No experience necessary, will train. Benefits. Call, Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm, ask for Linda: (248) 346-7670

#### SHIPPING/RECEIVING

NORTHWEST suburban shipping clerk seeks a full-time shipping clerk. Hours are 10:00 AM to 6:30 PM, Monday-Friday. Accuracy, neatness & dependability a must. Good working conditions and benefits. Send resume to:  
Shipping/Receiving  
Zalkoff, Seals & Packings  
P.O. Box 488  
Farmington, MI 48332-0488  
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EOE.

#### SIDING CREWS

Wanted for new construction. Steady work, competitive pay. Call: (248) 663-0969

#### SPLITTER OPERATOR

Wanted for steel processing warehouse. 810-496-3800

#### TEACHER ASSISTANT

JVS has a full time opening in our Southfield office for a Behavior Specialist. This person will observe and assess participants, write behavior plans, conduct staff training & other related responsibilities. A bachelor's degree in psych, soc. work, or related is required. MI Social Work certification or Professional Counselor licensing is required. 3 yrs. related work experience with individuals with multiple impairments required. Experience with Gentle Training, behavior modifications, and staff training is preferred. Send resume w/salary requirements to: HR-50/E, 428 W. Fort, 5th Fl., Detroit, MI 48226  
Call: 313-962-6360. EOE

#### SOUTH LYON microfilm company

Need full time help, Mon-Fri, 7am-3:30pm (248) 437-7677

#### SPANISH TEACHER

Established Montessori school seeks Spanish teacher.  
Call Sue: (248) 338-1166

### 500 Help Wanted General

#### CLINICAL CASE MANAGERS

Major managed care organization has several openings for qualified full-time, evening and weekend Clinical Case Managers. Qualified candidates must have a master's degree in social work, psychology, or a bachelor degree in nursing and hold a valid Michigan clinical license. Must have at least three years (five years for non-masters) post-graduate experience in managed care or hospital based treatment experience required. Candidates should also be familiar with a broad base of treatment techniques, medications, and discharge planning. Excellent salary & benefits package. Send resume with cover letter to:  
ValueOptions, 500 Human Resources Dept., One Town Square, #200 Southfield, MI 48076  
EEO/M/F/V/D

#### STAFF

to care for male residents, full time, split shift, Sat & Sun, Midnight-8am, Mon & Wed, 10am-6pm, plus 1 floating & 1 ASAP unit, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. Call: (313) 635-5700

#### STAGE MANAGEMENT INTERN

Meadow Brook Theatre, located on the campus of Oakland University, is looking for a Stage Management intern for the 1998-1999 season. Must be organized, friendly and adaptable to new situations. Long hours are not uncommon. Dates: ASAP until May 16, 1999. Send resume and housing portfolio. Call: Rochan at 248-370-3306 or FAX at 248-370-3108. Meadow Brook Theatre is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer. We are interested in receiving applications from a broad spectrum of people.

#### STOCK PERSON

Full-time position. Prime location. Good working conditions. Experience preferred, but will train. Send resume to:  
SPOUSE ELECTRICAL  
1000 W. 12 Mile, Suite 155  
Farmington Hills, MI 48331  
(734) 424-2211

#### STOCK & DISPLAY

Experience preferred. Excellent starting wage. Full & part time positions available. Full time benefits include medical, dental and vacation. Apply in person:  
JOE'S PRODUCE  
33152 W. 7 Mile, Livonia  
(734) 424-2211

#### STOCK PERSON/DRIVER

needed for floral wholesaler. Days. Contact Jimmy at:  
(248) 689-0001

#### STRUCTURAL STEEL FABRICATOR

with welding certificate. Call (734) 281-0130 between 8 & 10am; or send resume to: 12729 Stark Rd., Livonia, MI 48150.

#### Supplement Your Income

\$10-\$12/hour  
Part-time weekends. National Bridal Show company needs Assistant for weekend shows. Must be personable, dependable, and outgoing. Need own car. Travel expenses paid. 734-422-8222

#### SWEEPSTER/UTILITY PERSON, H/O DRIVER

Full-time. Apply to:  
13050 Inkster Rd., Redford.  
(734) 591-1111

#### Teacher Assistants

Full & part-time for preschool in West. Experience helpful. (248) 932-2555

#### TEACHER ASSISTANT

MI experience necessary for Ant. Arbor Montessori school. ages 2 1/2 - 6 yrs. Part & full time positions available. (734) 663-8050

#### TEACHER ASSISTANTS

Needed for Southfield preschool - Mon-Fri, 7am-1pm & 1pm-5pm. Experience helpful. 248-557-1740

#### TEACHER

Certified elementary/middle school. Part-time/Private school. Southfield. 248-557-3550 / 248-648-1090

#### TEACHER/DIRECTOR

Sylvan Learning Center in West Bloomfield. Reading and math. Certified. Business experience. Fax: 248-373-9220

#### TEACHER

for local child development center. Early childhood background and experience necessary. (248) 646-0416

#### TEACHER/INSTRUCTORS

in area of medical office assisting & accounting. Please resume to: South Lyon Adult Education, 1000 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178 or call 248-437-2031 ext. 110

#### TEACHER, NOV. preschool

Great working conditions, excellent pay. (248) 471-2333

#### TEACHER'S ASSISTANT

In two school classroom located in Rochester Hills. Part time. Experience w/children required. 248-375-1700

#### TEAM MEMBERS

wanted after noon, midnights, weekends. Competitive wages. Benefits. Apply at: Target, 30007 Plymouth Rd., Livonia

#### TELEPHONE INTERVIEWERS

Must be professional. Market research or telemarketing experience desirable. Must be a good reader, articulate, up beat, reliable & available to work evenings in pleasant Southfield office. Call Phyllis: (248) 358-9822

#### TEMPORARY POSITIONS

Earn Money For The Holidays! Temp positions available approx. 16 to 20 weeks for general help. We will train. Flexible work schedules. Casual dress code. Starting pay \$7.50 per hour. 40 hrs. week. Send resume to: 27421 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mich. 48150

### 500 Help Wanted General

#### TODDLER ASSISTANT

Energetic person needed to assist in toddler room. Experience preferred, but will train. Call Sue at: (248) 338-1166

#### TRAVEL AGENT

W. Bloomfield area. PARS experience preferred. 248-951-5479

#### Travel

Reservation Agent. Looking for enthusiastic person to perform service oriented. Telephone Reservationist. TRAINING PROVIDED. Travel Sales background and familiarity with a keyboard a plus but not required. Apply in person Mon-Fri 10am-4pm  
HMH-TRAVEL CORP.  
20566 Northwestern Hwy. Southfield, MI

#### TREE CLIMBER

Must have experience. Starting pay \$12.00/hr. 16 hrs. week. Clean. (248) 474-8234

#### TRUCK DRIVER

Experienced with CDL. 24 hrs. w/ large commercial landscaping construction company. Please call 248-452-9292, ask for our Human Resources Dept.

#### TRUCK DRIVER

To pick up and deliver top & die work with our 4 ton pickup from our new facility in Canton. Paid health care, 401(K), vacation & holidays. Need chauffeur's license. Call Dynamic Metal Treating: (734) 458-8022

#### VINYL SIDERS/GENERAL LABORER

Please call: (734) 497-0457 or (313) 376-6189

#### VISUAL MERCHANDISER ART VAN/FURNITURE

The candidate should have working knowledge in visual merchandising of furniture and home furnishings. Immediate full time position available. Full benefits package plus company profit sharing. Please apply in person at our Novi location: 27775 Novi Rd., 43rd St. Novi, MI 48240  
Mr. Donovan

#### Warehouse

Full-time warehouse position available at our Novi Showroom. Interested in self-starter. Dependable person to work 40 hrs. per week. This position includes full benefits after 90 days. 248-349-0044, ask for Rob or Brian

#### WAREHOUSE

Accepting applications for this blue jean job in our clean modern warehouse. Permanent position. Full benefits. 40 hrs. per week. Lifting required. Steady work. Mon. thru Fri. 1pm to 6pm. College students welcome. Some flexibility in hours. Experience helpful but not necessary. \$7 an hour to start for qualified individuals. Progressive wage increases. Apply in person Mon. thru Fri. 10am-4pm.  
Frank W. Kern  
43155 W. Nine Mile  
Novi, MI

#### WAREHOUSE ASSISTANT

For insulation company. Full time. Maintenance & stock duties. HI to experience preferred. Call (248) 668-0880

#### Warehouse & Delivery

Must have good driving record and pass drug screen. (734) 591-1111

#### WAREHOUSE HELP WANTED

Shipping/Receiving Dept. Novi. \$8.00 hour. Call Kathy or Jeff at: (248) 346-7050

#### WAREHOUSE

Large wholesale distributor needs persons with experience in a distribution environment. Must be good at receiving, handling and shipping/receiving procedures. Immediate full time positions in our clean modern facility. Starting wage to \$9 for qualified person. Excellent wage increase and advancement opportunities. Full benefits package. Send letter of interest or resume to: Personnel Manager  
P.O. Box 9020  
Livonia, MI 48150  
or FAX to 248-374-6055

#### WAREHOUSE MANAGER

For Norwood, a building supply wholesaler, selling vinyl siding, roofing, gutters, etc. for retail industry. Please call Diane at 248-360-8400

#### TECHNICAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Fast growing internet provider seeking qualified tech support specialist. Must have 1+ years experience. Call: (517) 545-2853

#### Welder/Fitter

Excellent opportunity for advancement w/benefits package. New Hudson, Cal.  
(248) 377-1122 ext. 33

#### Wintor Swan Associates

New Ownership Now Seeking experienced Baker Perkins Pressman. Immediate position available. 1-800-628-3589

#### Wire EDM Machinist

Must have computer programming experience. Benefits. Day. Overtime. EOE/DFW Industries, 12225 East Rd., Livonia: (734) 426-7104

#### WRITER

Full-time entry level position with trade magazine. Proven writing ability. Some advertising experience preferred. Send resume to: D & F, PO Box 44 W. Brighton, MI 48116

### 500 Help Wanted General

#### WOODWORKING

Wood shop manufacturer and designer looking for full-time employee to assist in assembly, sanding, staining, and distribution. Will train. Good wages & benefits. Contact Steve at: (734) 414-7100

#### Computer/Info Systems

#### COMPUTER PART-TIME

Want to enter the workforce after some time off? Need flexibility in your work day for family obligations? Precious client in the education field needs part-time help to provide training and support to students with the following skills:  
• Strong Powerpoint skills  
• Strong communication skills  
• Strong organizational skills  
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Pay to \$14.50 per hour. ASSIGNMENT WILL START IMMEDIATELY and last through December 1999. Interested candidates should fax resumes to: 124-322-4518  
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2699 Oakwood Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48048  
248-362-2475  
small  
John Boscardin@adcock.com

#### CUSTOMER SERVICE/INSTALLATION SPECIALIST

growing computer software company has an entry level position available as customer support specialist. The successful candidate should possess excellent communication skills & interpersonal experience. Associates degree is a plus. Training will be provided for the successful candidate. Out-of-state travel is required. Comprehensive benefits package. Starting salary commensurate with experience. Fax resume to:  
TWS Systems, Inc.  
26105 Buckingham, Suite 6  
Livonia, MI 48150  
Attn: Karen Barnes  
Fax: 734-421-6388

#### PC Technician/ System Administrator

Responsibilities include troubleshooting PC hardware, network & daily end user problems. Software installation and training of users. Also may do some system documentation. System administration for operating systems: Novell, NetWare, 4.11, UNIX, Windows 95 & NT a plus. Please send resume to:  
Observer & Eccentric News  
36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150

#### PROGRAMMER / ANALYST

Medical software firm is seeking experienced hands-on person with excellent Cobol, LAN, WAN, Windows 95 hardware & network skills. Salary open. Fax resume to:  
248-258-9846

#### PROGRAMMER

\$35-\$65K salary. Visual C++ programming. 2-5 years experience with working knowledge of MFC, ODBC, Oracle, SQL Server and Access. Send resume to:  
Phonetic Data Systems, Inc.  
24293 Telegraph Road  
Livonia, MI 48150

#### SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Leading tech management firm requires experienced Windows developer. Candidates will have a bachelor's degree, 1-2 years experience with Visual C++ relational database, ODBC, ODBC. Excellent benefits including profit sharing. Send resumes to:  
Development Manager  
36241 Stephenson Hwy.  
Madison Heights, MI 48071

#### TECHNICAL SUPPORT SPECIALIST

For global electronics distributor. PC experience necessary. Send resume to: Attn: Sales Manager, 44099 Plymouth Oaks Blvd., #102, Plymouth, MI 48170

### 502 Help Wanted Office Clerical

#### ACCOUNTING CLERK FULL OR PART-TIME

Novi company needs a detail oriented person with an accounting background or bookkeeping experience. Primary duty will include recording, general ledger, accounts receivable, accounts payable, etc. Excellent fringe benefits. EOE.  
Call Judy at: (248) 478-9700 or fax your resume to Judy at 248-478-1570

#### ACCOUNTING POSITION

Account Reconciliations. Journal entries. Thrift financial. Excel skills needed. Southfield office. Submit resumes to: MSI, attention: "Koski", 4000 Town Center, Suite #2000, Southfield, MI 48076

#### ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE WITH HUD EXPERIENCE

Southfield management office. Full benefits. Send resume & salary requirements to: Box #1256  
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#### ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/INVENTORY MANAGEMENT

Immediate temp to hire opening with expanding company in Farmington, Taylor, and Auburn Hills. These positions offer opportunity for promotion and growth. Call Deborah Birmingham: 248-646-7863  
Clinton Twp.: 810-226-0843  
Farmington: 248-473-2933  
Advantage Staffing

#### ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts Payable person needed for busy Tier 1 supplier. Responsible for ensuring all payables coded, documented, and entered into the system. Must have at least 1-2 years accounting experience and knowledge of Word and Excel a must. Please send resume to:  
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Novi, MI 48375  
Fax: 248-374-9100

#### ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/PAYROLL SPECIALIST

Must have at least 3 years experience with computerized accounts payable and payroll. Strong spreadsheet experience required. Must be well organized and enjoy working in a fast paced environment.  
Resumes only to:  
Sheryl Stoddard  
Jewish Family Service  
24243 Greenfield Rd.  
Southfield, MI 48075  
or fax (248) 559-9858  
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#### Accounts Payable Clerk

Full-time entry level position available for individual with basic understanding of the accounts payable process and its relationship to related internal controls. Proficient computer (MS Word, Excel) skills and previous accounts payable experience required. Qualified candidates can fax resume or apply in Human Resources:  
St. Mary Hospital Human Resources  
36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150  
Fax: (734) 655-3854  
EOE

#### Administrative Assistant/RECEPTIONIST

Do you like to stay busy and be involved in multi-tasking? Then we have the position for you! Front desk, professional attitude, computer friendly great salary & benefits. Mail resume to: 8832 Telegraph #154, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

To real estate broker. Part time, flexible hours. Computer skills, processing check writing skills required. Eight Mile & 1275 area. Fax resume to:  
Ron Ochata 248-347-1169

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Part time office help needed in small Farmington Hills office. Max experience, 25 hours per week. (248) 615-1770

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

For global electronics distributor. PC experience necessary. Send resume to: Attn: Sales Manager, 44099 Plymouth Oaks Blvd., #102, Plymouth, MI 48170

### 502 Help Wanted Office Clerical

#### Administrative Assistant

Farmington Hills. Bank owned finance company w/ well class benefits. \$24,000 - \$26,000.  
Call: 248-932-0704 or Fax: 248-932-4143

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTING

Livonia headquarters has an opportunity to assist Corporate Controller with varied administrative functions. Company will train on the customer accounting system. Some light accounting skills and Lotus & plus. Top benefits.  
Diversified Recruiters  
248-344-6700 fax 248-344-6704  
Call For Other Openings

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

New opportunity! Immediate openings in the executive offices of International auto supplier. Job divisions include: Detroit and Farmington. Parking support for Detroit positions. Openings include long-term or part time. Call Sara today.  
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Livonia: 248-473-2933  
Birmingham: 248-646-7863  
Advantage Staffing

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Shipping & receiving department of large wholesaler looking for organized individual with Microsoft Word & Excel experience. Benefits include 401k plan, dental, vision, life insurance, and performance review. Located near I-75 & Division X-way. Fax resume to: Mr. Mavis  
Mr. Mavis: General Vitec and Liquor Co. 373 Victor, Highland Park, MI 48020

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Employee Benefit Administrators seek suitable candidate for full-time position. Reporting to Company President. Work duties related to liaison with clients, preparation of correspondence and documents, coordinate calendar, and expedite client requests. Processing skills and shorthand/speedwriting desired. Proposed work schedule Mon-Fri, 8:30am-5pm with competitive salary & excellent benefits. Send resume & salary requirements to: Administrative Assistant, PO Box 3039, Birmingham, MI 48012

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Dictation & plus. Good communication skills. Microsoft office experience. Organized.  
Fax resume 248-641-3218

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Novi office offers full-time position for detailed, dependable, self-starter. Duties include: customer service, PC, billings & A/R. Salary to \$24K w/benefits. Resume required at interview. Call Mr. Green 248-349-4505

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Wixom general contractor seeks full time professional for front office. Proficient in MS Word & Windows 97. Professional attitude. Duties include: customer service, PC, billings & A/R. Salary to \$24K w/benefits. Resume required at interview. Call Mr. Green 248-349-4505

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

JVS is seeking a full time Administrative Secretary to work at our Southfield office. Position responsibilities include: processing reports, transcribing dictation, correspondence preparation, & file maintenance and organization. Qualified applicants will type 60 wpm accurately, have shorthand experience, have 3 yrs. related experience at executive level, and have good working knowledge of MS Word. Also experience w/MS Access & Excel preferred. If interested, send resume to HR-50/E, 455 W. Fort, 5th Fl., Detroit, MI 48226 or Fax: 313-962-6360. EOE

#### ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR

Fast paced and growing public relations firm. Seeking an organized and outgoing person to play an integral role in facilitating general office tasks. Duties are answering phones, bookkeeping, data base entry, and other office duties. Resumes only to: John Bailey & Associates, 5750 New King St., Suite 275, Troy MI 48068 or Fax 248-641-1478

#### ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

Long term positions to help build your career. Openings in either Detroit or suburbs with major marketing services organization. Advancement, long term and temp to perm. Call Sandra Birmingham: 248-646-7662  
East Side: 810-226-9841  
Livonia: 248-473-2931  
Advantage Staffing

### 502 Help Wanted Office Clerical

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Crain Communications Inc. seeks a self-starter, highly organized individual to provide support in a fast-paced, deadline-driven environment. Responsibilities include departmental phone coverage, creating/maintaining complex Excel spreadsheets and filing systems, preparing presentations, coordinating travel arrangements and general correspondence. Must have several years of related experience and be proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint.  
Excellent fringe benefits including on-site parking, bonus and profit sharing. If you are up for the challenge, send your resume and salary guidelines to:  
Human Resources/Attn: KP  
1400 Woodbridge  
Livonia, MI 48150  
Fax: 313-434-8468  
Equal Opportunity Employer  
Male/Female/Handicapped/Vet  
No Calls Please  
Visit our web site at:  
www.crain.com

#### ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION

Beacon Hill Showrooms is seeking an organized & enthusiastic individual for a full time Office Administrative position in their Michigan Design Center showroom. Individual must possess basic computer skills and good communication skills. Customer service experience a plus. A competitive salary & benefit package commensurate with position. If interested & qualified please forward a resume in confidence to:  
Beacon Hill Showrooms  
1700 Stutz Dr. #13  
Troy, MI 48068  
Fax: 248-643-8424  
An Equal Opportunity Employer

#### Administrative Position

For fast-paced Catering office. Must possess excellent typing skills and be computer literate. Organized and detail oriented. Growing company with family atmosphere offers paid vacation, health, dental and 401(K). Fax resume to:  
248-646-0379  
Attn: Gina

#### ASSISTANT CLERICAL

Must possess excellent typing, computer, & telephone skills. Attention to detail a must. Salary based on experience.  
Fax resume to: 248-628-3499  
Or call: 248-628-3599

#### ASSISTANT TO BROKER

Immediate opening for a full-time assistant to busy real estate broker in downtown Farmington. Must be extremely well organized, a good communicator - both written and verbal, experienced with computers and have a positive attitude. Please call Charlene: (248) 478-8000

#### AUTO BILLER

Chrysler accounting, experience preferred. Good benefits. Tama Dodge, Southfield, Contact Cathie: (248) 223-5555

#### AUTO DEALER IN NEED OF GENERAL PERSONNEL

accounting duties, Reynolds & Reynolds computer experience a plus. Full time position. Contact Sue Thompson at 800 Jeannette Pontiac-GMC Truck: (734) 483-2500

#### BILLING CLERK

Plymouth area, full time with benefits. Must have data entry experience. 50wpm, available immediately starting at \$8.50/hr. Please send resume to: P.O. Box 700204, Plymouth, MI 48170

#### BOOKKEEPER

Must know MAS 90 or equivalent. 2 years experience required. Excellent hours & benefits. Please send resume & salary requirements to: Temple Church, 3699 Walnut Lake Rd., W. Bloomfield, MI 48323. Fax: 248-737-8882

#### BOOKKEEPER - Part-time

for office. Knowledge of QuickBooks & timeslips necessary. Send resume to: Attn: Angela, 1750 S. Telegraph Rd., Suite 301, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 or fax to: (248) 253-1142

#### CHURCH OFFICE ASSISTANT

8-10hrs/wk. Schedules building person wanted for newsletter. Proficient w/wordstar publishing programs. (248) 628-7906

### 502 Help Wanted Office Clerical

#### BOOKKEEPER / PAYROLL

Company in Oakland County seeking Bookkeeper for entries thru financial statements including processing of bi-weekly payroll & tax payments. Experience required. Fax resume & salary requirements to: (248) 548-0028

#### BOOKKEEPER

Responsible for all aspects of accounting in an office. 25-35 hrs/wk. Mon-Fri, 9-5. Needs 3+ years experience. Prefer knowledge of DAC & Lotus 1-2-3. Livonia. Call: (734) 525-4858

#### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Permanent Positions: RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY (248) 500-1500  
ADMINISTRATIVE WORD PROCESSOR (\$24,000)  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT Word/Excel/Powerpoint Reports to V.P. (\$27,000)  
SOFTWARE TRAINER (\$30,000)  
All positions include benefits. Permanent Staff

#### TROY

248-585-2720 Fax 248-585-2725  
FARMINGTON HILLS  
248-737-5750 Fax 248-737-5878

#### CLERICAL ASSISTANT

Part-time, \$7.50/hr. based on experience. Filing, processing orders, database entry.  
Send resume to:  
Engineering Dept., PO Box 376, Farmington Hills, MI 48332-0376  
Fax: (248) 744-9518  
or call: (248) 744-8200 for appointment.

#### Clerical Assistant

Weight Watchers Headquarters in Farmington Hills seeks a part-time Clerical Assistant. Monday-Friday, 2:30-5:30 hrs. MS Word proficient, fax, filing, copying, excellent phone mannerisms, professional demeanor, must be flexible, excellent working environment. Please fax resume and salary requirements to:  
(248) 324-1502  
or send to:  
CAPT/OE, P.O. Box 9072, Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9072, EOE

#### CLERICAL

Home health agency in Canton looking for full-time person who has computer, excellent typing, phone skills, filing experience. UHHS is an equal opportunity employer. Fax resume to:  
(734) 981-8828 or mail to:  
United Home Health  
2200 Canton Center  
Canton, MI 48187  
Attn: Barbara

#### CLERICAL PERSONNEL NEEDED

• Executive Secretaries  
• Advanced Word Processors  
• Administrative Assistants  
• Data Entry Operators  
• Office Assistants  
Positions available in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw Counties.  
TOP PAY - CALL TODAY  
Corporate Personnel Services, Inc.  
ROCHESTER  
(248) 879-1770  
Fax (248) 879-1767  
WESTLAND  
(734) 722-7890  
Fax: (734) 722-8132

#### CLERICAL/RECEPTIONIST

Full or Part-time position available. Responsibilities include: customer service, phone work & order processing.  
Call: (734) 542-3901 or Fax Resume: (734) 542-3905

#### CLERICAL/SECRETARIAL POSITION

open at West Bloomfield Real Estate office, full-time employee needed with good computer skills, knowledge of Windows 95, Microsoft Office. Other duties include typing, answering phone calls and some filing. Call Jennifer at (248) 628-8000 ext. 202 to set up a personal interview.

#### CLERICAL

Seeking File Clerks and Receptionist in Auburn Hills and Troy area. Starting wage \$8/hr. Temp to full time positions.  
Call Express Personnel Today for Interview 248-373-0080 EOE

#### CUSTOMER SERVICE REP

needed for Farmington Hills insurance office. Call 248-478-0030 for more information.

#### CUSTOMER SERVICE

person wanted for sales dept. Excellent phone voice. Full time w/benefits. Fax resume to:  
734-458-4158

#### CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

needed in a growing insurance agency. 4 days a week, 9am-5pm. Call: (248) 940-1150 or fax: (248) 348-1152

#### DATA ENTRY CLERK

Part time data entry clerk wanted. 5 hrs per week. In am. Bloomfield Hills area. Data entry experience a plus. Call Sherry at: (248) 642-8840 ext. 121

#### DATA ENTRY

Full-time position, available in fast paced environment. Experienced preferred. Familiarity with medical bills helpful. Competitive wages and benefits. Fax or mail resumes to:  
Review WorkethPlans  
400 Galleria Office, #101  
Southfield, MI 48034  
Fax (248) 354-0207

#### LEGAL SECRETARY

in growing fast-paced Bloomfield Hills firm. 1-2 yrs. experience required. Must have computer/Windows (WP) knowledge. Salary commensurate with experience. Benefits. Contact Tamara: 248-647-4440 or fax to: 248-647-4727

#### LEGAL SECRETARY

Legal secretary wanted for Bloomfield Hills Medical Malpractice defense firm. Must be an experienced legal secretary with scheduling, dictation control, WordPerfect and litigation experience and understand the Discovery process. Send resume to: Donna Foster, 3883 Telegraph Road, Suite 103, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302. No phone calls please.

#### LEGAL SECRETARY

for Troy law firm. Strong litigation experience required for one Detroit litigation firm. Top-scale salary plus benefits assuming adequate qualifications & experience. Fax resume to Amy: (248) 647-4138

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**LEGAL SECRETARY**  
Southfield, P.I. firm seeks organized, detail oriented, experienced secretary for Probate Department. Probable experience helpful. Great salary and benefits.  
Call: 248-351-4032

LITIGATION SECRETARY/ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

for Health Law Firm of 8 attorneys in Bloomfield Hills, Woodward, just S. of Big Beaver Rd., easy parking, 2 minutes to downtown Birmingham; professional atmosphere. At least 2 yrs legal secretarial experience; knowledge of Wordperfect 6.1, Mail merge to Office Manager, Cook, Goetz, Rogers & Luky, P.O. 38700 Woodward Ave., Ste. 101, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-0929/fax 248-642-1676.

MATERIAL COORDINATOR

Needed for Tier 1 supplier. Responsibilities include maintaining files on customer requirements and shipping accumulation. Monitors warehouse inventory levels and electronic/manual customer releases. Requires high school diploma and excellent typing skills. Must have excellent communication and math skills. PC computer experience required. Please send resume to:  
Box #1129  
Observer & Eccentric  
36251 Schoolcraft Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48150.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Full time position available for large suburban congregation. Position includes serving as the Pastor's secretary, publishing bulletins, and overall coordination of the church office administration work. Contact Pastor Ben Bohnsack, Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 26887 W. 11 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48338. (248) 476-8680

Office Assistant/Secretary

Full time office help needed for busy snack food plant in Brighton. Good phone and computer skills necessary. General office duties. We seek a very dependable, organized person who takes their work seriously. Excellent pay and benefits for right person. Fax resume with salary requirements to: (248) 486-9135

Office Assistant Part-Time

Working 30 hours per week in our Troy office you will perform routine office support functions including typing, filing, answering phone and preparing reports. To qualify, applicants must have 1 year of office work experience and excellent communication skills. Working knowledge of standard office equipment helpful. Salary: \$9.20 per hour. Please mail or fax resume to:  
Liberty Mutual Group  
Attn: Heidi Fricks  
34119 West 12 Mile Rd.  
Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, MI 48331  
FAX: (248) 488-0327  
We are an equal opportunity employer committed to workforce diversity.

Liberty Mutual

OFFICE/CLERICAL

Fax your resume immediately to (734) 495-9833 if you:  
1. Are tired of commuting.  
2. Have experience working in a library.  
3. Are interested in permanent full-time work in a clean, quiet downtown Plymouth setting.  
4. Are computer literate.  
5. Willing to start at \$9.25/hr.  
We are an equal opportunity employer

OFFICE HELP

Busy lino service needs reservationist/dispatcher/customer service. Send resume to: 4772 Tara Ct.  
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OFFICE MANAGER/BOOKKEEPER

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502 Help Wanted Office Clerical

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Full time, Managerial, clerical, secretarial, responsibilities for small non-profit arts organization. Office experience, computer proficiency and references required. \$25,000-30,000.  
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For Air Duct Co., 8-4pm, Mon-Fri. Will train. Answer phones. Schedule. Some computer. \$9 an hr. to start. Medical, dental & life insurance. Farmington Hills. VENTCORP 248-473-9300

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Entry level. Must be proficient in MS Word, answering phones & filing. Contact Director of HR at: (248) 815-8860

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Full-time, currently seeking a hard working person to grow with us. Computer experience a must. We offer competitive salary and comprehensive benefit package. Non-smoking office in Wixom. Send resume and salary requirements to: PO Box 930368, Wixom, MI 48393

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Troy law firm. Litigation/collection experience preferred. Excellent working conditions and benefits. Mail or fax resume to:  
Office Administrator  
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with good computer skills needed long term. Flexible hours. Orchard Lake/Telegraph area. Call 248-332-2550

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PART-TIME RECEPTIONIST/CUSTOMER SERVICE REP for Nov Showroom. Seeks energetic, dependable person to fulfill these duties: phone, greet guests, answer phone and fax, etc. Must be computer literate. Fax resume to: 248-349-0044. Fax resume: 248-349-5525 Attn: Michael

Receptionist/

Administrative Assistant. Full time position. Small office in Farmington Hills needs you to answer phone, data entry, file & do other misc. duties. Must be dependable & flexible. Send resume: Receptionist/Office Manager, 248-349-0044. Fax resume: 248-349-5525 Attn: Michael

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Receptionist

An excellent opportunity at a leading Southfield automotive company. 11am-6pm shift. Benefits & paid overtime.  
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EOE/M/F/V/H

RECEPTIONIST

Busy Troy engineering firm needs efficient and friendly receptionist to operate phone system. Computer literate preferred. Excellent benefit package includes benefits, 401k, vacation and holiday pay (Christmas week included). Send resume with salary history to:  
Receptionist  
685 Elmwood  
Troy, MI 48063  
Fax 248-588-1666

RECEPTIONIST/CLERICAL

Full-time for fast-paced office in Bingham Farms. Must demonstrate strong professional manner, strong communication and typing skills, receive visitors and operate switchboard. Competitive wages and excellent benefits include health, dental, vision and 401(k) matching. Immediate opening. Send resume & cover letter: H.R. Manager, P.O. Box 3039, Birmingham, MI 48012

502 Help Wanted Office Clerical

**RECEPTIONIST/Clerk**  
Very desirable daytime, front desk position for enthusiastic "People Person". Excellent phone & communication skills. Customer service experience desirable. Word Perfect, Microsoft Word, proficiency & 6 hrs. per day, Mon-Fri. Health, dental, vision, paid time off, 401K, life insurance, free lunch & more. Contact: Colombaro Center, (248) 625-5611

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EXPERIENCED, full-time for Bingham Farms, CPA office. Pleasant phone manners & front desk appearance are required. Ability to greet clients & perform clerical duties. Computer skills required. Excellent wage & benefits including 401K plan. Send resume to:  
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Observer & Eccentric  
36251 Schoolcraft Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48150

RECEPTIONIST

Farmington Hills Real Estate office seeking permanent, full-time "people person" 8:30am-5:30 pm, Mon-Fri. Call Larry Harwin at: (248) 851-6700

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RECEPTIONIST

For a large real estate firm. Looking for mature person with good typing & communication skills. Knowledge of general office equipment. Must be a high school graduate. Ask for Maxine: (248) 352-0111

RECEPTIONIST/FRONT DESK

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RECEPTIONIST

Full-time needed for busy Livonia office. Friendly & professional, communication skills a must. Ask for Kristyn: 734-427-8000

RECEPTIONIST FULL TIME

For busy Nov office, excellent working conditions. Professional image & enthusiasm a must. Fax to: (248) 328-8333 or mail resume to: 1517, 41370 Bridge St., Novi, MI 48076. Attention: Dixie VanPelt.

RECEPTIONIST

Full time Receptionist wanted for fast growing company. Must have Microsoft Office & multi-line phone system experience. Duties include: maintaining filing system, answering phones & variety of other general office duties as required. Fax resume and salary requirements to: Nancy at: (248) 723-9739

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Jack Cawley Chevrolet, American's Carvette Dealer is now accepting applications for an OUTSTANDING RECEPTIONIST & OFFICE CLERICAL positions. Applicants must be customer oriented. Please apply in person Mon-Fri. 9-5 at Jack Cawley Chevrolet, 7020 Orchard Lake Rd., W. Bloomfield.

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Law office looking for receptionist to work 1:30pm-5pm daily. Telephones & light typing. 12th & Telegraph (248) 433-0999

RECEPTIONIST

Light clerical, filing & computer skills helpful. Full-time w/ benefits. Apply: 739 S. Mill St., Plymouth or Call: (734) 453-6258 or Fax: (734) 453-6250

RECEPTIONIST

Livonia office seeks a dependable Receptionist to greet guests & manage a multi-line switchboard while performing various clerical functions. Qualified candidate will possess excellent communication skills & knowledge of general office equipment. A professional phone manner is also required. Excellent benefits. Please send resume with salary history to: HR, 12933 Farmington Rd., Livonia, MI 48150. FAX 734-522-1222

RECEPTIONIST

Livonia distributor looking for full-time receptionist. Excellent communication skills, professional attitude with good sense of humor and patience necessary. Busy switchboard, some computer skills desired, will train qualified person. Excellent benefits & profit sharing. Immediate opening. Send resume & salary requirements to:  
Receptionist  
Box 3310  
Livonia, MI 48150

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Need extra spending money? We need a week-end receptionist who is a "people person". Friendly. Farmington Hills real estate office 9-5 Sat. 10-5 Sunday. Call Larry Harwin at: (248) 851-6700

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Mr. Green  
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Bingham Farms, MI 48025

RECEPTIONIST

NEEDED for fast paced office. Strong office & phone skills. Must be: Computer, skills, Excel, Microsoft Word, necessary. Must be able to carry out duties independently. Fax resume to: 248-548-2124, Attn: Raquel

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Oakland Hills, in Birmingham. Attorneys/evenings. Contact: Jill at: (248) 540-9596

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Tool & Die Company is seeking a part-time person to assist in general office duties. Windows experience necessary. Accounting experience helpful. Vicout Industries  
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Fax# 248-471-2882

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RECEPTIONIST

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RECEPTIONIST

Part-time even, & Sat. mornings for outpatient psychology clinic. Experience preferred. Call 248-644-7077 ext. 112

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For Bloomfield Hills Law Office. Good phone and organizational skills required. Send resume to: Office Manager, 505 N. Woodward, Suite 1000, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

RECEPTIONIST

PART time for busy Real Estate Office. Must be out going and willing to learn. Some computer knowledge required. For an interview call Tony or Mary at: (248) 328-2000

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY

Phones, Microsoft Windows helpful. Ann Arbor, Detroit, Farmington Hills, Livonia & Novi. 248-344-9510

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY

for law firm. Excellent organizational & grammatical skills and knowledge of WP7.0 required. Fax resume to: 248-442-0518 or forward to Attn. Kim, 37000 Grand River Ave., Ste. 3500, Farmington Hills, MI 48335

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RECEPTIONIST / SECRETARY

Entry level familiar with MS Word & Excel. Good organizational skills. Company offers good benefit package and 401(k). Salary \$18-\$20,000. Fax resume: 248-354-0076

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Full-time. Offering good pay, full benefits, 401(k) & flexible hours. The right person will possess good communication skills, typing skills, good organizational skills and a knowledge of computers. Call 1-800-331-1205, ask for Mike or Sue

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502 Help Wanted Office Clerical

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800 Kite Blvd., Suite 600, Troy, MI 48064  
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Attn: Recruitment Department

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Secretarial position for Property Management division in beautiful Southfield location. Candidate should have 5 years experience and have working knowledge of Word & Excel. Position requires initiative, adaptability, strong organizational skills and accuracy. Individual should have a strong personality. Benefits include medical, dental, 401(k) and vacation. Property Management background a plus. Please send resume with salary requirements:  
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East Side - 248-226-841  
Livonia - 248-328-2931  
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SECRETARY

Great office in Farmington Hills. Part-time (4 days) flexible hours. Civil law. Excellent organizational skills (3+ years) and Word-Perfect 6.1 experience required. Rita, 30500 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 500, Farmington Hills, MI 48334. Or fax: 248-851-9421

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248.643.9010 fax: 248.643.9250  
recruiting@stg.com

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**Telephone Operators**  
Requirements: Type 35wpm, articulate, knowledgeable of Metro area, good speller and customer service skills. Some college preferred. Dependability a must. Day, evening and graveyard shifts available. Qualified candidates call: (734) 432-1995

TYPIST

Full time, Livonia office, immediate position. For information, call: (734) 525-5400

503 Engineering

CAD OPERATOR needed, full time to generate manufacturing drawings for company in Wixom area. Wages commensurate with experience. Benefit package. Fax resume to: P.O. Box 190, New Hudson, MI 48165. (248) 437-4722. EOE

504 Help Wanted-Dental

**CERTIFIED DENTAL ASSISTANT**  
\$18/hr. Full-time. No Fri. evenings. Novi office. Call Thurs. 248-442-0350 or Mon-Wed. 248-477-7230

CLINICAL/RECALL ASSISTANT

Mature, team worker w/ minimum 2 yrs. experience. Mon. & Thurs. 12-8, Fri. 10-4, some Sat. 8-2. (734) 425-7010

Dental Assistants & Hygienists

• Receptionists being recruited for various Wayne & Oakland county offices. Call: Performance Plus 810-566-7687

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DENTAL ASSISTANT - \$8-\$12

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Dearborn, MI 48126

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For busy, oncology office in Farmington Hills. Experienced. Fax resume: (248) 648-1177

### PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT

Needed for elderly in a licensed home for the aged in West Bloomfield. Some experience preferred but not necessary. Excellent benefits. Interested parties should contact:  
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Blumberg Plaza  
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(248) 661-2999

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Working schedule would be 6am-4pm; alternating weeks: Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday. Interested parties, please fax or call resume to Cathy Secala  
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Fast-paced Livonia practice specializing in weight loss. Full-time, experienced, good benefits. (734) 422-8040.

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### SURGICAL COORDINATOR

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## FRIENDS FIRST

Attractive DWCF, 48, 5'3", is in search of a SWCM, 44-55, who enjoys dining out, sports and long romantic walks. Ad# 7081

## AT THIS POINT OF LIFE

Are you interested in meeting a special lady? I'm an outgoing, friendly SWF, 34, 5'5", who enjoys photography, art, a variety of music and movies, going to church and all outdoor activities. I would like to enjoy the company of a SWM, 33-38. Ad# 6155

## HERE'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY

SWF, 27, 5'6", 125lbs. I'm professionally employed, a sports fan and a sharp dresser. I enjoy a variety of interests. If you are a SWM, 25-30, who is, wants know more about me, leave me a message. Ad# 4784

## HEAR ME OUT

Outgoing DWCF, 51, 5'5", who enjoys living life to its fullest, is in search of a SWM, 50-60, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 1106

## MAKE THE CONNECTION

Affectionate, caring Catholic DWCF, 50, 5'4", who enjoys dancing, gardening, movies, indoor and outdoor activities, is in search of an affectionate, Catholic SWM, 45-55, with good morals. Ad# 1217

## DIVERSE INTERESTS

DWC mom of two, 47, 5'3", with dark hair, who enjoys the outdoors, biking, reading, music, Bible study and the outdoors. She is seeking a SWCM, for a possible relationship. Ad# 7388

## REFLECTIVE AT TIMES

Discover this flexible DWCF, 52, 5'6". She is employed and has many interests such as the theater, reading, art, music and walking. She's looking for a spiritual DWCF, 47+, with a positive attitude. Ad# 8081

## SPECIAL LADY

You'll have a great time with this outgoing, loving SWF, 35, 5'9", N/S, who enjoys church, movies, concerts, sporting events, quiet times and more. If you are a secure SWM, 35-42, N/S, who shares similar interests, call now. Ad# 1983

## MY SPECIAL SOMEONE?

Professional, brown-eyed WWCWF, 51, 5'3", who enjoys traveling, the outdoors and quiet evenings at home. She seeks a caring, romantic SWM, under 58, for a possible relationship. Ad# 4641

## TRUE BLUE

She's an outgoing, attractive SBCF, 45, 5'4", 135lbs, who enjoys personal growth, traveling, reading and is in search of a spiritual, educated SBCM, 40-53, with similar interests. Ad# 1652

## SPECIAL

Inside and out, SBF, 46, 5'4", looking for real SBM, 40-60, intelligent, kind, strong yet gentle, is sure of himself and God, are you special too? If you believe, all things are possible, call me. Ad# 2903

## RESCUE MY HEART

She's a SBF, 60, 5'8", who enjoys going to church, jazz concerts, dining out and is in search of a kind, gentle SM, 55-62, for friendship first. Ad# 1221

## INTERESTED?

SBF, 29, 5'6", looking to spend quality time and share a relationship with an employed, mature SBM, 25-35. Ad# 2468

## FAMILY-ORIENTED

I'm a full-figured, 34, 5'1", SW mom of one, with blonde hair and green eyes. I enjoy animals, outdoor sports, horseback riding and country music. If you are you open-minded and honest D/SWM, then give me a call. Ad# 5584

## EASYGOING

Protestant DWCF, 60, 5'8", with a great personality, enjoys dining out and dancing. She is seeking a tall WWCWF, 65+, with similar interests. Ad# 1305

## CIRCLE THIS AD

Catholic, DWCF, 50, 5'1", outgoing, educated, enjoys sports, reading, traveling, gardening, seeks Catholic SWM, 48-54, with similar interests. Ad# 1895

## FEEL AT EASE

She's a sweet, active, fun-loving SWF, 60, petite, who enjoys dancing, reading and the theatre. She wishes to share interests and companionship with an easy-going SWM, 55-68. Ad# 9972

## LOOK NO FURTHER

This Catholic DW mom of one, 26, 5'2", who is shy and reserved at first, enjoys dining out, walks, amusement parks and quiet evenings at home. She is looking for a Catholic SWM, 25-35, for a possible relationship. Ad# 6644

## MAYBE YOU &amp; ME

She's a shy, never-married SWF, 34, 5'7", who enjoys baseball games, the outdoors and movies. In search of a athletic SWM, 28-39, for friendship first. Ad# 4211

## WAITING TO HEAR FROM YOU

I'm a Catholic DW mom, 37, 5'5", professionally employed, pretty and have a great sense of humor. I'm looking to meet a Catholic SWM, 35-44, who enjoys gardening, the theater, dining out and dancing. Ad# 6644

## MOVE QUICKLY

SWCF, 56, 5'2", 122lbs, blonde hair, green eyes, seeking a SWCM, 50-60, who is respectful and appreciates a good woman. Ad# 6258

## SPECIAL REQUEST

Here is a professional Catholic DWCF, 50, 5'8", who is seeking a Catholic SWM, 48-60, to spend quality time with. She loves walks on the beach, dining out and antiques. Ad# 3768

## SIMPLY PUT

SWCF, 18, 5'4", 115lbs, long brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys playing violin, music, dancing, horseback riding and animals. In search of an attractive SWCM, 18-25, with a sense of humor. Ad# 2121

## HONESTY COUNTS

She's an attractive SW mom, 49, 5'7", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys sports, traveling and quiet evenings. In search of a tall, athletic SWM, 43-56, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 1148

## BE KIND TO MY HEART

Shy and reserved SWCF, 31, 5'6", full-figured, seeks an understanding, kind, dependable SWCM, 50's, to share moonlit walks, movies, traveling and meaningful conversation. Ad# 3587

## HAPPINESS COULD FOLLOW

If you call this dark-haired WWCWF, 57, 5'3", she is retired, outgoing and friendly. She enjoys movies, dining out, walking and traveling to warmer climates. She seeks a SWCM, 54-65. Ad# 2639

## MAGIC IN THE AIR

Here is a sincere, employed SB mom, 25, 5'4", who enjoys going to church, traveling and reading. In search of a hardworking, professional SM, 28-40, for companionship, possible long-term relationship. Ad# 8273

## THE TIME IS RIGHT

She's a outgoing, hardworking SWF, 45, 5'10", whose interests are antiques, flea markets and picnics. In search of a SWM, 40-60, to get to know. Ad# 9652

## LEAVE YOUR NAME

A professional, educated SWCF, 45, enjoys reading, long walks, the theatre and dining out. She is seeking a SWCM, with similar interests. Ad# 7646

## FAMILY-ORIENTED

She is a quiet, reserved SW mom, 28, who enjoys picnics, long walks, coaching sports and is seeking an employed, caring SWM, who likes children. Ad# 8363

## MAKE THE CONNECTION

Youthful SWF, 38, 5'8", brown hair/eyes, is seeking a handsome, sincere, honest SWM, over 35, to share mutual interests and friendship. Ad# 2356

## ENERGIZED

She's an outgoing DW mom, 42, 5'2", with red hair, brown eyes, who enjoys outdoor activities, rollerblading and quiet evenings. In search of a SWM, 37-49. Ad# 7823

## SPECIAL REQUEST

She's an outgoing, witty SBCF, 42, 5'6", who enjoys outdoor activities, walking and reading. In search of an honorable SM, 46-50, for companionship. Ad# 3154

## EASYGOING

Protestant DWCF, 60, 5'8", with a great personality, enjoys dining out and dancing. She is seeking a tall WWCWF, 65+, with similar interests. Ad# 1305

## CIRCLE THIS AD

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## Complain to realty board

### REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

**Q:** We saw an advertisement in the newspaper regarding a piece of commercial property.

We called, but the agent who was listing the property wasn't available, but the agent encouraged us to visit the property.

When we finally reached the Realtor, we were told that the property had been leased the previous week. I voiced my dismay that we were interested in the property and no one had returned our calls.

Apparently the entity that owns the property bought it for use as an office and then found that the zoning didn't allow non-residents to operate a business.

What obligation does an agent have in "first come, first served" protocol?

**A:** The real estate agent didn't serve the interests of his client by not responding to your phone calls on a timely basis. You should make that fact known to the owner of the property.

While a broker has an obligation to operate in good faith, it's unlikely that a court would find that it owes you a legal duty since you haven't retained that broker.

The fact that the property was ultimately leased to someone as opposed to being sold is somewhat unusual, and I would contact the property notwithstanding the lease being entered into since it may terminate in the near future.

As to the recourse you have now, it appears that perhaps a complaint to the local realty board may be your only recourse at this time.

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### CUTE STARTER HOME:

Home you'll love to leave some day with curb appeal.

### A DOLL HOUSE:

Very small with rose bushes.

### CHARMER:

Cove ceilings, hardwood floors, probably built before you were born.

### LOTS OF CHARACTER:

CHARMER with a fireplace

## Reading between the LINERS

INTERPRETING THE CLASSIFIED REAL ESTATE ADVERTISEMENTS

BY NORMAN PRADY  
SPECIAL WRITER

When is a cubbyhole a foyer?

When a home-seller says it is, according to Carmel Weems, spokesperson for the Better Business Bureau.

"Cozy," she said, "might be a shoe box. And a 'handyman's dream' might be the average person's nightmare."

House hunters, Weems said, should go at their searches with their eyes open wide and their guards up so they won't be "swayed by colorful phrases" sometimes found in house ads and listing sheets.

Generally, according to Carol Frick, manager of the Ralph Manuel Associates Inc., Birmingham office, house advertising done by licensed companies is governed by the industry's "self-imposed ethical rules" in addition to federal prohibitions against any form of overt or implied illegal discrimination.

"We have personal codes of honesty and good taste," Frick said. But when ethics runs up against marketing, "You start playing the word game," she said.

"The purpose of the house ad," Frick said, "is not necessarily to sell that specific house. It's to make the phone ring. Then you put a qualified agent on the line who can turn the caller's interest to something mutually beneficial."

So what about some of these "colorful phrases" that Weems cautions about? For example: "Just waiting for your decorating touches."

"Well," Frick said, "Either it's a brand-new house that's never been pointed or the place is a dump."

In a nation unwaveringly dedicated to free speech, sellers can describe their houses any way they like as long as they don't misrepresent "material facts," according to Ann Millben, licensing administrator at the Michigan real estate board. Age, size, number and types of rooms, and other physical factors of the house are material.

Calls to her department's complaint line (517-241-9202) are usually about allegations of an agent's mishandling of money, Millben said, and "only once in a while" about possible misrepresentation.

Information that misleads about the condition of the house, she said, is covered by a law passed in recent years requiring disclosure statements signed by seller and agent. These regulations apply, as well, to homeowners selling on their own, without agents. Presumably, such disclosure prevents passing off a periodically rising indoor underground lake as an "occasionally damp basement."

To help homebuyers with some of the jargon they might run across, the Anonymous Translator, with many years of experience in Real Estate English, offered definitions of actual phrases gathered from ads and listing sheets.

**NEEDS TLC (TENDER LOVING CARE):** This house might be gutted, abused or malnourished.

**DESIRABLE STARTER HOME:** The home you'll love to leave someday.

**DESIRABLE STARTER HOME FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS:** The home you'll love to leave someday but will discuss proudly as having been a wise career step.

**CUTE STARTER HOME:** Same as DESIRABLE STARTER HOME but with more "curb appeal." (how agents say "pretty on the outside")

**PERFECT FAMILY HOME:** Probably a traditional-style house in a traditional subdivision. Might be a house with separate bathrooms for each person.

**CHARMER:** Cove ceilings, hardwood floors, maybe built before you were born.

**GREAT VALUE:** Possibly the cheapest house on an attractive block. There is good reason it is the cheapest house. It

is up to you to figure out why.

**AS-IS:** This is broken, that's broken, the roof leaks, but it doesn't cost much, and you might love the challenge of living here.

**READY TO MOVE IN:** You'll save by not having to paint right away.

**DOLL HOUSE:** Very small with rose bushes.

**LOTS OF CHARACTER:** A CHARMER with a fireplace.

**AFFORDABLE:** Yes, even you could live here.

**PRICED TO SELL:** The owners are all packed and may even be making payments on their new house as well as payments on this house. (see MOTIVATED SELLER)

**SHARP:** Good-looking house with good-looking price.

**DECORATING ALLOWANCE POSSIBLE:** At the closing, you'll get some of your money back to replace the worn carpeting that almost drove you away.

**THE BASICS ARE HERE; NEEDS IMAGINATION:** You have to look past the clutter when you tour this one.

**IMPRESSIVE LIST OF AMENITIES:** In addition to the stove and refrigerator, the sellers are leaving the hammock and the dog run.

**MOVE RIGHT IN:** The clutter's been cleared out.

**MOTIVATED SELLER:** Bought another house, can't afford to make two house payments each month.

**SUBSTANTIAL BUNGALOW:** A brick DOLL HOUSE.

**A WHOLE LOT OF HOUSE:** Might be ugly, but it's big.

**EXCEPTIONALLY CHARMING:** A DOLL HOUSE with archways and day lilies in addition to rose bushes.

Some words have more than one meaning. A good example might be **FOUR BEDROOMS.** It's up to you to decide whether an 8-by-8-foot wannabe den qualifies as a bedroom.

### Steady pace

Here's a tracking of single-family building permits, houses and condominiums, looked throughout the U.S. on an annual basis.

Year	Houses	Condos
1997	1,062,000	1,062,000
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1981	1,062,000	1,062,000
1980	1,062,000	1,062,000

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## Work your way out of delinquent mortgage

### MORTGAGE SEARCH



DAVID C. MULLY

Last part

If your mortgage has become seriously delinquent, you have to work out a plan with your lender to avoid foreclosure.

No two workout plans are exactly the same. But through experience, lenders have developed some general strategies based on the seriousness of the default and the homeowners' current financial prospects.

If the delinquency has been caused by a very temporary condition that will probably be "fixed" within 30 to 60 days — for example, waiting for an insurance settlement related to an illness or injury — the lender may grant a temporary indulgence. In this case, you'll basically be excused from making payments until a specific, firmly established date, when the cause of the delinquency will be addressed and the mortgage payments will be made.

If the delinquency has been caused by a temporary loss of income, but you're able to demonstrate that your income has now recovered, you and your lender may be able to create a repayment plan to bring the loan current. These arrangements usually require that you continue to make your regular mortgage payments as scheduled, while also making additional payments according to a separate schedule. These additional payments will cure the delinquency in a fixed period, usually between one and two years. In some cases, the plan may call for you to make a single lump-sum payment.

If circumstances will prevent you from making any payments at all for a certain period of time, and you've had a good record with your lender, a forbearance plan could be structured that would allow you to suspend payments, or make reduced payments, for a specified period of time. Such a plan will include a written agreement that specifies the term as well as an agreed-upon method to make up the missed payments. Forbearance plans generally don't exceed 18 months.

Any workout plan is a last-ditch effort to save your home. It's much better to plan ahead — with realistic budgeting and saving — than to have to plan a workout.

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## Loan, line of credit are different

Amid all the flashy ads implying you can receive easy money simply because you own your own home, it's difficult to sort out fact from fiction. What, exactly, is a home equity loan? And what's the difference between an equity loan and an equity line of credit?

The difference is simple, said Joe Nagy, manager of Farmington Source One Mortgage. "A home equity loan is just that — a loan with definite limits, whereas a home equity line more closely resembles a charge account in terms of its flexibility."

Homeowners receive home equity loans as lump sums of money. They then must pay back this money within a set time, usually by making fixed monthly payments at an unchanging interest rate. This sounds a lot like the traditional home loan.

Home equity loans are most useful for large, one-time purchases, or for loan consolidation. For instance,

when faced with the prospect of building an addition onto your home, you might consider taking out a home equity loan to pay for the project. Then instead of having to pay an enormous sum of money all at once, you can stretch the payments out to a period of up to 15 years, making the costs of the project much more manageable.

On the other hand, when homeowners take out a home equity line of credit, they are given the equivalent of a blank checkbook. The homeowner may use the money available in their account at any time, for any purchase, and as often as they like. The home equity line of credit is for a fixed length of time, but the amount of money outstanding can vary from nothing to the full amount of the line of credit. Instead of the fixed interest rate of the home equity loan, the interest rate on a home equity line of credit varies, much like the interest

rate on a revolving loan such as MasterCard.

In exchange for the uncertainty of a changing interest rate, homeowners get the privilege of making only the minimum payments on their balance, as long as the entire account is paid at the end of the credit line's life — or when the house is sold.

"When considering your options, it's best to carefully consider your financial situation before deciding what best suits your needs," Nagy warned.

If you are looking at long-time financial needs, such as a child's college education, an upcoming wedding, or even if you just need a new car or some furniture for your living room, an equity line of credit might be the right choice. With an equity line of credit, you can use as much or as little of your credit as you need, and the money is replenished as soon as you repay what you borrow.









# Prudential

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### Featured Fine Home



#### Bloomfield Village Classic

- Attractive custom brick Colonial with 1st floor master
- White kitchen with premium appliances, formal dining room
- Lots of hardwood floors, three fireplaces, four bedrooms
- Beautiful landscaped yard with attractive pool area

**\$1,100,000 (248) 646-6000 GL101**



#### EXQUISITE ONE OF A KIND EXECUTIVE RETREAT

- A Celebration of European Architectural Elegance!
- 17,000 square feet with formal 22 seat dining room
- Magnificent grounds with carriage house and terraced pool overlooking sparkling Heather Lake.

**\$3,700,000 Ask For: Ann Greene (248) 646-3534 NE442**



#### ELEGANT CARMEL CLASSIC DELUXE

- 4,500 sq. ft. walkout. Premium pond location and quiet cul de sac circle driveway
- Granite counter tops, upgraded tile throughout
- Premium trim, cabinets, mantle and paint

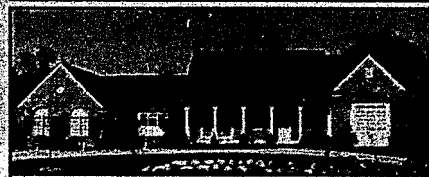
**\$724,400 Ask For: Dan Keams (248) 656-4408 GO695**



#### EXQUISITE BLOOMFIELD NEW BUILD

- For information on this very fine lakefront home please dial Gwen Williamson's 24 Hour Recorded Real Estate Information Line by Phone or Fax

**\$2,750,000 1-800-784-6832 (Code 7074)**



#### CITY OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS

- Impressive home w/excellent floor plan built in '92
- Two gorgeous fireplaces, 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths
- Modern kitchen, knockout lower level with wet bar and exercise room; backyard with deck, gazebo

**\$699,900 (248) 651-4400 HU179**



#### W. TROY ROLLING TERRAIN & TALL TREES

- Transferee Perfect-Lovingly cared for-4 bedrooms
- Dramatic foyer, circular staircase, 2 fireplaces
- Hardwood floors, 5 bay windows, 3.5 car garage
- Center island gourmet kitchen opens to family room

**\$448,000 (248) 641-1660 RE224**



#### WATERFORD-UNIQUE PRIVATE RETREAT

- Builder's Contemporary home on gated 10 acres
- 900 ft. frontage on Clinton River. Trails, wildlife
- Walk-out lower level, 3 level deck, outdoor sauna
- Great views, Crescent Lake privileges, 3 car garage

**\$429,000 Ask For: Ann Greene (248) 646-3534 EL603**



#### ROCHESTER HILLS

- Marvel at the unique architecture of this ranch home
- Fireplace in living room & family room, 4 bedrooms
- Functional kitchen features all built-in appliances
- Four season ThermoPane windows throughout

**\$419,900 (248) 641-8850 ST267**



#### CLARKSTON-UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- Live your dream in this European styled 2 story home
- Sits on double wooded lot in prestigious Pebble Creek
- 2 story foyer & fire lit family room, 1st floor guest suite or study w/direct access to full bath and more!

**\$409,900 (248) 656-4408 CR102**



#### BLOOMFIELD CONDO

- Only 14 detached condos in this very private setting
- Great living space w/ fireplace in library & living room
- Fabulous master suite w/walk-ins & separate baths
- Finished lower level adds to space. Home office

**\$399,000 (248) 647-6400 AP643**



#### ROCHESTER HILLS-BROOKWOOD GOLF CLUB

- Premium location on 2nd fairway with great views!
- This wonderful family home has access to golf, tennis, swimming & use of the gorgeous club house!
- Den, wet bar, finished lower level, pool room

**\$353,900 Ask For: Cecelia Brown (248) 641-1660 BR672**



#### SOUTHFIELD-WASHINGTON HEIGHTS

- Quality dream home! 4-5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths.
- Hardwood floors, modern kitchen, neutral carpet
- Beautifully finished lower level w/wet bar & sauna
- Florida room. Lovely setting • Nothing like this!

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#### WEST BLOOMFIELD

- Great almost new condo in Lagoons of W. Bloomfield
- Upgrades and extras! Neutral colors throughout
- 750 sq. ft. professionally fin. lower level walkout
- Second floor loft could be 3rd bedroom. 2 fireplaces

**\$310,000 (248) 626-9100 HE657**



#### FARMINGTON HILLS-WELCOME HOME!

- Fantastic family home boasts circular staircase, premium hardwood flooring, box & bay windows
- Private library with French doors, 4 large bedrooms
- Beautiful decking, sprinkler & security systems

**\$299,900 (248) 626-9100 MY307**



#### FARMINGTON HILLS-EXCEPTIONAL GEM!

- This ranch is bigger and better than all of the others!
- Completely redone with new kitchen and baths, new hardwood floors, carpeting, windows, roof and more!
- Professional landscaping. A definite must see!

**\$299,900 Ask For: Arlene Prey 539-8111 BE311**



#### OAK RIVER WEST

- Fabulous custom built Colonial! Four bedrooms
- Formal living room & dining room, den, ceramic foyer
- Leaded entry doors, dramatic ceilings, 3.5 garage
- Beautiful cedar deck. Immaculate!

**\$499,90 (248) 641-1660 PI464**



#### CLARKSTON-GET EXACTLY WHAT YOU WANT

- Proposed build 4 bedrooms Colonial in \$350k+ sub
- Luxurious master with Jacuzzi bath & w/in closet
- Open floor plan; choose your amenities now
- Contemporary kitchen, Timed lighting, Circle drive.

**\$275,900 Ask For: Kimberly Harrison 625-5704 BR799**



#### UPPER STRAITS LAKE-CANAL FRONT

- Enjoy panoramic views of private all-sports lake
- Two bedroom ranch/value in land, Private and public golf courses and nature preserves nearby
- Seller motivated-make offer

**\$274,000 (248) 646-6000 SH554**



#### CLARKSTON-HAVE IT ALL

- Gorgeous former builder's model offers you plenty!
- Like new Colonial with honey oak kitchen, large breakfast room opens to sunken firelit family room
- Finished lower level with rec room, office and more!

**\$269,900 (248) 625-5700 GO631**



#### ROCHESTER HILLS

- Contemporary home with great open floor plan
- Vaulted ceilings, four bedrooms, three full baths
- Master suite with sitting/dressing areas, 1st floor bedroom with adjacent bath, three car garage

**\$259,900 (248) 651-8850 SI316**



#### FARMINGTON HILLS

- This 4 bedroom Colonial has a great, open floor plan
- Doorwalls, window walls and deck overlooks common
- Family room with natural fireplace and built-ins
- Contemporary kitchen, Timed lighting, Circle drive.

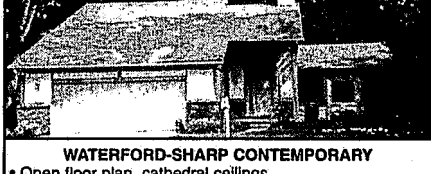
**\$269,500 Ask For: Ann Greene (248) 646-3534 HU296**



#### ROCHESTER HILLS COLONIAL

- Private wooded yard w/deck & gazebo, 4 bedrooms
- Updated decor and appliances. Jetted tub
- Just 5 minutes to I-75 or M-59

**\$229,900 Ask For: Joyce Dobbs (248) 656-4422 AQ323**



#### WATERFORD-SHARP CONTEMPORARY

- Open floor plan, cathedral ceilings
- First floor master, light oak island kitchen
- Finished basement, security system, central vac
- Beautiful wooded lot. Loon Lake Privileges.

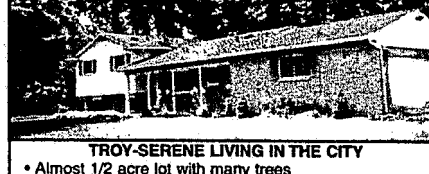
**\$229,900 Ask For: Nancy Ritter (248) 656-4420 LO294**



#### FARMINGTON HILLS-ROMANTIC VIEWS

- Beautiful and neutral decor throughout this Colonial
- Delight in gorgeous views of secluded site adorned with pines and boulders from wrap around deck
- Family room and dining room, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths

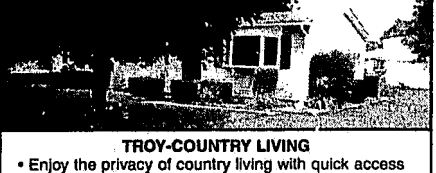
**\$229,500 (248) 626-9100 CE311**



#### TROY-SERENE LIVING IN THE CITY

- Almost 1/2 acre lot with many trees
- Lots of newer items: kitchen, roof, windows, more
- Walk to award winning elementary school!

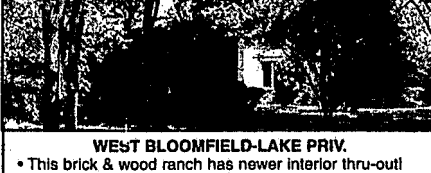
**\$197,500 (248) 641-9100 PL502**



#### TROY-COUNTRY LIVING

- Enjoy the privacy of country living with quick access to the city in this fabulous 3 bedroom, 2 bath home
- Skylights & fireplace brighten & warm the family room
- Breakfast room, master with bath. Fenced, treed lot

**\$174,900 (248) 641-1660 ST205**



#### WEST BLOOMFIELD-LAKE PRIV.

- This brick & wood ranch has newer interior thru-out!
- Two ceramic baths, oak kitchen, hardwood floors
- Fire lit family room, 3 bedrooms, large living room
- Two decks. Close to schools! Darb Lake Privileges!

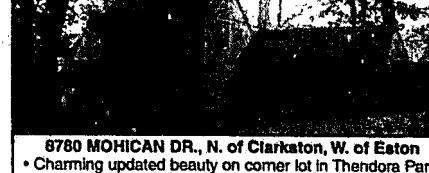
**\$174,900 (248) 651-4400 WI598**



#### BEVERLY HILLS CONDO

- Sharp condo with fresh and modern decor
- Fireplace, loft is perfect for computer room/den
- Custom finished lower level, patio with awning
- New windows, air conditioning. Convenient location

**\$154,900 (248) 647-6400 TH186**



#### 8780 MOHICAN DR., N. of Clarkston, W. of Easton

- Charming updated beauty on corner lot in Thendora Park
- Stone fireplace in great room, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths
- Tastefully done top to bottom! Newer furnace & septic
- Privileges on Walters Lake. Clarkston Schools

**\$139,900 (248) 651-4400 MO878**



#### WEST BLOOMFIELD TOWNHOUSE

- Open & airy townhouse near lovely private park
- Fireplace in living room, dining room, rec room
- Finished basement, two bedrooms and 1.5 baths
- Two car attached garage, patio. Cul-de-sac location

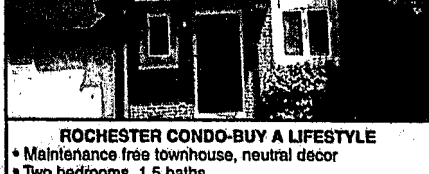
**\$139,000 (248) 641-1660 BR522**



#### SOUTHFIELD

- Nice 3 bedroom brick ranch with 2 full baths
- Quiet corner lot with many mature trees, 2.5 car side entry garage, central air, all appliances stay!
- Many newer appointments. Close to everything!

**\$136,900 Ask For: Dan Keams (248) 656-4408 PI250**



#### ROCHESTER CONDO-BUY A LIFESTYLE

- Maintenance free townhouse, neutral decor
- Two bedrooms, 1.5 baths
- Attached garage, basement, deck
- Great location in downtown Rochester

**\$134,500 Ask For: Nancy Ritter (248) 656-4420 WA109**



#### FARMINGTON HILLS

- This spacious white & bright contemporary end unit condo overlooks peaceful stream in lovely setting
- Gas fireplace, two bedrooms, two full bathrooms
- All appliances, white kitchen with rollout shelves

**\$126,900 (248) 626-9100 OR304**



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# CENTURY 21 America CENTURY



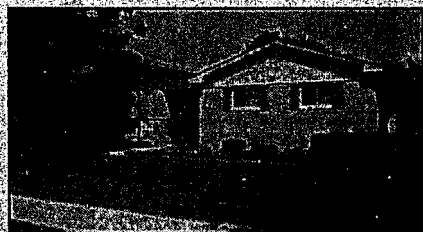
**LAKE ORION.** Move right into this 3-bedroom Colonial on quiet cul-de-sac lot. New roof. Hardwood floors in foyer & kitchen. Wood deck. Walk-out finished basement. \$163,500 (12MIL) 248-524-1600



**ARTISTICALLY DECORATED** classic home. In-ground pool, plus finished walk-out basement with extra bath & bedroom. Rochester schools. Loaded! Country kitchen. Gorgeous master suite. \$344,900 (27DEV) 248-652-8000



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** Desirable ranch detached condo with loft and finished lower level walkout. Private wooded site! Light and Bright. Newer carpet, master bedroom with jacuzzi tub, living room and dining room offer high ceilings. Open floor plan and security system. \$349,900 (10HER) 248-642-8100



**TROY.** Spacious four bedroom 2 1/2 bath quad-level located in desirable Golf Trails sub. Two fireplaces, central air, large wood deck. Sprinkler system and a side entry garage. \$194,500 (56SNE) 248-524-1600



**STUNNING 1998 RANCH.** Mint condition with quality upgrades throughout. Professional touch to yard and interior. Vaulted ceiling, hardwood/ceramic floors, quality kitchen cabinets, open neutral floor plan. \$229,900 (00WES) 248-652-8000



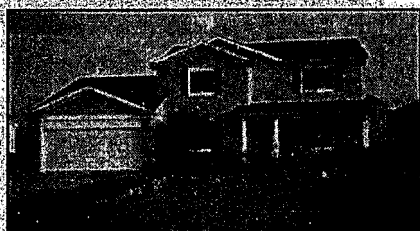
**BLOOMFIELD HILLS.** Wabeek Pines end unit. Four bedrooms, three baths, ranch condo overlooking wooded common area. European styled remodeled kitchen. Many custom updates. Two car heated garage. Finished walk-out lower level. \$337,900 (20PIN) 248-642-8100



**FRANKLIN.** One year old 4 bedroom 3 full and 2 half bath colonial. Marble and granite throughout. Custom built. Birmingham schools. A truly must see! \$759,000 (40STO) 248-524-1600



**TROY.** Sharp, well-maintained ranch home backing to woods. Neutral decor throughout. Central air. Partially finished basement. Home warranty included. \$163,900 (93MIL) 248-524-1600



**TODAY'S ACTIVE** family will enjoy this 4 bedroom, 2 story. Charm shows right at the curb with the brick & stone facade. Main level features large family room with dramatic stone fireplace, formal dining, library with French doors. 10 min. from Rochester, close to shopping. \$229,800 (58RID) 248-652-8000



**GOLFERS DELIGHT.** Located on Oakland Hills 8th green, 9th fairway. Located on 2 lots. Large family room, living room, greenhouse, 3 car garage. Beautifully manicured lot. \$300,000 (34MAP) 248-642-8100



**BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP.** 4 bedroom colonial next to ravine offers a walk-out basement with fireplace. Deck from family room to kitchen, first floor laundry, 2 full and 2 half baths, newer vinyl windows, trim, roof, furnace. Parquet floor in foyer. Home Warranty. \$249,000 (57BRE) 248-524-1600



**EYE APPEALING!** Terrific location! The treed commons affords privacy with large decking & beautiful landscaping. This 4 bedroom colonial is well-suited for today's family with a center hall that allows to the entire home. Kingsize master suite with fabulous bath. \$219,800 (72ARL) 248-652-8000



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, crown moldings, Corian kitchen counters. Family room with fireplace. Door wall to patio, 1st floor laundry, deep closets all bedrooms. Professionally finished basement, landscape w/perennial gardens. BF room, dining room & living room. \$262,500 (59DUN) 248-626-8800



**TROY.** Beautifully decorated 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial. Formal living room, dining room, family room with fireplace, newer roof, hot water heater. Call today! \$219,900 (67FIR) 248-524-1600



**SPECTACULAR** contemporary newer home with 4 bedroom, 3 full baths. Huge gourmet white kitchen w/island. Master suite w/ walk-in closet, dressing area and jacuzzi. Finished walkout lower level with full bath & exercise room. Wrap around deck, lot with panoramic views. \$449,900 (94PAR) 248-642-8100



**6 BEDROOM, 3 1/2 bath** brick home. 1st floor laundry, ceramic foyer/kitchen. Contemporary decor. Freshly painted upper & lower level. Finished basement with wet bar, full bath & jacuzzi. New carpeting in lower level, circular drive. Landscape. \$339,000 (53TEQ) 248-626-8800



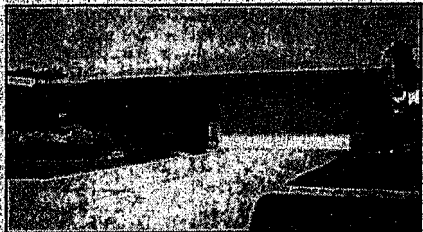
**TROY.** Just listed! 4 bedroom Stoneridge colonial features newer interior decor, carpeting, paint. Much hardwood flooring, first floor laundry and master bath access. \$199,000 (24CLI) 248-524-1600



**LARGE 5 BEDROOM,** 3 full baths, hardwood floors, newer kitchen with Corian counters, tile floor, 1.36 acres, large deck, 2nd guest or in-law suite. Basement, home warranty. \$444,500 (21BUR) 248-642-8100



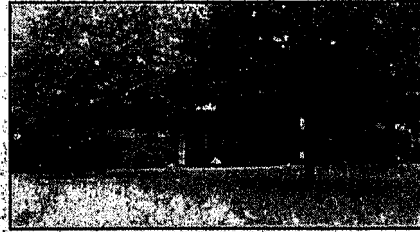
**STOP!** and call this home. Cute updated 3 bedroom, 2 bath Moon Lake Resort condo. Private patio, doorwalls, new hardwood floors, carpet, ceramic tile, kitchen, baths, windows, shingles. Fireplace in living room open to dining room; vaulted ceilings and much more. \$173,900 (29MOO) 248-626-8800



**VERY SPACIOUS** 3 bedroom ranch home in Sterling Heights offers an open floor plan. Large kitchen with many cabinets and eating area. Newer roof, furnace, central air, hot water heater. Hardwood floors under carpet. \$159,900 (11CAN) 248-524-1600



**UPDATED NEUTRAL** colonial in Birmingham school district. Gorgeous formal dining room with beamed ceiling, huge family room with vaulted ceiling and fireplace, updated kitchen, cozy den, beautiful wood floors. Good sized bedrooms with great closet space. Newer roof! \$369,900 (33NEW) 248-642-8100



**FARMINGTON HILLS.** Charming ranch! Immaculate 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home tastefully decorated in neutrals. Partially finished basement, newer windows and roof. Spacious eat in kitchen. Family room with heatlator, deck & private treed lot. Hurry on this one! \$174,900 (27GRE) 248-626-8800



**WEST BLOOMFIELD - 3000 sq. ft., 2 story** contemporary with 1st floor master bedroom suite, great room and library with 9 ft. ceilings, white formica kitchen with island, children's bedrooms with WIC. Fabulously landscaped! \$329,900 (02MIS) 248-642-8100



**BLOOMFIELD.** Immaculate brick ranch, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, new cherry kitchen '96, roof '94, central air '97. Large lot, brick patio, 2 1/2 car heated side entry garage. 2 fireplaces, walk to elementary, very nice neighborhood. \$294,500 (25DUR) 248-642-8100



**COMMERCE.** Newer brick colonial on 3/4 acre cul-de-sac lot. Nicely landscaped & treed. Private backyard backing to woods. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, huge oak kitchen and nook, all appliances included, home warranty, close to shopping and I-96. \$214,900 (83SYC) 248-642-8100



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(248) 642-8100



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(248) 652-8000



# Town & Country

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**FENTON HISTORICAL GEM.** 2+ acre estate close to downtown Fenton, established in 1869. This home provides all the warmth of the era with updates. \$429,900 (12ADE) 248-363-1200



**ALL sports lakefront.** Stunning contemporary features great room with cathedral ceiling, fireplace, gourmet kitchen, master has fireplace with bath & lakeview. Great workout room. 4-5 car garage. Sandy frontage and lots more! \$349,500 (31WOO) 248-652-8000

# Century 21

## Town & Country



**SHARP NEWER CONTEMPORARY.** A must see house with lots of upgrades, hardwood floors, ceramics, white euro kitchen, deck, sprinklers, lake privileges on Elizabeth and Cass Lakes. \$199,900 (11DUR) 248-363-1200



**WHITE LAKE 4 BEDROOM WINNER.** The awards go to this house for having it all. Walkout family room to Florida room, hardwood floors in living room, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car attached garage. Call! \$172,000 (00CAS) 248-363-1200



**EASY-LIVING RANCH.** Beach & boat privileges on all-sport Duck Lake. 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, open kitchen, natural brick fireplace in family room. Fenced backyard. \$169,900. (10MAP) 248-363-1200



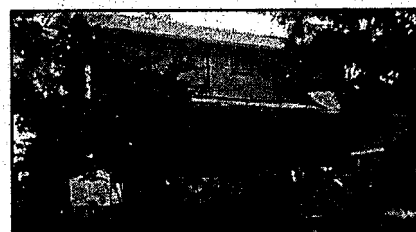
**NEED ROOM TO ROAM!** This 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch has it all. Almost 1 fenced in acre! Stone fireplace & wood floors in living room, oak cabinets and Corian top in kitchen, large partially finished basement. Sun room type breezeway, home warranty. \$169,500 (35POT) 248-363-1200



**EXTRAS INCLUDED in price.** Many extras-brick exterior, att. garage, family room with fireplace. Newer carpet and paint, hardwood floors, huge family room. Private yard w/patio. 2 1/2 baths, cove ceilings, cedar closet in bsmt. Remodeled master bath. Weinberger home! \$194,900 (66AVO) 248-652-8000



**VERY SPECIAL HOUSE.** Updated Colonial in Edinshire. Central air, hardwood flooring, partially finished basement. Private wooded lot with professional landscaping. Cul-de-sac. Close to pool, golf and tennis. \$189,900 (43WOR) 248-652-8000



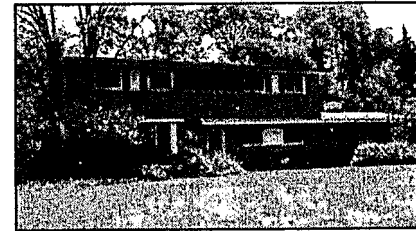
**ELEGANT NORTH ROYAL OAK HOME.** Lovely home features oak kitchen with corian sink, hardwood floors, central air, sandstone fireplace with oak mantle, oak staircase, base bath with 4x6 whirlpool tub. Stained glass windows, extra bedroom in basement. Much more. \$188,900 (14LAW) 248-652-8000



**3 BEDROOM RANCH** in Utica school. Basement, attached garage, large kitchen. Family room with fireplace. Central air and all appliances. \$172,900 (24HAN) 248-652-8000



**CAPE COD** with first floor master. Large country size lot with big house. Lake privileges on Cranberry Lake with its 100 ft. swim dock and clubhouse. Oh yes, did I say walk out and central air? \$172,500 (51CHE) 248-652-8000



**PRICE REDUCED!** Brick Colonial on gorgeous lot! Versatile floor plan. "Country kitchen". Screened porch 14x12 with views of expansive yard! Step-up to master bedroom 20x12. Newer furnace '97. Great location! Enjoy! \$209,900 (73ASH) 248-642-8100



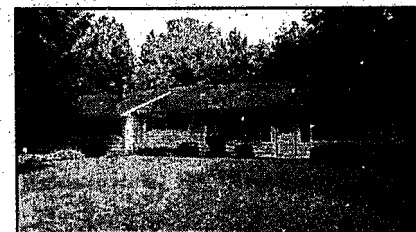
**BUILDERS' FORMER MODEL.** decorated, meticulous maintenance. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, WIC in master bedroom, fabulous finished basement, secluded backyard for privacy, beach, boat & swim, 2 area parks close by. \$234,900 (54GRE) 248-626-8800



**STYLE & CLASS!** 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, deep in sub. Large sunken living room w/fireplace, library with recessed lights, 1st floor laundry. Large kitchen, dining with door wall to tiered deck, large master & bath, all BRs with full wall closets, 2 car att. garage. Walkout basement. \$259,900 (62WOO) 248-626-8800



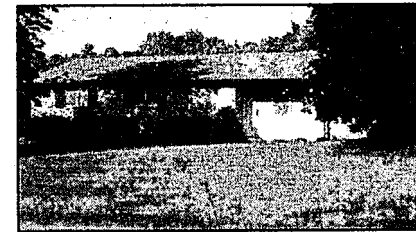
**SPACIOUS 3 bedroom brick Colonial.** Florida room, dining room, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement, attached garage, natural fireplace and more! \$149,900 (27GOL) 248-626-8800



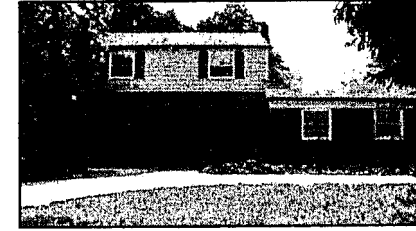
**ADORABLE RANCH** with attached garage. This very clean 3 bedroom, 2 bath house is ready for a new owner. Features include 2 car attached garage, fireplace, trees and privacy. FHA/VA terms available. 1st time on market. Excellent location. \$149,900 (17WAR) 248-626-8800



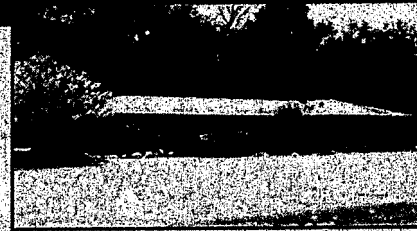
**CANAL FRONT** - completely remodeled! 2 lots away from lake. Stunning views highlight this hilltop setting overlooking all sports lake. White cabinets, new carpet, freshly painted. Ceramic tile in kitchen. Breakfast nook. \$219,900 (42BLU) 248-626-8800



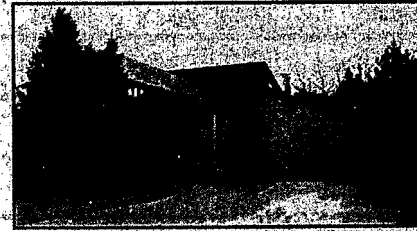
**OXFORD** - 3 bedroom Ranch home with a large Florida room. Finished basement with wet bar. All appliances included. Sprinkler system. One Year Home Warranty. \$159,900 (11COU) 248-524-1600



**TROY** - 3 bedroom Colonial with a fabulous gourmet kitchen. Family room with fireplace. Living room and dining room. Partially finished basement. Large fenced yard. Alarm system and much more! \$244,900 (61BRA) 248-524-1600



**COUNTRY SIZE LOT.** Large 4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Troy ranch. 1708 sq. ft. Large master bedroom. 115'x169' lot backs to woods. Family room, 2 car garage. \$169,900 (21KIR) 248-642-8100



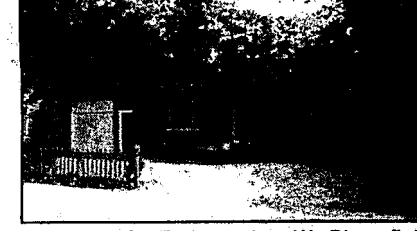
**BLOOMFIELD** - Contemporary 2 story with finished walkout, living room, family room, lounge, huge formica kitchen with island on private cul-de-sac. Bloomfield location with over 4300 sq. ft. \$459,900 (43WAL) 642-8100



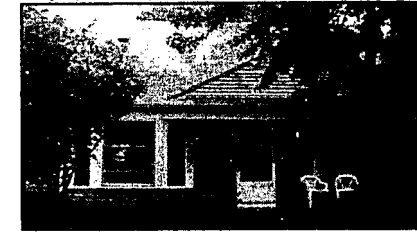
**BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED INSIDE & OUT!** Bring your fussiest buyers to this one. 3 bedroom, 1800+ sq. ft., 2+ car attached, fireplace, pool, extensive decking, large patio, too many new items to list. Close to many lakes, ski lodges, lots of recreation. \$169,000 (41GRA) 363-1200



**CITY LIVING/COUNTRY FEEL.** 4 bedroom, 2 bath bungalow with charm and room to grow. Close to Novi tree farm, x-ways and shopping. 2 decks, 1700+ sq. ft. 1st floor master. All appliances stay. \$159,900 (99AUS) 363-1200



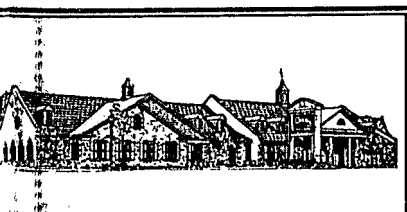
**GREAT HOME** in quiet W. Bloomfield neighborhood. Boat docking and swimming on 465 acre Union Lake accompany this great brick ranch. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, gourmet kitchen. Full basement & garage along with fabulous floor plan make this home truly special. \$154,900 (49SEC) 363-1200



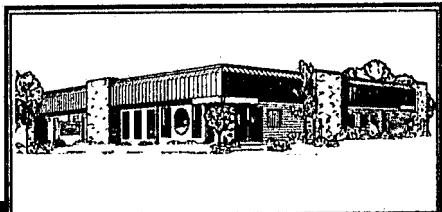
**LOTS OF ROOMS IN BERKLEY.** 5 bedrooms, 1 bath, garage and basement. Gorgeous bungalow in great location. Close to expressway. Many updates and in move in condition. \$154,900 (12ROY) 363-1200



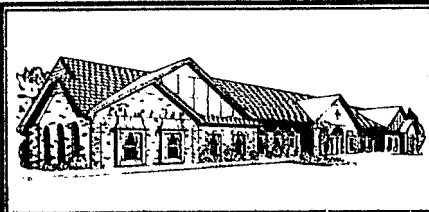
**SHARP RANCH** ON 1.6 ACRES. Unique energy efficient ranch with 30x40 pole barn. Get inside! Bright open floor plan with large great room and 2 full baths. 1,581 sq. ft. \$142,000 (60PIN) 363-1200



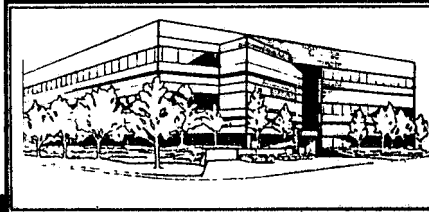
39750 Garfield, Clinton Twp.  
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2600 Union Lake Road, Commerce Twp.  
(248) 363-1200



48680 Van Dyke Avenue, Shelby Twp.  
(810) 731-8180



7125 Orchard Lake, West Bloomfield  
(248) 626-8800









**325 Livonia**

**ALLURING HOMES**

RANCH CONDO  
Just listed! Beautiful 1st floor ranch style home with 2 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, central air, extra parking. All appliances included. \$85,900. (CL285)

**BETTER, HURRY!**  
During 1500 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 2 full bath, family room, beautiful remodeled kitchen. Updated furnace, central air, gorgeous deck, situated on private setting. Plus garage. Call N.W. Jackson. Only \$139,900. (GR183) (GR300)

**SO NICE!**  
Beautiful, cut-decor, setting complements this gorgeous large 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath brick 2 story, includes library, family room with natural fireplace, 1st floor laundry, & lot more! \$259,000. (F245)

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**AWESOME LIVONIA**

Maintenance free raised ranch, excellent location, large corner lot, family room with brick fireplace, too many updates to list. Only \$157,900. Call Jerry Davis

**REMERICA**  
(734) 459-6222

**BEST BUY!**  
Livonia 3 bedroom brick ranch, 1.5 baths, super family room with fireplace. Updated furnace & central air & windows. Asking \$144,900. Quick occupancy. Call today.  
Ask for JIM CRAVER  
248-473-6200  
RE/MAX Great Lakes, Inc.

**FRANCISVILLE SUB** - Immaculate 4 bedroom colonial, 2 1/2 baths, 1st floor laundry, family room with fireplace, living & dining room, den, fully finished basement. Updated decor. Beautifully landscaped. \$259,900. 734-425-6163

**GREAT LIVONIA LOCATION**

Prime location with a great open yard. This 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath California colonial has hardwood floors, a new oak kitchen, a 1st floor laundry and more updates throughout. \$229,900. (B5761)

**THIS MAY BE IT!**  
Consider this 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath home in northern Livonia with family room, central air, breakfast room, tons of updates, appliances including a freezer, upper deck with patio, outdoor furniture, and a 2 car heated garage. \$192,500. (B1569)

**AFFORDABLE LIVONIA!**

You will love the remodeled kitchen in this brick and vinyl 3 bedroom ranch, new furnace, washer, water heater, hardwood floors, garage. Home Warranty. \$99,500. (D0891)

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**Great Livonia Ranch!** New 2.5 garage, windows, furnace, C/A. \$124,900. 8938 Hillcrest. HELP-U-SELL. 734-454-9535

**HANDYMAN**  
3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick ranch, 2 car garage. Finished basement. Home in need of major repair. Take advantage now. Fix up and earn big.

**Century 21**  
(734) 433-7800

**LIVONIA**  
Just reduced, this two bedroom home in the Clarencville School district won't last long at this price. ASKING: \$81,000.

**LOOKING FOR A LARGE HOME?**

This is the one! 5 bedroom, large kitchen, 3.5 bath & great yard with inground pool & wet bar! A must see. ONLY \$269,900

**REMERICA**  
HOMETOWN  
(734) 459-6222

**NEW WINDOWS, kitchen, C/A, carpet, 3 bedroom, 1.5 baths. \$112,000. 9539 Inkster Rd. HELP-U-SELL. 734-454-9535**

**NICELY MAINTAINED** 3 bedroom brick ranch in great area. Loaded with updates, roof, furnace, windows, paint & central air. Large deck w/grounded yard, garage. Only \$119,500.

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**Belleville** - Backed to woods. Walk-out, w/4th bedroom. \$204,900. 7257 Amanda.  
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## PROPERTY INVESTORS

The Real Estate Investors of Oakland hosts Jeffrey Taylor, who will speak on a variety of commercial real estate topics during a dinner program 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at the Royal Oak American Legion, 1815 Rochester Road.

Dinner at 7 p.m. costs \$14 for everyone. The seminar at 8 p.m. is free for members, \$10 for non-members. To register, call (800) 747-6742.

## TECHNOLOGY EXPO

The Birmingham, Bloomfield, Rochester, South Oakland County and the Western Wayne Oakland County associations, of

Realtors sponsor a technology expo featuring products and seminars 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at the Michigan Inn, 16400 J.L. Hudson Drive, Southfield.

Featured speaker: Dave Beson, CRS. Cost is \$8. To register, call (248) 478-1700.

## HOME SELL CLASS

Elliot B. Allan of Rockwell Mortgage presents a free, no-obligation class on how to sell a house 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road.

For reservations, call (248) 569-6633.

## BAYBERRY OPENING

The grand opening weekend of Bayberry Park in Canton, developed and built by S.R. Jacobson Development, is noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12 and 13.

Home prices start at \$179,900 and range up to \$208,000. Bayberry Park (734) 394-

2610, is on the northwest corner of Haggerty and Palmer roads.

## SELL HOME CLASS II

Doug Woodward presents a five-hour class on the process of selling a house 7-9:30 p.m. through a variety of community education programs - Rochester (Sept. 14-21), Clarkston (Sept. 15 and 22), Royal Oak (Sept. 16 and 23), Troy (Sept. 17 and 24), Farmington (Sept. 28, Oct. 5), and Waterford (Sept. 29, Oct. 6).

Cost is \$39, \$49 for couples. Call Woodward at (248) 391-2033 for registration information.

## LICENSE TRAINING

Oakland Home Builders and Livonia Community Education offer a 16-hour class to prepare for the state builder's license exam 6-10 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays Sept. 14-23 at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Road, Livonia.

Cost is \$190. To register, call (734) 523-9277.

## GARAGE SALE

Real Estate One in Milford hosts its annual garage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, at its office, 560 Milford Road one block north of Commerce.

Items to be sold may be dropped off at the office prior to the sale. Proceeds will be donated to Students Against Drunk Driving chapters at Lakeland and Milford high schools. For details, call (248) 848-3000.

## ABR CLASS

The Birmingham, Bloomfield, Rochester, South Oakland Association of Realtors sponsors a two-day class required for the Accredited Buyer Representative designation 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 21 and 28 at the Middleton Real Estate Training School, 20300 Civic Center Drive, Southfield.

Cost is \$250. To register, call Karen at (248) 879-5730.

## HOME BUY CLASS

Southfield Parks and Recreation sponsors a home buyers workshop 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, at the Southfield Community Education Center, 18575

W. Nine Mile, Room 135.

Presenter: Vicky S. Love, senior mortgage consultant, Concept One Mortgage.

Cost is \$15 for Southfield residents, \$25 for non-residents. To register, call (248) 827-0700.

## SELL HOME CLASS III

Matt Kenkel, an associate broker with ERA Bankers Realty and a certified public accountant, presents a two-hour "For Sale By Owner Home Seller Class" 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, at Orchard Lake Middle School in West Bloomfield.

Topics include setting price, target marketing, effective promotion, special financing techniques and purchase documents.

Cost, which includes a 20-page FSBO marketing guidebook, is \$25. To register, call (248) 848-3000.

## RENEW LICENSE CLASS

Schoolcraft College of Livonia presents real estate continuing education classes required to meet state licensing requirements 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 23,

28 and 30, and October 6, 8, 12, 23, 27 and 31. Cost is \$45. To register, call (734) 462-4448.

## FALL REMODEL SHOW

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan hosts its sixth annual Fall Remodeling Show Thursday, Sept. 24, through Sunday, Sept. 27, at the Novi Expo Center, I-96 at Novi Road.

More than 200 exhibitors will showcase products and services including kitchens, baths, doors, spas, remodeling, interior design, decorative accessories, heating and cooling, appliances and arts and crafts.

Show hours are 2-10 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens and \$3 for children 6-12. Family tickets for two adults and accompanying kids are available for \$9 at Farmer Jack supermarkets.

On-site parking is an additional fee.

## MOVERS AND SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other news within the real estate, construction, architecture and mortgage communities.

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## J.B.

Boudreau has joined the R.E./M.A.X. Elite real estate office in Milford. He's been in the business for 13 years and previously was affili-



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ated with Red Carpet Keim.

Claire L. Williams of Remerica Hometown One in Canton has received the profession designation of Leadership Training Graduate.

Nancy Sielaff, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Bloomfield Hills, recently attended a two-day leadership academy sponsored by the Women's Council of Realtors.

Sielaff, who holds the professional designations of Graduate Realtor Institute and Certified Residential Specialist, is incoming president of the Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills women's council chapter.

BY ALICE ANN LOVE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) - Builders started new homes in July at the fastest pace in more than a decade, but analysts still predicted the nation's booming housing market would slow soon.

"Housing starts in July once again defied conventional wisdom that they could not go higher," said David Orr, an economist with First Union Corp. in Charlotte, N.C.

Builders started construction of new housing at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.72 million units in July, the Commerce Department said.

The unexpected 5.7 percent increase followed a June rise to a revised 1.63 million units that was even sharper than the department previously reported.

Home-building activity in July was 17.6 percent heavier than a year ago, and it has not been

faster since 1987.

"We had nearly perfect conditions for the residential real estate market - relatively low interest rates, a low unemployment rate, rising household income as well. That combination of factors led to a very strong demand," said Paul L. Kasriel, chief U.S. economist for The Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. "I think we're seeing developers trying to catch up with that demand."

Housing permits - a leading indicator of future building plans - bounced back up by 4 percent to a rate of 1.58 million units in July after a 1.7 percent decline in June.

Many economists, however, were surprised that home building hadn't shown signs of slowing. They continue to predict a drop in demand for new homes because of layoffs at American factories resulting from the financial crisis damping the

market for U.S. products in Asia, Russian instability and the fall in the stock market.

"Even if interest rates are low, if someone has just lost his or her job, that person is unlikely to buy a new house," said Kasriel. "I think we'll see some moderation."

After record sales in June, new construction of single-family homes grew 3 percent in July, to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.31 million units - the best since 1993.

Apartment building starts were up a strong 15 percent, to 412,000 units.

By region, housing starts in the South were up 6.8 percent to 813,000 - the strongest building pace there since 1986. In the Northeast, home construction was up 11.8 percent to 152,000 units, and in the West up 4.3 percent to 436,000 units. The Midwest saw a modest 1.9 percent rise to 317,000 units.

## Pet, lawn coexist

(NAPS) - While some people think nothing can be done to keep their pets from damaging their lawn, the truth may be just the opposite.

What you feed your pet might help save your lawn from brown spots and odor.

One manufacturer released a food supplement that can help change the pH of a pet's urine so it doesn't "burn" lawns.

Here are some tips when feeding the supplement to your pet:

- Water lawn heavily for two weeks to rinse.
- Reseed after feeding your pet the supplement.
- Continue feeding your pet the supplement daily.

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inviting ideas

# Bodacious basil has many uses

BY RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON  
Special Writer

One of the very best parts of summer is that deep green bodacious basil. With herb gardens in full bloom and basil at its peak, it is time to use up those beautiful green (and sometimes deep purple, in the case of opal basil) leaves before

the plants begin to flower, and the season is past.

Easy to use in cooking, basil marries well with tomato, eggs, chicken (and other poultry), lamb, veal, fish, pasta, beans, grains, mushrooms, nuts, zucchini and cheese. Terrific in salads (white basil flowers are edible too!), rice dishes, stuffing and crepes, this versatile herb

holds its own, even with the strong flavor of garlic. Delicious raw or cooked—keep in mind, this leaf intensifies during the cooking process!

Basil is a frost-tender annual and needs to be preserved for winter use. While some say drying basil isn't suited for best flavor, many still hang basil to dry and then crumble it and store it in airtight containers.

If going to dry, cut the sprigs when the buds have formed but flowering hasn't taken place (or has just begun). You can harvest it all the way until the first frost. If hanging to dry, it is always best to hang the basil upside down in a cool, dark, spacious area.

Add basil to split pea soup for a real flavor boost. Serve a single leaf with a slice of fresh mozzarella cheese, and tomato as a simple appetizer.

Have an herbal bath, using fresh basil leaves placed in a muslin bag, cheese cloth or mesh infuser (mesh infusers can be found at Asian markets and some kitchen specialty shops). Herbal foot baths are wonderful!

Chop fresh basil and add to your salad greens.

## CREAMY BASIL DIP

Yield: approximately 3 cups

Great for a party served with a crudite (a variety of raw sliced vegetables) or a selection of bagel chips and crackers. This dip is pesto gone crème!

Ingredients:

- 1 cup mayonnaise (regular, low-fat or no-fat)
- 1 cup sour cream or Laban (strained heavy yogurt) — Laban can be found at all Middle Eastern grocery stores and some upscale groceries
- 1 cup freshly shredded Parmesan cheese
- 1 cup fresh basil, leaves thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon freshly minced garlic (add more if you are a garlic fan)
- 1/2 cup pine nuts, dry roasted in a small fry pan

Directions:

In a large bowl, combine first 5 ingredients.

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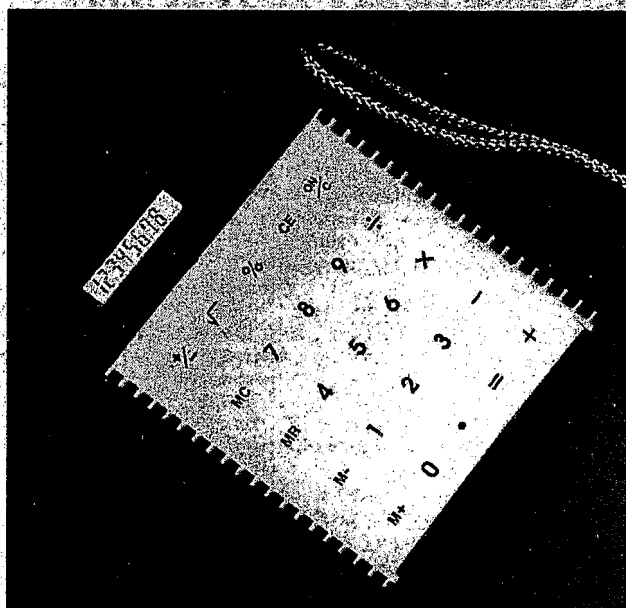
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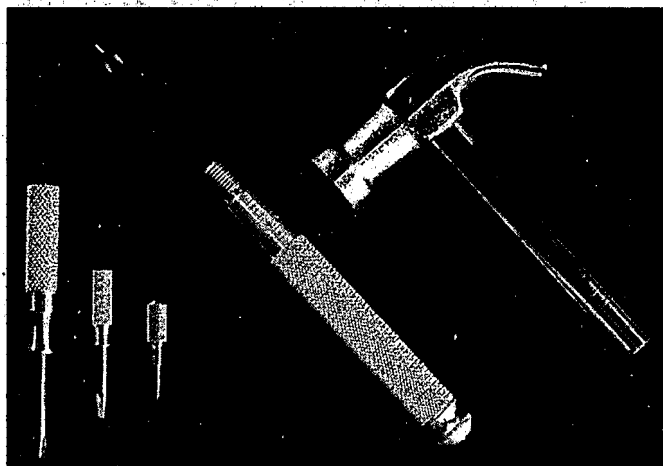


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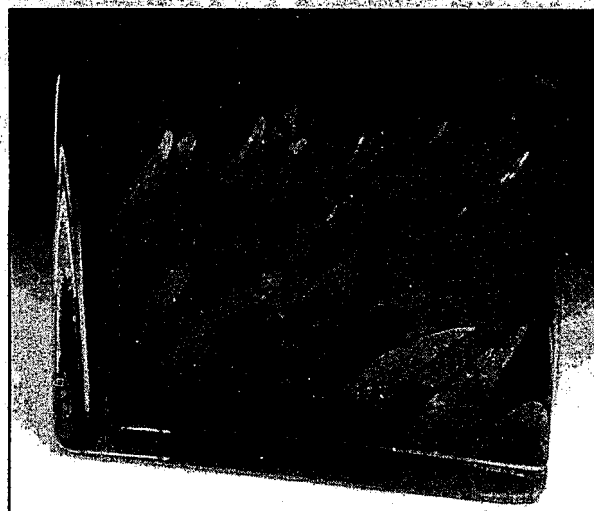
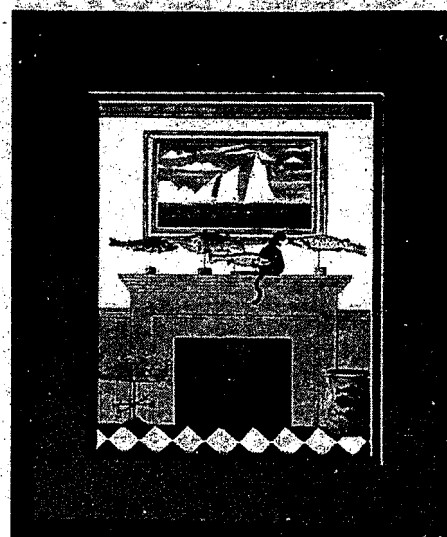
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Street Interiors, 255 S. Main in Rochester. Jamieson will make a personal appearance 6-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, during the Art Downtown Gallery Crawl in Rochester. Call (248) 651-8092.



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**AT HOME, Mary Klemic,** editor (248) 901-2569

We are looking for your ideas for At Home and for the Marketplace roundup of new ideas. Send your comments to:

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# Reap benefits from new products

By MARTY FIGLEY  
Special Writer

In August, I attended the annual meeting of the Garden Writers Association of America in San Diego. It was hot and we were kept busy with lectures and visiting growers and gardens during the five days.

At the meeting, we have a trade show where we see the newest and latest in gardening technology and equipment. I'll share some of what we learned.

Fact sheets from Dow AgroSciences concerning their products include the following:

DURSBAN Insecticide "offers consistent insect control." It's available in

many formulations for easy application. DURSBAN is recommended for use on all cool- and warm-season turfgrasses and can be used to treat most ornamentals.

Knowing when to control insects is as important as knowing the insect. Early larval or nymph stages are the most vulnerable - generally late February through October.

TEAM Pre-emergence Herbicide "prevents grassy weeds such as crabgrass, goosegrass and some broadleaf weeds from growing in lawns." It stops seed germination.

There are a few differences in these two products so read the labels carefully.

Another Dow product, GALLERY, also a pre-emergence, is especially good for broadleaf weeds. It is activated by at least 1/2-inch of water.

Fall application will take care of chickweed and henbit, etc., while oxalis, spurge and others can be controlled by spring applications. Dandelions may need control both spring and fall.

Gardens Alive! is offering Escar-Go!, a new, environmentally friendly product

to banish slugs and snails. Write Gardens Alive!, 5100 Schenley Place, Dept. 10057, Lawrenceburg, IN 47025, or call (812) 537-8650.

Tests have confirmed that Milorganite fertilizer isn't only excellent on turf, but is also an excellent vegetable food.

I wrote in May about a rolling composter from Gardener's Supply Co. The correct number is (802) 660-3500.

## GOOD GARDEN TIPS

■ Reseed or resod grass this month. If mulching with straw, wet the bale first to manage it more easily.

■ Take 6-inch cuttings of boxwood, remove leaves, plant 1/2-inch in ground, on east side, under shelter of the shrub. Transplant when you see new growth.

■ For extra fall color, set out the plants Calendula, Dianthus, Ornamental Cabbage and Kale, Pansy, Snapdragon, Stock or Viola. (This from National Garden Bureau.)

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# Winter's coming and so much to do

BY JOE GAGNON  
Special Writer

I took a walk around the house yesterday and made out my list of things I will do before the cold winter months arrive in Michigan.

It won't be long before the lawn mower is used for its final cutting, the edger makes its final grinding pass

along the sidewalks and the trimmer cuts the side of grass. All of these products will be washed down, cleaned, oiled and put away in start up condition for next year.

The windows will be cleaned and the channels will be sprayed with a slight film of silicone spray. The garage door rollers will be sprayed with WD40 and the tracks will have a coat of lithium

grease on them. The water spigots leading to the outside will have their valves shut off to prevent winter freeze up and damage.

The furnace filter has to be changed, the humidifier is in good shape to start the season, but I still have to drain and flush the hot water tank. I have to remove the hot and cold lines coming into the washer and clean the little

screens on the water valve. I then have to adjust the temperature of the water coming into the machine so I get 100-degree water during the warm setting. I have to remove the vent line from the dryer and clean it and clean the flapper hinges on the outside vent damper. I have to give my washer a vinegar treatment and make sure the lock nuts are

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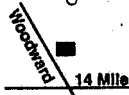
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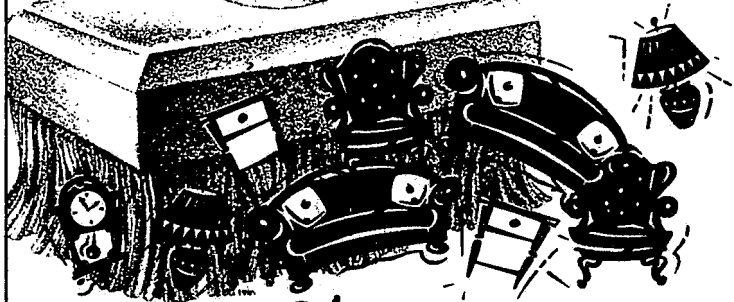


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## cover story



**Living with style:** Jeffrey King's house (left) features white and touches of metal, as seen in the kitchen and dining room area. Gretchen Haughton's master bedroom (right) is filled with floral patterns, as is much of her house. The two residences are featured on the International Furnishings and Design Association's "Designers' Homes on Tour" Sunday. Staff photos by Tom Hoffmeyer.



# House tour shows designs to live with

By MARY KLEMIC  
At Home Editor

Interior designers will show how livable their styles are when their own homes are displayed on the International Furnishings and Design Association's "Designers' Homes on Tour."

The tour, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, will feature five residences in the Birmingham/Bloomfield area, each decorated and lived in by an interior designer.

Examples of the variety of styles are seen in two of the houses on the tour, those of Jeffrey King and Gretchen Haughton. King's house, built in 1937, is decorated with cool tones, elements of

whimsy and touches of metal and animal prints. Haughton's house, 200 years old, is filled with floral decor and bright blue.

Many of the rooms and furnishings in King's residence are white. Zebra pattern throw rugs and leopard pattern upholstery are some of the animal prints in rooms. Photographs by Maureen Monte are among the eclectic accessories.

The walls of the kitchen and adjoining dining room are white. A diamond pattern is at a kitchen window and in the floor of the rooms. Chrome diner seats line the counter space. A powder room off to the side features a sink made from a \$5 salad bowl.

A graceful chandelier of metal and glass hangs over the round, glass-topped table in the dining room. White chairs, each with a large black number, are around the table and an arrangement of spheres with geometric patterns is a centerpiece.

A structure from an old building featuring the address numbers makes an unusual frame in the living room area. The fireplace contains an assortment of candles.

Upstairs, a baby's room features a round, white crib. The ceiling bears a colorful painting of the nursery rhyme cow jumping over the moon, and a pastel design, by artist Angela Kilcullen.



**Young at art:** The baby's room at the King house has a round crib and is decorated in pastel colors and a painting by artist Angela Kilcullen.



### On the cover:

Collectibles abound in Gretchen Haughton's residence, featured on "Designers' Homes on Tour" Sunday. Staff photo by Tom Hoffmeyer.

A bathroom seems spacious, with a skylight and with a TV in a space near the ceiling. In the master bedroom, large white body sculptures adorn one white wall and a TV is behind one-way glass.

Metal sconces with clear dangling accents line the basement walls, resembling large jewelry. A smaller room in the basement contains a tanning machine.

"This is Whistle Stop Farm," Haughton said of her residence, one of the two oldest homes in Oakland County. The house has a more recent distinction as well — the metal posts at the driveway entrance were seen in this year's movie "Out of Sight."

The residence is in country splendor, with such elements as collectibles, quilts, wooden floors and flower patterns throughout. A rich shade of blue is found almost everywhere, enriching the warmth of the rooms.

"I always liked blue and white," Haughton said.

In a spacious room (called "great-grandmother's room"), the wall in one area holding an arrangement of plates is glazed blue. A large wreath over a marble fireplace is in the living room area.

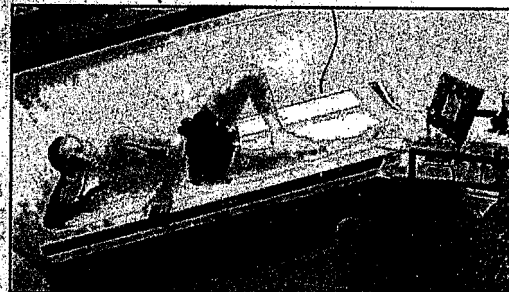
Nearby is a room like a den, with a brick fireplace, thick wooden beams, and a quilt on one wall. Folding wooden doors lead to the kitchen, where a ledge around the overhang over the island gives more display room.

Blue and yellow fill a sitting space by a window — in the tiles on a table, and in the toile curtain and cushions with a Williamsburg print of a farm scene motif.

Visiting the master bedroom is almost like entering a garden, with the matching floral pattern on the bedspread, walls and cloths on tables. Lace accents are both elegant and homey. Another bedroom also has flowery decor, with large "bouquets" cut out from a Schumacher design to accent around doors.

One of the delightful surprises of the house is a small upstairs alcove with a window made out of one from a World War II fighter plane.

Tickets for "Designers' Homes on Tour" are \$20 and may be bought in advance at Thom Leffler Great Designs for Body and Home, 227 S. Old Woodward in Birmingham; Hagopian World of Rugs, 850 S. Old Woodward in Birmingham; Stoney Lane Interiors, 114 E. Fourth in Rochester; Ash Showroom, 2374 Franklin Road in Bloomfield Hills; Michael's Lamp Shop, 17621 W. 12 Mile at Southfield Road in Lathrup Village; and Kennedy & Co., 130 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe. Call (248) 540-1937 for more information.



**Basement tanning:** David King poses in the tanning machine in the basement.



## Show has more than antiques

BY MARY KLEMIC  
At Home Editor

It began as a fund-raiser for robes for the newly organized choir at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church: an antiques show with 12 dealers displaying their wares.

Thirty-five years later, praises are still being sung over the Bloomfield Antiques Show.

This year's show, with 37 dealers from five states, will take place Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12, in the Gordon Light Family Life Center at the church, 1100 Lone Pine Road at the northwest corner of Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills. Donation \$5. Proceeds will help furnish

the church's \$3 million sanctuary being constructed.

"This is not only an antiques show," said Gladys Ulmer, dealer chairman.

The event also features a country kitchen, with all homemade goods by church members, a country store, a silent auction, silk flowers and door prizes. Parking is free.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sept. 11, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 12. The country kitchen will be open 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sept. 11, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 12. Call (248) 646-5886 for information.

The show has something for everybody, from new or experienced collectors to visitors who savor the neighborly spirit that is shown.

### Gagnon

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tight on the leveling legs.

In the kitchen area, I will clean the condenser under the refrigerator and put a dab of Vaseline on the hinge side of the door gaskets. I'll remove the racks inside the stove and soak them overnight in a plastic bag immersed in vinegar. I'll remove the cover of the air gap on the kitchen sink and clean the inside with a baby bottle brush. Next

step will be taking the dishwasher drain hose off the side of the garbage disposer and cleaning out the little protrusion piece with a butter knife. The freezer in the basement has to be defrosted and the food moved from the bottom to the top.

The list goes on and on, and it's a full-time job just taking care of a house. I think I'll retire.

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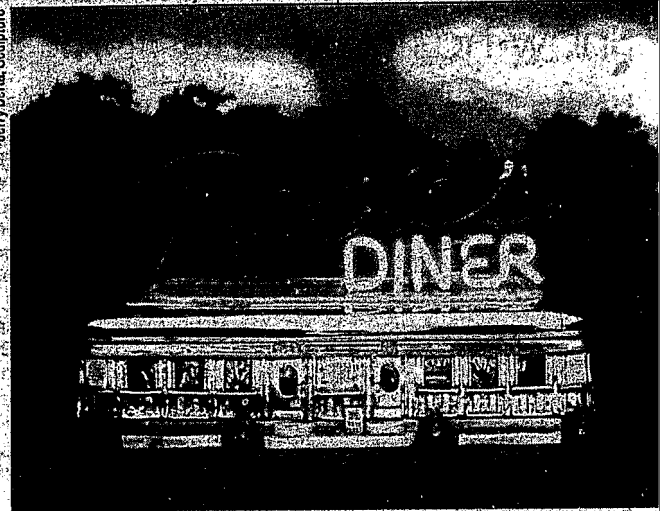


# Art in the Park

Common Ground Sanctuary



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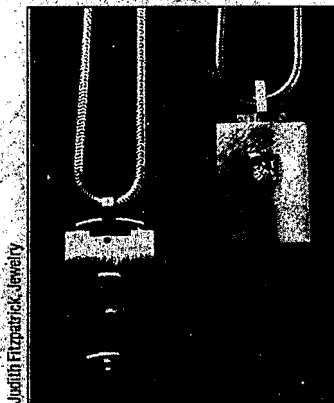
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## Fair Schedule

### Saturday, September 12

10:00 Fair opens  
Kidscape Grand Opening  
Pewabic Pottery Tent opens  
Silent Auction Tent opens  
Main Stage: Collective Consort featuring story telling based on  
Michigan History and music using harps, flutes and dulcimers  
until 6:00  
12:00 Second Stage: Jazz sounds of Lunar Octet until 3:00  
6:00 Fair Closes for night

### Sunday, September 13

9:00 Accessibility Hour -  
Fair Opens early for the physically challenged  
10:00 Fair opens to the public  
Pewabic Pottery Tent opens  
Silent Auction Tent opens  
Main Stage: Collective Consort until 5:00  
12:00 Second Stage: Reggae funk from Black Market until 3:00  
4:00 Silent Auction Tent Closes  
5:00 Fair Closes

## Refreshments

### Phoenicia Restaurant:

Hummas, Kafta, Chicken, Shwarma, Falafel

### Carol's Catering:

Cuban Reubans, Curly Fries

### Stroh's Ice Cream:

Stroh's Ice Cream

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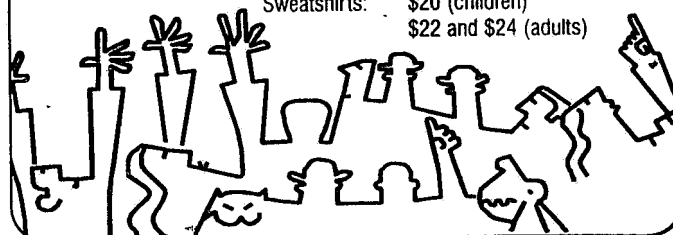
Fresh Cinnamon Roasted Almonds

### Hotz Barbeque:

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It's a bird! It's a plane! No, it's Birmingham Art in the Park!  
Wood artist George Landino designed the art fair shirt for sale  
in the center of the park and at the corner of Merrill and Bates.

T-shirts: \$10 (children)  
\$12 and \$13 (adults)  
Sweatshirts: \$20 (children)  
\$22 and \$24 (adults)





# Common Ground Sanctuary 24th Annual Art In The Park Celebrates the Fall with an Expanded Art Fair

Artists and art fair fans are eagerly anticipating the twenty-fourth annual Common Ground Sanctuary Art in the Park on September 12 & 13, 1998. Presenting the work of over 170 artists from 30 states and Canada, the fair will also introduce new features for children's entertainment and the community's benefit.

"Like the Common Ground Sanctuary, Art in the Park has grown and expanded to meet the needs of the community" said Nancy Clark, Chair of the Art in the Park Committee. "We have increased the number of artists participating and the fair has expanded into the streets immediately surrounding Shain Park. We also created, on Sunday, Accessibility Hour to provide special viewing time for physically challenged people."

## Top Rated

Art in the Park is recognized by The ArtFair SourceBook as 35th of the top 500 art fairs in the nation, as well as 17th of the nation's 200 best fine arts shows (Sunshine Artist) and ranked 24th by the National Association of Independent Artists.

## Entertainment & Refreshments

The center of the park and the second stage, located in front of City Hall, which was added this year, provide continuous live entertainment both days of the fair. Music and storytelling from Collective Consort, jazz sounds from Lunar Octet and reggae funk from Black Market are just some of the entertainment offered. Local restaurants and food vendors will provide a variety of choices in the expanded food area.

## Silent Auction

A Silent Auction will be open during fair hours on Saturday and will close at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. The Silent Auction is made possible through the generosity of participating artists who donate pieces of their art to The Common Ground Sanctuary. Bid sheets accompany each piece of work where patrons write down their offer. Those not in the park at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday are notified by phone that they had the winning bid. The Silent Auction provides an overview of the work available at the fair.

## Best of Show

The 170 fair artists will compete for Four \$1000 Best of Show Awards, which will be presented by Birmingham Mayor Archie Damman on Sunday, September 13th in the center of the park. Award judges are Sergio De Giusti, Mary Stephenson, and Richard Kozlow.



## T-Shirts

Art in the Park wood artist George Landino of West Bloomfield designed the art fair shirt based on some past summer's favorite films including King Kong and Superman. T-shirts and sweatshirts will be available for sale at the information booth in the center of the park and at the corner of Merrill and Bates.

## "Kidscape"

Children's activities include the new "Kidscape" area which is in partnership with and benefiting four community-based organizations, the Birmingham Community Coalition, Birmingham Area Seniors Coordinating Council, the FAR Conservatory for Performing and Therapeutic Arts, and Birmingham Youth Assistance. Kidscape was created to offer children and their parents a break from the art exhibits with children's games, caricature cutouts, and an enclosed moonwalk. Tickets for Kidscape (available at the fair) are \$.50 each with games ranging from \$.50 to \$2.00.

## Children's Art Area

An expanded Children's Art Area with free "hands-on" activities, based on the theme "Seascape," will include fish mobiles, starfish sand art, seascape collages and sea-raft junk art.

## Pewabic Pottery

Pewabic Pottery will have new design patterns at their tent where they will assist patrons in hammering ceramic tiles. For \$14, patrons can have their tiles fired and glazed at the Pewabic studio (cost includes postage) or at no charge, they can take their tile with them.

## Kennedy Center

Artwork, including paintings, drawings and ceramics of students at the Kennedy Center School in Pontiac, will be showcased in a new tent setting. The Kennedy Center is a school for disabled young adults ages 14 to 26 from northeastern Oakland County that has an art program that allows for self-expression through the creative process.

## Common Ground Sanctuary

Common Ground was founded in Birmingham in 1971 as a crisis telephone center. The Sanctuary was opened as a shelter for runaway and homeless youth in 1974. In July, the two organizations merged to create a more unified approach to meeting the needs of the community. Proceeds from the fair benefit the programs of Common Ground Sanctuary including 24-hour emergency psychiatric services, 24-hour telephone crisis intervention, information and referral, and victim assistance services. Community-based services also include a legal clinic, community education and training programs, a prevention education unit, peer counseling, street outreach, and partnership in the Oakland County Crisis Response Organization and the Oakland County Coordinating Council Against Domestic Violence. Shelter-based services include the residential shelter and transitional living shelter. For information on how to volunteer call 248-456-8150.

## Admission Free

Admission to the fair is free.  
Fair hours are Saturday, September 6 from 10:00- 6:00 and Sunday, September 7 from 10:00- 5:00 (Accessibility hour opens at 9:00 a.m.). Shain Park is located at Bates and Merrill streets in downtown Birmingham (one block south of Maple, west of Woodward). Ample parking is available with two hours free parking in city parking decks.

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# Artists

## Basketry

Mary Jackson ..... N67  
Samuel Yao ..... S145

## Ceramics

Joann Aquino ..... N74  
Carole Berthorst ..... E108  
Lili Blackburn ..... E96  
Susan Bolt ..... W48  
Richard Cohen ..... S166  
Steve  
& Miky Cunningham ..... W46  
Eric Doctors ..... N79  
Philip Echert ..... W32  
Laurie Eisenhardt ..... N55  
David Ellison ..... N69  
Terry Habeger ..... S133  
John Herbon ..... S171  
Marcia Hovland ..... W30  
Madeline Kaczmarczyk ..... S153  
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Toni & Jay Mann ..... W10  
Annette Siffin ..... W24  
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Scott Supraner ..... E104  
James &  
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Steve &  
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Alan Vigland ..... W18  
Tony Winchester ..... S137

## Drawing

Steve Gill ..... N81  
Bruce Migdal ..... S129  
Francis Scott ..... N68  
Beau Stahl ..... W19  
Kathleen Treleani  
& Howard Lieberman ..... S146

## Fibers, General

Gwen Bennett ..... S141  
Lori Bolt ..... W50  
Nanci Camden ..... N70  
Janice Cline  
& Benito Rozencwaig ..... W3  
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Marlene Denn  
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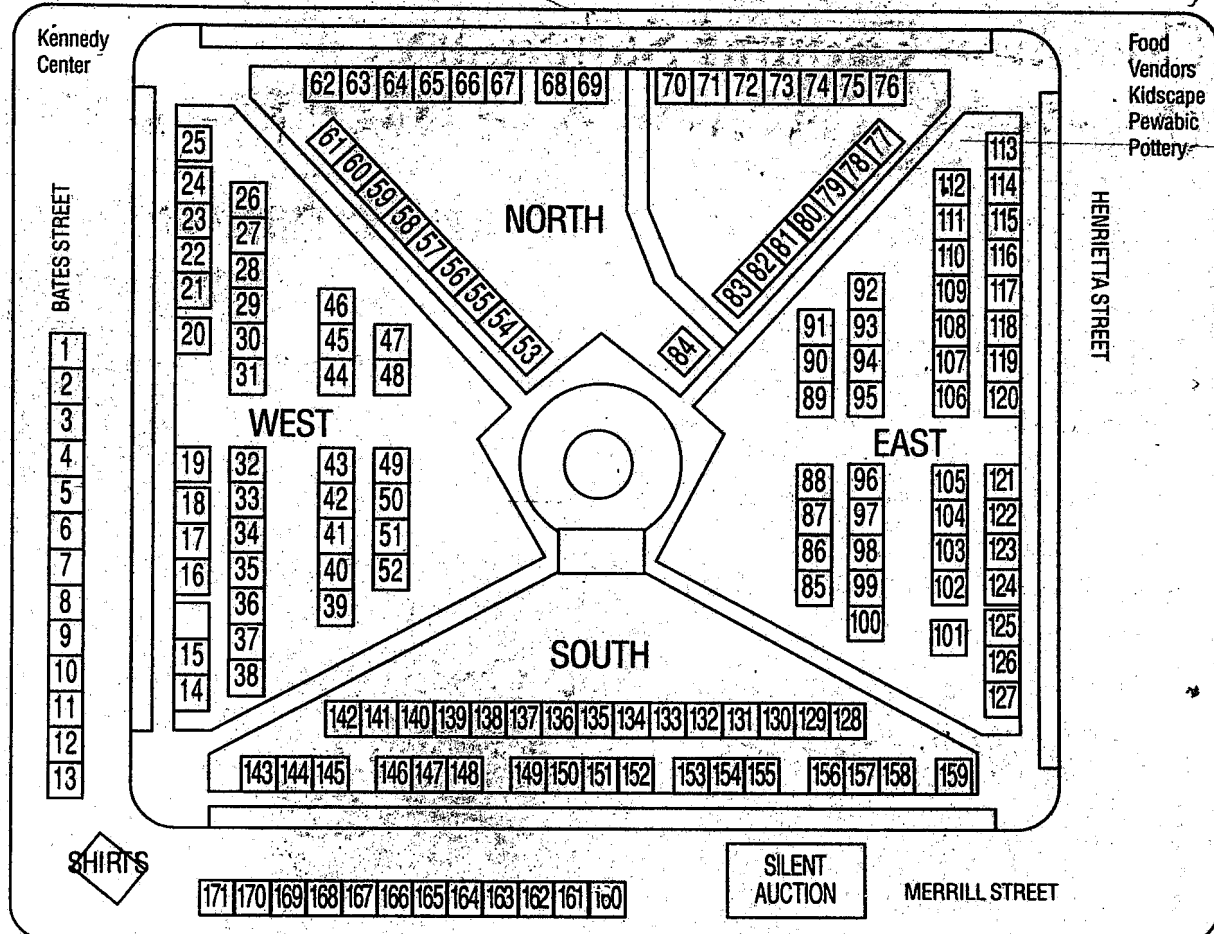
Linda McGurn ..... E91  
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Jill Wagoner ..... N56

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Andrew Shea ..... E111  
Mark Sudduth ..... E86

## Glass, Flat

Dawn Adams  
& Dale Steffey ..... S158  
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& Chuck Young ..... E88  
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& Lawrence Sura ..... E127

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Susan Fox ..... E112  
Helmut & Charlene Goral ..... N62  
Robert Henion ..... E114  
Barbara Lash ..... W28  
Ann Miller  
& Shannon Berg ..... S160  
Anne Monheit ..... W7  
Dennis Nahabetian ..... E99  
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Bill Ruth  
& Susan Mahlstedt ..... S131  
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Adam Shirley ..... W37  
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## Leather

Joseph  
& Suzanne Henderson ..... S147  
Greg Roche ..... N71  
Alberto & Marcella Toro ..... E107

## Metal

Ron Bishop ..... S161  
Kyle Connolly ..... S143  
Catherine Murphy  
& Doug Brown ..... W39  
Susan Wayne ..... N73

## Mixed Media

Lynn Doubblestein ..... E92  
Eric Evans ..... W13  
Morten E. Fadum ..... E121  
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Oluf Nielson ..... E97  
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Janet O'Neal ..... W38  
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Judith Wrend ..... W31

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David Boone ..... W45  
Richard Bronk ..... N76  
Larry Fox ..... N63  
Brice Gamble ..... W34  
James Gentry ..... E101  
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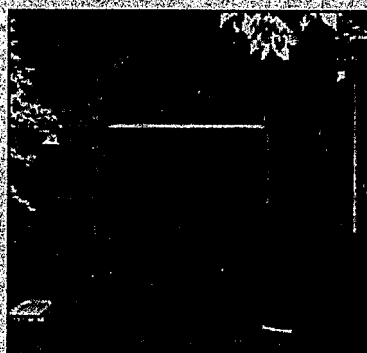
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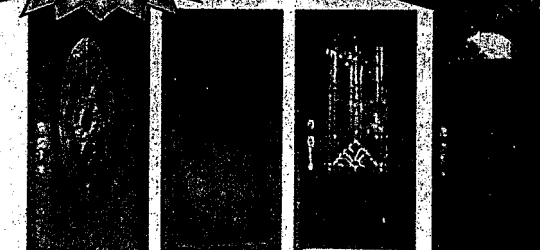
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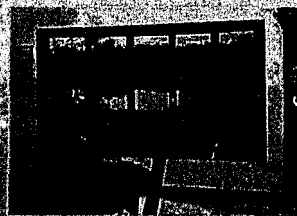
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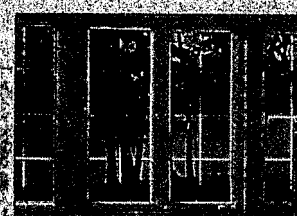
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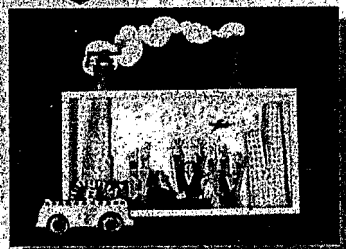
Cynthia Tupper helps Ves Spindler and Thomas Adams with wardrobe for "Broadway Banned - A Musical Revue" the Farmington Players' season opener 8 p.m. at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$20, call (248) 553-2955.

### SATURDAY



Get ready for silliness when Kevin Devine, the master of musical antics and madcap shenanigans, presents two shows 12:45 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. at the Art & Apples festival in downtown Rochester. Call (248) 651-4110 for information.

### SUNDAY



George Landino's "New York" appears on t-shirts for Art in the Park 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Shain Park, downtown Birmingham. The 24th annual fair features 170 artists, children's art activities, live music, and an exhibit of art works by students with disabilities from the Kennedy Center. For more information, call (248) 456-8150.

## HOT TICKET



**Hot Tix:** More than 500 vehicles from 1932 and earlier, roll into Greenfield Village in Dearborn during Old Car Festival, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 12-13. Admission \$12.50 adults; seniors 62 and over \$11.50, children ages 5-12, \$7.50, under five and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.

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- "The Merry Wives of Windsor" by William Shakespeare, Sept. 16-Oct. 11
  - "The Miracle Worker" by William Gibson, Oct. 21-Nov. 15
  - "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, Nov. 21-Dec. 27
  - "Having Our Say" by Emily Mann, Jan. 6-Jan. 31
  - "Scotland Road" by Jeffrey Hatcher, Feb. 10-March 7
  - "A Gift of Glory: Edsel Ford and the Diego Rivera Murals" by Karim Alrawi
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Geoffrey Sherman

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
STAFF WRITER

With the millennium approaching, Geoffrey Sherman had two choices: to look ahead at the possibilities of theater in the 21st century or to look back.

Since attracting audiences is critical these days at the financially strapped Meadow Brook Theatre, Sherman—who heads into his fourth year as artistic director—saw clearly that the future was in the past.

While Sherman is reluctant to call the upcoming schedule of plays a "conservative season," he cannot claim any cutting-edge productions in 1998-99. Apparently, Meadow Brook's pursuit of a more diverse audience has been put on hold.

The England-born director prefers a broad, thematic explanation.

"We're looking back," he said. "In some ways, (this season) is a retrospective of how these plays stood up over the period we're leaving behind—the millennium."

Several of the plays were written at either the end or beginning of a century. (For instance, Shakespeare penned "The Merry Wives of Windsor" circa 1600; "Scotland Road" was written in the early 1900s.) The century's end is a time, contends Sherman, when many playwrights deal with putting history into perspective.

But compared to Meadow Brook's compelling productions of recent years—"Piano Lesson," "Arcadia," "Appalachian Spring" and "I Am A Man"—the upcoming season seems a bit static.

Missing from the lineup is an experimental or contemporary sensibility, and a spirit of adventure.

Despite the critical success of last spring's collaborative production, "Angels in America," last fall's production of Edward Albee's "Three Tall Women" and the British slapstick "What the Butler Saw," Meadow Brook has chosen plays that won't come close to generating controversy. The problem, of course, is that this season's plays might "look back" without making a statement on our present condition.

Surely, that doesn't mean that quality theater must always push boundaries. Rather, it reveals that Meadow Brook has obviously chosen to sustain their audience-base through predictable and entertain-

**Comic romp:** William Shakespeare takes a turn for the west in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of "The Merry Wives of Windsor." (below) the play features (left to right) Janet Maylie, David Regal, Diana Van Fossen and Robin Chadwick.

ing plays rather than with contemporary plays and social commentary.

"Perhaps we're more pragmatic this season," said Sherman. "That's an honest and realistic assessment, especially when most theaters must compete for audiences with movie theaters, video stores, TV shows, sports events and Broadway productions."

This season's most awaited production is the world premiere of "A Gift of Glory: Edsel Ford and the Diego Rivera Murals." The drama about the relationship between the capitalist Ford and Rivera, a renowned muralist with socialist leanings, is written by first-year playwright-in-residence Karim Alrawi.

"A Gift of Glory," admits Sherman, is the ideal type of historical social play that can be developed at a regional theater to engage local audiences and provoke an exploration of their shared milieu.

Apparently, before Meadow Brook can be a regional force in the development of new plays and local talent, they must appear as a viable, conventional theater for mainstream audiences.

For a moment, consider that the first rule of theater is to survive. That might make this upcoming Meadow Brook season more palatable.

Here's a summary of the seven-play season:

■ **"The Merry Wives of Windsor"**

"Shakespeare's bawdy farce about looking for riches under the disguise of love set in the American southwest of the late 1800s. The play opens Sept. 16 with a stellar cast, including Robin Chadwick, Robert Grossman and David Regal in the lead role of John Falstaff."

■ **"The Miracle Worker"**

The American classic made famous by Anne Bancroft and Patty Duke's portrayals of Annie Sullivan and Helen Keller.

■ **"A Christmas Carol"**

Meadow Brook's production of the Charles Dickens classic has become an annual rite of passage into the holiday season. Scrooge, the Cratchits and the cobblestone streets of 19th-century London literally come alive in an extraordinary production.

■ **"Having Our Say"**

Set in the living room of the

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## Former journalist's a newsmaker



Kathleen Madigan

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Kathleen Madigan used to have a real job, not anymore. On a dare from friends, who bet \$60 that she wouldn't do it, the former journalist, bartender/waitress, went up to the mike on amateur night at the St. Louis Funny Bone Comedy Club, and stood up to the challenge of stand-up.

"I figured it's only five minutes, I'll never see these people again," she said. "If you tend bar you already have a lot of stories. I had stories I knew would make people laugh, because I told them at the bar."

People clapped, and having an extra \$60 was nice too. Madigan was getting by, but working two jobs.

After graduating from Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville in 1987 with a degree in journalism, she started freelancing, and got a job editing an in-house publication for a St. Louis athletic club. On weekends she worked at a restaurant tending bar and waitressing to make extra money.

"I worked 9 to 5 on this 40-page, color in-house magazine. I took all the pictures and wrote the stories. I was making 20 grand a year and had a lousy parking space," she said. "It doesn't take a lot of courage to quit when you have my job. I wasn't settled down."

Madigan worked on her act for over a year until

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### Kathleen Madigan

**WHERE:** Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak.

**WHEN:** 8:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Sept. 16-17; 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19; 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20.

**TICKETS:** \$8 Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday performances. \$15, Friday-Saturday, call (248) 542-9900 or <http://www.comedycastle.com>. Check out Madigan's website [www.flylive.com/madigan.html](http://www.flylive.com/madigan.html)

## POPULAR MUSIC

### Aerosmith's live album hits a little north of Detroit

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Joey Kramer, drummer for Aerosmith, is a man of few words. He's not too chatty about his upcoming tour which includes two shows at Pine Knob Music Theatre Sept. 13 and 15.

"We're going to come in and rock you. If I told you about it, it wouldn't be a surprise," Kramer explained.

Nor is he talkative about his recent accident during which his car caught on fire at a gas pump. Kramer sustained severe burns on his arms forcing the band to postpone its tour for a second time. The first postponement was due to singer Steven Tyler's knee injury.

**WHO:** Aerosmith

**WHEN:** Performs with Monster Magnet 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, and Tuesday, Sept. 15.

**WHERE:** Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township.

**HOW:** Tickets are \$45 pavilion, \$27.50 lawn for the Tuesday show only. Call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.pineknob.com> or any Ticketmaster outlet.

"I'm feeling really good. It was not a pleasant surprise."

He pretty much didn't have much to say about the recording sessions for Aerosmith's latest album "Nine Lives," released March 18, 1997, on Columbia.

"We had some problems, I had some

personal problems during that time. But we didn't record it any different (than previous albums)."

But when it comes to talking about Detroit-area audiences, he lightens up a bit.

"Pine Knob is one of our favorite places to play. Just over the years, Michigan's always been really good to us."

Aerosmith's Detroit shows have been so tight during the "Nine Lives" tour that several songs recorded at The Palace of Auburn Hills will be included on the double live CD set "A Little South of Sanity" due out on Geffen Records Oct. 20, accord-

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**Award nominees:** Aerosmith has earned four nominations in tonight's MTV Video Music Awards.



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she had 15 minutes. That was 10 years ago, and since then she's been on the Tonight Show, Comedy Central, A&E, starred in an HBO half-hour comedy special, released a comedy CD "Live," named "Best Female Stand-up Performer" at the 1996 American Comedy Awards, and was one of Bob Hope's Ladies of Laughter in 1996, on an NBC special.

"I even have relatives who don't think of it as a real job," she said. "They say 'you go up there for an hour, what do you do the rest of the day?' You wouldn't ask an actor, you made a movie, what's your day job?"

Freedom and fun are words Madigan uses a lot. "I had a real job, I know what it's like to do chores on Saturday because you're working all week. There's an immense amount of freedom. I'm always shocked, and keep

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*Kathleen Madigan  
comedian*

waiting for someone to knock on my door and say, 'OK, the ride's over.' I was shocked, and I'm still shocked, at the amount people will pay me."

Madigan's the first to admit "it comes real easy to me." She grew up in a large Irish Catholic family in St. Louis and has four brothers, and two sisters.

"I'm outspoken," she said. "I could never figure out those peo-

ple who are afraid to talk to people. They must be an only child. In a family with seven kids if you don't say something, you won't get in the bathroom or dessert. I'm pretty like normal, not ultra-weird."

She doesn't bash men in her act, but does talk about her dad who is flattered. "I talk about TV, my family, the news, computers, some stuff just flies in my head."

It's still just a job, and even a comedian needs a little down time. "I spend every night with 250 people. When I'm off I want to hang out at home," she said. "Half the time I'm on airplanes. I used to tell people the truth; that I was a comedian. Then they'd want me to tell them a joke. Now I say I work in sales, when they ask 'what kind?' I tell them insurance, and they're quiet. If the person seems normal I'll tell the truth."

The biggest kicks in her career have been meeting Bob Hope

and Phyllis Diller. "Bob Hope was someone my grandfather was impressed by. Bob Hope was freak-out. I said 'this is bizarre.' I was one of five female comedians on his show, 'Bob Hope's Ladies of Laughter.' I couldn't believe it. Phyllis Diller is great, she's 80, and a ton of fun. She's with it, still telling jokes and doing gigs. She's the coolest person I've met."

Madigan will be at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle in Royal Oak, Wednesday-Sunday, Sept. 16-20. "I always like the crowd

there," she said. "It's just a nice club. There are four great clubs in the country and Mark Ridley's is definitely one of them. The people know good comedy, they're friendly and nice. I always have fun going there."

Stay up late Tuesday, Sept. 15, and tune in the Tonight Show. "I'll be doing a weekend sports wrap-up," said Madigan. "Jay really likes the idea, because he's not a sports freak. I had four brothers and was forced to watch sports all the time. I know statistics about people I don't even know."

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ing to Kramer.

"For a quarter of a century, we've been on a pilgrimage of rock 'n' roll," frontman Tyler said in a prepared statement. "We've looked out over our own Blue Army of countless fists and Bic lighters in cities in countries across all five continents. This collection of songs is our way of saying thanks to the faithful who've allowed us to rock their worlds, who've filled the seats night after night. We hope you like it as much as we do."

It is also Aerosmith's way of fulfilling its contractual obligations to its former record label Geffen.

The 23-track collection encompasses Aerosmith's entire 25-year career ranging from "Dream On" to "Amazing."

"We were recording shows over the last year or so. We just recorded every night and we went through all the shows that took all the best versions of whatever songs. It goes from classic Aerosmith like 'Back in

the Saddle' and 'Last Child' to some new stuff," Kramer said.

He called "A Little South of Sanity" one of Aerosmith's best works.

"It's just my opinion. I just heard the mastered version of it. To me, for the most part, live albums are usually just a lot of drum tracks and (other) tracks that are re-recorded in the studio," he said.

"This is the band playing, Steven is singing. There's no (crap). As far as live albums, this is one of the best I've ever heard."

Aerosmith recently scored its first No. 1 hit with the ballad "I Don't Want to Miss a Thing" from the movie "Armageddon," which stars Tyler's daughter Liv. The song was written by Diane Warren, who also penned "Because You Loved Me" by Celine Dion, and "How Do I Live," performed by LeAnn Rimes and Trisha Yearwood.

The syrupy sweet song "I Don't Want to Miss a Thing" also

earned Aerosmith two nominations for tonight's MTV Video Music Awards Best Video from a Film and Best Editing. The single "Pink" is up for Best Rock Video and Best Special Effects in a Video.

Collaborating on the "Armageddon" soundtrack, Kramer said, was "a lot of fun," especially the premiere party which was held at Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

"It was a lot of fun doing the video, going to the premiere of the movie. It was great plus they gave us a tour. We got to see everything. They took us out on the launching pad and the up the same elevator they go up on to make a launch. They invited us back in October for John Glenn's launch," he said.

For now, Kramer is happy to be back on the road and to have his injuries and Tyler's knee injury behind him.

"It's life and the way it is. We take nothing for granted."

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Delany sisters. "Having Our Say" tells the tales of six generations of African-American families.

■ "Scotland Road" The psychological mystery about a supposed survivor of the "Titanic" sinking is a late replacement for "Tales from the Arabian Nights."

■ "A Gift of Glory: Edsel Ford and the Diego Rivera Murals"

The story behind the painting of Rivera's mural, "Detroit Industry," at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Created in the early 1930s, the mural is arguably the most controversial commissioned painting in Detroit history.

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# 'Simon Birch' stars visit Birmingham

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

I fell in love with "Simon Birch" before I even met him at Shain Park in downtown Birmingham. He's funny, outspoken, and very wise.

"People who are short aren't supposed to be a freak show," said Ian Michael Smith, the three-foot-one-inch high 12-year-old star of "Simon Birch," opening Friday, Sept. 11, at metro Detroit movie theaters. "We're real people."

Smith has Morquio Syndrome, an enzyme disorder; dwarfism is one of the symptoms. He doesn't let being small stop him from doing what he wants to do, and hopes his determination will inspire others.

That's why he agreed to do this movie, "Simon Birch," a story about friendship between two boys, both of them outsiders in Gravestown, Maine. Smith portrays "Simon," the smallest delivery ever recorded in the history of Gravestown Memorial Hospital. His parents, called him a "peculiar little disappointment," but Simon believes he's a "miracle," and that there's a reason God made him so small.

His best friend is Joe Wentworth, portrayed by Joseph

Mazzello. Joe's mom, Rebecca (Ashley Judd), never married Joe's father, and won't tell him who he is. The other kids make fun of him, he's the town bastard.

"Simon Birch" is a Hollywood Pictures release, written for the screen by Mark Steven Johnson, is based on John Irving's novel, "A Prayer for Owen Meany." Johnson, who also makes his directorial debut with "Simon Birch" is best known for "Grumpy Old Men" and the sequel "Grumpier Old Men."

Irving's novel is not represented in its entirety in the movie. Johnson's screenplay spans one year of the boys' lives when they were 12.

Off stage, Mazzello and Smith share the same camaraderie they do in the movie. During press interviews at Shain Park in downtown Birmingham to promote the movie, they seem more comfortable together than apart. Mazzello, cast by Steven Spielberg as Tim Murphy in "Jurassic Park," has done this before. Smith hasn't, still, he's happy to answer the same question for a millionth time and talk about his life and hobbies.

"It's a powerful, moving film," said Mazzello who went out of

his way to get the part. In addition to auditioning he picked three scenes he liked best, and videotaped himself acting in them and sent the tapes to Johnson.

"There's a lot of emotional stuff. It is really sad, but there's a lot of funny stuff, too, there's a lot of balance in the film. Acting has to come from the heart. It's a gift. I really like the scene in the church when Ashley, Ian and I are walking down the aisle. I loved the way it was photographed with the light coming through the stained glass window. That picture stands out in my mind."

In the movie Mazzello and Smith play on a baseball team together, the Tigers. Mazzello's a baseball fan; Smith would rather be sailing, but they had fun together.

"Ian's an interesting character," Mazzello said with a chuckle. "We were never bored on the set. I liked sitting on the bench during the baseball scenes. We would spit sunflower seeds and see who could spit the farthest."

Like the character he plays, Smith says "he's pretty determined, and doesn't let other people stop him from doing what he wants to do."

Unlike Simon, who is very religious, Smith isn't. "Where's the fun if you know your destiny is determined," he said.

"My character grew up in a family that doesn't exactly take care of him, and I think I'm a hero put on Earth by God for a certain purpose. So basically my whole life is helping Joe find his dad, and figuring out how I'm supposed to become a hero."

The biggest challenge for him was remembering lines during sad scenes. "You have to be sad and at the same time remember your lines. It takes some effort," he said.

While acting came pretty naturally to him, Smith would like to be a lawyer when he grows up. His interests include science, inventing, computers, music, sailing, swimming and playing with friends. He likes to participate as a team member with classmates in the annual Odyssey of the Mind competition, takes piano and trumpet lessons, and sings in his school choir.

Jan Hooks portrays Sunday school teacher Miss Leavey, and a lot of comic relief. Oliver Platt is Ben Goodrich, Rebecca's boyfriend who befriends the boys. David Strathairn is the Rev. Russell.



STAFF PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLINSKY

Just visiting: Ian Michael Smith (left) stars as Simon, and Joseph Mazzello as his best friend Joe, in "Simon Birch." They recently visited Shain Park in downtown Birmingham on a media tour to promote the movie, which opens Friday at metro Detroit movie theaters.

## STREET SCENE

## Sloan avoids striking out with new album



CHRISTINA FUOCO

The Canadian pop band Sloan has resigned to the baseball "three strikes and you're out."

The band released an album on Geffen Records, The Enclave and had a chance to offer "Navy Blues," its fourth album, on another major but was hesitant.

"The Enclave folded a year after we signed to them," said guitarist/vocalist/pianist Jay Ferguson. "A couple other labels were interested. Just as an experiment, we said we could go with another major label, but if it fails again that would be three strikes. Who's gonna sign a band that's been on three major labels with little success?"

"So Sloan put 'Navy Blues' out on its own label, the Nova Scotia-based murederecords. Ferguson explained that the band couldn't lose by doing that. A major label wouldn't drop the

band if the album failed, and if it does well, Sloan's members make out.

The album in question, "Navy Blues," is an amalgamation of influences of the Beatles, '70s pop and Broadway showtunes. When Ferguson heard that, he broke out in laughter.

"Patrick (Pentland, guitarist/vocalist) did an interview and talked about how the different writers represent different things. He said I started to write showtunes and he was expecting to see me in the front row at (Bob) Fosse," Ferguson said still laughing.

"A Broadway feel, huh? I don't know if I was aiming at that. I tried to make it be a little bit more ... I don't know what. Thank you?"

Sloan - which also includes drummer/vocalist Andrew Scott and bassist/vocalist Chris Murphy - is a band of songwriters and singers which attributes to the varied sound of "Navy Blues."

"Those are my favorite kinds of records, the ones with different

types of songs and different sounds, not just a guitar band going full steam ahead for 12 songs. We're a band of different singers and different instruments," Ferguson explained.

"Andrew's songs are catchy but complicated, hard to learn. He has to play everything on the songs until we learn it, which is until we have to play live or something. Patrick will get pegged with rockier songs like 'Iggy and Angus,' 'Stand By Me, Yeah,' and 'I'm Not Through With You Yet.' They're not ballads but more acousticy kind of songs."

"I always try to come up with pop songs that have a good Motown beat. I don't care what's

on top of it," he said with a laugh. "Chris fills in the gaps with whatever's needed on the record. He likes pop songs."

On the road, Sloan hopes to recreate the songs as best as it can.

"We'll probably bring a piano, a Fender roads piano so that for my two songs on the record I can play it. Then we'll all take turns. It adds a little bit so it's not just a guitar ballistics show."

Sloan performs Tuesday, Sept. 15, at Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, in Pontiac Doors open at 8 p.m. for the all-ages show. Tickets are \$13 in advance, \$15 day of the show. Call (248) 333-2362 or visit <http://www.961melt.com> for more information.

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#### GEM THEATRE

"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," through Jan. 3, at the theater's new location, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$27.50), 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$27.50), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$32.50), 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays (\$32.50), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$27.50) and 6 p.m. Sundays (\$19.50). (313) 963-9800

#### MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE

"Bring In Da Noise, Bring In Da Funk," Friday-Sunday, Sept. 18-20, at the theater, 500 Temple Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays (\$24.50, \$29.50, \$39.50), 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 2 p.m. Saturdays, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20 (\$22.50, \$27.50, \$37.50), and 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23 (\$22.50). (248) 645-6666/(313) 872-1000

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"Broadway/Barned: A Musical Revue," a lively look back at the Farmington Players past, features many great scores from musicals performed within their intimate barn setting, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Sept. 11-12, 18-19 and 15-16, 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, 32332 W. 12 Mile, west of Orchard Lake Road; Farmington Hills. \$20. (248) 553-2955

#### LIVONIA-REDFORD THEATER GUILD

Opens its season 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18 with "Laughter on the 23rd Floor," at the playhouse, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. Performances 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, through Sept. 27. Call (313) 531-0554.

#### ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

Benefit performances of "Seance at the Upstage," an audience participation murder mystery with a comedic twist by Eileen Moushey, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, at the Upstage Theater, 21728 Grand River, Detroit. \$10. (313) 537-7716/(313) 532-4010

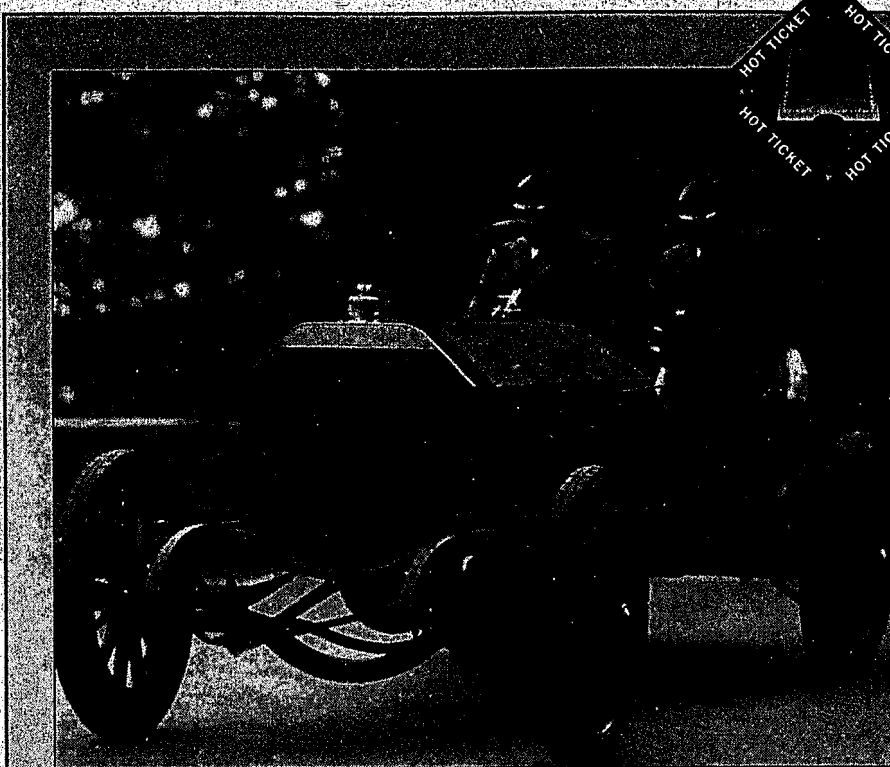
#### MARQUIS THEATRE

"Raggedy Ann and Andy," 2:30 p.m. Saturdays-Sundays, Sept. 12-13, 19-20 and 26-27, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville. Children ages 3 and younger not permitted. (248) 349-8110 for ticket information and special school performance times and rates.

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hymns, secular music and African-American spirituals performed by the Cantata Academy, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, St. Francis of Assisi Church, 2250 E. Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor. \$25. (734) 971-2826; ext. 426

**"FALL MUSIC FESTIVAL"** With Caruthers and Co. and Brotherhood Christian Church Choir, with praise and worship teams, and interpretive dance, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, Brotherhood Christian Church, 3737 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. (248) 540-1077

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#### 5705

#### MODEL RAILROAD AND TOY TRAIN SHOW

Featuring dealers and collectors selling new, used, antique and collectible model railroad and toy train supplies, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St., Plymouth. \$4, \$1 for children ages 4-12. (734) 455-2110

#### FRIDGEDALE PLAYERS

"Fascinating Gershwin," a gala evening wrapped around Gershwin songs, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays Sept. 18-19 and 25-26, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 20 and 27, to raise funds for the Players. \$20. (248) 988-7049

### FAMILY EVENTS

#### AUTUMN FEST

West Bloomfield's annual country fair entertains children with the music of Chautauqua Express, petting farm, hayrides, air rides and labyrinth, the chance to sit in Brett Bodine's race car, games and food, and music by LoneStar Line Dance Company, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, at Marshbank Park on Hiller Road, north of Commerce Road. \$5 per car. (248) 738-2500

#### MAYBURY STATE PARK

"Honey Harvest," with a beekeeper and a demonstration of honey extraction and processing, 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 12-13, farm demonstration building; September bird hike, 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12; riding stable parking area; horsedrawn hayrides, 1-4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays in September and October, Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck Road, Northville. Free, state park motor vehicle permit required for entry. (248) 349-8390

#### MICHIGAN RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

Runs weekends through September, at the grounds, one mile north of Mount Holly on Dixie Highway in Holly. \$13.95, \$5.95 children ages 5-12, free for children ages 4 and younger. (248) 634-5552 or <http://www.members.aol.com/Renfestival> or [Renfestmi@aol.com](mailto:Renfestmi@aol.com)

#### PLYMOUTH FALL FESTIVAL

Entertainment, variety of food booths, children's games and rides, pancake breakfast, chicken dinner, Polish and Irish dancing, auto show, Plymouth Community Arts Council's Artists and Craftsmen Show, 3:10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12 and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 in downtown Plymouth. (734) 453-1540

### CLASSICAL

#### PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20,

at the Italian American Cultural Center, Livonia. \$15. (734) 451-2112

#### RALPH VOTAPEK

Piano recital of Moussorgsky and Gershwin presented by Music Study Club of Metropolitan Detroit, 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15 dessert 12:15 p.m.), at Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. \$7 non-members. (248) 851-4307/(248) 585-0146

### POPS/SWING

#### SWING SYNDICATE

10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 485-5053 (swing)

### AUDITIONS

#### ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Auditions for assistant concertmaster, strings, flute, horn and principal harp, Wednesday-Saturday, Sept. 16-19. (734) 994-4801

#### AVON PLAYERS

Auditions for "The Foreigner," a modern farce set in a fishing lodge in rural Georgia, 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 14-15, at the playhouse on Tienken Road, east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. For performances Oct. 30-31 and Nov. 1 and Nov. 6-8 and 12-14. Scripts available (not for check-out) at the Rochester Public Library. (248) 608-9077

#### DEARBORN BALLET THEATRE

Auditions for male and female dancers for "The Nutcracker," minimum two years serious dance training, 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Dearborn Senior Center Gymnasium, formerly St. Barbara's School, 13500 Colson, off Schaefer Road between Michigan Avenue and Ford Road, Dearborn. For performances with the Dearborn Symphony Orchestra Nov. 28-29. (313) 563-2488/(313) 943-3095

#### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/BALLET

Open auditions for dancers age 7 through college for "The Nutcracker," 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19 (boys) and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20 (girls), at Marygrove College, room 228 of the Liberal Arts Building, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit. For performances Dec. 10-20 at Detroit Opera House. (313) 576-5114

#### FARMINGTON/FARMINGTON HILLS COMMUNITY CHORUS

Auditions for singers age 18 and older, musical experience not necessary but is helpful, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, at the Farmington Hills Activity Center, on 11 Mile, east of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. Registration will be the following week for those accepted, small registration fee. (248) 471-4516

#### GROSSE POINTE THEATRE

Auditions for "Follies," 7-10:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at the theater, 315 Fisher Road, Grosse Pointe. Performances Nov. 5-21. (313) 885-6086/(810) 790-7038/(313) 886-0944

#### HURON CIVIC THEATRE

Auditions for "Anything Goes," 6-9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, and 7-10 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, Huron High School Auditorium, 32044 W. Huron River Dr., New Boston. (734) 782-5380/(734) 675-4017

#### THE METROPOLITAN SINGERS

Open house and auditions, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, Fountains of Franklin, 28301 Franklin Road (near 12 Mile Road and Northwestern Highway), Southfield. (248) 399-1426/(810) 939-6090

#### NORTH ROSEDALE PARK PLAYERS

Auditions for all ensemble role in the Lamb's Production-drama of "Dracula," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10 and Tuesday, Sept. 15, at North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale, east of Outer Drive, north of Grand River, west of Southfield Expressway, Detroit. Rehearsals begin Sept. 17 for performances Nov. 13-15 and 20-21. (734) 459-2332

#### PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS

Open auditions for new members, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 15, 22 and 29, especially needed are tenors, basses and baritones, some openings for altos and sopranos, at First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Road, west of Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 455-4080

#### PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Auditions for concertmaster, second oboe, second clarinet, second French horn, section strings, others may audition for substitute positions, Monday, Sept. 14. (734) 482-3897/(313) 640-1773

#### RIDGEDALE PLAYERS

Auditions for 15 men and women of varying ages for "Twelve Angry Jurors," a mixed cast version of "Twelve Angry Men," 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, actors must give one-minute monologue on any issue they feel strongly about, either original or scripted, for performances Nov. 6-22. (734) 420-2752, open house for children and adults interested in theater, 205 W. Long Lake between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. (248) 988-7049

#### SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR

Auditions for new members 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 15 and 22, for season including Vivaldi's "Gloria" and Bach's "Magnificat," in Room 530 of the Forum building on campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (248) 349-8175/(734) 462-4435

#### STAGECRAFTERS

Auditions for "The Heiress," 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, and 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, First United Methodist Church, 320 W. Seventh St., Royal Oak. Scripts available at the Baldwin Theatre office, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. Performances are Nov. 13-29. (248) 541-4832

#### VANGUARD VOICES

Auditions for 65-voice mixed choir, 7:30-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, in the MacKenzie Fine Arts Building (Room F-113), Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. For performances Nov. 29, Dec. 12-14, Feb. 5, March 21, April 11, and May 23. Rehearsals Thursday nights in Dearborn. (313) 845-6474

#### VILLAGE PLAYERS

Auditions for "She Loves Me," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday Sept. 8 and Thursday, Sept. 10 at the playhouse, 752 Chestnut Street, south of Maple Road, Birmingham. For performances Nov. 12-15, 20-22, 27-28. (248) 644-2075

#### WHISTLE STOP PLAYERS

Auditions for children ages 5 and up for "The Velveteen Rabbit," 6:30-8 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 14-15, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 North Sheldon at Junction, Plymouth. Participation fee of \$100. PCAC members, \$125 non-members due upon casting. (734) 416-4278

### CHORAL

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The group is looking for members and former members to help celebrate its 25th anniversary with a gala ball Friday, Oct. 2, at Laurel Park Manor, Livonia. (734) 459-6829 or write to P.O. Box 700217, Plymouth, Mich. 48170

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### JAZZ

#### SANDRA BOMAR TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

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**KARL DENSON'S TINY UNIVERSE** With The Articles, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$10 in advance, 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com> (acid jazz/Jamaican jazz)

#### MICK DOBBAY TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

#### KURT ELLING QUARTET

8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Pease Auditorium, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. \$20 in advance. All ages. (734) 99-MUSIC or <http://www.99music.com>

#### ELLERY ESKELIN

With Andrea Parkins and Jim Black, Trio, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, as part of the New Music Society Concerts; Khedos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. Cover charge. All ages. (248) 399-3946

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9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, as part of Mood Indigo night, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

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9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$15. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

#### SCOTT HENDERSON AND TRIBAL TECH

8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$15 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

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6-10 p.m. Mondays at Too-Chezy, 27155 Sheraton Drive, Novi. (248) 348-5555, 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays to Saturdays at Encore in the Quality Inn, 1801 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 339-3790; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 305-7333

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Featuring Ramsey Lewis and Alexander Zonjic, two dozen area restaurants and wine merchants serving complimentary wine and gourmet hors d'oeuvres, and a silent auction with sports and entertainment items, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, St. Mary's College, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake. \$50. (248) 683-1750

#### SHEILA LANDIS

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Sept. 10, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150; With Rick Matle and Dennis Sheridan, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. (313) 271-4441

#### RAMSEY LEWIS

With Alexander Zonjic, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 event opens at 2 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and wine tasting, and silent auction, at St. Mary's College, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake. \$50. (248) 683-1750

#### MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With vocalist Barbara Ware, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, and with trombone player Ron Kischuk, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. \$5 cover, waived with dinner. \$5 drink minimum. (248) 474-4800

#### CARL MICHEL GROUP

9:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Music Menu Cafe, 5111 Monroe, Detroit. (313) 964-6368

#### MARK MOULTRUP TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Sept. 17, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

#### (vocal/piano/bass)

#### PAUL VORNHAGEN TRIO

8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (sax and

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JOCKEY E. MURRAY

**Season opener: Avon Players opens its 1998-99 season 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11 with the musical, "Oliver," featuring Dennis Starch as Oliver, Rick Gebbie as Fagin, and Jon Dalton as the Artful Dodger. Show continues 8 p.m. Friday-Saturdays through Oct. 3, additional shows 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19; 2 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 20 and 27; and 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1 at the theater on Tienken Road (1 1/4 miles east of Rochester Road) in Rochester Hills. Tickets \$15; season ticket \$65 includes five shows. Call (248) 608-9077.**



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With Immunity, 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$18 in advance. 18 and older. (reggae) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

**IMMUNITY**  
10 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12, Spectadium, 2511 N. Livernois Road, Troy. Cover charge. (248) 362-4030; 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300; 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Sept. 18, The Rhinoceros, 265 Rlopelle, Detroit. Free. All ages. (313) 259-2208 (reggae)

**PEGGY SEEGER**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

**THIRD WORLD**  
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20 in advance. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 (reggae)

## FOLK/BLUEGRASS

**CULTURE VULTURES**  
8-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-1838 (bluegrass)

**STERHEN FEARING**  
With Ray Bonnevill, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

**GREG GREENWAY**  
With Carrie Newcomer, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$11 members, students and seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

**RFD BOYS**  
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$9 members, students and seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (bluegrass)

## DANCE

**AUTUMN LEAVES DINNER DANCE**  
With dancing to music by The Mike Wolverton Band, and buffet dinner of pork loin with mushrooms, roasted chicken, pasta primavera, mostaccioli, California vegetable medley, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad, rolls, coffee, tea and dutch apple pie, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, The Italian American Banquet Center, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia. \$16.50. (313) 534-5924/(734) 422-3415

**PICNIC DANCE**  
2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, music by Walt Lipic Orchestra, folk dancing by "Rzeszow" Dance Group, at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple, at Dequindre, Troy. \$4. (248) 689-3636

**SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE**  
Lessons offered 7:30 p.m. Wednesday evenings, no partner needed, beginners welcome, at Madison Heights United Methodist Church, 246 E. 11 Mile, east of John R. \$3, first visit free. (248) 546-5037/(248) 547-9823

**WOLVERINE SILVERSPUR DANCERS**  
Country-Western dancing, 7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Italian American Cultural Center, Warren. \$7, \$6 members. (810) 573-4993

**WSSS COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE**  
7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Plymouth Elks, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. \$7. (734) 425-2627

## COMEDY

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB**  
Bill Hildebrandt, Kevin Zeoli and Pauline, Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 10-12; Scott Henry, Keith Ruff and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 17-19, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill,

36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$5); 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$12), unless otherwise noted. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$5), unless otherwise noted. (734) 261-0555

**MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE**  
R. Bruce, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10 (\$7), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12 (\$10); Claudia Sherman, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Sept. 16-17 (\$7), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19 (\$10), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

**MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE**  
Jenny McNulty and Paul Frisbee, Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 10-13, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5); 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 9:30 p.m. Fridays (\$12), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices subject to change. (248) 542-9900 or <http://www.comedycastle.com>

## POPULAR MUSIC

**ACME JAM**  
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (rock)

**AEROSMITH**  
With Monster Magnet, 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13 (sold out), and Tuesday, Sept. 15, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$45 pavilion, \$27.50 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

**AURORA**  
With Sublimation and Lovesick, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555

**BEACH BOYS**  
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, and 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$54, \$48 students and senior citizens, \$60 gold circle. All ages. (pop) (810) 286-2222

**GEORGE BEDARD AND THE KINGPINS**  
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

**BUGS BEDDOW BAND**  
9 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Sept. 16-17, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

**BIDDLE LOVE MONKEY**  
10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 485-5053 (rock)

**BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS**  
10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 485-5053 (jump blues)

**BIM SKALA BIM**  
7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (313) 833-POOL (ska)

**BIZER BROTHERS**  
8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12, The Rattlesnake Club, 300 River Place, Detroit. Free. All ages. (pop) (313) 567-4400

**"BLIND PIG SHOWCASE"**  
With Away, Trale, Pave the Sun and Antigen Sylph, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Free. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (variety)

**BLUE SUIT WITH ALBERTA ADAMS**  
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400

**ROBERT BRADLEY'S BLACKWATER SURPRISE**  
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (bluesy rock)

**CHUBBY CARRIER AND THE BAYOU SWAMP BAND**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. \$4, 21 and older. (248) 542-

9922 (blues)

**CIRCUS MCGIRKUS**  
With Quasar Wut-Wut, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (rock)

**GUY CLARK**  
With Gillian Welch and David Rawlings, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$17.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (country)

**"CLASSIC ROCK ALL STARS"**  
Featuring Peter Rivera, Jerry Corbetta, Mike Plnera and Dennis Noda, of Rare Earth, Iron Butterfly, Blues Image, Cannibal and the Headhunters, and Sugarloaf, performing hits such as "Get Ready," "I Just Wanna Celebrate" and "Tobacco Road," with special guest The Plants, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, JD's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. \$15.50 in advance. 18 and older. (810) 913-1921 (rock)

**A.J. CROCE**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, Fifth Avenue, 215 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. \$6, 21 and older. (248) 542-9922 (blues)

**CRYSTAL METHOD**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$13.50 in advance, \$15 day of show. All ages. (techno) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

**IRIS DEMENT**  
8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (country)

**GLEN EDDIE**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

**EL VEZ**  
"The Mexican Elvis," 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

**FAITH AND DISEASE**  
With Trance to the Sun, 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Ascension U.K., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. (313) 961-5333

**GHETTOBLASTER**  
With The Volebeats, The Witches, The Hentchmen and the Dirtbombs, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (variety)

**GIRL TROUBLE**  
With Bantam Roosers, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 18 and older. (313) 833-POOL (rock)

**AL HILL**  
8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

**HILLSIDE STRANGLERS**  
With The Impaler, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. \$5. 21 and older. (313) 875-6555 or <http://www.lilis21.com> (rock)

**LISA HUNTER**  
Hosts open mic night, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 13, Gargoyle's, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (248) 745-9790

**ELTON JOHN**  
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$49.50 and \$39.50. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

**MARK KOZELEK**  
Red House Painters singer perform with special guest His Name Is Alive, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$10. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com> (pop)

**LOCAL H**  
With The Superjesus and Stanford Prison Experiment, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

**NILS LOFGREN**  
Former lead guitarist for Neil Young and Bruce Springsteen, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

**MASSIVE ATTACK**  
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$20 in advance. All ages. (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

**MAYFIELD FOUR**  
8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

**MICHAEL McDONALD**  
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or [www.palacenet.com](http://www.palacenet.com)

**MR. TIDY**  
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. \$5. 21 and older. (313) 875-6555 or <http://www.lilis21.com> (rock)

**MOTOR CITY JOSH**  
8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

**MUSTARD PLUG**  
With The Piffers, 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (ska)

**STEVE NARDELLA**  
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

**BEN NEILL**  
With Transglobal Underground, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (techno)

**ROBERT NOLL BLUES MISSION**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

**ORGONE BOX**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. \$5. 21 and older. (313) 875-6555 or <http://www.lilis21.com> (rock)

**ROBERT PENN**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

**PETER AND THE TEST-TUBE BABIES**  
With "Bumpin' Uglies," 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 18 and older. (313) 833-POOL (punk)

**PLUMLOCO**  
With Heavy Weather, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (rock)

**RFD BOYS**  
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$9 members, students and seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (bluegrass)

**ROGER AND ZAPP**  
With Evelyn King and Al Hudson, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$27.50 main floor, \$23.50 balcony. All ages. (313) 961-5451

**ROOMFUL OF BLUES**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$15. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

**RUTH RUTH**  
6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (rock)

**SAFFIRE - THE UPPITY BLUES WOMEN**  
With Susan Calloway, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$13 in advance. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

**"SEPTEMBER SLAM '98"**  
With LA, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Harpo's, 14238 Harper, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 824-1700

**60 SECOND CRUSH**  
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 485-5053; Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, with Broken Toys and Mew, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com> (rock)

**SLOAN**  
8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$13 in advance, \$15 day of show. All ages. (pop) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

**STEVE SOMERS BAND**  
Featuring Valerie Barrymore, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

**SPAT**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, On the Rock, formerly known as Lou's

Blue Rose, 16117 Mack Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 883-6440 (pop)

**SUN MESSENGERS**  
9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 542-9922 (R&B)

**MARSHALL TUCKER BAND**  
2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13, originally scheduled for Oak Ridge Natural Amphitheatre moved to Pine Creek Golf Course, 50521 Huron River Dr., Belleville. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (rock) (248) 645-6666

**TWISTIN' TARANTULAS**  
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 965-9500 (rockabilly)

**UNCLE BOOBY**  
10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 485-5053 (pop)

**WAILIN' INC.**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. \$2. 21 and older. (248) 542-9922 (blues)

**CLAY WALKER**  
With the Dixie Chicks, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (country) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

**YOU AM I**  
6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (rock)

## CLUB NIGHTS

**BLIND PIG**  
"Swing-a-billy" night with dance lessons from 8-9 p.m. and dancing with DJ Del Villarreal, 7:30 p.m. Sundays at the club, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5 before 9 p.m., \$3 afterward; "Solar" night with Disco D featuring Thomas Barnett and Laura Hardgrove, 10 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the club. \$5. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555

**CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET**  
"Flashback" night with "The Planet" WPLT on level two (Clutch Cargo's), old school funk on level three, and techno and house on level four, 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, at the club, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older; Alternative dance night, 8 p.m. Wednesdays in Clutch Cargo's. 18 and older. (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

**THE GROOVE ROOM**  
Funk, hip-hop and top 40 with DJ Mac D, Thursdays. Women admitted free; "Love Factory" alternative dance night Fridays; Alternative dance with DJ Matt Saturdays; Alternative dance Tuesdays; gothic, industrial and retro with DJ Paul Wednesdays. Free, at the club, 1815 N. Main St. (at 12 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly. 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or <http://www.the-grooveroom.com>

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# Rochester Mills Beer Co. taps into local history

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD  
SPECIAL WRITERS

You've heard it said, "Success breeds success." It's true even in the brew pub business. Rochester Mills Beer Co., just off Main and Fourth streets in downtown Rochester, is a spin off the success of The Royal Oak Brewery with some unique twists.

Energy, enthusiasm, hard work and sweat equity have paid off for under 30-year-old owners Drew Ciora and Mike Plesz who opened The Royal Oak Brewery a little more than two years ago. Their latest success, Rochester Mills Beer Co., has been attracting crowds since opening in late July.

In Royal Oak, Ciora and Plesz purchased and modernized a former antique store into an efficient and visible microbrewing area surrounded by a large bar and 125-person restaurant. In Rochester, the pair took on a silent partner and modernized the ground floor of an historic woolen mill creating a much larger brewing area, a 450-seat brew pub and entertainment spot.

Concern here is not just the brew, well-crafted by talented brewer Wayne Burns, but also the pub grub. An ambitious

menu gets its drive from Executive Chef Sylvester Gordon, whom Ciora convinced to leave a California brew pub to cook in Royal Oak. He trained his replacement in Royal Oak and now devotes his culinary energies to the creative specialties at Rochester Mills.

While some Royal Oak Brewery specialties made their way to Rochester on the top of the what's new appetizers are White Fish Pate, seasoned with herbs and spices garnished with finely diced red onions and capers. Three fillings for trendy Grilled Quesadillas are available, but the Rock Shrimp gets high marks. Baba Ganoush and Poblano Chili Dip are also appetizer newcomers. While the menu notes "mild chilies," for the poblano dip, it has a kick!

Drew Ciora got his managing feet wet in several brew pubs in California, but he must like Michigan. So must Californian chef Gordon because among salads, he now gives Michigan a nod with Michigan Cherry Salad. Fresh mixed baby greens are topped with Michigan dried cherries, blue cheese crumbles, walnuts, tomatoes and cucumber served with basil vinaigrette. All salads are large and meals in themselves.

New brew favorites are Grilled

## Rochester Mills Beer Co.

**Where:** 400 Water Street, Rochester (248) 650-5080.  
**Hours:** Sunday-Tuesday 11:30 a.m. to midnight; Wednesday-Saturday 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.  
**Menu/atmosphere:** Great food and great beer in an environment where you'd like to hang out. Family-oriented with kids menu. Outdoor terrace in good weather.  
**Cost:** Moderate with most offerings under \$10.  
**Reservations:** Not accepted.  
**Credit cards:** All majors accepted.  
**Other location:** The Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth Street, Royal Oak.

Eggplant with Angel Hair Pasta, Beer-Battered Fish n' Chips, Herb Roasted Chicken and succulent Barbie Q Baby Back Ribs (half slab \$8.95 and full \$14.95). While all these are new creations, the owners admit that the top seller is an original Royal Oak Brewery favorite: Louisiana Jambalaya. It doesn't get thicker, richer, more savory or robust on the Bayou!

The standout pasta and number one ordered is Szechwan Pasta - fettuccini tossed with a spicy Szechwan sauce, onions and mushrooms. You get to choose whether you want spicy sausage, chicken or rock shrimp tossed in.

If you have your taste up for pizza. There's a generous list or you can build your own gourmet for stone hearth oven baking.

All brews are new, seven are core, but there are brews of the day and a core beer may be bumped by seasonal beers. At Rochester Mills, Brewer Burns has a pilot brewery in the basement. His best experimental beers will make it to the tap for your comments.

Our favorites among current brews are Water Street, an unfettered German-style wheat beer with deliciously spicy clove aromas and flavors. Cornerstone I.P.A. (India Pale Ale) for the times when only strong malt flavors satisfy; Michigan Mild, a British session beer. If you are unfamiliar with the term "session," it's a lower-alcohol brew that you can drink more of and therefore a longer time (session). Sacrilicious Stout is a great imitation of the full-bodied Irish



STAFF PHOTO BY DONNA McLAUGHLIN

**What's on tap:** Rochester Mills Beer Co., owner Mike Plesz (left to right), Chef Sylvester Gordon, and brewer Wayne Burns present some of the brew pub's specialty dishes and beers.

classic with strong coffee and chocolate aromas and flavors.

Making Rochester Mills Beer Co. an entertainment center are 28 TVs, arranged for optimum viewing of sports events. Detroit Lions will be featured for away games or sellouts at the Silverdome. Five pool tables are free

on Sunday and Tuesday, otherwise \$10 per hour.

The cigar/martini room is stocked with more than two dozen cigar options with Absolut Vodka in the well. The stage comes alive with music Tuesday-Saturday. On weekends, blues, rock 'n' roll or jazz are featured.

## WHAT'S COOKING

**■ Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza VII** - 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, in the Waterman Center. With approximately 60 of the premier restaurants of southeastern Michigan in attendance, patrons will find plenty of dishes that tempt them

to lick their fingers while they help raise money for student scholarships. The event includes delicious food samples, a live auction featuring combination prizes and a raffle with two round-trip tickets to anywhere in the continental U.S. or a trip to

Las Vegas. There will be free mini-seminars on food-related topics, including demonstrations of healthy, low-calorie meals by a chef from the Weight Watchers Group, whose president, Florine Mark, is the event's honorary chair. Culinary Extravaganza VII tickets are \$40 per person or two tickets for \$75. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10.

Both can be purchased by calling the Office of Marketing and Development at (734) 462-4417. Visa, MasterCard, Discover credit cards and checks are accepted. More restaurant participants and sponsors are also being sought. Sponsorships range from \$250 to \$5,000. For information about participating in Culinary Extravaganza VII, or being a

sponsor, call number listed above. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads, just west of I-275.

**■ Il Posto Ristorante** (29110 Franklin Rd., Southfield), Wednesday, September 16, 7 p.m., Dievole Wine Dinner with owner Mario Schwenn. Schwenn will unfold the amazing story of Tuscany's Dievole wines during a five-course Italian dinner splendidly matched with seven Dievole wines. Cost: \$65 per person not including tax or gratuity. Reservations: (248) 827-8070.

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