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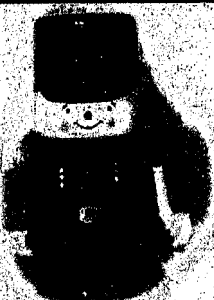


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VINTAGE



CLARKSTON

Finally, on July 3, 1864, Edgar Clark's mail finally caught up with him and he received a letter from his wife, the first since he lost his leg. He writes a two-part letter, half before the mail comes and half after.

"My dear wife, my leg is doing as well as could be wished. The doctor said there is no longer any bleeding. The strings that tied the artery are all coming away. I think in two weeks I can hobble around on crutches. I will be glad to get out of doors where there is a little air stirring... (more) than here in bed.

"You don't know how I want to hear from you. Sometimes I am undecided about what course I will pursue... get my discharge... or wait until spring. I depend a great deal on what your advice will be so I will wait patiently until I hear from you.

"I received a most kind and affectionate letter from you today. It did me so much good that I wept tears of joy. Dear Catherine, as long as I live and am no worse off than I am now, I will try to get you a good living. You are right when you say there are a good many worse off than I am. If you could go through the 40 wards which comprise this hospital, you would see hundreds worse off, some with no arms and some with no legs. My leg is first rate, I can lay on either side and can sit up one hour at a time.

"The weather has got warm again, not only warm but hot as Dutch love in harvest time. I suppose you know how hot that is. Write often to your affectionate and loving husband, to his much loved and faithful wife, Edgar Clark."

Vintage Clarkston is written by Kim Huttenlocher, a member of the board of directors of the Clarkston Community Historical Society.



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Residents favor saving golf course

■ The majority of Independence residents who met with township officials Tuesday said they want Clarkston Creek Golf Course preserved as open space and a recreational outlet.

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Independence Township residents gave officials a thumbs up for a proposal to buy Clarkston Creek Golf Course. Although the opinion wasn't anonymous, most people who spoke at the township board's regular meeting Tuesday liked the concept of preserving

the green space near the intersection of Maybee and Sashabaw roads, even though it means converting 20 acres into luxury townhomes.

"This is such a win-win situation for everyone, I don't see how you can hesitate," resident Paul Arthur said.

He said between him and his wife, the couple plays 150 rounds of golf per year at Clarkston Creek, and he was hoping it would remain.

Developer and township resident Joe Locricchio has an option on the 144-acre golf course. He plans to build townhomes starting at at least \$250,000 where holes 12 and 13 are now. Those holes would be relocated to the driving range.

In addition, Locricchio has an option on 19 acres owned by resident John Marshall that fronts Sashabaw Road. Also part of the concept is for the township to turn over 14 acres it owns adjacent to the Marshall property. Locricchio would put class A office space, a restaurant and retail on those parcels.

The golf course property is valued at \$3 million, Township Supervisor Dale

Stuart said. The 14 acres the township now owns is valued at \$1 million, he said. Under the concept proposal, the township would turn over the 14 acres to Locricchio, and his company would manage the golf course. The township would borrow money to buy the golf course and receive payments from income generated at the golf course from Locricchio to pay off the debt.

The township called a special meeting Nov. 9 where the same presentation by Locricchio and his partner Jim Albright was given. At that meeting, officials were worried about the finan-

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Shipwreck
detective: Andy
Matroci is well-
known as a
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search, explo-
ration and
recovery diver.



Sunken silver surfaces at jewelry store

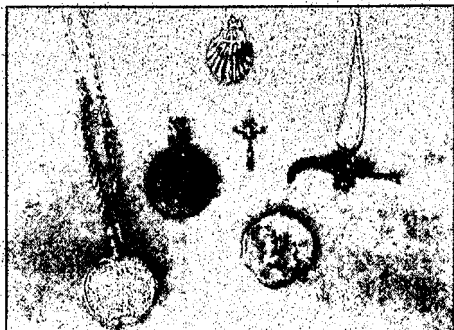
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Intigue, danger, history, hidden treasures, shipwrecks and mysteries of the deep sea. All these apply to the multi-million dollar exhibit, Lost Galleon Treasures, that opens today at Tierra Fine Jewelers at 64 S. Main St. The exhibit is exclusive to the Clarkston store.

"People have a real fascination with sunken treasures," said Buck Kopietz, who owns Tierra with his wife, Joan. "This event will allow people to see sunken treasure first-hand, to touch it, purchase it and even talk to the divers who discovered it."

Historic Underwater Discoveries is the business that

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Coins from the deep: Coins from sunken treasures are on display at Tierra's.



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Ancient treasures: Tierra Fine Jewelers co-owner Buck Kopietz poses in his store window promoting the exhibit, Lost Galleon Treasures.

Defender of downtrodden comes to direct Clarkston Lighthouse

BY SUSAN B. TAUBER
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The new manager of Lighthouse Emergency Services' Clarkston branch brings a lot of herself to her job.

The social worker began working for Lighthouse Emergency Services in Pontiac almost four years ago, after earning her master's degree from the University of Michigan.

Kathleen Carolin believes her past led her to work for an organization that gives dignity and hope to people in need and her success in helping others through Lighthouse Emergency Services may be due to her past.

When she gives advice to homeless people, she knows what she's talking about.

When she talks to single mothers seeking financial assistance, she knows what she's talking about.

When she counsels victims of spousal abuse, she knows what she's talking about.

Carolyn experienced all of these things as a young bride at the age of 19. She suffered physical, emotional and sexual abuse by her first husband, from whom she is divorced. Although she left many times, she returned home to him because, she said, she was told by a professional that she "made her bed, now lay in it" and she was young enough to believe him.

It wasn't until she became pregnant with her daughter, who is in her 20s, that she got the courage to leave for good.

But she didn't get the help from police and social service agencies like abuse victims are able to get today.

"There was no Lighthouse for me after my daughter was born," said Carolin. "She was born prematurely and had a lot of health problems. I didn't have anywhere to turn to back then, nor were there strong laws to protect victims of abuse."

She recalled, often with tears in her eyes, what it was like to be a 21-year-old woman alone with a sick child.

"I know what it feels like to be on the opposite side of a desk and get turned down by an agency at a time of need. I know that feeling of hopelessness and shame when someone comes to Lighthouse to ask for food

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Been there: Kathleen Carolin knows what it's like to be homeless.

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Diver rescues riches from deep

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What started out as a low-paying job led to the discovery of one of the richest bounties from the deep, dark depths of the sea. Andy Matroci left Chicago to work as a scuba diver.

He worked as an underwater welder in one state and worked at oil rigs in another. "I decided to go to Key West to do some recreational diving when I met treasure hunter Mel Fisher. I didn't know who he was. He offered me a job as one of his divers and I thought I'd stick with it about a year."

It was only a couple months later that Matroci realized what Fisher and his crew were trying to do — find the sunken treasures worth \$400 million from the Nuestra Señora de Atocha, the famous Spanish galleon (ship) that sank in a hurricane in 1622.

It was the richest galleon in its fleet, carrying 161 pieces of registered gold as well as silver ingots, emeralds, personal treasures of its wealthy passengers and more than 250,000 silver "pieces of eight."

"I realized what we were looking for was

history," said Matroci.

Fisher spent more than 16 years and \$8 million searching for the treasures. The search covered more than 100,000 linear miles of ocean floor.

Even more dearly, the search cost him the lives of his son, Dirk, his daughter-in-law Angel and diver Rick Gage, who died in an accident in the search.

Matroci and his diving partner Greg Wareham covered thousands of those miles underwater.

Matroci spent years on the search, often living at sea more days than he lived on land. He found many other things in his search for the Atocha treasures, such as Civil War wrecks, the remains of the English slave ship Henrietta Maria and more modern wrecks.

He likes to talk about what it was like to find the Atocha treasures.

"I saw black," he said. "You don't swim around the ocean floor and see black. We also saw straight lines. These were the lines of hundreds of silver bars. They were all black."

He said when he touched one of the silver bars under the water, the black came off on his hands.

"We also saw timbers sticking out. By doing this kind of work, your eye learns to become adjusted to what to expect to see under water. You know exactly what you should see. It's pretty easy to know when you are seeing something else."

"This treasure had neon lights blinking on it," he added.

Matroci made a name for himself with the discovery of the Atocha treasures. He's been featured in documentaries about the Atocha search and about his work as director for the Pilar Project.

He and his team are looking for the remains of the Nuestra Señora del Pilar de Saragos Y Santiago, a galleon lost near the island of Guam in 1690. It was carrying more than 1 million pesos in silver when it went down.

This search has become a family affair for Matroci.

Although he now lives in Key West, his family accompanies him to Guam. His wife, Monica, works as a cook for the crew. His 3-year-old son, Andy Jr., and 14 year-old daughter, Melissa, who already is a certified advanced diver, accompany them.

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takes Lost Galleon Treasures on tour, but only for eight weeks a year — "when it's not diving season," explained shipwreck recovery expert Andy Matroci.

Matroci, Shawn Cowles and Carol Tedesco are accompanying the treasures to Clarkston. They'll be at Tierra Fine Jewelers through Sunday, meeting with and talking to visitors.

The three of them have a list of credentials in the diving world a mile deep.

Tedesco is a famous underwater photographer/videographer who's worked on historic shipwreck projects. She's a numismatist (coin expert) and founder of Historic Underwater Discoveries.

Matroci is director of the Pilar Project, which is seeking the remains of a Manila galleon lost near the island of Guam. It was carrying more than 1 million pesos in silver "pieces of eight" treasure coins when the ship was lost in 1690.

Matroci is also the diver who began working for Mel Fisher in the early 1980s in the quest for the treasures of the Spanish galleon, Nuestra Señora de Atocha. He and diving partner

Exhibit: Lost Galleon Treasures

Where: Tierra Fine Jewelers, 64 S. Main St., Clarkston.

Cost: Free. There is a private showing 6-9 p.m. Thursday. A portion of the proceeds goes to the Clarkston Foundation.

When: Thursday, Nov. 18, through Sunday, Nov. 21

What: Exhibit and sale of sunken treasures from famous shipwrecks

Slide Shows: Noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Thursday and Saturday; noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Friday; 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday

Store Hours: 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday; noon to 6 p.m. Sunday

Greg Wareham discovered the treasure in 1985.

He's been featured in National Geographic videos and documentaries on The Discovery Channel and The Learning Channel about the story of the loss and modern day search for the Pilar.

Cowles also worked on the Atocha site as a search and recovery diver. He was part of the team that discovered 96 emeralds from that shipwreck in 1994.

Many of those emeralds, as well as millions of dollars in other recovered riches, some dating back to the 1500s, are at the local jewelry store.

And unlike many exhibits, children are welcome to come with adults to see and learn the history of the treasures and the shipwrecks from which they came. These include such mysterious-sounding ships as Santa Margarita, Andrea Doria, El Cazador, the Jupiter wreck and the 1715 fleet shipwrecks.

The Kopietzes are as excited as any schoolkid about this exhibit.

They had seen many of the treasures and talked to the divers and photographer coming to the store previously at Independent Jewelers Organizations conferences.

"As soon as we saw these treasures, we knew we wanted to bring the exhibit to our community," Kopietz said.

"It fits perfectly with our store's name, Tierra, which means treasures and these are treasures of the earth. Also, I think everyone has a bit of Indiana Jones in them. This exhibit has a sense of adventure. It is fascinating."

The exhibit features an informative slide show about the searches and recoveries of the treasures.

Matroci, Cowles and Tedesco also will venture out to local private and public schools to give free, informative shows. They also will give a presentation at the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce luncheon meeting today.

Besides seeing and touching the multi-million dollar collection of treasures and artifacts, the exhibit gives visitors a chance to buy one-of-a-kind collector's pieces.

These include authentic pieces of eight treasure coins, the recovered emeralds and much more. There also are reproductions made of recovered silver bars.

Clarkston crash kills Orion man, 39

A 39-year-old Orion Township man was killed in a traffic accident Tuesday afternoon on northbound Sashabaw Road, north of Flemings Lake Road in Independence Township.

Richard Allen McKenzie died at the scene of the accident after the 1997 Dodge Neon he was

driving crossed the double yellow line and struck a southbound 1996 Chevy pick-up truck operated by a 54-year-old Commerce Township resident, according to a press release issued by Deputy Robert Batzloff of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Crash Reconstruction Unit.

The accident occurred at 3:15

p.m. Alcohol doesn't appear to be a factor in the crash, according to the press release. McKenzie wasn't wearing a seat belt.

The Commerce Township resident was transported to POH Medical Center.

The crash remains under investigation.

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Tree festival to benefit church youth ministry

BY SUSAN B. TAUBER
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Just like Santa and his elves, members of First Congregational Church in Independence Township are busy making presents and decorations for Christmas.

But people don't have to wait until December to receive them.



Pretty as a picture: Several decorated artificial Christmas trees will be for sale at the fund-raiser for First Congregational Church's youth programs.

The items will fill the church at 5449 Clarkston Road for its Holiday Festival of the Trees auction and sale 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20.

This once-a-year event is a major fund-raiser for the church. Half the funds will go to its youth ministry program. The other half is earmarked to match a grant for a new youth center.

People can get a jump ahead of the crowds by attending the Candle Light Preview 7-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19. Tickets are \$10 per person in advance at the church or \$12.50 at the door.

"This is only the third year we've done the Holiday Festival of Trees," said chairwoman Carol Wigner. "We start working on this as soon as the previous one is done."

And she's not kidding.

Nancy Shoup and Leanora Brackett are in charge of the decorated trees that will be exhibited in the church's sanctuary. The church's minister, James Keough, will auction them off to the highest bidders. There will be eight, 7-1/2-foot trees and six, 4-1/2-foot trees — all artificial — decorated in a variety of designs. These include angels, country, millennium, snowman, Santa, poinsettia, Victorian and others. Other trees, such as decorated potted ones, will be for sale.

"We begin shopping for these decorations as soon as they go on sale after the last holiday season," said Shoup. Several of the decorations, however, are hand-made, as are many of the

gift items for sale in church rooms.

The Greenery Room will be filled with wooden snowmen made by Wigner's daughter, Cherie Presswood, 3-foot-tall angels as well as decorated swags and wreaths.

Another room will feature half-off items, such as paper plates, cups, napkins, figurines, candles, wrapping paper and more.

A third one is a children's-only room. Inexpensive gifts will fill the tables for children to purchase and — the intent is — to give as gifts.

There also will be a bake sale, refreshments, a gift basket room, a card shop, storyteller for the youngsters and more.

It's a team effort to put on an event of this magnitude.

"There were 55 people at the church Saturday night working together on this," said Wigner. One day this week, Brackett's daughter, Becky Lodice, and her young son, Landon, were at the church working on the trees. Brackett's husband, Clifford, was sitting at a table, working on the corporate tree sponsorship sales. He's doing that job along with Edgar Gillies.

Also there were Shoup's daughter, Jessica Emke, and granddaughter, Megan, and even Shoup's husband, Harry. Carol Moore was in the kitchen, making lunch and dinner for the hungry workers. Some others helping that afternoon were Pat Rice, Sally Gillies and Colleen Merte.

Santa probably wishes he had as many eager elves.



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Getting ready: Jessica Emke decorates one of the trees for the Holiday Festival of the Trees at First Congregational Church.



Gifts galore: The Holiday Festival of the Trees features gifts and decorations for all tastes.

Bow-making at its best: Leanora Brackett prepares a bow for a decoration.



Independence Twp. teen faces trial on sex charge

An 18-year-old Independence Township man faces trial on one count of third-degree criminal sexual assault stemming from an alleged incident June 27 in Independence Township.

Judge Gerald McNally of 52-2 District Court bound over Michael David Simko for trial in Oakland County Circuit Court Monday.

The case has been assigned to Oakland Circuit Judge Colleen A. O'Brien.

Simko faces preliminary examination on a second charge of third-degree criminal sexual conduct, at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 3, in 51st District Court (Waterford) before Judge Phyllis McMillen. That charge, brought

by the same girl, who is 16, stems from another incident that allegedly took place June 21 in Waterford.

Simko was freed after posting 10 percent of a \$1,000 bond in 52-2 District Court and 10 percent of a \$5,000 bond in 51st District Court in September. A not-guilty plea was entered on Simko's behalf at both arraignments.

The preliminary exams were held in two separate court jurisdictions because the incidents were reported to have taken place in those two separate court jurisdictions — Independence and Waterford.

Police have declined to release details from police reports.

POLICE NEWS

Following are some incidents recently reported to police and fire agencies in Independence and Springfield townships.

Independence Township Police

Suspicious circumstances

On Nov. 12, a 14-year-old boy called police to report a person in the backyard of his home on Delmas shining a flash light at the rear entry door. The boy went out the window of his home, took a portable phone and called a neighbor. The boy saw the suspect jump a rear fence and escape in a van. Police checked the house and found the dead bolt and door knob locks unlocked, according to the police report. The boy told police he had previously locked the doors.

Failure to stop

On Nov. 12, a 24-year-old Waterford man was issued a citation for failure to stop an assured distance ahead while traveling on southbound Walters Road, north of Waldon. The man hit the car in front of him, which caused a chain reaction. Four cars were involved in the accident. No one required medical attention.

Larceny from building

On Nov. 11, a person(s) used a credit card from a wallet removed from a purse at Springfield Christian Academy at 8585 Dixie Highway. Police discovered the suspects charged \$142.88 on the credit card in four transactions that same day before the owner was able to cancel it.

Larceny from an auto

On Nov. 11, someone removed two vinyl windows from the basement of a home under con-

struction in the 10300 block of Allen.

On Nov. 10, someone broke into a vehicle in a parking lot in the 4900 block of Lancaster Hill Drive. Nothing was discovered missing.

Lost/missing juvenile found

On Nov. 8, a parent reported her 8-year-old son missing from his home in the vicinity of Spring Lake. The boy was discovered a half-hour later playing in a van parked at a neighbor's house.

Springfield Township Police

Home invasion

On Nov. 14, someone entered a garage through an open window in the 10000 block of Old Kent. A stereo receiver was removed.

Larceny from auto

On Nov. 14, someone broke a rear window on a vehicle parked in the 8500 block of Foster. A purse was stolen from the vehicle.

On Nov. 14, someone removed a cell phone and a set of keys from an unlocked pick-up truck parked at a residence in the 9900 block of Dixie Highway.

Independence Township Fire Department

Fire calls

Independence Township Fire Department responded to 35 calls Nov. 8-14. These included 16 medical calls, four building fires, four investigations, three grass fires, three personal injury calls, two wires down, one mutual aid, one automatic alarm and one complaint.

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Light metal band has heavy performance schedule

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Ever wonder what happened to the football stars from your school days?

Depending on your age, chances are they aren't playing too much football today.

But if one ponders about the band members, that might be a different story.

Take a look at the Light Metal Band (as opposed to heavy metal music). It consists of five men who played instruments throughout their school days, from elementary school through college.

Two of them actually majored in music in college and taught afterwards.

Now they all work during the day at non-music jobs but give up what other people would call spare time to practice together

one night a week, practice independently several hours a week and play professionally as frequently as they can get gigs.

Who are these men who have made the transition from student musicians to semi-professionals?

Chris Okopny and Dave Burch hail from Independence and Springfield townships respectively. Okopny plays the trumpet and manages a team of communication programmers at Kmart Corp. Burch, the trombonist, owns his own computer company, Applied System Technologies. He also teaches trombone and euphonium at Cranbrook School.

Frank Stephens, the French horn player, oversees the North American fleet sales for Daimler-Chrysler. He lives in Addison Township.

The non-Oakland County members are Paul Roache, trum-

pet, an import manager for KBC Tool Co.; and Eric Totz, the tuba player and newest member of the band. He's a heating and cooling engineer for the L'Anse Creuse school system.

Frequent performers

Okopny seems to be the spokesperson for LMB. He brings new ideas to the group, writes many arrangements and handles the calendar. In December alone, the band is performing at the Madison Heights Choral Christmas concerts on Dec. 3 and 7; at the Bethesda Christian Church Christmas concerts in Sterling Heights on Dec. 11-12 and at the St. John Lutheran Church Christmas concert in Rochester on Dec. 19.

They're also repeat performers at Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum, in the Clarkston Concert in the Park Series, Art 'n Apples, at Cranbrook School, Grosse Ile Community Schools and many other places.

They perform all types of music including folk, ragtime, Dixieland, big band, jazz and classical.

"We've used the Light Metal Band several times in our worship services," said Kenneth Rogner, minister of music at St. John Lutheran Church. "Each one of them in his own right is a symphony-quality musician. It's exciting to bring their interpretation of music and their quality of playing to the people in my church."

LMB formed after Okopny, Burch, Stephens, Roache and the original tuba member, Paul Franze, were performing with the Oakland University Community Concert Band. The director asked for members to perform a brass quintet piece for an upcoming concert.

"We all looked at each other and decided to do it," recalled Burch. "We enjoyed playing as a quintet so much that we decided



Ready to play: Members of the Light Metal Band are (back row, left to right) Dave Burch of Springfield Township, Chris Okopny of Independence Township, Frank Stephens and (front row) Paul Roache (left) and Eric Totz.

to rehearse regularly and try to get engagements."

Ten years later, they have a repertoire of about 400 selections and they're adding to it all the time.

Burch said he hopes they continue performing as the LMB for a long time. "We don't talk about it (the future)," he said. "We just rehearse every Wednesday and perform as often as we can — 25

to 30 times a year."

"I can't recall any of us ever having a strong disagreement in 10 years," added Stephens. "We have mutual and professional respect for each other."

Music is forever

Stephens is known for what he calls his public service announcements during LMB performances.

"I talk about how music is important in the public education arena," he said. "If it weren't for public school teachers teaching music, the five of us wouldn't be upon stage performing. Music is something you can do for life. Would you be sitting here watching five guys dribble a basketball?"

The quintet members perform in other groups as well. These include the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and the Metropolitan Symphony Band.

Both Okopny and Stephens have children who are fine instrumentalists.

"My son, Cale, is a better musician than me. He played the trumpet," said Stephens. Cale, 22, is a graduate student at Texas A&M. He's studying aerospace engineering.

"We've come to a time where she really knows more than I do," said Okopny about his daughter, Lissie. She plays flute

and is a sophomore at Clarkston High School.

The Light Metal Band members have had many wonderful opportunities during the past 10 years. Just this summer, they traveled and performed in Europe with the Michigan-Ohio Choral, the same group with which they made a compact disc, "A Traditional Christmas."

"They've even have their own fans, including Ralph Hess of Redford."

"He's our groupie," Burch said. They've had the opportunity to perform at the Handelman Sky Ranch in Oxford Township for the Tuskegee Air Men and the Thunderbirds flying demonstration team.

"We've asked them to perform at different times for us at the Sky Ranch because of the type of music we were interested in," said Philip Handelman, owner of the ranch. "We wanted a group that could perform patriotic music for our military guests. They've always satisfied our friends who have attended these meetings."

Their next big project is planning when to make their own compact disc recording.

"After all this time, if we ever broke up, we wouldn't have anything to show for our hours upon hours of rehearsing and performing," said Burch.



Charter Township of Springfield

MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 20, 1999, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI.

The purpose of the Hearing is to receive public comments on a proposal to amend the Springfield Township Master Plan by changing the Planned Land Use Category for approximately 7.5 acres of land in Planning Sub-Area Four from Recreation-Conservation to Public/Semi Public and to make the planned use consistent with the proposed construction of a Township Civic Center.

The 7.5 acre area proposed to be changed in the Master Plan is located north of Davisburg Rd., south of the Canadian National rail tracks, west of Sandmar and east of Cleave.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Master Plan and documents relating to the proposed amendment may be examined at the office of the Springfield Township Clerk, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI during regular business hours. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk, P.O. Box 1038, Davisburg, MI 48350 until the time of the Public Hearing. Those persons needing a special accommodation at the Hearing should contact the Clerk's office at least two (2) business days in advance.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

Published: November 18 and December 9, 1999



Charter Township of Springfield

AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 26 NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a regularly-scheduled meeting held on November 11, 1999, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield adopted an amendment to Zoning Ordinance No. 26, Section 16.20, Minimum Frontage on a Public Road, which amendment is set forth herein and shall take effect seven (7) days after publication of this Notice.

1. Section 16.20.2 to be amended to read as follows:

2. Notwithstanding subsection 16.20.1, creation of a lot or parcel which does not meet minimum lot width requirements shall be allowed under the following conditions and procedures:

a. Application shall be made to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The ZBA shall review the request as a variance in accordance with Section 19.01.4.

b. The application shall consist of the regular ZBA application and a scale drawing showing: 1) the current lot lines and dimensions; 2) the proposed lot lines and dimensions; 3) the proposed means of access for the lot or parcel; 4) the location of all proposed buildings or structures; and any other information deemed necessary by the Board in its discretion, to consider the application.

c. The Board may refer the application for review and recommendations from the Township Fire Chief, Township Engineer, Township Planning Consultant, and any other individual or public body as they deem necessary.

d. The Board shall not grant the variance unless, in addition to finding that all of the conditions enumerated in Section 19.01.4 (a) have met, the Board also finds that all of the following exist:

(1) The minimum lot or parcel size shall be five acres.

(2) One of the following conditions is found to exist:

(a) Where the amount and location of wetlands or topography of the parcel is such that a normal parcel division meeting minimum lot width requirements and accommodating a building site could not be reasonably achieved, or

(b) Where existing land use patterns and land division patterns within 2000 feet of the proposed lot or parcel, measured along the public road providing access, contain lots, parcels, or uses consistent with the proposal. Consistency may be shown by demonstrating the existence of more than two land divisions similar in configuration to the proposal within 2000 feet, however, such a showing shall not be the exclusive means of demonstrating such consistency.

(3) Access to the lot or parcel shall be provided by an access strip at least twenty (20) feet wide with frontage on a public road which has been accepted for maintenance by the Oakland County Road Commission. Notwithstanding its twenty (20) foot width, said access strip shall contain suitable characteristics so that a driveway shall be constructed of sufficient size, width, grade and materials to allow emergency vehicles access to any building or structure proposed to be located on the lot or parcel.

(4) No portion of the access strip shall be used for building purposes.

(5) No other lots or parcels shall be allowed use of the access strip for ingress or egress purposes.

(6) For purpose of Section 16.18, measurement of the width to depth ratio shall exclude the access strip. The front lot line for the lot or parcel shall be deemed to be the line closest and parallel to the public road that possesses the minimum width required by Section 25.00.

(7) The access strip shall not exceed 660 feet in length.

e. The ZBA may require the construction of a driveway within the access strip before the land division is processed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an amendment to Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance No. 26 adopted at the regular meeting of the Springfield Township Board held on the 11th day of November, 1999. A copy of the entire ordinance may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, P.O. Box 1038, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular business hours. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance.

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The 1.08 acre area proposed to be changed in the Master Plan is located on the northwest corner of Davisburg Rd. and Dixie Hwy. P.1.07-11-351-005; 07-11-351-006.

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SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING November 11, 1999

SYNOPSIS

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M. by Supervisor Walls.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Trustee Vallad recognized donation of services by Mike Malone to Fire Dept.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approved minutes for October 5, 1999 Special Meeting and October 14, 1999 Regular Meeting as submitted
- Accepted October reports: Building Dept., Fire, Litigation, Treasurer, Ordinance Officer
- Authorized payment of bills
- Adopted 1999 EPA Native Vegetation Grant Budget, Revenues and Expenditures, \$7,000 and authorized Supervisor and Clerk to execute Consultant contracts
- Waived township charge for administering 1999 Susin Lake Weed Control Program
- Awarded bid for resurface and repair of Fire Station #2 parking lot
- Authorized Clerk to seek proposals for snow removal and award contract
- Declined request by Susin Lake Improvement Board for township to act as Treasurer for the Lake Board
- Authorized Treasurer to collect winter taxes and to waive interest and penalties for qualifying individuals
- Received communications

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Year 2000 CDBG Program Fund Allocation: received oral and written comments

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Conditionally approved Meadowslands Site Plan
2. Autumn Shores PUD/Wetlands Violation Update: Authorized action by Township Attorney
3. Adopted Ordinance 15A Amendment, Uniform Traffic Code
4. Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Section 18.07, Continuation of First Reading: referred back to Planning Commission
5. Adopted Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Section 18.20
6. Civic Center: received report

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approved Valentines Subdivision Site Plan Lot 15
2. Year 2000 CDBG Program: Allocated \$5,000 to Public Service, balance to road improvements in qualifying district
3. Discussed Group Life Insurance Policy Proposal
4. Planning Commission: Appointed or reappointed Paul Rabaut, David Hopper, Faye White, Douglas McInnis, Larry Zahn, Annette Zemon-Farker

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: 10:21 p.m.

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School funding bind?

Districts say state owes \$428 million

BY MIKE MALOTT
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The deadline for starting an appeal in the so-called Durant II lawsuit passed Nov. 10 without a filing.

But the fight appears far from over. The plaintiffs in the case, 255 school districts across Michigan, believe the state government owes them \$428 million in the current school year as a result of an October decision issued by the Court of Appeals. School districts charge the state underfunded them for special education, lunch programs and transportation.

Gov. John Engler disagrees. He interprets the Court of Appeals ruling to mean that while technically the state had violated the constitution, by not breaking special education money out from the remainder of the districts' school aid foundation grants, that it had provided enough money overall.

There will be no additional funds for schools, according to Engler spokesman John Truscott.

"There has been no change in the governor's position on this. The budgets are set for 2000 and 2001. There will be no additional money," deputy press secretary Susan Shafer confirmed Nov. 16.

John Schultz, chair of a committee of the school districts involved in the case, issued a statement Nov. 11 calling on the Legislature to appropriate the additional cash.

"This is the first time in the history of the Durant litigation that the state has not challenged a decision of the Court of Appeals which concluded that the Legislature had violated the Michigan Constitution," he said.

"The fix clearly involves the restoration in full of the foundation allowance revenues for all chil-

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Susan Shafer
deputy press secretary

dren enrolled in our public schools, regardless of whether they are handicapped or entitled to special education services or not."

The Legislature is required by the Headlee Amendment to provide sufficient funding to meet the minimum percentages required for special education services. And Schultz concludes it will take an additional \$428 million to meet that requirement.

"The suggestion of some people in state government that some new or more clever slight of hand or 'technical change' in the school aid act will fix this problem is an ill-advised suggestion. It will only serve to further extend an already far too protracted dispute," he said.

The school districts filed suit against the state saying it hadn't adequately funded special education, transportation or school lunch programs. The Legislature over the summer put an extra \$7 million to lunch programs.

The Court of Appeals ruled in October in favor of school districts on the claim that the allocations violated Proposal A in the state Constitution. But the court disagreed with school districts about whether the foundation grants could be counted as covering the state's overall obligations.

AROUND OAKLAND

OU sports computerized

■ Oakland University basketball fans can listen to their men's team take on The University of Michigan Wolverines live this Friday on the new OU web site, university officials announced today.

Live and archived audio broadcasts will be available to anyone with Internet access, said Geoff Upward, OU's director of Communications and Marketing, who supervised the group of faculty, staff and students who, along with SV3 Media Group of Rochester Hills, helped develop the new web site.

"Starting Friday, anyone with Internet access anywhere in the world can listen to Golden Grizzlies games," Upward said. "We're bringing the games into the living rooms of those who aren't fortunate enough to be able to attend them in person."

The OU-UM basketball game this Friday can be heard beginning at 7:25 p.m. by accessing the OU homepage at www.oakland.edu and clicking on the revolving basketball. All OU men's basketball games will be broadcast this season. Visitors to the site will be able to listen live, or select from an archive of earlier broadcasts.

The new OU web site will launch this Friday and will feature redesigned pages to keep prospective students, alumni, faculty, staff and the community informed about news and events on and around campus. In future weeks, the site will also include a virtual tour of the campus, e-commerce capabilities for purchasing OU merchandise and several interactive features, including on-line requests and message boards.

The entry fee is \$75 for each short fiction piece (500 words or less) or three poems. Please make checks payable to Oakland Community College.

Each first place winner will receive a \$50 cash prize and an invitation to appear on the WPON radio program, "Art in the Air," hosted by OCC faculty member Margo LaGattuta. The deadline for submissions is Feb. 1; winners will be notified by March 6.

Mail entries to: Conne Hollander, Oakland Community College, Highland Lakes Campus, 7350 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford 48327.

OCC opens writer contest

■ Oakland Community College invites OCC students and members of the general public to submit poetry and short fiction to the fourth annual Writers at Work contest. This year's compe-

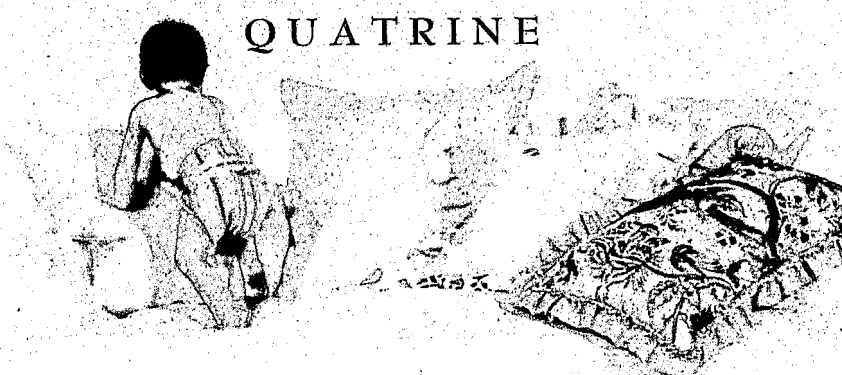
tion includes a new category for high school students, grades 9-12.

Entries in all categories must be unpublished, typewritten (or computer-printed) and include name, address and a daytime telephone number. High school contributors should indicate their grade level, as well as the name of their high school and the city where it is located.

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Council decides against seeking Phase II of grant

Clarkston City Council decided not to spend \$30,000 to \$35,000 in city funds for enhancements to the public parking lot area and the Mill Pond at the northwest corner of Main Street and West Washington Street.

Instead, it's investigating other less costly ways to get the work done. This includes the possibility of Department of Public Works employees taking on the project, according to councilwoman Ann Clifton.

The council denied paying McKenna Associates Inc., the city's community planning business, about \$3,500 to \$4,750 to seek funding for the Phase II enhancements under the TEA-21 Streetscape Enhancement Project.

"Part of the reason we voted against spending the money for McKenna to prepare the

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required grant application is because it's uncertain whether or not we could get any grant money for the work we want done," Clifton said.

The project includes developing an erosion control plan and landscaping along the east shoreline of Mill Pond. Since part of the land is on private property, grant funds can't be used, according to Walter Kalina of McKenna Associates.

Kalina estimated Phase II enhancements would cost about \$150,000 to \$175,000. The city would be required to match at least 20 percent, or about \$30,000 to \$35,000.

"We're going to seek other avenues," Clifton added.

Adam Elgrably

Adam Elgrably, a fourth-grade student in the autistic program at Bailey Lake Elementary School in Clarkston, died Nov. 14, 1999.

Adam, 10, lived in Holly. "He was a quiet, sweet boy who was real active in school," said Carrie Preston, Adam's teacher. "He spent part of his school day in the general education program. Those students made his family a book about him."

His teacher recalled Adam loved reading, dinosaurs and Walt Disney.

Adam is survived by his parents, Gabe and Kimberly; siblings, Jeff, Karl, Tara and Brook; and grandparents, George Morton of Sterling Heights and Sadio Moslen of Egypt. He is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins and close friends.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m. today in the Lake Orion Chapel of Sparks-Griffin Funeral Home. Pastor Kenneth Simmons is officiating. Interment is at Oxford

Township Cemetery.

The family requested memorials be made to the Bailey Lake Elementary School Library.

Angela Kraud Triche

Angela Kraud Triche of Taos, N.M., formerly of Clarkston, died Nov. 14, 1999, at age 43.

Mrs. Triche and her husband, James, made furniture in their home.

Mrs. Triche was a 1974 graduate of Clarkston High School, where she was a varsity cheerleader and a Madrigal singer. She also was Clarkston's Junior Miss.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Triche is survived by a daughter, Lea, 16; son, Ryan, 14; sister, Nia; parents, Denyse and Robert Kraud of Clarkston; and grandmother, Mary Balton.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Memorial donations may be sent to P.O. Box 2077, Taos, NM, 87571.

Gregory A. Nanney

Gregory A. Nanney of Clarkston died Nov. 13, 1999.

He is survived by his wife, Lauren. He is also survived by his children, Jason, Justin, Jessica, Jacquelyn, Jacob and Jillian; parents, Ester and Thomas Nanney of Inlay City; mother-in-law, "Patricia" Peters; three brothers, two sisters and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mr. Nanney, 42, was employed with Allied Signs Inc. in Mt. Clemens. He was a 1974 graduate of Warren High School.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Coats Funeral Home in Waterford. Interment was in Ottawa Park Cemetery in Clarkston.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Michael J. Taylor

Michael J. Taylor, "M.T.", of Clarkston died Nov. 12, 1999.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy. He is also survived by his children, Michael, Matthew and Christopher, all of Florida, and Angie (Barry) Detavernier of Clarkston; grandchildren, Alyssa and Paige; parents, Tom and Jennie Taylor of Tennessee; brothers and sisters, Dan of California, Lori (Darrell) Garrison of Rochester Hills, Denise (Jim) Carlisle of Clarkston and Tommy (Holly) of

Tennessee. He was preceded in death by his brother, Joseph.

Mr. Taylor, 45, was a charter member of the Clarkston Eagles and the Clarkston American Legion.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was Mt. Vernon Cemetery.

Eldon D. Trueman

Eldon D. Trueman, "Al", of Clarkston, formerly of Royal Oak and Toledo, died Nov. 10, 1999.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara. He is also survived by his children, Douglas of Ohio, Daniel of Illinois and Laurence (Jennifer) of Wisconsin; grandchild, Jacob; brothers and sisters, Douglas (Charlotte) of Florida, Myrtle (Earl) Caldwell, Jean Daad and Vera (Robert) Brandt, all of Virginia.

Mr. Trueman, 64, had worked for Owens Corning Fiberglass in Toledo and later retired from the Budd Co. in Troy. He recently served as international director for MFG, Ohio, and for Automode, England.

Funeral services were held Monday in Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Clarkston United Methodist Church Choir.

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cial aspect of the proposal. They wanted to be sure the developer would be able to keep making payments for the entire 15 years.

On Tuesday, Locricchio said he was willing to offer another piece of land his company owns as collateral.

"Remember, we are trying to market townhomes starting at \$250,000," he said, and that is an incentive to make the golf course viable.

"We are investing in this course as if we owned it," he said.

Land planner for the project Manny Kniahynycky said the land in question is 174 acres. Of that, 39 acres would be developed including an internal road. That leaves 139 acres open.

Bob Inskeep, president of the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy, said while the group is not interested in recreational opportunities, it thinks this is the only way to preserve that property as open space.

"I ask you to act boldly and

think boldly and set aside this property," Inskeep said.

Mike Stone of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee said that group supports the concept.

One resident said the project as a way to preserve the golf course has some risk, but nothing that can't be managed. He said the time to revisit whether having a municipal golf course is a good idea is in 15 years when the property is in township hands debt-free.

Resident John Dobrzelewski added, "I couldn't be happier."

Not everyone was as enthusiastic, however. Resident John Nicholson is worried about the cost and the financial risks involved. He said while he thinks open space is important, so is good stewardship of the township's money. He doesn't think the township should take over a failing golf course.

"I wish you would consider the taxpayers are the true funders of this enterprise," Nicholson said.

Grace Topham now has a view

of the golf course from her home. That view will be replaced by a berm with the townhomes on the other side.

"Even though we would like to see the golf course stay a golf course — the whole thing — we know that's not possible," she said.

She thinks the development is too dense and blames the current golf course owners for not keeping the course viable.

"I think they're letting their town down," she said.

Supervisor Stuart said the board will likely decide whether to proceed with the project in concept at its next meeting on Dec. 7. If it decides to go forward, more negotiations will have to take place, he said. Locricchio is asking for a PUD zoning designation and Stuart said the entire project in its final form would still have to go through the normal planning commission and township board approvals.

Carolyn from page A1

or clothing or help paying bills. I hope through my experience and the caring attitude of Lighthouse Emergency Services that we make it a place where people can come, ask for help and leave with their pride and dignity in place," she said.

Carolyn lived with her daughter in her car at times, although her parents took her in whenever she swallowed her pride and asked.

Her past caused her to adopt the philosophy of Mother Teresa, who said, "You can do no great things in life; only small things with great love." She also considers this to be the philosophy of Lighthouse.

"There's nothing special about me 'cause there are a whole bunch of 'me's' out there," she said.

Once her divorce was final, she said the harassment by her first

husband ceased.

She met her husband of almost 24 years, Michael Carolyn, after her divorce. She was working as a clerk in 48th District Court in Bloomfield Hills. He's a deputy and a handler for the Canine Unit of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. He adopted her older daughter three weeks before their daughter was born.

Kathleen, already the branch manager for Lighthouse in Pontiac, received the branch manager title for the Clarkston location after Dori Edwards decided to leave that job. "We worked so well together," Carolyn said. "I was sorry to see her leave."

Carolyn said she'll work at both Lighthouse locations for as long as she can.

"This way I'm able to maintain a solid continuity of programs," she explained, admitting she's what one calls a "workaholic."

Carolyn said she's felt very welcomed at the Clarkston branch.

"Lighthouse is delighted to have Kathleen's expertise," said Louis Hickson, the new executive director of Lighthouse Oakland County Corp. The corporation is the umbrella for Lighthouse Emergency Services, Lighthouse Pontiac Area Transitional Housing and Lighthouse Community Development. Hickson is responsible for assigning her the branch manager job for both locations.

"She's been my guiding light in terms of my new position here," he added. "She's passionate about what she does and how she does it. She's a fighter for the rights of the disenfranchised."

The two Lighthouse Emergency Services branches offer 17 programs and services for individuals, families and seniors. These range from emergency food and medical assistance to the Thanksgiving Basket Program, employment readiness, homeless prevention, senior transportation and more.

ACHIEVERS

The following are names of students from Clarkston who made the Dean's List for Winter Term 1999 at the University of Michigan College of Engineering.

Zachary Lee Bell; Brenton Jon Bergkoetter; Ashley Michelle Halleran; Jason Paul Kachorek; Brandon Michael O'Donnell; Matthew James Wenger and Catherine Alicia Zinser.

Ten Clarkston High School students, nine of them seniors, earned the title of Advanced Placement Scholars by the College Board for their exceptionally high achievement scores on college-level AP examinations.

David Dixon and Eric Romein earned AP Scholar with Distinction by earning high average scores of 3.5 on five or more AP exams.

David Oostdyk and Catherine Thorndycraft qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor award by earning grades three or higher on four or more of the AP exams.

Sandra Amble, the only underclassman; Jennifer Gifford, Mindy Jensen, Scott Krull, Sean Mosharo and Jeremy Parrott earned the AP Scholar Award by earning three or higher on at least three or more AP exams.

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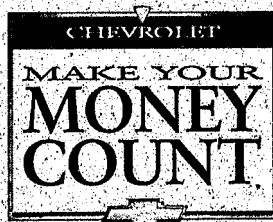
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State prescribes own cure for HMO problems

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Patients will be given a 90-day transition period if their doctors decide to leave their HMO, according to a set of bills just approved in the state legislature.

Rep. Gerald Law (R-Plymouth) one of three sponsors for the three-bill package, explained the bills are intended to provide "continuity of care," giving patients time to find new physicians within the Health Maintenance Organization without having to rush.

Additionally, pregnant women who have made it to their second trimester will be able to stay with that physician throughout their pregnancy. Terminally ill patients may stay until death.

According to Law, the change to state laws regulating managed care is one of the last areas in need of reform. With a few additional "tweaks," the Michigan legislature will have accomplished the major of reforms that the U.S. Congress has been unable to address.

Law's bill, House Bill 4487, is needed because within any three-year period, on average, there is a 20 to 30 percent turnover in the health care providers who have signed up with a given HMO. That has posed some difficulty for some patients who arrive for their regular appointments only to find the doctor has left the HMO. They then have been faced with paying for the visit uninsured, or rushing to find a new doctor in the HMO system.

Law said HMOs in Michigan did not oppose the legislation. Some HMOs were already offering such transition periods to their customers.

The most controversial portion of the bill revolved around a requirement that doctors notify patients within 15 days of deciding to leave the HMO. Law said that notification was left as optional for the doctors, explain-

ing he believed most doctors would send such notification in an effort to keep their clientele.

The bill was tied to House Bill 4485, by Rep. Sandra Caul (R-Mt. Pleasant) and House Bill 4486, by Rep. Randy Richardville (R-Monroe). Law's bill was approved in 105-0 and 36-0 votes in the House and Senate, respectively, after amendments were rejected to extend the transition period

even further.

Also on Law's list for HMOs is a change addressing prescriptions. Currently, HMOs are allowed to specify what drugs patients can use for various treatments. Law wants doctors on the HMO boards which decide which drugs are to be used.

Already in place in Michigan is legislation which allows a doctor to go off that list of pre-

scribed drugs, if a different treatment is medically necessary. The doctor can call for a different drug, Law explained, but the HMO may have a higher deductible or co-pay for drugs off the list.

Patient's Bill of Rights

Law said Michigan HMO reform is well ahead of congress efforts because the state has already adopted a Patient's Bill

of Rights. Although little known and poorly publicized by the state so far, Law said, legislation has already been enacted in Michigan allowing for appeals to the state should an HMO deny a drug or treatment to a patient. Appeals of denials from HMOs are decided by the state Department of Community Health. Appeals of denials from other health insurers are resolved by the state Financial Institutions Bureau.

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Selections will again be made by a three-judge panel composed of Mr. Cohn, Bronstein and Dr. David Adams, OCC executive director of marketing.

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Board on right course Effort to save golf club laudable

The Independence Township Board is interested in purchasing the 144-acre Clarkston Creek Golf Course as a way to protect it from development.

We support the board's efforts to preserve the area as open space.

The land around the golf course on Maybee east of Sashabaw is already intensely built up with homes, apartments, townhouses and commercial buildings, and the green space currently provided by the golf course offers welcome relief for residents from the congestion.

Independence Township recently lost another golf course to development when Clarkston Golf Club on Eston Road north of Clarkston Road was rezoned, allowing for residential development. We would not like to see Clarkston Creek meet the same fate.

In addition to preserving open space, a municipally owned course would give residents an affordable place to play golf. It would also provide youngsters with another wholesome thing to do and place to meet in the community.

Since the golf course's clubhouse includes a banquet facility, the complex has the potential of becoming a valuable community asset.

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We realize a lot of particulars need to be worked out. The developer who has proposed improving and managing the course says he needs to make it financially feasible for himself by building townhouses, offices and retail stores on and near the property.

The township board has been advised by its attorney that it must decide whether it wants the political and financial responsibilities that come with owning a golf course.

And the needs and desires of neighbors living adjacent to the golf course must be taken into consideration.

However, we think the township's efforts to resolve these issues and preserve the golf course as open space rank right up there with a hole-in-one.

Idea could keep kids in class

State Sen. Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield Hills) has the right idea. Simply stated: No school... no wheels. It's just that simple, boys and girls — and parents, too.

Michigan's teenagers attend classes on a regular basis, or they just don't drive. So says Peters, who recently introduced legislation that would give school officials new ways to enforce attendance requirements. A key part of the package, Senate Bill 759, would allow a court to delay issuance of a driver's license, or suspend an existing license, for a student who is not regularly attending school. An article about the proposal appeared Oct. 21 in most editions of *The Eccentric*.

Peters' package, Senate Bills 758-761, would also:

■ Require parents to be notified if a student is absent without an excuse twice in 30 days.

■ Require an "agreement for attendance" if a student is absent without an excuse five times in a month, and allow court intervention if a child is absent seven times in a month.

■ Increase penalties for parents who fail to send their children to school. Sentences for parents could include fines from \$50 to \$500, or jail terms from two to 90 days.

While we can't endorse the entire package without additional information, we think the basic idea of linking a driver's license to attendance in school has merit, and we hope the Legislature takes favorable action.

What a wonderful attention-getter for chronic truants — youngsters who have yet to learn the importance of an education — and also for parents who won't make their kids go to school!

Finally obtaining that driver's license is a huge event in the lives of most American teenagers. If there's a more important "right of passage" for a young person, we've not noticed it. And parents, who have come to depend on just-licensed Johnny or Janey to run those family errands in the family van, would be most unhappy at the prospect of los-

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Peters told reporter Mike Malott of our HomeTown News Service that the package is a way to intervene early in the lives of youngsters headed for trouble. Truancy is often an early sign a youth is on the way to delinquency, the senator said. Seen my many as a "status crime," truancy often is not taken seriously. Some school districts punish truants by suspending the offending students from classes. That makes no sense at all.

Gary Doyle, superintendent of the Bloomfield Hills Public Schools, generally supports the proposal, although he said he wouldn't like to see parents punished if they are truly trying to get their kids to school.

It would be up to the Family Court and Protective Services to determine which parents are making the effort and which should be subjected to the sanctions, and Doyle believes the courts are well able to make the distinction.

However the details finally are worked out, it appears that Sen. Peters has come up with a good strategy to cope with a problem that affects school districts across the state. We hope the idea eventually gets a chance.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

What should the verdict be in the Nathaniel Abraham trial?

This question was asked outside Waterford Township Public Library and inside Pete's Coney Island II in Independence Township.



"I would say guilty (of first-degree murder). He knew right from wrong. It's tough because he's so young."

Lisa Wyll
Waterford



"I'm undecided. I'm not sure of the answer."

Karin Downs
Waterford



"I don't know. What do you do? Is it better he go to jail with murderers?"

Sherri Gregory
Clarkston



"He should go to jail."

Josie Hayes
Clarkston

LETTERS

Keep computer users healthy

According to a recent New York Times article, at least 70 percent of America's 30 million elementary school students use computers. As a result of this increased usage, doctors of chiropractic are treating more young patients suffering from the effects of working at computer stations that are poorly designed for children. Many children are already suffering from repetitive motion injuries (RMI) such as carpal tunnel syndrome and chronic pain in the hands, back, neck and shoulders.

A study recently published by a team of researchers from Cornell University found that 40 percent of the elementary school children they studied used computer workstations that put them at postural risk. The remaining 60 percent scored in a range indicating "some concern."

To reduce the possibility of your child suffering painful and possibly disabling injuries, here are some guidelines:

■ If children and adults in your home share the same computer workstation, make certain that the workstation can be modified for each child's use.

■ Position the computer monitor so the top of the screen is at or below the child's eye level. This can be accomplished by taking the computer off its base or stand, or having the child sit on firm pillows or phone books to reach the desired height.

■ Make sure the chair at the workstation fits the child correctly. An ergonomic back cushion, pillow or rolled-up towel can be placed in the small of the child's back for added back support. There should be 2 inches between the front edge of the seat and the back of the knees. The chair should have arm supports so that elbows are resting within a 70- to 135-degree angle to the computer keyboard.

■ Wrists should be held in a neutral position while typing, not angled up or down. The mousing surface should be close to the keyboard so your child does not have to reach or hold the arm away from the body.

■ The child's knees should be positioned at an approximate 90- to 120-degree angle. To accomplish this angle, feet can be placed on a footrest, box, stool or similar object.

■ Reduce eyestrain by making sure there is adequate lighting and that there is no glare of the monitor screen. Use an antiglare screen if necessary.

■ Limit your child's time at the computer and make sure he or she takes periodic stretch breaks during your computing time. Stretches include clenching hands into fists and moving them in 10 circles inward and 10 circles outward; placing hands in a praying position and squeezing them together for 10 seconds and then pointing them downward and squeezing them together for 10 seconds; spreading fingers apart and then closing them one by one; standing and wrapping arms around body and turning all the way to the left and then all the way to the right.

■ Your child's muscles need adequate hydration to work properly and avoid injury. Encourage your child to drink four 8-ounce

glasses of water a day. Carbonated beverages, juices and other sweet drinks are not a substitute.

■ Urge your child's school or PTA officials to provide education on correct computer ergonomics and to install ergonomically correct workstations.

■ If your child continues to complain of pain and strain from sitting at a computer, see a doctor of chiropractic.

Dr. Paul Rumph
Rumph Chiropractic Clinic in Waterford

No foot dragging on funding

Everyone in Oakland County and Michigan can celebrate the recent decision of the Michigan Court of Appeals that reaffirmed once again the Oakland County school districts' contention that the Michigan Constitution requires state government to fund services which it mandates local school districts to provide.

But can we trust the Legislature to obey the court and provide the required funding to our school district? Maybe yes, maybe no. The Michigan Supreme Court came to a similar decision in 1997 after a 17-year legal battle between school districts and the state. But the Legislature quite deliberately circumvented that funding duty, as the Court of Appeals has most recently found.

Since the Michigan Supreme Court ruling in 1997, school districts in Michigan have been collectively underfunded by approximately \$350 million each school year for special education services. In 1998, the Legislature did make partial amends for a few years of past underfunding — as the Court ordered them to do — but did nothing to ensure that future funding levels for those same services would meet the requirements of the constitution.

While we deserve to celebrate this latest court victory, we need to remind our elected officials that the taxpayers of Oakland County will not tolerate a repeat performance of legislative evasion and foot-dragging. The court has spoken and now the Legislature must act. If not, we will continue to experience the sad spectacle of school districts throughout Michigan suing the state to receive funding guaranteed to them by the state constitution.

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POINTS OF VIEW

We shouldn't let others decide how we feel about ourselves

Have you ever felt like chopped liver standing next to the girl who gets all the attention? Or competing with the guy the girls swoon over? Each one of Clarkston High School's students has a unique identity. But many of them have one thing in common — a self-image they're afraid of.

When walking down the halls of CHS, you feel the pressure. You think to yourself, Do my shoes match my shirt? Are my pants too short? Do I look fat?

You look at everyone you pass, and you reassure yourself that they aren't staring at you, or you look better than they do. We have all done it.

Self-esteem and self-image are along the same lines. If you feel good about yourself, your self-esteem is higher, and vice versa.

Other people can influence you. If someone was to tell you that you looked fat, you'd feel self-conscious for the rest of the day. Whereas, if someone told you that you looked good, you may be confident for the rest of the day. We cannot let other people change how we feel about ourselves.

We judge people too harshly, sometimes turning them into someone that they're not.

Krystal DeClerck, a junior at Clarkston High School, said, "You can turn artificial. Some people are fake."

We judge others without knowing them. It's like the old saying, "Never judge a book by the cover." It's exactly what we do. We shouldn't let what other people think affect who we are. They shouldn't be important enough to do that to us.

It's not just CHS students who do this. When asked in what way do you think self-image affects students, Heather Carlile, another junior, said, "It's not just CHS. It's teenagers in general. Society makes us feel as though you have to be a magazine-model perfect."

She's right. The majority of female students say they feel as though they have to live up to the standards of a size 2. That's not good.

Everybody has heard about the diseases bulimia and anorexia. A student from CHS who just recovered from anorexia said, "I thought I looked fat. I just thought of that every time I was going to eat, and I just didn't want to gain



JAIME GREEN

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any more weight so I didn't eat. After a while a few of my good friends told me that it was wrong for me to starve myself. I saw a counselor down at the counseling office at the school and they diagnosed me with it. My mom was a mess, but she helped me through it. It was so hard. I still see myself as kind of chubby, but it's not nearly as bad as it used to be."

The girl is currently a size 2. This is after she gained back the weight.

Sometimes teens and adults will judge other people as a way of eliminating their own insecurities. It's the easy way out. It allows them to feel good about themselves, even though they are doing it at the expense of other people.

You see, no matter what anyone says, you're beautiful. Don't let anyone tell you different. Your image of yourself is what you make of it. It's all up to you.

Jaime Green is a junior at Clarkston High School and the lifestyles editor of PawPrints, the CHS student newspaper. Her column alternates with one written by Clarkston Community Schools' Superintendent Al Roberts.

Michigan has solid strengths

One of the best things John Engler has done as governor is to have attracted Doug Rothwell to Michigan from Delaware in 1993.

Initially Director of the Michigan Jobs Commission, an agency that consolidated the various job training programs into one coherent administrative unit, the slim and intense Rothwell has won praise for his intelligence, foresight and willingness to take risks by doing new things.

He moved over to run the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, a public corporation set up outside the stifling state bureaucratic structure to oversee the state's job and business attraction and retention programs. (He got a hefty raise by moving outside civil service pay restrictions, but that's OK. You get what you pay for, and Rothwell's the real deal.)

The MEDC has just issued a report on Michigan's economy, "Strategic Directions for Michigan's Future." It makes fascinating reading.

In the decades following the Great Depression, Michigan's auto-led economy flourished, leading the nation in automation, production and technological progress. Our economy stalled in the 1970s and '80s, when the auto industry was being pummeled by foreign competition and unemployment skyrocketed. But good times in the '90s led to surging auto industry and a rapidly growing service sector.

The MEDC report points out that Michigan began to "benchmark" against other industrial states such as Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin in the early '90s. In many ways, Michigan has improved its ranking against these competitors in recent years.

Current success in automobiles, however, has led to new goals. The MEDC report suggests Michigan should now concentrate on growth over the next decade in areas where the state has a comparative advantage against other states: advanced manufacturing, information technologies and life sciences.

And the report proposes a new set of "benchmark" states, including California, Washington, Virginia and Massachusetts. When ranked against our new competitors, Michigan doesn't look so good.

For example, while Michigan's workforce productivity ranks third when compared with our old competitors, it comes in dead last against the new set. While Michigan is technologically advanced compared to its old competitors, our state is last among our new competitors in percentage of households with Internet access.



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Worse is our standing in venture capital, arguably the main growth engine for new, high tech companies. Among new competitors, Michigan ranks dead last in the dollars available for venture capital financing. The dollar gap is considerable: Michigan, with \$2.4 million available for venture financing in the first quarter of 1999, is far, far behind Virginia, with nearly \$60 million available to entrepreneurs.

Moreover, Michigan has a poor image among business leaders. A focus group quoted in the MEDC report concludes that "a number of people didn't think of anything specific when asked for their thoughts on Michigan — nothing comes to mind or they simply said 'Detroit' and nothing else." Many business leaders think Michigan is simply dominated by the auto industry, with little room for any other kind of business.

Such perceptions, even though faulty, lead to decisions that hurt Michigan. A group of business leaders in New York, when asked which states they would consider for expansion or relocation, ranked North Carolina, South Carolina and California at the top, with Texas and Ohio in the middle. Michigan ranked last!

So part of what MEDC wants to do is as simple as educating business leaders around the country about Michigan's real strengths. There is a real story to be told here. Michigan kids scored an average of 1100 in the SAT exam in 1997, above any of our new competitors. And Michigan's colleges and universities are as good as they get; the University of Michigan, for example, is number one in the entire country in sponsored research.

(This is the first of a series of columns examining the MEDC report on Michigan's economic future.)

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The Clarkston Foundation CORNER

Do you read those little "Quotes of the day" that seem to pop up almost everywhere? In "Passions and Prejudices," Leo Rosten states, "I cannot believe that the purpose of life is to be 'happy.' I think the purpose of life is to be useful, to be responsible, to be compassionate. It is, above all, to matter: to count, to stand for something, to have made some difference that you lived at all."

There are some wonderful people in this community who indeed make a difference, and I hope after reading this article, you'll choose to join in.

Much of what makes Clarkston so special and desirous a place in which to live and raise a family is rooted in our schools. Behind the newly renovated buildings and technology are teachers and parent groups working beyond the classroom to bring unique programs to their students. When it comes to arts and sciences, the Clarkston Foundation often supplies the necessary funding. Just a few weeks ago, we had the honor and privilege of writing more than \$8,000 in grant awards for everything from science and physics assemblies to a vocal arts academy and string quartet. The largest check in our 10-year history (\$3,265) went to Clarkston High School for the rights to produce a new spring musical this year, "Anything Goes."

Why we do this is simple: We know what we stand for and enjoy making a difference. How about you? Would you like to join a group that meets monthly, but where committee work is arranged on your own time? As we continue to grow, more volunteers are needed for everything from administrative help to stuffing envelopes, from planning the details of our annual luncheon in February to our Golf Classic in July.

Sure, everything we do is geared toward increasing our membership, which in turn gives us more funding to work with. The Clarkston Foundation is a tax-deductible entity whose sole purpose is to fund arts and science programs for students within the Clarkston area. Although the requests for grants is always greater than the funds available, literally hundreds of indi-

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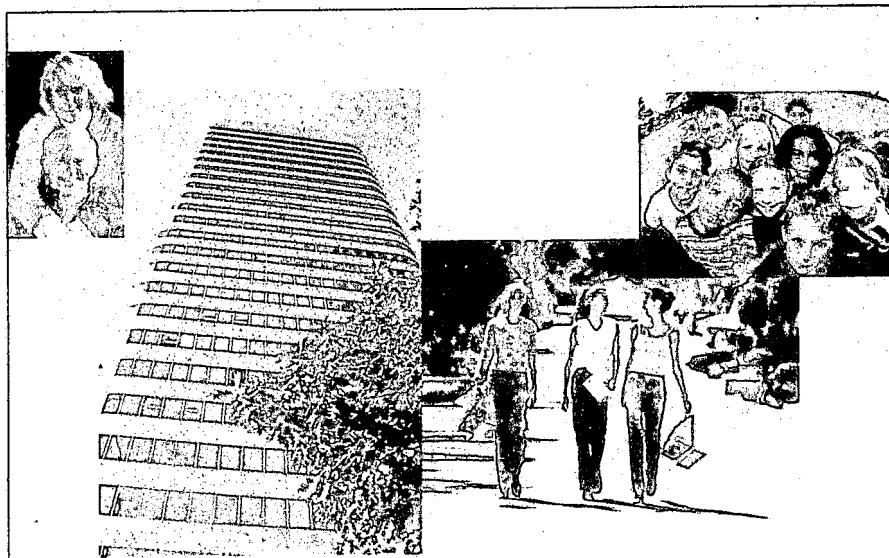
viduals and businesses have contributed to the Clarkston Foundation over the years. Some are through payroll deduction or outright donation checks; others support our annual golf outing or theater productions, such as the upcoming "Nutcracker Ballet" Dec. 17-18.

Of course you probably remember some of the big-name contributors. Earlier this year, Dave Harrison and the members of the Clarkston State Bank gave a large stock donation to the Clarkston Foundation's Endowment Fund. Ed Adler and Dick Elisea recently made a rather generous contribution. Buck and Joan Kopietz of Tierra Fine Jewelers are donating a portion of their sales today to the Clarkston Foundation. Through our newest partnership, the 1999-2000 Teacher-of-the-Year will drive a new Ford for a year, compliments of Flannery Ford.

At this time of year especially, we thank each and every person who has helped as a volunteer and/or as a contributor. It adds up; it makes a difference; it keeps pride in our community and in our hearts. For more information, call the Foundation at 625-7500. We do need you, and your support.

"The miracle is not that I finished, the miracle is that I had the courage to start." — Author Unknown

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Great Lakes classroom

Sea Cadets sail for science

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Sea Cadets spent hours aboard the *Pride of Michigan* last summer, helping scientists probe prehistoric forests beneath Lake Huron.

Now, those scientists are getting ready to update the cadets on the results of that research

and introduce them to opportunities at Oakland University.

"The cadets were extremely helpful," said Douglas Hunter, OU professor of biological sciences. We plan to update them on what we found and, hopefully, stimulate their interest for next summer, he said.

Hunter was a speaker recently, when sea cadets convened one of their regular training sessions at Oakland University, rather than their regular post at Selfridge Air National Guard Base.

Meeting at OU underscores the importance of academic excellence, according to Luke Clybourn, the Clarkston businessman who is also commander of the sea cadet program. "And it gives the cadets a chance to see OU," he said.

Last summer, cadets aboard the *Pride*, an 82-foot training vessel attached to the U.S. Navy Sea Cadet Corps, helped Hunter and other scientists explore the underwater forests at the bottom of Lake Huron, east of Lexington in the thumb area.

The forests thrived as glaciers from the last Ice Age were still receding, and much of what became the Great Lakes were in the formative stages, according to Hunter. Hunter took wood

samples from logs or stumps about 40 feet below the surface, hoping to get information on development of the Great Lakes as well as evidence of climate patterns.

Carbon dating indicates the wood samples are 6,805 years old, said Hunter, plus or minus 35 years. The trees that yielded those samples, were more than 100 years old when the waters rose and eventually flooded the area, he said.

Core samples taken from the bottom were inconclusive, according to Elliott Smith, a marine biologist who works in Rochester Hills, in the Michigan office of ASCI Corp., an environmental consulting firm based in Virginia.

"We got a lot of sand and some more wood," he said, "but nothing remarkable."

As so often the case, information gathered last summer yielded answers to some questions, said Smith. But it also generated more questions.

"How could wood hang around for 7,000 years without some clay-like substance to preserve it?" Smith asked. "We've got a lot to learn."

Helping scientists run tests was a lot of fun, according to



Nautical skills: Skipper Luke Clybourn teaches cadets to use radar and other navigational equipment.

cadet Dan DuCharme, 16, a sophomore at Oxford High School. "It was work," he said, "but it was also fun. I enjoyed it."

In addition to his normal chores aboard ship, DuCharme was one of the cadets who helped pilot the *Aurora*, an inflatable raft that towed an underwater sled and two divers. As the sled cruised underwater, divers surveyed the so-called drowned forest.

Other cadets, certified divers, went underwater as others were involved in maintaining radio communications.

"I keep wondering about life in the forest," said Clybourn, skipper of the *Pride*. "Were there human beings living in this area? If so, what was their life like? Maybe we'll find some evidence of what their life was like."

In addition to exploring the drowned forests, cadets last summer continued their search for the *Griffin*, the 60-ton schooner that was part of the expedition lead by French explorer Rene Robert Cavalier de la Salle. The *Griffin* disappeared in 1679 after departing

Green Bay, destined for Fort Niagara. Its cargo and crew of five was never found.

"We never go out just to train," said Clybourn, who has mentored cadets for more than two decades. "We always go out with a mission, and the training comes as we accomplish that mission. When we're looking for the *Griffin*, or exploring the underwater forests, we're also training."

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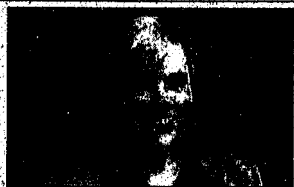
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Sometimes pain lives on beyond the actual injury

This is the first in a two-part column.

What you are about to read is not really a "fractured fairy tale," although it may seem like one by the time you get to the end. The following story has little to do with common sense, but a lot to do with convoluted thinking, money-saving efforts, heavy opinions, serious attitude problems — and just a little bit of antiquated language.

It begins with my realization that, should I live to be 94, I will probably grow a third eye in the center of my forehead.

And it will be The Perfectionist's fault.

I figured this out recently after a couple of lengthy conversations with my 94-year-old, well-experienced grandmother, who let it be known to me via the telephone that old injuries sometimes come back to haunt you.

And if you think and talk long enough, so do old feelings.

Here's how our conversations went:

First she related to me — oh, maybe a year or so ago — about how my grandfather sold their beloved Up North little red cabin without discussing it with her first. One day it was theirs. The next it wasn't.

"Dad him," she said, by way of reminding, "Just thinking about it."

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Slam dunk

Student's efforts add ball courts to playground

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It's difficult enough for students when their life is disrupted due to renovations and additions to their school, but when they lose their playground, things really become tough.

That's what Anthony Swartz discovered last school year when he was a fifth-grade student at Clarkston Elementary School. The students lost their playground due to building construction and grounds renovations.

"On recess, there wasn't much to do," he recalled. "Most of the kids just walked around and talked. It was sort of boring."

Instead of complaining, Anthony decided to see what he could do about the situation.

"I started talking to some of the kids. I did a tally sheet on how many people wanted to improve our playground. Almost everyone did," he said.

So, he approached school principal Charles Rowland III, who advised Anthony to talk to Cathy Reed-Voorheis, last school year's Clarkston Elementary's PTO president.

Anthony found out there was money in the PTO coffers. Reed-Voorheis recommended he write a proposal for basketball courts.

The results of all his work can be seen today on the playground at Clarkston Elementary School.

There are four adjustable-height basketball courts on one section of the playground as well as another one for younger students. The PTO even spent

extra money to pave the enormous area outside the back door, where the four nets are stationed.

Anthony is a sixth-grade student at Clarkston Middle School now. He doesn't get to take advantage of the courts at the elementary school, but his brother, Warren, does. He's in the third grade there.

"It's really neat to see that the PTO actually did what I requested," Anthony said. "It's cool that I'm the one who got the basketball hoops out there."

His mother, Janice Swartz, wasn't surprised by Anthony's initiative.

"He's a leader, an awesome boy," she said. "He likes to help people. My husband, Ron, and I are both Aquarians; we give a lot to others. I think he learned that from us."

Reed-Voorheis said the PTO was pleased to make the permanent improvements to the playground based on what Anthony discovered the students wanted.

"We knew we wanted to do something for the school," she said. "It was Anthony who went ahead, found out what the students wanted and wrote the letter. That was the impetus for the whole thing."

Reed-Voorheis said the PTO had extra money to spend due to the group's new fund-raising philosophy.

"We stopped having the students sell products a few years ago and switched to sponsoring community events, such as fun runs, family dances and basket raffles," said the mother of Clarkston Elementary student Philip and Clarkston Middle School student Keith. "It was scary at first, but it worked out so well."



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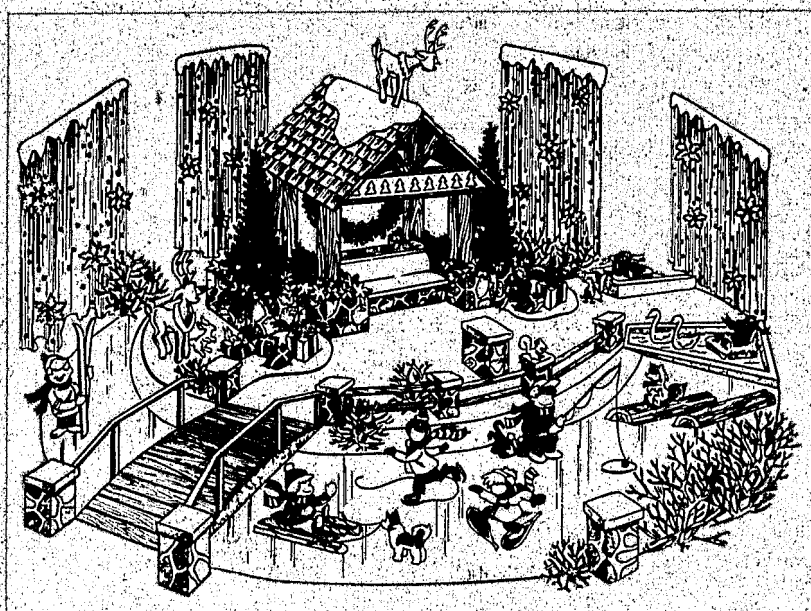
How it's done: Anthony Swartz throws some baskets at his former school, Clarkston Elementary.

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makes me feel mad at him all over again." (Never mind the fact that he had been dead some 20 years and was way past caring about whether she was mad.) Then she went on, in a sort of stream-of-consciousness fashion, to tell me about her close friend who — only days after her husband's death — purchased a pearl necklace and a diamond ring for herself, just to spite him. *Drat him for dying*, was the message she was trying to send to the hereafter.

But I digress. During our most recent conversation, about two weeks ago, my grandmother said that, no, she did not break her foot — as my mother had reported — when she stepped out of her bathtub a month ago.

What she did was turn her right big toe under in such an awkward way as to re-injure a tender, old spot that was first broken years ago when my

grandfather dropped a boat on it. "Grandpa dropped a boat on your toe?" I responded, grimacing at the thought.

Yes, she said, my grandfather had dropped their wooden rowboat when the two of them were trying to carry it down their basement steps, where he planned to caulk and paint it.

"I started to feel the boat slip," Grandma recalled. "It was heavier than all get-out."

My grandparents were, at the time, probably in their mid-60s, she said, adding that when the boat actually fell, she threw out the following loud frustration: "You can have your old boat!"

My grandfather was a curmudgeon, to put it mildly, and I can envision him cussing out the situation with the world's worst kind of glare on his face.

A lack of compassion was his shortcoming and, apparently, their family physician wasn't

much better. His advice to her was that she should keep her toe on ice.

"Well, you know what I thought," Grandma said.

"I can imagine," I replied, trying to picture my grandmother with an ice block under her foot as she went about her weekly routine. And then I had a memory of my own.

"Didn't you fall on Grandpa and break his arm once?" I asked. "Wasn't that you?"

I was almost certain she had. "Heh?" she returned into the receiver. (At this advanced age, my grandmother is a little hard of hearing.)

"Fall on Grandpa? Oh, why yes," she said. "I did fall on him. Broke his arm at the collarbone."

"Well then, I guess you could say you got your revenge," I said, intending a joke.

Grandma "Hmmed" into the phone and said, "You know, I never thought of it like that."

The second half of this column will appear on Dec. 2.

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

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Talking turkey

This Thanksgiving, I'm remembering my other family

With Thanksgiving a week away, thoughts naturally turn to things for which we can be thankful. I have so much to be thankful for this year that I don't know where to start. My kids are healthy, my husband is great, we have wonderful relatives, we are finally done building our new house. The list could go on. This particular year I am thinking of one blessing that often skips my mind.

Each year in the fall, I meet a group of friends for a nice reunion. We talk, laugh, look at old pictures and remember the fun times we all had together. The group is quite varied. Men and women, young and old, married and single, Christian and Jewish, wealthy and less wealthy. There are usually about 30 people who attend each year and another 15 to 20 who have unsuccessfully tried to rearrange their calendars to be there. With a group that size there will always be conflicts in schedules. There are children's soccer games, parent-teacher conferences, sick parents, work commitments, but every year for the past four years this group has managed to stay strong. People who missed last year were there this year. People who missed this year, will, no doubt, be there next year.

You may be wondering what this group has in common, and I



ROCHELLE SMITH

am sure many watching the group meet on the second floor of a restaurant in downtown Royal Oak were wondering, too. Some in business suits, others in blue jeans. Some who look like they just stepped out of a modeling catalog and others, like me, who look like slightly dumpy middle-aged housewives. As we enter the restaurant and greet each other with big hugs and kisses, you would think it was a family reunion, if we looked a little more alike. To hear the laughing and joking around, you might think it was a college reunion, if we were closer to the same age. When all the kids' pictures come out and the questions start about what each other's families are doing, you might think we had all met at a school group, except that some of the kids are under a year old and others are fully grown with kids of their own.

This great group of people I am thankful for is a group of

people I worked with for 18 years until the law firm dissolved in 1995.

These reunions draw not only people who were still a part of the firm when it dissolved, but also people who left the firm years earlier. When we met last week, for our fourth reunion, one of the young attorneys made a passing comment that really stuck with me. He simply said, "I can't believe we are still getting together after all these years." When I heard it, my heart took a leap. "It's only been four years" was my first thought, quickly followed by a terrible fear — "I hope no one is thinking of ending these reunions." Although we haven't worked together for four years, this group of people represents a large part of my life.

Some of them were there when I started with the firm in 1981. They were there when my husband and I decided to start our family. They shared in my joys as I announced each of my pregnancies and they helped me through the sorrows of miscarriage. They were there to listen to my concerns when my brother had a near-fatal motorcycle accident and they were there to share my joy when he found the woman of his dreams and got married. They watched my kids growing up through the pictures I brought to work constantly and I watched their lives change as

they went through the excitement and sadness that accompany us all down life's road. They were the ones I spent the majority of my waking hours with for nearly a third of my life.

As is so often the case, I really didn't realize how much these people meant to me until the announcement was made that the firm was breaking up. Even then there was so much to do to dissolve a law firm that had

been in existence for more than 60 years that the parting sorrow took a while to set in.

As the first few people found other jobs and left, I started to realize how much it was going to affect me. By the time the last few days arrived, and the parade of attorneys and staff made their rounds saying good-bye, I was working hard, often unsuccessfully, to fight back the tears.

This year I'm not going to wait

until Thanksgiving to thank God for my many blessings. In addition to family, health and happiness, I'm also going to remember good friends and thank God for the great group of people he allowed me to work with for so many years at Kramer Mellen, P.C.

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Wives testifying against husbands? Yes, says legislator

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An age-old concept in Common Law known as the "marital privilege," which means criminal defendants can keep their spouses from testifying against them in court, may be ended by legislation currently under consideration in Lansing.

The privilege now means that what you say to your marriage partner in confidence, even if you tell your spouse you committed a murder, can't be used against you in a criminal case. But it would be eliminated by House Bill 4684, sponsored by Rep. Jennifer Faunce (R-Warren).

"Do you know where the privilege comes from?" Anica Letica, Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor, said. "Its origins go way back in Common Law to a time when you were not allowed to testify in your own case because it was presumed you were too biased. When you got married, your spouse became one with you."

"Of course, now people can testify in their own cases, but we've kept the marital privilege. Today, it's known as the sit-down-and-shut-up rule."

Letica appeared before the House of Representatives Committee on Family and Civil Law

to testify in support of the bill in October.

Supporters of tradition

But the long-standing legal tradition also has its supporters, so the proposed change is beginning to draw fire. On Nov. 2, Michigan Family Forum, a conservative family advocacy group, announced its opposition, saying the end of the privilege could destroy marital harmony in some relationships.

"True, the bill might assist prosecutors in their endeavors, but it might also produce the unintended consequence of exposing spouses to threats about whether they should testify or not," Family Forum Executive Director Mike Harris wrote in a letter to the House. "This is not a family-friendly situation. One can certainly argue that deserving families don't get themselves into such situations, but the argument ignores the principle that the law should equally protect everyone whatever their social status might be."

"Divorce and marital strife get enough promotion from Michigan law via no-fault divorce statutes. We'd rather not add to the carnage by turning the marital privilege laws on their heads."

"I don't see how you are disrupting marital harmony. You are putting the privilege in the (hands of the) testifying spouse. It's their call if they want to be married to a murderer or whatever. In many of these cases, there is no marital harmony left. Who better than the witness spouse to determine if there is any marital harmony left to be preserved?"

— Anica Letica,
Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor

Rep. Bob Brown (D-Deerborn Heights) said he can't support the bill in its present form, which he sees as a blanket elimination of the privilege.

"If someone drives home drunk," he said, "a prosecutor would be able to force a spouse to testify that he came home drunk. This is a very dangerous bill for families." But Brown did say he would vote for it if exceptions are added.

Faunce disagreed. She contended that her bill doesn't end

the privilege, it simply changes who gets to make the decision about testifying. Under present law, the defendant spouse is the one who has the option as to whether the witness spouse can testify. HB 4684, Faunce said, would give that option to the witness spouse instead.

"This bill is family-friendly," Faunce argued. "It gives the option to the (witness spouse) so they can testify when it is the moral thing to do."

"They say they're afraid pros-

ecutors will use this to be mean, to coerce spouses to testify. In my experience, prosecutors are not mean people. They are elected officials and they got there by being trusted individuals. If they are mean, then get rid of them," she said.

No coercing

Having worked as an assistant prosecutor for seven years, Faunce said spouses could not be coerced to testify: "Prosecutors are not allowed to threaten people."

"I don't see how you are disrupting marital harmony," Letica said, arguing in support of Faunce's bill. "You are putting the privilege in the (hands of the) testifying spouse. It's their call if they want to be married to a murderer or whatever. In many of these cases, there is no marital harmony left. Who better than the witness spouse to determine if there is any marital harmony left to be preserved?"

Current law gives the option

to the defendant spouse, but there are exceptions. The privilege already does not apply in cases of divorce, crimes against children, bigamy, abuse, abandonment or desertion.

According to Faunce, 21 states and the federal courts have already taken the marital privilege away from the defendant spouse, turning it over to the witness spouse. Only 12 states have left the option solely in the hands of the defendant spouse.

The bill had been scheduled for a vote Wednesday, Nov. 3, but Faunce pulled it from the House calendar when she learned of the opposition from Family Focus. Having met with the organization and been unable to negotiate a compromise or convince the group's members to support the bill, Faunce said she would proceed with a vote anyway. She said she believes the bill has enough support in both chambers to win passage.

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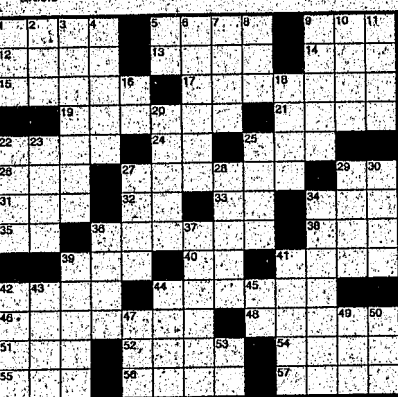
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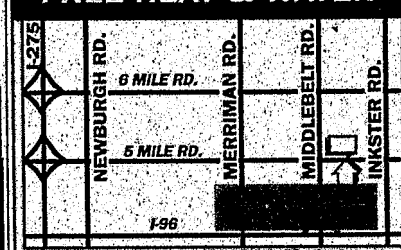
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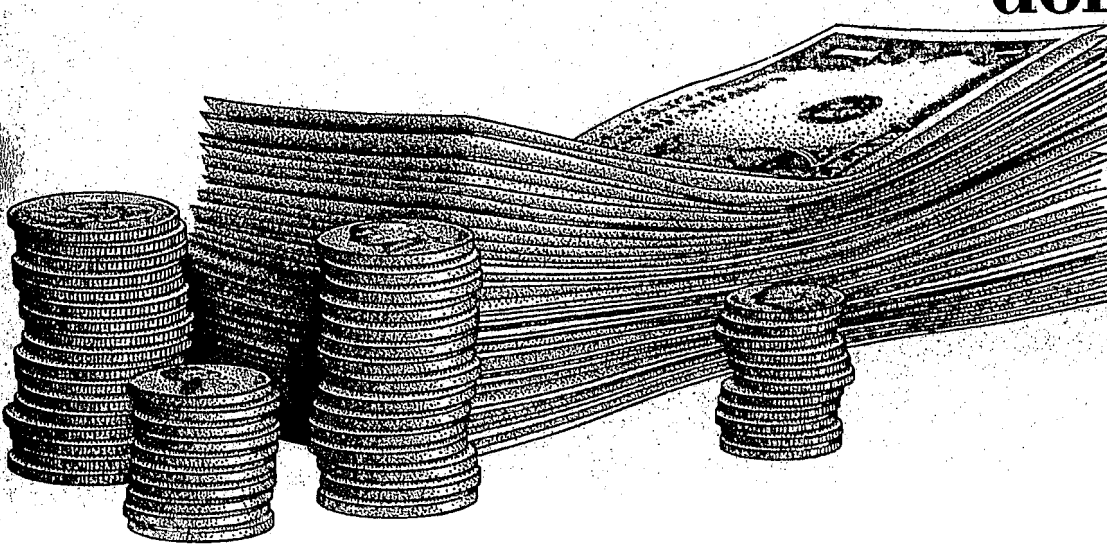
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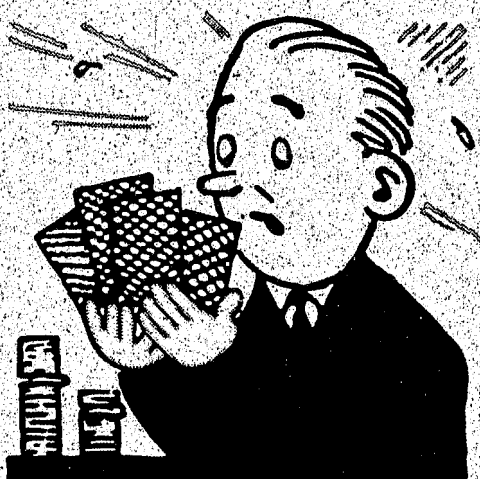
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Springfield Township's Dixie Corridor Study Committee is getting ready to draft a report about what should happen along that main thoroughfare.

The report should be done around the first of the year. Meanwhile, a joint meeting of the township board and planning commission was called Nov. 3 to talk about the study and learn about brownfield development before preparing the final Dixie report.

The Dixie Corridor Study began six months ago as a discussion about improving the roadway between I-75 and Davisburg Road. But it became apparent many more issues needed attention.

"Certainly just a road improvement project wouldn't solve all the problems of Dixie Highway," township planner Dick Carlisle said. "How can development occur in a manner that has Springfield Township's signature on it?"

The committee working on the report has representatives from the township board, planning commission and several business people along Dixie Highway.

Some of the issues surrounding Dixie are economic development and land use which includes making a marketing plan for the corridor. Springfield has no business owners association, downtown development authority or economic development commission.

Another concern is roadway access and improvement, Carlisle said.

"We have to allow for efficient flow of traffic," he added.

As more subdivisions rise in the area, traffic will only increase, Carlisle said there has to be ways to get people in the subdivisions walking to the commercial and retail that is likely

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to follow.

The Nov. 3 workshop session focused on brownfields and how they can be used to a municipality's advantage. Also discussed was a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency grant the township has applied for. Getting the grant would mean \$75,000 plus a \$20,000 township match to use to make sure Dixie development is heading in the right direction.

Rachel Everett and Randy Smith of Ann Arbor-based The Traverse Group explained what brownfields are and how units of government can get money for redevelopment.

Brownfields are properties that are unused or underutilized that have some sort of contamination problem. It could be as small as an abandoned service station or as large as an old industrial complex, Smith said.

The Traverse Group did a baseline environmental study of the Dixie corridor and found three known brownfields.

"You want to know what you're dealing with and if you'll run into any road blocks as you try to redevelop," Everett said.

Money is available from all sorts of sources to help redevelop brownfields, Smith said. Companies like Traverse help communities get that money. Communities, however, should first form a Brownfield Development Authority. It can be a group of citizens or a combination of officials and citizens who are appointed to look at potential projects that could go on a contaminated site.

Money from grants and loans flows through the authority to the developer to help clean up

the site. The result is a cleaner environment and a development the community wants. Another bonus, Smith said, is the added taxable value of the land in question once the project is finished.

Carlisle added a couple nice developments can serve as a catalyst for similar structures that fit into the township's overall plan.

A survey of properties done several years ago pinpointed some run-down parcels which have not yet been fixed up. Carlisle said the EPA grant the township applied for could be used for detailed planning for Dixie Highway.

The grant application calls for developing three or four groups of parcels along Dixie. The parcels would be developed together and share on-site amenities such as water, sewer and storm water management. The group also would work together to preserve environmental features and that could include redeveloping brownfields.

Carlisle said encouraging businesses to think about working together and pay attention to the area's natural beauty will help bring the type of development the township wants.

"We have not yet seen the economic boost in this area," Carlisle said.

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DANIEL STICKRADT

At the beginning of each new prep season, many coaches talk about replacing graduated players and, obviously, the athletes that stood out the most are the hardest to replace.

The clichés like, "You don't replace a player like Bob Smith," or "I hope Jamie Jones can step in and fill Megan Stevenson's shoes" are as common as you can get.

Here's another one for you: Daniel Stickrad has been promoted by Observer & Eccentric management to replace the legendary Brad Kadrich in the line-up as sports editor in our north Oakland region.

Wow, you talk about pressure.

Since coming to the area seven years ago, and later to the O&E in August of 1996 in charge of covering sports in the rapidly expanding areas of Clarkston, Lake Orion and Oxford, Brad Kadrich established himself with his polite and humorous manner, his blue-collar work ethic, and his love for high school sports as a man that truly cared.

Quite simply, he became one of the most recognized people throughout all of north Oakland County. Brad, in the eyes of many, grew into a legend that made reporters at competing newspapers, and even some in this company, green with envy.

Like an all-state athlete who tosses in 30 points a night or scores 30 goals a season, Brad Kadrich became a household name; a player to watch and remember. The amount of letters and, recently, e-mails he has received, not only from current athletes and their coaches and parents but from former area athletes now off to college and beyond, is astonishing.

He touched the hearts of many — and he went far beyond the call of duty of a community sports editor and reporter. And those are the shoes that I have to fill.

Wow, talk about a daunting task.

But then again, I am on the same page as Brad Kadrich, who is now the community editor at the Plymouth Observer, tucked away in our southwest region of our growing company.

He's like that graduated senior going off to college to try to test his skills at a new and higher level. And I'm the young underclassman who has been asked to bring the ball up the court in his place.

That is a tough challenge, but it's one I'm ready to face. And it's a challenge that I want to tackle.

As a former sports editor of the Rochester Clarion, which was purchased by the O&E in October of 1997 and merged into our Rochester Eccentric publication, I understand the magnitude of importance of sports in all of our communities, especially in Clarkston, Lake Orion and Oxford. And I understand that Brad's reputation as one of the best in the business is at stake.

Thank God I've had the experience as Brad's back-up over the past couple of years.

Throughout the rest of year, and into the new millennium, I don't expect to change what Brad has created. Instead, I plan on just building on a fine product and help it continue to grow in popularity. Hey, as the old saying goes: "If it's not broke, don't fix it."

The only minor changes I plan to adopt are to increase the number of feature stories within our communities; to place the spotlight on the athletes that we cheer for, and to discuss and research why certain programs and sports continue to thrive.

And, like Brad, my phone line and e-mail are open for your opinions, both positive and negative. Hey, in the business of community news, it's truly all about you and I wouldn't be doing my job if I didn't keep my ears open to your thoughts.

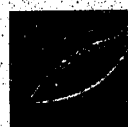
We've got a winning record in the sports department in our North Oakland region — and a strong growing tradition. I don't want to be known as the player that ended the streak.

Brad Kadrich has gone on to a new assignment — I fully anticipate for him to make an occasional cameo appearance in this space and to show up at an occasional game — and I wish him well.

Now, all I have to do is fill the shoes of a legend.

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Only Ike stands in Clarkston's way of finals berth



After edging past Macomb Dakota Friday night in quadruple-overtime 57-56, Clarkston now must face Utica Eisenhower Saturday in the Division I state semifinals. The winner advance to the state championship game.

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When Clarkston takes the football field Saturday against Utica Eisenhower, the Wolves will be entering new ground in more ways than one.

Not only is the school's first-ever meeting against Eisenhower, but this will be the school's first-ever appearance in a state semifinal game. The Wolves and Eagles will knock helmets

at 1 p.m. Saturday at Port Huron High School for a chance to advance to the state finals Nov. 17 at 1 p.m. at the Pontiac Silverdome.

Clarkston won its first regional title last Friday with a thrilling 57-56 quadruple-overtime triumph over Macomb Dakota, while Eisenhower captured its first regional title since 1988 Saturday with a 25-6 win over Detroit King.

Clarkston head coach Kurt Richardson, his staff and his players attend

that Eisenhower-King game and Richardson knows what task lies ahead for the Wolves.

"Eisenhower is a very good team," he said. "They have one good wide-out, but after that, they don't have a lot of superstars. Just great balance."

Sound familiar?

Clarkston is deep at virtually every position, and with powerful and experienced offensive and defensive lines, can cause a lot of problems for the opposition. But the Wolves (11-1) are going to have to utilize its passing game a little more than what they are accustomed to.

"We've had a strong running game all season, but I know Eisenhower is going to try and stuff the run," said

Richardson. "We're going to have to pass more, and our offensive line is going to have to give Ryan Kaul more time to pass because their defense comes at you very hard."

Kaul, a first-year starting junior, will look to senior wide-outs Steve Schnorak and Andy North as the main targets in the air, while senior Chris Mitchell and junior Rob Konley will lead the Wolves' potent ground assault.

But the pressure should be on Clarkston's wall at the line of scrimmage, led by two-way starter Bubba Clement, Eric Bauer and Brent Schermerhorn.

"We're going to have to control the line of scrimmage, and that will be hard to do because Eisenhower is a

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Whatever it takes

Clarkston opens up Class A district tournament with a scrappy 43-26 win over Romeo

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At the end of a game, the only thing that matters to most coaches is, "Did we win?"

That's the question Clarkston coach Ann Lowney asked herself Monday night, and the answer, after a stifling defensive performance, was "yes." It wasn't pretty, but the Wolves pounded Romeo 43-26 in a first-round Class A district girls basketball game at Clarkston.

The win put Clarkston in Wednesday's semifinal against Lapeer East, but results weren't available at press time. The winner of the Clarkston-Lapeer East game plays Oxford Friday night at 7 p.m.

The Wolves (10-11) got good performances from both its underclassmen and veterans in turning away the Bulldogs (10-11).

Freshman guard Kira Karlstrom scored nine points to lead Clarkston, which got scoring from nine different players, spreading the offensive wealth around while holding Romeo to just 11 field goals in 32 minutes.

"It was kind of ugly, but we won," Lowney said. "We put a lot of press on the ball and made them start their offense up high."

The plan worked. Romeo scored just four points in the first quarter, and Clarkston led 18-10 at halftime. The Wolves weren't scoring much, but their defense was playing so well points weren't necessary.

Junior center Sarah Morgan was tough in the paint, junior point guard Kristen Falck had a fine floor game and senior forward Candace Morgan did a good job shutting down Romeo's Sarah DeWitt, who scored 10 of the Bulldogs' 26 points.

"Kira had a good game, Sarah played well and I thought Candace did a great job on (DeWitt)," Lowney said. "Kristen played well, too. She's really started to take on the leadership role I've wanted her to take all season."

Candace Morgan hit the game's only 3-pointer while scoring seven points. Junior Tovah Bazely also scored seven, senior Rachel Uchman chipped in six points, and Sarah Morgan scored five.

■ 'It was kind of ugly, but we won.'

Ann Lowney
—Clarkston basketball coach



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

On the move: Clarkston freshman guard Kira Karlstrom maneuvers around a Romeo defender in Monday's Class A district opener on the Wolves' home court. Clarkston won 43-26 to advance to Wednesday's district semifinals.

All-Area golf team packed with talent

Clarkston senior Mark Churay represented on the 14-member first-team

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How talented is the 1999 Eccentric All-Area Boys Golf Team? Well, 10 of the 14 first-team members earned some form of All-State designation.

The All-Area team, recently was selected by a panel of coaches, and, for the first time, includes players from the Eccentric's newest coverage areas of Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford and Waterford. The Eccentric's original coverage communities includes the Birmingham-Bloomfield, Rochester, Troy, Southfield and West Bloomfield areas.

Rochester Adams leads the team with three representatives, while Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, Birmingham Seaholm and Birmingham Brother Rice each landed two players on the team. The other first-teamers includes golfers from Rochester, Waterford Kettering, Clarkston, Troy and Walled Lake Central.

Gerry Chapple of Walled Lake Central is coach of the year.

Following is a brief profile of each individual named to the all-area first team.

MARK CHURAY, Clarkston: The highlight of Churay's season was winning medalist honors at the very competitive Oakland County Division I tournament held at the Pontiac Country Club, Clarkston's senior captain.

Churay shot a two-under round of 70 and won by two strokes. Churay finished with a 78.7 tournament average and a 39.9 dual-meet average. He shot a 76 in the second Oakland Activities Association Division I tournament and medaled in both the Traverse City and Huron Valley invitational. Churay owns a 3.75 grade-point average. "He has a very good demeanor and always keeps his head on the course," said Clarkston coach Tim Kaul. "He's a long hitter who drives the ball well and is a pretty decent chipper. He's a good putter from 8-10 feet."

MARK DONNELLY, Birmingham Seaholm: Donnelly was Seaholm's most valuable golfer who gained All-State honorable mention status. He placed second at the Division 2 state regional tournament held at Huron Meadows with a round of 73. He tied for fourth at The Eccentric tournament held at the Birmingham Country Club and shot a 79 at the Oakland County Division 2 tournament held at the Pontiac Municipal Golf Course. At the Division 2 state tournament, Donnelly carded rounds of 78 and 76 (154) and missed a top-10 placing by one spot. Donnelly posted averages of 39.5 (duals) and 78.6 (tournaments) and helped lead Seaholm to consecutive OAA Division II championships.

ANDREW KLEIN, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook: "Andrew Klein is

the best player in Cranbrook Kingswood history," said Cranbrook veteran coach Ed Van Dam. That's a remarkable statement considering the talented golfers Cranbrook has produced over the years. Klein finished with the school's all-time leading tournament averages of 74.4 and 74.3 the past two years. The senior team captain has earned All-State honors the past three seasons, including a spot on the All-State Super Team this fall. Klein, a repeat first-team Eccentric all-star, captured the Division II individual championship this fall (72-73, 145) and was medalist at the Bay City Invitational with a 72. He shot 71 at The Eccentric tournament and 73 at the Division II regional and placed second in each tournament.

CHI LIM, Rochester Adams: Lim tied for second at the Division I state regional tournament with a 76 and posted rounds of 75 and 80 to tie for 11th overall at the state championship tournament. He placed first and third in the two Oakland Activities Association tournaments. Lim, an honorable mention All-Stater, posted averages of 39.0 and 77.4. "He showed the greatest improvement I've ever seen in four years," said Adams coach Carl Pasbjerg. "He was a critical part of our tennis success the last two years and he loves the game."

DAVE NICHOLS, Rochester

Adams: Nichols was named to the All-State Super Team for the second straight season and earned a golf scholarship to the University of Michigan. This season, Nichols was first at the Division I regional (75), third at both the Oakland County (73) and Eccentric tournaments (73), and set a school record with a round of 65 in winning the OAA Division I league tournament. He also placed in the top 10 at the tough Traverse City Invitational. Nichols helped lead Adams to second- and third-place finishes at the last two state tournaments. "He is the best players in Adams history," said Pasbjerg.

JEFF NICHOLS, Rochester Adams: Only a sophomore, Jeff Nichols is a repeat first-team all-star and a member of the 1999 All-State Division I honorable mention squad. He finished with averages of 38.1 and 77.4 and was sixth and second in the two OAA tournaments. He placed eighth at the Traverse City Invitational with a 75. "He had a great season and is a future leader. He is dedicated to the game and eats and sleeps the sport," said Pasbjerg.

CHRIS PAGLINO, Troy: Paglino shot a 76 and tied for 12th at the Oakland County Division I tournament and was eighth at the league tournament held at Bald Mountain. He finished

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Oxford ousts Romeo in opener Adams' Strong named Mr. Soccer

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The season has changed and the stakes are higher, but not much else changed for Oxford in their Class A district girls basketball opener at Clarkston.

The Wildcats, who rolled through their first unbeaten regular season since 1987, cruised again Monday, scoring the first two dozen points and routing Lapeer West, 75-26, to earn a shot at another district championship.

Oxford (21-0) plays in the championship game Friday night at 7 p.m. against the winner of Wednesday's Lapeer East-Clarkston semifinal. The host Wolves pounded Romeo, 43-26, in the other opening-round game Monday.

Oxford coach Ian Smith's biggest problem might be getting his squad motivated. The Wildcats beat Lapeer East twice, including hammering the Eagles on their home court, and also bounced Clarkston out of the Oxford Lady-Wildcats Invitational at the beginning of the season.

"I told them none of the games are going to be like this one (Monday)," Smith said. "I think we've seen our last 2-16 team."

That would be Lapeer West, which the Wildcats

trounced in the district opener. Oxford steamed to a commanding 24-0 lead and the game was essentially over before the first eight minutes had passed. Oxford led 26-2 after one period and 43-8 at halftime.

Senior center Liz Holbrook, the Wildcats' leading scorer, led the way again, tossing in 18 points. Freshman Caryn Inman chipped in 11 points, including three 3-pointers, while junior shooting guard Dana Millard finished with nine points.

The Wildcats brought up four players from their junior varsity team — Megan McTaggart, Hilary Judd, Jennifer Wray and Monica Seidl — and all four not only got off the bench, but scored points. In all, Oxford got points from 14 players.

"Everybody played, and everybody scored," Smith said. "It's good to be able to do that."

The only competitive period in Monday's win was the third, when the teams played to a 16-16 tie. Oxford then finished the game by outscoring the Panthers 17-2 over the final eight minutes. It was Oxford's third win of the season over the Panthers.

The Wildcats now await the outcome of Wednesday's semifinal between the Eagles and Wolves (results weren't available at press time). Clarkston got to the semifinal with a first-round win over Romeo behind 13 points from freshman Kira Karlstrom. Lapeer East drew a first-round bye.

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Heading into the final week of the prep boys soccer tournament, there were three players in the state that were considered favorites for the Mr. Soccer award: Rochester Adams senior forward Rocky Strong, Plymouth Salem senior midfielder/forward Scott Duhl and Livonia Stevenson senior forward Tom Eller.

But after the four state championship matches were played on Saturday, there was no doubt who the winner of the prestigious award was going to be.

After scoring two goals in Saturday's Division I 2-1 state final victory over Salem, Strong edged out both Duhl and Eller in a close race for Mr. Soccer, given annually to the state's top player by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association.

Strong, who was voted as the state's top player Sunday at the MHSAA all-state meeting in East Lansing, also garnered All-America honors.

"Ricky's a very good player that scored a lot of big goals for us this season," said Adams first-year coach Juan Delgado.

"He scored 34 goals — six in the tournament, which is amazing considering he practiced only

once during the tournament because of a bad ankle. Ricky really helped us win the state championship."

Strong knew he was a candidate, but said that nothing was more special to him than winning the state championship.

"It means a lot to me because of all of the hard work I've put into it," said Strong, a member of the Vardar '82 club team who is being recruited by Wright State, Western Michigan, Southwest Missouri State and Oakland University. "But what I really wanted to do is help Adams win a state championship. I could control that. Winning this award — I had no control over that."

Strong, who also is a third-year varsity performer on the Highlanders' basketball team and a standout sprinter in track, was the area's first Mr. Soccer award winner since Birmingham Seaholm's Ryan Mack was a unanimous selection in 1997.

A total of three players from the Eccentric area also made this year's 11-member All-State Dream Team, including Birmingham Brother Rice senior stopper Pat Wilson and Birmingham-Detroit Country Day senior forward David Barkholz.

Other players making the Dream Team were Portage Northern junior midfielder JD

Johnston, Warren DeLaSalle senior midfielder David Perlin, Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett senior goalkeeper Dan Ferrin, Livonia Stevenson senior midfielder Mike White, Brighton senior midfielder Jeff Krass and Mount Clemens senior forward Thomas Trivelloni.

The Eccentric Area also had several other players selected as first-team all state in their respective divisions.

Along with Strong and Wilson, Rochester senior midfielder Steve Kammann, Adams senior midfielder Craig Penn, Brother Rice senior forward Amer Ghafari and Brother Rice sophomore goalkeeper Mike Timlin were represented in Division I.

In Division II, Bloomfield Hills Lahser senior goalkeeper Brandon Cassar and senior forward Eric Lloyd, along with Auburn Hills Avondale senior sweeper Eric Vogel, made the cut.

On the Division III first-team, Country Day's Barkholz was sole area representative, while in Division IV, Bloomfield Hills Roeper senior midfielder Liam Judd made the first-team.

The complete all-state teams, including first-, second- and third-teams, plus honorable mentions, will be released in the upcoming weeks.

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very good defensive football team. They wouldn't be here if they weren't," said Richardson.

The Eagles (10-2) are led by junior linebacker John DiGiorgio and senior linebackers Sean Burke and Joe DiGiorgio, senior wide-receiver Chris Mesano, and senior quarterback Bryan Gnyp.

Eisenhower also has a potent kicking game that concerns Richardson.

"They are very strong in that position. Both their kicker and punter are very good from what we saw on Saturday," he said. "We don't want to give them any easy points or good field position."

Coming off an emotional victory over Dakota,

where Clarkston trailed 28-14 late in regulation and had to go through four grueling overtime periods to emerge as the victor, Richardson is not concerned, however, of a letdown.

"These guys all know what's at stake and I'm sure they'll be ready," added Richardson. "They don't seem to be nervous right now; they are pretty calm. That may change come Friday and Saturday, but right now we're just doing what we need to do to in order prepare ourselves."

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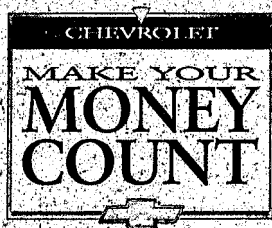
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Interested students at Clarkston High School and adults throughout the community wanting to attend this Saturday's Clarkston-Utica Eisenhower Division I state semifinal at Port Huron High School is encouraged to ride the Clarkston Spirit Bus.

There will be a cost of \$2.00 per person and the bus will depart from Clarkston High School at 10:30 a.m. sharp. All elementary and middle school students must be accompanied by an adult. All individuals are required to return home on the bus as well, which should return around 5 p.m.

Interested individuals can stop by the Main Office at Clarkston High School between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Friday with payment.

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Kenny is new coach

John Kenney has been named head coach of the men's varsity lacrosse team at Detroit Country Day School in Beverly Hills. Kenney succeeds Bill Zimmer who led the Yellow Jackets to the Class A state lacrosse championship last spring.

Kenney joined the Country Day faculty this year, bringing in 20 years experience as an administrator, coach and teacher at Stony Brook School in Stony Brook, N.Y. At Stony Brook, he served as athletic director and regional coordinator for boys lacrosse.

Kenney is president-elect of the U.S. Lacrosse Coaches Association and has written a lacrosse manual for that association. He was selected as Man of the Year and Coach of the Year by the Suffolk County Lacrosse

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with a 78.8 tournament average and the second-year varsity performer was named 'Colt of the Year.' His strong point was, when it came to tournaments, he was ready. He was a tournament player who was very consistent," said Troy coach Bruce Sargent. "He'll be one to keep an eye on next year."

CHRIS PYZIK, Walled Lake Central: Pyzik was a rare four-year letter winner at Central. He finished the season with a 39.0 dual-meet average and averaged 80 in the seven tournaments in which he played. Pyzik was team leader in birdies and was team medalist at the Division I state tournament with a 78. Pyzik had the lowest nine hole score for the year with a 34 and led Central with rounds in the 30s with eight. He shot a 77 at the Oakland County championships and was a member of the All-Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association team. "Chris is a also an outstanding hockey player," said Central coach Gerry Chapple.

PAUL RIZZO, Rochester: Rizzo is an honorable-mention All-Stater who had averages of 39.5 and 76.4 this fall. He was second at the Oakland County tournament with a 72 and placed sixth at the Division I regional tournament with a round of 76 at the Romeo Country Club. Rizzo shot 75 at the Bald Mountain meet and a 77 at The Eccentric tournament.

TRAVIS SHARRARD, Waterford Kettering: This junior shot a four-over par 76 at the Division I regional tournament at the Romeo Golf and Country Club to tie for second place. He carded a 77 on the first day of the state tournament held at the El Dorado Golf Course in Mason. He was ninth overall at the Oakland County meet with a 76 and was second at two early-season tournaments at Heather Highlands and Kensington. He finished with averages of 39.0 and 76.9.

KRIS SHEA, Birmingham Seaholm: An honorable-mention All-Stater, Shea placed in the top 10 at the Tecumseh Invitational and was fifth at the Oakland County tournament with a 75. Shea also placed in the top five at the second OAA Division II tournament with a round of 77. At the Division II state regional tournament held at Huron Meadows, Shea carded a 78. At state, Shea had rounds of 76 and 79 for a 155 total. A two-year varsity performer, Shea finished with averages of 39.3

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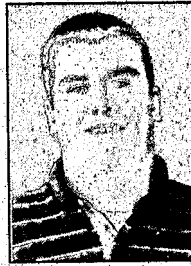
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Coaches Association.

A history teacher at Country Day, Kenney is a graduate of the University of Virginia where he received a master's degree from Wheaton College. As a teacher at the Stony Brook School, he earned the Don Gaebele Award for Teaching Excellence in 1995.

Lahser cheerleading clinic

The third annual Lahser Cheer/Dance Clinic will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11 at Bloomfield Hills Lahser High School. There is a \$35 registration fee and registration deadline is Nov. 29. All camp participants must register in advance.

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learn one cheer and dance to perform during half-time of a Lahser varsity boys basketball game. Campers should dress in loose clothing and wear tennis shoes.

Besides one day of instruction from the Lahser High School cheerleaders, campers will receive a t-shirt, shorts and poms.

For more information, call Lahser coach Perrinella Harris at (248) 339-3200.

Wendy's high school Heisman

A number of Eccentric-area high school student-athletes have been nominated for the 1999 Wendy's High School Heisman Award.

Michael Preston of Troy (Avon-

dale High School), Jessica Waugh of Bloomfield Hills (Avondale High School), Karen Holmquist of Birmingham (Seaholm High School), Matthew Zimmer of Birmingham (Seaholm High School), Christopher Brede of Bloomfield Hills (Brother Rice High School), Julie Hufnagel of Bloomfield Hills (Marian High School), Cara Christenson of Rochester (Rochester High School), Steven Kammann of Rochester Hills (Rochester High School), Samantha Essian of Troy (Troy High School) and Mitchell Harris of Troy (Troy High School) are the local nominees.

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Instituted in 1994, the

Wendy's High School Heisman established a goal of recognizing the top senior students across the country who have achieved excellence in academics, community involvement and athletics. To date, more than 42,000 students have participated in the program.

Reduced golf rates

Lincoln Hills Golf Course in Birmingham has lowered its rates for the remainder of the

1999 golf season. Following are the reduced prices: leisure pass members, \$6; guests, \$9; seniors and youths, \$4; carts for two, \$4; carts for one, \$5.

The golf course at Kensington Metropark is now offering nine-hole weekly rates for 18 holes, including weekends. Eighteen holes are now \$12; for seniors over 62, there is a \$9 fee. A cart is \$21 for 18 holes, \$13 for nine. For more information, call Kensington Metropark at (800)-477-3178.

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and #8.5.

MIKE SMITH, Birmingham Brother Rice: This senior captain and a third-year varsity performer was second at the Brighton Invitational, the Catholic League meet and the state regional tournament. He shot a 74 at East Lansing and shot an 80 at the Oakland County tournament. He averaged 77.9 and 37.1. "He had three second places and that was pretty impressive, plus he had some other real good scores over the year," said Rice coach Jim Rademacher. "He's a very serious, introspective player who manages the course very well."

LARRY STERLING, Birmingham Brother Rice: Sterling was The Eccentric champion with a round of 69 at the Birmingham Country Club. "That was the best round of golf for a Rice golfer this year," said Rademacher. He carded a 73 on the second day of state to place fifth overall after placing in the top 10 last year at state. The Brother Rice senior shot a 70 at East Lansing, 74 at Brighton, 75 at the Traverse City Invitational and 76 at Oakland County. Sterling gained Division 1 All-State honors. "He had some very good scores and he's very strong physically," said Rademacher. "He hits the ball very long."

SCOTT STRICKLAND, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook: A junior, Strickland was second in the Division II state tournament with rounds of 74 and 73. He was sixth at the regional (76), fourth at Oakland County (74) and fourth at The Eccentric (74). He finished with a 75.3 tournament average and was named All-State for the third

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Mark Donnelly	Seaholm	Senior
Andrew Klein	Cranbrook	Senior
Chi Lim	Rochester Adams	Senior
Dave Nichols	Rochester Adams	Senior
Jeff Nichols	Rochester Adams	Senior
Chris Paglino	Troy	Senior
Chris Pyzik	W.L. Central	Senior
Paul Rizzo	Rochester	Senior
Travis Sharrard	Waterford Kettering	Junior
Kris Shea	Seaholm	Junior
Mike Smith	Brother Rice	Senior
Larry Sterling	Brother Rice	Senior
Scott Strickland	Cranbrook	Junior

COACH OF THE YEAR

Gerry Chapple WL Central 32nd season.

HONORABLE MENTIONS

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consecutive season. "Scott is one of the best golfers we've ever had," said Cranbrook coach Ed Vap Dam.

COACH OF THE YEAR GERRY CHAPPLE, Walled Lake Central: After 32 years of coaching the boys golf program at Walled Lake Central, Chapple has called it quits. Chapple has taken seven teams to the state finals over the years, including

this season when the Vikings placed 12th in Division I. Western had one of its best seasons in history by winning the Division I Oakland County tournament over some very stiff competition, the Division I regional tournament and the Western Lakes Activities Association. The Vikings also won the Huron Valley Invitational and the Farmington Invitational.

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BMW 1995 325i Convertible, Red w/ tan leather interior, auto, winter stored, immaculate. Must see, 54K miles, \$27,500. Rochester, Leave msg: 248-375-9273

BMW 1995 740i, excellent, triple black, loaded, all options, 65K, \$23,000 best, 248-965-1525

BMW 1988 750i L, excellent condition, whitelan, stored winters, 76K miles, \$14,300, 248-818-5475

BMW 1993 325is, black, leather manual, air, CD, snows, mint, 39K, \$12,000, (248) 489-5994

CORVETTE 1988, Red/black, New tires/wheels, Glass top, low miles, \$8500, (248) 645-7543

CORVETTE 1990 - White coupe, excellent condition, 48K, \$14,000 best, (734) 266-4073

INFINITI Q20 1995, 62,800 miles, New tires, air, am, CD player, \$11,800, (248) 489-4248

JAGUAR 1997 XJ6 - Mint! 22K miles, super clean, beige, non-smoker, \$34,000, 248-679-9567

Lexus 1995 LS 400, CD, green, built in phone, 48K miles, clean FL car, \$29,000 248-362-0615

MERCEDES 1987-300 - beige, 103K miles, \$7000 best, Birmingham area, 248-521-0951

MERCEDES 1998 E 320, black, mint condition, 23K, asking \$41,000, 248-373-4883

MERCEDES 1996 E320 Smoke silver, Flawless, warranty, Only 34K miles, \$38,500 248-646-5976

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Mercedes 1990 300-SE Excellent condition, Spotted 136K miles, Only \$12,500 248-646-5976

MERCEDES 1993 300ae - fully equipped, very nice, \$24,500/ best, (810) 945-0040

SAAB 1994 9000 Aero 76K miles, loaded, mint, \$17,500, (248) 644-0858

SAAB 1994 900 convertible, fun to drive, 54K, beautiful condition, \$19,500/best, (313) 882-5437

SAAB 9000 1992, 75,000 miles, leather, good condition, \$7200, (248) 433-0855

SUBARU 1988 Don't miss this one! Must sell West coast car Top condition, it all worked \$3000/best, (734) 464-3476

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LEGEND, 1990 Coupe LS, Excellent \$7500, 248-363-3228 Ext. 2, 248-224-0876

834 Acura

3.2 TL 1999, 8000 miles, Laguna green, (grey), show room condition, fully loaded, \$26,750, (734) 495-1985

Century 1998 - 4 door, blue, wife's car, 53,000 miles, new tires, \$8200, 313-278-3309

LESABRE 1997 - Limited, Loaded white w/ red leather, 8300K, \$17,800, (248) 652-2797

LIMITED, 1998, fully loaded, 27K, garage stored, non-smoker, \$20,000, 734-422-4928

PARK AVENUE 1994 - Excellent condition, many extras, 1 owner, \$7000, 734-484-3209

PARK AVENUE 1995 - mint condition, 38,000 miles, power, leather, \$14,900, 734-464-9829

PARK AVENUE 1989 new brakes/tires, champagne, 101K, mint, \$3500, 734-397-9896

PARK AVE, 1991 Sedan, Excellent condition, fully loaded, leather, 125K miles, V6, 3.8, \$4500, 734-458-7887

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SKYLARK, 1991 - White/red interior. New tires, stereo, battery & brakes, Cruise, power windows, air, 87K miles, no rust, \$8700, 734-844-8444

DEVILLE 1994 loaded, 73,000 miles, alarm, excellent condition, \$11,900/best, 248-363-2304

EL DORADO 1992 - Excellent condition, landau roof, 66,000 miles, \$9990, 734-495-1993

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SEDAN DEVILLE 1994 Fla Car, Showroom condition, Tan w/Tan leather \$12,995 810-220-2837

SEVILLE 1993, loaded, forest green, \$9,500/best, 1995 Plymouth Voyager, \$5,000/best, Call Jan (517) 646-5223

SEVILLE 1996 SLS, beige, simulated leather top, sunroof, memory seats, \$22,000, 248-641-7591

SEVILLE STS 1993/94, Northstar, Red, good condition, 70K miles, CD, new tires, heated seats, Bose stereo, chrome wheels, all mechanical perfect, \$12,900, 248-841-7510

SLS 1997, 18,000 original miles, mint condition, loaded, 0 owner, \$28,995, 248-335-0357

840 Chevrolet

BARETTA, 1990 - Auto, air, Red/Gray, very clean, 99,195 miles, \$2300, 734-485-7825

BERETTA 1989 GTU, auto, air, red/grey, fully loaded, excellent condition, must sell, \$2999/best, 313-886-2768

CAMARO 1989 V-6 auto, CD player, maroon with tinted windows, good condition, 123K miles, \$3000, (734) 427-8262

CAMARO 1986, V-6, 5 speed, green, low miles, like new. Must sell \$9,995, (248) 231-8290

CAMARO, 228, 1995 - Auto, 69K miles, Wife driven, \$8700, 248-867-6821

CAVALIER 1993 - 4 dr, auto, 4 cyl, 95K, runs/looks great, \$3500, 248-540-8988 after 6p

CAVALIER 1998 2 dr, coupe, 46K, \$7,200, (810) 295-4387

LUMINA 1990 EUROSPORT sedan V-6, 162,000 miles, runs good, \$750, (248) 848-9694

LUMINA 1993, 69K, White, Super clean, Many extras, \$5750, best, Canton (734) 981-3501

LUMINA, 1997, loaded, excellent, extended warranty, \$10,000, (313) 634-2828

MALIBU 1998 - V6, air, auto, 16K, full power, mint condition, \$13,500 or best, 248-347-8121

MONTE CARLO, 1998 - Fully loaded w/sunroof, \$14,500, 734-721-6076

842 Chrysler

CIRRUS 1998 LX - fully loaded, sunroof, CD, new brakes, low miles, \$9,900, 248-349-7781

FIFTH AVENUE 1991 - White, loaded, \$2700/or Best. Offer, (248) 626-2576

NEW YORKER 1986 - loaded, super clean, low mi, like new, must see, \$2995 313-692-0373

SEBRING 1988 coupe - auto, sunroof, cd changer, air, Very sharp, \$10,300, 248-370-8991

SEBRING LXI 1996, 28K, Leather interior, 10 change CD, Sunroof, Warranty, Loaded, \$16817, To Lease \$351.79/mo now until Dec 2000, Days: 248 658-2837, Eves: 248 344-4608

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DODGE SPIRIT 1991 - 4 door, sunroof, new tires, low mileage, Front end damage, Make offer, (734) 458-9149

INTREPID, 1997 - Fully loaded, good condition, \$11,000, 734-721-6076

INTREPID 1997 Sedan, 4 door, loaded, clean, 85K miles, \$7000, 313-937-0150

844 Dodge

NEON 1995 - 4 dr, auto, red, 45K miles, Excellent condition, \$5800/best Offer, (248) 642-2167

SHADOW 1993 Red, auto, 4 door, air, 80K, Great Car! Won't Last! \$2500, (248) 474-9494

SHADOW 1987 - Turbo, 57,500 miles, auto, Great shape, \$2700, (734) 422-0448

STEALTH, 1994 - Dark Blue, leather interior, 45,000 miles, First \$7900 takes, TYME AUTO (734) 455-5568

TALON 1995 ES - red, auto, loaded, 88K, highway miles, \$5200, 248-625-6091

VISION, 1994 TS - Black, CD, leather, sunroof, loaded, 65K, \$5500, 248-619-9876

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848 Ford

TAURUS 1997 Loaded, Nice condition, Must Sell, \$8,900, (248) 390-7625

TAURUS 1998 LX - loaded, all power, excellent condition, \$9,000, 734-495-0840

TAURUS, 1996, red low mileage 25K miles, mint condition, \$9,950, (248) 258-5637

TAURUS 1998 SHO, V8, Loaded, Immaculate, No dings, \$17,500/offer, 248-547-9227

T-BIRD 1995 40th Anniversary, V-8, loaded, 52K, excellent condition, \$7700/best 734-459-0116

T-BIRD 1994 - V8, 105K miles, runs great, all power, \$5000, Must sell, (734) 427-0775

T-BIRD 1987 - white, FL car, new tires/exhaust, high miles, \$2200, (734) 459-1269

TEMPO 1985 4dr, auto, air, am/fm cassette, 78,000 miles, Body excellent and runs excellent! \$1250/best, (313) 255-2357

TEMPO, 1992, GL, 70K miles, auto, air, 4 door, clean, \$2995, Hurry (734) 459-6871

TEMPO 1988 - 73K, clean, auto, \$1500, (248) 474-7548 eves

Accord EX 1998 2 dr, dark green/leather, V-6, moonroof, CD, spoiler, 43K, \$19,500, 248-627-3026

Accord LX 1992 Automatic, air, excellent condition, one owner, \$5250 (248) 504-2827

Accord 1996 - 25th Anniv. model, 53K, auto, air, ext warranty, \$10,300, 734-591-6079

ESCORT LX Wagon 1998 - 5 speed, air, CD, Roof rack, 55K miles, \$5800 (248) 889-0724

ESCORT 1993, Red, auto, 4 door, Well maintained, 88K, \$4000/best, (248) 442-0483

ESCORT 1994, red, 5 speed, well maintained, blue book value \$4600 make reasonable offer, Must sell, Non smoker, runs great, 248-960-1420

ESCORT, 1993 - Sedan, good condition, Must sell, 75K miles, 4 door automatic, Clean, \$3000, 313-271-5496

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MUSTANG, 1997 GT Convertible - 28,000 miles, leather interior, \$814 below black book. Small down, \$239/mo. Must be worth right \$2000.

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MUSTANG 1987 LX, 5.0, loaded, excellent in & out, many extras, \$3500, (248) 852-8733

PROBE 1990 GL - 5 speed, some new parts, \$1500/best, (248) 615-1747

PROBE 1994 GL - white, loaded, mint condition, 30K miles, (248) 533-2012

PROBE 1994 GT - excellent condition, 5 speed, black, loaded, \$4999, 248-347-0111

PROBE 1989 GT, good condition, high miles, maintained, \$1500, 248-352-9300, x 3976

PROBE, 1993 GT - immaculate condition, higher miles, but priced right \$2000, TYME AUTO (734) 455-5568

PROBE 1994 - GT, Loaded, 95K, Great Condition, \$5,200, (248) 375-8182

PROBE 1995 GT: white w/tan leather, loaded, 63K, 5 speed, \$7500/best, (248) 544-7942

PROBE, 1997 GT Sport Edition, Power moon, leather interior, 4 door, \$185/mo, TYME AUTO (734) 455-5568

TAURUS 1995 automatic, air, stereo, car phone, Excellent shape, \$7,000 (248) 449-3733

TAURUS 1995 GL, clean, Highways, Too many new parts to list, mechanic owner, \$4500, Leave message (810) 774-4901

TAURUS 1995 GL - silver, excellent condition, 3 Bl, 45,000 mi., ABS, \$8500, 248-449-9056

TAURUS GL WAGON 1994 - White, 57K mi., loaded, all power, excellent condition, \$7400/best, (248) 489-0731

868 Pontiac

BONNEVILLE, 1992, Mint condition, (313) 631-8679

BONNEVILLE 1987 SBEI MSPR \$33,000, loaded, clean, black, chrome wheels, 80K hwy miles, \$18,000, Call before 8pm: 810-768-6328

GRAND AM 1993, excellent, black 2 door, V6, 83K miles, \$4200/best, Eves 734-464-3722

Grand AM GT, 1994 - 2 door, HO Quad, 5 speed, bright blue, loaded, custom stereo, great condition, 63,000 miles, \$5200, 248-444-8423 Days

GRAND AM 1993 GT 2 DR V-6, auto, ABS, blue, 87,000 miles, \$4700/best, (734) 397-9263

GRAND AM 1994 GT 4 dr, V6, auto, air, 40K miles, new condition, \$6200, call 734-451-5720

GRAND AM 1994 GT, 80K miles, power, alarm, sunroof, air, \$4900, (248) 400-0674 Pager

GRAND AM, 1992, GT, original owner, good condition, 150K miles, \$1800/best, 248-593-9748

GRAND AM, 1997 GT - White, CD, air, cruise, power locks, negotiable, \$9,900, 734-455-7042

GRAND AM, 1995, low miles, V6, \$6800, 734-522-4258

GRAND AM, 1993 SE - 4 Dr., 88K, loaded, V6, alloy wheels, \$4400, 734-729-6783

GRAND AM SE '93, low miles, excellent condition, \$8750/best, Call after 6pm 248-437-7893

Grand Prix 1985, New, brakes, muffler & tires, Good running condition! \$7500/best 313-537-3489

SUNBIRD 1991 - excellent condition, V6 automatic, loaded 82K miles, \$3000, 313-997-3666

SUNBIRD LE 1994 Red, 2 dr, 5 speed manual, air, antilock brakes, \$3900 (248) 393-3385

SUNFIRE 1996, low mileage, 4 new tires & brakes, clean car, manual 5 speed, black, \$6000, (248) 398-0578

TRANS SPORT SE 1994 Loaded, 65K miles, \$9000/best. See www.jr.com-sharmon01 for photo, days: 248-265-8842 or evenings: 248-652-8986

SATURN 1999, 3 dr, coupe, 15K loaded, Family growing, must sell \$17,800 firm, 248-891-1719

SATURN SC, 1992 5 speed, white, non smoker, cruise, new tires, \$3000/best (313) 337-3369

SATURN 1995 SL2 51,000 miles, auto, air, excellent condition, \$6600, (248) 641-9312

SC1 1995 47K, like new, auto, cruise, air, Records, smoke free, \$6550/best 248-816-9747

SC 1994 - Sunroof, 60K miles, 1 owner, \$5800, 248-446-9264

SL2 1996 Gold, 4 dr, auto, air, cruise, full power, keyless, low miles, \$9,500 734-525-9098

CAPRI, 1983 5.0 - Lots of new parts, 94K miles, \$2600 or best, offer, 734-459-6624

COUGAR 1991 XR7, SL, V-8, loaded, moonroof, great shape, \$3,950/best, (734) 454-1639

SABLE 1991 LS Wagon, 94K, new tires/brakes, cruise, \$2,995, Hurry (734) 459-6871

SABLE 1993 - 3.8L, V6, loaded, 90K, Good condition, \$3900, 734-416-8016

TOPAZ 1989 auto, power steering/brakes, stereo, cruise, 50K, \$2200, 734-433-0555

TOPAZ 1992 GS 2 dr, auto, air, 42K miles, red, mint condition, \$3995, (734) 953-2644

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Please spread word about vent line



JOE GAGNON

"Fire kills two." That was the headline in the Jackson Citizen Patriot newspaper on Friday, Nov. 12, 1999.

Mel Nichols, 47, and Robert Gibbs, 74, didn't make it out of their ranch style home on Dettman Road

before being overcome by smoke inhalation. Their screams were heard by neighbors who were powerless to help them escape the inferno.

Detective Sgt. Ken Hersha, a state fire marshal, said the fire started at the back of an unvented, gas-powered clothes dryer on the main floor.

"There was no exhaust-piping, and all that lint had collected and caught fire," he said.

There will be more than 14,000 stories similar to the one above written in newspapers across this country during the year 2000. Some will report deaths and others will report injuries but all will be related to improper venting of

clothes dryers.

Homes will be destroyed and treasured items will be missed forever and flags will fly at half staff over elementary schools. Little children who are the future of this world will perish because certain adults don't act responsibly in proper venting of a clothes dryer.

These adults have heard it on radio or seen it on television or they have even looked at the instructions of their dryer that say, "don't use plastic vent line." As long as the dryer is running and drying clothes, the attitude of so many people seems to be, "Leave it alone."

In the above fire, the woman of the house placed a load of clothes in her dryer and then went to bed and fell asleep. Everybody else in the house was asleep; 45 minutes later the residents awoke to find the house full of smoke, and just a few minutes later the roof caved in. This again shows how fast a dryer fire can ignite a whole house and do it so silently - nothing but a steady wisp of smoke entering your lungs to put you into eternal sleep.

Between now and this time next year

we will read several stories in this paper and others about fires right here in our own area. Little children will perish and seniors will die and some of those fires will be caused by dryers with improper vent lines.

I could scream to blue heaven and yet some of those folks won't follow my advice: "You must have solid aluminum vent line hooked up to the back of your clothes dryer."

Do you go to bed after you place a load of clothes in your dryer? Do you leave the house with the dryer running? Do you close and lock the bedroom door with the dryer on? Ask yourself these questions and remind others as well to pay attention to their dryers.

The state code construction law says that your dryer must be vented with metal vent line, not plastic or tinfoil. The vent line shouldn't be longer than 15 feet from the dryer to the outside. The use of only two elbows is allowed with this long a vent run. Anything else used past these measurements will help lint accumulate inside the vent line and most importantly inside the dryer.

Now, it's as simple as can be. You

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have lint that can and will ignite. Bingo, you've got a fire.

You should hear the conversations I have with homeowners who don't know they even have a vent line, who have never cleaned it in the past five years or taken the dryer apart to clean it. The lack of knowledge displayed by many gives me a sense of inadequacy because I blame myself for not being heard by them.

I need you, and the world needs you, to help spread the word to others about the importance of properly venting a clothes dryer. Won't you please help? Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard Saturday and Sunday on 760 WJR. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

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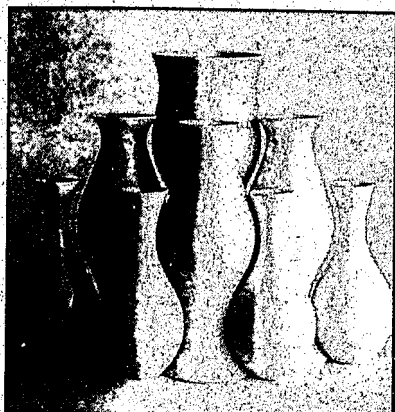
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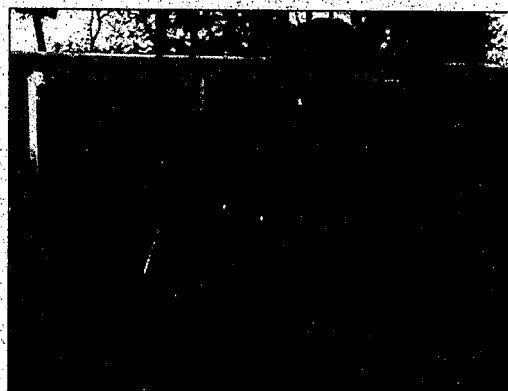
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Young at art

Child like: This boy showing his prowess by standing on his head is one of the marble resin statues of children available at gardenviews, 202 W. Main in Northville. Others include a woeful girl with her faithful kitten nestled by her feet, and a happy girl with arms flung to the sky. Made by Hentfeathers, the statues stand 12 to 24 inches tall and are priced from \$60 to \$300. Call (248) 380-8881.

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Challenge kids on Thanksgiving



LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

Thanksgiving seems to sneak up quicker than you expect. You've barely put away Halloween costumes and decorations. Your children are still salivating over their treats nestled within the depths of the kitchen pantry.

All of a sudden you're confronted with the realization you are hosting Thanksgiving dinner. You assume the known factors - when guests will arrive, what you will serve and how you will set the table.

Plan for the unknown. Don't assume any young people, including your own children, will simply entertain themselves without complaining of complete boredom.

Long, traditional Thanksgiving dinner preparation isn't what many children want to take part in for very long. You might be lucky enough to get volunteers to help conjure up the whipped topping for pumpkin pie, but you probably won't have too many begging to make a green bean casserole.

Unless you've arranged for an adventurous morning at the Thanksgiving Day parade, take some time to plan activities that will interest everyone from toddlers to teens.

Decorate the children's table. Make young children feel good about their dining experience by encouraging them to decorate their own table with a handmade table cover.

Buy enough mural paper or brown packaging paper to cover the intended table. The night before Thanksgiving, set aside washable paints (white, brown, red, green, orange, yellow), paper plates, paintbrushes (small variety used with children's paint sets), old shirts (to cover nice clothing) and paper towels.

When guests arrive on Thanksgiving Day, gather all the young children together and help them put on their paint shirts. Spread the mural paper out flat on a protected surface. Ask other adults to put the paints onto individual paper plates.

Supervise the children as they place their hands flat into the paint color of their choice. Ask them to fan out their hands and press them onto various areas of the mural paper. After the children wash the paint off their hands, pass out paintbrushes so they can decorate their "turkey prints" with eyes and feet.

Allow the paint to dry in plenty of time so the children can proudly set their own table prior to Thanksgiving dinner. If you are under a time constraint, place the painted turkey mural on a wall next to the children's table so the youngsters can appreciate their efforts.

After dinner, the children may even wish to cut out their painted turkeys. Encourage guests to take theirs home.

Prior to Thanksgiving, ask older children and teens to step up to a holiday dinner bake-off challenge. Create two-person (or more) teams. Contact guests one week prior to Thanksgiving to assign teams. This enables each team to pre-plan its recipe and buy ingredients.

Designate a bake-off item for each team to prepare. A pie bake-off may be the most logical since the traditional Thanksgiving menu can easily accommodate multiple desserts (or try homemade bread, stuffing or mashed potatoes).

If you have the kitchen space, the oven/cooktop capacities and the time, encourage the bake-off to take place at your home on Thanksgiving. When logistics prevent this arrangement, ask each team to prepare the dish in advance for judging at your home.

After each team has completed its baking challenge, have team members distribute their recipes to other dinner guests to take home. Ask non-participants or neutral parties to judge the dishes at dinner.

Award each team member an "official" bake-off ribbon (available at local craft stores; decorate with fabric paint) or a certificate (designed on your home computer) and a small appreciation prize such as a movie theater pass.

By engaging young people in Thanksgiving Day activities, they will likely forget about what they've come to know as the long, laborious turkey dinners of the past. Instead, they can take pride in knowing they helped create their own special feeling of warmth and belonging for which to be thankful.

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Any day can be a brûlée sort of day



RUTH MOSSOK
JOHNSTON

Any day for me could be a brûlée sort of day - custard in any form is without question my favorite food in life.

So what is the difference between these things called custards?

Sleek crème caramel sits in a pool of rich-brown caramel sauce; creamy-rich crème brûlée is topped with an opaque, hard and crisp layer of caramel; and the less exploited pot de crème is often flavored or topped with fruit sauce (while still remaining soft and eggy).

Each of these classic custards has its own scrumptious appeal, custardly speaking, but what connects them?

Virtually they have the same ingredients and they are all baked. The difference is the proportions of ingredients for each custard. While the variations seem minimal, the results are definitely different.

Crème brûlée is the richest of the three custards with its all heavy cream and yolks and contrasting crackly layer of caramelized sugar on top.

Pot de crème has equal parts of cream and milk with lots of egg yolks and no caramelized topping.

Crème caramel trails in third, as the lightest (and still delicious) of the three - milk and cream as well as whole eggs and yolks; no crisp caramelized topping, just a luscious pool of caramel surrounds it as it is inverted out of its baking dish.

Nothing disappoints me more than going out for dinner, ordering crème brûlée and receiving a thin layer of custard in a big wide dish. Thin isn't what I'm looking for. Chef Ralph Macioce at Forté Restaurant in Birmingham gets it in a big way - his crème brûlée is served in a huge coffee cup.

Some custard tips:

■ Don't be intimidated with the thought of making custard. A little practice will make you an expert - so will a good recipe!

■ Scalding the cream isn't essential. It will speed up the total cooking time and helps to dissolve the sugar. Small bubbles at the sides of the pan indicate that your cream is hot enough.

■ Always cook custard in its own container set in a water bath (bain marie). This process shields the custard from direct oven heat and cooks gently.

■ Never have the oven temperature over 325 degrees F. The more gentle the heat, the better (this goes for mousse cakes as well).

■ Whisking all or some of the hot cream mixture (tempering) into the cool eggs prevents the eggs from curdling or scrambling.

■ Crème caramel will usually cook faster than the other custards because of the egg whites.

■ Vanilla beans vs. vanilla extract is a matter of choice and availability. If using beans, split the vanilla bean in half and scrape the seeds into the cream. If the black spots make you crazy, add pure vanilla extract when indicated in your recipe.

■ The best way to make a crackly caramel topping for crème brûlée is using a small blowtorch (available at all the kitchen shops and some hardware stores). Don't use a regular propane torch unless you are a welder or metal-smith! You can also make your top under the broiler.

■ When removing finished brûlée from the oven, remove some of the water from the water bath with a baster first - easier to deal with and avoids burns!

BASIC CRÈME BRÛLÉE

Yield: 6 servings

Ingredients for the custard:

2 cups whipping cream

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1 vanilla bean, split lengthwise or 1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract

5 egg yolks

• Light brown sugar (about 1 1/2-2 tablespoons to top each custard)

Additional equipment:

6 3/4 cup ramekins (ramekin size can vary - it will just make more or less servings)

Large roasting pan

Fine mesh strainer

Directions for custard:

Set oven rack to middle position. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Place six 3/4-cup ramekins in a large roasting pan.

In heavy, medium-size saucepan, mix cream and sugar. Using a small, sharp knife, scrape out the vanilla bean and add seeds and the bean to saucepan. Stir over medium heat until sugar dissolves and mixture comes to a simmer.

Cover pan, reduce heat to very low and simmer gently 10 minutes

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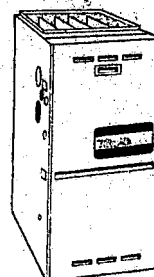
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Harvest bounty: Set the table with se

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Area stores are showing table settings that serve a festive fall flavor for Thanksgiving. The bounty of ways to present the places with seasonal snap is limitless. Mix different serving pieces with different patterns to make a stylish setting.

"(Use) anything pleasing to the eye," said Mary Sullivan at Tiffany & Co. at the Somerset Collection, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy.

The table at Tiffany features a ceramic, gourd- or pumpkin-shaped soup tureen on the plate at each setting. The table contains blue Alfama china plates on top of green charger plates, large Alfama coffee mugs, and crystal and silver by Chrysanthemum.

Also in place are containers by Limoges shaped like ears of corn, which can hold mints or just be decorative.

A harvest theme is further carried by a sterling salt and pepper set shaped like an acorn and a pear, and a wine coaster and cork with a grape design. Other decorative elements are imitation dried fruit slices and resin apples.

Mix textures as well as patterns. At Tiffany, the tablecloth is gray felt adorned with large, colorful leaves. Tall bare twigs arranged in a red basket on the floor nearby, and in a pitcher in the Alfama pattern as a centerpiece, offer a light and airy balance. The cloth napkins are tied by straw instead of encircled by napkin rings.

At Heslop's, 31224 Five Mile at Merriman in Livonia, the setting displays a cornucopia of rich colors. The centerpiece is a vase holding orange and white flowers. The vase, candlesticks and gravy server, all by Fitz and

Floyd, feature a pattern of fruit in bright hues.

"Pick almost any of the colors and work with it," manager Sallie Hargreaves said.

The tureen at the Heslop's table is shaped like a pheasant, with the tail feather revealed to be the handle of the ladle.

On the gold placemats are green and red plates by Noritake with a design including rabbits, deer and fruit. The plates - and matching napkin rings - can be carried into December, serving a seasonal "double duty."

Harvest home: Mix patterns and styles of pieces on your Thanksgiving table, as shown here at Heslop's in Livonia. Noritake plates, and Fitz and Floyd pot and tureens, are some of the elements in a colorful setting. Staff photos by Bryan Mitchell.

In place: A table at Tiffany & Co. features a ceramic, gourd- or pumpkin-shaped soup tureen on the plate at each setting. The table contains blue Alfama china plates on top of green charger plates, large Alfama coffee mugs, and crystal and silver by Chrysanthemum. Also in place are containers by Limoges shaped like ears of corn, which can hold mints or just be decorative. A harvest theme is further carried by a sterling salt and pepper set shaped like an acorn and a pear, and a wine coaster and cork with a grape design. Other decorative elements are imitation dried fruit slices and resin apples.



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Seasonal snap



Co. in Troy features individual ceramic
nt of twigs on a felt tablecloth. Other accents
otos by Donna McLaughlin.



Festival of Trees special for holidays

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They're the boughs with bows – the decorated greenery in Festival of Trees. Festival of Trees is a display of more than 100 designed holiday trees, wreaths, vignettes and gingerbread houses. People look forward to the annual event, which is a start to the holiday season, executive director Larry Kralowski said.

"People that go usually get hooked," said the Livonia resident, who left his designing business of KR Designs for his position with the event. "A lot of people start (the season) by going to the festival."

This year's Festival of Trees, the 15th, will take place Nov. 21-28 at Cobo Center in Detroit. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 21 and 28, and Saturday, Nov. 27; 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday and Thursday, Nov. 22 and 25; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 23 and 24; and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors, and \$3 for ages 2-12. Advance tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and \$2 for ages 2-12.

"Deck the Halls" is the festival theme in 1999. Besides the 117 trees by designers, entertainment, a gift shop, a Santaland with children's activities, photos with Santa and a secret Santa shop will be featured.

Quilters from all over the area have donated handmade quilts. One of the quilts is made of hand-painted squares with Santa and will be raffled. It was displayed at Which-Craft Art & Craft Shop on Farmington Road in Livonia.

Other items that will be raffled include a toy from Meijer and phone service for a family of four from Ameritech.

New this year will be a swing dance, which will take place 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 27. Also scheduled are a gala preview party 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, and a Teddy bear brunch 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27.

Involvement

The event is the largest fund-raiser for Children's Hospital of Michigan. Money is raised at the festival through underwriters; sponsorship of trees, vignettes, exhibit areas, special events and activities; in-kind donation of goods and services; sales of trees, wreaths, gingerbread houses and gift shop merchandise; preview party benefactors, patrons and friends; and community contributions.

Kralowski first became involved with Festival of Trees about six years ago when he designed a wreath for it. The wreath sold for \$100. The next year, he designed a 9-foot tree for the festival that sold for \$15,000. He started running this year's event in March.

"We have a lot of fun doing it," Kralowski said. Since the festival began in 1985, it has attracted more than 400,000 visitors from all over Michigan, Ohio and Canada.

In 1998 the festival raised \$712,000 for the hospital. The Evergreen Endowment Fund for Pediatric Research at Children's Hospital was established in 1985 to generate funds received from the festival;



Seasonal cheer: Ribbons and poinsettias are among the ornamentation on branches in the Festival of Trees. Staff photo by Bill Bresler.

more than \$6 million is in the fund today.

"Most of the people have some kind of affiliation or have been touched by Children's Hospital in some way," Kralowski said. "Everybody has kids in their life."

Kralowski's garage temporarily housed some of the finished trees that will be displayed this year. They are splendid samples of what's in store.

These trees were pre-sponsored. An individual or corporation ordered a tree for a particular place or with a particular theme, and professional designers fashioned the branches.

One tree bore large red berries, poinsettias and Beanie Baby type holiday creatures. A wide ribbon cascaded in and out of the branches. Teddy bears wearing red and green silk ties were the ornaments on another tree that was titled "A Very Bear-y Christmas."

A smaller tree, titled "Pretty in Pink," was dressed in pink and gold, including ribbon with a tapestry texture. Shimmering yellow ribbon and grapes adorned the little tree titled "A-maize-ing Dream." These trees were designed for bedrooms.

The preview party will feature a live auction of donated trees and other designs, entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, sweet tables and a cash bar. A 2000 Lincoln Navigator, a Disney World trip for four and a \$1,000 shopping spree will be raffled; raffle tickets are \$50 each (you don't have to be present to win). Tickets are \$225, \$175 and \$125.

Tickets for the Teddy bear brunch are \$10 for adults and \$8 for ages 2-12. For the swing party, tickets are \$25.

Jac Nasser, president and CEO of Ford Motor Co., and his wife, Jennifer, are honorary chairpersons for the 1999 festival.

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to infuse the vanilla. Remove bean and strain custard with a fine mesh strainer into a large measuring cup or bowl with a spout.

In a medium-size bowl, whisk egg yolks until well blended. Gradually whisk in hot cream mixture just to blend. Be careful to do it slowly - you don't want scrambled eggs. Return custard to pourable cup or bowl; divide equally among ramekins.

Transfer roasting pan to oven rack (have rack pulled out); pour enough hot water into roaster (around ramekins) to come halfway up the sides of the filled containers. Gently push rack back into oven - don't have water splashing!

Bake custard until almost set in center (it should wiggle when pan is gently shaken), about 35 minutes. Using a sturdy, flat, metal spatula, transfer baked custard ramekins to a wire rack (cooling rack). Let cool 30 minutes; cover with plastic wrap and chill at least 4 hours.

Directions for the crisp caramel top:

Sprinkle 1 1/2 - 2 teaspoons of brown sugar evenly over each chilled custard. Working with 1

ramekin at a time, hold blowtorch (flame should be about 2 inches above surface). Melt sugar, about 2 minutes. If you don't have a blowtorch, place under broiler (5 inches from element) with door ajar; melt sugar and let stand 5 minutes for the sugar to harden.

If necessary, refrigerate until custards are firm again but topping is still brittle - no longer than 2-3 hours so that topping doesn't soften.

Options: For Ginger-flavored Crème Brûlée: 2 tablespoons peeled and chopped fresh ginger root added with the cream and sugar.

For Savory Blue Cheese and Pepper-flavored Crème Brûlée: Reduce the granulated sugar to 1 tablespoon, omit the vanilla bean or extract, and add 1/4 cup blue cheese and 1 teaspoon freshly ground black or melange of peppercorns to the cream. Don't top with brown sugar.

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at home calendar

■ **The Southfield Americana Antiques Show and Sale** will take place Friday-Sunday, Nov. 19-21, at the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive (10-1/2 Mile). Hours are 2-9 p.m. Friday, noon to 8 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$4 with any of the event's ads or listings, \$5 regular, free for ages 12 and under. One paid admission is good for all days of the show. The event will feature more than 100 dealers from across the country.

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Best way to clean your camera? Use a soft cleaning cloth, blower brush or can of pressurized air. All of these are available at your camera shop. Q-Tips are also very handy for getting into those hard-to-reach places.

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Rocks of ages: By taking good care of his camera and lenses, Monte Nagler was able to capture this truly dramatic photo of Stonehenge near England's Salisbury Plain.

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DIANA KOENIG

Q: Cleaning the house is a never-ending hassle. I'm not even sure what supplies and equipment are best to use or where I should keep them.

A: It is important to have the proper cleaning

supplies kept in an accessible storage location. You certainly don't want to spend time searching for window cleaner. Likewise if your vacuum cleaner is buried underneath closet clutter you won't relish the idea of pulling it out to clean.

Store your vacuum cleaner in a clutter-free closet. Make sure the cord self-winds or can be easily wrapped.

A central vacuum system is great for multi-level homes. If you don't have a central vacuum system, buy separate vacuum cleaners for the upstairs and downstairs levels. Carrying a heavy vacuum cleaner up and down steps can be tiring and dangerous. It may even cause

you to vacuum less frequently, compromising your standards of cleanliness in the home.

You want a vacuum cleaner with adequate suction and a head that covers a large enough area so you can swiftly clean a room. Good suction is more important than fancy features.

Keep plenty of vacuum bags on hand. An overflowing bag will drastically reduce the cleaning ability of the machine.

Keep the attachments in a basket or bag on a hook near the vacuum cleaner. Attach a large hook on the wall for the hose. Make sure you can get to everything conveniently.

Crumbs accumulate quickly in kitchens and dining areas. You won't be anxious to pull out the vacuum cleaner after each meal. Instead, keep a small hand vacuum cleaner or broom in the pantry, garage or mud room. At times, I simply use a rag and wipe up the area on my hands and knees. It is fast and good exercise.

You will decrease the amount of vacuuming required if you wear house shoes or slippers in the house instead of street shoes. My household follows this

shoe removal rule and I only vacuum once a week.

Buy basic cleaning supplies and limit the amount of extra supplies you buy. Minimize the use of waxes and polishes on furniture and floors. They cause buildup and yellowing.

Completely read the labels of every cleaner. Don't mix bleach with other cleaners unless you have checked to see it is safe.

Remember bleach whitens everything, including carpets and furniture. I have ruined clothing items because I have put them on a counter where they absorbed unseen droplets of bleach.

Often, you can substitute safer and less expensive food-based items for harsh chemical cleaners. A vinegar and water solution is effective for cleaning mirrors and glass. Lemon juice whitens and removes many stains from counter tops.

A couple of basic options exist for storing cleaning supplies.

Option 1: Keep supplies in one location such as a shelf in your laundry room. Store cleaning supplies and several rags in a caddy. Limit the amount of cleaning bottles and sprays to the space

in the caddy. If space is limited, store a backup supply in another location. You will want a caddy that can easily be carried around the house. Keep a bucket by your caddy to use for larger cleanups. Cleaning supplies should be in a location inaccessible to young children.

Option 2: Keep cleaning supplies in the actual locations around the house where intense cleaning is most needed. Usually, this will include each bathroom and underneath the kitchen sink.

Post a pad of paper in your kitchen to list the supplies you need to buy. Write each item on the list as soon as you notice that the supply is low. Don't wait until the container is empty.

When cleaning day comes, you will greatly appreciate a good inventory control system. Unplanned trips to the store consume enormous amounts of time.

Today's refrigerator bulletin: "Minimize the time you clean with accessible equipment and the right supplies!"

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MARTY FIGLEY

With the unusual weather we've had this fall, we didn't know just what to do in the garden. I hope you were able to cover the tomatoes and other plants in time when there was frost and that your houseplants didn't suffer as the

weather changed.

Your inside garden plants are in their proper places again for the long, cold winter, but perhaps you didn't take the time to repot those that vacationed in the garden, or those that spent the summer indoors. It's not too late.

Here are some things to look for to see if a plant needs to be repotted. If it needs to be watered more often than normal there are too many roots for the size of the pot and/or if roots are growing out of the bottom hole of the pot, these are indications that it is root-bound. Also the rootball may fill the pot and water can't be absorbed.

To see if this is the case, lay the pot on its side and tap the container to loosen the rootball. If it doesn't come out easily, the soil may be too wet. Wait a couple of days for it to dry out and then try again. Notice if the roots are massed along the side of the pot and at the base of the rootball. If so, it needs repotting.

You may have just bought a plant that was shipped in a lightweight soil that dries out quickly and needs water often. After it has been in your home for a week or so and still needs much water, repot it.

Tall plants such as some ficus and dracaenas start to look "too big for their britches" and look top heavy if they have outgrown their pot.

Generally the new pot should be no more than two inches larger than the old one because too large a pot will hold too much water, which leads to root rot. Tall pots drain more quickly than shallow ones and that might be a consideration.

To understand this, take a rectangular sponge and let it absorb water. Hold it with the long flat side down to see how the water drains, then hold it with the narrow side down and see how much more quickly the water drains.

Match the pot to your decor and if several plants are to be in the same area, be sure they blend in style and color. This makes a much prettier showing than a mix of different containers.

The day before you're going to repot, wet a quality potting medium such as Fafard. About an hour before you're going to begin, water the plant thoroughly and if the pot is a new clay one, soak it a while so the water in the new soil won't evaporate too quickly.

Remove the plant from its container as mentioned before and if necessary, run a spatula around the edge. If you are working with large plants, you may need some help because without the pot holding the plant down it can become quite unwieldy.

Now the fun begins. Put the soil in the new pot so that the plant will set at the same level it was in its original "home." Gently firm the soil around the roots and the edge of the pot, and add soil until it is about an inch from the rim. Use your fingers to be sure the soil is in good contact with the roots and water well. Keep an eye on the plants for several days to see if they need additional water.

Some plants do best when they are pot bound and rather than repotting them, a top dressing will suit just fine. To top dress, scrape off the top one or two inches of soil and fill the pot with fresh potting mixture to its original level.

If your plant has been happy where you have been growing it, return it to the same location. If not, try another spot. Houseplants are mostly native to the tropics but their habitats may be quite different.

If you study about your plants to see where they originated and what the conditions were originally, it would be wise to try to match the house conditions as much as possible. This is where you will learn how much light and water are required as well as the temperature that is best suited for your plant.

Who knows? In your study you may decide to try a plant completely different than what you have been growing.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. Leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox, 1859. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



Rhonda Aubry (left to right), Tom Padilla, Kim Smith, Nic Thompson, Sharon Spring, Keith Chadrick, Janet Jimenez-Smith and Gina DeBrincat star in "Godspell" presented by Pontiac Theatre IV 8 p.m. at Lincoln Middle School, Mountcain and Summit, west of Baldwin Road, Pontiac. Tickets \$8 adults, \$7 children/seniors, (248) 681-6215.

SATURDAY



Former Detroit Red Wing Dino Ciccarelli and Miss Michigan Audrie Ann Chernauckas will be among the celebrities at the 17th annual Winter Wonderland Holiday Parade starting at 9 on Plymouth Road, beginning east from Merriman to Middlebelt, ending at Wonderland Mall. For more information, call (734) 466-2212.

SUNDAY



Barbara Colbeck (seated at piano) rehearses with Mary McBride (left), Mona Mason, Adele Popoff, and Patricia Knorp for a 3 p.m. Thanksgiving concert at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, south of Five Mile Road, Livonia. The concert will feature singers and handbell ringers. There is no admission charge. Call (734) 464-1222 for information.

HOT TICKET



Hot Tix: "Disney on Ice presents Toy Story," through Sunday, Nov. 21, at Joe Louis Arena, 600 Civic Center Dr., Detroit. Tickets \$30, \$18.75, \$16.75 and \$13.75 available at the box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. For show times and other information, call (313) 983-6606. To charge tickets, call (248) 645-6666.

A holiday favorite

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD OPENS SEASON



Holiday tradition: The Plymouth Theatre Guild rehearses a scene from "It's a Wonderful Life," the James W. Rodgers' story about a man who gets his wish to have never been born.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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The holidays just wouldn't seem the same if Kristin Curle wasn't able to watch George Bailey rescue an angel named Clarence from the icy river in Bedford Falls.

Curle, who directs the Plymouth Theatre Guild's production of "It's a Wonderful Life," opening Friday Nov. 19 at the Water Tower Theatre in Northville, first saw the holiday film classic as a teenager growing up in Redford.

"It was one of my father's favorites," said Curle. "After the first time I saw it, I wanted to see it again and again. It would end on one channel and I'd flip it to another. Now that I have a tape of it, the whole family is in trouble."

Curle retains many elements of James W. Rodgers' story about a man who wishes he'd never been born. Set in the 1930s and '40s, the production is authentic right down to the seams in the backs of the women's nylons.

"It's loosely based on the movie, especially the dialogue," said Curle. "The only element we've added is a chorus who will sing Christmas carols throughout the show. We wanted to tie it in with a Christmas theme. It will be a great way to start your holidays."

What makes George Bailey, the

"It's a Wonderful Life"

WHEN: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, 26-27 and Dec. 3-4, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 28.

WHERE: Water Tower Theatre, on the campus of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, west of Haggerty, Northville.

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lead character in "It's a Wonderful Life," so appealing is "everyman." Since his youth, Bailey dreamed of adventures in faraway places only to come to the realization he'd never escape the small town of Bedford Falls.

At the same time, Clarence a guardian angel, has to descend on Christmas Eve to earn his wings. Bailey provides the perfect vehicle. Clarence saves Bailey by showing him what the world would have been like if he'd never been born. Up to this point, Bailey is feeling sorry for himself and thinks he's just another "poor sap."

"I'm very excited that my directorial debut is with this show and with the Guild," said Curle. "It's a dramatic, heartwarming story. I like the story line that George Bailey really didn't believe that he was important in people's lives."

Curle's experience in producing

the Guild's productions of "The Sound of Music" and "Wait Until Dark" last season made it easy for her to cast the parts in "It's a Wonderful Life." Dennis Hubel plays George Bailey, and Dennis Brunzell of Canton is the angel Clarence Odbody. Marlene Landry of Livonia plays Bailey's wife.

"I knew after the actors were chosen that this was my dream cast," said Curle. "I've liked working with the actors on their character development. It's like giving birth."

Family affair

Hubel auditioned for "It's a Wonderful Life" for family reasons. His daughters Stephanie, 11, and Vanessa, 15, were becoming involved with the production so the Plymouth resident decided to read for the lead.

Vanessa plays the nurse who pushes the play's villain, Mr. Potter, around in a wheelchair. Stephanie is cast as a paperboy. Both girls are involved with theater groups at their Plymouth-Canton Schools.

"I thought it was a good way to spend time with them," said Hubel, who grew up in Redford. "I always loved Jimmy Stewart and all of the characters in the film. It's a great story and something we can all relate to, but my original notion was to be in a play with my kids."

Please see SINGER, E2



Keeping in Step: J.G. Contour (right) with Herman Green (a.k.a. Brother T) and Ray Green (middle).

WHAT: J.G. Contour performs with Brother T for the Maurice King Foundation of American Music's annual fund-raising dinner. Also appearing are Bettye LaVette and her band led by Rudy Robinson.

WHEN: 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20.

WHERE: Warren Chateau, 6015 E. 10 Mile, east of Mound Road.

TICKETS: \$50. Proceeds go to educational grants for music students in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Call (313) 933-0310.

COMMUNITY THEATER

Actress enjoys playing Goldilocks

St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook presents its annual children's production, "Goldilocks & the Three Bears," 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19; 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20; 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21 at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets \$6; call (248) 644-0527. Park across the street from the theater in the Christ Church parking lot, and take the shuttle bus to the theater. Fifty percent of net profits from all six performances benefits the Old Newsboys Goodfellows Fund of Detroit.

BY KEELY WYGONIK
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Connie McEwan has enjoyed playing a backstage role — building and decorating sets at St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook. It's safe — no lines to remember, no opening night jitters.

But the story of three little bears, a young girl who doesn't fit in, and her zany camp counselor made McEwan want to "get in front of those footlights again."

She's playing a leading role this time

around in St. Dunstan's children's production, "Goldilocks & Three Bears," playing Friday-Sunday at the theater on the Cranbrook campus in Bloomfield Hills.

"I really loved the script," she said. "It's pretty funny and a little off-center. Primarily I paint sets, but when I read the script, I said 'Maybe I should, maybe I could,' and I did. It was the least scary, it's not a long show, it's so much fun, nothing serious, it's a safe entree back into drama."

Goldilocks is a brunette, and tired of being teased by all of the kids at camp. She keeps running away, and Ranger Rosie, the slightly neurotic camp counselor, has to keep looking for her. Meanwhile, in the woods, Papa, Mama and Baby Bear are looking for a comfortable place to stay. Uncle Sid from Hollywood pops in for a surprise visit, and to mooch off his relatives. Papa Bear discovers Ranger Rosie's cottage, while she's out looking for Goldilocks, and decides it's a really cool place for his family to stay.

"The show is very audience interac-

Please see GOLDILOCKS, E2



Children's show: Janie Castagna (left to right) is Ranger Rosie, Connie McEwan, Goldilocks, and Margie Brooks. Baby Bear in "Goldilocks & the Three Bears."

Dated comedy has bright moments

Village Players of Birmingham presents "The Man Who Came to Dinner," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20 and 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the theater, Chestnut Street and Woodward. Tickets \$12, \$10 students, call (248) 644-2075.

BY VICTORIA DIAZ
SPECIAL WRITER

And you thought your holiday season was going to be hectic!

Picture this: As Christmas approaches, a famous radio star slips on the ice in front of your home and apparently cracks a hip bone. Confined to a wheelchair, the vinegary curmudgeon proceeds to spend the days taking over your household, and threatening to sue. He tells you what to do, he tells your children what to do, and he issues orders to anyone else who gives him half a chance. He knows everybody from Eleanor Roosevelt (it's 1939) to Mahatma Gandhi to Samuel Goldwyn.

Thanks to him and his friends, your house gets cluttered up with everything from penguins to cockroaches to

Please see COMEDY, E2

Singer *from page E1*

groups. We'd been singing in church, so it didn't take us long to blend in."

In 1958, Herman Green founded The Rivals. Before long, Contour was singing lead. He wrote and produced the group's first four songs, which became hits in 1962.

"Herman formed it when we were getting out of high school," said Contour of his older brother. "The CD with Herman's a wonderful thing. It keeps us intact from the early days."

"The Rivals" opened doors for me. We're proud of the fact we were the first African-American group ever to do commercials for major companies: (Wrigley's Spearmint Gum, Gobel Beer and Delco Batteries) because this was something advertisers had not wanted African Americans to do at the time."

Contour wants future generations to know about The Rivals so he's donated a copy of their album, "The Soul of Detroit," to the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History.

Contour's Motown days began in 1958 when he auditioned for Berry Gordy Jr. in a two-family flat on Gladstone and 12th Street in Detroit. Contour knew he was on his way when Brian Holland and Smokey Robinson wrote a song for him shortly thereafter. By 1964, Contour was singing lead with the Contours.

For the next two decades and four albums, the group topped the charts with such hits as "Do You Love Me" and "First I Look at the Purse." Contour was honored with the Legendary Music Achievement Award by the Metropolitan Music Association in 1997. Contour wants young aspiring musicians to know there were ups and downs throughout his journey in the music business. Contour was able to feed his family and pay the bills by working at Ford's Livonia Transmission Plant for the last 31 years. He's grateful to have had those paychecks to fall back on.

"They don't realize that times can be tough when you're look-

ing to record your music," said Contour. "It took me nine years to write and record 'Keeping in Step With Time.'"

Today, Contour owns a record label and production company, which gives him the artistic freedom to do what he wants, but that wasn't always true. "I want to have an outlet for young people so they don't have to go through strenuous times to get a record out. But I'll tell them to go and get your education. There's nothing guaranteed in this life. I know about doors slamming in your face. This is where I can bring them in and work with them. 'You've gotta love this business. It's something that I love to do. And I want to keep kids out of gangs. I'm anti-gang and anti-drug. If you want to perform on one of my productions you have to be drug free.'"

"Keeping in Step With Time" is available at local record stores, or call (313) 867-4843.

Goldilocks Musical set to lift mood, brighten spirit *from page E1*

tive, which is a blessing and a curse," said McEwan. "I walk through the audience and ask them to help me find Ranger Rosie."

McEwan's roles weren't always behind the scenes. She studied drama at Michigan State University, and was active in the Orchards Community Theater in the early 1970s before joining St. Dunstan's in 1991. Orchards Community Theater later merged with Pontiac Theatre IV, raising children, and a career as an advertising agency owner have kept McEwan busy, but she's happy to be back on stage.

Fifty percent of net proceeds from the shows will benefit the Old Newsboys Goodfellows Fund of Detroit. Children from the inner city of Detroit will be brought to the theater to see the show Tuesday-Thursday. As for those opening night jitters - "I think I remembered my lines," said McEwan with a laugh.

The Bloomfield Players presents "Meet Me in St. Louis," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19 and 20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, Lasher High School, Lasher Road just north of Long Lake Road. Tickets \$9, call (248) 433-0885 for information.

By THERESA L. MCFARLAND
SPECIAL WRITER

"This (the Bloomfield Players) is an opportunity for everyone, young and old, experienced or not," said June Hamilton, executive producer, referring to the philosophy of the ten-year-old Bloomfield Players community theater company.

A cast varying in ages and experience performed a light-hearted, cheerful rendition of the classic all-American favorite musical "Meet Me in St. Louis."

It's 1903, a much simpler time when the "buzz" is all about the amazing, impending World's Fair coming to St. Louis to commemorate the 100-year-anniversary of the Louisiana Purchase.

The story follows the tight-knit Smith family and the antics of their two teenage girls Rose and Esther, hot on the trail of suitable beaux; two mischievous younger sisters Agnes and Tootie; and their Princeton-bound brother, Lon. An uninformed Mr. Smith (Cliff Furgison) thinks he's at the helm. However, it is actually Mrs. Smith (Debra Luria), Katie - the family cook - and Grandpa, who keep home and hearth together until Mr. Smith announces that due to his job, the family will leave St. Louis and move to New York City, much to the family's despair.

Bethanne Still captured the quick exuberance of Esther Smith as she sang her way through "The Boy Next Door," and a toe-tapping execution of the award-winning tune, "The Trolley Song." Still conjured an audience belly laugh during her very reluctant dances with the three most ineligible bachelors in St. Louis, played by Brian Carter, Andrew Miller, and Ian Dittus.

Esther's blossoming romance

with the boy-next-door, John Truitt (Christian Maurice) was interrupted briefly by an amusing scene where she beat him up, as she uttered the classic line, "If there's anything I hate, loathe, despise and abominate, it's a bully!"

Meanwhile, a cat-and-mouse game ensued between the lovely, composed Rose Smith (Elizabeth Stalker) and the heir to the Sheffield fortune, Warren, played by Patrick Devine.

Nine-year-old thespian Jessica Miller as Tootie, stole hearts from her opening solo of "Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis" and her memorable line, "Wasn't I lucky to be born in my favorite city?" In a performance that would make little Margaret O'Brien proud, Miller delivered her humorous lines with poise and beguiling charm. Tootie's constant morbid references, including her doll's "four fatal diseases" and John Truitt's attempt to "kill her," brought levity to the production.

Miller's performance of "Under the Bamboo Tree" together with Still and energetic young actress Sarah Kiperman, as Agnes, was a playful delight.

A Bloomfield Player veteran, Larry Miller boldly projected a loveable Grandpa. He and a witty Katie (Kay-Elle Murphy) kept the family solidly grounded.

A functioning trolley car that traversed the stage by discreet pulleys provided a clever backdrop for the famed "Trolley Song."

The sound system difficulties that periodically plagued the first Act seemed to improve in the second Act. Musical director Sharon Thomas engaged the audience in singing along with the finale song of "Meet Me in St. Louis, Louis."

Other actors included Robert White (Lon Smith), Jamie Hallmark (Lucille Ballard), Carly Peterson, Gary Quick, and Jerry Payton.

"Meet Me in St. Louis" is a wonderful chance to step back into a simpler time filled with familiar, fanciful tunes, sure to brighten your spirit.

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an octopus to some Chinese students in the bathroom. It also gets cluttered up with his nurse, his secretary, a wild-haired entomologist, two convicts, an insufferable actress, and a guy named Banjo, who bears a striking resemblance to Harpo Marx. A newspaper reporter shows up in your living room, along with a detective, various and sundry radio performers, and an angelic children's choir. And who knows how long all of the hullabaloo is going to go on?

If you actually found yourself involved in such a godawful mess, chances are good that you wouldn't find it fun. On the other hand, it sounds like material that could make for memorable theater. Which is exactly how audiences felt about "The Man Who Came to Dinner" when it opened on Broadway 60 years ago. Since then, of course, the comedy by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman has been performed thousands of times. Could it be possible that it's growing a little creaky around the edges? As performed currently by the Village Players of Birmingham, it would seem so.

Directed by Jay Kaplan, this production comes across as a bit slow and a little tired. At times, it's even slightly tiresome to watch. Jeff Trudeau plays the title character, Sheridan Whiteside. Possessing an engaging stage presence, he looks the part of the celebrated Whiteside, and he certainly seems well-drilled in the hundreds of lines he's assigned. But he doesn't always seem to know his character well, and he also doesn't appear to be having much fun portraying the celebrity, whom Hart and Kaufman based on famed drama critic Alexander Woollcott. A large supporting cast is inconsistent. Admirable standouts include Sallie Savoie as Whiteside's spunky secretary; Matt Rafferty as a small-town newspaper reporter; Barbara Bloom as a loquacious actress; and Gertrude Fox as Whiteside's long-suffering nurse (who delivers a feisty exit speech that doesn't go unappreciated by this '90s audience). Costumes, sets, lighting and other peripherals work well, adding important notes of brightness and spirit to this holiday production.

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'The Women' entertaining, historically interesting

Farmington Players presents "The Women," a comedy by Clare Boothe Luce, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the theater 32332 W. 12 Mile, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$12, call (248) 553-2955.

BY ROBERT WEIBEL
SPECIAL WRITER

The Farmington Players production of "The Women" is an entertaining and historically

interesting biting comedy. While playwright Clare Boothe Luce takes a few shots at men ("they should only be let out of the house on a leash") she aims her most savage satire at the sisterhood for frittering away their lives on silly pursuits.

Clare Boothe was born (1903) illegitimate to an ex-chorus girl and itinerant musician. By the time of her death in 1987 she was considered by many to be among the first Renaissance women. She used her beauty and

brains to have more careers than most even dream of — including actress, war correspondent, editor of *Vanity Fair*, congresswoman and ambassador to Italy.

Along the way she married an older, wealthy man and later Henry Luce (co-founder of *Time* and *Life* magazines). She virtually "clawed" her way to the top when it was hardly the "ladylike" thing to do.

As a popular socialite, she had little patience with wealthy women who waste their time on

■ Director Cynthia Tupper captures the spirit of the play and the times (1936) with excellent costuming and music from the '30s.

affairs, gossip and playing up to men who are weasels. She makes that abundantly clear in "The Women" with its all-female cast (18) playing 35 different characters in 12 scenes.

Director Cynthia Tupper captures the spirit of the play and the times (1936) with excellent costuming and music from the '30s. The focus of the play is one Mary Haines who learns from gossip at the beauty salon that her husband is having an affair (but then, in this play who isn't?).

Ellen Akins creates a sympathetic character as Mary, who in the end turns the tables on her

husband's paramour. That would be Lisa Curry as Crystal, who is a most convincing vixen. The way she puts out a cigarette reminds one of Bette Davis at her evil best.

Suzanne Rogers is very good as Mary's friend, Sylvia, who swears, "I never interfere in other people's affairs" then cannot wait to spread the latest gossip. Mary Ann Tweedie is most convincing as Edith, who keeps her marriage going by looking the other way ("pride — that's a luxury a woman in love cannot have.")

Margaret Gilkes as Nancy, a worldly writer, scores with many

sardonic lines such as, "No one remembers a clever woman."

Marge Wetzel is a hoot as the much-married Countess DeLage. Emily McSweeney warmly gives motherly advice to Mary. Kathleen Monticello (the cook) and Stacey DuFord (the maid) create one of the best scenes as they give their view of life in the Haines household.

Also appearing (most in multiple roles) are Jacquie Pouillon, Kathleen Ternes, Lucy Rogers, Janet Ginis, Cheryl Gordon, Glicker Nicole Ludwig, Maureen Mansfield, Karen Novak and Angie Tyburaki.

Mike DeMott and Phil Hadley, dressed in spiffy evening attire, change stage settings between scenes.

Robert Weibel is a Westland resident and writes theater reviews for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

'Jest A Second' evokes laughter

The Ridgedale Players presents "Jest A Second," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. Tickets are \$11, \$10 for seniors and students on Sundays. Price includes sandwich and afterglow. Call (248) 988-7049.

BY HELEN ZUCKER
SPECIAL WRITER

The Ridgedale Players production of "Jest A Second," directed by Kent J. Martini and Jim Rink, is very funny. I agree with author James Sherman's opinion that "Jest A Second" is a better play than "Beau Jest." It has funnier lines and a more intricate plot. The cast of six does a lovely job.

Four of the cast members play the same characters they played in last spring's production of "Beau Jest," a continuity that adds to the believability of this comedy.

Selma Cohen was born to play Miriam, the self-sacrificing, dour mother who dominates her husband and her children's lives without doing anything but being there. Even when she's absent, Miriam is present in everyone's thoughts.

The comedy consists of absurd

behavior on the part of everyone while trying to please this woman, who enjoys nothing but news about single Jewish doctors. Cohen delivers lines like, "I once had a chance to change — I decided not to," and "It's a beautiful place to visit!"

Cohen responds with great weariness. "I was born there. I left."

It's Miriam's play in many ways, and Cohen picks up the challenge.

Jack Abella as Abe, Miriam's retired husband, is a good foil. Abe runs out for dozens of bagels at the drop of a hat. He drags chairs up apartment steps. He seems obsessed with "parking in front," and with leaping up and doing his wife's bidding. Abella looks like the classic James Thurber husband, dwarfed, hidden behind his wife and making a show of putting up a fight now and then.

Carl Jones is terrific as Bob, the converted Jewish actor. He's a bundle of energy, running out to the synagogue three times a day, keeping everyone kosher (until Miriam takes him aside), leaping up to take his pregnant wife to the hospital the moment she says anything and changing into his neon dress from "La Cage Aux Foux" to help his gay

brother-in-law who can't come out to his parents. Jones is wonderful as "Randy," a pediatrician girlfriend whom Miriam takes a shine to.

Lynn Koch has stage presence as Sarah, Bob's wife who's three weeks late giving birth. Sarah walks like a woman who's been carrying for a year, offers snide remarks to her womb and is supportive to her gay brother after thinking about it. Koch turns in a thoughtful performance, and looks fine slim.

Tom Coffey, as Joel, Sarah's very troubled brother, walks about looking doomed. As a therapist with a wife who's suing him for custody of his kids, and a set of very straight parents, in addition to falling in love for the first time in his life, Joel has a full plate. Coffey looks like a broken man with a good haircut.

Ross Grossman as the real "Randy" is hilarious; he saves the day. He has great charm and speaks lilting Yiddish to boot. And the pair look as if they belong together.

The production staff did a great job, especially Linda Martini and crew on costumes (oh, that sequined dress!), Mike Flum, Sonia Milton, Stan Iobst and crew on the set. Kudos.

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"Some Americans Abroad," through Feb. 5, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27; "Merchant of Venice," 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23 and 30, at the theater 4743 Cass, Detroit. \$11-\$18. (313) 577-2972.

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ACTOR'S COMPANY

Neil Simon's "Broadway Bound," Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Livonia Redford Theatre Guild, 15138 Beech Daly, south of Five Mile, Redford. \$14, \$12 students/seniors. (248) 988-7032.

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"Meet Me in St. Louis," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at Lahser High School Theater. \$9. (248) 433-0885.

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS

"Close Ties" by Elizabeth Diggs, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18 (\$10), and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20 (\$12), at the Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston. 248-625-8811.

FARMINGTON PLAYERS

"The Women," a comedy by Clare Booth Luce, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 19-20, 26-27 and Thursday, Nov. 18, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the theater 32332 W. 12 Mile, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$12. (248) 553-2955.

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"It's a Wonderful Life," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 19-20, 26-27 and Dec. 3-4, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 28, Water Tower Theatre, on the campus of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, west of Haggerty, Northville. \$10, \$7 students ages 18 and under. (248) 349-7110.

PONTIAC THEATRE IV

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RIDGEDALE PLAYERS

"Jest a Second," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 19-20, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake, between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. \$11, \$10 seniors/students on Sundays, includes sandwich and afterglow. (248) 988-7049.

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"Three Murders and It's Only Monday," by Pat Cook, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, Upstage Theatre. Tickets \$10, reserved. (313) 537-7716.

STAGECRAFTERS

"Dracula," through Nov. 21, signed performance for the deaf, Thursday, Nov. 18, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. \$12-\$14. (248) 541-6430.

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"To Forgive, Divine," a comedy by Jack Neary, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 19-20 and 26-27, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 21 and 28, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile, between Haggerty and I-275, Livonia. \$10, \$5 Sundays. (734) 464-6302.

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Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 18-20 and 2 p.m.

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"Jack in the Beanstalk," through Sunday, Jan. 16, at the theater, 135 E. Main, Northville. \$7. (248) 349-8110.

PARK PLAYERS

Shakespeare's Macbeth, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 18-20, at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, Joy Road west of Canton Center Road, Canton. \$5. (734) 416-7723.

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Looking for singers, auditions not required but ability to sing on key is understood. (313) 278-1078.

NANCY GURWIN PRESENTS

Auditions for "Oliver," 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, in Room 107A at the Jewish Community Center. For performances weekends Feb. 5-27. (248) 354-0545/(248) 352-2797.

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD

Auditions for "Oliver," 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21 (children), and 7:30 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Nov. 22-23 (adults), at the Water Tower Theatre located on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, Northville. For performances Feb. 18-19, 25-27 and March 3-4. (248) 349-7110.

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA

REDFORD

Is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical comedy theater. Call (313) 531-0554 for information, or deliver resumes and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 15138 Beech Daly, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

WALT DISNEY'S TOY STORY

Auditions for skaters 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at Joe Louis Arena, 600 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 471-3268/(313) 471-3279.

YOUTH COMPETITION

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking for contestants for its Youth Competition to be held in December at Evola Music of Canton, in addition to orchestral instruments, piano contestants are also being sought, winners will perform on the youth concerts in February of 2000. (734) 451-2112.

CHORAL

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS

Presents a "Holiday Greetings" concert 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 3-4 and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, at Plymouth Salem High School, 46181 Joy Road, Canton. (734) 455-4080.

UM MEN'S GLEE CLUB

8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$12, \$10, \$7, \$5 students. (734) 764-1448.

JAZZ

GEM JAZZ TRIO

Performs 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800.

JOHNNY & AL

Tuesdays, Nov. 23 and Dec. 7, at Sweet Lorraine's, 29101 Greenfield, Southfield. (248) 559-5985.

RICH K. TRIO

8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at Big Fish, 700 Town Center Dr., Dearborn. (313) 336-6350.

MATT MICHAELS TRIO

Don Swindell, trumpet and flugelhorn, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren, east of Middlebelt Road, Garden City. \$5 cover. (734) 762-7756.

JEANNINE MILLER

With Vincent Shandor Trio, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor. Cover \$5. (734) 662-8310.

T.S. MONK SEXTET

Thelonious Monk's son and his award-winning combination perform 8 p.m., 11:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor. \$20 advance. (734) 662-8310/(248) 645-6666.

ALMA SMITH

Tuesdays, Nov. 30 and Dec. 14, at Sweet Lorraine's, 29101 Greenfield, Southfield. (248) 559-5985.

JANET TENAJ TRIO

Featuring Sven Anderson, piano and Kurt Krahne, bass, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Restaurant, 29244 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield. (248) 351-2925.

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON

With Dan Kolton, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300.

WARREN COMMISSION

6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21 and 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, at Andiamo Osteria, Main Street, Royal Oak. (248) 582-9300.

ED WELLS

The pianist performs 5:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800.

WORLD MUSIC

FIMVARRA'S WREN

With Jim Perkins 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, at Cowley's Old Village Inn, Grand River and Farmington Road, Farmington. (734) 474-5941.

PACO DE LUCIA & SEPTET

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. \$20-\$36. (734) 764-2538. (flamenco)

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

KATIE GEDDES & THE USUAL SUSPECTS

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at Greenwood Coffee House, 1001 Green Road, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8558.

SARAH MASEN

8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile, west of I-275, Livonia. \$10, \$8 members. (734) 464-6302.

POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN

Workshop for poets looking for more members, 2-4 p.m. third Tuesday of month, in the Jenkins rooms on the third floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. (734) 762-7568.

8 days a week

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DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER

IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest" at 10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays, "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun" at 1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and "Everest" and "Whales" multiple showings seven days a week, at the center, noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 7 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays, at 5020 John R (at Warren), Detroit. Admission to Exhibit Hall is \$3 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3-15 and adults ages 60 and older, free for children ages 2 and younger. IMAX films are additional \$4. (313) 577-8400

DETROIT ZOO

The exhibit, "Inside/Outside: The Art of Caring" continues through Jan. 2, in the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery at the zoo, 8450 W. 10 Mile, Royal Oak, \$7.50, \$5.50 seniors/students. \$4.50 ages 2-12. (248) 398-0903

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HENRY FORD

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The village is celebrating its 70th season with a host of activities, and exhibits such as Abraham Lincoln's assassination chair and a life mask made 60 days before his assassination, at the museum, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620

MEADOW BROOK HALL

Holiday Walk features French treasures in the 110-room historic mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of auto pioneer John Dodge, and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson, beginning Friday, Nov. 26 through Sunday, Dec. 5 the 110-room historic mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of auto pioneer John Dodge, and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, until 8 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Nov. 30-Dec. 1, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. \$12, \$6 children ages 3-12. (248) 370-3140

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

"I Made This Jar..." the life and works of the enslaved African American potter, Dave continues through Jan. 2, at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM

"Celebrate the Century" exhibit continues at the museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth. \$2, \$5.00 kids, \$5 family. (734) 455-8940

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Interactive automotive science and technology experience with exhibits and theaters for all ages, NASCAR Pit Stop Challenge, Turbo Tour full-motion simulator ride, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at 1151 Village Drive, across from Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$6, \$5 seniors, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 317-7474

THE PARADE STUDIO

Tours weekdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the studio, Detroit. \$10, \$7 student. (313) 341-6810

POPULAR MUSIC

AGENTS OF GOOD ROOTS

9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. \$8 advance, \$10 day of show. 19 and older. (248) 645-6666

GREG ALLMAN

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$28.50, \$24.50. All ages. (248) 645-6666

LORI AMEY

8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Camp Ticonderoga, 5725 Rochester Road, between Square Lake and Long Lake roads in Troy. 21 and over. (248) 828-2825

AQUABATS

With The Hippos. 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

THE BACK DOORS

8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$10 in advance. (248) 544-3030

BARENAKED LADIES

With Tai Bachman, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills, Tickets \$50 and \$35 reserved. (248) 645-6666

BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY

9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets \$17 on sale now. All ages. (248) 645-6666

THE BLANKS

With Criminals, LES Stiches, Ducky Boys, 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$8. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

BLUE CAT

7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

BLUE ROSE

Saturday, Nov. 20, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Avenue, Novi. (248) 349-9110 (blues)

ROBERT BRADLEY'S BLACKWATER SURPRISE

9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$10 advance. (734) 996-8555

MAIRE BRENNAN

8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$20. 18 and over. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

BUCKCHERRY

8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$12. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

CAFE DE TACUBA

6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10 advance/ \$12 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

COMMON GROUND CD RELEASE PARTY

With Scott Campbell, Jill Jack, Hope Orchestra, Miriam Shor, 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$5. 18 and over. (248) 335-8100

CHAIN REACTION

Friday, Nov. 26, Scallici's Lounge, Allen Park. (313) 438-0029; Thursday, Dec. 9, Token Lounge, Westland (313) 513-5030

CHEF CHRIS BLUES BAND

9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450

CHRIS CORNELL

7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, State Theatre, Detroit.

THE COREVARES

With Mr. Tidy, A Planet for Texas, 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, 313jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush Street, Detroit. \$5 cover. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067 (punk)

CROSBY, STILLS, NASH AND YOUNG

8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$76, \$51, and \$40.50 reserved. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

DANIELS CROSSING

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Borders Books and Music, 3924 Baldwin, Auburn Hills. Free. (248) 335-5013 (folk)

DANZIG

With Samnain, Hatebreed, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, State Theatre, Detroit. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

DAYS OF THE NEW

8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$12. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DEATH IN VEGAS

With DJs Paul Heart and Richard Fearless, 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

DEZINE INTENT

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, Dec. 10-11, Monday, Dec. 31, Mr. Z's Steakhouse, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Redford. (313) 537-5600

DJ VADIM

9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Ticket price to be announced. (313) 961-MELT

DOMESTIC PROBLEMS

With The Lash, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$6 cover. 21 and over. (248) 544-3030

EL VEZ

9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$10 advance, \$13 day of show. (248) 645-6666

EMINEM

Friday, Nov. 26, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets \$20. (248) 645-6666 (hip hop star comes home)

ESHAM AND NATAS

With Workhorse, Friday, Dec. 19, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron at Mill

Street, Pontiac. Tickets \$12. (248) 645-6666

FAN MAIL TOUR

With TLC, Christina Aguilera, Destiny's Child, 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$39.50 and \$29.50 on sale. (248) 645-6666

FANTOMAS

With Kid 608, 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, St. Andrews Hall, 341 E. Congress, Detroit. \$15. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

GET UP KIDS

With At The Drive-In and Ultimate Fakebook, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7 advance. All ages. (313) 833-9700

GUTTER PUNK

With Unity, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, The Shelter, 341 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

HEMIGOD

9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$5 or free with 311 ticket stub. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS

10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, The Cavern Club, 210 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900 (blues)

HOWLING DIABLOS

With Tripper and 60 Second Crush, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$7 cover. 21 and over. (248) 544-3030; Wednesday, Nov. 24, Village Idiot, 15421 Mack, Detroit. (313) 844-1111

J. GEL'S BAND

With The Romantics, 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$99.50, \$79.50, \$59.50, \$19.99 includes parking cost. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

ALAN JACKSON

With Lonestar, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$32.50 and \$25.50. (248) 645-6666

JARS OF CLAY

9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. All ages. Tickets \$15 advance. (248) 645-6666

JELLY'S PIERCED TATTOO

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. (248) 652-0558 (funk/alternative)

JODI

6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Oxford Inn Tavern, 43317 E. Grand River, Novi. (248) 305-5856

KGB

9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Oxford Inn Tavern, 43317 E. Grand River, Novi. (248) 305-5856

BB KING

With Bobby "Blue" Bland, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets on sale \$55. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

EARL KLUGH AND BOB JAMES

6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$45, \$27.50, \$15. (248) 645-6666

KNEE DEEP SHAG CD RELEASE PARTY

With Johnny Socko, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$8 cover. 21 and over. (248) 544-3030

LADY SUNSHINE AND THE X BAND

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and over. (734) 451-1213

SHEILA LANDIS TRIO

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. (248) 652-0558 (holiday jazz)

BOBBY LEWIS AND HIS CRACKERJACK BAND

After the Winter Wonderland Holiday Parade, 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, Wonderland Mall, Livonia. (734) 466-2212 (classic pop)

EUGENE MANN

8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. (248) 652-0558 (saxophone)

SARAH MASEN

8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Trinity House Theatre, 36840 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets \$10, \$8 for members. (734) 464-6302 (singer-songwriter)

MEATLOAF

6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$58.50, \$49.50. (248) 645-6666

MICKEY STRANGE AND THE KINGS OF PAIN

Wednesday, Nov. 24, Token Lounge, Westland. www.mp3.com/mick-strange

DAVID MILES

9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, all at Oxford Inn Tavern, 43317 E. Grand River, Novi. 21 and over. \$5 cover Saturday performance only. (248) 305-5856 (r&b)

JEFF MILLS

9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$25. 18 and over. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

TS MONK SEXTET

7:30 p.m., 11 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$20 advance. (734) 662-8310

MIKE NESS

With The Road Kings, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. Tickets \$17.50 advance. (248) 645-6666

THE NIGHT 898X STOLE CHRISTMAS

Featuring Bush, Oasis, blink-182, Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals, 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, Cobo Arena, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$34.89, \$24.89, \$19.89. (248) 645-6666 (alternative bash)

ROBERT NOLL MISSION

Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20, Hamlin Pub, 741 S. Lapeer Road, Lake Orion. (248) 814-8109

THE NUMBERS

10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, 313jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush Street, Detroit. \$5 cover. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067 (Britpop)

ROBERT PENN

10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main Street, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300 (blues)

PENNYWISE

With Strungout and All, 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Clutch Cargo, 64 E. Huron, Pontiac. All ages. Tickets \$12.50. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

PHISH

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale \$25 advance/\$27 day of show. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

PODUNK

8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$6. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

PUSHERS UNION

10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, 313jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush Street, Detroit. \$5 cover. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067 (rock)

QUEENSRÛCHE

With Caroline's Fire, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$39.50, \$29.50. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

RADIUM

Friday, Nov. 19, Scalici's, 6650 Allen Road, Allen Park; Saturday, Dec. 4, Old Miami, 3930 Cass Avenue, Detroit; Saturday, Dec. 18, Jacoby's, 624 Brush Street, Detroit. (Rock)

RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE

With Gang Starr, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$25. (248) 645-6666

JAKE REICHBART

8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. (248) 652-0558 (holiday guitar)

RARE EARTH

Friday-Saturday, Nov. 26-27, Oxford Inn Tavern, 43317 E. Grand River, Novi. (248) 305-5856

SATIN DOLLS

8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. (248) 652-0558 (vocal quartet)

SAX APPEAL

7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues duo)

STEPHANIE SCHINDLER

THEATER

'To Forgive, Divine' shares story of a look back on life

Trinity House Theatre presents "To Forgive, Divine," a comedy by Jack Neary, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 19-20 and 26-27, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21 and 28, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile, between Haggerty and I-275, Livonia. Tickets \$10, \$5 Sundays, call (734) 464-6302.

BY SUE SUCHYTA
SPECIAL WRITER

"To Forgive, Divine" is the humorous and warm-hearted story of a young priest, Jerry, who finds himself wondering about his choices when he helps plan a high school band reunion with a former classmate, Katie, the girl who got away.

To complicate matters, Katie,

trapped in a loveless marriage to a man who once humiliated Jerry, reciprocates his feelings. Stir in some town gossip and a baseball bat-wielding husband, and the stage is set for story that will leave you guessing right up until the end.

Director Thomas Malcolm Olson has integrated a strong, cohesive cast into a fast-paced show rich with emotion and likable, identifiable characters. The blocking is natural and seamless, and the characters interact well with each other, whether it's friend-to-friend or more personally intimate.

Tim Dunham plays Father Jerry Dolan with a guileless charm that's difficult to resist.

With a boyish face and slight build, he's hardly imposing, but his confidence and self-assurance gives him a quiet but strong masculinity - he may be a priest, but his character is appealing as a man. And when he finally wins his long-awaited wrestling rematch with Katie's husband, we find his character is more than able to meet life's physical challenges as well.

Julie Cullen is a delightful treat as Katie Cachenko: she radiates joy. Her eyes are bright, her face is animated and her movements are quick and energetic. Her voice is clear and lyrical and plays the wide range of her character's shifting emotions well, whether nervous and vul-

nerable around Jerry, or vehemently angry at her cheating husband. Cullen does not lack energy or stage presence - she glows.

Nora Bonner as the young teen Margaret Crowley and Dorothy Dunne as her Aunt Milly are a warm, likable pair. They capture the nature of small-town gossip, from chatty teens to the good old girls grapevine. As the rectory's custodians, they overhear more than they should, and keep the parish posted on Jerry and Katie "sightings." The two are very human, multi-faceted characters.

Nora puts a wide range of emotion into her roles, from effervescent teen to grieving girl. One wonders why it's taken her so long to get a speaking part at Trinity House - her most recent roles were as a sheep and a

maid. Jamie Macek as Ralph Cachenko, Katie's emotionally callous husband, has taken a role that could have been played stereotypically and made him almost likable - very human at the least. More than a baseball bat-wielding brute, he's a man who loves his wife but never bothered to become a loving husband.

Amidst Ralph's shallowness we get fascinating glimpses of his own vulnerability, making it difficult to dismiss him quite so easily. Macek carries himself confidently and exudes the physical bravado of a jock.

Trinity House has remodeled its stage area to give the actors more room, gutting the stage left wing and extending the set area to the upstage wall. Although

this limits exit and entrance locations, it gives the actors more room to work and the set designers more room, too. They've also run an on-stage staircase up to the building's attic, a permanent fixture they plan to use in future shows.

The set was dressed in nondescript but functional office furniture. The characters wore street clothes that offered subtle clues to their character, with Ralph wearing a sports jersey and Jerry noticeably without his clerical collar.

The funniest prop was the portable confessional kneeler, the object of many a battle when Jerry tries unsuccessfully to avoid hearing confessions that complicate the plot. Kudos to the technical crew for attention to detail.

SCREEN SCENE

Local artists are hitting their stride

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

Just about everyone questions his career choice at one time or another. Often, the doubt surfaces when the goals we set aren't achieved by our own arbitrary deadlines. It's even more deflating when we begin to feel that those lofty

objectives are no longer worth the bother.

It would seem artists and performers would be most susceptible, particularly if they strive for artistic, critical, and commercial success along with self-satisfaction. Pulling off a grand slam like that doesn't happen often.

What sustains an artist is the opportunity to keep active in his creative field. With persistence, those moments that remind you why you do what you do will come.

It has been a year for those moments for Alicia Gbur and Christine Kerwin of Sister Seed. It's eight years since they met in college and five years since they began performing together. Along the way they've collected two Detroit Music Awards for best acoustic group, recorded and

released a pair of well-received albums and performed with Patty Larkin and other musicians they've long admired. Just before their television debut on Detroit Public TV's Backstage Pass, which can be seen at 5:30 p.m. Thursday and midnight Friday, Alicia said that having the chance to perform at Pine Knob this summer was a tremendous thrill. It's a moment any aspiring musician would dream of if you grew up in the Detroit area as Alicia did.

Another example of an artist hitting his stride is Chris Turner, whose metal sculptures have won plenty of praise in the 1990s but not a great deal of common exposure. Turner has been commissioned by the city of Detroit to create the Millennium Bell, a 24-foot-tall sculpture that will ring in the new year from its soon-to-be-permanent installation in Grand Circus Park.

"Chris and his partner, Matt Blaze, are making good progress," says Todd Hastings, producer of a segment on the Millennium Bell to air Nov. 21 on Backstage Pass. "The piece will become a downtown landmark like the Spirit of Detroit statue once the bell sounds for its first and only time on New Year's Day."

Todd explains that the ringing

device will be removed once the new millennium is observed, but the bell will remain as a part of the city's history.

"I couldn't be happier for Chris Turner, who is very deserving of this honor. Although he's still a young man, he made a commitment to the city years ago and has since been joined by quite a few other talented artists who do their work in Detroit," says Hastings.

We usually don't have to look too hard to find those moments that make our work worthwhile. Backstage Pass series producer Mark Nathanson makes no secret of his love for theater. When he's not producing the show, it seems he's attending a play or working on a production. Most recently, he directed the St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook's presentation of "The Heidi Chronicles." When producer Cameron Mackintosh of "Les Misérables" and "Miss Saigon" fame came to town to announce the new musical "Martin Guerre" would be presented at the Fisher Theatre, Mark booked him on Backstage Pass for Nov. 21.

I'm not surprised that Mark chose to produce the segment himself. It was just one of those moments.

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Local rock: Knee Deep Shag's time for change begins now



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

If I close my eyes real tight, I can still see and hear it. — The exact day I was introduced to the brilliance of Kalamazoo-based band Knee Deep Shag, Earth Day, 1995. Michigan State University's Landon Field. Afternoon. Sunshine. And then they began to play.

While the line-up has changed, the singer has regrown his hair, and the music has evolved, the energy never wavered. Blending rock, funk and soul into some kind of magical, musical potion, Knee Deep Shag has set audiences in motion since the start, around 1992.

Their strength? Each band member is a true musician, a

standout in his own right. Whether you're taken by the way guitarist Phil Barry seems to slide back into some altered state with his guitar, how singer Matt Gross croons and slithers across the stage, or you're mesmerized by pounding drum and bass lines and bright keyboards, you can't take your eyes off the band.

Knee Deep Shag stands on the verge of change. Now bidding good-bye to one member and adding another, the band prepares to release its third compact disc.

Drummer Jeff Moehle called me Oct. 27 just moments after receiving the new disc. "It sounds really good," said Moehle, whose parents live in Troy. Other band members blared the music from a lower level of Kalamazoo house as we spoke about the future of Knee Deep Shag.

"Good Disguise" marks the departure of bassist and long-

time friend Troy Stansberry. Stansberry decided to leave the band to spend more time with his family. Mike Fuerst, formerly of Daddy Longlegs, takes over on bass these days.

"It's such a weird time," said Moehle. "At the end of September we played our last show with Troy. The very next week we finished the album with Mike. It's the highest of the highs and lowest of the lows."

Knee Deep fans may detect a shift in bass styles as well. Where Stansberry was known for his funky R&B flavor, Fuerst leans more toward rock 'n' roll. He also plays guitar and violin.

"I think everyone will like it; it takes an adjustment," said Moehle, adding that that the band will miss Troy Stansberry. "He is just such an engaging character. The nicest guy you'll ever meet. That drew a lot of people in."

It was Stansberry's suggestion

that the band ask Fuerst to join. The handmates agreed he was the natural choice. "He totally jells with us, personality-wise," said Moehle.

The disc was co-produced, engineered and mastered by Jon Frazer (The Verve Pipe). It took a month and a half of truly focused studio time to complete.

Over the years Knee Deep Shag fans have noticed a transition in style. A member since 1995, Moehle said there's more change to come. "When I joined up, the band was still a funky jam-band... We were all pretty much raised on some sort of rock 'n' roll."

While the early Knee Deep Shag is still evident in song and style, the music has drifted deeper into a rock, blues and soul vein. The addition of Rob Cookman on keyboards in 1997 was another step in that direction. "Rob is just such a huge part of our sound now," said Moehle.



Knee Deep Shag is Rob Cookman, Phil Barry, Mike Fuerst, Matt Gross and Jeff Moehle.

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As Knee Deep Shag takes it to the next level with "Good Disguise," the new line-up looks to the future. But fans don't have to wait that long to catch a show.

Experience Knee Deep Shag Wednesday, Nov. 24, Magic Bag, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030. The

album can be found at Borders Books and Music, and online at www.kneedeepshag.com.

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Old 97s reveal Texas roots rock at its finest

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
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Remember this name: Old 97s. The Dallas foursome — singer Rhett Miller, guitarist Ken Bethea, bassist Murry Hammond and drummer Philip Peeples — will open the Detroit show on one of just seven tour dates with Wilco, a more established band in the same musical genre.

Touring in support of their second Elektra Records release, "Fight Songs," the alterna-pop twang-masters delighted audiences as openers for Cake at the State Theatre last summer.

On his way back to this northern stop, Murry Hammond phoned in on Wednesday, Nov. 3, from his hometown to talk about the upcoming show.

"We play rock 'n' roll pop music with pretty much ... a rootsy

thread that goes through all of it," said Hammond. "It's fairly energetic, pretty dynamic."

Listen carefully to the mysteriously melancholy "Fight Songs" and hear the hints of bluegrass and country. "We like the mournfulness," explains Hammond of those musical roots. "But we draw heavily on '50s and '60s rock 'n' roll."

With influences from The Byrds to The Beatles, Old 97s leave room for just about any style to creep into their sound. But one thing never changes.

Old 97s songs tend to deal with relationships — from the most elated moments to the most miserable. Hammond said the band steers clear of topical subjects. "You won't get current events in our music ... We like the old favorites: a happy, catchy tune and filling it up with mind-bending miserable lyrics."

On "Fight Songs," "Lonely Holiday" shows off that vulnerable side of the Old 97s that is somehow presented in a melodic, almost-giddy, pop-on-Prozac fashion.

"Fight Songs" is more reflective than their past recordings. Touring for the Old 97s is an on-the-road, off-the-road gig, spliced between working on material for

an upcoming record and side projects for some of the boys.

With a sliding southern drawl, Hammond leaves with one appropriate, parting statement: "Y'all take care."

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BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

Proprietors spend serious moments choosing a name for a restaurant. In Farmington Hills, owner Kevin Hoang-Do named Empire Dynasty from his heart. "In Chinese, empire reflects a family concept," he said. "Dynasty is a land of your own, forever."

Of Chinese origin, 42-year-old Hoang-Do emigrated to the U.S. from Vietnam in 1980 with a degree in architecture and design. He is grateful to be a U.S. citizen — his land forever. He went on to earn an electrical engineering degree at Oakland University in Rochester. During his student days earning a master's degree in electrical engineering at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, he worked for a friend in a Chinese restaurant. There he learned to speak Chinese, the language of his ancestors, and gain a love for its food.

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architecture skills to personally remodel his restaurant from a former Mexican eatery at the location. He opened Empire Dynasty's doors a year ago.

"Cooking is an art," he said. "It's like my second marriage. It makes me happy. I want to pass this feeling on to my customers."

And he does. Hoang-Do spends his time greeting diners and visiting them at the table to learn their satisfaction with dishes, prepared by his two chefs Randy and Michael Wang. Randy specializes in Szechuan cooking. He formerly worked at one of New York City's most successful Asian restaurants, Szechuan Empire. His brother Michael is

the specialist for Cantonese dishes.

Hoang-Do is the inspiration behind Nu-Asian innovations such as Heavenly Shrimp, which he created four years ago to celebrate the anniversary of good friends. The special sauce takes jumbo prawns to new heights. Dynasty Sizzling Fried Noodle's creation was inspired by the opening of Empire Dynasty. Cantonese noodles are complemented by Szechuan flavors.

A dish such as Empire Duck is seldom seen because marinating is not traditionally done in either Szechuan or Cantonese provinces. In this dish, sliced duck is marinated and slowly barbecued in a new-age Chinese oven, then stir-fried with select

vegetables in a Szechuan sauce. Volcano Delight breaks all the rules. This dish is hard to explain, but suffice it to say that if you thought of Szechuan as hot, this dish is not — it's spicy and full of flavor. If you consider Cantonese as a lot of over-battered fried food, not in this dish. The mixture of stir-fry and sauté flavors explodes in your mouth. Fun intended!

Quite unusual for a Chinese menu are three lamb dishes. Hoang-Do explained that in China, only the province of Szechuan cooks lamb. Empire Dynasty's preparations result in very balanced flavors.

November's house special is named Queen's Paradise, a classic Szechuan and Cantonese style combination of fresh jumbo prawns sautéed with selected vegetables in hot, spicy sauce and joined with golden-brown boneless chicken breast in the chef's fresh lemon sauce. Yum at \$14.25.

Returning in December is the Marco Polo Special, marinated, tender steak mixed with fresh pineapple and pepper, sautéed in the chefs' most sophisticated



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Specialty dish: Kevin Hoang-Do, owner of Empire Dynasty, presents the Marco Polo Special, served in half a pineapple.

sauce and served on a tropical golden pineapple.

Empire Dynasty's atmosphere is upscale yet casual. Tables on two levels break up a large dining area. They are not crowded together and the booths are roomy. Green, mauve and beige tones serve to accent a large, brightly lit replica of the Hong Kong skyline.

Going unused due to outmoded Michigan liquor licensing is an unstocked bar area. After a year, Empire Dynasty remains a place

where you cannot, in this modern era of matching wine and beer with food, have either with your chosen dish. This is a travesty some 66 years after the repeal of Prohibition.

Many thanks to a Southfield reader, who called Empire Dynasty to my attention, pronouncing it "outstanding." What more do I need to say? Two things. Lunch specials total 37; dinner menu items number 145 and all plates have grand eye appeal. That's exceptional!

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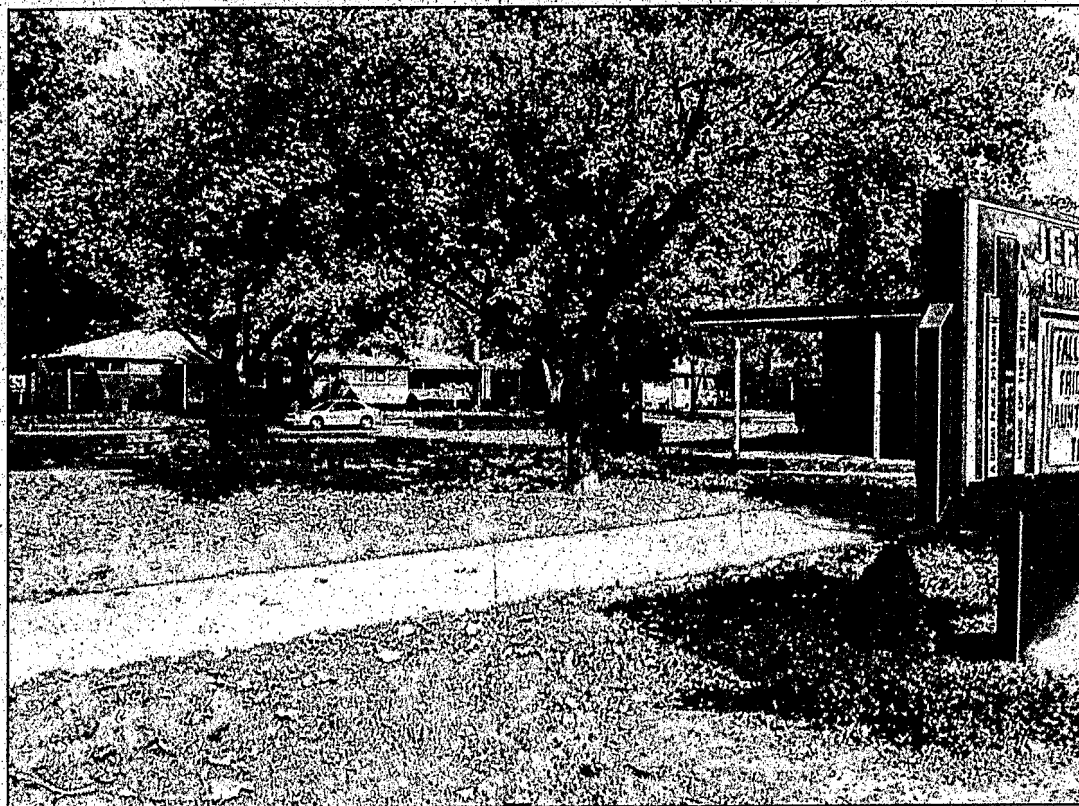
Q: I have recently gotten out of bankruptcy and wanted to refinance my home. I went to a mortgage company I found in the phone book who verbally promised that they would get me a 10.5-percent rate. I relied on that and when I went to closing, I found that the rate was 13 percent. I had already committed to this company and needed the money to pay certain other bills. I am concerned that I was subject to this abuse. Do you have any comments?

A: The TV is flooded with advertisements for mortgage companies offering money to consolidate loans. What is happening in many instances, unfortunately, is that customers with poor credit are being enticed to refinance and find that the rate that they are quoted orally is different from the rate that they end up paying at the time of closing.

This so-called bait-and-switch activity should be reported to the appropriate state agencies, and you should otherwise consult with an attorney to determine what your legal and administrative remedies may be against the mortgage company.

Buyers should beware and ensure that they obtain in writing from the mortgage company a commitment as to the interest rate to be charged, as well as what the closing costs will be and whether there will be any prepayment penalties in the event that the mortgage is paid off earlier than the time set forth in the mortgage.

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No effect: Nearness to a school doesn't generally harm property values or selling price or desirability, Realtors say, but some homeowners really enjoy an elementary school in the neighborhood.

School can be neighborly

By NORM PRADY
SPECIAL WRITER

Would you like to buy a house that has a lot of happy neighbors?

Well, maybe you'd enjoy living next door to a house with 400 children who love to go out into their yard to run and jump and swing and slide and throw and catch and scream their cheerful screams.

So look for a house near a big house full of kids — a schoolhouse, an elementary school.

For example, take Longacre Elementary in the Grand River-Drake area of Farmington.

The principal, William Smith, will tell you that in his 10 years there, he has "never had a complaint about noise." Smith said there is a strong sense of what it takes to be good neighbors.

"I think people on both sides of the fence try to be conscious of each other."

At the same time, Smith said, he has yet to meet some newer neighbors who fairly recently built homes backing up to the school playground.

"I see them in the backyard and we wave."

Noise, though, might deter some buyers from houses near high schools, said Anna Pearcy, agent with Prudential Chamberlain Stiehl in Rochester Hills. But, for the most part, in her 22 years of selling houses, nearness of a school has not been a big issue for her sellers or buyers.

"I sold and then later resold a house backing up to a middle school playground," she said. A house doesn't seem to gain or lose its marketability because of nearness to a school, she said.

Of course, she said, "an elementary school in a subdivision is a real positive."

■ 'The residents seem to enjoy having access to the school grounds during the summer and on weekends. They bring their children here to use the playground equipment and soccer fields.'

Lynn Gordon
principal,

Cooley Elementary School
Waterford Township

That feeling was echoed by Lynn Gordon, principal of Cooley Elementary School in Waterford Township.

"The residents seem to enjoy having access to the school grounds during the summer and on weekends," she said. "They bring their children here to use the playground equipment and soccer fields."

Gordon said in her seven years as principal at Cooley, she's had no complaints from neighbors.

"The only time it's a challenge," she said, "is when we have special events at the school. There can be many, many cars parked in the streets. But the residents have been very supportive."

And Sam Dibble, associated broker, Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Plymouth, said, "I don't think in 25 years I've had someone say, 'I don't want to have proximity to schools.'"

As for a nearby school affecting the house's value, "I don't see that happening," he said. "Unlike a busy highway pulling value down, it just doesn't happen."

House-hunters who want to avoid

noise — from schools or whatever — Dibble said, are asking him for larger lots and houses that back up to subdivision commons or parks.

Kevin Niles agrees that nearness of the school doesn't add or subtract value. An agent with Century 21 Hartford South in Livonia, Niles has had some customers who didn't want a house backing up to a school parking lot or a backyard adjoining a baseball diamond or soccer field.

But a nearby elementary school is a positive, he said, "so their kids can walk to school." He estimates that less than 10 percent of his customers have had such a goal.

The creak of the swings and the shouts of sliding 8-year-olds also are not issues for customers of Joseph Tarica, sales agent with Weir, Manuel, Snyder & Ranke in West Bloomfield.

"I haven't run into anybody," he said, "who doesn't want to be near a school."

Tarica thinks that customers are more concerned with the closeness of shopping and other services.

If you like to walk, you have yet another reason to consider living near Longacre Elementary or a place like it. Principal Smith said his school has a gigantic playground, which he thinks of as community property.

Neighbors from a nearby senior citizens residence "walk our playground and our walks regularly during nice weather."

Sometimes they rest on the school's park benches, drawing visits from students and teachers.

And sometimes, Smith said, he talks with folks across the way about one or another cooperative projects, such as landscaping for the view shared by the homes and the school.

After all, he said, this is what neighbors do.

The 3/4 Mark

Following is the number of residential units permitted through September of this year as compared to September of 1998.

City	1999	1998
Waterford	453	439
Rochester Hills	375	239
Orion Twp.	375	251
Rochester	367	282
West Bloomfield	327	329
Independence Twp.	279	650
Troy	227	326
Oxford Twp.	202	173
Farmington Hills	195	243
Springfield Twp.	85	117
Bloomfield Twp.	55	134
Canton	835	1,018
Plymouth	225	161
Livonia	105	124
Westland	74	328

Source: Housing Consultants, Inc.

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More on closing costs

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Part 2

The appraisal fee (around \$300) is for having an appraiser place a value on the house, comparing it to other similar houses in the area.

The credit report fee (usually \$50) covers the cost of getting your credit history, which the lender uses to decide whether to loan you the money and how much interest to charge.

Your lender might also insist on a number of different inspections (\$50 to \$100). Sometimes you'll need an inspector to check for termites or other pests. You might need to see if the house — whether brand new or decades old — meets the local building codes.

Sometimes, the lender will insist on a property survey (around \$250) to make sure property lines are clearly marked and defined.

If you are dealing with a mortgage broker (a person who works with a number of different lenders), there can

Other lender fees include underwriting and processing fees, which vary by the lender.

There is also generally the premium for one to two months mortgage insurance (\$50 to \$150), and possibly a transfer tax (a couple hundred dollars, depending on the property sale price).

The title search (about \$350) makes sure there is no problem with the deed or property ownership. The buyer usually purchases title insurance (\$300 to \$600) for the lender to provide protection in case legal problems over ownership develop later.

Closing the deal might also require an attorney, costing \$300 to \$900.

Other fees might include having signatures notarized, government recording and transfer charges, courier fees, mortgage insurance, flood insurance, and property taxes. The buyer might have to reimburse the seller for several months of prepaid property taxes and for one month of utilities. If your property is on a flood plain, you will need to buy flood insurance, which costs around \$300 a year. One year of flood insurance premium is paid at the closing, and the first-year hazard insurance premium usually has to be bought in advance (at least \$300).

Many closing costs can be financed and included in your loan. This will mean a higher monthly payment. Your lender can tell you how much higher.

However, most of them are one-time costs. The costs that a home buyer and seller are expected to pay can vary by location. A call to a local lender will clarify which exact costs you will be expected to pay at the close of the real estate transaction.

Your lender will give you a Good Faith Estimate listing each of these costs when you apply for your loan.

David Mully's company, Mortgage Search Services, surveys lenders and provides updates on mortgage rates for homeowners. His survey and weekly column can be accessed online at www.MortgageSearch.com. The survey report appears inside Thursday's Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. The company provides consumers with a Mortgage Search Hot line at 1 (877)MTG-SHOP (684-7467). You can contact Mully at (248) 305-7337 or e-mail info@RateUpdate.com.

Renters should expect to pay more

Apartment vacancies in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties have dipped to record lows, said Steven R. Chaben, regional manager for Marcus & Millichap Real Estate Investment Brokerage.

That's good news for apartment owners, not so good for tenants.

Here are the highlights of Marcus & Millichap's Apartment Research Report for the Detroit area.

■ Rising interest rates will increase the cost of single-family housing, therefore increasing the demand for rental housing.

With the recent increase in interest rates and the continued appreciation of homes, the average monthly payment required to own a home has increased by 6-1/2 percent in just three months.

Even greater increases are expected. This will effectively price many renters out of the ownership market and will allow apartment owners to achieve above-average rent increases.

■ Apartment building completions

will decrease during the next 12 months with just 1,150 new units coming on line.

The local developers who dominate the Detroit market continue to maintain their conservative stance towards building.

The majority of these new projects are high-end, luxury apartments with full amenity packages designed to meet the needs of professionals moving to Detroit as well as a new class of renter who desires a trouble-free lifestyle.

Starts will increase during the next 12 months to 1,900 units. As a result of the labor shortage in the construction industry, the pace of building has slowed, which will cause these new starts to have occupancies delayed until 2001.

■ The extremely tight market conditions will persist as vacancy rates continue to decline.

Vacancy rates reached a record low of 3.8 percent in the third quarter of this year. Vacancy has declined from 6.6

percent in 1994 and will continue to trend downward in the next year, settling at slightly more than 3.5 percent.

The rising occupancy rate will be driven by an influx of skilled workers into the area, as well as the reluctance of builders to start construction in the aftermath of what many believe was the peak of the economic cycle.

■ Rents didn't increase during the third quarter, but are still 2.9 percent higher than a year ago.

The current average rent here is \$665 per month. Rental increases over the next few years should be expected.

Increasing demand, insufficient construction activity and rapidly increasing single-family home costs will allow owners to increase rents by between 4 and 5 percent annually during the next two to three years.

Older properties will tend to have the largest rent increases as prospective tenants unable to afford home ownership will enter the rental market.

HOMES SOLD IN OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real estate closings recorded the days of July 16, 19, 20, 21, 1999 at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office and compiled by advertising that works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Auburn Hills
4132 Arcadia Dr. \$340,000
2629 Binghamton Dr. \$125,000
30 Earl Ct. \$77,000
893 Linden Way \$230,000

Clarkston
6474 Aneneth Ct. \$230,000
7210 Bluewater #56 \$80,000
4911 Crestview Dr. \$167,000

1285 Dark Lake Dr. \$368,000
6025 Englewood Dr. \$95,000
3450 Florella St. \$140,000
9846 Forest Ridge Dr. \$75,000
9582 Kials Rd. \$214,000
4985 Lakewood Blvd. \$160,000
5267 Mary Sue Ave. \$155,000
6580 Nadelia \$175,000
7133 Oak Meadows Dr. \$250,000
5391 Pheasant Run Rd. \$155,000
6161 S Main St. \$130,000
8219 Sashabaw Ridge \$295,000
4864 Spring Meadow Dr. \$235,000
6598 Wealthy St. \$152,000

Commerce Township
2030 Blue Stone Dr. \$258,000
4732 Bobblywood Ct. \$225,000
6128 Brockway St. \$169,000
8519 Buffalo Dr. \$162,000
8114 Locklin Ln. \$129,000
2130 Oakbrook Blvd. \$204,000
4820 Raynwood \$225,000
1498 Roc Dr. \$182,000
135 Ruppert St. \$191,000

1024 Sherbrook St. \$92,000
602 W Commerce Rd. \$100,000
3200 Welch Rd. \$155,000

Davidsburg
12095 Andersonville Rd. \$248,000
9969 Creekwood Trl. \$379,000
11490 Ely Rd. \$242,000
6463 High Pine Dr. \$80,000
7470 Orihood Rd. \$75,000

Farmington
23986 Colchester St. \$152,000
23097 Hawthorne St. \$111,000
35411 Heritage Ln. \$140,000
32619 Meadowlark Ct. \$158,000
22430 Power Rd. \$145,000
26563 Saxony Rd. \$267,000

Farmington Hills
31190 Applewood Ln. \$260,000
24871 Arden Park Dr. \$195,000
34236 Banbury St. \$197,000
28369 Bay Tree Rd. \$198,000
31712 Bella Vista Dr. \$175,000
27840 Berrywood #13 \$93,000
28645 Briar Hill Dr. \$234,000

38391 Churchill Ln. \$165,000
36179 Congress Rd. \$282,000
30974 Country Bl. \$133,000
29776 Cromby Ct. \$308,000
36986 Dartmoor Dr. \$163,000
37187 Deer Run Dr. \$160,000
32080 Doherty Dr. \$221,000
37610 Dorchester Dr. \$280,000
32260 Filar Cir. \$195,000
21412 Hamilton Ave. \$70,000

28685 Independence St. \$88,000
21509 Jefferson St. \$127,000
35709 Johnston Rd. \$266,000
28190 Kendallwood Dr. \$189,000
24868 Lakeland St. \$185,000
23496 Larkshire St. \$145,000
35096 Lexington St. \$197,000
29732 Linden St. \$172,000
34153 Lyncroft Ct. \$605,000
20811 Randall St. \$135,000
21728 Ruth St. \$156,000
29124 Shenandoah Dr. \$294,000
30715 Shawnee #99 \$83,000
30690 Springfield St. \$216,000

29525 Sugar Spring Rd. \$180,000
23063 Tuck Rd. \$150,000
31555 W 14 Mile Rd. \$20,000
31915 W 14 Mile #241 \$150,000
30515 W 14 Mile #41 \$55,000
30475 W 14 Mile #81 \$93,000
36669 W Lyman Rd. \$275,000
31867 Wayburn St. \$169,000
27322 Winterset Cir. \$281,000
27287 Winterset Cir. \$310,000

Keego Harbor
1932 Cass Lake Rd. \$250,000
1649 Cass Lake Rd #A \$105,000

Lake Orion
2707 Alford Dr. \$168,000
2967 Cedar Key Dr. \$110,000
299 Clarendon Dr. \$159,000
1201 E Silverbell Rd. \$24,000
154 Grove St. \$540,000
721 Harry Paul Dr. \$145,000
3327 Hickory Dr. \$224,000
2305 Huntington Dr. \$233,000
1071 Ridgeview Cir. \$245,000
67 Sheron St. \$594,000
570 Walling St. \$298,000

Lathrup Village
19500 W 11 Mile Rd. \$112,000

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23601 Argyle St. \$491,000
44950 Bayview Dr #8 \$123,000
22603 Chestnut Tree \$180,000
47324 Eldon Mill Rd. \$239,000
315 Duane St. \$110,000
22728 Heatherbrae Way \$185,600
22720 Heatherwood \$185,000
22327 Peachtree \$150,000
44119 Stables Ave. \$125,000
23958 Wetherill Dr. \$472,000

Oakland Township
940 W Piedmont Rd. \$288,000

Orchard Lake
4241 Cherry Hill Dr. \$410,000

Orion Township
3703 Hidden Forest Dr. \$262,000

Oxford
38 Broadway St. \$100,000
112 Conda Ln. \$134,000
3901 Indian Lake Rd. \$55,000
764 Inverness Dr. \$46,000
3925 Metamora Rd. \$125,000
124 N Baldwin Rd. \$197,000

Rochester
430 Baldwin Ave #75 \$83,000
3147 Castleton Ct. \$368,000
1122 Churchill Cir. \$207,000
1128 Churchill Cir. \$238,000
1197 Eagle Nest Dr. \$154,000
4812 Georgetown Dr. \$205,000
112 N Alice Ave. \$167,000
4133 Oak Tree Cir. \$515,000
2728 Partridge Dr. \$193,000
5675 Thorry Ash Rd. \$223,000
2901 Turkey Run St. \$161,000
1119 Waycroft Ln. \$312,000
184 Whims Ln. \$212,000

Rochester Hills
2057 Alford Rd. \$208,000
638 Bollinger St. \$174,000
780 Bridgestone Dr. \$228,000
984 Bridgestone Dr. \$210,000
1390 Crescent Ln. \$130,000
1656 Crooks Rd. \$118,000
2660 Culbertson Ave. \$160,000
1630 Dancer Dr. \$175,000
379 Drexelgate Pkwy. \$225,000
321 Eastlawn Dr. \$120,000
2475 Emmons Ave. \$65,000
648 Essex Dr. \$263,000
712 Eton Ct. \$172,000
2693 Forest View Ct. \$294,000
1147 Grandview Dr. \$258,000
1190 Harvard Dr. \$255,000
3719 Heron Ridge Dr. \$458,000
1743 Hillcrest Dr. \$364,000
927 Hillcreek Dr. \$280,000
2247 London Bridge Dr. \$132,000
2322 London Bridge Dr. \$132,000
1226 Manor Way. \$90,000

2470 Melvin Ave. \$150,000
1255 Oakwood Ct. \$199,000
1051 Potomac Dr. \$254,000
3007 Primrose Dr. \$228,000
1424 Royal Crescent St. \$247,000
1800 Freemont Dr. \$270,000
367 Silverdale Dr. \$287,000
1820 Streamedge Ct. \$154,000
3213 Tamaron Dr. \$232,000
1784 Tamm Ave. \$109,000
312 Tanglewood Dr. \$263,000
1230 Valley Cir. \$255,000
2002 Wentworth Dr. \$281,000
1733 West Rdg. \$100,000
2187 Willow Leaf Ct S \$300,000

Southfield
21204 Berg Rd. \$38,000
26261 Cornwell Ct. \$175,000
2288 Duff St. \$192,000
28633 E Halong Cir. \$160,000
26591 Forestview Dr. \$273,000
24590 Kinsey St. \$272,000
25320 Maplebrook Dr. \$120,000
17329 Melrose St. \$147,000
20105 Midway Ave. \$92,000
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29990 Pleasant Trl. \$97,000
23219 Plumbrook Dr. \$115,000
28673 Regent Ct N. \$82,000
29923 Rock Creek Dr. \$138,000
23673 Village HS #58. \$83,000
29978 Stahelin Rd. \$118,000
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6996 Westpointe Dr. \$318,000
4038 Worthington Dr. \$294,000

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150 Coalmont St. \$253,000
233 Lake Village Dr. \$109,000
260 Lake Village Dr. \$94,000
2839 Log Cabin Dr. \$110,000
377 Neptune Dr. \$106,000

White Lake
3185 Airport Rd. \$103,000
4020 Arcadia Park Dr. \$147,000
736 Cedarlane Rd. \$123,000
5104 Croyden St. \$157,000
6474 Croyden St. \$131,000
1512 Cohasset St. \$149,000
5815 Crescent Rd. \$127,000
3099 Edgefield Dr. \$144,000

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West Bloomfield
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2330 Island View Dr. \$197,000
3431 Oakdale Rd. \$154,000
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30 yr Fix	7.75	0.00	45 day	\$325	7.78 apr
15 yr Fix	7.50	0.00	45 day	\$325	7.53 apr
1 month COPI	3.45	0.00	45 day	\$325	7.53 apr
BAY POINT MORTGAGE CORP.					
30 yr Fix	7.125	0.00	30 day	\$0	7.36 apr
15 yr Fix	6.75	0.00	45 day	\$0	7.13 apr
1 yr Arm	6.75	0.00	30 day	\$0	7.68 apr
CREATIVE MORTGAGE FUNDING					
30 yr Fix	7.50	0.00	45 day	\$0	7.78 apr
15 yr Fix	7.50	0.00	45 day	\$0	7.57 apr
1 yr COPI	3.45	0.00	45 day	\$0	7.57 apr
FIRST ALLIANCE MORTGAGE CO.					
30 yr Fix	7.25	2.00	45 day	\$295	7.55 apr
15 yr Fix	6.75	2.00	45 day	\$295	7.22 apr
1 yr Arm	6.50	2.00	45 day	\$295	6.16 apr
FLAGSTAR BANK					
30 yr Fix	7.875	0.00	30 day	\$350	7.91 apr
15 yr Fix	7.50	0.00	30 day	\$350	7.55 apr
1 yr Arm	6.375	1.00	50 day	\$350	6.39 apr
3 yr Arm	7.25	0.00	50 day	\$350	7.91 apr
GOLDEN RULE MORTGAGE					
30 yr Fix	7.125	1.50	30 day	\$0	7.23 apr
15 yr Fix	6.625	1.50	30 day	\$0	6.87 apr
1 yr Arm	5.00	1.00	30 day	\$0	7.28 apr
20 yr Fix	6.875	1.50	30 day	\$0	7.04 apr
7/28 Ext	6.75	1.25	30 day	\$0	6.89 apr
MAINSTREET MORTGAGE					
30 yr Fix	7.625	0.00	30 day	\$300	7.88 apr
15 yr Fix	7.375	0.00	30 day	\$300	7.43 apr
1 yr Arm	6.50	0.00	30 day	\$300	6.89 apr
AMERICAN HOME FINANCE					
30 yr Fix	7.50	0.00	30 day	\$290	7.62 apr
15 yr Fix	7.125	0.00	30 day	\$290	7.25 apr
1 yr Arm	5.875	0.00	30 day	\$290	7.71 apr
5/1 Arm	7.00	0.00	30 day	\$290	7.52 apr
7/1 Arm	7.375	0.00	30 day	\$290	7.98 apr
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1 yr Arm	5.50	2.00	30 day	\$350	7.49 apr
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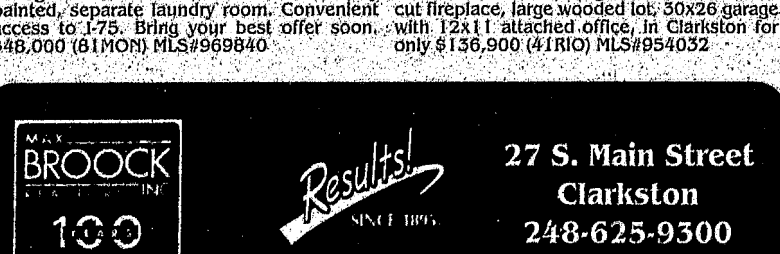
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A tiny stream curves outside this delightful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Enjoy the one acre park-like setting from the gazebo, garden in own greenhouse, or entertain friends in the European like family room with unique wet bar. \$229,900 (56FTT) MLS#953532



HUNT AND FISH
on 35.78 acres. Two rivers run behind the 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath home. Open floor plan and master bedroom with jacuzzi. Mature trees provide privacy around the home; pond, volleyball court and yard. Room for horses. Splits available. \$389,700 (44HOR)



PRICE REDUCED!
Pontiac 3 bedroom ranch has fireplace in master bedroom. Secluded back yard with storage shed. Newer windows, freshly painted, separate laundry room. Convenient access to I-75. Bring your best offer soon. \$48,000 (61MON) MLS#969840

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION
1780 sq. ft. brick ranch, three bedrooms, a study, master suite with doorwall to patio area, enormous 22x20 great room with stone cut fireplace, large wooded lot, 30x26 garage with 12x11 attached office, in Clarkston for only \$136,900 (41RIO) MLS#954032

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GREAT BUY!!
\$279,900 beautiful contemporary colonial. Lake access w/great view of lake. Just under 3000 sq. ft. 1st floor laundry, oak kitchen first floor master suite, 3 full baths & one half bath. Hurry! Ask for Dan
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COLONIAL BEAUTY!
5 bedroom with beautiful lot backing to woods. Florida room, patio, fireplace in living room & family room. Updated kitchen and baths. Bloomfield Hills schools. \$349,000
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SHARP 3 BEDROOM
Brick ranch with den, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement, updated kitchen, newer hot water heater & dishwasher. Asking \$139,900 (85WEY)
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GORGEOUS
4 bedroom Fairways Colonial has nice lot backing to trees, very neutral decor. Asking \$342,900 (ACPMO)
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BUILT IN 1990!
Beautifully landscaped Canton colonial, 1958 sq.ft., 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath, nice size country kitchen with bay window, full basement and much more. Asking \$218,900 (1421-O)
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2 ACRES!!
1991 built ranch on 2 fully landscaped acres. Over size 2 1/2 garage. Clarkston Schools. Open country kitchen. 2 full baths. Finished basement. A must see Ask for Dan
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WARRENDALE
Lovely 2 bedroom ranch, full basement, updated kitchen, newer windows, nicely cared for home & move-in condition! \$62,000 (6424PI) Det
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ROCHESTER HILLS
1 acre lot! 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, basement. \$6250 down. \$1525 per month. 30 year fixed. 8.37% APR
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DELIGHTFUL 4 BEDROOM
Bungalow is almost 1500 sq. ft., full bath on each floor & 1/2 bath in finished basement, natural fireplace in living room, 2 car garage & more. \$133,900 (8316V)
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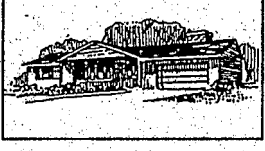
NEW LISTING!
Custom home built in 1988. Peaceful wooded setting, finished walk-out with projection movie system. Jet tub in master bedroom and hot tub outside the master bedroom. Must see! \$324,900
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BEAUTIFUL 4 BEDROOM
2 1/2 bath colonial built in 1996. Large room all with walk-in closets. Balcony over family room. Huge kitchen with eating area! \$409,900 (ATCQU)
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CLARKSTON
New construction. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, ranch w/ly garage & basement. \$5300 down. \$1522 per month. 20 year fixed. 8.25% APR
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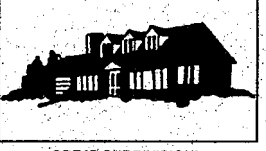
REDUCED!
City home w/country feel! 3 bedrooms, spacious living room private backyard! Tree lined street, updated within last 10 years. Windows, roof, central air, carpet & furnace. Hardwood floors, must see today \$119,900
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DESIRABLE SUNFLOWER SUB
4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, professionally finished basement with office, 1st floor laundry, family room with natural fireplace, walk-in closets, wood windows thru-out. All this for only \$255,900 (1416-O)
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THE SEARCH IS OVER!
1990 contemporary 3-4 bedroom tri-level. Great room with soaring cathedral ceiling, skylights & fireplace. Lot backs to wooded area. \$179,900
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GREAT SUBDIVISION!
Brighton schools. Huge 4 bedroom colonial, formal new dining, walk-out basement, 2 fireplaces, all appliances, hardwood floors. Call today to see tomorrow. \$349,900
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GLENGARRY VILLAGE
Move in and enjoy this 4 bedroom, 2 bath colonial. Fully landscaped with deck located by Canton's rec center and golf course. Many updates beyond, builders standard. \$308,990 (OS-2293)
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NEW LISTING!
4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths tudor in Cedar Spring Estates. Cathedral ceiling in family room with cozy fireplace, master bath with jacuzzi tub. Exceptionally well maintained. \$334,900
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MINT CONDITION
3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath brick ranch with many updates such as roof, windows, carpet & vinyl in kitchen. Located in a great subdivision. Ready to move in. \$146,900 (AGLBE)
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GREAT FAMILY HOME!
3 bedroom & 2 full baths, natural fireplace in family room, cathedral ceiling. Newer roof, windows, hot water heater, updated electric. 1 year home warranty. \$92,900 (20948PI) TAY.
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LIVONIA SCHOOLS
3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, fireplace in living room. Doorwall to great backyard overlooking Hines Parkway. Cul-de-sac location, finished basement with slate pool table. Priced at \$135,000 (1414-O)
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GREAT STARTER HOME!
2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 car garage, updates include plumbing, roof, furnace all done in 1990. Good size eat-in kitchen \$69,900 (80240A)
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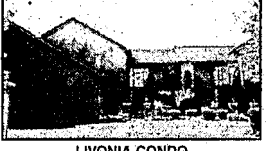
ROCHESTER HILLS
Stunning split level in Rookery Woods with every upgrade 4 large bedrooms, 1st floor master Ceramic hardwood & premium carpet thru-out. 2 story foyer & great room w/fieldstone fireplace. Private, prof. landscaped yard w/brick paver patio \$499,900 Ask for Michelle
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PANORAMIC VIEWS
4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath brick ranch with two fireplaces, marble foyer on fantastic hilltop setting overlooking mature trees and pond! Almost an acre in prime Plymouth location. \$345,000 #F6812
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LIVONIA CONDO
2 bedrooms up and 1 in finished basement. Master bedroom has jacuzzi. Eating area opens to beautiful deck. \$264,900 (AOWLA)
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GOLF COURSE LIVING AT ITS BEST
4 bedroom Colonial Kitchen with wood floors and fireplace, neutral decor thru-out. Full basement, large deck & patio area. Oversized 2 car attached garage. Close to Canton's Summit. \$389,900 (OS-2289)
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BEAUTIFUL!
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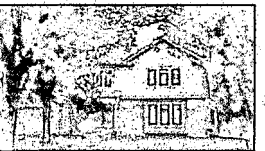
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Approximately 2450 sq. ft. on 1 acre. This home offers 3 bedrooms poss. 4th, 2 full baths, 2 lavs, fireplace in great room, walk-out basement with cellar. Call today \$257,000
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In popular Novi complex, boasts cathedral ceiling in living room, formal dining room with doorwall to an enclosed patio. Updated kitchen with appliances, 2 full baths, finished basement & more! \$134,900
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ENJOY ALL 4 SEASONS
Immaculate 3 bedroom home with dead-end boat slip and a sandy bottom beach. Neighborhood is a family delight. Available today! \$152,900
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STUNNING NEW HOME
Cathedral ceilings upgraded wood vinyl clad windows, bay windows, recessed lights and more! Situated next to park. A must see! Ask for Dan
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\$172,500 1 bedroom, 2 baths, updates 11500 Aspen Dr. Plymouth
\$179,900 Ranch, updates, 1 yr. warranty 43156 Hanford Canton
\$159,900 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath colonial 8304 Holly Canton
\$124,900 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath ranch 29852 W. Chicago Livonia
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\$209,900 Sharp ranch, open floor plan 44971 Leslie Lane Canton
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\$639,900 3 bedroom brick 1 1/2 story, 3 1/2 baths, condo 1 Yorkshire Ct. Dearborn
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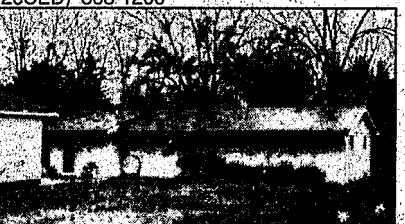
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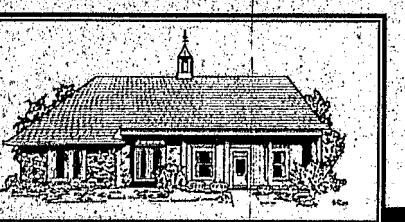
TROY - Maintenance-free 3-4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial backing to nice open area. Finished basement, attached garage, living room, dining room, family room. Walk to Troy schools. \$219,900 (63DEW) 248-524-1600.



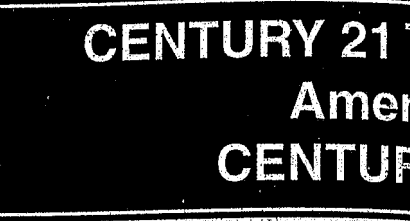
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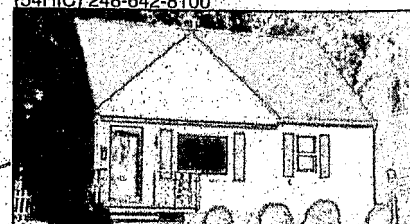
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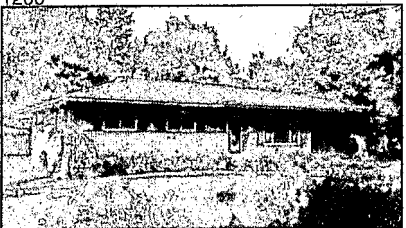
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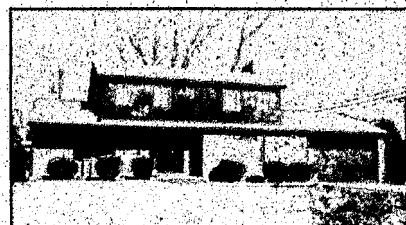
WEST BLOOMFIELD BEAUTY. This is a great find! Prestigious West Acres Sub. 3 bedroom/2 1/2 bath 2 story contemporary. Updates include: newer roof, furnace, ceramic tiled kitchen and much more. \$264,900 (31WES) 248-626-8800



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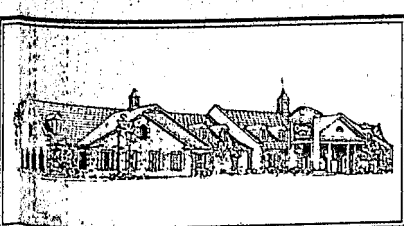
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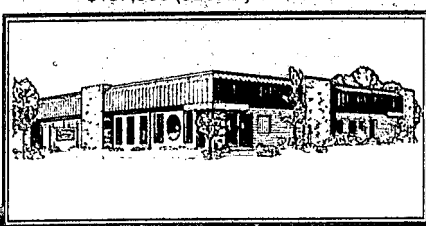
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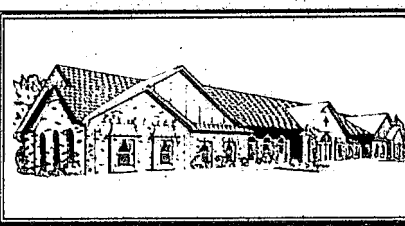
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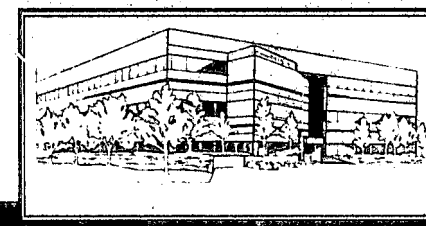
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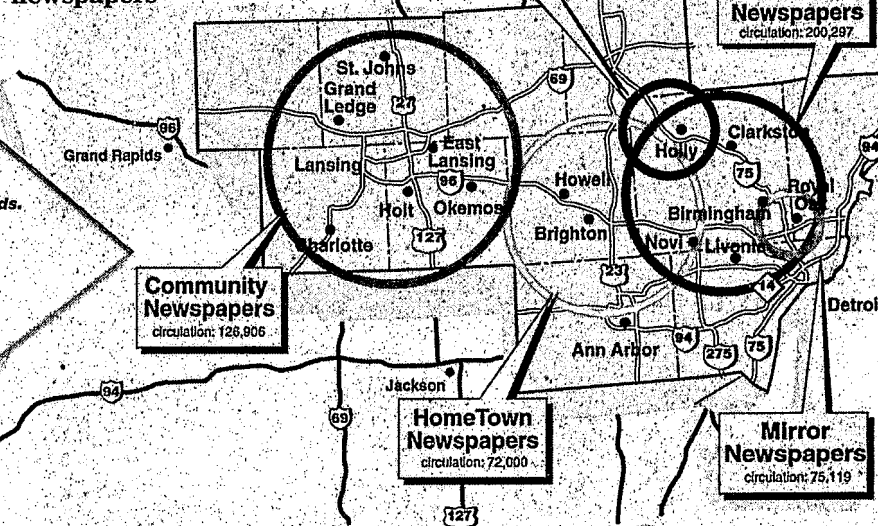


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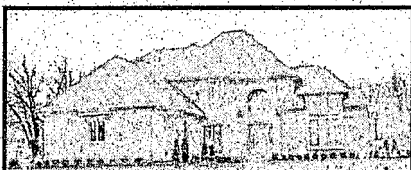
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• 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick Colonial in front of woods
• Beautiful decor, hardwood floors, coed ceilings, crown moldings, spacious kitchen with nook, living room w/ fireplace
• Family room, dining room, master bedroom with 12x10 sitting room. (WA254)
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WALLED LAKE - LAKEFRONT
• Two story Cape Cod on east side of lake
• Sandy beach and many updates! Three bedrooms, breakfast room, & natural fireplace in living room
• Great western views & walkout to stunning sunsets. (LA125)
\$365,000 • 248-624-3015



CLARKSTON
• Impeccable Colonial to satisfy all your needs
• Loads of living space, luxurious master suite
• Eat in kitchen plus formal dining room with pantry
• Daylight windows in basement. 3+ car garage. (HE639)
\$279,900 • 248-625-5700



SOUTHFIELD - OPEN SUN. 1-4
• 19101 Eldridge Ln. - S. off 13 Mile bet. Southfield & Evergreen
• Over an acre in Birmingham School District
• Four bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial
• Large kitchen, master suite with whirlpool tub
• Second floor laundry. (EL191)
\$259,921 • Ellen Ehrlich • 248-647-8047



TROY - WONDERFUL SETTING AND HOME!
• Great updates include: all new oak kitchen, windows, roof, carpet, paint, and many more
• Superb treed site on court deep into subdivision
• Four bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial, Troy Schools. (MI222)
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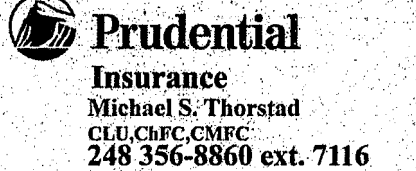
WHITE LAKE - BETTER THAN NEW RANCH
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27100 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak (248) 547-2000 4850 Investment Dr., Troy (248) 641-1660
(East Side of Woodward, 1 Block North of 11 Mile) (S. of Long Lake, W. off Crooks)




ROCHESTER HILLS - 4 BEDROOM TUDOR
• Private first floor master suite with fireplace, wood paneled den and walk-in closets
• Island kitchen w/ bay window in breakfast area, doorwall to huge deck, 3.5 baths. Great neighborhood. (QU319)
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CLASSIC DECO HOME - HUNTINGTON WOODS
• 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath classic 1936 Art Deco home
• Curved walls, hardwood floors, newer windows
• State of the art kitchen with top of the line appliances
• Living room, dining room, & library/study. (HE254)
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BIRMINGHAM
• Vintage four bedroom, three bath brick home on premier street in the "Heart of Birmingham"
• This unique home is well maintained
• Large lot offers potential to expand. (GL690)
\$699,900 • Jane Jacobsen/ Adrienne Starnell • 248-591-2020




WEST BLOOMFIELD - OPEN SUN. 1-4
• 4582 Maple Creek Ct. - E. of Orchard Ln. Rd., S. of Maple
• Gorgeous 4 bedroom, brick 2 story with contemporary flair
• Only 2 years new in desirable cul-de-sac setting
• Dramatic entry w/ soaring ceiling, quality use of ceramic tiles, whirlpool tub in master suite, 3-car attached garage & more!
REDUCED! \$549,900 • 248-851-4400




WEST BLOOMFIELD - BEAUTIFUL WOODED LOT
• Lakes area, privacy, West Bloomfield Schools
• Extensive hardwood flooring and high ceilings
• Sensational kitchen with white cabinets, 3 fireplaces
• Finished lower level walkout, 2 furnaces, 2 a/c. Wine cellar. (MI644)
\$419,900 • 248-851-4400



BLOOMFIELD HILLS
• Enjoy view of Oakland Hills Golf Course from patio
• Beautiful living room with fireplace & antique tile
• Full basement with fireplace, central air, greenhouse
• Two car garage. Great neighborhood. (DA372)
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WHITE LAKE - PREMIUM LAKE FRONTRAGE
• Enjoy waterfront views from this meticulously landscaped Colonial situated on two acres!
• Master bath with jetted tub and separate shower
• French doors, walkout lower level, multilevel deck. (TE234)
\$490,000 • 248-624-3015



WOLVERINE LAKE - OPEN SUN. 1-4
• 814 Wolverine Dr. - N. of Pontiac Trail, W. of S. Commerce
• This darling lakefront 2 story home is a joy to live in
• Two bedrooms, great room opens to a bi-level deck
• Two car garage, skylights & recessed lighting
• Move in condition. A real gem! (W0814)
\$264,700 • 248-851-4400




WEST BLOOMFIELD
• Main lake frontage! Remodeled entry level home
• Hardwood floors, white kitchen, ceramic baths
• Cathedral ceiling, two bedrooms, washer & dryer
• Close to park. ENJOY your summer! (DO332)
\$325,000 • 248-851-4400




FARMINGTON HILLS
• Contemporary with high ceilings and large rooms
• Two way fireplace between living room & great room
• Great views of the commons area and lake
• Brick paver drive, security system & home warranty. (WI289)
\$318,000 • 248-624-3015




TROY - LIKE-NEW HOME!
• Fabulous 1992 built Colonial offers 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths
• Library, spacious kitchen with oak cabinets
• Large family room w/ tall, arched windows & 11' ceiling
• Full finished basement, beautifully landscaped yard. (VI392)
\$275,000 • Christine Hemmings • 248-647-8081




PREMIUM GOLF COURSE LOCATION
• Select home overlooking TCP fairway
• Gorgeous patio home with finest of amenities
• Two fireplaces, library, white marble flooring
• Sprinkler system, gatehouse and more! (TU44)
\$574,900 • 248-324-3800



CHESTERFIELD - WOW!
• Beautiful 1.86 wooded acres with totally updated four bedroom Colonial. Everything is done!
• Newer windows, roof, furnace, carpet, paint, etc.
• Master suite w/ sitting room. Owner transferred. (CH541)
\$249,000 • 248-641-1660



LOCATION, WARMTH & CHARM!
• Shiny, clean four bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial
• Family room, first floor laundry, new carpet
• Lovely yard, home warranty, new central air
• Avondale Schools, Close to Tech centers. (SP182)
\$245,900 • 248-647-6400




ROCHESTER HILLS - PRIVACY!
• Bright & airy 1995 built Tudor provides privacy
• Backs to woods in the heart of Rochester
• Fabulous great room with cathedral ceiling & fireplace
• Formal dining, library/den. Gorgeous master suite. (TH104)
\$244,900 • 248-641-1660




ROCHESTER HILLS - OPEN SUN. 1-4
• 6201 Lake Forest - Off Old Perchon Campus Ln. on Lake Forest Court
• Charming four bedroom ranch offers finished lower level walkout to decking with water garden and large yard
• Canopied porch off living room, island kitchen
• Great location within walking distance to schools. (LA620)
\$244,900 • 248-651-8850




SOUTHFIELD - LOVELY & VERY SPACIOUS
• Four bedroom Colonial with first floor library & large family room with full fireplace, updated kitchen
• First floor laundry, master bedroom with walk-in closet, partially finished basement, garden & play area. (VI214)
\$210,000 • 248-647-6400




FARMINGTON HILLS
• Spacious four bedroom Colonial nestled on treed site
• Lovely heated sun room with two skylights
• Large family room w/ bay window & charming fireplace
• 3.5 baths, two car attached garage, security alarm. (WH300)
\$209,900 • 248-324-3800



ROCHESTER HILLS
• Beautiful brick ranch on secluded 1+ acre lot
• Combination great room/dining room with fireplace
• Hardwood floors, four bedrooms, 2.5 baths
• Finished walkout, 2 car garage, patio & pool. (CH177)
\$267,000 • 248-651-8850



1861 Christy Court - N. off Hamlin & E. of Crooks
• Ranch condo custom designed with two baths, two car garage and full basement
• Great room, fireplace with marble surround
• Club house, nature trail, pool, tennis courts. (CH186)
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