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SPORTS

Swingtime: *Clarkston senior Chris Mitchell will lead the Wolves' baseball team into action this spring. To read more about him, see Page C1.*

VINTAGE



CLARKSTON

Last week we left two acquaintances on their way from Ionia to Oakland County by way of Howell. It was late fall, around 1835. The men had nothing with them but matches and a compass. They came to the Red Cedar River at Okemos (then a small Indian village). The man, who was unidentified in the *1868 History of Howell, Michigan* by Elisha Smith, continues his story:

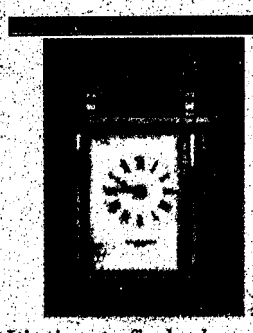
"When we arrived at the proper place for crossing (the Red Cedar), the water looked too deep, and we went up the stream still farther in hopes of finding a more shallow fording place. On and on we went up the river for several miles, meeting with no success, until, knowing that we would be compelled to make the same distance back, we determined to go no further. Accordingly we placed our compass, matches and money in our breast pockets and stepped into the river. We did not anticipate a pleasant bath, for the weather was very cold and the snow was falling rather briskly. The river bottom was covered with weeds, and proved to be much deeper than we supposed. We moved on cautiously, and the water had reached nearly to our armpits, when suddenly down we both went, our hats floating away down the stream. After considerable diving, plunging and scrabbling, we finally merged into the freezing air. The water, which streamed from our hair and clothes, immediately formed into long icicles. We were indeed in a sad plight. With long poles we succeeded in getting our hats, but our matches were wet, and we had no means of building a fire to warm our chilled bodies. What was to be done?"

Next week—will they make it through the night ahead?

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

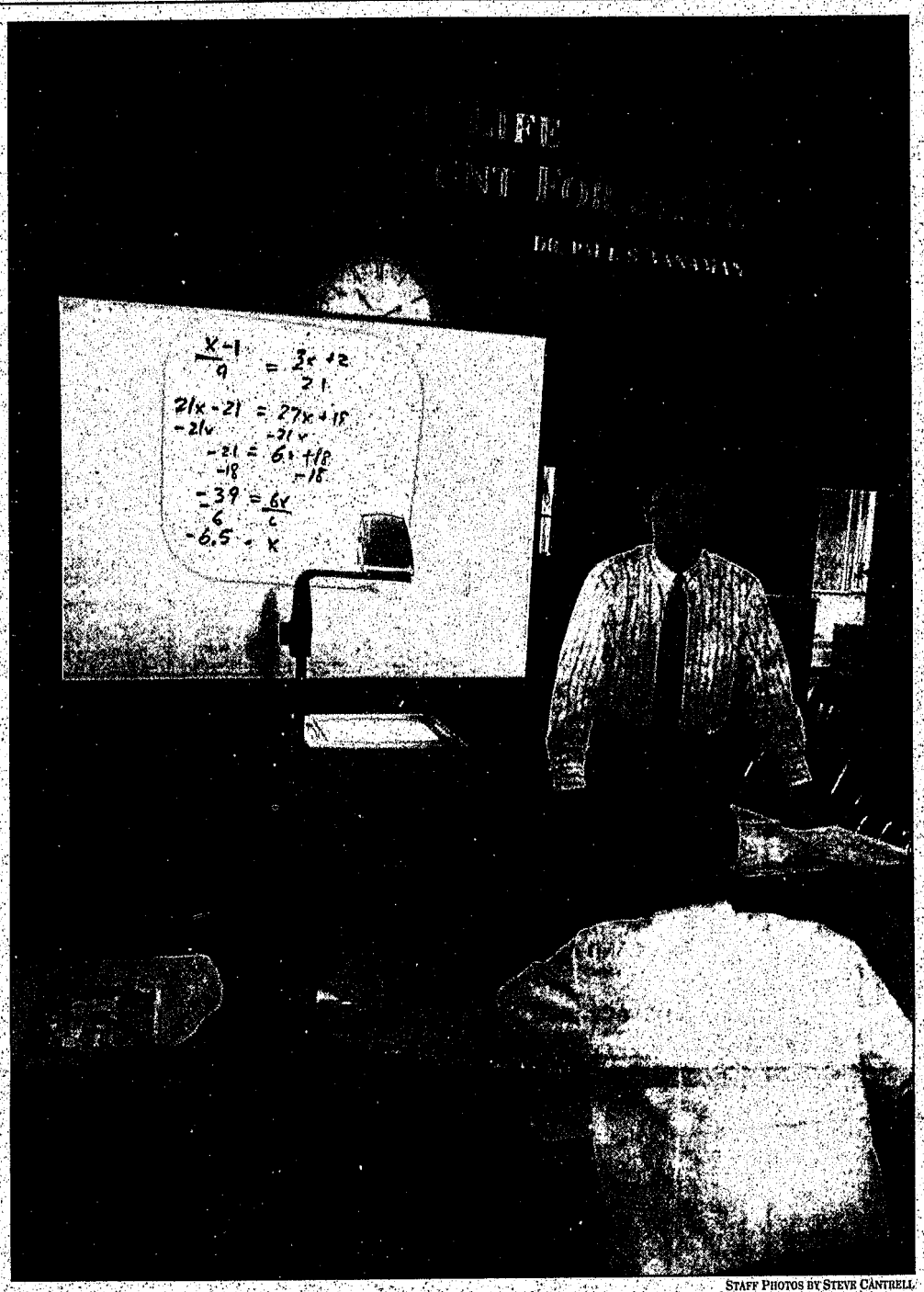
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Making lives count for Jesus: *Dennis Hopkins teaches a math lesson underneath words spelling out the school's mission statement.*

Springfield Christian

K-12 school remains strong in academics, certain in beliefs

(Editor's note: This story is last in a four-part series on private and parochial schools in the Clarkston area.)

BY JAN BAKER
SPECIAL WRITER

It's a local private school that prides itself in offering a rigorous and well-rounded academic curriculum for children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade.

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

But more importantly, Springfield Christian Academy in Springfield Township is a place where children learn how to become good followers of Jesus Christ according to Baptist doctrine — one that adheres to a literal interpretation of the Bible.

It's clean. It's bright. It's friendly.

And it's fervent about its mission.

Launched in 1972 as Clarkston Christian Academy, the school has operated for 28 years as a religious extension service of its next-door neighbor, Dixie Baptist Church.

According to the Rev. Todd Vanaman, Dixie's pastor and Springfield Christian's director, the school took root because of a growing spiritual need for Jesus Christ in the classroom. Vanaman said that morality, Christian values and high standards — "what the United States was founded upon" — slowly began to erode in mainstream public schools after 1963 when the U.S. Supreme Court banned prayer from that venue. By the late '60s, the school situation had become so alarming to members of the Dixie Baptist congregation that they started looking into an alternative.

Vanaman's father, the Rev. Paul Vanaman, led the faithful. The elder Vanaman, who founded Dixie Baptist Church and was pastor there at the time, organized like-minded believers in the congregation and around the community to establish a Christian school. There, children could learn clear, Bible-based standards of morality along with subjects like language arts, social studies and math. And educators could teach the biblical account of creation as they believed it to be, the absolute truth.

It represented a religious calling. It still does.

Please see **SCHOOL, A6**



In class: *Timmy Lilienthal concentrates on a school lesson.*



Right road?: *Springfield Christian is easily recognized by this sign.*

Decision on school time set for May

■ The Clarkston school board is expected to make a decision May 8 on school starting times. No one spoke in favor of the current proposal at Monday's public hearing.



BY SUSAN B. TAUBER
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When the group goes back to the drawing board to finalize the draft proposal about changing school start times, it might not emerge until the final proposal is due in May.

It has so much information to review that's been gathered from parents, students and school staff about the later proposed starting times for elementary and middle schools. This information came from surveys, discussions, phone calls, letters and a public hearing conducted Monday. No one spoke in favor of the proposal at the public hearing.

The Clarkston Community Schools board of education is expected to make a decision on the final proposal at its meeting May 8.

The proposal recommends starting Clarkston elementary schools at 8:50 a.m., 35 minutes later for Independence Elementary School, and starting the two middle schools at 9:15 a.m. That's 95 minutes later for Clarkston Middle School and 85 minutes later for Sashabaw Middle School. The Clarkston High School starting time will remain the same at 7:30 a.m.

These changes would affect 1,700 middle school students and 3,300 elementary school students.

The survey of 400 Clarkston Community Schools families showed that those parents believe the best time for middle school to start is between 8-8:15 a.m. The majority of middle school students involved in discussions about the proposal said they'd like to start school between 7:15-7:45 a.m.

The draft proposal came about after a task force began searching for ways to handle bus transportation problems within the school district.

"While we were looking at changes, we decided to also consider the impact of the students' schedules in order to enhance student achievement," explained Supt. Al Roberts.

About 300 people from the community attended the public hearing at Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center. Many of these included youngsters who will be directly involved by the time changes.

Please see **START TIMES, A4**

CHS alumni visit from West Point

BY SUSAN B. TAUBER
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Josh Holst and Jason Kneisc did what many high school graduates wish they could do when they return to their former high school.

They stood out from the crowd.



Jason Kneisc

Holst and Kneisc were dressed in clothes that said they are different from the traditional high school and college student—and they wore those clothes with pride.

They wore uniforms from the United

Please see **CADETS, A4**

Sex charges against teen are dropped

■ The charges were dropped after Michael David Simko took a polygraph test on March 9.

The Oakland County Prosecutor's Office dropped all charges against Michael David Simko of Independence Township on April 6 at an evidentiary hearing before Judge Gene Schnelz in Oakland County Circuit Court.

The charges were dropped after Simko took a polygraph test on March 9, according to Oakland County Sheriff's Department Detective Dirk Feneley from the Independence Township substation.

Simko, 19, was facing two counts of third-degree criminal sexual conduct. He was arraigned Sept. 16 in 52-2 District Court in Independence Township and in 51st District Court in Waterford. A not-guilty plea was entered on Simko's behalf at both arraignments. He was free after posting a $100 bond in 52-2 District Court and a $500 bond in 51st District Court.

If convicted, Simko could have faced a maximum sentence of 15 years in prison for each count.

Police declined to release details from reports about the charges since the accuser was under age.

New cable provider expected to be OK'd

■ SPRINGFIELD

BY SALLY SLAUGHTER
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Springfield Township residents soon will be getting their cable bills from Comcast Cable instead of Aldelphia.

Comcast, one of the largest cable providers in the country, is in the process of buying Aldelphia. The township board must give Comcast permission to take over the franchise.

Supervisor Collin Walls said the only reason the board could deny the change would be if it thought the new company could not survive financially. The township board is set to talk about the change at tonight's meeting.

This latest change is one of a string of buyouts involving cable service in Springfield, Walls said. North Oakland Cable was the original provider in Springfield.

More recently, Aldelphia bought out Harron Cable System, said Bill Black, director of public affairs for Comcast Cable Midwest Region. Since Aldelphia has no other systems in the state, it is selling its Michigan interests to Comcast, Black said.

Comcast already serves Pontiac and Waterford Township. It also is in the process of acquiring TCI Cable, which serves Independence Township, Black said.

Black said the sale process involving Aldelphia should be complete in about four months. Cable subscribers should see no immediate changes in fees or package offerings. This is because the rates the cable networks charge are fairly uniform and Comcast will be retaining all of Adelphia employees. In the future, however, Springfield subscribers could get some of Comcast's additional services including Internet access and digital cable, which gives subscribers access to 200 channels.

"Packages of this digital cable service is something our customer have requested," Black added.

Tonight's township board meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in the township hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg. Board members also will get an update on the ongoing legal battle involving the township and the Huron-Clinton Metropark Authority. The authority wants to build a water park at Indian Springs Metropark, and the township opposes the plan.

In other legal news, Springfield Investors has filed a lawsuit against the township. Officials have opposed rezoning a parcel at the corner of Dixie Highway and Davisburg Road, and Springfield Investors has sued because it thinks it should be rezoned to commercial. The group of investors wants to build a gas station on the corner.

Also on the agenda will be a public hearing for a special land use request for Forest Hills site condominium development. The 60-acre area is on the south side of Rattalee Lake Road between Eaton and Weber. Board members also will consider the special land use and site plan for the condominium. At least 30 acres will remain undisturbed.

Public hearings set on changes in 2 ordinances

Public hearings are planned for tonight's Independence Township Planning Commission meeting on changes to the site plan review and zoning ordinances.

The changes have to do with historic structures. Township Planner Dick Carlisle said a committee has been working for several months on ways to ensure historic structures are taken into consideration when a property is developed.

The public hearings are the next step in the process to change the ordinances to protect historic structures, Carlisle said a change that was already made regarding accessory structures has helped many people.

"People were being penalized for keeping their barns," he said.

Before the change, barns were considered accessory structures and that square footage was being taken into account when other approval for other outbuildings was requested from the township. So that they didn't overbuild for the size of their property, people had to choose either the improvement or keeping the barn.

Also at tonight's meeting, final site plan approval and OK of planned unit development zoning is being requested for Independence Village Town Center on Waldon Road just west of Sashabaw.

The Planning Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Clintonwood Park Senior Center Carriage House, 5980 Clarkston Road.

Accident hospitalizes 2 Clarkston brothers

BY JAY M. GROSSMAN
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Auburn Hills police are investigating a car crash on I-75 and Joslyn that occurred early Wednesday morning, leaving a Clarkston teenager and his younger brother hospitalized with multiple injuries.

The crash took place around 7:48 a.m. during rush hour traffic, causing major tie-ups as police were forced to close down several northbound and southbound lanes on I-75.

Sgt. Jerry Knapp said it appears the teenager, driving in a pickup truck, had just entered onto northbound I-75 when he collided with a Lincoln Continental being driven by a 39-year-old Troy man.

The crash forced the two vehicles into the southbound lanes, where they were struck by oncoming traffic.

Knapp said the two brothers, ages 16 and 11, were on their way to school. He did not know where the Troy driver was heading.

The 11-year-old was listed in critical but stable condition, while his older brother is listed in stable condition. The driver of the Lincoln, along with the other motorists involved in the accident, were treated for minor injuries.

Knapp said everyone involved was wearing a seat belt.

Anyone with information about the accident is asked to contact Auburn Hills police at 370-9448.

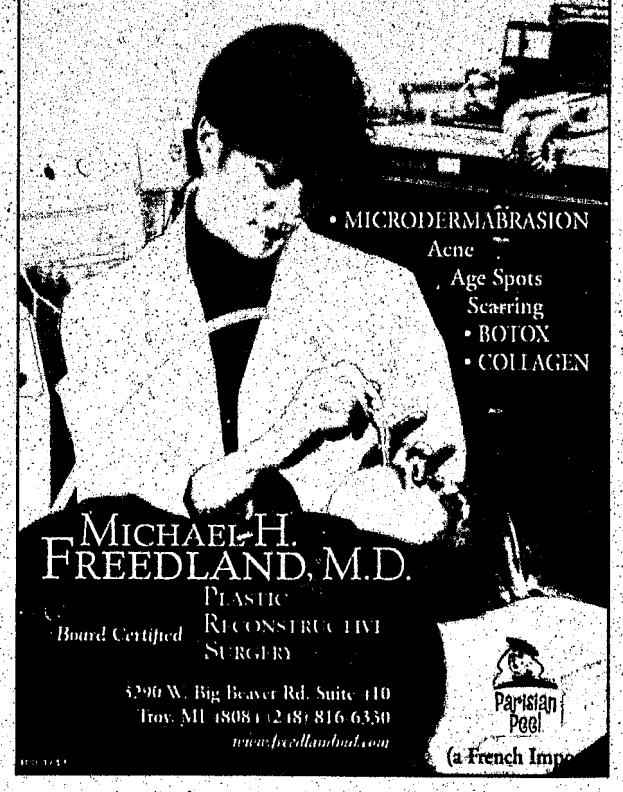
ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Leah C. Howard, a Michigan State University senior and 1996 Clarkston High School graduate, has been inducted into Alpha Epsilon Delta, Michigan State University Chapter, an honor society for students preparing for careers in the health professions. Membership in AED is recognition of superior scholastic achievement of pre-professional students. Leah is the daughter of Tom and Connie Howard of Clarkston.

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Amend Article II, Definitions, Section 2.00, by adding the following definition:

POLITICAL SIGNS: A temporary sign relating to, or used in connection with, a local, school, state or national election.

Amend the following subsections of Article XVI, General Provisions, Section 16.07, Signs;

Amend subsection 16.07.2.d(7) to read as follows:

Signs affixed to utility poles or to trees, rocks, shrubs or natural features, provided signs on a rock denoting a site of historical significance or a person being honored may also be allowed.

Amend subsection 16.07.2.e(4) to read as follows:

Real estate and political signs subject to provisions of paragraph eight.

Amend subsection 16.07.8.b to read as follows:

b. Political Signs

(1) Political signs shall be allowed without permit provided such signs are located on property whose owner(s) have granted permission and that the signs do not violate subsections 16.07.2.d(1), 16.07.2.d(2), 16.07.d(6), 16.07.d(7), 16.07.d(8), 16.07.2.d(10) or 16.07.9.

(2) Political signs may not exceed sixteen (16) square feet in total size or six (6) feet in height in all single family residential districts, or thirty-two (32) square feet in total size and six (6) feet in height in all other districts.

(3) Political signs may not be placed within the township more than twenty-one (21) days in advance of each election where the candidates or issue will be on the ballot, and said signs must be removed within thirteen (13) days.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the complete text of Zoning Ordinance No. 26 may be examined at the Clerk's Office, Charter Township of Springfield, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan during regular office hours Monday through Friday. 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.

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Subsections 16.02.7, 16.02.9.b and 16.02.9.g of Section 16.02, Off-Street Parking, of Article XVI, General Provisions, are proposed to be amended to change references to "Township Board" to "Township body responsible for approving a site plan".

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Watching the master: *Instructor Joseph Opalinski shows Meg Jones and other students a ceramics technique in his Clarkston Community Education class.*

Greenfield Village potter teaches craft

A new Clarkston Community Education class attracted enough interest that it had a waiting list even before it started.

That class is stoneware ceramics, which meets for eight weeks on Thursday nights. It's hard to tell if the reason for the interest from budding and seasoned potters was the chance to learn from professional potter Joseph Opalinski, or the chance to work on a pottery wheel.



Brush strokes: *This is a close-up of a glaze being put on a bowl.*

Opalinski makes stoneware ceramics at Greenfield Village in Dearborn and has been teaching pottery for many years, according to Marilyn Allyn, community education director.

"This was quite a class for us to put together," Allyn said. "We had to find vats, cabinet storage, potters' wheels, a new kiln and the clay, but it sure was worth it. We wanted to offer more classes involving the arts. Mr. Opalinski called us and asked if he could teach any classes here. We are so glad he did."

The class will be offered again, this time on Wednesday nights beginning June 21. For more information, call 674-0993.



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Hands on: *Meg Jones molds her stoneware ceramic piece on the pottery wheel.*



Preparing: *Denise Fortin adds decorative touches to her stoneware ceramic piece.*

Student charged after weapons found

BY SUSAN B. TAUBER
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Clarkston Renaissance High School student Erick Alvin Schmidt of Ortonville is facing charges of violating the weapons-free school zone after police found weapons and ammunition in his vehicle parked at the school last Thursday.

Oakland County Sheriff's Department Detective Chuck Young said Schmidt didn't make any threats to the students or staff at the alternative high school. Young is the school liaison officer for the Independence Township substation.

Renaissance High School is inside the Clarkston Community Education Center at 5275 Maybee Road.

Schmidt, 18, was arraigned Friday in 52-2 District Court on two counts, one of carrying concealed weapons and one of having weapons in a weapons-free school zone. Magistrate Lisa Asadoorian issued a $7,500 cash surety bond and entered a plea of not guilty on Schmidt's behalf.

■ 'At no time was there any altercation with the student or anyone else. The student fully cooperated with police. The case is still under investigation.'

Anita Barach
Clarkston Schools public relations coordinator

The carrying concealed weapons count is a general felony violation that carries up to a five-year prison term or a fine of $7,500. Having a weapon in a weapons-free school zone is a misdemeanor and carries up to 93 days in jail and/or a $2,000 fine.

Schmidt also was arraigned in 52-3 District Court in Rochester Monday on one count of possession of a short-barreled shotgun, which he allegedly showed a friend at Great Lakes Crossing in Auburn Hills, according to police reports. Magistrate Marie Soma issued a $10,000 cash surety bond. Schmidt stood mute. This count is a five-year felony or $2,500 fine.

Soma also ordered that Schmidt undergo a mental health assessment, be supervised by a pretrial service worker, seek and maintain employment, not possess weapons and not return to Great Lakes Crossing mall. Soma also ruled that Schmidt can only be at home, at school or at work pending his trial.

Schmidt faces a preliminary hearing in 52-2 District Court at 10 a.m. April 20 before Judge Gerald McNally. The preliminary hearing in 52-3 District Court is set for 8:15 a.m. April 19 before Judge Ralph Nelson.

Schmidt posted bond on all counts.

Last Thursday, police were called to Clarkston Renaissance High School after students there told administrators a student had weapons inside his vehicle in the school parking lot.

Police approached the vehicle and saw a rifle case through the window. They searched the student's vehicle and found a dagger inside the glove box and a rifle, a 30-round magazine with one round in it and 70 rounds of ammunition in the rifle case, according to police reports.

Police went to Schmidt's house, where his father, Robert Schmidt, led them to a sawed-off shotgun in Erick's bedroom, according to police reports.

Erick Schmidt told police, according to the police reports, that he had the weapons and ammunition in his vehicle at school because he was going target shooting afterwards. The two rifles and the knife were placed in the property room of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

Schmidt has been indefinitely removed from Clarkston Renaissance High School, according to Clarkston Community Schools Public Relations Coordinator Anita Barach.

"At no time was there any altercation with the student or anyone else," Barach said. "The student fully cooperated with police. The case is still under investigation."

Barach said a letter was sent home to all parents of students in the school district informing them the district has zero tolerance regarding weapons in a weapons-free school zone.

"We want to remind people that we have a tough stand on weapons at schools," she added.

POLICE NEWS

Following are some incidents recently reported to police and fire agencies in Independence and Springfield townships and the city of the Village of Clarkston.

Independence Police

Operating under the influence of liquor

On April 7, a 21-year-old Clarkston man received a citation for driving a vehicle while under the influence of liquor. The man was going north on **North Eston** when his vehicle left the roadway and struck a large tree. Police at the scene noticed he had a strong smell of intoxicants. He scored .20 on a preliminary breathalyzer test. The legal limit is .10.

Rollover

On April 8, a 34-year-old man from Hartland received minor injuries after a vehicle he was driving on northbound **Sashabaw Road** rolled over into a pond north of Pine Knob Road. The man was ticketed for driving too fast for the road conditions.

Possession of marijuana

On April 9, police issued an appearance ticket to a 25-year-old Clarkston man after finding what appeared to be a marijuana cigarette inside an open pack of cigarettes the man had. The man was stopped after he was seen carrying three cases of beer from a gas station on **Sashabaw Road** to two vehicles that appeared to have underage passengers.

Host ordinance

On April 9, a 22-year-old Independence Township man received citations for violating the township host ordinance and for contributing to the delinquency of a minor in an apartment on **North Marshbank**. Four people under the age of 21 received citations for minors in possession. They were required to take preliminary breathalyzer tests, scoring from .03 to .07. There is a zero tolerance level for anyone younger than 21. Police were looking for suspects from a retail fraud incident when they spotted a male walking with a female. The male resembled the description of one of the suspects. The officers noticed the walkers had a strong odor of intoxicants. When the officers entered the apartment they had come from, they discovered empty alcohol containers and the four underage people who also had a strong smell of intoxicants.

Springfield Township

No major reports.

Clarkston Police

No major reports.

Independence Fire

Fire calls

Independence Township Fire Department responded to 22 calls from April 6-9. These included eight medical calls, seven personal-injury accidents, two wires down, two investigations, one automatic alarm, one vehicle fire and one grass fire.

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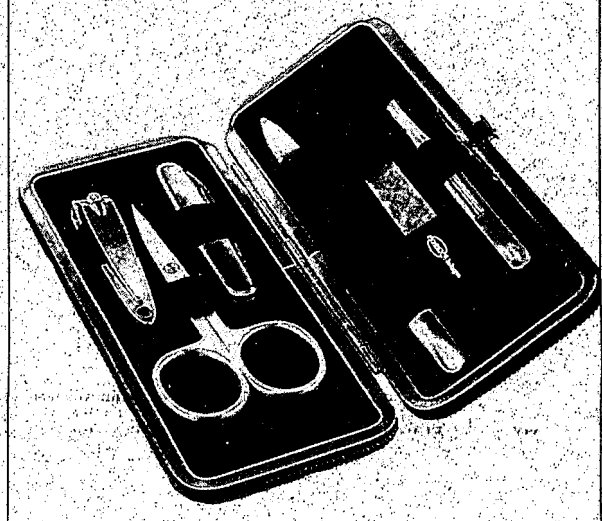
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Michael Sorrentino led off the public hearing. The sixth-grade student at Clarkston Middle School talked about how difficult it would be for him and other middle school students to do all their activities, including family time and homework, with the shortened day after school.

"I think we should work together to try to solve transportation problems," he said. "I'm against the idea (proposal). I think we should divide the proposed time changes among the schools."

Once Michael got the ball rolling, comments and ideas continued for an hour. Roberts stood on stage, listening, sometimes commenting while secretary Ellen Whitehead typed a summary of everyone's comments across a large screen so the audience could read them.

The comments seemed to follow the criticism the district has already heard about the proposal: middle school children not being home to baby-sit elementary school siblings; no time to participate in after-school activities; concerns about the wide span in start times from the middle school to high school; middle school children being left on their own in the mornings to get themselves to school after parents leave for work.

One parent asked if she'll be facing increased cost in latchkey services since her children's time in the latchkey program will be increased. Another raised concerns about middle school children arriving home in the dark after school.

Nan Rogers received a big applause after she told Roberts that "kids need time to be kids." She said as homework demands increase in middle school, these students don't have as much unstructured time after school as they should have.

"We are teaching them to be work-a-holics at a young age," she said. "The stress levels I see in kids raises concerns."

Ann Johns addressed her concerns about middle school children waking up alone in a house once their parents have left for work.

"Not many of us can change our start time to a later time in order to be home until our middle school students leave in the morning with the proposed time," she said. "These students need to wake up to a hug in the morning," she added. "Sending them to latch key in the morning defeats one of the purposes of changing the start time. It's hard to find child care for middle schoolers in the a.m."

Another parent questioned what impact these start times will have on teachers. She also stated concerns about buses and students going home during heavier rush-hour traffic.

Middle school student Stephenie Rota said, "There will always be transportation problems. Why are we going through these changes?"

Roberts addressed comments by a mother who said, "We have a new multi-million dollar high school. Where's the money for additional buses?"

He explained how money for instruction and buses and money for construction and renovations comes from different pockets. "Bond issues for construction and renovations are separate from operating expenses," he said.

Doug Baker, a parent, summed up his reaction to the public hearing.

"Overall, I'd say most people seemed to be against the proposal," he said. "I think the meeting was a little misleading, because the people who show up for these things are the ones usually against change. I think people's reactions are really more split than the way it showed at the meeting." He thinks those who spoke against the proposal raised some good points.

Joyce Nienhuis, also a parent, said she was glad so many people came to the public hearing.

"They demonstrated their interest by their presence," she said.

Wendy Roberts, a fifth-grade student at Andersonville Elementary School, said she thought some of the comments were really good.

"I agree with the kids," she said. "I don't want to be getting home later than my younger sister, Jill, next year."

Cadets from page A1

States Military Academy. Holst and Kneisc are both last-year students from the academy, more commonly known as West Point.

They spent time recently at Clarkston High School talking to students who might be interested in attending the military academy. Holst graduated from CHS in 1996; Kneisc in 1994.

After watching a movie about the military school located in the Hudson Valley 50 miles north of New York City, students divided into two groups. Holst and Kneisc talked to each group individually, answering questions, explaining why they went to a military academy and why they are willing to dedicate years of their lives to protecting the United States.

"You are a Renaissance man or woman when you graduate from West Point," said Holst. "You come out well-groomed academically, physically and with leadership skills. But West Point is definitely not for the party animal. "Everything is very regimented, even down to the way the bristles of your toothbrush have to be pointing in your barracks."

But they agreed they learned to thrive on the lifestyle. They were part of small classes studying science, math, engineering sciences, humanities, behavioral and social sciences and more. They enjoyed the required athletic program, where Kneisc said he even played a unique sport called Flickerball. And they became part of the military environment, where they learned to live up to West Point's historic motto: Duty, Honor, Country.



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Coming home: *West Point Cadet Joshua Holst, a Clarkston High School alumnus, returns to tell students about the academy.*

West Point cadets don't pay for their education there. They receive a scholarship valued at more than $250,000 for the four-year program.

Both CHS alumni will graduate from West Point May 27. By going to the military academy, they've committed the next five years to active duty and three years in the military reserves.

The rigorous training they went through at the academy made them ready to serve as leaders in the military.

Holst and Kneisc both ended up at the academy in different ways.

At first, Holst wanted to be an astronaut, according to his mother, Carlene Holst. His father is Phillip Holst. Then he began thinking of attending one of the military academies.

"He was a natural leader even while at high school," she said. "He was nominated by our Congresspeople to attend West Point and at this point, he's thinking of making a career as an officer in the Army."

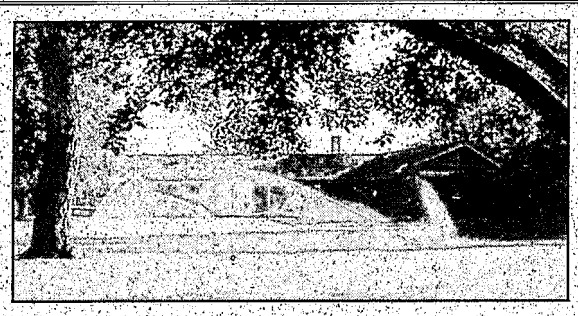
It was a different story for Kneisc. He went to Oakland Community College for a semester, then enrolled in the Army.

He said he was told to apply for the United States Military Academy Preparatory School. He did, and 10 months later ended up at West Point.

He said the moral and ethical training he's received at West Point are unparalleled.

"West Point is the premier leadership institution in the word," said Kneisc, whose parents are Harvey and Teresa Kneisc. "The advantage to attending a military academy is that one gets to challenge himself or herself often and see what they are really made of. This strengthens the individual to the point where they can handle anything. This is not the case at regular colleges."

Kneisc has another item on his agenda after he graduates. He's marrying Shawna Thompson, who also graduated from CHS in 1994. Her parents are Tom and Carol Thompson from Clarkston.



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Senator takes aim on old laws

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Spartan fans could have gotten in big trouble with the law over the past month as they rooted Michigan State University's basketball team on to victory in the NCAA tournament, according to state Sen. Thaddeus McCotter.

It's illegal in Michigan to wear the logo of a sports team or to display that team's emblem, as on a bumper sticker, unless you are actually a member of that team, says McCotter (R-Livonia).

That's just one of a long list of archaic, out-of-date, no-longer-enforced laws the Michigan senator is hoping to get rid of.

Also on the chopping block are:

- Prohibitions against walkathons.
- A ban on using the image of a deceased president to promote alcoholic beverages.
- Requirements for the use of bells on sleighs in the Upper Peninsula.
- Requirements that every county government have an official dairy cream tester.
- Requirements that "weather modifications services" be licensed. That's right, rainmakers have be licensed in the state of Michigan.

Senators voted, nearly unanimously, for a series of dozens of repealer bills, aimed at cleaning up Michigan's code books.

"We only had a couple of dissenting votes. One was (Sen. Phil) Hoffman," McCotter said. "He liked the rat bounty."

Nonetheless, that law — providing residents with a 10 cent bounty when they present the head of a rat to the local municipal clerk — also bit the dust. So did the Sparrow bounty, a 2 cent reward for turning in a dead English Sparrow.



■ '. . . it should serve as a warning to lawmakers today that actions you take may make you look stupid 100 years from now.'

Thaddeus McCotter
—R-Livonia

McCotter headed up the State Law Revision Task Force, assigned to the job of reviewing old laws still on the books in Michigan. Also on the panel were Sens. Alma Wheeler Smith (D-Salem Township) and Mike Goschka (R-Brant). The task force was formed and appointed by Senate Majority Leader Dan DeGrow (R-Port Huron) last June.

According to McCotter, senators took care of about 50 repealer bills last week, sending them to the House for approval. And he said he has many more repealers to go, sponsored by a variety of lawmakers.

How seriously the House will take the job of cleaning up the law books is not clear, the senator said. But action on these bills should take little time and fit it easily among the House's other priorities, McCotter argued.

"Neglect of the law is just as dangerous as outright defiance of the law," McCotter said. "You can't take the attitude that these are just old laws, just words on paper. We are supposed to enforce all the laws equally. For one, what if, forbid, one were enforced against you, a law you have no reason to know exists. Secondly, getting rid of these old laws is less for our law enforcement to pay attention to. Thirdly, it should serve as a warning to lawmakers today that actions you take may make you look stupid 100 years from now."

Like the 1931 law banning "immoral advertising," ads that refer to "the restoration of Lost Manhood.'" Viagra promotions would be illegal under it, McCotter said.

Or old Michigan laws regulating conduct in a duel or being a second in a duel.

Gov. John Engler is supportive to the effort to clean out the old laws, McCotter said.

"This would be a small but important part of the governor's legacy," he said.

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School *from page A1*

"Yes, it is a school. And we provide a top-notch academic education," Rev. Todd Vanaman said recently. "But because it's a Christian school, we view it as a ministry. The word, ministry, just means to help meet people's needs. People have needs — mentally, academically, socially, spiritually."

Though the school's director said students do not have to be Baptists to attend Springfield Christian, they do have to desire to follow "what the Bible has to say" and they have to consider themselves Christians by a distinct definition.

"Our term of 'Christian,' is someone who has received Jesus Christ as their personal Savior," Vanaman said. "In our world today — and in religion — people have different views of what a Christian is. Some people think a person is a Christian because that person goes to a Christian church, whatever the denomination is. To us, it's more than that. Christianity is a personal relationship with Jesus Christ."

Others in the community and in surrounding areas have responded positively to Springfield Christian and what it has to offer young people. Only a K-3 school when it opened its doors in 1972, it added grades 4-6 the following year. By its third year of operation, it was serving children in grades K-9. And in 1978, it celebrated its first graduating class.

According to Springfield Christian principal Randy Bachman, who is also an assistant pastor at Dixie Baptist Church, the school currently houses about 340 students in K-12 and another 80 children in its preschool program.

Vanaman said that because of a growing need for more space and academic offerings, the school's leaders are tentatively planning a 24-classroom addition that would be completed in 2002. That expansion would enable the school to serve about 500 students K-12. And it would coincide with the school's 30th anniversary.

But even with continual growth, the school seems to be achieving its academic goals.

The pastor said that on national standardized tests, Springfield Christian students routinely score an average of one grade-level higher than the grade they are at. The school also requires two years of computer instruction as a graduation requirement. And every elementary classroom has at least one computer in it.

Over the years, Springfield Christian graduates have been accepted into a variety of Michigan and out-of-state universities, as well as military academies. Some of those college graduates have come back to the school as teachers.

Bachman said the school tries hard to stay technologically current.

"We have been able to keep up with technology well, I think," the principal said. "We have a great computer teacher — a graduate of our school. We've had people donate computers to us. We've done fund-raising for programs and things like that ... It hasn't always been easy, but we've managed."

As for classroom numbers, Bachman said that the student-teacher ratio in grades 1-3 is 15/1. Grades 4 and 5 house about 27 to 28 students. And a sixth-grade classroom may have close to 31 students. The principal said student counts at the higher grades vary because of the greater variety of course offerings.

One course that remains stable throughout the grades, however, is Bible class. As part of the curriculum, Bachman said that classes on the subject meet three times a week. Additionally, seventh- through 12th-graders attend chapel service twice a week. And elementary students participate in chapel service once a week.

The school's tuition is $2,450 per student this year. Next fall, it will rise slightly to $2,600.

A good deal?

You bet, says Springfield Christian parent Kim Chadwell.

Chadwell — the mother of two Springfield Christian students, the wife of a Springfield Christian graduate and a graduate of the school herself — said that her children are extremely happy with their school. She expects to send all of her five children there.

"My kids love it," she said recently. "And we're comfortable with the teachers. We go to church with them. We have the same values so we know what's being taught."

Chadwell said that she also appreciates the school's emphasis on academics. And last, but not least, she likes school uniforms — new to Springfield Christian this year. She pointed to the morning peace factor.

"We don't fight over what they wear every day," she said in the motherly tone of, been there — done that.

Annette Knapper, a Springfield Christian parent whose four children attend the school, said that she, too, is pleased with her educational choice. She pointed out that she and her family moved to Independence Township four years ago from Texas and that her children had previously attended Christian schools.

"Every place that we have lived, we've been in top school districts," Knapper said. "So people have always asked us why we send our kids to Christian schools. Well, we do it because our kids get to know God everyday there. Sure, there are (some) mean kids, rebellious kids. But there are also Godly Christian teachers who are able to pray and not get into trouble. God isn't shunned."

And what most satisfies the school's leaders when they view their educational ministry?

"I would have to say that it's seeing the difference that Christ has made in our students' lives," Bachman said. "That kind of keeps you going."

Vanaman agreed.

"You never have a 100-percent success rate in anything or in any place," he said. "But when our main goal is to try and train young people to make their life count for Jesus Christ — in academics, in fine arts, in computers, in athletics — our biggest satisfaction is in seeing our graduates attempting to do what they were trained to do."



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Eager to learn: *Deanna Catinella is all ears in class.*

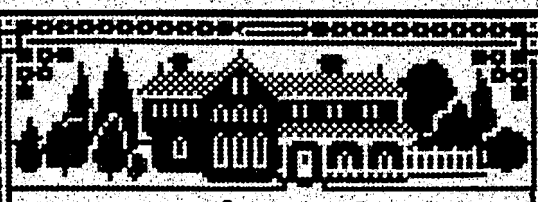
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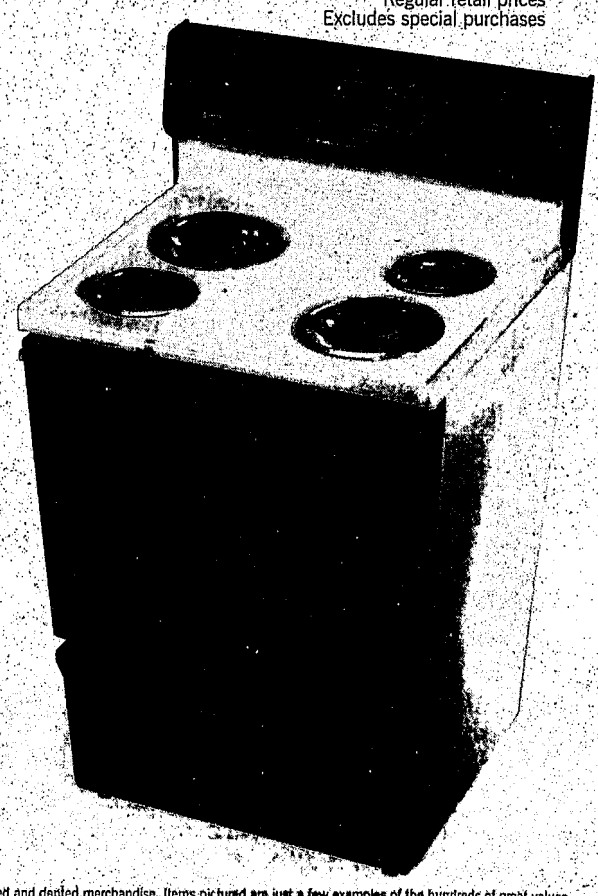


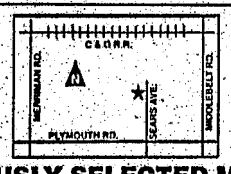
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State compromise benefits police, libraries, truckers

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A three-way dispute over the way truck regulations are enforced — pitting motor carrier companies and drivers against libraries against local law enforcement and municipalities — ended in a compromise last week in the Michigan Senate.

No one was entirely happy with final agreement, explained state Sen. Bill Bullard (R-Highland) who was involved in crafting the settlement. But the three sides concluded they would not oppose the final version.

And the six-bill package that instituted it was approved in 36-0 votes on the senate floor Thursday, April 6.

What truckers, drivers and owners, got in the compromise were limitations on the enforcement of motor carrier codes, Bullard said. The legislation would limit the number of tickets that can be written by local police for minor truck code violations.

Truckers had complained they were sometimes given several tickets on the same day in different jurisdictions for minor violations, like a cracked mud flap or a cracked windshield. The compromise legislation said only one such ticket can be issued within a 24-hour period.

Additionally, if the violations are repaired within 14 days, the ticket will be dismissed under the new bills. For serious safety violations, Bullard said, the truck may still be impounded immediately.

Additionally, new weighmasters in local police departments, who conduct inspections of trucks for municipalities, will have to undergo special training to bring them up to state police standards, although current weighmasters will be grandfathered in, Bullard said. The portable scales used by weighmasters to gauge the weight of trucks they inspect on the road side require special training, he explained.

What police won in the compromise were provisions that allow them to continue to write tickets for standard traffic violations, like speeding or running a red light. Only inspections of trucks will be reserved for municipal weighmasters.

What libraries got out the compromise was a 30 percent share of ticket revenue. Currently they get none, but libraries have maintained they should, according to the Michigan Library Association's Marianne Hartzell. The state Constitution says all criminal fines levied in the state should go to libraries. But in 1994, trucking regulations were decriminalized, turned into civil fines, and the revenue from such tickets was sent back to municipalities to pay for the cost of truck enforcement. Libraries have seen that as a loss of revenue, Hartzell explained.

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Marianne Hartzell
—Michigan Library Assn.

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Still, Hartzell said the compromise reached in the senate last week, targeting 30 percent to libraries, was the best they could hope for. She said she hopes the House will approve the Senate's compromise.

What municipalities got was that they retained 70 percent of the revenue generated by truck enforcement on their local roads. Currently, municipalities get 100 percent, but under the version passed by the House of Representatives, they'd have received none of it. Rather, it would have been divided between libraries, local courts and road improvements.

That had led city governments, like Livonia and Westland, to protest the bills, saying they would have close down their truck enforcement.

Sen. Thaddeus McCotter (R-Plymouth) explained that state has left enforcement of trucking to the local units, and that is why they initially were given the entire about of the revenue, and why they'll retain 70 percent now. When the state hand responsibilities to the local units, it has to provides the means for paying for it.

The compromised was reached last Thursday in negotiations between Bullard, Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) and Senate Majority Leader Dan DeGrow (R-St. Clair).

All local senators voted for the compromise on all six bills, House Bills 4927-32.

OCC Board battle draws 6 candidates

Six people submitted the required papers to run for the Oakland Community College Board of Trustees by last Monday's filing deadline.

Challengers for the board are Richard Akehurst of Royal Oak, Carol Crew of Waterford, Pamala Davis of Clawson, Athena Dumas-Lawrence of Pontiac, Marjorie Mugerian of Farmington Hills and John Wangler of Bingham Farms.

Crew and Davis, current members of the board, were first elected in 1994.

Prospective candidates were required to submit nominating petitions containing the signatures of between 50 and 200 registered voters, as well as background affidavits. Candidates who wish to withdraw must do so by 4 p.m. April 13.

Voting to fill two six year terms on the seven-member board takes place on Monday, June 12, the date of the annual school elections.

OCC board members are elected on a non-partisan, at-large basis by voters living within the college district, an area that generally coincides with the boundaries of Oakland County. Trustees serve as volunteers, and are not paid for their services.

Oakland University group to celebrate diversity, friendship

Oakland University's International Students Organization will host an International Night 7-10 p.m. Friday, April 14, in the Oakland Center on the university campus.

"It is going to be a celebration of diversity and friendship," said Edin Sehovic, president of the ISO. "We do realize that we can't show cultures of every single country in the world, but our goal is to show how different the cultures are and to break the stereotypes."

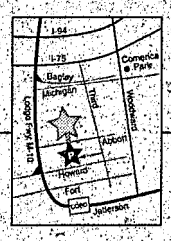
Some of the activities scheduled are an ethnic food tasting, musical groups and dancers performing a variety of dances from around the world, including belly dancers, Indian line dances performed by members of OU's own Indian Club and swing dancers from OU's Swing Dance Society.

There are 241 international students from 48 countries at Oakland University. The ISO is a new organization on campus, and the International Night is its first big event. For more information, contact Ania Matuszewska at (248) 650-2429.



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Our philosophy

News coverage — with a heart

Phil Power, owner of Hometown Communications Network, which publishes the Clarkston Eccentric, recently spoke to the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and the Clarkston Area Optimist Club about how the Clarkston Eccentric's news philosophy differs from that of large dailies, and television and radio news stations.

His message is worth repeating in this space for folks who didn't attend either speech. Quite frankly, we're proud of our philosophy and think sharing it with our readers helps them understand why we make the news coverage decisions we do.

Power said employees of the Clarkston Eccentric, and the other newspapers he owns, regard themselves as caring citizens of the communities about which they report. That means reporters, editors and photographers cover news events in a fundamentally different way than journalists who may not care about the ramifications of what they publish or broadcast.

Our staff members deal daily with the leaders of the Clarkston community. They take great care to publish balanced, accurate accounts of what's occurred. They put news events in perspective, not sensationalizing them in hopes of furthering their journalistic careers. Our staff members — who are hired only if they share the same news philosophy — realize that if they write biased, inaccurate stories or sensationalize the news, they'll have to answer to Clarkston's community leaders, who'll be on the phone or in the newsroom demanding an explanation.

Journalists for large dailies and the television and radio media don't have such accountability. They don't have newsrooms located in the communities they cover. They don't have reporters, editors and photographers who talk daily or weekly with Clarkston's community leaders.

Power noted that it's often the stories we don't report, the information we leave out of stories or where we place the stories in the paper that makes the difference.

He used as an example our coverage last April of the copycat incidents that occurred in Clarkston following the Columbine High School shootings. The large dailies and electronic media had a field day with the incidents — graffiti on the Clarkston High School sidewalk and bizarre writings on the Internet by a Clarkston High School student — giving them extensive front-page, lead-story coverage.

While we didn't ignore the incidents, we also didn't contribute to the hysteria they were causing. Balancing the public's right to know with the realization that publicizing such incidents could encouraging more of them, we placed the news on Page 3.

Following Power's talk, Diane Midgley, president of the Optimists, said that the kind of news writing we at the Clarkston Eccentric practice is news writing with a heart.

We couldn't have said it better ourselves.

Transit truth: Folks need to get from 'burb to 'burb

■ Transit officials must realize that cross-suburban travel is equally as important as suburb-to-downtown travel. The truth is: All roads don't lead to downtown Detroit anymore.

You can't get there from here — not on public transit, anyway." That's what we had to tell an elderly woman who stopped by one of our offices some years back to ask where she could catch a bus for a shopping center in a nearby town.

The sad fact was, she couldn't bus to the mall back then, or maybe she could but her trip would have been so complicated with multiple transfers and layovers that she likely would have got there faster by thumbing a ride out on Rochester Road.

The suburban SEMTA lines ended far short of where she wanted to go. Taxi service was expensive and uncertain. That was (and is) life in metropolitan Detroit: If you don't drive, you'll probably walk.

The suburban transit picture has brightened a bit since SEMTA became SMART (Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation) about 10 years ago, but the privately owned automobile is still king in metropolitan Detroit.

A recent comment by a Wayne County school superintendent got us thinking about public transportation in Detroit. The educator, born and raised New York City, had relocated to Detroit about 20 years ago. On his very first day in town, he was spotted walking uncertainly up and down the same block of Greenfield Road. A passerby asked what he was looking for. His answer: the subway entrance.

Well, unfortunately there's still no subway in the Motor City, but SMART has been on the radio lately with some down-home style commercial spots that stress the importance of the area's suburban bus line. Transit officials are trying to do a better job of getting prospective workers to and from their jobs. "Too often the lack of transportation is the missing link between a qualified worker and a job," said one official.

The availability of jobs in Oakland and western Wayne counties have boosted ridership on the suburban lines, officials have said. Still SMART has its problems, and outmoded routes are chief among them.

Conventional wisdom holds that suburban bus lines survived (with hefty subsidies) only to carry people back and forth between outlying areas and the downtown business district of the core city.

Here in Motown, that meant moving folks along speedways like Woodward, Grand River, Gratiot and Michigan to downtown Detroit, where a lot of them went to work or play.

But with the greening of Oakland and western Wayne in the 1980s, the needs of bus patrons have changed. Today fewer people need round-trip transportation between the suburbs and downtown Detroit.

Many, however, would like to get from places like Birmingham, where the live, to Rochester Hills, where they work. Could they do that on a SMART bus in reasonable time , or would they be like that woman in our office years ago who had to be told she couldn't get there from here?

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"No. I'll send it on the 15th."
Heather Rogers
Springfield Township



"I don't think so. My accountant handles it."
Michael Jeffreys
Waterford



"Yes."
Stacy Turner
Clarkston

LETTERS

Upgrade to paramedic level

Hats off to the Independence Township Board for considering adding paramedic service within the fire department. Many fire departments in Oakland County have been providing paramedic service to their residents over the past 25 years. In the past three years, Madison Heights, Ferndale, Royal Oak and Farmington Hills have added paramedic service to their fire departments. Commerce, Rochester Hills and Novi are looking to provide this service in the near future.

Why is this? Simple. Communities that do not have fire department paramedics sometimes must wait up to a half-hour for a private ambulance paramedic to treat someone who is in cardiac arrest. While defibrillators can be helpful, advanced life support is what saves lives. Only paramedics can start IVs and administer heart drugs that can restart the heart. Chances of survival are increased the sooner these drugs can be started on the patient.

With more and more Medicare/Medicaid cuts, private ambulance companies are reducing the number of ambulances on the road, causing longer response times. There are hours of the day that no private ambulances are available for medical runs.

The Independence Firefighters, who staff their stations 24 hours a day, can provide paramedic service to the residents within minutes of receiving a call for help. I hope the proactive township board and the dedicated firefighters can work out a fire department millage renewal proposal that will make this service available to the community.

Steve Secatch
Clarkston

Thanks for census response

Many thanks to the residents of Independence Township. The U.S. Census Bureau reports that nationally the initial response rate for returning census forms is 55 percent; for Michigan the rate is 61 percent, and for Independence Township the rate is 69 percent.

If you have not returned your form, please do so today. If you did not receive a form, they are available at the township main office or at the township library. We need to have an accurate count of our residents so that we get our fair share of revenue and other benefits for you. Remember the data you provide is confidential.

Dale A. Stuart
Independence Township Supervisor

Colombiere story concise

The report and graphics of your visit and interviews at Colombiere Center, run in the March 30 issue of the Clarkston Eccentric, was excellent. As an old school teacher, I felt compelled to commend and congratulate staff writer Sally Slaughter for the comprehensive, yet concise, commentary on our Jesuit convalescent care/retirement home here in Michigan.

Journalism can be a fragile art, not often recognized and rewarded by a very diverse and highly critical audience. But Slaughter's Colombiere story in my opinion is a prelude to a very successful and gratifying future.

Father Bob Humbert
Springfield Township

Does paving roads have to result in cutting trees?

I see a significant challenge to the maintenance of the quality and character of life in the future of Independence Township, perhaps to the entire area of northwest Oakland County. It is captured in a statement gathered from the participants in the 2020 discussions a couple of years ago: "Transportation — Local planning: paved roads, preserve trees — so change Oakland County Road Commission standards."

Clearly, a community conflict was being addressed by proposing a compromise: that we have paved roads, but preserve the tree lines by changing the road-building standards. Presently, there are requirements that when roads are paved they have a certain width, shoulders and drainage provisions. The effect of these standards is a significant widening of the right of way for a roadway so that the bordering canopy of trees along the road is removed. (Also, road widening causes above-ground utilities on poles to be moved back, resulting in the removal of more trees and the mutilation of other trees.) In many areas in our community, this road bordering tree canopy is the key to the feeling of a natural, rural setting. And, in some areas, it is the only source of tree concentrations.

I hear that there are those who want to see that all roads in the community are paved. While the need, cost to the taxpayers, and value of such a goal is debatable, there seems little doubt that most people do not want the tree canopy to disappear. Thus, the question is: Have changes in the Oakland County Road Commission standards for paved roads been made so that the tree lines can be retained?

There is a test case coming. There are plans to pave a portion of Waldon Road, east of Sashabaw and I-75, this year. It will be interesting to see what impact this project has on the character of that area, what message it gives to the community, and how the community chooses to react.

Tom Stone
Independence Township

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— Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Grades shouldn't suffer if students can't help being absent from class



JAIME GREEN

My family and I went to Jamaica on spring break last year and went to Mexico this year. On both occasions I missed three to four days of school. When I came back from Mexico this year, it came to my attention that I had been marked down in some classes because I had been absent. My teachers had graded on participation and since I hadn't been there, I couldn't get the points. I missed 12 points within that week. In that class, a homework grade is worth 10 points. It's the same as a missing assignment, and in that class one missing assignment can start to hurt your grade.

Three weeks ago I had to miss three days of school to have surgery. Once again I was graded on participation and missed points. All of these missed points do not help my grade. Most people remember that when you are in high school it's hard enough to keep up your grades so it's unfair that you may be marked down in a class when there are certain circumstances you can't avoid causing you to be absent.

I have a real problem being graded down, or losing points that hurt my grade just because I am absent. My parents decided to take a vacation, and it wasn't exactly my choice. What does the school expect me to do, stay home?

Many students share my opinion.

April Samson, a Clarkston sophomore, said, "Teachers shouldn't mark you down if you make up your work. It's not up to me if my parents want to go on vacation."

Anna Trim, a Clarkston freshman, said, "It's not fair. As long as you make up your work, then your grade should not be affected."

Teachers have a different perspective on that. I have to look at both sides of this issue. One of my teachers said she thinks it's fair that we can loose points from absences. She said that if we aren't in school it's our fault, and that our grades can reflect that.

Contrary to that, what about when teachers are absent? We have to get along without them. They can't be there for certain reasons, and that's understandable. It needs to be understandable if we aren't there also, though.

Some students abuse absences. They skip school, their parents let them stay home, or they just don't feel like coming so they don't. I think that if you decide to just skip school then it's your own fault. I really don't believe that those kids have the right to complain. You make your bed; you have to lie in it. Those absences are not excused so we are lucky if we get to make up the work or tests and quizzes.

If our absence is excused we should have every opportunity to make up anything that was graded. Any test, quiz, homework assignment, lab or participation should be available for make-up. To hurt someone's grade just because they weren't in school is wrong.

Doctor appointments are sometimes made during school hours. You can loose points for going to those and missing school. One teacher remarked that the appointment could be made after school hours. Well, most underclassmen can't drive so they rely on their parents to take them. So, if the parents can only get an appointment during the morning, then our grades shouldn't have to suffer from it.

I'm writing this to express worry from many students at Clarkston. Our future slightly depends on what we do now. If our grades suffer because of reasons that we can't help, then we are damaging our future. For every point lower your grade point average is, the more our parent's nag on us, and the harder it is to get into college.

For a teacher to be able to grade me down for not being in school because of an excused reason is absurd, in my opinion. I really think that we need to look at the grading procedures. If I am not in school, and for a good reason, my teachers shouldn't be able to hurt my grade. We need to establish a method of grading that doesn't hurt us for being absent, as long as we take it seriously. That gives everyone a chance to do their best, without having to worry about participation..

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

High school test needs to be required



PHILIP POWER

Gov. Engler wants students who pass the high school Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test to get a $2,500 college scholarship from the state.

On the surface, it sounds like a pretty reasonable idea.

After all, high school students have been blowing off the MEAP in droves over the past few years.

In some upper-income school districts such as Birmingham, less than 20 percent of students wound up taking the MEAP last year. How come? Because most of these kids are already taking lengthy and demanding ACT and SAT aptitude tests for college, and gearing up for yet another big test — one that colleges don't require for admission and employers don't request at job interviews — seems pointless.

And guess what? With the new $2,500 incentive to take the MEAP in place, test-taking skyrocketed this year. Some districts reported as many as 90 percent of their students took the MEAP.

There are plenty of critics, however. Some call the program welfare for the well-off. Others complain that spending public money on college scholarships that will go disproportionately to kids from relatively affluent families merely widens the gap between the haves and have-nots. Still others complain that teachers are ignoring educating their students by spending disproportionate time teaching to the test.

The current dispute merely highlights problems that have plagued the MEAP from the start.

Originally designed as an instrument to evaluate high school curricula and teaching methods, the MEAP got overtaken by the national passion for school reform. Quite rightly, reformers argued that the way to get school improvement was to design a test that would assess what students actually learned, publish the results school by school and depend on public pressure to improve teaching methods and course materials.

Michigan didn't have such a test in place. So rather than import one from outside (perish the thought!), school authorities decided to use the MEAP, even though everybody realized the test was being used for purposes for which it was not designed. Most experts quickly recognized the flaw, and the MEAP test went through a series of improving (and, often, confusing) redesigns.

The news media (including, notably, this newspaper) jumped on the idea, regularly running detailed reports of MEAP test results, school district by district, school building by building. For a while, MEAP test results became the main driver for school reform, with teachers and administrators trembling with anxiety before the scores came out.

But lurking in the background was another flaw in the program. Although the State Board of Education tried to make the MEAP compulsory for all high school students, the legislature, scared of grumbling students and cross parents, never went along.

So the MEAP, the primary instrument for school reform in Michigan, wound up as a confusing, long, arduous and ill-designed test that kids and parents could ignore without penalty. High school kids and parents caught on quickly, and participation rates tumbled.

The seemingly practical solution proposed by the Engler Administration amounts to a $2,500 college scholarship bribe for kids to take the MEAP in enough numbers so it can remain a valid instrument for assessing school performance. No wonder lots of people are unhappy.

The truly practical solution is to require all kids as a condition of receiving their high school diploma to take the MEAP test or some other better alternative. It's logical. It's cheap. It's common sense.

And, of course, our legislative masters are certain not to buy it.

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CLARKSTON COMMUNITY TASK FORCE FOR YOUTH CORNER

Task force considering new name, revised mission statement

About five years ago, the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth was formed as a response to the Western Michigan University survey conducted at Clarkston High School. This survey revealed that our students showed an above-average use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Several members of the community, very concerned about our students, gathered together to discuss what could be done to rally the community in support of this issue.

■ Our proposed vision for Clarkston is 'Clarkston will be a community that promotes positive youth development and healthy lifestyles free of high-risk behavior for all who live and work in the Clarkston area.'

The result of that meeting was the "Task Force." The idea was that we unite concerned parents, businesses, the schools and existing organizations and by working together we could effect a greater change than we might by working alone.

Recently, the Task Force executive committee has been looking at how we, as a uniting organization, might be more effective in the desire to bring about positive changes in our students. The conversations have been long and difficult because while each of us comes to the table with a sincere desire to help to make Clarkston a healthy place for all its citizens, we wanted to make sure that we were doing effective work that could bring about measurable changes within our student population. We take our responsibilities very seriously and through a lot of soul searching as an organization, we are proposing a new vision statement, a new mission statement and a new name for the Task Force at the next general membership meeting to be held at 7 a.m. Thursday, April 13, in the Carriage House at Clintonwood Park.

Our proposed vision for Clarkston is "Clarkston will be a community that promotes positive youth development and healthy lifestyles free of high-risk behavior for all who live and work in the Clarkston area." We acknowledge that true health in a community means that we as a community need to help all citizens move toward health. Only when all its members are healthy can we know that our youth are healthy.

Our proposed mission or purpose is "to serve the community by promoting awareness, support and opportunities aimed at reducing high-risk behavior including alcohol, tobacco and other drug use, so our youth may grow toward their greatest physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual potential."

We know that there are appropriate times for early intervention and treatment for people involved in high-risk behavior. We will continue to work towards supporting and uniting existing agencies that do this work so diligently. Research from Search Institute, "What Kids Need To Succeed," clearly shows, however, that the best way to effect change in a community is to layer our children with protective factors, some of which are called developmental assets by Search Institute. Protective factors help to strengthen their personal resolve to not engage in high-risk behaviors. It is in the promotion of protective factors that our organization will spend much of its energy over the next year.

Our proposed name change is "Clarkston Coalition for Youth." A coalition is an umbrella organization, uniting existing organizations doing similar work along with pulling together community resources to assist in those tasks. We are excited about the possibilities of working towards a healthier Clarkston, united in our desire to raise healthy children.

If you are interested in helping in this cause or would like more information about the Clarkston Coalition for Youth, check out our website at www.clarkstonyouth.org or call us at 922-3004.



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Senate enacts credits for redevelopment of old land

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The state hopes to encourage developers to reclaim old blighted industrial facilities through a set of new tax credits, approved in a series of bills last week by the Michigan Senate.

The four-bill package, Senate Bill 269 and House Bills 4400, 5443 and 5444, were approved in 37-1 votes. Lawmakers hope the legislation will entice developers to redevelop blighted area by allowing the developers to receive special tax credits.

The package would revise the Michigan Economic Growth Authority program to allow the state to approve up to 15 tax credits per year for brownfield redevelopment in a list of 80 communities. Three could be for between $10 million and $30 million. The larger credits would be for up to 10 percent of the redevelopment investment. Thirteen of the new MEGA tax credits would be limited to between $1 million and $10 million. Thirty credits would be allowed per year for brownfield projects below $1 million.

Those projects would have to obtain the approval of the State Treasurer. The package would also allow up to fifty MEGA grants for businesses deemed to be high technology.

The bills were amended to allow for redevelopment of sports stadiums as well through amendments offered by Sens. Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield Hills) and Mat Dunaskiss (R-Lake Orion).

The purpose of the amendment was to allow for tax credits to encourage the redevelopment of the property on which the Silverdome sits, when the Detroit Lions vacate it in 2002.

All local senators voted for the package. The bills were initially called for by Gov. John Engler in his State of the State address, to redirect development of industrial facilities away from greenfield areas and back toward central cities.

Nightingale Awards to go 8 nurses in OU program

Oakland University will honor eight nurses who exemplify the work of Florence Nightingale, the Englishwoman who in the mid 1800s created the nursing profession at the 12th-annual Nightingale Awards.

The event, open to the public, will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 10, at the Troy Marriott Hotel. Tickets are $60. For more information or for tickets, call (248) 370-4065.

Keynote speaker will be Maxine Berman, a former state representative.

Recipients of this year's awards are: Karen Allen, of St. Joseph, Nursing Administration Award, Andrews University; Elaine S. Horowitz, of Huntington Woods, Nursing Education Award, Providence Hospital and Medical Centers; Gail Brown, of Southfield, Nurse Entrepreneurship Award, Brown Rehab Management & Brown Review Management; Kathleen McKay, of Woodhaven, Home Care Award, Henry Ford Home Health Care; Carol Armstrong, of St. Clair Shores, Long-term Care Practice Award, DMC Nursing Centers West; Carmen Buch, of Sterling Heights, Nursing Practice Award, William Beaumont Hospital, Troy; Ann L. Horgan of Detroit, Nursing Research Award, Wayne State University, Institute of Gerontology, College of Nursing; Denise Bortolani-Rabidoux, of Bloomfield Hills, Oakland University Alumni Award, Evangelical Homes of Michigan.

Each recipient receives $1,000 and a bronze statue of Florence Nightingale.

Berman, a state representative for 14 years, is known for her legislation related to breast cancer. In 1997, she began her own business, Capitol Strategies, Inc., emphasizing advocacy training and political consulting. She is also currently the executive director of the Women's Health Network of Michigan and Director of the Michigan Menopause Action Team, both organizations that she helped found.

Volunteers to tackle litter on area roads

Between April 29 and May 7, an army of volunteers will hit Oakland County's roads to help clean litter and debris from the roadsides as part of the Road Commission for Oakland County's Adopt-A-Road program.

Through the program, organized groups volunteer to clean specific road segments three times during the year, in the spring, summer and fall. RCOC provides training and equipment and then picks up the bagged garbage collected.

"These are concerned citizens who are willing to volunteer their time and energy to help make sure the roads in their communities are clean," stated RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair. "We applaud them for their efforts."

This year, approximately 160 groups are signed up to take part in the Adopt-A-Road effort. Many of the groups have been involved in the program for many years. They include scout troops, businesses, school and religious groups, fraternal organizations and more. Road segments in nearly all Oakland County communities are included in the program.

"RCOC's Adopt-A-Road program provides people with a way to demonstrate their pride in their community," explained William McEntee, director of RCOC's Permits and Environmental Concerns Department, which administers the program.

McEntee noted the groups are expected to clean along approximately 280 miles of county roads. They will clean along the roads again between July 15-23 and between Sept. 16-24.

Groups who volunteer as part of the RCOC Adopt-A-Road program receive garbage bags, orange safety vests and safety training from the Road Commission. Additionally, RCOC erects Adopt-A-Road signs at both ends of the designated road sections recognizing the volunteer groups responsible for the sections.

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CAROLYN WALKER

Motorcycle man delivers for hospitalized kids

Every now and then I get a friendly telephone call from Kaz Mamon. His voice comes into my receiver and says, "Hi. Carolyn? This is Kaz. Kaz Mamon. Remember me?"

He says the "Kaz. Kaz Mamon" part — and its follow up question — like I might get him mixed up with a Bob Smith or a Jim Jones or a Joe Williams or something.

How many Kaz Mamons can there possibly be?

Not enough, in my opinion.

Mamon and I have never met face-to-face. We share, however, a bond and an ideal, though from slightly different perspectives. I am happy to tell you about it in this space today because, in my heart-of-hearts, I am standing alongside the roadway, rooting for him and his motoring buddies.

Mamon first contacted me last summer when he was planning the Mamon's Ride to Educate Hospitalized Children motorcycle-riding event out of Waterford. Mamon, along with a ton of his motorcycling friends, was on a quest to take money to Children's Hospital of Michigan, where it would be used to help educate and entertain hospitalized or chronically ill children.

More recently, Mamon called to tell me that he had received a donation of

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Baby DOLLS

Program offers early intervention for wee ones with special needs



Having a ball: *David Rosales plays with a toy.*

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There's a bunch of DOLLS at Springfield Plains Elementary School and more are wanted.

These DOLLS are students in the new Development of Language, Learning and Skills program that began in the Clarkston Community Schools district last fall.

They're not your traditional stu-

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Special children: *Teacher Ann Demonet interacts.*



What a DOLL: *Nora Prastitis reaches for her mom, Freda Bane-Pastitis, while in the DOLLS classroom.*

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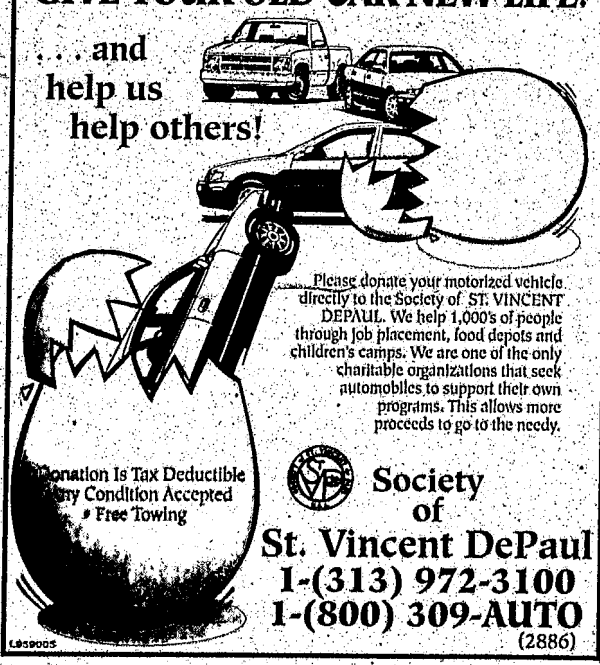
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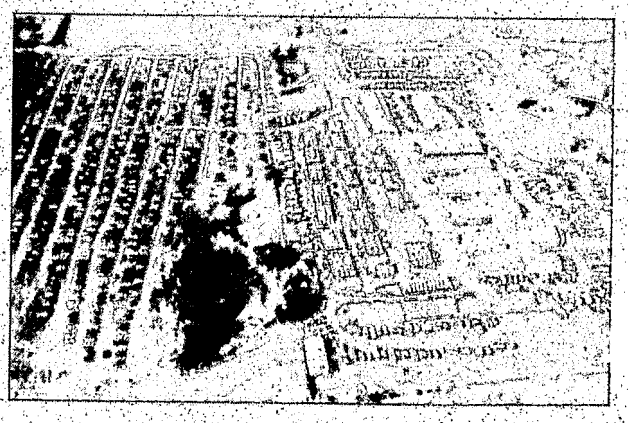
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Hess, Christopher
Kast, Jenna
Knoebel, Ronald
Kosbab, Benjamin
Kuhta, Teresa
LaForge, Jacqueline
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Riddle, Tyler
Robinson, Courtney
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Tolbert, Matthew
Trager, Lauren
Wojciechowski, Rachael
Zarzycki, Emily

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Andary, Robert
Badgley, Kristina
Baker, Carolyn
Baker, Christopher
Barker, Courtney
Barrow, Jennifer
Bendes, Lauren
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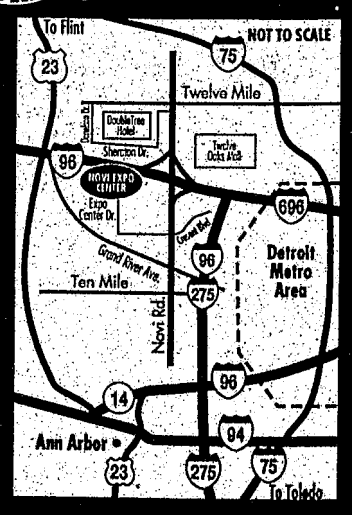
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Some things should never be for sale

I grew up the son of a horse trader. Buying, selling and bargaining were part of our way of life, and I thrived on it. I'm still a bargain hunter and enjoy finding a good deal.

Once while the speaker for a Bible conference at a church, I was invited to have dinner with the owner of a used car lot and his family. During our conversation around the table, I told this successful businessman that if I hadn't chosen the ministry, I would probably have become a car dealer. He seemed surprised at my comment, but soon after our conversation he accepted the greatest offer ever made to him — the free gift of forgiveness and eternal life made possible by God's amazing grace.

A few tidbits of horse trader wisdom shared with me by my father have stayed with me and influenced my life. He told me to guard against marrying things. "Always have everything for sale except your wife and children," he said. And, "when you're offered all something is worth, sell it."

Still, there are some things so valuable they ought never to be for sale: integrity, loyalty, family commitment and friendship, to name a few. Too bad Judas didn't know the value of these priceless ingredients of a productive and meaningful life.

Judas was a privileged man. He had been called to be one of the apostles and traveled with Jesus, hearing His teachings and observing His miracles. He had been appointed the treasurer of the group so he probably had some business experience. He was a trusted disciple, but proved to be unworthy of such trust.



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■ Others fall prey to lust, pride or the desire to be accepted by others even if it means compromising their convictions or denying their faith.

Money was a problem to Judas, staining his reputation throughout history. He started dipping into the funds entrusted to him and from there on it was all downhill.

When Mary came to anoint the feet of Jesus, Judas complained that this expensive ointment should have been sold and the money given to the poor, but he didn't really care for the poor, only for the money that might have otherwise ended up in the treasury and finally in his pocket. According to the Bible, he was a thief. His honesty was for sale if the price was high enough.

This was especially evident when Judas bargained with the enemies of Christ to betray Him. "What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?" he asked.

Such crass commercialism in the selling of the Savior is hard to comprehend. Yet the bargaining of betrayal is acted out day after day by many who once made commitments to follow their Lord at any cost for the rest of their lives.

When Jesus and His disciples entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, Judas was there to hear the praises of the people as foretold by Zechariah, the prophet, 500 years earlier (Zechariah 9:9). He was in the upper room for the first Communion, but soon left to seal the deal to betray the Lord with a kiss. Selling out must have been on his mind during that sacred supper. And he's not the last to toy with temptation during church, then later leave to yield when the price was right.

Temptation is common to all. Some, like Judas, find their love for money keeps them in constant danger. Others fall prey to lust, pride or the desire to be accepted by others even if it means compromising their convictions or denying their faith.

Judas later regretted his infamous deal, returning the money and ending his life. The price of sin he had thought was right, wasn't right at all.

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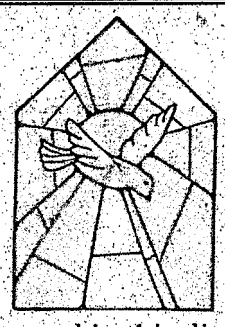
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The bride-to-be is a graduate of Clarkston High School and Western Michigan University. She is a dealer operation manager for Ford Motor Co. in California.

Her fiance is a graduate of Brother Rice High School and Western Michigan University. He is a dealer operation manager for Ford Motor Co. in California.

A September wedding is planned in Newport Beach, Calif.

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350 refurbished computers from General Motors and EDS. And that he and a few of his buddies, including some Waterford police officers, would be taking those computers to various hospitals in Michigan and Ohio.

"It's such a learning tool," Mamon said, clearly impressed by the generosity of the gift. The enthusiasm in his voice penetrated the telephone lines. "Think about the child that's confined to a hospital bed.

"I feel kind of honored."

It was not a bit hard for me to "think about the child that's confined to a hospital bed." All three of my children have spent at least a little time in a hospital somewhere.

My youngest daughter, who is physically and mentally disabled, practically lived in them for the first 12 years of her life.

There are few vigils as lonely as that of sitting next to a hospital bed, watching a bored and ill child suffer. Watching that child's trusting eyes search for healing and hope.

So many times the healing and hope come from small gestures. A nurse's reassuring words. A friend's card in the mail. A volunteer's gift of laughter. A pastor's blessing.

"I basically call the hospitals and tell them the story and they say, 'Are you for real?'" Mamon told me. "I'm just the middleman. This has truly been a donation by GM and EDS. I'm the delivery boy."

Mamon's ride to some eight or so hospitals in Michigan was scheduled to take place over April 9 and 10. The trip through Ohio, in which he could donate computers to as many as four general hospitals and more than 20 Shriners Hospitals, is planned for April 15 and 16.

As a part of his ride, Mamon hopes to show the world that motorcyclists can be caring and generous people. He wants to help break down the long-held stereotype that bikers are bad seeds and ruffians.

I consider it an honor to tell you about Kaz Mamon today. Kaz Mamon middle-man. Kaz Mamon, delivery boy. Kaz Mamon, motorcyclist.

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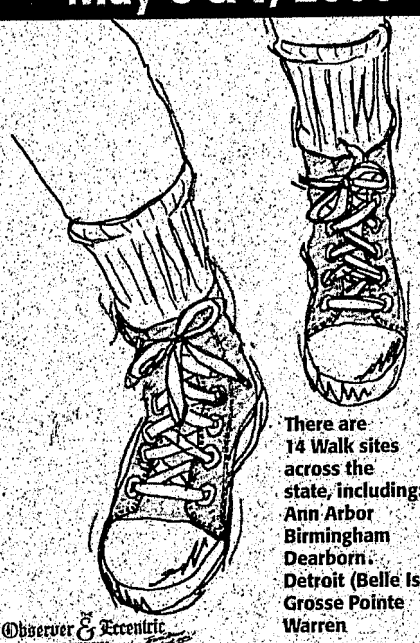
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dent, however. They range in age from newborns to age 3.

They're part of DOLLS because they have special needs, which categorizes them as special education students.

The purpose of DOLLS, according to teacher Ann Demonet, is to provide early intervention. The program gives these tiny students services in speech and language therapy, occupational therapy and physical therapy. The babies and their parents or guardians also benefit from regular visits from social workers.

Before Clarkston Community Schools District started the DOLLS program, these youngsters attended a program at a center out of the Clarkston school district.

Funding from Oakland Schools allowed Clarkston to bring these babies back home through the development of DOLLS.

"We just began DOLLS last fall, and we're looking for more children who can benefit from it," Demonet explained as she sat on the classroom floor, interacting with some of the children.

Demonet said DOLLS students enter the program only through referrals from such people as public health nurses, day-care providers, physicians and parents.

Each child receives a multidisciplinary evaluation to determine if he or she is eligible for the early intervention program. Once a child is enrolled, a program of care is developed according to that child's individual needs.

Thirteen-month-old Nora Prastitis is too young to note the benefits she's receiving from DOLLS, but her mother, Freda Bane-Prastitis, can't say enough good things about it.

Nora has Down's syndrome, a congenital condition characterized by moderate to severe mental retardation. Her older sister, Rachel, is a student at Cedar Crest Academy.

"I was lost when she was born," said Prastitis. "It was scary for us at the beginning. We weren't sure where to go for help to find the best programs for Nora."

Prastitis said the best thing with DOLLS is that Nora gets to interact with other children while getting one-on-one assistance from professionals.

"We're working with people who know what to look for. If I didn't have that, I would feel so frustrated. But they see Nora progressing in ways that I can't see and when they point these things out to us, it makes us feel so good."

One milestone came when Nora learned to clap, a skill other parents may take for granted, Prastitis said. DOLLS even has a therapist visit Nora at her caregiver's place once a week.

"I feel so fortunate that we live in Michigan," Prastitis added. "The state has a strong program for funding for special-needs children."

Demonet explained how the DOLLS program works with children up to 3 years of age. Then they move into the SPICE program. Once they're too old for SPICE, they move into other special-education classes in Clarkston schools.

The DOLLS classroom looks like most preschool rooms. It has low-to-the-ground small chairs and tables, special climbing equipment, books and many other colorful yet educational toys and pieces of equipment.

As the children and adults sit in a circle singing a song, Demonet does sign language for different animals, such as a cow, a horse and a pig.

Sign language is another way DOLLS children learn to communicate. Due to their young age, doctors aren't always sure if they're hearing impaired or not.

Dawson Holloway, 23 months, is in DOLLS because he doesn't yet have the language development appropriate for his age, explained his mother, Holly Holloway.

"What's so nice about this program is that I'm learning how to help Dawson at the same time that he's getting help," she said.

Michael Hicks, who will be 2 next month, is also at DOLLS due to slow language development.

"DOLLS is such a good program," said Carolyn Hicks. "I love it and what it's done to help both of us."

For Kris Smith, the DOLLS teachers and therapists are teaching her the best ways to help her foster child, Katie, develop.

"They help me to see things that she may not be progressing in," Smith said. "They help Katie stay up to par."

The DOLLS program has lots of room to grow. "We'll take in as many children who live in the Clarkston school district who need our service," Demonet said.

CALENDAR

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7:30 p.m., Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center. Clarkston Middle School String Ensemble will perform several numbers with the Fiddlers. Tickets — $5/general admission; $3/students and seniors — available through Clarkston school buildings, at the Clarkston Community Schools Administrative Offices and the Clarkston Area Optimist Club (Ann Dutton 625-6549 or Diane Midgley 625-6869).

SATURDAY, APR. 15

CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS

8 p.m., Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston. Clarkston Village Players will present "Depot After Dark" one night only. A night of fun, music, dance and comedy. Tickets are $10. The purpose of this event is to raise money for the Building Fund. (248) 625-8811.

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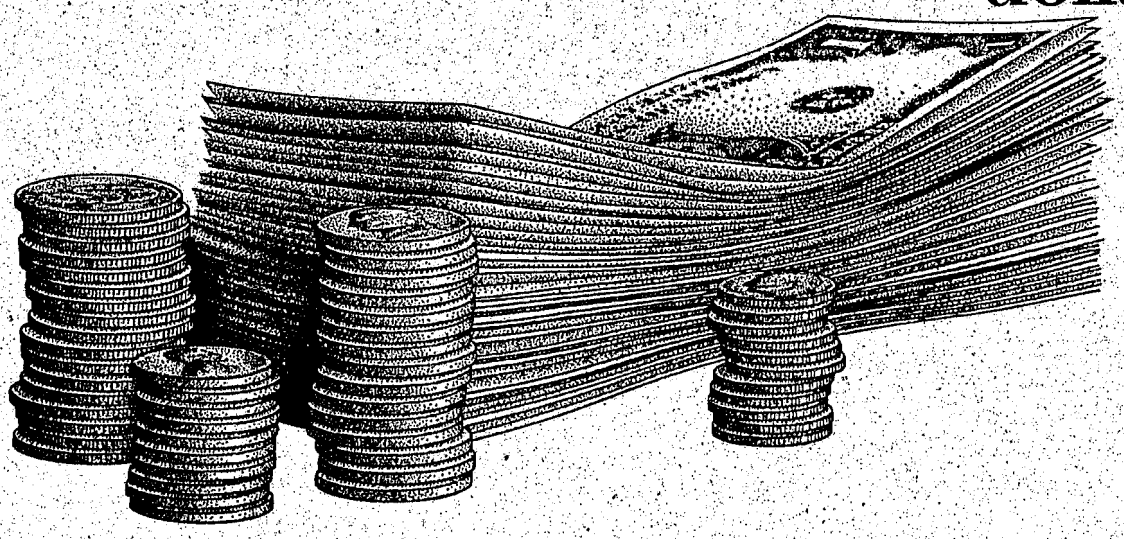
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Bringing the noise



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In the zone: *Clarkston senior left-hander Chris Mitchell, shown winding up to deliver a pitch in recent action, has had quite a prep football and career.*

With the bat or on the pitchers mound, Clarkston senior Chris Mitchell is one of Oakland County's top prospects

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With eyes narrowed, hands flexing, his focus turns inward, preparing his muscles to flex. As the red-laced white ball cuts through the late spring air, his right foot lifts slightly off the dusty ground, a prelude to the rest of his body guiding the bat to meet the ball in midflight. Once again, he sends the ball into an opposite trajectory, defying the basic laws of nature.

An act so simple, it begins and ends with one motion. Yet, it involves physics and thoughts and reactions so complex, it's a skill the great Ted Williams called "the hardest thing to do in sports."

That thing is hitting a baseball, and few in Southeastern Michigan perform this skill better at the high school level than Clarkston senior Chris Mitchell.

Mitchell is entering his fourth season with the Wolves, making him one of the few four-year veterans the program has seen in the past decade. He not only hits a ball at a very high level, Mitchell is being counted on to be the team's number-one starting pitcher, and play outfield when he isn't pitching.

So does the heavy workload and high expectations burden Mitchell? Hardly.

"I know that if I keep working hard, I can shine this year," Mitchell said from his home recently. "Coach (Phil) Price has been pushing me the last two years, and I feel now that I can do a lot of things out there. It's just a matter of bringing everything together."

The multi-talented Mitchell has led Clarkston to its best two-year stretch of success since the 1980s, with his varied pitches, contact-hitting style at the plate, and all-around skills. He helped Clarkston to a district championship in 1998, and was a key force on the 1999 team that won 22 games, the most in seven years. He led the Wolves in batting average and hits last year, and his coach expects more of the same this year.

"Chris is a guy who always makes solid contact with the ball," Price, a second-year coach, said. "And when he's pitching, he isn't just throwing the ball up there. He throws strikes and gets guys out. He has three good pitches, plus he's left-handed, making him that much tougher for batters to read."

Mitchell's skills first developed on the red clay parks of Georgia, where baseball leagues run year round. In addition to a 12-month schedule, the leagues he played in down south had players facing live pitching from other players, even at seven years old. Many leagues in Michigan don't have players pitch until ages 11 or 12. Seeing live pitching at that age enabled Mitchell to learn bat control and plate discipline at an early age, something he says gives him a bit of an edge, even today.

"I feel like I got a big jump on other kids because we started (live pitching) so early down there," Mitchell said. "You learn how to hit pitchers and to judge the ball when it comes in. When you get started with that so early, it helps later on."

Mitchell's skills quickly rose among his peers in the Peach State. He was chosen to play on state all-star teams at ages 12 and 13, with one of his teams taking second in the state.

Before his freshman year of high school, he and his family moved to Clarkston. In the spring of 1997, Mitchell began his high school baseball career on the Wolves' junior-varsity team. That only lasted six games, during which Mitchell batted around .700, making it clear that he needed to play at the varsity level.

"I didn't really know what to expect, playing on the varsity as a freshman," Mitchell recalled. "It was a big jump in

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Clarkston hopes to surprise in OAA Division I

With the return of five starters and a promising 6-0 start, Clarkston is hoping to figure into the mix of the talent-laden OAA Division I, which again is one of the state's top conferences with seven strong teams.

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Year One of the Phil Price coaching era in the Clarkston baseball program was considered a success from top to bottom.

Following that up will be a challenge, given the Wolves lost three players now on college rosters and play in one of the toughest leagues in the state. But the talent is there for Clarkston to again be a factor in the Oakland Activities Association Division I race.

Although John Drallos (Valparaiso), Spencer Hynes (Oakland University) and Eric Jenks (Saginaw Valley State) have graduated, the Wolves return a team with multi-talented players all over the field. The Wolves opened play last week, and hope to eclipse the 20-win mark for the second year in a row, something the varsity program hasn't done in nearly a decade. Price believes he has the team this year to do it.

"I don't think we can make up for the loss of some of the bats in our lineup," Price said. "But we've got some kids who can do a lot of things for us. We have some nice senior leadership, and four quality pitchers."

Leading the pack will be four-year starter Chris Mitchell. A left-handed starting pitcher, Mitchell enters the 2000 season as one of the best contact hitters in Oakland County. He gives Clarkston a solid bat in the third slot, and someone who can win games with his pitching.

"The thing I like best about Chris is that he competes," Price said. "He's dealt with me for three years, and he knows that if I yell at him, he won't fold up. We will have a lot of expectations on him this season."

Seniors Ryan Marino and Francis Hodges give Price two more excellent starting pitchers. Marino showed a good variety of pitches in his first season on the varsity staff last year, and comes off a basketball season where he was Oakland County's No. 2 scorer. Hodges has the potential to be one of the top pitchers in the area, and mixes his pitches extremely well. Josh Rigg will also be a key member of the pitching rotation.

"I would like to see our pitching reach a higher level consistently," Price said. "We have matured, and this group can be very good."

Seniors Derek Casper, Nick Petrinic, Brett Crawford and Bret Gove round out the team's veteran core. Casper is also a four-year varsity player, and is solid as they come at catcher. He has a very accurate arm, and can take away part of a team's game plan with his ability to cut down would-be base stealers. Gove improved by leaps and bounds last year, and settled nicely into the leadoff spot in the order.

"Gove does a great job at leadoff," Price said. "He needs to cut down on his strikeouts, but he's a great baserunner. He's not the fastest guy, but he's sneaky and is so smart on the basepaths."

Crawford will see most of his action at second base and shortstop, and also is a good contact hitter.

There are several newcomers which will contribute to the team right away. Sophomore Trevor Manuel — Price's

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Springfield Christian set to defend crown

Pitching, defense the strengths as Eagles go for another MACS title with seven starters back

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In what could be perceived as an unlikely event, Clarkston Springfield Christian did a complete turnaround on the baseball diamond in 1999.

After finishing just 2-14 in 1998, the Eagles had their best season in school history last spring, running through the Fundamental Baptist Athletic Conference with a 7-1 record before capturing the Michigan Association of Christian Schools state championship and finishing with a 17-3 ledger.

This season, third-year coach Pat Wagner returns seven starters and nine players total as the Eagles seek another title run.

"That was exciting last year, but we know it's a new year," said Wagner. "We have to take it one game at a time."

In order to help their quest for another state title, the Eagles have improved their non-league schedule which will include this weekend's Ortonville-Brandon tournament that features several Class A and Class B schools.

"Those games should help us," said Wagner, whose squad opens Friday at Vassar Juniata Christian before taking on Brandon in the tourney's first-round on Saturday. "Playing a bunch of big schools will make us stronger."

As far as small schools go, few have the overall talent and pitching staff as the Eagles. Springfield Christian returns its top three pitchers and a bevy of talent around the horn and in the outfield.

On the mound, right-hander Ben Munce, who was 8-2 last year including a win in the MACS title game over heavily-favored Temperance Stateline Christian, is back as one of Oakland County's top sophomore hurlers and is expected to lead Springfield's staff again.

"He's improved his speed a little and has worked a lot during the offseason on his off-speed pitches, some different kinds of change-ups," said Wagner of his sophomore who consistently pitched in the low 80s last season. "He's becoming a fine pitcher."

Senior right-hander Adam Armstrong (5-1), who missed the second half of the basketball season due to a knee injury, recently got a go-head form his doctor to start pitching again, and will be the Eagles' No. 2 starter in the rotation.

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And the windup and the pitch: *Springfield Christian sophomore Ben Munce will be the Eagles' No. 1 starter this year after a fine freshman campaign which included a win in the MACS finals.*



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Cranbrook, Clarkston dominate 2000 All-Area Hockey Team

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The 1999-2000 Eccentric All-Area Boys Ice Hockey Team is not, in fact, the all state team. It only appears that way.

That's because this year's team is overflowing with all-state selections. Every member of the All-Area First-Team was also an All-State First-Team selection in either Division I or III. A measure of how good the talent is on this year's All-Area team is the Second- Team, which also boasts two Honorable Mention All-Staters, plus key leaders on a team that reached the state semifinals, which fills out that list.

Here are the best players in the area, as selected by a panel of area coaches:

FIRST TEAM

Forwards

ANTHONY FACIONE, Clarkston — The all-time leading scorer for Clarkston's hockey team had his best season this year.

Facione, a four-year starter at forward for the Wolves, finished the season with 22 goals and 23 assists. His four-year totals for Clarkston are 79 goals and 80 assists.

"He has a knack for the net," said Clarkston coach Bryan Krygier. "He's a threat to score anytime he has the puck from the top of the circles in. He plays with emotion, but he did a much better job at using that to his advantage."

Facione scored five goals in a game three times in his career, one short of the single-game school record. Thanks in part to his offensive prowess, the Wolves won more than 60 percent of their games in the first four years of the program. This year, he was named to the Division I All-State First-Team.

JARED ALLISON, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook — Pound for pound, there were very few, if any, players that were better than this senior center in the 1999-2000 season.

Allison was the offense spark for the Cranes, who won the Division III state championship last month. He finished the season with 35 goals and 27 assists, good for 62 points, and he was a plus-62 performer. He scored 11 of his 35 goals in a two-game span in February, including five against Clarkston.

"Having a guy who can score like Jared is a luxury, but he's also a gritty player and is a fierce competitor," said Cranbrook coach Andy Weidenbach. "At this level, his speed is two steps faster than most anyone else on the ice. That extra step makes a big difference when getting shots on goal."

Allison, a three-year varsity performer, is hoping to play on the Compuware Junior A team next season. He was named to the Division II All-State First Team this season.

JOHNNY KIM, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook — In order for a player like Allison to put up the monster offensive numbers he did, Kim needed a player along side him who complements his skills. The perfect partner for him was this junior.

Kim finished the season with 17 goals, 36 assists, 53 points and a plus-59. His skillful passing and terrific hockey sense made him a tough assignment for anyone to cover.

"Johnny has great skills with the puck," Weidenbach said. "He has the ability to control the game with those skills. He's a great playmaker, set-up man for us."

Kim, also an All-State First-Team selection, will be one of the team's top returning players next season, when the Cranes will try to defend their state championship.

Defensemen

TOM NEWMAN, Clarkston — If there ever was a true life definition of a defensive anchor, this senior defenseman is it.

A three-year starter for the Wolves, Newman played at a consistent high level, and was rewarded by being named to the Division I All-State First Team. He finished the season with five goals and 11 assists. Most importantly, he played in all 27 games and only had 10 minutes in penalties.

"He was the stabilizer back there," Krygier said. "We had so many guys

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brother-in-law — is a similar type player to Gove and will see considerable time in the middle infield. Juniors Andy Kleinedler, Nick Beadles and Ian Ramsey join the ranks after playing roles on the regional-champion football team last fall. Kleinedler has nice skills and will see time in the outfield. Sophomore Robert Bryan has a chance to make a big splash in his first year, according to Price.

Price said he learned a great deal in his first year at the helm, after taking over for Roy "Pops" Warner, who was the Clarkston baseball coach for nearly three decades.

"The biggest thing I learned was that I put too much pressure on the kids," he said. "I also need to be a better communicator with the kids, and make them feel like they can approach me and talk to me. I want them to understand that if I get on them, it's because I care about them and I want them to get better. That can be a tough concept for even adults to grasp. But I think we can get there."

Last year, Clarkston finished 21-11 overall, and saw its season end on a pair of games that redefine the term "crazy." The Wolves rallied three times to beat Grand Blanc 13-12 in the district semifinals, but lost an even wilder district final game to host Lapeer West 18-15. In that game, the Panthers homered seven times on a short field with the wind blowing out.

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Phil Price
—Clarkston baseball coach

"In that game, the field beat us as much as the other team did," Price said. "We scored enough runs to win, and I put our best pitchers out there. It was just not our day."

There are few leagues in the state that have the credentials of the OAA I over the past decade. Troy came within one run of winning the state championship last year; Rochester was a runner-up in 1991, won the 1997 state championship, and was a state quarterfinalist and nationally-ranked team in '98; and Rochester Adams made the state semifinals in 1994, 1995 and 1996, losing in the finals the latter two years.

The talent pool doesn't figure to go down much this year, with the Colts returning most of their starting lineup, and the Highlanders poised to bounce back after a pair of up and down seasons. Lake Orion could be one of the most improved teams in the area, and boast one of the most highly sought-after players in the state, senior Ryan Goleski.

"We had a very good year last year, but I would like to see us win the big game," Price said. "Our defense was not very good last year, and that cost us a couple games against Troy and Adams. We have a very tough league this year, and that includes teams like Berkley and Troy Athens, who are very good."

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The third pitcher will be another senior right-hander in Greg Irish, who was 3-1 last year.

"Our pitching staff is back, and that's a very good sign," said Wagner. "We have guys who can throw strikes."

Freshmen newcomers Josh Schuermann and John DeMasellis could also see spot duty on the mound this season.

The second-half of the battery will be senior catcher Matt Lonteen; a third-year starter who led Springfield in battling last year with a .364 clip. DeMasellis will serve as a back-up behind the plate.

"Matt's a very good defensive player with a decent arm," said Wagner, who will be assisted by Randy Bachman and Greg Winteger. "His experience will be a key for us."

On the infield, Irish will also spend time at third base and first base, Armstrong will play shortstop and first base, senior Matt Christie, who missed most of last season with any injury, will play either second base or third base, sophomore Nathan Lanpher spent plenty of time at second base last season, and Munce will also play some shortstop and first base.

Another infielder will be freshman prospect Steve Vanaman, who will serve as a utility player this year. Schuermann could also see time around the horn in a back-up role.

"Our infield should be very strong again," boasted Wagner. "We are very versatile with guys capable of being moved around. It all depends on who is pitching."

In the outfield, senior third-year starter Jon Vanaman will be the anchor in centerfield. Junior returnee John McKenna will inherit either the starting leftfield or rightfield slot, while senior newcomer Kirk Ling, as well as freshman Matt Ream and junior newcomer Morrie Raupp, will fight it out for the opposite starting outfield position.

"We're not as experienced in the outfield, but Jon should be able to keep things together," said Wagner. "He struggled with the bat last season, but we're hoping he'll be able to step it up."

Although Springfield is strong from the pitching rubber and is solid defensively, Wagner sees offense as a slight problem."

"We struggled at times last year and we don't have a true power hitter in our line-up," he said. "But through the sixth and seventh positions in the order, we are pretty decent. I think if we can improve the back end of our order, then we'll be a much tougher team offensively."

And the Eagles will get to test their bats and all-around games this season, especially at the Brandon tournament.

"That will give us an early idea where we are," concluded Wagner.

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competition for me, being 15 years old and playing against guys who were 18 years old. I didn't really adjust until my sophomore year, when I learned what to expect from the coaches."

That sophomore year saw a lot of success for Mitchell and the Wolves. Mitchell, along with future college players like Josh Clark, Spencer Hynes, Jared Thomas and John Drallos, helped Clarkston to its first district title since 1993. That season ended with a tough 6-2 loss to then-nationally ranked Rochester.

"They had so many Division I players, it was tough," Mitchell said.

With the start of his junior year, Mitchell's athletic exploits expanded, as he took over the starting running back spot on Clarkston's varsity football team. Despite missing parts of four games with various injuries, he rushed for nearly 1,000 yards in helping the Wolves to a better-than-expected 6-3 record.

But it was his senior football season that got his name known throughout the state. He was a key cog in Clarkston's unforgettable 11-2 season that saw the Wolves advance to the Division I state semifinals for the first time, where they lost to Utica Eisenhower. He rushed for 24 touchdowns and more than 1,900 yards, with his yardage setting a new school rushing mark for a season.

Naturally, the team's 57-56 double overtime win over Macomb Dakota stands out as his most memorable. Mitchell says that game alone helped improve him as a competitive athlete.

"It teaches you how to get through the hard times, and come out on top," he said. "We learned how to win, when we were expected to win. I learned how to bond with a bunch of guys and never give up. That's something that will help me in baseball a lot, because you have to be mentally tough. We had to be that to win that game."

Price, who is an assistant football coach, said learning how to compete in a pressure situation was one thing Mitchell learned from playing on the football team.

"That's what athletics is all about," Price said. "He knows how to respond in those situations. He's the guy I want up to bat if we need a hit with two outs in the seventh."

Although the end of football season still holds some bitterness for Mitchell — he'd rather not talk about that semifinal — he realizes baseball season holds the promise for more good times for him and his team.

"I think we are good enough to finish first or second in our league," he says. "And we have as good a chance as anyone to win our district and even our region. I think we are improved defensively, and if we don't make errors, we can compete with Troy."

Mitchell's college plans are still up in the air. He has taken a couple of trips to Georgia to visit small schools there, plus has opportunities in baseball and football at schools like Grand Valley State, Northwood and Indiana Tech.

Chris Mitchell can do a lot of things. He can compete. He can pitch. He can persevere. But when it comes time for his team to need a hit, to complete the act which is so swift, yet so tough, few are better than Chris Mitchell.

Clarkston kickers upset Kimball, 2-1

Good things come to those who wait. Just ask Clarkston's girls soccer team.

After five straight seasons of losses and ties against Royal Oak Kimball, Clarkston was finally able to get the upper hand on the Knights Monday night, posting a 2-1 Oakland Activities Association Division II road victory.

Freshman midfielder Kristen Brundage scored first for the Wolves unassisted at the 22:02 mark of the first half. Junior forward Brooke Petrinec scored the eventual game-winner for Clarkston (3-1-1, 1-0-1) 18 minutes into the second half.

With the win, Clarkston is off to its best start in years, and has already exceeded its 1999 win total.

Clarkston junior goalkeeper Sarah Morgan stopped 18 shots, and only allowed a late Knights tally with 2:30 remaining.

OTHER GAMES

■ Lake Orion Shalom Baptist 3, Sterling Heights Christian 3 — At Sterling Heights, Shalom Baptist opened up its second season with this tie against Sterling, a first-year program.

Jessica Andrews collected a goal, which knotted the score late in the contest, and had an assists to lead the Hawks (0-0-1). Tabitha Clark added a goal and assist, Amanda Clark had an assist, and Stacy Egerton stopped 20 shots in goal for Shalom.

Tricia Goetzmann scored two goals for Sterling.



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who could score, we didn't need him to score, and he concentrated on defense.

"He positioned himself so well on the ice, it was something that was to our advantage."

TODD SCHWAYDER, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook — Someone had to lead the talent-laden Cranes, and the man to do it was this senior. Cranbrook's captain, Schwayder was an offensive force for the state champs, and a defensive stopper, someone who made the rest of the players on the ice more comfortable.

"Todd is a real poised, intelligent player," Weidenbach said. "He has the ability to generate offense, and he makes plays defensively." Schwayder notched 10 goals, eight assists and was a plus-38.

Schwayder, whose father was Cranbrook's captain in 1966, missed six games in the middle of the season with a hernia. But he returned and was in peak form in the playoffs. He scored five goals in the team's six playoff contests. He is considering playing college hockey at either Lake Forest Academy near Chicago, or Trinity College in Connecticut.

Goaltender

DAVID GOODLEY, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook — A common ingredient in all championship hockey teams is a money goaltender. The definition of a money goaltender is one who plays his best in the most crucial situations.

Four goals allowed in six playoff games? This senior backstopped the Cranes' run to the Division III state title this year, after turning in a stellar season against very tough competition.

"We played 30 games, 29 against ranked opponents," Weidenbach said. "He plays aggressively in goal, and not many at the high school level do that. Other players are not used to goalies coming out as much as he does."

Goodley finished the season with a 22-7 record, and a 1.92 goals against average. He had a .920 save percentage and recorded nine shutouts on the season.

SECOND TEAM

Forwards

BILL KALUSH, Clarkston — Leadership, heart, character, determination.

These are just a few of the qualities that made this senior forward one of the standard-bearers for the Clarkston program in its first four years. A team captain in three of those years, Kalush filled many roles for the Wolves, and was a main reason Clarkston won two league titles, a district title and a regional title in his four years.

"Bill brings a good attitude to the practices and games, as well as off the ice," Krygier said. "He makes sure his teammates are focused before the games, and he leads by example. He always gives 110 percent."

Kalush was third on the team in scoring this year with 18 goals and a team-high 25 assists, good for 43 points.

BRIAN KELLY, Troy Unified — Often the smallest player on the ice, this senior played big for the Blackhawks when it was needed most.

Kelly, who checks in at 5-foot-4 tall and 130 pounds, was a major part of the success of the Blackhawks this year. He led the team in scoring and assists, with 15 goals and 33 helpers for 48 points.

Troy coach Todd Whitelaw called Kelly a "little mosquito," but could not overstate his value to the team.

"He just buzzes around in the corners and always comes out with the puck," he said. "He took a ton of abuse in the corners and in front of the net, but you just cannot intimidate this kid. He's not the fastest skater, but he has a work ethic like no one else."

JUSTIN KOZIK, Birmingham Brother Rice — No information is available at this time.

Defenseman

WILL WALLACE, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook — Few players felt as at home for Cranbrook as sophomore defenseman Will Wallace.

That's because the Cranes play their home games at the Wallace Ice Arena, on the school's campus. Although the arena was not named after the powerful (6-0, 195) blueliner, his play on that ice surface was a big part of Cranbrook's success.

"His strength is his strength," Weidenbach said. "He's a sophomore, but plays like his is 18 or 19 years old. He brings us a physical presence and a great shot. He's one of five defensemen we return next year, so we look pretty good back there."

Wallace finished the season with four goals and 13 assists, and was a plus-40.

CHRIS THOMPSON, Troy Unified — A towering presence on the blueline, this senior was a mainstay for the Blackhawks on defense.

The 6-5 Thompson not only guarded the net with a vengeance, he found time to be one of the highest-scoring defensemen in the state, with 18 goals and 21 assists. He has a heavy slapshot from the point, and was a key member to Troy's power-play unit.

"Chris was a kid who struggled to stay in the lineup as a junior," Whitelaw said. "But he worked as hard as any kid I've ever coached in the offseason. It was just unacceptable for him not to be a main contributor to our team. He's a quality player and a quality person. He's all class and I have a lot of respect for him."

Thompson was an assistant captain for the Blackhawks, who finished second in the Oakland Activities Association Division I and reached the Division I state semifinals.

Goaltender

JIM GELDHOF, Troy Unified — This senior made the most of his only year with the Blackhawks' program.

Known more for his excellence on the baseball field — he will play at Central Michigan University next year — Geldhof found time to become Troy's starting goaltender and helped lead the team to its first-ever trip to the state semifinals.

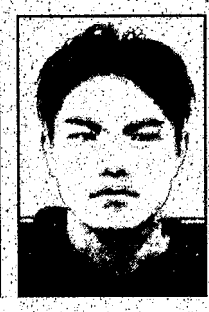
Less than a year after playing in the Division I state championship baseball game, Geldhof backstopped his teammates on the longest playoff run in the program's three-year history.

"When other teams get a breakaway on us, I feel bad for them because that guy won't score," Whitelaw said. "At any level, you can't win without a top-notch goaltender, and we had that this year. He added confidence to the team when he played."

Geldhof capped a fantastic season with a gutty 2-1 win over Waterford Mott to give Troy its first regional championship. He ended up with a 2.05 goals against average.



Jared Allison
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FIRST TEAM

NAME	SCHOOL	YEAR	POSITION
Jared Allison	BH Cranbrook	Senior	Forward
Johnny Kim	BH Cranbrook	Junior	Forward
Anthony Facione	Clarkston	Senior	Forward
Todd Shwayder	BH Cranbrook	Senior	Defenseman
Tom Newman	Clarkston	Senior	Defenseman
David Goodley	BH Cranbrook	Senior	Goaltender

COACH OF THE YEAR

Andy Weidenbach	BH Cranbrook	7th Season

SECOND TEAM

Birmingham Brother Rice – Justin Kozik, sr. F; **Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook** – Will Wallace, sr. D; **Clarkston** – Bill Kalush, sr. F; **Troy Unified** – Chris Thompson, sr. D; Jim Geldhof, sr. G.

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Cranbrook's Andy Weidenbach honored as hockey All-Area Coach of the Year

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Andy Weidenbach's players and teams have a list of accomplishments easily long enough to fill this page. He's coached NHL All Stars such as Mike Modano and Eric Lindros, and has seen his teams hoist numerous state championships.

The new millennium was no different, as Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook once again walked away with another state championship.

It's because of his team's sustained excellence, and the way his program has become the model for so many new ones in Oakland County, that Cranbrook coach Andy Weidenbach is named the Eccentric All-Area Coach of the Year for the 1999-2000 season, as selected by his peers.

Weidenbach, who recently completed his seventh season behind the Cranes' bench, guided Cranbrook to the Division III state title, the program's second in the past five years. His teams have made the state finals four out of the past five years — not bad after taking over a program that won just eight games in his first season.

"It's all gone by pretty fast," Weidenbach said. "I enjoy seeing the kids as they come up through our program and seeing them after college. They talk about what they've learned by playing here, and that's very satisfying for me."

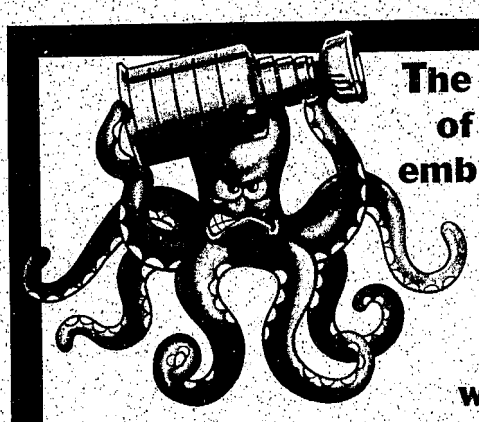
Weidenbach also coached the team now known as the Plymouth Whalers for two years,

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Andy Weidenbach
Cranbrook Coach

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Nationally-ranked Troy leads area baseball teams

BY DAVID SAUNDERS
STAFF WRITER

The Eccentric area traditionally generates top-notch individuals and teams when it comes to prep baseball. The proof is in the fact that an Oakland Activities Association team has reached the state finals four of the last five seasons.

On top of that, for the past nine seasons, at least one Eccentric-area squad has made it to a state title game. Rochester — a member of the OAA's Division I — began that stretch in 1991. Troy, another OAA Division I squad, made the Division I state finals last year where it dropped a 6-5 decision to Redford Catholic Central.

So it's not surprising that the majority of the area's coaches unanimously tabbed Troy as the cream of the crop this year. Besides returning two pitchers that combined to go 25-3 for last year's Division I state runner-up team, the Colts were also ranked 23rd in USA Today's pre-season high school baseball poll.

Here's a look at the Eccentric's top 10 squad's for the 2000 season:

1. TROY — Coach Paul Diegel has May 2 circled on his calendar. That's when rival Troy Athens, the Eccentric's second-ranked team, visits the nationally-ranked Colts

Troy went 33-7 overall and 11-1 in OAA Division I last season. The season culminated in that loss to Catholic Central in the state championship game.

Troy returns a pair of left-handed senior pitchers who combined to win 25 games last year. Kris Krstich fashioned a 13-1 record with a 2.30 earned-run average and 85 strikeouts, while Matt Lestan was 12-2 with a 2.56 ERA.

The pitching will be enhanced by the play of returning starters like shortstop Jim Geldhof. Geldhof, who has signed with Central Michigan University, hit .468 last season with 12 home runs, 16 doubles and 52 RBI.

And then there's Tony Cribari behind the plate. Cribari is coming off a season in which he hit 12 home runs and drove in a school-record 54 runs.

Lestan and Krstich are both position players when not pitching and Paul Zanardo returns at third base for Troy.

2. TROY ATHENS — The Red Hawks took Troy down to the wire in the district championship game and they return their entire infield, nine letter-winners and four solid pitchers.

Athens finished with a 19-12 mark and tied for second at 10-2 in Division II of the OAA with Birmingham Groves last year.

"We were 19-12 last year, but we did not beat the good teams. If we do that this year, we'll be a good club," Athens coach Frank Clouser said. "Last year we didn't know how to beat the good clubs. This year we have some good athletes."

Rob Ferns returns on the mound and at first base where he hit .429 and was 5-4 as a pitcher. Also returning are infielder/pitcher Paul Hays, second baseman Dave Bell, shortstop Mark Abro, pitcher/third baseman Ryan Vandenbussche, catcher Matt Mahrle, outfielder/pitcher Sean Moore, center fielder Mike Pierce and right fielder Andreas Katsaros.

"These kids are all coming back and I expect a lot out of them," said Clouser, who changed dugouts last year after coaching at Royal Oak Kimball for 28 years where he won a state championship and made the finals three times.

3. LAKE ORION — The Dragons were the surprise team in the area last year, finishing third in the OAA Division I after placing last the year before. But this year Lake Orion won't sneak up on anyone.

With five starters back from a team that finished 19-12 and a talented cast of newcomers, the Dragons, under second-year coach Andy Schramek, will contend in the seven-team league.

Senior slugger Ryan Goleski, a third-year starter, is one of the state's top prospects and will play on the mound or in the outfield. Senior Jon Garcia, senior Sean Letsinger and senior Mike Crawford will all start in the infield, while senior Jim McMahon, an All-Macomb County catcher last year at Warren Mott, will call the signals behind the plate.

Sophomore pitcher/outfielder Randy Frye and junior shortstop Justin Harring are two newcomers to watch, while juniors Brandon Bullock and Kevin June are both returnees who add experience.

4. ROCHESTER ADAMS — The Highlanders bowed out in the Division I state quarterfinals last season with an impressive 24-11 record.

Coach Andy Lamkin has a solid nucleus returning, but he also has a talented group of sophomores. That could be good or could be bad, Adams always fields a strong team.

Talented seniors Dan Hauser (C), Ryan Ford (P/1B) and Ryan Meissner (SS/P) and juniors J.D. Leichman (.400) and Patrick Giordano (2B/P) all return.

The promising sophomore class includes Dan LaNoue, a hard thrower with good stuff who has a chance to become the team's No. 2 pitcher, and Kirk Akers, who will also see a lot of time on the mound.

5. BIRMINGHAM-DETROIT COUNTRY DAY — The last time veteran head coach Frank Orlando directed the Yellow Jackets to girls basketball and baseball state championships in the same year was 1995. They have a chance to do it again this year.

His chances?

"You know me, I don't talk too much about that. I just hope the kids play well," Orlando said.

Hoping to lead the Yellow Jackets to the promised land is Division I college prospect David Barkholz, considered one of the best pitchers in the state. Barkholz finished with an 8-2 record and 1.65 ERA last year as DCD posted a 22-7 record. The senior has good command of a fastball, curveball and changeup.

Another player Orlando is counting on is four-year starter Mike McGavin at second base, who plays solid defense and is a good hitter. Another player needed to have a good year is University of Pennsylvania recruit Jason Probert (P/OF). All-state shortstop Matt Collins (P/SS) and Sean Gallagher (1B), a solid hitter, also will contribute heavily.

Other key players include Andrew Stein, Joe McCarthy, Brian Haveri and Michael Hudson.

6. BIRMINGHAM GROVES — Veteran coach Jim Crosby said that his team will be competitive again. Groves finished 23-7 last year and won a district championship, before bowing to Troy in the regional.

One player that continues to turn heads is pitcher/shortstop Chris Way, who throws hard and will be looking to improve on last season's 7-1 mark. Way's battery mate, John Ager, carries a powerful bat. Ager hit .406 with six homers and 36 RBI last season.

Leadoff hitter and center fielder Josh Hoffman (.330) also returns and Chris Haruska is back at first where he hit over .300.

Other key Falcons include letter-winners Adam Blatt (RHP), Matt Battle (P), Rob Hinman (OF), Pat Biuttell (IF) and John Sabat (IF). Up from junior varsity are Dave Hoffman (IF), Sam Wilson (IF), Mike Babcock (IF), Mark Wolfman (OF) and Nate Jordan (C/3B).

7. ROCHESTER — Coach Bob Dieters always gets the most out of his players. He hopes to do it again this year on the heels of last season's 17-11 campaign that finished with an extra-inning loss in the district finals to Adams.

Ryan Good will have a chance to shine on the mound after seeing action in only a couple of games last year due to arm problems. Good, who will also see action at second base, was the team's leadoff batter last season where he hit .369.

Also returning is center fielder Dennis Richardson, who hit .320 last year. Pitcher Chris Potts, who recorded a 5-2 record last year, figures to see plenty of action, as do shortstop Jeff Goins and outfielder Shaun Kallis.

8. CLARKSTON — The Wolves, under then first-year coach Phil Price, tied Rochester for fourth in the OAA Division I last year and could be a sleeper pick in the area with a solid core of returnees from a team that went 21-11.

Senior left-hander Chris Mitchell is one of the county's premier pitchers and is also a force at the plate. Seniors Ryan Marino, an all-stater in basketball, and Francis Hodges will also see time on the mound.

Senior catcher Derek Casper, a fourth-year veteran, senior leadoff hitter Bret Gove, and fellow seniors Nick Petrinic (OF) and Brett Crawford (SS-2B) also return and will be key players for the Wolves, who are off to a 6-0 start.

9. ORCHARD LAKE ST. MARY'S — The Englets want to make a clean sweep of all three major sports this year. They've already done it in football and basketball this school year.

After all, the baseball program won a state title in 1998 and there are five players still remaining from that team.

Anchoring this year's squad is catcher/captain Joe Zacharzewski, who batted .370 as a junior. Willis' other captains are Garrett Ignasiak (C/OF) and Matt Thompson (1B/3B). Thompson is Willis' quiet leader who will also get some mound duty.

Mark Lundquist is the ace of the pitching staff and a first baseman, a position he played for the championship team. Left fielder Matt Ziskie is a team leader, while Ryan Krol (P/3B), Vinny Campasi (OF), Ryan Thomas (2B) and Darren Dickow (RF) are up from the junior varsity.

10. WALLED LAKE WESTERN — Coach Ken Connor's Warriors are coming off a 13-18 season that still featured a district title. The championship gave Western its first back-to-back district baseball titles in school history.

Western must cut down on the errors it made last year. The Warriors committed more than 100 miscues last season.

Leading the team will be Rob Pisha (C/P) and Ryan Smith (OF/P).

Other key players include pitcher Eric McDonald and shortstop Paul Price.

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coached in the prestigious Compuware program for eight years, and in the Ontario Hockey League, one step below the National Hockey League, for two years.

His teams are always near the top of the state rankings, and he preaches discipline and positioning as two of his key components of the game. In the middle of the season, his team went nearly three full games without a penalty being called on it.

Clarkston coach Bryan Krygier, who has coached under Weidenbach as a junior-varsity coach, and against him with the Wolves, said Weidenbach's knowledge of the game gives him a big edge in nearly all of his coaching matchups.

"He's pretty much seen it all, and there aren't many situations he can't prepare for, or adjust to," Krygier said. "It was just an experience to watch his practices and to be a part of his program for a year. He can implement a system in such a way that the kids can understand and execute it."

Weidenbach was also named the National High School Hockey Coach of the Year following the 1996-97 season, when he guided the Cranes to the Class B-C-D state title. But he never planned on being a coach at all, never mind the length of time he's spent with it and the success he's earned along the way.

"My wife begged me to get into coaching when my oldest son was a squirt," he recalled. "I did so very reluctantly, but have enjoyed it more and more ever since. Coaches have a lot of influence on kids, and I hope my influence has been a positive one."

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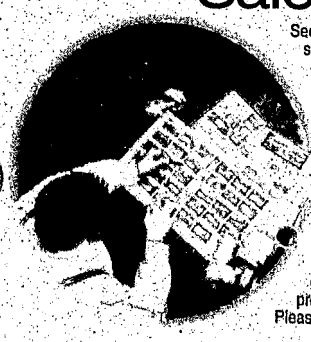
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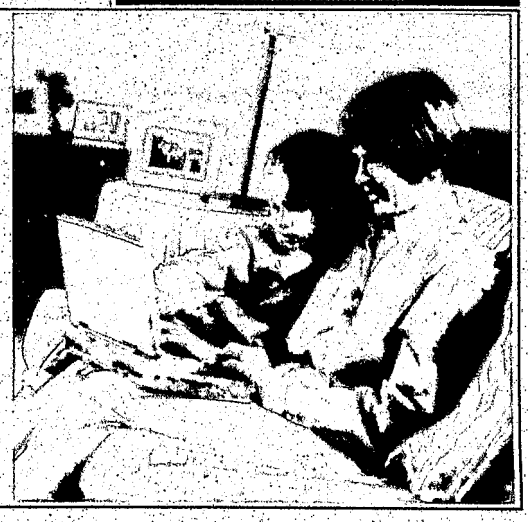
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TROY - Huge sale! Antiques & etc. 5309 Wright. N. off of Long Lake. Fri-Sat. 9-4. Our numbers.

WEST BLOOMFIELD - House full of furniture, leather couch, 2 dining room tables, bedroom set and lots of household misc. April 15-16, 10-4. 4136 Golfridge Dr. off of West Long Lake in Wabeek Sub.

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BEVERLY HILLS - 2 family. 9:30-4:30, Fri-Sat. 32110 Lahser Rd. Btwn 13 & 14 Mile.

BIRMINGHAM - Fri, 8:30-5. 1365 Fairfax, ½ half mile W of Woodward off Quarton. Everything including the kitchen sink. (248) 644-6594

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Bloomfield Hills, April 14, 15, 9-4. Household items, marble top table, 8 place setting of Noritake china, 8 place setting of Easterling china, Fostoria crystal, women's clothes, 284 S. Williamsbury, Cranbrook/Maple.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Toys & Antiques - Dansk-Bistro Maribo Service-12, brass umbrella stand. 1860 Irish Kitchen table, Chippendale desk. Accessories. Toys ages 3 to 12 yr. All items in excellent condition. Sat., Apr. 15, 9-5. 840 Ardmoor (off 16 Mile) E. of Lahser/S. of Quarton.

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ROYAL OAK - Ultimate Garage Sale at the former Englander's Other Place, 27844 Woodward Ave., betw 11 & 12 Mile Rd. Royal Oak. Fri. 4 to 10pm. Sat. 10 to 6pm. Sun., Noon to 6pm. - SSI Liquidators is selling off remaining inventory, used furniture, area rugs and carpet, office & store equipment, old desks, folding chairs, brooms, office supplies, calculators. You name it it's for sale at Pennies on the Dollar.

SOUTHFIELD - Sat., Apr. 15, 9-5. 22900 Leewright, S/9 Mile, 2 blks W/Telegraph. Books, toys, furniture, Vitamixer.

TROY - 65 Evaline, Off Livernois, N. of Wattles. Huge 3 family sale, Sat, April 15, 11-5. weather permitting.

WALLED LAKE - April 13th - 15th. We have everything including boats, snowmobiles, motors & household items. 814 Bluffton near 14 Mi & Decker.

W. BLOOMFIELD
Basement Sale - Designer Mens, Womens & kids clothes, shoes, accessories, all sizes, including: Polo, Chanel, DKNY, Escada, Coach, Gucci & more. Household, books, Jewelry, some old. Toys, golf clubs, boom boxes, video camera, perfumes, pictures, records, etc. Cash only. No holds, no presale. 4157 Strathdale, N. off Lone Pine, between Orchard Lake & Middlebelt. 248-737-0340
April 13, 14 & 15, 9-5pm.

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W. BLOOMFIELD - Sat., April 15, 9-3pm. 5504 Tequesta Dr., N. of 16 Mile between Farmington & Drake. Furniture, misc.

WEST BLOOMFIELD Moving! Sat-Sun, 10-5. Egyptian artifacts, patio set, breakfast set, other items. 2146 Peach Tree Ct., E. of Hiller, S. of Greer.

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★ LIVONIA - Huge 3 family moving sale! Everything must go! Designer baby, kids, womens & mens clothes. All in mint condition. Furniture, household items, arts & craft supplies, & much more! April 15-16, 9-4. 37848 Margarita. S. of 7 mi between Newburgh & Haggerty. Enter sub off of Blue Skies.

PLYMOUTH - Pool table, fridge, TV, microwave, Locke 76" walk-behind mower, gas engine trimmer, misc. 8200 Brookville, off N. Territorial & Curtis Rd. Thurs.-Sat., 10 to 6pm

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713 Moving Sales

BLOOMFIELD HILLS
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DEARBORN - Moving, Apr. 15, 16, 10 to 3. Furniture & misc. household 21524 Edison, between Outer Dr. & Military.

713 Moving Sales

BLOOMFIELD VILLAGE - cherry desk, metal desk, freezer, microwave, lamps, walnut table, TV stands, crib, kitchen items, much more. Fri. April 14 only. 7am-1pm. 135 Overhill Rd., N. off Maple btw. Cranbrook & Lasher.

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FARMINGTON HILLS - Thurs-Sat., 9-5. 29803 White Hall. (13 mi/Drake) Furniture, clothing, accessories, art work.

Farmington Hills - Moving sale. Sat., April 15. All rooms of furniture including Kimball Organ. 25932 Ruttledge Crossing - (11 Mile & Drake) 248-471-5718

MOVING - ALL MUST GO! Couch, bedroom set, game table, futon w/mattress, entertainment center, 248-821-5128

NORTHVILLE - Huge Garage Sale. Thurs., Fri., Sat., April 13-15, 9am-5pm. Home of triplets, 2 boys, 1 girl - Lots of toys, clothes, high chairs, car seats, triplet stroller. Also, tools, tool chest, Sears garden tractor 26hp,, Canon NP2020 copy machine, wildlife trophies, freezer chest, 3 artificial Christmas trees from 7' - 12', crib, oak TV stand and much more! Located at - 19477 Smock, 4th street W. of Haggerty off 7 Mile Rd.

ORION TWP: Fri 9-4 & Sat 9-12, 148 Hi Hill Dr. E. of Lapeer, N. of Silverbell. Furniture, antique table, microwave, TV, clothes (some children's).

REDFORD - Moving sale. 18647 Denby, Sat., 9-6pm & Sun., 9-5pm. April 15-16

RIDING MOWER, DR trimmer, fertilizer spreader, stove, Large wood table. Can be seen Fri., btwn. 5-9pm (248) 375-2888.

ROCHESTER HILLS - Sat & Sun, 9-3, 2237 Siboney Ct, in Rochelle Park condos, off Hamlin bet Crooks & Livernois, good furniture & household

TROY: 6770 Pine Way. Off Crooks, between Sq. Lake & South Blvd. Sat, 10-4. Furniture, clothes & much more!

714 Clothing

BRIDAL GOWN - Marisa, silk, size 10, classic style. Paid $1500. $850/neg. 248-544-7147.

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SAT., APRIL 15TH
10AM-6PM
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Couch (sleeper) & Loveseat by Jennifer Convertibles. Approx: 4½ yrs. old, good condition, blue/white. $200/best 248-960-4952

COUCH, white on white, 3 seater, custom made, excellent condition. $100. 248-355-9854

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DINING ROOM 104in. table w/ pads, 4 side & 2 arm chairs, 4 dr. lighted china. Like new $1895. (734) 455-6234

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716 Household Goods

DINING Set: 11 pc. solid cherry, 94" double pedestal table, 2 leaves, 8 Chippendale chairs, lighted hutch & buffet. Unused, still in box. Cost $10,000, sell $2600. (248) 350-8864.

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Talk on: Speakers offered good tips



MARTY FIGLEY

Several lectures this spring provided some interesting information. So here's a mixed bouquet of tips that may make your gardening more enjoyable or entice you into trying something different.

John Mattia was the keynote speaker at a Great Lakes rose symposium and gave these helpful suggestions.

Begin pruning when the forsythia blooms. Roses need the soil temperature to be 55 degrees to start growing. Add 1/3 cup of 10-10-10 fertilizer to one heaping shovelful of compost; spread around plant 10 to 12 inches. The book "Hardy Roses" by Robert Osborne (Garden Way Publishing, 1991) is full of good information.

James Neubacher, a dahlia specialist, says Magic Moment is a reliable dahlia. The flower is 6 to 8 inches in size, white with an edging of lavender blush.

Dahlias can be grown in a container that is at least 12 inches deep. The tuber needs to be planted 5 inches deep whether grown in a container or the ground. Select a sunny location; plant in warm soil after danger of frost is past, 2 feet apart. Stake each plant. Plant the tuber with the eye toward the stake.

Mix granular fertilizer in the hole before planting. Use fertilizers that have trace elements such as a 6-24-24 or 6-12-12. Slow-release Osmocote is also good. Add more ties as plant grows. If spider mites are a problem, apply a mitacide.

This Sunday, April 16, the Michigan Dahlia Association will have a sale 2 p.m. at the Taylor Community Library, on Pardee Road south of Goddard and east of Telegraph. Saturday, May 6, the Southeastern Michigan Dahlia Society will have its sale 1 p.m. at the Southfield Civic Center on Civic Center Drive, the first block east of Telegraph just north of 10 Mile.

At each sale hundreds of top-grade tubers will be available at bargain prices. Many varieties will be offered. Veteran dahlia growers will assist in selections, provide expert advice on planting and growing, and answer all dahlia-related questions.

Charles Thomas of Lilypons Water Gardens says that water gardens also need a sunny location. Water lily pads will provide the necessary shade.

Night-blooming plants are perfect for those who are home in the evening. They bloom in the evening until noon the following day.

If you begin the garden correctly, fewer problems will be encountered. Patience is necessary. For the first water garden, install one as large as your landscape and budget can handle; the larger the pond, the easier the maintenance.

Koi and goldfish are natural mosquito predators. No weeding required.

Wednesday, April 26, a free, healthy lawn care workshop will take place 7-8:30 p.m. at the Bloomfield Township Library, 1099 Lone Pine Road at the corner of Telegraph.

Expert speakers will include Greg Patchan, horticulture agent, Oakland County Michigan State University Extension; Larry Wright, president/CEO, Metropolitan Detroit Landscape Association; and Rick Lazzell, owner, Lazzell Horticultural Services.

Attendees will learn how to care for their lawn like professionals, while avoiding heavy inputs of chemicals. Basic mowing, watering, fertilization, new lawns, easy-care landscape design, grub control and questions to ask landscape contractors will be the topics.

The program is part of the Rouge River Watershed initiative to educate residents about water quality protection.

The Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority is the sponsor. To register, call Karen Bever at (248) 288-5150 or fax (248) 435-0310.

Do you have an outstanding lawn? Maybe it's a winner! Briggs & Stratton and Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse will award $5,000 to the nation's most impressive residential lawn. Also, nine first prize winners will each receive awards.

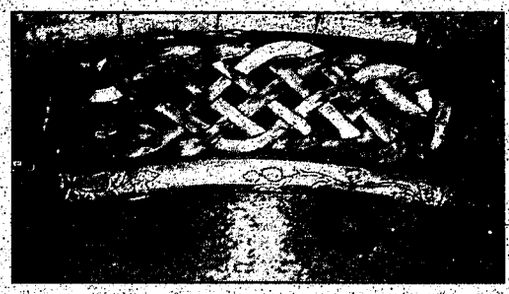
Any lawn can win, whether it's picture perfect or a place for fun with family and friends. These two companies believe that how a lawn is used is just as important as a pristine appearance and green thumb know-how.

The contest closes Monday, July 31. I'll provide entry information in the next column.

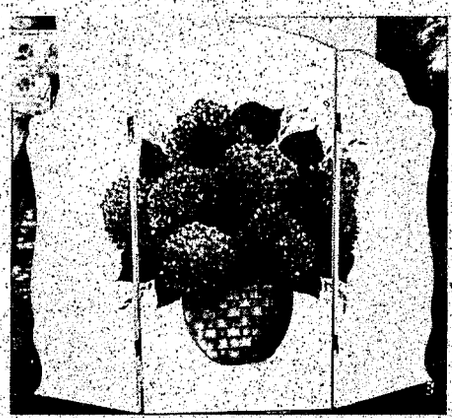
Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

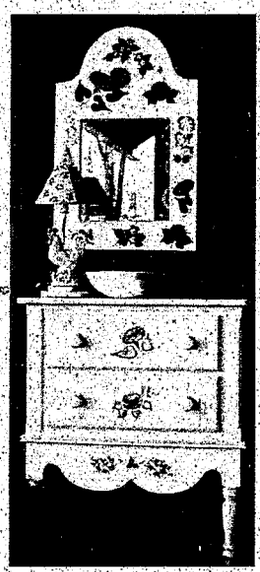


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Filling the bill

Helping out: *Meet Youcan Toucan, who will be appearing in At Home as part of a regular feature on minor home repairs. Youcan's job is to keep At Home readers from feeling intimidated about fixing things around the house, apartment or condo. Youcan wants to show that YOU CAN, TOO replace a light switch, mend a screen, patch up a hole in a wall and handle just about any other kind of repair or replacement task. Youcan will do this by getting directions and suggestions from local experts and presenting this information in At Home, along with photos or other illustrations. What would you like to learn how to do around the home? Send in your questions by writing Youcan Toucan, c/o Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, or by e-mail to mklemic@oe.homecomm.net*

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Cheap disposers can jam easily



JOE GAGNON

This week's question comes from someone who is interested in purchasing a new garbage disposer, but has no idea of what kind should be bought.

The cost of a disposer ranges from $39 to $239 in the market today and basically, you will get what you pay for.

If you want to find out how quality-oriented the builder of a new home is, open the kitchen sink cupboard and write down the model number of the disposer, then make a few phone calls to check its price at retailers. A good quality disposer which will do an adequate job will cost you $150 or more.

What happens with less expensive models is quite simple. If they can't chew up the garbage into very fine pieces, then you will plug up the drain line from the sink to wherever it goes. If you have a drain line from the sink which leads straight down, it helps to prevent blockage. Most homes have lines which lead away from the sink in different angles and that makes it imperative to have a quality disposer.

Most of us never pay any attention to a disposer and there is virtually no maintenance involved. We should think about the possible bacteria growth within the product. I think we've all experienced the smell that comes from the sink when we forgot to grind something up before we left the house for a few days.

Think of your disposer as an extra large coffee can with a motor and cutter wheel at the bottom. The disposer's walls are lined with food products which are not always washed clean when we use it. I make it a habit in our house that about once a week, I fill the disposer with ice cubes, let them sit for an hour, then I turn on the disposer. I also make sure the disposer never runs for more than one minute at a time. Running the cold water is a must to keep the cutters cool and prevent the motor from overheating. Letting the water run into the sink for 30 seconds or so after you shut off the disposer is a good habit. That flushes food particles through smaller drain lines under the sink.

Safety alert — Mounted in the bottom of the disposer is a little relay which can provide a spark when you turn it on. Many homeowners store plastic trash bags under the sink and adjacent to the disposer. It is possible that one of these bags is close to the bottom of the disposer. When you turn on the disposer, you can ignite the bags. You should check your trash bags and your disposer for this potential fire hazard.

Many service problems can be created by twist-ties used for bread or the little probes that come with meat products. It really doesn't take much to jam a disposer, especially the cheaper ones. You can use a pair of needle-nose pliers to clear any obstacles that have jammed the unit, but obviously, you must shut off the unit before you clear the disposer. Many disposers have a little reset button on the underside of the unit which pops out when the disposer jams and cannot run. After you have cleared the obstacle, make sure the reset button is pushed in before turning on the unit again.

The next time you see me at a home show or function, please ask me about the garbage disposer that could chew up a handful of 2-inch nails and never jam. It is sad to say that this particular disposer is no longer made today and even more curious as to why not. Stay tuned.

Do you have a question for the Appliance Doctor? Drop him a line at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail him in care of Ken Abramczyk at kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

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.

at home calendar

■ The Hardy Plant Society will present "Garden Resources: Books, Catalogs, Magazines, Specialty Garden Centers and More," what you need to know to garden well, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road in Bloomfield Hills. Fee is $5. For information, call Maryann Whitman at (248) 652-4004.

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RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

Edward O'Keefe III of Traverse City has the right idea. He infuses delicious wines with many of his favorite foods and fluids. And why not? He is the president of Chateau Grand Traverse, the winery and vineyard at 12239 Center Road in Traverse City, on Old Mission Peninsula.

Take some ideas from this down-to-earth president, and invite friends over for a wine-infused evening. Let guests enjoy a casual, calm experience with easily prepared foods for the host/hostess.

Appetizers can be served in addition to the main course; or keep it light, and have a smattering of interesting appetizers, some crusty bread and a huge wine-infused vinaigrette-laced salad as the central entree.

Perhaps each guest could bring along their favorite bottle of wine to share. Do have some extra vino on hand, along with some sparkling water.

My friend Ed was kind enough to actually share those tasty recipes with me – of course, they are written as Ed wrote them. I've included my own favorite braised and wined red cabbage recipe (I use his Cranberry Riesling).

GRILLED FISH

2-3 pounds fish fillets
1/2 cup soy sauce
1 cup Chateau Grand Traverse Semidry Riesling Wine
1 medium onion (chopped fine)
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 cup orange juice with pulp
1 teaspoon sesame oil
2 tablespoons garlic (chopped fine)
1 teaspoon fresh ginger (chopped fine)

Mix everything together (except fish) in a large Ziplock Baggie. Insert fish into Baggie and refrigerate for 4 hours. Remove and grill for 3 minutes on each side. Baste with marinade while grilling. Don't overcook!

■ Cook's Note: Make sure fish is cooked through – the timing may vary depending on the thickness of the fish; cook to desired doneness.

CHEESE SPREAD

8 ounces cheddar cheese (grated)
8 ounces cream cheese
1/4 cup Grand Traverse Select Blush Wine
1/4 teaspoon onion salt
1/4 teaspoon garlic salt
2 teaspoons onion soup mix

Mix all ingredients together until smooth. For a thinner dip, add more wine.

SANGRIA SLUSH

1 (12 ounces) can frozen lemonade (thawed)
1 (6 ounces) can frozen orange juice (thawed)
1 1/2 cups water
1 orange (cut in wedges)
1 lemon (cut in wedges)
1 lime (cut in wedges)
1 bottle Chateau Grand Traverse Rosé Wine (chilled)

Combine juice concentrates and water. Freeze in ice cube trays until firm. Add ice cubes to glasses, pour in wine and add fruit.

SPINACH ARTICHOKE DIP

16 ounces frozen spinach (thawed and chopped)
1 can artichokes (cut in small pieces)
8 ounces cream cheese
1/4 cup Parmesan cheese (grated)
1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
1/4 cup Chateau Grand Traverse Dry Johannesburg Riesling Wine

Mix together and microwave for 2 minutes. Stir and reheat if necessary. Serve with tortilla chips.

■ Cook's Note: If you don't have a microwave, place ingredients in a saucepan and heat over a low flame until warm and well mixed.

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Hello, dollies: *Frita Roth Drapkin's crafts include porcelain and soft dolls, some of which are arranged near a bedroom window. (The "little girl" in the pink and white dress with a rose ribbon is her favorite.) Staff photos by Jim Jagdfeld.*

Couple furnish

By Mary Klemic
At Home Editor
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Jack and Frita Roth Drapkin have shared many years together – they will have been married 63 years in August – and developed many interests.

The eclectic arrangement of furnishings in their apartment at The Heritage in Southfield represents the wide variety of their activities – past, present and even future.

It includes art and furnishings the couple made as well as memorabilia. The apartment is as cheerful, warm and charming as the Drapkins, themselves.

The couple had lived in a large house in Bloomfield Hills for 31 years. With help from daughter, Jill, they reduced the amount of items they had to bring with them when they moved to the luxury retirement community in January.

"I brought (things) so I wouldn't feel lonesome," Frita said. "I said, 'I want my sewing machine, my dolls, my mother's Bible.'"

Now 89, Jack was a renowned professional photographer.

"A lot of my alumni (former customers) are living here," he said.

Now 87, Frita was a teacher in Detroit Public Schools for 30 years and has written published books, for children and adults, about her family. She teaches crafts at The Heritage, speaks to organizations and plans to return to writing.

"I can't stand when people say 'My hands are too weak, I haven't done anything,'" Frita said. "Well, I say it's time you started. If you don't use it, you lose it. I get such a joy out of seeing someone accomplish something."

The Drapkins moved when Jack, a perfectionist, wasn't as able to handle house maintenance as well as he liked. The couple visited a relative at The Heritage, now open nine months, and thought it felt like home.

"It was just the answer," Frita said.

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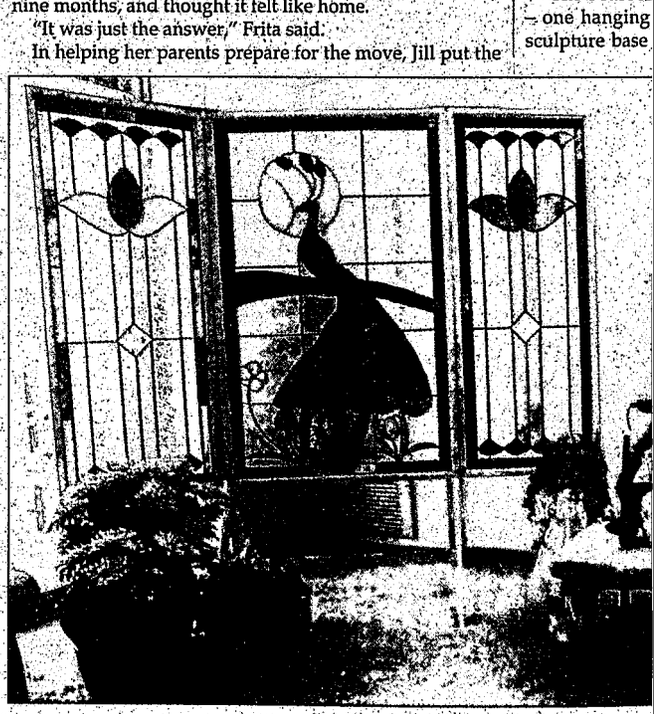
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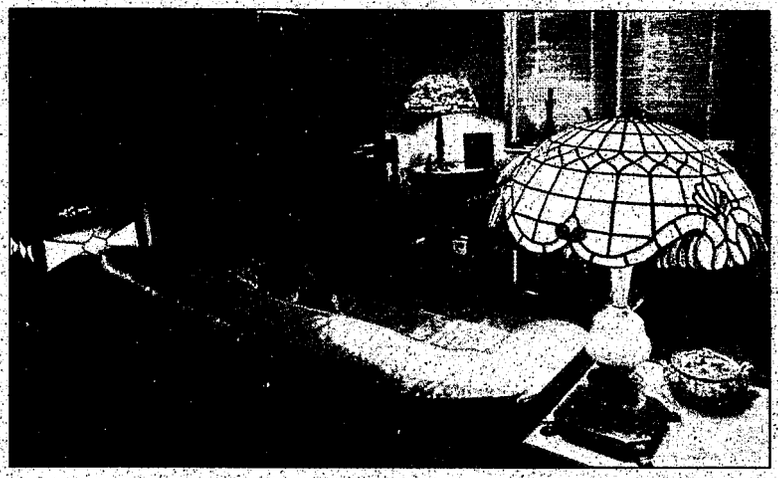
Young at art: *Jack and Frita Drapkin, in their 80s, keep active with a wide range of interests. Here they pause for a moment in the den of their apartment in The Heritage retirement community in Southfield.*

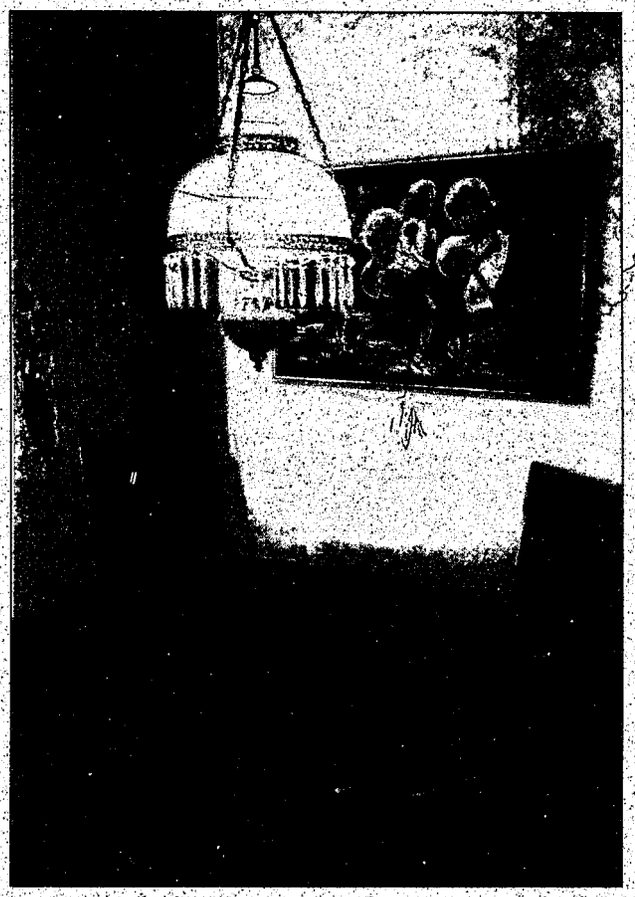


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Eclectic: *The Drapkins' interests can be seen all around their residence, including the living room, dining room area and bedroom. Their creativity includes stained glass pieces by Jack, and paintings by Frita. The bedroom also includes a pillow by Frita.*

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's paintings depicts a little girl seated at a , painted from a photograph of running eys a sense of motion and the youngsters' nting of a little boy dressed as a cowboy, face of one of her brothers from an old el.

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n contains two stained glass lamps by Jack from the ceiling; the other, with a Cupid and heart pattern on the shade, set on the bureau.

Original porcelain and soft dolls made by Frita are arranged near the window.

A pillow with colorful cloth flowers, also by Frita, is on the pink bedspread. Another of her paintings, called "Snowballs in Spring" and featuring a girl and white kitten amid a sea of yellow flowers, is on the wall over the bed.

One wall in the room is filled with photos Jack took of Jill's ballet class when she was a child. Among the young dancers is Pamela Eldred, later to be crowned Miss America.

The den includes two turquoise recliners, a small, white rolltop desk and a sleek black floor lamp. Photos of Frita's family, who came from Czechoslovakia, are on one wall. The violin she received from her father is on another wall.

Jack and Frita gently teased one another as they showed a visitor around the residence and posed for photos.

"It's the only chance I get," he responded with a smile when the couple was asked to talk to each other for one photo.

"He has a good sense of humor," she replied. "He has to have one, to live with me."

The Drapkins had an exhibit of their photography, stained glass, paintings, dolls and other works at The Heritage yesterday.





On the cover: *Stained glass and porcelain dolls, all made by Jack and Frita Roth Drapkin, adorn the senior apartment in Southfield where they live. Staff photo by Jim Jagdfeld.*

Recall meanings behind holidays



LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

All week long your family struggles to squeeze in quality time together. These uninterrupted moments might only happen en route to an after-school activity, around the dinner table or helping with homework.

But when a holiday celebration such as Easter or Passover comes along, it's nice to know everyone can put the daily grind aside to enjoy each other's company. Bring new meaning to quality family time by commemorating your Easter or Passover traditions.

Start your holiday observance by remembering its origin and meaning. Talk about how Easter began.

The name, Easter, originated long before Jesus Christ arose from the dead. It came from the Anglo-Saxon festival in northern Europe that honored Eostre, the goddess of springtime. People enjoyed a feast of eggs symbolizing new life. The Easter rabbit tradition stems from an old legend that says Eostre loved a large bird until it made her angry and she changed it into a rabbit.

After the birth of Christianity, people began to recognize Christ's resurrection as Easter ("new beginning"). It wasn't until A.D. 525 that people declared Easter to occur the Sunday after the first full moon following March 21.

Today, families still carry on their Easter observance with decorated eggs, chocolate bunnies, new outfits and a traditional meal.

Passover commemorates the saving of the firstborn son in each Israelite family from the plague God sent to punish the Egyptians for not setting the Israelite slaves free. Two thousand years before the birth of Christ, the 10th plague passed over the Jewish sons but took the oldest son in each Egyptian family.

Passover also celebrates the Israelite people's freedom from slavery. Today, families can share in this time by talking about the privileges that come with freedom.

Seder, the traditional family dinner, first calls for preparation. The family first cleanses the house of any leavening agents as are supposed to be used in Passover food. The house is freshened up for spring (spring cleaning). The table is set. The Seder meal follows the order outlined in the Haggadah (story of Exodus), which is read aloud in either a traditional or a modified service.

Build upon your family holiday celebration whether it symbolizes a holy day or the dawning of spring. The traditions you recall with your children now will be the ones they are inspired to pass on to the next generation.

Johnston

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SPARKLING SUNSETS

Serves 8 (1 cup each)

3 cups guava or passion fruit juice, chilled

1 bottle (750 ml) Johannesburg Riesling Dry White Wine

1 bottle (16 ounces) sparkling water, chilled

Mix all ingredients in 2-quart pitcher. Serve over ice, if desired.

Variations: You can use any flavor or fruit juice that you like. Garnish with a sprig of fresh pineapple mint.

RUTH'S BRAISED RED CABBAGE INFUSED WITH CRANBERRY WINE

This is a full-bodied side dish – great with beef, pork and all wild game dinner entrees. Intense in flavor, it's well worth the time! I love to serve it for special occasions.

Yield: 8 servings

1 pound bacon, cut into 1/2-inch pieces

2 large onions (preferably Vidalia or any sweet type), peeled and chopped into 1/2-inch pieces

1 large head red cabbage (3 pounds), cored, washed and sliced into 3-inch strips

2 carrots, trimmed, cleaned (or peeled) and shredded

3-4 Granny Smith apples (depending on size), cored and sliced

1 cup dried cranberries

1 cup Cranberry Riesling Wine or your favorite semi-sweet red wine

1 cup cranberry or raspberry wine vinegar

2 1/2 tablespoons (or more, depending on desired sweetness) light brown sugar, firmly packed

1 1/2 teaspoons dried thyme leaves

Pinch of cayenne pepper

1/2 teaspoon sea salt

In an extra large saucepan or Dutch oven, cook bacon over medium heat until crisp.

Add the chopped onions and cook until transparent, about 8 minutes.

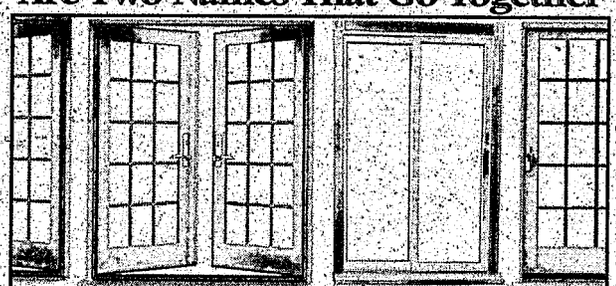
Add the cabbage, carrots, apple slices, dried cranberries, wine, wine vinegar, brown sugar, thyme, cayenne and salt.

Lid the pot and continue to cook; stirring occasionally until the liquid is absorbed and the vegetables are tender and glazed, about 2 hours. Do keep an eye on it (it could be done sooner or may take longer; check every 20 minutes). Turn down heat if necessary.

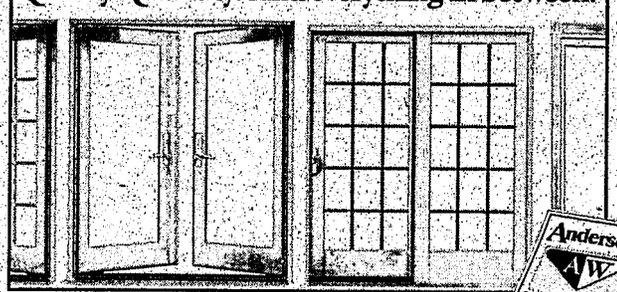
Adjust seasonings to taste. Serve infused cabbage as a side dish.

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focus on photography

Take 'second, hard look' before shot



MONTE NAGLER

Have you ever taken a family shot only to discover to your chagrin when you pick up the photos at the lab that there's a telephone pole "growing" out of your mother-in-law's head?

Have you ever gone to the zoo, taken what you thought was a terrific shot of the lion, and decided to impress your friends into thinking you just came back from Africa? But, lo and behold, you pick up your prints only to find out there's a refreshment stand in the background!

Well, don't jump in despair into the lion's den. There's a simple way to avoid these mistakes in your pictures. The solution is what I call the "second, hard look" through the viewfinder before you snap the shutter.

It's true – most people don't look closely through the entire viewfinder and they'll end up with distracting chair legs in the shot of Junior crawling on the floor, or a tree "sprouting" out of the outdoor subject's head.

But by taking that second, hard look through the viewfinder, you can eliminate all these problems. Once you see the distraction, all that's required is simply moving yourself or moving your subject just enough to remove it.

Understanding depth-of-field can eliminate a distraction, too. Using a large aperture will significantly reduce depth-of-field so that an unwanted object in the background or even the background itself will be blurred out in the finished print.

Taking a second, hard look through the viewfinder can also cause you to see something that will enhance your photo.

Say you're photographing a family member at the edge of a lake and just before you trip the shutter you see the majestic mountain across the lake. You think, "What a great backdrop for the picture!" And by simply moving you and your subject slightly, you can include the mountain in the composition for a much stronger photograph.



A good look: *No distractions here. Monte Nagler's "second, hard look" assured a non-distracting background in order to focus attention on this delightful gentleman from Seoul, South Korea.*

Are you beginning to see the value of taking that second, hard look through the viewfinder before you snap the shutter? If so, your photographs will be greatly improved and you won't have to throw yourself into the lion's den!

at home calendar

■ The Frank Boos Gallery, 420 Enterprise Court in Bloomfield Hills, will conduct an auction 6 p.m. Thursday, April 13. Call (248) 332-1500. The auction features property belonging to the estate of Marshall Fredericks, a prominent West Bloomfield collector; The Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary/Marygrove College; and other estates and private collectors. Among the items are "Three Dancers," a Carl Milles bronze study for the "Orpheus Fountain" at Cranbrook; several bronzes by Fredericks, his walking stick collection; books from the rare book room of Marygrove College; a pair of early 20th century silver-plated sconces removed from the Titanic; and a large collection of Elvis memorabilia.

■ English Gardens will conduct a free public seminar, "Container Gardening" by Sharon Petrucci or Tom Theoret, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at its West Bloomfield store, 6370 Orchard Lake Road at Maple. Call (248) 851-7506.

■ Hudson's senior interior designer, B.C. Cabangbang, will present a free seminar, "Accessorizing Your Home," 1 p.m. Saturday, April 15, in the furniture department of Hudson's at Northland. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Consider retiree's desires, feelings



DIANA KOENIG

Q: A close friend of mine is retiring and I would like to give her a party. Whom do I invite? What do I plan?

A: We celebrate many events in our lives, such as birthdays, weddings, graduations and births. Celebrating a retirement after many long years of service ranks in the top list of celebrations.

Before planning a retirement party, consider the desires of the person you are celebrating. Would you give an "Over The Hill" birthday party to someone who is struggling with the concept of turning 40?

Retirement produces mixed emotions. A person may experience relief from the many years of labor or sorrow for the good-byes they must say. Retirement brings an end to this period of time in a person's life. Be sensitive to these feelings when you plan the party.

As you make up your guest list, check first at your friend's place of employment to see if they are planning any type of celebration. You may choose to include some of their co-workers along with family and friends.

Before you plan the theme and location, look at the number of guests and your budget. The number of people and whom you invite may dictate what plans you make. For a large crowd rent a hall or park pavilion, or have an open house so people can come and go at various times. A smaller group will give you more flexibility.

You can plan a formal affair with a sit-down dinner or a pool party with hamburgers and hot dogs. Determine the theme of the party according to the interests of the person you are honoring. If the person enjoys games, plan a game party with snacks. Snacks could include popcorn, peanuts, pretzels, candy, and hot dogs in barbecue sauce.

A fishing theme would work for someone who has a passion for fishing. Create a fishing atmosphere with your decorations, serve fish and chips, and buy fishing equipment or a gift certificate so they can buy their own supplies.

The precious commodity of "time" may finally be available after years of babies, children and 40 hours plus at a career. Provide a calendar for any guest to sign up for a social day with the retiree. They can schedule a day of lunch, dinner, golf, bowling, opera, movie, art museum, etc. This is the beginning of a new era so they might as well start it out with some fun.

Be prepared if your guests ask for gift ideas. Ideas: membership to a spa or workout center, plants (indoors or outdoors), a magazine subscription, a book store certificate, a gift basket filled with their favorite things, restaurant coupons, movie or play coupons.

Don't buy them household items or knickknacks unless they request them. The last thing they will want to do with their free time is use a dust knickknack. However, if someone is a collector of a specific article they will enjoy taking care of it. For example, both my mother-in-law and I collect thimbles. That is a knickknack we enjoy receiving.

As you plan the party you may choose to organize a group gift. Ideas: vacation package through a travel agency, starter kit for a hobby, a large item for the house, an object for a new business venture, a new electronic device.

Today's refrigerator bulletin: "Retirement isn't the end of the book, it's the beginning of a new chapter!"

Send your questions and success stories to: Diana Koenig, P.O. Box 1702, Manchester, MO 63011.

at home calendar

■ Hudson's senior interior designer, Gordon Robinson, will present a free seminar, "Diversity In Design," 2 p.m. Saturday, April 15, in the furniture department of Hudson's at Oakland Mall, 14 Mile and John R in Troy. The slide presentation will feature a decade of design projects outlining clients' tastes and lifestyles. Seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

■ The Southeast Michigan Bromeliad Society will host a free seminar 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at the Rochester Hills Environmental Center, 1115 Avon Road, just west of Livernois. The topic will be "The Fascinating Tillandsias – True Airplants." A tillandsia tree will be created as part of the demonstration. Guests may attend. For more information, call Siegrid Stern at (248) 375-1411.

■ LaVere Webster will speak on "Gardens Down Under: Australia and New Zealand" at a meeting of the Hardy Plant Society 7 p.m. Monday, April 17, at Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road in Bloomfield Hills. Guest fee $3. For information, call Maryann Whitman at (248) 652-4004. The slide presentation will include many great gardens of Australia and New Zealand.

■ The Friends of the Wilson Barn Annual Spring Flower Sale will take place Thursday-Sunday, April 20-23, at the Wilson Barn, 29350 W. Chicago in Livonia. Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. April 20 and 22, noon to 7 p.m. April 21, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 23. Approximately 500 potted plants will be available, including lilies, chrysanthemums, tulips, daffodils and azaleas, as well as small orchid corsages. Weather permitting, pony rides for children will also be featured. For more information, call the barn at (734) 427-4311.

■ The Southeast Chapter of the Michigan Koi & Pond Clubs meets 4 p.m. the third Sunday of every month, now to November. New members and guests are welcome. Call (248) 646-7675 for details, location and questions.

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Meadow Brook site of symposium

By Marty Figley
Special Writer

Meadow Brook Hall and the Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club will present a garden design symposium 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 19. The event is sponsored by House Beautiful magazine and Dodge.

Three experts in their fields will entertain as well as inform participants.

Betsy Hunter will present "Plan Before You Plant."

Hunter has been with the magazine since 1981. In addition to writing decorating stories, she spends most of her time finding and editing garden articles such as the lavish photographic features in the center of the magazine and the text pieces on the front.

Craig Bergmann of Landscape Design Inc. will present "A Garden Walk." He is a landscape architect with training in botany and biology.

James Grigsby, former professor of the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, has chosen "Ornamenting the Garden" as his topic.

Bergmann and Grigsby are co-founders of Craig Bergmann Landscape Design Inc. of Wilmette, Ill., a full-service company comprised of four divisions: design house, landscape contractor, garden aftercare service and perennial nursery.

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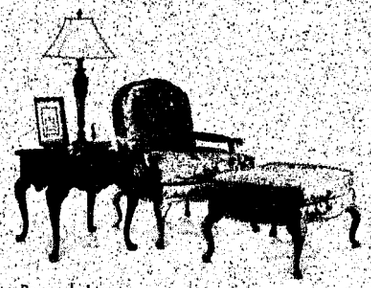
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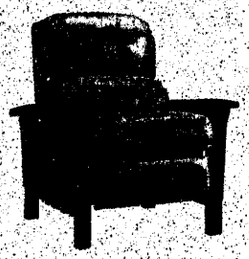
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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



Stan Ridgway, perhaps best known as the former lead vocalist with Wall of Voodoo, returns to the stage at 8 p.m. Friday at the Magic Bag in Ferndale with a new sound and new band. Fresh from his recording of Anatomy, Ridgway is making his first tour in 10 years. Tickets are $12 in advance at the box office or through Ticketmaster.

SATURDAY



Birmingham Unitarian Church and the Michigan Artists Music Alliance feature Kitty Donohoe along with opening act Dennis Kingsbury at 8 p.m. Saturday as the latest segment in the church's Mama's Coffeehouse series. Donohoe's music has been described as "Midwest Celtic." Tickets are $10 at the door of the church, located at the corner of Woodward and Lone Pine. (248) 647-2380 for more information.

SUNDAY

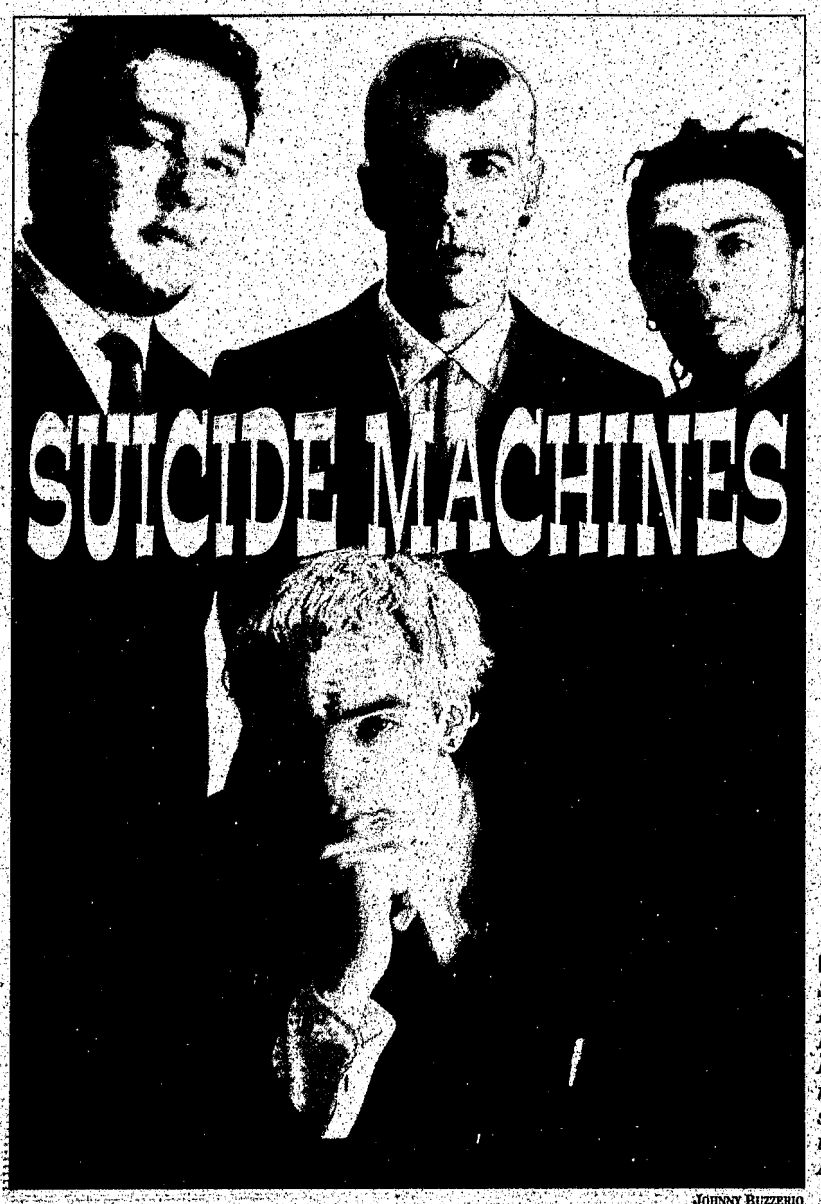


Michigan Opera Theatre presents Richard Strauss' Der Rosenkavalier. The opera opens 8 p.m. Saturday. Other performances: 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16, 30; 8 p.m. Saturday, April 16, 22. Detroit Opera House is located at the corner of Madison Avenue and Broadway, Detroit. Tickets: $18-$98; call (313) 237-3429 or (248) 645-6666.

HOT TICKET



This bowl created by Pennsylvania glass artisan Herb Thomas is just one example of the works of art 350 fine artists and craft designers will be displaying and selling at the sixth annual Sugarloaf Art Fair, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Sunday, April 14-16 at the Novi Expo Center. Adult admission $6, children under age 12 and parking are free. For more information, call (800) 210-9900.



JOHNNY BUZZERIO

Punk tendencies: *The Suicide Machines, Ryan Vandeberghe of Rochester Hills, Royce Nunley, Jason Navarro and Dan Lukacinsky rock right back into town, Saturday, April 22.*

Band plugs back in at State Theatre

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
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Nothing about The Suicide Machines is quite as it seems. Waiting around a Royal Oak coffee shop, three quarters of the ska-punk band that's gone from seedy area clubs to MTV and a national tour with No Doubt could've copped a rock star attitude. But singer Jason Navarro, bassist Royce Nunley and drummer Ryan Vandeberghe of Rochester Hills didn't.

The band's popular single from the self-titled album on Hollywood Records, "Sometimes I Don't Mind" could've been about a girl — but it wasn't.

Instead it's an ode to Royce Nunley's favorite pooch. His name's Chewy, and he's a bonafide star. Who would've guessed a warm, fuzzy, ultra-catchy tune like "Sometimes" could tilt the scales toward rock stardom? But it has. And Redford native Royce Nunley, who penned the song, isn't shy about it: "I think we're definitely on top of the food chain. We're the big mamma jammas of rock and roll."

All mamma jammas aside, The Suicide Machines are garnering national attention and guess what? For once it's about punk decadence and rock and roll, rather than hip hop. "I think if anything, we're bringing attention to a different genre," said Jason Navarro. "It is Detroit Rock City after all."

The band mates live all over the metro area. "A lot of people think we're from California and that sucks," said Navarro, a Berkley resident.

Vandeberghe, a Rochester Adams High School graduate, agreed: "They don't think anything good can come from Detroit."

But the image is slowly changing, thanks to bands like The Suicide Machines.

"It's your home, you should be proud of wherever you have lived," said Navarro. "You grow up somewhere and you love it."

While out on tour — both headlining and performing an opening stint for several No Doubt shows — the band will miss some of the staples they take for granted at home. Nunley won't be snowboarding nearly enough, or playing video games for that matter. Navarro said he'll miss some of his favorite restaurants, like Cafe 317. And Vandeberghe will miss just hanging out with his friends from his hometown, Rochester Hills.

But they all agreed snagging a quick tour with No Doubt is a good change from usual life on the road. While the Machines are used to the ups and

Who: The Suicide Machines with guests Antiflag, Pilfers and Bump-n-Uglies
What: Return for a hometown show.
When: 4 p.m. Saturday, April 22
Where: State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Avenue, Detroit
Tickets: $10. All ages welcome. Call (248) 645-6666 or check online at www.ticketmaster.com.

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Pair returns for Champions on Ice appearance

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
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Ice dance partners and past Olympians, Jerod Swallow and wife Elizabeth Punsalan are dropping hints on the ice, if not verbally, that they're ready to start a family.

Well, skating around the issue is more like it.

The married couple of seven years couldn't do a better job if they announced their intentions on the public address system prior to taking the ice in the John Hancock Champions on Ice show at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 22 at Detroit's Joe Louis Arena.

Using a prop, the pair will dance to two renditions of *She's a woman*. The Detroit stop is one of 34 cities on the Champions On Ice tour which started in January and ends in May.

"Not intentionally, but people may read into what we're doing, where our life is headed," Swallow said. "Ice dancers are usually more traditional but the new number shows our real crazy side — about the 'housewife' that can do anything, bring home the bacon and fry it up in the pan."

The couple, who live in Birmingham, still practice at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills where they honed their skills en route to five U.S. National Dance titles, a seventh-place finish in the 1998 Olympic Games and a 1999 World Championship.

What: John Hancock Champions on Ice Summer 2000 Tour
When: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 22
Where: Joe Louis Arena in Detroit
Who: Six former Olympic champions, including 1976 gold medalist Dorothy Hamill and 1988 gold medalist Brian Boitano; local favorites Elizabeth Punsalan and Jerod Swallow, the 1999 world dance champions and five time U.S. dance champions, also will perform
Tickets: Priced from $25 to $55, available at all TicketMaster outlets and at the Joe Louis and Fox Theatre box offices; call (248) 645-6666 to charge

Please see PAIR E2



Partners in life: *Champions on Ice dancers Jerod Swallow and Elizabeth Punsalan have the world as their stage but call Birmingham home.*

PERFORMANCE

Divine decadence: Excess of *Cabaret* comes to Fisher

BY ALICE RHEIN
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Put down the knitting, the book and the broom. If you plan on coming to the *Cabaret* at the Fisher Theatre, expect it to be racier, raunchier and — dare we say — sexier than anything the 1972 movie could conjure.

While Liza Minnelli's vehicle to superstardom carried a certain amount of hopeful charm, this *Cabaret* is darker and seedier. The Kit Kat Klub girls are worn, their stockings torn, their lives forlorn.

"It's still slap and tickle, but with a lot more slap," said London actor Jon Peterson, who plays the diabolically seductive Emcee.

One of the main differences between the Tony Award-winning *Cabaret* revival and the Bob Fosse movie is that this production deals head-on with the subjects of Fascism and sexuality. In the movie, these were far more symbolic.

"In the movie, they never got into the details of the persecuted ones and the misfits.

What: *Cabaret*, the musical revival
Where: Fisher Theatre, Fisher Building, Detroit
When: Tuesday, April 18 to Sunday, May 14
Tickets: $35-$65 for Friday and Saturday evening performances; $35-$62 for Saturday and Sunday matinees, and $33-$59 for Tuesday through Thursday and Sunday evening performances. A special preview is Tuesday, April 18 with tickets priced from $23-$49. Tickets may be purchased at the Fisher Theatre box office and all TicketMaster outlets. To charge by phone, call (248) 645-6666. For additional information, call (313) 872-1000.



Life is a... : *The current version of Cabaret, opening Tuesday at Detroit's Fisher Theatre, is a bit darker and seedier than the one starring Liza Minnelli.*

This goes into more detail, you empathize with the characters, which makes it more real," said Peterson, who is finishing up production in New Orleans before the company heads to Detroit for a five-week stint beginning Tuesday, April 18.

Lea Thompson, of *Caroline in the City* and Michael J. Fox's mom in *Back to the Future*, plays Sally Bowles; the English party girl whose life is one heartbreaking experiment after another.

If it's hard to imagine the perky Chevrolet pitchgirl as the sassy leather-clad temptress, Peterson says that's where true acting talent comes in.

"She's shined a new light on areas of the play that many of us had never thought about. She makes it easier to see the subtext of her character," he said. "That's what a real actress does."

Director Sam Mendes (*American Beauty*) originated the revival of the 1966 Broadway musical at London's Donmar Warehouse in 1993.

It traveled to New York and quickly played to sold-out houses at Xenon and later, Studio 54, two former discos which were transformed into the Berlin club, complete with cabaret-style seating.

Though the Fisher doesn't allow for the intimacy of these venues, Peterson claims it plays just as well in large concert halls. "As far as the staging, we've spread it out. Some people have said they prefer it this way," he said.

Cabaret is based on a 1930s series of Berlin stories by Christopher Isherwood. The story takes place during the Weimar Republic, the period of time between World War I and the rise of Fascism marked by economic hardship and a blossoming of the avant garde. Cabarets were decadent clubs where nakedness and perversion reigned.

In *Cabaret*, Sally Bowles meets American writer Clifford Bradshaw at the boarding house of Fräulein Schneider, and they befriend Max. Several stories weave their way through the trio's trysts, all under

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The star-studded lineup has six Olympic champions, including Dorothy Hamill and Brian Boitano, gold medalists in 1976 and 1988, respectively. Todd Eldridge, the 1996 world champion, and recent Olympic favorites, Michelle Kwan and Oksano Baiul (1994 gold medalist), also are scheduled to perform.

Though in the prime of their professional skating career and in their sixth season with Champions On Ice, Swallow, 33, and Punsalan, 29, admit that starting a family is becoming a top priority.

The pair plan on skating with Champions On Ice for at least another couple of years, according to Swallow, and hopefully some after their family addition, whenever that comes.

"It all depends on how healthy the body stays," Swallow said.

Currently the group is in the midst of the "summer season." Traveling almost daily, recent stops were made in Baltimore, Washington, D.C., Boston and Philadelphia.

"It's a real marathon," Punsalan said.

Their toughest days on tour are when they have two shows six hours apart at the same venue.

"We nap in between shows, eat dinner, then go on again," Punsalan said.

The pair said there is great camaraderie among the skaters in the Champions On Ice lineup.

Though they take their work with Champions On Ice seriously, Punsalan and Swallow said there's less pressure to perform now than when gold medals were at stake.

The days of training six hours a day, six days a week are behind them.

"Skaters think of being invited to shows as a reward for all the years of hard work," Punsalan said. "It's fun for us to entertain. Training for the Olympics is an entirely different lifestyle."

Added Swallow: "It's gratifying and exciting when you can bring a wonderful performance to people who pay money for entertainment. You feel like you brought a moment of excitement to someone's life.

"The show is successful because it's an ensemble cast. No one is so 'big' they can carry a show on their own."

Punsalan grew up near Cleveland and came to the Detroit area at age 14 to train. She and Swallow, previously of Northville, began skating together 11 years ago.

They began dating shortly after they formed a partnership on the ice.

"It's quite common to date and marry," Punsalan said of pairs skaters. "When you spend that much time together you have to be compatible to begin with."

Performing in front of their hometown crowd is just one of the perks of Joe Louis Arena, they said.

Being Hockey Town, the home of the Detroit Red Wings, who have won two of the last three Stanley Cups, the fans are informed. Also, Joe Louis Arena has a more quaint atmosphere than some of the venues on tour.

"The big difference is the new buildings are not as loud as the old buildings," Swallow said. "The 'Joe' is still one of the loudest in the country and generally when hometown skaters come back the crowd really goes nuts for you."

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the leering eye of Emcee, who is both the symbol of Nazism and its victims.

To prepare for his role, Peterson said he watched documentaries about pre-WWII Germany, but a lot of it he trusted to instinct. "I know it sounds corny, but I feel very lucky. I've wanted to do this role for a long time," he said.

Besides Peterson and Thompson, the cast includes Port Huron actor Drew McVety, who plays Ernst Ludwig. Rochester native Carl Pasbjerg is the show's general manager.

Though Peterson said audiences in some of the 15 cities he has toured have reacted to the show's rawness, he isn't discouraged.

"This is the best production of *Cabaret* if you are looking for the truth," he said.



On stage: *Lea Thompson (center) leads the cast of Cabaret.*

Suicide *from page E1*

downs of traveling — being far from family and friends, leaving that famed pup behind, and doing what three out of four Suicide Machines dreads most, flying — it's all worth it to get out and play.

"It's cool being on tour," said Vandeberghe. "It's better than working 8-10 hours a day."

And traveling has its perks. Las Vegas is one stop the boys were looking forward to before they left. "Last time we were there, I wasn't 21," said Vandeberghe, a reminder of how early stardom has struck for this band.

With the release of "The Suicide Machines," the band is poised to explode onto the national spotlight. Though it only took one month to record, the CD is a departure from the raw punk vibe that drove the likes of "Battle Hymns" and their 1996 debut "Destruction By Definition." New songs like the furiously-paced "Too Many Words" and "Green" have unforgettable hooks, the kind that weave and wind through your head hours after the CD player is shut off.

There are even a few ballads tossed into the mix, the kind that'll make girls in the audience blush and swoon. Guitarist and Farmington Hills resident Dan Lukacinsky penned "Extraordinary," but his band mates said he's the "furthest thing from a romantic." That's debatable when listening to the ballad, with its dreamy lyrics about a boy and girl chasing around on a sunny day in the park — not your usual raucous, rebellious punk trivia, but it'll do.

Nunley admitted he was surprised to see the song at first. When he asked Dan where it came from, his bandmate supposedly replied "'It's just a fictional girl song.'".

"Sometimes I Don't Mind" starts out like a "fictional girl song," but it's a *true* love song, about a dog. Navarro said: "I think it's about time an animal had it's own song." While Chewy's been immortalized in song, Nunley didn't plan on taking his furry pal on the road with the band. "It's not a good place for an animal." Chewy did make a public appearance at the band's record release party at Royal Oak's Fifth Avenue Billiards Feb. 22, no one knows if he'll make it to the State Theatre show.

Where would these three Suicide Machines be if they weren't touring in a punk rock band? Royce Nunley said he'd be in college trying to get a degree in music. Ryan Vandeberghe claims he would still be working at the Family Buggy restaurant in Rochester and probably playing in bands. Jason Navarro is sure he'd be manager of Value Village by now.

At least sometimes, the machines probably don't mind playing music instead.

The Suicide Machines welcome guests Antiflag, Pilfers and Bump-n-Uglies, 4 p.m. Saturday, April 22, State Theatre, Detroit. $10. All ages. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com.

Head to the music awards in style

BY ANNE FARRIS
SPECIAL WRITER

When the Detroit Music Awards takes place tomorrow evening, the Kid is gonna rock the house and an undeniably hip crowd of onlookers will gather outside Detroit's State Theater. Everyone who is anyone on the blistering hot Motor City music scene will be there.

Picture this: As the thump of a heavy bass beat thunders from the street, a hush falls over the crowd as a gleaming white stretch Corvette limousine slithers up to the curb.

With a loud hiss, gull-wing doors slowly rise upward, an eerie cloud of backlit smoke drifts out.

The crowd strains towards the mystery guest. First one foot, then another, steps out onto the pavement. The smoke clears, the crowd leans in closer and it's Kid Rock? No. The Demolition Doll-rods? No.

Wait, it's YOU?!

Well, it could be. Limousines, even the most outrageously tricked out, jacked up breeds, aren't just for rock stars anymore. A lack of wealth or fame, or both, no longer precludes the rest of us from having a taste of what could be.

It'll only last for one night, but if you want to make a statement the next time you pull up in a car, nothing says it like a 34-foot custom-built Corvette, right?

If a stretch Corvette isn't in line with your sensibilities, there are plenty of other options to choose from. There's the classic Lincoln Town Car, understated and elegant with sumptuous leather seating and plenty of privacy.

Then there's the Ford Excursion - not to be missed with 38 feet of commanding presence on the outside and plenty of fiber optic lighting and electronic gadgetry to keep things rockin' on the inside.

The 34-foot Corvette limo does in fact exist, and according to Mike Debinski, owner of Diamond Touch Limousines of Roseville, it's one of a kind. "No one else has the new body (it's a 1999) Corvette like I do."

Debinski's Corvette is a rock star-wannabe's dream: Killer sound system, rotating disco ball – yes, a rotating disco ball – smoke machine, color changing fiber optic lighting, TV, VCR, laser lights and those entrance-making gull-wing doors.

"You make a scene when you arrive like that," laughed Debinski.

There are also stretch Hummers, Rolls Royces, Excaliburs and the less-than-stylish but utilitarian coach vehicles that seat 20. No matter what ride you choose, you're guaranteed to feel "big."

The fact is, more and more people are discovering how cool that feeling can be. Limos have always been *de rigeur* for proms, bachelor parties, weddings and anniversary celebrations. But chauffeured transportation is becoming a popular alternative for just about any occasion - especially those involving alcohol.

Bob Beutel, president of All Star Limousines, Inc. of Royal Oak says that state drinking and driving laws have helped the limousine business.

"People aren't as likely to take a chance on driving while intoxicated anymore," said Beutel. "It's a relief to them not to worry about how they're going to get home. Everyone can relax and enjoy themselves. The cost is worth it."

On the other hand, Beutel advises customers to use extreme caution when selecting a limousine service. "Not every company out there is reputable, not every company screens drivers for bad driving records or operates safe vehicles," he said. There are many reputable companies in the Detroit area, however, and the Michigan Secretary of State's office offers a driving record check service to all limousine companies and will perform one for you upon request.

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Great talent, gourmet food on tap at Sugarloaf Art Fair

BY SANDRA TOLBERT
SPECIAL WRITER

Talented artisans, fine arts, crafts, demonstrations, entertainment, gourmet foods — what more could you ask for in an art fair?

The annual Spring Sugarloaf Art Fair, which has been a well-attended favorite, comes to the Novi Expo Center Friday through Sunday, April 14-16 and will feature 350 artisans from 35 states and Canada.

This is the sixth season that Sugarloaf Mountain Works has brought the popular juried festival of talent to Michigan — an event well known and appreciated for the quality of the art.

Home and garden decorations, new original wearable designs and even specialty foods to eat are all part of what hundreds of artisans-entrepreneurs will be offering.

Patrons will find high quality porcelain teapots, red glassed bowls with intricate designs, fine watercolor paintings, seven-foot forged metal bell garden designs or, simply, something unusual like the cast brass and aluminum "Cowboy of the Future."

The eclectic array of displays also include pottery, jewelry, clothing, leather works, wooden toys, glass designs, hand-forged iron works and musical instruments. These contemporary crafts are all originals and not easily found elsewhere.

Paper maker Cyndi Mylynne will be on hand to demonstrate the making of textured wall hangings and designs.

Another demonstrator, Daniel Boone, will forge iron into delicate decorations, such as a leaf.

Deborah Martin and Preston Scott will play their unusual handcrafted musical instruments, the didjeridoos and river cane flute, as background entertainment, while Jeff Lewis will be selling his handcrafted harps and psalteries.

Local artists include West Bloomfield glassblower Stan Megdall, who is always trying new designs and styles and now owns a glass studio.

Designing a new piece every few weeks, Megdall has been known to work on tables and grandfather clocks.

Bloomfield Hills potter Carole Ann Berhorst specializes in functional pottery such as serving pieces, bowls, dinnerware and accessories. She offers seven or eight in a series with a variety of colorful glazes.

Her bridal registry has become her forte and the delight of many newlyweds.

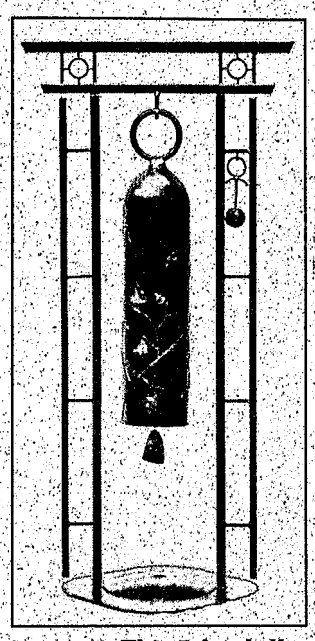
And Bloomfield Hills clothing artist Molly Baron has developed her own unique trademark. She specializes in bug shirts. It all began eight years ago when she painted bugs on her son's shirts. The theme caught on and has remained one of the favorites.

Her newest designs capture the southwest with hand-painted and over-dyed denim garments.

Art fair enthusiasts will also find uniquely-designed jewelry transformed out of gold and silver, diamonds and other colorful gems, colorful clothing creations, sculptures, furniture, stained glass and hand-worked leather purses and belts.

Don't miss the specialty food section where art goers will find gourmet breads, salsas, garlic products, soup mixes, vinegars, old-fashioned candy and much more-packaged and ready to go.

What: Sugarloaf Art Fair
When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday, April 14-16
Where: Novi Expo Center off I-96 near Novi Road; admission: $6 and children under 12 are free



Resound: *This 7-foot bell made by Ed Kidera is featured among the garden designs at the Sugarloaf Art Fair.*



Hangin': *The clothing artistry of Molly Baron, a Bloomfield Hills resident, is included in the Sugarloaf Craft Festival.*

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FISHER THEATRE: "Cabaret" opens Tuesday, April 18 and continues to Sunday, May 14, at the theater, Detroit. $35-$65. (248) 645-6666

GEM THEATRE: "Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through June 25, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. $24.50-$34.50. (313) 963-9800

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: "Crimes of the Heart" opens Wednesday, April 19, continues to Sunday, May 14, at the theater, Rochester. $24-$35. (248) 377-3300

MUSIC HALL: "Perilous Times" Tuesday-Friday, April 18-21, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, April 22, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 23, at the Center for the Performing Arts, Detroit. $21.50-$30. (313) 963-2366

COLLEGE

EMU THEATRE: "Wuthering Heights," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 13-15, at Quirk Theatre, Ypsilanti. $8 Thursday, $13 Friday-Saturday, $11 Sunday. (734) 487-1221

U-D MERCY THEATRE: "The King Korn Trio," continues to April 16, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, in the McAuley Theatre on campus, Detroit. $10, $8 seniors/students. (313) 993-1130

WSU BONSTELLE: "Godspell" continues to Sunday, April 16, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. $10-$13. (313) 577-2960

WSU HILBERRY: "The Marriage of Figaro" opens Friday, April 21 and runs in rotating repertory to Saturday, May 20; "Five by Tenn" continues to May 6, at the theater, Detroit. $11-$18. (313) 577-2972

WSU STUDIO: "All in the Timing," David Ives six one-act comedies, Thursday-Saturday, April 20-29, at the theater, Detroit. $6-$8. (313) 577-2972

COMMUNITY THEATER

EMPATHEATRE: "Money, Money, Money" 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, at the Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. $12, $8 seniors/students. (734) 913-9733

ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS: "Guys and Dolls," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 28-29; 2 p.m. Sunday, April 30 andy May 7; 8 p.m. Saturday, May 6; and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 12-13, Upstage Theater, 21728 Grand River, Old Redford area of Detroit. $13. (313) 537-7716 or (313) 532-4010.

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Presents "A Little Princess" 2 p.m. Sunday, April 9 and 16, and 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 14-15 at the Masonic Temple Cathedral Theatre, Detroit (park in back of facility, use rear entrance). $7-$12. (313) 535-8962

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE. "The Trial of God" continues to Sunday, April 30, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Livonia. $8-10 Friday-Saturday, $5 Sunday. (734) 464-6302

DINNER THEATER

BACI THEATRE: "Flanagan's Wake," 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. Tickets ($25 Thursday and Sunday, and $30 Friday-Saturday); and "Tony n' Tina's Wedding," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Pontiac. (248) 645-6666

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR: Presents a spring concert with guest singers Churchill High School's Choralations, 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 16, Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia. Free. (734) 425-1749

MARQUIS THEATRE: "The Pied Piper of Hamelin," 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through April 30, and 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, April 24-28, at the theater, Northville. $7.50. (248) 349-8110

YOUTHEATRE AT MUSIC HALL: "The Red Balloon" presented by Visible Fictions 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, April 15, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at the Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Detroit. $8 advance, $9 at door. Recommended for families with children ages 3 and older. Pre-Show Playshop, a hands-on workshop that explores creative dramatics will be offered prior to the Saturday morning performance. The workshop is priced separately at $8. Reservations can be made with the Music Hall Box Office when purchasing tickets. (313) 963-2366

NEW YOUTH GENERATION CHOIR: Presents IMAGE, a high-energy musical featuring toe-tapping music and humorous dialog, 7 p.m. Sunday, April 16 at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29877 W. 11 Mile, west of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. Free, although a free-will offering will be taken to help offset the cost of the group's spring break tour in Ohio and Pennsylvania. (248) 476-8860

PUPPETART: Celebrates Puppetry Month with guest artists, 2 p.m. Saturday, April 15 and 22, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, 25 E. Grand River. $7, $5 children. (313) 961-7777

TEDD E. BEAR PRODUCTIONS: Nancy Gurwin presents "Broadway Kids 2000," a new musical review, 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16 and 30 and May 7 and 14, Aaron DeRoy Studio Theatre at the Jewish Community Center, West Bloomfield. $10, $9 seniors, $8 children. (248) 352-7172/(248) 354-0545

SPECIAL EVENTS

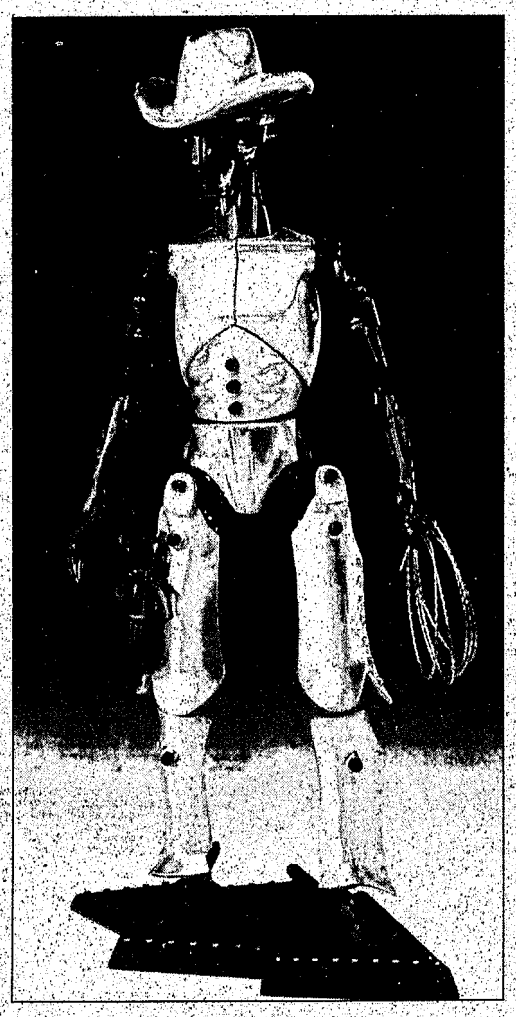
BLUES CLUES LIVE: Join Blue, Steve and friends on a quest for the most spectacular place, 10 performances, times vary, Wednesday, May 3-7, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $14.50-$25.50, includes notebook and crayon. (248) 433-1515

KING OF KINGS: An Easter musical presented by the Celebration Choir, Hosanna Choir and Drama Ministry, 11 a.m. Palm Sunday, April 16 and 8 p.m. Good Friday, April 21, at Calvary Baptist Church, Canton. (734) 455-0022

FAMILY EVENTS

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: "Wild, Wild West," 11 a.m. Saturday, April 15, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $8-$31. (313) 576-5111

MR. BUNNY EGG HUNT: Noon Saturday, April 15 at Marshbank Park, West Bloomfield. $7 non-resident, $5 West Bloomfield resident, and must be purchased by Thursday, April 13. Don't forget to bring your own basket. (248) 738-2500



HOT TICKET

Art show: *You can always find something unusual at the Sugarloaf Art Fair 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Sunday, April 14-16, at the Novi Expo Center. Among the 350 artisans displaying and selling their work will be Michigan artist Scott Nelles, whose cast brass and aluminum Cowboy of the Future is pictured here. Adult admission is $6; children under age 12 and parking are free. To get to the Novi Expo Center, take I-96 to Exit 162, travel south on Novi Road and turn right at Expo Center Drive. The Novi Expo Center is one block farther on the right. Call (800) 210-9900 for more information, or online at www.sugarloafcrafts.com*

BENEFITS

ART FOR A CAUSE: Auction to benefit FAR Conservatory of Therapeutic and Performing Arts, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, original Erte print, Fred Bear painting from the Fred Bear Museum in Florida, fine jewelry from Joseph DuMouchelle Fine & Estate Jewelers, Harbor Springs vacation including Boyne golf, and whimsical hand-painted furniture by Birmingham artist Lisa Knoppe-Reed, music by Alexander Zonjic, at The Community House, Birmingham. $50, reservations necessary. Call (248) 540-4755

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE: "Celebrate the Dance," 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, silent and live auctions, formal dinner, and performance by ensemble members, at The Community House, Birmingham. $75, $125, $200. (248) 362-9329

POP FOR ART: Winefest to benefit the Ann Arbor Art Center, Saturday, April 15, in eagle Crest at the Ypsilanti Marriott. (734) 994-8004, ext. 106

GILDA'S BIG NIGHT OUT II: Honors two women who helped open the doors of Gilda's Club Metro Detroit – Alyce Faye and Linda Kozlowski, Wednesday, May 3 at Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills. Event features a performance by comedian Jeffrey Ross, silent auction and strolling supper. Gene Taylor of Oldies 104.3 WOMC will emcee. (248) 577-0800.

CLASSICAL

AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER ORCHESTRA: With pianist Anne-Marie McDermott perform 8 p.m. Friday, April 14, at Rackham Auditorium, Ann Arbor. $16-$34. (734) 764-2538

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE: Program features winners of the Junior Scholarships, Dorothy K. Roosevelt Piano Scholarship, Charlotte Ruppel Memorial Voice Scholarship, and Jean Hohnmeyer String Scholarship auditions 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, at the Community House, Birmingham, Free. (248) 335-7160

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at Birmingham Unitarian Church, and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 30, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. $18-$22. (248) 326-9329

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Play music ranging from Brahms to Ravel in honor of Dean Paul Boylan's retirement 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-4726

POPS/ SWING

DETROIT SYMPHONY POPS: "A Musical Journey Through the Golden Age of Radio," 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, April 13, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $18-$47. (313) 576-5111

MIGHTY MEATY SWING KINGS: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at Token Lounge, Westland. $10. Over 21. (734) 513-5030

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

MACOMB BALLET COMPANY: Open auditions for male and female ballet dancers, 10 a.m. Saturday, April 15, at Ann Parsley School of Dance, Clinton Township. $10. (810) 286-8300

MICHIGAN THEATER AND DANCE TROUPE: Open auditions for dancers age 16 and older. (248) 552-5001

STAGECRAFTERS: Auditions for "Sylvia" 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, April 24-25 (registration at 6:30 p.m.), at Baldwin Theatre, Royal Oak. For performances June 16-25. Call (248) 541-4832 for information.

SUMMER SYMPHONY OF ANN ARBOR: Auditions begin Saturday, April 19 and run for three weekends at Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. For six performances of three programs scheduled May 18 to Aug. 6. To receive an audition packet, call (734) 741-9418, general orchestra information, (734) 677-4831

TONY 'N TINA'S WEDDING: Auditions for female keyboardist/pianist who also sings, to hire as a substitute/understudy for performances at the Baci Theatre, 4-6 shows a week, Thursday-Sunday, also bass player needed for full-time. (248) 253-8843.

VSA ARTS: The Southeast Michigan region committee of VSA Arts (formerly known as Very Special Arts) is looking for children and adult performers with physical and mental challenges to take part in their festival Friday-Saturday, May 5-6 at Wonderland Mall in Livonia, special needs school/community groups and solo acts from the metro Detroit area will display their dance, vocal and instrumental music achievements at the festival. Call Connie Lott at Far Conservatory (248) 646-3347. A $500 scholarship is also available to assist a person (ages 13 and up, including seniors living in Wayne, Oakland, Washtenaw, Monroe, Macomb, Livingston, Lenawee or Jackson County) with a disability who wants to further their creative talent in the visual, performing or literary arts. Deadline for application is Sunday, April 16. The scholarship must be used for independent work and not a student group project. Call (248) 543-9158 for information.

JAZZ

B'JAZZ VESPERS: Kimmie Horn Group, 6 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at First Baptist Church, Birmingham. Free.

ROBERT PENN: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, April 14, Edison's, Birmingham. (248) 645-2150.

THE BROTHERS GROOVE: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, April 15, Edison's, Birmingham. (248) 645-2105.

JOEY DEFRANCESCO TRIO: 9:30 p.m. 11 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, at Bird of Paradise, 312 S. Main, Ann Arbor. $15 at door only. (734) 662-8310

TOMMY FLANAGAN: 7 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $15-$55. (313) 576-5111

GEM JAZZ TRIO: Performs 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, at Ron's Fireside Inn, Garden City. $5 cover in Jazz Room, waived with dinner order, $5 drink minimum. (734) 762-7756

WAYNE NEWTON: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Clinton Township. $35-$44. (810) 286-2222/(800) 585-3737

EVAN PARKER/NED ROTHENBERG: 8 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor. $10-$25. (734) 769-2999

PAUL TAYLOR: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at the Royal Oak Music Theatre. (248) 645-6666

SMOOTH VIBRATIONS & SCOTT REITER QUARTET: 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, Tom's Oyster Bar, 29106 Franklin Road, Southfield. (248) 356-8881.

TONY POPE'S N'ORLEANS SIX: 3 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at Steak And Ale, Madison Heights. $4. (248) 588-4450

URSULA WALKER/BUDDY BUDSON: With Dan Kolton, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, at Giovanni's, Pontiac. (248) 334-5241

WORLD'S OLDEST LIVING SAXOPHONE SECTION: Perform music of the Big Band era, 10 a.m. Thursday, April 13, in Smith Theater, at Oakland Community College, Farmington Hills. Free.

FOLK/ BLUEGRASS

KITTY DONOHOE: With Dennis Kingsbury, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at Birmingham Unitarian Church, $10, $8 seniors, students age 17 and under. (248) 647-2380

SHARON ISBIN/SUSANNE MENTZER: Perform French and American folk songs, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. $25, $40. (734) 764-2538

ORGAN

KEN DOUBLE: 7 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at the Senate Theater, Detroit. $12. (313) 894-4100

JAMES KIBBIE: Bach Recital, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 16 (informal talk begins 3:30 p.m.), Blanche Anderson Moore Hall at U-M School of Music, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 764-0583

CHORAL

UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY CHORAL UNION: Join with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra and Ann Arbor Youth Chorale to perform "St. Matthew Passion," Bach's masterwork, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 16, Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. $10-$22. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE: Der Rosenkavalier, an opera by Richard Strauss; opens 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15; performance times — 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16, 30; 8 p.m. Saturday, April 16, 22, Detroit Opera House, tickets $18-$98. (313) 237-3429 or (248) 645-6666.

OAKLAND SINGERS: Combined concert with John Tyner Chorale, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 16, Varner Hall, Oakland University Campus, Rochester.

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY CHORUS: Performing Arthur Honegger's epic symphonic poem "King David," 8 p.m. Friday, April 14, Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University campus, Rochester. $10, seniors $8, students $5. (248) 370-3013, (248) 645-6666.

MICHIGAN CONCERT CHORALE: Spring concert 4 p.m. Sunday, April 16, Iroquois Avenue Christ Lutheran Church, 2411 Iroquois, Detroit. Tickets $8. (313) 921-2667.

DANCE

VAHINI: A classical Indian Ballet, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theater, Ann Arbor. $5. (313) 763-TKTS

SWING DANCE WORKSHOP: Dance Gallery Studio, Ann Arbor, 2-4 p.m. Saturday, April 15. $35 per couple, (734) 747-8885.

COMEDY

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Nick DiPalo, also Elliot Branch, Thursday-Saturday, April 13-15, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, Livonia. 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Third Level improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Sunday ($5). (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S: Joey Kola, Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, at the club, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE: Jimmy Pardo, also David Bell, Thursday-Saturday, April 13-15, at the club, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

SECOND CITY: "Paradigm Lost" returns Wednesday, April 19. 8 p.m. Wednesday–Sunday; additional shows 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday at 10:30 p.m. The 10:30 p.m. shows, and 8 p.m. shows Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday, are followed by an improv set at no additional cost. $10, Wednesday-Thursday, and Sunday; $17.50 Friday, $19.50 on Saturday. (313) 965-2222, (248) 645-6666 or online at www.ticketmaster.com

SINBAD: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit. $27.50, $35. (248) 433-1515

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM: Take me out to the ball game, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, family evening of hot dogs, peanuts and Cracker Jack, 155 S. Main St., Plymouth. $5 adults, $2 kids, under age 10, $13 family. David Martin, owner of Baseball Productions is the speaker. No reservations, pay at the door. (734) 455-8940.

ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM: WalkWorks, a self-directed exploration of the exhibit galleries that invites families and young visitors to become Super Sleuths; the museum offers more than 250 interactive exhibits intended to make science fun, at the museum, Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. $6, $4 children/seniors/students. (734) 995-5439

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM: "On the Air! Michigan Radio & Television Broadcasting 1920-2000" exhibit continues through Sunday, April 30, at the museum, Detroit. Museum hours a 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; $3, $1.50 seniors/children ages 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER: IMAX movies include "Tropical Rainforest," "Thrill Ride: The Science of Fun," "Whales," "Mysteries of Egypt" and "Everest," at the center, 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

DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM: Visit the newest exhibition "Folk Art of the Great Lakes" or "Racing on the Wind: Sailing on the Great Lakes," also a temporary exhibit on the construction and launch of the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, at the museum on Belle Isle, Detroit. Regular admission $2, $1 seniors/children ages 12-18 during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. (313) 852-4051

HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE: at the museum in Dearborn. Open 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: Tours of the 110-room historic mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of auto pioneer John Dodge and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson, 1:30 p.m. daily and 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Oakland

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University campus, Rochester. $8, $6 seniors, $4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM: New exhibit, "American Vacations & Leisure," continues through August, 7:30 p.m. at the museum, Plymouth. $3, $1 students, $7 family. (734) 455-8940

SPIRIT OF FORD: Environmental Celebration continues through April at the interactive automotive science and technology experience with exhibits and theaters for all ages, Electric Ranger test drives on weekends, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, across from Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Dearborn. $6, $5 seniors, $4 ages 5-12. (313) 317-7474

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSEUM OF ART: Annette Lawrence's installation fills the Apse of the museum with wonder, the paper and string work continues through Sunday, April 16, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Thursday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, at the museum, Ann Arbor. Free, but a $5 donation is suggested. (734) 764-0395

LIVE MUSIC

ALBERTA ADAMS: 7 p.m. Saturday, April 22, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800.

THE ALLIGATORS: 9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 22, Lowertown Grill, Plymouth. Cover. 21 and over. (734) 451-1213; 9:30 p.m. Chevy Cola, Warren; 3rd Annual Blues Benefit for the Michigan Lupus Foundation, with Mudpuppy featuring Paul Randolph and Alberta Adams And Joe Weaver with RJ Spanglers All Stars, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 30, Magic Bag, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030.

LORI AMEY: Saturday, April 15, Espresso Royale, Ann Arbor. All ages. Free. (734) 662-2770

JAMES ARMSTRONG: 10 p.m. Thursday, April 13, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011

ARSONISTS: Friday, April 21, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. (248) 645-6666

CHICO BANKS: 10 p.m. Friday, April 21, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011

THE BIHLMAN BROTHERS: 10 p.m. Friday, April 14, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011; 10 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

BLACKMAN AND ARNOLD: 10 p.m. Sundays in April, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

BOTTOM: With 500 Ft. of Pipe, 8 p.m. Sunday, April 16, The Shelter, Detroit. $6. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

ROBERT BRADLEY'S BLACKWATER SURPRISE: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 20, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $15. (248) 544-3030

BRAILLEHOUSE: With Shipwreck Union, 10 p.m. Friday, April 21, Jacoby's, Detroit. 18 and over. $5. (313) 962-7067

BRAINMUTE: Saturday, April 15, Paychecks, Hamtramck; Saturday, April 29, Berkley Front, Berkley; Tuesday, May 2, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor.

THE BREAKDOWNS: With 3D Invisibles, CD release, 9 p.m. Saturday, April 22, Magic Stick, Detroit. $7. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

BROCA'S AREA: With Remainder, 10 p.m. Friday, April 21, Jacoby's, Detroit. 18 and over. $5. (313) 962-7067

BROTHERS GROOVE: 10 p.m. Mondays, Music Menu, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU; 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, Woodruff's, Royal Oak. (248) 586-1519; 9 p.m. Saturday, April 15 and 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, Edison's, Birmingham. (248) 645-2150; 10 p.m. Saturday, April 22, Berkley Front, Berkley. (248) 547-3331.

COUPLA FAT GUYS: 10 p.m. Friday, April 28, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011

THE CURE: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 10, Pine Knob Music Theatre, Independence Township. $20-$45. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

DENNIS CYPORYN: 8 p.m. Friday, April 21, Borders Books and Music, Auburn Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 335-5013

D'ANGELO: With Mos Def, 8 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 22-23, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $40-47.50. (248) 433-1515

THORNETTA DAVIS: 10 p.m. Saturday, April 22, Thursday, April 27, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011

DEATHGIRL.COM: With Six Clips, The Katies, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. $6. (313) 961-MELT.

DETROIT MUSIC AWARDS: Featuring Kid Rock and Twisted Brown Trucker, 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, State Theatre, Detroit. 18 and older. $15. (248) 645-6666

DROOGS: 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434

GLEN EDDY: 7 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800; 9 p.m. Friday, April 21, Ford Road Bar and Grill, Westland. Free. 21 and over. (734) 721-8609.

ELM: With Pure Suspension, 10 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Jacoby's, Detroit. 18 and over. $5. (313) 962-7067

EUPHORIC: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5. (734) 996-8555 or www.blindpigmusic.com

THE FLOW: With Cloud Nine, Jiant, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5. (734) 996-8555 or www.blindpigmusic.com

GALACTIC: With North Mississippi Allstars, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 20, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $15. (248) 544-3030

GIRLS AGAINST BOYS: With Enon, 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $10. (248) 645-6666

GIVE: With Jill Jack, Scott Fab, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Magic Bag, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030

GORDON BENNETT: 10 p.m. Sunday, April 19, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011; 10 p.m. Friday, April 7, 21, Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

HARRINGTON BROTHERS: 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800

CLAIRE HOLLEY: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 6, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $10, $8 for theater members. (734) 464-6302

JOHN LEE HOOKER: With John Hammond and Larry McCray Band, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 27, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. $25-$75. (734) 668-8397

ICH BIN EIN BERLINER: With PT's Revenge, Gutter Punx, 6 p.m. Friday, April 21, Shelter, Detroit. All ages. $7. (313) 961-MELT

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 16, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $6. (734) 996-8555; 10 p.m. Thursday, April 27, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS: 9 p.m. Friday, April 14, Ford Road Bar and Grill, Westland. Free. 21 and over. (734) 721-8609

THE JAZZ BUTCHER: Featuring Pat Fish, Max Elder, Kevin Haskins and Owné Jones, 9 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, Magic Stick, Detroit. 18 and over. $12. (248) 645-6666 or (313) 833-9700.

JAZZHEAD: 10 p.m. Mondays in April, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

JGB: Featuring members of Jerry Garcia Band, 9 p.m. Friday, April 21, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. $15. (313) 833-9700

JETTISON RED: With The Ottomans, 10 p.m. Friday, April 21, Jacoby's, Detroit. 18 and over. $5. (313) 962-7067

MIA JOHNSON AND HOAGY: 8 p.m. Friday, April 26, Borders Books and Music, Auburn Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 335-5013

JO NAB: 10 p.m. Friday, April 14, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922; 10 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011

JUST FOR FUN: 8 p.m. Friday, April 14, Borders Books and Music, Auburn Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 335-5013

MARVIN KAHN AND KEITH VREELAND: 7 p.m. Thursdays in April, Le Metro, Southfield. (248) 353-2757 (jazz duo)

BB KING: With Bobby Blue Bland, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. $20-$35 (248) 645-6666

KING SUNNY ADE & HIS AFRICAN BEATS: 8 p.m Tuesday, April 25, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. $20. (313) 833-9700

KISS FAREWELL TOUR: With Ted Nugent and Skid Row, 7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 24-25, The Palace, Auburn Hills. $75, $25. (248) 645-6666

DONNA KRALL: 8 p.m. Friday, April 14, Michigan Theater, Ann Arbor. $35, $25. (248) 645-6666.

KUNUNDRUM: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, Karl's Cabin, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450.

JEFF LENNON: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, The Rookie Sports Cafe, Wayne. (734) 729-7337

TONY LEVIN & CALIFORNIA GUITAR TRIO: With Richard Leo Johnson, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 13, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $20. (248) 544-3030.

LOADED DICE: 9 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Nankin Mill Tavern, Westland. Free. (734) 427-0622

THE LOVEMASTERS: With Agent 009, Kill Switch, 10 p.m. Friday, April 21, Jacoby's, Detroit. 18 and over. $5. (313) 962-7067

TARA MAC LEAN: 8 p.m. Thursday, April 27, Mill Street Lounge, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. $8. (313) 961-MELT

MARAH: 8 p.m. Thursday, April 20, The Shelter, Detroit. $6. All ages. (313) 961-MELT.

DJ MARK E.P. OF PARADIME: 10 p.m. Wednesdays, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434

DJ MARQUIS: 9 p.m. Thursdays, Detroit Science. "The Lab." 18 and older. $10-$15 cover, Ladies free. (313) 438-4146

DAVE MATTHEWS BAND: With Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals, 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, Comerica Park, Detroit. $46.50. (248) 645-6666

STONEY MAZAAR AND THE WESTSIDERS: 7 p.m. Friday, April 21, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800.

JIM MCCARTY AND MYSTERY TRAIN: 7 p.m. Friday, April 14, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800

PAT MCGEE BAND: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 27, The Ark, Ann Arbor. $10. (248) 645-6666

MELVINS: 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. $12. All ages. (248) 645-6666.

METROPOIX: With Aunt Ralph's Recipe, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $4. (734) 996-8555

MOEN ALONE: 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, 25, Hamlin Pub North, Lake Orion. (248) 814-8109; 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, Hennessey's, Wixom. (248) 348-4404; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 15, 22, 29, Lakeview Bar and Grill, Novi. (248) 624-2800

MONK: Featuring Ric Hordinski, 8 p.m. Friday, May 5, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $10, $8 theater members. (734) 464-6302

ZAK MORGAN: 2 p.m. Saturday, May 20, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $8 theater members, $10. (734) 464-6302 (for children of all ages)

MORSEL: With Lovesick and Tribe of Zoe, 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. $5 (734) 996-8555 or www.blindpigmusic.com

MR. BUBBLES: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 21-22, Deer Lake Inn, Clarkston. Free. 21 and over. (248) 625-7788

MUDPUPPY: 9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Cavern Club, Ann Arbor; 9:30 p.m. Siskos on the Boulevard, Taylor; 3rd Annual Blues Benefit for the Michigan Lupus Foundation, with The Alligators, Alberta Adams And Joe Weaver with RJ Spanglers All Stars, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 30, Magic Bag, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030.

MXPX: With The Hippos, 7 p.m. Sunday, April 16, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. $12. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

NEGATIVLAND: 8 p.m. Thursday, April 13, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. $15 advance. All ages. (248) 645-6666

NINE INCH NAILS: With A Perfect Circle, featuring Maynard from Tool, 8 p.m. Friday, April 14, The Palace of Auburn Hills. $29.50-$45. (248) 645-6666.

NOBODY'S BUSINESS: Hosts Rockabilly Jam Sessions, Thursdays at The New Way Bar, Ferndale. (248) 541-9870

OASIS: With Travis, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, State



Theatre, Detroit. Sold Out.

TARA JANE O'NEIL & WARREN DEFEVER: 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, Blind Pig, Ann Arbor. (248) 645-6666

ORIGINAL HITS: 7 p.m. Monday, April 17, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800

ORIGINAL P: Featuring members of Parliament Funkadelic, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 20, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. $20. (248) 645-6666

MARTY WILSON-PIPER: 9 p.m. Saturday, April 22, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 18 and older. $15. (248) 645-6666

PLATINUM PLAYERS BALL: With Chico DeBarge, Jagged Edge, Joe, Dave Hollister, Methrone and Kevon Edmunds. Friday, April 14, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $28.50-$37.50. (248) 645-6666

PROJECT LOGIC: Featuring DJ Logic, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 27, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $8. (248) 544-3030

DJ'S QUIG AND DARREN REVELL: 10 p.m. Wednesdays in April, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

RACHEL AND KAPP: 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, Fox and Hounds, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800

REEFERMEN: 10 p.m. Thursday, April 20, Saturday, April 29, Fifth Avenue Ballroom, Novi. (248) 735-4011; Tuesdays in April, Saturday, April 22, Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

REVEREND RIGHT TIME & THE 1ST COUSINS OF FUNK: 10 p.m. Thursday, April 14, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

STAN RIDGEWAY: With Robert Crenshaw, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 14, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $12. (248) 544-3030.

THE RIPPINGTONS WITH RUSS FREEMAN: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 16, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. $37.50. (248) 645-6666

RUSTY LUNCHBOX: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, U.S. 12/ Wayne Brewery, Wayne. (734) 722-7639

SENSEFIELD: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, The Shelter, Detroit. All ages. $8. (248) 645-6666

SMASHING PUMPKINS: 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, Hill



Auditorium, Ann Arbor. $29.50. All ages; 9 p.m. Saturday, April 22, Michigan State Fairgrounds. $29.50. All ages. (248) 645-6666

SMOKEHOUSE: 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, Village Bar and Grill. (734) 729-2360.

SONIC YOUTH: With Stereolab, 5 p.m. Sunday, June 11, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater, Pontiac. $23 advance. Anyone holding tickets for Stereolab's postponed 12/9/99 show may return them to Ticketmaster for a refund. (248) 645-6666.

BRITNEY SPEARS: With LFO, Bosson: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 9, Pine Knob, Independence Township. Sold Out; 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 10, Pine Knob Music Theater, Independence Township. $25 lawn/ $40 pavilion. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666.

RICK SPRINGFIELD: 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester Hills. $17.50-$27.50

STATIC X: With Pitchshifter and Reveille, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 27, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. All ages. $15. (313) 961-MELT

STEREOPHONICS: 8 p.m. Sunday, April 16, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. $10-$13. (248) 645-6666

THE STILL: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, Karl's Cabin, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450.

ANGIE STONE: 9 p.m. Saturday, April 15, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 21 and older. $20-$23. (248) 645-6666

STRING CHEESE INCIDENT: 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. $17-$20. All ages. (313) 833-9700 or (303) 544-5875.

STUNNING AMAZON: 11 p.m. Friday, April 14, Jacoby's, Detroit. After-Party for Detroit Music Awards. (313) 962-7067.

SUICIDE MACHINES: With Antiflag, Pilfers, Bump-n-Uglies, 4 p.m. Saturday, April 22, State Theatre, Detroit. $10. All ages. (248) 645-6666.

JOHNNIE TAYLOR AND MILLIE JACKSON: With Marvin Sease and Willie Clayton, 8 p.m. Friday, April 21, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $27.50-35. (248) 433-1515.

SALLY TAYLOR: 8 p.m. Friday, May 26, Magic Bag, Ferndale. $8. (248) 544-3030.

THE TEMPTATIONS: With Ashford and Simpson, 8 p.m. Sunday, April 16, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $40-$47.50. (248) 645-6666.

THE THE: 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. $22-$25. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

TESTAMENT: 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 27, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. $17.50. (248) 645-6666

MARY TIMONY: Of Helium, 9 p.m. Friday, May 5, Magic Stick, Detroit. $8. (248) 645-6666

TRAIN: With Stir, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 27, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. All ages. $15 advance. (248) 645-6666

RANDY TRAVIS: With Darryl Worley, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 23, Pine Knob, Independence Township. $15.50-$24.50. (248) 645-6666

TRIP THE LIGHT FANTASTIC: 8 p.m. Friday, May 19, Trinity House Theatre, Livonia. $7, $5 theater members. (734) 464-6302

TINA TURNER: With Lionel Richie, Jennifer Robinson, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 1, The Palace, Auburn Hills. $85.25, $55.25, $35.25. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666.

TWISTIN TARANTULAS: 10 p.m. Thursday, April 20, Fifth Avenue Billiards, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

U.S. BOMBS: With Union 11, Tiger Army, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, Shelter, Detroit. All ages. $8. (313) 961-MELT

JOHN "DR. DIRTY" VALBY: 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 5, State Theatre, Detroit. $15-$25. 18 and over. (248) 645-6666

VIOLENT FEMMES: 7 p.m. Friday, April 21, State Theater, Detroit. $24.25 advance. (248) 645-6666

ROBERT WALTER'S 20TH CONGRESS: 9 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Motor, Detroit. Ticket price to be announced. 18 and older. (248) 645-6666.

MATT WATROBA AND JAN KRIST: Friday, April 14, Greenwood Coffee House, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8558

WATTSON: 9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 15, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434

MARTY WILSON-PIPER OF THE CHURCH: 9 p.m. Saturday, April 22, St. Andrews Hall, Detroit. 18 and older. $15, on sale March 11. (248) 645-6666.

WRIST-ROCKET: With Slo-Poke, 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, Innisfree Irish Pub, Garden City. (734) 425-2434

TRISHA YEARWOOD: With Jessica Andrews, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 25, Meadowbrook Music Festival, Rochester. $15.50-$30. (248) 645-6666

CLUB CIRCUIT

ALVIN'S: 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. 18 and older welcome. (313) 832-2355 or www.alvins.xtcom.com

ARBOR BREWING COMPANY: 114 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 213-1393 or www.arborbrewing.com

THE ARK: 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 763-8587

ANDIAMO ITALIA WEST: 6676 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300

BEALE STREET BLUES: 8 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. (248) 334-7900.

BIRD OF PARADISE: 312 Main Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 662-8310

BLIND PIG: 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. $3 in advance, $5 at the door. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 or www.blindpigmusic.com

BULLFROG BAR AND GRILL: 15414 Telegraph, Redford. (313) 533-4477

CARBON: Joseph Campau just north of Caniff in Hamtramck. (313) 366-9278

CAVERN CLUB: 210 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. (734) 332-9900

CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET: 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older Saturdays; 18 and older Wednesdays. (248) 333-2362 or www.961melt.com

COBO ARENA: 301 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6616

CONOR O'NEILLS: 318 S. Main, Ann Arbor. Free live entertainment. (734) 665-2968 or www.conoroneills.com

COWLEY'S: 33338 Grand River Avenue, Farmington. (248) 474-5941

THE DECK AND THE FIVE HOLE: 2301 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 965-9500

DETROIT SCIENCE: 9 p.m.-5 a.m. Thursday-Saturday, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford. Cover $10 for 21 and over. Cover $15 for 18-20 year olds. No cover for women on Thursdays. (313) 438-4146 or www.detroitscience.com

EDISON'S: 220 Merrill Street, Birmingham. (248) 645-2150

ELIE'S: 263 Pierce Street, Birmingham. (248) 647-2420

FIFTH AVENUE BILLIARDS: 215 W. Fifth Avenue, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9922

FLYING FISH TAVERN: 17600 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills. (248) 647-7747

FORD ROAD BAR AND GRILL: 35505 Ford Road, Westland. (734) 721-8609

FOX THEATRE: 2211 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 983-6611

FOX AND HOUNDS: 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-4800

GOLD DOLLAR: 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 833-6873 or www. golddollar.com

GROOVE ROOM: 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly. 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or www.thegrooveroom.com

HILL AUDITORIUM: 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2538

JOE LOUIS ARENA: 600 Civic Center Drive, Detroit. (313) 983-6606

JD'S KEY CLUB: 1 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 338-7337.

KARL'S CABIN: 9979 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450

LA BOOM TEEN NIGHTCLUB: Dance night for teens ages 15-19, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, 1172 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. (248) 926-9960

LONELY HEARTS CLUB: 211 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 913-5506

LOWERTOWN GRILL: 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. (734) 451-1213

MAGIC BAG: 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. (248) 544-3030.

MAINSTREET BILLIARDS AND THE ALLEY: Main Street, Rochester. (248) 652-8441

MAJESTIC THEATRE, CAFE AND MAGIC STICK: (313) 833-9700

MEMPHIS SMOKE: 100 S. Main Street, Royal Oak. (248) 543-4300

MICHIGAN THEATER: 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 668-8397

MOTOR LOUNGE: 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 396-0080 or www.motordetroit.com

MR. B'S FARM: 24555 Novi Road, Novi. (248) 349-7038

MUSIC MENU: 511 Monroe, Detroit. (313) 964-MENU

THE PALACE: 2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills. (248) 377-0100 or www.palacenet.com

PHOENIX PLAZA AMPHITHEATER: 10 N. Water Street, Pontiac

PINE KNOB MUSIC THEATRE: I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

PURE BAR ROOM: 1500 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 21 and older. Cover charge Friday-Saturday. (313) 471-PURE

ROCHESTER MILLS BEER COMPANY: 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080

THE ROOKIE SPORTS CAFE: 3632 Elizabeth, Wayne. (734) 729-7337

ROYAL OAK MUSIC THEATRE: 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. (248) 546-7610

THE SCARAB CLUB: 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 831-1250

ST. ANDREW'S/THE SHELTER: 431 E. Congress, Detroit. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

7TH HOUSE: 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 335-3540

STATE THEATRE: 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and over. (313) 961-5451 or www.statetheater.com

24 KARAT CLUB: 28949 Joy, Westland. 21 and older. (734) 513-5030

313JAC: Upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush, Detroit. (313) 962-7067

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE: 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Discount for members. (734) 464-6302.

U.S. 12 BAR AND GRILL/WAYNE BREWERY: 34824 Michigan Ave. West, Wayne. (734) 722-7639

VELVET LOUNGE: 29 S. Saginaw St., Pontiac. (248) 334-7411

VILLAGE BAR AND GRILL/BEENY'S CUE & BREW: 35234 Michigan Ave. West, Wayne. (734) 729-2360

WAGON WHEEL TAVERN: 102 S. Broadway, Lake Orion. (248) 693-6789

WOODRUFF'S SUPPER CLUB: 212 W. Sixth Street, Royal Oak. (248) 586-1519

XHEDOS CAFE: Sista Otis performs 8-10 p.m. Sundays at the club, 240 West Nine Mile, Ferndale. All ages. Free. (248) 399-3946

ZIM'S IRISH TAVERN: 1350 Lapeer Road, Oxford. (248) 969-9467

MOVIES



Surround-sound: *John Cusack stars in "High Fidelity," a Touchstone Pictures Release.*

'High Fidelity' turns up the volume on laughter

BY BOB THOMAS
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

■ Along with wall-to-wall (John) Cusack, the movie has wall-to-wall music, all of it vintage pop. The credits list 61 recorded numbers, which must be a milestone for movie soundtracks, even in this era of oldie-but-goodie overkill.

Los Angeles (AP) – John Cusack is one of the most talented and versatile actors in films today, brilliant in drama ("Cradle Will Rock") and comedy ("Being John Malkovich"). Judging from his latest film, "High Fidelity," he's also not lacking in chutzpah.

Cusack co-wrote and co-produced the picture, and he appears in almost every frame. Furthermore, he spends a large percentage of the running time looking into the camera and spilling his innermost thoughts.

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But at least there's a reason for "High Fidelity's" hit parade: As the title suggests, music is the film's underlying theme. Cusack operates a Chicago store that sells only vinyl records – that's how much of a purist he is. He is assisted by two equally devoted collectors, Jack Black as a rotund fellow who is bombastic in his musical prejudices, and Todd Louiso as a timid soul who is equally firm in his opinions.

Since few customers arrive to disturb them, the trio spends most of their time discussing esoteric matters of pop-music history. They are hooked on top-five lists, which they compile periodically.

Cusack is working on a top-five list of another kind, too. After his live-in girlfriend (Iben Hjejle) walks out on him, he frets about his history of failed relationships. He makes a list of the top five girlfriends who have dumped him. And he vows to seek them out and discover how he failed. Meanwhile he has a fling with a well-known singer (Lisa Bonet).

"High Fidelity" resembles early Woody Allen works in which he agonized over his romances, often relating his failings directly to the audience. Another similarity: the use of oldtime records (though Allen's taste leans more toward middle-of-the-road classics).

The screenplay, based on a novel by Nick Hornby, is the work of D.V. DeVincentis, Steve Pink and Scott Rosenberg, all of whom are also listed among the movie's eight producers. The film betrays evidence of too many cooks. Continuity suffers as Cusack encounters the five former lovers in real time as well as in flashbacks.

Stephen Frears – director of "Dangerous Liaisons," "The Grifters" and "My Beautiful Laundrette" – seems on unsteady ground converting an essentially British story (the novel was set in London) to the American idiom. The characters are thinly drawn, and Black is especially obnoxious, redeeming himself as a talented blues shouter at the end.

Danish actress Hjejle makes an impressive American debut as Cusack's once and future girlfriend, and real-life sister Joan Cusack adds zest as his sternest critic. Tim Robbins appears briefly in a geekish role that doesn't quite pay off.

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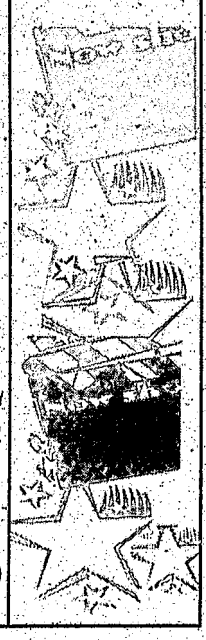
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AMERICAN PSYCHO

Chilling tale, based on a Brad Easton Ellis novel, of a Wall Streeter who goes on a rage-fueled killing spree. Stars Christian Bale, Willem DeFoe, Jared Leto, Reese Witherspoon and Samantha Mathis.

MIFUNE

Entertaining film about a newlywed businessman who leaves his bride to make an emergency trip to the family home. What he finds leads to an awareness of life's possibilities which include an over-protective call girl and UFO's. Made in Denmark this 1999 film is shown exclusively Friday-Sunday, April 14-16 at the Detroit Film Theatre.

SPARTACUS

Epic story of the clash between the Romans and a revolt lead by slaves. Directed by Stanley Kubrick. Stars Kirk Douglas, Laurence Olivier, Jean Simmons, Tony Curtis and Peter Ustinov. Exclusively at The Historic Redford Theatre Friday-Saturday, April 14-15.

TITUS

At the Landmark Maple Art Theatre, this take on Shakespeare's "Titus Andronicus" has a surreal, time-bending fusion of costumes and settings from many eras. Written and directed by Julie Taymore, it stars Anthony Hopkins, Jessica Lange, Alan Cumming, and Jonathan Rhys Myers.

WHERE THE MONEY IS

A master criminal fakes a stroke and is transferred from jail to a nursing home, but he meets a nurse who won't make his life any easier. Stars Paul Newman and Linda Florentino.

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Director Stanley Tucci stars with Iam Holm in this true story of a "New Yorker" writer and the eccentric bohemian he turns into as a minor celebrity in the 1940s.

GOSSIP

Suspense drama about a group of college students who innocently begin class by planting a rumor that escalates out of control, leading to a web of sexual betrayal and revenge. Stars Norman Reedus, James Marsden, Lena Heady, Kate Hudson, Edward James Olmos, Sharon Lawrence, Eric Bagosian and Joshua Jackson. Directed by Davis Guggenheim.

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DETERRENCE

Provocative political thriller set in the year 2008 stars Kevin Pollack as the embattled incumbent president of the United States. Trapped in Colorado by a freak snowstorm, an international incident occurs and the president must act quickly and threatens nuclear confrontation in a live worldwide broadcast.

EAST IS EAST

A comedy about a house full of teenagers who decide to rebel against their father's archaic traditions. Stars Om Puri, Linda Bassett, Jordan Poutledge and Archie Punjabi.

WHERE THE HEART IS

Based on the best-seller by Billie Letts, the story of a young woman who finds the strength to overcome adversity and begin a new life for herself and her child. Stars Natalie Portman, Ashley Judd, Stockard Channing and Joan Cusack. Directed by Matt Williams.

'El Dorado' shines in cleverly-crafted dialogue, action-packed animation

BY MALCOLM RITTER
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

A.P.– DreamWorks Pictures poured a lot of big-name talent into the new animated movie "The Road to El Dorado," and the result will delight kids and amuse grown-ups.

Young children will see plenty of action, while older kids and grown-ups can appreciate the sight gags and the banter between the two heroes of this adventure.

It's the story of a pair of small-time con men, Tulio and Miguel (voiced by Kenneth Branagh and Kevin Kline, respectively) who beat the Spanish explorer Cortes to the fabled gold city of El Dorado in the 16th century. When they're welcomed as gods, they plan to go with that scam, scoop up lots of gold and beat it back to Spain.

In El Dorado they meet the sexy and cunning Chel (voiced by Rosie Perez), who regards them as her ticket to the outside world, an evil high priest (voice of Armand Assante) who sees through their ruse and sets out to destroy them, and the chief (voice of Edward James Olmos), a wise and decent man.

Of course, the con men's plan goes awry. Chel comes between the two longtime buddies, and Miguel finds the adulation of the people more alluring than the gleam of gold. But as Cortes and his men threaten the city, Tulio and Miguel save the day, sacrificing their dreams of riches and of life as gods. At least they end up with each other. And that sexy Chel, too.



Duelling fools: *Two-bit conmen Miguel (Kenneth Branagh) and Tulio (Kevin Kline) stage a duel to escape an angry mob in "The Road to El Dorado."*

Rated PG, the film includes a suggestive massage scene with Tulio and Chel, and later some obvious offscreen sex between them. The high priest also pushes his assistant to a watery death.

Apart from the clever lines that Tulio and Miguel toss at each other – some were ad-libbed in the recording studio by Kline – the movie is fun to watch for the visual treats. At the end, as Tulio, Miguel and Chel recover from their death-defying exit from El Dorado, their horse realizes that only he has wound up with any gold. Quietly, carefully, he slips his shiny golden horseshoes out of sight – a wise move, given the character of his companions. It's all done without a word, and it's hilarious.

Elton John wrote the music and Tim Rice the lyrics for the movie's songs, which are fine but not nearly as catchy as the numbers this duo created for "The Lion King."

STREET SCENE

Unbreakable: Nine Inch Nails returns



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

It's been a while since we've heard from Nine Inch Nails, five long years in fact. So when "The Fragile" was finally released in September 1999, the double-disc set did more than satisfy fickle, hard-to-please rock fans worldwide, it earned the praise of critics everywhere, and begged for the band to get back on the road.

Fresh off the NIN international tour, keyboardist Charlie Clouser called last week from a hotel in Los Angeles to apprise fans of the coming U.S. tour – which happens to begin today.

Proving that performance ability hasn't rusted since the last stint in support of "The Downward Spiral," Clouser said it feels good to get back on the road. When asked the question on many minds addicted to modern rock music – "what took so long?" – Clouser said it didn't feel like a very long time. Add two years of touring, one year working with Marilyn Manson and the next two plugging away on "The Fragile" while holed up in an ex-funeral home/studio in New Orleans, and five years seems like a short hiatus.

Time marks a transition for Nine Inch Nails' Trent Reznor. The Ohio native started the group more than a decade ago, writing, playing and recording material almost completely on his own. Showing the world how pain, anguish, rock, technology and brilliant musical layering can collide into soundscapes of raw power, Reznor redefined music in the early 1990s.

Having slipped out of sight, but never out of mind, NIN have broken through boundaries once again. And more than 100 minutes and 17 tracks later, "The Fragile" weaves and ebbs with moody instrumentals, brittle ballads, and primal sonic experiments.

For the first time on an NIN album, there was an opportunity for collaboration. While Reznor and producer/engineer Alan Moulder worked on tracks in the main studio, Clouser and bassist Danny Lohner took copies of songs to their rooms and worked on overdubs, keyboards and textures, later recording the work on computers. "The next time they happened to be working on the song, Trent and Alan would pick through the bits and pieces," said Clouser. "It was the only way we could collaborate without having Trent step aside."

"A lot of songs were very simple musically, but we wanted them to have interesting sound textures." The challenge of the material is truly pulling it off in a live setting. "Some of the songs are so thickly layered, no five guys could get up there and play (them)," he said. Performing allows the band freedom to interpret the material on instruments, without the need to duplicate the album.

The result is a more rugged skeleton of a song. "They're not all dressed up with all the intricate bits of candy," described Clouser.

There will be no candy, or bubblegum-pop for that matter, in the vicinity of a Nine Inch Nails show. Ever.

Though the musical climate has migrated toward well-designed pop stars and boy bands, NIN shows no concern. Clouser said it's actually made life easier: "We don't have so much competition anymore. In the early '90s there was Nirvana and Soundgarden and other heavy bands that were really good at what they did, that were innovative and creating something new. Now, no one's doing anything that I haven't heard before."

Don't mistake this effort by NIN as a softening; it isn't. "The title came about from Trent's ability to explore a wider spectrum of emotions," said Clouser. "It's not so much hate, pain and rage."

To achieve a sense of fragility, NIN incorporated instruments like cello, ukulele and mandolin, which are difficult to play. The end result was a fractured sound that is unmistakably NIN. "(Reznor) needed a challenge, something that was not going to be a sure bet."



KEVIN WESTENBERG

Finding fragility: *Nine Inch Nails consists of Robin Finck, Trent Reznor, Charlie Clouser, Danny Lohner and Jerome Dillon.*

See Nine Inch Nails and A Perfect Circle, featuring Maynard James Keenan of Tool, 8 p.m. Friday, April 14, The Palace of Auburn Hills. $29.50-$45. (248) 645-6666.

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LISTEN UP



Listen: *Bill Keith (center) with students Jake Bugeja and Jody Gross.*

When it comes to keeping an ear out for local sounds, South Lyon resident Bill Keith has his favorites. He works as station manager at Plymouth-Canton's WSDP and music director at Dearborn's WHFR.

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"Good Disguise"
Knee Deep Shag
hi-lo records

Knee Deep Shag has done it again, and it comes as no surprise. With its latest, greatest release "Good Disguise," the band strips away some of their former funk to make way for more good, clean rock and roll.

Despite line-up changes — bassist Troy Stansberry left to spend more time with his family and made way for Mike Fuerst — the band sounds as solid as ever. It's about time they released gems like "3 P.M." and "Faded and Live" for mass consumption. You can't put a live show on repeat. The album finally gives keyboardist Rob Cookman his due, allowing this tight group to shine as one solid structure.

The title track comes off as a throwback to The Beatles with it's vintage melodies. Vocalist Matt Gross croons with abandon on "Early Evening Moon" and simmers with sweetness on "By A Thread." That signature sound is ably held together by guitarist Phil Barry and drummer Jeff Moehle, whose parents reside in Troy. Press play and prepare to get lost in the original sounds of this rising rock quintet.

— STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA

"NakedSelf"
The The
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Delving into The The's "Naked Self" is not unlike entering a dark, back alley, where distant sirens expose peril and constant vigilance is demanded from any wary intruder.

The British band's first release in seven years opens with "BoilingPoint," a bleak urban tale whose moaning guitars churn and build in strength and intensity.

Since "Soul Mining," the band's 1983 American debut, Matt Johnson continues to enlarge his repertoire of visceral lyrics and haunted, twisted tales.

But with "Naked Self," there is a radical departure from the aggressive, mixed instrumentation of "Mind Bomb" and landmark album "Infected."

No synthesizers, no pounding organs, just Johnson and Eric Schermerhorn on guitar, Spencer Campbell on bass and Earl Harvin on drums.

Johnson continues to break new ground, this time using guitars to paint evocative horizons.

"SoulCatcher" finds Johnson in deep reflection while "GlobalEyes" and "SwineFever" are biting social commentaries – something for which he's a master.

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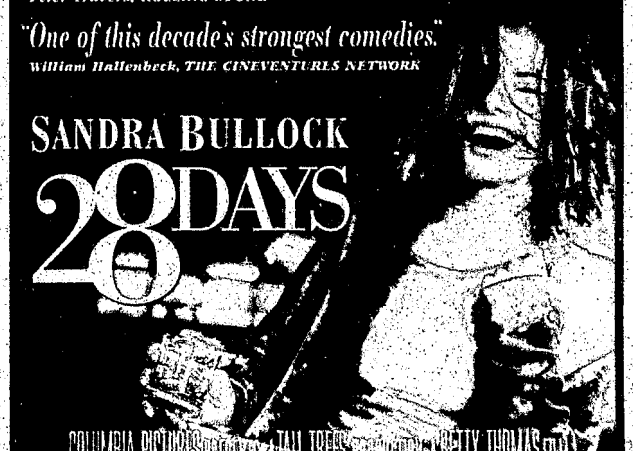
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EATING OUT

Double down

Iridescence a sure bet at Motor City Casino

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

Restaurants with high-profile chefs are the current dining draw at Las Vegas casinos. Detroit's casino scene is not Las Vegas, yet one of its restaurants, Iridescence in the Motor City Casino, has pizzazz.

Don't get hung up on the name. Iridescence just sounded hip and cool to owners of the Detroit Entertainment Group, owners of Motor City Casino. They are the experienced Las Vegas Mandalay Bay folks that count 21 other properties with restaurants among their holdings. Experience backs all the panache at Iridescence.

Open now for just over four months, with Executive Chef Michael Russell, Certified Master Chef, at the helm, everything at Iridescence, from waitstaff to menu, vibrates to much the same harmonic — your dining pleasure.

Chef Russell, a Rochester Hills resident, may not have Las Vegas celebrity chef notoriety, but his credentials are the best in the business. In 1966, he graduated with high honors from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y. In 1988, he became a Certified Master Chef, the highest level of achievement in the American Culinary Federation. He is one of only 54 Certified Master Chefs in the U.S. and one of six in Michigan.

Each year, only 12 chefs qualify to take the 10-day, 18 hours-per-day test to earn Certified Master Chef status. Test failure rate is 80 percent.

Chef Russell was a member of the World Champion 1988 U.S. Culinary Olympic team and team captain for the 1992 Culinary Olympics. He has won 38 gold medals in international culinary competition.

As Executive Chef at some of metro-Detroit's most prestigious clubs, including most recently, Bloomfield Open Hunt, he supervised a staff of 17. At Motor City Casino, he oversees a culinary staff of 358, for not only Iridescence, but the gigantic kitchen serving all six casino eateries.

While Chef Russell won't be pinned down to a food style at Iridescence, he does admit that the Asian influence of his most creative and artistic dishes stems from a Navy tour of duty in Vietnam.

"I've changed the menu since we opened," he said. "We had a number of game dishes on the first menu, but they were not as popular as we expected.

In addition to doing more Asian-inspired, I've added such items as a 22-ounce lobster tail and a 20-ounce Char-grilled aged New York strip steak. We've ordered equipment to start tableside preparation of some menu items in May."

Plate artistry for appetizers such as Trio of Chilled hot Vietnamese spring rolls and Hunan shrimp is spectacular. The Medley of fresh crab meats, napped with sweet pea beurre blanc and fire-roasted red pepper coulis is exquisite. Flavor of jasmine rice in the piping hot lobster, truffle and sweet corn chowder is exotic.

Braised barbecued short ribs of beef "Bonanza" is the exceptional main course that won the Gold Medal at the Culinary World Cup for the U.S. Culinary Team. Pan seared chilean sea bass is laced with fresh horseradish glaze and finished with a touch of wasabi cream and crispy leak threads. It is accompanied by stone ground polenta with unusual texture.

It's the textural element that makes so many of Chef Russell's dishes a cut above.

The Iridescence experience is incomplete without one of Pastry Chef Tariq Hanna's desserts. Hanna is an Oakland Community College culinary grad, who professes to be "self-taught" when it comes to desserts.

He must also have an architectural bent to create "Kaboom," a large dark chocolate cone filled with a trio of chocolate mousse standing upright and casting it's shadow in cocoa on the plate. Finished with a medley of assorted berries, it is a treat for the eyes as well as the palate.

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Carrying through the subtle Asian theme of some of Chef Russell's dishes is Hanna's "Binto Box" in which one finds a selection of Hanna's signature desserts (including a mini Kaboom), tastefully arranged in a Japanese binto box.

Iridescence spells posh, yet clubby. Warm wood dividers act as sound barriers between dining sections. Prevailing bronze tones are accented by black. Each table or booth is subtly highlighted by small ceiling spots.

Diners, comfortable in tuxedo, business suit, or upscale casual dress enjoy new-age downtown Detroit dining. Slots and gaming tables are not the only reason to make Motor City Casino a destination.

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Iridescence

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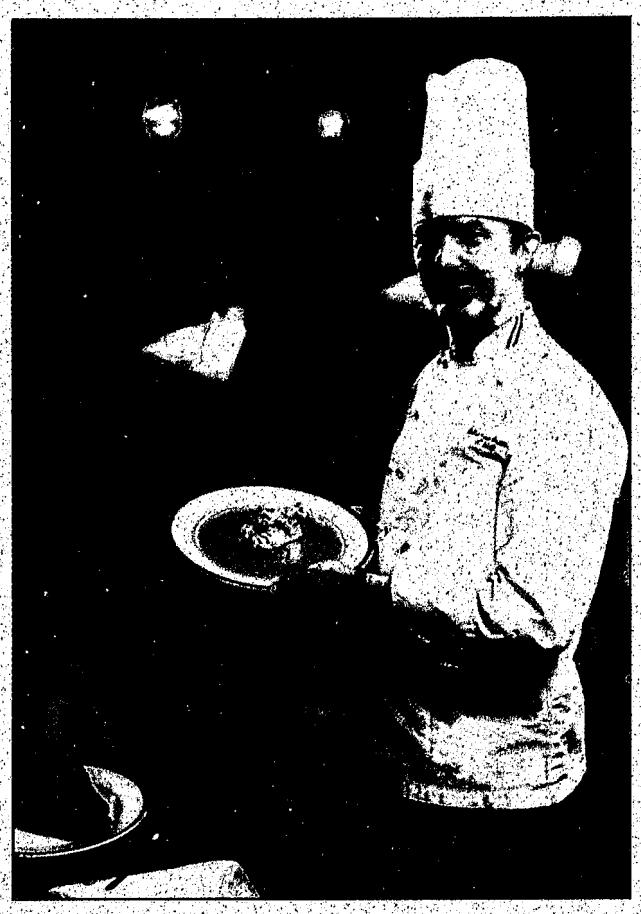
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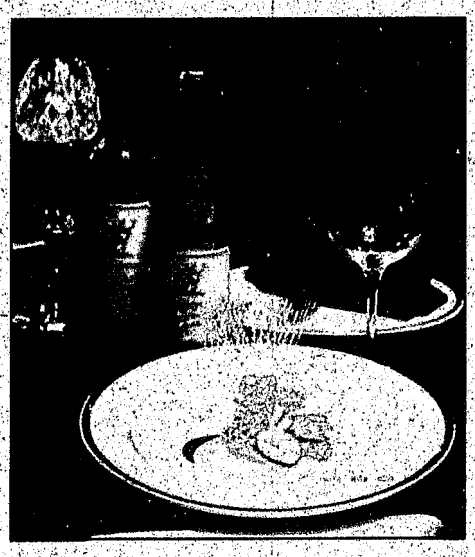
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Landlord doesn't have to fix up after tenant sneaks out

REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

■ **Question:** *I have always been told that a landlord has a duty to "mitigate" when a tenant moves out. Is that always the case?*

■ **Answer:** While that has generally been the law in Michigan and elsewhere, in a recent case in Pennsylvania, a landlord was found to have no duty to mitigate damages when the tenant abandoned the property in violation of the lease.

The court's rationale for this conclusion included the fundamental unfairness of requiring a landlord to spend time, money and energy to mitigate rental damages that the tenant caused.

While that case is instructive in regard to the law of mitigation, I would not necessarily rely on it to your detriment and would make reasonable efforts to mitigate should there be a breach.

■ **Question:** *I am a tenant in a shopping center where the landlord failed to repair potholes within a reasonable period of time. The lease provides that if a landlord fails to take care of problems within a 30-day period, that is deemed a breach. Do I have a basis to claim that the landlord has breached the lease and I am entitled to damages?*

■ **Answer:** In a recent case out of Wisconsin, a commercial tenant wasn't required to show substantial damages to its business, such as lost profits, to establish a landlord default.

The court upheld termination based on the landlord's failure to repair asphalt within a 30-day contractual cure period to avoid giving the landlord a free pass to ignore contractual obligations.

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HOME SEEKER'S CHECK-LIST

- ✔ **Seller Disclosure Payment** *(Required by law)*
- ✔ **Lead Disclosure Statement** *(Required by law)*
- ✔ **Home Summary Feature Sheet** *(Room dimensions, etc.)*
- ✔ **School district serving neighborhood** *(Where exactly are buildings, bus stops)*
- ✔ **Age of major mechanical/structural components** *(Furnace, water heater, shingles, windows, etc.)*
- ✔ **Applicances included?**
- ✔ **Property taxes** *(Based on current selling price, NOT current records)*
- ✔ **Municipal services provided** *(Trash collection, leaf pick-up, snow removal, library)*
- ✔ **Condition of neighboring properties**



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Back to school: *Participants get on board at The Waterford Schools District Administration building.*

A LEARNING EXPERIENCE

FACE to FACE

Realtors tour schools to gain firsthand knowledge

Some things need to be seen to be fully understood and appreciated ... things like a closed-circuit TV lab at Adams Elementary, a credit union branch in Kettering High School and the tech-ed exploratory classroom at Mason Middle School.

Realtors saw that and more during a recent building tour just for them sponsored by the Waterford School District.

"This has been very eye-opening for me," said Carol O'Neil, an associate broker with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Clarkston.

"To have some firsthand knowledge to tell people (clients) will be very helpful. I feel much better equipped to tell things about the Waterford schools, positive things. This is great," she said.

"I think anything hands-on will give you a better feel," added Mark Evans, a Realtor with Century 21 Hallmark West in Clarkston.

Other school districts are catching on.

Clarenceville, which serves parts of Livonia, Farmington Hills and Redford, recently hosted 40 Realtors, during an annual luncheon to promote its schools.

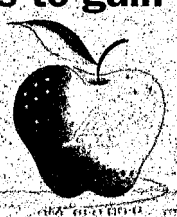
And Wayne-Westland Community Schools, which successfully hosted a lunch for Realtors last year, is doing a rerun tomorrow.

"When you're new to an area, who do you expect to be the expert but the Realtor?" said Rose Govig, community education/ public relations director for Clarenceville. "As a buyer, that would be my first question – where do the kids go to school?"

Most adults would rather learn by seeing than reading, Govig added.

"I think it's far more intimate, far more personal," she said of the Realtor lunches. "If they don't visit personally, they don't pick up on the pride."

The entertainment featured high school singers and middle school trumpeters. Elementary students performed a skit about what Realtors should tell prospective buyers is great about the Clarenceville schools.



Jill Bartlett, a Realtor with Real Estate One in Farmington, said she's attended Realtor lunches over the years in Clarenceville, Farmington, Novi and Livonia.

"The personal touch always gives you a much better feel," she said. "You can't feel the energy of students in writing. You can't feel the energy in the halls.

"To read on paper about a TV studio doesn't mean anything, but when I walked into the studio and saw all the lights, electronics in every corner of the room, students talking and working with video, I stopped and watched for 45 minutes," Bartlett said. "Now when I tell a buyer about it, I'm excited."

Rhonda Lessel, community relations specialist for the Waterford schools, put together the extravaganza there.

"We've done this in the past at least two or three other times," she said. "If you're selling houses in the area, I think it's important to know about the schools. Realtors need this information.

"It's just a way, I guess, to make the community aware. Realtors aware, of good things happening in school," Lessel added. "If it creates a few cheerleaders for the schools, that's important as well."

After breakfast and a brief overview of the Waterford district including its Web site, Realtors visited several schools. They were met at the door by principals, escorted through the buildings by students.

School officials and Realtors rely on each other to build community, said Rae McCall, principal at Mason. "I don't think a packet (of information) gives you a feel of a school," she said.

"I think it's important to forge positive relationships with different people in the community," said Carol Dowsett, deputy superintendent in Waterford. "Real estate people are front-line representatives of a community."

Personal tours, said Don Huddleston, a broker with his own agency in Waterford, gives "more of an insight what a school district is offering" than a packet of information.

"You're seeing tax dollars at work ... seeing additions, seeing work being done," he said.

Charlotte Sherman, assistant superintendent for general administration in Wayne-Westland, coordinated tomorrow's lunch.

"I think we're all bombarded with mail," she said. "You can send a picture of a remodeled building, but there's a huge difference when you actually walk in."

Bill Armbruster, a Realtor with RE/MAX Classic in Canton, plans to attend.

"In real estate, schools are a factor," he said. "I think it's important to have firsthand information ... a personal touch."



Eye-opener: *Carol O'Neil (left) and Kelly Cortese (right) are led on a personal tour of Kettering High School by 12th-grader Rae Hardin (center).*

THE DECISION:

A 23-year or an 18-year mortgage

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■ **Part 2 of 2:**

On a 15-year mortgage at 7.25 percent, a quarter point lower than the 20-or 30-year rate, the monthly payments would be a whopping $912.86. That's $106.97 more than you would pay at the 20-year rate and $213.65 more than the 30-year rate. The total interest cost for that 15-year loan would be $64,315.73. Compare that to the 20-year cost of $93,342.37 and the 30-year cost of $151,717.22 in total interest.

Conventional wisdom dictates that you take 30 years, pay the extra interest, and write the interest off on your taxes. Most people buy the biggest house they can afford based on a 30-year loan.

Agreeing to pay an extra $100 or $200 a month takes a lot of nerve and blind faith that nothing is going to go wrong. Things, however, can go wrong. People get laid off, sick, and divorced. That promotion or raise you've been counting on fails to come through, and the cost of living climbs higher than your income.

Nagy Henein, president of the Greater Mortgage Corp. of New City, says that when he comes across people who want a 25-or a 20-year mortgage, he normally talks them out of it by suggesting "that they take the 30-year mortgage and pre-pay it. They will wind up paying it off in 20 or 25 years, whatever, without being trapped by sickness or a bad year."



One option is to make a 13th payment every year. Some people make an actual extra payment every year. Others increase the size of their monthly mortgage check by one-12th every month so that it adds up to 13 payments at the end of a year. Still others make half a mortgage payment every two weeks, so at the end of the 52-week year they have made 26 half payments or 13 whole ones. Making one additional payment a year would turn a 30-year-mortgage into a 23-year mortgage, and, depending upon when you made that extra payment each year, would save about $40,000 in interest payments. That's one way to do it.

Nagy says you can ask your lender for an accelerated payment schedule – an amortization table that tells you how much you have to pay every month to pay off the mortgage in 25, 20, or whatever years you want to use. That way you know what you have to pay in order to do it, and if your finances force you to fall behind, you'll be okay as long as you don't fall behind on the regular 30-year payment. Even if you do fall behind on your accelerated payment, every extra payment you make does pay off in the end. Turning a 30-year, $100,000, 7.5-percent mortgage into a 29-year mortgage will save you several thousand in interest. The faster you pay off your mortgage, the sooner you own your home and the more money you save.

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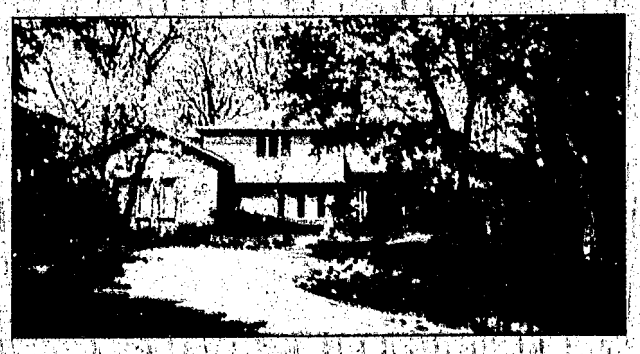
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682 Hathaway Dr $205,000
2221 Hempstead Rd $144,000
2424 Hempstead Rd $126,000
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GROWTH CONFERENCE

Michigan Smart Growth Coalition presents a Smart Growth Conference 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, at the Troy Marriott.

Speakers include Dick Posthumus, lieutenant governor, L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County executive, Edward McNamara, Wayne County executive, and Paul Tait, Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

Cost, which includes continental breakfast, is $20. To register, call (248) 737-4477.

BUY HOME CLASS

Rosemary Firestone, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100, and her financial services team host a free, no-obligation seminar for home buyers 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, at Intercounty Title, 38705 Seven Mile, Suite 320, Livonia.

Topics include the 10 most important questions to ask before buying, how to chose an agent and mortgage programs.

To register, call (734) 420-9600.

BUY HOME CLASS II

Real Estate One of West Bloomfield, Nationwide Insurance and Dynasty Funding Corp. present a free, no-obligation seminar for home buyers 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, at Hope Lutheran Church, 39200 W. 12 Mile, just east of Haggerty, Farmington Hills.

To register, call (248) 204-7111.

FAIR HOUSING

The Property Management Council of the Apartment Association of Michigan hosts a fair housing seminar for property managers 9 a.m. to noon Thursday, April 27, at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

Cost is $39 for property council members, $49 for apartment association and Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan members and $59 for nonmembers.

To register, call (248) 862-1004.

REMODELING CLASS

Clarenceville Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute offer a nine-hour basement remodeling class, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays, May 8, 15 and 22, at Clarenceville High School, 20155 Middlebelt, Livonia.

Topics include planning, building codes, permits, estimating materials and basics of home construction.

Cost is $75, plus a textbook fee of $8. To register, call (248) 473-8933.

CONDO CLASS

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer who writes a real estate column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, teaches a course, "Condominium Operation: Introduction to the Essentials for Success," 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, May 16-June 6, at the Bingham III Office Park, 30200 Telegraph, Bingham Farms.

Cost is $95. To register, call Oakland Community College at (248) 471-7729, or Meisner's office at (248) 644-4433.

HOME INSPECTIONS

Consumers may obtain materials describing the importance of a reputable home inspection or receive a copy of the National Association of Home Inspectors Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics.

For information, call the NAHI hot line at (800) 448-3942.

LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit is looking for nominees – individuals or businesses – for its third annual Fair Housing Leadership Awards.

Judges will consider positive attention to and support of fair housing laws/opportunities.

Phone the center at (313) 963-1274 for nomination forms. Submission deadline is June 1. Recognition reception is Sept. 27.

The Fair Housing Center also continues its membership drive. Categories include individual membership ($10), family ($20), organizational ($35), supporting ($50) and sustaining ($100).

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SALES WEB SITE

Curious as to what houses are selling for in your neighborhood?

Steve Wiese of Southeastern Appraisal Corp. in Farmington Hills has updated maps on a community-by-community basis with that information on the Internet. And it's free.

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MOVERS & SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other news within the real estateT, construction, architecture and mortgage communities.

Send a brief summary, including town of residency and black and white photo to Real Estate Movers and Shakers, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150.

Our fax number is (734) 591-7279.

Chris Knight, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer-Bake in Plymouth, has been named Coldwell Banker's top sales-producing agent in Michigan and a 13-state Midwest region for the second year in succession.

Knight, a 16-year veteran, has regularly earned Circle of Excellence, Top Sales Associate, President's Top 30 and Founder's awards from the company.

He also lives in Plymouth.

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Les Misskelley joins Delcor Construction in Milford as project manager. His duties include bidding, estimating and scheduling.

Misskelley, a Milford resident, has an extensive history with commercial and apartment developments including experience in field supervision and project management.

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The professional designation of Certified Manager of Community Associations has been acquired by many people with local connections.

They include **Charles Bricker Jr.**, Kramer-Triad Management Group, Ann Arbor; **Carol Brzozowski**, Inrhodes Management, Rochester; **David Chaudry**, Herriman & Associates, Plymouth; **Paul Ewing**, Kramer-Triad, Ann Arbor; and **Charles Page**, Kramer-Triad, West Bloomfield.

Also, **Mariah Page**, McShane & Associates, West Bloomfield; **Charlene Parrish**, Kramer-Triad, Ann Arbor; **Dianna Silberstein**, Herriman & Associates; and **Timothy Smith**, Kramer-Triad, Troy.

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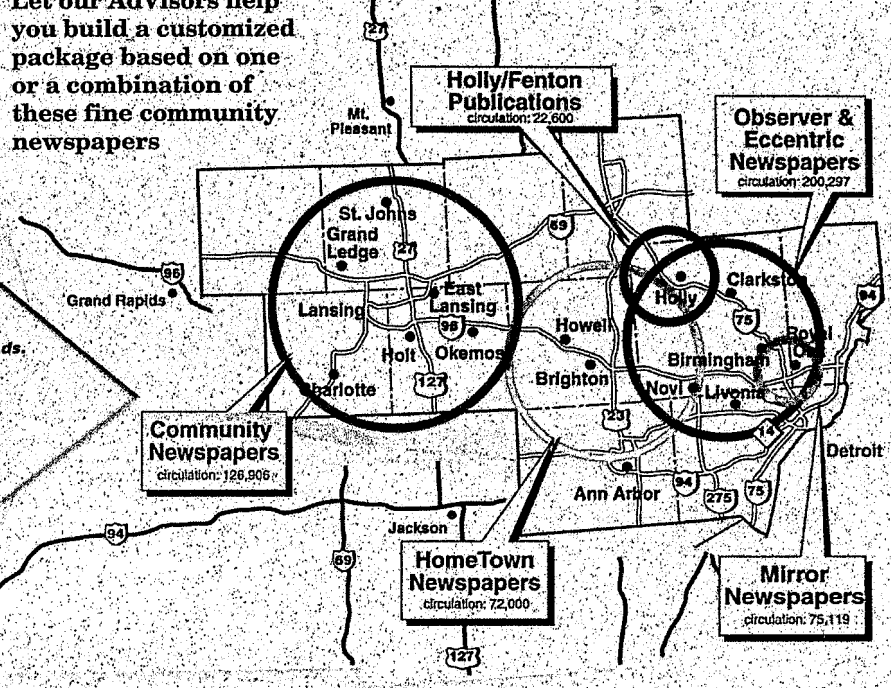
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308 Canton

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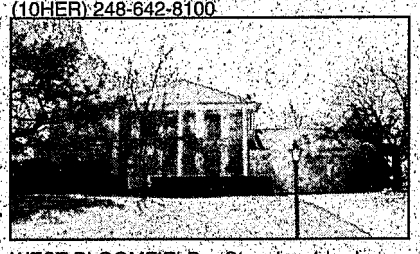
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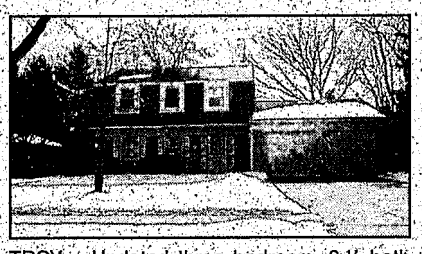
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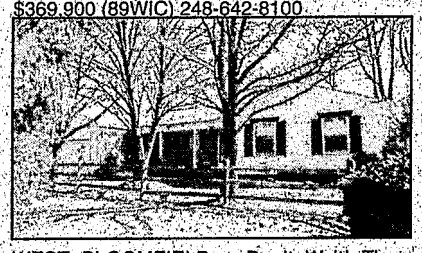
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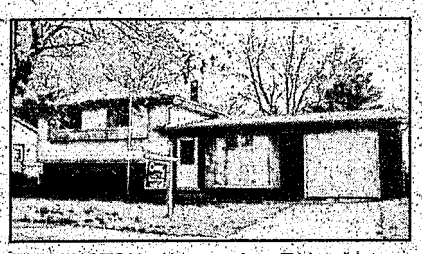
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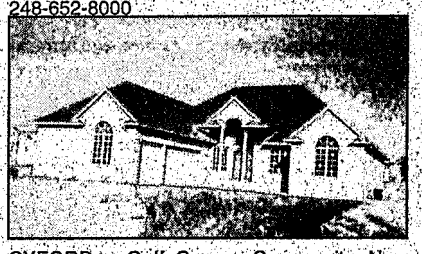
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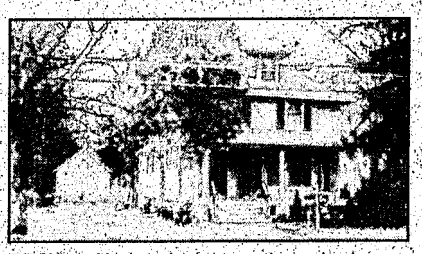
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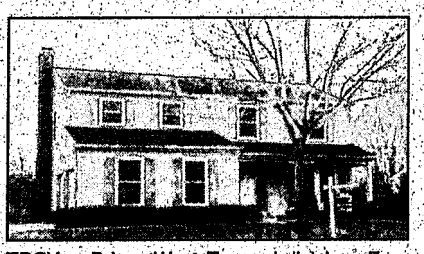
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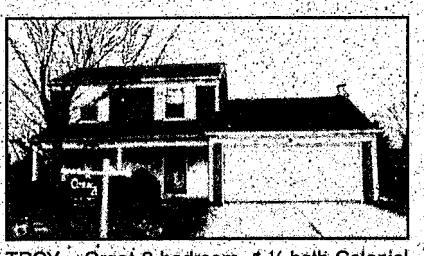
TROY – Prime West Troy subdivision. Four bedroom, 2 bath Colonial with finished basement. Newer roof, furnace, central air, carpeting and paint. Family room with fireplace, eat-in kitchen, dining room and deck. $229,900 (27FLE) 248-524-1600



ROCHESTER HILLS – Sharp 4 bedroom, 2 ½ bath, spacious, close to schools. Features hardwood, crown moldings, central air, sprinklers, 2 tiered deck, master with full bath, walk-ins, storage, all appliances. $349,900 (57ARB) 248-652-8000



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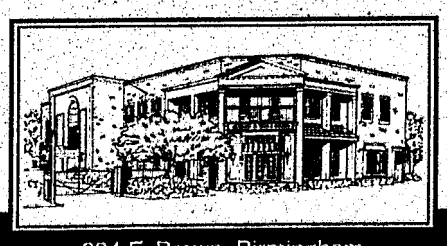
TROY – Great 3 bedroom, 1 ½ bath Colonial with a West Troy cul-de-sac location. Updates include windows, roof, central air. Neutral decor throughout. Park with walking paths & pond. $199,900 (43FAR) 248-524-1600



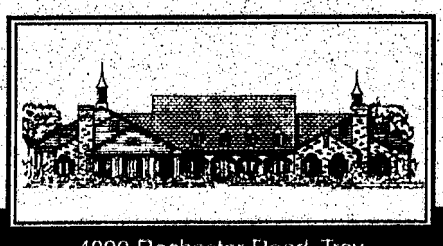
ROCHESTER HILLS – Stunning! 2000 updated. Three bedroom, 2 ½ bath with doorwall off master bedroom, great room, kitchen. New kitchen, carpet, vinyl siding, fresh paint, great views. Immediate occupancy. $349,900 (50GRE) 248-652-8000



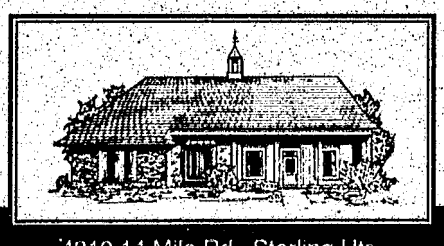
BLOOMFIELD HILLS – Lost In The Hills! Bloomfield Hills that is 1+ acre private quiet cul-de-sac contemporary multi-level 3 bedroom, 2 ½ baths. Loads of windows. High ceilings. Lovely Rolling Hills. Excellent condition. $449,000 (14BRE) 248-626-8800



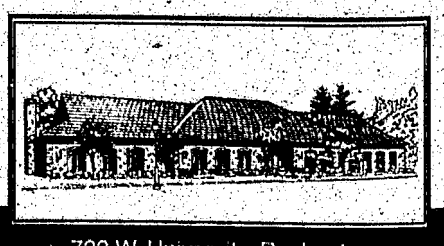
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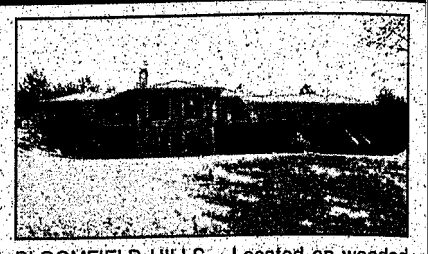
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BLOOMFIELD HILLS – Located on wooded acre, open floor plan, marble floors, neutral decor & great views. Master with Jacuzzi & walk-in closet. Perfect for entertaining, dining room with butler's pantry, library & 3 car garage. $749,000 (32WAB) 248-642-8100



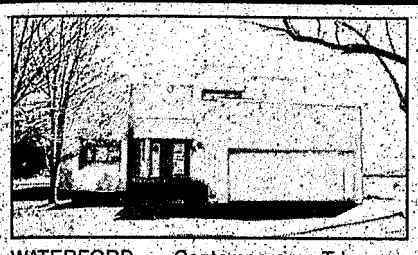
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BIRMINGHAM – Three bedroom, 2 full bath Colonial with updated kitchen & bath. Professionally finished basement, hardwood floors and 2 car garage. $264,500 (04HEN) 248-642-8100



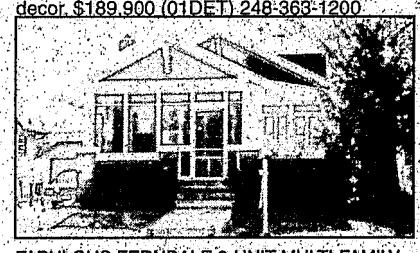
ROCHESTER HILLS – 1992 built Colonial with 4 bedrooms, 2 ½ baths on nice interior lot. Sky light, bay window, Andersen wood windows. Finished basement with powder room. Rochester schools. $282,900 (79PRI) 248-524-1600



CAPE COD RETREAT – Lake access 3 bedroom, 2 bath, sun porch bay window, 2 fireplaces, large kitchen, huge deck, family room, vaulted ceiling, master suite with Jacuzzi, sky lights, 105x125 treed lot, 2 ½ car garage. One shot from fairway. Must see A.S.A.P. $199,500 (45BEA) 248-363-1200



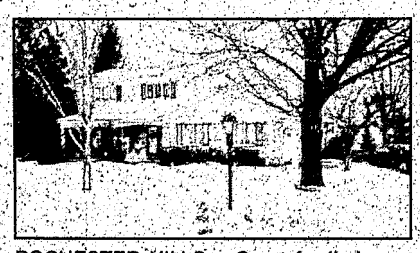
FABULOUS WEST BLOOMFIELD CONTEMPORARY – Don't miss this 4 bedroom, 2 bath, updated home in park-like setting with views of Middle Straits Lake. New kitchen & baths, master bedroom, balcony, fireplace, Jacuzzi tub, large deck. Great floor plan & tasteful decor. $189,900 (01DET) 248-363-1200



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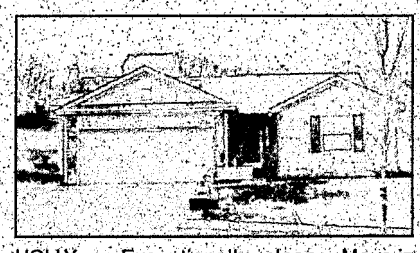
ROCHESTER HILLS – Sharp. Updated roof, furnace, interior painting, carpet, hardwood and vinyl floors. Mature treed lot, ravine, close to shopping, schools & I-75. Immediate occupancy. $273,500 (65PIN) 248-652-8000



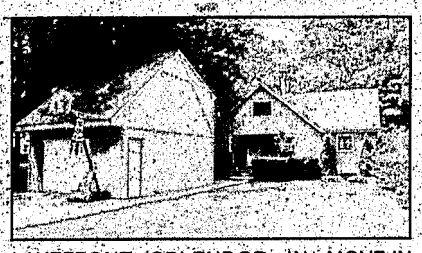
ROCHESTER HILLS – Great family home. Three bedrooms, 2 ½ baths, first floor laundry, family room with fireplace, central air, large formal dining room, side entry garage and updates. $239,900 (62HAY) 248-652-8000



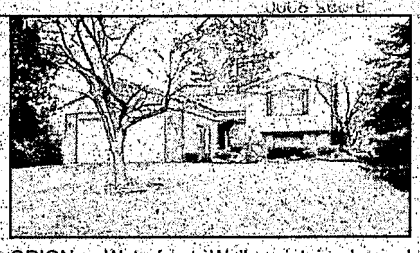
WATERFORD – Lake privileges. View of Watkins Lake. Professionally painted and updated interior, neutral throughout. New carpet, refinished hardwood floors, newer windows, doors and kitchen. $229,900 (20LAK) 248-652-8000



HOLLY – Exceptionally clean. Move-in condition, 3 bedroom, 2 ½ bath Ranch with stone fireplace, separate breakfast area, first floor laundry, newer top-of-line appliances. Full finished basement, brick patio. $168,000 (87PON) 248-652-8000



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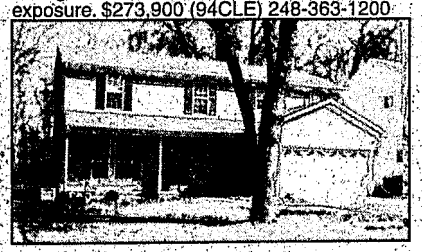
ORION – Waterfront. Well maintained canal front 3 bedroom quad. New tiered deck, Culligan water system and roof. Neutral and spacious with great views. Updated baths. $334,900 (35ARB) 248-652-8000



EXCITING RANCH WITH 4 BEDROOMS – Large great room, updated kitchen, ready to move in, neutral decor, 2 car garage with work shop. $149,900 (80SCOM) 248-363-1200.



BEVERLY HILLS – This home is in move-in condition! Fabulous master suite addition with full bath and walk-in closet. Updated kitchen with appliances, living room with fireplace, family room, finished rec. room. Newer windows, furnace/central air & 2 car garage. Beautiful lot. $244,900 (40KIR) 248-642-8100



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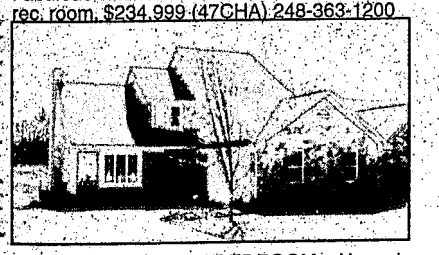
ROCHESTER HILLS – Executive Colonial. Many quality appointments in this 4 bedroom home with neutral decor, open floor plan, large rooms, finished walk-out lower level. Minutes from DCX, I-75 and M-59. $314,900 (73SHE) 248-652-8000



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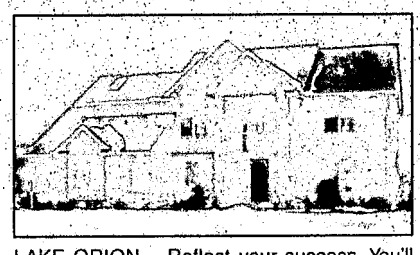
BIRMINGHAM – Walk to Birmingham. Two bedroom Condo conversion, newer kitchen with appliances, newer bath suite with Corian counters. Newly decorated master bedroom with walk-in closet & double closet. Storage room, covered parking & deck overlooking court yard. $193,900 (85WOO) 248-642-8100



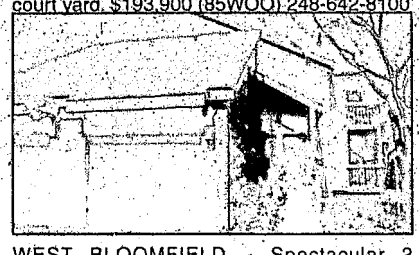
WONDERFUL THREE BEDROOM – Home is on about ½ acre. Just a short distance from Milford. Wooded yard, hot tub. $219,900 (84REI) 248-363-1200



TROY – Spacious five bedroom, two bath Cape Cod with newer oak kitchen cabinets and oak floor. Newer central air, deck and some newer carpet. Master bedroom bath updated. Attached garage. $189,900 (57HYD) 248-524-1600



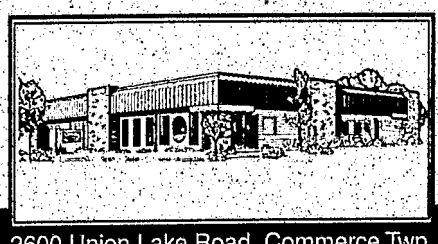
LAKE ORION – Reflect your success. You'll love this 4 bedroom, 2 ½ bath, stately Colonial in Silverbell Village. Beautifully landscaped corner lot. Minutes from CTC, Palace, Silverdome and Bald Mountain. $289,900 (36GOT) 248-652-8000



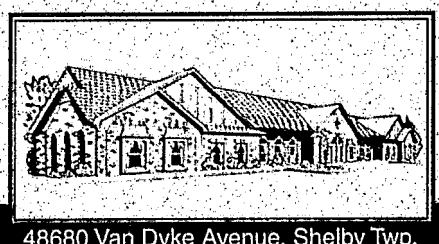
WEST BLOOMFIELD – Spectacular 2 bedroom, 2 bath Ranch condo, upper, end unit. Features include cathedral ceilings, hardwood floors, living room, library/office, laundry room & custom kitchen. One car direct access garage & and lots of storage. $184,900 (57BRY) 248-642-8100



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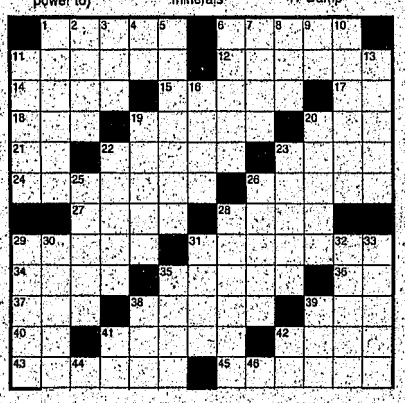
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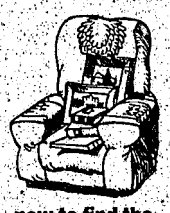
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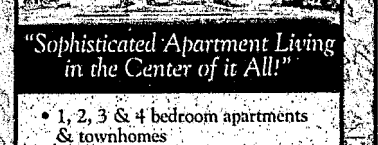
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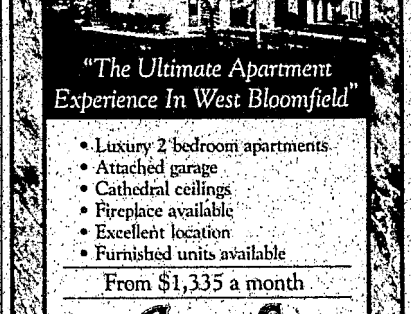
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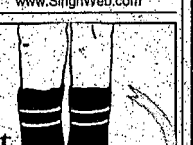
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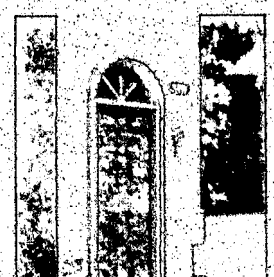
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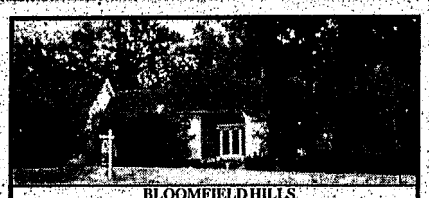
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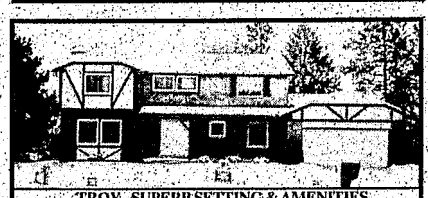
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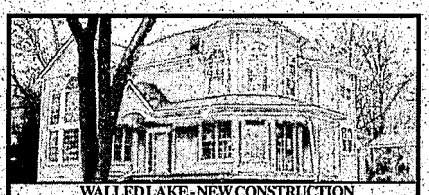
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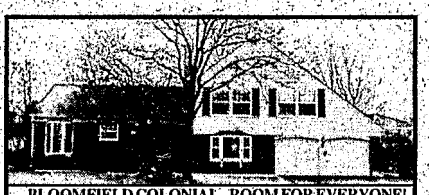
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- Spacious great room with French doors, finished walkout and golf cart storage in garage. (BR948)

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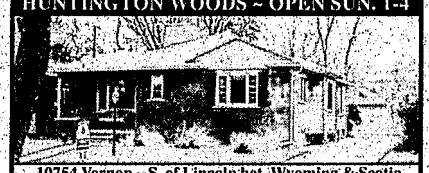
BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS ~ OPEN SUN. 1-4



2066 Lakeshire ~ N. of Quarton, W. of Inkster
- Loaded with appeal on the inside & charm on the outside
- The best kitchen/family room layout around - & it's new too!
- Upstairs master has bath + 4th bedroom or office. 2 baths.
- Full, partially finished basement. Walk to the beach! (LA206)

$259,000 • 248 647-6400

HUNTINGTON WOODS ~ OPEN SUN. 1-4



10754 Vernon ~ S. of Lincoln bet. Wyoming & Scotia
- Open plan boasts large rooms, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths
- Master with half bath & walk-in closet with built-ins
- Formica kitchen with breakfast area, appliances included
- Formal dining room, marble foyer & hearth, warm classic interior. (VE107)

$250,000 • 248 647-6400



GREAT LOCATION - UTICA SCHOOLS
- Master suite on 1st floor with whirlpool tub in master bath
- Huge kitchen, dining room, and spacious great room with gas fireplace & high ceilings. Full basement
- Home protection plan. (HI534)

$249,000 • 248 641-1660



LOVELY GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY CONDO
- This detached condo offers 1,750 sq. ft. plus 750 sq. ft. in finished walkout lower level. 4 bedrooms
- Ceramic foyer, fireplace, security system, newer carpeting, oversized 2 level decking plus patio. (CL414)

$239,900 • 248 324-3800

ROCHESTER - OPEN SUN. 1-4



3639 Kings Point Dr. ~ S. off Wattles onto Raintree, E. of Rochester
- Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths, large family & dining rooms
- Well maintained with fenced yard, deck & BBQ grill
- First floor laundry, fireplace, lots of storage
- Great location deep in subdivision. SHOWS GREAT! (KI363)

$229,900 • 248 647-6400



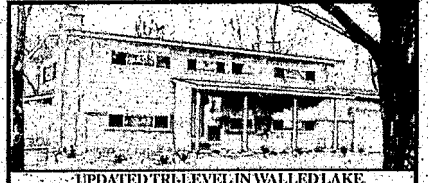
ORION TOWNSHIP - VERY APPEALING!
- Terrific cedar ranch home with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths
- 1st floor master & firelit great room with sliders to deck overlooking backyard pond! 2 car garage
- Walkout with rec room, bar, & sound system. (HE115)

$224,900 • Eleanor Feeley • 248 656-4404



SOUTHFIELD - PRIVATE CUL-DE-SAC SETTING
- Updates galore! Newer roof, windows, siding, & furnace
- Huge master bedroom with private bath
- Partially finished basement, humidifier
- Security system, fireplace. HURRY! (HA219)

$209,900 • 248 651-8850



UPDATED TRI-LEVEL IN WALLED LAKE
- Many recent updates include windows, baths, water softener, & septic. Four bedrooms, 1.5 baths
- Hardwood floors, freshly painted inside & out
- Walkout lower level, aboveground pool, fenced yard. (B1185)

$203,900 • 248 851-4400



AWARD WINNING WALLED LAKE SCHOOLS
- 2 story, 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath home with open floor plan, basement, & attached garage. Immediate occupancy
- Island kitchen, deck off family room, & recessed lighting
- Conveniently located to shopping, schools, & x-ways. (WE256)

$199,000 • 248 624-3015



GRAND BLANC - NEW CONSTRUCTION
- Lovely 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial charmer
- Builder's model with custom extras & quality throughout
- Island kitchen opens to dining room with window
- Family room with fireplace & cathedral ceiling. (AS932)

$189,900 • 248 625-5700



WATERFORD
- Six months new!! 1,657 sq. ft., 2 car garage
- 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Family room with natural fireplace
- Living room with bay window; large kitchen with dining area
- Central air, washer & dryer. Move in at close! (RI281)

$179,900 • 248 641-1660



SOUTH LYON
- Nice ranch home with three bedrooms, 1.5 baths
- Formal dining room with fireplace, hardwood floors in kitchen, dining, & foyer. Basement, patio, & garage
- Newer windows, hot water heater, & light fixtures. (KA227).

$174,900 • 248 324-3800

ROCHESTER HILLS ~ OPEN SUN. 1-4



902 Castlebar ~ N. off Avon bet. Adams & Crooks
- Sharp 3 bedroom ranch with a contemporary flair
- Cathedral ceilings, formal dining plus updated kitchen
- Two-way fireplace, side-entry two car garage
- Gorgeous park-like setting. (CA902)

$172,500 • 248 651-8850



WOLVERINE LAKE - LAKE PRIVILEGES
- Great 3 bedroom home in Spring Lake Heights
- Updated windows, furnace, c/a, bath, & large country kitchen
- Full brick fireplace/hearth with custom mantle. Full basement
- Extra large deck, garage. Lake is just a short walk down the street! (CO165)

$169,900 • 248 624-3015



OXFORD
- Handsomely restored turn-of-the-century Colonial
- 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. Living room with window seat & fireplace, library/study, formal dining, & bonus room
- Fenced yard with fruit trees & grape arbor. Garage. (FI38)

$155,000 • 248 625-5700



HISTORIC DISTRICT OF STONY CREEK
- Great alternative to a condo with 1 bedroom & 1 bath
- Basement plus garage
- Updates include kitchen, bath, electric, central air, & carpet. (TI992)

$132,500 • Juanita Mallmann • 248 656-4405

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