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WEEK**



**Take a breather:** After two tough games, the Clarkston Wolves finally got a break in their schedule, and Deana Kanipe (20) helped make good use of it in an easy win over Berkley. /B1

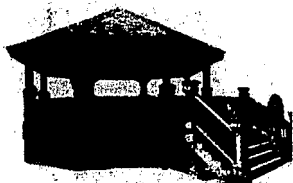
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## VINTAGE



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This week we conclude our look at the group "Countyside," formed in 1911 by a group of Oakland County women to preserve the lakes region. In the past we looked at their efforts to improve roads for tourists to the region, and to keep the area clean. Once these initial concerns were under control, the group moved on to other charitable contributions. By 1915 the group had 100 members. They held fund-raisers such as raffles, bake sales, bridge parties and flower shows, and awarded scholarships. They joined the National Fruit and Flower Guild in distributing surplus food from their farms or gardens to the sick in hospitals and institutions. In 1916 they began to support the Detroit Free Press Fresh Air Camp for inner city children, eventually helping to build the mess hall (now the Sylvan Lake Community Center) and continuing to support the camp until 1959. During World War I they opened a canning center where area residents could pay to have their garden surplus canned. George Booth loaned his private school (now Cranbrook) for the center. All proceeds went to the war effort. After the war the center was reopened during the Depression to preserve and distribute food to the needy.

Still going strong today, the Countyside Improvement Association is strictly philanthropic. Its efforts are mainly concentrated in West Bloomfield Township and Oakland County.

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

## Township tax bills won't rise much



■ It's budget time for Independence Township, and the news for taxpayers is good. Township property tax bills are expected to stay about the same as last year, yet services, such as police protection, are expected to increase.

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

Independence Township residents won't see much of a tax increase, if any, when they get their township tax bills Dec. 1, according to Assessor David Kramer.

In the meantime, the township, which is in "a healthy financial condition," will consider adding two addi-

tional police officers and an investigator when it adopts its \$6.2 million budget for 1998 later this month. The budget is up \$1.3 million from last year.

At a special meeting on Sept. 24, board members voted to set the millage levy rates that will support the township's budget.

The 1997 levies were approved at a lower rate than those set by the board last year for this year's budget. The

lower rates will be offset, somewhat, by an increase in the taxable values of homes, thus keeping tax bills about the same, Kramer said. Taxable values are limited to the inflation rate, which saw an increase of 2.8 percent, he said.

"The bottom line is the township rates went down, but the taxable values went up a little bit," Kramer said.

Township officials expect the 7.9154 millage rate to bring in \$6,229,649 in revenue. A homeowner with a home having a taxable value of \$100,000 would pay \$791.54 in township property taxes under the new tax rate. (School taxes make up the lion's share of property tax bills.)

The millage rate approved in 1996 to support the 1997 budget was 8.189 mills.

And while they heard budget proposals from the township's department heads at their Sept. 17 and 24 meetings, board members agreed not to formally adopt the budget until a regular meeting in October.

The board unanimously agreed to set the seven millage rates at somewhat less than those approved by the voters due to the township's relative financial comfort.

"Because the township is in such a

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**Jailed:** Pine Knob Elementary fourth-graders Marcus Craft, Beth Gjergjaj, Jillian Fecteau, Anne Maxwell and Sara Hartley spend time behind bars after straying from their "families" while reenacting pioneer life at Camp Tamarack, Ortonville.

## Pioneer play 4th-graders try log cabin life

BY JAN BAKER  
SPECIAL WRITER

One "family" survived an entire year of pioneer life with beaver pelts to spare and enough food to feed its third cousins.

Another less-organized clan ultimately had to mosey up to that Big Log Cabin in the Sky after its members forgot to chop wood for a shelter.

But whether they were sticklers for security or

carefree cutups, fourth-graders from Clarkston's Pine Knob Elementary became ardent settlers in the simulated 1800s town of Smokler at Camp Tamarack in Ortonville on Sept. 24.

According to Pine Knob teachers Lisa Giacobone, Debbie Luczyn and Marion MacCarroll, the survival experience at the mock town site corresponded with a year-long focus on Michigan, as well as the learning themes of family and



**Smokler:** Camp Tamarack's 1800s town includes a windmill, animals and barn.

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**Target practice:** Allison Kanous shoots a paper "deer" as Katie Blouin watches.



**Deputy sheriff:** Brenda Lawson keeps an eye out for stray kids.



**Modern outhouses:** Fortunately, not everything in the 1800s town was authentic.

## Schools grow by 107 pupils; officials to analyze numbers

BY JAN BAKER  
SPECIAL WRITER

The Clarkston School District has grown by 107 students this year, and one school board member calls that increase no surprise.

Board president Karen Foyteck said Monday that she "feels comfortable" with the district's numbers from this year's Fourth Friday count. The official student enrollment figure — which was calculated this year on the fourth Wednesday of September — deter-

mines the amount of state funding a district will receive.

According to that count, the district gained 61 elementary students, 16 pupils in the middle grades and 30 additional high school students since the September 1996 tally.

"There are no surprises in these numbers," Foyteck said. "I think we're falling pretty much where we thought we'd be. The numbers are a little lower than the projections said they would

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## Crowned queen



**Clarkston royalty:** Heather Midkiff (center), "tapped" homecoming queen Friday, will reign over festivities this weekend.

STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL



# Springfield levies top tax rate to prepare for new town hall

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

The Springfield Township Board, preparing for the expense of building a new township com-

plex soon, voted unanimously Sept. 23 to approve the township's 1998 millage rates and \$1.6 million budget, levying for the first time in several years the maximum allowed by law.

"We usually try most years, at least with one of the funds, not to levy the maximum," said Clerk Nancy Strole. "This was one of the years which we felt we would have to levy the maximum that we could."

Levying a total of 4.6980 mills, board members hope to put away money for the future construction of a township complex, said Supervisor Collin Walls. Last year's millage rate was 4.3298 mills.

Walls said he did not expect any unusual or large expenses in 1998 other than that of a fire department pumper which has already been ordered and which, according to Strole, will be paid for over a five-year loan.

"We are preparing for a future expenditure that will be very significant," Walls added, referring to the complex building that he hopes will be under way in two to five years. Plans for the complex are still in their infancy, but it could house new township government offices and the like.

Saying that Springfield officials like to have money in place before they authorize purchases, Walls called their rationale, "get the money before you spend it."

Government officials anticipate a revenue of \$1,637,725 for the general fund, which supports many of the township's expenses including those incurred by the parks and recreation department. Aside from taxes, much of the balance of the general fund is made up of state-shared revenue, said Strole. Last year's general-fund budget was \$1,430,580.

The millage rates approved for supporting the 1998 budget are:

■ 1.1072 mills for the general fund, expected to generate \$351,000.

■ .9926 mills for the fire fund, expected to generate \$314,000.

■ 2.1336 mills for the police fund, expected to generate \$675,000.

■ .4646 mills for the library fund, expected to generate approximately \$160,000.

In addition, the board approved a revenue and expenditure of \$88,000 for the cable fund. Money for that fund is generated by franchise fees. Revenues and expenditures of \$22,800 were approved for the Shiawassee Basin Preserve fund, supported by the general fund.

The new millage rates will be reflected in the winter tax bills, said Treasurer Lois Stiles. The bills will be mailed in late November and are payable beginning Dec. 1 through Feb. 14, she said.

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## Fun run



She's not heavy; she's my sister: Maxx Johnson, a student at Springfield Plains Elementary School, carries his little sister, Cari, during the school's Fun Run Friday.



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**Money maker:** Students and faculty run and walk around the parking lot of Springfield Plains after gathering pledges for the Fun Run. The PTA's only fund-raiser of the year, the annual event earned \$18,000 for the school, said Principal Sharon Devereaux.

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## Newsroom tour



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**Journalism 101:** Clarkston Eccentric editor Karen Hermes-Smith (right), conducting a tour of the Eccentric newsroom for a group of home schoolers, explains how newspapers decide what stories to publish. From left to right are Berryl Pappas, 12; teacher Pam Buhler; George Buhler, 11; Chelsey Buhler, 9; and Joel Pappas, 11, all of Ortonville. The students also interviewed Eccentric staffers about their jobs and watched how the Eccentric is assembled electronically on a computer screen.

## Planners OK concept of Beaumont offices

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

### INDEPENDENCE

Developer Rudy Lozano's conceptual plans to bring a William Beaumont medical office to Independence Township were met with approval at the planning commission Sept. 25.

Asking only that he trim back the number of parking spaces, increase the proposed landscaping and provide a lighting scheme, the planners voted unanimously to follow Planner Dick Carlisle's recommendations and grant conceptual approval.

"The amount of parking that's being provided here seems to be well in excess," said Carlisle, as he encouraged authorization for the building that would go on Citation Drive across from Independence Township Fire Station No. 1 and near a proposed child care center.

Lozano, representing L. M. Clarkston and Associates, L.L.C., which also includes local developer Forrest Milzow, plans to

build a 6,510-square-foot medical building that would house primary care physicians. The exact specialties have not been specified, he told the commissioners. He said that he hopes to have the building operational by next May.

"Beaumont says, 'We want a presence out here,'" Lozano said. "They've got brand new people in charge."

Last week, Colette Stimmell, a spokesperson for the Royal Oak hospital, told the Clarkston Eccentric that Beaumont officials want to bring some of their physicians to the Clarkston area, making appointments easier for existing north-end patients and hoping to solicit new ones.

"We want to improve access to Beaumont for residents of the Clarkston area," she said.

The commissioners cast their votes with very little comment.

## POLICE NEWS

During the week of Sept. 22-29, the following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Independence and Springfield townships and the city of Clarkston.

### Clarkston Police

On Sept. 30, police officers were investigating the possibility that the theft of a truck from a Holcomb Street residence and the vandalism of a truck on South Main Street were related.

Both incidents took place during the early morning hours of Sept. 30, said Chief Paul Ormiston. A 1992 gray Chevrolet 1/2-ton pickup was stolen from a North Holcomb Street residence and a cassette disc player was stolen from a truck on South Main Street.

"We also know there was an effort to steal the entire truck (from South Main)," Ormiston said. Police have no suspects.

On Sept. 23, officers investigated an accident at Washington and Main streets. Two drivers attempted to negotiate left turns, from opposite directions, at the same time. There were no injuries or citations issued.

On Sept. 24, officers assisted a Middle Lake Road resident who had sustained a back injury.

On Sept. 25, officers assisted a diabetic patient who was feeling faint at a residence on North Holcomb Street.

### Springfield Police

#### Thefts

On Sept. 23, tools were reported stolen from a shed on Louise Drive.

On Sept. 26, a golf bag and clubs were reported stolen from a residence on Stonegate.

#### Vandalism

On Sept. 23, officers investigated a report that unknown persons had soaped the windows of several cars and let the air out of several of the cars' tires while they were parked at a residence on Ute Point.

On Sept. 24, officers responded to a report that 14 windows had been broken with rocks at a house under construction on Osprey Bay.

On Sept. 27, officers investigated a pole barn fire on Andersonville Road.

#### Accidental Shooting

On Sept. 22, officers responded to a report that an 11-year-old boy had accidentally been shot in the arm by a BB, fired from a BB gun by another child at a residence on Morning Street.

### Independence Police

#### Thefts

On Sept. 22, tools were reported stolen from a building on Woodhull.

On Sept. 22, a trailer was reported stolen from a residence on Parkwood Boulevard.

On Sept. 23, cement chutes were reported stolen from a construction site on Walden Creek.

On Sept. 23, tools were reported

ed stolen from a residence on Garnet Circle.

On Sept. 24, money was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Clintonville Road.

On Sept. 24, approximately \$120 was reported stolen from a residence on Perry Lake Road.

On Sept. 25, a cellular phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on East Church Street.

On Sept. 25, a cellular phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Clearview.

On Sept. 26, a truck was reported stolen while parked on Lancaster Hill.

On Sept. 26, a light mixer was reported stolen from a construction site on Sashabaw Road.

On Sept. 26, a motorcycle was reported stolen from a residence on Lancaster Hill.

On Sept. 26, a motorcycle was reported stolen from a residence on Lancaster Court.

On Sept. 27, a circular saw was reported stolen from a garage on Glenalda.

On Sept. 27, a cellular phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Dixie Highway.

On Sept. 27, a ring of shrimp was reported stolen from Kroger's on Dixie Highway.

On Sept. 27, a tool box was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Williamson.

On Sept. 28, a television was reported stolen from a residence on Sunnyside.

#### Vandalism

On Sept. 25, lattice and a window were reported damaged at a residence on Dale Court.

On Sept. 26, a window and steering column were reported damaged on a vehicle parked on Lancaster Hill.

### Independence Fire

On Sept. 22, fire fighters assisted a person having difficulty breathing at a residence on Tappan.

On Sept. 22, fire fighters assisted a man who fell from a ladder at a residence on Newcastle.

On Sept. 22, fire fighters assisted a person who was having severe leg pain at a residence on Oak Park.

On Sept. 23, fire fighters assisted a patient who was in possible cardiac arrest at a residence on Woodstone Court.

On Sept. 24, fire fighters assisted a 14-year-old male with a possible back injury from a fall at Clarkston High School on Middle Lake Road.

On Sept. 24, fire fighters assisted a person who was having seizures at a residence on North Eston Road.

On Sept. 24, fire fighters assisted a 43-year-old man with a back injury at a residence on Middle Lake Road.

On Sept. 25, fire fighters assisted a patient who was having diabetic problems at a residence on Mann Road.

On Sept. 26, fire fighters assisted a person who was having chest pains and difficulty breathing at a residence on Hummingbird.

On Sept. 27, fire fighters attended a vehicle fire on northbound I-75 south of Sashabaw Road.

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**Collectibles:** The Clarkston High School PTSA is selling Main Street miniatures to raise money for scholarships for two CHS seniors. From left to right are the old Clarkston High School building (now Independence Township Hall), the Main Street Clock and the office building at 5 S. Main Street.

## Main Street miniatures

*Proceeds from sale will pay for scholarships*

BY JAN BAKER  
SPECIAL WRITER

They're trying to finance two scholarships for Clarkston High School seniors, promote local history, avoid cavities and give Beanie Babies a run for their money.

That's how Clarkston High's PTSA parents, Pat Weber and Lynne Barth, explain the plan behind their organization's sale of historical collectibles.

"We didn't want to sell candy, and we wanted to come up with something that wouldn't step on anyone else's toes," said Weber in a recent interview.

The result ended up being the cat's meow — Cat's Meow village pieces, that is. Currently, the CHS PTSA is selling three of the line's two-dimensional wooden block collectibles. The Clarkston Village Trio has been especially designed to accurately represent these local landmarks: the Main

Street Clock (\$7.50), the first Clarkston High School, which currently houses Independence Township offices (\$15), and the historic office building at 5 S. Main St. (\$15). All three pieces sell for \$37.

Two more Clarkston collectibles are in the works, slated for a December arrival, Barth said. Though a price hasn't been set on them, replicas of the current Clarkston High School as well as Rudy's Market will add

to the PTSA's popular collection.

"They're selling very well," Weber said of the first three collectibles. "We received 200 of each piece in April — which was really toward the end of the school year — and we've sold about half of that."

(To order the Clarkston High PTSA collectibles, call Pat Weber at 625-7206. Weber is also taking pre-sale orders for the new pieces.)

## Springfield sues developer, saying he built 'beach'

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

Springfield Township is suing a developer for allegedly creating an unauthorized "beach" on Dixie Lake where he is putting in a 32-lot single family development.

A resident from the area, curious about construction work near the lake, called Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls on Sept. 17.

On Wednesday, township attorney Greg Need confirmed that he had filed a lawsuit against Zeerco Development Co. in Oakland County Circuit Court the previous day on behalf of the township. The suit asks the court to rule that Zeerco was in violation of the township's ordinances and requests that the property be restored and township legal costs be reimbursed.

Dixie Lake is near Dixie Highway and Davisburg Road.

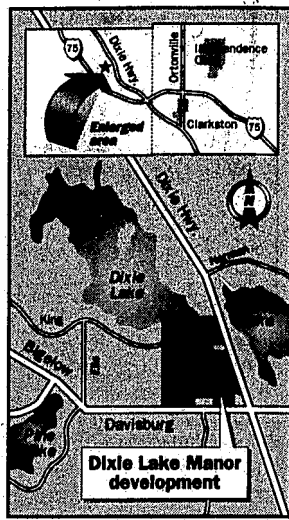
Zeerco received approval for a Planned Unit Development housing project for the southeast side of the lake in 1996 and the project was to include single family residences on 32 lots. The grounds surrounding the lake were to be left untouched, said Walls.

"It was supposed to be left in its natural state," he said, adding that the topsoil was stripped off, and fabric and sand were applied "presumably for a beach."

Walls added, "They could have asked for it (a beach) in the beginning. Not only did they not ask for it, they submitted a plan that said they would leave the shoreline alone. They removed almost everything that God put there. We're not talking about a heavily wooded site, but there was some vegetation there."

But on Wednesday, Hikmat Zeer, president of the Sylvan Lake-based company, said he didn't feel they had done anything wrong.

"This is a lake-front development," he said, explaining that



TAMMIE GRAVES/STAFF ARTIST

Zeerco "put prewashed sand along the lake to prevent erosion into the water. It was our opinion we don't need any permit to do that," he said.

"To our knowledge, there wasn't much wetland to be disturbed. We put clean, good sand there. I don't know how we could damage the lake by doing that."

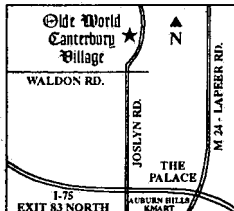
After visiting the site on Sept. 17, Walls said he estimated that the developers cleared about 800 linear feet of shoreline. He asked the developer that same day to discontinue working and to put a soil erosion silt fence in place. That same night, Walls said he contacted Need and authorized the paperwork for a lawsuit. The developer did not comply with Walls' request and continued on Sept. 18 and 19 to add sand, Walls said.

Need said that sand eroding into the lake and the stripping of natural vegetation nearby could damage the quality of the lake.

"By doing that, it is threatening to the lake," Need said. "All of that has an effect on lake quality."

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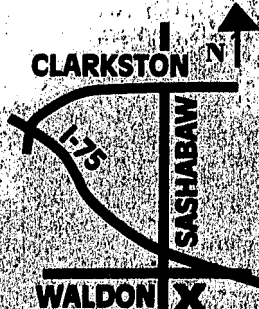
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## Clarkston crop walk



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Helping the hungry: Nancy and Nicole Phillips (left to right) bow their heads in prayer before heading out Sunday for the Clarkston-area Crop Walk. The event, which began at Calvary Lutheran Church in Clarkston, drew about 40 people.



They're off: After weeks of soliciting pledges, Crop Walk participants take off. Twenty-five percent of the proceeds will benefit Clarkston programs.

# Race track volunteer, 37, was 'a very selfless person'

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

On Wednesday morning, a grieving Rick Pawlowski took the time to discuss his wife, Peggy M. Pawlowski, hoping that he could somehow share her goodness — and his loss — with the community and people she loved.

"She was the type of person that when she got involved in something, she held nothing back," Pawlowski said. "She was a very selfless person. She loved to help people."

Peggy Pawlowski, 37, was killed Saturday at the Waterford Hills Road Racing Inc. track in Independence Township when a race car struck her while she was working as a flagger, said Rick Pawlowski. Waterford Hills is a sub-club of the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club on Waterford Road just north of Dixie Highway.

Accident investigator Deputy Dennis Wandrei of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department confirmed that Pawlowski was killed when a race car lost control, went over a barrier and struck her.

A volunteer for the race track, "she was in an area where she was supposed to be," Wandrei said.

The race car driver, a 46-year-old Livonia man, was an experienced driver with a good record, Wandrei said, adding that there will be no charges brought against him because drugs, alcohol and negligence are not suspected. The driver was not injured, he said.

Peggy Pawlowski, a Waterford Township resident, came to her love of racing via her love for her husband, who is a racer and has worked as a crew member for another driver. He introduced her to the sport on a date, he said, and she soon began to want her own involvement.

A survivor of adrenal cancer who had lost her adrenal glands to the disease during her late 20s, she could not stand in the sun for long periods as a racing flagger and communicator and so was assigned a position at the start/finish line.

"She was doing that when she was killed," he said.

It was her experience with

cancer that led her to become a social worker, Pawlowski said. "Through that process is how she decided she wanted to get into social work. She comforted people and wanted to get involved."

Peggy Pawlowski was a graduate of Wayne State University, where she received her masters of social work degree, carrying a 4.0 grade-point average during most of her educational career, Rick Pawlowski said. She was an employee of Hartland Home Care in Southfield and had a private practice as well.

"She demanded a lot of herself," he said.

A funeral liturgy is planned for Peggy Pawlowski at 9:30 a.m. Friday at the St. Vincent Ferrer

Church, 1087 E. Gardenia, Madison Heights. A funeral mass is scheduled for 10 a.m.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by her father, Thomas A. McMasters Jr., of Sterling Heights; three sisters, Kristine A. McMasters of Berkley, Lori J. Almashy of Troy and Nancy E. Pickens of Huntington Woods; a brother, Thomas A. McMasters III of Sterling Heights; and two stepsons, Richard J. Pawlowski and James Douglas Pawlowski.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home in Troy. Memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or Hospice organizations.

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## ON THE AGENDA

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**Township Board Meeting**  
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*Tentative Agenda*

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Approval of Agenda  
Minutes of Previous Meeting  
Approval of Accounts Payable  
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Approval of Purchase Orders  
Public Forum

Public Hearing — Townsend Lake Water S.A.D., Townsend Lake Sewer S.A.D. and Woodhull Lake Road Paving S.A.D.

## Old Business

1. Resolution approving Woodhull Lake petitions, project and properties to be included in district
2. Resolution of tentative declaration of intention to make improvements — Townsend Lake Water S.A.D.
3. Resolution of tentative declaration of intention to make improvements — Townsend Lake Sewer S.A.D.
4. Resolution approving 1998 budget
5. Investment policy approval

## New Business

1. Request for cul-de-sac variance — Indianwood Estates on the Lake
2. First Reading Zoning Amendment — Duties of build-

ing official and building permit application  
3. Tentative preliminary plat approval — Stonebrook R1R

4. Judgment Amendment — Hynes
5. Bid Award — Chain Link Fence — DPW

6. Annual request to participate with SMART
7. Employee computer purchase plan

8. Employee of the quarter

9. Bid Award — Equipment Hauler Truck — Fire

Only those matters that are listed on the agenda are to be considered for action. A majority of the board members may add or delete an agenda item.

## Pioneers from page A1

fourth-grade community.

## Oh, pioneers!

Of course, while the field trip familiarized students with teamwork and the good old days, it also gave parent chaperones the chance to ham it up as sheriff, banker, school teacher, candle maker or fur trader, just to name a few of Smokler's townsfolk.

Paul Maxwell, father of fourth-grader Anne, opted for the role of "Deputy Paul." With his Dockers' slacks, V-neck sweater, trusty Winchester rifle and steely eyed stare, the real-life accountant looked like a cross between Clint Eastwood and Fuzzy Zoeller.

Elizabeth Copeman's mother, April, transformed herself into feisty "Mrs. Olson" of the general

store. A fan of the Mrs. Olson character from "Little House on the Prairie" television episodes, Copeman grabbed a broom and started sweeping her dusty storefront porch to ready it for patrons.

But before any fourth-grade settlers could roll into town to see their folks gussied up, Betty Betts — the mayor of Smokler — instructed the 13 fractured thespians on their mission: "These kids have to live the life of a pioneer for one whole year, but they only have two hours to do it," Betts said with a grin. "We want them to survive, but we want to make it as hard as possible. Mrs. Olson, when they come to do business, see how much money they have before you charge them. Sheriff, anyone who runs or strays from his or her family has to go to jail — but they like to be in that jail, really. School teacher, if they have their education, they're going to survive — but we don't tell them that because stopping at the school is usually the LAST thing they want to do!"

Along with that advice, chaperones also were directed to hide more than 100, 4-inch square vinyl "beaver pelts" on the Smokler grounds for fourth-grade settlers to hunt and trade.

While parents completed their preparations on one side of town, girls in sunbonnets and long print dresses, and boys in flannel shirts and blue jeans listened to their instructions in the Smokler Community Schoolhouse. The group of 76 was ultimately divided into about 11 pioneer "families." Each unit was told to give itself a surname and to "stick

together" by holding hands. Additionally, each clan was to appoint a member who would carry and update its survival checklist — the record of things a pioneer family had to do and the places it had to go to complete a year in Smokler.

When everybody was ready, the settlers hit the streets. And as expected, they drew with them a wagon load of surprises.

## Beaver pellets?

Fourth-grader John Sabo immediately set the scholarly tone for the day as he ran toward his teacher with the bounty of his family's first hunt. "Look, Mrs. MacCarroll!" John yelled, catching his breath. "We've already found seven beaver p-le-t-s!"

(Luckily, John and his spirited family didn't search near the goat pen.)

Meanwhile, on the other side of town, Sheriff Bill Williams — father of Amanda — was helping to apprehend the first law-breaking varmint of the day, none other than ... KATIE HOUSTON? (At least, that was the gasping reaction from Katie's classmates when they heard she'd been hauled off to the slammer for running. According to the kids, Katie had no prior record.)

Within five minutes, however, Katie's "family" — the Hendersons — sprang her from jail for a \$1 fee. As the group departed with its detained member, Sheriff Bill shook his head and said to Deputy Paul, "I think we were too easy on 'em." (Sheriff Bill later confided that when he was a little perpetrator, he had to walk five miles in the snow just to GET to jail.)

## I'm okay; you're okay

Though several families experienced run-ins with the law, some settlers found the greatest difficulty in resolving problems with their own kin. As a result of various family squabbles in the general store, Mrs. Olson soon adopted the no-nonsense approach of Judge Judy.

For example, the "family" of fourth-grader Bill Freed almost struck a deal with Olson for a \$15 bear. But while members of the group noisily debated the sale, Billy pointed out the folly in spending that much money for a goofy grizzly — one, by the way, that could provide months of food and hides. "No, don't get a BEAR!" argued Billy. "We need rice, eggs and flour!"

His fellow family member, Katie Grunis, didn't exactly say that everyone in the clan would look pretty silly wearing flour and eggs in the winter. But she sort of reminded Billy that the three items he preferred wouldn't cover everything the family required to survive. "WE NEED SOME MONEY LEFT!" Katie snapped.

(At this point, Olson politely informed Katie that in the 1800s, women had to quietly defer to men. Katie's eyes turned toward Billy with a look that said, "In your dreams, farm boy.")

Ahem. With a calm lesson in reflective listening, the use of "I" statements — and a few death threats — Olson convinced her seven customers to compromise. The endearingly dysfunctional family left with its dignity, three purchases and some money in its coffers. Olson even threw in a bag of seeds and a "Hail Mary." (The family, however, had to sweep her porch as a mediation fee.)

## A memorable year

There were many such stories to tell about the short pioneers from Smokler. At the end of the two-hour year, the Henford family had served the most jail time. Mike Baker had shot a cardboard deer for a meal with zero grams of fat and the taste of a rice cake. Tiffany Lawson had fashioned an awesome rope. Allison Kanous had hand-dipped her own candle. Anthony Anderson and Jason Combs had sung "Fifty-Nifty United States" to complete their education in the one-room schoolhouse. And Brad Kolano was still proudly sporting his red bandanna and Dick Tracy suspenders.

Some families survived the year. And some families didn't.

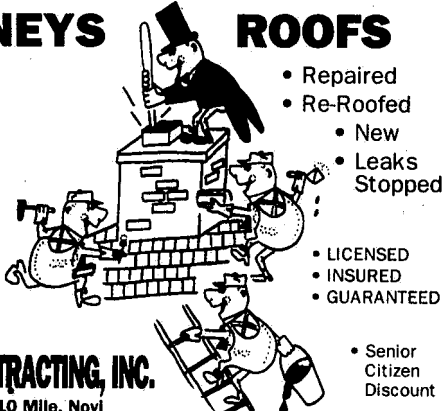
But the sun shone bright. And dead or alive, everyone received a round of applause — and a lesson they'll probably not soon forget.

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## Accident injures 1, spills oil on road

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

A 46-year-old Goodrich woman, Connie Clark, is hospitalized in fair condition following an accident Sept. 24 that also left up to 300 gallons of diesel fuel spread along portions of M-15 south of Oakhill Road in Independence Township.

Fire fighters, called to the scene at about 4:50 p.m., spent several hours cleaning the spill, said Independence Township Fire Chief Gar Wilson. They used a foam product and broke down the fuel with an emulsifier and ordered 10 yards of sand from the Road Commission for Oakland County for application in their cleanup efforts, Wilson said. He said he did not think any fuel spilled onto neighboring yards.

An Oakland County Sheriff's Department report said Clark's vehicle, a 1988 Chevrolet heading southbound on M-15, and the semi-tractor collided, with the semi then jackknifing.

"It was bad enough they couldn't stop the leak," Wilson said of the damage to the fuel tank. "It was so bad that we couldn't patch it. She was trapped in the car. She was a very lucky lady."

Clark had to be cut from her vehicle with the "jaws of life," a power tool that is used to cut car metals.

The driver of the semi, Harry Saylor, a 36-year-old Brown City resident, was not injured, the police report said.

After being extracted from her car, Clark was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac, where a hospital spokesperson on Tuesday said Clark is now listed in fair condition.

Police continue to investigate.

## Independence Oaks to host car show

Classic cars, classic tunes, clowns and more are all part of the 13th Annual Fall Color Car Classic Sunday, Oct. 5, at Independence Oaks County Park.

Spectators can view and vote for their favorite vehicles in 24 classes including antiques, street rods and sports cars.

The event features a 50s/60s/70s concert, disc jockey, miniature yacht club races, door prizes, concessions, nature center tours and trail hikes from noon-4 p.m.

"Kids have their own activity area with puppet shows, games, sports, contests, face painting and pumpkin decorating," Greg Lester, event organizer, said.

Activities for Cruisin' Kids World are as follows:

■ Noon-2 p.m. Kids have photos taken in a cartoon car

■ Noon-2 p.m. Magician Chris Linn

■ Noon-3 p.m. Oakland County Parks Bumper Bouncer

■ Noon-3:30 p.m. Arts and crafts, pumpkin decorating

■ 1-1:30 p.m. Oakland County Parks Puppet Show

■ 1:30 - 2 p.m. Pie eating contest

■ 2:15-2:45 p.m. Bubble gum blowing contest

■ 2:45 p.m.-? Tricycle drag racing

On-site car show registration is \$12/vehicle. Vehicles must be operational. Show participants receive free hayrides, pedal boat, canoe and row boat rentals, goodie bags and commemorative dash plaques.

Event set-up and check-in is 10 a.m. to noon. Judging takes place 1-2:30 p.m. Trophies will also be awarded for "Club Participation."

A fall color cruise through historic Clarkston immediately follows the show.

The event is sponsored by Saturn North, The Shark Club, Oakland County Parks, 94.7 WCSX and Clarkston Chrysler Plymouth Jeep Eagle.

A spectator entry fee of \$8/vehicle (\$5/Oakland County resident discount rate) will be charged.

Independence Oaks County Park is on Sashabaw Road, 2 1/2 miles north of I-75.

## Condo plan for Maybee Road site pleases planners

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

An Independence Township developer received conceptual approval last Thursday for 18 to 20 detached condos on a Maybee Road site where he once proposed building 58 apartments.

Michael Clark plans to name his development Gemini Landing in honor of his twin 5-year-old sons. Clark hopes the con-

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dos will some day be the "start of financing their education," he said, smiling, as he outlined the 10.7-acre proposal before the Independence Township Planning Commission.

Gemini is an astrological sign with twins as its central figures.

The commissioners praised Clark's proposal before granting conceptual approval to the site on Maybee Road at Clintonville.

Several months ago the commission recommended denial of the apartment plan, and it was never reviewed by the township board, Clark said.

The Gemini Landing, if it receives final site plan approval, will be located across

the street from the existing Alano Center on Clintonville Road.

Clark said the 18-22 residences would be about 2,000 square feet in size and that their owners would share grounds' maintenance costs. There would be a "theme" and no lot lines, he added.

The commissioners voted to approve the concept after listening to a favorable review by

Planner Dick Carlisle. "In my opinion, it's one of the better plans we've seen in a long time. I'm extremely impressed with the landscaping," he said.

Voting to approve the conceptual plan were Dan Travis, Jill Palulian, Cynthia Lohmeier, Todd Moss, Carolyn Place and Joe Figa. Chairman Steve Board was absent.



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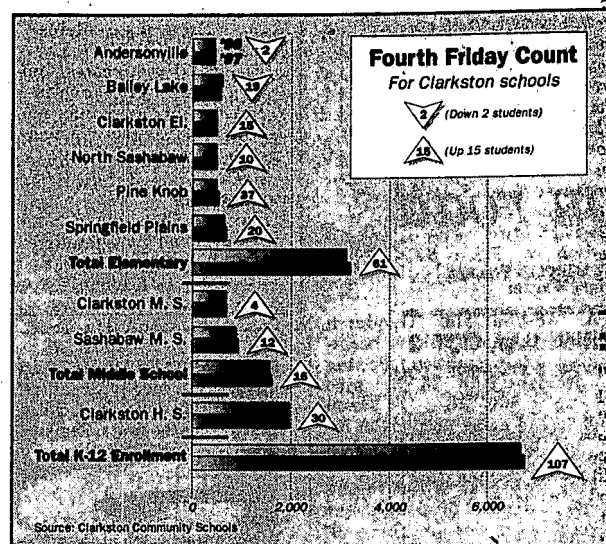
be, but homes are still being built and it takes time for people to move in. I think we're going to keep seeing a steady climb in enrollment every year. This is the steady increase that we anticipated and that we're planning for."

In a brief phone interview Monday, superintendent Al Roberts said he wouldn't comment on the district's growth numbers until those figures had been accurately weighed against projections from Michigan State University and those from the planners for Independence and Springfield townships. "We haven't had the time to analyze it yet, but we'll know in a few days where the numbers are falling at each grade and building in terms of projections," Roberts said.

Growth predictions aside, enrollment numbers at the elementary level have unsteadily climbed over the past three Fourth Friday counts. In 1995, the district's elementary population soared by 230 students. In 1996, however, primary enrollment inched ahead by only six students. This year, 63 more pupils trickled into K-5 classrooms. But within this year's overall growth number, Andersonville Elementary lost two students and Bailey Lake Elementary's figures slid by 19.

Pine Knob Elementary, however, saw the biggest enrollment increase with 37 more students over last September. That number represented more than half of the district's elementary growth.

District wide, Clarkston grew from a September 1996 count of 6,679 to this year's 6,786 figure.



Though 107 additional K-12 students could mean an extra \$100,000 in state funding for the district's students, Craig Kahler, director of business services, said he's not holding his breath.

Kahler said in an interview Monday, "I'm not counting on anything until the State Aid Act gets finalized for this year. There are too many open issues right now." Up to this point, money for each student has been distributed based on a blended count, Kahler said. To arrive at that figure, students are counted in September of the current school year and in February of the previous school year. Forty percent of the September count is then averaged with 60 percent of the February figure and that mean is used for calculating state aid

allotments.

Under a new plan, however, 60 percent of the September count would be averaged with 40 percent of the February count, bringing more money into the district because of the higher fall head-count. And though Gov. John Engler vetoed that plan, Attorney General Frank Kelley recently ruled that veto invalid.

"I don't believe it's the final word on that," Kahler said Monday. "The governor has also vetoed funding for at-risk students — which is about \$160,000 a year for us (in Clarkston). He seems intent on holding fast to a certain amount of money for public education so we'll have to wait and see what happens."

## Taxes from page A1

healthy financial condition, we're able to do that," said Supervisor Dale Stuart during a telephone interview on Tuesday.

The township would have had to have held a truth-in-taxation hearing in order to levy higher rates.

The rates set are:

■ 1.0804 mills, down from the voted 1.41 mills, for a total tax levy of \$850,306 for the General Fund.

■ 2.7851 mills, down from the voted 2.8879 mills, for a total tax levy of \$2,191,954 for the Fire Fund.

■ 2.1595 mills, down from the voted 2.3032 mills, for a total tax levy of \$1,699,589 for the Police Fund.

■ 0.4188 mills, down from .4468 mills, for a total tax levy of \$329,608 for what is called the Additional Police Fund.

■ 0.3646 mills, down from the voted .5000 mills, for a total tax levy of \$286,951 for the Safety Path Fund.

■ 0.7032 mills, down from the voted .7500 mills, for a total tax levy of \$553,439 for the Library Operating Fund.

■ 0.4038 mills, for a total tax levy of \$317,802, for the payment of the General Obligation Tax Library Bonds.

Among the proposals brought before the board by the department heads was a request by Lt. Dale LaBair, head of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Independence substation, for two additional patrol officers and an investigator. LaBair told the board an increase in township-wide traffic accidents and crimes warranted the additional manpower.

During his turn before the board, LaBair told the members that police staffing in the township has remained the same since 1993. Automobile accidents have gone up 24 percent since that time and overall complaints have gone up 40 percent, he said.

"People are more inclined to call the police than ever before," LaBair told the board.

He suggested that he would like to see two additional officers working area streets during the morning rush hour and during the evening from about 6 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Asking for an additional investigator, LaBair said 245 felonies were closed by the township's two detectives last year.

"I'm in there every day, and they're not keeping up," he said, referring to the heavy workload.

Board members were inclined to agree with LaBair.

"If we can afford to have more people, we need to have them on the road," said Stuart, referring to discussion that another officer might be needed to police the

■ **During his turn before the board, LaBair told the members that police staffing in the township has remained the same since 1993. Automobile accidents have gone up 24 percent since that time and overall complaints have gone up 40 percent, he said.**

school system or its D.A.R.E. drug education program, which shares costs with the township.

Trustee Neil Wallace agreed. "I think he's made the case for hiring these staff additions," he said. The board took no action on LaBair's comments.

They also heard requests that more personnel be added to the building department and the fire department.

Beverly McElmeel, director of the building department, put in a request for an assistant director and for clerical help, Stuart said, adding that the board would have to approve the positions and salaries before anyone could be hired.

Fire Chief Gar Wilson told the board he would like the fire department to hire three more driver engineers and purchase a new brush truck to replace a 1953 Dodge owned and operated by the township for all these years.

"Is there something the matter with it?" quipped Wallace, breaking the monotony of the statistic-filled meeting.

Requests made by other department heads were more routine and included lighting and walkway improvements for Bay Court Park, mowing equipment and a \$6,000 disbursement, approved by the board previously, to investigate needs for the senior center that were requested by parks and recreation director Ann Conklin.

"We're continuing to provide what we feel is an excellent service to the community and the township board is supporting us by giving us the tools," she said Tuesday.

Winter tax bills reflecting the approved levies will be mailed Dec. 1 and payments are due in mid-February.

## Teacher wins car in raffle

Clarkston Elementary School teacher Judy King won a London Roadster Ltd. car Sept. 20 during the Clarkston Band Invitational at Clarkston High School during a raffle co-sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club and the

Clarkston Band Boosters. The raffle raised \$8,000. Part of the money will be used for computer software for students to write their own songs. The rest of the money will go toward Rotary Club projects.

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## THURSDAY, OCT. 2

## WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP

7 p.m., Independence Township Senior Center in Clintonwood Park. Informal sharing meeting. Speaker: Nancy Hampton. Topic: Microwave cooking, food safety and purchasing. Walk-in; no registration. Free of charge. For men and women of all ages recently widowed. Refreshments served. All area residents welcome. Call Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, 625-5231, for more information or to be on the mailing list.

## EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP

7 p.m., Independence Township Library. Topic: "Gastrointestinal Problems and Their Role in Weight Management." Refreshments served. Free admission. For more information, call Denise, 620-6879.

## FRIDAY, OCT. 3

## MOVIE AND PIZZA NIGHT

6:30-9 p.m., Independence Township Senior Center in Clintonwood Park. Enjoy a movie on big-screen TV, pizza, beverage and dessert. Registration required. 625-8223. Age: 12 and up. Cost: \$3 resident/\$4 non-resident.

## SATURDAY, OCT. 4

## NORTH OAKLAND COUNTY HEART WALK

8:30 a.m.-11 a.m., Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion. Check in at 8:30 a.m.; the walk officially starts at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call Susan Lowell or Celene Edmonds at (800) 557-9501 ext. 533 and ext. 535.

## GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

10 a.m.-2 p.m., Independence Township Library. Sashabaw Plains Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is offering a free genealogical lineage work-

shop. There will be qualified D.A.R. personnel to help with questions. Bring any available information such as birth, marriage and death certificates, family Bible, court records or obituary clippings. For more information or to inquire about membership, call Georgena Miller at 627-4549.

## SWAMP STOMP

10 a.m., Indian Springs Metropark. Not for the faint of heart. Trek through the great Huron Swamp in search of an old sawmill sight, large trees and a possible coyote den. Plan on three or four miles of bushwhacking. Must be 9 years of age or older and in good physical condition. (If bad weather, call the nature center first). Registration required. 625-7280 or (800) 477-3192.

## FALL CANOE/HIKE

3 - 5 p.m., Independence Oaks Nature Center. Each step on the trail and each stroke of the paddle puts participants in a new position to see the natural world. Dress for hiking and canoeing. Bring canoe or rent one. Space is limited. Registration required. (248) 625-6473.

## SATURDAY, OCT. 4 &amp; 11

## WINDOWS 95

8 a.m.-2 p.m., Clarkston Community Education Center, 5275 Maybee Road. Cost: \$89. Visa and M/C accepted. Call 674-3141 to register.

## SUNDAY, OCT. 5

## FALL COLOR CAR CLASSIC

Noon-4 p.m., Independence Oaks County Park. Classic cars, classic tunes, clowns, '50s/'60s/'70s concert, disc jockey, miniature yacht club races, door prizes, concessions, nature center tours and trail hikes. Kids' entertainment includes drag tricycle races, puppet shows, games, sports, contests, face painting and pumpkin decorating. They can also try the Oakland County Parks' Bump & Bounce. On-site car registration is \$12/vehicle. Show participants receive free hayride, pedal boat, canoe and row boat rentals, goodie bags and commemorative dash plaques. Fall color cruise through Clarkston immediately following show. Spectator entry fee: \$8/vehicle (\$5/Oakland County resident discount rate). Park is on Sashabaw Road 2 1/2 miles north of I-75 near Clarkston. (248) 625-0877, (248) 858-0916 or TDD: (248) 858-1684.

## Nicole Ann Taylor

Nicole Ann ("Niki") Taylor of Clarkston died Sept. 26, 1997, at age 19.

Niki attended Waterford Mott High School.

She is survived by her parents, JoAnn and Michael, both of Clarkston; sister, Courtney, and brother, Mitchell. She is also survived by grandparents John O. (Dora) Farstvedt of Ortonville, Edward Taylor of Clarkston and Charles (Jeanette) Watson of Drayton Plains; great grandfather Virgil Hickey of Nevada and many other family members.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to SCAMP, 6590 Middle Lake Road, Clarkston 48346 or Waterford Mott High School S.X.I. program, 1151 Scott Lake Road, Waterford 48328.

## Benjamin Tyler Baldes

Benjamin Tyler Baldes of Clarkston died Sept. 26, 1997, at age 1 month.

He is survived by his parents, Matthew and Diana; sister, Ashley; grandparents, Patricia Baldes of Grand Rapids, Richard Baldes of Orion, Warren and Joanne Williams of Indiana and Marilyn Williams of White Lake. He is also survived by his great grandparents, Everett and Lil-

lian Baldes of Arizona, Ray and Gertrude Talsma of Florida and many aunts, uncles and other family members.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. A grave-side service was held at Ottawa Park Cemetery with Donald Kevern officiating. The Baldes family will be accepting donations for a future marker in Benjamin's name.

## Allen E. Dyer

Allen E. Dyer of Clarkston died Sept. 26, 1997, at age 74.

Mr. Dyer retired from Pontiac Motors after serving 30 years. He was a member of American Legion Post 377 and Clarkston Eagles.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret "Peg", daughters, Leslie of Highland, Katherine (Ed) White and Melody (Brian) Blay of Clarkston and stepson Alan (Kathy) Carter of Florida. He is also survived by three grandchildren; two brothers, Norman of South Carolina and Robert of National City, and two sisters, Frances of Dafter and Beatrice of DeTour.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston with Don Kevern officiating. Interment was at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association, 18860 W. 10 Mile

Road, Southfield 48075-2689.

## Helen M. Henry

Helen M. Henry of Clarkston died Sept. 25, 1997, at age 76.

Mrs. Henry is survived by two sons, Paul and Gerald, both of Clarkston, four grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston with Pastor Steven Combs officiating. Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 17220 W. 12 Mile Road, Suite 100, Southfield 48076.

## William J. Balconi

Brother William J. Balconi S. J. of Clarkston died Sept. 23, 1997, at age 69.

Brother Balconi was a religious brother/librarian who entered the order in April 1959. His assignments included position of librarian at St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland, Ohio, and assistant librarian at John Carroll University in University Heights, Ohio.

He is survived by his sister, Mary (Michael) Supernant of Bay City, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home in Troy. Funeral services were held at

Colombiere Center in Clarkston. Memorial tributes may be sent to Jesuit Community, Colom-biere Center, 9075 Big Lake Road, P.O. Box 139, Clarkston 48347-0139.

## Glen E. Breakie

Glen E. Breakie of Clarkston died Sept. 23, 1997, at age 77.

Mr. Breakie attended St. Luke's United Methodist Church of Rochester Hills and enjoyed garage sales and fishing.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline; daughters, Ethel (Larry) Tribe of California, Glenda (Jim) Walls of Oklahoma, Maribeth (Eric) Schwandt of Dundee and Joy White of Clarkston and sons Paul (Ardith) of Kingsley and Richard (Lana) of Texas. He is also survived by 17 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and a brother, Milton (Chela) Breakie of McAllen, Texas.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3980 Waldon Blvd., Rochester Hills with Pastor Johnny S. Liles officiating. Friends may visit at the church from 10 a.m. until time of service. Memorials may be made to Hospice of North Oakland, 16250 Northland Drive, Suite 212, Southfield 48075.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1997

## Fast-growing group Chamber deserves own award

If you're a business person in the Clarkston area and aren't yet a member of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, you're missing out on the action.

The 9-year-old chamber has to be one of the fastest growing and most active in the area. In one year's time, from September 1996 to September 1997, the chamber grew from 170 members to 250.

"The amazing thing is we didn't have a membership drive," said past president Carrol Cantor, owner of Carrol's Flowers, during the chamber's annual meeting Sept. 24. "They came to us."

Businesses have discovered that the chamber is fun, gets things done and supports the community, Cantor said. Indeed that is the case.

### The fun stuff:

Every month the chamber hosts a membership mixer at Deer Lake Athletic Club, giving members a chance to network. The hour-long event includes a short talk by a chamber member offering information about his or her product or service. Attendance averages about 45-50 chamber members each luncheon.

Once a year, in November, the chamber also hosts a business expo at Clarkston Creek Country Club where members display their goods and services for community members to see. Three years ago, 700 people attended. Last year, 1,700 people attended. (This year's event will be Nov. 5 so mark it on your calendar.)

### Getting things done:

The chamber this year initiated programs to help local businesses advertise locally and nationally. Among them is a coupon program where the chamber mails a packet of coupons for local businesses to new residents. In addition, the chamber also launched a web site ([www.clarkston.org](http://www.clarkston.org)).

### Supporting the community:

For eight years, the chamber has hosted the

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summertime concerts in the park series, where families can listen to free concerts in beautiful Depot Park. This year, the chamber became a corporate sponsor of the Clarkston High School All-Night Party, a lifesaving event that keeps kids alcohol-free and off the roads the night of their graduation.

The chamber also gives out annual awards, including Michigan Week Community Awards in the spring, which recognize community members for their volunteer efforts, and various chamber awards in the fall, including the Beautification Award and President's Award, which honor chamber members.

On Sept. 24, the beautification award, which honors a business for making significant improvements to its exterior or property, went to Terry Lederman of Truck King U.S.A. on Dixie Highway, and the President's Award, which honors an individual for his or her exceptional contribution toward bettering the chamber, went to Donna McCloskey of State Farm Insurance, who volunteered in the chamber office when the chamber was between administrative assistants.

We think the chamber itself, and all the dedicated people behind it, deserve an award too for making the chamber a fun, community-minded organization that successfully promotes local businesses.

New president Marc Cooper, owner of the Impressive Type, believes this year, the chamber's 10th, will be another great year. We think so too. If you're a local business person who's not yet a chamber member, you'd be smart to get in on the action.

## Memory benches make a nice tribute

*"To provide all residents of Oakland County with recreational, leisure and learning experiences; parks, open spaces, facilities; and professional staff and fiscal management, resulting in a comprehensive county park system that enhances the residents' quality of life."*  
— Oakland County Parks mission statement

Oakland County Parks has adopted a nice idea to memorialize a loved one, commemorate a family event or honor a business associate: personalized park benches.

When you think about it, what nicer place is there to create a lasting tribute than amid the beauty and solitude of nature.

"These memorials will transcend the years in a natural environment," said Clarkston's Dan Stencil, Oakland's chief of parks. "Future generations can reflect on the individual and their contributions to our world."

A \$400 donation brings either a cast bronze placard on a wooden bench or a cast aluminum placard on an aluminum bench. Donations may be tax deductible.

The idea sprang from a hope to bring Oaklanders closer to their parks. The project is not intended to be a fund-raiser. "It's to make our trails and parks more user friendly," said Stencil. "The benches will give people a chance to relax, read a book or just look around and enjoy nature's wonder."

Donations will cover the cost of building, installing and maintaining the benches, said Waterford's Kim Soncrainte, Oakland parks group sales coordinator.

Such tributes seem more lasting than an outright donation that, while welcome, ends up in a general accounting ledger. As Stencil aptly put it: "To recognize someone in this way, with something of utilitarian value, is truly a noble thing. This is something that will last many, many years."

### OAKLAND WATCH



BOB SKLAR

At least 16 benches were sold in September. Donors can choose which park or golf course they want their bench placed. Oakland County Parks will maintain each bench in its original spot for at least 15 years. Parks include Addison Oaks, Glen Oaks, Groveland Oaks, Independence Oaks, Lyon Oaks, Orion Oaks, Red Oaks, Rose Oaks, Springfield Oaks, Waterford Oaks and White Lake Oaks. The 11 parks boast 5,600 acres, many of which are eye-popping.

Personal or inspirational messages are limited to 24 characters. Additional characters cost 50 cents each. Oakland County Parks reserves the right to approve all messages. For donation details, call Soncrainte: (248) 858-4636.

Oakland County Parks operates on a \$15.4 million budget. Nearly 50 percent is derived from fees and charges. A quarter-mill property tax levy generates the other half.

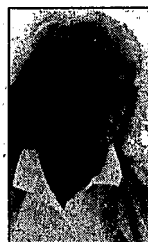
Consider personalizing a park bench when surveying ways to honor a special memory. Your gift itself will be something special.

*Bob Sklar is managing editor of our Oakland County editions.*

### COMMUNITY VOICE

#### QUESTION:

What's your favorite new TV show?



"Ally McBeal (on Monday nights)."

Judy Vincent  
Independence Township



"I can't even answer that. I don't watch a lot of TV. I'm too busy. I'm a grandmother."

Lois Hardin  
Independence Township



"Third Rock from the Sun (on Wednesday nights)."

Renee Bridgewater  
Independence Township



"I don't watch TV. I'm either watching movies or out riding my bike."

Dan Wayne  
Springfield Township

This question was asked at Kroger on Dixie at Maybee.

### LETTERS

#### Thanks for newsroom tour

Thank you for taking time out of your busy day to show us how your newspaper operates.

I like the job of the food reporter because they are like spies. My sister, Chelsey, liked the cameraman's job. She thinks it would be exciting to cover a story on a famous movie star.

George and Chelsey Buhler  
Ortonville

#### Diana's death can save others

As the world continues to mourn the tragic death of Princess Diana and her companions, there is an important part of the story that has not been fully explored and deserves more coverage from the news media. The fact that the chauffeur had an extremely high blood alcohol level — three times the legal limit in France — is clearly a significant factor in the death.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) knows all too well the tragedies that result from the irresponsible and senseless crime of drunk driving. We are an organization dedicated to stopping drunk driving and supporting the victims of this violent crime.

Our hearts go out to the family of the Princess of Wales, especially her two children, Princes William and Harry, as well as the others involved in the car crash. It is our hope that her death will not be in vain.

The death of the Princess is a resounding and far-reaching reminder that no one is immune to the death, injury, and suffering caused by drunk driving. The princess was dedicated to saving lives while she was alive. Let us use that same example in her death.

Michele Compton, Chapter Administrator  
Oakland County Chapter of MADD

#### State school board must hold charter schools accountable

One of my state Board of Education colleagues has criticized me for demanding accountability for charter schools.

Not only was I misquoted, I was apparently singled out as an object lesson because I asked too many questions in response to serious allegations of wrong doing made against charter schools.

Had either the official transcript or video tape of the board meeting been checked to

substantiate the quote, the error would have been detected and I would have been spared a personal and vitriolic attack in newspapers across the state.

When the state Supreme Court issued its decision on charter schools in July, it declared the schools to be public because they are supported by public funds. But the court also said the state Board of Education should provide leadership and general supervision — as outlined in the state Constitution — over them.

Charter school devotees believe the marketplace is their watchdog. Their prevailing view is "if the schools are doing a poor job, parents will pull their children out and they will close." That, to me, is not the way to monitor a school.

Parents should not have to endure their child's failure as if it were an experiment.

As a responsible member of the board, it is my duty to ensure the 20,000 boys and girls enrolled in charter schools are getting an education that is at least as thorough and rigorous as the experience offered the 1.6 million children who attend regular public schools.

Yes, we have problems in the general public schools, but we have safeguards in place for regulating and monitoring them. While those safeguards may not always work to the optimum, they nevertheless give us a framework.

Why is it that discussion of charter school oversight elicits accusations of double standards? Do charter school advocates and owners have something to hide?

It does Michigan's children great harm to allow the newly created charter schools or any other school to shortchange them educationally. It is also a great disservice to residents to let oversight of public tax money go unchecked as it enters the private pockets of charter school owners.

It is unfortunate that we need to interrupt helping the truly public schools attain lower class sizes, update buildings and computer fluency to focus on the serious allegation made against charter schools. To avoid the task is tantamount to defying our duties as members of the state board.

I stand firmly, without apology behind my call for high standards of accountability for charter schools — for the good of our children. I challenge my colleagues on the board to do the same.

Marianne Yared McGuire  
treasurer, state Board of Education

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— Philip Power



## POINTS OF VIEW

## Best of U.S. can't be seen from jet, exit ramps

Once met a man in France who said he knew all about America because he had spent time in New York City and Hollywood.

There are many seasoned travelers whose knowledge of our country is limited to airports and first-class hotels.

But America is more than that. It is a combination of different people and local customs that can not be understood until experienced.

On one of our sun-worshipping vacations in the South, our family had a choice of: a three-hour antiseptic jet flight; a 24-hour switch-the-driver-every-two-hours, mesmerizing jaunt down I-75 having all of our needs taken care of within 100 yards of a freeway exit; or venturing out the long way, through the mountains on two-lane roads and seeing the countryside.

We decided to do the latter by renting a motor home.

Traveling in a motor home is not exactly primitive camping. The unit we rented was 26 feet long, slept six, had a stove, refrigerator, freezer, air conditioning, television, hot water, shower, toilet and even cruise control.

While it was big, the unit was easy to drive once you learned how to make wide right turns and had somebody look out the back window when backing up.

We stuck to the freeway through Ohio and Kentucky except to venture out into state parks to find secluded places to eat our meals. We also sought out the original Colonel Sander's Kentucky Fried Chicken establishment.

When we got to Tennessee, we stayed in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, traveled winding mountain roads with streams trickling by, ate country ham with red-eye gravy, hogs jowls, collard greens and pork barbecue.

## ECCENTRICITIES



HANK HOGAN

We saw tobacco fields in North Carolina, bought fireworks in South Carolina, passed up the opportunity to buy chenille bedspreads and Jimmy Carter souvenirs in Georgia and ended up camping in the Florida Keys.

In the Keys we bought stone crab and shrimp from fishermen for our dinner, snorkeled in the reefs and

camped by the side of the Gulf of Mexico, dipping into the Gulf five feet away from our motor home.

Campsites are available everywhere with water, sewer and electrical hookups. Of course, not all the sites are picturesque. We passed up one located behind a funeral parlor in Key Largo.

We toured the Everglades, walked endless miles of white beaches, including one nude beach north of Palm Beach, but also played tennis and ate gourmet meals at fine restaurants along the way.

Because we were on wheels, we were not tied down to any place and moved on when the spirit moved us.

We met many interesting people at the campsites, including a ham radio operator who let our daughter speak to people all over the world.

While we carried a variety of clothes, seldom was a sports jacket or tie needed.

As we headed for home, the motor home was filled with the best of our experiences, bags of oranges and grapefruit, a country ham, pralines, even a palm tree that took up most of the shower stall, mountain taffy, homemade candy, Key lime pie and boiled peanuts.

Instead of just seeing the cement swimming pool in a Florida hotel, we shared little pieces of Americana.

But most important, it was a family experience of 17 days of rather close living. Everyone shared the chores, whether it be dumping the holding tank or cooking the shrimp on a grill by the side of the Gulf, which we all enjoyed doing.

*Hank Hogan, former publisher of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, lives in Independence Township. He works as a Realtor on Main Street in downtown Clarkston.*

## Here's my 2 cents' worth on the vanishing penny

When you've reached a certain age, the world doesn't just change — it turns upside down. All the old cliches need more than updating; they need to be rewritten.

Take money, for instance. I read a recent item that the penny is in danger — simply because too many people hoard them. Add to that the falling cost of copper and rising costs of minting, etc. etc. Now, in our bottom-line world, even I know that when something costs more to make than it's worth, it's headed for the upper regions of the endangered species lists.

That may be a shattering revelation to someone who grew up with "A penny saved is a penny earned." That "Old Richard" cliché was one of my dad's favorites. He'd repeat it to me constantly — after every request for an advance on the allowance. It was, he said, something to live by.

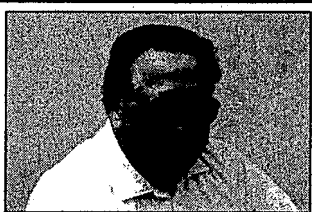
As a kid, getting or finding a loose penny was a notable advance in your lifestyle. If we lose the penny, I wonder if any will remember what else we have lost? Today's kids most certainly don't have any appreciation for what a penny once was.

There was a certain corner grocery store (remember those? ah, but that's another story) down in the lower east side Detroit area where I grew up, where one single penny could buy a long list of things — like:

■ A jaw breaker in your choice of colors (and if you got the blue ones, then you could have a few additional hours of enjoyment sticking your blue tongue out at your parents and watching them turn green).

■ A foot-long strip of paper with sugar dots arranged three across in pastel colors and tastes.

■ A chewy chunk of bubble gum, usually wrapped in a small square of waxed paper imprinted with a short



A.J. MALTA

color comic strip. The larger wafer-style gum with a trading card was for the high rollers — it cost a nickel.

■ Actually a plain old "sucker" — a hard candy ball on a stick was two for a penny — in your choice of lemon or lime (never!), orange (occasionally!), butterscotch, root beer or strawberry (always!).

A penny could get you pretzel sticks, gum and an unbelievable assortment of candy choices: There

were "Maryanne's" and "Squirrels" — flavored taffy candies — the still-popular chocolate Tootsie Rolls (is it my faulty imagination or did that penny-size roll actually contain five chewy bites for a 10-year-old back then?), and even a small penny-sized box of "Good 'n' Plenty"-type licorice. There were five shelves, each more than 4 feet in length, where you could safely browse without exceeding that penny limit in that fondly remembered store. And there was yet another area where a penny would get you your choice from cookie bins, too.

Ah, was it really 40-some years ago? That's not so long ago, really. When did penny candy vanish? Why didn't I notice?

Heck, there was more for a penny back then, than you can find in a 5&10 store today — if you can still find a 5&10, that is. No kids, I'm not talking about a 5&10-dollar store. But it was back in the days when a penny

saved was sometimes worth more than a penny earned.

And all of this was stirred by the fellow in front of me at the check-out the other day. As he received his change, a penny fell to the floor. He blithely ignored it, saying "it's only a penny — leave it for the sweeper," as he walked on.

It wasn't worth the effort to him to stoop over and pick it up.

If the U.S. one-cent piece does finally vanish from circulation, I'll miss it. Yes, I picked up that loose penny. It's not that I'm cheap or nostalgic ...

I had to. My dad's voice was shouting at me.

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## Michigan gets an A for effort in school reform movement

For some years now, the movement to reform schools has gained broad support from the sane center of the Michigan political spectrum.

From moderate conservatives like Gov. John Engler to relative liberals like Kathleen Straus, the new chair of the State Board of Education, most agree that a sensible agenda to improve school performance includes:

■ Determining standards for what kids ought to learn, benchmarked against other schools around the world.

■ Developing tests to measure what kids in fact do learn.

■ Making the results of these tests publicly known, school district by district, building by building, so parents can know how their schools are doing when compared with others.

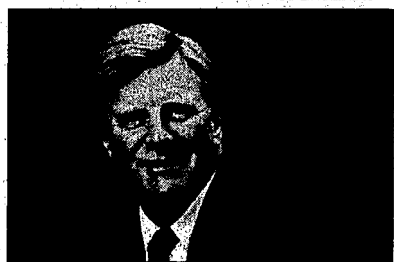
■ Building some slack into the system to allow public funds to be spent on unconventional "charter" schools.

But developments, both nationally and here in Michigan, are threatening to pull the reform coalition apart. A bad outcome could set school reform back for decades.

Although testing as a spur to school improvement was a feature of the Republican Party during the Bush Administration, GOP leaders in both the Senate and House are now fiercely opposed to developing a national system of testing on the grounds that it does away with what is quaintly called "local control." They are being joined by Democratic liberals who are worried about what happens to kids, mostly minority from inner city school districts, who don't do well in the tests.

President Clinton didn't help things when he agreed that testing could be voluntary and that states or districts that didn't meet national standards would be held harmless from penalties. In other words, we've got this national program to improve schools, but you don't have to go along with it; and even if you do well in it, there's nothing in it for you.

In Michigan, trouble started emerging last year when some parents in suburban communities started taking advantage of a loophole in the state law that allowed them to pull their kids out of the Michigan High School Proficiency Test. They were afraid that doing poorly on the test might hurt chances of admission to elite colleges and resisted being dubbed "novice" or, worse, "not yet novice" if they did badly.



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State legislators pricked up their ears and started issuing press releases and holding hearings. The religious right wing, always a potent force in Michigan politics, started grumbling that standardized curricula and statewide testing infringed on "parents' rights."

Of course, when you get to complicated things like educational tests, the devil is in the details. And a House Education subcommittee is dutifully struggling its way through amending the law on testing.

Quite rightly, members want to junk the unpopular ratings — "proficient," "novice" and "not yet novice" — in favor of numerical scores that would appear on a student's official transcript but not on the diploma. And, again rightly, they want to make the test shorter and to give it during the senior year.

They also want the state Department of Education to "provide more specific feedback to students, parents and the schools to be used in improving the students' performance." That's fine, too.

What the subcommittee should do is keep working to improve the details of Michigan's testing program and avoid getting sucked into the partisan quarreling that is captivating Washington these days over national tests.

So far, we've done a wonderful job in Michigan in keeping the school reform coalition together. The markedly improved scores in the latest round of MEAP tests show conclusively that school reform is working. Now that we're making real progress, let's not get sucked into ideological bickering.

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# Children in need

## Oakland leaders get first-hand look

BY BECKY BURNS  
STAFF WRITER

*"My name is Carlos. I am 7 years old. My mom whips me with a stinger belt because I'm bad. It leaves marks on my back that you can still see. She says she wouldn't have to do it if I weren't so bad. I'm afraid to tell anyone. They might take her away from me like they did with my grandma."*

The words jump off the large red cut-out heart. Below them, a small black-and-white photo shows a little boy, with tousled hair, pursed lips and dirt on his face. His arms are folded defiantly across his chest.

Forty local political, religious and community leaders were handed similar laminated hearts as they boarded a SMART bus Monday morning in Birmingham for a tour along the north Woodward corridor to learn first-hand about child abuse and neglect in Oakland County.

Each heart contained a vignette about a child in Oakland County who has been a victim. Judy Hoeffler, executive director of Oakland County's Child Abuse and Neglect Council and a tour organizer, told the group the purpose of the excursion was to get a new perspective, to see "the other side of life we prefer not to see, or pretend doesn't exist. And it's the side of life that puts children in danger."

As the bus drove up Woodward Avenue, toward St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, riders took turns reading the stories:

Three-year-old Jack used to cry a lot. He lost his eyesight after his mother shook him in an attempt to quiet him down. Two-year-old Sally wet her pants at a picnic. Rather than clean her up, her drinking father took her inside and threw her against a wall. She died soon after.

"What you're hearing are . . . stories that know no socioeconomic barriers," Hoeffler said, reiterating that whether it's in a wealthier neighborhood in Birmingham, or a more down-trodden one in Pontiac, child abuse exists.

The bus tour was the first event sponsored by Oakland County Child Watch, a coalition of 25 local organizations working together to encourage local leaders to protect children. Last year, law enforcement agencies reported 1,300 substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect in Oakland County — out of 9,000 complaints they received.

Participants began the tour with breakfast Monday at the Community House in Birmingham. There they heard from several children who had been abused. The difference, however, between their stories and those read later on the bus, was that the ones the children at breakfast told were heading toward happy endings.

**■ For every dollar spent on child abuse prevention, \$2 is saved later on down the road, for example, in welfare costs, or jail costs.**

— *Melissa Freel*  
*Michigan's Children*

Eight-year-old Emily shared a colorful journal she's been keeping, with the help of her therapist at the Child Abuse and Neglect Council. Her grandfather is awaiting trial for allegedly sexually assaulting her. Thirteen-year-old Tolice talked about being a foster child, and how she thinks it could have been avoided, if there had been parenting programs available to help her mother. Two months ago, Tolice was adopted by a relative of her last foster mother. Eighteen-year-old Kareem, who was physically and sexually assaulted over several years by an older relative, recently started classes at Oakland Community College in Royal Oak. He hopes to begin a four-year college in January.

The tour first took the group to St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital to learn the importance of prenatal care, especially among pregnant teenagers, and to see the tiny premature babies in the neonatal unit.

The bus then moved to Perdue Center in downtown Pontiac, where participants were paired with clients of various support agencies to learn more about programs being offered in the community, and where additional need is.

### Looking for solutions

On the ride back participants discussed what they learned from the morning's events, and what they can do to make Oakland County better and safer for at-risk children.

One minister said accessible, affordable transportation throughout the Metro area is needed. Hoeffler suggested the religious leaders encourage members of their church to volunteer to drive lower-income children and their parents to the groups that offer education and therapy.

State Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, talked about a package of 11 bills that has passed through the state Senate to the House that focus on intervention after child abuse or neglect has occurred, including one that would require counties to create death investigation teams and another that would protect children from having to testify in the presence of their abusers.

Others stress the importance of prevention. For every dollar spent on child abuse prevention, \$2 is saved later on down the road, for example, in welfare

costs, or jail costs, said Melissa Freel of Michigan's Children, a Lansing-based child advocacy organization.

Rep. Pan Godchaux, R-Birmingham, suggested working on a way to link the county's many organizations that serve children. "An analogy is we have a lot of patches, but we haven't made them into a quilt," she said.

Oakland County commissioner Eugene Kaczmar said he got at least one message, loud and clear, from the morning's events: "The earlier you start working with children, the more you keep them out of trouble in later years."



A helping hand: Ltoya Hildreth watches as Rochester Mayor Thomas Werth traces 2-year-old Marquis Madden's hand with a crayon.

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### Premature

concerns: State Sen. Gary Peters looks in at the Neonatal ward at St. Joseph Hospital, one of the children's programs visited on the tour.



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KAREN HERMES-SMITH

## Grandma was no cookie-cutter grandmother

The other day, when I was going through my recipe file, I stumbled upon my grandmother's recipe for sugar cookies.

Plump and chewy and sprinkled with raisins or sugar, my grandmother's cookies were like none other. But then, so was my grandmother.

Oh, she was a traditional grandmother in all the ways that matter to a grandchild. She looked like a grandmother — short (a half-inch shy of 5 feet), round and bespectacled. She baked like a grandmother — sugar cookies, pies, and holiday meals with all the traditional fixings. And she loved like a grandmother — never minding the noise we made running around her house when we were little or the long-haired hippie boyfriends we brought over when we were older.

But, beyond that, my grandmother was far from traditional.

Born in 1908, my grandmother was always ahead of her time. In the 1930s, long before the U.S. surgeon general put warning labels on cigarette packages and long before most of us were aware of the dangers of second-hand smoke, my grandmother wore a button that said, "Don't smoke on me!"

She chose a husband who recognized the dangers of smoking, too. (The story goes that my grandfather heard his father coughing one morning and asked what made him cough. Upon hearing it was cigarettes, he

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## Baby blues don't have to be so bad

■ An estimated 10 to 15 percent of new mothers experience severe postpartum depression, but drugs, therapy and support groups can help.



BY MARY RODRIQUE  
STAFF WRITER

Bizarre distorted thoughts plague some new mothers suffering postpartum depression. Common household chores become insurmountable tasks.

For one new mom, plastic wrap was taboo. It gave her the impulse to smother her baby. For another, hot water was the trigger for thoughts of scalding. Yet another couldn't handle carving meat on a cutting board without thinking of knifing her newborn.

"Ten to 15 percent of new moms have significant postpartum depression," said Dr. Ronald Rosenberg, an ob/gyn specialist in the treatment of postpartum depression.

Rosenberg recently teamed with Dr. Alan Rosenbaum, former chairman of psychiatry at Harper Hospital and a specialist in mood disorders, along with several other physicians and support staff in a Farmington Hills practice called Psychopharmacology Associates at 28800 Orchard Lake Road.

"Inability to sleep, especially when the baby is sleeping, undue fatigue, inability to experience pleasure, an overwhelming sense of guilt for feelings they're having, also appetite changes, eating too much or too little are the major symptoms," said Rosenberg.

Being able to identify postpartum depression is easy. Why it affects some women and not others is harder to determine.

"We've been trying to collect data," said Rosenbaum. "There are probably many issues. One of them is dramatic hormonal change. A group of women seem more susceptible to it. Sometimes you see it running in families. Then there are psychosocial issues, like



family not supporting you, issues involving upbringing."

Adds Rosenberg: "A genetic predisposition that the hormonal change brings out along with normal sleep deprivation (can bring it on.) Unfortunately, it's too complex to hone down into one or two things."

Dr. James O'Neill, a Clarkston pediatrician who comes into contact with new mothers when they bring their newborns in for checkups, said pregnancy changes hormones and alters

metabolism. After delivery there is a huge increase in oxytocin, which is needed to help clamp the uterus and ready the body for nursing. The increase of this and other hormones can lead to postpartum depression, he said.

O'Neill estimates that about 80-85 percent of postpartum depression is hormonal and 10-20 percent is a true emotional letdown. The latter occurs when a new mother suddenly realizes

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## Support group helps Clarkston mother to cope

For this Clarkston new mom, it was a classic case of Murphy's Law. Anything that could go wrong did.

It began with her baby shower in the 35th week of pregnancy.

"I contracted dysentery," said Kim (not her real name).

That meant several weeks of bloody diarrhea and cramping and one overnight stay in the hospital. Because it is also contagious, she feared for the health of her unborn child.

"For 18 days, I was really sick," she said. "I was told it's really uncommon."

A health care worker told her the disease is transmitted oral-fecally and she could have contracted it by shaking hands with someone who didn't wash their hands after using the bathroom.

"I delivered a healthy baby, but I still wasn't over the dysentery," she recalled. Because of the blood she was losing with the dysentery plus during delivery, she also became anemic after her son was born.

"Because of all the medicines, I had to quit breast feeding."

Three days after giving birth, Kim, 29, says she couldn't eat or sleep.

"It was maddening. I was already stressed from the dysentery. Then I kept thinking when I laid the baby down that he would be getting up in a couple of hours and I really had to sleep now. That made my insomnia worse."

"I was anxious and paranoid because of the dysentery. I was always washing my hands, afraid I'd pass it to the baby."

"That first weekend at home I couldn't stop crying. I felt numb. My mom took over."

Her 52-year-old mother got up with the baby for nighttime feedings. Kim

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said, "Well, if that's what smoking does to you, I'll never smoke." He never did.)

And when my grandparents married in 1926, my grandmother, the granddaughter of a Lutheran minister who performed the ceremony, had the words "to obey" taken out of her marriage vows. No way was my grandmother, then just 18, going to let any man order her around — even a husband who was nearly a foot taller than she.

My grandfather, who adored my grandmother, probably had no desire to tell my grandmother what to do anyway. He regarded her as an equal, respected her opinion and often left important decisions to her, especially dur-

ing the years he worked two jobs. He trusted her decision-making in his absence. A high school graduate, she had several years more formal schooling than he and many of their peers.

My grandmother even pursued a music career and dabbled in politics at a time when it was uncommon for women to do either. A mother of five, she learned the piano as an adult at the Detroit Conservatory of Music, landing a job as a church organist. She also taught piano in her home. Later, while living on a farm in Britton, Mich., my grandmother ran for, but lost, a position on the local school board.

My grandmother even broke

tradition in child-bearing, having a child (her youngest) at age 46 — in 1954, long before it was commonplace for women to give birth much beyond 30.

I wish my grandmother were still alive today. Breast cancer stole her from us when I was just 20. I knew her as a child knows an adult. Not yet married or a mother or aware of the legacy she would leave, I never asked her the questions I would ask her now if I could talk to her today, one adult woman to another.

I especially wish my children, particularly my daughters, had known their great-grandmother.

The most I can do is make my grandmother's sugar cookies and tell her story as I stir.

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## NOTABLES

**Charles Keegan**, a teacher at Clarkston Middle School in Clarkston, recently attended a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) workshop, NEWMAST at NASA Lewis Research Center.

During the workshop Keegan learned about the latest advancements in aeronautics and space projects from nationally acclaimed scientists and engineers. Emphasis was placed on the connections between the motivating topics of aerospace with the national standards in science, mathematics and technology.

The National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), a recognized world leader in the improvement of science education at all grade levels, administers the program for NASA. NSTA consults with the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) and the International Technology Education Association (ITEA) in the workshop plans.

The two-week workshop Keegan attended was one of 10 such workshops scheduled nationwide this summer.

# My mid-life cigar fantasy is likely to go up in smoke

Maybe it's all a part of some bizarre mid-life crisis or something but as I was standing in Rudy's Quality Market on Main Street in Clarkston a couple of weeks ago, awaiting my turn at the cash register, I was suddenly struck with the urge to buy myself a cigar.

There I was, kind of gently thumping the bread loaf in my hands and thinking of nothing in particular, when I came out of my reverie to glance at the cigar selection they have so beautifully displayed alongside the checkout aisle. I'd seen it a dozen times before but I'd never really paid attention, if you know what I mean.

This time, I was fascinated by the shapes and sizes of the cigars — their colors and boxes and the fact that they were available individually and in groups.

Instantly, I wondered: Just what, exactly, is their appeal?

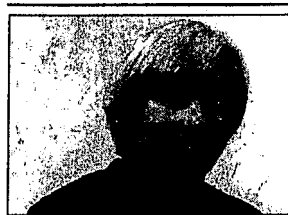
(I know. I know. There are women who smoke cigars — for a while it was even female fashionable — but still I think of them as being a "man" thing. Perhaps I am showing my age. Understand, also, that I am a non-smoker.)

And so I stood there and pondered.

I am one of two daughters in my family, which, as you can probably guess, means that I have no brothers. I have been married to the same man for 27 years, and while I have an inkling about the male mystique based on that history, there are still a lot of things about it that I do not understand. But I am learning.

Cigars are only one topic.

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CAROLYN WALKER

A couple of years ago, I was invited to be the only woman at what was being hailed at the time as "a big-game hunting party." The get-together was to include a variety of well-heeled macho types — who were considering a trip to Africa — as well as a variety of award-winning stuffed animals.

Even though I am neither well-heeled, macho nor a hunter (sometimes I'm stuffed), I accepted the invitation eagerly, curious to know how such an event would compare to the various all-women housewares parties I had endured over the years.

Men play different games, I learned.

And, to my immense relief, only one weapon was produced.

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After I got the idea about the cigar, I found myself speaking of it to various friends and acquaintances with a certain enthusiasm.

One man, a former police officer that I had only just met, fairly regaled me with information about cigars while I was on the job. He informed me that real Cuban cigars cannot be purchased in this country, told me how to smoke one so I wouldn't get sick, offered to share one with me out of a little box he carried in his breast pocket and advised me about different fla-

vors.

He spoke at great length of one variety that he said tastes "sweet" and I knew if I tried one of those I would probably get hooked, given my penchant for desserts and donuts and all and so I avoided the store.

Later that morning, when I got to the office, one of my fellow workers said of my notion, "Carolyn, I can picture you smoking a cigar. You'd probably like it."

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When I told The Perfectionist a few days ago that I was having an urge to try a cigar, he told me I was entering into my second infancy — getting a kind of dig in about what he obviously interpreted as an immature thought.

Tonight he brought me one home as a surprise, refusing to tell me where he got it, and I tucked it up in the cupboard, out of reach of my children, alongside the antacid and the aspirin and the cough decongestant to await the return of my urge.

I've decided that mid-life crises get a bum rap in the United States. I've come to look at mine as a kind of fun-filled venture into the unexplored. And I have a fantasy:

Picture me in the African bush, a beautiful lion before me, a cigar in one hand, a host of men who understand me at my sides.

I like to wonder, amid this scenario, who will reach for his lighter and who, in the presence of that lion, will choose to grab his weapon.

Maybe I'm better off thumping bread.

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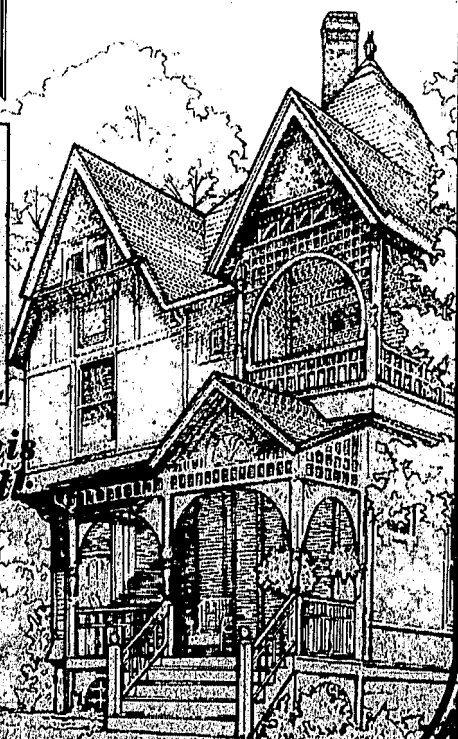
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## Baby blues from page A13

she is "stuck" with the baby for 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Add to that the responsibility of caring for other children, a colicky baby, an unsupportive spouse, household errands and upkeep, the cost of sitters or day care, medical expenses or health problems (for mom or baby), lack of a support system (extended relatives/friends) or a non-understanding employer and it becomes clear why some new mothers have difficulty coping at first. O'Neill adds that lack of "alone" time for the new mother, guilt at having to return to work or single parenting issues all compound the problem.

These stressors are all part of a normal process and, "difficulty coping is not your fault," O'Neill said.

Diagnosis is difficult because the new mother may not be in a depressive state all day long, every day, O'Neill said. It is also easy to miss when the health care practitioner is not familiar with the patient.

Rosenberg said many physicians treating new moms aren't trained to recognize or treat postpartum depression. Many new moms are afraid to admit to their bizarre feelings. In his old ob/gyn practice, Rosenberg saw many depressed new moms but didn't know how to treat them.

"I didn't have the skills to take care of these women," he said. "Education for ob/gyns is dreadfully negligent in this area."

"It's difficult for women to see a psychiatrist for the guilt they feel. And I didn't have the tools to treat them."

Today he sees his role differently.

"I'm sort of a bridge. I'm half ob/gyn and half psychiatrist. People feel it's a moral weakness that they're not feeling all right at this time in their life when they are supposed to be feeling the most joy."

Subtle signs of postpartum depression appear two weeks after giving birth. So Rosenberg now sees his new mothers two weeks after delivery as opposed to the traditional six-week visit.

"Early treatment shortens the course and the severity," he said. "Signs and symptoms are fairly obvious if you are looking for

them, but not so obvious if (the doctor is) not looking. Normal sleep deprivation can make people tired and irritable."

The support group is one of the mainstays of treatment. The Farmington Hills practice has group therapy led by Kathie O'Donohue, a registered nurse who suffered postpartum depression after each of her five children was born, and Linda Hoes, who has been working in psychiatric nursing 18 years.

"In therapy, people don't feel so peculiar and odd," said Rosenberg. "They realize there are other people who look normal on the outside but feel the same way inside."

O'Donohue formerly led a support group for several years at Providence Hospital.

"You let the group take itself a lot of times," she said. "It's very helpful for women to be able to identify with other people. Sometimes you just see them cry because that person over there had the guts to say what this person couldn't say. There's a lot of healing going on that's great to see."

Hoes says the disorder is recurrent. Much of her group experience is with women who suffer depressive disorders.

"That commonality is really very important," she said. "Having a sense of trust with someone who can identify with you when an emerging depression is coming on or help you through a recovery stage is important."

Twenty years ago, Rosenbaum began noticing in new mothers that their PMS symptoms were difficult to treat.

"It was difficult to keep these women's moods stable," he said.

"Now the medicines have changed and we understand it a little more."

Once postpartum depression hits, many women who have never had PMS symptoms before often begin to suffer from it.

"It makes me think it's a hormonal thing because incidence of depression in adolescent boys and girls is the same. It diverges at the time of puberty and after menopause it comes together again so it has to have something to do with hormonal fluctuation," said Rosenberg.

Treatment depends on the severity of the depression. Often medications are prescribed. In mild cases, psychotherapy alone can be just as effective. That is where support groups come into play, especially for those resistant to seeing a psychiatrist.

"Probably for adequate treatment, I'd say continue the group sessions six to nine months after they are feeling well," said Rosenberg.

Overcoming the stigma of mental illness is probably the biggest roadblock.

"Many antidepressants can take several weeks to have an impact," said Kathie O'Donohue. "I've seen women who are so upset about seeing a psychiatrist that they'll suffer until either they hit bottom or come out of it eventually."

"The people who often pick up on it are the nurses. Through continuing education the nurses at least where I work have had multiple seminars and know what to look for," said Rosenberg.

"It's a problem as common as hypertension in pregnancy and that receives two or three chapters in a textbook," he added. "And there isn't even a chapter on postpartum depression in any ob/gyn textbook."

Especially at risk are women who have had a previous depressive episode or are depressed during pregnancy, or a woman whose mother had postpartum depression.

A group moderated by O'Donohue meets Thursday evenings from 7:30 - 9 p.m. Hoes' group meets Friday evenings.

"The Oakland County nurses do a fantastic job helping moms who are ill get to doctors," said Rosenberg. "They make sure they get adequate care. One woman I saw was in the hospital four times, including Northville. We hooked up because of the nurses. They made sure she made her appointments, took her medicines. She's doing well now."

(For more information on postpartum depression support groups, call 539-0200).

## New mom from page A13

didn't want her husband to go to work in the morning. She would plead with him to stay home.

A lot of moms suffer in silence, but Kim took an important step. She told her home visiting public health nurse, Mary Ann Altenberg, that she was feeling blue. The nurse told her about Dr. Ronald Rosenberg, a Farmington Hills ob/gyn who specializes in postpartum depression. She made an appointment.

"I like him. He really helped me," Kim said.

He prescribed anti-depressants Zoloft and Advant, plus group therapy. Kim's husband attended a couple of the sessions with her.

"My husband has been very supportive. He said if there are this many women suffering postpartum depression, he's sure

there are a lot more out there not getting the help they need.

"I've had two friends give birth since I had my son in April, and they both feel blue but they don't say anything to their doctors."

Kim is over her dysentery now and is getting over her depression.

"The baby sleeps through the night now and that helps, too," she said. "I still have trouble right before my periods with not being able to sleep and migraine headaches."

A stay-at-home mom, she has also found solace on the Internet. "Depression after Delivery has

a home page on the Internet. It's kind of nice to talk to other women with the same problems," she said.

Kim and her husband decided to limit their family to their son, now five months old.

"After all I went through, no more kids," she said. "It was hard on all of us."

She urges new moms who are feeling depressed to let their health care provider know.

"Don't be embarrassed. See your doctor. Or call the Oakland County public health department. You are not alone."

## School district offers discount card for seniors

Clarkston Schools will continue its Senior Gold Card program for citizens who live in the school district and are 62 years of age or older.

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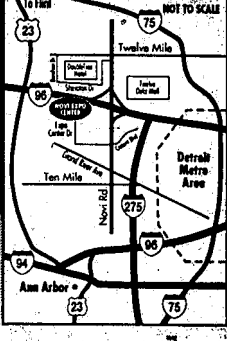
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**TEEN DRIVER FORUM**

To help parents and teens meet the requirements of Michigan's new graduated licensing law, AAA Michigan and local Students Against Driving Drunk will co-sponsor a Teen Driver Forum at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, at the Village Inn, 35270 Woodward, Birmingham. The forum will include elements of AAA Michigan's step-by-step handbook and video titled: "Teaching Your Teens to Drive." As further incentive, AAA Michigan will give a 10 percent discount on its auto insurance for teens who complete the program. The offer is good for AAA Michigan policyholders only. SADD will assist with publicity, a safety exhibit and a speaker for the event. There is a 15 percent failure rate in the state's new mandatory road test, AAA Michigan reports.

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**FOOD, SHELTER FUNDS**

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**OCC EVENTS**

The Womencenter at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills, will present a workshop on women and anger from 10 a.m. to noon, Oct. 4 in Room 308 of the campus' J Building. Cynthia Koppin, MA, LPC, will lead the interactive workshop, which includes topics exploring the origins and consequences of anger, why "just venting" doesn't work and communicating feelings more effectively. For more information, call (248) 471-7602.

**CRAFT SHOW**

Crafters are needed for the Harvest Craft Show on Oct. 18 at William Tyndale College, 3570 W. 12 Mile at Drake in Farmington Hills. The show will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will include a special Beanie Baby raffle for \$1 a ticket and a raffle for the Salvation Army Food Bank — two canned or boxed food items will "buy" a raffle ticket for prizes of donated craft items. Admission is \$1 and all proceeds will go to local charities. For more information, call (248) 476-9074.

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More than 70 volunteers from EDS will install signs and benches, clear trails and pick up trash at Rose Oaks County Park on Saturday, Oct. 4, for the fifth EDS Annual Global Volunteer Day. The park was purchased by Oakland County in 1995. It has 592 acres with two large and five small lakes. The park is on Fish Lake Road, north of Rose Center Road in Rose Township.

**PUMPKIN PARTY**

A Pumpkin Painting Party is being held at all Frank's Nursery & Crafts locations from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 12. Each child will receive one com-

plimentary pumpkin and paints. Cider and donuts will be served.

**MOVIE GALA**

Nationally syndicated columnist Dr. Paul Donohue will be honored at the United Scleroderma Foundation Movie Gala and Afterglow at 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12 at the new Star Southfield Entertainment Centre, 25333 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield. Proceeds from the event will benefit patient services and national medical research. For more information and reservations, call the USF office at (248) 443-0858.

**GREAT LAKES CHORUS**

Women who enjoy music and have always wondered what it would be like to sing will have that opportunity Oct. 21, 23, 28 and 30 when the Great Lakes Chorus offers vocal education workshops in the art of singing four-part harmony, a capella style. To register for the workshops, call (810) 254-5986 or (810) 263-1639. Those who attend the workshops will learn the basics of vocal direction from director Lee Davison and her music staff. Tips will be given on how to follow a musical score, and videos will be shown to demonstrate how choreography, costuming and make up enhance performance. The chorus of 94 women is part of Sweet Adelines International, a world-wide non-profit organization.

## Counties get job training funds

Residents of Oakland and Macomb counties were awarded more than \$380,000 for job placement services by the Michigan Jobs Commission, said state Senators Bill Bullard (R-Highland) and Mat Dunaskiss (R-Lake Orion) and Michael Bouchard (R-Birmingham).

The grants will supply both state and federal funds to help job seekers with disabilities prepare for employment and live more independently. The grants include:

■ \$149,748 awarded to the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Metropolitan Detroit to help train persons with disabilities to exercise greater choice in making service decisions, as well as train rehabilitation counselors and other service providers;

■ \$31,133 awarded to the Oakland and Macomb Center for Independent Living to help students with disabilities make a smooth transition from school to work or to higher education;

■ \$43,620 awarded to the Jay Shop, Inc. in Pontiac to improve employment opportunities in Oakland County for persons recovering from substance abuse;

■ \$41,600 awarded to that Person Ability in Troy to help persons with disabilities in Macomb County prepare for the job market; and

■ \$82,880 awarded to the Jewish Vocational Services in Southfield to develop the Career Exploration Opportunities (CEO) program providing Oakland and Macomb County students with special needs the chance to explore various career options. In addition, the agency received a grant of \$32,194 to help maintain the employment of persons with severe disabilities.

"Finding a job is key to becoming self-sufficient," Bullard said. "I am pleased to see that residents of these two counties have access to job training and job placement as away to gain that freedom."

Dunaskiss and Bouchard concurred.

"Partnerships between state government and local job training agencies have been highly successful in preparing Michigan residents for careers," Dunaskiss said. "I am pleased to see the programs do not exclude any portion of the work force."

"As individuals with disabilities become employable, and more independent, their personal gain extends to all family members," Bouchard said. "Additionally, these programs have far-reaching effects on the entire community. That is why we, as Oakland County senators, have joined forces in supporting these crucial programs."

The Jobs Commission has 35 offices throughout the state and works directly with community organizations to provide job preparation services to persons with disabilities.

## State approves development funds for Oakland County International Airport

Oakland County International Airport in Waterford is closer to improving air travel statewide after approval of 14 projects by the Michigan Aeronautics Commission.

The MAC cleared the way for improvement grants and loans totaling \$11.7 million.

The airport received a \$16,000 allocation to update airport zoning. The proposed budget consists of \$8,000 state and \$8,000

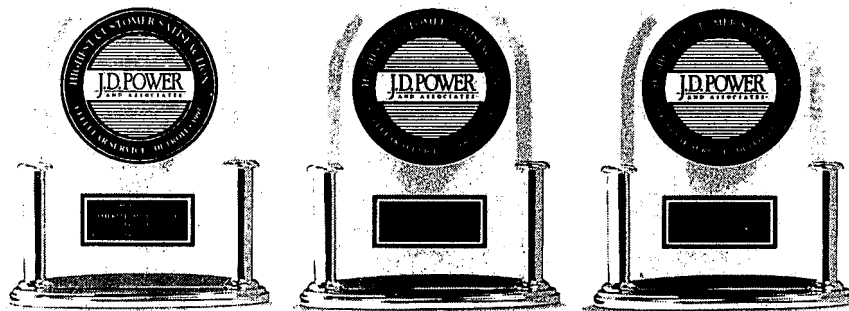
local funds.

MAC's approval for federally funded projects authorizes state participation, subject to the issuance of a federal grant.

Federal and state dollars for airport development come from restricted, user generated funds. Primary sources of revenues are aviation fuel, passenger taxes and aircraft registration fees.

In other action, the commis-

sion elected new officers for the coming year and recognized the recipients of the 1997 MAC Award of Excellence. Commissioners Lowell Kraft of Pigeon and John Boerema of Grand Rapids will serve as chair and vice-chair respectively. The commission also honored Judge Michael Silver of West Bloomfield for his contributions to aviation education and Suburban Aviation, Inc.



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# Levin sees need for pact on federal road funds

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

U.S. Sen. Carl Levin wants to pry more federal road money out of the U.S. Congress this year after a tough, bipartisan battle.

"As long as I've been there, Michigan has been in the lower 40s (of the 50 states) as to the money we get back," said Levin, in his 19th year as a Democratic lawmaker. "When I got there, it was 72 cents on the dollar (returned to Michigan). Now it's up to 85 cents."

"It's not a partisan battle," he told an audience of 100 at the Sept. 28 breakfast of Temple Israel in West Bloomfield Township. "What happened was that 40 years ago, when the interstate freeways were being built, 30 states got together and cooked up these formulas that benefited 30 states, the so-called donee states. They get more than they give."

"You can imagine how difficult it is for 20 states to change the formula written by 30 states. The majority rules — except in the U.S. Senate, where it takes 60 votes because of the filibuster rule. So every time the highway bill comes up for reauthorization, those of us who are on the short end filibuster (speak for hours on end to hold up proceedings)."

"We'll do better this year. It's a huge issue — I can't tell you how

big. It's called the ISTEA (Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act). The states on the short end are going to fight for a fairer stake," he said, predicting an alliance with the western states against northeastern states.

"Rhode Island and Connecticut get \$1.30 back (for every \$1 of federal road taxes paid). The battle will begin in the next few weeks," he said, predicting Michigan would pick up an unspecified amount.

Gov. John Engler this year has set a goal of gaining \$200 million more in federal aid as part of his \$570 million road improvement package. The federal government sends about \$1 billion back to Michigan's Department of Transportation.

To some extent, Michigan is destined to be a donor state because its retirees move west and south (taking Social Security checks). The south's weather is more conducive to basic training (defense), and poverty programs are targeted to low-income states (south).

That's not all bad, Levin said, because "California took some huge hits when defense reductions were made."

Later he said he has a "good" working relationship with Republican L. Brooks Patterson, the Oakland County executive,

particularly on the roads issue. "He was in my office Friday," Levin said.

Levin, 63, a former two-term Detroit city council member, is the state's highest ranking Democratic officeholder.

In an interview, he said he will remain neutral on the 1998 gubernatorial primary, which is shaking out as a contest between attorney Larry Owen of East Lansing and former state and federal cabinet official Doug Ross.

And Levin said he hasn't made up his mind about the coming 2000 presidential nomination contest between Vice President Albert Gore and House minority leader Richard Gephardt.

Audience and press questions covered all points.

**Q. What should the federal role be in testing of students?**

A. "I think it's useful to have voluntary tests for everybody to see how they measure up. The president's test is voluntary; no school district or state is obligated to take it."

The Clinton administration's plan is to test fourth-grade English and eighth-grade math. The House rejected the plan, 295-125.

**Q. What progress are you**

**making getting federal judges confirmed who don't agree with Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, chair of the Judiciary Committee?**

A. "Very slight. This is going to be a major issue where Democrats will try to force the consideration of these judges on the floor. If they (Republicans) want to vote against them, that's one thing, but to refuse a hearing..."

"It's going to affect some Michigan judges. We've got three openings (in federal district courts). We have a circuit court of appeals judge — Helene White," a judge on the state Court of Appeals. "We've been unable to get a hearing on her."

"It's an important constitutional issue that has to do with the independence of the judiciary. Sen. Hatch doesn't want 'activist' judges. It's no excuse for not allowing a hearing, a debate and a vote. President Clinton has appointed very moderate judges, when you look at the cross-section."

**Q. How can you run a campaign if you have less money through the McCain-Feingold campaign finance reform bill (being debated this week by the U.S. Senate)?**

A. "The campaigns will be less long, less nasty, less attack ads on TV, if everybody plays by the same rules."

"The TV ads aren't battles of ideas. They're battles of images and attacks."

Levin said the money he and Republican challenger Ronna Romney spent in 1996 was regulated money, subject to \$1,000 contribution limits. Had his race been closer, Michigan might have seen nasty "attack" ads, paid for by unregulated ("soft money") contributions to the parties, which don't say "Vote for" for "Re-elect" but merely attack the opposition's character.

Levin repeatedly attacked TV evangelist Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition for seeking tax-exempt status as a nonpartisan, nonprofit corporation when it sends out 72 million copies of so-called voter guides rating the candidates.

He attacked the practice of selling big contributors access to congressional committee chairs. "It is legal. It is wrong. It is a loophole. It is an unseemly business. The American people are turned off by huge amounts of money in campaigns."

**Q. Where does he stand on giving the president "fast-track" authority to expand the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)?**

A. The ideal trade agreement would be "one page — no tariffs, no more duties." Fast-track



U.S. Senator Carl Levin

means Congress couldn't make amendments to the agreement, which Levin opposes: "I don't want Congress to give up the right to amend a statute."

Levin voted no on NAFTA in 1993 because it was a 1,000-page bill that gave Mexico the right to restrict American exports of auto parts and prohibited the selling of American used cars in Mexico for 25 years. On the whole, NAFTA probably has hurt Michigan jobs and worsened the U.S.'s balance of trade with Mexico and Canada.

"I think our presidents have been weak on trade. I'm willing to compete, but I'm not willing to let the other guy discriminate while I'm open."

China is particularly restrictive: "We know what they're trying to do — build an auto industry."

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# Changes dilute ban on riding in back of pickups

By TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

A bill to ban people from riding in the beds of pickup trucks was watered down by the House, passed 67-37 and sent to an uncertain fate in the Senate.

It was too much water for Rep. Frank Fitzgerald, R-Grand Ledge, who complained about amendments to allow persons 16 and older, hunters and workers to ride.

"There is one immutable law we cannot change. Death is death. From 1994 to 1996, we suffered 19 deaths in pickups," said Fitzgerald, a safety-conscious lawmaker ambitious to become attorney general. But he voted yes.

It was just right for Rep. Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills. "We made it a bill for kids. There were valid exceptions," said the anti-regulation freshman lawmaker.

Sponsor of the amendment to exempt persons 16 and older was Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-Westland. Challenged during debate

by members over the cutoff age, DeHart said, "If a police officer has a question about whether someone is 16 or 15, he does what he does in any other case. He pulls them over."

She added that victims tend to be the very young. "This amendment is good for hunters."

Moments later, the House unanimously approved still another amendment: people on search and rescue missions.

The bill, by Rep. Deborah Cherry, D-Burton, was introduced Feb. 11 and languished in the House Transportation Committee until a late July accident in rural Jackson County claimed 11 lives, eight of them children riding in the bed of a pickup truck.

The committee leaped into action and reported out the bill Sept. 23, the first day of the fall session.

If adopted, it would apply \$100 fines to violating drivers but not passengers.

Rep. David Gubow, D-Huntington Woods, called the effort "a baby step forward. A pickup is not designed for passengers, and an auto is. But the auto law requires seat belts, and there are no seat belts in the cargo bed of a pickup," he said. Gubow voted yes anyway.

Rep. Don Gilmer, R-Augusta, an apple grower in rural Kalamazoo County, called the law unnecessary. "Why are we attempting to outlaw stupidity? Last summer's tragedy involved 1) an unlicensed driver who 2) ran a stop sign and 3) had children under 4 who were not belted in the cab. She 5) took all the back roads (to avoid traffic).

"Migrant workers don't have

money for nice vans and station wagons," said Gilmer.

Rep. Rose Bogardus, D-Davison, said: "I walked my district and knocked on several hundred doors, especially those with pickups parked there. There was unanimous support for this bill," she said.

"We've outlawed recreational camping for a lot of people," said Rep. Alan Cropsey, R-DeWitt.

## Schools can't sue over lost charter

A charter school may not sue the body that revoked its charter, Attorney General Frank Kelley has ruled.

"The Legislature has provided, in clear and unambiguous language, that an authorizing body's decision to revoke a public school academy contract is not subject to judicial review under state law," Kelley said in an opinion requested by state Rep. Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti.

A charter school is a public school which has received a charter from a university, community college, intermediate district or local school district. "Public schools have no power to challenge their creator regarding the term of their existence," the attorney general said. Nor can the chartering agency be held liable for damages, he added.

### Equal pay bills

The National Organization for Women, American Association of University Women and two female legislators spent a day promoting bills to require public and private employers to pay women the same as men for the same work.

"The wage gap between men and women in our state is larger than it was five years ago," said Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith, D-Salem, "and the Michigan gap is worse than the wage gap in other states."

Supporters distributed sugar cookies with a large "bite" missing, indicating their belief women are paid 71 percent as much as men.

Smith said she will introduce equal pay bills in the Senate. In the House, Rep. Lynne Martinez, D-Lansing, has sponsored House Bills 4257 and 4257. They require that wages be based on objective factors such as education, skills, responsibility and working conditions.

### Legislators

■ Sen. Bob Geake, R-Northville, was appointed to the Michigan Sentencing Commission by Senate majority leader Dick Posthumus. The panel develops sentencing guidelines for judges that are to be uniformly applied across the state.

■ Sen. Bill Bullard Jr., R-Milford, has been appointed to the Senate Finance Committee, which handles tax legislation. As a representative in 1995-6, he chaired the House Tax Policy Committee. Bullard replaces the late Sen. Doug Carl, R-Utica.

■ Rep. Gerald H. Law, R-Plymouth, is sponsor of a bill to require insurance companies to cover scalp hair prostheses, a treatment for a disease that causes loss of hair on the scalp. He was praised by the National Alopecia Areata Foundation for promoting awareness of a disease that most often afflicts children.

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## OAKLAND DIGEST

**Oakland Digest** provides a summary of headline stories from around the county during the week leading up to Oct. 2.

**BIRMINGHAM**  
**Schools support test changes:** Birmingham school district superintendent John Hoefler is confident proposed recommendations in the state legislature to change the High School Proficiency Test match concerns of district students, parents and education officials. The recommendations are expected to be introduced as bills on the House floor next month.

**Fashion show benefits survivors:** This year's Downtown Birmingham Fall Spectacular fashion grossed more than

\$200,000. Put on by the Downtown Merchant's Association, in cooperation with the Beaumont Foundation, the event raises money for the Pediatric Cancer Survivorship Scholarship Program. The foundation expects to award college scholarships of \$1,000 to 22 young cancer survivors from this year's revenues.

**CLARKSTON**  
**Workshop will help parents:** Author and humorist Dr. Larry Koenig will share tips on getting siblings to stop bickering and other parenting secrets during an "Up With Parents" workshop from 6 to 8:30 p.m., Oct. 12, at St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston. Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$10 at the door. For

information, call (248) 625-1750.

**FARMINGTON**  
**City wins award:** Farmington was recognized at the 99th Annual Convention of the Michigan Municipal League, held Sept. 22-26 in Muskegon. The city won an honorable mention for creating its Interactive Public Access Internet Web Site in 1996.

**LAKE ORION**  
**Village suspends banner rules:** Lake Orion's village council suspended an ordinance provision that forbids banners and flags on business fronts. Council members approved the temporary suspension, but plan to create a new and more flexible sign ordinance that pleases both

residents and business owners.

**ROCHESTER**  
**Nowos takes stand:** Monica Nowos, the Rochester Hills woman accused of killing brother-in-law Michael Hockenberry, testified in her own defense Sept. 26 in Oakland County Circuit Court. Nowos claimed she shot Hockenberry out of fear for her family.

**SOUTHFIELD**  
**Classics go on screen:** Classic films with a featured guest speaker begin at 7 p.m., Fridays, starting Oct. 17, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts. Tickets are \$3 per person and include light refreshments. This year's series opener is "Gentleman's Agreement." For information, call (248) 354-4224.

**TROY**  
**Prostitution case delayed again:** The preliminary exam of James William Breen, of Bloomfield Township, and Domenico Caracci, of Plymouth, has been postponed until Oct. 16. Both men were charged with pandering and conspiracy to pander in connection with a prostitution ring in Troy. Breen is also charged with accepting the earnings of a prostitute. The latest postponement is the third.

**WEST BLOOMFIELD**  
**Road work delayed again:** A moratorium on rezoning and building permits on Cass Lake Road in Keego Harbor, which previously expired Oct. 13, has been extended. Plans to widen the road are under way. Approximately 14 nearby buildings have been demolished and 16 of 22 properties have been taken over by the Road Commission of Oakland County for the project.

— compiled by staff writer  
Nicole Stafford

## Credit union raises more than funds for Heart Association

BY PAT MURPHY  
STAFF WRITER

Saturday morning in the Bald Mountain Recreation Area, about 1,100 people are expected to strut their stuff on behalf of the American Heart Association.

Their efforts are expected to raise as much as \$75,000, which will go to research, according to Dianne Addington, president and CEO of T&C Federal Credit Union, the walk's principal sponsor.

While the event will benefit the heart association, it's also an example of a corporation adding to the quality of life in Oakland County, according to county executive L. Brooks Patterson.

Patterson talked about the credit union's involvement Tuesday at the 5th Annual Q2 (that's "Q squared") Breakfast at the Troy Marriott. The Q2 designation denotes the intent to honor "Quality People, Quality County."

The Bloomfield Hills-based credit union represents the first time county officials have commemorated the efforts of a corporation, rather than individuals as in the previous four years.

The credit union has 140 employees in six offices, including Clarkston where it helped sponsor the 4th of July Parade.

### Individuals honored, too

Individuals honored at the Q2 breakfast this year are Alexander E. Bailey, superintendent Oak Park schools and Thomas G. Donomme, vice chair and chief administrative officer of the Chrysler Corporation.

Bailey was recognized for his work in education and his involvement in organizations like the Children's Center in Detroit and the local soup kitchen, noted Patterson.

Bailey, the son of a Baptist preacher, grew up in Philadelphia. "I never realized we were poor until I was in my 20s," he said. "And I never believed being born poor meant you couldn't achieve your goals."

Donomme, a West Bloomfield resident, was honored because of his work as director of the Congressional Economic Leadership Institute and the Committee for Economic Development. He also serves on a number of hospital boards.

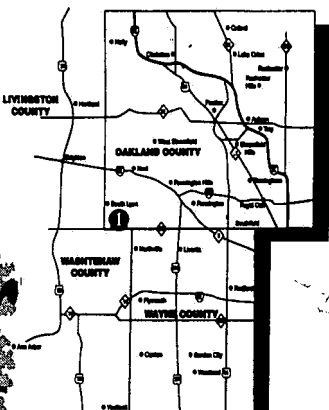
Donomme, one of seven children, grew up on Detroit's east side. "When I was in high school, I knew my life always have something to do with automobiles."

He spent 20 years with the Ford Motor Co. before moving to Chrysler in 1980. He became a vice president in 1981 and was elected to the Chrysler Board of Directors in 1993. "I'd like to be remembered as somebody who was interested in the community as much as a successful businessman," he said.


"All of our Q2 recipients have made a difference in our community," said Patterson. "They made Oakland a better place in which to live, recreate and raise a family."

"We're honoring a corporate entity this year," said the executive, "because of its extensive involvement on behalf of the community."

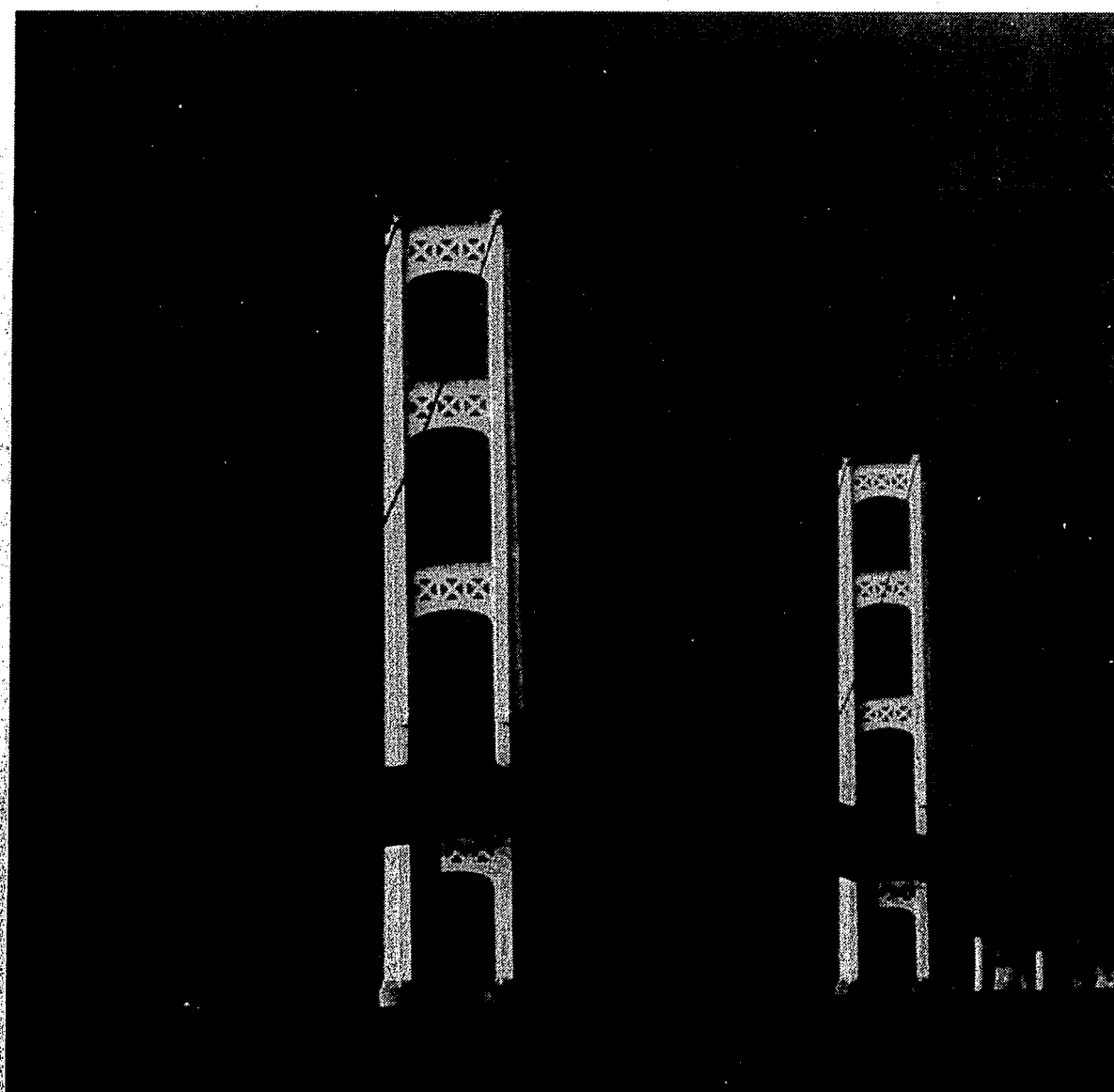
In addition to helping people meet financial needs, the credit union has been involved in the Baldwin Community Center of Pontiac that, among other things, helps feed the homeless; the Three Rings Circle of Safety, a program to protect children; NetDay Michigan, when the credit union sponsored Frost Elementary School in Pontiac get wired on the Internet.



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# County board OKs slight millage cut for taxpayers

BY PAT MURPHY  
STAFF WRITER

Homeowners might be able to get pizza with their tax savings under the Oakland County budget approved for 1998.

But they'll have to settle for a slice, rather than a whole pizza.

The owner of a \$200,000 home, for example, will realize about \$3 a year under the \$554 million budget approved last Thursday by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

The savings will result as the county's Millage Reduction and Stabilization Fund is eliminated over the next four years.

The owner of the same \$200,000 home would have realized \$12 a year if the \$4.3 million fund had been eliminated in one year instead of spread out over four.

While some commissioners wanted the higher tax cut, all but one commissioner — John Garfield, R-Rochester Hills — voted for the budget with the \$3 tax cut.

Those commissioners agreed with county executive L. Brooks Patterson, whose office prepared the budget, that the larger cut now might necessitate raising taxes in a year or two if the economy took a severe downturn.

Oakland is currently in excellent financial shape, according to Robert J. Daddow, who as director of management and budget is the main architect of the 1998 budget.

But there could be difficulty, Daddow insisted, if problems like jail overcrowding required an influx of cash. "We'd rather

**'We'd rather give a small reduction, so we don't have to have a tax hike if things get tight.'**

**Robert J. Daddow**  
—director of management and budget

give a small reduction, so we don't have to have a tax hike if things get tight," he said.

Commissioner Sue Ann Douglas, R-Rochester and chair of the county board's finance committee, said the new budget — like previous budgets — represents compromise. "We held hours of hearings," she said. "There was considerable discussion, but in the end we were able to agree."

One who disagreed, however, was Garfield. He was particularly unhappy about Oakland allocating \$3 million as the local match for improvements for ramps on I-75 for access to the new Chrysler headquarters in Auburn Hills.

Garfield found it incongruous that Oakland officials would allocate \$3 million for the benefit of Chrysler while quibbling about a \$3 tax cut for homeowners.

"I'm ashamed of my fellow Republicans," he said during one of the budget hearings.

Some of those colleagues, however, said the \$3 million had been promised in negotiations to the auto maker



**As road crews work to resurface roads throughout Oakland County, other longer term projects still ongoing include:**

■ **Beverly Hills** — The reconstruction of the intersection of 13 Mile and Evergreen will start in the next two weeks. The work is expected to take approximately one week.

■ **Birmingham** — Adams between the northern city limits and Madison Avenue, is being resurfaced and is expected to finish the first week in October. Detours for the Adams project will route northbound traffic along Woodward and southbound traffic will be reduced to one lane.

■ **Bloomfield Township** — Squirrel Road, between Long Lake and Westview, is being resurfaced and reconstructed at the north end. A detour will route drivers along Adams and Square Lake roads until the roadway reopens in mid-November.

■ **Farmington Hills** — Expansion of the Haggerty Connector (M-5) closed 13 Mile Road, between Haggerty and Meadowbrook, until the end of September. Paving and drainage improvements at the east end of the Meadowbrook Hills subdivision near 8 Mile and Halsted will be completed Nov. 1.

■ **Independence Township** — White Lake Road near Andersonville Road is closed to through traffic. It is being widened to three lanes and realigned with Nelsey Road. Detours route drivers down Dixie Highway to Andersonville until the expected completion in November when the southern portion of White Lake Road will be turned into a cul-de-sac instead of intersecting Andersonville. Paving of the approach of Clement Street to Andersonville will be completed in mid-October.

■ **Orion Township** — Silverbell Road at M-24 will be widened to include a left-turn lane and the right turn lane on westbound Silverbell at M-24 will be extended. The projects are expected to be completed by November. The changes will help with drainage problems.

■ **Oxford** — An overlay of pavement will be added to East Street between Washington and Glaspie and on W. Burdick between Polly Anne Trail and the west village limit and will be completed by mid-October.

■ **Rochester Hills** — Hamlin Road is being reconstructed to a four-lane boulevard from M-59 to Crooks Road. The project, which is expected to be completed by the spring of 1998, will include the completion of the east-west link from the new M-59 ramp to various business facilities. The roadway is closed, except for local traffic, with detours across M-59 and Avon Road. A left turn lane is being added at the intersection of Auburn Road and Technology with a traffic light installed. The new light will assist residents of Chateau Avon Mobile Home Park. The gravel roadways of June and Tamm will be paved this month. The project is expected to last 30 days. Alternating traffic is being planned from a.m. to 7 p.m. Sept. 26 for milling for an overlay of pavement on Adams between Auburn and M-59 and nor of Avon Road. Overlay on Adams between Auburn and M-59 will cause alternating lane closures from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 29, and on Adams between Hamlin and Avon from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30.

■ **Southfield** — Greenfield bridge over the Northwestern Highway (M-10) is under construction for deck replacement with southbound Greenfield closed and traffic detoured along Pennington. Lanes are expected to reopen Oct. 30, 1997. Residential roadways east of Lahser and west of Arlington between Winch and 11 Mile are undergoing spot concrete replacement to be completed by Oct. 31. Ten Mile, between Beech and Inkster roads, will be paved due to deterioration and Holy Sepulchre Archdiocesan Cemetery, between Inkster and Telegraph, will be given a new approach. The project is expected to be completed by mid-November.

■ **Troy** — Adams, between the northern city limits and Madison Avenue is being resurfaced and is slated to finish the first week in October. Northbound traffic will be detoured along Woodward and southbound traffic will be reduced to one lane.

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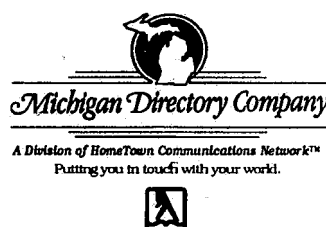


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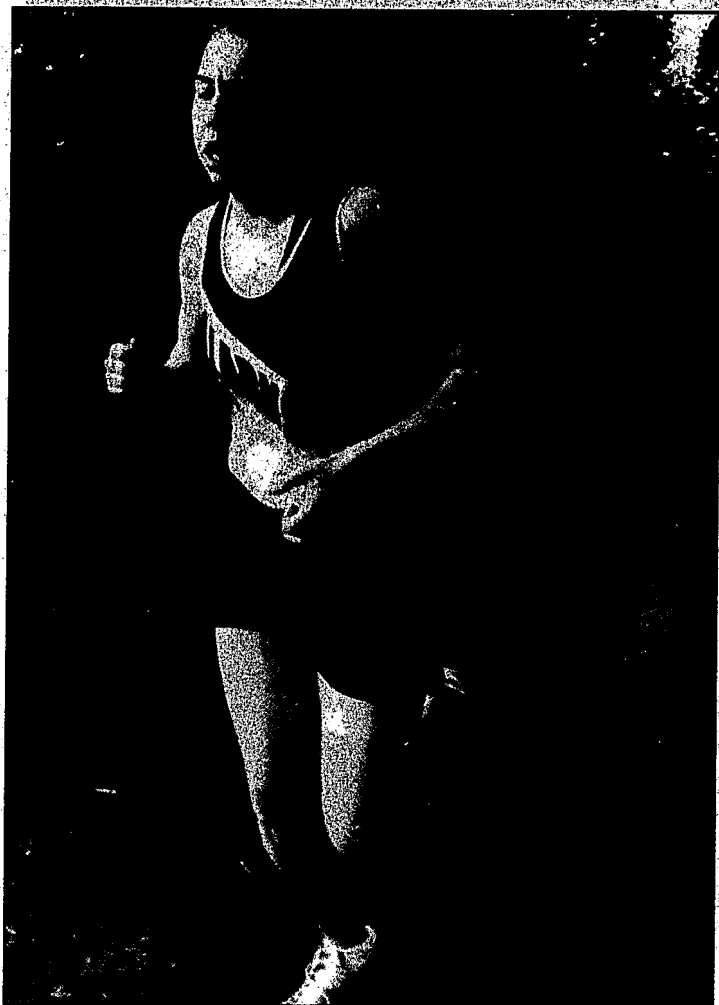
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On the run: Megan Plante of Clarkston finished fourth in 20:38, but Rochester Adams finished 1-2-3 to hand the Wolves their first dual-meet loss in years Tuesday.

## Highlanders pin 1st loss on Wolves

Sage leads boys to narrow win

BY BRAD KADRICH  
SPORTS EDITOR

Clarkston's girls' cross country runners knew Tuesday's meet with Rochester Adams was going to be a tough one.

After all, the Highlanders had talented transfer Nikki Thouin from Lake Orion and a good freshman class coming in. The Wolves hadn't lost a dual meet in at least four years, but knew that streak was in jeopardy.

They were right. Adams took the top three spots in

**'They seemed pretty upset about it, so I'm glad, because it shows they care.'**

*Debbie Zonca*  
—Clarkston girls' coach

Tuesday's Oakland Activities Association Division I meet and beat the Wolves, 21-35. Clarkston took four of the top 10 spots, but when a team gets the top three, it can't be beat.

"If a team goes 1-2-3 on you, it's mathematically impossible to beat them," Clarkston coach Debbie Zonca said. "Adams is an extremely tough team."

Megan Plante was Clarkston's top finisher, coming in fourth in 20:38. Jennifer Rooding was right behind her in 21:22, and Christina Rooding finished sixth in 22:04. Liz Cook finished ninth in 22:39.

Other Clarkston runners were Lissa Lukens, who was 11th in 23:00; Joni Gifford, who was 12th in 23:10; and April Rooding, who was 13th in 23:11.

The loss left the Wolves shaken. "They seemed pretty upset about it, so I'm glad, because it shows they care," Zonca said. "They wanted to win a league title, but that's going to be tough right now."

### The Boys

The Wolves captured three of the top six places and edged the Highlanders 26-31. Dave Sage was the top overall runner, finishing first in 18:46. Matt Haver finished fourth in 17:33 and Kevin Breen was sixth in 17:40, his best race of the year.

"We thought we might go 1-2, but a couple of their guys picked off Haver," Clarkston coach Mike Taylor said. "Our boys did a real good job. Our depth ran well."

Chris Weber finished seventh for Clarkston, running the course in 18:08. Dan Burke (18:15) finished eighth. Dave Wicklund (19:08) was 10th. Scott Watson (19:12) was 11th.

"We knew it would be close," Taylor said. "We'd run on the same course as them a couple of times, so we were able to time it out as if it was a dual meet, and we only won by a point."

Taylor credited the win to the performance of Breen, Weber and Burke. "Those guys really turned it around for us," the coach said.



STAFF PHOTO BY JOHN STORMZAND

Long road: Clarkston's Jeff Long fights off the tackles of Rochester Adams' Mark Jacobson and Trevor Potts (51) to score a touchdown during Clarkston's 34-30 comeback win over the Highlanders Friday night in Rochester.

## Fife drums Highlanders

Wolves come back twice to stop Adams

**Just when it looked like Rochester Adams would hand Clarkston its second loss, the Wolves roared back, twice erasing 10-point deficits on their way to a 34-30 win that kept them in the thick of the division race.**

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

Rochester Adams hounded Clarkston quarterback Dane Fife. The Highlanders hurried him and, at times, frustrated him.

The one thing Adams couldn't do, however, was contain him, and the result was an exciting 34-30 Oakland Activities Association Division I prep football win for the Wolves.

Fife completed 6-of-12 passes for 167 yards and a touchdown, and ran for a pair of second-half scores, as the Wolves (3-1 overall, 2-0 OAA I) erased a 30-20 third-quarter lead for the comeback victory.

"Dane threw the ball well and he ran

it well," Clarkston coach Kurt Richardson said.

Clarkston refused to wilt, despite a pair of 10-point Adams leads. The Wolves trailed 23-13 at halftime, and were behind 30-20 late in the third quarter. The Highlanders (3-1, 1-1) built their second 10-point lead of the night with an impressive 10-play, 70-yard drive capped by Lee Ritter's 9-yard run with 28 seconds left in the third quarter. It was Ritter's second score of the game and gave Adams a 30-20 lead.

Adams followed that by burying Clarkston's Eric Jenks, who bobbled the ensuing kickoff, at his own 12 yard

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### Up Next

This week's opponent: Clarkston hosts Waterford-Kettering Friday for Homecoming. Game time is 7 p.m.

Last year, Clarkston beat the Captains 33-19 in Week 5. Fife was 13-of-27 for 204 yards and a touchdown, and Brad Phalen rushed for 113 yards on 27 carries and scored three times.

This year, Kettering is coming off a 33-7 win over Berkley. The Captains trailed 7-3 at the half, then scored 30 unanswered points, keyed by senior Dan Armstrong's 110 yards on six carries, which included a 31-yard scoring run. Clarkston twice erased a 10-point deficit to post a 34-30 comeback win over Rochester Adams.

## Cagers get Berkley breather

BY BRAD KADRICH  
SPORTS EDITOR

After a three-point loss to Rochester and a come-from-behind victory over Waterford Kettering in their last two outings, one could hardly blame the Clarkston Wolves for hoping for a breather in the schedule.

They got it Thursday.

The Wolves (7-1) scored the first eight points of the game, outscored Berkley 17-8 in the first quarter, and put their size advantage to good use in manhandling the Bears, 59-37, before a large crowd at Clarkston.

Clarkston outrebounded Berkley 22-13 in the first half and pounded the boards for a 38-28 advantage in the game. Clarkston's pressure defense helped secure a big lead, then helped preserve it, keeping the Bears at least 13 points behind after the 6:20 mark of the second quarter.

"I told the kids to get all over the boards," Clarkston coach Ann Serra said. "We had the height advantage and the athletic ability, and we wanted to pound them."

The game was basically over after the first eight minutes. Junior guard Deana Kanipe scored early and often — getting the Wolves' first six points — and helped Clarkston build a 12-4 edge. Kanipe hit a short jumper, then canned a 12-footer and a pair of free throws to give Clarkston a 6-0 lead. Sophomore forward Lori Wild hit an inside bucket and, after two straight Berkley hoops, Corinne McIntyre

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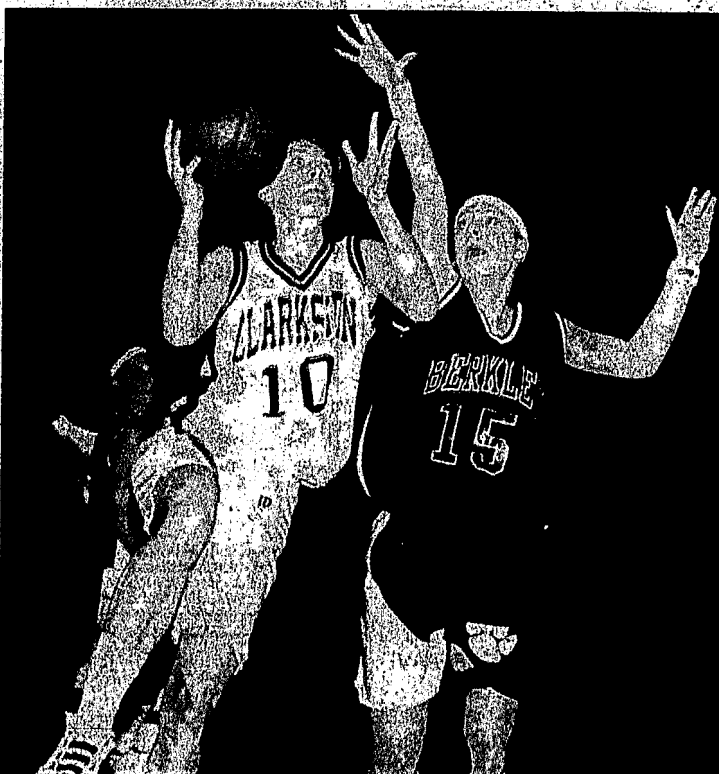


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Georgia on their minds: Clarkston's Georgia Senkyr (10) drives to the hoop past Berkley's Kendrah Pickle during the Wolves' easy win over the Bears Thursday.



Big winner: Clarkston's Dave Sage finished first overall, leading the Wolves to a win over Rochester Adams.

# Grand Blanc hands Wolves' kickers 1st loss, 3-1

BY MIKE SCOTT  
SPECIAL WRITER

Dreams of an undefeated regular season were shattered Monday as Clarkston's soccer team was outplayed and beaten, 3-1, by visiting Grand Blanc in a non-conference battle.

The Wolves (6-1-4) were faced with the prospect of playing against the wind in the second half, but for the whole game the bigger challenge was finding a way to control the ball as the Bobcats utilized a disciplined passing attack to frustrate their hosts.

"It took awhile for us to get used to their passing," admitted senior midfielder Brian McGeogh, Clarkston's lone goal scorer. "They really moved the ball well on us."

With the score tied 1-1 early in the second half, Clarkston's Dan Jackson forced Grand Blanc goalkeeper Chris Weiermiller to make a tough save in close, but the referee awarded the Wolves and indirect free kick from just outside the penalty box.

With players from both teams crowding the net, Mike Gabriel sent the free kick just over the crossbar. That proved to be Clarkston's best scoring chance of the second half.

Then the Bobcats (8-2-1) worked the ball downfield and senior forward Eric Salenski redirected a shot past a helpless Rean Turner with 33 minutes to play which put Grand Blanc up for good.

Despite the loss, Clarkston head coach Dan Fitzgerald was upbeat about his team's performance and said a game like this should help the Wolves down the road.

"It's good to play tough teams

like (Grand Blanc)," Fitzgerald said. "Today we played a team with a great deal of composure, and we didn't play badly, but we still need to improve."

Sophomore forward Matt Ignace scored his second goal of the game off a throw-in from the 50-yard line. Andrew Hayes dribbled the ball down the left sideline and found Ignace from 20 yards out and he buried it in the right corner past a diving Turner.

Throughout the game the Bobcats were assessed a number of fouls on pushes and shoves, and Clarkston was awarded free kicks on a regular basis. However, the Bobcats drifted five players back on their defensive alignment as the game wore on and limited the number of good scoring opportunities the Wolves had.

Grand Blanc head coach Doug Burroughs, whose team has tied state-ranked Flint Carman-Ainsworth, said his team passed the ball better Monday than they had the entire year.

"Our guys were moving off the ball extremely well," Burroughs said.

Fitzgerald didn't think his team was overly frustrated by the Bobcats' ball control or physical play, saying his squad played solid defense and that much of the play was waged in the middle of the field.

"Their first two goals were kind of fluke goals," Fitzgerald said.

The Bobcats struck early in the game as Ignace scored on a header which arced over Turner at the 38:08 mark of the first half.

The Wolves did not get many quality scoring chances in the first half. The best during the

first 35 minutes came when Gabriel took a free kick from 45 yards out and found Mike Hard just outside the penalty box. Hard directed it off Weiermiller's hands and McGeogh headed the rebound just over the net.

Clarkston finally struck with 4:39 to play in the half as McGeogh directed a loose ball into the Grand Blanc goal. Full-back Russ Parrott received an assist on the throw-in.

"I just challenged their goalie and came up with the loose ball," McGeogh said. "We played well late in the first half, but I think we were surprised when they scored their second goal. We lost a little of our confidence after that goal."

Fitzgerald admitted he was disappointed about the loss, but felt it came at a good time, close on the heels of games with Clawson Wednesday and tonight at Goodrich.

He praised the work of Gabriel, who played at midfield throughout the contest after spending much of the season on defense.

"I think (Gabriel) was as good as any player on the field tonight. He really made things happen for our team."

Clarkston is also preparing for perhaps its biggest game of the regular season, Monday's home clash with defending division champion Lake Orion.

**Wednesday — Clarkston 7, Clawson 0:** The Wolves got back on track with the easy road win, behind two goals from Tom Dews.

Jeremy Parrot, Mike Lenhardt, Shawn Verlinden, Dan Jackson and Jared Bauer all added goals for the Wolves, who got a shutout from Turner, his fourth of the season.



PHOTO BY MELISSA WAWZYRKO

**Playing keepaway:** Clarkston's Brian McGeogh (left) and Grand Blanc's Kyle Mooney battle for the ball during the Bobcats' 3-1 win Monday night. It was Clarkston's first loss of the season. McGeogh got Clarkston's only goal. The loss comes just before a busy part of the Wolves' schedule, which includes a home game against Lake Orion Monday night. The Wolves and Dragons battled to a 3-3 tie earlier in the season.

## Schultz is second, Wolves sixth at county golf meet

BY BRAD KADRICH  
SPORTS EDITOR

So close, yet so far. That's the kind of day it was for Clarkston's golf team at Monday's Oakland County meet, won by Cranbrook-Kingswood at Pontiac Country Club.

The Cranes won the meet with a 310 on the par-72 course.

Clarkston shot 329, but finished five spots lower than the Cranes.

And medalist Michael Beether shot 74 and was the meet's medalist. But Clarkston's Bob

Schultz was even par through 14 holes before suffering two double-bogeys on the final four holes.

"We had a pretty good day," Clarkston coach Jim Chamberlain said. "I thought we shot well, considering the kind of

day."

Playing on a windy day, Schultz finished with 76 and was fourth overall in the individual standings.

"That's right where he should be," Chamberlain said of his top

finisher. "He's averaging 77, so that's right in his range."

Ben Ness was next for the Wolves with an 82. Bryan Haggard shot 85, while Dave Benner and Derek Hool each carded an 86.

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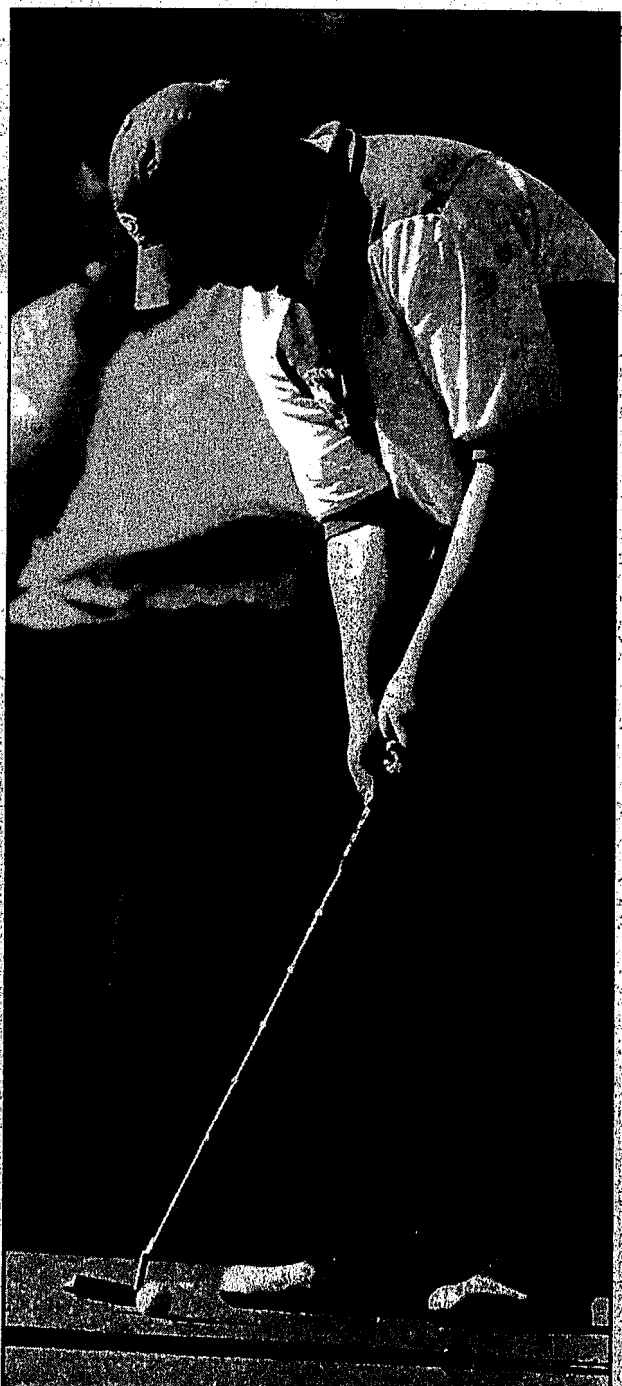
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**Silver medal:** Clarkston's Bob Schultz taps in during his round of 76 at the Oakland County golf meet Monday. Schultz finished tied for second, leading the Wolves to a sixth-place finish at Pontiac Country Club.



## Kids get 'Opportunity Night'

For the second straight year, young soccer players in the Clarkston area will get a chance to see how it's done at the high school level.

Youth Opportunity Night, presented by soccer parents, takes place Monday night during the Lake Orion-Clarkston varsity soccer game.

"We would like to see the program get elevated to the level of some of the other

events," said Linda Renda.

Youngsters who play on collector travel teams who wear their jerseys to Monday's game get free admission. There will also be coupons available for free hot dogs.

The night's activities also include a 30-minute exhibition game between the Clarkston U-12 and U-13 select teams. The game starts at 4:15 p.m. just before the junior varsity

game.

Other activities during the games include shootouts at halftime and appearances by the school's cheerleaders and The Jangle, Clarkston's rabid student body.

Details of prices were still being worked out.

"We're excited about this," Renda said. "It's going to be a fun night. It kind of continues the fun of Homecoming."



STAFF PHOTO BY DAN DEAN

Bogle and da ball: Clarkston's Lauren Bogart returns a shot during a match at No. 2 singles at Tuesday's Oakland Activities Association league meet. The meet was halted before the finals could be played because of darkness.

## Wolves net third place finish, darkness stops league meet

BY BRAD KADRICH  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Clarkston Wolves finished third in the Oakland Activities Association Division II tennis meet that didn't finish because it barely had a chance to get started Tuesday.

Confused? So were the participating teams, for awhile. The meet was delayed more than five hours by rain, then had to be called because of darkness before the finals could be played.

The outcome, however, had already been determined, so the teams chose not to finish the meet. West Bloomfield, the regular season leader, had teams in the finals of all eight flights and weren't going to be caught.

"It wouldn't change anything, so we decided it wasn't worth taking the girls out of school another day," Clarkston coach Dick Swartout said.

Before the meet was called, though, the Wolves were doing pretty well for themselves. Courtney Schubring, just back

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Dick Swartout  
—Clarkston tennis coach

from an injury, had reached the finals at No. 1 singles, and the Wolves' top duo — Kristin Atkinson and Alaina Dodds — had done likewise at No. 1 doubles.

"Courtney played tremendously," Swartout said. "They both played pretty well."

The meet wrapped up with West Bloomfield in first place, followed by Troy Athens and Clarkston. Royal Oak Kimball was fourth behind the Wolves.

**Knights out:** The match with Kimball that was suspended last week due to darkness with Clarkston up 4-2 and two matches in progress will not be made up after all.

It seems a Kimball player involved in one of the interrupted matches suffered a broken hand and has to default due to injury. That gives Clarkston a 5-2 victory and a 4-5 overall record.

Clarkston plays Lapeer West today (Thursday) and Brandon Tuesday.

**Monday — Waterford Kettering 5, Clarkston 3:** The Wolves couldn't overcome the Captains, despite dominating the doubles play.

Dodds and Kristen Maynard teamed to stop Kathy Tucker and Kristine Rohl 6-4, 6-1 at No. 1 doubles. Lauren Stout and Jenny Claus beat Jenny Irish and Carrie Sage 6-2, 7-5 at No. 2 doubles; and Emily Tate and Allison Olinger beat Pam Tarpening and Kim Harrington 6-4, 6-0 at No. 3 doubles.

But the Captains won all four singles matches, although it took them three sets to win two of them, and won at No. 4 doubles to beat the Wolves.

## County mat meet gets new format

BY BRAD KADRICH  
SPORTS EDITOR

The best matches in the Oakland County wrestling tournament may now actually take place in the finals after a change in the tournament's format was OK'd by county athletic directors recently.

The tournament, which annually draws some of the best wrestling in the state, has been switched to a two-site format beginning with the 1997 tournament. Wrestling will be held at

Lake Orion and South Lyon both days this year, and the finals will be at South Lyon.

The two-site format is expected to eliminate the biggest problem the tournament had at four sites: having the potential top two seeds in a given weight class face off on the first day, often as early as the quarterfinals. The new format will allow for proper seeding.

"The problem at four sites is it's impossible to seed the tournament favorably," said Clarkston coach Mike DeGain, who

made the presentation to the athletic directors on behalf of county coaches. "The finals were being fought in the quarterfinals. That doesn't give a proper perspective of the tournament."

Until three years ago, the tournament was held on the two campuses of Oakland Community Colleges. When that became cost-prohibitive, the meet was moved back to the high schools, at four sites.

"At two sites, you can seed it the proper way," DeGain said. "It will work out fine."

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line. However, the Wolves embarked on a nine-play, 88-yard drive that included the game's biggest play: a 35-yard fife strike to wide open tight end Justin Dionne on a fourth-and-one play from the Adams 35 yard line with 9:41 left in the game.

A 35-yard pass on fourth-and-one?

"The idea is to give Dane the ball," said Gordie Richardson, Clarkston's offensive coordinator. "Either they have to stop him running or stop him throwing, but you give him the chance."

The score pulled Clarkston within 30-27 and set the stage for a wild finish. On the following possession, Adams quarterback Matt Danielson, who missed last week's win over Troy Athens with an injury, led the Highlanders to the Clarkston 21

yard line. But the Highlanders fumbled and Clarkston's Mike Underwood recovered, stalling that drive.

The Highlanders held Clarkston to three downs and a punt, but the Wolves returned the favor and forced Adams into three-and-out. Linebacker Jeff Long hauled Ritter down for a 1-yard loss on first down, and Mike Underwood stopped John Wolf for no gain on second down. After an incomplete third-down pass, Adams was forced to punt.

Clarkston took over at its own 36 with 2:54 left in the game and went 64 yards in just 1:37 for the winning score. The drive only took four plays, including a 27-yard screen from Fife to Brad Phalen and a 28-yard run by Phalen on a draw play.

The touchdown came on the legs of Fife, who has been reluctant to run in the past, on a nifty

3-yard run.

"They (the defense) are dropping guys back, so it's obvious I should run," Fife said. "Coach has been telling me that for three years. I guess I just decided the time was right."

The Highlanders had one last shot, moving to the Clarkston 14 yard line with the help of a pass interference call on the Wolves. But Danielson was sacked by Tim Loveless and Mark Whitman to end the game.

Long finished with six carries and 72 yards rushing, including an 11-yard touchdown run. Phalen finished with 14 carries and 58 yards.

Long tied the score at 7-7 with his 11-yard burst early in the second quarter.

Clarkston hosts Waterford Kettering in its annual Homecoming game Friday. Game time is 7 p.m.

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# Outbreak raises questions about impact on deer

The recent outbreak of tuberculosis in Michigan's whitetail deer herd is raising concerns and questions. How will the outbreak impact the health of Michigan's deer herd? Will it affect hunting? What affect will it have on the state's livestock agriculture? Could it present a public health concern?

These questions and many more remain unanswered as state and federal officials study this rare occurrence.

In 1994, a buck was shot on a private hunt club in Alpena County. As the hunter field-dressed the animal he noticed some yellow pea-sized nodules in the lungs and body cavity. He contacted the DNR, tests were conducted and it was determined that the animal was infected with bovine tuberculosis.

Normally rare in whitetail deer, prior to 1994 only eight cases of bovine TB in deer had been recorded throughout North America. Each of those cases was associated with an outbreak of bovine TB in nearby livestock. When the problem cleared up in the livestock, it cleared up in the deer.

TB is a serious disease caused by several bacteria that attack the respiratory system. It can be treated successfully in humans through six months of treatment with antibiotics. TB is primarily spread through the air through coughing and sneezing. Animals that are in close, nose-to-nose contact with each other are susceptible to the disease.

Michigan was granted TB-free status for livestock in 1979 by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. This is an extremely important rating for the prosperity of the state's livestock agriculture.

After the infected deer was found in 1994 over 900 livestock in the four-county area of the outbreak (Alcona, Alpena, Oscoda and Montmorency) were immediately tested. No evidence of TB was found in the livestock.

## OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



BILL PARKER

### A rare occurrence

In 1995 the DNR asked hunters in a 10-mile radius of the outbreak area to voluntarily submit heads and lungs for testing from the deer they harvested. With funding provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the DNR tested 354 deer and found 18 more cases of TB. This finding confirmed the belief that a very unique situation was occurring. TB was being maintained in a wild deer population without it being present in nearby livestock.

"This has never happened before," said Bob Holzman, a Michigan State University research biologist working on the case. "This is the first time in North America that there is a TB outbreak in a wild deer herd and not in the livestock. We don't have all the answers, because this is the first time anything like this has happened."

Over last two years state and federal veterinarians literally went door-to-door and checked every farm within a five-mile radius of the outbreak. Over 3,700 cows, goats, pigs and llamas were tested and not one case of TB was found.

A multi-agency task force made up of personnel from the Michigan Department of Agriculture, the Michigan Department of Health and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources was formed to develop a risk assessment and to come up with recommendations on how eliminate the disease in Michigan's deer herd. The agency has received assistance from MSU, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Farm Bureau, Michigan United Conservation Clubs, hunters, farmers and citizens.

**DMU 452**  
Deer Management Unit 452 encompasses the area in which the outbreak has occurred. It was formed specifically so the DNR and the task force can better monitor and manage deer in this area. DMU 452 is basically a 200-square mile section of land where the corners of Alcona, Alpena, Oscoda and Montmorency counties meet.

**'It's not likely that a hunter... would become infected, but it's not impossible.'**

Dr. Steven Schmidt  
—DNR veterinarian

To date, 4,522 deer have been tested statewide and 74 cases of bovine TB have been documented. All of those cases except one have been restricted to the four-county area of the outbreak. One case was found 15 miles north of the area in Presque Isle County. It's not known if that deer moved from the infected area or if there is another area of bovine infected deer. Of the 74 infected deer, 72 were taken on private land.

An infected coyote was also found in Alcona County. That's not terribly surprising since a coyote will eat the carcass and viscera of a dead deer and most likely contacted the disease this way.

Hunters are not at a high risk of contacting the disease, according to Dr. Steven Schmidt, DNR veterinarian at Rose Lake.

"It's not likely that a hunter field-dressing a TB-infected deer or eating a TB-infected deer will become infected, but it's not impossible," said Schmidt.

TB is normally confined to the organs and body cavity of an infected deer, not the muscles. Even so, thorough cooking of venison would kill any TB bacteria that may be present. It is possible that a hunter could contact the disease from a deer if an open cut came into contact with an infected part of a deer.

### Close encounters

Researchers believe the disease is maintaining itself in the deer herd because of the close contact between deer resulting from massive feeding and baiting practices in the area.

"There are high deer numbers in this area relative to the habitat," said Schmidt. "In some areas in DMU 452 there are 30 to 40 deer per-square-mile. At the feeding sites many deer are gathered together wheezing on each other and sneezing on each other and feeding nose to nose."

That's not normal. Even in a deer yard the deer are not together as long or feeding at a specific pile. In deer yards they are spread out more than on a bait pile. Some feeders in DMU 452 feed upwards of 500 deer. There are some pretty heavy concentrations."

### Task force goal

The goal of the task force is to eliminate TB in the deer herd using the best science possible.

Along those lines the task force has come up with the following recommendations. These recommendations have been passed along to the directors of the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Community Health for further action:

- Impose a mandatory ban on feeding and baiting in the five-county area of the outbreak.
- Prevent an increase in deer numbers.
- Reevaluate the situation periodically.
- Test and retest all livestock in a five-mile radius of the outbreak area.
- Check all deer killed in the five-county area.
- Offer free TB skin tests in the infected area.
- Continue to provide public information.
- Learn more about deer movement and the potential for the spread of the disease.
- Learn what economic impact TB in the deer herd will have.
- Learn more about the possibility of TB being passed on to humans and livestock.

Hunters can also help. Pay close attention when you field dress a deer this fall. If you see any small pea-sized yellow or tan lumps, particularly in the lungs or body cavity, contact the nearest DNR field office or call (517) 373-9358. Lymph nodes in the head of the deer can be tested to determine if TB exists.

Anglers and hunters are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (810) 644-1314 or call Bill Parker evenings at (810) 901-2573.

## Hoops from page B1

wrapped a free throw and a layup around a Georgia Senkyr free throw, and the Wolves were off and running.

A 3-pointer from Kanipe and a layup by Candace Morgan capped Clarkston's first quarter scoring. The Bears pulled within 19-12 on a 10-foot baseline jumper by Lindsey Baldwin with 5:20 left in the second quarter. The Wolves then pulled away with a 10-2 spurt, fueled by two baskets apiece from Morgan and Kanipe and a pair of free throws from senior guard Kelly Hanna.

The Bears never got closer than 16 points the rest of the way.

"We came out ready to play," said Kanipe, who finished with a game-high 18 points. "You have to be ready to play every night, and tonight we were ready."

The Wolves, in their first year under Serra, are still getting used to their roles in her up-tempo, high-pressure system. If Thursday's game was any indication, they're beginning to take to it.

"We're starting to get used to playing together," Serra said. "We're getting comfortable in our positions, and that's making a difference."

Morgan finished with 11 points, while Wild added seven and McIntyre had five. Almee Giroux, Georgia Senkyr, Kelly Hanna and Jenny Bauer all chipped in four points for the Wolves.

The other thing the easy win did was allow Serra to get everyone in the game.

"It gave me a chance to play some kids I didn't get to play (last week)," Serra said. "Our bench has to be ready, and this was a good chance to give them some time."

Clarkston hosts rival Lake Orion today (Thursday), then travels to Troy Athens Tuesday. Game time both nights is 7 p.m.

**Tuesday — Clarkston 44, Troy 39:** Kanipe scored a team-high 11 points and grabbed seven rebounds for the Wolves (8-1), who won their third straight after suffering their first (and only) loss of the season to Rochester.

Wild finished with nine points, while McIntyre scored six and Morgan had five. Senkyr and Tiffany Honey each scored four.

## Lakers end streak for Dragon cagers

BY JEFF THEISEN  
SPECIAL WRITER

The "Old Dog" taught the young pup some new tricks Tuesday night, and the result was an easy win.

West Bloomfield coach Lance Davis, who coached Lake Orion coach Eve Claar when Claar was a star at North Farmington, brought his girls into the Dragon's Den at Lake Orion and dominated Claar's Dragons, 67-37, in an Oakland Activities Association Division III contest.

The win lifted the Lakers to 8-1 overall and 3-1 in the OAA and dropped the Dragons to 6-3 and 3-1. The loss ended Lake Orion's six-game winning streak.

"Our focus was beating Lake

Orion," Davis said. "Seeing a protege on the sidelines was a pleasure. Seeing one of your own giving back to the community, that's awesome!"

Claar was equally pleased with the matchup, although she would have preferred a different outcome.

"It was kind of strange. I did look over there a couple of times," Claar said. "I would love to play against somebody as competitive as Lance Davis every night."

The Lakers used a major size advantage, grabbing a 45-22 rebounding edge. The Lakers used a stingy defense to take an early lead and expand on it throughout the game despite a couple of Dragon comebacks.



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## Outdoor Calendar

### CLASSES

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#### HUNTER SAFETY

The Wayne County Sportsmen's Club in Romulus will offer two two-day Michigan DNR Hunter Education Classes. The dates for the classes are Oct. 11-12, and Nov. 1-2. Preregistration is required. Call (313) 532-0285 for more information.

#### BIRDS OF PREY

This wildlife education program featuring 10 live predator birds will be presented at 1, 3 and 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, in the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College. Call (313) 462-4422 for more information.

#### FLY TYING

Bueters Outdoors in Northville still has openings for its fall fly tying classes. Call (248) 349-3677 for more information.

### TOURNAMENTS

#### OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold its final tournament of the 1997 season on Sunday, Oct. 12, on Pontiac Lake. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

### SEASONS/DATES

#### BEAR

The 1997 bear season runs through Oct. 26.

#### DEER

The early archery season for whitetail deer runs Oct. 1-Nov. 14. Firearms season begins Saturday Nov. 15.

#### DUCKS

Duck season runs through Oct. 4-Dec. 2 in the North and Middle zones and Oct. 11-Dec. 9 in the South Zone.

#### ELK

Michigan's second elk season runs Dec. 9-16 in designated areas by special permit only.

#### GOOSE

Canada goose season runs Oct. 4-Oct. 19 in the North and Middle zones. The season runs Oct. 11-19 and Nov. 27-Dec. 7 in the South zone outside the five Goose management units. Check the 1997 Michigan Waterfowl Hunting Guide for dates of the season in the GMU's.

#### PHEASANT

Pheasant season runs Oct. 10-20 in Zone I and Oct. 20-Nov. 14 in Zones II and III. A special late hunt will once again be offered in southern Michigan Dec. 1-15. Check the 1997-98 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for exact boundaries of the hunt area.

#### TROUT

Trout season ends Sept. 30 on designated trout lakes and designated trout streams. The season runs through Dec. 31 on extended season trout streams. Check the 1997 Michigan Fishing Guide for a list of designated streams.

#### WOODCOCK

Woodcock season runs through Nov. 3 statewide.

### ARCHERY

#### JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

### OUTDOOR CLUBS

#### SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

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#### METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call (313) 420-4481 for more information.

#### MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

#### FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. The guest speaker for the Oct. 1 meeting will be Joe Zawialak, who will discuss surf fishing for salmon in Lake Huron. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

#### FISHING BUDDYS

Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. Call (810) 656-0556 for more information.

#### BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Dearborn Civic Center. Call (313) 676-2863 for more information.

### SHOOTING RANGES

#### BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours through Oct. 12 are: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays; 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesdays; on Mondays and Tuesdays the rifle and pistol range is open 3 p.m. to sunset and the sporting clays course is open noon to sunset. The range is closed Thursdays and Fridays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Green-shield Rd. (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

#### PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. The range will close at 5 p.m. beginning Oct. 26. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

#### ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursdays through Mondays (closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays). Oct. 19-Nov. 15 the range will be open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Nov. 16-Dec. 22 range hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

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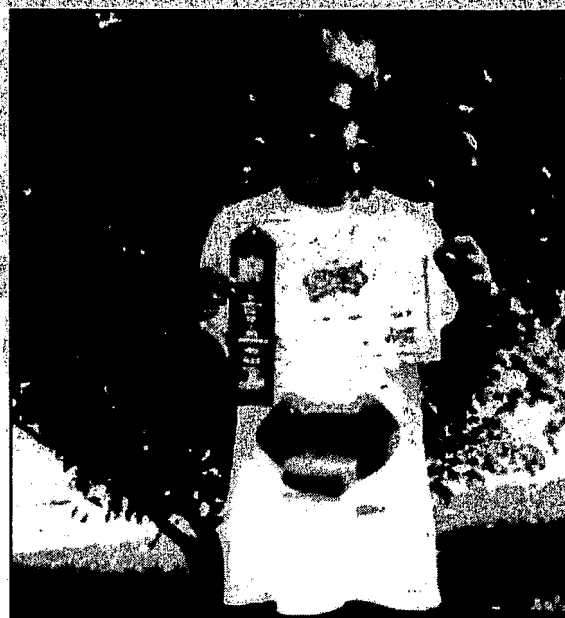
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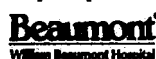
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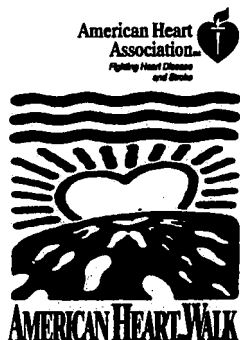
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Oct. 11 at the Sterling Inn. (313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

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Nov. 1 at Zuccaro's. (313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

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Class of 1967

Oct. 18 at the Doubletree in Southfield. (313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

Class of 1977

Nov. 29 at the St. George Cultural Center, Bloomfield Hills. (800) 677-7800

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January-June classes of 1947

Nov. 15 at the Novi Hilton Hotel. (248) 559-0762

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Livonia Chamber of Commerce — <http://www.livonia.org>

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City of Livonia — <http://oeonline.com/livonia>

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Observer & Eccentric Newspapers — <http://observer-eccentric.com>

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Logix, Inc. — <http://www.logix-usa.com>

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**Class of 1972**  
Nov. 8 at the Warren Valley Golf  
Course, Dearborn Heights.  
(313) 421-5412 or (313) 595-1485

**GARDEN CITY WEST**  
**Class of 1972**  
Oct. 25 at the Hawthorne Valley  
Country Club, Westland.  
(248) 486-2997 or <http://members.aol.com/barensd/gardencity1972.html>.

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(313) 728-8352 or (313) 451-0052  
East graduates or (313) 427-  
8768 or (313) 420-0156 West  
graduates

**HAMTRAMCK**  
**Class of 1977**  
Nov. 1 at the Northfield Hilton  
Hotel, Troy.  
(248) 391-6250

**HAZEL PARK**  
**Class of 1977**  
Oct. 11 at the Ukrainian Cultur-  
al Center, Warren  
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**Class of 1978**  
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5802 or write to HPCHS reunion  
committee, c/o P.O. Box 760484  
Lathrup Village, MI 48076.

**HOLY REDEEMER**  
**Class of 1972**  
Nov. 8 at Livonia Elks Lodge  
2246, Livonia.  
(313) 522-5369 or (313) 534-6995

**LIVONIA FRANKLIN**  
**Class of 1987**  
A reunion is planned for Nov. 28.  
(313) 261-4970

**Class of 1992**  
A reunion is planned for Oct. 18.  
(313) 741-5215 or E-mail at  
[svbona@umich.edu](mailto:svbona@umich.edu)

**MARIAN**  
**Class of 1972**  
A reunion luncheon will be held  
Oct. 18 at Andiamo Italia West.  
(248) 626-3046

**MADISON**  
**Class of 1948**  
Is planning a reunion.  
(248) 548-5470 or (810) 264-9191

**MELVINDALE**  
**Class of 1972**  
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**Class of 1987**  
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Send names and addresses to  
P.O. Box 7102, Novi 48376-7102

**OAK PARK**  
**Class of 1977**  
Nov. 29 Doubletree Suites in  
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(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

**Class of 1962**  
A reunion is planned for Nov. 29.  
(248) 362-1790 or E-mail at  
[myron@egprint.com](mailto:myron@egprint.com)

**PLYMOUTH SALEM/CANTON**  
**Class of 1987**  
Nov. 1 at the Novi Hilton Hotel,  
Novi.  
(313) 397-8766, (313) 397-4824  
or by e-mail, [rwunderl@rust.net](mailto:rwunderl@rust.net)

**REDFORD THURSTON**  
**Class of 1963**  
Nov. 8 at the Novi Hilton Hotel.  
(313) 464-0376, (313) 522-9344,  
(248) 651-7288 or (248) 656-2962

**REDFORD UNION**  
**Class of 1987**  
A reunion is planned for Nov. 29.  
(615) 615-7782 or (313) 255-2965

**ROYAL OAK KIMBALL**  
**Class of 1987**  
Nov. 28 at Stephenson Haus,  
Hazel Park.  
(810) 366-9493, press 6

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**Class of 1977**  
A reunion is planned for Nov. 29.  
(810) 558-8183

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(248) 549-4474

**Class of 1982**  
Nov. 28 at the Stephenson  
House.  
(248) 589-3207

**Class of 1987**  
A reunion is planned for Thanks-  
giving weekend.  
(313) 371-7875

**Class of 1992**  
A reunion is planned for Thanks-  
giving weekend.  
(248) 549-3825

**SOUTH LAKE**  
**Class of 1987**

Oct. 24 at the Barrister House.  
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

**STERLING HEIGHTS**  
**Class of 1987**  
Nov. 29 at the Sterling Inn.  
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Oct. 18 at the Sterling Inn.  
(313) 886-0770 or (810) 783-6889

**STERLING HEIGHTS STEVENSON**  
**Class of 1987**  
Oct. 11 at the Van Dyke Park  
Hotel, Warren.  
(248) 360-7004, press 8

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**Class of 1957**  
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(248) 363-0270 or (248) 682-2877

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**Class of 1987**  
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(810) 757-0667 or (810) 757-1671

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**Class of 1988**  
Is planning a reunion.  
(810) 790-4214 or (810) 771-7328

**WATERFORD KETTERING**  
**Class of 1968**  
Is planning a reunion.  
(248) 628-3926, (248) 681-1768  
or (248) 623-6057

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**Class of 1957**  
6:30 p.m. Oct. 11 at the Ramada  
Inn, Romulus. Cost is \$40 per  
person.  
(313) 455-3200 or (313) 475-8181

or Frank McMurray, 5773 Can-  
ton Center Road, Canton 48187

**Class of 1967**  
A reunion is planned for Nov. 29.  
(313) 284-4070

**Class of 1987**  
A reunion is planned for Nov. 28.  
(313) 326-5527

**WOODHAVEN**  
**Class of 1987**  
Nov. 28 at the Grecian Center,  
Southgate.  
(248) 360-7004, press 3

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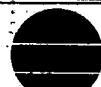
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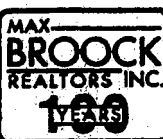
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We are pleased to recommend Pat Toohey and Kelly Overall and NATIONWIDE INSURANCE for insurance of all kinds including auto, life, tenant, homeowners, health and estate planning, as well as commercial insurance, mutual funds and tax deferred investments. We feel they are experts in the insurance field, as well as an asset to our community. Call these NATIONWIDE agents today and inquire about NATIONWIDE's Home & Car Discount Program.

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## Established in 1895

With all the real estate agencies in the area, just exactly what makes the friendly professionals, at Max Brook Realtors, Inc. stand out among them all?

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## GREENS GLAKES

Over the past few years, the living habits of Americans have changed dramatically. One of the major factors in this change is the emergence of the modern apartment community. Many people, turned off by continual maintenance problems and the expenses of home ownership, have opted for the convenience of apartment homes like those available at GREENS LAKE APARTMENTS.

GREENS LAKE is a prime example of sophisticated, gracious living geared to the life-styles of the 90's. If you are looking for that special place to live, ask yourself: ARE YOU LOOKING FOR AN APARTMENT OR A HOME? If "home" is your answer, then you must experience the luxurious privacy of GREENS LAKE.

Well planned, soundly constructed and spacious 1 and 2 bedroom apartment homes are available. They are close to downtown Clarkston, with walking distance to shopping centers and restaurants, and minutes to I-75. Residents can enjoy over 1,000 foot of frontage on Greens Lake and the Clinton River. Swimming, fishing, boating, boat launch, private park, tennis court, clubhouse and a private beach what else can you ask for?

If you're seriously interested in finding an apartment home, you'll be happy in... then WELCOME HOME TO GREENS LAKE APARTMENTS. Just call 625-4800 for more information or a tour.

## BRAD'S BALDWIN CAR CARE



Advanced automotive technology necessitates a more professional approach to auto repairs and servicing. Locally, BRAD'S BALDWIN CAR CARE, is a recommended auto repair center where your guarantee of satisfaction lies in the

fact that the owner, Brad Antaya personally supervises every job. The shop is located at 4016 Baldwin Road (inside Chuck's Sunoco), phone 391-1851, and is fully-equipped with the tools and machinery to render total auto service. The ASE Certified technicians employed here offer computerized tune ups, oil changes, electrical service, brake, shock and engine and transmission service, etc. With their extensive knowledge and experience, they can perform repairs on all makes and models of foreign and domestic cars and light duty trucks. BRAD'S BALDWIN CAR CARE is also your authorized AAA towing service in the area to rely on. We are pleased to recommend BRAD'S BALDWIN CAR CARE. Whether you are in need of preventive maintenance, major or minor repairs, you can rest assured that you will receive the best-in service at competitive prices when you place your confidence in these pros.



Whether you plan to purchase or lease a new car or van, you'll want to be sure your dealer is a full-service concern who can provide you with quality service after the sale! In this area, motorists have found a dealer who offers a wide selection of quality automobiles and trucks and just as importantly, expert service by factory-trained professionals. That dealership is Palace Chrysler, Plymouth, Jeep Eagle located at their new facility at 3800 South Lapeer Road in Lake Orion, phone 393-2222. As your authorized dealer for the full line of Chrysler, Plymouth, Jeep Eagle automobiles, Palace Chrysler, Plymouth, Jeep Eagle has the size, style and model you want at a competitive price. They also have a good selection of pre-owned vehicles available for your inspection.

Their service department is staffed by experienced personnel who have extensive experience and knowledge to repair most all makes and models of automobiles. They are backed by a full-stocked parts department. We suggest that you stop by Palace Chrysler, Plymouth, Jeep Eagle soon and test drive the model of your choice, make your best deal and rely with confidence on this same dealer for expert service when you need it. Don Milosch, the President, and everyone at Palace Chrysler, Plymouth, Jeep Eagle thanks the community for their support and looks forward to serving you in the months ahead.

## Pioneer Door

### Division Of Oxford Door & Hardware

While no one would dispute the wisdom of insulating homes and businesses, all the insulation in the world isn't going to reduce rapidly rising heating and air conditioning bills if you have old, worn-out windows and doors. If you're tired of cold drafts in the winter, heat pouring in all summer long and year-round noise that just seems to come right through the walls, then rely on Pioneer Door, the area's recognized experts on energy-saving windows and doors. Pioneer Door features one of the highest quality custom-built, heavy-duty, vinyl windows that will cure the above-mentioned problems as they beautify and protect your home. Their windows come in a variety of colors and grades and have a limited lifetime warranty. The glass itself has a 20 year warranty.

Pioneer Door has a variety of selections available including bays, bows, sliding window, casements, vinyl storm windows, store fronts and commercial sliders. So, if quality products and dependable service at sensible prices are what you're seeking, call Pioneer Door at 628-6230 for all of your window and door needs.



Featuring professional catering service for most any event, the people at Tastefully Yours have a menu for every occasion and a price for every budget.

Located at 33 South Washington in Oxford, phone (248) 628-2988, these experts will make your reception, cocktail or retirement party, banquet, show or meeting a rousing success. All you and your guests do is come and enjoy yourselves.

Tastefully Yours urges anyone planning an event to check out their track record of successful events they've catered. Whether your occasion involves just 2 people or 200, Tastefully Yours has the service you can rely on.

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## MODIFIED ROOFING

### Serving the area for over 25 years

A good roof enhances the value of property and if you ever decide you want to sell you'll find an attractive durable roof will make your home or business more desirable.

The firm well known in this area for complete roofing and re-roofing services is MODIFIED ROOFING. This firm has made a complete study of roofing and the problems of roofing in our area. They know that a well built roof sheltering a satisfied customer is the best recommendation that any company can have.

MODIFIED ROOFING will be happy to assist you with any of your roofing problems. "Whether it's a hole in your roof... or a whole new roof... THEY DO IT ALL!" They feature residential and commercial roofing, reroofing and repair. They offer free estimates; all work is guaranteed and they are licensed and insured for your protection.

Why take foolish chances with the major investment of your lifetime, your home or business? Call MODIFIED ROOFING at (248) 623-1979 or (248) 391-2912 for all your roofing needs.



If you are dissatisfied with your job or currently don't hold a position, contact the employment professionals at ENTECH PERSONNEL SERVICES. Many staffing services are satisfied only to get you employed, regardless if the position fits your qualifications or aspirations. ENTECH wants to get you into a position satisfactory to both you and your new employer. ENTECH PERSONNEL SERVICES has access to managers, corporate officials and company owners throughout the area, who have openings for full-time or part-time positions.

ENTECH PERSONNEL offers placement in clerical, secretarial, data entry, medical services, technical/engineering design, administrative, bank tellers, meter readers and light industrial labor. They have 12 locations to serve you.

ENTECH PERSONNEL SERVICES not only has won the respect of hundreds of people who have found jobs through their excellent service, but that of employers who have secured dedicated employees from them as well. ENTECH PERSONNEL SERVICES would like to thank the community. They look forward to serving your future employment needs.

## Ray LaLone & Son

### Serving The Area With Over 40 Years Experience

For complete professional well drilling and repair, Ray LaLone & Son, located at 8155 Oakhill in Clarkston, phone (248) 625-4350, is regarded in this area as one of the best, most experienced in his field and hires highly-skilled workmen who are well experienced and trained in well drilling work.

If you have a job to be done, give him a call anytime and let him help you in the design of your needs. He will be more than happy to give you a complete cost analysis of the job. You can be certain that when you contract him to handle any well drilling or pump replacement work for you, it will be done in the most professional manner, using the finest quality pumps, the best of workmanship and completed in the shortest time possible.

We are pleased to recommend this well-known well driller to all the people of this area. Everyone at Ray LaLone & Son thanks the community. They value your business and look forward to serving you throughout the months ahead!

## Clarkston Medical Group/ Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center

When it matters most to you and your family, the CLARKSTON MEDICAL GROUP together with the CLARKSTON AMBULATORY CARE CENTER is available and ready to respond to your health care needs 24 hours a day. During the day the 5 physicians of the CLARKSTON MEDICAL GROUP, specialists in both pediatrics and internal medicine, are available to handle all your family's medical needs including physicals, immunizations and treatment for illnesses and minor injuries. In the evening and on week-ends and holidays the CLARKSTON AMBULATORY CARE CENTER takes over as a convenient source for treatment of your minor medical emergencies. No appointments are necessary except for physicals; waiting time is minimal and care is provided in a comfortable, community environment. A professional staff of physicians and nurses is on duty to meet the medical needs of our community. With complete lab and x-ray facilities and a pharmacy on the premises, they can offer prompt attention whether you need routine health care or minor emergency attention.

Serving local families, you'll find CLARKSTON MEDICAL GROUP and CLARKSTON AMBULATORY CARE CENTER to be a convenient community facility, located at 5085 S. Main St. across from the post office, phone 248-625-2621 (days), 248-625-CARE (2273) evenings and week-ends. Most insurances are accepted and a report of your visit will be sent to your doctor to provide continuity of care. Watch for the opening of our expanded facilities in the new Mid-Oakland Medical Center due to open soon.





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### 400 Apartments/Unfurnished

**BROOKDALE**  
Apartments in  
Sensational  
South Lyon  
• 1 & 2 bedroom  
Apartments  
• Carports  
• Fabulous location  
• Social activities  
CALL NOW!!  
810-437-1223

### THE PLACE TO LIVE IS THREE OAKS OF TROY

One, One + Den and two bedroom  
apartments with all electric kitchen,  
central carpet, blinds, storage room,  
free carport, tennis & volleyball  
courts, pool & fitness room.  
SECURITY DEPOSIT \$200  
Call Today - Don't Delay  
248-362-4088  
Westland Rd. (17.5 Miles)  
Between Crooks & Livonia

**Walled Lake/Novi**  
1 & 2 bedroom  
Apartments & Townhouses.  
Spacious, air, blinds, pool,  
dishwasher, storage & laundry.  
\$789 moves you in  
includes 1st mo. rent.  
(248) 624-8606

**HAMPTON COURT APARTMENTS**  
"The place to live in Westland"  
1 & 2 Bedrooms  
from \$470  
Extra Large Apts. feature  
storage in your Apt.  
Carports Available  
SUMMER SPECIALS!  
Call Today!  
(313) 728-4020

**WESTLAND CAPRI**  
LIVONIA STYLE APTS.  
• 1 bedroom from \$495  
• Heat & Water included  
• Dishwasher, storage & laundry  
• Balconies • Carport  
• Fully carpeted  
• Great location to malls  
• Livonia school system  
(313) 261-5410

**YES**  
We Can Rent you a  
two bedroom apt.  
for only  
**\$560 \*\***  
Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom apartments  
with patio/balcony • free carport • free  
heat & hot water • central AC • intercoms  
• disposal • self cleaning oven  
• frost free refrigerator • vertical blinds  
• plush carpets • weight room with  
sauna • tennis courts • clubhouse.  
No extra sign up fees.  
313-459-6600  
Between Newburgh & Hix  
on Joy Road Limited Views\*\*

**WESTLAND**  
**NEWBURGH COLONIAL APARTMENTS**  
Clean, quiet 1 bedroom apartments.  
Cats OK  
\$409 per Month  
50% off  
1st month's rent  
Westland Open Sunday  
**\$ SAVE \$**  
AT  
**WOODLAND VILLA**  
(while they last)  
\$450 off 1st 4 months  
**\$535.00\***  
"Livonia Schools"  
2 BEDROOMS  
Super closets • breakfast bar  
Appliances-pool-laundry facilities  
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**WESTLAND THE ALTERNATIVE TO CONVENTIONAL APARTMENT LIVING**  
2 Bedroom Ranch Homes  
WITH  
Full size basement  
laundry tub, washer/dryer,  
hook up, gas appliances,  
frost free refrigerator &  
blinds thru-out.

Spacious yards, private  
driveway and entrance.  
Lawn service, snow  
removal & 24 hour caring  
maintenance provided  
along with City Services  
\*Either one cat or dog permitted  
\*Restrictions apply  
**OAK VILLAGE L.C.**  
(313) 721-8111

### 401 Apartments/Furnished

**BIRMINGHAM** - Downtown Condo  
fully furnished, 2 bedroom, 2 bath  
includes heat & water. No pets. Avail-  
able Oct. 15, 1997 thru May 15, 1998.  
\$1525/mo. Call: (248) 644-7084

**BIRMINGHAM** - Monthly lease.  
Completely furnished, 2 bedroom  
apartment. (248) 648-4877  
eves & winds: (248) 648-2299

**Birmingham/W. Bloomfield/Troy**  
BLOOMFIELD LAKES APTS.  
Furnished apts. in small, quiet com-  
plex. Fully furnished & decorated  
studio, 1 & 2 bedroom units. Includes  
dish, linen, etc. Cleaning services  
available. Beach privileges. No pets  
please. Plants starting at \$500. Heat  
& water included. SHORT TERM  
LEASES for qualified applicants.  
610-651-9309

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS**, The Heathera,  
2 bedroom, pool area, completely  
furnished, 6 mo. rental, no pets, no  
smoking. \$1800 mo. 248-332-8924

**FARMINGTON** - Completely fur-  
nished, 2 bedroom, washer & dryer,  
clean & quiet, no pets, heat & water  
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**BIRMINGHAM TOWNHOUSE** - 1100  
sq. ft., central air, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2  
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Available now. 313-455-4646

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Michigan Realty  
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apartment, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths,  
throughout, upper unit, 2 bedrooms,  
1 1/2 baths. Master with walk-in closet,  
large living room, dining room, air  
conditioner, central AC, intercom,  
dishwasher, storage & laundry.  
1 yr. lease or longer. No pets. No  
smoking. \$1250 mo. 248-682-2828

**LAKEFORD** - Port Cove. Luxur-  
y, clean, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, fire-  
place, appliances, underground  
parking. \$1250 mo. 248-682-2828

**PLYMOUTH** - 2 bedroom condo,  
great location, hardwood floors, air,  
dishwasher, pool, \$695/mo. avail-  
able Nov. 1. (248) 305-5984

**ROCHESTER HILLS** - 2 bedroom,  
2 baths, 2.5 baths, full basement,  
appliances, private area, indoor/  
outdoor pool, \$925/mo. 248-652-3439

**ROYAL OAK** - 3 bedroom town-  
house, central air, garage, no pets,  
1.050/mo plus security. (248) 541-7136

**SHELBY TWP.** - New condo in Aber-  
deen Village, 2 bedroom, 2 bath 1  
car garage, over 1400 sq. ft. all appli-  
ances, \$128,900. (610) 864-5513.

### 402 Condo/Townhouses

**TROY** - Furnished, 3 bedroom town-  
house, 1 1/2 bath + amenities & car-  
port, small pets okay. Available Nov.  
1. \$875/mo + security. 248-797-0808

**W. BLOOMFIELD** - conveniently  
located, deluxe unit, 2 bedroom, 2  
bath, full basement, ceiling, fireplace,  
washer/dryer, newly decorated, neu-  
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landscaped, \$600. 248-797-0808

**WESTLAND** - newly decorated, 2  
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**403 Duplexes**  
**BIRMINGHAM** - Walk to town,  
duplex, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, full  
basement, \$1200. RENT-A-HOME  
Share Listing, 248-442-1020, no fee

**BRIGHTON** - All sports labortory,  
2 bedroom, ideal for the sportsman,  
\$555 per month plus deposit.  
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**CANTON** - 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 baths,  
no pets, \$515 per mo. for 12 mos.  
Call Diane, 313-643-5900.  
Eves. & weekends, 248-477-0285

**CANTON-COZY** BRICK 2 bedroom,  
1 1/2 baths, attached garage, base-  
ment, appliances, air, yard, \$750/mo.  
After 5pm (313) 452-2821

**COMMERCIAL** - 15 & Haggerty,  
2 bedroom, \$600/mo with heat.  
(248) 668-2430

**DEARBORN** - Outer Drive/Ford Rd  
area, 2 bedroom, new kitchen, new  
bathroom/carpet, floor, deck. No  
pets. \$725/mo. (313) 336-5176

**MADISON HEIGHTS** - Lower, 2 bed-  
room, laundry room, close to Royal  
Oak, \$825/mo. Plus gas. Plus secu-  
rity. Call after 6: (248) 399-0223

**PLYMOUTH** - Modern ranch, 2 bed-  
rooms, air, washer/dryer, stove &  
fridge, basement, yard, 2 bedrooms,  
no pets, \$595. (248) 347-5777

**REDFORD** - 2 bedroom brick duplex,  
full basement, living/dining room,  
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### 405 Homes

**BIRMINGHAM** - 3 bed ranch near  
Birmingham, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath  
colonial, new kitchen, 3 car garage,  
central air, no pets. \$2300/mo.  
Call: 248-661-5448 or 313-661-1123

**BIRMINGHAM** - Close to downtown,  
3 bedroom, 2 bath, remodeled, full  
basement, central air, fenced yard &  
garage. \$1295/mo. (610) 864-5513

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### 405 Homes

**FARMINGTON HILLS** - 1111 Main  
Street, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath brick  
colonial, new kitchen, 3 car garage,  
central air, no pets. \$2300/mo.  
Call: 248-661-5448 or 313-661-1123

**FARMINGTON HILLS** - 4 bedrooms,  
2 1/2 bath, living room, kitchen, ap-  
pliances, no pets. \$1800/mo. 248-661-5448 or 313-661-1123

**FARMINGTON HILLS** - a sparkling  
clean brick ranch, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2  
bath, appliances, fireplace, base-  
ment, patio, 2 1/2 car garage, full cen-  
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**FARMINGTON HILLS** - 2 bedroom,  
1 bath, some appliances, fenced yard.  
Pet ok. \$545 mo. \$645 security.  
(615) 623-3081

**FARMINGTON HILLS** - 2 bedroom,  
bungalow, appliances, ceiling fans,  
pet negotiable. \$700.  
RENTAL PROS (248) 336-RENT

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1 1/2 bath, full basement, fireplace,  
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**NOVI** - 10 mile/Novi, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2  
bath, full basement, fireplace, pet  
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**OXFORD EXECUTIVE** house for  
rent, on a nice street with a large  
back yard, close to schools & shopping,  
lake, privileges, all appliances  
included, pet & smoke negotiable.  
1 yr. lease required, available Nov. 1.  
\$1300/mo. (248) 628-5031

**PLEASANT RIDGE**  
West side, Short term rental, ideal for  
transferees. Vintage craftsman ranch,  
rent to own, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath,  
pet negotiable. \$1200/mo. 248-661-5448 or 313-661-1123

**PLYMOUTH** - Brick 2 bedroom, 2  
bath, oak floors, fireplace, yard,  
pet negotiable. \$700.  
(313) 591-5530 or 313-455-7653

**REDFORD** - 3 bedroom, hardwood,  
appliances, dining room, garage, pet  
negotiable. \$875.  
RENTAL PROS (248) 336-RENT

**REDFORD TWP.** 3 possible 4 bed-  
room cape cod, basement, garage,  
many updates, \$875. Two possible  
3 bedroom, fireplace, basement,  
garage, \$835. Drive. 258-5678

**RENT TO OWN** - Why Rent When  
you can Rent to Own? Many prop-  
erties to choose from.  
Call for details. (248) 788-6511

**ROCHESTER** - 3 bedroom, hard-  
wood, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, full  
basement, 2 car garage. \$550.  
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**ROYAL OAK** - A clean 3 bedroom on  
Cherry near 12 & Crooks, full base-  
ment, 2 car garage, fireplace, hard-  
wood floors, stove & refrigerator  
for only \$1100.  
CARPENTER MGMT 248-588-8900

**ROYAL OAK** - 3 bedroom brick  
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# EMPLOYMENT

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### ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE TERRITORY MANAGER

**EQUIFAX** Retail Solutions, a dynamic national leader in providing specialized payment management services to retailers across America, is seeking an individual for the following area:

**DETROIT AREA**

This position requires demonstrated sales and consulting skills, a minimum of 5 years experience in sales and consulting, and a minimum of 5 years experience in retail sales and consulting. The successful candidate will be responsible for developing and maintaining a strong client base, and for achieving sales goals. The successful candidate will also be responsible for providing excellent customer service and for maintaining a high level of professionalism.

We offer competitive compensation and benefits package. Qualified applicants, please send resume or fax with cover letter and salary history to: EQUIFAX Retail Solutions, 3 Westwood Blvd., Suite 200, Westchester, IL 60154, Fax: 614 965-4177

### EQUIFAX EOE M/F/V

Drug-Free Workplace

### DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Community Health Center seeks experienced finance director to manage all phases of budgeting, accounting, reimbursement, computer operations, and human resources. Solution-driven team player with strong analytical, managerial, human relations, verbal and written communications skills. Three years healthcare accounting, reimbursement, and managerial experience required. BA required. CPA, MA preferred. Fax or mail cover letter and resume to: Suburban West Community Center, 6777 Beech Dale, Redford, MI 48239, Fax: 313-937-9504

### ACTIVITIES ASSISTANT

For nursing home. Help with recreational activities & have fun too! Full time/part time. Must be 18 years old. To start, contact Menorah House, Southfield: (248) 557-0050

### ACTIVITIES SUPERVISOR

Westland, a leader in retirement living is inviting applications to round out our activities department. Supervisors responsible for creating, coordinating & leading the program as well as conducting activities. Supervisors will also conduct activities and have the greatest residents anywhere. CDL required after 90 days. We offer competitive wages, benefits, clean and friendly environment. Come join our team! Apply in person:

**Presbyterian Village**  
Westland  
32001 Cherry Hill  
W. of Meridian  
313-728-2222

### AD AGENCY DRIVER

Automotive Ad agency seeks person to make daily deliveries, help out in the ad department and maintain good ground the office. You're friendly, hardworking, physically fit person willing to do what ever it takes. Great growth opportunity. \$50/hr. start plus benefits. Send resume to:

**J.R. THOMPSON COMPANY**  
BOX 4000  
FARMINGTON HILLS, 48333

### ADVANTAGE REAL ESTATE

Marketing opportunity. \$25,000 license required, must be a diligent worker, bonus oriented, send resume to One Way Realty, 4000 Eight Mile, Suite 115, Livonia, MI 48152.

### AIR TOOL REPAIRMAN

Full Time, Part Time Position Available  
Full Benefits  
\$9-\$12 per hour  
based on experience

### K Tool Corporation

Westland, Michigan  
(248) 669-5000, Ext. 147

### ALUMINUM & vinyl siding trim

days (313)459-6280  
evenings (313)468-9657

### AMOCO DUNKIN DONUTS

Now hiring for part or full time. Excellent service skills at home. Fulltime position. 313-471-4255

### APARTMENT LEASING AGENT

Pleasant personality. Experience helpful but not necessary, will train. Flexible hours. Located in Auburn Hills. (313) 452-4377

### APARTMENT MANAGER - part-time

Outgoing with rental experience. Must be in downtown Royal Oak. Must live on premises and HAVE PREVIOUS experience. Duties include taking rental applications, showing apartments, light cleaning & light maintenance. Perfect for single, retiree. Call (248) 250-6200.

### APARTMENT MANAGER

Career minded individual needed for managing an attractive suburban midsize apartment community. Experience necessary. Competitive salary and benefits. Apartment located in Southfield. CALL (248) 358-3777

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### APT. GENERAL HELPER

Part-time. Grounds & cleaning for Southfield Apt. complex. Call Mon-Fri, 9-5pm. 313-425-0052 E.O.E.

### APT. GENERAL HELPER

Full-time grounds & light maintenance for Bloomfield Hills Apt. complex. Call Mon-Fri, 9-5pm. 248-642-6220 E.O.E.

### APT. GENERAL HELPER

Full-time grounds & light maintenance for Southfield Apt. complex. Benefits. Call Mon. thru Fri., 9-5pm. 248-569-4070 E.O.E.

### APT. GENERAL HELPER

Full-time grounds & light maintenance for Auburn Hills Apt. complex. Benefits. Call Mon. thru Fri., 9-5pm. 248-853-3472 E.O.E.

### APT. MANAGER COUPLE

Well maintained building in Royal Oak. General maintenance experience. Good opportunity. Send resume, salary history, and references to: 248-352-2550

### ARCHITECTURE FIRM

Seeking highly motivated and technical support. Minimum 5 years architecture/AutoCAD experience. Send resume to: Smith & Schuman Associates, Inc. 2330 Ford Rd., Suite 108, Bloomfield Hills 48302

### ART POSITION

Full-time positions available for minor artwork on photographs. Artistic ability helpful. We will train. Overtime and Saturday work may be required. Rates and promotions based on job performance. \$6.80 per hour to start. Apply North American Photo, 27451 Schoolcraft (at Inland) Farmington, MI. 313-937-9504

### ASSEMBLER

Manufacturing firm has immediate opening for a full time assembler. Salary plus benefits. Apply in person:

**FLAIRLINE DIVISION**  
23435 Industrial Park Drive  
Farmington Hills, MI 48333  
(behind the Holiday Inn at 10 Mile Rd. & Grand River Ave.)  
Use front entrance at east end of building or call David E. Flairline: (248) 478-3330

### ASSEMBLERS WANTED!!

In our electro-mechanical assembly plant. Full or part time positions available. Hrs. of operation: 7:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M. Experience not necessary. We will train. Clean, pleasant environment. \$5.50/hr. increase after 90 days. Complete benefit package. Please apply in person:

**MCPCO CORPORATION**  
41107 JO DRIVE, NOVI  
E. of Meadowbrook, N. of Grand River in the Vincent Industrial Park

### ASSEMBLY

WATERFORD assembly plant seeking full & part time positions available. Full or part time. No experience necessary. Will train. Medical package, 401K and production bonus programs. Call Mon thru Fri. 8am to 4pm. (248) 822-5250

### ASSISTANT MANAGER

needed for Canton group home. 1 yr. CDW experience & good driving record necessary. Great salary & benefits. Send resume to 10am-4pm at 313-522-1555

### ASSISTANT MANAGERS

for home in Canton or Milford. Must be 18. Valid drivers license. High school grad or GED. Must be trained. \$8-\$9.00 per hour. Send resume to 313-397-6939. Milford call Main Office, 10am-3pm: 248-661-8795

### ASSISTANT MANAGER COUPLE

Start immediately. Assist Manager managing and maintaining an apartment complex in Westland. Rewarding opportunity to join a top property management team. CALL Sandy - (313) 729-5090

### ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY

1 to 3 years general practice experience. Southfield area. Salary based upon experience. Call 248-352-1555

### HOUSEKEEPER

Full time position. Day shift only.

### Customer Service/General Office

Full and part time positions. Flexible schedule. Must be experienced in customer service and creative problem solving. Send resume to: 248-352-1555

### Janitor

Full time position, flexible schedule. Would include night afternoon and weekend shifts.

### Grounds Keeper

Full time position. Day shift.

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### AUTO BODY PORTER

Large, friendly GM dealership needs porter for busy body shop. Valid drivers license. Full time. Full benefits. Call Steve's Center (313) 458-5289 Gordon Chevrolet.

### AUTOMATIC SCREW MACHINE SET-UP OPERATOR

Experienced, days, Dearborn Heights area. Call between 8-4pm (248) 442-4492 or Fax resume to: 313-278-5522

### GRAND OPENING

Novi Mercedes Benz Dealer has an opening for a Parts Department Clerk. Please send resume & application to: Dave Romanach, 36600 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304. (248) 644-8400

### AUTOMOTIVE GORDON CHEVROLET

Due to shop expansion we have immediate openings for highly motivated experienced SERVICE CONSULTANT. Also two openings for SERVICE PORTER. We offer things moving. Great potential for the right people in this very busy shop. We offer 5 day work week competitive wages, health insurance, 401K, paid vacations and uniforms. Apply in person at 31850 Ford Rd., Garden City or call Rick Thompson at: 313-938-5285.

### AUTOMOTIVE LUBE & TIRE TECH WANTED

Apply in person at: Goodyear, Elizabeth Lake Road, just W. of Telegraph, at call 248-881-2060

### AUTOMOTIVE MANAGEMENT

Super Bowl has openings for full-time service counter & janitorial. Competitive salary & benefits. Please apply in person: 45100 Ford Rd., Canton, MI 48103

### AUTOMOTIVE TECH

• Earn up to \$60,000 per year  
• Solid benefit package  
• 401K, health insurance, 401K, paid vacation training  
• CALL ANYTIME  
313-691-5714 810-402-3750  
Pre-employment drug screen required. EOE

### AUTOMOTIVE WAREHOUSE HELP

Shipping & receiving. Full-time. 8am-5pm, Mon-Fri. (248) 882-8215

### PAINTER - experienced, shop

expanding. \$50,000 per yr. BCBS, excellent benefits. Call: Auto Body Collision, 770 Davis, Plymouth.

### AUTO PARTS COUNTER PERSON

Newly expanded Troy Ford is looking for a Parts Counter Person. Must be customer oriented. Computer, phone 401K & benefits. For a confidential interview call: Mark Zolnoski, 248-575-5127 or Fax resume to: 248-585-4039

### AUTO PARTS DRIVER

Entry Level Position. Customer oriented, responsible, customer dedicated person. Good driving record mandatory. Please apply in person at:

**TRUESDELL TRUCK, INC.**  
1175 GOLF RD.  
LIVONIA MI 48150  
(313) 691-7770  
EOE M/F/H/V

### AUTO PARTS/INSIDE SALES

Catalog experience. Full & part-time. Hourly plus commission. B & F Auto, Plymouth, Mich. (313) 453-7200

### Auto Parts - ISW seeks part time DELIVERY DRIVERS for the WESTLAND AREA. Must pass pre-employment drug-test. Call Rose @ 313-467-5456.

### EOE THAT ACTIVELY PERFORMS DRUG TESTING

We are expanding! Due to recent serious sales growth we have an opportunity to fill 2 positions in our organization. We are currently looking for 1 Parts Counter Person and 1 Parts Driver. If you like people & enjoy the Parts Counter job for a full time position, please apply in person Monday thru Friday.

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**Management:**  
HESLOP's, fine china & porcelain, is looking for experienced & entry level management. Heslop's has 11 stores in Michigan, with a current opening in Grand Rapids. For more information resume to: 249-344-4342 or mail to: Heslop's, 22790 Heald Dr., No. 48375 Attn: Personnel

**Management:**  
**QUALITY and SUPPORT SERVICES MANAGER**  
General Physics Corporation is a leader in the training field, is seeking applicants with 3-5 years project

General Physics Corporation  
Attn: HR Coordinator  
580 Kirta Blvd., Suite 310  
Troy, MI 48064  
Fax: 248-244-8793

**PROJECT MANAGER**  
Interior design & manufacturing company seeks Account Manager with customer service experience. Time. Great benefits, variety of Degree in architecture or AutoCAD R.13 a must. Please resume to:  
Programmed Products Corporation  
44311 Grand River  
Novi, MI 48375  
**NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**

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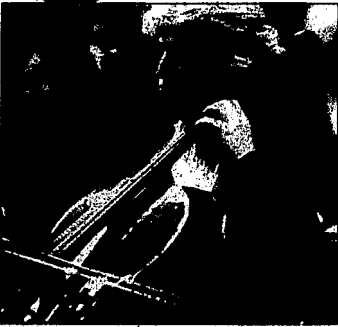
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Staged spontaneously: George Valentine of Auburn Hills and Sally Savoie rehearse their roles of David and Monica in D.D. Brooke's mystery.

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## Village Players raises the roof

◆ Expectations for a diamond season ◆

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
STAFF WRITER

It's less than three weeks before the curtain will rise on their 75th season, and dust from ongoing construction at the Village Players Theatre has settled — everywhere.

In true theater tradition, the recent reincarnation of the oldest continuous community theater group in the country, is "bringing down the house." First with a wrecking ball, and then, they anticipate, with unprecedented applause.

Because the ceiling was literally falling in at the 70-year-old Village Theatre playhouse in Birmingham, a major reconstruction began last spring.

The \$425,000 project isn't mere cosmetics. On the contrary, it's literally the erection of a new foundation. Basically, everything from the roof to wiring will be new and improved. All that remains are the informal 240 folding chairs, perhaps a reminder that audiences merely have to pull up a seat for productions.

In many ways, however, the renovation actually began two years ago when the theater group — generally considered more as an exclusive social club — opened its membership. At the same time, Village Players also initiated a marketing/public relations campaign to broaden its presence in the community.

The results are paying off. Season ticket sales for the 1997-98 five-play season are nearly doubled from last year, according to Diane McKeon, Village Players president.

"There was a club mentality for years," she said. "We realized if we wanted to survive we had to demonstrate that this theater belongs to everyone. Our goal is to offer live theater with mainstream appeal at a reasonable rate."

Ironically, Village Players may be the longest running community theater group in the country, but members concede that many residents and nearby downtown businesses hadn't heard of them.

That's not to say they didn't have an impact. For years, Village Players has performed benefits for local charities, nursing home residents and, most recently, at community events like the Woodward Dream Cruise.

"For years, when the Birmingham Theatre had live theater, they overshadowed us," said Sally Savoie of Bloomfield, season ticket coordinator and familiar

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Curtains up: Weeks before the opening night performance of "Rehearsal for Murder," and construction continues at the Village Players Theatre in Birmingham. (Left to right) Sally Savoie, actor, James Woods, director, and Helen Parrish, producer, inspect the interior of the playhouse.

What: "Rehearsal for Murder," a mystery performed by Village Players

When: Show opens 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, and continues weekends to Sunday, Oct. 26. Curtain — 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19; 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 23-25; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26

Where: Village Players 752 Chestnut, two blocks south of E. Maple between Woodward and Adams Road, Birmingham

Tickets: \$50 season ticket for five-play season. Single tickets for "Rehearsal for Murder," \$12 adults, \$10 students; (248) 644-2075

### 1997-98 Season

- ◆ "Sweet and Hot" by Harold Arlen, Dec. 5-20 — a musical revue features "Stormy Weather," "It's Only a Paper Moon," "That Old Black Magic," "Over the Rainbow"
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- ◆ "Moon Over Buffalo" by Ken Ludwig, June 19-28 — (pending availability) a comedy about an acting couple seeking a comeback

## WSU theaters help students realize dreams

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

Kathleen Crosby has a clear recollection of precisely when she wanted to become a costume designer. It was during an Avon Players production of "The King and I."

"I was in the first grade and my brother and I got trapped under Anna's hoop skirts. From then on, I wanted to do costumes," said Crosby.

Now she is pursuing her dream as a graduate student at Wayne State University where she has been busy preparing costumes for the Hilberry Theatre's first play of the season, Christopher Fry's "The Lady's Not for Burning."

Wayne State operates two student theaters. The Hilberry is the graduate school's repertory theater. The Bonstelle is an undergraduate theater.

"Hilberry is the only true graduate repertory company in the country," said Heather Ginn, a student in theater management with the Hilberry Company.

Ginn followed her husband John Franklin Ginn from Georgia to Wayne State where he auditioned and was accepted into the Master of Fine Arts program.

Ginn said production accounts for about 85 percent of a student's time. The Hilberry presents seven plays during the school year, with 2-4 presented in repertory. (The Bonstelle produces five plays, including one musical.)

"We do focus on learn by doing. That's how we learn something," Ginn said.

In her case, she is responsible for handling publicity and advertising for the productions. In her husband's case, it was a chance to get lots of stage time.

"When he started checking on universities, he made a list of where he could get the most on-stage training," Ginn said.

She said WSU has a "fabulous reputation" and they care for their students with insurance programs and stipends.

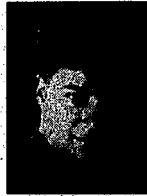
Crosby, a graduate of Rochester High School and Eastern Michigan, also enjoys the hands-on approach. She said she's been sewing since she was 5 years old and loves combining her love for theater with her love for sewing.

The upcoming production offered special challenges.

"The Lady's Not For Burning" is a verse drama set in the middle ages. A world-weary soldier comes to a small town and announces he's committed murder and wants to be hanged. A young woman is accused of witchcraft and doesn't want to be burned at the stake. They present their cases to the



Kathleen Crosby



Matthew Taylor



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## FAMILY FUN

### Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey — The Greatest Show On Earth

When: Through Sunday, Oct. 5  
Where: Joe Louis Arena, 800 Civic Center Drive, Detroit  
Tickets: \$25 (ring side), \$15.50, \$12.50 and \$10.50, available at the Joe Louis Arena and Fox Theatre box offices, call (248) 645-6666. For more information, call (313) 983-6606.

At Joe Louis Arena, the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus will be performing their Three Ring Adventure. An hour before show time, the arena floor will be open, and you can mingle with the performers, and even walk on a tight rope. "Bring your camera, all of us will be there in costume, and we'll give autographs too," said Todd Zimmerman of Temperance, Mich. (near Monroe) who joined the show in 1996. Inside the ring, Zimmerman's a clown, but outside he's serious. "I dreamed about it forever. The odds are slim to none. Only 30 of 3,000 people who audition are accepted. I auditioned for clown college three times. The third time was the charm."

## Circus 'Greatest Life on Earth' for performers

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

You don't have to run away to be a part of the circus anymore. Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey — "The Greatest Show On Earth," at Joe Louis Arena through Oct. 5 invites you to participate in their Three Ring Adventure.

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But even after you go through clown college, there's no guarantee you'll be chosen to tour with the show. The number of Clown College students who are offered apprenticeships with the show varies from year to year.

It's not an easy life, the circus, performers tour 11-and-a-half months out of the year, presenting over 500 shows. But there's no place Zimmerman would rather be.

"It's magical," he said. "The circus has always held us in awe. We're doing what people dream about doing. We fly — on the trapeze, and get to travel. Not everyone can just pick up and go. As clowns we are able to touch people, and for a few moments, make them forget their problems with our frivolity. I've always wanted to be a part of that."

Zimmerman's a rascally clown, and

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Ringmaster: Dinny McGuire keeps the momentum going and the energy flowing for the cast and audience of "The Greatest Show On Earth."

RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM & BAILEY

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onstage presence at Village Players. "Now we realize that we're the last live theater in Birmingham. We're going to make the most of the opportunity."

Pessimists - heck, even realists - might take a look at the layers of fallen plaster and dust at the playhouse and suffer high anxiety with opening night two weeks away.

But for those who believe in the future of Village Players, they prefer another name - gold

dust.

### Optimists welcome

In late September, not only were there few vestiges of the former playhouse, but signs of the new auditorium and lobby were more evident on blueprints than bricks, mortar and plaster.

"We're optimistic that we'll produce a play on opening night," said Helen Parrish of Troy, a 25-year veteran of com-

munity theater and producer of the season opener, D.D. Brooke's classic "Rehearsal for Murder."

With typical theatrical flair, Parrish crossed her fingers as she looked around at the playhouse interior and tried to estimate how long it might take for the installation of drywall and glass-block wall in the new lobby. "It might be close, but the show will go on."

This is, after all, community theater which takes place on stage by sheer perseverance and plenty of optimism.

For instance, because of the construction at the playhouse, the 15-member cast have met four nights a week to rehearse at the United Methodist Church and The Community House in Birmingham.

Fortunately, "Rehearsal for Murder" relies on a sparse set and an elaborate lighting design,

which means audiences will see the revamped lighting system at Village Players.

If there's anything symbolic about the opening play, said director James Woods of Royal Oak, it's that Brooke's tale is an old-fashioned yarn that relies on storytelling, not high-tech theatrics.

"There are misconceptions that community theater is amateurish," he said. "Ask yourself what is the true purpose of theater. We're dedicated to what we do because we love theater."

### A jewel

As a nonprofit, Village Players exists on donations, and the behind-the-scenes and onstage work of their 250 volunteers, from age 20 to 90. Members handle all facets of a production, including constructing sets, oper-

ating lights and selling tickets. And of course, take turns in the onstage spotlights.

In the future, said Village Players president McKeon, the group will produce more children's theater workshops and look for ways to broaden its presence in the community.

Village Players will hold a performance on Dec. 31 as part of the annual First Night celebration. This will be the first year the event doesn't include support from the Birmingham Bloomfield Cultural Council.

Village Players members will also lend their acting talents to the Santa House, sponsored by the Birmingham Principal Shopping District.

Emerging as a community theater group, however, won't mean that Players will stray from its founding mission when it held performances in a building on

Pierce and Bates in the early 1920s.

Today, Birmingham has stretched beyond the confines of a village alongside an 18-foot concrete strip called Woodward Avenue.

Yet Woods and other Players members have renewed the call for a modern-day village. "I joined because I was looking for a tight-knit group with a community spirit," he said.

"We're an example of teamwork. We can't put on a play without everyone helping," he said. "This is one of the jewels of the community."

Some may claim that if you look beyond the dust at the newly constructed playhouse you'll find the jewel. After 75 years, it's sparkling like a diamond.

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the town carry on their own complicated relations.

Crosby said the play's director, James Thomas, wanted a fairy tale look, not a strictly 1400s period look.

"I decided on a color palette," she said. "The set uses warm colors, lots of wood. I decided to do the costumes in reds, navies, powder blues. It's really a European thing that I wanted to do."

"It's like watching a fairy tale unfold," Crosby said this fairy tale look is especially true in the princess costume she designed for the character of Alison, played by Sara Wolf of Rochester Hills.

Wolf auditioned for the Hilber in March.

"They liked me and said I could stay," she said.

The character she plays comes out of a convent to get married but falls in love with someone else. She said the play is both a love story and a life story.

"The language is especially challenging," she said. "You have to understand what you're saying and what it is your character wants."

Wolf joked that she got into theater when she realized she wasn't any good at math and didn't want to join the ski team

either.

"I felt comfortable doing it," she said. "I get stage fright, but this is what I love doing."

Wolf said she has her near future planned out.

"Ideally, my three year plan, I want to go to London and, then, even if I'm an out-of-work actor at least I'll be in a cool place."

Matt Troyer's ambitions are westward to Chicago or Los Angeles when he finishes his final two years at WSU.

Troyer, of Ferndale, plays Richard, the object of Alison's affections in "Lady."

His desire to be an actor also blossomed as a child.

"I did the forgetful Easter Rabbit in first grade and did a show every year after that," he said.

He has more recently played Mercutio in "Romeo and Juliet," Jerry in Albee's "Zoo Story," and Brick in "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof." He has also performed in local film productions.

Publicists, costume designers, actors, lighting technicians, directors and set designers are all getting their experience under fire at Wayne State's two theaters, where they are realizing their childhood theater dreams.

the 20 minutes before show time when the clowns warm-up the audience is his favorite time. "We get to create, and put out our own stuff," he said. This year the clowns are presenting a classic clown act in Act I. "We do a clown car wash, it's a soap gag," he said. "Then we do the clown car where there's a chase, and we try to stuff a lot of clowns into one car."

Later in the show they do something different, ringmaster Dinny McGuire tells the story of "Rapunzel," and the clowns try to foil his attempt in their own clown way.

"Anytime the audience laughs it pumps us up," said Zimmerman.

McGuire said doing the routine, which includes some current event stuff, is "way too much fun for any adult to have."

McGuire is to the circus what the pipe organ was to silent movies. He sets the tone, helping create tension before death-defying acts, and builds the excitement for main attractions such as Airiana the Human Arrow.

"I'm the number one fan leading people through the circus adventure," he said. McGuire does enjoy a walk on the wild side, he plays the tuba, and spent two years in Australia

with Silver's Grand magic Circus, where he met and married his wife Emily, currently a dancer with Ringling Bros., but didn't think there was a place for him in the circus until the 1970s when he saw the singing ringmaster.

"The same thing that makes the USA great makes this show great," he said. "We take our talent from all over the world. The very finest want to perform here. We have the hardest working people, we're the like the melting pot of the world circus. That's what keeps us viable, the quality of the show."

There are special effects aplenty, but no video trickery. "Everything is real," said McGuire. "Audiences are a little tired of seeing things that aren't real."

Part of what makes Ringling Bros. & Barnum Bailey great is the build up, and hype of what is to come.

This year's show McGuire said is one of the best he's seen. "It's fast paced with top notch acts, culminating in this fantastic aerial shot."

For him, the chance to be tour guide, getting people in the right mood to watch the three-ring spectacular taking place before their eyes is rewarding.

"I'm a big fan trying to share the experience with everyone else."

When the jugglers make their entrance, look for Gena Shvartza in ring one. She's only 14, and is making her debut with Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey. She began juggling when she was only six. A fourth-generation circus performer, she was born in Chechnya. Her parents performed in circuses all over Russia before moving to the United States as political refugees in 1991.

She learned juggling from her father, Eugene, and was tutored by her mother Viktoriya the age-old art of contortion. Viktoriya traveled to the U.S. in 1979 as a member of the Russian Gymnastics Team, she also performed as a trapeze artist, acrobat and ballerina in Russian circuses.

Gena is having fun doing her solo juggling act. She twirls a baton, bounces a ball on her head, and juggles eight balls.

"I grew up with the circus," she said. "It's really fun, it's great."

She juggles performing with school, which attends while traveling with the circus. Parents prodding their children to practice their piano, can only imagine what it would be like to have a child like Gena. She does her school work, and practices juggling seven to eight hours a day.

"You need to have fun, and to practice a lot," she said. That's the secret.

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Major suburban office development seeks 2 experienced persons to assist Leasing & Construction Depts. in document prep, tenant relations and general administrative duties. Ideal candidate has knowledge of Word & Excel and comfortable in fast paced work environment. Please fax cover letter and resume to: (248) 350-2266

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ACRO Service Corp., a \$50 million organization is one of Michigan's fastest growing staffing companies. We are currently seeking an executive administrative assistant to join our team at our corporate office in Livonia. Responsibilities include: providing full administrative support to the President, processing and preparing confidential data reports, preparing internal and external correspondence, preparing travel arrangements, coordinating the telephone system, supervising two receptionists and special projects, as well as general administrative duties. At least 5 years experience in executive administrative support, proficiency with WordPerfect and Lotus for Windows and type at least 70-80 wpm. We offer an excellent compensation package, competitive benefits and a growth oriented environment. Please send resume & salary history (required) to: Attn: Linda Tulpa, Arden Companies, 26699 Northwestern Hwy., #201, Southfield, MI 48034.

**AD AGENCY**  
Client Service Administrator. Great opportunity for a multi-talented person to join one of our fast track client service teams. You'll do everything from word processing to writing correspondence, preparing reports, coordinating projects and schedules, and working with clients and suppliers. Excellent typing, grammar, and communication skills required. Competitive salary, great fringes. Send resume to: J.R. Thompson Co., 30117-CSA, Farmington Hills, MI 48333. Or fax: (248) 553-2138

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Builder seeks bright, energetic, team player with strong organizational, computer, & communication skills. Must have the ability to handle multiple tasks & customer service calls. Non-smoking. Midland building. Fax resume to: PO Box 3620, New Hudson, MI 48165

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Good pay, 401k, full benefits. Send resume & references: 1363 Anderson, Clawson, MI 48017

### 502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
Career minded individual needed to work in fast paced upscale retail environment. Duties include: Personal Assistant to President of Company & working with operations manager. Responsibilities also include working with purchase orders, tracking orders, advertising & correspondence. Good interpersonal skills & computer literacy in Word & Excel needed. Must be well organized & detail oriented. Send resume & cover letter to: Gramophone, Dept. 325, 35555 Woodward, Birmingham, MI 48009. Or Fax to: 248-540-8520

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
Corporate Communications/Marketing Department. Responsible for coordination/preparation of corporate communications/marketing projects & materials. Strong communication skills, sound judgment, ability to juggle many projects & perform well under pressure a necessity. Microsoft Word & Excel or equivalent required, power point & data base management helpful. College degree or equivalent experience related to marketing, communications or public relations preferred. Submit resumes to: Personnel department, 27600 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 200, Southfield, MI 48034

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**Office Administrator / Sales / Engineering**

Fujitsu Ten Corp. of America, an internationally recognized leader in the field of consumer electronics, is seeking an Office Administrator for its expanding Sales and Engineering office located in Plymouth, Michigan. Qualified candidates will possess the following skills:

- PC literacy and proficiency using Microsoft Office including Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.
- Customer service experience with effective oral and written communication skills.
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Fujitsu Ten provides a competitive compensation package, including excellent company paid benefits. Qualified candidates should forward their resume, including salary history and expectations to:

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For copying, errands, filing, etc. Full-time. Bay Bloomfield Hills law firm. Fax resume to: (248) 594-0610

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Assistant to owner. General clerical duties and bookkeeping; part time. Computer, knowledge required. Mail resume to: Personnel, 640 N. Old Woodward, Suite 102, Birmingham MI 48009

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Full or part-time. Send resume to: Silver Spoon, 4320 Rochester Rd., Royal Oak, MI, 48073

**OFFICE ASSISTANT for retirement community.** Sales, customer service, computer. Good benefits. Send resume to: Courthouse Square Apartments, 100 S. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48104 EOE

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Environmental company has immediate full time position available for an office clerical person possessing excellent telephone manners, Microsoft Word & Excel experience & general office skills. Minimum of 1-3 years office administrative experience is required. Mail or fax resume to: ACT Environmental Consultants, Inc., Office Clerical, 24073 Research Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48335, Fax 248-615-1334.

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Hands on individual with strong computer background, to supervise clerical staff and maintain all account records. Reply to: 29209 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 666, Southfield, MI 48034

**PARALEGAL**

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**PAYROLL and BENEFITS ADMINISTRATOR**

Magna Lomason Metals & Mechanisms Group, has this position available at its Farmington Hills Engineering and R&D facility:

Responsibilities include processing payroll and benefits for salaried associates as well as other administrative duties as needed. This position requires two years of post high school education and three years experience or six years experience in any computer related position. Comprehensive computer skills required and ADP payroll processing experience a plus.

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24600 Hallwood Court  
Farmington Hills, MI 48335-1671  
FAX 248-442-4444  
Attn: H.R. Department  
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**PAYROLL**

Fast paced steel service center is looking for an individual experienced in all aspects of payroll. Duties will include time card calculation, data entry, period and reporting, scheduling and other various jobs for a computerized in-house operation of approx. 260 employees. Knowledge of union contracts a plus. Must possess detail and organizational skills. Competitive salary and excellent fringe benefit package offered.

Apply in person only  
Contractors Steel Company  
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Livonia, (near Plymouth Rd. & Levan)

**PAYROLL/PHONE person** needed for busy contractors office. Must have excellent phone skills, computer experience in Windows, Lotus 1-2-3, Excel. Duties include answering busy phones, payroll, scheduling & miscellaneous duties. Must be detail oriented & accurate. Fax resume with salary requirements to: (610)220-4960

**502 Help Wanted Office Clerical**

**PAYROLL**

PLYMOUTH firm is seeking an experienced take charge individual with strong PC and accounting skills. Full time with benefits starting at \$10 Hr. Send resume to: PO Box 700204 Plymouth, MI 48170

**POSITION AVAILABLE** for part-time billing clerk in the Northville area. Compensation commensurate with competence & experience. Must be competent with time slips, billing program & Wordperfect 6.0. Minimum 2 yrs experience. Please fax your resume to: (248)380-3434

**PROOFREADER**

Southfield CPA firm is seeking a detail-oriented individual to proofread financial documents, graphics, brochures, newsletters and other media. At least one year of proofing experience is desired. If you enjoy a fast-paced, high production environment and live dealing with grammar and numbers, we are looking for you. Great salary and full benefits. Please send resume with salary requirements to: Job #3338-PRF2, P.O. Box 307, Southfield, MI 48037 or fax 248-352-0016  
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**REAL ESTATE office** is looking for a pleasant, personable individual with pleasant personality to answer busy phone lines. Other duties include light typing, filing, and misc. general office duties. Salary based on experience. Benefit package includes 401K. Send resume to: Receptionist, PNC Machinery, Inc., 14600 Keel St., Plymouth, MI 48170 or Fax (313)459-4300 EOE

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Machine tool distributor looking for a professional individual with a pleasant personality to answer busy phone lines. Other duties include light typing, filing, and misc. general office duties. Salary based on experience. Benefit package includes 401K. Send resume to: Receptionist, PNC Machinery, Inc., 14600 Keel St., Plymouth, MI 48170 or Fax (313)459-4300 EOE

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Must have minimum 1 year office experience. Excellent benefits package. Income commensurate with experience & ability. Resume: Donna, Erickson's Flooring & Supply, 1013 Orchard St., Ferndale, MI 48220 or fax resume to: 248-543-7912

**RECEPTIONIST**

Needed for fast paced professional office. Entry level. Apply in person at: 30785 Grand River, Farmington Hills, (248) 478-7030

**RECEPTIONIST**

needed for fast paced sales office based in Troy. Great opportunity for self-motivated person with experience in MicroSoft Word & Excel. Full time position. Send resume to: P. O. Box 384, Troy, MI 48064.

**RECEPTIONIST**

Needed for Very Busy Troy Insurance agency. Job skills must include excellent telephone manners, clear speaking voice, good grammar, computer knowledge, light typing, handling the mail, ordering of supplies and much more. Full time position available. Employment package includes: 8085 Medical, Dental, paid vacation plus personal days. Please send resume to Administrative Services Manager, P.O. Box 638, Troy, MI 48065-0638, Personal and Confidential.

**RECEPTIONIST/OPERATOR**

needed for commercial insurance agency. Benefits provided. Contact Karen Wilcox at: 248-478-7799

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**RECEPTIONIST**

FOR prominent real estate development company now in Southfield and moving soon to Bloomfield Hills. Answering busy switchboard, greeting guests, etc. with some secretarial duties. Excellent phone skills, professional appearance and attitude required. Must be dependable. Experience with WordPerfect a plus. Send resume and salary requirements to: Personnel, P.O. Box 3098, Southfield, MI 48037-3098 or Fax to (248) 827-7550

**RECEPTIONIST**

Full time, Southfield pediatrician's office. Basic computer experience. Schedule may fluctuate. Self-starters apply. Fax resume attn: 248-643-0371

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Southfield area, general office and computer skills (Word). Non-smoker. Fax resume 248-351-3718 or call 248-551-3728

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needed for expanding distributor/contracting co. Must be experienced in Word Processing and have good communication skills. Permanent, full time with benefits. Send resume: PO Box 930161, Wixom, MI 48393.

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Clerical and administrative support to various constituents of Cranbrook Academy of Art. Minimum requirements include a high school diploma; at least three years of secretarial experience; excellent interpersonal, organizational and communication skills; proven computer skills including Microsoft Word, Excel and Access. \$20,000 yr. full benefits. Send cover letter with resume to: Human Resources, P.O. Box 801, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303-0801. EOE

**RECEPTIONIST**

Seeking organized detail-oriented person for long-term position. Excellent communication skills necessary. Data entry/word processing skills helpful. Duties include: Answering phones, typing, filing & data entry. Review/Raise/Benefits after 90 days. Apply in person at: Mueller & Carnegie, 4640 Lapeer Rd., Orion, MI

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**RECEPTIONISTS UP TO \$25,000**

Great growth opportunity. Locations in Livonia, Novi, Farmington & Downtown. Must have excellent phone skills. Computer & clerical experience preferred. Call for an interview: (248) 426-8300

**RECEPTIONIST/SWITCHBOARD**

operator wanted for busy auto dealership. Please call Max Hightower at Dean Sellers Ford (248) 643-3380 ext. 107 to set up interview.

**RECEPTIONIST**

Temporary Receptionist needed for a 6 month period. 40 hours per week. Applicants must have knowledge of Microsoft Word, be familiar with a multi-line phone system, filing, and general office tasks. Applicants must have a High School Diploma or equivalent. Previous office experience is a must. Please send resume or apply in person to: The University of Michigan, Facilities Planning and Design, Attention: Kathy Henderson, 326 E. Hoover, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1002. A non-discriminatory, affirmative action employer.

**RECEPTIONIST**

To handle large, multi-line phone system. Experience helpful but not necessary (will train). Must have pleasant speaking voice and excellent communication skills. Customer service skills also helpful.

Please send resume to: NRC/Lesson Attn: Human Resources 29405 Silverchase Highway Madison Heights, MI 48071

**RECEPTIONIST/TYPIST**

Relief switchboard operator & file make-up clerk needed for fast paced Farmington Hills law firm. Full time position with benefits. Fax resume to: (248) 651-2158, ATTN: Nancy.

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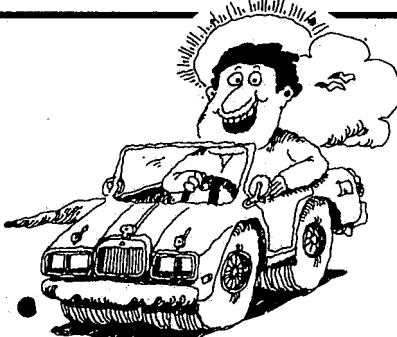
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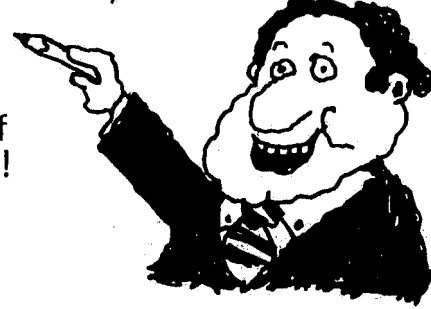
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## MARKET PLACE

## 708 Rummage Sale/ Flea Markets

**BIRMINGHAM UNITARIAN CHURCH** Rummage Sale. Woodward at Long Pine, Birmingham Hills. Thurs. evening, Oct. 2nd, 7pm-9pm. Fri., Oct. 3rd, 9am-3pm, half price sale. Sat., Oct. 4th, 9am-12noon. Bags of rummage \$3.

**BOOKS**, 16,000 in stock hardcover, paperback, fiction, organized non fiction, childrens, cookbooks, records, magazines - most 20 to 80 cents. Used book shop, Troy Library, 510 W. Big Beaver, Open every Fri., 10-1, Sat., Oct. 4 & 18-10.

**RUMMAGE SALE**, Fri., 10/3, 9-5pm. Sat., 10/4, 9-12 Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Tr. Livonia. Toys, clothing, housewares, domestics, furniture, toys, small appliances, Christmas Shop and Boutique.

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Friday and Saturday  
Oct 3 & 4, 10-4pm  
608 Southfield Rd  
Birmingham  
(S. of Maple, west side of Southfield Rd., 2nd house at the back of the lot. Park on Frank St.)  
Moving to NYC  
A mix of contemporary & classic. High quality art. Baker chairs, Empire style game table & chairs, marble top tables, contemporary lighting. Kiman (Oct. 3), oriental cabinet, 19th century French Empire mantle clock, TV's, IBM computer, oak dictionary stand, built in closet system, glass Gold water colors, Jules oil paintings, large eskimo stone sculpture, 3 stainless steel sculptured panels, Sato print, bronze statue by Chiparus, antique porcelain painted place, Japanese oil paintings, jewelry, designer clothes plus much more!

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## GREENTREES ESTATE SALE

Fri. Sat. - Oct 3 & 4  
10am to 4pm  
30700 Kirk Lane, Franklin Rd.  
S. off 13 Mile, E. of Franklin Rd.  
Another jam packed house! 2 house-holds lots of mahogany, white French Provincial, some Victorian. Period chairs, tables, carved music stand, 3 bedroom sets, lighted chandelier, much glassware, china, silver, brass, Balleck, Meakin, art work, mirrors, lamps. HAMMOND ORGAN. Room size Oriental rug. Woodland and other patio furniture, books, records, sheet music, oil lamps, linens.

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## BIRMINGHAM - Moving garage sale

Best stuff! Fri-Sat, 9-2pm. 2650  
Yorkshire, N. Maple, W. Coolidge.  
BLOOMFIELD - Antiques, toys, boys clothes, 7408 St. Auburn, W. of Telegraph, N. of 14, Oct. 3 & 4.  
BLOOMFIELD, Fri. 10-5. Lots of furniture, bike, exercise equipment, clothing & much more. 766 Great Oaks Dr. off Eastways, N. of Long Lake, E. of Woodward.  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Multi-family, Fri-Sat, Oct. 3-4, 9am-4pm, 1976 Cragin (N. of Lone Pine, E. of Inland). Furniture, clothes, office supplies.  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Furniture/EZ Lift recliner, ladies/mens clothing, multi-zones, pots & pots of goodie! 3300 Westchester, W. of Adams, N. of Long Lake, Sat., Sun. 10-2pm.

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## ROCHESTER - Basement Sale

1 Day only 10am-2pm. Sat., Oct. 3, 10-3. Furniture, misc. household books, 585 Kentucky Dr., S. of Hamilton, W. of Rochester Rd. & Livonia, end of Cumberland.  
ROCHESTER HILLS - N. of Tenken, W. of Livonia, 1180 Cripple Creek Lane, Fri. 10-3 Sat. 10-3. Salesmen Samples, Popcorn, Bath Products, Hand painted accessories, etc.  
ROCHESTER HILLS - Oct 2-4, 9am-4pm. 168 Rochdale (S. of Walton, W. of Livonia). Furniture, children clothes, dishes, bedding, lots of misc.  
ROCHESTER HILLS - Oct 4, 5, 10-4, 238 Union, W. of Rochester Rd., S. of Hamilton Rd.  
ROCHESTER HILLS - Thurs. 9am-5pm, 3 family, Brookwood Sub, 757 Augusta Dr., S. side of Tenken, W. of Livonia. Many Household & misc.

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SAT. OCT. 4th, 9am-4pm. DESKTOP STARTING \$25. CUPBARS \$5 & UP. FILES, \$10 & UP. ETC. 30340 INDUSTRIAL RD., LIVONIA (Middlebelt & 196) 313-427-6768  
GARDEN CITY - Fri. - Sun. 10-5, 29941 Elmwood, N. of Ford Rd., W. of Middlebelt. Tools, baby, garden, clothes, cabinets, washer/dryer, etc.  
GARDEN CITY - Oct. 2-3, 9am-5, 32501 Windsor, W. Hubbard & Venoy. Lots of miscellaneous.  
GARDEN CITY - Oct. 2-3, 10-8, Lots of stuff come see 32724 Cambridge, S. of Warren, E. of Venoy.  
LIVONIA - 7 family sale, 2 houses, 18819 & 18843 Woodbrook, 1 blk. S. of 7 Mile, 1 blk. E. of Loran (enter via Dardanelle). Oct. 3 & 4, 9-5. Stereo set, washbasin, bikes, TVs, dorm refrigerator, shop vac, cash register, mechanics tools, exercise bike, luggage, garden tools, lawn chairs, 78 records, sporting goods, furniture, lamps, paintings, storage bins, household items, clothes & more!  
LIVONIA-3 FAMILY-SAT only, 9am-4, 14411 Nola, Lyndon & Newburgh, 8888 & 8003 Ford (N. off J. between Inlander & Franklin).

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25000bush, custom made, originally Mink, File 5-10, 10am-5pm. Absolutely no pre-sale.  
PETITE CLOTHING (S.M.L.) women (248) 644-6594  
AFTER MOVING SALE - 5 pc sofa w/recliners & hide-a-bed; 7 pc maple dining set; 40' round knotty pine table; maple corner cabinet; Austrian crystal chandelier; misc. computer furniture; upright freezer 248-344-4284  
ALL BRAND NEW Feb. 1, 1997, selling for half of what I paid for - furniture, appliances, Eves. 248-478-2475  
ANTIQUE, TECHLINE set, dining room table, wicker, kids stuff, misc. 211 W. Woodward, Royal Oak, E. of Woodward, N. of 12 Mile. Oct. 3, 12-5, Oct. 4, 9-4.  
BEDROOM SET, kitchen set, various tables, living room set, etc. days: 810-977-6050 eves: 248-661-1171  
BIRMINGHAM: APPLIANCES, balconies, furniture, kitchen items, sporting goods, 1951 Bonneville, 2 blk. S. of Lincoln, E. off Woodward. Oct. 3 & 4, Fri & Sat, 9a-3p.  
BLOOMFIELD - Fri., & Sat., 9-4. Antique bedroom set, couches, upholstered chairs, tables, microwaves & more! 1684 Keller Lane, N. of Lone Pine, W. of Franklin.  
BLOOMFIELD TWP - Must Sell! Fri., Oct. 3, 10-4. Greenhouse plants, pots, etc. 4830 Melbur, off Lone Pine, between Inlander & Franklin.  
BLOOMFIELD - 8076 Dunmore. Depression glass/china/crystal, collectibles, 2 dining room sets, king set w/marble, Oriental type rugs, old china, posters, desks, TV's, linens, bookcases, cassettes, Sander, records, shoyard tools/ large storage bin, 12 ft. x 12 ft. tree, stair lift, etc. Items - Arrive with time to spare! Fri., 8:30am-4pm. Sat., 8:30am-1:30pm. W. of Orchard Lake Rd. S. off Walnut.  
DEARBORN HGTS - Sat. Oct. 4 ONLY 9am-12pm. 26850 Belvidere between Ford/Warren & Inlander/Beech. Daybed, trailer, aquarium, dishwasher, misc. furniture, appliances, etc. EVERYTHING MUST GO - RAIN OR SHINE!  
DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM 724 Ant. 1, block W. Woodward, 2 blocks N. Lincoln, Oct. 4 & 5, 9-5  
FURNITURE, EXERCISE equipment, garden tools, appliances, etc. Call: (248) 851-5879  
FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS - 2nd floor more. Fri. Sat. Oct. 3, 9-4. 31850 Coronet, 13 Mile & Orchard Lake, Farmington Hills.  
GARDEN CITY. Furniture, some antiques, yard items, misc. Call: Oct. 2-3, 9-4pm. 31844 Florence  
GIGANTIC SALE - Oct. 3-4, 9-4pm. 2134 Kennedy Dr., Rochester Hills. Antiques, furniture, clothing, misc. Call: 248-535-9092  
HOUSEHOLD - tools, yard, Oct. 2, 3. 4816 Faircourt, 1000's of items, 23201 Outwood, Southfield (N. off 9 Mile, E. of Inlander).  
JENN-AIRE stove/oven, Kenmore side by side w/c, 9 pc. dining set, 8 pc. glass bedroom, coffee table, loveseat, desks, bikes, more! 248-476-2109  
PLYMOUTH - Sat. Sun. 9-12. Furniture, a misc. 8011 Redpine, N. of Ann Arbor Rd. & Main St. Call ahead if possible (313) 455-3312  
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PLYMOUTH-12919 Wellington Dr. E. Beck, Oct. 3, 9am-2, baby items, riding mower, universal weight set.  
REDFORD - 9301 Columbia, S. of W. Chicago, E. of Inlander. Something for everyone. Thurs-Sun, 9-5.  
REDFORD - 1 day only! Sat., 9-5. Snowmobile, sporting goods, household, toys, misc. 14008 Inter.  
REDFORD - Fri. thru Sun., 10am-5pm, 20025 Delaware, between Beech & Inlander, much misc.  
REDFORD - Oct. 2, Noon-4pm & Oct. 3, 9am-5pm. 9951 Riverdale, E. of Telegraph, S. off Plymouth.  
REDFORD - Tons of misc. Do your Christmas shopping early. 14022 Brady, N. of 196, W. of Telegraph, Thurs. - Tues. 9-5.  
ROMULUS - Rain or Shine, Thurs. 9-5, 24009 Steward, E. of Wayne, S. of Wick, Misc. antiques, collectibles, Misc. Trade, Buy or sell Fast food toys. (313) 942-1454  
WESTLAND Huge sale, Oct. 3 & 4, 9-5, 30759 Barrington, off Meridian & Palmer. Toys, electric dryer, boat.

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1205 E. Sixth Street  
Royal Oak, N. off of Lincoln, 109 MI, 1 mile E. of Main Street, take S. Rembrandt, off of E. Sixth. S. 35 YEAR COLLECTION  
Mahogany bowed glass china cabinet • 10 piece carved French bedroom set • carved chairs, rockers & tables • cherry dining room set • full size bedroom set • several mirrors, floor lamps, torches & table lamps, bookcases & bureaus • oriental rugs • oils & artwork • Persian rug sample book • secretary bookcase • carved bookcase • Tiffany-style antique fixtures • desks, trunks • frames • commode • Royal Oak train station scale  
Large Collections of: figurines, statins, lusters, depression & pattern glass, crystal, press-cut, china sets, porcelain, silver, copper & brass, Tobys, pottery & ceramics, vases, candlesticks, salt & pepper, cruets, cups & saucers, creamers, tea pots, clocks, ironware, crockery, books, dolls & figurines, painting & antique tools • appliances • kitchenware • TV's • large tool chest • ladders • snowblows • lawn equipment • 1000's of items • fine jewelry & tons more!  
248-855-0053, 248-901-5050

## 2 GREAT SALES BY IRIS

**Sale #1**  
Fri-Sat., Oct 3-4, 10-4  
4816 Faircourt  
Off Farmington Road, between Maple & Walnut Lake (1 block S. of Walnut Lake)  
**FULL HOUSE GLAMOROUS FURNITURE & ACCESSORIES**  
Contents include:  
Ludwig baby grand piano • several contemporary sectional sofas • beautiful dining set with glass & black lacquer • 6 chairs • white dinette set • 2 large oriental paintings • signed Turkey Lillo • other interesting paintings & prints • large black & oak bedroom set with highboy & dressers • other highboys, dressers, desks & bookcases • beautiful entertainment wall unit • area rugs • lots of silver including tea set, trays, serving pieces, etc. • lots of crystal • collection of decorative mirrors • full kitchen with microwave, dishes, silver, pots, pans, etc. • several designer fur • clothes • linens • patio furniture • tools • antique sewing machine • much more!

**Sale #2**  
Sat-Sun, Oct 4-5, 10-4  
4930 Fairway Ridge Circle  
Off Long Pine, bwn Middlebelt & Orchard Lake, lake Rolling Ridge Way, all the way to dead end, turn left into Woodloch, go to address.  
THE MOST OUTSTANDING CONTEMPORARY FURNITURE YOU'VE EVER SEEN! ALL NEW!  
Contents include:  
Black Italian leather sofa, custom made dining table with 10 Italian black leather chairs • several bedroom sets including antique wicker bed • magnificent tables, lamps & art • tons of silver, crystal, china, kitchen, designer clothes • too much to mention!  
Iris Kaufman 248-626-7723

## 714 Clothing

## MINI COAT &amp; Beaver Jacket

2500bush, custom made, originally Mink, File 5-10, 10am-5pm. Absolutely no pre-sale.  
PETITE CLOTHING (S.M.L.) women (248) 644-6594  
AFTER MOVING SALE - 5 pc sofa w/recliners & hide-a-bed; 7 pc maple dining set; 40' round knotty pine table; maple corner cabinet; Austrian crystal chandelier; misc. computer furniture; upright freezer 248-344-4284  
ALL BRAND NEW Feb. 1, 1997, selling for half of what I paid for - furniture, appliances, Eves. 248-478-2475  
ANTIQUE, TECHLINE set, dining room table, wicker, kids stuff, misc. 211 W. Woodward, Royal Oak, E. of Woodward, N. of 12 Mile. Oct. 3, 12-5, Oct. 4, 9-4.  
BEDROOM SET, kitchen set, various tables, living room set, etc. days: 810-977-6050 eves: 248-661-1171  
BIRMINGHAM: APPLIANCES, balconies, furniture, kitchen items, sporting goods, 1951 Bonneville, 2 blk. S. of Lincoln, E. off Woodward. Oct. 3 & 4, Fri & Sat, 9a-3p.  
BLOOMFIELD - Fri., & Sat., 9-4. Antique bedroom set, couches, upholstered chairs, tables, microwaves & more! 1684 Keller Lane, N. of Lone Pine, W. of Franklin.  
BLOOMFIELD TWP - Must Sell! Fri., Oct. 3, 10-4. Greenhouse plants, pots, etc. 4830 Melbur, off Lone Pine, between Inlander & Franklin.  
BLOOMFIELD - 8076 Dunmore. Depression glass/china/crystal, collectibles, 2 dining room sets, king set w/marble, Oriental type rugs, old china, posters, desks, TV's, linens, bookcases, cassettes, Sander, records, shoyard tools/ large storage bin, 12 ft. x 12 ft. tree, stair lift, etc. Items - Arrive with time to spare! Fri., 8:30am-4pm. Sat., 8:30am-1:30pm. W. of Orchard Lake Rd. S. off Walnut.  
DEARBORN HGTS - Sat. Oct. 4 ONLY 9am-12pm. 26850 Belvidere between Ford/Warren & Inlander/Beech. Daybed, trailer, aquarium, dishwasher, misc. furniture, appliances, etc. EVERYTHING MUST GO - RAIN OR SHINE!  
DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM 724 Ant. 1, block W. Woodward, 2 blocks N. Lincoln, Oct. 4 & 5, 9-5  
FURNITURE, EXERCISE equipment, garden tools, appliances, etc. Call: (248) 851-5879  
FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS - 2nd floor more. Fri. Sat. Oct. 3, 9-4. 31850 Coronet, 13 Mile & Orchard Lake, Farmington Hills.  
GARDEN CITY. Furniture, some antiques, yard items, misc. Call: Oct. 2-3, 9-4pm. 31844 Florence  
GIGANTIC SALE - Oct. 3-4, 9-4pm. 2134 Kennedy Dr., Rochester Hills. Antiques, furniture, clothing, misc. Call: 248-535-9092  
HOUSEHOLD - tools, yard, Oct. 2, 3. 4816 Faircourt, 1000's of items, 23201 Outwood, Southfield (N. off 9 Mile, E. of Inlander).  
JENN-AIRE stove/oven, Kenmore side by side w/c, 9 pc. dining set, 8 pc. glass bedroom, coffee table, loveseat, desks, bikes, more! 248-476-2109  
PLYMOUTH - Sat. Sun. 9-12. Furniture, a misc. 8011 Redpine, N. of Ann Arbor Rd. & Main St. Call ahead if possible (313) 455-3312  
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PLYMOUTH-12919 Wellington Dr. E. Beck, Oct. 3, 9am-2, baby items, riding mower, universal weight set.  
REDFORD - 9301 Columbia, S. of W. Chicago, E. of Inlander. Something for everyone. Thurs-Sun, 9-5.  
REDFORD - 1 day only! Sat., 9-5. Snowmobile, sporting goods, household, toys, misc. 14008 Inter.  
REDFORD - Fri. thru Sun., 10am-5pm, 20025 Delaware, between Beech & Inlander, much misc.  
REDFORD - Oct. 2, Noon-4pm & Oct. 3, 9am-5pm. 9951 Riverdale, E. of Telegraph, S. off Plymouth.  
REDFORD - Tons of misc. Do your Christmas shopping







# AUTOMOTIVE

## 828 Jeep/Jeep Drive

1994 Jeep Wrangler S, 13,900 miles. Tan soft top, 4 cylinder, 5 speed, loaded, excellent condition. \$12,000. (313) 420-3047 or pager (800) 811-5168

1987 Jeep Wrangler, 5 speed, good shape, must sell \$3,900. (248) 437-9307

1991, SLE, 4 x 4 Very good condition, loaded, California title \$3,900. (248) 339-7147

1988 S15 Sierra Starcraft conversion - every option, runs great, asking \$2,500. (248) 553-9353

1994 White, 4x4, 22,000 miles, excellent condition \$14,000. (617) 545-0086

LAND ROVER 1994 Discovery. One owner, loaded, 20,000 miles. Merlot, leather sunroof, \$25,000. (617) 341-1134

OLDS 1994 Bravada - Trailer package, warranty, loaded, \$15,500. (248) 553-9353

RANGE ROVER 1991. Hunter edition, white, tan interior, excellent shape \$14,500. (248) 642-0808

SUBURBAN 1993, Silverado, 6 passenger, blue/white, 85,000 miles, warranty, \$17,800. (248) 476-5835

TAHOE 1995 LS - low miles, loaded, excellent condition, \$24,900. (313) 422-9096

TAHOE 1997 - 4WD, 2 door, immaculate, all power, leather, 23,000 miles, \$28,000. (248) 549-7408

TOYOTA 1994 4 runner, black w/ tan leather, just 40,000 miles, moonroof, CD, loaded, \$18,900. (248) 539-9616

TOYOTA 4 Runner 1990, 4 door, 4 door, V-6, 5 speed, 1990, 248-356-3437

WRANGLER 1997 black & red, hard top, larger wheels, hard top doors. Sharp \$14,500. SOLD

WRANGLER 1997 Sahara 4x4 black, oversize custom wheels & paint stripe 1,400 miles, \$19,995. SNETHKAMP JEEP 313-255-2557

YUKON 1995 SLE, 4 door, fully loaded, black/grey interior, 15,000 miles, \$20,900. Ask for John (800) 500-4311.

## 830 Sports & Imported

AUDI 90 1994 convertible: Dark green, 6 speed, 15,000 miles, alloy wheels, V-6. Very clean with warranty, \$22,900. Ask for John (800) 500-4311.

AUDI 1987 5000 GT Turbo - maroon/black, loaded, 15,000 miles, \$4,950.00. (248) 253-9350

BMW 535CSi, 1985, black/black leather. Beautiful must sell \$12,500. (248) 642-5171

BMW 1994 525i: Cashmere / tan leather, ABS, alloy wheels, one owner, traction control, 40,000 miles, \$22,900. (248) 549-3636

BMW 1990 525i: Clean, dealer maintained, Highway miles, 15,000 miles, \$20,900. (248) 642-9556

BMW 1997 - 328i, 4 door, 7000 miles, loaded, white leather, 5 speed, \$32,500. (248) 203-8851

BMW 1993 325i - Loaded, low mileage, the incredible driving machine, \$19,250. (810) 895-3218

BMW 1998, 325i, 1 door, Good condition, \$8,500.00. (313) 459-3044

BMW 325i 1994 - 2 door, green w/gray leather, under 20,000 miles, clean, no accidents, good price, \$22,900. 1-888-594-1396

BMW 1993, 325i, 5 speed, sport package, loaded, 15,000 miles, \$19,900.00. (313) 453-1110

BMW 1995 525i - white, loaded, new tires, 44,000 miles, \$27,900.00. 248-443-6711, 248-331-2125

BMW 1995 M3, Metallic blue, automatic, 6 disc, of aluminum wheels, chrome, leather interior, 15,000 miles, \$35,500. (617) 545-1896

BMW 1995 318i: Black 5 speed, alloy wheels, 22,000 miles, factory warranty, sunroof, alarm, \$17,900. (248) 549-3636

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CORVETTE 1997 - Cranberry, automatic, custom wheels, stored, Excellent, \$12,500.00. 313-261-2475

CORVETTE 1994, KY, car, white/black, 40,000 miles, new tires, \$21,500. (248) 653-5840

CORVETTE 1984, 25,000 original miles, never seen on road, white w/ beige interior, \$10,000. (248) 540-2474

CORVETTE 1995, 1 owner, select-elite, BOSE gold, loaded, Polo Green, 22,000 miles, \$26,000. Call Bill. 555-5500, 546-4800

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HONDA 1990 Accord LX, 40,000 miles, 4 door, 5 speed, \$13,500. (313) 426-3615

HONDA 1992, EX, hatchback, black, 5 speed, 15,000 miles, auto, air, must sell. (248) 553-7358

INFINITI 1992 Q20 - Black, loaded, new, must sell \$11,000.00. 248-474-0012

INFINITI 1993 300. Excellent condition, 57,000 miles, loaded, \$18,500. (610) 227-5045

1993 INFINITI - 300T, loaded, 43,000 miles, excellent condition, \$15,500. (248) 626-3600, (248) 691-2500

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MERCEDES 1992, 300SE, 54,000 miles, extra nice, black w/ saddle, \$32,500.00. (248) 628-1188

MERCEDES 1977 450SL, immaculate, low mileage, no winters, \$14,900. 248-738-3155

MERCEDES 1982, 380 SL, Navy, soft top, hand top, silver/blue/grey interior, car phone included, wire wheels, new engine/exhaust/new everything! European headlights, 20,000 miles, never seen snow, showroom clean, \$25,000. Evenings only. 313-441-6051

MERCEDES 1993 500SL, Red/gray, hand top, 47,000 miles, \$14,900.00. 248-738-3155

MGB 1980, 30,700 miles, convertible, new top, excellent condition, \$15,500.00. (313) 531-7909

MITSUBISHI 1993 Eclipse little Red, only 49,000 miles, must sell, \$15,700. (248) 553-9353

NISSAN 1981 Datsun 280Z - very good condition, 92,000 miles, New tires/brakes. \$3,000. 248-477-6751

NISSAN 1989, 2000, 2 door, automatic, air, blue, beautiful condition, 99,000 miles \$2,775 248-332-0041

PORSCHE 1987 944S: Excellent condition, 75,000 miles, Black/Tan, \$9500.00. (610) 406-9556

RANGE ROVER, 1995 LWB - Black/ tan, 38,000 miles, books & records, \$28,750. 248-360-0676

SAAB 1995 900SE - 5 speed, 80,000 highway miles, loaded, new tires, \$15,500.00. 313-691-6081

SAAB 1995, 900SE, turbo, coupe, loaded, leather, 5 speed, 17,500, 248-557-0409

SAAB 1995, 900s, scarab green, leather, 15,000 miles, air, heated seats, am/fm cassette, 5 speed, New brakes, 45,000 miles, many good miles, 48,500 miles, perfect for the new college grad. (248) 649-6375

SAAB 1994 900 Turbo - Good condition, \$25,000.00. Call 9am-6pm: (313) 561-6960

STORAGE - sports, race cars, auto, house, etc. Call for more info. AKM Racing Group 248-645-3921

VOLVO 1995 850 Turbo Wagon: 40,000 miles, blue/gray leather, auto, \$21,800. (248) 360-0676

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LESABRE 1989, loaded, 4 door, excellent shape, caberlat top, \$4,500.00. (248) 347-5706

LESABRE 1989 LTD, fully loaded, V-6, runs & looks great, \$4,500. 248-689-4331 Pager: (313) 508-0809

LESABRE 1994 - 1 owner, 49,000 miles, dealer maintained, \$10,000. (248) 644-4730

PARK AVENUE 1997 Mediterranean Blue/white leather interior. All the features you'd want. Extra low miles. \$25,888.

PARK AVENUE 1997, 4 door, 4 door, loaded, 77,000 miles, excellent condition, \$3,800. (313) 878-6888

IMPALA SS - 1995 Dark Cherry, Loaded, 54,000 miles, \$18,700. (248) 437-3892

IMPALA 1995 SS: 12 disc CD, alarm, air, start, black, excellent condition, \$18,500. (248) 334-5669

LUMINA 1994 APV LS - child's seat, high 1700 miles, well maintained, looks & runs great, \$8,995. 248-842-3228 or 313-268-5075

LUMINA 1994, 4 door, 6 cylinder, automatic, air, am/fm, 15,000 miles, wheel drive, 35,000 miles, \$10,000. (313) 591-6554

LUMINA 1991, 4 door, V-6, power, dark blue, \$3,995.00. \*\*\* SOLD

LUMINA 1992 Euro - 4 door, black, new tires, 49,000 miles, excellent condition, \$5,500. (313) 458-9184

LUMINA 1990 Euro, 4 door, Black, 1 owner, 63,000 miles, Loaded, \$5,000. (248) 348-6403

LUMINA 1993, power steering/brakes/locks/air/cruise, 79,000 miles, \$5,500. Excellent (248) 474-0085

MONTE CARLO 1996 LS - loaded, excellent condition, 20,000 miles, \$13,800. 248-679-0296

CONTOUR 1997 - fully loaded, automatic, 6000 miles, must sell \$15,900. 313-467-8148

CONTOUR 1997 SE V-6, leather, fully loaded, like new, 10,000 miles, \$15,500. (313) 981-3007

COUNTRY SQUIRE LX1990 wagon, Loaded, 34,000 miles, \$12,500. (313) 421-3279

CROWN VICTORIA, 1985 LTD Wagon - 185,000 miles, Dependable, \$1250. 248-482-3532

ESCORT 1988 EXP - Excellent condition. Many new parts, \$2500 or best offer. 313-722-9168

ESCORT 1993 GT - power, sunroof, 50,000 miles, very clean, \$5,300. (248) 478-0397

ESCORT 1992 LX - Blue 2 door hatchback, automatic, 85,000 miles, Excellent, \$3,100. SOLD

ESCORT 1993 LX - 2 door, hatchback, air, 5 speed, 47,000 miles, \$5,400. (313) 451-7472

ESCORT 1995 LX - Forest green, 50,000 miles, very clean, \$5,300. 313-534-8138

ESCORT 1996 LX Sport - 1 owner, warranty, air, automatic, \$8400.00. (313) 420-5373

ESCORT 1995 LX Wagon, automatic, air, am/fm cassette, 27,800 miles, \$5,700.00. (248) 399-4661

ESCORT 1986 LX Wagon, 1.9 liter, 4 cylinder, automatic, 17,000 miles, \$10,600. (248) 659-4159

ESCORT 1996 LX, Wagon, 1.9 liter, 4 cylinder, automatic, 17,000 miles, \$10,600. (248) 659-4159

ESCORT 1994, Wagon LX: Rear defrost, excellent, \$4,200. 248-689-4331 Pager: (313) 508-0809

ESCORT 1994, wagon, red, 6 speed, loaded, excellent condition, \$6,200.00. (313) 453-0519

FESTIVA 1988, 5 speed, black, am/fm cassette, excellent condition, new tires, \$950.00. \*\*\*SOLD

FESTIVA 1992, 5 speed, black, am/fm, 75,000 miles, \$2,000. 313-422-0620

MUSTANG 1989, GT, black, manual, leather, 16,000 miles, \$16,000. (248) 473-0574

MUSTANG 1996 GT Convertible, 5 speed manual, loaded, 15,000 miles, \$15,500. (248) 626-4844

MUSTANG 1990 - 1995 convertible, Yellow, 63,000 miles, 1 owner, \$20,000.00. 617-727-2991

MUSTANG 1994 GT Coupe, 6L, 5 speed, loaded, excellent condition, \$12,500. (248) 644-4318

MUSTANG 1993 GT, 5.0, very sharp, automatic, moonroof, CD, 15,000 miles, \$11,800. (517) 548-4848 or (617) 548-5937

MUSTANG 1990 - 2.3 liter, automatic, loaded, 71,000 miles, Excellent condition, \$4,500. (248) 347-0259

MUSTANG 1990: 5.0L, loaded, premium sound, Good, clean, \$4,500. (313) 453-4616

MUSTANG 1992 LX 2.3L, 5 speed, power all, air, AM/FM cassette, excellent, \$4,200.00. (313) 599-5469

PROBE 1993 Electric Red/gray/red, 2.0 L, stick, air, ABS, new battery, 15,000 miles, \$4,995.00. (313) 454-4021

PROBE 1993 - Excellent condition, auto, keyless entry, New tires, battery, muffler, \$6800 248-288-3209

PROBE 1995, GT, automatic, black, 15,000 miles, 1 owner, \$11,900. (248) 641-8222

PROBE 1993 GT - black, 5 speed, power moonroof, loaded, great condition, \$6,300.00. (248) 628-4379

PROBE 1994, GT, dark red, very low miles, showroom condition, small \$12,750 or best. 248-627-3846

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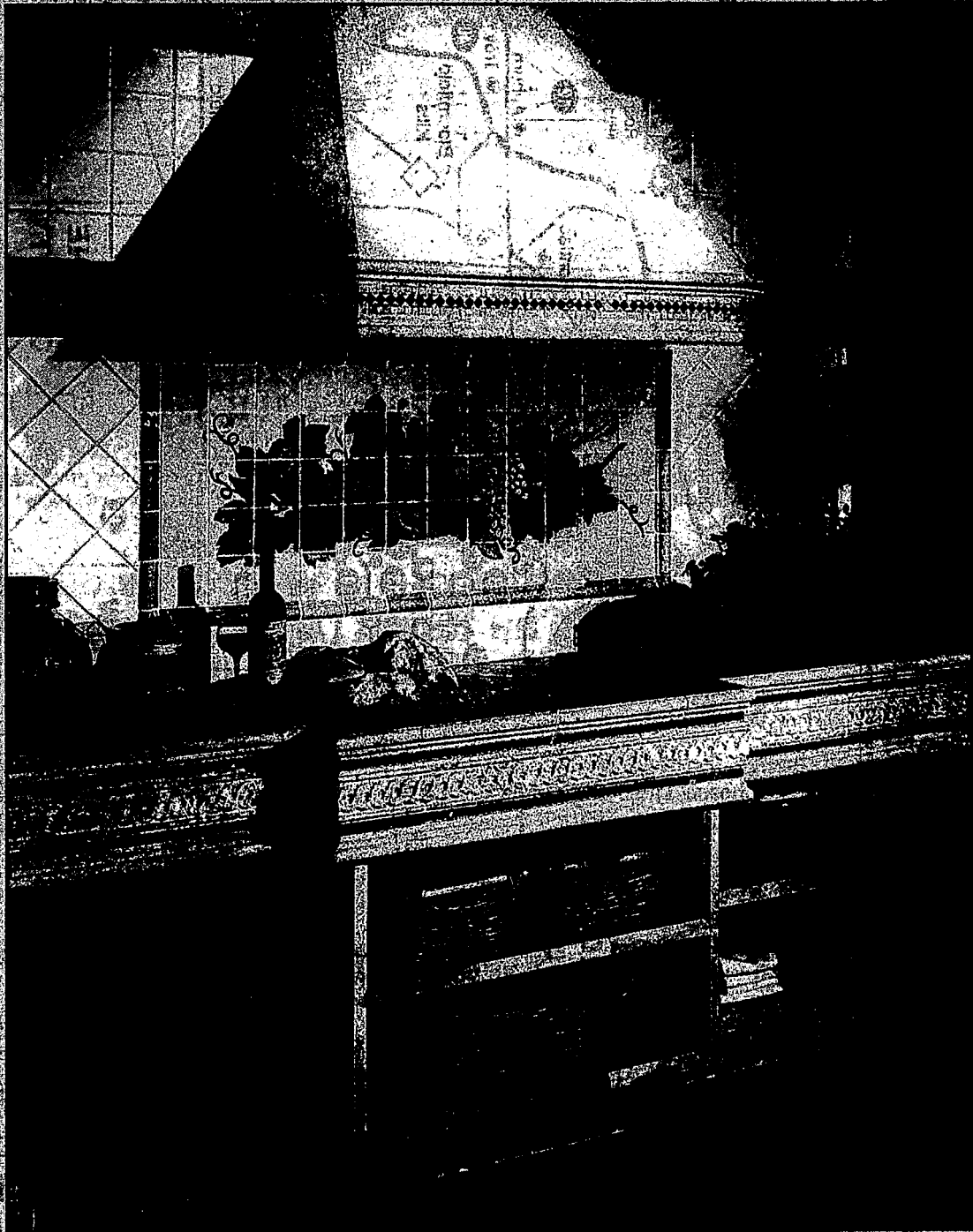
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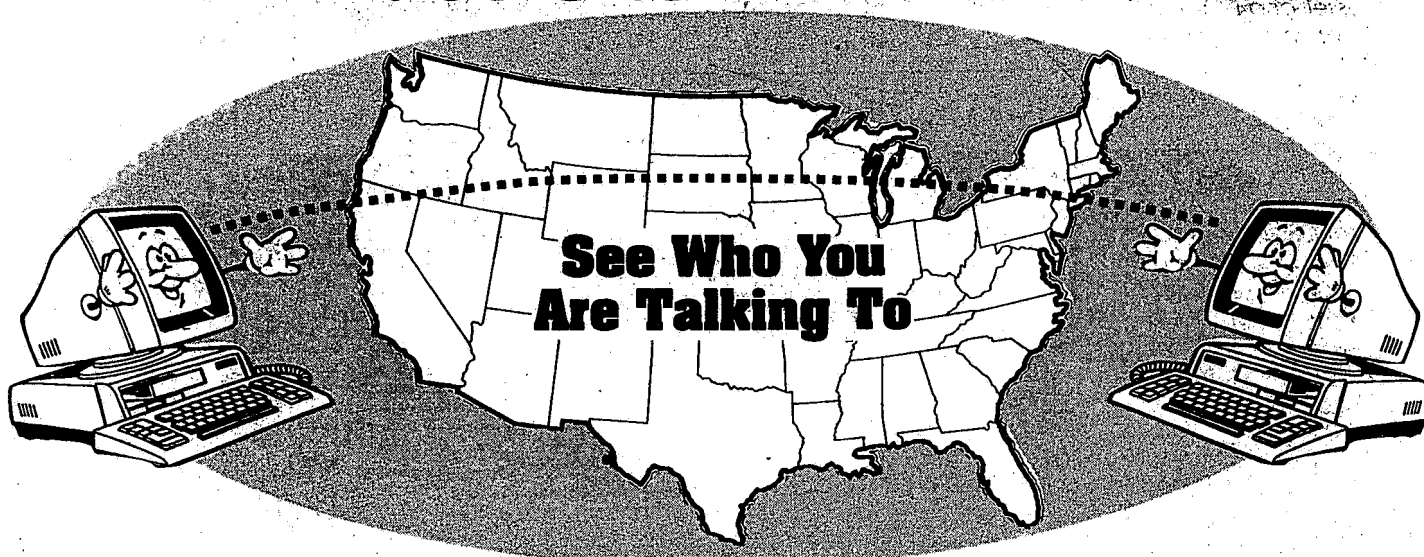
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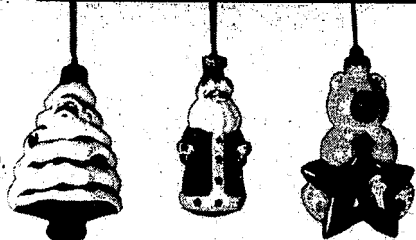




## marketplace

### Calico time

**Artistic elements:** Husband and wife artists Russell and Margaret Cobane of Clarkston are among the 150 juried artisans presenting gifts, home accessories and gourmet foods at the 22nd annual Calico Arts and Crafts Show, Friday-Saturday, Oct. 3-4, at Marian High School, 7225 Lahser in Bloomfield Hills. Russell is known for wildlife art, work, and Margaret for Santa oil paintings and ornaments. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Call (248) 644-4029.



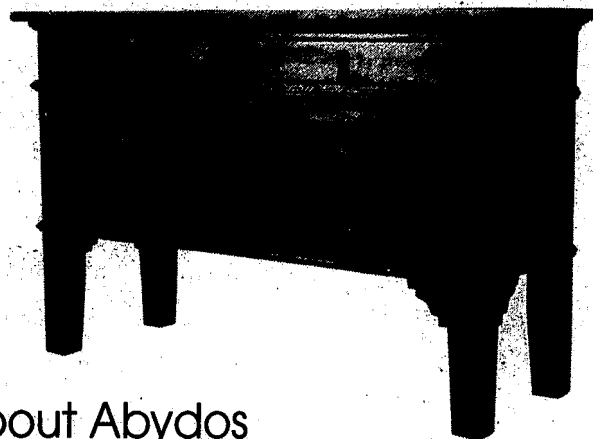
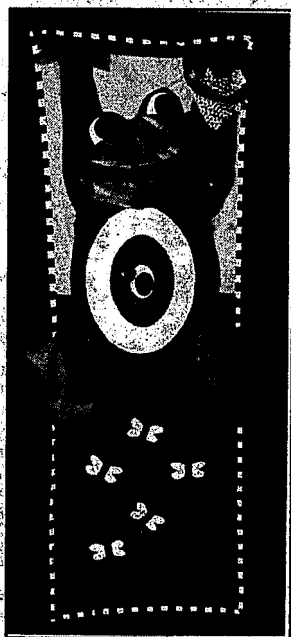
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### About Abydos

**By design:** Andrea Delling, new owner-designer of the Abydos Collection, will present the handcrafted, heirloom-quality furniture 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 3-4, at Mesa Arts, 32800 Franklin Road in Franklin. Custom orders will be taken. The collection reflects antique Shaker, Southwestern and European country designs. Call (248) 851-9949. The Taos, N.M., company offers four distinct lines. The Chimalo line combines stained wood, generally distressed, with iron stands. The Taos Country series includes painted wood pieces typically accented with punched or painted tin work; the wood and tin finishes are often treated to look aged. The Mennonite series blends stained and painted wood on curved wooden legs for a European country look. The Rustic line is one-of-a-kind barnwood pieces set on iron stands or cedar pieces that use the natural wood contours to form the furniture.

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appliance doctor

# Beware of technician commissions



JOE GAGNON

On Monday mornings when I drive to the Livonia office of this newspaper and hand in my column for the week, I also pick up my mail.

Last week, I received a letter from Bill in Farmington Hills who writes, "May I please ask a question for your column? I do not recall any discussion about the BIG firm's service offerings. Specifically, I had a Sears tech in to fix my dryer. We discussed how some service companies can rip you off. He said that he is paid hourly, so it would not benefit him to overcharge or make unnecessary repairs. I felt comfortable with this, I hope it was justified. Could you perhaps comment on this?"

I would like to thank Bill for writing his fine letter which was filled with

interesting viewpoints on the service industry.

In regards to Sears' service, he is absolutely correct in relating that they are paid hourly. This can prove to be of great benefit to the consumer needing a service technician because the word greed is almost removed from the thought process while the product is being repaired.

One of my three sons is a service technician for Sears and absolutely loves his job. I can assure you that if Sears' code of ethics didn't match his, he wouldn't be there and I wouldn't be writing about it.

The practice of paying a service technician a commission on a service call is widespread in the service industry. In my opinion, it has proven the down fall of many a company's reputation. In my many interviews with former employees of some of these unethical companies, a 30 percent commission on a job was all that was needed to create a repair bill that was out of sight. The incentive of

commission can cause overcharges on labor, replacement of unnecessary parts and even the use of used parts representing new parts. I have been told by some of these former employees that the company owner mandated these methods be used whenever they did a service call.

The Appliance Service industry has a very tainted image because of these kinds of operations. There are some very fine companies out there. It is up to the consumer to find out who they are before they call for service.

The recent proposal to enact the Appliance Repair Act into law was defeated by Republican state representatives in Lansing who voted it down because they were afraid to offend a lobbying group. Naturally this group has members who belong to the service industry. Had this law, which was sponsored by a Republican, state Rep. Lyn Bankes of Livonia, gone through, much of the above would have been taken care of.

Dear reader, please excuse the boldness of this closing paragraph. A few months ago, when the final vote was being taken on the Appliance Repair Act, a letter was placed on the desk of every Republican representative. That letter asked them to vote Nay on the bill and many of them did. I have that list of those who thought so much of their political careers and so little of consumer protection. In my opinion, it is a crying shame how these people can look in the mirror and come out into the public and look at their constituents and say, I'm there for the people. Thank you, Bill, for the letter, I hope more of you will spend a few minutes and write me.

Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president of Carmack Appliances in Garden City and does a weekly radio program on WJR-AM. He is author of "First Aid from the Appliance Doctor," available at area bookstores.

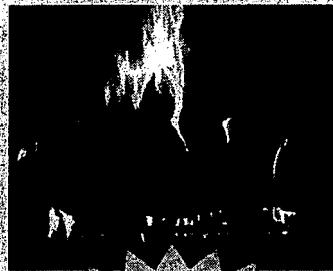
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LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

The overwhelming majority of Michiganders more than likely don't frequently, if ever, stop to reflect upon what our state represents.

If your child asks you what the state reptile is, could you tell him it is the painted turtle? Did you

know Michigan's state tree is the white pine? Did you know the state flower is the apple blossom and the state bird is the robin redbreast?

Michigan has a great deal to be proud of when we really stop to think about it. According to "Getting to Know Michigan," a booklet published by the state, Michigan has more to brag about than any other state in the Union.

To fully appreciate our home state, it is important to understand its heritage.

Around 1622, Brule and Grenoble, two French explorers, were the first Europeans to set their sights on what we know as Lake Superior.

They wanted to claim the area for France. They built Fort Michilmackinac, Fort Miami (at the St. Joseph River) and Fort Pontchartrain (on the Detroit River) to guard their interests from the Spanish and the British.

"Sault Ste. Marie was founded more than 100 years before the American Revolution (1668). It is the oldest city in the Midwest."

According to "Getting to Know Michigan," the colonies declared their independence from European rule in

1776. In 1805, a division of the Ordinance of 1787 named the territory of the Great Lakes "The Michigan Territory."

Michigan became the 26th state to enter the Union in 1837. Ten years later, Lansing was chosen as Michigan's capital - the same year telegraph communications were introduced in the state.

Michigan is the home of many famous inventors. In 1879, Port Huron native Thomas Edison invented the incandescent light bulb. In 1896, Henry Ford built his first automobile by hand. A year later, the first automobile company was founded in Michigan by Ransom Olds.

"By 1912, Michigan led the nation in auto production and Detroit became the 'Motor City.'"

Did you know the following? According to "Getting to Know Michigan":

■ No point in Michigan is more than 85 miles from any one of the Great Lakes.

■ Michigan has 11,037 inland lakes that are 10 acres or more in size.

■ Michigan ranks first in the production of tart berries, blueberries, cranberry beans, navy beans and black turtle beans.

■ Kalamazoo is the "birthplace" of celery.

■ Michigan had the world's first concrete road, built in 1901 in Detroit.

■ Michigan was the first in the nation in developing roadside parks and picnic tables.

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MONTE NAGLER

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Many are full of memorable family events, so you're probably not getting full enjoyment out of them. Perhaps you're even a good amateur photographer and have plenty of eight-by-10s piled neatly away but not on the wall where they belong.

Mounting and framing pictures may seem hard, complicated and expensive, and so you stay clear of what truly is an exciting and rewarding part of photog-

raphy. Actually, mounting is easy and framing effortless.

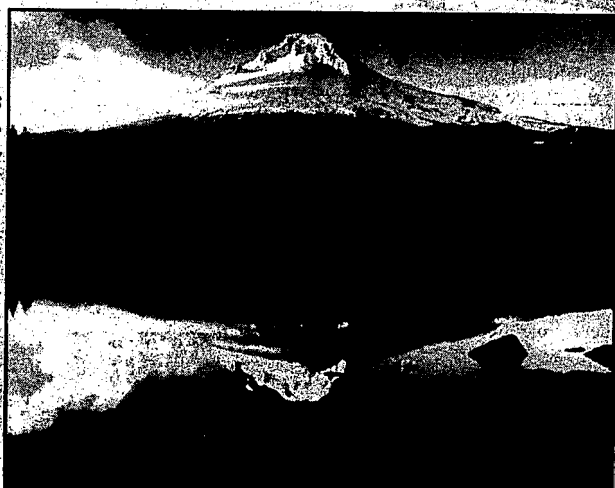
One of the easiest mounting procedures is using photo spray adhesive. The adhesive comes in a spray can and is applied by spraying the back of your photograph with crisscross strokes. Wait a few seconds until the adhesive becomes tacky and then press into position on a mounting board.

Center the picture equally left to right, but for esthetic reasons, allow a little more mat board on the bottom than on the top. With a protective sheet of paper, apply pressure to ensure a permanent, high-strength bond. The size of mount board should be large enough to provide a three- to four-inch border around the print.

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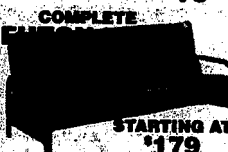
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# Stylemakers take starring role at fall market

BY MARY KLEMIC  
At Home Editor

Excitement, glamour, adventure, fun — those ingredients aren't restricted to movies.

They're just a few of the elements illustrated at "Stylemakers," fall market 1997 at Michigan Design Center in Troy.

The market, which took place Sept. 25, included presentations at various showrooms; a visit by actress Dina Merrill, who will host "Decor," a new interior design program starting on public TV in November; and awards from the International Furnishings and Design Association.

Style suggestions and innovations had major roles at the daylong event, offering interior design worthy of four stars or thumbs up responses.

Besides raising the curtain on stylish scenes, the window treatment itself can set the mood: Blinds and shades, such as those by Hunter-Douglas, can look and feel like drapes.

"(Window treatments) have taken a tremendous jump since wooden blinds," said Miriam Feinseth, advertising/communications director for Hunter-Douglas.

Blinds and shades, displayed in the Kaleidoscope showroom at MDC, come in a wide range of styles, colors and textures, and may be shaped to fit a window arch.

You're out of the loop — the loop cord, that is, as treatments are raised, lowered, opened and closed by wands and even battery-operated, remote control devices. Blinds may be lowered from the top and raised from the bottom. Roller shades are still around, but without the old spring-activated movement.

Styles can eliminate even the smallest cracks of light. Horizontal or vertical blinds are pleated or folded. The Silhouette® style is made with fabric vanes between sheer knit facings. Safety and dust-shield aspects are among the features; aluminum, vinyl, wood and woven fabric are among the materials.

Turning the spotlight on lamps, the Lighting Concepts Studio featured the "Intermezzo" line of lamps, which was given an IFDA product award. The line gives a soft look to clean geometric shapes. The table lamps, chandeliers and torchieres have classic lines — similar to Art Deco — covered in silver and gold leaf, and shades with subtle textures.

## Furniture focus

Furniture wins applause in both practical and imaginative character. Leather sofas, chairs and tables come in different styles.

"It's not sticky in the summer, not cold in the winter," said Joelle Aitima, manager of All About Leather.

Leather may be combined with fabric. All About Leather carries a Leathercraft sofa in a popular retro style, with plump,



Special star: David St. Edwards Collection of MDC displayed this Venetian arm chair in cast aluminum.

tempting cushions and arm rests and a contrast welt detail. At Beacon Hill, Guy Chaddock pieces feature wood that can be distressed to various degrees.

Creative Collections at Lacoff's — which was given an IFDA award for best customer service, along with Bill Perlmutter Collections — presented furniture designer Larry Laslo of Directional. Laslo showed slides of his designs for houses and a New York City store.

"I don't necessarily believe furniture should shout," Laslo said.

Laslo's furniture pieces included "Bugs," a chair with "ears"; "Satellite," with legs featuring metal circles like a cartoon spaceship; "Portrait," a chair that invites slinky poses; and "40 Carats," with legs shaped like giant diamonds.

Laslo's presentation included slides of a dining room he designed for a showhouse. For the room, he designed a chandelier made out of Dynel hair. Red orchids on the table



Going retro: This sofa at All About Leather features plump cushions and a contrast welt detail.

were the only splash of color.

Laslo draped the table in linen, lined with green satin and having green buttons at the corners, and the chairs were green mohair. A bookcase was removed and the space padded in green satin. Two rods were at the window, one with gauze and one with taffeta (both materials were green). The gauze could be pulled across the window or draped over the taffeta.

The designer likes animal patterns, and white, Oriental screens for gentle lighting.

## Surfaces

Fabrics and tiles show a wide range of expression.

JAB's Louis Feraud collection, at Stroheim & Romann, is literally fashion for the home. Feraud interpreted his clothing designs — full of vibrant colors, bold patterns, elaborate accessories and accents — into prints, sheers and tassels.

B. Berger's offerings include metallic and silk sheers, as well as earth tones. F. Schumacher & Co.'s line of "Colors of India" features pink, copper, turquoise, saffron and cerise.

Ann Sacks Tile & Stone, which received IFDA awards for best hard floor covering and best wall covering, offer glass tiles of shimmering color over textured backgrounds; jewel-like hues and abstract designs in smaller squares for borders; and antique Venetian mosaics in such materials as lapis and jade.

Jacques rocks, white plaster facing made from the stone in a 17th century French structure, are good for the exterior and interior.

Virginia Tile Company features mosaic, and tumbled marble and tumbled slate, for looks that suggest both antiquity and contemporary.

Madison Design Group was given an IFDA award for its Lava Lava, lavastone from France for countertops. The material comes in a variety of colors, is easy to maintain and is durable. The bright surface is slightly textured to reflect light.



Fashion statement: Louis Feraud interpreted his vibrant, bold clothing designs into sheers, prints and tassels, seen at Stroheim & Romann.

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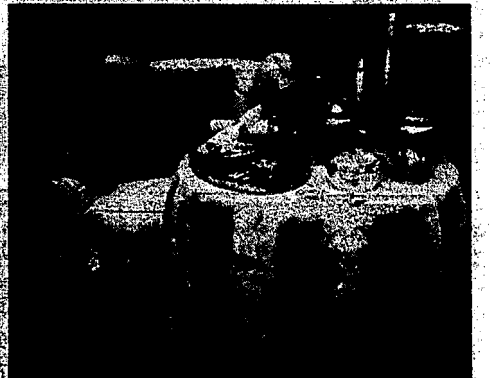
Before a gathering, MDC advertising director Ginger Vintzel talked with Merrill and "Decor" executive producer Linda Corley Webb, and showed clips from the program.

These included spots on area designer Susie Leader and her project in New Baltimore, Mich., and Kristen Catto Armstrong, who has a showroom of European antiques and accessories at MDC. Armstrong now carries Tremonti and Brown custom furniture.

Bob Cummings of Home Theatre, USA, said that home theater audio and video design systems are the most sought after products of the '90s. Here's a rule of thumb for planning home theater seating, he said: Multiply the diagonal of the screen by 2.5 to get the middle section of the seating. For example, for a 10-foot diagonal screen, the middle seating should be about 20 feet away.

MDC is celebrating its 20th anniversary. It offers a Designer On Call program, and is now open to 8 p.m. Thursdays.

MDC is at 1700 Stutz. Call (248) 649-4772 for information.



Selling style: English and French antiques make harmonious arrangements, as seen at Kristen Catto Armstrong's showroom.

## On the cover

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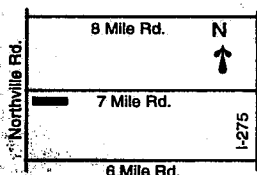


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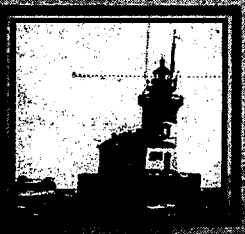
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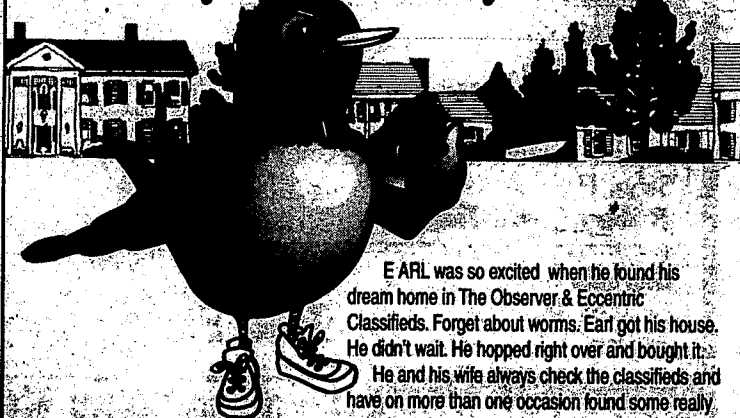
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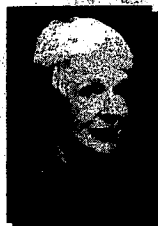
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# New plants follow long route to sale



MARTY FIGLEY

Have you ever wondered just where and how new plants are made available?

Each new find is well traveled before it reaches the market. I recently spoke with Timothy Wood, plant prop-

agation specialist at Spring Meadow Nursery Inc. in Grand Haven.

Wood has followed the path of many plant explorers (although in a slightly different way) such as Bartram, Wilson and Fortune, who searched the world for new and unusual plants, many of which carry the name of their founder or breeder.

Wood, who specializes in flowering

shrubs, travels to small nurseries in the United States, to Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands and England seeking out those plants that may be propagated that will eventually add beauty to our gardens.

"It is the best job a person could have," he said.

It takes several years before a plant is ready for the buying public; much patient work is involved and many specimens don't make it through the first trial.

Before Woods begins the hunt, he has some idea of what he is looking for from evaluating and comparing it to existing cultivars. The plant must be significantly superior or unusual to what's now on the market.

"Many new shrubs and perennials

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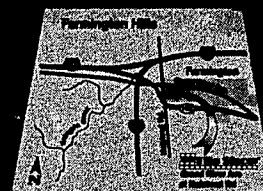
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are now being patented, which provides a source of royalties to the originator and allows money to market a plant and educate the public about it."

After Wood finds a potential plant, he makes a trialing (testing) arrangement with the breeder or discoverer so it can be evaluated to see if it can be propagated for the mass market, and to see if it will be really good enough to be patented and to command a royalty.

For evaluation he uses root cuttings or a mature plant from the original.

Spring Meadow Nursery promises that it won't sell or give the plant away. If all the criteria are met, the originator can apply for a patent, having one year to do so.

Spring Meadow assists and finances the patent process, which is quite costly.

Many garden-worthy plants aren't patented and are still available, Wood said.

### New offerings

As you plan for flowering shrubs to

add a bright note and interest in your garden, check your supplier for the following exciting new offerings from Spring Meadow. There are others.

Keep this for future reference because these are very new, but should be available spring 1998.

*Weigela florida* "Wine & Roses" - Dark burgundy-purple leaves shimmer like a fine wine. Hot pink-red colored flowers add a touch of romance when displayed against the dark glossy foliage. As autumn approaches, leaf color intensifies. Best in full sun. Matures to four to five feet tall.

*Itea virginica* "Little Henry" - Sweetly scented, pure white flowers shoot like fireworks in the early summer. Its low-mounded form is great for flooding large banks, beds and borders. Foliage will give burning bush a run for the money in the fall. Sun or shade. Matures to 18 to 24 inches by three feet.

*Euonymus fortunei* "Blondy" - Big and bright deep yellow spotted evergreen foliage and yellow stems provide seasons of color. Low growing with a neat habit; sun or shade. Matures to 18 inches tall.

And finally, *Spiraea betulifolia* "Birch Leaf Spirea" - Beautiful! A multitude of tightly packed, white flowers' clusters against a backdrop of iridescent green leaves. Compact, rounded habit with

exceptional gold, yellow, bronze and red autumn color adds to its allure. Best in full sun. Blooms mid to late spring. Grows two to three feet.

Wood has M.S. and B.S. degrees from Michigan State University and has worked in several botanical gardens.

He interned at Chicago Botanic Garden, Longwood and Arnold Arboretum and was a horticulturist at Kingwood Center in Ohio.

He also worked for Zelenka Nursery in research and development before moving to Spring Meadow Nursery, a propagating nursery that distributes to growers. You can find their products at Wiegand's Nursery, Romeo Plank Road, Macomb.

Congratulations to Telly's Nursery and Greenhouse of Troy, which recently opened a new facility in Brighton.

### GOOD GARDEN TIPS

■ Remove ground covers that have overgrown their bounds.

■ Continue to mow the lawn until growth stops.

■ Trim shade tree limbs that obstruct views or interfere with walkers.

■ Prepare soil in flower and vegetable beds for spring planting.

■ Begin preparing for winter: Drain hoses, store garden furniture and service irrigation systems.

■ Sunday, Oct. 12, HGTV will begin a new garden series, "Great Gardeners," with favorite TV hosts Jim Wilson and Peter Seabrook. More next week.

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■ The Metropolitan Rose Society will meet 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, at the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center, 3500 Marais, east of Crooks and south of 13 Mile. The public may attend. Speaker will be Lois Wier, chairperson of arrangements for the Great Lakes District of the American Rose Society.

■ English Gardens will welcome the fall season with its fifth annual Harvest Happening, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at its four locations, including the West Bloomfield store at 6370 Orchard Lake Road at Maple. Call (248) 851-7506. Harvest Happening will feature a variety of family-oriented activities, includ-

ing country music and a petting zoo 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. The event also will entail free children's projects, such as planting activities, decorating mini pumpkins and a tulip bulb search.

■ The Hardy Plant Society will meet 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, at the Bloomfield Hills Bowers School Farm, on the north side of Square Lake Road, the second road east of Squirrel Road and the third road west of Adams. Guest fee is \$3. Call Maryann Whitman at (248) 652-4004 for information.

■ Widely traveled photographer Fran Johnson will speak on "Art in the Garden" to the Troy Garden Club at its October meeting, noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, at the Troy Community Center. Refreshments will be served at noon. Guest donation is \$3. For information, call Barb at (248) 879-1393. The center is at 3179 Livernois.

■ The Beverly Hills Home Tour will take place 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, featuring five historically designated houses with arrangements donated by Rangers Floral Garden, Moran's Flora Inc., Paterson Carney Florist, Blossoms Fresh Flower Market and Affordable Flowers. Bring your slippers. No strollers. The tour isn't appropriate for children; babysitting will be available at My Place for Kids at Maple and Lahser.

Tickets, \$10, may be bought 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, Oct. 8, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. the day of the tour at the Village Offices of Beverly Hills, 18500 W. 13 Mile. Call Mary Ann at (248) 642-1308. The tour is sponsored by the non-profit Village Women's Club of Beverly Hills. Also featured will be a historical display of the village presented by Randy Munguia, and complimentary light refreshments at the village offices, decorated by Carolyn Hefner of The China Closet. Tavern on 13, Brady's and the Beverly Hills Grill will provide a com-

plimentary dessert with the purchase of a lunch or dinner entrée Oct. 9 and the presentation of the tour ticket. Tourists may receive a complimentary one-day family pass at the Beverly Hills Racquet and Health Club, and get a free loaf of bread when they buy another at the Townsend Bakery. Tour proceeds will benefit SCHOLAR, Beverly Hills Outreach, Bloomfield SCAMP and Beverly Hills Community Improvement. Call Gayle Orlow at (248) 646-1818 or Mary Lou Munguia at (248) 646-8896 for more information.

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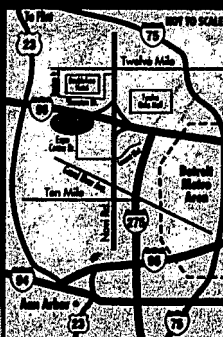
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stainless steel steamer sets.

You can improvise with the use of inexpensive collapsible steamer baskets (the ones that expand to the size pot you are using), bamboo steamers that fit into a wok, or just a large pot or pan with a lid.

Poaching and steaming food is easy to learn, and opens up a myriad of opportunities for cooking. If not adding a high-in-fat sauce to your poached or steamed food - these remain low in fat and very nutritious. Sauces that are low in fat can provide a flavorful addition to foods cooked in this manner.

Poaching actually involves water coming in contact with what is being cooked (fish, poultry, eggs, meat and fruit).

If poaching a whole fish, using a fish poacher is ideal (available at all cooking shops), if poaching fillets and steaks (as in salmon or halibut) they can be poached in almost any household pot, as long as it accommodates the size of the fish, and can be lidded.

Poached chicken is sensational for salads and other cold dishes, as it can cool down in its own liquid which keeps it moist.

While it is most appropriate to poach in water (with the use of herbs and spices to flavor the water), poaching can also be done in other liquids, such as cider, wine, and milk.

Steaming, often considered the perfect preparation for vegetables, is a great cooking technique for fish, seafood, poultry and filled pasta (dumplings, pot stickers, etc...)

"Steaming doesn't transform food; rather, it uncovers its natural essence" relates Jacques Manière, author of *Cuisine à la Vapeur (The Art of Cooking with Steam)*, translated by Stephanie Lyness, published by William Morrow and Company, Inc., 1995.

If you have a wok and bamboo steamers - this technique is fun for

guests - you can have them congregate in the kitchen, and fill the basket steamers with an assortment of vegetables and fish or seafood - this way, you not only have the ability to cook a multi-course meal in 20 minutes, you are providing the creative means to an interesting, unique, and delicious meal.

### Poaching tips

- Always start with cool water.
- Add vegetables, spices, and herbs to the water when cooking meat for added flavor.
- Flavor water ahead of time when cooking fish and shellfish - cooking time is not long.
- Keep the temperature for delicate foods just below the boiling point (210 degrees) - the water will shake and shiver instead of actually bubbling - and will cook gently.
- Poaching time for poultry starts after the liquid starts to ripple and the foam is removed.
- Almost all types of fish are suitable for poaching - stick to fish that doesn't fall apart.
- If cooking vegetables, make sure not to overcook - they should remain crisp!
- Poaching liquids make great stocks and sauces.

### Steaming tips

- The food in the steamer, should not touch the water below - the water should be brought to a boil prior to adding the steamer with food.
  - The pot should be lidded while cooking.
  - Timing is crucial, the food should not be overcooked.
  - Steaming can be done on a bed of aromatic herbs, greens, seaweed or vegetables.
  - If steaming in bamboo steamers - with a wok or large pot:
  - Make sure the water in the wok is simmering before placing the filled steamers over it.
  - Make sure the lid is in place to keep the steam circulating around to cook the food.
  - Always keep the water level consistent - not too high - you don't want it to touch the food, not too low - you don't want the wok (or pot) to boil dry.
- Some Steam Cuisine Ideas: dumplings (pot stickers), assorted vegetables, rice paper rolls stuffed with glutinous rice and shrimp, fish, and meat balls.

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## Gardening fair set Saturday

The Master Gardener Society of Oakland County will present its annual Fall Gardening Fair from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at the Michigan State University Tollgate Education Center, on the northwest corner of 12 Mile and Meadowbrook in Novi.

Admission and parking are free. Call (248) 347-3860, Ext. 300, for information.

The fair will feature a Tollgate Gardens Volunteers plant sale, children's activities (including pumpkin painting,

flower pressing and leaf painting), horse-drawn hayrides, free refreshments, a flag show at 2:30 p.m. and a compost demonstration.

Speakers will discuss backyard birds, bats, butterflies, beekeeping and backyard composting. Master gardeners will be available to answer questions. MSU Extension representatives will be on hand.

Guided tours of the Tollgate Gardens will be conducted.

## Cook up your kitchen design

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netry, the advantages of various countertops, and what else is required to design a functional, efficient, attractive kitchen.

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### SOLE STEAMED ON A BED OF CEYLON TEA

Yield: 4 servings as a main course

### Ceylon Tea-Infused Vinegar

Yield: 7 cups (this is more than you will need for the recipe, it keeps for several months, or is delicious in a vinaigrette).

7 cups white wine vinegar

8 Ceylon tea bags

Bring the vinegar to a boil in a nonaluminum pot. Add the tea bags, cover, and remove from the heat. Let cool. Store in sealed bottles or jars.

### Make the Burr Blanc Sauce:

Yield: makes about 1 cup

1 medium shallot, chopped (about 1 1/2 tablespoons)

2/3 cup Ceylon Tea-Infused Vinegar

Scant 1/4 teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon freshly ground pepper, preferably white

3 tablespoons heavy cream

14 tablespoons unsalted butter, cut into pieces

1 1/2 tablespoons loose Ceylon tea (or leaves from 3-4 tea bags)

2 Dover Sole, skinned and filleted (to give 8 fillets), or 4 flounder fillets (6-7 ounces each), cut in half lengthwise along the center line of the fillet.

Salt

1/2 tablespoon unsalted butter

2 small limes, peeled, seeded, and cut into small dice

Cheesecloth

Large stackable steamer, stackable steamer with two steaming compartments, or roasting pan with wire rack.

Make the butter sauce:

Combine the shallot, Ceylon Tea-Infused

Vinegar, salt, and pepper in a nonaluminum saucepan and reduce over medium-high heat until almost dry. Add the cream and reduce by one third. Then, whisking constantly, whisk in the pieces of butter a few at a time, adding more as the butter is emulsified into the sauce, and bring just to a boil. Remove from the heat. Use immediately or keep warm for up to 2 hours in a thermos.

Make the fish:

Cut a double layer of cheesecloth that is twice as long as the steamer rack. Lay the cheesecloth on the steamer rack so that half of the cheesecloth covers the rack and the other half fall outside the steamer. Sprinkle the tea over the cheesecloth in the steamer and fold the outer half of the cheesecloth over the tea to enclose it.

Fold each fillet in half, skinned side in. Sprinkle with salt and place in a single layer on the cheesecloth on the steamer rack. Place over simmering water, cover, and steam until tender, 4 to 5 minutes.

Just before the fish is cooked, melt the butter in a frying pan over high heat. Add the lime and saute just to warm through, about 30 seconds. Remove from heat.

To serve, divide the fillets among four plates. Sprinkle the lime over the fish and spoon the sauce over.

This recipe is from the book "Cuisine à la Vapeur" (The Art of Cooking with Steam), by Jacques Manière, and translated by Stephanie Lyness.

Chef's Note: If you are steaming to avoid calories and fat - eliminate the Beurre Blanc Sauce - steam the fish as directed and squeeze fresh lime juice over the fish and serve. The butter sauce is quite wonderful - save this recipe for a special treat.

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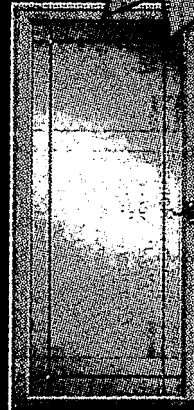
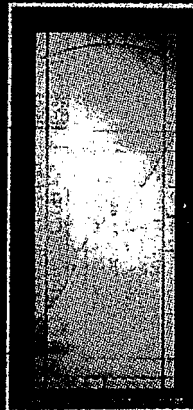
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## Mortgage servicing, II

## Realtors roll up sleeves - again

BY DOUG FUNKE  
STAFF WRITER



**MORTGAGE SEARCH**  
To protect consumers, the National Affordable Housing Act requires lenders or servicers to do the following:

Provide a disclosure statement which says whether the lender intends to sell them mortgage servicing immediately, whether the mortgage servicing can be sold at any time during the life of the loan; and the percentage of loans the lender has previously sold. Beginning in 1993, lenders must report figures for the previous three years. The percentages should be noted in the ranges 0-25 percent, 26-50 percent, 51-75 percent and 76-100 percent. The lender also must provide information about servicing procedures, transfer practices and complaint resolution.

If you have a face-to-face interview with a lender, you must receive the disclosure statement at the time of the loan application. If you apply for a loan by mail, the lender has three business days to send you the disclosure statement after receiving your application. If you do not return a signed disclosure statement, the lender can't fund a mortgage for you.

Lenders must respond promptly to written inquiries. If you believe you have been improperly charged a penalty or late fee or there are other problems with the servicing of your loan, contact your servicer in writing. Be sure to include your account number and explain why you believe your account is incorrect. Within 10 business days, the servicer must either correct your account or determine it is accurate.

the servicer must send you a written notice of what action it took and why. Do not subtract any disputed amount from your mortgage payment. Many mortgage servicers will refuse to accept what they consider to be partial payments. They may return the check and charge a late fee or declare the mortgage is in default and start foreclosure proceedings.

This article will be continued in my column next week. I'll continue with the other key features of mortgage servicing responsibility including lenders giving proper notification when the loan servicing is going to be sold and what consumers can do if they have complaints.

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It impresses every year. Dozens of Realtors, affiliate members and friends of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors gathered recently at a small ranch home in Livonia for their fourth annual home renovation project.

Volunteer laborers hung new doors, remodeled the bathroom, replaced light fixtures, painted inside and out, landscaped and cleaned up after themselves.

All in one day.

Susan Murphy, who lives there with children Michael, Shaughn and Kaitlynn and grandchildren Amber and Michael, was thrilled with the response.

"This is unbelievable, wonderful," Murphy said. "I'm overwhelmed. I'll have to adopt them all (workers) as my children. I could never do this by myself as hard as I try."

Diane Winkelmann, a Realtor with Century 21 Hartford in Farmington, has coordinated the WWOCAR renovation since its inception.

"We have success every year," she said. "People come out and have a good time. It's very time consuming, but very, very rewarding for everyone involved."

Teri Spiro, an associate broker with Century 21 Town & Country in West Bloomfield, chairs WWOCAR's public relations committee.

"None of us probably does as much around our houses as we do that day," she said. "We've all become handy."

"There's a core team that has become so cohesive over the years, it's become a fine art. We've been planning this since March," Spiro said.

"Each year, more people jump on the bandwagon," Winkelmann added.

Upwards of \$10,000 in materials and supplies were used in the renovation. Much of it was donated, the rest paid with money from a raffle sponsored by the association.

All of the workers, including some skilled trades people, donated their services. Corporate sponsors included Dearborn Federal Credit Union, HomeTeam Inspection Service and NBD Bank.

Murphy was recommended for the renovation project by the Livonia Head Start Program for which she has volunteered. Murphy also works as a caregiver in the health field.

Work that was completed before or scheduled after the one-day gathering included electrical upgrading, replacing the kitchen floor and cabinets, a new roof, windows and carpeting.

Brad Cox, a Realtor with Century 21 Town & Country in West Bloomfield, tore out floor tiling in the bathroom during his first home renovation par-



Break time: Volunteer workers take time out from their tasks for a group photo.

ticipation. "Agents in my office are pretty affluent," he said. "They have nice cars, nice houses and take nice vacations. A lot of people don't have the nice stuff we have."

"God knows I'm a lucky guy. I'm blessed. I'm convinced this gal needs help. That's why I'm out here," Cox said.

Genae Doletzky and Meriem Kadi, both Realtors with Remerica Family in Westland, scraped peeling paint from the garage. "It's for a great cause," Doletzky said.

"I think it's great trying to make this a team effort," Kadi added.

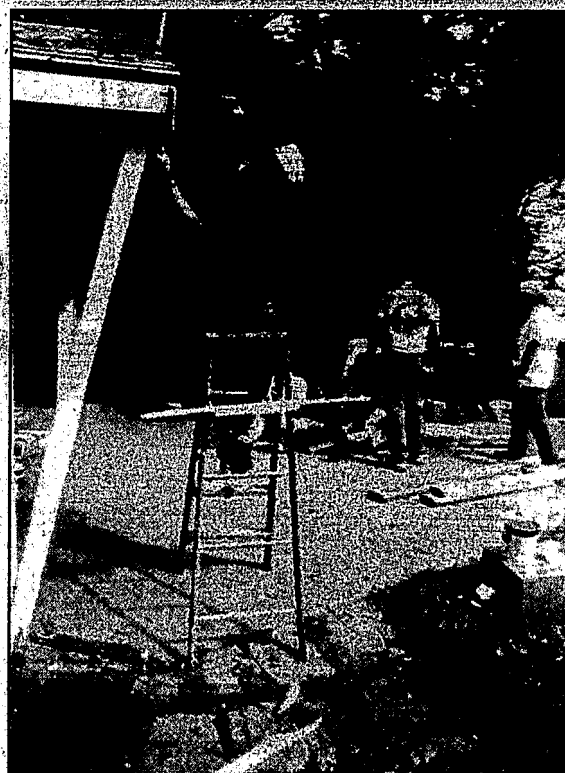
Monica Luther, affiliated with Real Estate One in West Bloomfield, was on the landscaping crew.

"It's a feeling of accomplishment, the before and after," she said. "It's nice to let people know Realtors do things besides sell houses. A lot of people think Realtors are snakes. At least they know a few of us are good eggs."

Claire Williams, associated with Remerica Hometown One in Canton, washed walls in a bedroom prior to painting.

"What I enjoy seeing is so many people helping, not just a few," she said.

"I guess when you combine the forces, it actually makes the difference," said Brad Dilley, who worked with wife, Jeanette, on landscaping. Both are Realtors with Century 21 Hartford North in Livonia.



Making inroads: Dan Haverly works on replacing part of the fascia on the garage while those in the background build a small playscape for the backyard.

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## Auburn Hills

842 Bloomfield Village \$46,000  
3047 Carly Ct \$85,000  
924 Chestnut Hill Dr \$45,000  
2581 E Walton Blvd \$87,000  
2753 Genes Dr \$88,000  
4479 Hawthorn Dr \$287,000  
2121 Joy Rd \$35,000

## Clarkston

6698 Almond Ln \$147,000  
6845 Almond Ln \$127,000  
7319 Bluewater Dr # 13 \$91,000  
7819 Brookwood Dr \$71,000  
4810 Cecelia Ann \$118,000  
7229 Chapel View Dr \$150,000  
5172 Chester Hill Dr \$188,000  
6055 Cranlane Dr \$138,000  
9729 Dartmouth Rd \$94,000  
7955 Hilldale Dr \$140,000  
10101 Horseshoe Cir \$269,000  
4884 Lakeview Blvd \$260,000  
9833 Oak Valley Dr \$30,000  
5014 Osseo Dr \$148,000  
4475 Pelton Rd \$155,000  
8950 Perry Lake Rd \$154,000  
9319 Robertdale \$88,000  
6310 Sashabaw Rd SMC \$130,000  
6199 Snow Apple Dr \$129,000  
5860 Walden Rd \$175,000  
5661 Warbler Dr \$154,000  
5343 Winnell \$137,000  
9510 Yale \$124,000

## Commerce Township

1854 Dorchester Dr \$235,000  
1630 High Pointe Dr \$188,000  
2016 Maplehurst Dr \$182,000  
2240 Meadow Brook Ct \$170,000  
2941 Viking Dr \$231,000  
3301 Viking Dr \$200,000  
2950 Woodlawn St \$118,000  
5552 Bentwood Ln \$270,000  
9599 Chaumont St \$175,000  
3930 Forest Edge Dr \$214,000  
3970 Forest Edge Dr \$226,000  
5732 Garthby St \$89,000  
5790 Garthby St \$119,000  
8323 Golfane St \$127,000  
5034 Greenview Ln \$227,000  
3531 Heatherwood Dr \$245,000  
3931 Lakes Edge Dr \$317,000  
9550 Listeria St \$129,000  
3064 Newton Rd \$54,000  
5691 Paradise St \$147,000  
4422 Rondelay St \$110,000  
3952 Timberbrook Ct \$259,000

## Davison

10033 Creekwood Trl \$389,000  
5784 Hillsboro Rd \$36,000  
10485 King Rd \$115,000  
6690 Rolling Meadow \$257,000

## Farmington

23611 Bickling Ct \$122,000  
35668 Briar Ridge Ln \$218,000  
31831 Grand River # 8 \$33,000  
32718 Grand River # 8 \$45,000  
35635 Heritage Ln \$110,000  
33914 Macomb St \$186,000  
33318 Oakland St \$218,000

## Farmington Hills

22641 Albion Ave \$112,000  
25266 Arden Park Dr \$186,000  
26150 Barbados Rd \$155,000  
31615 Bella Vista Dr \$187,000  
22560 Brady Ln \$235,000  
25100 Branchester Rd \$183,000  
25918 Branchester Rd \$189,000  
22261 Buckingham Dr \$272,000  
36083 Castlemeadow \$255,000

## Franklin

35521 Colfax St \$87,000  
21310 Colgate St \$27,000  
28885 Glenarden St \$165,000  
28118 Golf Pointe Blvd \$287,000  
30049 Harrow Dr \$351,000  
33133 Hopecrest Ct \$168,000  
31496 Hunters Circle Dr \$152,000  
21426 Jefferson St \$96,000  
28931 Leamington Dr \$180,000  
25740 Livingston Cr \$286,000  
28518 Newport St \$227,000  
28883 Oak Point Dr \$289,000  
30594 Orchard Lake # 5 \$93,000  
21796 Parker St \$104,000  
21105 Rensselaer St \$77,000  
35120 Rhoswood Dr \$99,000  
24399 Ridgeview Dr \$245,000  
21651 Roosevelt Ave \$130,000  
27402 Rosewood Ct \$246,000  
25325 Rutledge Xing \$319,000  
30259 S Stockton Dr \$120,000  
21570 Sheffield Dr \$280,000  
35280 Spring Hill Rd \$260,000  
35860 Springvale St \$216,000  
36721 Tanglewood Ln \$235,000  
14451 Tolly Ln \$198,000  
27944 W 11 Mile Rd \$135,000  
32013 W 12 Mile # 213 \$69,000  
30535 W 14 Mile # 19 \$56,000  
31162 W 8 Mile Rd \$370,000  
31687 W 9 Mile Rd \$126,000  
31766 Wayburn St \$160,000  
28390 Wellington St \$455,000  
28775 Wertham Ct \$290,000  
28911 Wilton Dr \$300,000  
30301 Windingbrook Ln \$300,000  
25342 Wykeshire Dr \$188,000

## Franklin

27220 Apple Tree Ln \$230,000  
30430 Rushmore Cir \$175,000  
30585 Rushmore Cir \$376,000

## Lake Orion

2280 Geyer Ct \$157,000  
405 Heights Rd \$110,000  
3665 Hi Villa Dr \$157,000

## Lathrup Village

28530 Eldorado Pl \$141,000  
28790 Evergreen Rd \$130,000  
26356 Lathrup Blvd \$176,000  
17554 Lincoln Dr \$115,000

## Novi

45555 Addington Ln \$306,000  
45636 Addington Ln \$318,000  
22425 Alton Ct \$265,000  
22606 Chestnut Tree \$189,000  
44550 Concord Dr \$259,000  
45320 Dunbar Dr \$248,000  
22632 Foxmoor Dr \$245,000  
40728 Heatherbrook \$146,000  
48775 Kent Ct \$265,000  
41649 Monterey Dr \$185,000  
23334 Mystic First \$273,000  
25089 Newberry Dr \$268,000  
24625 Old Orchard St \$86,000  
140 Pickford St \$55,000  
28747 Quarry Ct \$282,000  
45761 Remington Ln \$319,000  
31114 Seneca Ln \$161,000  
22842 Tallord St \$94,000  
25863 Trestle \$185,000  
45350 W 10 Mile Rd \$134,000

## Orion Township

3681 Green Meadow Ln \$237,000  
1557 Nancy G Ln \$147,000  
3305 Pin Oak Dr \$224,000

## Oxford

526 Broad Meadow Blvd \$167,000  
3385 Delano Rd \$450,000

## Rochester

2750 Drahn Rd \$265,000  
1803 High Pointe Dr \$235,000  
1150 Hillcrest Dr \$87,000  
128 Indian Knolls St \$149,000  
4694 Noble Rd \$100,000  
803 Olive St \$140,000  
4075 Rue De Caroline \$153,000  
845 S Baldwin Rd \$156,000

## Rochester Hills

904 1st St \$151,000  
508 7th St \$88,000  
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1777 Chase Dr \$327,000  
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2901 Cranbrook Ridge \$600,000  
1120 Eagle Nest Dr \$157,000  
1032 Hemlock Dr \$200,000  
978 Hollow Corners Ct \$356,000  
984 Hollow Corners Ct \$318,000  
4118 Kenley Ln \$234,000  
841 Loggers Cir \$328,000  
870 Loggers Cir \$325,000  
416 N Helen Ave Apt 4 \$115,000  
3678 Normandy \$204,000  
1323 Paintcrest Dr \$260,000  
5120 Rochester Rd \$200,000  
3073 Silverbrook Dr \$230,000  
403 W 2nd St \$127,000

## Rochester Hills

306 Antoinette Dr \$189,000  
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628 Bolinger St \$155,000  
3761 Cedar Brook Dr \$378,000  
3735 Cone Ave \$68,000  
938 Dahlia Ln \$171,000  
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2997 Gerald Ave \$100,000  
944 Greenview Ct \$239,000  
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21130 Andover Rd \$166,000  
18860 Bainbridge Dr \$172,000  
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3572 Kerry Dr \$245,000  
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## REIT buys industrial properties in suburban Detroit

Liberty Property Trust, a publicly owned real estate investment trust based in Philadelphia, has acquired a portfolio of 28 industrial properties in Oakland County.

The portfolio totals 871,755 square feet of industrial buildings, which are 99 percent

leased. Purchase price was \$46 million.

"In two months, Liberty has established itself as a major player in the suburban Detroit market, amassing two million square feet of quality real estate," said Bob Kiel, Liberty senior vice president for the Detroit

region.

"We believe this market will continue to provide us with outstanding opportunities for growth," he said.

The portfolio consists primarily of single-tenant industrial buildings in three business parks in Troy and Farmington Hills.

In Troy, Liberty has bought 10 buildings consisting of 379,458 square feet in the Indusco Industrial Park, and 11 buildings totaling 268,297 square feet in the Kirts Industrial Park.

Both Indusco Industrial Park and Kirts Industrial Park are near Liberty's Maple Research Park and have excellent access to the I-75 expressway.

According to a recent Grubb & Ellis report, industrial vacancies in the Troy submarket were less than 6 percent at mid-year.

In Farmington Hills, Liberty has bought West Tech Park, a 224,000-square-foot business park consisting of seven buildings. The park also includes 3.9 acres of vacant land, which could accommodate a maximum of 65,000 square feet of development.

With Technology Park, bought by Liberty in July, Liberty now owns more than 400,000 square feet in Farmington Hills.

According to Grubb & Ellis, industrial vacancy in the Farmington Hills market is 8.2 percent.

Liberty established a full-service regional office in Southfield.

Kevin Shea has joined Liberty as vice president, overseeing the daily operations of the new office. He previously was vice president of leasing and marketing for Hayman Company.

Shea's team will be responsible for executing Liberty's commitment to superior tenant service.

"Introducing tenants in our newly

The Acquired Properties		
ADDRESS	SIZE	% LEASED
<b>Indusco Industrial Park, Troy</b>		
1101 Allen	24,582	100
1151 Allen	41,200	100
1409 Allen	40,000	80
1300 Rankin	33,600	100
1350 Rankin	28,000	100
1376-1400 Rankin	33,640	100
1352-1374 Rankin	38,400	100
1324-1346 Rankin	33,600	100
1301-1307 Rankin	28,000	100
1304 E. Maple	78,436	100
<b>Kirts Industrial Park, Troy</b>		
1334 Mapelawn	28,122	100
1290 Mapelawn	19,314	100
1070 Mapelawn	15,520	100
950 Mapelawn	45,522	100
894 Mapelawn	32,868	100
1179 Mapelawn	19,873	100
1311-1331 Mapelawn	28,384	100
1940 Norwood	19,644	100
2354 Bellingham	19,775	100
2360 Bellingham	19,775	1



## REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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## HOME BUILDING WORKSHOPS

Jim Nawrot of Home Building Workshops offers a series of free introductory seminars previewing his more in-depth classes on house building issues.

The freebies go 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 at the Marriott Courtyard in Auburn Hills; 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5 at Best Western in Livonia; and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7 and Thursday, Oct. 9, at the Radisson Plaza in Southfield.

Registration required in advance at (800) 462-0899.

## HOME BUILDING CLASS II

Southfield Community Education in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute presents a 24-

hour class, "How to Build Your Own Home," 6:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays Oct. 13 through Nov. 5 at Southfield Community Education Center, 18575 W. Nine Mile, Southfield.

Topics include: estimating material costs, buying property, financing, building codes and permits, insurance requirements and the basics of wood frame construction, concrete, masonry and roofing.

Cost is \$195 plus a \$25 textbook fee.

Registration required by Oct. 9 at (248) 746-8700.

## REAL ESTATE INVESTORS

The Real Investors Association hosts its monthly meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at the Southgate Holiday Inn, 17201 Northline one Block east of I-75.

Cost is \$10 for non-members.

Beginning landlords interested in a free introductory package may contact Wayne Koehler, president, at (313) 277-4168.

## HOME BUYING WORKSHOP

The Neighborhood Project, a program of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit,

hosts a free home buying workshop 6:45-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, at the Jimmy Prentiss Morris Jewish Community Center, 15110 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park.

The workshop will focus on how to qualify for a mortgage, understand a credit report, complete a purchase agreement, choose a lender and real estate agency.

Co-sponsors are Stratford Funding and Advest Realty.

Reservations required at (248) 967-1112.

## BUYING WORKSHOP II

Vicky Love, a mortgage consultant with Concept One Mortgage in Southfield, presents a Home Buyers Workshop 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, at the Southfield Community Education Center, 18575 West Nine Mile.

Topics include common buying mistakes, determining how much house you can afford, finding the right home, negotiating the best deal buying with little cash and how to overcome bruised credit.

Cost is \$12. To register, call (248) 746-8700.

## REAL ESTATE INVESTORS

The Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland sponsors a dinner/seminar, "Find, Fix and Flip," a guide to purchasing single family houses and reselling at a profit, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10, at the Royal Oak American Legion, 1815 Rochester Road.

Topics include what properties to look for, sources of distressed properties, financing and fixing.

Cost is \$14 for members, \$24 for non-members. Reservations required by Oct. 6 to (800) 747-6742.

## TRADE SHOW

The Apartment Association of Michigan and the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan host their sixth annual trade show 3-7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, at the Southfield Civic Center Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen.

Exhibitors will feature products and services relating to maintenance items, marketing, appliances, pest control, recreational equipment, laundry equipment, rental furniture, windows, doors and more.

There is no admission charge,

but tickets, available at (248) 737-4477, are required for admission.

## CONDO MANAGEMENT CLASS

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer and O&E columnist, teaches a class, "Condominium Operation: Introduction to the Essentials for Success," 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 21 through Nov. 11 at Bingham III Office Park, 30200 Telegraph Rd. Suite 404, Bingham Farms.

Topics include reserve analysis and budgeting, avoiding legal disputes and liability, environmental concerns, civil rights issues, bylaw enforcement procedures and how to run an effective board meeting.

Cost is \$75, \$60 for each additional attendee from the same organization.

To register, call (248) 471-7729.

## ENERGY EFFICIENCY SEMINAR

Detroit Edison sponsors a free seminar on energy-efficient techniques for existing homes and geothermal heating and cooling systems 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday,

Oct. 22, at the Livonia Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Drive North.

To register, call (800) 833-2786.

## TECHNOLOGY/ DESIGN EXPO

The American Institute of Architects and the Associated General Contractors of America Greater Detroit Chapter co-sponsor an Information Technology Conference for the Design/Construction Project Team 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield.

Topics include law, technology and the construction industry; groupware for construction process management; online permits; and CD-ROM information resources for the construction industry.

Cost is \$50 for members, \$60 for non-members and \$25 for students.

To register, call Joe Neussendorfer at (248) 948-7000.

# These tips may help you finance your first home

The biggest financial step many people will take in their entire lifetime is buying a home, and financing a first home can be an intimidating process to the uninitiated.

"All the complex financial details that are involved in purchasing a home can bring anxiety to even the most veteran of home buyers," said Mike Wisok, branch manager of the Farmington office. "For first-time home buyers, the process can be extremely nerve wracking."

To ease the home financing process for first-time buyers, Wisok suggested "10 Tips For Financing Your First Home."

■ Team, with a reputable loan officer. An experienced loan officer will walk you through the financing procedures, simplifying the complex process and thus easing any anxiety. They also will help you choose a loan that helps you move into your first

■ **'For the majority of working people, home ownership is the single most reliable way to achieve financial security.'**

home easily and affordably.

■ Examine your credit history. Preferably, you should have a clean record with no bills overdue more than 30 days within the past year. The quality of your credit background can influence the type of mortgage for which you qualify. Even bruised credit histories may be eligible for home loans, but the loans most likely will be at higher interest rates. All lenders will order your

credit report to determine whether your credit history is of the quality necessary to secure a home loan. The credit report shows your history of debt, repayments, as well as any recent credit inquiries.

■ Determine how much you can afford. This will save time, energy and frustration before you shop for a house. Contact a loan officer to prequalify you with basic information on your income, debts and assets. Prequalification determines how much home you can afford, shows you what your down payment will be, lets you know what your monthly payment will be, and identifies the loan programs you qualify for.

■ Save now for your down payment. Depending upon the type of loan you apply for, funds for your down payment can come from bank account, 401(k) accounts, stocks, bonds or gifts

from family. Most conventional loans require down payments of 5 to 10 percent. But government loans, such as FHA and VA mortgages, require as little as 3 percent down toward the sale price.

■ Research the various mortgage loans available to you. Conventional or government loans, 30-year or 15-year. Fixed rate vs. adjustable rate. Some loans, such as the 203(k), allow you to buy and renovate your home with just one monthly payment.

■ Avoid changing jobs. This can create a problem in qualifying for a loan if the new job is in a different line of work or at a lower rate of pay.

■ Avoid making any major purchases. Buying a new car, furniture, appliances or incurring any new credit card debt before your loan closes can make it difficult to get your loan approved—even if you were preapproved.

■ Do not switch banks or move

your money around. This can wreak havoc with the verification process.

■ Do not pay off bills. Your loan officer will advise you if it is necessary to pay off bills—and show you the best way to do it.

■ Find a reputable real estate agent. Talk to your friends, coworkers, family and loan officer to see who they recommend. You, your Realtor and your loan officer will work as a team to ensure that you obtain the home of your dreams.

"To a first-time home buyer, the process can seem overwhelming, but it's worth it," Wisok said. "For the majority of working people, home ownership is the single most reliable way to achieve financial

security. Your home is not only a residence and a place of comfort, but it also becomes a wonderful financial investment and tax benefit."

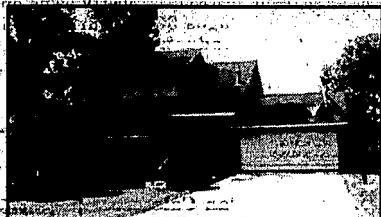
For more information about home financing, call Wisok at (810) 488-8800.

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BEST BUY IN THE AREA! Neutral decor, high ceilings, 1st floor master bedroom w/ jacuzzi. Finished walkout. \$505,000 BL-21 248-851-4100



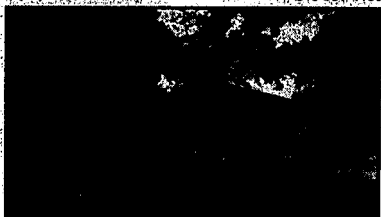
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## WEST BLOOMFIELD

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BOAT AND SWIM ON WALNUT LAKE. Ranch home with Birmingham schools within walking distance of lake. \$240,000 IN-48 248-851-4100



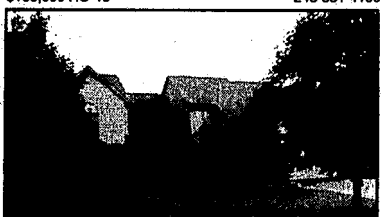
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## BIRMINGHAM

COZY 3 BEDROOM BUNGALOW. Walking distance to downtown Birmingham. House has many updates. Clean. \$160,000 HO-19 248-851-4100



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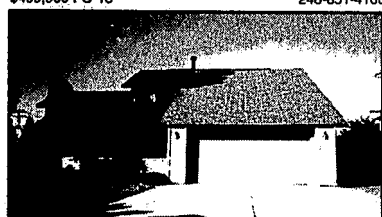
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## WEST BLOOMFIELD

PINE LAKE BEACH BOAT PRIVILEGES come with this newer contemporary colonial. All neutral throughout. \$259,900 ST-25 248-851-4100



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**WEST BLOOMFIELD - FOUR ACRE ESTATE**

- Unique opportunity to own 145 footage on Green Lk.
- Natural Contemporary in tranquil setting comparable to Monterey, California, pasture for horses & barn
- Three stories of glass walls overlooking lake
- Magnificent architecture, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths
- 40 ft. bridge entrance, wooded & hilly landscaping

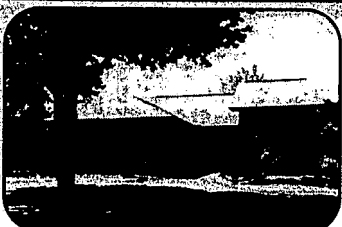
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**WEST BLOOMFIELD - BETTER THAN NEW**

- Magnificent Colonial newly built in 1996 finished with the finest details and amenities
- Located on quiet, wooded cul-de-sac
- Hand painted Italian tile, granite counters, low E Andersen windows, wired for surround sound
- Over 3,700 sq. ft., 4 1/2 baths, 3 car attached garage

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- Unique Contemporary home on private gated 10 acres with trails and the Clinton River winding through
- Builder's own home - Walk-out lower level, multi-level decking, outdoor sauna, 750 sq. ft. 3 car garage
- Fabulous views, Crescent Lake privileges
- Built in 1994 - Horses allowed - Home Warranty!

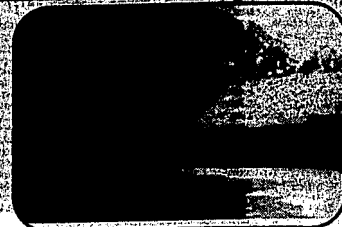
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**COMMERCE TWP. - BUILDERS TAKE NOTE!**

- Only \$2,100 per lakefront foot of 185 ft. private all sports lake frontage prime value in land, splittable lot
- Three bedroom ranch with addition possibilities or build your own dream home with walk-out
- Must see to appreciate!

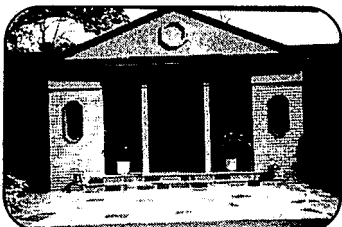
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**OXFORD - PRE-CONSTRUCTION SALE**

- Ten lots to choose from in Lakes of Indianwood
- The "Cranbrook" model offers large foyer with curved staircase, 2 story family room & garden room
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- Your floor plan welcome - Base lot prices range from:

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**BEAUTIFUL ALL SPORTS LAKEFRONT RANCH**

- More than 3,000 ft. of living space with 146 ft. water frontage with new dock, carved marble fireplace
- Newly carpeted, gold plated fixtures & lighting custom designed in England, updated kitchen

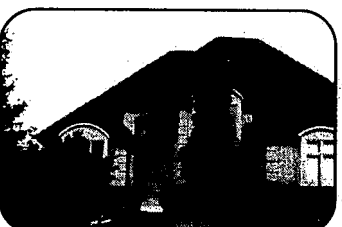
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**FARMINGTON HILLS - COUNTRY RIDGE BEAUTY**

- Over 3,200 sq. ft. Colonial offers impressive foyer with sweeping circular staircase, island kitchen
- Newer gourmet kitchen, freshly decorated & painted interior & newly carpeted, 2 fireplaces, Florida room

\$324,900 626-9100 756299



**BLOOMFIELD HILLS - IF YOU LIKE WHAT YOU SEE...**

- Don't hesitate to arrange to see the inside!
- Wonderful ranch home offers marble entry, dramatic family room w/vaulted ceiling & fieldstone fireplace
- Formal dining, 1st floor laundry, AHS Home Warranty

\$322,900 Ask for Anna Percy 656-4400



**LAKE ORION - A RARE FIND WITH 5 ACRES!**

- Expansive 4,600 square foot Colonial
- Luxury of indoor pool, great home for entertaining
- Two bams with mechanics area & hoist, horses possible. (RO379) Seller will consider offers between

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**WEST BLOOMFIELD - GREEN LAKE FRONTAGE**

- Three bedroom brick home loaded with charm
- Newer roof, furnace, central air and wiring
- Lakeside porch with million dollar views!
- Two car garage, basement & fenced yard

\$284,900 683-8900 762488



**PRIME BEVERLY HILLS LOCATION**

- Immaculately maintained one owner Colonial
- Neutral decor, fireplace in family room, eat-in kitchen
- Main floor laundry, hardwood floors, 4 bedrooms
- Finished basement, doorwall in dining room

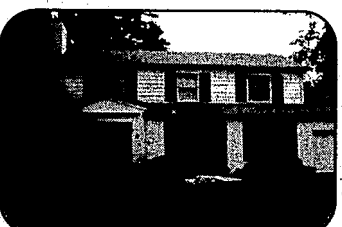
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**ROCHESTER HILLS - ONLY 9 MONTHS NEW**

- Premium amenities of cathedral & vaulted ceilings
- Hardwood floors in foyer, island kitchen & bath
- Neutral decor, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, family room
- Wired for invisible fence including collar & box

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**ROCHESTER HILLS - PARK-LIKE SETTING**

- This Traditional Colonial offers extensive crown moldings, beautiful decor & hardwood floors
- Marble bath off master, newer roof, windows, trim and gutters, 2 brick patios and perennial garden

\$273,000 Ask For Cecelia Brown 656-4401



**WEST BLOOMFIELD - ESTATE GARDEN**

- Immaculately maintained Colonial offers hardwood under carpet and leaded glass doors off foyer
- Two-way fireplace in family & breakfast rooms
- Circular deck with outstanding BBQ grill

\$259,900 646-6000 747257



**WATERFORD - WALK TO LAKE OAKLAND**

- Dramatic 2 story great room with mirrored fireplace
- Merlot oak kitchen with hardwood floor & island
- Built-in bar in dining area, ceramic foyer, jacuzzi in master suite - Lease option available

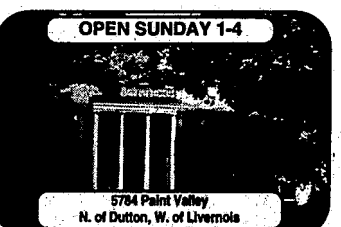
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**WEST BLOOMFIELD - PICTURESQUE TREED SETTING**

- Spacious well maintained Colonial w/4 bedrooms
- Crown moldings, wood windows, parquet floors
- Library, large family room offers gas fireplace, doorwall to extensive decking and brick patio

\$259,900 683-8900 744970



**ROCHESTER SCHOOLS - OAKLAND TWP.**

- Wonderfully maintained from the peaceful, scenic setting to the superior quality updates within
- New Andersen windows & doorwalls plus kitchen appliances, ceiling fans, 3 bedrooms, deck

\$229,950 Ask For Eleanor Feeley 656-4404



**ROCHESTER HILLS - WALK TO SCHOOL**

- Treed lot deep within this desirable subdivision
- White kitchen with pantry & double ovens
- Main floor laundry, ceramic entry, garden window
- Extra deep treed lot plus a home warranty

\$204,900 Ask For Anna Percy 656-4400



**FARMINGTON HILLS - PINE TREES GALORE**

- On this beautiful property!
- Custom built, 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch located near I-696 in quiet low traffic neighborhood
- Full basement, fireplace in basement & living room

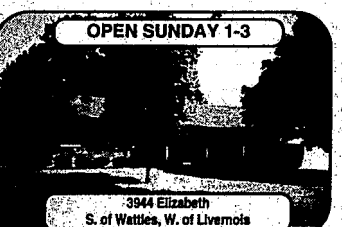
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**WATERFORD - READY FOR YOUR FINISHING TOUCH**

- Nearly complete with lake privileges
- Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, approximately 2,200 sq. ft., great room, main floor laundry & formal dining
- Built-in bar in dining area, ceramic foyer, jacuzzi in master suite - Lease option available

\$185,000 Ask For Michael Procter 620-4370



**WOW! WHAT A VALUE IN TROY!**

- Just listed! Highly desirable Troy Meadows Sub.
- Three bedroom ranch, full finished basement
- Situated on a quiet interior street, fenced backyard
- Full brick, newer roof & air, freshly painted!

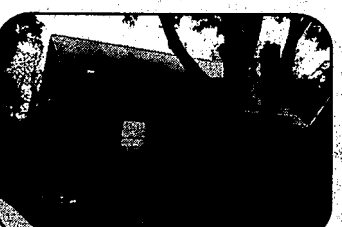
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**BLOOMFIELD HILLS SCHOOLS AT A GREAT PRICE**

- Gorgeous new kitchen with Jenn-Air, eating area, desk and breakfast bar
- Family room with fireplace and doorwall to patio
- Full basement, central air, 2 car attached garage

\$164,500 Ask For Maud Granzow 646-3091



**ROYAL OAK - CENTRALLY LOCATED**

- Great three bedroom Cape Cod meticulously maintained, large living room with natural fireplace
- Florida room leading to deck and private yard
- Newer roof, furnace & siding, finished basement

\$157,900 689-8900 738545



**ENJOY ROOM TO ROAM IN THIS WIXOM RANCH**

- Family room offers doorwall to large deck & gazebo
- Custom built, 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch located near I-696 in quiet low traffic neighborhood
- Master bedroom with large walk-in closet, full bath in basement, running water in garage, security system

\$143,500 Ask For John J. Emerson 539-8150



**AUBURN HILLS - EXCITINGLY DIFFERENT**

- Contemporary ranch 3 bedroom home
- Open cathedral ceilings, gourmet kitchen
- Beautiful landscaping & completely fenced backyard
- Third bedroom with French doors, used as library

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**TROY - WALK TO LEONARD ELEMENTARY**

- Recently remodeled kitchen in 1991
- Family room with fireplace & wet bar
- Main floor laundry, new furnace & humidifier in '97
- Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths plus a home warranty!

\$229,900 689-8900 738447



**DETROIT, CLASSIC ROSEDALE COLONIAL**

- Pride of ownership evident in this 4 bedroom home
- Finished basement, newer kitchen floor & counters
- Updated vinyl windows & carpeting, central air
- Natural fireplace, hardwood floors, 2 car garage

\$124,900 Ask For John J. Emerson 539-8150



**HOWELL AREA - FABULOUS VIEWS!**

- Wonderfully located on Chemung all sports lake
- Private beach launch, screened porch & deck
- Two bedroom ranch, stove & refrigerator stay
- Convenient to shops & expressway

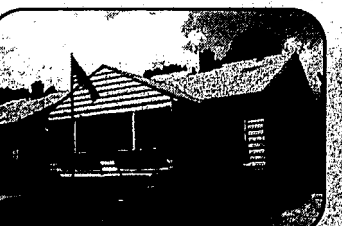
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## Featured Fine Home

### ROCHESTER HILLS Oak Cornices & Trim

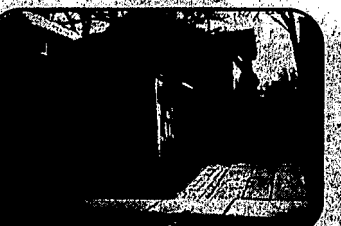
- Great room enhanced by natural fireplace
  - Freshly painted inside & out, satellite dish stays
  - Ceiling fans plus central air, snack counter in kitchen
  - Three bedrooms, 2 full baths, just under 1,700 sq. ft.
  - Lovely plantings, natural setting backing to trees
- \$204,900 Ask for Eleanor Feeley 656-4404



**NORTH ROYAL OAK - PRICED TO SELL!**

- Updated plumbing, electrical, windows, roof & bath
- Two bedrooms, unfinished upper level, fireplace
- Fenced yard, heated garage, deck, shed
- Immediately available home warranty!

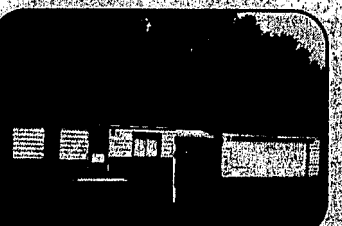
\$99,000 Ask For Colleen Hood 648-4024



**FERNDALE - CHARMING STONE BUNGALOW**

- 16x8 enclosed front porch plus 12x8 sun room
- Newer windows in 1994, fenced yard
- Four bedrooms and basement, affordably priced
- Lots of potential!

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**WATERFORD - TWO BEDROOM BUNGALOW**

- Affordable home or great rental property
- Situated on large lot with many possibilities
- Two car attached garage, unfinished basement
- Area of higher priced homes!

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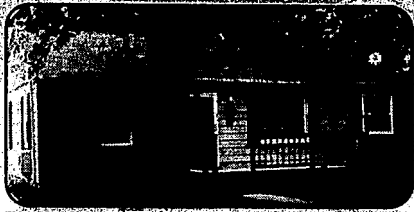
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EACH OFFICE IS INDEPENDENTLY OWNED AND OPERATED



**TALK ABOUT RENOVATED!** New in 1997: furnace, HWH, roof, paint, carpeting, kitchen from top to bottom, ceramic tiles in 2 bathrooms, landscaping & windows! Contact Brian Granaderi: \$151,900 (60MAN) 280-4777



**A MUST SEE!** Spectacular colonial with all the amenities. 4 Bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, formal living room and dining room, wet bar, alarm, Inground pool and much more! \$399,900 (OE52AIN) 248-299-6200



**NEW CONSTRUCTION** with 1st floor master, 4 bedrooms, upgrades galore, huge country kitchen with oak flooring, marble fireplace, Jacuzzi tub, oversized 3+ garage w/ expanded driveway, premium 1 acre corner lot in a hilly and wooded Brighton Sub. \$306,000 (104PIE) 349-6800



**STUNNING CUSTOM CONTEMPORARY.** 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath 2 story home features 1st floor master suite, 1st floor laundry, white island kitchen eating area open to deck, finished walk out lower level with full kitchen. \$379,000 (COB62MAP) 626-8000



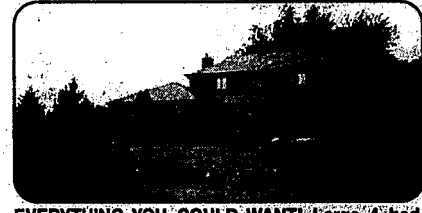
**NIETY & THRIFTY!** Berkley 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home with open floor plan! Move-in condition, priced to show and sell! \$109,900. (38GAR) 280-4777 Ask for Bud!



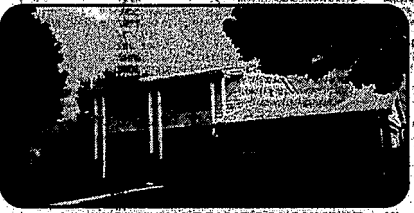
**SIMPLE FABULOUS!** Magnificent English Tudor situated on a 1.3 acre wooded lot. 4 bedrooms, 3 full and 2 half baths, full finished walk-out basement, custom milled molding, 2 fireplaces, in-ground pool and hot tub. \$649,900 (OE12SUN) 248-299-6200



**NEW HUDSON BRICK HOME.** country setting, 4 bedrooms, family room and den, formal dining room and huge country kitchen, approx. 3000 sq. ft. 2 car+ garage and basement. Immaculate grounds. (300HOM) 349-6800



**EVERYTHING YOU COULD WANT!** Large 4 bedroom colonial gracing a beautiful tree. 1.8 acre lot. Quality throughout with anderson windows, 2 1/2 ceramic baths, large family room with fireplace, basement and garage. \$234,900 (COB35CRO) 626-8000



**DISTINCTIVE STATELY BRICK COLONIAL!** Terrific home in North Royal Oak neighborhood! Over 2000 sq. ft. on a 1/2 acre lot! This home has it all! 4 Bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, oversize 2 1/2 garage, formal DR, front room w/ fireplace, newer roof, C/A, furnace & basement! \$214,900. (04THO) 280-4777



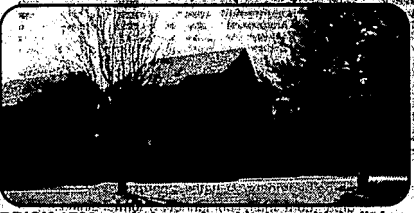
**ROCHESTER.** Village charmer. Living room with fireplace, family room, formal dining room, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, basement, 2 1/2 car garage, beautiful fenced back yard, deck and more! \$167,900 (OE33HIG) 248-299-6200



**BEAUTIFUL LAKE FRONT LOT IN BRIGHTON.** All sports lake access, on peaceful dead end road. 214 feet of lake frontage. \$87,900 (VACFOR) 349-6800



**MAPLES OF NOVI.** 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath 2 story with 2 car garage, great room with fireplace plus much more! Located in popular Maples of Novi offering golf, pools, clubhouse come and enjoy. \$149,900 (COB77COL) 626-8000



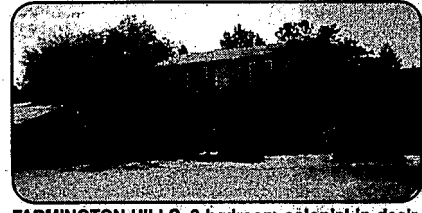
**BRICK 1500 sq. ft. home** has kitchen with built-ins, living room, dining room, front room, natural fireplace, 1 1/2 baths, finished basement, large private yard, 2 carports and central air! \$99,900. (11GRE) 280-4777 Ask for Herman!



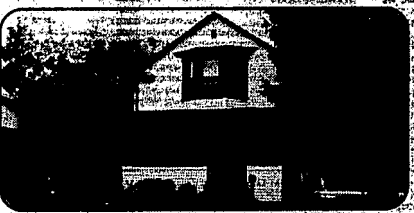
**COOL, SHADY YARD.** Shows off like a model. Remodeled, tree-spanned street. Easy commute, warm hearth. Family room, 3 bedrooms, partially finished basement, deck, fencing, PLUS in-town. Immediately available. \$149,900 (OE14FE) 248-299-6200



**GORGEOUS CUSTOM BUILT COLONIAL** on beautiful golf course lot. Dramatic 2 story foyer, spiral staircase, extra deep walk-out basement, hardwood floor and white bay cabinets in kitchen. (283GOL) 248-349-6800



**FARMINGTON HILLS.** 3 bedroom colonial in desirable Lincolnshire Sub with remodeled kitchen and hardwood floors highlight this lovely family home with den or office. 1st floor laundry, partially finished basement, new windows on upper story. \$199,900 (COB11LEE) 626-8000



**SIDEYARD PERENNIAL RETREAT!** Unique older Royal Oak home, hardwood floors under carpet, large lot, 3 bedrooms, basement, 2 car garage, newer siding, gutters, dishwasher, kitchen w/ pantry, formal dining room w/ bay and lots more! \$174,900. (23HUD) 280-4777



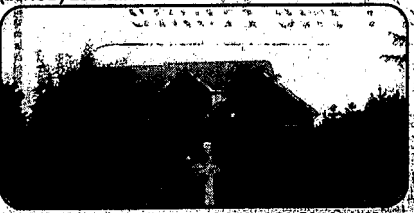
**FABULOUS HOME!** Everything has been done to perfection! Move-in condition, immediate occupancy! Walk to quaint downtown Rochester. Great neighborhood. New Kitchen and bath, new siding, C/A, etc., too many updates to mention. \$144,900 (OE60REN) 248-299-6200



**NICE CONTEMPORARY HOME WITH BRIGHT AND AIRY FLOOR PLAN.** Lots of updates. Remodeled kitchen, new windows and newer roof. Oversized fenced yard with gazebo. Farmington schools. (241DUN) 248-349-6800



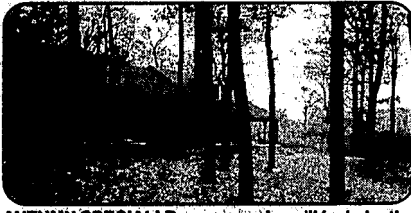
**VILLAGE OF ORCHARD LAKE.** Fabulous contemporary adjoining Orchard Lake golf course, magnificent tree setting, 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 2 half baths on over an acre, 1st floor master, full wall windows, 5000 sq. ft., walk out lower level with spa & library. \$500,000 (COB25OLD) 626-8000



**TERRIFIC TROY 4 BEDROOM COLONIAL!** Move into this traditional brick colonial w/ crown molding throughout, GE appliances, great room with cathedral ceilings and new Troy High! Oak River area! Motivated sellers, bring all offers! \$375,000 (10SUN) 280-4777



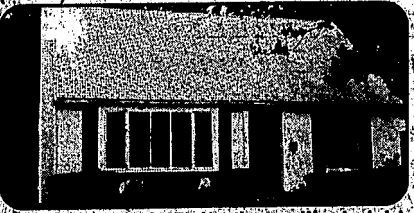
**WELL KEPT!** 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths colonial, 2 story, back & vinyl siding, on corner lot, 2 car garage, third floor, family room w/ fireplace, bay windows, ceramic tiled baths, eat-in kitchen w/ dishwasher, formal dining room, C/A, sprinkler system. \$199,500 (OE70BAK) 248-299-6200



**AUTUMN SPECIAL!** Buy now and you'll be in by the change of seasons. 1.3 acres of wooded property, in Milford; surround this 2,687 sq. ft. 1 1/2 story Cape Cod. 3 bedroom den, 3 baths, upstairs recreation area. This is a must see! (165IND) 349-6800



**SYLVAN LAKEFRONT.** Get inside this wonderful ranch with 75 ft. on Sylvan Lake. You'll love the open airy feeling, new kitchen, 26x10 Florida room, 2 fireplaces, home warranty. \$369,900 (COB25JAM) 626-8000



**HOME SWEET HOME!** Huntington Woods brick bungalow ready to move-in! Completely re-done, 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths, natural fireplace, near school and park! \$169,900. (15NAD) 280-4777



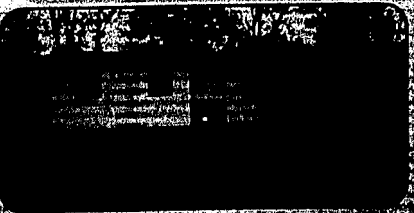
**EXTRAORDINARY AMBIANCE!** Fabulous wooded setting on historic Winkler Mill Pond. Exquisite interior of unsurpassed quality - custom and neutral throughout. Carriage house, sunken gardens, circular drive, cedar decking, 3 doorways and more. \$495,000 (oe19was) 248-299-6200



**NOVI! Spectacular New Construction Cape Cod** on all sports, private Walled Lake. Just under 3,000 sq. ft., 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath, full basement, 85'x225' lot, with 60' on Walled Lake. City water and power. Only \$479,900 - HURRY! (#4SOU) 349-6800



**IMPRESSIVE!!** Best describes this fine 4 bedroom colonial. On private cul-de-sac with professional landscaping-brick patio. New gourmet kitchen with garden window, jennair, microwave, corian countertops. Wood floors, newer furnace/roof, home warranty. \$304,000 (COB72WAL) 626-8000



**ONLY THIS BEAUTY!** New in 1997: furnace, HWH, roof, paint, carpeting, kitchen from top to bottom, ceramic tiles in 2 bathrooms, landscaping & windows! Contact Brian Granaderi: \$151,900 (60MAN) 280-4777



**IDEAL LOCATION!** Open airy, great flowing floor plan, great room w/ skylight, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, home features 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, home warranty. Priced to sell at \$149,900 (11GRE) 280-4777



**CLARKSTON CONTEMPORARY!** This bright, light & neutral Quad won't last long. Home features 4 bedrooms, 2 baths. Enjoy the view from deck, family room w/ brick natural fireplace, hardwood floor in foyer & dining room. Partially finished basement w/ rec room. Priced to sell at \$159,900 (007TM) 626-7200



**LAKE FRONTAGE ON MOHAWK LAKE!** Features include 2 bedroom, 2 baths, master suite, 1st floor laundry, u-shaped kitchen with snack bar & eating area. Formal dining & family room w/ fireplace. Deck across back of home with view of Mohawk & Angelus Lake. \$325,000 (27NOR) 626-7200



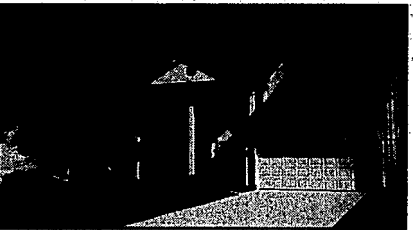
**CLAWSON.** 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 story with an updated kitchen & bath. Finished basement. Large lot and a 2 1/2 car garage. One Year Home Warranty! \$137,900 (06NAH) 524-1600



**BRUCE TOWNSHIP.** 3 bedroom bungalow totally updated. Vinyl windows, carpet, copper plumbing, kitchen & bath with updated sinks & faucets. 1.70 acres with dog kennel area. \$124,900 (83THI) 524-1600.



**TROY.** 3 bedroom ranch home with large lot. Living room with natural fireplace. Family kitchen. Enclosed back porch plus a 2 car attached garage with workshop. \$149,900 (25SYL) 524-1600



**IMPRESSIVE PILLARED COLONIAL** in excellent Rochester sub featuring parks & trails. Family room w/fireplace. Large master suite with walk-in closet & bath. Kitchen with oak cabinets, convenient work area & eating space too! Call for private show of this great family home. \$189,900 (56PAR) 652-8000



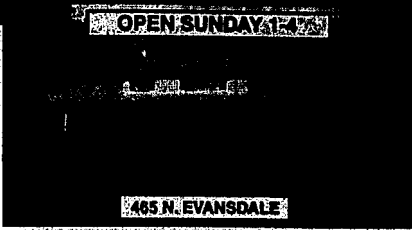
**ATTRACTIVE** three bedroom ranch in move-in condition. Cathedral ceiling in family room, two doorwalls to deck, fireplace, ceiling fan and newer carpeting. \$209,900 (29PEP) 652-8000



**GREAT LOCATION!** Great home! A winning combination of house & lot. Wooded privacy in this open Great room is enhanced w/large windows, gleaming hardwood floors, elegant formal dining room. Home boasts of large master suite w/sitting area, finished walk-out basement. \$254,900 (18SAL) 652-8000



**BIRMINGHAM.** 4,000 sq. ft. renovated historic house. In-town Birmingham, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 lavatories. Spectacular renovation, dream kitchen, dynamite master bedroom suite, 3 fireplaces, hardwood floors, recessed track lights. \$599,900 (05TOW) 642-8100



**BLOOMFIELD HILLS.** 3,300 sq. ft. colonial on acre setting in Bloomfield. Birmingham schools. First floor master bedroom suite. Living room, family room, library or 5th bedroom, finished basement. Pool. \$369,900 (65EVA) 642-8100



**BLOOMFIELD.** 2,500 sq. ft. quad in the Dells, Bloomfield schools. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, exceptionally large lot with 3 car garage, living room, family room, library, updated kitchen and baths. \$269,900 (67LON) 642-8100



**ROCHESTER HILLS.** 2100 sq. ft. Colonial with newer Andersen replacement windows and doorwalls. Living room, family room with fireplace, huge master bedroom suite w/fireplace, great yard. \$189,900 (19FAI) 642-8100



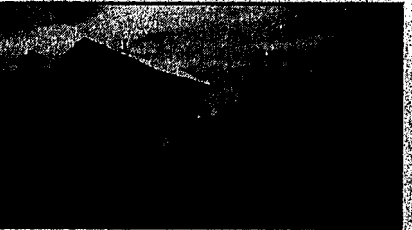
**BLOOMFIELD HILLS.** Wabeek custom Tudor. 4 bedrooms, living room, library, wet bar. Family room, dining room and foyer. 2 story huge master bedroom. 3 car garage. \$329,900 (64MAR) 642-8100



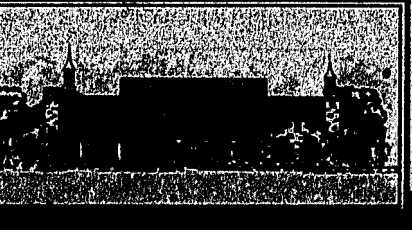
**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** Stunning upper Ranch condominium. Contemporary open floor plan. Cathedral ceilings, skylights, gray and white tasteful decor. White kitchen, 2 separate bedroom suites. Security alarm. Kitchen with adjacent laundry. Backs to meadow - see deer. \$189,000 (52WES) 652-8100



**FARMINGTON HILLS.** Westbrook manor ranch. 3 bedrooms, family room, large eat-in kitchen, full basement, private lot, deep in sub, many updates. Great location. \$174,900 (31NO) 626-8800



**FARMINGTON HILLS.** ACCENT IN VALUE!!! Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, townhouse offering, finished walkout, great room with fireplace, 2 car garage. Quiet setting & great location. \$154,900 (35HE) 626-8800



**TROY.** Popular sub, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath quad level home. Large family room with fireplace & wet bar. Updated kitchen, newer carpeting and decor. Troy schools. (16CR) \$179,900 626-8800



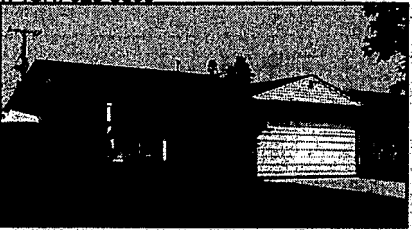
**COMMERCE TOWNSHIP.** PURR-FECT HOME!!! 3 bedrooms, basement, 20x24 garage. Completely remodeled in 1994 with open floor plan. Must see to appreciate. Beach & boat privileges. Beautiful landscaping & exterior. \$117,900 (93CO) 626-8800



**WALK TO TOWN.** Charming Cape Cod in Poppleton Park Area. Master suite, formal living room with fireplace, large dining room, updated kitchen. Re-glazed windows, hardwood floors. Central air & security system. \$319,000 (10MA) 626-8800



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** FABULOUS 3 bedroom contemporary ranch condo. Open floor plan, neutral decor, cathedral ceilings, master suite has a whirlpool tub & shower. Great room with marble fireplace. 1st floor laundry, 2 car attached garage! \$234,900 (74SH) 626-8800



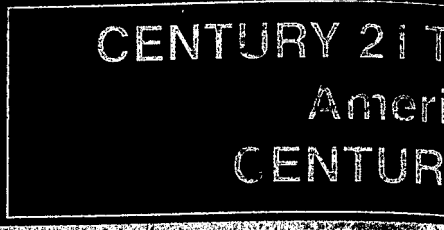
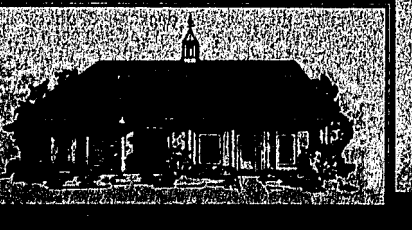
**WATERFORD BRICK RANCH.** Very attractive brick ranch, two bedrooms, two baths, over 1,000 sq. ft. Work room off of garage, privacy fence, two sheds. \$119,900 (70CAS) 363-1200



**WOODED LOT BACKING TO HURON RIVER** offers this 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick home with updated kitchen, fireplace, large lot, spacious garage and private easement for boat docking. \$128,000 (22LAK) 363-1200



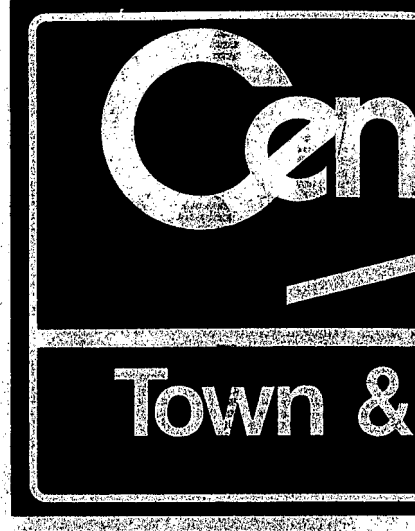
**KEEP YOUR COOL ALL YEAR!** Bay of Lake Neva - 100 ft. waterfront parklike retreat! Smart floor plan, new roof, central air and furnace. Wade in the water and feel this cool all sports lake. \$204,900 (50CAP) 363-1200



**BLOOMFIELD.** Sprawling quad level home offering 1.8 secluded acres on private Sodon Lake. Spectacular views. Peace and serenity abound. \$999,000 (24ECH) 642-8100



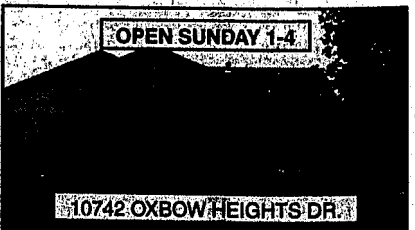
**TROY.** 3 bedroom ranch home with 2 full baths. Private yard, updates include roof, driveway, walkway, water heater, sump pump. Much more! \$339,000 (58MOO) 524-1600



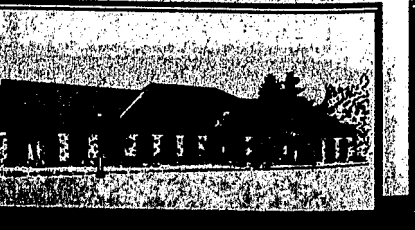
**WALLED LAKE SCHOOLS.** 3 bedrooms, totally updated! 1,243 sq. ft. Updates: siding, shingles, flooring, most windows, cabinets, counter tops, etc. Lake privileges on Round Lake. \$99,900 (70COO) 363-1200



**SHARP WHITE LAKE RANCH.** Lake privileges on all sports lake. Great views from deck and gazebo in large backyard. 2 1/2 detached garage, circle drive, library plus 1 1/2 baths. Not a drive by. \$128,500 (10COO) 363-1200



**OXBOW LAKE PRIVILEGES - DESIRABLE SUB.** Sellers motivated! Gorgeous home, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, open, professionally landscaped, hot tub in deck, central air, fireplace. \$185,900 (420XB) 363-1200





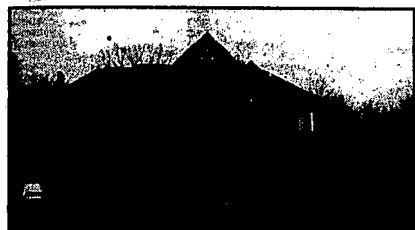
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**TUCKED-AWAY PRIVACY!!!** Drive down the winding driveway to this stunning home on a wooded ravine. Expansive marble foyer, dining room, kitchen & breakfast room. Master bedroom with skylight & Jacuzzi. Lower level has lap sized pool. 3 car garage. \$849,000 or lease \$7,500 (19SH) 626-8800



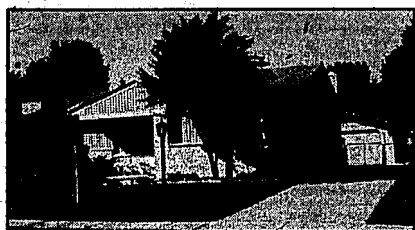
**FABULOUS NEW CONSTRUCTION** in North Oaks. 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, daylight basement, 2 fireplaces, 1/2 acre wooded lot, all custom inside. \$539,900 (37WES) 652-8000

# turn 21

## Country



**ROYAL OAK.** This 3 bedroom brick ranch awaits for your furnishings. Newer kitchen. Sunroom, freshly painted throughout. Refinished hardwood floors. New entry doors and ceramic floor in kitchen, foyer, sunroom. \$149,813 (12CAT) 524-1600

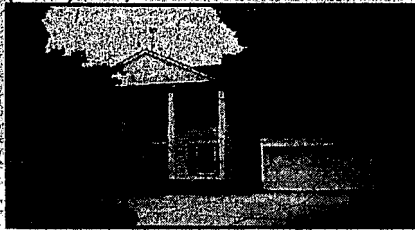


**TROY.** 3 bedroom brick ranch with 145' lot. Finished basement. Newer roof, furnace, windows, finished basement with bath. Home Warranty! \$150,000 (75TRA) 524-1600

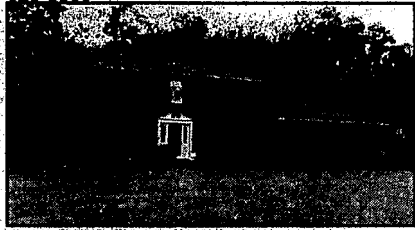


**WELL MAINTAINED.** Brick colonial on large corner lot. Many updates, including landscaping, air conditioning, carpet, freshly painted. Great floor plan for entertaining. House is close to nature preserve. \$251,900 (44YO) 626-8800

**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** Heart warming 4 bedroom colonial in popular Pine Lake Estates. Formal dining room, living room and family room with fireplace. Glassed-in porch overlooking large landscaped backyard. Lake privileges. Bloomfield Hills schools. \$249,500 (43WE) \$249,500 626-8800



**PLENTY OF ROOM FOR ALL OCCASIONS.** Traditional colonial in Bloomfield Hills with Birmingham School District. Almost 3,000 sq. ft., 4 oversized bedrooms. New kitchen & floor. Finished basement with GR, bedroom & lavatory. Freshly painted. \$279,900 (54VI) 626-8800



**ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL CLASSICAL COLONIAL** in Lake Sherwood! 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, library, formal dining room, beautiful gardens & full boat privileges too! \$237,000 (14WIN) 363-1200



**BEAUTIFUL LAKE PRIVILEGES.** Contemporary with fabulous kitchen nestled amongst natural setting. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 1st floor laundry, separate dining room, 1st floor office/den, basement, garage, brick paver patio, central air. \$247,900 (73WOO) 363-1200



**ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS SETTING.** This three bedroom, two-bath, contemporary, offers a 3 car garage, walk-out lower level. Central air and cedar deck overlooking nature area, if you want privacy and that up north feeling this is it! \$259,900 (05HUR) 363-1200



**SPACIOUS, CLEAN, 3 BEDROOM RANCH.** 3 bedroom, full basement, updated kitchen and bath, new roof, new carpet, new deck, new plumbing, central air and more! \$69,900 (08SHA) 363-1200



**BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY SETTING.** Clarkston ranch, full finished basement, 2 car garage, .6 acre fenced yard, many updates, super clean move-in condition. Hurry! \$122,500 (95WES) 363-1200

**COUNTRY PARADISE WITH YOUR OWN** private Gunite pool, pool side gazebo, 4 bedrooms, 3 ceramic baths, mechanics dream garage, gourmet kitchen, 2 fireplaces, vaulted ceilings, walk-out lower level. \$182,900 (01MIL) 363-1200



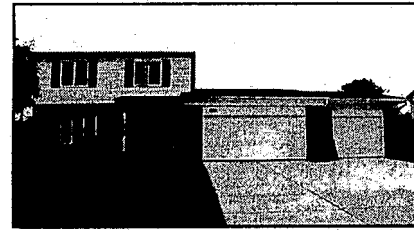
**EMERALD LAKE RANCH.** This 3 bedroom ranch overlooks Andale Lake. Family room with fireplace. Full bath in basement. Central air. New roof in '96. All vinyl trim. One year home warranty! \$216,900 (34CRE) 524-1600



**OUTSTANDING 3 bedroom ranch home** with many updates. Family room with fireplace and cathedral ceilings. Newer roof, 2 car attached garage with newer door. Shower in basement. Extra clean and bright home with neutral decor. \$157,500 (60WOL) 524-1600



**SPACIOUS.** 4 bedroom brick colonial located on a tree lined street. Traditional floor plan with spacious kitchen. Living room and family room with fireplace. Updates include furnace, roof, windows, and much more! \$152,000 (19ALE) 524-1600



**ATTENTION CAR LOVERS.** This Rochester Hills 4 bedroom colonial offers a 3 car garage. Bay windows in living room. Sprinklers, home warranty and a huge yard. Rochester Hills schools. \$204,900 (92WAR) 524-1600



**EXECUTIVE COLONIAL** in move-in condition. Double door entry, foyer, circular staircase & ceramic tile floor. Crown molding, interior freshly painted and newer carpeting. Open floor plan, mature landscaping. Home warranty. Close to M-59, I-75 and Chrysler Tech. \$214,900 (48ANT) 652-8000



**QUALITY PLUS!** Home boasts too many features to list: soaring ceilings with floor to ceiling brick fireplace, hardwood floors in foyer, hall & kitchen. Large yard backs to trees. Full finished basement. Four bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 3,200 sq. ft. \$359,500 (05OAK) 652-8000

**FOUR BEDROOM COLONIAL.** Located in desirable Great Oaks. Central air, patio, basement, 2 car garage. Price at \$200,000 (11HEM) 652-8000



**NEW CONSTRUCTION.** Contemporary ranch on 2 1/2 acres in Armada. Style describes this 3 bedroom brick/vinyl ranch with cathedral ceiling and fireplace in great room. \$205,900 (00IRW) 652-8000



**PARADISE FOUND!** On all sports Lake Orion! Fabulous contemporary nestled among towering pines. 180' of water frontage. Meticulously maintained 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths. Finished walkout. Breathtaking views & privacy! \$459,900 (26WFI) 652-8000



**VERY SPECIAL HOME.** You'll love entertaining in this open floor plan. Features 3 bedroom, great room with fireplace. Neutral carpet, newer furnace & central air, walking distance to Paint Creek trail location on almost an acre in Oak Township. Rochester schools. \$169,900 (92OAK) 652-8000



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** 4 bedroom, 3 bath bi-level on 1/4 acre gorgeous setting in Powder Horn. Almost 3,000 sq. ft. of living space. Deck, 2 car attached garage. West Bloomfield schools. \$229,900 (69POW) 642-8100



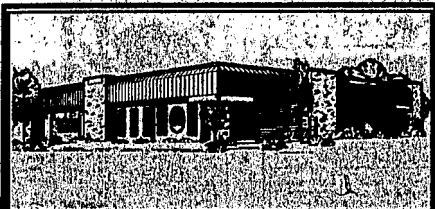
**TROY.** 4 Bedroom, 3 full baths in Somerset North Subdivision. Hardwood and ceramic floors, crown moldings, fireplace in extra large kitchen, neutral decor. Library, 3 car garage. Large master suite. \$499,900 (60PIC) 642-8100



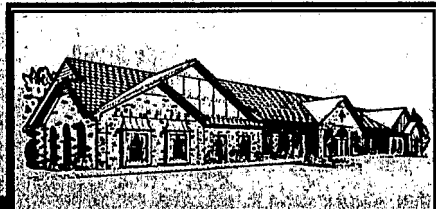
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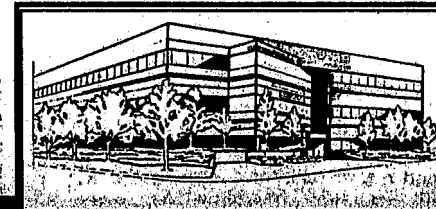
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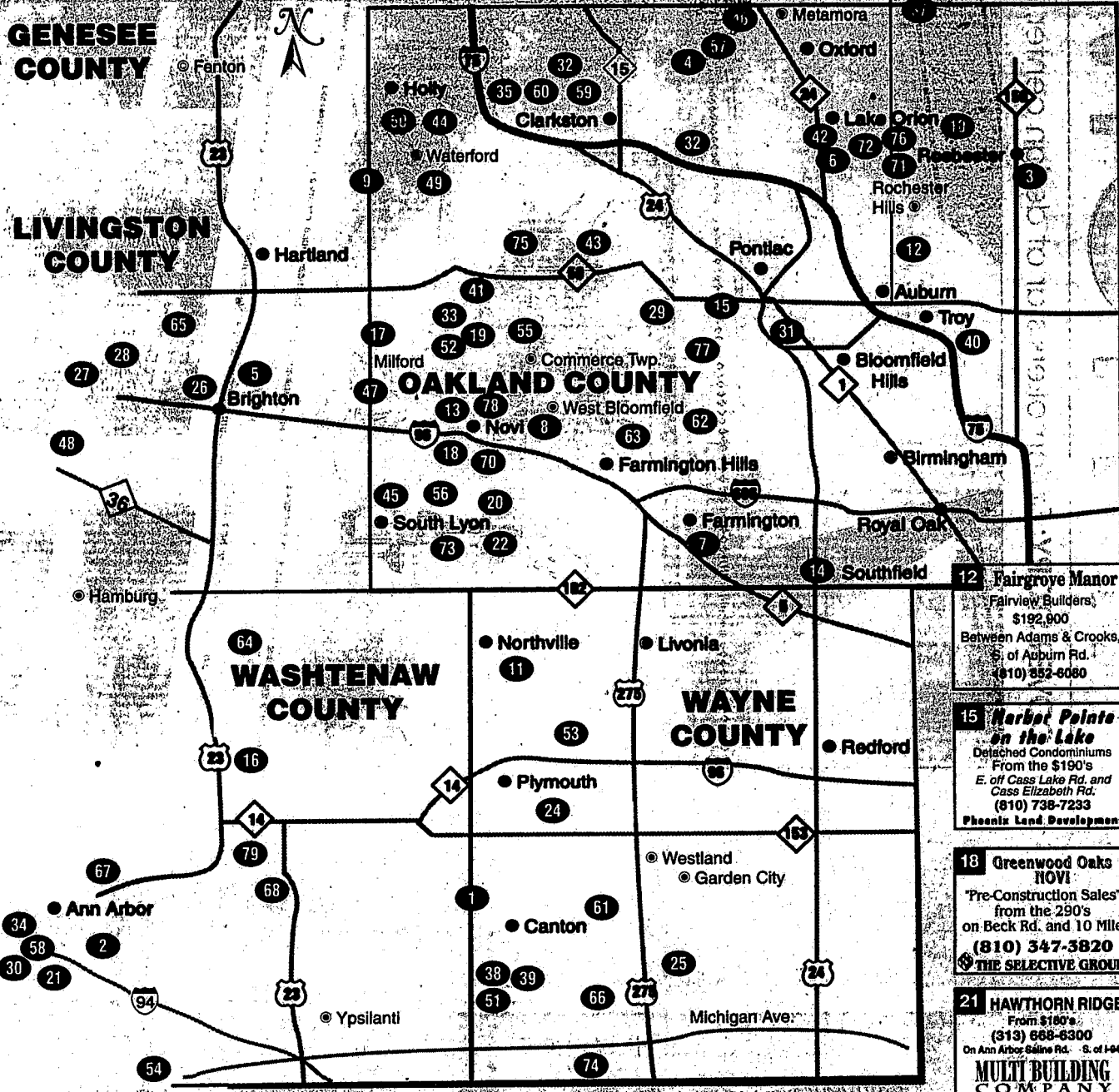
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