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## IN THE PAPER TODAY

### CLARKSTON HIGH MEMORIES HELP THEM LIVE ON

**T**he end is near. Clarkston's existing high school will say good-bye to its last high school graduating class in June. But hopefully, the high school won't close an important chapter of its history without an appropriate farewell from those who knew it best.

That's why we're asking CHS graduates and CHS teachers — of yesterday and today — to send us one or more memories of your time at Clarkston High. We'll print those recollections in a June edition.

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## AROUND



### THE MILL POND

#### I'd Rather Be Blue

"Blue," the beautiful macaw parrot, didn't exactly get his feathers ruffled at the Farmer Jack's on Dixie Highway, but he didn't seem overly happy, either when his human left him waiting in the car.

Blue caught the eyes of passersby when his owner finally retrieved him and let him sit for a while on her color-coordinated turquoise shoulder while she unloaded paper bags.

The owner said Blue can speak 100-150 words when sufficiently inspired.

Apparently, inspiration couldn't be found at the grocery store. On this particular day, he was speechless.

Maybe Blue was, well... blue.

#### Stick This

A bumper sticker seen recently on West Washington Street said: "Give blood. Play hockey."

You've got to wonder if the Red Cross has thought about getting out the pucks?

#### People Wonder

A man called the Clarkston Eccentric office recently to ask about the cost of placing an advertisement. As the conversation progressed, he asked the staffer who was helping him to provide information about one of our competitors.

Say what?

Before hanging up, he asked her if she knew how to spell "deficit" for a son who had just come into his father's room to beg the question.

Newspapers. Ever a source.



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That's no back yard, that's my golf course: Springfield Township neighbors (from left) Henry Grace and Gerald Cook built a nine-hole golf course in their backyards, where they do land office business with duffers in the summer months.

## Par(t) of it all

### Backyard golf course a big hit

**H**enry Grace's flight of fantasy came to him a long time ago with the efficiency of a hole-in-one.

He was standing toward the front of his aunt's and uncle's acreage off Big Lake Road in Springfield Township — and firing golf shots into the countryside — when he began to envision a rural golf course. There. On their property. In the backyard.

Over time Grace inherited the land, which had been in his family since the early 1900s and had been owned by his aunt and uncle since the 1930s. Three years ago, with his relative-by-marriage/next door neighbor, Gerald Cook, the two opened the 27-acre Windmill Lakes Golf Club.

Tucked between and behind the Grace and Cook residences, Windmill Lakes offers a clubhouse along with a serene, par-three experience where golfers can sink their balls in peace and quiet. It is named for a big windmill the men purchased for \$10 and assembled near a pond.

"When my aunt and uncle were alive, I used to come out here. It was a corn field. I always dreamed of a golf course being here," Grace, 64, said. "It makes a nice backyard."

"We both had the land. It was his dream to always have a golf course," added Gerald Cook, 52, a non-golfer. "It's voted No. 1 in Michigan by a whole bunch. I don't think we've come up with numbers, but we were pretty packed last year."

According to Grace, the two men, after looking at pictures of other courses in magazines and books, paced off the land on foot and developed the lay of the nine-hole course themselves, choosing where to put the greens and tees and sand traps.

Their three-year construction effort, which included sketches by Grace, involved locating and digging the holes and manicuring grass, building a bridge, adding a man-made pond near a natural one and planting 600 pines to join existing trees.

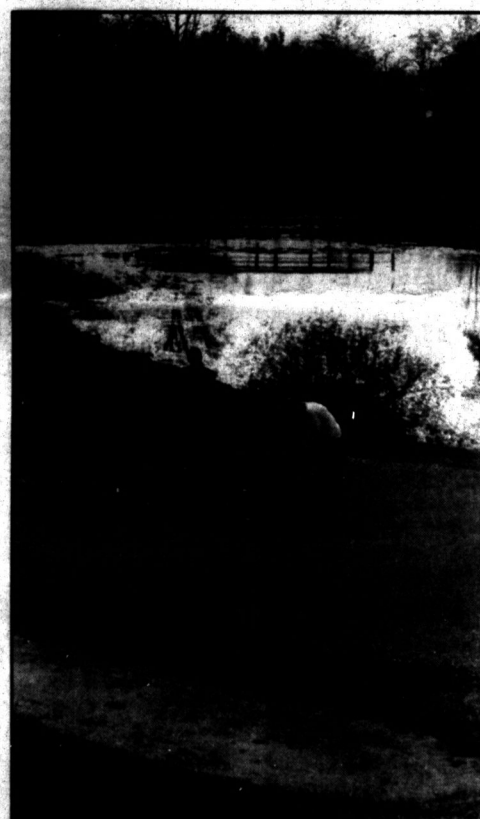
"Gerry and I kept thinking about the golf course, and he said, 'Let's go,'" said Grace, a golf-lover who is a retired superintendent from Fisher Body. "There's people who live on Big Lake Road and don't even know a golf course is here."

"I don't golf, really," added Cook, who has

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Do-it-yourself course: Grace and Cook paced off the land on foot and developed the lay of the nine-hole course themselves.

## First local prayer event blesses community

Grace was given. But even after the meal, their prayers resumed.

Prayers for the community, and prayers for young people and leaders. Prayers for departed friends and local churches. Even prayers about doing business.

The occasion — a prayer breakfast Thursday at the Deer Lake Racquet Club in Independence Township in celebration of National Day of Prayer.

"Pray, it really works," said Dr.

**'It is a privilege to pray and worship freely.'**

Dr. James O'Neill  
—physician

James O'Neill, one of six luminaries slated to offer their own prayers at the event.

Another person who shared inspirational words was Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart. His

thoughts and hopes were directed toward the country's government leaders, from President Bill Clinton to Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson to the trustees who join him in serving on the Independence Township board.

St. Daniel Catholic Church Pastor Father Humitz recited a prayer for churches. Other prayers were bestowed upon the community's families and young people as well as schools and

places of business.

Those who turned out for the event, about 70, also heard from former Chrysler Corporation vice president Glen White and Christian talk radio host Mark Gilman, a Clarkston resident.

Gilman's show, "On The Mark," airs 1-4 p.m. weekdays and Saturdays on WMUZ 103.5 FM. The program addresses modern day problems and

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## These moms in tennis shoes can't stop running

Though page three of the ever-popular "Motherhood Operational Manual for Martyrs Almighty," (or "MOMMA") specifically commands, "Thou shalt neglect thine own needs after thou hast children," three Clarkston mothers have their own advice for moms.

"Just don't do it."

Amy Beattie, Donna McDonald and Brenda Orlando don't want anyone to get the wrong impression. They love their families. They're dedicated to

running with children, husbands, jobs and household responsibilities like everybody else. But somewhere in the middle of all that hubbub, they also see the need to run for themselves. For their own physical well-being. For their own mental health. For their own betterment as mothers, wives, daughters, sisters, friends and employees.

In a recent interview, the three women said pounding the pavement —

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Pick 'em up, put 'em down: From left, Brenda Orlando, Amy Beattie and Donna McDonald are three thirtysomething Clarkstonite moms who run four or five times a week to stay healthy and happy.



## Prayer from page A1

religious issues through conversations with guests and listeners.

Gilman, who was also slated to lead the breakfast's companion event — a evening of prayer at Sashabaw Middle School later that day — touched on religion in America, the theme of this year's National Day of Prayer.

"I think at these times, we wonder if God would return to America," he said, alluding to the number of tragedies already experienced by the nation this year.

Bob Flores

"But he's always been here," Gilman said. "We need to remember that today, as we pray."

While the National Day of Prayer, which was founded 10 years ago by former President Ronald Reagan, is held throughout the nation, this is the first communitywide program in the Clarkston area.

"I think the churches in the



Main speaker: "I think at these times, we wonder if God would return to America," said Christian radio personality Mark Gilman. "But he's always been here."

Clarkston community work well together and jointly support Judeo-Christian efforts well," said Barbara Flores, an event organizer. "This is a way of uniting those efforts."

"It also recognizes the value of prayer in changing people's lives," she said.

With turnout greater than expected and feedback positive,

Flores said she expects the first communitywide celebration of the national event won't be the last.

Besides, as O'Neill declared during his remarks: "It is a privilege to pray and worship freely. ... And all forms of prayer — private, congregational and community — are very, very necessary."

## Golf from page A1

a seaweed harvesting business and said he uses the seaweed to fertilize the course. "I'm more into the grass. Constructing the course was fun. We did it all. (But) we didn't do it in a day."

Open from dawn until dusk, daily, from early April through October, Windmill Lakes allows league play, father/son and mother/daughter teams, wedding and birthday parties, and individual play. It's longest hole is about 156 yards, Grace said.

While there is not yet a restaurant in the clubhouse, the grounds do have provisions for grilling food, including pig roasters, and picnic tables.

Preferring their course to have a more leisurely pace than other courses, Grace said the men hope to some day have picnic tables by each hole so players can stop for beverages or to let faster golfers play through. The men will permit up to six players on a hole but they do not allow yelling.

"It's a comfortable place to come," Grace said.

During the week, golfers can play nine

## THE BEATEN PATH

holes for \$7, or go around twice and play 18 holes for \$12. On weekends, nine holes of play costs \$9 and 18 holes, \$15.

"We're kind of laid back and trying to help each other get over everything," noted Grace, whose wife, Betty, assists with the bookkeeping. Henry Grace recently dealt with a bout of cancer, while Cook is recovering from a serious accident.

"It's sort of peaceful," Grace said. "Anybody who enjoys the outside would sure fall in love with this."

This is the second in a series of stories about unusual places in the Clarkston area. Readers with suggestions for unusual places to be included in this series may call editor Karen Hermes Smith at 625-1900.

## Running moms from page A1

or committing to any kind of regular exercise routine — pays off in a richer life for moms and those around them.

Beattie, 34, explained that she sort of stumbled into the foot fest in junior high. "I grew up with five brothers, and they all had their sports that they were good at," she recalled. "And I wanted to try things. I couldn't play football or baseball because there weren't any girls' teams, but track was one of the available sports. I tried it, and (the coaches) said I was pretty fast. So I kept going."

### A "heeling" experience

She eventually landed a track scholarship to college. And today, as the mother of three children — Thomas, 10, Emily, 7, and Clark, 2 — the Clarkston school teacher still laces up her shoes four or five times a week and hits the streets.

Why does she keep putting her arch and sole into it?

"It's mostly for fitness, but in the last couple of years, it's become more therapeutic," Beattie said. "I always try to find someone to run with. There's sort of a pool of runners — if one is busy, you just move down the list to the next one. When I run with a partner, we talk about what's going on. We talk about parenting solutions, all kinds of things ..."

Orlando, mother of Kelly, 9, and Angela, 6, said she started to work out in college. And when her daughters were tots, she continued the routine, kicking up her heels in an aerobics class. That led to running. And that spurred her on to register for the "Bobby Crim" 10-Mile race in Flint two years ago. (She, Beattie and McDonald will run in their third "Crim" in August.)

The 36-year-old accountant — who works at the family's Thomasville furniture store in Springfield Township — said her husband David supports her desire to stay fit. And her daughters have benefited from her example. "I was a marshmallow as a kid," Orlando said with a chuckle. "Both of my girls are much more athletic than I was as a kid. And they're more health conscious."

Beattie, whose husband Tom also blazes an occasional blue streak, said she believes their children will automatically incorporate physical fitness into their routines as adults because of the role exercise plays in the family's life today.

### Striding right

Like Beattie, McDonald said she played sports as a girl and found running a natural extension of that athletic bent. However, the 37-year-old GM engineer — wife of Bob; mother to

"It's an appearance thing. It's a pride thing. If you're really dedicated to it, it's your time. So many women say they don't have any time for themselves, but you can make time. Sure, we sometimes do the odd times, but we never let it slip ... It's nice to have a group to run with. It's like peer pressure."

Donna McDonald  
—running mom

Zach, 10, and Kaitlyn, 7 — said feeling and looking great requires self-discipline and common sense.

"We're finding now that we can run five miles and it really doesn't do much," McDonald said of the jogging "plateau" that she and Orlando have reached. "She (Orlando) is trying to get back into aerobics a little bit, or we try to vary it with the Stairmaster or power walking ... We know we can't run five days a week or six days a week. We push a little harder in the summer when we're getting ready for the Crim, but we couldn't keep up that pace year-round. I'd be afraid of being injured and of not being able to do anything."

Currently, McDonald said she and Orlando run four or five times a week and cover about 20 miles during that time period.

Beattie said she sticks to a similarly "sensible" regimen.

All three women said they view their participation — and finish — in the annual Crim race as a proud personal accomplishment.

"My kids wear my medals around their necks," Orlando said with a smile.

McDonald echoed another motherly sentiment. "I never raced (before the Crim)," she said. "So I never had people cheering for me ... I thought it was really cool that people were cheering."

They said they will keep running.

And it appears that many other American women will join them.

According to a feature story by Claire Kowalczyk in the May 1998 issue of "Sports for Women," the nation is experiencing "a second running wave — and this time it's women who are setting the pace. Between 1995 and 1996, the number of women who ran frequently increased by 38 percent."

### Going the extra mile

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slip ... It's nice to have a group to run with. It's like peer pressure."

"I just feel so good and sleep better when I get exercise," Beattie remarked.

Then the mother of three cited a primary reason for all mothers and grandmothers to take better care of themselves. "I had my mother pass away several years ago — at what I consider to be a young age — because of health reasons," Beattie said. "She smoked and let her health decline and didn't do much to help herself out when she could have. And then it was too late when she made the effort. I just don't want to get to the point where it's too late to make the effort."

McDonald echoed Beattie's concern.

"My dad's had two bypasses — his first one at 37 — so there are reasons for me to run," she said. "It's a huge stress reliever, too."

Are they better mothers because they run regularly?

The three women chimed in, "Yes."

McDonald elaborated that, though the three joggers' spouses encourage their wives to run, the women always recognized that their needs counted.

"You have to make it a priority — because no one in my family is going to say, 'Oh, do you need to run now?' she said with a grin. "They just know. I get up Saturday morning and they just know I have to be there. I'm fairly dedicated to it. I'll say, 'Get yourself some cereal — I'm going.'"

With a toddler in the house, Beattie said she particularly depends on the support of her husband. And she gets it. "Tom will sometimes say to me, 'Did you get all your running in this week?'"

The three mothers said they hope to be extremely fit grandmothers someday — energetic enough to keep up with a new line of inquisitive little people.

"You see these ladies at the Crim and they're in their 70s and 80s — and they look great. They are great," Orlando said. "It's a lifestyle."

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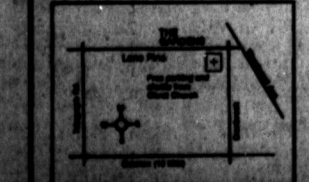
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# 10-year-old captures mom's essence in Mother's Day letter

When young Christina Babcock wrote her winning entry about her mother Pam for the Clarkston Eccentric's *My Mom, She's Special Because* contest, she fairly waxed poetic about the wonders of that special woman.

Christina held forth about her mother's wisdom and her guidance, her loving hugs and her good advice. She detailed her mother's devotion to cleanliness and health and school work. She drew the word "MOM" in elaborate, circular letters. And she penciled in, "My MoM is the Best!!!"

But when it came time for her to sit down and submit to an interview, Christina did what a lot of 10-year-olds do in the face of all those difficult questions reporters like to pose: She put her hands in front of her beautiful brown eyes and across her lips and she said, "Umm."

The mother who should, according to Christina's essay, be "president of moms," came to sit alongside her in their Independence Township home — beneath the hanging cage of their chirping parakeet — and urge her along.

"She's old enough, now, where she mails things," Pam Babcock said, noting that she was not aware of Christina's submission until she read it in the newspaper. Their prize of a \$100 gift certificate to the Clarkston Cafe on M-15 and a \$100 hair, nail, facial and massage makeover from the Make Over Place on Dixie Highway came as a complete surprise to Babcock. Christina's entry was chosen by Eccentric staffers from 37 loving submissions.

How did Christina keep that secret? What motivated her?

"Umm. I really like to write a lot," Christina replied. "I was sitting down, and I was doing my homework. I wrote a letter because I saw the newspaper laying on the table. I sat down and I wrote it and I sent it in."

What makes her mom special?

"Umm. When I fall down or something . . . she'll just, like, hug me and it makes me feel better," Christina said, somehow finding the words. "What I like most about my mom is some moms don't discipline their kids, but she's not like that. Some moms just spoil their kids too much. She spoils me, but she gets discipline in there, too. She lets me do stuff my dad (Stephen) won't let me do. If I ask her for advice, she gives me the right advice."

"You know how it is," Babcock contributed with a touch to her daughter's arm, easing the girl along. "We do everything together."

Christina and her mother like to run in road races, rollerblade and bicycle together, while Christina is also a cheerleader for the Clarkston Chiefs football team.

"She's the one who started me out on that when I was just a mascot," Christina said, observing how

her mother has always encouraged her to try things she didn't like or that frightened her. "We go to Cedar Point and on scary roller coasters."

Along with working her four-day-per-week job as a waitress at Clarkston's Big Boy, Babcock makes all the efforts any good mother would to protect and nurture her offspring.

Christina, Babcock noted, "is coming into her bossy stage. 'You can't be a friend all the time,' she said. 'I'm always on her about brushing her teeth. And I always want her to drink milk all the time. It's kind of like a joke in the family.'"

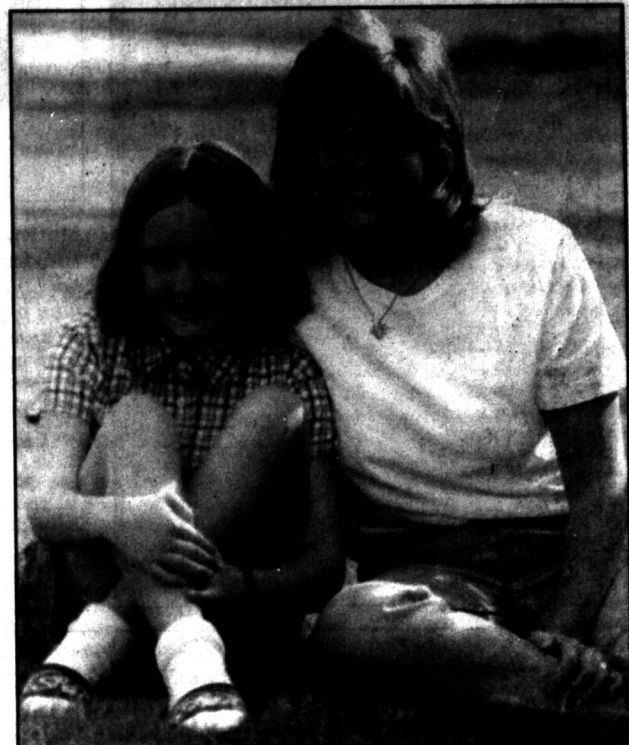
Christina said when she grows up that she would like to be, in addition to a "nice" mother like her own, a kindergarten teacher or an elementary school principal.

She has been an all "A" student ever since she started receiving letter grades in third grade at Pine Knob Elementary, where she is now a fourth-grader.

Shakespeare, the writing bard, might want to move over and make way for Christina, the fledgling writer who has begun to make her mark. Some day she just might be a working mother, herself, tending to children who want to be like her — and cranking out missives on the side.

My mom Pam Babcock is special because she helps me with my homework, sticks a thermometer in my mouth when I'm sick, makes sure I drink lots of milk so I have strong bones, gives a loving hug when I'm down in the dumps, sophisticated and intelligent makes a loving smile, tells me when I'm right or wrong, she's so special I would make her president of moms, always gives good advice, works hard to keep us healthy, helps out my school, always makes sure I keep my teeth clean, has a special little touch that brings a smile to my face, talks me in to fun stuff I didn't want to do. My mom is the best!!!

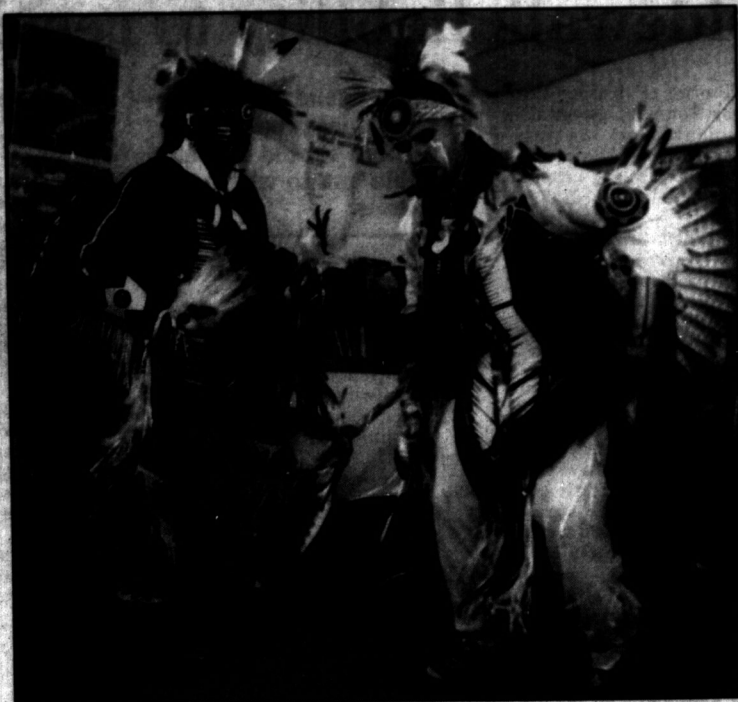
Christina Babcock, Age 10  
Pine Knob Elementary, Grade 4  
Mother: Pam Babcock



Surprise! Pam Babcock didn't know that her daughter Christina entered the Clarkston Eccentric's Mother's Day letter-writing contest until she was announced as the winner.

## International Day '98

Culture shock: Bailey Lake Elementary students celebrated International Day last week by dressing up. At right, from left, Al Porter and Robert Mounts pretend to be Indians. Below, Marie Kaikoana teaches Hawaiian dance.



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## POLICE CALLS

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Independence and Springfield townships and the city of Clarkston between May 4-8.

### Springfield Police

On May 5, officers responded to a report that unknown persons had illegally entered 10 storage units at the Savio Self Service Storage on Dixie Highway. According to a police report, a morning manager, who was opening the business at about 6:35 a.m., observed several units which appeared to have been tampered with and entered. While investigating, he encountered two suspects near one unit. He was subsequently punched and pushed by the subjects, who fled the site, according to the report. Sgt. Pat Miles, of the Oakland County Sheriff's substation, said the manager was not seriously injured and did not require hospitalization. Later, two individuals separately reported that a vehicle had been damaged and that a microwave and television had been stolen. There are no suspects, Miles said.

#### Thefts

On May 6, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Tucker.

On May 6, a video cassette

recorder was reported stolen from a home on Hillcrest.

On May 7, a power washer was reported stolen from the bed of a truck parked on Dixie Highway.

### Vandalism

On May 4, a windshield was reported damaged on a vehicle parked on Big Lake Road.

### Independence Police

#### Vandalism

On May 4, the paint of a vehicle parked on Parview was reported keyed.

On May 5, the windows of a vehicle parked along Sashabaw Road were reported broken out.

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On May 6, a vehicle was reported keyed while parked on White Lake Road.

On May 6, the windows of a vehicle were reported smashed while it was parked at a site on Sashabaw Road.

On May 6, the paint of a vehicle parked on Crimson King Circle was reported scratched.

### Home Invasion

On May 5, approximately \$200 in coins were reported missing,

from a residence on Pine Knob Road.

On May 6, a home on Whipple Lake Road was reported illegally entered. Checks were reported missing.

### Independence Fire

Between May 4-8, firefighters responded to eight calls. Among them were six medical runs and one personal injury accident.

### Clarkston Police

On May 5, officers responded to the scene of an accident at Main Street and Clarkston Road. In that accident, a vehicle was rear-ended after its driver was forced to stop for a white vehicle that was exiting a nearby business. Police are seeking information about the white vehicle, which fled the scene. Its orange and black license plate is reported as MA48286. There were no injuries. Anyone with information about the car, which may have been a Lumina, should call Chief Paul Ormiston at 625-0088.

On May 6, officers responded to an East Washington Street address, where a man had slipped and fallen. He was transported by ambulance to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital.



## Trustees ponder passing some sidewalk liability to residents

Hoping to protect Independence Township government and residents from lawsuits over sidewalk accidents, trustees wrestled with language in a proposed sidewalk ordinance last Tuesday.

But the board, like other township governing bodies, is in a tight spot, said Township Attorney Gerald Fisher.

A 1996 Michigan Supreme Court decision essentially handed township governments responsibility and liability for the county public right-of-ways, the areas beside roads where sidewalks are placed, he said.

Therefore, "We have to become aware of the conditions on the sidewalks and be sure to not allow conditions of disrepair that are likely to cause injuries," Fisher said.

The issue is whether individual property owners should be held liable and to what extent, Fisher said.

"If the problem is due to normal wear and tear, the township board has made it clear that they don't want to pass on liability to individual property owners," he said. "But the board hasn't decided whether they want to

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place responsibility and liability on individual property owners who create problems on a public safety path," Fisher said.

Although the courts have established the existence of homeowner liability for sidewalks, Fisher said, liability is "certainly clearer with an ordinance."

Independence Township trustees, however, are wary of institutionalizing such a liability in a local law.

"I am very concerned about it," said Trustee Neil Wallace, who said shifting the responsibility to homeowners is unfair.

"We've got a perhaps less-than-rational decision by the court," but laying the burden of it on homeowners isn't the answer, Wallace said. "I think we should be taking on that responsibility, not shifting it."

Township Supervisor Dale Stuart was equally concerned,

saying he was worried the ordinance might be used in court to establish a new liability for homeowners. "It certainly seems that the wording needs something done to it," Stuart said of the draft.

Within the larger issue of responsibility for sidewalks is the question of how to fund repairs and maintenance.

The township's safety path millage could fund repairs, or the board could assess property owners.

"The township board in Independence early on made a decision to not secure assessments from property owners for maintenance of safety along main roads," Fisher said.

However, the board hasn't decided if an assessment is appropriate for sidewalk repair within subdivisions, he said.

Springfield Township is slated to vote on a proposed sidewalk ordinance May 14, said Springfield Attorney Greg Need. As drafted, the ordinance would allow the board to assess homeowners for repairs on sidewalks on public and private roads, he said.

## McCormick speaks at Sashabaw Middle School



**Motivation speaker:** Former Clarkston High School basketball player Tim McCormick, who played for 10 years in the National Basketball Association, spoke to students at a Sashabaw Middle School assembly last Thursday about peer pressure and how to handle it.

## Teen input sought for library

Julie Meredith, Independence Township Library's young adult librarian, has a novel idea based on old thinking: If you want to know, ask.

Meredith, who grew up in the Clarkston area and worked at the library through her teens, is planning to make over the library's young adult section.

"I've had teens come up to me and say 'This needs to go,'" she said of the library's current teen collection — primarily one aisle of hardcover books, a spinner of paperbacks and four magazine subscriptions.

Planning to triple the number of books and add 10-15 magazines, Meredith decided to form a student advisory group to help.

"The only people who can say what teenagers want are teenagers," said Meredith.

Furthermore, their participation gets them involved in the community in a meaningful and visible way — an opportunity not frequently proffered to teens, she said.

"They're at an age when they're looking for independence, but no one wants to give it to them," said Meredith, who is seeking as many area youth, grades seven through 12, as will come forth.

"My goal is to give them some ownership, some empowerment."

Otherwise, she said, her effort to get teens interested in the library will have limited impact.

Advisory team meetings will probably occur once a month and commence in late May, but there is no minimum time commitment, Meredith said.

While the teen board is expected to meet and function year-round, its work this summer will substantially affect the library.

The group will select new books and magazines for the library and furniture for a new teen lounge.

A library newsletter, new Web page and activity program aimed at teens will also fall under the board's domain.

All involvement — from expressing an opinion at monthly meetings to contributing to the newsletter — is welcome, Meredith said.

"This is their opportunity to have a voice in the community and to really say, 'This is what I want.'"

For additional information about Independence Township Library's Teen Advisory Team, call Julie Meredith at (248) 625-2212.

## Businesses on the move in Davisburg

To an uninitiated bystander poised in front of the government offices on Broadway Street in downtown Davisburg, it might look like there are a number of vacant store fronts across the street.

What's going on with the businesses across the way sort of resembles a card game.

One store, the Video Outpost, has folded — and the others are being shuffled, including the Springfield Collective of Art and Design which, according to owner Marilee Carstens, has decided to "go on the road" this summer.

Carstens said the cooperative art collective, which included the works of artists from Davisburg, Clarkston, Holly, Fenton and Rose Township, outgrew its

space at 649 Broadway, and the artists are now looking at ways of selling their work through shows and festivals. The Collective moved out of Davisburg at the end of April.

"I guess it's all about change, isn't it?" Carstens said on Friday morning, as she discussed what she called "business in the 'burg."

"I know Grant outgrew his building and I outgrew mine."

That's Grant Ward of Grant Ward Surveyors. Now located at 661 Broadway, the surveying business expects to move into the space recently vacated by Video Outpost at 653 Broadway.

According to Stefanie Hanson, a spokeswoman for Ward, Grant Ward purchased the former video building and is doing renovations to the old Outpost spot,

planning to move in as soon as renovations are completed. She said the Outpost's owners closed the business to pursue a different line of work, but they could not be located for comment.

Ward's existing building, which is owned by Tammy Vergin, will be rented to a tanning and manicure salon to be called Brandy's Parlour. The Parlour is expected to move in at the beginning of June, according to Helen Vergin, Tammy's mother, but no other information was available.

The Parlour's owners could not be reached to comment about their upcoming plans, nor could the owners of the building recently vacated by the Collective.

## Crittenton Registered Nurses Are United

We, the registered Nurses at Crittenton Hospital, are unanimously committed to delivering the highest standard of quality patient care to the public.

We are gravely concerned about the number of experienced RNs who have had to leave Crittenton Hospital due to a lack of an across the board pay increase for the past **four years!**

In the last negotiation session between the RNs and the hospital management, the hospital indicated their intent to hire replacement RNs at "whatever increased wage level the hospital felt was appropriate" — In other words, newly hired RNs may be hired at a higher rate of pay than experienced nurses presently working at Crittenton.

## Crittenton Registered Nurses Remain United



# Infant deaths at center of debate

The Oakland County Medical Examiner — and his view that some infant fatalities are attributable to positional asphyxiation, rather than crib death — is the focal point of a growing controversy.

At issue is the practice of the medical examiner's office to classify some infant fatalities as positional asphyxiation deaths, rather than attributing them to SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome), often called crib deaths.

The difference, according to a lawmaker who is challenging the medical examiner, can be devastating. Parents who have just lost a child do not need a ruling that incorrectly implies they may have been negligent, said State Rep. Penny Crissman.

Crissman earlier this year introduced legislation that would enable the parents or guardians of an infant who dies unexpectedly to appeal the ruling on the cause of death as determined by the medical examiner.

Crissman met recently with representatives of the Michigan Department of Community Health and the Michigan Medical Examiner's Association to discuss House Bill 5540 which she introduced in February and hopes to promote before leaving the legislature later this year.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Crissman said she will make some changes in the proposal. "But I'm going to move it along," she said, "because the legislation is needed."

Crissman said she will rewrite the proposed legislation creating a panel — possibly three to five experts — to review, on request, the findings of a medical examiner. Her initial legislation called for appeals to be handled by the Child Death Review Team from another county, but she has decided that would not be the appropriate agency.

Crissman admits the legislation is aimed at Oakland County Medical Examiner Ljubisa Dragovic. "He is a physician for whom I have respect," she said. "But anybody can be wrong, and there should be a way to challenge his findings."

Dragovic said he was aware of Crissman's legislation. But he doesn't back down.

He said some of his colleagues in the medical profession too frequently — and incorrectly — attributed infant deaths to SIDS because investigators, including some physicians, aren't thorough enough. SIDS is a "garbage" diagnosis, he said.

Adding to the problem, he said, is the reluctance on the part of the medical community to be brutally frank — even if with grief-stricken parents. "The most bitter truth is preferable to the sweetest non-truth," he said.

Dragovic said pathologists in his office carefully evaluate infant deaths using the results from autopsies as well as investigations from the scene. When his office determines the cause of death as positional asphyxiation it's because the evidence leads to that conclusion.

Dragovic said he is not surprised Oakland County has more infant deaths attributed to positional asphyxiation — and fewer listed as SIDS fatalities — than any other county in Michigan.

If somebody wants to challenge those conclusions, he said, they're welcome to do so, providing they have adequate training and expertise. But when it comes to second guessing a pathologist, just any physician won't do.

Having a physician who is not highly trained in pathology review the findings of a medical examiner would be akin to "taking your (pregnant) wife to a dermatologist for a second opinion," Dragovic said.

One of those who agrees on the need for a method of appealing a medical examiner's findings is Dr. Joel Haas, a Bloomfield Township resident who is chief of pathology and laboratory medicine at Children's Hospital of Michigan.

"I respect Dr. Dragovic as a professional," he said. "But there's room for professionals to disagree."

With more than 450 navigable lakes and rivers within Oakland County, commissioners often find themselves trying to balance the interests of two frequently hostile groups.

That was the case at the regular meeting of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners Thursday during a debate on public access sites for launching boats and water craft.

At issue was a resolution in support of legislation sponsored by State Rep. Penny Crissman, R-Rochester. That bill, House Bill 4363 would, among other things, require state officials to hold public hearings before establishing new public access sites.

The frequently hostile groups on this issue are home owners who live on lakes and boat owners who don't.

The board overwhelmingly approved the resolution, but not before commissioners outlined the concerns and complaints of both sides.

Commissioner Lawrence Obrecht, R-Lake Orion said home owners sometimes get upset with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for installing public launching sites, even on lakes

that are surrounded by private property.

Obrecht is also concerned about maintaining public access sites once they are established. Too often, he said, the DNR doesn't provide for the upkeep of access sites, and those responsibilities fall to local officials.

Such launching sites are reasonable, according to state officials, because lakes are considered public property, even though the surrounding land may be privately owned. Individuals may own the land, but the lake is public property and therefore available to everybody.

But that policy can have disastrous results, noted commissioner Donna Huntoon, R-Clarkston. "People pay high taxes to live on a lake only to see the quality of the lake deteriorate because of too many boaters."

Commissioner Ruth Johnson, R-Holly, said boaters going from lake to lake facilitate the spread of environmental problems such as zebra mussels and Eurasian Water Milfoil — both of which are considered detrimental to inland lakes.

Requiring the DNR to hold public hearings in a community before installing a public access site would not eliminate the problem, commissioners agree. But public hearings would enable home owners and boaters to have input into the system.

Crissman's proposed legislation — which has been approved in the House of Representatives and referred to the Senate — would also provide for a task force to review and establish a procedure for installing public access sites.

"There is no established procedure for acquiring and installing public access sites," said Crissman. "Too often, the DNR operates like a stealth bomber."

The task force would be made up of 20 people representing various interest groups, said the lawmaker, including representatives of the boating industry, homeowners' associations and locally elected officials.

Among other things, the task force would consider factors such as the number of boats that can safely operate on a lake at any one time and the environmental impact of too many boats on a lake, she said.

# Lake access

## County officials want hearings on sites

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## Nifty gadgets give gardeners a helpful hand

BY DONNA MULCAHY  
SPECIAL WRITER

Gardening, like everything else in life, is easier when you have the right tools. I asked some gardening experts to tell me which ones they'd recommend and here's what they said.

Brookstone, which has locations at the Somerset Collection-South in Troy, Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi and Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights, has lots of nifty gardening gadgets. I heard that from several people and they were right.

One of the things there that caught my eye is the electronic Home & Garden Whiz, \$50. It looks like a hand-held calculator, but contains thousands of gardening and household hints. It can tell you what types of plants work best under certain conditions, how they should be planted and much more.

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Other neat things at Brookstone include:

- A five-piece, hand-held, garden tool set and matching beige and green canvas tote. Together, they're \$50. Bought separately, the tool set is \$35 and the tote is \$25. The tools include a cultivator, fork, planter, trowel and narrow weeder, all with a comfortable grip and made out of rustproof, die-cast aluminum.

- A padded, steel-frame platform for kneeling or sitting, \$30.

- A 16-piece Gardener's Choice Tool Kit, complete with 16 tools and a green plastic carrying case that has a parking spot for each of them, \$75.

- A garden seat/tool caddy with 12 tools, \$100.

Mike Bovio, purchasing manager for English Gardens, which has four locations, including one in West Bloomfield, recommended the following things:

Whisk Rake, by Lewis Tool. It's a small, six-tine rake the size of a whisk broom and costs \$12.98. "It's great for raking under low-growing shrubs and perennials," Bovio said.

Grow-through plant supports, about \$8, by Rainbow. They look like a wire grid shelf, supported by plastic-coated legs. Like tomato cages, they're used to prevent plants from flopping over and must be set in place early in the growing season before the plants are too big.

Gardener's Lever Loops by Bosmere, \$2.98 for a package of 50. They're little plastic clips that open and close with a squeeze of the thumb. Use in place of string or twist ties on tomato plants and vines.

Hide-A-Guide garden hose guiding system, \$3.98 by Aquapore Moisture Systems. When not in use, the guide can be pushed flush into the ground to prevent mowing problems.

Floral snips by Fiskars, \$5.98. They're great for delicate shaping and dead-heading, Bovio said.

Bill Saxton, co-owner of Saxton's in Plymouth, which sells gardening and power equipment, recommended Preen by Greenview. It's a chemical that stops weeds from spreading by preventing seeds on the surface of the ground from taking root. It costs about \$20 to cover 2,500 square feet.

Saxton, whose father founded the store in 1928, also recommends: Mantis portable gasoline tillers, \$319; Little Ames plastic planter's wagon, for sitting on and storing tools, \$59.95; Permacscape for Trees, a mat made out of recycled tires to put around trees and prevent weeds, \$16.49; and Corona hand tools with comfort grips, about \$7 to \$10.

Denny Snell, garden store manager for Bordine's Nurseries in Rochester and Clarkston, recommended the Gold Digger, a new tool with a 3-foot handle and several different heads for edging, planting and weeding, \$36.95.

Another new product he likes is The Soil Scoop by Garden Works, \$16.98. It looks like a serrated spoon and is good for scooping, digging and tilling soil in a pot.

He also recommended Lewis Lifetime hand tools, about \$10 each; tile joint weeders for picking weeds out of sidewalk cracks, \$5.99; and electronic pH meters, which start at \$9.98.

Happy gardening!

## The Saks experience

### Somerset expansion aims to make it fun for shoppers

While Saks Fifth Avenue was pleased to announce the opening of a 40,000-square-foot expansion of the Men's Store at its Somerset South location in Troy in mid-April, it's already apparent that all of the changes involved will be more than pleasing to its patrons. And, that's intentional, of course.

Indeed, few shoppers will even notice that such major construction work is going on. Yet, the major changes at the store aren't taking place gradually as the Somerset store becomes Michigan's largest and most complete Saks outlet.

For example, last Thursday the entire Men's Store made a coordinated move from several locations into its new consolidated location on the first level of the new addition, which defines the western boundary of the Saks building, facing Coolidge Highway. What the customers saw Thursday morning was a complete and expanded collection of designer sportswear, clothing, footwear and accessories on display, all in one location, with added services like a Humidor and an exemplary Men's Fitting Complex for on-the-spot custom tailoring and even made-to-order shirts.

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*Kim Nye*  
store manager

All of it was ready for business by opening time.

What they didn't see were the 60 Saks employees who finished a busy workday Wednesday, then stayed after the mall closing at 9 p.m. working into the wee hours to move menswear stock, displays and set up registers and furnishings in their new locations.

The new Men's Store carries designer selections which include Giorgio Armani, Canali, Corneliani, Hickey Freeman, Donna Karan, Calvin Klein, Hugo Boss and Oxford. For store manager Kim Nye — who was among the late-staying workers Wednesday night — the Saks Somerset store expansion is a personal dream come true. An anchor at the Somerset location for the past 31 years, the Saks Fifth Avenue site now expands by more than one-



On the move: Helping set up stock displays and handle last minute arrangements in Saks Fifth Avenue's new Men's Department are visual manager Michael Knicely, left, and visual stylist Bill Fuller, early Thursday morning before the opening hour.

third of its previous 125,000-sq.-ft. size.

Nye, a Bloomfield Hills native now living in Troy, began her retailing career with Saks while working in the Somerset store after graduation from Michigan State 18 years ago. The personal meaning of the expansion and renovation was obvious as she stood in the new Men's Store area, understating her own enthusiasm with a simple: "It's wonderful to have all this room, now — and to see all of this here in one spot. Our customers will love it."

Nye took Eccentric staffers on a quick pre-opening tour of the new Men's Store facilities Thursday morning, right after that late-night relocation, and then expanded our tour to include a look at what is happening upstairs on the Second Level of the new addition, too.

There, we found the spacious new Chanel Ready-to-Wear boutique. There's also an elegant St. John Shop,

a Birger Christensen Fur Salon and Fifth Avenue Club Suite. Each area is separate and spacious. The expansion also puts the spotlight on new and enlarged designer collections, including Ann DeMuelemeester, Etro, Donna Karan Signature, Ralph Lauren Collection, Escada, Armani le Collezioni, Valentino Boutique, Zoran, Alberta Ferretti, Max Mara, Piazza Sempione, Missoni and Prada.

Only a first-time Saks visitor would even think about asking if the regular patrons might find all the relocation of sales areas, stock and product during the reconstruction and renovation, ... well, mightn't it be disconcerting or confusing? After all, it is rare to find a store undergoing such a complete and major overhaul while still remaining open for business.

"We've planned to do it, and do it well," Nye said. "That's the only way we know at Saks. Shopping is supposed to

be a pleasant, fun, relaxing experience."

She pointed out the finished walls, installed to screen construction areas during store hours, noting few shoppers have even realized that work was going on.

As for finding the merchandise in its new relocations, all the store employees are making it a personal duty to ease any confusion and make it easy for patrons — and for a Saks shopping excursion, that says it all.

The complete remodeling, including a new Elizabeth Arden Spa, will make the Saks Somerset location the premier Saks Fifth Avenue site in the region.

The majority of reconstruction and renovation — including new elevators — is expected to be complete before Christmas 1998, says Nye, but some remaining detail work will go over into 1999.

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

#### Health-O-Rama Bonus

Project Health-O-Rama Bonus Days, for those age 18 or over, provides free, confidential testing and services, including height-weight, blood pressure, hearing, vision, glaucoma, nutrition counseling, pulmonary function, medication counseling, podiatry, and Health Education literature and displays. Optional tests are also available for nominal fees. Co-sponsored with Botsford General Hospital. Wednesday and Thursday, May 13-14, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Livonia Mall. Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (248) 476-1160.

### THURSDAY, MAY 14

#### Wardrobing seminar

Liz Claiborne Seminars feature dresses and sportswear, commented by Liz Claiborne specialist, Heather Guild. Elisabeth Dept. 1:00 p.m.

Hudson's, Somerset Collection. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 816-4000.

### FRIDAY, MAY 15

#### Symphonic winds

The Novi Concert Band appears from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Livonia Mall stage, near Crowley's, to feature music from Broadway, marches, light classics and pop. The band, a symphonic wind ensemble formed in 1982, performs outdoor concerts throughout the metropolitan area.

Livonia Mall. Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (248) 476-1160.

### SATURDAY, MAY 16

#### Barbie doll show

It's the All Fashion Doll Show at Meadowbrook Village Mall, featuring Barbie Dolls. Appraisals are available during show hours and admission is free. 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Meadowbrook Village Mall, N. Adams/Walton. Rochester Hills. (248) 375-9451.

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#### Keeping the peace

Macomb Mall's own T.C. Bear hosts a sing-a-long show for kids from ages 2 to 13, featuring T.C.'s Tips for Keeping the Peace — learning peaceful ways to solve conflicts they face in their lives without resorting to violence. There's also an essay contest (forms at the Mall's Information Center available through May 16), with a \$25 gift certificate prize for youngsters writing about an "Act of Peace," experienced or witnessed. Show (near Sears entry) hours: 11 a.m., 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

Macomb Mall. Gratiot/Masonic. Roseville. (810) 293-7800.

### MONDAY, MAY 18

#### Informal modeling

Andre Laug's Spring '98 Special Order Collection, informal modeling. Designer Salon, second floor. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 643-9000.

### TUESDAY, MAY 19

#### Chanel showing

Chanel Spring '98 Special Order Collection, informal modeling with special representative. Designer Salon, second floor. Tuesday and Wednesday, May 19-20. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 643-9000.

### THURSDAY, MAY 21

#### Saks shows Lihli

Lihli's Spring '98 Special Order Collection, infor-

mal modeling with special representative. Designer Salon, second floor. Thursday and Friday, May 21-22. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 643-9000.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

#### McFadden showing

Mary McFadden's Spring '98 Special Order Collection, informal modeling special representative. Designer Salon, second floor. Wednesday and Thursday, May 27-28. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 643-9000.

### SATURDAY, MAY 30

#### Sears auditions kids

Sears is hosting a search at its Oakland Mall location to find the "Sears Kid Beat Reporter" for the Detroit Shock, of the Women's National Basketball Association. Youngsters ages 8 through 16 will try their hand at sports reporting as audition judges score entrants on creativity, delivery and poise. Winner will attend a Shock home game to cover the live-action and other prizes. Sears is an official sponsor of the WNBA. Auditions are Saturday, May 30, noon-2 p.m.

Sears, Oakland Mall. John R/14 Mile Road. Troy. (248) 597-4100.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

#### Rock-N-Roll artistry

Huffs Promotions brings the "Rock-N-Roll Fine Arts Show" to the Westland Center, featuring artwork by such artists as John Lennon, Bob Dylan, Ron Wood, David Bowie, Yoko Ono, Ringo Starr, Donna Summer, Gerry Garcia and other icons from the Rock generation. The exhibit was a feature at the opening of the Rock-N-Roll Hall of Fame and has toured the country. It's more than a display, the artwork is also available for purchase. Opens Wednesday and runs through Sunday, June 28.

Westland Center. West Warren/Wayne. Westland. (313) 425-5001.



## RETAIL DETAILS

## Macomb opens new stores

Macomb Mall, at Gratiot and Masonic in Roseville, has announced the opening of three new stores: Norma Jeans, featuring handbags, jewelry and women's accessories (next to Sears); Gateway 2000 Country Store, a state-of-the-art PC and software store, training center and service center, complete with rural decor including a silo, grain bins and tractor seats (next to Crowley's); The Icing,

features earrings, ear piercing, clothing and women's accessories (next to Rogers & Hollands Jewelry). Openings are also scheduled later this year for Silver Cinemas, a new eight-screen theater, and Kirk's Cafe, featuring coffee, coffee beans, soft drinks, sandwiches, soups and kitchen gift items (next to Crowley's).

## Kroger adds Concierge

For the rest of the month of May, some Kroger employees at

the Orchard Lake store, Lone Pine and Orchard Lake Road, will trade grocery smocks for blazers and serve as a "Kroger Concierge" within the grocery aisles. The recently renovated Kroger store is undergoing a complete transformation, based upon input of local patrons and residents. The Kroger Concierge serves as a personal liaison during the transition to help locate products, answer questions related to the relocation of sections and products within the store, and also take consumer requests for products which may not be currently offered. The revamped Orchard Lake store includes 4,000 new items in stock, including international foods and an expanded kosher section and also offers "Super Sample Saturdays" through May, featuring ethnic cooking demonstrations and sampling by some of the top local restaurants, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Mall walkers meet

Westland Walkers Club holds its monthly meeting 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 13 in the lower level auditorium of Westland Center on West Warren. The Shopping Center encourages

those interested in walking for exercise by opening its doors in the mornings to walkers beginning at 7:00 a.m. through Arcade 2. Mall walking ends at 10 a.m.

## Beadwork demo

Karen Rossi of Karen's Kreations presents a demonstration of North American Indian beadwork creation, from noon to 5 p.m., Sunday, May 17 at the North American Indian Art Gallery and Trade Center, 26161 W. Six Mile Road, Redford. The Gallery is a consortium of native artists and entrepreneurs offering authentic North American Indian art, crafts and trade goods and services. Call (313) 387-5930 for more information.

## Spring Sample sale

MVP, Inc. will offer an extraordinary selection of Maria Pinto day and evening clothing, stoles and scarves, sizes 4-16, at reduced pricing during its Spring Sample Sale. Held at the Northfield Hilton, in Troy, the sale runs from 9 a.m.-7 p.m., May 21-22. Call (248) 879-2100 for details.

## Art Van wins award

Art Van Elslander, chairman and CEO of Art Van Furniture, is the National Home Furnishings Association's 1998 Retailer of the Year.

Van Elslander was cited for outstanding leadership performance in three areas: contributions to the industry, community service and personal business achievements and leadership of his own company. Van Elslander's Michigan-based company is the nation's ninth largest home furnishings retailer.

Van Elslander was honored at a furniture industry awards gala held recently in the Ballroom of the International Home Furnishings Center, High Point, N.C.

Van Elslander was named as Michigan's 1997 Retailer of the Year by the Home Furnishings Representatives of Michigan. Last year, he also received the National Buyer Appreciation award from the Tupelo Furniture Marketing Association. Company achievements during 1997 included the opening of three new stores and remodeling and expansion of five units. Expansion plans call for two new units this year.

Also, the Interior Furnishings and Design division of the national Anti-Defamation League has



Art Van Elslander with his wife Mary Ann.

selected Van Elslander as recipient of its 1998 Man of Achievement award.

Van Elslander's career spans almost 40 years in the home furnishings industry. He opened his first store, a 4,000-sq.-ft. unit, in 1959. The family-owned business now operates 26 stores throughout Michigan and is the state's largest home furnishings retailer, commanding 35 percent of the market and employing 2,700.

## Where can I find?

## What we found:

- For Margaret Murrays Hardware on Plymouth road in Redford sharpens knives, (313) 937-8360.
- Rubi Glo is carried at Walgreen's.
- Linda Kelly from Lord & Taylor at Fairlane called to say Nars cosmetics is not sold locally, it is out of New York, and is a studio line, you might try the stores at Somerset Collection in Troy. Also Estee Lauder discontinued Moisture Balance Translucent face powder.
- Cheryl had glass string beads for Don and found a Corn Popper Now.
- McNichols Electric on 6 Mile in Detroit (313) 342-6070 for stainless steel handles for pots and pans.
- Fuller Brush distributor can be found at Professional Sanitary Supply in Pontiac (248) 253-0820, or Home Trends catalog 800-810-2340 and many other called in saying they were Fuller Brush distributors, we passed their names on.

## We're still looking for:

- Solid Almond-color (no pattern) Correlle by Corning dishware for John of Redford.
- Nancy is looking for Johnsons Jubilee (white) wax for appliances.
- Thomas wants a mini cheer horn that was advertised in the newspaper from the winter Olympics in Nagano and a 1974 8th grade St. Joan of Arc yearbook.
- Wagner's Earl Grey green tea decaffeinated 24 bags in a box.
- Dorothy is looking for chocolate candies by Wilbur Buds (like Hersheys kisses).
- Carol wants a game called Quinto 5.
- Gloria wants a plastic cane cylinder that you can insert flowers into.
- A replacement for a Pyrex 4 cup glass coffee maker.
- Joanne is looking for an Iron Quick system (saw on TV) and Resolve by Merrill Dow for cold sores.
- Ruth is wondering where to take spoons/silverware to be refinished (they accidentally went in the garbage disposal).
- Julie is looking for a Samsung phonograph that plays old style records #SZM 6550.
- Rose Marie wants slacks, shorts by Cape Cod. Meijers use to carry them.
- Julie Ann wants a set of Care Bear twin sheets and cases.
- Becky from Livonia wants Almay Moisture balance eye cream.
- A twin comforter for a child Power Ranger theme for Mary.
- Jane and Eleanore are looking for a little girls wooden ironing board.
- Sally of Livonia is looking for a child's book King and I it is about a King who has 3 sons it is from the late 50's.
- And Foster Beans.
- Mens socks Duro Fresh for Marilyn of Livonia and she has old Avon bottles to sell if anyone is interested.
- Kay is looking for Flush Cups.
- Oscar Meyer little plain (baby) hot dogs for Gail.
- Maxine wants an enamel roasting pan 9x12" and 7 3/4" high.
- Gertrude is looking for a child's book called My Big Red Ball and machine washable Hagar 42 Long suits or separates.
- Patricia is looking for a 1989 Color photos of the Northern Lights.
- Lee Ann wants a toy Terrifying Hydra (from the Hercules line of Disney toys).
- My Sin perfume for Lisa of Waterford.
- Yvette wants Mackie Shaving Balm made in Canada.
- Jane wants headbands used during exercise by DASHA.
- Ann is looking for gold or silver pendants inexpensive for kids.
- Sharon of Southfield is looking for a 1992 Hallmark porcelain Carousel horse.
- For Sheldon Red Foot Powder use to be able to buy it at Circle Drugs in Madison Hats....
- Margaret is looking for a Maple Junior high (Dearborn) yearbook from 1943.

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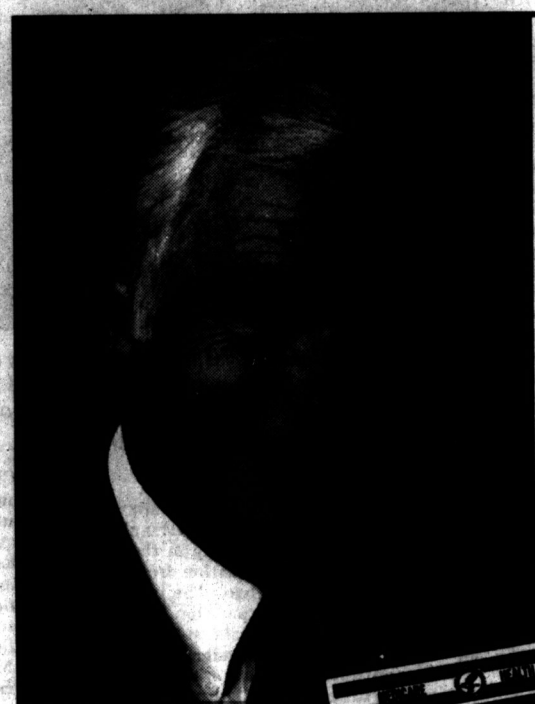
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## 2 UNIQUE



KELLI LEWTON

## Greek islands offer simply delightful food

I've just returned from a wonderful vacation with my twin sister, Karen, in Greece. During our 14 day adventure we managed to take in much of what Athens, and many of the Cyclades Islands, had to offer. Every new territory we embarked on was rich in culture, history and food.

There was fabulous food to be found everywhere, which helps account for my seven pound weight gain. What distinguishes Greek cuisine from others is fresh ingredients, judicious use of herbs and philosophy, their philosophy concerning matters of eating, drinking and sharing meals, and the country itself.

## Natural foods

Due to the warm climate, produce is grown in a natural, organic fashion in Greece. For the most part, the animals are free range. I was amazed at all the goats and lambs that were roaming freely in pastures rich in herbs. This would support the flavorful taste of their meats. I've never eaten lamb so flavorful or tender, and seafood from the Mediterranean is a treat.

After spending the majority of my trip island hopping in the Aegean Sea, I was amazed at how crystal clear the water was at every port of call. There probably are large fisheries, but the only ones I saw were small family, one boat operations, which reminded me of old movies from my youth. Santorini, also known as Thera, now reinstated as its official name, is the largest fragment of a volcanic archipelago made up of the old broken remnants of the most massive caldera on Earth. This is often thought by many to be the origin of the Atlantis legend.

## Visiting Oia

The view from the glass-like Aegean Sea was breathtaking, and the people were very friendly. We spent our last night in Santorini roaming the very quaint village of Oia. On our stroll, we happened upon a dazzling jewelry store, Oro, which means gold in Spanish. The owner, Alexander, and his wife Martha, were so hospitable. They offered us some famous Santorini wine, and explained the history of their town. Ironically, Martha was Mexican, and grew up in the same small suburb as my sister's husband, Xico.

At Alexander's suggestion, we stopped at a local taverna called S'Agpo Santorini - "I love you Santorini." After our 10 minute walk, we entered the charming cottage like tavern. We were seated by Marco, our German host, who would later be our server. There were no menus. The only bound papers in the taverna were wonderful thick books filled by patrons from around the world who shared feelings about their evening at S'Agpo Santorini.

Marco told us he was the menu and told us what fresh foods were available. We told him things we liked - fresh grilled lamb, octopus, tomatoes and feta cheese, and asked him to be the captain of our ship.

## Sharing a meal

As food started arriving, so did our new friends from the jewelry shop. I think there were seven or eight of them. We joined tables and shared some of the most amazing food, wine and spirits I'd encountered in my travels through Greece.

We had lamb, rubbed delicately with herbs, olive oil and garlic, and roasted to perfection over amber coals in the courtyard of the restaurant.

The tomatoes were very flavorful, and the housemade sausages and feta cheese left me speechless. I'm sure the rustic breads we broke were made by someone's grandmother.

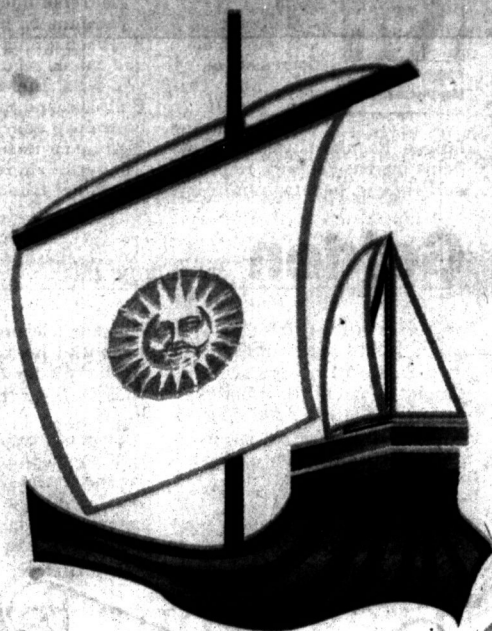
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## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Focus on Wine
- For the Love of Food

## RIDE THE WAVES OF AGING IN GOOD HEALTH



## Successful Voyage

STORIES BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS • REGISTERED DIETITIAN

**B**aby boomers are entering their 50s, and are a hardy breed for the most part. They work hard to age gracefully and fill their leisure hours with travel, sports and hobbies.

The best advice for successful aging is to work on controlling your environment and make the most of your genetic makeup.

It is important to remember that nutrition plays an important role in helping our body respond to the physiological changes of aging. This means eating nutrient dense foods every day.

Chronological aging and biological aging are not synonymous. There are general processes that occur as we age. These include a loss of lean body tissue such as muscle, a loss of bone density, and an increase in internal body fat. The body's ability to correct for nutrient imbalances declines with age. This is why it is important to pay attention to what we eat. Poor eating habits, plus chronic diseases, may place heavy demands on nutrient reserves.

Here is a list of important tips to help you feel good inside and outside:

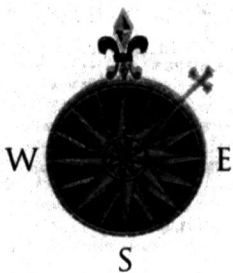
■ **Drink milk** - Bone loss is accelerated as we age, both in men and women. Include beverages

and foods high in calcium such as milk, yogurt and cheese in your diet for bone health. Vitamin D, which is also important, is found only in fortified milk, not yogurt, so drink your milk. Choose fat-free or low-fat milk most often. Calcium fortified orange juice is an option for those with milk intolerance.

■ **Eat whole grains** - Breads, cereals and grains contain important B vitamins and most are fortified with folic acid. Plus, grains contain fiber which helps prevent constipation and may reduce the risk of colon cancer.

■ **Focus on fruits and vegetables** - There are protective components in fruits and vegetables called antioxidants. Vitamins C, E and beta carotene are known to be involved in reducing your risk of certain forms of cancer, heart disease, cataracts and other degenerating diseases. Rich sources of these nutrients include citrus, green peppers, strawberries, cabbage, green leafy, yellow or orange vegetables. Nuts, seeds and whole grains are also good sources. Also, choose a general multi-vitamin/mineral supplement with not more than 100 percent of the U.S.

Please see AGING, B2



## GET GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

Calories needed in proportion to how active you are. As we age, we need fewer calories to maintain our weight. To calculate the calories you need:

- Weight in pounds x 10 (sedentary)
- Weight in pounds x 15 (moderate activity)
- Weight in pounds x 20 (very active)

## Cheesy macaroni satisfies taste buds, health goals

## MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL WAGNER

While passing through the supermarket freezer section, I thought about how much my taste buds missed macaroni and cheese. I picked up a package and read the nutrition label - 18 grams of fat, eight grams saturated fat and well over 300 calories per cup.

I returned the package to the freezer, but the tasty memory lingered long enough to prod me into developing a macaroni and cheese recipe that would satisfy my taste buds and health goals.

This was not an entirely selfish mission, however, my patients have been asking me for a palatable reduced fat and calorie version of macaroni and cheese for some time.

I began with a recipe from a 1950s cookbook and made 1998 substitutions. I used evaporated skim milk instead of whole milk. The evaporated milk makes a richer tasting sauce than regular skim milk. I increased the seasonings and added veggies for color, flavor and nutrition. The sauce seemed to cling better to the ridges of rotini (corkscrew macaroni) than the regular macaroni.

The problem was the cheese. Cheddar cheese has nine grams of fat per ounce, with 75 percent of the calories from fat, and 50 percent of those calories are saturated fat. Cheese has a higher percentage of calories from fat

and saturated fat than pork sausage or spare ribs. I tried fat-free cheese, but the flavor wasn't very good. What I finally settled on was a reduced fat cheese (2 grams per ounce) augmented with Parmesan cheese and a cheese flavor substitute. Of course, Parmesan is not a low-fat cheese, but it has lots of flavor per ounce. One tablespoon is only 1/4 of an ounce, and that has only 2 grams of fat.

Try my recipe, and see what you think. It has less than half the fat and saturated fat of the original recipe. It's also a perfect vegetarian entree. You needn't worry about adding one of the big three - chicken, meat or fish for protein. There's plenty of protein from the milk, cheese and even the rotini.

## MACARONI (ROTINI) AND CHEESE

- 2 cans (14 ounce) evaporated skim milk
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 1/2 teaspoons dry mustard
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce
- 4 green onions, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, chopped
- 5 teaspoons Molly McButter All Natural Dairy Sprinkles - Cheese Flavor
- 8 slices Kraft 2 percent milk singles
- 4 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- Dash paprika
- 8 ounces dry rotini
- Nonstick spray

Prepare rotini according to package directions. Set aside.

Mix cornstarch with dry mustard. Add a little evaporated skim milk to make a smooth paste. Combine with remaining milk and Worcestershire Sauce. Heat over very low heat, stirring constantly until thickened, or place in a 2-quart measuring cup in microwave on high for about 4 minutes, until thickened.

Stir in 6 slices of cheese until melted. Add Parmesan and Molly McButter Cheese. Stir until combined. Add rotini and chopped vegetables. Stir gently until mixed through.

Pour into a 2-quart casserole that has been sprayed with nonstick spray. Top with remaining cheese slices. Sprinkle lightly with paprika. Bake in a moderate oven 375°F about 25 minutes until heated through and lightly browned. Serves 6.

■ **Nutrition facts:** 1 cup serving  
Calories 248; Total Fat, 5.6g; Saturated Fat, 3.3g; Cholesterol, 15mg; Sodium 655mg.

■ **Food exchanges:** 1/2 fat-free milk; 2 starches; 1 fat

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## ENJOY YOUR GOLDEN YEARS

The patient said "I know I'm overweight, but I do watch my diet and I've given up a lot of things that are bad for me so why am I facing \_\_\_\_\_?" Fill in the blank with heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, etc.

The answer is - "You've never been this age before." In other words, you can get by with poor eating habits and cheat for the first half of life, but it will catch up to you eventually.

Aging is like a glass half full/half empty. For those in good health it can be the most fulfilling time, and for those whose health fails, it may be a time of compromised expectations.

Because life expectancy is increasing, we may spend nearly one-third of our lives in retirement. The years past 50, in order to reach the "golden years," must be lived with a certain amount of conscientious effort to making good food choices. We may also have to consider the health of one of our spouses since how they age will make a difference in the quality of our years left together.

When the husband of a couple I know had a heart attack their lives changed forever. One of the biggest adjustments was in their relationships with friends and family.

Every get together was a challenge. Late evenings out were forbidden. Stopping for cocktails before going out to dinner was another temptation. Tailgating at a sports event could be life-threatening. Making plans with old friends, or celebrations with the family, became a dreaded event.

But instead of becoming isolated and depressed, this couple decided to take a proactive approach. Instead

Please see GOLDEN, B2



## Unique from page B1

Dinner was served with the house white wine, which seemed sweet, crisp, dry and fruity all at the same time. Santorini wine is famous throughout the world.

Gathering around a table with family and friends to share a meal at the end of the day is a time held in reverence by all inhabitants of Greece.

As we shared food, and wine, many languages and cultures, including Greek, English, German and Spanish, it hit me - wow! for a change I was not thinking about what to have for dessert or what I had to do after dinner.

I enjoyed every bite of food, word spoken and sip of wine at that moment. It seemed like all our counterparts at our small banquet ate, drank and shared this way on a regular basis.

The food was simply beautiful and tasty. It was not masked by

### Gathering around a table with family and friends to share a meal at the end of the day is a time held in reverence.

saucers with complex names. As I sat back in my chair into the early morning hours singing and sipping Santorini wine with my new friends, I thought the world isn't so big. Simple is good, less can often be more.

*Chef Kelli L. Lewton is owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Event Planners in Bloomfield Hills. A graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts program, Kelli is a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month.*

## Enjoy a taste of the Mediterranean

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Kelli Lewton.

### MEDITERRANEAN MEAT MARINADE

3 tablespoons fresh garlic, chopped  
Juice of 3 lemons  
1 teaspoon lemon zest  
1 cup red wine vinegar  
1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil  
1 teaspoon dried oregano  
1 tablespoon fresh rosemary  
1 tablespoon fresh parsley  
Combine ingredients. Great for beef, pork or lamb.

### SPANAKOPIA (SPINACH PIE)

4 pounds fresh spinach  
1 large Spanish onion (diced fine)  
1/8 cup extra virgin olive oil  
1 bunch scallions (minced)  
1 cup fresh feta cheese (crumbled)  
3 tablespoons fresh dill

(chopped)  
1/2 cup fresh parsley (chopped)  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon fresh cracked pepper  
1 box phyllo dough, thawed  
1/2 stick butter  
1/8 cup bread crumbs

In a large pot heat olive oil. Sweat onions until translucent. Add spinach, a handful at a time, and wilt. Cook down approximately 5-8 minutes.

Place in bowl, mix with feta, herbs and seasoning. Take phyllo (working quickly or keeping covered) and layer six sheets, brushing with melted butter and a sprinkling of bread crumbs between the sheets of dough.

Take collective sheets and place centered in Teflon pie pan. Spoon filling in. Fold overlapping phyllo dough over mixture to create top of the pie. Brush top with butter and bake at 350°F., 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown.

## Aging from page B1



Peggy Martinelli-Everts

fatigue. Regular physical activity helps increase energy, improves self image, boosts immunity,

Daily Recommended Daily Allowance. Don't waste your money on "anti-aging" concoctions.

Exercise - Our metabolism decreases as we age, and this can result in weight gain and

fight depression and enhances the quality of sleep. Take care when you exercise to avoid injury. Stay on softer, level surfaces and warm up with stretches.

Exercise doesn't have to be strenuous to be good for you. Find something you enjoy doing and can do regularly. Golf (when you walk the course) is great. Ballroom and Swing dancing are becoming very popular again. Sign up for lessons. Swimming is wonderful exercise, as is water aerobics. Choose the activity

that is right for you and try varying activities, too.

Flavor it - Our sense of taste and smell diminishes as we age. We need to add flavorings that don't add excess sodium. Excess sodium not only pulls calcium out of our body which affects our bone health, it also can aggravate high blood pressure. Add herbs, butter flavoring, wine, reduced stocks and flavored vinegars.

Get enough protein, but watch the fat - The recommended amount of protein for women

over 50 is 50 grams, and for men 63 grams. This is the protein in seven to nine ounces of meat, poultry or fish. However, there is protein in dairy foods and grain, so eating five to seven ounces of meat daily is sufficient.

*Peggy Martinelli-Everts of Clarkston, is a registered dietitian and director of clinical operations for HDS Services, a Farmington Hills-based food service and hospitality management company. Look for her story on the second Sunday of the month in Taste.*

## Golden from page B1

of entertaining friends with cocktails and going out to dinner at a restaurant, or becoming caught in one of the other challenging situations for someone with heart disease, my friend hit upon the idea of serving a Sunday morning brunch.

While the invitees are at church, playing golf, or just

enjoying a leisurely morning, the host and hostess are cutting fresh fruit for the giant platter that is the centerpiece of the event.

Ease of preparation is important so chopping the vegetables for the omelet and preparing the muffin mix is done the night before. Last minute details are kept to a minimum, and the

event is casual.

A variety of interesting breads, muffins and bagels are paired with lite veggie cream cheese, no sugar added jams and jellies, and an olive oil/balsamic vinegar and herb blend. Ice water, coffee, tea and a specialty fruit drink are also served.

For entertainment, the couple

sets up a croquet game, badminton set or bocce.

The brunch has become a favorite event. The couple doesn't lose touch with friends, the brunch is fun for everyone involved, and other couples who are also aging and must watch their diets, get some good entertaining ideas.

## Treat your family, friends to brunch

See related story on Taste front.

I like this recipe because it's easy to make, and you make it in one skillet so cleanup is simple too.

If you use egg whites, you can use the egg yolks as a rinse for your hair.

### TLC BRUNCH SKILLET

Recipe serves 6  
5 ounces lean turkey sausage  
1 cup chopped red bell pepper  
1 cup chopped green pepper  
12 egg whites, or the equivalent in egg substitute  
1/2 cup non-fat ricotta cheese  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon pepper  
Nonstick cooking spray

Salsa of your choice (optional)

In a large nonstick frying pan, sauté crumbled turkey sausage over medium heat until thoroughly cooked. Remove meat from pan and drain any fat. Return pan to cooktop and sauté onion until soft and slightly transparent. Add peppers and sauté until cooked, but still firm.

In a separate bowl, beat egg white with salt, pepper and ricotta until combined. Remove vegetables from pan and turn heat to very low, spray pan with nonstick cooking spray and return to burner.

Pour egg white mixture into pan. When bottom is slightly set, arrange sausage, peppers and onions on top. Cover and cook over very low heat until set through,

about 10-12 minutes. To serve, invert onto platter and cut into wedges. Warm salsa in microwave and set on the side so guests can help themselves.

**Nutrition information per serving:** Using egg whites, excluding salsa

Calories 91.71; Protein 15.63g; Fat 3.18g; Sodium 644.0mg; Carbohydrates 8.28g.

### LOW-FAT APPLE BRAN MUFFINS

3 cups bran cereal (recipe tested with All-Bran)  
1 1/2 cups boiling water  
3 egg whites  
2 cups skim milk  
1/2 cup honey  
1/4 cup molasses  
2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour  
2 1/2 teaspoons baking soda  
2 tablespoons cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon each: ground nutmeg, ground ginger (optional)  
1 cup raisins  
2 cups chopped apples

Preheat oven to 400°F. In a large bowl, combine cereal and boiling water. Set aside.

In another large bowl, combine egg whites, milk, honey and molasses; stir well. Stir in flour, soda, cinnamon, bran softened with water, nutmeg and ginger. Stir in raisins and chopped apples. Fill lined muffin cups about two-thirds full and bake 20 to 25 minutes or until muffins test done.

**Nutrition information per serving:** Calories 130.11; Protein 4.06g, Fat .47g; Sodium 104.56mg; Carbohydrates 32.68g.

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### HEALTH CARE



What "Authors on Stage," a series of dramatic readings from novels, short stories and nonfiction.

What: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 2, Village Players Performance, Woodward Avenue at Chestnut, Birmingham. Tickets: \$25. (248) 344-0000. Proceeds will benefit Village Players and the Creekview Writers Guild.

## Angelo's wisdom: Information Age - communicate

In a society that reveres the imagery of youth and the "new," there's always the risk of losing perspective.

Frank Angelo won't let that happen. "The greatest problem we have is communicating," he said.

Just because it's called the Information Age, communicating effectively shouldn't be taken for granted.

Angelo shakes his head, clenches his jaw and let's his experience speak for itself.

"My interest has been in the field of human relations," said the Beverly Hills resident and former managing editor of the *Detroit Free Press*.

The condition of human relations doesn't even seem to be a topic on the national agenda.

That worries Angelo.

Age hasn't given him a license to be so wise. That's come with a fount of compassion and a scrapbook of lessons.

In his 83 years, he's seen what "good communication" can accomplish, and the misery and confusion as a consequence of "bad communication."

He can't be accused of not practicing what he preaches.

### Clear in heart

Angelo is one of the organizers of "Authors on Stage," a series of dramatic readings this Saturday at Village Players in Birmingham.

The program presents actors interpreting a range of literary works, including excerpts from "Angela's Ashes" by Frank McCourt, "Tuesdays with Morrie" by Mitch Albom, and "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" by John Berendt.

The goal of "Authors on Stage" is refreshingly simple: to promote good writing.

And "good writing," as Samuel Johnson preached and Angelo knows first hand, can make a world of difference.

Thirty years ago when the Cranbrook Writers Guild was established, Angelo was directing the news coverage during one of the most turbulent times in Detroit history.

"Good communication" not only mattered, it was the difference between civil strife and revolution in the streets.

Angelo wasn't an editor caught behind a desk. He was on the streets getting a first-hand account. He also served on a range of civic boards.

"I felt profoundly responsible that the paper live up to its responsibility that human relations had to be improved."

He could pick up the phone and talk to Henry Ford or get information from a guy running an all-night bar.

Communication for Angelo has always meant bringing clarity to convoluted situations and precision to language. The kind of lucidness that good writing can bring to life.

For Angelo, it's quite simple.

Clear in mind. Sincere in heart.

### From a sage

Unlike some of the more fertile debates about culture and race of 30 years ago, today's national discourse is reactionary and extreme, he believes.

According to Angelo, today's public discussions are more about coming up with provocative sound bites than sensible positions.

The proof is everywhere, from the tabloids' infatuation with celebrities to mainstream news' obsession with "breaking news" to the insipid folksiness of broadcast reporting.

Today, more than ever, "good communication" is required.

Frank Angelo won't let that be forgotten.

Invariably, he shakes his head, clenches his jaw and let's his experience speak.

But sometimes, he confesses wondering whether anyone is listening.

He'll go on. Just practicing what he preaches.

A wise man never loses perspective.

## HOMETOWN CANVAS

### MAKING ART MATTER



Betty Ruedisuel



Bill Waterhouse



Janet Torno and Gene Hammonds



Bob Sheridan



Jennifer Tobin



Marsha Chamberlain



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## MARKETING A CAUSE

### Advocates make case for lifelong learning through the arts

For art organizations throughout the area, the ubiquitous "m" word keeps coming up - marketing.

Clearly, it's a sign that those who promote the arts aren't practicing elitism but a new-style salesmanship aimed at mass appeal.

Throughout a recent two-hour public discussion entitled, "Building the Arts from the Grassroots," a panel of eight arts advocates swatted at the "m" word as it fluttered like a cagey bee around their heads.

Apparently, they're getting used to talking like brazen entrepreneurs. Actually succeeding at marketing, however, is a game of hit and miss.

Welcome to Arts Advocacy 101, also known as, "How to sustain the arts at the edge of the 21st century."

According to panelists, the formula for success sounds like a 1990s mantra - a blend of populist appeal, capitalist zeal for self-sufficiency and a finely tuned marketing plan.

"Building the Arts from the Grassroots" was part of the ongoing public discussion about culture and community sponsored by the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

**Central to life**

Other than to keep open their doors, the overriding objective for arts organizations is to convince their respective communities that the arts aren't tangential to life but central to lifelong learning.

The arts, the panelists agreed, provide an "inclusive" way to promote diversity and community pride.

**WHAT:** "Building the Arts from the Grassroots" was held Saturday, May 2, at the William Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills in conjunction with the Third Annual Farmington Festival of the Arts.

The forum was part of an ongoing discussion initiated by the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* about the state of the arts in our communities. It is in response to the "American Canvas Report" released by the National Endowment for the Arts in the fall of 1997. This is the third of a series of articles, which addresses this subject. Previous articles were published on Oct. 26, 1997 and Feb. 1, 1998.

**WHO:** Participants in this forum, which addressed the mission of local arts organizations, included representatives from:

- Ann Arbor Art Center - Marsha Chamberlain
- Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center - Janet Torno
- Canton Art Association - Gene Hammonds
- Farmington Arts Commission - Fern Barber
- Livonia Arts Commission - Bob Sheridan
- Paint Creek Center for the Arts, Rochester - Betty Ruedisuel
- Plymouth Arts Council - Jennifer Tobin
- Southfield Parks & Recreation Dept./Centre for the Arts - Bill Waterhouse

**NOTE:** These arts organizations offer a range of fine art classes, exhibits, annual art fairs, outreach programs and performance venues. The commissions serve as umbrella agencies for local arts groups.

**Available on Cable/Video**

"Building the Arts from the Grassroots" will air during May on Channel 8 in Farmington/Farmington Hills.

For a copy of the videotape, call Sally LePia-Perry, Farmington Area cultural arts coordinator, (248) 473-9583.

The recent success of arts organizations is largely based on an evolving grassroots interest in the arts that began with the cultural upheaval of the 1960s, said Marsha Chamberlain, executive director of the Ann Arbor Art Center.

"It'd be a mistake to position ourselves as an alternative (to public arts education)," she said.

"We provide programs to augment curriculums."

But as some public schools reduce funding for art programs, art organizations are indeed stepping up.

Instructors at the BBAC, for instance, are teaching art classes to students from the Pontiac School District, which eliminated art from their curriculum.

**Centers for art**

Arguably, the only issue more controversial than contemporary art seems to be public funding for the arts, said Bill Waterhouse, director of Southfield parks and recreation department, which oversees the Southfield Centre for the Arts.

The Southfield Center for the Arts offers facilities, and promotes the activities of arts groups through the city's cultural affairs office.

"We try to provide the basis for any organization to go out and raise money (to sustain themselves)," said Waterhouse. "But they have to take ownership."

While Livonia and the Farmington area have the equivalent of a

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## ARTS FESTIVAL

### Greektown art fair delivers food, culture

**Greektown Arts Festival**

What: Produced by the Greektown Merchants Association in cooperation with the Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans, the eighth annual festival features work by 125 visual artists and entertainment by local and national touring acts.

What: 9-10 p.m. Friday, May 15, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 16 and noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, May 17. The Imagination Station offers free art activities for kids and their parents from noon to 5 p.m. each day of the festival.

Where: Monroe, St. Antoine and Beaubien streets in Detroit's Greektown.

Cost: No charge. For more information, call (313) 963-6445 or (734) 692-3382.

Michael McCullough is working night and day to make sure he has enough woodcut prints for the Greektown Arts Festival Friday-Sunday, May 15-17.

The Farmington Hills artist is doubling his stock of black and white and color woodcuts of nature, lighthouse, animal, and ethnic scenes. They were a popular item at last year's show.

"Greektown is an excellent show along with Art in the Park in Plymouth and the Birmingham Art Fair in fall," said McCullough, a graduate of

Churchill High School in Livonia.

McCullough likes the "energy of German Expressionists" Edvard Munch, actually a Norwegian, and Franz Marc who frequently used woodcuts, lithographs and intaglio prints to address social issues and political injustices in early 20th century Germany. McCullough's own prints convey a similar power. A black and white stormy seascape is reminiscent of the terror in Munch's work.

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Woodcut print: "No One is to Blame" by artist Michael McCullough.



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cultural affairs office, only Southfield has an actual physical structure — an "arts center."

"It's a tough sell," said Bob Sheridan, chair of the Livonia Arts Commission. "A great deal of the budget goes to basic city services. Libraries and the arts just can't seem to get enough."

In Canton, two community buildings are used to host exhibits. Meanwhile, two years into a study to determine how to build a community theater, supporters are still searching for funding sources, said Gene Hammonds, president of the Canton Art Association.

An alliance with Plymouth arts groups, Project Arts, has helped to consolidate resources.

"There's definitely strength in numbers," said Hammonds.

Despite the odds of public funds going to build an art center, Farmington artists are encouraged that their day will come.

Some consider the recent suc-

cess of the Farmington Festival of the Arts as the strongest argument for a local art center.

"In our area, 63 languages are spoken," said Fern Barber, president of the Farmington Arts Commission. "The art (in the festival) is an example of our multicultural diversity."

The Farmington festival brought together 23 arts groups, representing about 1,500 artists from many disciplines.

Largely through the Farmington Community Art Association, which organized the festival, enough money and in-kind services were raised to support the event, said Barber.

### Supply & demand

To succeed amid a climate of reduced public funding while trying to attract volunteers, corporate sponsors and members, art organizations are learning to sound and act like aspiring entrepreneurs.

The arts at a community level

have to be run like a business," said Southfield's Waterhouse.

"Yet it's difficult for a volunteer-driven organization to be run like a business."

Corralling the energies of a largely volunteer staff might be like trying to nail down Jell-O.

Through public and member surveys, however, many of the larger art centers have adapted an age-old principle of generating supply to meet demand.

"Growth in the arts has to do with organizations being better at understanding their communities and programming based on what people want," said Chamberlain of the Ann Arbor Art Center.

Appeals to corporate sponsorship have also increased as the public grant process has grown cumbersome and increasingly competitive, she said.

"Before corporations would give us money upfront," said Chamberlain. "Now it's market-driven. They want to know how

many times their name will appear.

"But it all helps to build audiences."

### Opening up

While attracting members and funds is a top priority, arts organizations also hope to deflate the mystique of the arts, according to the panel.

"We're attempting to bring art to a level where the average person can appreciate it," said Sheridan of the Livonia Arts Commission.

"One of the key roles is to make people feel comfortable with the arts," said Torno of the Bloomfield Birmingham Art Center.

Making art accessible, however, isn't the same as diminishing the power of art to educate and provoke.

"It's important that the arts occasionally make people feel uncomfortable. Art is sometimes

about social issues that involve all of us," said Paint Creek's Ruedisueli.

"The real value of what we do is to help people develop their creative processes," said Ann Arbor Art Center's Chamberlain.

"Exhibits of diverse art is the entree to different levels of learning."

In its report on the state of American culture, "American Canvas," published last October, the National Endowment for the Arts concluded that the arts establishment had to "undergo a wholesale overhaul."

The report recommended that cultural institutions need to "open up" to serve a larger public.

The first step in "opening up the arts," according to the panel, is to increase public awareness of the essential role of the arts in building communities.

The timing not only seems right, but the panelists each spoke with a sense of urgency.

No wonder. As the Internet facilitates speed-of-light communication, the nature of community is undergoing a fundamental change.

In the cultural state of flux, the opportunity is at hand for art organizations to advocate and educate, said Jennifer Tobin, executive director of the Plymouth Arts Council.

A program at the Plymouth Arts Council invites young mothers to come together to plan exhibits as their children play in an adjacent room.

"It's moms learning about art," said Tobin. "Art organizations are a place where people can come to feel, share and communicate about their lives."

"(The arts) can bridge cultural, geographical and generational differences."

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"You don't see a lot of woodcuts," said McCullough, a native of Redford Township. "People like that primitive appeal."

McCullough exhibited his prints for the first time in fall of 1996. He began working in the medium while studying for his bachelor of fine arts degree at Eastern Michigan University in the early 1990s. He frequently carves during fairs, and has an example of a finished woodblock, rice paper and the kitchen spoon used to hand-rub the prints in his booth.

"I enjoy the process, the challenge of drawing it backwards," said McCullough. "I can't wait till I see the first print."

Among McCullough's newest pieces are portraits of Marilyn Monroe, Diana Ross and a zebra at a watering hole. From a litter of Dalmatian puppies to a loon on a lake and bears in trees, his subject matter deals with everything from African and Oriental cultures to vanishing wildlife. Veiled women in "The Prophecy" keep the viewer guessing as to the origination of country, religion and foretold event.

"Printmaking is labor inten-

sive," said McCullough. "By the time you draw it and get it onto the wood then carve it you have hours into a print like the zebra which took 125 hours. I have a huge list of subjects I'd like to do, probably enough for the next four to five years."

Presented by the Greektown Merchants Association in cooperation with the Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans, the eighth annual Greektown Arts Festival features works by 125 artists from 20 states and two Canadian provinces.

The juried art, music, good food and atmosphere set the Greektown fair apart from other summer art shows. Shopping in the art booths or in the shops in Trapper's Alley is worth the trip alone.

"We're encouraging people to come down with their children and enjoy making art at the Imagination Station," said Dave Kronenberg, art fairs director for the Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans, organizers of the Ann Arbor Summer Art Fair. "The Greektown area is reviving and thriving. It's a wonderful destination. We have a lot of neat and interesting art, a good amount of jewelry, pottery, painting, glass, wood, fiber, photography, and printmaking and 30 percent are new artists."

The festival stage will showcase local and national touring acts including former Twistin'

### Greektown Arts Festival Entertainment

The Greektown Arts Festival Stage on Beaubien Street at Monroe Street in Greektown will offer for free a variety of acts from rockabilly and soul to latin rhythms and acid jazz. For more information, call (313) 963-5445.

#### Entertainment Schedule:

■ Friday, May 15: The Shack Shakers, rockabilly swingers from Nashville, perform 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Black Beauty, a new rockabilly act featuring former Twistin' Tarantulas member George Friend, and Thornetta Davis perform 6:50-8 p.m.; and "rockabilly songbird" Robert Gordon hits the stage 8:20-9:30 p.m.

■ Saturday, May 16: The Hellenic Society starts off the day with traditional Greek dancing noon to 1 p.m.; African Rhythm Project performs traditional African rhythms and jazz 1:15-2:10 p.m.; Pena World Beat plays Latin rhythms rock and jazz 2:30-3:40 p.m.; The New Orleans-style brass band Motor City Street Band hits the stage from 4-5 p.m.; Bird of Paradise Orchestra plays jazz and swing 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Sugarfoot performs acid jazz and funk 7-8 p.m.; Sugar Ray Norcia, former Roomful of Blues frontman and harpist, plays with the help of an expanded version of Johnny Bassett and the Blues Insurgents 8:25-9:30 p.m.

■ Sunday, May 17: Tru Light Temple Gospel Choir sings 1-2 p.m.; The Bill Heid Trio featuring jazz guitar great Perry Hughes plays from 2:30-3:30 p.m.; and Johnny Bassett and the Blues Insurgents return to the stage with Detroit blues legends Johnny "Yard Dog" Jones, Thornetta Davis and Joe Weaver 4-5:30 p.m.

Tarantula guitarist George Friend's new band "Black Beauty" featuring Thornetta Davis, Johnny Bassett and the Blues Insurgents, the Bill Heid Trio and the Bird of Paradise Orchestra.

Rick Pinkerton of the Music Menu Cafe coordinated the fair's entertainment ranging from swing to Greek dancing, rockabilly, Latin rock, traditional African rhythms, jazz, gospel

and blues.

Other local artists exhibiting in the Greektown Arts Festival are Carole Berhorst, clay, and Michael MacManus, jewelry, Bloomfield Hills; Sandra Bellestri, painting, Lake Orion; Jeanine Sova and John Chestnut, toys, Clarkston; Denise Szadyr, clay, Waterford, and Debra Vantol, glass, Auburn Hills.

### ART BEAT

#### COLLEGE EXHIBIT FEATURES LOCAL ARTIST

John Neumann, son of Martha and Kurt Neumann of Bloomfield Village is one of 12 seniors whose work is exhibited at Kenyon College's Olin Gallery.

The exhibit is dedicated to the senior thesis work of studio-art majors. The private liberal arts college is located in Gambier, Ohio.

Neumann, a graduate of Cranbrook Kingswood School, will receive his bachelor of arts degree in May.

#### MUSIC AND MEDITATION

The final B'Jazz Vespers of the season features Sandra Bomar and the Jazz Masters at 6 p.m.

Sunday, May 17.

The concert is held at the First Baptist Church in downtown Birmingham at the corner of Willits and Bates streets.

Bomar opened the Detroit Montreaux Jazz Festival in 1996. She was a backup singer for Martha Reeves as one of the "Vandellas."

B'Jazz Vespers includes 20 minutes of worship interlude in a two-set, 100 minutes of jazz concert.

#### REMNANT PLATE & PICASSO

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Park West Gallery in Southfield is offering a \$25,000 reward for information leading to find-

ing a 1655 etched copperplate signed and dated by Rembrandt.

The value of the plate is estimated at \$100,000.

In addition, Park West and Southfield Police have reported that a 1932 original Picasso etching was stolen from the gallery in late April.

The etching, "Nude Women and a Sculpted Head/Bust" is valued at \$50,000. It is one of 300.

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# Food writer's memoirs recall a tumultuous life and times

**Tender at the Bone: Growing Up at the Table**  
By Ruth Reichl  
(Random House, \$23)



VICTORIA DIAZ

This flavorful, satisfying memoir authored by New York Times food writer Reichl begins with a rather startling revelation: When she was a small child growing up in New York City, she learned her way around the kitchen in order to save herself and others. Her high-strung mother, she relates, was "taste-blind and unafraid of rot." And, though this may seem slightly comical some 30 or 40 years later, Reichl assures us that, at the time, it was something to be dealt with seriously.

"My mission," she recalls, "was to keep Mom from killing anybody."

Slowly, at the elbow of occasional household maids (two of whom are depicted here in almost tactile color), the budding gourmet learned the secrets to memorable cooking in general, plus the alchemy behind such specific dishes as wiener schnitzel and apple dumplings. (Yes, she shares recipes here, although "Tender at the Bone" is no more a cookbook that it is a collection of restaurant reviews.)

Her culinary talents really blossomed a bit later, however, when she began to entertain hungry high school friends at unchaperoned house parties. (To say that her mother and father were rather unconventional in their approach to parenting is an understatement.) Her gifts were honed further during her college

days at the University of Michigan and on trips abroad. She also racked up some highly valuable experience at a San Francisco collective during the '70s where "everybody did everything, from cooking the food to mopping the floor."

"... there was no job I didn't like," Reichl says of the time she spent at the collective restaurant "from lifting fifty-pound sacks of flour off the delivery truck to burning my hands on hot plates as I snatched them from the dishwasher."

While food, glorious food, may be the centerpiece for "Tender at the Bone," Reichl's book, however, is ultimately a look at people, places and an era. Lucky for us, it is rendered in an engaging journalistic style, spiced with wit and humor, and leavened with a healthy dollop of insight. (Occasionally, it is enlivened, according to Reichl, with a soupçon of fantasy, too.) If it's a bit of a mishmash in regard to form and structure, its hodgepodge quality seems to detract relatively little overall.

Reichl's various and lively cast is headed up by her highly unpredictable, unstable mother, who was often given to grandiose plans for parties, entertaining and life in general that she would eventually abandon to her husband and young daughter. ("When lithium entered our lives ... years later we were deeply grateful," writes the author, in reference to her mother's eventual diagnosis and treatment.)

Other important players here include Aunt Birdie, who couldn't cook but did make the world's best potato salad; Serafina, Reichl's beautiful and mysterious Ann Arbor roommate; the author's "sweet and accommodating" — though rather insular — father; and Doug, the hungry

Ann Arbor artist who showed up on her Packard Road doorstep one summer evening in the late '60s, stayed to enjoy a sauerbraten-and-potato-pancake dinner and, eventually, became her husband.

As to Reichl herself, her character/essence seems revealed mostly through the voice of the storyteller — which is informed and informal, sophisticated and unpretentious, sincere and imaginative all at once.

Reichl's ability to spirit any reader away to scattered points on the globe also adds significantly to the luscious texture of this memoir. It's a delight to visit on these pages the modest Greenwich Village apartment where she started out life in the '50s, the above-mentioned Packard Road roost she called home on the "wrong side" of Ann Arbor, a Tunisian medina fragrant with "saffron, cayenne, mint and cumin," the Berkeley commune circa 1970, a shadowy French wine cellar "where ancient electric heaters rested on the dirt floor, keeping the red wines comfortable."

Finally, "Tender at the Bone" is a kind of delicious history that reveals to us not just something about these people and places but about the times in which they existed, also. For those readers who regard the Eisenhower era and tumultuous '60s and '70s as an especially significant period, this book should hold special significance. The author's remembrances of life in Ann Arbor and Berkeley during this latter time are not just up-close and personal — they're often fascinating.

At the outset, Reichl tells us, "I learned that the most important thing in life is a good story." No doubt about it, "Tender at the Bone" is a good story.

## BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features various happenings at suburban bookstores. Send news leads to **Hugh Gallagher, Observer & Eccentricist Newspapers Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313)591-7279, or e-mail him at hgallagher@oe.homecomm.net**

**SOUTHFIELD LIBRARY**  
Rick Bloom, CPA and attorney, discusses financial matters 2 p.m. Monday, May 11; Paul Heron discusses and signs "Anais Nin: A Book of Mirrors," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 12 at the library 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield, (248)948-0460.

**BORDERS (BIRMINGHAM, SOUTHFIELD)**  
Poetry Discussion Group discusses Louise Glück's Pulitzer Prize-winning book "The Wild Iris," 1 p.m. Sunday, May 10; Mother-Daughter Book Group discusses Patricia MacLachlan's "Baby," 7 p.m. Monday, May 11; open mic poetry night, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 13; folk singer Bob Miller, 11 a.m. Saturday, May 16; Joyce White talks about and signs "Soul Food: Recipes and Reflections from African-American Churches," 1 p.m. Saturday, May 16; Eric Lugosch performs, 4 p.m. Saturday, May 16 at the store, 31150 Southfield Road, (248)644-1515.

**BARNES & NOBLE (NORTHVILLE)**

Nancy Washburne signs "Snorkeling Guide to Michigan Inland Lakes," 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 15, at the store 17111 Haggerty Road at Six Mile, Northville.

**BARNES & NOBLE (BLOOMFIELD HILLS)**  
Joyce White signs "Soul Food: Recipes and Reflections from African-American Churches" noon Friday, May 15; St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild cast members of "Into the Woods" read stories and Sandra Scott signs "Starting Again," 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 15, to benefit St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild at the store 6575 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills (248)540-4209.

**MURDER, MYSTERY & MAYHEM**  
Fiction group discusses Ursula Hegi's "Intrusions," 7 p.m. Thursday, May 14, at the store, 35167 Grand River, Farmington (248)471-7210.

**BORDERS (ROCHESTER HILLS)**  
Robert Goldstein discusses the political and historical aspects of flag desecration, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, at the store 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills (248)652-0558.

**BORDERS (DEARBORN)**  
Zonya Foco signs and discusses "Lickety-Split Meals," 7 p.m. Sunday, May 10; J.D. Sallinger discusses "Catcher in the Rye," 7 p.m. Thursday, May 14; Vocal

Arts Ensemble performs 7 p.m. Friday, May 15; Dandy the Chip Bear with Mike and Daniel Campbell, 11 a.m. Saturday, May 16 at the store, 5801 Mercury Drive, Dearborn, (313)271-4441.

**SHAMAN DRUM**  
Judith Elkin discusses "The Jews of Latin America," 4 p.m. Monday May 11; Grace Lee Boggs reads from "Living for Change: An Autobiography," 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 12; Constance Cook discusses "Lobbying for High Education: How Colleges and Universities Influence Federal Policy," 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 13; Josip Novakovich reads from "Salvation and Other Disasters," 8 p.m. Thursday, May 14, at the store 313 South State Street, Ann Arbor 734-662-7407.

**BORDERS (ANN ARBOR)**  
Mitch Albom signs "Tuesdays with Morrie," 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 11; Nancy Washburne signs "Snorkeling Guide to Michigan Inland Lakes," 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 12; Sigrid Nunez signs "Mitz: The Marmoset of Bloomsbury," 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13; Rick Moody signs "Purple America," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 14; Dorinda Hafer signs "United Tastes of America," 3 p.m. Saturday, May 30 at the store 612 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor (734)668-7652.

# Park West auctions art works

**SOUTHFIELD, Mich., May 7 /PRNewswire/** — When the auctioneer's hammer falls on May 24 and 25, Park West Gallery of Southfield, Michigan will offer more than 400 custom-framed original works of fine art at a public auction.

The auction, featuring creations by old and modern masters, Altman, Peter Max, Tarkay and more than 30 contemporary living artists, begins at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 24, and at 8 p.m. on Monday, May 25, at the Marriott East Lansing, 300 M.A.C. Avenue in East Lansing, Michigan.

There will be a one-hour preview before each auction time.

Auction items, spanning five centuries, include wood engravings by Renaissance artist Albrecht Dürer; rare etchings by Rembrandt; etchings by Goya; hand-signed works from the 1950s-'60s by Picasso; a selection

of aquatints, etchings and lithographs from most periods by Miro, original prints by Chagall, and a special collection of rare hand-signed Dali wood engravings from the '50s and '60s.

"Since 1969 Park West has worked directly with artists and estates in bringing high quality works of fine art at affordable prices directly to the public," said Albert Scaglione, president and Founder of Park West Gallery.

"We liquidated the estates of Erte and Escher. We have the exclusive worldwide contracts for new works at auction from Tarkay, Krasnyansky, LeKinff, Picot, Golkar, Wood, Fanch, Medvedev and many other artists. We continually bring new high quality works to the auction market. Buying from us is buying from the artist. No other auction company can make

that claim," continued Scaglione.

Also crossing the auction block will be the Park West Collection, over 400 paintings, watercolors, drawings, lithographs, serigraphs and etchings by many world renowned living artists — Altman, Picot, Agam, Fanch, Mouly, Max, Cambier, Dus, Chemiakin, Ali Golkar, Dube, Arie, Steynovitz, Wood, Cambour, Tarkay, Krasnyansky and many more.

The Park West Collection works come directly from the artists and, in most cases, Park West is the world's largest dealer for the artist's works.

Park West is the only touring auction gallery to give complete catalog descriptions which meet all federal and state requirements. Each work comes with a Certificate of Authenticity. For additional information, contact Park West Gallery at 248-354-2343, or 800-521-9654.

## GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

**General Cinema**  
Bargain matinee daily plus \$3.25 (incl. tax) show daily

**Mid-Town Center 8**  
New Rd. South of I-96  
248-344-0077

Advance same-day tickets available

**"IMPACT OF MY AFFECTION" (R)**  
1:40 (4:30 @ \$3.50) 7:20, 9:55  
**"WICKED" (PG)**  
1:00, 9:25  
**"MAD ABOUT YOU" (PG)**  
4:15 @ \$3.50 7:10  
**"WICKED" (PG)**  
1:00 (5:00 @ \$3.50) 9:40  
**GOOD WILL HUNTING (R)**  
(3:50 @ \$3.50) 6:50  
**"CITY OF ANGELS" (PG-13)**  
1:15 (4:40 @ \$3.50) 7:40, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00  
**"PRINCE OF DARKNESS" (R)**  
1:40  
**"DANGER" (G)**  
1:20  
**"SKEAN 2" (R)**  
1:30 (4:45 @ \$3.50) 7:25, 10:00  
AS GOOD AS IT GETS (PG-13)  
9:30  
**"TARZAN AND THE LOST CITY" (PG-13)**  
2:00 (5:00 @ \$3.50) 7:45 9:50

**Shoreline Cinema**  
Orchard Lake Rd.  
at Oak Lake Rd.  
482-1900  
Sat. & Sun. only All Shows  
11:50 before 6 pm; 12:50 after

AS GOOD AS IT GETS (PG-13)  
SUN. 4:15, 7:00  
MON.-THURS. 7:00  
MAY IN THE SHOE (PG-13)  
SUN. 4:30 7:15; MON.-THURS. 7:15

**Shoreline Cinema**  
2485 Michigan Rd. East side of Telegraph  
248-364-0777  
Bargain Matinee Daily  
• All Shows Until 6 pm  
Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

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**Star Theatre**  
Warren & Wayne Aves.  
313-425-7700  
Bargain Matinee Daily  
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3229 John R. Road  
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## Be aware: Food allergies bring serious problems



**■ The important topic of food allergies enters the spotlight this week. The Food Allergy Network, a national non-profit organization, and the State of Michigan have declared it Food Allergy Awareness Week.**

Following the announcement that May is Asthma & Allergy Awareness Month, The Food Allergy Network, a national non-profit organization, has declared May 11-15 Food Allergy Awareness Week.

According to Anne Russell, R.N., Plymouth resident and director of a local support group called Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Education & Support, Gov. John Engler likewise made the declaration for the State of Michigan.

"I am very pleased that Governor Engler has approved May 11-15 as Food Allergy Awareness Week," Russell said. "Living with life-threatening food allergies is a challenging and often frightening burden for children. Hopefully, this awareness week will serve to get accurate medical information to the general

public in order to increase their knowledge and sensitivity about serious food allergies."

Doctors across the country report an increase in the incidence of food allergy. Children are the largest group affected. One group of doctors reported a 55 percent increase in peanut allergy in children in the past 10 years.

"Food allergies affect an estimated four to six million Americans," said Anne Munoz-Furlong, founder of The Food Allergy Network (FAN), "yet most people believe food allergies are rare or affect only a small number of adults."

At the upcoming Friday, May 15, meeting of the Michigan Food Allergy Network, Dr. Marc McMorris, a University of Michigan pediatric allergist, will discuss peanut allergy diagnosis and

management. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Arbor Health Building in downtown Plymouth.

Food allergy is caused by an abnormal immune system response to a food. Reactions can range from mild to life-threatening. Doctors estimate that hundreds of Americans die each year as a result of a food-allergic reaction. Symptoms can include hives, abdominal cramps, vomiting, diarrhea, swelling of the mouth or throat, difficulty breathing, asthma and respiratory diseases. Severe reactions can sometimes prove fatal.

Eight foods cause 90 percent of the allergic reactions in the U.S. they are milk, eggs, peanuts, tree nuts, shellfish, soy and wheat. There is no cure for food allergies. Strict elimination of the food in question is the only way to avoid an allergic reaction.

Convincing others food allergies are real and getting accurate information about ingredients while eating at restaurants are two of the most difficult

problems of living with food allergies, according to The Food Allergy Network's 18,000 members.

Restaurants offer an opportunity for improvement. Few offer training for employees to teach them how to properly answer queries from food-allergic consumers. From a consumer's perspective, the fear of having a reaction because someone else didn't take them seriously or provide the information they need is well founded.

Allergic reactions have been reported and several people have died because restaurant staff were not properly trained in food allergy awareness.

Doctors reported that most allergic reactions occur when allergic individuals, after being assured that their meal is "safe," eat a food that contains the ingredients to which they are allergic. One peanut-allergic individual reports, "Someone told me the nuts on a danish were almonds and lo and behold, they were peanuts. I ate them, my throat got itchy, I got stomach cramps, diarrhea

and was gasping for breath to the point where I passed out."

Schools across the country are reporting an increased number of children with food allergies. A study in the New England Journal of Medicine of 13 children were fatal and near fatal food-induced allergic reactions, found four of the six cases of fatal food-induced allergic reactions had occurred in school.

Food allergy appears to be increasing and allergic reactions can be severe and have caused fatalities. "Until we educate others that food allergies are real, millions of Americans will continue to experience allergic reactions - for some, the reactions may cost them their life," Munoz-Furlong said.

For free information, call 1-800-929-4040 or visit FAN's Web site at [www.foodallergy.org](http://www.foodallergy.org). The monthly meeting of the Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Education & Support group is open to the public. Individuals and children are welcome. The meetings are free and donations are accepted. For more information, call Anne Russell, (734) 420-2806.

### HEALTHY LIVING

#### EYE ALLERGIES

This spring and summer, some Michiganders may experience eye allergies for the first time in their lives due to El Nino, warns David Bogorad, M.D., senior staff ophthalmologist with Henry Ford Health System.

"This year is especially bad due to warmer weather and a high pollen count. Some people may experience itchy, runny or burning eyes, which are all signs of seasonal eye allergies. For some contact lens users, eye allergies may make it nearly impossible for them to wear their lenses," said Dr. Bogorad.

Eye allergies may be alleviated by taking the proper precautions and medication. To minimize the problem, Bogorad first suggests trying to avoid the allergen or allergens that cause problems.

Ophthalmologists now have an arsenal of medications that can help relieve and even prevent the effects of eye allergies. There are types of eye drops ophthalmologist can prescribe. Each takes a different approach, such as:

- antihistamine drops, which reduce itching, burning and irritation;
- anti-inflammatory drops, which reduce swelling;

or

- mast cell stabilizer drops, which directly treat the cells releasing the histamines.

Antihistamines and anti-inflammatories treat the symptoms and may be taken as needed. Mast cell stabilizers treat the root of the problem by preventing mast cells in the eyes from releasing histamines. They must be administered on a consistent basis during allergy season.

"Most importantly, be sure to keep your hands away from your eyes. When you rub your eyes, it causes your eyes to release more histamines which intensifies the allergic reaction," said Bogorad.

#### NATIONAL DIGESTIVE DISEASES AWARENESS MONTH

May is National Digestive Diseases Awareness Month, Better Sleep Month and Breathe Easy Month - observances that share a surprisingly common link. Both sleeplessness and asthma can be triggered by gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), a condition that causes symptoms of heartburn and other gastrointestinal (GI) distress.

#### Health hazards

People who have trouble sleeping, particularly the 20 percent of Americans who are shift workers, are prone to digestive problems like GERD. While heartburn is the primary symptom of GERD, sufferers may also experience belching, bloating, regurgitation or a feeling of early fullness during meals.

These symptoms, especially nighttime heartburn, can keep sufferers up at night. In fact, in a recent survey, 65 percent of sufferers said heartburn disrupts their sleep. Unless this cycle is broken, it can have a negative impact on quality of life. Difficulty sleeping can also cause irritability, anxiety, depression, poor concentration and delayed reaction time - a cause of increased accidents in the workplace and on the road.

In fact, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration blames drowsy drivers for an estimated 100,000 reported automobile crashes in the U.S. annually. Likewise the National Sleep Foundation estimates that sleep-deprived people are less productive at work, achieving only about 70 percent of their work potential and fueling increases in absenteeism.

Meanwhile, there are other consequences of GERD that often go unidentified: chronic cough, hoarseness and asthma. According to a recent article in the American Journal of Medicine, 75 percent of patients with asthma also experience acid reflux (the backwash of stomach contents into the esophagus) and heartburn. When reflux occurs during sleep, some of the regurgitated erosive contents from the stomach may be inhaled into the respiratory tract, causing coughing or aggravating asthmatic symptoms.

Also, when stomach acid backs up into the esophagus, the airways passages constrict, causing breathing difficulties.

#### Symptom management

Lifestyle modifications, such as eating smaller meals, getting more exercise and avoiding caffeine and alcohol, can help fight nighttime heartburn and may consequently relieve asthma.

If lifestyle modifications don't alleviate symptoms, a doctor should be consulted. He or she may recommend over-the-counter drugs or a prescription medication, such as a proton pump inhibitor.

A proton pump inhibitor will keep food moving along the gastrointestinal tract and control nighttime heartburn by strengthening the muscle that keeps food from backing up into the esophagus.

#### For more information

For more free information on managing nighttime heartburn and other digestive symptoms, consumers can call the National Gastro Wellness Program at 1-800-451-7014.

## Home sweet home

### Home childbirth deemed positive option

What Jennifer Westcott remembers most about the birth of her son, Hunter, is what a wonderfully rewarding experience the occasion was.

Although she admits the labor was the "hardest thing" she's ever done, the memory of the pain is bested by the sensation she felt cradling her first child just moments after he was born; the pure emotion her friends and family expressed as attendants of the birth; and just as important - the control she maintained by having a home birth.

"Having my baby at home as opposed to a hospital meant being in control... total control," said Westcott, a Livonia chiropractor who gave birth to her first child in 1995.

Westcott, 30, said as a chiropractor, her personal philosophy regarding sustaining a natural health regimen led her to begin searching for a midwife even before she became pregnant.

"I knew my midwife would be a guest in my home and that I could do what I wanted whether it meant being in the tub, eating or doing whatever," said Westcott.

"I was so determined to have a home birth because I wanted to be in a comfortable and quiet setting where the natural birthing process wouldn't be interfered. Getting pregnant and having babies is the most natural thing a woman can do. I have great respect for the human body."

Birthing practices have evolved from ancient women giving birth while standing or squatting, the invention of birth chairs during the Renaissance, the use of forceps in the 1950s to the state-of-the-art hospitals of the 21st century.

The birthing position of having women place their legs in stirrups is said to have come out of "a point in history when Louis XIV commanded that a 'viewing table' be constructed so he could better see the birth of one of his mistresses' children... the thing to do among the elite and eventually made its way into the accepted norm."

At the very origin of childbearing, however, the process remains unchanged.

#### Home delivery

Despite modern medical advances and interventions, a growing percentage of women around the world have added having the baby at home to their list of birthing options.

"Historically, home was the place of birth until the 1930s," said Cheryl Resnick Ettinger, a childbirth counselor and educator from Southfield who gave birth to her second child at home in 1997.

As more centralized hospitals were established and the "house-call" doctor of the early 1900s starting making rounds, the birth setting was relocated from the bedroom to the delivery room out of convenience. U.S. births taking place in hospitals rose from 37 percent to 96 percent from 1935 to 1990.

Ettinger argues, however, that the transition has led to an alarming rate of Cesarean sections and higher incidence of infant deaths with an infant mortality rate (a measure of neonatal birth safety) that ranks the United States 28th in the world, according to Dr. Marwan Wagner of the World Health Organization (WHO).

The Centers for Disease Control



**Mom: Cheryl Resnick Ettinger of Southfield poses with her two sons, Jordan, 3, and Jaime, 1. After an unsatisfactory experience during the hospital delivery of son Jordan, Ettinger spent nearly two-years researching the option of homebirth, where she had Jaime in March of 1997 under the guidance and support of two midwives.**

and Prevention released statistics from 1990 that showed "direct-entry midwives had the lowest infant mortality rate - half that of medical doctors." The statistics reflected the infant mortality rates of live births in hospitals, birthing centers and at home. The Direct-Entry Midwife and Certified Nurse Midwife had overall lower incidents of infant mortality than medical doctors and doctors of osteopathy.

#### WHO statistics

The World Health Organization states that "no region in the world is justified in having a Cesarean rate greater than 10 to 15 percent." The Cesarean delivery rate in the United States for 1995 was 20.8 (source: Monthly Vital Statistics Report, Vol. 45, No. 11 Supplement; [www.cdc.gov/](http://www.cdc.gov/)).

WHO is a worldwide organization that serves as the directing and coordinating authority on international health work. Some of their functions include assisting governments (upon request) in strengthening health services; stimulating and advancing work on the prevention and control of epidemic, endemic and other diseases;

and promoting improved standards of teaching and training in the health medical and related professions.

The practice of home birth receives much criticism from the medical community at large as between 95-99 percent of all births currently take place in the hospital. Janet Ashford, childbirth educator, author and mother of three home-birthed children, estimates less than 5 percent of U.S. births take place in the home.

"Many studies indicate that home birth is as safe or safer than hospital birth. But most doctors have never seen a home birth or even a normal birth, so they just don't understand. It goes against their training. Most women, unfortunately, are afraid of birth."

Ettinger said over the last few decades women have been made to feel that "birth is a potential life-threatening illness and that drugs and technology can control, and are superior to nature." The Southfield mother who gave birth to her first son, Jordan Eian, at a local hospital birthing center, opted for a home birth for her second child after what she describes the hospital birth as "visions... for the best day of my life

turned out to be the worst."

Ettinger labored for several hours in the birthing center before it was determined that a Cesarean section was necessary. She says she requested to remain awake during the procedure with an epidural so her husband could attend, but was sedated without his presence.

"I was not allowed to see my own baby until he was 21 hours old. Even then I needed written permission," said Ettinger who left the hospital without a baby. "My surgical hospital birth was the most dehumanizing, depersonalizing experience of my life, and the cost for this medical nightmare was almost \$30,000."

#### Another option

Over the next two years, Ettinger says she joined the International Cesarean Awareness Network and met other women who shared their experiences about hospital births as well as researching extensively the option of home birth.

"I made a choice on my own to have a home birth to avoid the unnecessary interventions and drugs I was exposed to the first time," said Ettinger.

Jaime Aren was born in March 1997 at the Ettinger home. Two midwives spent more than 24 hours with the couple, according to Ettinger, who said she was supported and embraced by the midwives who were guests in her home. She says she went walking, watched her wedding video, ate homemade chicken soup and bagels, and rested in a pool of warm water before she and her husband embraced their son without the separation they experienced the first time.

"All newborn assessments were done with him right there on my chest. We never needed permission to see him, he belonged to us and not an institution."

The cost of Ettinger's birth was \$2,475.

"Having been on both sides of birth, I can honestly say that if we were to do this again we would take the low-tech, low-cost, high care and best results road to birth. Love gets a baby in and love helps get a baby out."

Home birth is an option for low-risk women with adequate prenatal care and a qualified attendant. Women who have chosen home birth as an option say they valued the one-on-one attention and care by the midwife and birth assistant. They sought the control to plan their birth with all the freedom and intimacy possible.

"Home birth is nothing new, it's been done for centuries and is slowly making a comeback as people become more aware they have a choice in their birthing options."

**Editor's Note:** Home birth may not be a choice for everyone and not all women may be eligible as health conditions such as diabetes, high blood pressure and cardiac problems place them in a higher-risk category for complications during delivery. All of the persons interviewed for this article suggested taking advantage of the resources available regarding home birth before making a decision. The Internet offers a wealth of information and sources for you to consult. The best parent is an educated one...

Cheryl Resnick Ettinger contributed to this article; she can be reached for information on childbirth education at (248) 647-1122.



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Call Pam at Tempco Medical 248-356-1335 to schedule an interview or fax resume to 248-356-1333.

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Certified MA needed at HealthSouth facility, full time, Southfield. Also needed part-time receptionist/certified medical assistant. Great working conditions. For information call: (810) 574-0700 An Equal Opportunity Employer

### RECEPTIONIST / BILLER

W. Bloomfield orthopedic surgeon's office. About 20 hrs. per week. Computer experience helpful. Fax resume: (248) 557-5058 or letter to: (248) 557-5058

### RECEPTIONIST

Chicago area \$7.00/hr. to start. Must be flexible with days & evenings. Approximately 20 hours per week. (734) 425-9498

## 506 Help Wanted-Medical

### SPECIMEN PROCESSORS

Quest Diagnostics, the largest clinical diagnostic laboratory in the country is currently seeking SPECIMEN PROCESSORS to work 8PM-4AM. The qualified applicants must possess excellent skills entry (40K/PM). We offer a competitive salary and an excellent benefits package including life, health and dental insurance, 401K, disability and stock option plans. For immediate consideration, please complete an application form. 11am-5pm, please come prepared for testing. At: Quest Diagnostics, 4444 Giddings Rd., Auburn Hills, MI. E.O.E. M/F/D/V

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS, 4444 GIDDINGS RD., AUBURN HILLS, MI 48304

### TELEPHONE OPERATOR

Busy medical office in Clawson seeking pleasant, energetic, outgoing, dependable operator. Medical background required. Full-time position with benefits available. Call: 248-280-0280

### TOP PAY

Courtyard Manor an assisted living community is seeking quality people for these positions: LPN's, Direct Care Aides, housekeeping & cooks at the following locations:

- Auburn Hills 1-800-758-9199
- Farmington Hills 1-800-988-0787
- Warren 1-800-753-1048
- Livonia 1-800-738-2325

### WORK AT HOME ATTEND FREE SEMINAR

Super income typing medical reports! Choose your own hrs! Full-time part-time. No Home Professionals will train you. Don't Miss Out! Call Now 1-800-511-7778 Dept. CE0156

### X-RAY TECH

(Males Encouraged to Apply) Excellent paid benefits, raises & growth! Mobile unit to travel through Michigan and Upper Ohio! 100% weekends/ALL expenses paid! Will train person in Troy, ARRT certification. Call for interview! (734) 513-9935

### X-RAY TECHNICIAN

Experienced Radiology Technician needed. Part time in Farmington Hills. Flexible hours. Fax resume to 248-932-5106 or mail to: 30040 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 290, Farmington Hills, MI 48334

## 508 Food/Beverage Restaurant

### ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

\*All positions \*Flexible hours \*Great pay \*Interviews (810) 773-8940

### ALL POSITIONS

Ideal for students or retirees. Come for a Pay Interview. Bob Evans Restaurant, 1190 Ford Rd., Canton

### ARAMARK

The world leader in food service. ARAMARK is seeking food service employees to work in area caterers. Flexible hours, competitive wages. EOE M/F/D/V. Call Dan (248) 489-1900

### BAKERY HELP WANTED

Delivery and Baker's Assistant. \$6.50/hr. to start. 30-40 hours. 248-334-6907

### BANQUET MANAGER

needed with strong organizational skills & good customer relation skills for a busy banquet facility. Send resume & salary history to: Box #2639 Observer & Economic Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

### BAR PERSONS

Wait Staff \* DJ's Nights only for Frankie's. Full or part time. Call bet. 10am-1pm, Mon-Fri. (313) 421-3424

### BARTENDER

Evenings, for downtown sports bar. (313) 584-0357

### BARTENDER

Full or part-time. Dinner only. No Sun/Thurs. OCEAN GRILLE 248-646-7001

### BARTENDERS & WAIT STAFF

Wintergreen Tavern, 33300 W. 7 Mile Rd., corner of Seven Mile & Farmington Rd, under new management. Now hiring. (248) 474-7159

### BARTENDERS & WAITSTAFF

full & part time positions available at private country club. Apply in person. 25501 John R. South Lyon, located S. of I-96 and W. of I-10 mile or call (248)437-7337

### BARTENDER/WAITSTAFF

Experienced only. Apply with Resume. Keyboard Lounge, 7020 N. Wayne, Westland, (313) 728-9330

### BOTSFOORD INN

Dishwasher - Set-Up - Laundry Bus Staff - Waitstaff - Laundry 28000 Grand River Farmington Hills (313) 584-0357

### BUSBOYS

Days or afternoons. Full or part-time. Excellent working conditions. \$\$\$ Great Tips \$\$\$ RAMS HORN, 7020 N. Wayne South of Warren (734) 461-0510

### CAFETERIA POSITIONS

CHEF/PAID ORDER UTILITY 13 Mile & Telegraph area. Days & Benefits. (248) 645-0057

## 508 Food/Beverage Restaurant

### CAKE DECORATORS

Part-time. Apply at: Home Bakery 300 Main St., Rochester.

### CASHIERS, Line Cooks, Server, Drivers - Full & part-time. Benefits. Plaza Deli

(248) 356-2310

### COOK - Full time, Conestoga Island in Milford, Premium wages, insurance available. Experienced only. John

248-685-3651.



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Start a new career in real estate today with REAL ESTATE ONE. Find out more information by attending a free 1-hour question & answer session on Wednesday, May 13, 1998 at 6:30 p.m. 30233 Southfield Rd., Suite 100 in Southfield (248) 723-0055

Thursday, May 14, 1998 at 6:30 p.m. 18570 Grand River Ave., in Detroit (313) 273-0000 or 31 S. Main in Clarkston (248) 825-0200

Call to reserve your seat today!

**COMPANY SEEKS** a highly motivated individual with great interpersonal skills. They must be experienced with computers. Excellent training & telephone skills. High school diploma or GED. Experience in marketing & sales preferred. Benefits package & 401K. Equal Opportunity Employer. Fax resume to: 810-787-8072

**CONSULTING SALES**  
First year potential \$40-70K. SOS International, a leader in corporate sales & first year potential to the world's largest ground floor car opportunity for Consultative Sales Rep. Successful candidates should have 12 years of sales experience, preferably in the environmental health & safety field, and understanding the potential of sales/marketing. Resume to: 11800 Belden Ct., Livonia, MI 48150 Fax: 734-522-4077. Attn: Jeff Stewart

**COUNTER SALES**  
Production Tool Supply Company, one of the largest industrial distributors in the country, has an immediate opening for a counter sales person. The ideal candidate must have some knowledge of tools as well as strong customer service skills. If you are a motivated, energetic person who would like to work for a progressive, growing company that offers the opportunity for personal growth, plus attractive benefits including health, dental, vision, 401K, and a profit sharing plan, please send your resume and salary history to: 11800 Belden Ct., Livonia, MI 48150 Fax: 734-522-4077. Attn: Jeff Stewart

**DON'T PASS UP THIS OPPORTUNITY**  
Fast growing telecommunications company looking for people in the sales field. Must be motivated, self-starter, looking for fun & money! Enjoy working with others and being your own boss. Full or part time. Highly paid. Excellent benefits. Send resume to: 1-888-248-2015

**DO YOU LIKE CANDLES?**  
Join the success of PartyLite, a fast growing direct sales company, featuring quality candles and accessories. Earn extra \$400 per month. Average \$22/hr. profit. No investment. Call (800) 731-0329

**ENTRY LEVEL SALES POSITION**  
National Company located in Livonia, MI, is seeking entry-level individuals with sales potential to fill our expansion territories. Candidates must possess strong communication and organizational skills, be computer literate, and have excellent customer service skills. We offer excellent income potential (\$30-40K starting salary), comprehensive training and professional development environment. Positions require high school diploma, career-oriented individuals. To be considered, please send resume to: 248-261-1104 or fax to: 248-261-1104 or call: 248-261-1104

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**FINE ART GALLERY**  
Full-time employees - Handle multiple sales. Excellent compensation. Phone and graphic skills essential. North Westwood area. Fax cover letter to: 248-261-1104 or call: 248-261-1104

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**GARDEN RETAIL SALES**  
Position available for a motivated, energetic salesperson. Full-time only. Must enjoy outdoors. Eastern Michigan, Contact Sharon (248) 931-4440

**GIFT/COSMETIC DEPT.**  
Positions available in large drug store. Flexible hours. Apply: Western Prescriptions, 32910 Woodward, at 14 Mile, Farmington Hills, MI 48334. 248-555-1177

**GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO EARN MONEY!**  
Part-time 4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. Mon-Fri. Looking for someone who is an excellent salesperson. Call Steve Latham or Sharon Schmitt at: 248-555-1177

**INDIA, ROMANIA, SOUTH AFRICA...**  
We are seeking individuals with backgrounds in business, engineering, health care, or other fields. We are offering a unique opportunity to work in a foreign country. Call: 248-555-1177

**IMMEDIATE OPENINGS** for energy efficient, computerized, and high-tech sales positions. Apply at: 29100 Providence Dr., Suite 400, Southfield, MI 48034. 248-423-5400

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National firm seeking experienced salesperson for Detroit area. Branch Office. Responsibilities include handling of entire range of electrical products relating to the industrial industry. Prior experience highly desirable. Good benefit package for the right self-starter individual.

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**INSIDE SALES PERSON**  
The Observer and Eclectic Newspaper is looking for individuals to work in our very busy Detroit office. We are seeking individuals with 4 years of experience in sales/marketing. Responsibilities include: qualifying/selling classified advertising via telephone, following up with customers, etc.

If you possess telephone sales experience, are professional and customer oriented, the job is for you! Submit your resume to: Observer & Eclectic

Attn: Inside Sales 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, Michigan 48150 Fax: (734) 863-2057

**INSIDE SALES - \$100000 GUARANTEED**  
40 hours/week, no weekends or evenings. Please DON'T call unless you're a top producing, articulate, energetic, salesperson. We have immediate openings in the Detroit area. We are seeking individuals with 4 years of experience in sales/marketing. Responsibilities include: qualifying/selling classified advertising via telephone, following up with customers, etc.

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**MARKETING REP**  
For expansion and sales. Must have good communication skills. Call Brian at: 248-475-2593

**MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR**  
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**MORTGAGE COMPANY Needs Telemarketers**  
Livonia, 25-30 hrs/week. \$10-15/hr. (800) 953-9970

**NEW CAREER?**  
Now is the time to start a new career. We're looking for a few good people. Free classes. No experience necessary. On-going training. Saturday & evening classes. Join Michigan's leading career counseling company, Call: Doug Courtney or Chris Courtney

**REMERICA**  
HOMETOWN 27 OFFICES LOCALLY (313) 459-6222

**NEW HOME SALES**  
Local builder seeking experienced sales professional for new home sales. Must be a self-starter & organized with excellent communication skills. Must be willing to work 3 weeks/month. We offer excellent salary plus bonus & benefits. Mail or Fax your Resume: 44303 Plymouth Oaks Blvd. Plymouth, MI 48170 Fax: (734) 455-0515

**OUTSIDE SALES REPRESENTATIVE**  
Tour Operator seeks experienced REP for Metro area. Could include travel. Must have sales experience. Compensation base salary low to mid \$20's + commission. Must have excellent communication skills. Knowledge of industry and market a plus. Send resume to: Attn: Sales Manager, P.O. Box 7088, Troy, MI 48067-0708 or Fax to 248-241-0722

**"PEOPLE PERSON"**  
Outside Sales We are a national leader in the temporary staffing industry & are looking for Sales Representatives to increase market share for our clients nationwide. Must have sales experience. Compensation base salary low to mid \$20's + commission. Must have excellent communication skills. Knowledge of industry and market a plus. Send resume to: Attn: Sales Manager, P.O. Box 7088, Troy, MI 48067-0708 or Fax to 248-241-0722

**PERSONNEL CONSULTANT**  
Now is a great time to make your mark in the exciting industry! 21 yr. old firm specializing in recruitment & placement of office support personnel. 24 hrs. sales/customer service experience needed for our Troy office. Call Linda at: 248-555-0730

**PROFESSIONAL SALES PERSON**  
For custom builder in West Bloomfield. Must have sales experience. Compensation base salary low to mid \$20's + commission. Must have excellent communication skills. Knowledge of industry and market a plus. Send resume to: Attn: Sales Manager, P.O. Box 7088, Troy, MI 48067-0708 or Fax to 248-241-0722

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Excellent Training. High Earnings. (800) 399-7111 (24 hr. Info Line) www.realestatecareers.com Real Estate One

**RECEPTIONIST/SALES ASSISTANT**  
We are hiring. Friday, 11-5pm. Attn: Fax: 734-555-7110

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Retail and stock. Full and part-time. Send resume to: 248-555-4130

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Benefits, top wages. Retail accessories, used retail & accessories. No Sunday. Formal attire. Wayne. Fax Mr. Neidner: 734-729-2222

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Full-time retail sales clerk for tool store. Good hours. Benefits. Please send resume to: 121 Power Tools, 35500 Woodward, Birmingham. Fax (248) 944-5790

**RETAIL SALES**  
Happier Rugs, Carpets and Home Accents is expanding and looking for creative, energetic, salespersons with levels of experience to sell various products in our Novi, Birmingham and Oak Park locations. Must have eye for design, good customer service skills, and be able to help people create their home environment. Good follow-through essential. Training provided. Excellent earning potential. Good benefit package including 401K. Send resume to: 401K, 9532 Telegraph Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301 or Fax: 734-747-8191

**RETAIL SALES Supervisor** wanted, tool broker, full time market position, competitive salary, full benefits, 401K, company car, grocery store manager, or retail tool management helpful. Send resume to: Personnel Dept. 44303 Plymouth Oaks Blvd. Plymouth, MI 48170

**ROUTE SALES**  
A leading grocery wholesaler seeks experienced Route Sales Rep. or aggressive newcomer with proven sales record. Must be able to sell and restock retail and snack foods driving refrigerated trucks throughout Southeast Michigan. Based on 401K plan. No COL license required. Salary plus commission, full benefits, 401K, ESOP, stability, etc. Please respond to: S. Abraham & Sons, Inc. Attn: Field Recruiter P.O. Box 1708 Grand Rapids 49501-1708 Fax: 616-453-6297 Call 1-800-477-5455, ext. 321

**ROUTE SALES**  
Small 10 yr. old, cash & check wholesaler company looking for independent, motivated individuals to service established customers. No COL required. Good pay, benefits, and training. Call: 248-414-8996

**SALES POSITION**  
Looking for a Job? Keep looking! Hydro Systems has a career opportunity for a Sales Representative. Person. Hydro Systems is a successful 25 year old company. Pre-set qualified sales reps on customer base. No experience necessary. Send resume to: Hydro Systems 8140 Nectar Drive, Suite 640, Canton, MI 48107

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**SALES REPRESENTATIVE**  
Opportunity to join a major food products company. Seeking consumer goods salesperson with distribution and sales experience. Excellent compensation and benefits. Please send resume to: 248-344-6700 Fax 248-344-6704

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## SPORTS SCENE

### In-line skating

Independence Township Parks and Recreation offers a two-hour course designed to make in-line skating easy. The course teaches stopping techniques, several turns, hazard avoidance and skate tips, and is designed for beginning through advanced courses.

Both sessions take place at Clintonwood Park. Session II takes place May 30 from 10 a.m. to noon (for 6-11-year-olds) and May 31 from 1 to 3 p.m. (12-older). Session II takes place June 13 from 10 a.m. to noon (6-11) and 1 to 3 p.m. (12-older).

Cost is \$22 for residents, \$32 for non-residents. Call 625-8223 for more information.

### Select soccer

Tryouts for all boys and girls select teams for the 1998/99 fall and spring season takes place at Clintonwood soccer fields June 22-26 from 5 to 9 p.m. Tryouts will be held for U-11 through U-19 girls and U-11 through U-14 boys.

There is no cost for tryouts, but there are player fees in addition to team fees if the player makes the team. Players must be from the Clarkston school district unless there are extenuating circumstances. Participants must pre-register with parks & rec by June 1.

### Soccer camps

Independence Township Parks and Recreation hosts a week of soccer instruction July 27-31 at Clintonwood Park. Mini-camp for players ages 9-11 take place from 9 to 11 a.m. Cost is \$40 for residents, \$50 for non-residents. Full-day camp from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for players 10-14 cost \$40 for residents, \$50 for non-residents (half-day) or \$70 for residents, \$80 for non-residents (full-day). Call 625-8223.

### Horseback riding

Oxford Township Parks and Recreation sponsors horseback riding classes for riders ages 5 to adult at the Michigan Riding Academy in Oxford.

The four-week sessions will be offered from May 18-June 12, and June 15-July 17. Classes are available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 4 to 5 and 5 to 6 p.m., and on Saturdays from 9 to 10 a.m. and 2 to 3 p.m. cost is \$78 for residents, \$83 for non-residents 18-under, and \$88 for non-residents over 18 years old.

For more information call Oxford Township Parks and Recreation, 628-1720.

### Girls hoop clinic

A girls basketball clinic for players grades 3-6 is offered June 22 to July 15 at the Clear Lake cafeteria, weekdays from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

The clinic will include development of individual skills, team play, games and a program T-shirt. Cost is \$40 for residents, \$45 for non-residents.

### Hoop camp

The staff of the Oxford High School girls' basketball program will be the instructors for a four-week girls' basketball camp for players in grades 7-12. The camp runs June 17 to July 10, and runs weekdays from 9 to 11 a.m. Cost is \$55 for residents, \$60 for non-residents. For more information, call 628-1720.

### Pistons make state

The Orion Pistons, a girls' U-11 AAU basketball team, reached the Michigan AAU state playoffs by winning their regional pool playoffs at the Aim High Sports Facility in Lansing.

Coached by John Ciszewski and Mike Flood, the Pistons overwhelmed their first opponent, 67-24. The second game was more challenging, with the Pistons leading by four at half-time. The Pistons started the second half hot and never looked back, winning 38-16.

Team members are Cassie Andrews, Clarkston; Danielle Ciszewski, Lake Orion; Sarah Coleman, Oxford; Cali Crawford, Rachel deStieger and Erica Dubois, Rochester Hills; Kara Kinser, Shelby Township; Jaclyn Lawrence, Goodrich; Barbara Patterson, White Lake; Ryan Pytkonen, Leonard; and Heather Warczynsky and Heidi Warczynsky, Leonard.

## Wolves, Troy play give-away



■ Clarkston had a softball sweep in hand until a couple of bad bounces doomed them to another late-inning loss.

What goes around often comes around, a lesson Clarkston and Troy learned in their prep softball doubleheader split Wednesday at Troy.

Clarkston handed the Colts a three-run seventh inning that led to a 7-6 Troy win in the opener. Then the Colts turned around and committed four errors and two passed balls as the Wolves grabbed the nightcap, 6-1.

The Colts went into the bottom of the seventh trailing 6-3, but won the game when Alisa Valentino's single took a hop over the glove of Clarkston left fielder Tricia Brewer and rolled all the way to the fence, allowing two runs to score.

The Colts then gave up three runs, all of them unearned, in the fourth inning of the second game and could never recover.

"I'm extremely disappointed (in the split)," Troy coach Tom Calnen said. "We didn't play the softball we've been playing. All the success we've had has been because of defense, and (Wednesday) we didn't play it."

■ 'It was frustrating because we beat ourselves. They didn't beat us. Now we have to work that much harder.'

Tiffany Honey  
—Clarkston senior

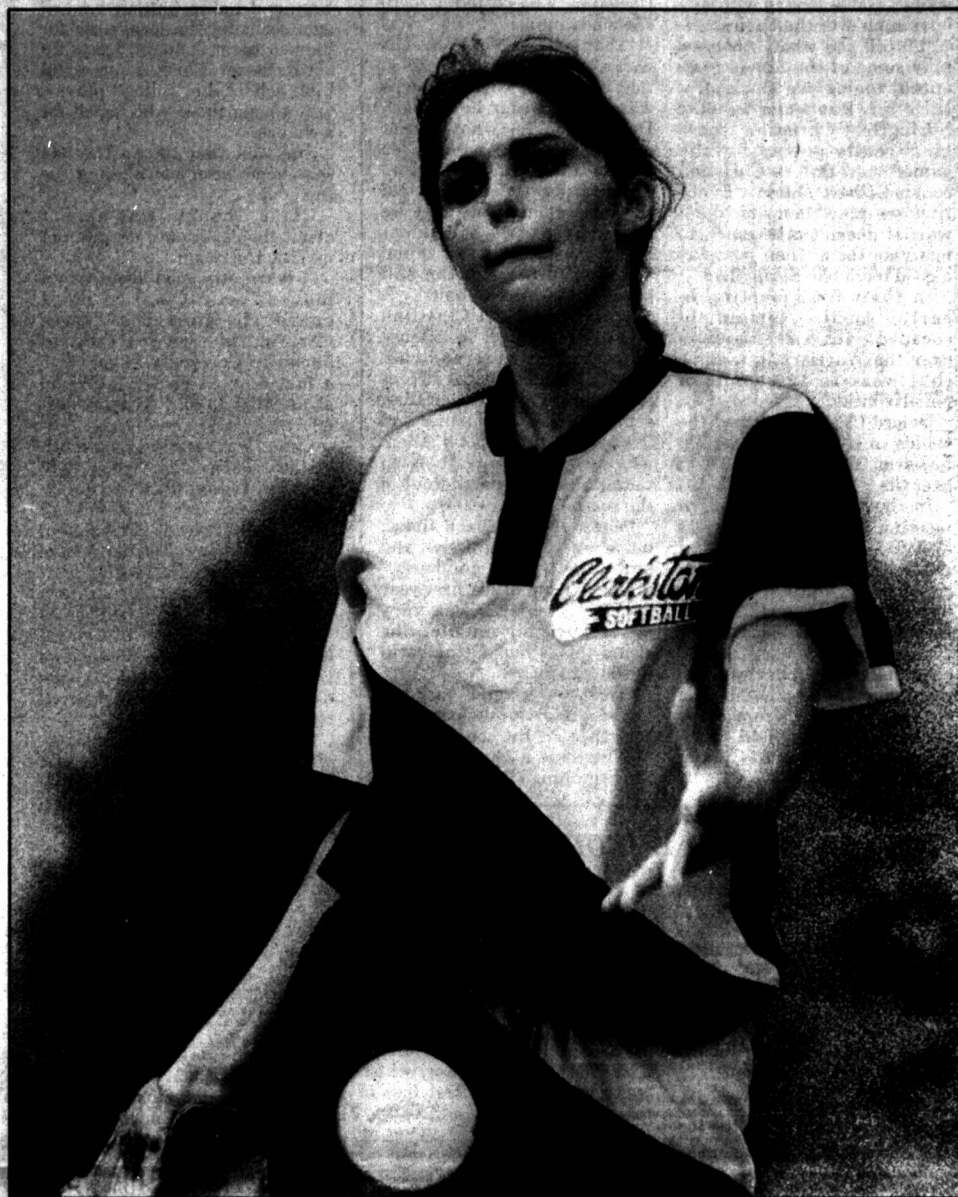
It was the Wolves who didn't get the job done when they had the chance in the opener, wasting a solid performance from lefty Rachel Fuller. They led 6-3 going into the last inning, but Fuller surrendered a single to Andrea Solomon with one out. Megan Holt reached when her grounder squirted through the legs of Lindsay Simko. One out later, Jennie Granger singled to score Solomon.

Valentino then singled to t, and Brewer watched as the ball sipped right over her glove, allowing Holt and Granger to score.

Turnabout was fair play in the nightcap. The Wolves did their biggest damage in the fourth. Corinne McIntyre was safe on an error with one out and moved to second on Mandy Harrison's grounder. Simko singled to drive in McIntyre, then stole second. She moved to third on a passed ball and scored on an infield hit by Jenny Winn. Brewer was safe on an error, sending Winn to third, from where she scored on a single by Melanie Arnold.

Tiffany Honey and McIntyre scored for Clarkston in the fifth, and Mary Warchuck, who had doubled, scored

Please see **SOFTBALL**, C2



Special delivery: Clarkston's Rachel Fuller pitched well enough to win Wednesday, but the Wolves handed Troy a 7-6 win in the opener of a doubleheader.

## Wolves' kickers can't shed light on Knights

Sometimes one team manages to get all the breaks in a game, leaving the other team carrying the short end of the stick.

That's exactly what happened to Clarkston Wednesday night in a 2-0 loss at Royal Oak Kimball.

The loss dropped Clarkston to 3-9-2 overall, 3-4-2 in Oakland Activities Association Division II play.

The Knights played solid defense, led by sweeper Stephanie Schaffran, who was the last person back for many

plays throughout the game.

"She (Schaffran) pyed tough," Clarkston coach Brian Fitzgerald said. "They're a good team."

The Wolves had the first great chance of the game just four minutes in when Katie Piechura was sent in alone from a nice set-up by the defense. Piechura got off a low shot that was stopped by Knight goalkeeper Michelle Lowe.

Lowe was shaken up on the play and had to come out for the rest of the first

half, giving way to Jenna McIntosh.

"We had three or four good chances," Fitzgerald said. "If we could have finished, it could've been a different story."

The Knights broke through with 23:17 left in the first half when Becky Bianchi let loose with a shot from 40 feet out to the left of the goal and sent the shot up and over Wolves goalie Sarah Morgan, putting the Knights up 1-0.

The Wolves again a quality chance

on a dead break by Georgia Senkyr, but backup goalie McIntosh made the save and the Knights' defense cleared the ball before any Wolves could get to it.

The first ended with Kimball up 1-0. The Wolves again broke in alone, with Senkyr leading the rush, but Knights starting goalie Lowe was back in the game and ready for the task, stoning the break and preserving the 1-0 lead for the Knights.

Please see **SOCCER**, C2

## Falcons post diamond sweep of Wolves

Since losing its first game season last week to Troy and falling from its usual perch atop the state's Division I baseball polls, Rochester has regrouped — and with some vengeance.

The Falcons made Clarkston their latest victim Wednesday at Clintonwood Park, sweeping the host Wolves in an Oakland Activities Association

Division I double-header, 6-2 and 12-5.

The Falcons (19-1, 12-1) pounded out 22 hits on the day and had 13 players reach base via walks to back the pitching of senior right-handers Domanick Squires and Andrew Good.

In the opener, Squires (4-0) went five innings, scattering eight hits and striking out two, while Good (6-1) rebound-

ed from his first loss by striking out 10 and allowing just four hits and two earned runs in the nightcap.

"The loss (to Troy) kind of took the pressure off a little bit and now we've kind of went back to business," said Rochester coach Bob Dieters. "We're doing all right now. I think our bats are starting to come back a little bit."

Rochester, ranked second in the state behind Brighton and as high as No. 3 in the nation, only had produced two runs in games against Birmingham Groves and Troy last week, but seemed to possess lively bats against the Wolves (10-7, 6-5).

Senior Kevin Trebesh was 2-for-3 with two RBI, and senior Tim Frankhouse drilled a two-run double and scored a run for Rochester, which scored two runs in the second, one in the third and three more in the fourth frame, in the opener.

The only runs Clarkston could muster off Squires were back-to-back RBI singles in the third by junior Spencer Hynes and senior Jared Thomas.

In the nightcap, the Falcons jumped on Hynes, Clarkston's starter, for six runs in the first — four runs before the first out was made — capped by a two-run single by Squires.

The Wolves were able to close the gap to 6-4 in the second, thanks to three hits and a couple of Rochester errors. But the Falcons added four more runs in the fourth and one run apiece in the sixth and seventh innings to put the game away.

"We had a rough inning where they got a couple of runs of Andrew (Good), but we made some errors and they capitalized on them," said Dieters. "But I've said it before that its going to take a very good pitcher to beat us. I don't think the guys were all that worried."

Senior Josh Clark had two hits and an RBI to pace Clarkston.



Gotcha: Rochester's snags the ball in time to apply the tag on Nick Upchurch of Clarkston during the Falcons' doubleheader sweep of the Wolves Wednesday.



## OCA boots Eagles

After splitting two games this season with arch-rival Clarkston Springfield Christian, the Oxford Christian girls soccer team can finally enjoy the last laugh.

Thanks to a two-goal effort from Teresa Schuster and a gutsy performance from freshman goalkeeper Bekah Allen, the host Warriors won the rubber match Friday with a 2-0 triumph over the Eagles.

"I'll tell you what, when we play some of the lesser- (talented) teams, we slack off a little bit. But when we play Springfield Christian, these girls really get up for the game," said Oxford Christian coach Gilbert Quom. "Every time we play them its like a war. It doesn't take much to motivate them when you play a good team like Springfield."

In their first meeting in early April, Springfield escaped with a 2-1 triumph over the Warriors in a game that went to 12 rounds of penalty kicks.

Oxford Christian turned the tables in their next meeting, however, rolling to a 4-2 win over the Eagles.

In the final regular season meeting Friday, the Warriors (7-1-0) — who have not lost since that shootout defeat against Springfield — came out of the gates on fire and finally drew first blood in the 17th minute.

Schuster, a sophomore forward, knocked in a lose ball in the penalty box from close range past Springfield freshman netminder Hollie Vana-man (13 saves).

Senior midfielder Amber Bungart began the play with a cornerkick which deflected off a Springfield fullback and right to Schuster, who pounced on the rebound.

Schuster also scored an insurance tally in the 72nd minute, knocking in a cross, again from Bungart, that put the game away for Oxford Christian, who posted a 20-19 shots advantage.

"That goal kind of broke our backs," said Springfield assistant coach Ted Vanaman, who was sitting in for head coach Dennis Hopkins who was out with an illness. "We controlled play in the second half, but we just couldn't get one in. I told the girls at halftime that we needed to go to the ball harder and try to take it two them. We seemed to go to the ball harder in the second half."

Still, Springfield Christian (5-3-0) couldn't get its offense untracked in the second half, largely because of the defensive effort of Oxford Christian senior stopper Katy Jones and the play of the 5-foot-4 Allen, who turned aside 11 shots en route to her second shutout of the season.

"She's so little back there, but she's very aggressive and she does a very good job," praised Quom of his first-year keeper. "And Katy is very physical in the middle. She clears things out of (the back) in the hurry."

"This is a group of very talented girls that work hard together," he continued. "We've come a long way from the beginning of the season."

## Dragons sweep 2 from Kimball

Good things come to those who wait.

It's an adage Lake Orion took advantage of Wednesday, winning the conclusion of a suspended game and then coming from behind in the regularly-scheduled game for their first double-header sweep of the season.

Steve Seargeant scored on a single by Ryan Goleski in the top

of the seventh inning to win 5-4 in the opener, which was being finished after being suspended April 8. Goleski then rapped a two-run home run among his three hits as the Dragons captured the nightcap, 8-4.

The wins came on the heels of a 22-0 loss to Rochester, which was coming off its first loss of the season.

## Dragon coach tries out for Shock

When the doors opened on the open tryouts for the Detroit Shock Friday, Eve Claar was among the 350 or so hopefuls who scurried through, hoping for a chance to make history, to live out a dream, or simply to have a good time.

The Shock, Detroit's new entry in the WNBA, conducted the tryouts for such a large gathering at Oakland Community College's Highland Lakes campus a week ago, scouring the local area for hidden talent it might use to fill out its roster. Claar, a successful high school and college player, was among those who hoped for a chance.

She was also among the 344 sent home after not making the final cut.

Claar, though, was upbeat about the experience despite not making the roster.

"I felt pretty good about how I played," said Claar, a point guard who starred at North Farmington and for Central Michigan University. "I got off to a fast start. I really felt good about what I did. I gave my best effort."

Claar, the varsity girls' coach at Lake Orion High School, had as much reason to hope as anyone. When she played high school ball at North Farmington, she was a Dream Teamer, one of the school's all-time leading scorers who averaged 25 points a game with a deadly outside shot.

She got even better at Central Michigan, where she finished as the Chippewas' second all-time 3-point shooter and eighth on the career assists list.

She gets a lot of court time with her girls, and it was the Dragons who first planted the idea of "Shock"ing the basketball community.

During the season, and in post-season workouts, several girls encouraged her to give it a shot.

"The idea came first from my team," Claar said. "They were very encouraging. They had faith in me, and I didn't want to let them down."

She also couldn't have been faulted for thinking she had an inside track. Claar works for the Shock as their youth programming coordinator, and has been playing ball with coach Nancy



Shock treatment: Eve Claar (right) had to play some tough defense during her try-out with the Detroit Shock.

Lieberman-Cline and other members of the Shock organization. It was during those pickup games that the first kernels of hope started popping in Claar's mind.

"When I started out, I probably didn't think I had a shot," she admitted. "But I started to believe a little when I played with Nancy and a couple of the players. I started feeling I had a chance if I gave it my best shot."

She wasn't alone. The 350 players were divided into teams, generally with 10 players apiece, for a series of 20-minute games. Substitutions were made every five or 10 minutes, so players not only had to be ready to play, they had to beat the clock to do it.

"You had to be ready to go and show what you can do in that five minutes," said Claar, who gained something of an advantage as a point guard. "It certainly helped to be a point guard and have the ball in your hands. The intensity level you had to play at was very high. Every-

body out there is going at each other. It was a very long day. I went home and collapsed."

She was probably always a long shot, but that doesn't mean she didn't have her supporters. Aside from her own players, Claar had one very important voter on her side: Lieberman-Cline.

"We're not supposed to cheer," the coach admitted, "but we were all hoping for (Claar). She did a great job. She got past the first two cuts. That next level is very tough."

Claar knew it would be tough going in, and so did the others. So the level of competition among the players — former professionals, college players and high school hot shots — was fierce. When only six are going to be chosen from 350, the stakes are high. When it was over, emotions were spent.

"I saw a lot of tears," Claar admitted. "At some point you get caught up in living the dream. When you see the look on people's faces, you catch the fever."

Claar may have been a little more at ease than many of the hopefuls, since she had already been on the court with Lieberman-Cline and others. Claar felt that might help, because first impressions are important ones. She knew the value of familiarity.

"Among 350 people, you better hope you made some impact on these people before you get there, whether it's through your resume or your accomplishments," Claar said. "It made me feel more relaxed. I knew they'd seen my play."

In the end, it didn't help because Claar was one of the 344 casualties of the grueling process. That doesn't mean she regrets having tried because, despite the outcome, she thinks she's in pretty good shape.

"Doing what I do now is a dream job for me," she said. "To play basketball for a living is a dream, but so is what I'm doing now. I'm very, very lucky. There are a lot of people who'd love to be in this position."

## Soccer from page C1

The game was all but put away when Katie Tourangeau chipped a nice feed pass under the crossbar with 11 minutes left to put the Knights up 2-0.

The Knights kept forcing the play, and Morgan made a nice save on a breakaway to keep the

Wolves' hopes alive. But it wasn't their night, and they never managed to get a shot across.

The Wolves' regular season is winding down and, like teams across the state, Clarkston is tuning up for the district tournament. Fitzgerald likes what the

sees and thinks this team is easily capable of winning its district.

"Our record might not show it, but we're playing all right," Fitzgerald said. "We're playing our best of the year."

## Softball from page C1

on a grounder by Harrison in the seventh.

Troy, meanwhile, managed just one run off Clarkston starter Sam Hardenburgh. Amy Nelson led off the fifth with a single, was sacrificed to second by Jane Ackerson, moved to third on a single by Holt and scored when Wendi Kaufman

was safe on an error. Clarkston coach Al Land was diplomatic about the split.

"We'll take it. Troy's got a nice ballclub," he said. "If we made three plays, they don't score those runs. We have to get over making those mistakes in the bottom of the seventh. Once we get over that hump, we'll be

OK." The loss damaged Clarkston's chances of catching Brandon in the Oakland Activities Association Division I race.

"It was frustrating because we beat ourselves," the Clarkston senior said of the split. "They didn't beat us. Now we have to work that much harder."

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## The Week Ahead

Below is a list of the upcoming sporting events for the next week in the Clarkston, Lake Orion and Oxford areas.

If you would like to have an event published here, please send pertinent information to the Eccentric sports Department, 790 S. Lapeer Rd., Lake Orion, Michigan, 48362, or fax at (248) 693-9716.

## Monday, May 11

Varsity Baseball — Lake Orion at Troy (4:00); Clarkston at Troy Athens (4:00).

Varsity Softball — Lake Orion at Oxford (4:00); Clarkston at Rochester Adams (4:00).

Varsity Girls Soccer — Lapeer West at Oxford (FML Tournament) (TBA); Clarkston at Waterford Kettering (7:00); Royal Oak Kimball at Lake Orion (7:00).

Varsity Boys/Girls Track — Oxford at Mt. Morris (4:00).

## Tuesday, May 12

Varsity Baseball — Warren Life Summit Christian Home School at Clarkston Springfield Christian (4:30); Rochester at Oxford (4:00).

Varsity Girls Golf — Lake Orion at Waterford Mott (at Pontiac CC) (3:00).

Varsity Boys/Girls Track — Lake Orion at Ferndale (4:00); Waterford Mott at Clarkston (4:00).

## Wednesday, May 13

Varsity Baseball — Lake Orion at Rochester Adams (4:00); Clarkston at Troy (4:00).

Varsity Softball — Lake Orion at Troy Athens (4:00); Clarkston at Waterford Mott (DH) (4:00).

Varsity Girls Soccer — Oxford at Flint Metro League Tournament (TBA); Bloomfield Hills Lahser at Clarkston (7:00).

## Thursday, May 14

Varsity Baseball — Otisville-Lakeville at Oxford (DH) (4:00).

Varsity Softball — Otisville-Lakeville at Oxford (DH) (4:00).

Varsity Girls Soccer — Troy Bethany Christian at Clarkston Springfield Christian (4:30).

## Friday, May 15

Varsity Baseball — Clarkston at Lake Orion (4:00).

Varsity Softball — Lake Orion at Rochester (DH at Hallbach Field) (3:00).

Varsity Girls Soccer — Oxford at Flint Metro League Tournament (TBA); Clarkston at Birmingham Groves (7:00); Lake Orion at Waterford Kettering (7:00).

Varsity Girls Golf — Lake Orion at Troy Regional (at Sylvan Glen) (9:30 a.m.).

Varsity Boys Tennis — Lake Orion, Clarkston at Port Huron Northern Regional (TBA).

Varsity Boys/Girls Track — Clarkston, Lake Orion at Holly Regional (3:00).

## Saturday, May 16

Varsity Baseball — Inlay City at Oxford (DH) (11:00 a.m.).

Varsity Softball — Lake Orion at Troy Athens Tournament (at Flynn Park) (9:00 a.m.).

Varsity Boys/Girls Track — Oxford at Algonac (9:00 a.m.).

## Middle school boys win pair of track meets

Case Bannasch and Dan Howard won three individual events apiece and Clarkston Middle School won 15 of 16 events overall while crushing Brandon in a middle school track meet Wednesday.

Bannasch won the 200 dash (28.5), the 400 dash (1:03) and the high jump (5 feet) as the Wolves posted a 102-26 victory in the boys meet.

The girls weren't as fortunate, dropping an 80-47 decision to the Blackhawks.

Howard won both the 55 hurdles (9:10) and the 200 hurdles (30.0), and took the shot put with a throw of 33-1.

Justin Spicer won the 800 run (2:33), and Eric Sweeney won the 1600 run in 5:14. Jerad Morales won the 100 dash

(12:39) and the 70-meter dash (8:43).

Casey Hunt used a jump of 15 feet to win the long jump, and Clarkston won three of the four relays.

The team of Tom Klein, Chris Hess, Justin Whetstone and Jared Ostrom won the 1600 relay in 4:42. The team of Garrett Grigsby, Robbie Hool, Eric Pinkos and Whetstone won the 800 relay in 1:56.

The team of Nick Craig, Spicer, Andrew Breen and Sweeney won the 3200 relay in 10:44.

The girls won just six of 16 events in their loss. Three of the wins came on the feet of Laura Barnett, who won the 100 dash in 13.9, the 200 dash in 29.70, and the high jump by clearing 4-

feet-4.

Maureen McIntyre won the 3200 run in 14:14, and Clarkston won two relays.

The 800 relay team — Heather Lauzun, Sarah Mehaffey, Teresa Kuhta and Lauren Welbourn — won in 2:03.

The 3200 relay team — McIntyre, Marissa Combs, Erin Sullivan and Anna Trim — won in 12:58.

Teams split with Dragons — The boys won just six events, but finished second in 14 events and edged Lake Orion 69-59 in a meet May 4.

Josh Runion set a school record by running the 55 hurdles in 8.84.

Sweeney won a pair of events — the 3200 run in 11:27 and the 1600 run in 5:25 — and Spicer

won the 800 run in 2:32. Bannasch won the 200 dash in 28.38. Clarkston also won the 3200 relay with the team of Mike Wood, Craig, Breen and Spicer finishing in 11:22.

The girls won just one event in a 93-35 loss.

Cassie Hart took the 800 run in 2:59.8. The Wolves did manage second-place finishes in nine events, including two relays. McIntyre was second in the 3200 (14:33); Jenny McLeod was second (10:75) in the 55 hurdles; Barnett was second in the 100 (14.08) and 200 (29.10) dashes; Kuhta was second (1:12.23) in the 400 run; Vicky Baetens was second (35.61) in the 200 hurdles; Lauren Hosner was second (10.90) in the 70 meter dash; and Heather Lauzun was second in the long jump at 12-4.

## JV wins three games

The week before Spring Break, the junior varsity baseball team went 3-0 against Rochester Adams, Orchard Lake St. Mary's and Rochester.

The first team to fall to the unbeaten Wolves were the unlucky Highlanders. The Wolves pounced on them with a score of 4-0. Francis Hodges had two hits and one RBI, and Brett Gove also contributed two hits. Others getting hits were Adam Petrusis, Brett Crawford, John Thomas and Dan Holody. John Thomas pitched seven innings, allowing just two hits while striking out 11.

OLSM was another of Clarkston's victims, losing 13-4. Crawford, Petrusis, Hodges and Thomas each had two hits and all contributed four RBI. Jon Robinson and Rocky Lund each had one hit and two RBI. One of the game's key moments came when pitcher Ryan Marino pitched three innings of scoreless relief to get the win. He allowed only one hit while striking out four.

The final win of the week



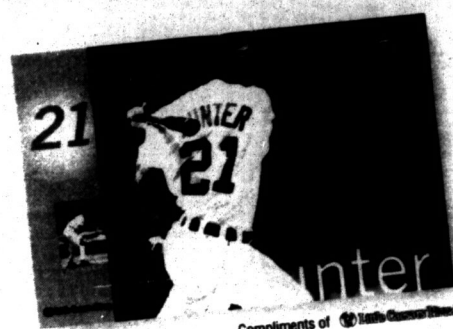
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came against Rochester, with Clarkston boosting its record to 5-0. Contributing to the win was Hodges, who had two hits and an RBI; Crawford, who had one hit and an RBI; Lund, with one hit and one RBI; and Josh Rigg, who had one hit and two RBI.

Others getting hits included Robinson and Holody. Thomas picked up the win with three innings of relief, giving up just one hit. After Rochester closed the gap to 7-4 with two out, Josh Rigg hit a two-run single in the top of the fifth.

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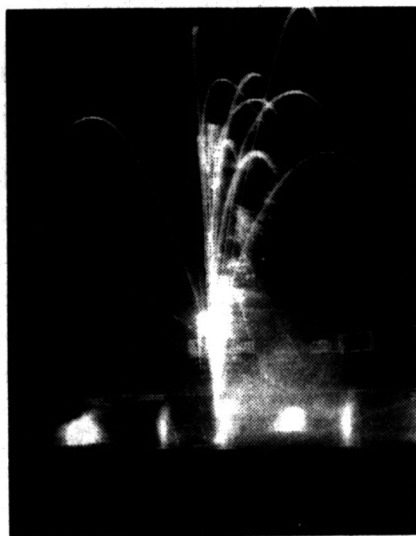
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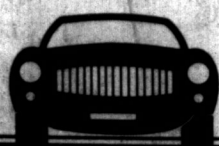
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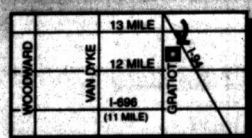
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## Having difficulty identifying marketable skills?



GEORGE HAYES

**Q. Despite a long and successful run with one employer, I'm having difficulty identifying my marketable skills. How can I figure out what might be of interest to other companies?**

**A.** Articulating skills and accomplishments is often a huge challenge for long term employees. In our outplacement programs, new candidates often stare at me blankly when asked about achievements or ways in which they have contributed to a former employer's success. Some even suggest that they haven't really done anything of significance. We frequently hear statements such as: "I just went to work every day and did my job. It didn't require anything out of the ordinary."

Well, we can't let that kind of low self-esteem stand, can we? The fact is that most of us do some pretty nifty things, but we just lose sight of how unique and important they really are. When the same task - no matter how significant - is performed repeatedly, it loses its lustre. Excitement is replaced by expectation. Most jobs feel routine after a while. I can envision a chief brain surgeon in the middle of her 407th operation thinking to herself: "Geez, a monkey could do this job."

Have you noticed that your skills and accomplishments eventually become invisible to people close to you, especially bosses and parents? "Emily performed her first brain surgery!" evolves into "Emily is a surgeon" and later "Hey, Emily, are you still working over at the hospital?"

OK, let's articulate your strengths. You will first need to be hypnotized. Yes, I can do it through this newspaper. Ready? Let your eyes roll way back

in your head. WAY back. You are becoming sleepy - no, wait - make that uncomfortable. Now I'm going to ask you some questions...

•What can you do that I can't do? A lot, I'm sure. I can't fix technical equipment. I can't use common spread sheet programs. I sure as shootin' don't know how to market a small business. I've never organized inventory. I don't know a debit from a credit. All you have to do to start the thinking process is look at one or two of the people around you - competent in their own fields - and do some comparative musing.

•Upon what have you been complimented at work? Many people go through an annual performance review in which strengths and weaknesses are defined and discussed with supervisors. These are supposed to be balanced conversations, so even if your report card wasn't stellar, the supervisor still should have said something positive. Have you ever received an award or recognition for making or saving the company some money, or for completing a training program? Better yet, did you ever get a pat on the back or a casual at-a-boy? Have customers or suppliers said nice things about you?

•Why do people come to you with questions? Perhaps you've never thought about it, but you have probably carved out your own niche at work. I'll bet that you are the resident expert regarding X, whatever X might be. When people need your help or opinions, what is usually the nature of their problem? Why do they want your advice as opposed to someone else's? What do you have that they are trying to tap into?

Now wake up. Write down your answers quickly before modesty sets in again. Remember, your accomplishments don't have to be worthy of the Nobel prize to be included on your resume or in your evaluation of a

career direction. The only criteria are that the victories were yours and that, looking back, you are proud of them.

In your next job, create a "me" file. Every time you get an award, complete a class, receive a significant kudo or make/save some dough, drop a little note into your file. If you need to plan another search someday, you will be well armed and ready to talk about what's so good about you!

**Q. I'm having real difficulty getting recruiters and networking contacts to call me back. Any suggestions?**

**A.** Let me address this first as a recruiter (I'm not speaking for all recruiters). I often don't have the concrete information or feedback that candidates are seeking when they call. People frequently want to know if I have heard anything from the client company or if the employer has looked at the resume or if I know of any additional openings. Don't misunderstand: It is not "too much trouble" to give people basic information and we usually encourage a running dialogue. Personally, I'd rather have a candidate show some enthusiasm for an opportunity than fade silently and passively away after one interview. However, it is honestly not fun calling people back when you don't have anything substantive to report.

Now, if we have clearly ended our last conversation on a note such as "The manager is gone until Thursday, but I'll call you immediately after I hear from him which I expect to be about THURSDAY, so let's talk then, long about THURSDAY" and you continue to call me twice daily to find out "What's going on?" I might not put you at the front of the cue.

I often encourage people to be somewhat persistent with headhunters. It could even be beneficial to bug us a little, just to keep your name fresh. But there is a limit. When you and I have tacitly agreed to a call back

plan, stick with it.

If you are simply unable to get your calls returned when it is time to share important information, you've got a problem. It is probably unwise to become confrontational with a recruiter because you could blow a potentially valuable resource. However, strongly consider working with another firm.

In networking, it is important at the outset to have something in common with your potential contact, preferably a mutual acquaintance. Most business people are under a lot of pressure and a complete stranger who calls seeking advice or worse, time is not likely to make the list of call backs.

When you call someone in business, clearly state your purpose. We receive a number of calls each week that end up in our voice mail and sound something like this: "My name is Bob Smith (313) 123-4567 - click." Who is Bob Smith? A candidate? A creditor? A guy who wants to give me a summons?

Also, be sure to enunciate. I had a message last week from a man who started out complimenting the column. That was nice. I wanted to call him back. Unfortunately, he said his name was Mr. Mzhnrcbmft, or it could have been Mr. Mzhnrcbmft. I actually had the phone in my hand when it dawned on me...Who was I going to ask for?

Send questions to George Hayes, JOB SEARCH, P.O. Box 2497, Southfield, MI 48037. Mr. Hayes is president of Emplex Corporation, a consulting firm offering recruiting, testing and outplacement services to U.S. and Canadian manufacturing companies. #67

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A job interview is your chance to put on a sales presentation. The product? YOU. Here are some questions that prospective buyers may have about you, along with some helpful hints on how to respond. In some cases, you'll actually begin your response with a question. Why? All great salespeople ask questions first, so buyers tip their hands and disclose their hot buttons. Great salespeople never shoot from the hip. Sales are made because a product satisfies the buyer's needs. They listen.

They think fast. They respond. They also know their product literature inside out. For the job hunter, that product literature is their resume.

1. What can you tell me about yourself? Your initial response: "What aspects of my job skills and people skills would you like me to focus on?" If you're asked for job skills, it's time for another question, "Can you tell me what aspects of the new job are the most important to the department?" The interviewer's answer will easily allow you to go through your work life and select examples of the skills they want. Be sure your response tells them how you used the skills. Tie your response to jobs on your resume.

If you're asked about people skills, provide concrete examples

from your resume where you led/worked with a team, were required to solve people problems, etc.

2. What kinds of decisions are most difficult for you? Red flag. Trick question. The interviewer is trying to get you to disclose a weakness. If you're a manager or supervisor, the safe answer is always "disciplinary decisions" because almost every boss dislikes giving bad news to subordinates. There is no need to go into the gory details of an incident. If you don't have supervisory responsibility, the safe answer is "juggling priorities," followed by: "In your position, I'm sure you can relate to how fast project priorities change." Omit gory details.

3. What are your biggest accomplishments? Your initial

response: "Do you want me to limit my response to the workplace?" Once you know the direction the interviewer wants to go, what do you say? If it's work-place-related, the accomplishments you cite had better be on your resume. After all, isn't your resume a statement of your accomplishments? If it's non-work related, your safe bet is to discuss charitable and community work. But there is a bit of trickery involved in the question. Many interviewers use this question to see how many times a candidate uses "I," rather than collective words like "my coworkers, the staff, the team, our committee, etc." Using "I" all the time makes it sound like you are solely responsible for achieving your goals. Worse, it sounds like you are not a team player.

4. Are you an empowered worker? Red flag. Trick question. The temptation is to immediately say "Yes, I am empowered." Follow that with some examples of decisions you made when you didn't have the formal, organizational authority to do so. That would work in your favor if the organization is decentralized and team-oriented. Such organizations need empowered employees to thrive.

However, hiring managers in a highly-centralized firm or department may believe that individual empowerment is really a way of bucking the system.

So before you suffer from foot-in-mouth disease, you should think about what you know about the firm and what the interviewer and HR staff have told you. If you do run across an

interviewer that thinks empowerment is bad, chances are you have stumbled on a micromanager. Telling one of these fossils that you are capable of making decisions, even though you don't have formal authority, definitely won't get you the job. That said, you also need to keep in mind that a job interview is a two-way process. You are interviewing the company to evaluate whether its culture and values mesh with your career plan.

Send your comments or questions to Jim Pawlak, Career Moves, The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, P.O. Box 2881, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150. He can be contacted by e-mail at: [careermoves@hotmail.com](mailto:careermoves@hotmail.com)

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## ASK THE EXPERT

### Netting is best choice to protect cherries

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**Q:** I have two cherry trees in my front yard that I have to use nets each season so the birds won't eat the cherries. Is there a way to protect the trees without using nets, perhaps using a high technology device? I've wondered how big-time growers protect their trees.

**A:** There is no high technology solution to the problem. I spoke to the local horticultural agent for the Cooperative Extension Service who said that many commercial growers pick the fruit before it is ripe. The birds don't find the unripe fruit very appealing and leave it alone. The cherries ripen during shipment or at the stores.

The best approach is to cover the trees with netting. This discourages birds and will not harm the tree or fruit. Some people use plastic owls and sound devices to scare off birds. This is not as effective as nets, however, and some communities have a noise ordinance that prohibits sound devices.

**Q:** I have a problem with water seeping into my basement after a heavy rainfall. Perforated drain pipes under the basement floor do a good job of relieving hydrostatic pressure below the slab. However, the cavities in the concrete block walls fill with water, which leaks into the basement.

Contractors recommended breaking up the floor at the perimeter and installing drain tiles and a sump pump. However, I recently heard about a plastic molding, similar to a baseboard radiator cover, that is sealed to the inside of the foundation wall along the floor. Holes are drilled into the blocks to drain the water from the cavities into the molding which carries it to a sump. Does this really work?

**A:** There is such a product and it does work. But the ideal way to correct a hydrostatic leakage problem in a concrete block wall is to intercept or divert the water before it reaches the foundation.

However, if you can't lay drainage pipes because the area around the foundation is paved or covered with expensive shrubbery, or is otherwise inaccessible, then you must control the seepage into the basement. You can do this as you describe, by puncturing deep holes at the base of the concrete blocks and directing the effluent to a sump pit.

**Q:** I would like to install a strip oak tongue-and-groove floor on top of an above-grade concrete slab. However, I've heard horror stories of costly wood floors buckling from moisture. How can I avoid problems caused by moisture that might accumulate in the area under the slab?

**A:** A hardwood floor can be installed on a concrete slab at or above grade. The Oak Flooring Institute recommends against below-grade installations.

Moisture is the chief culprit in hardwood floor buckling, so test the slab for dryness. Tape 1-square-foot of clear polyethylene sheet to the slab, sealing its edges with plastic tape. If after 24 hours, no clouding or moisture droplets have formed under it, the slab is dry enough to install a wood floor.

To prevent moisture from reaching the underside of the hardwood floor, place a vapor barrier of either building felt or polyethylene plastic over the slab prior to installation.

To submit a question, write to Popular Mechanics, Reader Service Bureau, 224 W. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10019. The most interesting questions will be answered in a future column.

## Freeways bring secluded sub here

Woodcreek, a detached condominium community in Ann Arbor, offers all of the amenities of a university town with quick, easy access to the western and northern suburbs here via M-14 and I-275.

The development, 87 lots, is off Chalmers north of Washtenaw, just a half mile west of U.S. 23.

Rose Mary Simms, sales consultant, said she can get from Northville to Woodcreek in 20 minutes. And the site, itself, "is very private and secluded," she said. "Unless you know where you're going, it's a secret. It's a diamond in disguise."

"Woodcreek is uniquely positioned as one of the last-single family communities within the city of Ann Arbor," said Larry Cohen, the builder. "It's literally a pleasant walk to shopping."

"Ann Arbor is like a little Chicago. It's wonderful," Simms said.

"We're trying to provide product to a variety of people - singles, families, empty-nesters," Cohen said. "If you build it well and innovatively, they will come."

"Mr. Cohen allows people to come in and customize their homes so if they want to move a wall, a closet door, rearrange rooms, this can be done," Simms said.

Eight floor plans are available, ranging in price from \$252,900 for a colonial of 2,190 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths to \$287,900 for a story-and-a-half of 2,774 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths.

Architect Dominic Tringale had a hand in the designs.

Standard features in all plans include two-car garage, fireplace, basement, oven, cooktop and dishwasher, first-floor laundry and carpeting throughout.

For now, Woodcreek buyers have a choice of landscaping or a three-car garage as a bonus at no extra charge. Purchasers also will be able to consult with Gorman's Interiors for free on decor.

Two models have been constructed.

The Whitney, a story-and-a-half of 2,593 square feet, situates the master suite on the main floor. The master with pan ceiling features a separate tub and shower, two-sink vanity, walk-in closet and compartmentalized com-



**Whitney Model:** This story-and-a-half of 2,593 square feet features the master suite on the main floor, two bedrooms, a full bath and loft upstairs.

A living room, dining area, kitchen/nook, family room, library and half bath also are on the first floor. The sink in the kitchen is angled toward the family room and nook.

A curved staircase leads to the second floor with a loft - "I call it an entertainment center; it's a nice size," Simms said - two bedrooms and a full bath.

Base price is \$277,900.

The Arlington, a colonial of 2,558 square feet, features a living room, dining room, kitchen/nook with island, a family room with a sloped ceiling and a library/office tucked toward the back of the residence.

The master with cathedral ceiling, separate tub and shower, dual-sink vanity and walk-in closet is upstairs, as are three other bedrooms and a second full bath.

Base price is \$264,900.

Woodcreek is serviced by city water and sewers. The development will

have sidewalks. It's within the Ann Arbor school boundaries.

The property tax rate currently is \$49.78 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation, half of market value. That means the owners of a \$270,000 residence would pay about \$6,720 the first year.

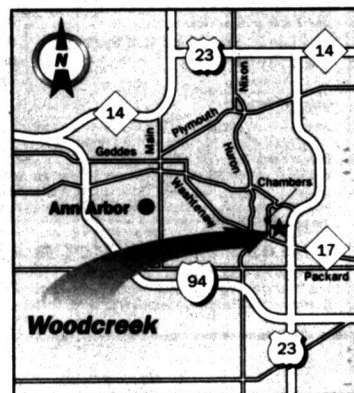
The annual association fee to maintain entrances and a retention pond that will be surrounded with trees as a natural setting is projected at \$188.

Marvin and Claudia Sauer, along with children Shelby and Tori, plan to move into a colonial.

"I like the location," Claudia said. "I live just down Washtenaw. I wanted to stay in the vicinity. It's easy access to the expressway, which is good for my husband. I like to be close to my church."

And the floor plan?

"It gave us enough space for what we needed," Claudia said. "I like the kitchen, family room and nook all in



back of the house. I like that it had a library and a living room as well. Sometimes, you get one or the other."

The sales office/models at Woodcreek, (734) 975-1150, is open noon to 5 p.m. daily, closed Thursdays.

## Here's what to do before you start house hunting

You want to become a homeowner. You're tired of paying rent every month and never having anything to show for it. It's time to take that big step and buy a house.

A major purchase such as a house is a great endeavor and should not be taken lightly.

James D. Henry, president of the American Collectors Association (ACA) and owner of R.C. Wilson Co., offers some advice for those who would like to own their own home. "Purchasing a home is a huge enterprise," Henry said. "By planning ahead you can help avoid financial difficulties as a result of the purchase."

The following are some tips from ACA that may help when you are planning to buy a house:

■ **Create credit.** Start establishing a good credit rating long before you ever plan to buy a house. This means paying your bills on time and using credit wisely. Most people are not able to buy a home with cash up-front and will need to seek financing. A poor credit rating could cause you to be turned down for a loan or to get approved for less money.

■ **Save.** Start a savings plan that will help you handle some of the financial burden of owning your own house. There are many hid-

den costs when buying a home and you should prepare for these expenses.

■ **Make a budget.** Decide how much you will be able to afford for monthly payments. You may want to meet with a specialist to help you create a financial plan.

■ **Be aware of additional expenses.** There are many other expenses you should be aware of when buying and owning a house. These include property taxes, utility costs and hookup fees, maintenance, moving costs and closing costs. These additional expenses can add up quickly and may take you by surprise if you are not prepared.

■ **Get help.** It often helps to get advice from a family member or someone who has recently gone through the experience of buying a house. They can be the best sources of information about problems or surprises you may experience. Have friends or family suggest a good Realtor.

Owning your own home brings a lot of new responsibility and financial obligation. If you are prepared and plan ahead, the experience can be positive and rewarding. The most important thing is to think ahead and prepare for all possible factors, from securing a loan to paying for the house in the years to come.

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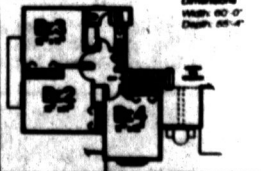
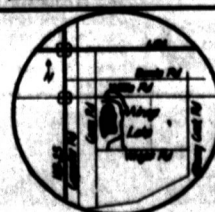
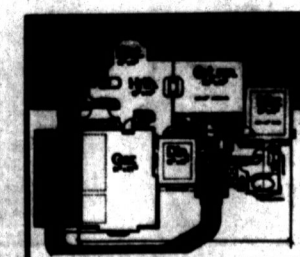
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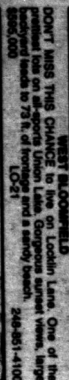
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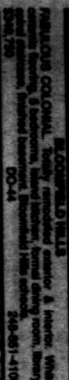
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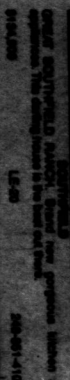
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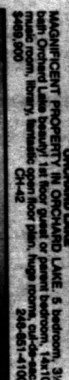
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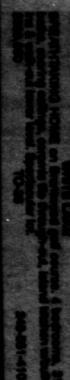
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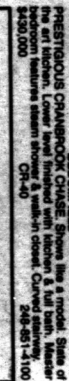
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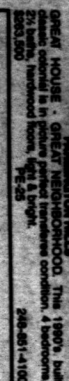
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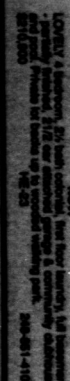
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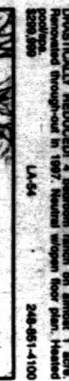
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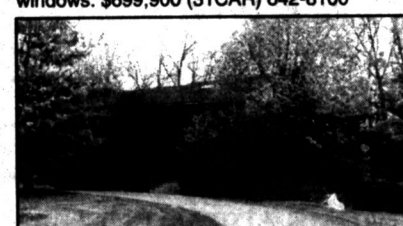
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**BLOOMFIELD.** 5000 sq. ft. ranch on nearly one acre with lakeviews of Island Lake. 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, finished walkout, 3 car garage. Fabulous kitchen w/skylights, great windows. \$699,900 (31CAR) 642-8100



**BLOOMFIELD HILLS.** 6000 sq. ft. contemporary in Wabek Forest offers 5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, great room, library, family room, finished walkout, master suite, 3 car garage. \$599,900 (90SHE) 642-8100



**BLOOMFIELD.** Fabulous sprawling ranch in Bloomfield Hills School District features spectacular updating. Kitchen w/granite island, huge family & dining rooms, newer windows. \$429,900 (28ORC) 642-8100



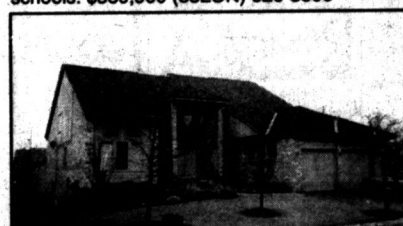
**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** Unique 4/5 bedroom 2 story contemporary, library, in-ground pool. Upscale Whispering Pine Sub, 3 car side entry garage, partially finished basement. \$395,000 (45ROL) 626-8800



**COMMERCE.** Stately 4 bedrooms, lakefront home built in 1997 with first floor master, lake views from 2 cedar decks, gazebo, and great room. High ceilings, custom kitchen. \$649,900 (33SUT) 626-8800



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, 2 lavs. 2 story foyer & great room! 3 fireplaces, formal dining & living rooms. Finished basement. 3 car garage. West Bloomfield schools. \$539,900 (33LON) 626-8800



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** 4 bedroom, 4 bath contemporary. Great room, finished lower level w/kitchen, bath, office. 2 master suites, Birmingham schools. 1st floor laundry, 2 car garage. \$499,900 (29OAK) 626-8800



**HILLS OF OAKLAND.** Cherry paneled library. Gourmet island kitchen, 2 story family room, master suite w/master bath, separate shower, inground pool, beautifully decorated. \$990,000 (14CAR) 652-8000



**HILLS OF OAKLAND.** Executive home w/5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, 4 fireplaces, dual staircases, finished walkout w/full kitchen, bath and bedroom. Large lot. Hardwood floor thru-out. \$795,900 (03WEL) 652-8000



**BEAUTIFUL** horse farm near Lapeer approx. 40 acres of paddocks, barns, and arenas (312x70). 35 stalls, 2000 sq. ft. home. Great income potential. Call for private tour. \$775,000 (08KLA) 652-8000



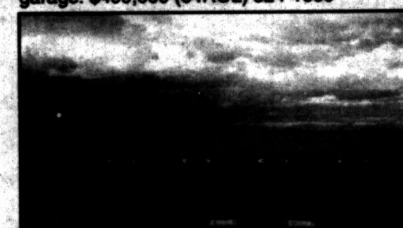
**ROCHESTER.** Dramatic English Tudor with 4 bedrooms and 3 1/2 baths. Balcony overlooking 2 story great room. Gourmet kitchen with walk-in pantry. Finished walkout lower level. \$889,000 (10OLD) 524-1600



**WEST TROY.** 4 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath Tudor with a finished lower level and bath. First floor master bedroom with whirlpool. 2nd floor private suite. 3 car side entry garage. Built in 1994. \$539,900 (95RAM) 524-1600



**NORTHVILLE.** 4 bedroom Tudor with premium elevation. 2 story ceilings. Dual stairs. White kitchen. Vaulted ceilings. Daylight basement. Whirlpool tub. 3 car side garage. \$499,000 (64ROL) 524-1600



**HARRISON TOWNSHIP.** Glamorous boathouse condo with indoor heated dockage. Inlaid brass in cherry hardwood circular staircase & bar area. Totally furnished. 2 full baths. \$480,000 (40EVE) 524-1600



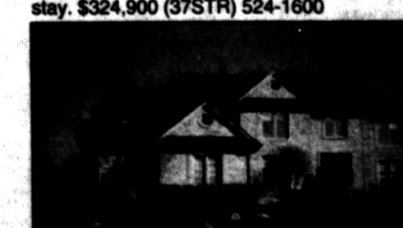
**ROCHESTER HILLS.** 4 bedroom colonial with a master suite on 1st and 2nd floor. 2 story great room and formal dining room. Finished basement with full kitchen. 3 plus car attached garage. \$449,900 (95PHE) 524-1600



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** 4 bedroom contemporary offers wonderful decor and floor plan. Finished lower level. Master bedroom with fireplace. 2 car attached side entry garage. \$347,900 (77MIS) 524-1600



**TROY.** 3 bedroom ranch home on park-like setting. Family room with fireplace. Rich oak kitchen with new floor. Finished lower level. Formal living & dining rooms. All appliances stay. \$324,900 (37STR) 524-1600

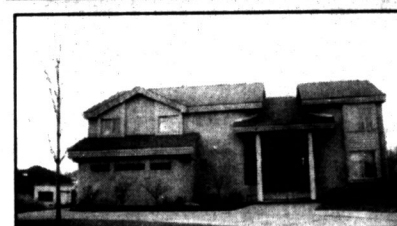


**PRIVATE TREED** lot in Hawthorn Hills. Great room, library, island kitchen w/walk-in pantry. Open master suite w/jet tub and separate sitting room. \$409,900 (80MER) 652-8000

## Century 21

### Town & Country

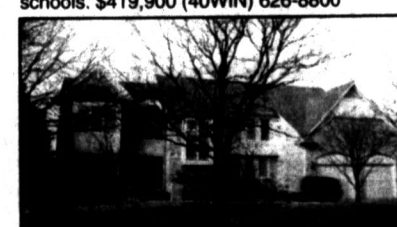
America's #1 CENTURY 21 Firm!



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** Outstanding custom built located on premium site. Open floor plan to beautiful great room. 2 master suites, walkout lower level, custom cabinets and sub-zero in kitchen. \$499,900 (52AUT) 626-8800



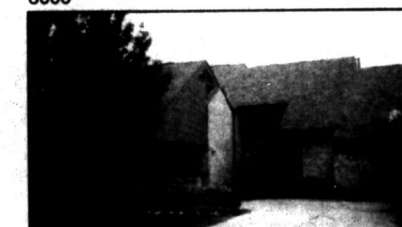
**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** Custom built ranch w/finished lower level, great room, gourmet kitchen w/marble island top, skylight, walk-in pantry, library, family room, Bloomfield Hills schools. \$419,900 (40WIN) 626-8800



**FARMINGTON HILLS.** 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath colonial. Great room w/vaulted ceiling, library, finished lower level. Secluded yard w/inground pool. Wood floors, french doors, lots of windows. \$399,500 (29HAR) 626-8800



**HILLS OF OAKLAND.** Magnificent custom home. Extensive wood flooring. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 lavs. Stunning living room & dining room, 4 fireplaces. \$774,900 (81WEL) 652-8000



**CONTEMPORARY** on all sports lake w/72 ft. of beach. Great room, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 1st floor master suite, 2 fireplaces, finished walkout. Professionally landscaped, 3 car garage. \$519,000 (87PAR) 652-8000



**WING LAKE VIEWS** and beach frontage lot. Designer contemporary, treed lot, granite, customized cabinetry, vaulted ceilings, finished walkout, 2 solariums, 2 fireplaces, maple flooring. \$524,900 (74CAR) 652-8000

(248) 642-8100 (248) 524-1600 (248) 652-8000 (248) 626-8800





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## David Mully's MORTGAGE SEARCH UPDATE

For more information call the lenders at the phone numbers provided or access their website or E-mail addresses

		20-yr	Pa	APR	15-yr	Pa	APR	ARM	Pa	APR
Ability Mortgage	1-248-845-1500	7.0	2	7.4094	6.50	2	7.1530	5.75	2	N/R
Aequi-Mutual Mortgage Corp.	1-248-589-8888	6.75	2	7.010	6.375	2	6.792	5.375	2	8.249
Ameriplex Mortgage Corp.	1-248-740-2323	7.125	0	7.19	6.75	.25	6.88	6.25	0	8.31
Baby Mortgage Funding Group	1-248-589-8425	6.75	2	N/R	6.375	2	N/R	6.375	0	N/R
Bankstar & Associates	1-248-423-8230	6.75	2	6.99	6.375	2	6.72	N/R	N/R	N/R
Cascade Financial	1-800-695-8610	6.875	2	7.105	6.50	2	6.87	5.625	2	8.254
Colterize	colterize.com 1-800-292-1300	7.0	1.875	7.32	6.75	1.75	7.01	6.0	1.875	8.35
Consumer One Financial	1-888-844-HOME	7.375	0	7.375	7.25	0	7.25	7.0	0	N/R
Deerfield Federal Savings Bank	1-313-585-3100	7.375	0	7.408	7.00	0	7.046	5.0	2	8.041
Fidelity National Mortgage	lender@fnc.com 1-800-251-5104	6.875	1	N/R	6.825	1	N/R	5.50	1	N/R
First Federal of Michigan	ffm.com 1-800-DIAL-FFM	7.0	2	7.237	6.5	2	6.876	4.75	2	7.973
First International Mortgage Corp.	1-248-540-1065	7.125	0	7.129	6.75	0	6.756	6.25	0	8.052
1st National Financial	1-800-261-0202	7.125	0	N/R	7.0	0	N/R	6.875	0	N/R
Franklin Mortgage Group	1-313-393-8000	6.825	2	6.89	6.25	2	6.68	5.125	1.5	N/R
IMAC Mortgage Corp.	appliedmortgage.com 1-800-684-4222	6.825	3	6.951	6.25	3	6.778	5.125	3	N/R
Great Northern Funding	greatnorthernfunding.com 1-248-608-LOAN	7.25	0	7.323	7.00	0	7.117	6.0	0	8.179
JMC Mortgage Corp.	1-248-489-4020	6.375	3.75	6.830	5.875	3.875	6.632	5.0	3.125	N/R
Kellum Mortgage Financial	kellumfinancial.com 1-888-4KELLUM	6.875	2	7.184	6.50	2	6.922	5.875	2	N/R
Mainstreet Mortgage	1-800-900-1313	7.125	0	7.18	6.875	0	6.90	5.25	1	8.37
North American Mortgage	namic.com 1-800-880-8990	6.875	2	7.102	6.50	2	6.885	5.625	2	8.428
Old Kent Mortgage Co.	1-800-782-8830	6.875	2	7.16	6.50	2	6.89	5.75	2	8.17
Real Funding Mortgage Corp.	1-888-355-FUND	6.825	2	6.83	6.25	2	6.58	5.0	2	8.25
Security National Mortgage	1-800-587-7682	7.0	0	7.11	6.75	0	6.84	6.125	0	8.44
Source One Mortgage	1-800-559-HOME	7.375	0	7.375	7.0	0	7.0	6.25	2	7.25
St. James Servicing Corp.	1-248-258-9800	7.375	0	7.375	7.0	0	7.0	6.5	0	7.887
Superior Financial Services Inc.	1-800-960-1820	7.125	0	7.15	6.875	0	7.02	4.75	3	8.206
World Wide Financial	1-800-807-8377	6.75	2	N/R	6.50	2	N/R	5.125	2	N/R

Rates as of May 8, 1998. N/R = not reported. Rates subject to change without notice. Rates and points based on a \$100,000 loan with 20% down. Source: David Mully/Mortgage Search Services, Walling Lake. Lenders to participate contact David Mully at 1-248-889-8900 ext 227 or Email: mortgasearch@aol.com

### 305 Bloomfield

**BLOOMFIELD**  
The Benedict Group has just released 20 luxurious homesites in its newest development, Pine Tree Estates, located in Bloomfield Township on Square Lake Road between Opdyke and Adams. A unique feature of The Benedict Group's approach to home building is its strong history of design. Pine Tree Estates features three sensational floor plans ranging from 3,800 sq. ft. to 4,161 sq. ft. Prices are starting from \$225,000 to \$365,000. Nestled on 104 beautiful acres, offering a quiet atmosphere and perfect location. Convenience of being only minutes from the expressway and unlimited shopping in Birmingham and Somerset. Summer occupancy is available on select lots. For more information on Pine Tree Estates call (248) 642-6533 and take advantage of our pre-construction pricing. Open daily 12-6, closed Thursday. Located on the South side of Square Lake Road, just east of Opdyke.

### 306 Brighton

**BEAUTY AT ITS BEST!**  
This home has it all including location and privacy with an acre tree lined lot. 1986 custom built colonial with living room, family room, dining room, neutral carpet, finished garage, finished basement, great landscaping and close to expressway. Call at \$234,900. **DIANE BRAYKOVICH** RE/MAX 100, INC. Pager (810) 890-2421

**BRIGHTON BY OWNER.** Spacious home on 1.3 acres, 6 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 2 fireplaces, finished basement, 4 car attached garage, large deck, pool, convenient to US-23 and I-96. \$179,900. (810) 231-1434

**BRIGHTON SCHOOLS.** 2 story colonial, 1800 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, family room with fireplace, large deck, pool, convenient to US-23 and I-96. \$179,900. (810) 231-1434

**BRIGHTON \$184,900**  
4 bedroom beauty! 2 1/2 baths, 2,185 sq. ft., close to golf! Finished basement, large deck, pool, convenient to US-23 and I-96. \$179,900. (810) 231-1434

**STUNNING CONTEMPORARY** on private lot. 2,100 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, including master suite, large deck, pool, convenient to US-23 and I-96. \$179,900. (810) 231-1434

**EDWARD SUROVELL REALTORS**  
STUNNING four-bedroom estate home in Brighton with 2 1/2 baths, 3,200 sq. ft., 3 car garage, pool, convenient to US-23 and I-96. \$234,900. Call Michael, 671-3333 or 741-5558.

**EDWARD SUROVELL REALTORS**  
THE ULTIMATE in live living on 4.2 acres. This magnificent 8000 sq. ft. estate offers 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, gourmet kitchen, 3 fireplaces, indoor pool and spa, large deck, pool, convenient to US-23 and I-96. \$234,900. Call Michael, 671-3333 or 741-5558.

**EDWARD SUROVELL REALTORS**  
TREAT YOURSELF to easy living. Enjoy the charm and low maintenance of this 3,000 sq. ft. colonial home under construction. Four bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, granite clad living and family rooms. \$219,900. Call Michael, 671-3333 or 741-5558.

**EDWARD SUROVELL REALTORS**  
W. BLOOMFIELD - Sun 1-5, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 2400 sq. ft., wood/terrazzo floors, family room, fireplace, minor built-in's, large, room, professionally decorated/landscaped. \$219,900. Call Michael, 671-3333 or 741-5558.

**EDWARD SUROVELL REALTORS**  
BEVERLY HILLS - BY OWNER. Updated 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch with 3,000 sq. ft., 3 car garage, pool, patio & walkways. \$249,000. (248) 454-0523

**EDWARD SUROVELL REALTORS**  
OPEN HOUSES - Open Sun. 1-5pm. 32250 Bellevue, E. Lakeview, 5, 14 bed, 3 car garage, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, fireplace in great room and basement, finished basement w/ bar, 2 car attached garage, inground pool, landscaped. \$249,000. Call for appt. (248) 540-3355

**EDWARD SUROVELL REALTORS**  
BIRMINGHAM - 1188 Westwood 3700sq. ft., 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath. Huge master suite, inground pool. \$279,000. Call for appt. (248) 540-3355

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### 308 Canton

**IMPRESSIVE**  
3 bedroom colonial in Canton. Updated interior, neutral decor, fireplace in family room, kitchen, large master bedroom, new driveway, and a 1 year home warranty. \$181,300 (AKAFAR)

**REMERICA**  
**HOMETOWN**  
734-459-6222

**MOM WOULD LOVE THIS**  
3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath colonial with gorgeous remodeled kitchen, oak floor, family room fireplace, oak foyer, crown moldings, basement and much more. \$159,900

**CASTELLI & LUCAS**  
(734) 453-4300

**PREMIUM GOLF COURSE LOCATION**  
with pond view. Curtis built in '95, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath colonial with upgrades, new carpet, premium elevation, dramatic master bedroom, tiered deck & offered below duplication cost at \$334,900. (AKAMU)

**REMERICA**  
**HOMETOWN**  
734-459-6222

**SPACIOUS 3 bedroom colonial** on corner lot. Family room w/ cathedral ceiling, fireplace, large deck, pool, convenient to US-23 and I-96. \$229,900 by appointment. 6826 Weatherford Way. (734) 454-4111

**REMERICA**  
**HOMETOWN**  
734-459-6222

**4 BEDROOM, 2 1/2 bath colonial** in Great family sub, less than 2 years old, neutral decor, cedar deck, near Bentley Elementary. (734) 397-7288

**REMERICA**  
**HOMETOWN ONE**  
734-454-4400

**BRIDGE VALLEY SUB**  
Lot 64  
New Construction  
Custom Home

**French country style design.** Approximately 1 acre wooded lot with stone walls, granite tops, granite floors, 1st floor master suite, 2 natural fireplaces, large kitchen, island, granite entry garage, Total 5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, Library. Finished walk-out lower level, large deck, pool, convenient to US-23 and I-96. \$249,000. Call for appt. (248) 540-3355

**DAVIDSON CLARKSTON SCHOOLS.** 5 acres with pond, 4-5 bedrooms/2 1/2 baths. Heated out building, secluded country living just minutes from I-75. 9943 Clark Road. \$204,900. Call for showing: (626) 620-6276

**DAVIDSON - New in '92.** Open floor plan with large cedar deck, walk out to large lot, landscaped. \$182,900. 248-534-1900

**4 BEDROOM, 2 1/2 bath, fireplace, central, finished basement, hardwood floors.** Many extras. \$249,900. HOMETOWN HOMES 248-384-1203

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Sunday, May 10, 1998

**ABLE MORTGAGE GROUP**  
TERM RATE P/FEE D/PMT LOCK APR  
30 yr FIX 6.875 2300 5% 30 days 7.11  
15 yr FIX 6.50 2300 5% 30 days 6.78  
1 yr ARM 6.625 2300 5% 30 days 6.85  
30 yr FIX JUMBO 6.875 2300 5% 30 days 7.11  
Remember if we're not ABLE no one's ABLE

**AMERICAN HOME FINANCE**  
TERM RATE P/FEE D/PMT LOCK APR  
30 yr FIX 7.0 0350 5% 45 days 7.25  
15 yr FIX 6.75 0350 5% 45 days 6.875  
1 yr ARM 5.75 0350 5% 45 days 6.42  
30 yr FIX JUMBO 7.375 0350 10% 45 days 7.50

**APPROVED MORTGAGES, INC.**  
TERM RATE P/FEE D/PMT LOCK APR  
30 yr FIX 7.125 0295 5% 30 days 7.214  
15 yr FIX 6.875 0295 5% 30 days 6.875  
1 yr ARM 6.125 0295 10% 30 days 6.033  
31 yr ARM 6.75 0295 10% 30 days 7.857

**CAPITAL MORTGAGE FUNDING**  
TERM RATE P/FEE D/PMT LOCK APR  
30 yr FIX 6.825 3295 5% 45 days 6.95  
15 yr FIX 6.25 3295 5% 45 days 6.75  
30 CDARM 6.25 3295 5% 45 days 7.06  
30 yr FIX JUMBO 6.75 3295 5% 45 days 7.06

**GREAT AMERICAN MORTGAGE CORP.**  
TERM RATE P/FEE D/PMT LOCK APR  
30 yr FIX 6.825 2300 5% 30 days 6.855  
15 yr FIX 6.375 2300 5% 30 days 6.767  
1 yr ARM 5.5 2300 5% 30 days 6.50  
31 yr ARM 6.75 0350 5% 30 days 8.373

**GREAT NORTHERN FUNDING, LLC**  
TERM RATE P/FEE D/PMT LOCK APR  
30 yr FIX 7.25 0290 5% 30 days 7.233  
15 yr FIX 7.00 0290 10% 30 days 7.117  
30 yr FIX JUMBO 7.625 0290 10% 30 days 7.658  
15 yr FIX JUMBO 7.375 0290 10% 30 days 7.427

**NORTH AMERICAN MORTGAGE CO.**  
TERM RATE P/FEE D/PMT LOCK APR  
30 yr FIX 6.875 2263 5% 30 days 7.102  
15 yr FIX 6.50 2263 5% 30 days 6.723  
1 yr ARM 5.625 2263 5% 30 days 6.428  
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**UFT MORTGAGE**  
TERM RATE P/FEE D/PMT LOCK APR  
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**317 Garden City**

**A HOUSE TO CALL HOME**

3 bedrooms, 2 full bath ranch home with updates, nice size living room & kitchen, finished basement, wood ceiling, floor plan.

**CASTELLI & LUCAS**  
(734) 453-4300

**318 Grosse Pointe**

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS**

3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, large family room, 2 car garage. Move in \$254,900

(313) 882-5263

**323 Howell**

**FOUR BEDROOM, 2 bath ranch**

1,563 sq. ft. central air, natural fireplace, attached 2 1/2 car garage, many updates, lake privileges. \$148,000.

(517) 545-0811

**325 Livonia**

**ANDIOUS NEEDED & vacant 3 bedroom**

brick, finished basement, garage, needs TLC. Trade work for part of down payment. 2972 Robert Dr. N. of W. Chicago, W. of Middlebelt. Call and see on Monday. OneWay Realty 248-473-5500

**A PERFECT 10!**  
OPEN SUN. 1-4PM  
30107 Mason  
(N. of Schoolcraft & 2 Bks. W. of Middlebelt)

This immaculate contemporary features newer windows (4 yrs), updated kitchen, 1 full bath and 2 1/2 baths. Walkout lower level to patio and you're only a few steps from your built-in pool. 2 car attached garage, new roof, brick home with vinyl siding, sprinkler system.

Call JOE B. 313-325-8878

**325 Livonia**

**BRICK RANCH, land contract terms.**

3 bedrooms, partial finished basement with wet bar, 1 1/2 car garage, large lot. No Agents 810-939-1876

**BY OWNER - Immaculate 15670**

Doris, 3 bedroom colonial, 1 1/2 baths, family room, finished basement. \$162,000. By appt. 734-525-9224

**BY OWNER - Raised ranch, brick 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, newer roof, central air, 2 1/2 car garage, many updates, 1162,000. Open house Sun. 1-5, 27921 Bentley. (734) 427-0877**

**GREAT START**

3 bedroom ranch completely updated throughout. Large 2 car garage. New roof, new carpet, newer siding. Call JOE B. for appt. 313-325-8878. Asking \$132,000

**325 Livonia**

**GREAT KIMBERLY OAKS**

Location in this 3 bedroom brick ranch. Just add your touches. Spacious living room with fireplace, extra large kitchen with updated cabinets, nice size rooms. Home protection plan. Call today! \$142,900

**PICTURE PERFECT**

Full updated, 3 bedroom ranch with large eat-in kitchen, new ceramic bath, newer windows, doors, furnace and more. Super family room in basement and 2 car garage too! Beautiful decor. \$112,800.

**ROW**  
(734) 464-7111

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**LIVONIA ALL BRICK**

Excellent 3 bedroom ranch. Large country kitchen full basement, vinyl windows throughout. Must see! \$114,900. Ask for Alex Aioe in kitchen, partially finished basement, attached driveway & garage.

**REALETY PROFESSIONALS**

**325 Livonia**

**LIVONIA**

This 5 bedroom home, 3 upstairs, 2 in basement, has many updates. Florida room, 3 car garage, 2.5 baths. Move-in condition. ASKING: \$134,900

**A-TEAM**  
Realty, Inc.  
734-261-0830

**328 Northville**

**OPEN SUNDAY 1-4**

9135 HENRY RD. N. of Joy, E. of Merriman. This beautiful 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath brick ranch with 2.5 car garage is the one for you. This home has been well cared for. Updates include newer shingles (rear off), newer windows, updated kitchen, newer furnace & central air, water heater. Nicely finished basement with gas fireplace & 4th bedroom. All this on a manicured corner lot. Mayfair Realty (248) 478-3300. Office: 734-522-8000. Pager: 734-781-6979

**TERRIFIC VALUE**

This Ranch has 1125 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, full basement. Updates include roof, furnace, air conditioning, windows, hot water heater & vinyl siding. Home Warranty \$129,500.

**CENTURY 21 HARTFORD SOUTH**  
734-464-6400

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**BUILDERS OWN HOME in Crestwood Sub.**

Less than 1 year old. N. of E. of Beck. Fully landscaped. 3 1/2 baths. August occupancy. \$429,900. Pace Development. 248-348-8790

**NEW CONSTRUCTION.**

Ravines Sub. N. of E. of Sheldon. Walk to town. Starting in low \$400's. Spec homes available. Pace Development. 248-348-8790

**OPEN HOUSE Sun. May 17, 1-4pm.**

Beautifully restored 10 room Victorian home in historic district. Large custom kitchen, 5 bedroom, 3 1/2 baths, family room, heated finished 2 story 2 1/2 car carriage house garage. JUST REDUCED. \$595,000. 549 W. Dunlap. Will cooperate with brokers. (248) 348-8503

**RECENTLY UPDATED**

Ready to move into. Ranch features 3 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, walk-out master suite, office/library, family room with fireplace, indoor pool, hot tub, sauna, garage, multi-level decking, & more.

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**329 Novi**

**AUTUMN PARK - 3400 sq. ft. 5 bedrooms, library, 9 car garage, sea-board model, now \$449,500.**

Consider trade in of present home, Corp. owner, 22841 Summer Lane, N. of W. of Beck, Call Monday. OneWay Realty 248-473-5500

**LOTS TO OFFER!**

Over 1800 sq. ft., 4 bedroom, 2 full bath home on nice sized lot. Attractive updated kitchen, newer roof, 2 fireplaces, deep 2 car attached garage. All appliances and 1 year Home Warranty too! \$174,900. Ask for Kennedy

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**329 Novi**

**NOV'S CHASE FARMS**

Stunning 4 bedroom colonial with large level backyard on quiet street. Gourmet kitchen, huge master suite, all the bells & whistles and shows like a model. Novi schools & best price in this sought-after sub! Ask for Carol Copping, 248-673-0001

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**331 Orion Twp./Livonia/Oxford**

**LAKE PRIVILEGES**

on private, all-ports Long Lake. 801 Hillcrest Dr. 1996 custom story & half on 1.5 acres. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, master suite, open floor plan, walk-out basement. Asking \$274,000. By Owner (248) 814-8847

**334 Plymouth**

**BEAUTIFUL**

3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch, built in 1997, with handicap facilities. Home offers large rooms, baths & extra wide hallways. Gorgeous kitchen & a fire alarm with sprinkler system. \$238,900 (ATCEA)

**REMERICA HOMETOWN**  
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**336 Rochester/Auburn Hills**

**ROCHESTER HILLS: 1331**

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**335 Redford**

**BRICK BEAUTY!**

3 bedroom brick ranch with finished basement and 2 car garage. Note the two full ceramic baths, fresh paint and 1 year Home Warranty. Only \$109,900. Ask for Bob Kennedy

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**335 Redford**

**BY OWNER - ready to move in**

applies 3 bedroom ranch, 1 1/2 bath, air, finished basement, over-sized 2 car garage & large lot. Immediate occupancy. All appliances included. \$125,000. 313-427-1467

**LIVONIA RANCH**

This totally updated home offers huge living room with fireplace, family room and 1955 sq. ft. Just renovated kitchen, oak cabinets, ceramic flooring and updated bath. 2 car attached garage. Great home! Call Charlotte Jesuani 810-704-5577

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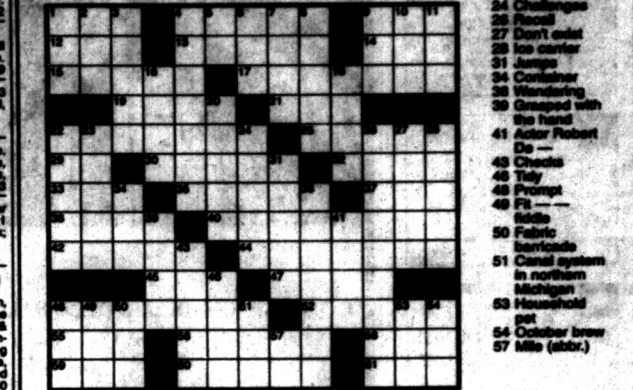
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