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IN THE PAPER TODAY

Congratulations: The Tuesday Musicales of Pontiac, a choir and hand bell organization with many Clarkston members, celebrated its 75th anniversary recently. /A13

SPORTS

Two for one: Clarkston got a challenge from Lake Orion in the boys' race, but the girls cruised as the Wolves brought home two OAA Division II track championships Tuesday. /B1

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Over the past several weeks we have been remembering the Civil War through the letters of soldier Edgar Clark. Edgar often mentioned President Abraham Lincoln in his letters, writing of him with much respect. Lincoln, who served as president from March 4, 1861, until his death on April 15, 1865, was known not only for his intelligence but for his wit. Today we will look at some of Lincoln's quotes, perhaps gaining some insight as to what made him so successful as a president who fought to keep our country united.

"As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of democracy. Whatever differs from this...is no democracy."

"To sin by silence when they should protest makes cowards of men."

"Men moving only in an official circle are apt to become merely official...in their ideas, and are apter and apter with each passing day to forget that they only hold power in a representative capacity."

"Whenever I hear anyone arguing for slavery, I feel a strong impulse to see it tried on him personally."

"Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing."

"I wish some of you would tell me the brand of whiskey that Grant drinks. I would like to send a barrel of it to my other generals."

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



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Proposal raises traffic concerns



Two proposed developments along Dixie Highway and White Lake Road are certain to increase roadway use, prompting Independence Township planning commissioners to look for ways to avert traffic problems.

Increased traffic on White Lake Road and Dixie Highway surfaced as the primary concern of Independence Township planning commissioners charged with considering two proposed developments at that intersection.

"We're at some difficulty now at peak times," Planning Commissioner and Independence Township Board member Dan Travis said of present traffic on the roads.

In addition to reviewing Pontiac Osteopathic Hos-

pital's medical campus project at the corner of White Lake and Dixie Highway, commissioners on May 14 took an initial look at preliminary plans for a 256-unit residential subdivision proposed by Victor International Corp.

The residential development, called Parks at Stonewood, runs in a southerly direction along White Lake Road between Dixie Highway and Clement Road and circles POH's property.

Victor International also intends to submit plans for 24 condominiums and a 120,000-square-foot, mixed commercial building adjacent to Parks at Stonewood. Several family-style national chain

restaurants, a large gourmet market and other retailers are expected to open in the commercial space.

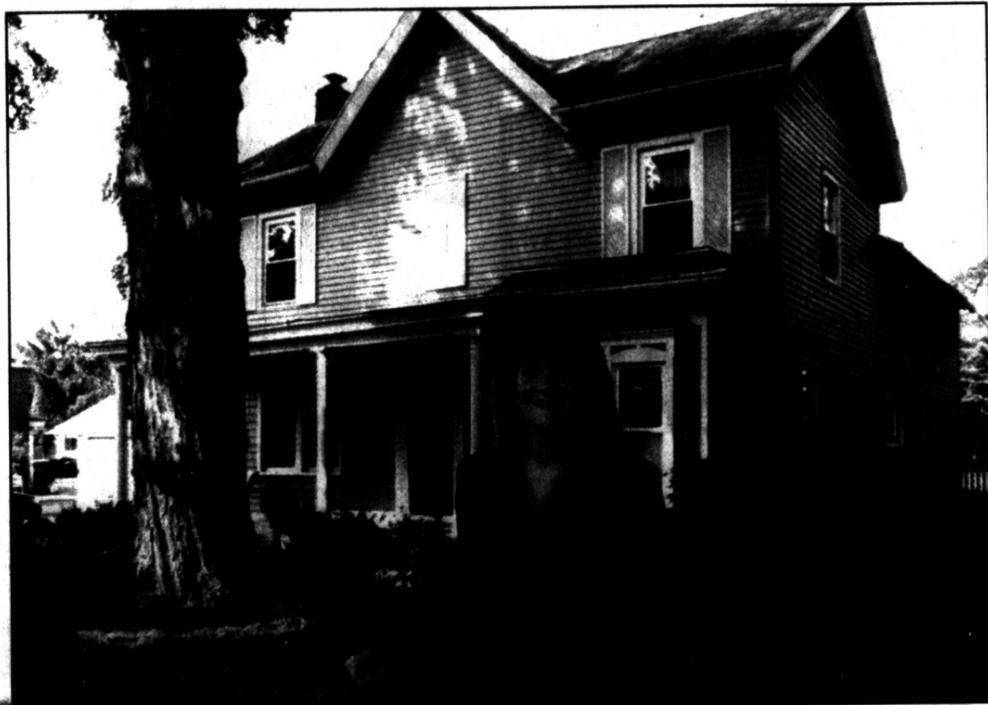
Although POH and Victor International have been working jointly to address issues relevant to the location, including traffic flow, planning commissioners still had concerns about roadway congestion.

Commissioners will also likely require both companies to construct a third lane on White Lake Road where their properties abut the roadway.

In fact, commissioners stipulated that POH build about 800 feet of additional roadway as part of their 4-0 motion granting conceptual approval of the health system's plans.

Victor International's preliminary site plans were tabled, but Township Engineer Randy Ford recom-

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Home tour: Monica Ward stands in front of her historic Holcomb Street home, one of five distinctive Clarkston-area homes that will be on next month's Clarkston Home Tour.

Historic Holcomb house on home tour

BY DIANE BALDWIN
SPECIAL WRITER

Monica Ward grew up in a "cookie cutter" neighborhood, with each home the same as the next. Her dream, though, was to own an original, historic house.

Seven years ago that dream came true when Ward purchased a home on Holcomb Street in Clarkston's historic district. Both the home and the neighborhood were just what she had been looking for, and, as she walked through the house, she saw the potential of each and every room. That potential, however, would only be realized after much hard work — work that has paid off.

Ward's house is one of five distinguished Clarkston homes that will be



Inside view: Much of the original wood in Ward's home has been restored or replicated. This photo is of the dining room.

open for public viewing during the annual Clarkston Home Tour June 6-7. The home tour is a fund-raiser for Clarkston SCAMP, a summer day camp for children with special needs.

Ward's home was built circa 1860 and sits on property purchased in 1831 by Butler Holcomb, one of Clarkston's earliest settlers and the gentleman for whom Holcomb Street is named. According to Ward, only three other families have occupied the house. Ward is familiar with the

last couple to own the home, Charles and Vera Torr, because as she pointed out the home she had purchased to new friends and neighbors, Ward was constantly reminded, "You live in the Torr house." Ward, however, began making her own mark on the "Torr" house immediately.

The lime green paint on the exterior of the Carpenter-Gothic style house was replaced by a soft taupe with coordinating ivory trim. The

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Citizen of the Year called the 'Unsinkable Titanic'

In November of 1991, life happened to Joyce Bleim while she was busy making other plans.

While the Independence Township resident and her family toiled down the road to a son's hockey game, their vehicle was struck by an oncoming car at a busy intersection. The Bleim auto — in which Joyce was a back-seat passenger — rolled over on impact.

Though no family members died in the crash, the mother of two sustained the most serious blow — a traumatic brain injury. She spent several weeks in a coma. After being released from the hospital, she underwent months of speech, physical and occupational therapy — and eventually, even had to learn to drive again.

That was then. On Wednesday, the soft-spoken 42-year-old claimed her award from the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce

as "Citizen of the Year." She was one of six Clarkston-area residents to receive a Michigan Week Community Award.

Bleim was honored for the chamber tribute because she not only has refused to roll over in the 6 1/2 years since her accident, she's forged a life's work out of helping others persevere.

Specifically, she regularly delivers warm meals to local home-bound residents for the Meals on Wheels program. She collects food, Easter baskets, back-to-school supplies and birthday bags for Lighthouse of Clarkston recipients through Clarkston United Methodist Church. She serves as a "Big Sister" to a 12-year-old girl in the Clarkston Area Youth Assistance "Plus Matches" mentorship program. She assists with the local Red Cross blood

Please see CITIZEN, A4



Citizen of the Year: Volunteer extraordinaire Joyce Bleim picks up meals from the Independence Township senior center to deliver to recipients of the Meals on Wheels program.

Liquor license criteria mulled

Issuing Independence Township's two available liquor licenses turned into a matter of contemplation for township board members Tuesday.

The board heard three petitioners' requests for one of the Class C liquor licenses the township gained after a mid-decade census showed a population increase.

The requests came from: project principals of a proposed recreation center known as the Sportsplex; the owner of the OPA! restaurant on Ortonville Road; and Antonio Cutraro, a 20-year restaurateur who operates two fine dining Italian restaurants in southeast Michigan — Intermezzo Ristorante in Detroit and Baci Abbracci in Pontiac — who would like to open a similar restaurant in Independence Township.

Of primary concern to the board is keeping the licenses in the township and ensuring that recipients will remain in the community. Another important factor is whether the applicant's restaurant/bar conforms to the community's vision.

However, other concerns about issuing the licenses surfaced, causing the board to table the requests.

Sportsplex principals Jack Leech and Kelly Kammer said they are seeking the license to attract a family-style, national chain restaurant with about 250 seats. They also said they would closely oversee the restaurant's operations and that a liquor license would remain under facility ownership.

William D. Grannis, OPA! restaurant owner, said his application stems from a desire to serve beer and wine at his family-style restaurant. The 2,550-square-foot location seats 66 indoors and 30 outdoors and is under a lease contract that doesn't expire for 11 years, he said.

Cutraro said he anticipated seating about 140 patrons and planned to stay in the community on a long-term basis.

"I liked all the development around here," he said. "I can't believe my eyes. I would like to come here and stay in the community."

Cutraro also said he would not include a full, sit-down bar in his restaurant.

At least one concern hinged on site characteristics — whether liquor consumption in the sports center restaura-

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Equestrian center may open

A few horses and a little more rural character may be headed for Independence Township.

Board members on Tuesday voiced support for a private, equestrian center being proposed on 29 acres on the west side of Baldwin Road north of Indianwood. The board was charged with reading a rezoning request from suburban farm residential to rural residential for the project.

"I'm very much in favor of this project," said Trustee Neil Wallace, who characterized the center as "consistent with (the township's) master plan and the goals of the community."

"I think it actually improves the master plan," added Trustee Larry Rosso. The land use would diminish building density in the township, he said.

The jumping and training facility would be built and operated by Darlene Cobb, who has been riding horses for nine years.

The center would likely house between 30 and 40 stables, a barn and several riding areas, including one indoor arena.

Cobb, a nurse who lives in Sterling Heights, simply found herself thinking about the idea of an equestrian center on the land, which is owned by her father, Arthur Cobb, of Brandon Township.

The Cobb family recently built a house at the location and was planning to divide and sell the property.

At least "until I came up with my bright idea," Cobb joked.

"I kind of said to my brother, 'You know that house that you wanted to sell, well...'"

After speaking with several Independence Township officials, the family decided to proceed with the project, which Cobb hopes will reach completion by year's end.

The center would likely house between 30 and 40 stables, a barn and several riding areas, including one indoor arena.

While most of the stables would be occupied by private boarders, Cobb, who has two horses and would live on site, would keep several for teaching purposes and plans to open an English-style jumping and riding school.

While Cobb views the project as a welcome lifestyle change for herself, she also envisions the center as a community resource.

In addition to regularly holding community open houses at the facility, Cobb would like to work with area schools to develop a student field trip program, she said.

"It would be a really good learning experience for kids."

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mended that they, too, be required to extend White Lake's third lane approximately 3,000 feet.

The extensions would render White Lake Road a three-lane roadway from Andersonville Road to Dixie Highway.

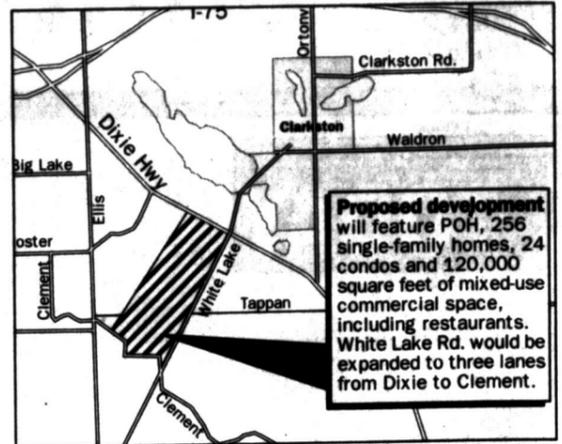
Richard A. Southern, who said he resides on White Lake and had spoken with several of his neighbors, agreed a third lane would be necessary.

"We were quite chagrined as a group of property owners ... that the last remake on White Lake Road didn't do a three lane," he said.

Given the amount and nature of development in the area, traffic volume is expected to increase significantly.

Another factor that will influence traffic dynamics in the area is the placement of the two development's entrances. POH's main entrance is sited off Dixie Highway. Victor International's plans call for primary entrances off Dixie Highway and White Lake.

Also of concern is drivers' ability to make turns off the roads, especially those turning left from White Lake onto Dixie Highway.



Proposed development will feature POH, 256 single-family homes, 24 condos and 120,000 square feet of mixed-use commercial space, including restaurants. White Lake Rd. would be expanded to three lanes from Dixie to Clement.

HELEN PURCEAN / STAFF ARTIST

During peak times, drivers already are "stacked-up" in a line at the intersection light waiting to turn, Travis said.

"It's a concern," said Planning Commissioner Linda Palulian, who asked whether Dixie Highway would need an additional traffic light.

Ford said traffic light placement would have to be authorized by the Michigan Department of Transportation and that the agency would most likely conduct a study of traffic flow and accidents before making a determination.

Although traffic lights might make turning off Dixie Highway easier, they also create other problems, like traffic interruption and increased rear-end accidents, he said.

Altering the timing of the existing Dixie Highway/White Lake Road traffic light might be a better solution, he said. "But MDOT's going to call the shots on that."

Nevertheless, the projects are certain to bring additional traffic, Ford said. "And, in general, traffic is increasing overall in the community."

OBITUARIES

Floyd Maynard Kizer

Floyd Maynard Kizer of Clarkston, died May 19, 1998, at age 51.

He is survived by his wife, Jenny; daughters, Kelly, and Melissa Abbott; sons, David, Dareth and Justin; and seven grandchildren; brother, Clyde; and sisters, Lynda Podzikowski and Cathy Steele.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston.

Naida Kowell

Naida Kowell of Clarkston died May 17, 1998, at age 78. Mrs. Kowell was retired from

the Illinois Bell Telephone Co. and lived all her life in the Chicago area with exception of the past two years in the Clarkston area.

She is survived by her daughters, Margaret (William) Purves of Clarkston, Shirley (James) Williams of Downers Grove, Ill., and Sharon (Gene) Whitehorn of Chicago, and two grandsons.

Funeral and burial services were held at Rosewood Funeral Home in Bellwood, Ill. Local funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Sons Funeral Home in Clarkston. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 721129, Berkley, MI 48092.

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Bridge Lake Road gets paved

Turn around: Bridge Lake Road is closed from Rattalee Lake Road to Davisburg Road while the Road Commission for Oakland County paves it. The job is expected to be finished by the end of August. This picture was taken just north of Springfield Plains Elementary School.



Septuagenarian dies as tractor flips over

A 77-year-old Bloomfield Township man was pronounced dead at Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital Sunday after he apparently fell from, and was run over by, a tractor on Springfield Township property that he owned off Rattalee Lake Road.

'He went off the tractor, the tractor went over him and he was under the brush hog.'

*Sgt. Pat Miles
—Sheriff's Department*

A visiting friend found Alex Distel Sr. under a brush hog that was being pulled by the tractor. The friend heard a "loud bang" and then could no longer hear the tractor running and went to investigate, according to a police report at the Oakland County Sheriff's substation.

went off the tractor, the tractor went over him and he was under the brush hog."

He found Distel under the stalled brush hog, which is a grass and weed cutting machine, but was not able to lift the machine off the victim until a firefighter arrived and assisted him. Firefighters performed CPR on Distel at the scene and he was transported to POH in Pontiac, where he was pronounced dead, the police report said.

Distel owned and operated Superior Water Conditioning in Waterford. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Marge Cook. He is also survived by his daughters, Margo (John) Keblaitis, Pam (Wendell) Evans and Carolyn Distel; and two sons, Alex (Dona) Distel Jr. and Rich Distel. In addition, Distel is survived by two sisters, one brother, 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

"We're not sure what happened," said Springfield Sgt. Pat Miles on Monday morning. "He went by a tree. He could have hit a limb. It could have been a heart attack. He

Funeral arrangements for Distel were entrusted to the Godhardt-Tomlinson Funeral Home in Keego Harbor. Burial was at Ottawa Park Cemetery, Clarkston.

POLICE CALLS

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Springfield and Independence townships and the city of Clarkston May 15-18.

tackle were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Deerwood**. On May 17, a cell phone was reported stolen from a purse at a business on **Sashabaw Road**.

Springfield Police

Independence Fire

Thefts

Between May 15-18, firefighters responded to 12 calls. Among them were nine medical runs, two personal-injury accidents and one vehicle fire. They included:

On May 16, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Carriage Trail**.

On May 16, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Windcliff**.

House Fire

On May 16, firefighters assisted a 60-year-old woman who fell while cleaning an in-ground pool at a residence on **Laurelton**. The woman struck her head and sustained a slight loss of consciousness. She was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac by ambulance.

On May 15, a garden tractor and residence were damaged during a house fire on **Big Lake Road**. There were no injuries, according to Sgt. Pat Miles.

Independence Police

On May 16, firefighters assisted a 54-year-old man who experienced nausea, sweating and weakness while working outdoors at a business on **Dixie Highway**. The man was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital by ambulance.

Minors In Possession

On May 15, an underage teen was issued an appearance ticket for consuming alcohol at a site on **Cobden**.

Clarkston Police

Vandalism

On May 16, officers stopped a vehicle for a speed violation on **Main Street**. The 37-year-old man was found to be driving with a revoked drivers license. He was cited and released.

On May 16, 10 headstones and planters were reported damaged by vandals at the Lakeview Cemetery on **White Lake Road**.

On May 16, windows were reported broken during an attempted breaking and entering of a residence on **Winell**. It was not immediately known if anything was taken.

On May 17, officer stopped a vehicle on **Main Street** that was driving erratically. The 23-year-old driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol. He registered a 0.10 on a Breathalyzer test. He was arrested and lodged in the Oakland County Jail. Bond was later posted for him. He is scheduled to be arraigned in 52/2 District Court on May 26.

On May 17, windows were reported damaged on a vehicle while it was parked on **Eckles**.

On May 17, a windshield and door glass were reported broken on a vehicle parked on **Timber Ridge Trail**.

On May 18, officers responded to an assault between two bothers at a residence on **Surrey Lane**. No arrests were made.

Thefts

On May 16, cash and fishing

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drive. She sponsors a child from India through the Compassion International program. She volunteers at the Pontiac Rescue Mission. And she works on the CUMC missions committee and performs other types of community outreach projects anonymously.

When Bleim was recently asked how her extensive volunteer load evolved, she characterized it as a divine tug on the sleeve. "I'm more spiritual today than I was before the accident," she said. "It just made me stop and focus on what's really important in life ... Because of my injuries, I'm no longer able to do some of the things that I had done before. For example, prior to the accident, I found success in finance and banking. I'm no longer able to do such detailed work today. I had to find new directions ... and I believe that God helped me do that. I believe God showed me the ways to become involved in active living. I know that He pushed me into my volunteer work. God helped me use what I had to help others."

With her volunteer work and her family — husband Jay; grown sons Jeremy and Jeff; daughter-in-law Rachel; and granddaughters Devin and Leia

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— Bleim said life is full. Though she's still hampered by a partial loss of memory and communication skills, she doesn't view her new path as particularly noteworthy.

"I was very surprised (to be recognized as 'Citizen of the Year') as I didn't think that I was doing anything that would qualify me for such an honor," Bleim said. "My aim is to just make people happy by making their lives better, which is something everyone can do."

Don Kevern, director of support for the CUMC, said he nominated Bleim for the honor because of her quiet determination. "The most remarkable part of Joyce's activity to me is that she was left comatose and physically disabled only 6 1/2 years ago but has returned to an active life, one that encourages her to reach out and touch the lives of others ... She is truly the unsinkable Titanic."

Bleim said she's buoyed by her relationships with people.

"I just love and enjoy what I'm doing," she said. "My greatest reward is the joy of making a positive difference in someone's life."

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Don Kevern referring to Joyce Bleim

Volunteer honored for bridging generations

Maria Mark will not divulge her age.

"I'm ancient wisdom," she says and she smiles a broad, knowing smile.

Ancient wisdom who found her place among the young.

Maria Mark, owner of the Make Over Place on Dixie Highway and a member of Clarkston's Optimists Club, is this year's winner of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce Adult-Youth Volunteer Award.

She received her plaque award and a legislature resolution from Sen. Mat Dunaskiss and Rep. Tom Middleton during a ceremony at Clarkston Creek Golf Club Wednesday morning. In addition, as a winner, her name will be submitted by the Chamber for the Governor's Award in January, according to Chamber Administrative Assistant Penny Shanks.

Mark was selected because of her dedication to working with middle school pupils, whom she has paired — in cooperation with the Clarkston Area Junior Optimists — with the retired Jesuit priests living at Colombiere Center in Springfield Township.

"She is just an incredible woman and incredibly giving," says Shanks about why Mark was picked to receive the award. Mark had received three nominations for her efforts on behalf of the Junior Optimists, Octagons and St. Daniel Church.

"She just gives so much of herself to the kids and the community. It was just real clear that she's one of those unsung heroes," Shanks says.

"I like being around young



Maria Mark

people, old people. Just people," Mark says, fluffing a client's hair while talking in her shop. "I think I can make a difference."

"I got involved with the Optimists Club because their motto is 'Friend To Youth.' I thought, 'I'm a friend to youth.'"

Don Brose, president-elect of the Optimists, more than agrees. "Maria's a wonderful person," he says. "She started this about three years ago and it's just been a wonderful program. Maria is a very loving person. I think she's a true optimist."

A divorced mother of two grown children, whom she adopted as infants, Mark feels she understands the trials and tribulations of middle-school-aged children because of her children's personal experiences, as well as those she went through herself as a 12-year-old moving to the United States from Italy.

"I've learned through my ups and downs," she says, without elaborating. "I know that's a very impressionable age. You can still reach kids at that age. It's a very vulnerable age."

Mark remembers that she was just recovering from the effects of her divorce in the mid-1990s ("wallowing," as she jokingly refers to it) when she began to reflect on her life and feel the need to do something important and satisfying.

She had always believed the elderly and the young to be "left out" in American culture.

"I came from another world, where old people and young people were the treasures of life," she remembers of Italy. "I guess I grew up with community."

Mark met her grandparents for the first time when she moved to America at age 12 and remembers the importance of that moment and its impact on her life and how it motivated her to help others and to bridge the generational gap.

"Older people hear the news and they just think kids do bad things," Mark says, remembering that some of the priests were skeptical, initially. "You have to change a perception of who's bad and who's good. There's a different foundation for it that has to be recognized, nurtured and cared for."

"Colombiere called me all excited," she remembers, quoting their administrators. "We want to talk to you. We want to do this."

About 25 to 30 students now

'She just gives so much of herself to the kids and the community. It was just real clear that she's one of those unsung heroes.'

Penny Shanks of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce referring to Maria Mark

visit monthly with some 60 retired priests. Many were educators at one time, says Marta Slocum, coordinator of special services for the Jesuits, and they are intrigued by the teens.

"They bring life into this house," Slocum says of the teens. "When the kids are here things definitely get a little jazzed up. It's a great program. It really has brought the reality of what it is to be a youth today to them."

Together, they play board games, have pizza parties and ice cream and enjoy getting to know one another — across the years.

"I was so excited because this was the dream of my life — making something like this be born in the community I live in. It's like visiting a group of grandfathers. It's a different kind of fun. We've established a relationship," Mark says.

"If you look at the faces of these old guys when the kids are coming in — and the kids when they're reacting — you just want to say, 'Wow! This is the meaning of life.'"

Liquor licenses from page A1

rant might spill over to other areas of the building.

Leech and Kammer said alcohol would not be allowed outside the restaurant unless the building was being rented for a convention and operating under a special event license. Private security guards would be hired for day-to-day enforcement, they said.

"I'm still curious about confin-

ing the consumption (of alcohol) to the restaurant," said Trustee Neil Wallace. "I guess, so far, I'm not convinced that can be done."

Board members' excitement about the food served at Carter's other restaurants raised an additional concern — that of remaining objective — and ultimately led to tabling the license requests.

"We all have biases. I love Ital-

ian food," said Trustee Jeffrey McGee, proposing that the board first set up parameters for making their decision.

"I don't think the board is in the position to make a decision tonight," he said. "I think that we should take the current presentations into account ... and perhaps then pursue a program that will enable us to get to a decision."

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OCC skips safety facility, adds tuition hike

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

It's not in the \$106 million budget, but it was the central topic of discussion for the Oakland Community College board.

It's jokingly called "Sim City" (not "sin"). That's short for "simulation." It's an idea for a joint police and fire training facility that simulates a real public safety emergency.

"I saw nothing on Sim City in the budget. I made a promise to voters," said trustee Anne Scott of Royal Oak. She and board

chair Judith Wiser of West Bloomfield were on the short end of a 5-2 vote May 18 as the board approved a budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

"We voted for this eight years ago, and it didn't happen," added Wiser.

Trustee Sandra Ritter of Waterford recalled the 1990 vote differently. She said the board merely approved a concept, not an actual plan or budget.

Chancellor Richard Thompson said, "I would hesitate to move forward (on Sim City) without a business plan."

Vice-chancellor Clarence Brantley added: "We have not budgeted to build it. We need to do a business plan to seek funds from the community."

That was the sticking point - who should pay for a complex training facility for police and fire? OCC as an educational institution has no duty to provide public safety service beyond campus borders. It does run a training academy on the Auburn Hills Campus for public safety

officers from Oakland and neighboring counties.

But the prevailing view is that either the federal government, the benefiting agencies or business should pay for capital equipment.

Tuition raised

There was no discussion of the big change in the FY 1998-9 budget: a student tuition increase.

In-district students will pay

\$47 per credit hour, up \$1 or 2.2 percent; out-of-district Michigan residents \$79.50, up \$1.50 or 1.9 percent; and non-Michigan residents \$111.50, up \$2.50 or 2.3 percent. Since the rates are below consumer price inflation, students' families will be eligible for state personal income tax credits.

It was OCC's first tuition hike in four years.

The biggest single source of income will be property taxes -

0.85 mills approved in perpetuity when the college was founded in the 1960s, and 0.8 mills for seven years approved by voters in 1995. It will cost property owners about \$1.65 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation.

State aid was budgeted at the \$19 million, zero-increase figure recommended in February by Gov. John Engler. But the Legislature is expected to increase that. If so, it will be added to the year-end surplus.

OCC job training program wins award

Oakland Community College's welfare-to-work program has received the National Workforce Development Award from the American Association of Community Colleges and the United States Department of Labor.

Kitty Higgins, deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor, presented Richard T. Thompson, chancellor, Oakland Community College, with the award at the recent AACC meeting in Miami.

A \$10,000 prize attached to the award will be reinvested in scholarships and other programs, Thompson said.

OCC's Advanced Technology Program brings together the training and support of a community college and corporate

employers, such as EDS and Kelly Services, to provide participants with a comprehensive and practical professional development program and career path employment.

The program seeks to break the cycle of poverty and welfare for its participants and their children by teaching valuable work skills that enables candidates to be successful in today's workforce.

Since the program's inception in 1995, OCC has successfully conducted five ATP classes resulting in nearly 70 welfare recipients being trained and placed in such positions including computer systems administrator, robotics technician, CNC machinist and others.

Red Cross holds area blood drive

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On Saturday evening a premier showing of the homes will take place, followed by a champagne/hors d'oeuvres reception at Chateau du Lac, "Castle on the Lake," an elegant private home in Independence Township. Advance reservations are required for this evening's event. Tickets are \$65 per person.

Lunch at Mesquite Creek restaurant is included with the Sunday afternoon tour. Advance reservations are recommended since a maximum of 500 lunches will be served. Tickets are \$25 for general admission, \$22 for ages 60 or older.

Reservations for both events can be made by sending a check to Clarkston SCAMP, 6590 Middle Lake Road, Clarkston 48346.

See our At Home section in today's paper for story on featured home

Check-in for both events will take place in the tent in Depot Park, downtown Clarkston. Those having reservations for patron's night should arrive between 5:45 and 7 p.m. Saturday. Sunday afternoon check-in will be from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. For additional information, call 625-3330.

Three homes in the village will be featured in the historic segment of the tour. One is the original home of Butler Holcomb built in 1831, one of Clarkston's earliest settlers and the gentleman for whom Holcomb Street is named. A second home dating back to before 1850 shows the post and beam construction of that era. Several additions and renovations add to the charm and character of this historic home. The third historic home, also dating back to the 1800s, has the original wood floors but includes all the conveniences of

the '90s including a beautiful master bedroom suite.

This unique tour is enhanced with two additional magnificent homes that have been designed to fit the contour and beauty of the land. One of the homes, designed by a Birmingham architect, is set on a hill above Dark Lake surrounded by tall trees and wetlands. The second, built in 1997, is nestled in the woods of Bridge Valley on land once belonging to Henry Ford. This 7,000-square-foot home has an old-world European atmosphere.

SCAMP has been providing a summer camp experience for individuals with special needs in northern Oakland County and southern Genesee County since 1976. The focus of this five-week fun-filled program is to build self-esteem and maintain academic achievement through recreational activities and social events. The program has grown over the past 22 years with approximately 300 individuals participating in 1997.

Ward house from page A1

deck was rebuilt and expanded to three tiers and a neat wood slat fence was added to contain her dog Cody. After incorporating some beautiful landscaping, which included sculpted flower beds, only one exterior project remained. Using a photo of the original house, the enclosed front porch was demolished and an exact replica was erected, complete with pillars and railings all around. Near the curb of the front yard stands the carriage step of a bygone era, which enhances the historic aspect of the site.

Inside the home, Ward, a teacher, based her restoration on the original style of the house whenever possible. Each room was a challenge and one she was able to meet with minimal professional help — she did not hire a building contractor or architect to help with the remodeling. How did she know what to do? "Trial and error," she said with a laugh.

The first floor contains a dining room, kitchen, library, living room, bathroom and laundry area. To help these rooms match the potential Ward envisioned, "the whole house was gutted," she said. The flocked wall coverings were stripped, the crumbling plaster ceilings and walls were torn down and all the window trim was refinished by removing white paint and staining the wood in a warm oak color. Rosettes and textured moldings around the windows completed the house's historic appearance.

A faded and dingy wood flooring was discovered underneath the carpeting. The pieces were

"I plan to live here forever. They'll have to carry me out."

Monica Ward
owner of historic Holcomb Street home

16-foot slats, the size of which is indicative of old-time flooring materials. The floors were then restored and refinished to their original deep oak luster. A piece of old molding that had been removed from the rest of the house was found in a closet. A milling company was able to copy the piece and make new molding that now prominently covers the entire expanse of the first-floor baseboards. "It's sad to think that a long time ago, someone who was remodeling the house threw the moldings away," she said.

Other downstairs projects included demolishing the narrow enclosed stairway in the front foyer and replacing it with an open one with custom-made banisters and rails. A second stairway was added in the kitchen after an upstairs flooring pattern indicated a former staircase opening.

In an effort to modernize the kitchen, a half wall was removed, an enclosed laundry area was added, an island with a double sink was installed and new cupboards constructed of pickled maple were hung. In the back corner of the kitchen, opposite the staircase, is a beautiful corner cabinet fashioned by Vera Torr's grandfather. At the opposite end of the room, a pair of

oak French doors lead visitors to the dining area.

Ward's favorite room on the main level is the library or, as she calls it, "my cozy reading room." Old paneling was removed and the placement of some of the windows was changed during renovation. The ambiance is further enhanced by the gas fireplace and an array of old books which grace the top of the mantel. The tiles surrounding the fireplace bear a copy of a Frank Lloyd Wright design, hand-painted by an Ann Arbor artist.

Upstairs, the bedrooms were remodeled in the same fashion as the other rooms of the house. Wall and floor coverings were stripped, fresh paint and new flooring were added. When deteriorating flat ceilings were torn down, they were replaced by high ceilings that followed the roof line, adding space and giving the upstairs a light, airy feeling.

Though a few projects remain upstairs, Ward is almost finished with her dream house. With updated plumbing and electrical service and the old radiator in great working condition, the home needs little more. She tackled one room at a time, start to finish, and everything came together in the end. Does she plan on staying for a while? "I plan to live here forever," she said. "They'll have to carry me out."

Kim Huttenlocher, vice president of the Clarkston Community Historical Society, contributed to this article.



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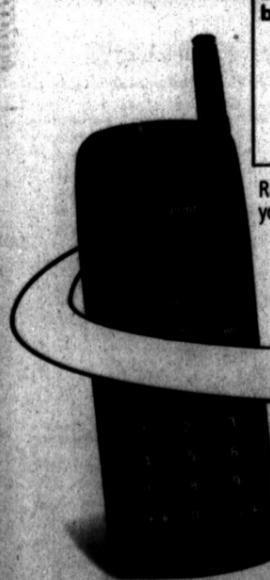
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Commission hesitates on accepting plans for county mental health board

As Oakland County inches toward establishing an autonomous authority to oversee delivery of more than \$120 million annually in mental health services, one point is clear.

The transition report unveiled to the public this week needs more work.

No action was taken following the three public hearings. And officials — like county commissioner Fran Amos, a Waterford Republican whose district extends into West Bloomfield — said more hearings are likely before Oakland establishes a mental health authority, possibly by the end of 1998.

"We can not accept this report without more direct accountability," said Samuel Davis, executive director of the Southfield-based Children With Emotional Disorders.

Davis was one of about 35 people at Tuesday's hearing. His concern was voiced repeatedly during the hearings in one form or another.

"How are we going to get accountability if the responsibility for mental health services is shifted from county commissioners (who are elected) to an authority that is appointed?" asked Carol Vainer, a Bloomfield Hills resident who is also legislative chair for the state chapter of the Alliance for the Mentally Ill.

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*Carol Vainer
—Alliance for the Mentally Ill*

The 200 page transition report lists 40 steps to be taken to shift supervision of the delivery of mental health services — such as counseling and outpatient care for adults with mental illness or children with severe emotional disabilities — from the county board of commissioners to an independent mental health authority.

The shift, which some say is overdue and inevitable, would give the responsibility of policy decisions as well as day-to-day operations to the authority — whose members would be appointed by the board of commissioners.

The state currently provides 90 percent of the county's \$120 million mental health budget that services about 12,000 Oakland County clients.

"Going to a mental health authority is a big step," said Hope Cummins, a Farmington Hills resident who is president of AIM. "We are opposed to any change that would reduce service or reduce accountability."

The transition report under consideration should be considered as a "work in progress," said county commissioner Amos, who is also chair of the Oakland Community Mental Health Commission.

The report — as it exists — is a well-conceived blueprint for forming an authority, the county commissioner said. "But we can still make changes. The report will go through committee hearings (before it goes to the entire Board of Commissioners), and there's ample opportunity to make changes."

County executive L. Brooks Patterson has made no comment on the proposed transition. His budget director, Robert Daddow, attended Tuesday's public hearing to say the executive's office has had no impute into the transition report under review.

David Huff, an Oak Park resident who spoke at Tuesday's hearing, said the scheduling of the public hearings — literally days after the transition report was released — did not allow

resident, including the recipients of mental health services, enough time to make informed comment.

"I propose another series of public hearings," he said, "to be scheduled in about three weeks."

That would give the recipients of mental health services — "Who have the most to lose," Huff insisted — time to read and digest the 200-page transition plan and give informed comment.

County commissioner Jeff Kingzett, D-Pontiac, said the proposed transition report was "too lengthy and too complicated" to be digested within the time allotted for the public hearings.

"This is far too important to handle in three days," he said. Kingzett's district includes Auburn Hills.

Kingzett said he is also concerned about the accuracy of the report.

"I've talked with some of the people who worked on the report," he said. "And the report doesn't appear to be an accurate reflection of their efforts."

"Obviously, we've got some things to be worked out," he said.

OAKLAND DIGEST

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP

Big development: A 45-acre project, featuring 40 houses, stores, a restaurant and a post office building, was approved for Davisburg and Andersonville roads. It is the largest project of its kind in township history. The developer is Tim Birtsas, a former major league baseball player.

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Memorial's day: Plans for a war memorial along M-24 moved forward when Orion Township trustees approved a \$1, 30-year lease for Orion War Memorial, Inc., the nonprofit group planning the tribute to area veterans.

OXFORD

New tower: With completion only a few weeks away, engineers for Oxford Township's new elevated water tower added a few design modifications to make it easier for residents of a nearby mobile home park and a pro-

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ROCHESTER

Lion king: A royal sendoff was held Thursday for King, a nine-month-old African lion, who was transported from Michigan Humane Society headquarters in Rochester Hills to a California wildlife preserve. His owner, a Detroit man, had surrendered the golden-colored cat to the humane society in November. A home is still sought for Lucky, the man's 14-month-old Siberian tiger.

TROY

No charges: An investigation by the city attorney cleared city cable employees of any potential election law violations for their part in splicing in comments from an absent city council candidate into a videotape of a League of Women Voters' candidates night program. The investigation concluded it was "improper," but not illegal.

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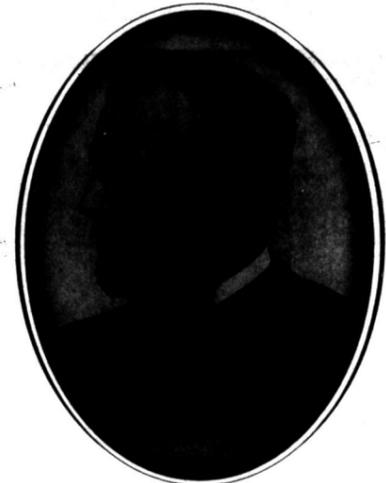
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AG campaign notes

• Scott Romney, Bloomfield Hills corporate lawyer seeing the Republican nomination for attorney general, has announced two major endorsements - U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg of Bloomfield Township, and businessman Peter Secchia, former national committeeman from Michigan and once U.S. ambassador to Italy.

• State Rep. Frank Fitzgerald, an announced candidate for the Republican nomination, blistered incumbent Democrat Frank Kelley for "attacking job providers." Fitzgerald, R-Grand Edge, said Kelley used a backdrop of farm fields to announce filing of a complaint against Consumers Energy for damage

to cows allegedly caused by stray electricity, "but (Kelley) avoids crime-ridden neighborhoods where people are dying from stray gunfire."

• Incumbent Frank Kelley, a Democrat, announced the opening of a second web site, this time for the general public. It will contain formal opinions, department information, crime victims information, consumer protection statutes, the Freedom of Information Act and press releases. His first web site was for county prosecutors. The address is www.ag.state.mi.us

Will it end?

"Will This Trial Ever End?" asks Gov. Engler's office. It refers to a one-year-old trial over

state prison inmate property rights before Ingham Circuit Judge James Giddings.

Ken McGinnis, director of the Department of Corrections, criticized Giddings for a series of rulings: that the department couldn't take "seam rippers" from inmates (a sharp blade), that the department can serve freeze-dried instead of frozen chili in the prisoner store; that Prison Legal Services, which represents the prisoners, may install a microwave oven in its office; and that the department cannot put a prisoner in administrative segregation for substance abuse.

Appointments

Gov. John Engler has appointed:

• **Roger H. Hertz** of Birmingham to the Michigan Board of Medicine. He is a perinatologist and associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology at Wayne State University.

• **Demetrio Timban** of Troy, also to the Michigan Board of Medicine. He is director of surgery for Harbor Beach Hospital. The board examines and licenses medical practitioners.

Rochester hosts Heritage Festival

SATURDAY, MAY 23

■ 8 a.m.-12 noon - Rochester Kiwanis will host a Pancake Breakfast at the Rochester Community House, 816 Ludlow, located off University Drive, west of Rochester Road. Cost is \$4 adults, \$3 children 3-12, and all the pancakes you can eat.

■ 8:30 a.m. - Fun Run, sponsored by the Rochester-Avon Recreation Authority at the Older Persons' Commission Building on Woodward Street. 656-8308.

■ 10 a.m.-close - Steam engines and tractors will on display at the west end of the pond; Model miniature engines by the North American Model Engineering Society in the skating shelter and a Bike/Trike/Wagon Parade forms behind Kiwanis Shelter.

■ 10-11 a.m. - Tim Salisbury, comic juggler (Band shell: Pavilion if rain)

■ 11 a.m. - Play at the Pioneer Homestead.

■ 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Anne and Rob Burns, baroque and celtic music on flutes, dulcimer, and percussion in the pavilion.

■ 1 p.m. - Play at the Pioneer Homestead.

■ 1-3 p.m. - Paint Creek Folklore Society, folk music in the pavilion.

■ 3 p.m. - Rubber Ducky Race, buy your ducks near the bridge at the west end of the pond.

■ 3:30-5 p.m. - Will Danforth will perform guitar in the band shell.

SUNDAY, MAY 24

■ 8 a.m.-12 noon - Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast.

■ 10 a.m.-close - Festival of Cars, an Antique and Classic Car Show featuring 275 cars sponsored by the Rochester Lions Club. Antique Fire Truck Muster and Rides by the Rochester Fire Department will be located behind the Municipal Building. Model miniature

engines by the North American Model Engineering Society in the skating shelter.

■ 12-2 p.m. - The Olds Michigan Ruffwater String Band will perform in the Kiwanis Pavilion and Chordmasters Quartet will perform roving music in the pavilion.

■ 1-5 p.m. - Walt Smith, Magician, will be in the Homestead area.

■ 2:30-3:30 P.M. - The North Oakland Community Band will perform in the Bandshell.

■ 4-5 p.m. - Rhinestone Rodeo Rockers will perform line dancing in the Bandshell.

Roving performances throughout the park on Saturday and Sunday will be provided by Don't Look Now Jug Band, Runa Thushay and The Chordmasters Quartet.

Muzzle-Loading and tomahawk-throwing demonstrations will also be provided every hour on the hour in the Homestead area both days.

Summer camps offered at nature preserve

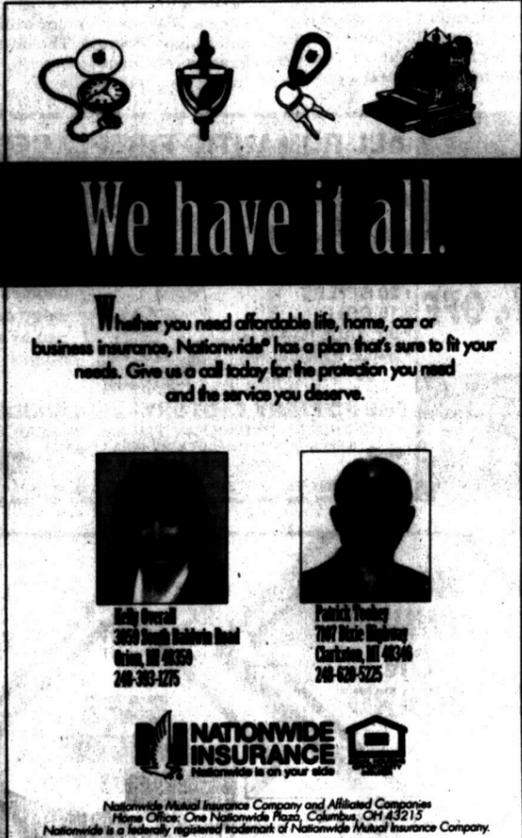
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THURSDAY, MAY 21, 1998

Give 'em a hand Volunteers deserve recognition

Part of what makes Clarkston special is the number of people who are committed to this community — the unsung heroes who unselfishly volunteer to work with people in need or who give of their time and money to make a new project work or preserve a bit of the past.

Every year at this time the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce recognizes some of these individuals. It did so again yesterday during its Michigan Week Awards Breakfast.

Choosing the winners is difficult because there are many deserving people. This year's nominees, as in past years, were top-notch.

We laud this year's winners, two of whom we profiled in our news pages today, as well as the runners-up. In our opinion, every one of them is a winner. They're the ones who help make Clarkston special.

Join us in saluting the following (winners are first; nominees follow):

Citizen of the Year — Joyce Bleim, Meals on Wheels volunteer and Lighthouse food volunteer; the late **Clarence Catalo**, community supporter; **Jim Evans**, for his work with the Clarkston High School all-night party, Boosters, Optimists and Clarkston Foundation; **Joan McCrary**, Independence Township clerk and community supporter; **Ruth Johnson**, Oakland County commissioner for her efforts in educating the public about arsenic in well water.

Adult Youth Volunteer — Maria Mark for her work with Junior Optimists, Octagons, St. Daniel's Church and the Columbiere Center; **Mary Ellen McLean**, for developing the Odyssey of the Mind program; **Carol Kammer**, for work in various groups including the Clarkston Foundation; **Beverly Territo**, for her support and dedication of fine arts programs at CHS; **Jeff Gallant** for his volunteer efforts at the Clarkston Christian Association, St. Daniel's Church, Independence Township Library and the Optimist Club; and **Brook**

McCall for her efforts in raising money for ill youths in the community.

Young Person of the Year — Jodie Barger and Dane Fife. (Yes, there are two winners in this category.) Jodie donated 20 percent of her income to three non-profit groups last summer. She also volunteers as a counselor at a CYO camp during the summer, teaches catechism at Our Lady of the Lakes and was in charge of all props for the CHS spring play. Dane Fife represents the community well as a nationally acclaimed basketball player. He has earned recognition as Michigan Basketball Player of the Year, been selected to the USA Today and McDonald's All American teams, and was named a member of the Junior Olympic Team. In addition, Dane has worked with younger players in the McGrath League for four years and has served as a presenter for the DARE program.

Business Person of the Year — Robert Olsen of Planned Financial Services for his work with a variety of community groups including the Clarkston Foundation; **Jim Sharl** of Keift Engineering for his community work; **Gary Harchelroad** of Outback Steakhouse for the donation of his restaurant, food and beverages to benefit the Clarkston Foundation; **Bob Martin** of Ameritech Cellular for corporate sponsorship of the Reading Rainbow Pack program at Independence Township Library; and **Carrol Cantor** of Carrol's Flowers and Gardens for her unending support of many community groups through donations and in-kind services.

Community Preservation — Lubomyr O. Hewko for his work with the Clarkston Community Museum Foundation; **Sharon Catalo**, Clarkston mayor; **John Campau** and **Curt Catalo** of the Clarkston Union; and **Alex and Sandy Bruni** for donating the former McCord Farm to Independence Township.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Would you go to see the Detroit professional women's basketball team, the Shock, play a game?



'I don't like basketball. Hockey? Yes.'

Sue Hopps
Clarkston employee



'I don't believe so. I don't even go to see the men.'

John Zander
Springfield Township



'Yes. I think it would be interesting and fun.'

Tami Lowrie
Independence Township



'Sure. I think it's good that women are finally getting a chance to become professional athletes.'

Janis Colbert
Independence Township

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

LETTERS

Family articles 'upbeat'

Just a quick note to thank you for doing such a nice job on the article about our family. We really appreciate how you hit upon the positives and were so "upbeat" in both articles — not to mention the fact that both articles were so well-written.

Cherie Stapp
Springfield Township

Story accurate, well-done

It was with great joy that we read your article, "Music director composes family values" in the Thursday, May 14, issue of the Clarkston Eccentric. It's not often that an interviewer portrays the interview as accurately as Jan Baker did. Actually, she is a wonderful interviewer. Her ability to get the very best out of people manifested itself in her even greater ability as a creative artist. The Eccentric is certainly fortunate to have a person of her talents on its staff.

I have never been compared to George Carlin or Ward Clever before. I envisioned myself a cross between Dennis the Menace and Godzilla! In any event, comparing me to Carlin and Cleaver isn't all that bad although Robert Redford would have been my personal choice! My wife seems to think I look like Alan Alda when my hair isn't tied back. My mom thinks I look like my dad. I choose to think I look like a proud senior citizen with long hair who sees life through the eyes of a child.

Thank you for getting the essence of the story out to our community. The families and young people in our tri-county area are wonderful people, and it is a privilege for us to be a part of their circle of friends.

Once again, we thank you for your kindness and professionalism.

Gene Grier
Clarkston

Be careful on tracks

Each year more than 450 people are killed and nearly 500 injured in the United States as a result of dangerous and illegal activity on or near railroad tracks.

Preliminary 1997 statistics for Michigan show seven deaths and 14 injuries. More than half of these deaths and injuries involve individuals under 21 years of age.

These injuries and deaths are not the result of rail/grade crossing accidents. They are the result of people walking down railroad tracks, fishing or swimming from railroad bridges and playing on railroad property. They are totally avoidable.

As the school year draws to a close, the Michigan Railroads Association encourages

parents and educators to remind children of the dangers of playing on or near tracks and train yards. If you'd like more information on rail safety in Michigan, contact me or Janet Foran at (517) 373-2160.

Robert Chaprka
President,
Michigan Railroads Association

Ban bias

In 1996 California citizens decided that racial preferences should be removed from state law.

It was decided that government should not discriminate against an individual or group on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity.

Finally, one state in the union made discrimination on the basis of color illegal.

Bring Proposition 209 to Michigan. Let's push for reason, justice and sanity in all 50.

Neil Goodbred
Livonia

Learn about hospice

Americans continue to be obsessed with death, but unfortunately, not dying.

Assisted suicide seems to pervade our thoughts about dying as we read about the latest news involving Dr. Jack Kevorkian. We speculate about the circumstances surrounding Linda McCartney's death and follow the legal debate stemming from the Supreme Court decision on assisted suicide as it becomes an issue for Michigan's Legislature.

But a recent study published in the New England Journal of Medicine shows that even if physician-assisted suicide was legal, most doctors would not engage in the practice. Similarly, a 1996 Gallup survey found that most patients would prefer to die at home with all the components hospice provides.

Hospice care utilizes the skills of physicians and nurses providing pain and symptom management, social workers and spiritual caregivers offering counseling. Rather than insisting on a solution such as assisted suicide, why not open our minds and learn more about hospice care?

Maureen Butrico
Community Hospice & Home Care Services

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Term limits have a side effect

In theory, term limits were a good idea. And, in theory, we supported them. That was in 1991, more than a year before Michigan voters made term limits the state law.

In practice, term limits fall short of our expectations. There's a new issue that undermines the law's effectiveness and leaves us questioning whether term limits are what Michigan voters really want, after all.

When term limits were approved, it was assumed that retiring legislators would return to private life. That's not happening.

Retiring state House members are opting for new jobs in the state Senate. In some cases, they're challenging incumbents of their own party.

In the 15th Senate District, incumbent Bill Bullard Jr. is challenged in the Republican primary by state Rep. Barbara Dobb.

In the 16th Senate District, incumbent Mat Dunaskies of Lake Orion is being challenged by fellow Republican Tom Middleton of Clarkston, another soon-to-be ex-House member.

Rather than fresh faces in new places, we could end up with a reshuffling of the same old folks.

But what if that's what voters want? We wonder whether depriving voters of choice in selecting who they want to represent them — and where — is sound public policy.

There are still strong arguments that limiting terms will force officials to concentrate on excellent service and doing what it takes to solve social ills, instead of concentrating on being re-elected and playing to the media.

But term limits can rob the state of legislative experience and savvy if legislative veterans decide to call it a career. Then, there is the new issue of job switching if they don't.

We can't see how it fulfills the spirit of term limits if voters send their ousted state House member back to Lansing as a state senator.

But we can't see limiting an elected official's ability to run for office just because he or she once served in another elective office.

Michigan voters once, loudly and clearly, said they wanted term limits.

In a statewide ballot proposal in 1992, 59 percent of state voters supported term limits for state House and Senate members, the governor, attorney general and secretary of state.

The term-limit restriction is forcing 64 House members out of office this year.

It also places an eight-year limit on senators, the governor, secretary of state and attorney general, with a lifetime ban on running again for the same office. Term limits will not affect those offices until 2002.

Courts throughout the country have found that there is a compelling interest in limiting legislators' terms, but that a state is also required to narrowly tailor its restriction of a fundamental right.

It looks like Michigan's term limit law is tailored like a 46 long suit on a 42 short body.

We're not ready to give up on term limits just yet.

But in primaries this August and in the November general election voters local voters will tell us whether they are.

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— Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Moving TV shows is a turnoff to viewers

Game four of the Red Wings playoff and the final episode of Seinfeld were scheduled for the same time. This meant TV viewers had to make a choice of what to watch.

We can't blame the networks for it this time because Seinfeld was scheduled first, and the hockey officials scheduled the game.

Fortunately for people who wanted to watch both, the game lasted longer than Seinfeld and fans of both could watch most of the third period of the hockey game after Seinfeld.

Although it was an accident this time, come fall and the new TV season, we will see what the rating game does to TV audiences.

This summer TV executives will review vast statistical data to see who

watched what and when last year.

The programs with low ratings will disappear from the scene.

The ones with high ratings will be imitated by the other networks to the point that the public is subjected to many look-alike shows.

In the race for better ratings, the networks perform a great disservice to their viewers and switch around the time a certain show appears.

If one network has a show that dominates an audience on a particular night, the other networks suffer because the public has a tendency not to switch channels, and one good show can improve the network ratings for an entire evening.

The ratings are important because advertisers are willing to pay more for ad time if they believe that more peo-

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HANK HOGAN

ple will see their ads.

To counteract a highly rated show, the other networks move one of their own highly rated shows from another night so that it appears at the same time as the first show. While this has a tendency to reduce the rating of the

show moved, it does steal viewers from the first show and reduces that show's rating.

Over a period of time, the audiences are prevented from watching some of the best shows on television because they appear at the same time as other best shows on television.

This switching also forces the television viewer to change his watching habits. If the viewer only watches television on certain nights of the week, a show he or she watched on one of these nights last year may appear on a bowling night or a gourmet cooking class night so he or she simply may not watch TV.

Some may say that the answer is to record the second show on your VCR. Since I've never figured out how to use the thing, I can't keep calling my

kids to come over and set it.

Far be it for me to tell TV executives how to run their business, but they should decide who they want to please. If they ignore the needs of the television viewers by making short-run changes that put money in their pocket, in the long run the frustrated viewers will reduce the amount of time they spend watching network television, and possibly surf the net or even, God forbid, read a book.

They may win a couple of rating wars this year, but the percentage of people watching network TV is decreasing and eventually so will their rates.

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

MEAP scores are not the only yardstick for education

Most citizens across the state read with interest a variety of articles about student performance on the MEAP test. While it is good to see education given some positive attention by the press, readers beware! It has been said, "All that glitters is not gold" and that premise is a good one to use when addressing the testing of children. Now don't get the wrong idea! I believe that a statewide test can be a valuable tool in gauging progress or lack thereof. Furthermore, our results in Clarkston were pretty good.

So, why muddy the water and get the public thinking? An informed citizenry is critical to democracy and I believe our schools benefit when people have an opportunity to analyze issues for themselves. Therefore sound bites, newspaper articles and superintendent columns must be taken in context. The purpose of this column is to share my perspectives regarding the testing frenzy with you, but I trust the members of this community will question, seek informa-

tion and form their own opinions.

As the chart at right shows, our scores continue to demonstrate an upward trend in reading and math. Certainly our teachers have done their best to help students master the skills necessary to do well. However, the academic performance of children is much more than a selected sampling of test data, and the analysis of education is far too important to be reduced to a box-score mentality. Articles comparing the performance of one district against another may be great entertainment, but this practice does little to dismiss the myth that one single test can furnish an accurate picture of student performance. The truth is that trend analysis and a wide range of measurements provide a more realistic view of student and school success. Incidentally, did you know that our children had more time to prepare for the test this year? I would hope that the scores across the state increased!

I believe quality schools share some common attributes that drive them to



AL ROBERTS

greatness:

- Class performance is seen as important to learning, and the teachers expect each youngster to do his/her best daily.
- Participation in school activities is seen as an integral part of the school's mission. There is much research supporting the notion that youngsters who actively engage in school activities generally do better with regard to grades.
- The administrators, parents, teachers and citizens expect the children of the community to succeed.
- Students opt to take tougher

courses and attendance rates are high.

Test scores are seen as a significant part of the larger picture, but testing is kept in perspective. No single measure is used to negatively brand a child or a school.

Everyone seems to understand the consequence of doing poorly — public furor and the loss of teaching time for more testing.

As Clarkston's superintendent, I

want to express my pride in the results our youngsters have achieved, but I also want to challenge all of us to expect more. Our Clarkston children can do better. Our faculty/staff possess the talent and skills necessary to get to the next level, and our community continues to support its schools. Excellence must be the standard our district strives to achieve.

Al Roberts is superintendent of Clarkston Community Schools.

MEAP Test	1998	1996	1995	1994	1993	4-Year Difference
4th Grade Math	91.6	78.8	83.1	75.8	56.1	+35.5
4th Grade Reading	72.6	57.7	63.7	57.4	59.3	+13.3
Story selection	91.6	81.8	87.6	83.1	79.0	+12.6
Info. selection	74.6	60.4	65.1	59.5	64.9	+9.7
7th Grade Math	78.6	71.7	73.2	64.7	60.3	+18.3
7th Grade Reading	61.9	55.2	57.3	46.5	53.8	+8.1
Story selection	75.4	82.3	80.9	71.4	84.4	-9.0
Info. selection	70.5	58.9	60.5	55.8	56.7	+13.8

The above information reflects the results of the MEAP tests administered to 4th and 7th graders in January, 1998.

HELEN FURCEAN / STAFF ARTIST

High school testing should be law

What a mess! Responding to complaints about last year's Michigan High School Proficiency Test (remember, the one with "novice" and "not yet novice" ratings for those who performed poorly), the Legislature and the State Board of Education rushed to make changes.

They shortened the test from 505 to 370 minutes. They eliminated the pejorative rating nomenclature. They even changed the name of the test to Michigan Educational Assessment Program High School Test.

So what happened? A shockingly high number of juniors in Michigan high schools skipped the MEAP test when it was given last month.

In Livonia, 50 percent skipped; in Farmington, only 18 percent took the test; in Birmingham, 90 percent skipped; in Bloomfield Hills, nobody took it. In Northville, where the boycott got a lot of publicity, only 92 out of a junior class of 310 took the test.

The MEAP test is a key part of the effort to reform Michigan schools. The idea is to set out what kids are supposed to learn and then test them on it. Scores would not only help parents and taxpayers decide which schools were doing a good job, but they would also help employers figure out which job applicants were up to the job and assist colleges and universities in making admissions decisions.

To have such a high percentage of no-shows casts serious doubt on the entire school reform movement. In all this, there is plenty of blame to spread around.

Start with the State Board of Education, already split between moderates and radical right-wingers. In hindsight, it now seems clear the board fooled around with the test too much and too late, thereby confusing students, parents and teachers. And the board failed to set out compelling reasons for students to take the MEAP test, when lots of juniors are already taking the ACTs and SATs for college admissions.

Far worse, the State Board tolerated uncertainty about whether taking the MEAP test was required. In the January 1998 issue of "MEAP Update," the board proclaimed, "high school students must take the high school assessment ... the current policy of opting out is only to be used by parents of students with disabilities and limited English proficiency."

But State Board spokeswoman Deb Small then conceded that "the law says you (the schools) must give the test, but there's no law that says you (the students) have to take the test ... We have a policy of encouraging all students to take the test because we believe it is the best way to measure what students know according to state standards. But the State



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Board has no authority to make laws; that's why it's a policy."

Schools were put squarely in the middle, required to give the test but denied the hammer to require kids to take it. No wonder there was a boycott.

The flier put out by kids at Northville High School was tellingly to the point: "As of March 5 1998, there were no school or state requirements that state we must take this test to graduate high school. If the school board changes the requirements to make it mandatory for graduation after our testing, we will be exempt; we cannot be punished in retrospect."

Of course, the fundamental reason there is no law requiring students to take the test is because the Legislature is terminally scared (especially in an election year) to require anybody to do anything.

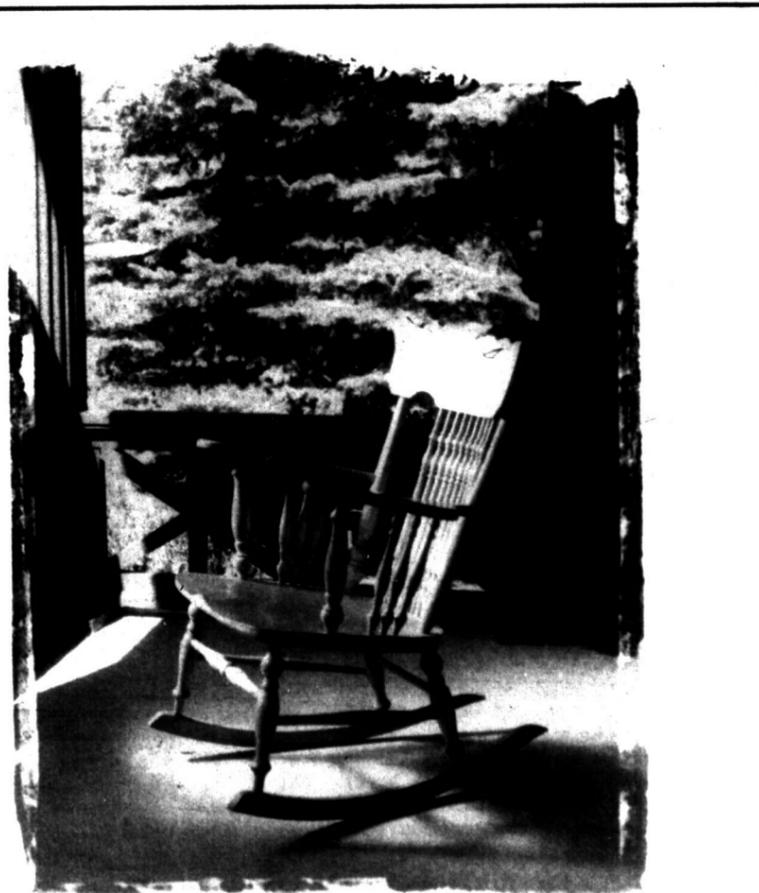
Some parents might wish to consider whether it's rank hypocrisy to argue, on the one hand, that it's unfair to force their kids to take the MEAP when it will have no effect on college admissions and, on the other, loudly to insist that local schools be held accountable for the quality of the education they provide.

The business community, after complaining for years about job applicants who could not read, write or reason, has much to answer for in failing to require MEAP test scores be part of every job application. The universities, too, have been whining about poor high school preparation for incoming freshmen. But Michigan college presidents, when asked by Gov. John Engler to request MEAP scores on college admission forms, declined.

Enough is enough. Too much is at stake here to let the current round of finger-pointing go on much longer.

The Legislature should pass promptly a law requiring completion of the MEAP test for graduation from Michigan high schools.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper.



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MATH CAMP

Registrations are being accepted for Oakland University's free mathematics camp for gifted pre-college students. The 1998 Summer Mathematics Institute meets June 29 to Aug. 7. Students can earn college credit for the program. Classes are taught by full-time OU faculty members. To register, or for additional information, call program co-director Marc Lipman at (248) 370-3430. Students can also inquire about the program by fax at (248) 370-4184 or by e-mail at lipman@oakland.edu.

GIVE BLOOD

A blood drive is being conducted May 21-22 at the Red Cross donor center, 2388 Franklin, Bloomfield Hills, in conjunction with the Detroit Institute of Arts. Donors will be entered into a grand prize drawing for an individual annual membership at the DIA. For more information, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Oakland University's Center for Business Excellence is holding a professional development weekend June 5-7. The weekend is geared toward CPAs and certified financial planners. There is a \$40-per-class fee. For a complete class list, or for more information, call (248) 370-3128.

WOOD CHIPS

Free wood chips are available for pick up every Saturday in May at Orion Oaks County Park. Those interested in picking up wood chips are advised to use the Clarkston Road entrance and to bring their own shovels, wheelbarrows and buckets. The program is not open to commercial haulers. Orion Oaks is in Orion Township. Additional information is available by calling (248) 858-0906.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Oakland County 4-H Clubs are joining with Habitat for Humanity to raise money to construct houses in the Pontiac area. 4-H youngsters will build Lego houses to call attention to the Habitat for Humanity program. They seek sponsors to help them acquire Lego materials. For additional information, call (248) 858-0889.

4H SUMMER

Registration has begun for summer 4H programs offered through the Michigan State University Extension. Programs are designed for students from preschool through fifth grade. They will meet June to August. Program offerings range from dinosaurs to Native American languages to agriculture and science. For more information, call the Oakland County 4H office, (248) 858-0889.

EL CENTRO HELP

El Centro, a bilingual, bicultural, ethnic-sensitive mental health program serving Oakland County's Hispanic community seeks volunteers who would like to either teach English, be a mentor/tutor, or help with daily activities. El Centro offers a variety of services, including assessment and referral; outpatient treatment for children, adults and families; crisis intervention; case management; and prevention and community involvement programs. For more information on programs or volunteering, contact El Centro at (248) 858-5320.

MENTORS PLUS

Mentors Plus, a program of Oakland County Youth Assistance, seeks positive adult role models for youngsters 5-16. Call (248) 858-0041.

THIS, THAT & THE OTHER

Potluck dinner

The Oakland Township Historical Society's annual spring potluck dinner goes forth at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, at Paint Creek United Methodist Church in Goodison. Bring a dish to pass and your own place setting. Call 693-8660.

Bridge players sought

Bridge players and lunch guests are being sought by organizers of the 16th annual Goodwill Classic golf outing 11 a.m. Monday, June 8, at Wyndgate Country Club, 1975 Gunn Road in Oakland Township. No more golfing slots are avail-

able, but bridge players may be admitted for \$70, lunchers for \$40.

Proceeds benefit Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit. For reservations, call (313) 495-0277.

Attn: Single mothers

The Crossroads Pregnancy Center at 426 W. University in Rochester hosts a free support group for young, single mothers. The group will meet 6:30-9 p.m. the second Monday of each month beginning June 8 at Meadowbrook Christian Church, 2741 Walton in Rochester Hills. Transportation and child care are available. To register call 650-8014.

County provides party fun

Oakland County Parks can send guests at birthday parties, family reunions and company picnics "up the wall" with its latest addition, The Climbing Wall. The rotating wall unit, activated by body weight alone, moves the wall downward so climbers are never more than a few steps off the ground.

Starting in mid-June, The Climbing Wall will be available for rent for \$250 for a three-hour visit. Parks staff will set up and take down the unit. Users must

weigh under 230 pounds. Other Mobile Recreation units for rent include: Orbotron; including a human gyroscope; Sports Mobile, including games like a parachute and foosball table; In-line and Skate Mobile; a Puppet Mobile with six original productions; Bumpa Bounce, a giant, inflatable bouncer; a dunk tank and performances by Oakland County Parks Singers. For reservations and rental prices, call (248) 858-0916.

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ROCHELLE SMITH

Would it kill them to hang up the phone?

Scientists and medical professionals have discovered many new illnesses and phobias during the past two decades that we were not aware of previously. Many of these new ailments are now so common that it's easy to assume they have been around for ages. Within the past few weeks, I believe I have discovered a new malady which is sweeping this area with such speed that it may soon affect every person in this community. For lack of a better term, let's call it "phobia."

This phobia is a strange addiction that is spreading from one person to the next like a tragic virus. Everywhere I look I see people with their cellular phones attached to their ears. At first I thought it was just a status symbol. You know, like the little Izod applique on a golf shirt, but I now realize that it is much more sinister than that. I truly believe these people have fallen under the influence of something much more addictive and, possibly harmful.

My concern first started a couple weeks ago when I was dropping off a large load of clothes at the dry cleaners. A lady walked into the cleaners just in front of me, put her clothes on the counter and, before saying a word to the employee behind the counter, reached into her purse, pulled out her

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Bell of the ball: Susan Aulgur of Clarkston plays bells at Central United Methodist Church.

Still ringing after 75 years



Few things in life have genuine, enviable longevity. Trees do. Elephants do. And parrots do. So too, does the Tuesday Musicale of Pontiac, which celebrated its 75th anniversary on May 12, a Tuesday ... natch.

The choir and hand bell organization, named for the day of the week it meets and featuring the talents of a number of Clarkston-area women, is still going strong, having survived the Stock Market Crash of 1929, World War II, and a 1940s fire that claimed virtually all their music files — along with all the history that went on in between.

"It is one of the oldest cultural clubs



Bell(ing) out a tune: Composed of 185 members from around Oakland County, the musicale features two hand bell choirs and a vocal chorus, made up of women ages 25 or so to 70-plus.

in existence in the area," said Judy Minshall, a past president and scholarship chair of the organization. "It's been in continuous existence."

■ 'It is one of the oldest cultural clubs in existence in the area.'

Judy Minshall
Tuesday Musicale past president

Composed of 185 members from around Oakland County, the musicale features two hand bell choirs and a vocal chorus, made up of women ages 25 or so to 70-plus. Its purpose is to promote music in the community and fund scholarships for college-age music students. There are a few men who act as patrons but do not perform. The musicale was founded in 1923 and orig-

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That's some bell: Music performed by the hand bell choirs and the chorus include show tunes, sacred songs, classical music and Christmas music.

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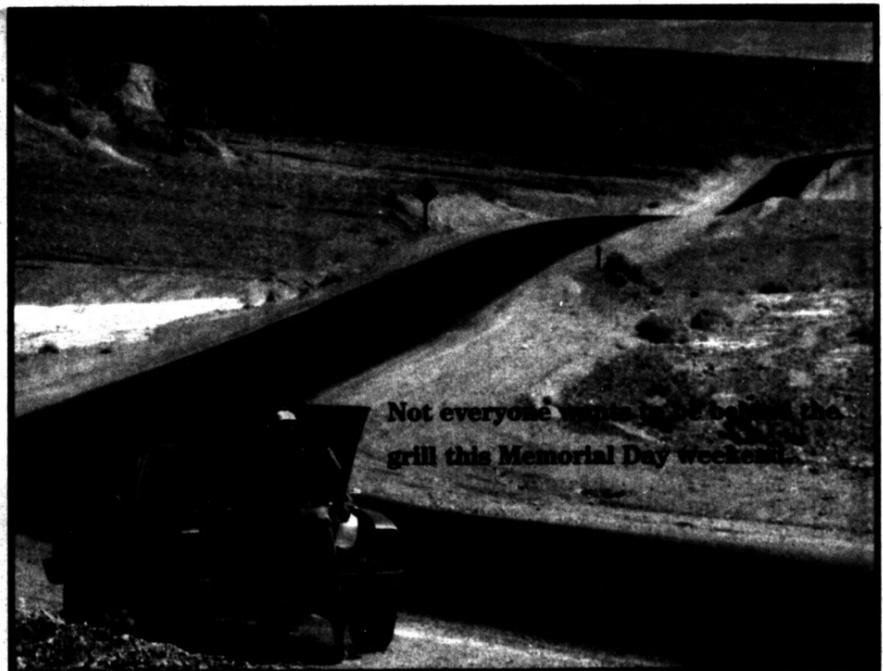


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Clarkston High School 1998 top 10 graduates

Shawn Verlinden
Shawn Verlinden, son of Mark and Tina Verlinden, is graduating with a 4.0 GPA. He will be attending the University of Mississippi from which he has received a Bledsoe Scholarship through the university and an Adler Scholarship through the School of Engineering. At Ole' Miss his goal is to obtain a degree in geological engineering and be part of the Honors College. Shawn plans to be a member of the soccer team for Ole' Miss. While a student at

Clarkston High School, Shawn was involved in National Honor Society-Henry Ford Chapter, Student Council, recipient of the Chenille Medallion, was captain of the varsity soccer team for two years and received recognition as All-State Honorable Mention. Last summer, Shawn attended the American Legion Auxiliary Michigan Boys' State. Local recognition has been WXYZ's Brightest & Best, Phi-Beta Kappa's Certificate of Recognition, and he represented Clarkston in the Thanksgiving Day Parade in the Blue Care Network's Honor Corps.
Jason Coryell
Jason Coryell, son of James and Mary Coryell, is graduating

with a 3.978 GPA. He plans to study materials/metallurgical engineering at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, which has awarded him with the Regents-Alumni Scholarship. Jason has been involved at Clarkston High School with the National Honor Society-Henry Ford Chapter, Blue & Gold, Science Club, Ski Club, Future Problem Solving, and Michigan Youth in Government (Model Judiciary Program). Outside of the classroom, Jason has been active in the community and has been an active member of St. Daniel's Church and its youth group. Jason has been recognized at Clarkston High School with the Chenille Medallion for academic excellence and a student-athlete award. As a graduating senior at Clarkston High School, Jason stresses to underclassmen, "With happiness, comes success. If you're not having fun, you're not living up to the high school experience."

Angela Fiorillo
Angela Fiorillo, daughter of David Fiorillo and Susan Russ, is graduating with a 3.968 GPA. Angela has been involved in National Honor Society, WOL-F (Working on Leadership for the Future), Blue & Gold, Octagon, SADD, and is a member of the senior Executive Board. Angela plans on majoring in business at Arizona State University where she has been awarded the Sun Devil's Scholarship. Angela has received the Chenille Medallion commending her for her academic excellence.

Jeffrey Hopcian
Jeffrey Hopcian, son of Thomas and Patricia Hopcian, is graduating with a 3.934 GPA. Jeff will be attending Kalamazoo College where he has been awarded an Honors Scholarship. As a pre-med student, he plans to major in biology and minor in trombone performance. Jeff is a member of the concert, jazz, and marching bands as well as varsity and barbershop choirs. He is a four-year member of the varsity cross-country team. He has been involved with National Honor Society-Henry Ford Chapter, Octagon Club, Blue & Gold, and is a member of St. Daniel's Catholic Church. Jeff has received a Chenille Medallion for academic excellence and is a Michigan Youth Arts Festival nominee for his Brass Quintet & Brass Choir performances at this year's M.S.B.O.A. State Solo & Ensemble competition.

Curt Brewer
Curt Brewer, son of Phil and Cindy Brewer, is graduating with a 3.925 GPA. Curt plans to attend the University of Michigan Honors College to major in business. He has been awarded a scholarship by the Regents of the University. Curt has earned his varsity letter in cross country for three years and track for four years. He has also been involved in National Honor Society-Henry Ford Chapter, executive board for Blue & Gold, and a Director of WOL-F (Working on Leadership for the Future). Curt is a four-year scholar athlete and has received the Chenille Medallion for academic excellence.

Eric Veit
Eric Veit, son of Eric and Ruth Veit, is graduating with a 3.941 GPA. Eric plans to attend the University of Michigan majoring in engineering. He has been a four-year member of the football team and two-year member of the track team. Eric also played the saxophone in the concert band for two years. He has been involved in Blue & Gold, where he was Pep Club Co-Chair, National Honor Society-Henry Ford Chapter and WOL-F (Working on Leadership for the Future). He has received the Chenille Medallion for academic excellence and has been recognized as a scholar athlete for the past four years.

Elizabeth Cook
Elizabeth Cook, daughter of Ty and Maralee Cook, is graduating with a 3.927 GPA. She is considering the University of Notre Dame or the University of Michigan Honors College where she has been awarded the U of M Regents Alumni Scholarship and

Melissa Conley
Melissa Conley, daughter of Darwin and Sheryl Conley, is graduating with a 3.921 GPA. She is currently a stay-at-home mother and wife and plans to attend Oakland University to earn a degree in child development. Melissa is an active member of Marantha Baptist Church. During her high school career she participated in SADD, Blue & Gold, Drama Club, L.I.F.E., and the Clarkston High School Marching and Concert Bands. Melissa has been a member of the National Honor Society for two years and has received the Chenille Medallion for academic excellence.

Derek Bannasch
Derek Bannasch, son of Jim and Lisa Bannasch, is graduating with a 3.97 GPA. Derek has been involved in a number of performing arts activities at Clarkston High School. These include marching band for three years, MIMÉ Troupe for two years, a woodwind quintet, a barbershop quartet, and he is a member of the Madrigal Singers. Derek directed the Drama Club's annual nine-hour variety show, Theatre-a-Thon, and also serves as the vice president of the Drama Club and has just finished his fourth Drama Club production. He is also a member of National Honor Society-Henry Ford Chapter, WOL-F, and has received the Chenille Medallion for academic excellence. Derek will be majoring in music education at Central Michigan University where he has been awarded the Centralis Scholar Award.

Jennifer Arremomy
Jennifer Arremomy, daughter of James and Denise Arremomy, is graduating with a 3.935 GPA. She will attend Taylor University where she plans to pursue an education in the field of Social Work. Jennifer has been involved in the L.I.F.E. Club, Student Council, National Honor

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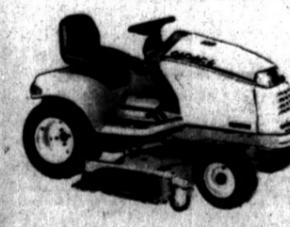
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Habitat takes on a gardening partnership

One of the most rewarding experiences of volunteering for an organization such as Habitat is the ripple effect on other people and organizations also getting involved with Habitat on many different levels.

During last summer's 1997 Blitz Build we were contacted by the 4-H Club of Pontiac. They were interested in getting the children from the summer program interested in doing volunteer work for the Habitat families. They presented all of the Blitz Build families with barrels filled with potted flowers. What a great way to get young children involved in giving of their time and talents with others in need.

On Saturday, May 16, four Pontiac families who were involved in last year's Blitz-Build will work with Imagine/RENDER volunteers to create their own kitchen gardens.

The Oxford-based Imagine/RENDER Group likes to take on community-based projects that create positive social change through the arts and education. One example is the Empty Bowls Project, which the group originated in 1990, a

grass-roots effort to raise money and awareness in the fight to end hunger, which has now grown to international proportions.

Lisa Blackburn and John Hartom, the group's founders, say their vision for the Kitchen Garden Project is that it will extend far beyond the four Pontiac families. "We hope to inspire the gardening habit with these families, so they'll have fresh organic produce through the summer and beyond. As individuals become confident gardeners, we also become informal teachers for friends and neighbors who want to garden too. The idea behind the project is that it will serve as a model for other Habitat for Humanity groups.

A packet of materials relating to the project is being developed by the Imagine/RENDER Group, to be available to Habitat for Humanity groups nationwide. The packet will also be available to other organizations who want to start kitchen garden projects.

"This has truly been a community effort," says John Hartom. "It couldn't have happened without the many donations of labor and materials we've received." These include lumber from Dill-



man-Upton; topsoil and compost from Meyer Brothers Landscape Supply in Rochester Hills; plant starts and herbs from WoJo's and Bordine's nurseries; Colleen Dotz and Stan the Tomato Man; volunteers and gardening books from Barnes and Noble Book-sellers; garden tools from Oxford Ace Hardware and Oxford Farm & Garden; and seeds from Shepherd Seeds. The Imagine/RENDER Group hopes that as a result of this project, every new Habitat for Humanity house will have such a garden. For more information regarding the Imagine/RENDER group, call Lois Robbins at (248) 628-4842.

If your organization would like to get involved, Habitat for Humanity is located at 14 Judson St., Pontiac 48342, and our telephone number is (248) 338 1843.

This column is shared by local community groups. Up next week: The Land Conservancy.

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inally had 15 women members.

"Their main thrust has always been to foster music and music scholarships in the area," said Dorothy Neff, an Independence Township resident and former Clarkston teacher, who is a singer with the group. Neff was a member in the 1960s before dropping out to pursue her career and then returning after her retirement in the 1990s.

"I enjoy the camaraderie and the friendship. I just like singing," she said, adding her thoughts about how the group has managed to stay in sync for so long. "It's hard to put your finger on what it is. I've never known there to be a bit of dissension."

Out-going president Charltte Maybee, 71, who grew up in Clarkston and whose family lent their name to Maybee Road,

agreed, noting that the exposure to music has enhanced her life.

"It is amazing," she said. "It's a group of people that believe in their cause of promoting music. I enjoy music and I like to sing. It brought me a new social group, a group of new friends."

Tuesday Musicale members present their music at a variety of forums throughout the year, including the "Holiday Festival of Trees" held at Christmas time in Clarkston.

While they rehearse and perform at area churches — their home base is Central United Methodist Church in Waterford — they are not affiliated with any religion, said Judi Kaines, an Independence Township member who plays the hand bells.

Music performed by the hand bell choirs and the chorus

include show tunes, sacred songs, classical music and Christmas music.

"We can really do a variety," Kaines said.

Kaines, 60, joined the musicale after moving to the area from northern Michigan.

"The first time I heard bells, I knew I wanted to play," she said. "We didn't have those up north."

"It's very rewarding ... being able to play with a group that's really talented. It's probably the only thing I do in my whole life where I go for two hours and think about nothing but playing bells."

The musicale welcomes associate members. People interested in learning more about how to join the organization can call (248) 338-6033.

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cellular phone and dialed a number. She announced a moment later to the person on the other side of the phone connection; "I'm at the dry cleaner." She then proceeded to carry on a conversation about taking their kids to a sporting event that evening and whether they should meet to discuss some other topic after the sporting event, or plan a lunch date for another day. All the while, the poor employee behind the counter at the dry cleaner was playing charades trying to find out if this lady wanted starch, boxed or hangers, what day she would like the clothes back and trying to tell her the cost for the clothes she was picking up.

I found that situation mind boggling, not being the type of person who has a close relationship with my telephone. Couldn't this phone call wait until after she left the dry cleaners?

The next day I saw a lady at the grocery store, standing in the middle of the aisle. All she was doing was talking on her cellular phone. Occasionally she moved her cart to one side or the other to let someone by, but then returned to the center of the aisle as if in a daze and unable to realize she was blocking the people who were actually trying to shop. At that point I started formulating my theory. These people can't help themselves. What started out as a convenience has taken control of their senses.

In the past I've toyed with the idea of getting a cellular phone. There have been times when I've been stuck in traffic and wished I could call to tell someone that I'm running late. We have also considered getting a cell phone for emergencies. But now that I've seen what can happen, I'm not sure it's worth taking the chance that I, too, may become infected with this disease.

This disease has crossed all boundaries. It may have started with the yuppies who liked the convenience of talking on the phone while driving, but it has now stretched way beyond an occasional car conversation. Nearly half the vehicles driving down the road seem to be guided by a one-handed driver who is using the other hand to hold a cellular phone. Not only are they using only half of their hands, but I believe they are using only half of their attention also. Personally, I know of three people who have caused accidents while talking on their car phone.

Cars are not the only vehicles being driven by phobia victims. A few days ago I saw a gentleman from a lawn crew sitting on one of those huge industrial-sized, lawn-mowing machines, in front of the Independence Town Square shopping center, talking on his cellular phone. I wondered first, how he heard it ring. I would think riding one of those large mowers would be a very loud and vibrating ride. How would he notice a small cell phone vibrating or ringing in his pocket? Then I wondered why he

felt the need to carry a cell phone while on the job. Was he expecting an emergency lawn mowing call to come in?

Even the seemingly free spirited souls among us have been infected with this highly contagious disorder. When I told my husband about this strange phobia spreading through our community, he told me what he had seen during his lunch hour in Mr. B's parking lot a few days earlier. While enjoying his lunch, he glanced out the window and noticed a large, rather foreboding looking fellow pull up on a Harley Davidson motorcycle, dressed in leather, with a red bandanna tied around his head like a gypsy. He got off his

motorcycle, reached into his pocket, pulled out his little flip phone and proceeded to stand in the parking lot talking on the phone. Is no one safe from this dreaded disease?

It's time the community pulled together to help these poor afflicted people. Perhaps a community support group could be formed, or we could implement early childhood education in the schools teaching the dangers of this strange addiction. An emergency phobia prevention hotline should be established. Those needing help could pick up their cellular phones and dial 1-800-HANG-UP.

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Warehouse positions available for motivated, team oriented people.

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Year applicable experience preferred.

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ROUTE DRIVERS
DRIVER HELPERS
IMMEDIATE OPENINGS for office products route drivers and driver helpers.

WAREHOUSE STAFF POSITION
Available for individuals with experience and desire to work in a high energy environment.

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SUPERVISOR & TRUCK DRIVER NEEDED
For building supply wholesaler selling vinyl siding and windows.

WELDER/FITTER
Structural & misc. steel shop seeks experienced welder/fitter. Salary commensurate with experience.

WELDER
Needed for part-time position at small manufacturing company. Flexible hours between 7am-3:30pm.

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Must read blueprints & possess top pay level self motivated. Wixom area. Call (810)983-3380

WELDING MACHINE OPERATORS
Manufacturing company located in Plymouth seeks individuals to operate small welding machines.

WILDLIFE DAMAGE CONTROL SERVICE TECH
Full-time work. Must have experience as a Service Tech in any field. Home repair experience highly helpful.

Window Cleaners
Full time positions year round. Same location daily. Above competitive wages with benefits.

WRITER
Full time, entry level position with trade magazine. Must have proven writing ability.

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Needed. Experience preferred but willing to train. Wages based on experience.

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AS/400 PROGRAMMER/ANALYST
Experienced AS/400 Programmer wanted for Livonia, MI. Based automotive pay scale.

COMPUTER OPERATOR
Southfield marketing firm seeking resumes. D-base and/or mailing list software a plus.

HELP DESK SPECIALIST
Seeking individuals with good quality user support for 100 users. Minimum 2 years technical support experience.

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Programmer/Analyst wanted for auto supplier. Responsible for programming, testing and distributing code.

PROGRAMMER/ANALYST
Experienced in a windows client/server environment. SQL and relational database design.

Programmer Analyst & Project Leader
Blue Line Distributing is seeking a Programmer Analyst and a Project Leader interested in working for a national food distributor.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/RECEIVABLE CLERK
Fast growing commercial construction and real estate development company needs Accis Payable/Receivable Clerk.

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Needed for automotive supplier. Immediate opening. Calling cards must have 2-5 yrs accounting experience.

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Full time needed for Bloomfield Hills. Must have 2-5 years accounting experience.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Construction Co. in Auburn Hills seeks an administrative assistant. Computer literate, organized, light bookkeeping.

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Executive Administrative Assistant for Novi Construction Company. Word Lotus Excel. Send resume to Admin Asst.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
To join a corporate services team at a Fortune 500 investment firm. Challenging, fast-paced environment.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Contractor/Design firm needs manager/assistant for President in Troy. Are you an organized, self-starter?

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Law firm is seeking detail oriented individuals for immediate full time employment. \$8.99/hr. benefits included.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Livonia based, fast growing, national company seeks full time Administrative Assistant. Must be very organized, detailed oriented and self-motivated.

Administrative Assistant
Part-time/flex-time. Troy firm seeks capable person to assist with general office duties such as filing, processing, appointments, & client service.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO \$35,000
Major company seeks Executive Assistant for Regional Headquarters. Must have experience with senior management.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
International technical society in Farmington Hills seeks adaptable, detail-oriented individual to perform a variety of office tasks.

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Part-time position available for our office in Bloomfield Hills. Computer literate, organized, light bookkeeping.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Fast paced construction environment looking for individual with strong organizational skills and the ability to execute a multitude of tasks.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT SUPPORT
Children's agency seeks energetic, reliable, self-starter with good work ethic. Administrative position in development/self-promotion department.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT SUPPORT
Are you tired of fighting I-75 southbound traffic? Then consider this position which is only a 20 minute drive from I-75.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Expanding company seeks self-motivated, organized, detail oriented administrative support. Ideal candidate will have good organizational skills.

Administrative Assistant
Essential job functions include phone interfacing with claimants, adjusters and contractors. You will also be responsible for assisting in the preparation of confidential legal documents.

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BROADCAST TV-Sales Assistant
good organizational skills, excellent communication skills, knowledge a plus, will train. \$18,200/yr. Full benefits, 24-hr. flex time.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Full & part-time. Personal injury litigation experience required. Ingress & substantial salary. 248-354-2500

FINANCE CLERK I
Full time. The Department of Finance, Water Division. Type 40 wpm. High school graduate with at least a plus experience in office procedures and computers.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Experienced in venipuncture, EKG, PFT, Sigmoid and light clerical duties. Knowledge of medical insurance mandatory with experience in electronic billing, insurance phone sales.

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Full time 1 yr. legal experience necessary. WordPerfect, Windows, organizational skills. Flexibility a must. Mail resume & salary history to: Donette, 500 N. Woodward, Suite #300, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 or Fax 248-647-0849

LEGAL SECRETARY
For Birmingham law firm. 2 yrs. experience W.P. 7.0 for Windows, Commercial Litigation, Real Estate & Medical Malpractice experience preferred. Excellent salary & benefits. Fax resume to 248-647-0596 or mail to P. O. Box 1899, Birmingham, MI 48012-1899

LEGAL SECRETARY
Full time for corporate office. Three or more years experience in filing state & local documents and excellent typing skills. Good working atmosphere, competitive wages and benefits. Please send resume: Observer & Eclectic Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150

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For well established Troy firm. Seeking professional corporate secretary. Minimum 5 yrs experience for a busy partner. Applicant must be proficient in Wordperfect 5.1 & have excellent organizational & language skills. Must have clearly held corporate status. Good benefits. Call Carol at 248-643-0526 or fax to 248-643-0526. P.O. Box 311, Chapman, 3001 W. Big Beaver Rd., Ste 704, Troy MI 48064

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Growing law firm is seeking a professional, detail oriented individual with excellent typing skills and 2 yrs. litigation experience for immediate employment. Related experience and/or course work preferred. Send resume to: Personnel, 1570 Penobscot Bldg., Detroit, MI 48226

LEGAL SECRETARY NEEDED
for Auburn Hills firm. Minimum 5 yrs experience in insurance, defense, litigation & general office. Resume to: Office Manager, 2701 University Dr., Ste 223, Auburn Hills, MI 48326

LEGAL SECRETARY
needed full-time for Southfield law firm specializing in labor law. 2-5 yrs experience required. Send resume to: Jeanne, 400 Galleria Office, Suite 117, Southfield, MI 48034

LEGAL SECRETARY
Southfield family law firm 3 yrs experience a must. WP 5.1, competitive benefits. Reply in confidence to: BOX 275, Pincinley, MI 48169

LEGAL SECRETARY
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First Baptist plants peace pole

BY BARB PIET TEMPLETON
SPECIAL WRITER

The six-foot hexagon-shaped Peace Pole that will be planted near Willits and Bates Streets in downtown Birmingham next week may seem interesting, but the symbolism lies in its message to passersby.

"I hope that it will remind people walking by our busy corner downtown that peace should prevail on Earth," Dr. Stephen Jones, pastor at First Baptist Church in Birmingham, said.

First Baptist will host a formal dedication of the Peace Pole at noon on Sunday, May 31.

Peace poles are handcrafted monuments erected the world over as international symbols of peace. Their purpose is to spread the message, "May Peace Prevail on Earth," and act as a constant reminder to area residents to work and pray for peace.

More than 100,000 Peace Poles are located around the world in 160 countries. This will be the second peace pole in downtown Birmingham; the first is located at the Municipal Building. The hexagon-shaped pole at the church will communicate the peace message in six languages: Japanese, English, Polish, Arabic, Hebrew and Swahili.

Jones, who has been the pastor at First Baptist since 1994, is anxious to see the peace pole planted at his church. It will be dedicated in memory of Robert M. Boltwood, a former moderator at First Baptist Church.

Boltwood and his wife, Hazel, joined the First Baptist Church for 46 years ago. They were also active throughout the city of Detroit and the suburbs for many years assisting in the resettlement of the Japanese after World War II internment, building bridges of racial understanding and modeling a lifelong commitment to peacemaking. Robert Boltwood died in 1996.

"We had been trying to think of an appropriate memorial to his life. He was such a peaceful man that we decided, oh, about six months ago, that this would be good," Jones said.

"I was in on the planning with the church and I picked this as a memorial because I felt it was appropriate," added Mrs. Boltwood, who resides in Southfield. "The funding for this comes from the money that was given at my husband's funeral in his memory."

Jones describes Boltwood as a quiet man, but dedicated to the work he and his wife completed across the metro-area. In addition to church matters, the Boltwoods worked tirelessly on behalf of the International Services Program at Wayne State University. Hazel Boltwood was head of the program which had them welcoming hundreds of foreign students over the years.

"They were a dynamic couple and if one did it they both did it," Jones said. "And Bob was a very nurturing and supporting husband to Hazel. He was just a very special man."

The upcoming ceremony will

prompt a large gathering of the Boltwood family. Hazel Boltwood will be accompanied to the service by her three children and six grandchildren. She feels certain that her late husband would be very pleased with the memorial peace pole that will bear his name.

"I know that he would really like this," said the 77-year-old who remains actively employed and is currently the interim service area minister for American First Baptist Churches across metro-Detroit.

The planting of the Peace Pole will take place at the conclusion of what has been a three-part Sunday worship and preaching series entitled, "Things that Make for

Peace," based on Luke 19:42. The series will discuss peace making in our community this Sunday, May 24 and peace making in our world on Sunday, May 31. Both sermons will be at the 11 a.m. services with Jones as the speaker.

The "peace in our community" presentation will have Jones talking about how the metropolitan area is really all one large place. He said he feels we all live in Detroit and Birmingham, for example, is just a neighborhood in that metropolitan area.

"A favorite theme of mine is that lines like the one drawn for Eight Mile Road aren't really there, we just draw them ourselves, we all live in one community," he said.

The entire community is welcome to attend any of the upcoming worship services in the peace-making series and of course the brief public ceremony when the Peace Pole is implanted on May 31 at noon.

"First Baptist Church has a long commitment to peace and justice issues and few people symbolize that more than Bob and Hazel Boltwood. We're honored to be planting a Peace Pole on our busy downtown corner in memory of a man who quietly yet firmly practiced ways of peace," Jones said.

For more information call the church at (248) 644-0550.



Peace supporters: Hazel Boltwood and the Rev. Stephen Jones display one of the flags that will be flown on the west front of the building where the Peace Pole will stand..

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE FOR
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The Michigan Department of Transportation is holding an Open house public meeting on Thursday, June 11, 1998, from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., and from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., at the Harrison High School Cafeteria, 29995 W. 12 Mile Road in Farmington Hills. This is an accessible facility with accessibility parking close to the entrance.

The purpose of this Open House meeting is twofold. First, to provide area citizens the opportunity to view the preliminary plans for the major rehabilitation for the pavement, curb and gutter, and drainage of Northwestern highway (M-10) through the cities of Farmington Hills and Southfield, the Village of Franklin, and West Bloomfield Township. And, second, to discuss with property owners MDOT's procedures for purchasing the land or obtaining the grading permits needed for this project. The interviews with property owners are the first step of the process that includes the appraisal of and purchase of the land needed for this project.

Because no formal presentation will be given, please feel free to stop in any time between 3:30 to 5:00 p.m., and from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., on Thursday, June 11, 1998.

To further assist you, information on this project may be obtained by calling Susan Fredericks of the Metro Region Real Estate team at (810) 977-0678 or the MDOT Public Hearings Officer, Jose A. Lopez at (517) 373-9534.

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Thursday, May 21, 1998

Wolves grab pair of OAA II track titles



■ The boys got an unexpected challenge, but the girls cruised to a relatively easy win as Clarkston brought home both Oakland Activities Association Division I track crowns.

You talk about a dramatic finish.

Clarkston's boys track team held a one-point lead over Lake Orion at the Oakland Activities Association Division II League meet heading into the final event of the evening — the 1600-meter relay — and needed a victory in that event to clinch the overall

league championship. Therefore, the Wolves came through in the clutch.

The quartet Matt Baker, Kurt Brewer, John Burklow and Clint Powell posted a 4:28.6 clocking in winning the finale — edging both West Bloomfield and Lake Orion in the final 100 meters — to solidify the meet title and the

school's second straight overall Division II title.

"We had a chance to win the title (outright) if we won the 4x400 relay and we did it," said Clarkston boys coach Walt Wyniemko. "The guys are excited because it's not every day that you get an opportunity to do this. I'm proud of every one on this team."

The Wolves, which finished 6-0 in dual meets, won the meet title with 128 points, while Lake Orion was second with 125 and West Bloomfield was third with 117. A meet victory by Lake Orion

would have given the Dragons a share of the overall league championship. But instead, it was the Wolves that finished as the leaders of the pack for the second straight season.

"We didn't win very many events, but we had so many other guys score points and that was a difference," said Wyniemko. "This was a great finish to a great (league) season."

Besides the Wolves' triumph in the 1600 relay, Marc Venegoni took the long jump (21-4) and the foursome of Baker, Burklow, Brent Quantz and Kevin Breen

■ 'We didn't score as many points as I anticipated, but we still won and that's what counts.'

Gordie Richardson
—Clarkston track coach

cruised to the pole position in the 3200 relay with an 8:20.1 showing.

Lake Orion's Jordan Desilets was, perhaps, the meet MVP as he won three events — the 800,

the 1600 and the 3200 meters. The Dragons also boasted a double-winner in Mike Rolingsmeyer, who took both the 110- and 300-meter hurdles.

In the girls meet, Clarkston, 6-0 in duals, won its fourth consecutive meet and overall title, totaling 147 points. West Bloomfield placed second with 77, while Lake Orion was fifth in the seven-team field with 62 points.

"We had some girls out with injuries so we didn't score as

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Fife drums: Clarkston star Dane Fife talks to youngsters at the McDonald's-sponsored "Dane Fife Day" Saturday.

Fife gets special hoop day

Clarkston basketball star Dane Fife graduates in June, ending a career which saw him cap his senior season as a McDonald's All-American.

So when McDonald's owner Jim Schaeffer and his dad were looking for a way to honor Fife, they came up with a 2-on-2 basketball format that would give the community a chance to pay its respects to its best player.

"It was a good opportunity to give back to the community and recognize Dane," said Schaeffer, who owns the McDonald's on Dixie Highway. "We look at (being a McDonald's All-American) as a prestigious honor, so we wanted to let Clarkston know it was reason to celebrate."

About 50 people showed up at the Clarkston McDonald's on Sashabaw for the event, which included 2-on-2 basketball contests, 3-point shootouts and prizes. Prizes were handed out to the winners of each basketball event.

The sponsors of the event were quite pleased with the turnout.

"We had no idea how many to expect," said McDonald's spokesperson Lori Dick. "We have away lots of stuff, and everyone who chose to enter got a door prize. The people seemed very pleased."

Schaeffer had simple reasons for the turnout and the enjoyment.

"It was a nice turnout, it was a beautiful day and the people had fun," he said. "I thought it went real well."

Wolves rally not enough in loss

Clarkston fails in bid to move up in softball race

The Clarkston Wolves have played stellar defense the entire softball season, and knew they'd need one more night of it if they wanted to catch Brandon in the Oakland Activities Association Division I standings.

They didn't get it. The Wolves committed 11 errors and wasted an incredible sixth-inning comeback and dropped a 11-7 decision to the Blackhawks Monday, a loss that left the Wolves with little chance of winning the OAA I title.

Brandon came into the game 10-2 and with a one-game lead over Clarkston and Waterford Kettering, both of which entered play Monday tied at 9-3. Clarkston needed a win Monday, then a sweep of Wednesday's twin bill with the Captains, to claim the division crown.

"We scored enough runs to win the game," Clarkston coach Al Land said afterward. "We just made too many errors. Of all the games to do that."

Four of the errors came in the top of the seventh, when Brandon scored five times to pull away. The Blackhawks got consecutive singles from Angie Wojtkowicz, Angie Olrich and Stefanie Stavale to break away from a 6-6 tie.

The Wolves, who trailed much of the game, forged that tie with two runs in the bottom of the fifth and two more in the sixth. Carmen Lund and Mary Warchuck each had RBI in the fifth inning to pull Clarkston with 6-4.

Then, in the two-run sixth, Lindsay Simko started the rally with a single, moved to second on a single by Mandy Harrison and to third on an infield hit by Jennie Winn. Melanie Arnold bounced to second to score Simko, and Harrison scored on an RBI single by Tiffany Honey that came with two outs and tied the game 6-6.

But the Wolves committed three errors on the first four batters in the Brandon seventh, and that was it. Clarkston did score again in the bottom of the seventh — Corinne McIntyre scored on a single by Harrison — and had runners on first and third



Gotcha: Clarkston's Tiffany Honey (left) makes the tag at second on Leanna Peters of Brandon during the Blackhawks 11-7 win over the Wolves Monday.

with only one out. But Brandon pitcher Christina Butrynski got Winn swinging, then induced a grounder back to the mound by Arnold to end the threat — and the game.

Still, Land liked the way his Wolves battled back.

"We didn't quit," the Clarkston coach said. "We got runners on base and we moved them around."

But it wasn't enough against the talented Blackhawks, who took a 3-0

lead in the second and built it to 5-1 in the top of the third. Clarkston got its first run in the second when Simko scored on a single by Arnold. They cut it to 5-2 in the third when Honey was safe on an error, moved to second on a grounder by Lund and scored on a single by Warchuck.

The game was played on the larger, all-dirt field in the back of Clintonwood Park, rather than on the grassy infield of the front park, due to

scheduling conflicts with Clintonwood leagues. Not having the grass to slow the ball may have accounted for at least some of the errors, according to Land.

"We hadn't played on that field, I'll grant you that," said Land, who wasn't willing to make that an excuse. "This was like an away game for us. We've been playing so well, we were due for a game like that."

Darkness negates Wolves' diamond rally

There is little doubt Clarkston has played one of the toughest schedules in the state of any baseball team. But these games, even the losses, could help the Wolves as districts begin next week.

Clarkston faced another OAA power Monday, losing the first game of a doubleheader to Rochester Adams 7-2. They came from behind to tie

the Highlanders in the night-cap before the game had to be called after seven innings with the score knotted at 4-4.

In the opener, Ryan Meissner scattered eight hits for the complete game victory for Adams (19-4-1, 9-4-1) who has defeated defending state champion and cross-town rival Rochester once this season.

Meissner, Matt Danielson and Bryan Crosier all had two hits for the Highlanders.

Jared Thomas started the game on the mound for the Wolves, and led 2-1 in the fourth inning when he suffered a groin injury sliding into second base. Thomas tried to continue pitching, but was unable to throw at full strength and was replaced.

Adams took advantage, scoring six runs in the next two innings to pull away while Clarkston was unable to regain any of its momentum.

"That was a big injury for us because Jared was really throwing well," said Clarkston assistant head coach Phil Price, who was acting as manager since Roy Warner was

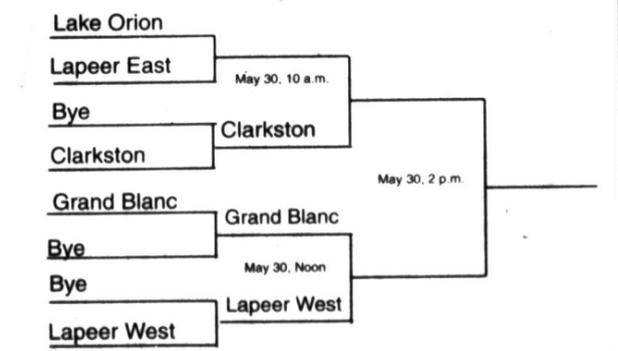
unable to attend the doubleheader because of a family commitment. "The kids played hard but that was tough for them to come back from."

The Wolves scored a run in the seventh inning to tie that game before darkness hit. Adam Leech had two hits and an RBI and Spencer Hynes hit a home run earlier in the contest to lead the hitting attack for Clarkston (13-10-1, 6-7-1). Eric Jenks started and pitched well for the Wolves, seemingly becoming stronger as the game wore on.

"It's a shame we couldn't finish that game because we had come back and I felt the guys

Boys baseball district

The Clarkston Wolves drew a bye in the first round of the Lapeer West baseball district. Clarkston plays Saturday, May 30.



thought they could win," said Price. "We could have figured it was over but they really wanted to win it." Clarkston did hold Adams'

best hitter, Matt Fox, in check throughout most of the night. Fox entered the game as one of

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SPORTS SCENE

County sponsors sports camp

Oakland County Parks offers a "sports sampler" at its week-long Sports Camp, sponsored by The Sports Authority.

Athletes ages 8-13 are introduced to sports that encourage teamwork and sportsmanship.

Daily activities include a mix of soccer, street hockey, flag football, kickball, volleyball and more.

Parents/guardians are invited to attend the Sports Camp Information Day June 11 at 6:30 p.m. at Waterford Oaks Court Games Complex.

Camp dates are set for June 15-19; June 22-26; July 6-10; July 13-17; July 20-24; July 27-31; and Aug. 3-7. Camp hours are 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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the top five hitters in Oakland County, with a .536 batting average.

The Wolves stand fourth in OAA Division I behind the Highlanders, Rochester and Troy but fortunately will avoid all of these squads in district play which begins next week. Clarkston received a first-round bye in their district and will play Saturday, May 30 against the winner of the Lake Orion/Lapeer West game in Lapeer.

Clarkston took on Lapeer West in a doubleheader Wednesday and has already played the Dragons during the regular season, so neither team would present any surprises.

Price is confident his team can make a run at the district championship, particularly with the

depth in pitching the Wolves possess.

"The thing about high school baseball is that everyone makes the playoffs," said Price. "We know we've face some of the best teams around and that is going to help us (in the postseason).

Price also pointed out that with the way the state tournament is set up in baseball, teams only need to use two strong pitchers for much of the playoffs because of days off between games. As a result, Thomas and Josh Clark, who finished with 14 strikeouts last Friday against Lake Orion, will likely be the starting pitchers. But the Wolves will also have availability in the bullpen with such pitchers as Jenks and Chris Mitchell.

Clark leads the Wolves for the

season with 68 strikeouts.

"The guys know who the best teams are and they know we've gotten more out of losing to a good team than we know from beating a bad team," Price said. "We'll be ready."

He also complimented Thomas and Hynes on their consistent hitting the past couple of weeks. The keys which will determine Clarkston's success in the postseason will be how much clutch hitting the Wolves receive and defense.

"If we play solid defense, I think we have as good of a chance as anyone to make a run," said Price.

Clarkston will conclude their regular season tomorrow afternoon with a single game at Royal Oak Kimball.

Oxford captures Flint Metro crown

After Oxford won the opener of Monday's Flint Metro League doubleheader with Mt. Morris, senior John Pleasant made an important observation:

"There are two things you don't share," said Pleasant, the Wildcats' second baseman. "One is girlfriends, the other is championships."

The Wildcats needn't have worried about sharing either. After hammering the Panthers 12-0 in the opener to clinch at least a share of the FML title, the Wildcats scored four times in the bottom of the seventh to claim a wild 6-5 win and grab the crown outright.

It is the Wildcats' (28-6) first Flint Metro baseball championship.

"It's a total sense of accomplishment," said senior Kenny Allen, whose two-run double set the stage for Oxford's comeback in the nightcap. "We wanted to win 20 games and we wanted to win the league. Now we can set our sights on the third goal: win districts."

Senior Josh Graham was the instrumental figure in winning the nightcap.

He scattered eight hits with six strikeouts and two walks while going the distance for the win, and he hit his second home run of the day, with Allen at second, to cap the winning rally for the Wildcats, who trailed 5-2 going into the seventh.

But the Panthers were charitable while helping set the table for the top of Oxford's order.

Kendall Chudy, hitting for Brad Nowacki, struck out leading off the inning, but was safe at first on a passed ball.

Then Brian Olesky grounded to short, but the throw trying to force Chudy at second was wide, leaving everyone safe.

Allen then stepped up and crushed a liner up the left-center field alley, a two-run double that pulled Oxford within 5-4.

Coach Art Marcell considered bunting Allen to third, but decid-



Stretching it: Oxford first baseman Brian Olesky tries to beat a throw to first during the first game of a doubleheader sweep of Mt. Morris Monday.

ed to let Graham hit away. It turned out to be a good decision, as Graham drove a pitch over the fence to give the Wildcats the title.

"I just hoped when I hit it it had a chance to go," said Graham, who also hit a home run in the opener.

"When it went over, I just went crazy."

The Wildcats had gotten their first runs on doubles by Allen and Bo Linto and a single by Pat Jacobi in the first,

then watched the Panthers score three times in the fifth and another on a home run in the seventh.

"I just had (the first two hitters) taking a strike," Marcell said. "I told them if we got our eight and nine hitters on, the top of our lineup would come through."

He didn't need any such hero-

ics in the opener, because Allen made sure of it. The senior righthander gave up a first-inning single, then held the Panthers hitless while striking out seven with no walks in an easy win.

Allen also led the offensive assault, going 3-for-4 with two doubles and one run scored. Graham and Linto each scored twice, and every hitter in the Oxford lineup had at least one hit and one run scored while the Wildcats were piling up 14 hits.

When it was over, Marcell couldn't say enough good things about the way his team battled back.

"This is great," the coach said. "These kids don't know the meaning of the word quit. They've been coming back since they were freshmen. I knew they'd battle back."

Linto, Jay Van Dam and Brad Pyke all had two hits in the opener, while Allen had Oxford's only multiple hit game in the nightcap.

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many points as I originally anticipated, but we still won and that's what really counts," said Clarkston girls coach Gordie Richardson. "We scored in every event and we had a lot of younger kids step up and score points. It was a very successful meet for us."

The Wolves rode to the win on

the strength of eight champions.

Melissa Wilson won both the 100-meter hurdles (16.1) and high jump (4-11), Megan Plante broke the tape in the 800 (2:29) and 1600 (5:33), Amanda Chicalas won the 300 hurdles (), and Rachel Uschman won the long jump (15-11 1/2) to lead Clarkston, which also won the

1600 relay (4:12.5) and 3200 relay (10:22.0).

"We held our own tonight," added Richardson. "If we were at full strength, then we might have been able to score a lot more, but we'll take it. Winning the league title means a lot to these girls."

Dragons rout Seaholm ace

The last time Lake Orion faced Birmingham Seaholm and ace pitcher Avery Gholston on the softball diamond, the Dragons needed a little luck to escape with a triumph. The second time around, however, Lake Orion just used its skill.

The Dragons took advantage of two Seaholm errors and one walk to post a 1-0 triumph over Gholston on May 4 despite not collecting a hit off the junior right-hander. But on Monday at Scripps Middle School in Lake Orion, the Dragons unleashed a fine display of offensive firepower to post a 12-2, six-inning victory over the Gholston and the Maples.

The win, coupled with Rochester's 3-1 upset Monday of Royal Oak Kimball, kept the Dragons (20-6, 10-3) in the hunt

for the Oakland Activities Association Division II title. Seaholm slipped to 6-15 and 2-10 in the division.

"I guess we just came ready to hit today," said Lake Orion coach Dennis Davis. "The last time we faced (Gholston) she pitched a no-hitter and created all kinds of problems for us. We just couldn't make contact with the ball. Today, however, we were really able to make contact and put the ball into play, and we were able to find the holes."

Senior Mari Conner was 3-for-3 on the day, including an inside-the-park home run, and freshman Melissa Wilson added a bases-loaded triple to lead the Dragons.

Meanwhile, freshman right-hander Jodi Dempsey pitched a

three-hitter and had six strikeouts in recording her third win in as many starts.

"Jodi has very good movement on the ball and she is pretty poised for a ninth-grader," praised Davis. "She really gives us another option (on the mound)."

For the Maples, the loss put an end to a three-game winning streak.

"I don't think Avery has ever given up that many hits or runs in a game in her life and I don't think it's her fault," said Seaholm coach Mike Hessling. "That field was absolutely terrible and the (pitching) rubber was not stable at all. Avery could not get comfortable out there at all and they were used to playing on that field."

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Charge by Phone 810 645-6666

Scheduled to appear:

- Dave Coulier
- Bob Saget
- John Stamos
- Rebecca Romijn
- Dave Thomas
- Andrew Keegan
- Steve Levy
- John Saunders
- Darren Pang
- Tony Danza
- Kurt Walker
- Willie O'Ree
- Jim Esian

Mike Krushelnyski

- Paul MacKinnon
- Bobby Sheehan
- Steve Yzerman
- Brendan Shanahan
- Aaron Ward
- Mike Ritz, Jr.
- Darren McCarty
- Dallas Drake
- Mark Kondrinski
- Dan Moriarty
- John Ogradnick
- Rod Branson
- And many, many more!

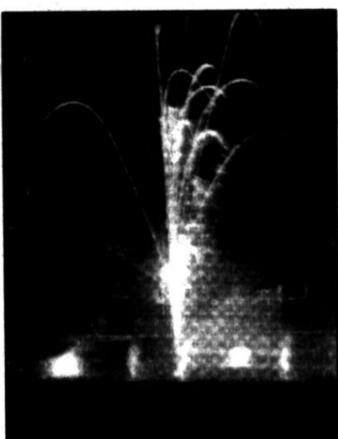
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Be There!

The Observer & Eccentric wants to send you and three of your friends (or family members) to a Friday Night Fireworks Game!

1998 Friday Night Tigers Games

- May 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
- June 19 vs. Kansas City Royals
- June 26 vs. Cincinnati Reds
- July 10 vs. Toronto Blue Jays
- July 17 vs. Boston Red Sox
- August 7 vs. Seattle Mariners
- August 14 vs. Oakland Athletics
- September 4 vs. Cleveland Indians





www.detroitigers.com






ENTRY FORM FOR THE MAY 29th GAME

Must be received by May 22nd.

Which current Detroit Tiger led major league baseball in stolen bases last year?

Answer: _____

(Extra Credit: What position does he play? Answer: _____)

Name: _____

City/Zip Code: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

Mail this form to:
Tigers '98 Fireworks
C/O The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers
36201 Cassinville Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150

We'll pick 30 winners from all entries with the correct answer. Each winner will receive four (4) Lower Deck Reserved Seat passes. Passes will be mailed to each winner.

Employees of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, the Detroit Tigers, Inc. and their families are not eligible to win.

Outdoor Calendar

ARCHERY

HOLIDAY SHOOT
Detroit Archers will hold a holiday shoot on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, May 23-25, on its walk-through course in West Bloomfield. The course will be open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Monday. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

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

JUNIOR ARCHERS
A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

CLASSES

FLY FISHING
The Michigan Fly Fishing Club will present Fly Fishing For the Beginner on Saturday and Sunday, May 23, 24. Both day-long sessions run 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will be held at the Drayton Plains Nature Center. Cost is \$80 per student. Call Rick Sak at (743) 464-3271 for more information and to register.

FLY TYING
Paint Creek Outfitters in Rochester offers a variety of fly tying classes for beginners and advanced tyers. Call (248) 650-0440 for more information or to make a reservation for an upcoming class.

HUNTER EDUCATION
Wayne County Sportsmen's Club will hold several hunter education classes in the upcoming months at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. These classes will be taught by certified instructors. Students must be present for both days of their respective class. All equipment will be provided. Classes will be offered Aug. 29-30, Oct. 3-4, Oct. 17-18 and Nov. 7-8. Cost is \$10.50 and includes lunch both days. To pre-register call (313) 532-0285.

CLUBS

SOLAR
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING
The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS
The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDYS
Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. The meetings are open to all anglers. Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

CLINTON VALLEY BASS
Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION
The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863 for more information.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS
Oakland Bass Masters will hold its first tournament of the 1998 season on Sunday, May 24, on Kent Lake in Kensington Metropark. Entry fee is \$75 per boat before May 20 and \$80 per boat after May 20. There is a 75-boat limit. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

MEETINGS

NRC
The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, June 10-11 at the Tawas City Holiday Inn. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 a week in advance.

SEASON/DATES

SPEARS/BOWS
Spearing, hand netting and bow season for suckers, carp, gar and bowfin runs through May 31 on non-trout waters south of M-46

SMELT
Smelt netting season on non-trout streams runs through May 31 south of M-72 and May 1-31 north of M-72. Bow and spear fishing on non-trout inland waters is open for gar, carp and bowfin May 1-Aug. 15. Check the 1998 Michigan Fishing Guide for exceptions and closures.

FREE FISHING WEEKEND
Michigan's annual Free Fishing Weekend, in which all fishing license fees are waived for residents and non-residents, is scheduled for June 6-7.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN
Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to dusk on Wednesdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays and noon-dusk on Mondays and Tuesdays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE
Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays.

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION
Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more information.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS
Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

MICHIGAN'S ENDANGERED
Review the current status of some of Michigan's endangered plants and animals during this program, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 23, at Independence Oaks.

FREE WOOD CHIPS
Free wood chips from the Oakland County Parks Christmas tree recycling program, will be available on Saturday, May 23, at Orion Oaks at the Clarkston Road entrance. Individuals are asked to provide their own shovels and to load the chips by hand. No motorized equipment is allowed and no commercial haulers. Additional wood chip dates are scheduled for June 27, July 25, August 29, Sept. 26 and Oct. 31.

AMAZING AMPHIBIANS
Ages 7-11 will learn what makes frogs, toads and amphibians special during this program, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 30, at Independence Oaks.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS
Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

1998 PERMITS

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens).

WATERCOLORS IN THE WILD
Ages seven and older and their parents will learn basic watercolor techniques then try them outdoors during this program, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday at Indian Springs.

NATURE'S NEWBORN
A short indoor presentation followed by a hike to learn about the brand new spring babies of the wild world begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Indian Springs.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767.

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Subject to approval on Snap-Credit Finance charges will accrue at a rate which will vary. The APR in effect on August 31, 1997 was 30.05%. A minimum \$ 30 credit finance charge will be assessed except in NC (Zero). An 18% APR will not vary in CO, IA, ME, NC and WI. If your purchase is made with a "cash or cash" option and this promotional purchase is paid in full, including all optional insurance charges by the promotional due date shown on your monthly billing statement all interest finance charges related to this promotion will be removed from your account. See your Snapper Dealer for details.

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715 S. Main Street
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30642 Woodward Ave.
549-2440

Rochester
Rochester Elevator
412 Water St.
651-7010

Farmington Hills
United Mower
28619 Grand River Ave.
474-4325

Farmington Hills
Weingartz
39050 Grand River Ave.
471-3050

West Bloomfield
Dick's Lawn Equipment
7215 Cooley Lake Rd.
363-1029

Southfield
Mr. Mower of Southfield
28829 Greenfield Rd.
557-3850

Waterford
Shumans Lawn Center
1400 Crescent Lake Rd.
673-2820

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University Lawn Equipment
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PREVIOUSLY SELECTED MERCHANDISE NOT INCLUDED

Charter Township of Springfield

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
May 14, 1998
SYNOPSIS

CALL TO ORDER 7:30 PM by Supervisor Walls
PUBLIC COMMENT None

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approved minutes of April 1, 1998 Joint Workshop Meeting and April 9, 1998 Regular meeting as presented
- Accepted Treasurer's Report for April
- Accepted April reports Building Dept., Litigation, Fire Dept. and Ordinance Officer
- Authorized payment of bills
- Authorized Sheriff's Dept. Mini-Contract for 4-H Fair
- Authorized request to Road Commission for 25 MPH on south end of Bridge Lake Road
- Approved amendment to Parks and Rec. budget
- Awarded bid for turn-out gear to Time Emergency
- Approved fee reduction for re-submission of Canterbury Cove
- Authorized payment of \$100 per case to Dangerous Buildings Hearing Officer
- Authorized purchase of printer for Treasurer's office
- Authorized employee compensation study
- Received petitions for improvement and maintenance of Sherwood Dr. and Patrick. Received Supervisor's report on petitions and authorized Township Engineers to prepare plans and costs
- Received Communications and placed on file

PUBLIC HEARING.
Shepherd's Hollow Golf Course. Request for Special Land Use; received written and oral comments and questions.

OLD BUSINESS.

1. Cam Development: approved Special Land Use and Concept Site Plan, with conditions
2. Fountain PUD. Second Reading: approved, with conditions.
3. Phone Michigan: authorized Townsh to enter into Telecommunications Permit Agreement

NEW BUSINESS.

1. Saturn North PUD Amendment, First Reading: authorized Clerk to publish for Second Reading
2. Shepherd's Hollow: approved Special Land Use, declined fee reduction request at this time
3. Extractive zoning provisions: Proposal to remove soils: authorized consent agreement
4. Accepted resignation of Jim Carlton from Planning Commission and approved appointment of Mary Ooslerhoff to Planning Commission; appointed Jeff LaBruzy and Jim Carlton to Zoning Board of Appeals.

PUBLIC COMMENT.
ADJOURNMENT. Adjourned at 11:05 p.m., scheduled Special Meeting, Wed. 5-20-98 at 7:30 pm for balance of agenda.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk

Publish May 21, 1998

Observer & Eccentric HOMETOWN CLASSIFIED Employment

EMPLOYMENT CLASSIFICATIONS CONTINUED

This Classification Continued from Page A21.

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerk

OFFICE MANAGER

Office & Systems Support

ORDER DESK / CUSTOMER SERVICE REP.

PARALEGAL / LEGAL SECRETARIES NEEDED

PAYROLL COORDINATOR

POSITION AVAILABLE FOR PERSON WITH PAYROLL/BENEFIT KNOWLEDGE

POSITIONS AVAILABLE - Program Administrator

RECEPTIONIST/Accounting Clerk

RECEPTIONIST

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerk

RECEPTIONIST

RECEPTIONIST/ORDER ENTRY

RECEPTIONIST-ORDER ENTRY

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502 Help Wanted-Office Clerk

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RECEPTIONIST

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerk

SCHOOL SECRETARY

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerk

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST

SECRETARY

504 Help Wanted-Dental

DENTAL AIDE

DENTAL ASSISTANT

504 Help Wanted-Dental

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST

506 Help Wanted-Medical

IMMEDIATE NEED MEDICAL ASSISTANTS

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506 Help Wanted - Medical

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST
Full-time in Dermatology office in Farmington Hills. Must have at least 1 yr medical office experience. Call 248-553-2950

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST
Full time. Minimum 1 yr. minimum medical receptionist experience. Good benefits. No evenings or Saturdays. Phone Judy or Lori: 810-465-1328

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST
People & computer skills for busy Ophthalmology practice. Full time in Southfield/Troy. Send resume to: PO Box 3457 Farmington Hills, MI 48333

Medical Receptionist
Front desk receptionist for pediatric surgery clinic in Children's Hospital. 3 yrs experience, knowledge of Medical Computer System. Ask for Robin or Valerie. (313) 831-3220

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST
Growing Redford Twp office requires a well organized, cheerful individual with excellent communication skills. Part-time. Fax resume with salary requirements to: 313-534-6488 or Call Sherry at: (313) 534-0300

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST
Experience essential for this growing neurology practice in Southfield. Full-time, Mon-Fri., with benefits. Send resume to: Any Thomas 22250 Providence Dr Suite 802 Southfield, MI 48075

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST
Feeling unappreciated, taken for granted, underpaid? You won't at our West Bloomfield office. Good people skills and computer experience mandatory. Qualified applicants - take a chance. Send resume to: Box 42929 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST
Part-time, even & weekend openings. Livonia area. Call: (734) 458-4498

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST & BILLER
Full-time for eye practice. Experience preferred. Farmington area. Fax resume: 248-553-8908

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• Previous Consulting experience or Director of Nursing
• Ability to develop facility action plan
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MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTIONIST
Work from home using WP. Part-time full time Birmingham area. 248-584-0710

MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTIONIST
Experienced. Work at home. WP 5.1 a must. 248-852-2346

Medical Transcriptionist
Experienced. Full-time for busy internal medicine office in Troy. Fax resume to: (248) 362-2216 Attention: Melodie

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We are seeking a positive high energy leader to work in our elegant 140 bed health care facility. We offer paid medical and 27 days off yearly. 403B plan, excellent opportunity for advancement. Please call Barb Lasker (248) 674-8292, or send resume to Canterbury on the lake, 5460 Hatcherly Rd. Waterford, MI 48329 fax 248-674-9663

NURSE - PART TIME
for busy pro-choice physicians office. Please call Tony at 248-443-0239

OFFICE ASSISTANT
For oral surgery practice located in NW Detroit. Must have previous medical billing experience. Will register patients in a computer, collect co-pays, verify coverage/insurance carriers. Resume: Clayman & Riley PC, 14820 W. McNichols, #306, Detroit, MI 48235 Fax: 313-493-5102

OPHTHALMOLOGY PRACTICE
In West Bloomfield needs full or part time receptionist. Please call Cathy 248-737-8955

506 Help Wanted - Medical

Office Manager/Ophthalmology Practice
Ophthalmology Practice Ophthalmology Technician Experience preferred. Send resume to: Judy, 9939 Orchard Ln., Rd. Ste 307, W. Bloomfield, MI 48322

OPTICIAN DISPENSER
Experienced. Full/part-time. Excellent salary & benefits. No even/Sat. Call Bob: (313) 585-5600 Or Suzanne: (810) 751-2600

OPTOMETRY ASSISTANT
Full time experienced in O.D. practice. Refracting preferred. Offices in Canton & Birmingham Farms. Some Saturdays. Call Kay, Michigan Eye Center, (248) 433-3389

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PHARMACIST - PART TIME
Team Care/Vitalink Long Term Care Pharmacy, Livonia, MI. Call S. Taylor 313-513-7229

PHARMACY TECH
Experienced, full time. Retail experience preferred. Baker Pharmacy, 2800 W. 12 MI., Berkley

PHLEBOTOMIST
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5:00 am - 8:00 am
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SWF, 28, 5'3", brown/hazel, enjoys dining, dancing, reading, fitness. Seeking mature woman, 30-45, for possible relationship. #7914

SUMMER ROMANCE

SWF, 27, seeks SWF, 27-32, good personality, sense of humor, who enjoys sports, outdoors, concerts, movies, romance, to have fun with this summer, and a LTR with right person. #7977

PREFERRED STOCK

Attractive, slender, intelligent, affectionate, outgoing, energetic SWFF, 48, 5'8", independent, seeks tall, fit, athletic, honest, humorous SWFM, 42-52, 6", N/S, degreed, for friendship first. #7909

HEV, GUY!

Anyone out there looking for SWF, 35, attractive, open-minded, intelligent, humorous, who enjoys weekend getaways, good conversation, camping outdoors, and much more. #7927

SECOND TIME AROUND

Spunky, class, sensual, loving, lonely SWF, 120lbs, blonde, senior, not dumb but fun, seeks with humor SWFM, 60 plus, M/D, who enjoys ballroom dancing, to spend time with you. #7966

JUST LISTED

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FOX Y LADY

Trim, very attractive, foxy lady, 50s, 5'7", sparkling green eyes, enjoys up north, walking in the woods, and the simple things in life. Seeking spiritually-minded DWM, 50-62, #7919

LOOKING FOR SIMILAR

Degreed DWF, 42, 5'6", student teacher, one daughter, seeks degreed, professional, handsome SWM for concerts, theater, adventure, and to share life. Troy area. #7916

LOOKING FOR LOVE

Pretty, romantic, intelligent SWF, loves family, enjoys movies, dancing, concerts, theater, looking for smart man, 40-55, sincere, romantic, fun, kind-hearted. No games, no players. #7922

GLAMOROUS BASE

SWF, 32, 5'6", blonde, no dependents, slender yet curvaceous, outgoing, great for dining, cultural events, travel, stimulating conversation. Seeking SWM, 35-47, handsome, fit, professional similar interests. For LTR. #7922

TICK TOCK

SWFF, 35, strawberry-blonde/green, slender, enjoys golfing, traveling, and quiet romantic evenings. Seeking tall, fit, fun, with interests, for possible lasting relationship. #4277

PRESCRIPTION FOR ROMANCE

Beautiful, successful doctor SWF, 30s, 5'5", slim, sincere. Seeking handsome, successful, well-traveled, loves sports, golf, theater, and traveling. Seeking educated, successful, mature gentleman, 35-45, for relationship. To start. #7844

ATTRACTIVE, CLASSY PRO

Independent, slim, 34, long brown hair, travels, enjoys sports, dining, dancing, and theater. Seeking a name a few. Seeking a thoughtful SWM, 30+, N/S. #9551

ALLURING & INTELLIGENT

Tall SWF, 36, with long strawberry-blonde hair seeks intelligent, successful, intelligent man committed to personal growth. #9594

DAMSEL IN DISTRESS

Attractive SWF, 36, 5'11", blonde/green, seeks tall, fit, 30-42, to rescue me from having too much time on my hands, for possible LTR. #4239

SOMETHING DIFFERENT!

SBF, 24, 5'4", outgoing, curvaceous, feminine, seeks financially secure WM, 30+, for fun, and friendship. #7737

WE'VE BEEN HINDOO...

now seek. Born again, Middle Eastern-looking, Godly SF, 30, 5'3". Seeking Godly, attractive, born-again SM, 30, 6', for a lasting relationship. #4281

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Beautiful SF, blonde/blue, building a fine structure, needs an attractive SM construction babe, 42-45, to help finish the plans. It will be worth the call. #7735

LIVONIA LADY

Educated DWF, 50, 5'7", long blonde/blue, enjoys simple things in life: movies, gardening, Seeking caring, honest, down-to-earth, large guy, 45-55, N/S, for friendship, maybe more. #4048

LOTS TO OFFER

Attractive, slim, educated, fit SWF, 50+, enjoys arts, travel, fitness, education, and fun. Seeking secure, educated, open, caring SM, for partner. #4137

SECRET GARDEN

DWFF, 40s, 5'8", blonde, seeks large, furry teddy bear, 5'8" plus, who enjoys music, theater, concerts, motorcycles, driving, and just being together. #7778

ROMANTIC

Pretty, petite, trim DWF, 57, 5'4", blonde/green, enjoys dining, dancing, theater, and more. Seeking tall, handsome, fit, romantic gentleman, to share life's pleasures. #7724

LOOKING FOR MY SOULMATE

48, petite, long blonde/green, seeks down-to-earth, honest, sincere, decent man, financially secure, who will treat me well. No heavy weights, or babies. #4090

GENTLEMAN

I'm tall, slender, pretty, very intelligent, refined, humorous, fun, affectionate, smoker, 51, and interested in being romantic, cultured, and caring. Seeking 50s gentleman, life's an adventure, world travel, let's finer things. Golf a plus. #9552

BE MY VALENTINE

DWF, 42, 5'5", blonde/hazel, full-figured, mom of two, N/D, N/S, enjoys dancing, playing cards, movies, easy listening music. Seeking romantic, caring, honest SM, 40-46, for LTR. Livonia. #4143

GREAT COOK...

terrible housekeeper SWF, 46, attractive, tall, slim, outgoing, brown/blue, enjoys dining, gardening, dining out. Seeks well-groomed, emotionally stable, easygoing, sensitive S/DWM, 43-50, for monogamous LTR. No kids. #4122

A ROMANTIC AT HEART

Very attractive SF, 38, blonde/green, 5'6", 130lbs, likes movies, dining out, horseback riding, etc. Seeking attractive, caring PW, who likes children, for possible LTR. #4218

SUNSETS & MOONLIGHT

SWF, 44, 5'7", brown/hazel, N/S, enjoys sports, dining, dancing, theater, and more. Seeking romantic, honest, family-oriented S/DWM, 38-54, 5'7", N/S. All calls will be answered. #7913

BART BLISS SEXY

SWF, 39, 5'11", blonde, professional, very classy and attractive, seeks similar, between 39-50, I'm adventurous, optimistic, and romantic. You must be more. Seeking attractive SWFM, 36-40, for monogamous LTR. #9554

PRETTY NATURAL LOVER

SWF, 43, 5'7", 127lbs, studying alternative medicine, C&W, quiet, kind, woods walking, singing, natural health, laughing, speaking truth, life I'm spunky, unique, loving. Seeking N/S, soul connection SWM, 38-48, #7813

OLD SCHOOL VALS

Homorous SF, 41, 5'8", 130lbs, brown/hazel, no kids, never married, enjoys comedy clubs, drag racing. Seeking handsome, successful, mature gentleman, 35-45, for relationship. #7779

LADY IN WAITING

Foxy, professional DBCF, 45, 5'5", 145lbs, hopeless romantic, enjoys traveling, cooking, theater, and quiet romantic evenings. Seeking SCM, 40-55, N/S, with similar interests, for friendship, possibly more. #7730

TALL GENTLEMAN WANTED

Tall, attractive SWF enjoys movies, theater, traveling, dancing, cooking, quiet evenings at home. Seeking tall, educated, Catholic WM, 55-65, who has a good sense of humor, good morals and values. #7648

GENTLEMAN ONLY PLEASE

Little lady, 45, likes dancing, blues, hockey, classic cars, weekend trips, tv nights, seeks patient golf partner, 40-50, under 6', N/S, moderate drinker, easy to laugh and talk with. #7532

LOOKING FOR LOVE

Vivacious, lovely SWF, 48, N/S, enjoys movies, plays, music, dining out, sports, quiet times. Seeking loving SWM, 44-58, with sense of humor, with similar interests, for LTR. #7531

WIDE VARIETY OF INTERESTS

Attractive, sincere SWF, 44, 5'4", 115-160, N/S, black/brown, seeks good-looking SWM, 40-50, HW proportionate, to share fun, romance, and more. Seeking tall, fit, 45+, who values honesty. No games. Oakland County area. #4185

SENSUOUS AND ATTRACTIVE

DWF, 55, 125lbs, black/white, looking for her Right Guy, 45+, to share romance and adventure. Serious replies only. #9536

FUN-LOVING

Attractive, sincere SWF, 44, 5'4", 115-160, N/S, black/brown, seeks good-looking SWM, 40-50, HW proportionate, to share fun, romance, and more. Seeking tall, fit, 45+, who values honesty. No games. Oakland County area. #4185

PRETTY SLENDER SENSUAL

Sophisticated, smart, secure "sweet-heart" seeks best friend/lover for life, "nice guy" good-looking, in shape, refined, cultured, bookish, caring, 50s gentleman, life's an adventure, world travel, let's finer things. Golf a plus. #9552

I'M READY, ARE YOU?

Can you relate to my dilemma? Attractive SWFF, seeks an open, honest, physically fit, 45+, who is 5'5", N/S, loves life and challenges. If this fits, let's start with friendship. Explore the possibilities. #9919

LOOKING FOR LOVE NOT GAMES

Attractive DWF, young 48, 5'6", brown/blue, N/S, financially/emotionally secure, enjoys movies, dining, sports, travel, and romance. Seeking SWM, 45-55, financially secure, for friendship, leading to LTR. #9553

ROCHESTER AREA LADY

Very attractive, classy, adventurous, sensitive, sensible, romantic DWF, 52, 5'6", 132lbs, seeking educated, enjoys golf, antique, and bookish. Seeking similar in a gentleman. #9589

TIRED BUT PASSIONATE

Attractive, independent, honest, sensitive lady, 42, C&W, quiet but fun, music, dining, card playing, and outdoor activities. Seeking well-groomed gentleman, 40-50, N/S, with similar interests. #9559

STILL BELIEVE

SWF, young 46, petite to medium, brown/blue, N/S, seeks caring, honest, family-oriented man who enjoys travel, and romance. Seeking SWM, 36-42, for LTR. #9620

DO YOU QUALIFY?

Are you a sweet, considerate SWM, 38-45, who would enjoy going to the bowling, people, cards, walking, a little driving, football, travel. #9627

AN EXCELLENT CHOICE!

Attractive W/F, 42, advance degree, very fit, romantic, fun. Looking for educated, attractive man who loves animals, children, travel up North, and life. #9667

CLASSY LADY

Attractive DWF, 41, 5'3", medium build, classy and vivacious personality, business owner/home owner, seeks professional man to date. #4033

KIND-HEARTED

DWF, 40, Auburn/green, 5'5", 120lbs, N/S, no dependents, enjoys caring, antique, art fairs. Seeking tall, fit WPM, 36-43, N/S, N/Drugs. #4041

BELIEVE IN MAGIC?

Shapely, fit, pretty, petite 5'4", 118lbs, SWF, 41, professional, N/S, with a balanced personality. Looking for educated, Catholic WM, 55-65, who has a good sense of humor, good morals and values. #7648

LIGHT MY FIRE

Passionate, pretty DF, 40, with medium build. Seeking SWM, 38-50, N/S, ND, for dating, mating, and relating. Will you spark my interest? #4236

CARING, CHARACTER

Full-figured, sensitive SWFF, 40, 5', no dependents, N/D, enjoys writing, long talks, seeks kind, witty, Protestant SM, 40+, who values honesty. No games. Oakland County area. #4185

FRIENDS FIRST

SWF, 36, employed, seeks self-sufficient S/DWM, HW proportionate, employed, sense of humor, enjoys a variety of activities. #7455

MEANT FOR EACH OTHER?

Attractive DWCF, full-figured, long brown/black hair, N/S, enjoys music, art, movies. Red Wings hockey, church. Seeking romantic, caring, attentive SWCM, 40-50, N/S, ND, hopeless romantic. We could be meant for each other. #7991

WESTLAND LADY

Slender DWF, 40, blonde, smoker, social drinker, seeks honest SM, around same age, who enjoys movies, music, animals, and outdoors, for friendship, possible LTR. #7598

DUDDLE ALERT

Attractive, passionate, caring, sensitive, fit, romantic DWM, 38, 6'2", 195-200, Libras, enjoys music, laughing, movies, reading, romance and life. Seeking attractive, fit, affectionate, cuddly S/DWF, 28-42, for fun and LTR. #7920

SINGLE AGAIN

Attractive SWM, 39, 5'9", 160lbs, brown/blue enjoys movies, sports, dining out and romantic evenings. Seeking attractive SWF, HW proportionate, passionate SF, 30-39, for dating and possible LTR. #7910

LONG HAIR

SWM, 27, 5'10", 172lbs, very athletic, enjoys working out, tennis, white water rafting, dancing, mountain biking and much more. Seeking SWF, 18-24, nice figure, energetic, kids ok. #7915

ORION-OXFORD

Attractive SWM, 37, 5'9", 175lbs, N/S, likes horseback riding, camping, animals, movies. Seeking attractive, affectionate, caring SWF, 28-38, for possible LTR. Come horseback riding with me. #7921

PROFESSIONAL GOOD-LOOKING

SWFM, 40, 5'6", 160lbs, dark hair, enjoys pool, racos, and dancing. Seeking SF, for LTR. #7969

PHYSICALLY FIT SM, 6'2", BROWN/BLUE

good sense of humor, enjoys laughing, romance, cuddling, fireplace, long walks, outdoor activities, horseback riding. Seeking open-minded SF. #7975

ATTRACTIVE PROFESSIONAL

Fit SM, 36, 5'10", brown/blue, great smile, local business man, no kids, never married, recently relocated to North Oakland County, seeks fit, honest SF, 25-33, long hair, no dependents. #7971

GUY NEXT-DOOR

SWF, 5'9", medium weight/build, Rochester Hills homeowner, enjoys rollerblading, biking, movies, more. Seeking similar SWF, 21-30, (my wife's friend), for friendship, possible committed relationship. #7974

TEST VIAGRA RX

Just kidding. Healthy, distinguished DWF, 42, 5'10", N/S, from South Lyon, enjoys traveling, walking, bowling, cards, petting, Seeking honest, loyal SWM, N/S. #7972

DATE-TRAVEL

Nice-looking, well-educated, responsible DWFF, 47, 5'9", trim, seeks SWM, with ability to see what is so special, and can appreciate what a black woman can offer. to make happy. #7973

NEW TO AREA

Honest, humorous, sincere, loving, caring SM, 44, 5'10", 180lbs, true gentleman, seeks SF, with diverse interests, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. #7970

SEEKING MY STANLEY CUP

SM, 5'10", 170lbs, nice build, strong mind, warm heart, not a cheater, seeks similar SM, 21-30, (my coveted cup), social drinker. #7972

BRIGHT, GOOD-LOOKING...

young, well-established SWM, 43, 5'9", 150lbs, with many interests in various areas, including: socializing, Seeking good-hearted, intelligent, relatively slim and attractive W/F, for laughter, romance, and possible relationship. #7976

LOOKING FOR QUALITY TIME

Active, dependable, easygoing, successful, nice-looking SWM, 52, 5'6", N/S, fit, witty, college graduate, likes travel, and theater sports. Seeking my quality, to delight and cherish each other. #7834

AUTOMOTIVE PROFESSIONAL

SWM, 35, 5'7", 140lbs, very good-looking, MBA, engineering manager for auto company, likes skiing, golfing, and travel. Seeking SF, 25-35, for LTR. #7919

RELATE! THEN IT'S A DATE!

Slender, athletic, spiritual SM, Taurus, 45, 5'9", 160lbs, seeks relationship-oriented SF, lifetime soulmate, 32-44, who enjoys Sunday brunch, boating, beaching, movie art fairs, dancing, coffee houses, ethnic dining. #7817

VIKING

SWM, 38, N/D, N/S, seeks damsel in distress, SWF, N/D, N/S, to explore and conquer new horizons together. #7815

ALL I WANT IS SOMEONE...

I can't resist. Very good-looking SWM, 32, 5'9", 155lbs, brown/blue caring and devoted, never-married, seeks romance, with family-oriented SWF. No players please. #7821

WHY BE ALONE?

Caring, affectionate, handsome DWM, 51, 5'7", 180lbs, loves movies, dining out. Seeking woman, petite to medium, for friendship leading to monogamous relationship. #7535

ANOTHER LONELY WEEKEND?

Handsome, attentive, SWM, 40s, seeks lively passionate lady who's been home alone too long, and needs to be loved and sweet-talked by a compassionate, appreciative gentleman. #7835

DIAMOND IN THE RUFF

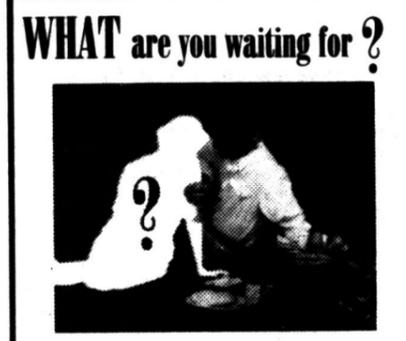
SWM, 38, 5'9", 175lbs, an absolute blast to be with, seeks physically fit, curvaceous SF, with long blonde hair. Take the challenge, discover a treasure. #7826

COMPLETE ME!

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EXTRAORDINARY BLACK WOMAN

Intelligent, degreed, professional, class, charming SBF, seeks sincere SWM, with ability to see what is so special, and can appreciate what a black woman can offer. to make happy. #7829

HIL

Open, flexible DWF, young 40, not a stuffy type, who would love to laugh with you, enjoys computers, gardening, fishing, travel, movies, and laughter. #7830

LOVE NOT GAMES

Shy at first, honest, tender-hearted, romantic, attractive, full-figured DWF, 41, 5'9", enjoys simple things, good conversation, walks, comedy clubs, dancing. Seeking good man, 40-50, for companionship at first. #9529

CAN YOU MAKE ME LAUGH?

SF, 50, 5'7", red/green, enjoys travel, working, self-assured man, who can make me laugh. North Oakland area. #4215

VERY ATTRACTIVE

Great build, athletic SWM, 6', 190lbs, blue eyes, plays all sports, great dancer, loves movies and outdoors. Seeking very good-looking lady, 22-36, in good shape, for possible LTR. #7857

ATTRACTIVE SMM, 23

Enjoys most music, sports, concerts. Seeking beautiful, petite SWF, 20-40, varied interests, for long-term friendship, possible LTR. #7936

SEEKING LADY LOVE

Attractive, classy, adventurous, sweet, warm, gentleman, brown hair, brown eyes, seeks the company of a lovely woman for relationship who is affectionate. Let's make our fantasies come true. Call me. #7826

REAL LOVE

Attractive SBF, 40, 5'2", full-figured, no children at home, enjoys music, movies, travel, plays, concerts. Seeking SM, 35-50, with no children at home, for relationship. Race unimportant. #7500

ARABIC PRINCE

Spicy, classy, beautiful, divorced man, 29, with two small kids. Seeking sincere, classy guy, 30-45, who enjoys the finer things in life. #9502

TRY THIS

Sensitive, unique SWM, 31, 6', physically fit, no dependents, enjoys outdoor activities, quiet evenings, movies, long walks. Seeking ambitious, sensitive, romantic S/DWF, HW proportionate, for friendship, possible LTR. #7825

GOOD-LOOKING DUDE

Financially secure SM, 50, 5'10", 165lbs, light-brown reddish/brown, N/S, seeks LTR with the right person. My compatible star signs are Aries, Gemini, Libra, and Sagittarius. #7873

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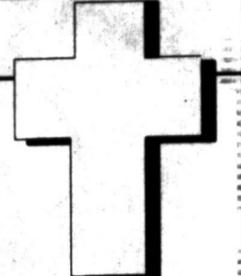
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Catholic SWF, 56, 5'2", blonde hair, green eyes, seeking a compassionate, Catholic SWM, under 60, to enjoy the simple things in life. Ad# 6021

JUST BE YOURSELF

SWF, 18, 5'4", outgoing, enjoys playing the violin, drama movies, animals and more, seeks a SWM, 18-25, with similar interests. Ad# 2121

PATIENTLY WAITING

WWW, 57, 5'3", dark hair/eyes, retired, N/S, social drinker, enjoys the theatre, dining out, walking and traveling, seeks a N/S, WM, 55-70. Ad# 2639

FOR COMPANIONSHIP

Catholic WWW, 51, 5'3", brown eyes, a professional, enjoys the outdoors, bowling, travel, movies, sports, gardening, golf, dining out and more, seeks a SWM, under 60, with similar interests. Ad# 1960

SHARE LIFE WITH ME

Pretty, petite, trim, DWCF, 57, 5'4", blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys soft music, dining out, dancing, the theatre and being outdoors, seeking a tall, handsome, romantic, fit SWCM. Ad# 5554

GET TO KNOW ME

Easygoing SWF, 45, 5'7", blonde hair, employed, enjoys being around family and friends, barbecues, working out, bowling and more, seeks a SWM, over 44. Ad# 1952

WELL-EDUCATED

Outgoing SWF, 62, 5'6", employed, enjoys singing, shopping, reading, traveling and flea markets, seeks an intelligent, active SWM, 55-65, who is a gentleman, for companionship. Ad# 2000

PRINCE CHARMING

Catholic DWF, 51, 5'5", N/S, enjoys long walks, movies, antiques and travel, would like to meet a sincere, humorous DWM, 50-60, without children at home. Ad# 1106

FAMILY-ORIENTED

SW mom, 42, 5'8", interest include various types of music, cooking and spending time with her kids, seeking a SWM, 35-50. Ad# 4673

GOD COMES FIRST

Outgoing WWWCF, 44, 5'6", employed, enjoys traveling, walking, reading and exercising, seeks a SWJM, 44-58, who loves God, for friendship first. Ad# 7788

THIS IS IT

Outgoing and friendly SWC mom, 38, 5'0", enjoys dining out, movies, casinos, Bible study, seeks SWCM, 38-46, with similar interests. Ad# 1958

MAKE A WISH FOR ME

SWCF, 50, 5'7", brunette, enjoys church and long walks, seeks a SWM, 38+, with good communication skills, for friendship first. Ad# 7454

ACTIVE LIFESTYLE

Personable SWCF, 46, 5', participates in Christian activities, enjoys square dancing, listening to music, playing cards, boat races, singing, going to church and sports, seeking a SWCM, 43-53. Ad# 7328

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND

College-educated DBCF, 42, 5'5", easygoing, gentle, calm, enjoys Bible study, going to movies, learning new things, dining out and good conversation, seeks a SCM, 40-56, to share quiet times with. Ad# 8355

CIRCLE THIS AD

Catholic, DWF, 60, 5'1", outgoing, educated, enjoys sports, reading, traveling, gardening, seeks Catholic SWM, 48-54, with similar interests. Ad# 1895

VERY FRIENDLY

Outgoing SWF, 22, 5'3", full-figured, brown hair/eyes, enjoys the outdoors and more, seeks an intelligent, down-to-earth SWM, 22-29, for friendship first. Ad# 1572

LAY IT ON THE LINE

Cheerful, mature, professional SBF, 20, 5'5", enjoys bowling, golfing and shooting pool, seeks financially secure, professional SM, 23+, with similar interests. Ad# 4577

I AWAIT YOUR CALL

Professional SWF, 27, 5'6", 120lbs., loves sports, running, rollerblading and socializing with friends, seeks a secure, professional SWM, 24-30. Ad# 2874

FASCINATING

SWF, 46, 5'2", brown hair/eyes, enjoys hockey, golf, music, movies and family life, wishes to share activities and friendship with an honest, caring SWM, 39-49. Ad# 1124

JUST BE YOURSELF

Attractive, SBF, 52, 5'7", friendly, N/S, enjoys bowling, dancing, music, outdoor activities, seeks N/S, professional, SM, over 35, with similar interests. Ad# 5220

TRUE & SINCERE

Catholic DWF, 44, professional, active in volunteer work, enjoys music, the theatre, concerts, fire-side discussions, learning to golf and dining out, in search of a hospitable SWCM, 45-52. Ad# 8411

ROMANTIC AT HEART

Loving SBF 25, 5'4", enjoys all sports, traveling, dining, shopping, writing poetry and drawing, is seeking a SM, 28-40, to spend time with. Ad# 8791

RESCUE MY HEART

SWF, 68, 5'4", 118lbs., seeks sweet SWM, 68-73, N/S, who likes bowling, dancing, golfing, football and traveling. Ad# 7112

BE REAL

SBF, 45, 5'9", enjoys traveling, sports, movies and dining out, seeking an honest, sincere SBM, 40-55, without children, for friendship first. Ad# 1945

LET ME KNOW

SWF, 48, 5'6", enjoys long walks, cozy evenings, movies, the theatre, dining out and a variety of other activities, seeking a SWM, 44-58, N/S, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 8214

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WWW, 55, 5'5", 130lbs., fun-loving, a good listener, enjoys traveling, biking and family, looking for a SWM, 55-65. Ad# 4321

LOVE ANGEL

Catholic, caring, romantic, sentimental, down-to-earth, SWF, 48, 5'2", 118lbs., green-eyed blond, N/S, enjoys a variety of interests, seeks a compatible SM, N/S, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 6258

DEEP BELIEFS

Attractive DWCF, 46, 5'5", 115lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, seeking a professional, emotionally secure, athletic, honest and optimistic SWCM, over 44, to share good times. Ad# 4646

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Attractive DWCF, 40, 5'4", full-figured, outgoing, friendly, enjoys music, the arts, museums and movies, seeks a caring SWCM, 40-51, for possible relationship. Ad# 6788

A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN

Bi-racial SCF, 30, 5'3", dark brown hair, enjoys concerts, movies, loves to browse in markets and interesting shops, in search of Born-Again SCM, under 42, for friendship first. Ad# 3722

ONE OF A KIND

DWF, 36, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes, professional, outgoing, physically fit, enjoys cooking and the arts, seeks a SWM, 34-48. Ad# 1954

A BRIGHTER SIDE

Easygoing SW mom, 23, 5'2", Catholic, enjoys meeting new people, dining out, quiet times with someone special, seeks a SM, age unimportant. Ad# 1739

WISHING UPON A STAR

SWF, 32, 5'8", outgoing, enjoys traveling, long walks, music, line dancing, movies and quiet nights at home, seeks a SWCM, 28-35, to share similar interests. Ad# 2732

LOVES THE LORD

Active, carefree, professional SWCF, 38, 5'11", 140lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, seeks tall, enthusiastic SWCM, friend, to enjoy all that life has to offer. Ad# 8755

SPEND TIME TOGETHER

Catholic SW mom, 24, 5'4", lives in Canton, enjoys volleyball, tennis, hockey, movies, playing cards, seeks SWM, 24-32, for friendship first. Ad# 8848

LIGHT UP MY LIFE

Catholic DWF, 58, 5'2", 118lbs., brown-eyed brunette, lives in Livonia, seeks honest, romantic, trim SWCM, 54-62, who enjoys dancing, travel, movies, concerts, fine dining and conversation. Ad# 3355

HARDWORKING

Attractive SWCF, 35, 5'10", sociable, employed, enjoys spending time with her child, seeking easygoing, handsome, physically fit SWCM, N/S. Ad# 3876

A WARM WELCOME

Professional DWF, 40, 5'7", slim, brown hair, blue eyes, marriage-minded, a pet lover, seeks SWM, 35-48, for a possible relationship, children okay. Ad# 3957

LONG-TERM?

Fun-loving, open-minded SWCF, 19, 5'3", lives in Canton, seeks a childless, compatible SWM, 21-29, who is never-married. Ad# 3842

COLLECTS TEDDY BEARS

Friendly SWCF, 22, 5'6", enjoys biking, walks, movies, concerts, camping, writing poetry, seeks sweet, kind, caring SWCM, 23-35, with same interests. Ad# 4545

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GET TO KNOW ME

Catholic DW dad, 54, 6'1", professional, enjoys spending time with his family, sports, walking, dining out and more, seeks a Catholic SWF, 47-54. Ad# 5206

SENSE OF HUMOR

Catholic SWM, 49, 5'11", 180lbs., black hair, blue eyes, enjoys dancing, reading and music, seeking SWCF, 30-45, with good morals. Ad# 1899

THE DIFFERENCE

Outgoing SWM, 41, 6', self-employed, enjoys riding motorcycles, boating, music, dancing and quiet evenings at home, seeks a SWF, under 40, with similar interests. Ad# 8025

TELL ME ABOUT YOURSELF

Never-married SWM, 31, 5'9", medium build, a Catholic, enjoys biking, rollerblading, going to movies, skiing and playing tennis, seeking a SWF, 24-35, for friendship first, maybe more. Ad# 7777

CAN YOU RELATE?

Catholic SWM, 42, 5'8", brown hair, blue eyes, educated, employed, outgoing, enjoys music, concerts, being with friends and family, seeks passionate, caring, SWF, 27-42. Ad# 4242

FIND OUT TODAY

Attractive, outgoing SWCM, 21, 6'1", brown hair/eyes, employed student, enjoys a variety of activities and interests, seeking attractive, honest SWCF, 18-23, never-married, for a possible relationship. Ad# 1616

STOP RIGHT HERE!

Professional DW dad, 49, 5'10", 200lbs., grey hair, blue eyes, interests include jogging, soccer, movies and staying in, seeks DWF, 35-55, for long-term relationship. Ad# 5141

SENSE OF HUMOR INCLUDED

Energetic, professional DWCM, 52, 5'11", enjoys social activities, traveling to Las Vegas, antiques and dining out, looking to meet an honest, sincere SCF, who has similar interests, age unimportant. Ad# 9009

WAITING FOR YOU

Easygoing, romantic DW dad, 38, 6', a college graduate, employed, participates in Bible study, enjoys dining out, movies, spending time with friends and good conversation, seeks a SWCF, 30-38. Ad# 1825

YOU COULD BE THE ONE

Catholic DW dad, 39, 5'9", brown hair, hazel eyes, professional, outgoing, enjoys sports, camping, cooking, dancing, walking, being with his kids, romantic nights, seeks Catholic DWF, 30-40, who has children. Ad# 5858

TRY ME

Shy SWCM, 25, 6'11", enjoys walking, dining out, music and movies, spending time with friends and more, looking for a SWCF, 24-28. Ad# 8585

WESTLAND, GARDEN CITY

Active SWM, 58, 5'8", N/S, enjoys family activities, Christian and country music and long leisurely drives, seeks a SWCF, who desires to be treated like a lady. Ad# 1200

WIN ME OVER

Handsome SWCM, 29, 5'9", blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys movies, concerts, playing pool, biking, dancing and dining out, seeks a sincere SWCF, 23-35. Ad# 8962

HEART OF GOLD

SW dad, 32, 5'8", brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys taking care of his son, seeks an attractive SWF, age unimportant. Ad# 1965

CHECK THIS OUT

Sincere, romantic SWM, 38, 6'1", 190lbs., enjoys tennis, golfing, outdoor activities, the theatre, movies and weekend getaways, wishes to meet a slender SWF, age unimportant. Ad# 3615

MEANINGFUL

Affectionate, open-minded SWM, 43, 6', seeks a professional, slim SWF, 28-45, to spend romantic, quality times together. Ad# 1212

END MY SEARCH

Honest, sincere SWM, 31, 5'7", 175lbs., brown hair/eyes, sports fan, enjoys dining out, movies, the outdoors and quiet evenings at home, seeks a SWF, under 34. Ad# 2233

ARE WE COMPATIBLE?

SWM, 34, 5'9", athletic, enjoys weight training, participating in sports and being outdoors, seeking a courageous, communicative SWF, 21-44, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 1013

YOU'RE THE ONE FOR ME

DWCM, 44, 6', 182lbs., outgoing, believes in a relationship based on God, love and honesty, seeks a SCF, age unimportant, for possible relationship. Ad# 1296

BEST THERE IS

DWM, 60, 5'7", 150lbs., brown hair/eyes, retired, shy, enjoys dining out, quiet evenings and much more, seeks SWF, 55-65. Ad# 1122

SHARE MY LIFE

Never-married SWM, 50, 6'3", N/S, drink and drug-free, interests include bowling, outdoor activities, quiet evenings, seeks SWF, 46-54, for long-term relationship. Ad# 8777

THE KEY TO MY HEART

Catholic SWM, 31, 5'9", outgoing, financially secure, enjoys movies, quiet evenings at home, dancing and dining out, seeks a spontaneous, SWF, 25-38, with similar interests. Ad# 3186

APPRECIATES HONESTY

SWM, 42, 5'8", brown hair, blue eyes, educated, a professional, enjoys jogging, long walks, reading and good conversation, seeks a slender, educated SWF, 27-40, who is passionate about life. Ad# 5757

FASCINATING

Easygoing SWM, 24, 6'2", 240lbs., dark brown hair, enjoys movies, shooting pool and socializing, wishes to meet and spend time with an attractive, petite SWF, under 28. Ad# 2322

ATTRACTIVE

Athletic, attentive, sincere SWM, 43, 6'1", seeks outgoing, big-hearted SWF, 28+, who has direction in life. Ad# 1111

MAYBE MORE!

Catholic SWM, 31, 6'1", outgoing, caring, generous, friendly, enjoys being outdoors, children, sports, seeking an attractive, kind, nice SWF, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 2415

RESCUE MY HEART

Catholic SWM, 44, 6'1", 180lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, N/S, affectionate, caring, professional, enjoys going to church, dining out and movies, seeks a Catholic SWF, 28-45. Ad# 7456

ROMANTIC AT HEART

Articulate, athletic swm, 42, 6'2", 190lbs., brown hair, green eyes, enjoys traveling, romantic times, outdoor activities, seeks slim, attractive, professional SWF, to spend quality time with, age unimportant. Ad# 2525

HEALTHY & HAPPY

SWM, 41, 6'1", athletic, outgoing, enjoys having fun, seeking trim, marriage-minded SWF, age unimportant, who enjoys athletic activities as well as quiet times. Ad# 2626

THOUGHTFUL

Handsome SWM, 43, 6'2", enjoys all athletic activities, is seeking a romantic, slim-build, SF, with similar interests, who is looking for a long-term relationship, with marriage in mind. Ad# 4123

AWAITING YOUR CALL

Catholic SWM, 38, 6', 200lbs., brown hair/eyes, professional, loves swimming, tennis, the theater, biking, movies and dining out, seeking SWF, 23-36, with same religious ideals, for friendship first. Ad# 6789

SIMPLY THE BEST

DWM, 48, 5'9", 195lbs., brown hair/eyes, outgoing, employed, enjoys outdoors, family activities, cards, dancing, seeks height and weight proportioned, SWF, under 50, who leads and active life with similar interests. Ad# 8732

HEAVEN IF YOU HEAR ME...

Catholic, never-married SWM, 41, 6'1", seeks a SWF, age unimportant, for a relationship that will lead to marriage, children welcome. Ad# 1944

A REAL GENTLEMAN

DWM, 39, 5'9", blond hair, blue eyes, smoker, non-drinker, outgoing, enjoys outdoors, family, seeks SWF, 35-40, for serious relationship. Ad# 7728

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Talkative, definitive SWM, 38, 6', with multiple interests, seeks slim, trim, fun-loving SWF, 29-44, to share activities and friendship. Ad# 1027

GOOD TIMES

Upbeat, employed, Catholic DW dad, 53, 5'6", blond hair, enjoys, dancing, bowling and traveling, working around the house, dining out and the outdoors, looking for a compatible, Catholic SWF, 40-50. Ad# 7683

DOWN-TO-EARTH

Professional, open-minded SWCM, 36, 6'3", 185lbs., brown hair/eyes, a homeowner, enjoys NASCAR, movies and music, traveling, cars and new experiences, seeking a compatible SWCF, 27-38. Ad# 3968

FAMILY-ORIENTED?

Athletic, sincere, professional, fun-loving SWM, 43, 6'1", seeks a spontaneous, romantic SF, race and age unimportant. Ad# 2613

ATHLETICALLY INCLINED

Professional SWM, 40, enjoys dining out and dancing, music and movies, enjoying life and outdoor sports, seeks a romantic, articulate, sincere, fit SAF, age unimportant, children okay. Ad# 7972

ONE OF THE FINEST

SBM, 45, 6'2", enjoys concerts, movies and romantic dinner, would like to meet a loving, gentle SF, 25-4E, who cares about herself. Ad# 8889

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Catholic SWM, 41, 6'1", 187lbs., independent, employed, never-married, in search of outgoing, vibrant, professional SWF, 21-42, who enjoys the great outdoors. Ad# 4444

GOOD COMMUNICATOR

Positive, professional SWCM, 40, 5'11", 195lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, likes traveling, good conversation, concerts, golfing, the outdoors and dining out, seeks a SWCF, 30-45, for possible relationship. Ad# 5555

FROM THE HEART

Catholic SWM, 39, 5'10", 170lbs., N/S, honest, sincere and devoted, enjoys romantic dinners, dancing, sports and movies, seeking a SF, under 45, with similar interests. Ad# 5619

ODYSSEY OF LOVE

Protestant WWM, 48, 6', 195lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, affectionate, honest, likes traveling, good conversation, time with family and dining out, seeks an attractive, educated SCF, 35-52, N/S. Ad# 4747

FOLLOW YOUR HEART

Catholic DWM, 60, 5'11", 170lbs., grey hair, laid-back, friendly, self-employed, N/S, non-drinker, enjoys quiet evenings at home, golfing, dining out, seeks Catholic DWF, without children at home. Ad# 2552

ENTIRELY YOURS

SWM, 44, 6'1", shy, enjoys outdoor activities, seeks slender, SWF, age unimportant, for romantic times. Ad# 7404

MESMERIZING PERSONALITY

Handsome, professional, DWCM, 29, 5'8", dark hair, hazel eyes, enjoys dinner and a movie with good friends, bike riding and spend time at amusement parks, seeks an independent and outgoing SWCF, 25-33. Ad# 7287

FOLLOW YOUR HEART

Handsome SBCM, 38, 5'9", outgoing, friendly, who serves the Lord, seeks a SBCF, 25-45, for companionship, possible long-term relationship. Ad# 3959

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706 Auction Sales
SEYFRIED ESTATE & REAL ESTATE AUCTION
A Bedroom Farm Home with Buildings on 297' X 386' square 2.7 acres. Tractor - Farm Tools Antiques - 1967 Dumpy Boat. We will have an auction at 3280 Millar Road, Ann Arbor, MI. Located 1/2 mile west of Maple Rd. SAT. MAY 23 AT 10:30 AM. Estate of Raymond Seyfried Lloyd Braun Jerry Helmer Brian Braun David Helmer Ann Arbor (734) 665-9646 (734) 994-6309

708 Bargain Sale/ Flea Markets
MANSON VARDY & PLANT SALE
6470 Alden Dr., Orchard Lake N of Commerce, town Union Lk & N of Woodward. May 21 & 22 9am-5pm

710 Estate Sales
A BIG BIRMINGHAM ESTATE SALE
FRI, MAY 22 SAT, MAY 23, 10-5
LIVING ROOM: Leather love seat, rattan sofa, two chairs, tables & lamps. 30' majestic floor model radio in cabinet. DINING ROOM: Draxel maple drop leaf table, 4 chairs, and hutch. BEDROOM: Maple 4 poster full size complete bed, chest, mirror, vanity and chair. BEDROOM: Complete double bed, iron headboard, two chests, vanity and bench. BEDROOM: Knotty pine single headboard, matching desk, and small chest. ACCESSORIES INCLUDE: Limoges Bavarian and Nippon China Royal Doulton figurines Estate Jewelry. Hand made quilts. Two antique rocking chairs. Two antique Singer sewing machines. Vintage rugs, gloves, and ties, VCR 33 LP's, Books. LOTS & LOTS OF HOUSEHOLD MISC. 1678 Maryland East of Southfield between 14 Mile and Lincoln

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FRI. & SAT., May 22 & 23, 10-4
94 Mc Lean, Highland Park S. of Davison, E. off Woodward. 60 years continuous residency. Antique Victorian furniture, EASTLAKE lat secretary, Victorian roll top desk, BELTER style marble top tables, cherry drop leaf tables, marble top buffets & chests, Victorian dressers, needle point arm chairs & chairs, books, linens, stove, refrigerator, Maytag washer/dryer plus a small amount of good quality misc. See You There! EDMUND FRANK & CO. LIQUIDATORS & APPRAISERS 313-869-5555

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Birmingham, Big Architectural Antique & Furniture Sale
Fr, Sat, 9am-5pm. Garden ornaments, wrought iron, decorative woodwork & more 1027 Quanton Rd. (16 Mi) 1 bk. W. Woodward. LIVONIA - 14489 Nola (S of S. W. of Newburgh) May 23-24-25, 9:30am-6pm. Collectibles, furniture, misc.

710 Estate Sales
BIRMINGHAM Moving/Garage Sale
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710 Estate Sales
BLOOMFIELD HILLS Thurs 21 Fr 22, 8-4 4686 Brightmore Rd. between Lone Pine & Long Lake off Lahser. Great clothes, household items.

711 Garage Sales
BERKLEY - HURGE SALE
Beane babies, sports cards/memorabilia, refrigerator, dishwasher, kitchen cabinets, corner hutch, desks, lots of other good things. Thurs, Sat, 9-6 2827 Phillips, S. of 12 E. of Greenfield.

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ANOTHER ESTATE SALE BY IRIS
Fr-Sat, May 22-23, 10-4 1872 Chipping Way, Wabesek Sub, Lake Long Lake, between Middlebelt & Franklin to Wabesek South, go S. to first right, Golf Ridge, take it to Windgate to Chipping Way. BEAUTIFUL HOME FILLED WITH LUXURY FURNITURE, MISC GALORE, DESIGNER CLOTHES, CHINA, CRYSTAL, SILVER. A VERY GOOD SALE! IRIS KAUFMAN 248-626-7723

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Huge moving sale Thurs-Sat, 9-5 4466 Pine Tree Rd. E. of Franklin S. of Long Lake Misc household

710 Estate Sales
BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Greatest garage sale Misses/Ten Clothes, shoes, Small fridge, microwave & lots, more 939 Candlestick Ct. S. Square Lk & E. of Opdyke, Sat 8:00-3:30

710 Estate Sales
BLOOMFIELD THURS - Sat 9-4p Behind Brother Rice 3215 E. Brack enridge, Bikes Atari w/pinprnt, aquarium, star stepper, household

710 Estate Sales
CLARKSTON - Sat, 8-4 Paddle boat 50 gal fish tank, leather sofas, captains bed, oak kitchen table, 4 chairs, 9717 Norman, off Dixie Hwy, btwn Davisburg & Ratties Lk.

710 Estate Sales
CLARKSTON - 6 Family Garage Sale on Bridge Lake Rd N. of Ravine Lake Rd between Dixie & M15 Thurs, Fr, Sat & Sun 10-6

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FARMINGTON HILLS GREAT SALE! Household estate and children's items May 21, 23, 9a-5p 14 Mile Between Farmington & Drake

710 Estate Sales
FARMINGTON - Thurs & Fr, 9-4 2166 1/2 mile 23166 Violet between Orchard Lake & Grand River

710 Estate Sales
LAKE ORION - Big yard sale Antiques, collectibles, dishes, furniture May 21, 22, 23, 10-5, 1445 N. Oakland, 75 N. to Joylyn N. to Indianwood

710 Estate Sales
NORTHVILLE - Sat, 9-4 21926 Rathbone, S. of 9 Mile E. of Taft, Bathys, Stuff, household etc.

710 Estate Sales
ROCHESTER HILLS - Huge annual Stretton Circle Sale Antiques jewelry, furniture, 5015 books, home items 18259 Wakeneden between 7 Mile & Curtis W. of Bech Fr, Sat, 9-5pm

710 Estate Sales
ROCHESTER HILLS - Toys, furniture, baby furniture, household items more 1269 Sandy Ridge N. off Tenker, between Livemoss & Brewster Thurs & Fri 9-4 pm

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SOUTHFIELD - Cheap Rock out machine, tumbler, motor 2 tone exc press much more for all Sat & Sun 9a-4p 16249 Hilton

710 Estate Sales
SOUTHFIELD - 4 Family Sale May 21, 22 & 23, open at 9 15840 Oakdale (1 1/2 mile W. of Greenfield. Troy-Woodard dining set, harvest table circa 1860, steamer trunk, lots of old stuff, 401 Bristol Dr. Troy, NW corner Watters (17 Mi.) - 1 mile W. of Rochester Rd. Thurs, Fri 8:30 A.M. No pre-sales

710 Estate Sales
W BLOOMFIELD - Sat, 8:30-4 5660 Putnam, off Walnut Lake Rd. between Inkster & Middlebelt

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W BLOOMFIELD - Thurs, Sat 9 to 5 6712 Woodside Trail, S. of Maple E. of Middlebelt

711 Garage Sales
FARMINGTON HILLS - Furniture, office, baby furniture, household items, copper pieces, TV's, women's business clothes, size 6 & 8, much more 1982 Hickory Dr. off 12 Mile Copper Creek Golf Course Sat May 23 9am-4pm

711 Garage Sales
FARMINGTON HILLS May 26, 27, 28 9:30 to 3 36819 Tina Dr. N. E. of Haledale & 9 Mile Furniture & a little bit of everything

711 Garage Sales
HUGH MOVING sale May 21-23, 8am-6pm, oriental rugs, upright piano, garage sale misc household, 3092 Woodrose Way, Bloomfield Crossing Sub, Southfield Lake Rd. Green Rd. to Saville, turn right on Woodrose Way & Opdyke

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748 Lawn Garden & Snow Equipment

BUNTON 52" commercial mower, good condition, with extras. \$895. Call after 4:30pm. (248) 350-1948

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SNAPPER 21", self propelled mower, 4 hp. rear bagger with mulcher, sold \$65.50

750 Miscellaneous For Sale

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752 Sporting Goods

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754 Wanted to Buy

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783 Cats

CATS & KITTENS for ADOPTION Saturday, May 23, 1-4pm THE CAT CONNECTION is now at PetSmart-Commerce, 14 & Haggerty PetSmart-Staring Hts, 14 & Van Dyke

784 Dogs

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FOUR WINNS, 1989 Candia, 21 ft. V-8, 150 hours, cover, trailer many extras. \$12,900. (248) 477-6998

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FOUR WINNS, 1995, Freedom, 4.3 V-8, bow rider, sun deck, extra, asking \$12,000. (734) 525-3694

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868 Pontiac SUNBIRD 1994 convertible - 5 speed...

876 Autos Over \$2,000 FORD 1993 Taurus GL, loaded...

842 Chrysler CIRIUS 1995 LX: loaded, all power...

846 Eagle TALON 1993 ES - Red, manual...

848 Ford CONTOUR 1997 SE - manual transmission...

850 Geo PRIZM 1996 - black, 33,800 miles...

852 Honda ACCORD 1992 2 door coupe, White...

861 Mitsubishi ECLIPSE 1997 convertible, turbo...

862 Nissan ALTIMA GLE 1994 - 49,000 miles...

868 Pontiac BONNEVILLE 1990 - burgundy/grey...

878 Autos Under \$2,000 CHEVY 1984 Cavalier, clean...

844 Dodge DAYTONA, 1993, ES, electric blue...

848 Ford ESCORT 1996 LX: hatchback...

852 Honda ACCORD 1996 LX, 29,000 miles...

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REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q. I am thinking about buying a condo in south Florida and wonder if you have any comments about the economy and/or the extent of regulation of condominiums there?

While I cannot profess to be an expert on the real estate market in Florida, it appears that condos are still popular but that there is perhaps a glut on the market in south Florida.

While construction seems to be taking place, particularly in areas where old units are being torn down or near the water, Florida is highly regulated in the manner in which condominiums are operated.

This can sometimes be helpful but can also impose upon an unsuspecting buyer a series of regulations, rules and procedures that make it more difficult to live in a condominium than would be the case if you were buying a single-family home.

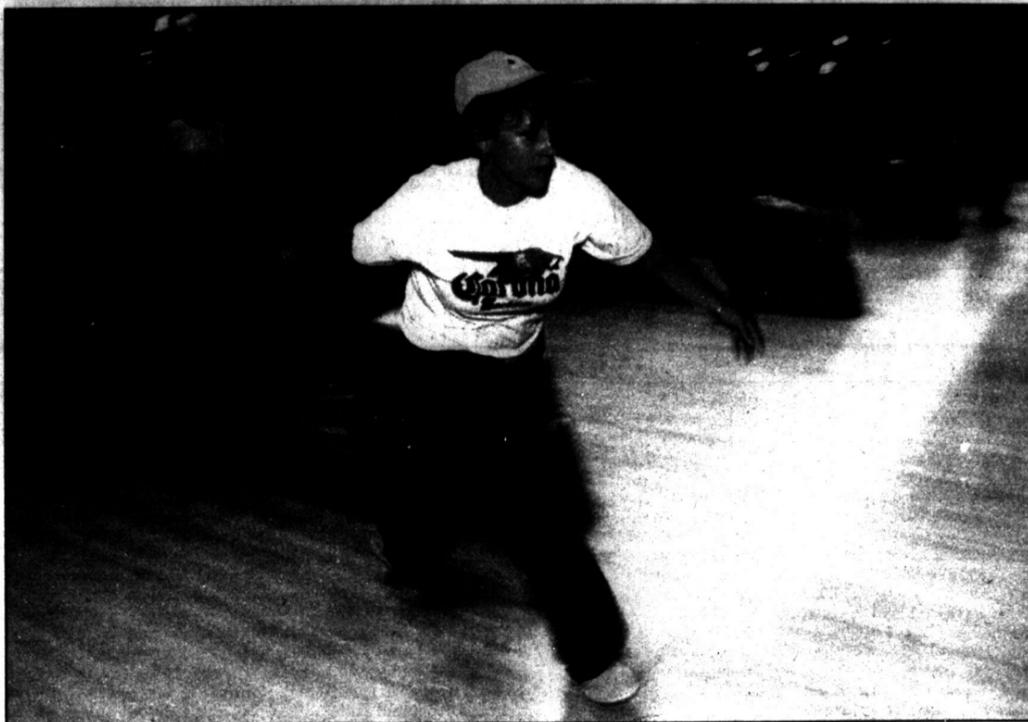
You are best advised to be fully familiar with your condo documents and rules and regulations before you buy and also perhaps consider hiring an appraiser of your own to determine the fair market value of the unit that you are buying, regardless of whether you are using a Realtor.

Q. I am wondering whether South Beach, Fla., continues to flourish in terms of the residential environment. Do you have any information?

It appears that almost every residential structure there is either being refurbished or converted to a condominium.

The area of restaurants and nightclubs is also expanding, as well as other ancillary service-related stores and industries. The beach itself seems to be replenished with sand, and people and the area continues to grow in size and popularity.

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Good sports: Terri Sprio and other folks affiliated with the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors recently came together for an annual bowling fundraiser.

Special need sparks action

A little boy with an unusual medical condition needs a super-healthy house with upgraded mechanical systems and building materials to help reduce allergic reactions and over-sensitivity that trigger his illness.

The family needs help reaching that goal.

So the real estate/building community — specifically, Nancy Austin, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Preferred in Plymouth, Ron Story, a Westland builder, and many folks affiliated with the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors — have responded in a big way.

Austin helped find a site to build the house, forgoing her usual commission.

She also put the family in touch with Story, who offered advice on building in a country setting and the elements of a custom-built, healthy house.

Austin also contacted her professional association, which decided to direct proceeds from a recent bowling fundraiser to help with some of the building expenses.

"We earn our living in the community from the community," Austin said. "I feel it's important to be aware of what's happening there — and help when we can."

"We do a bowling thing every year," said Lisa Hackman, chairwoman of the association's special activities committee and an escrow officer with First Michigan Title.

"When this came up, this was perfect. Lights went off in our head. Something like this has to do with our profession. He needs a healthy house," Hackman said.

"I am convinced that the kid has a unique problem, a serious problem," Story said. "I could see the need. The family and the child certainly need help."

■ 'We earn our living in the community from the community. I feel it's important to be aware of what's happening there — and help when we can.'

*Nancy Austin
with Coldwell Banker Preferred*

Donovan Magryta, 2-1/2, has been afflicted with cyclic vomiting syndrome since birth. It's characterized by recurrent, prolonged and disabling episodes of vomiting with severe nausea, pain and exhaustion.

Donovan's episodes are often triggered by allergies and chemical irritants, said his mother, L. Magryta.

A super healthy house, which can include special air filtration systems, vapor barriers and special woods, paints and sealants, attempts to reduce those triggers.

An air filtration system in the family's current condominium has proven helpful, Magryta said. The plan is that starting from scratch inside and out — including plantings on the grounds — will help even more.

"It provides, first of all, hope to us that we can provide a quality of life for Donovan," Magryta said of the project. "We can't do it alone."

The friend of a friend got Austin and Magryta together.

"I called Nancy and she didn't even hesitate," Magryta said.

"There's a little boy who needs help," said Austin, the mother of three. "I could never picture not doing it."

Austin had previously worked for Story. "I needed to find a builder with a heart," she recalled.

The Realtors have established a

fund, WWOCA-Fund for Donovan, 24125 Drake Road, Farmington, 48335, (248) 478-1700.

The involvement of her colleagues in the bowling fundraiser was a natural, said Danielle Boote, affiliated with Newcomers Inspection Services and active with the association's public relations committee.

"It's important to give back to your community that provides for us," Boote said. "This is a people-oriented business. We work with families every day."

"It's an excellent cause," said Kim Harke of Washington Mortgage. "It shows we do care. Everyone who has an impact should use it."

"I have two young children myself, so I can certainly understand how difficult and frustrating it must be for the parents," said Elizabeth Chuba, a Realtor with Remerica Hometown One in Plymouth. "We should do more things like this."

"Realtors have always been involved with the community, not just buying and selling homes," said Sam Baki, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in Novi. "It helps the image of Realtors that we're just not taking peoples' money."

"It's a great cause," said Joe Nemes, a Realtor with Century 21 Today in Redford. "Our office is a real close group. Most agents live in the community. It's a reason to get out with friends as well."

Magryta was most appreciative.

"When I first got here and saw all the signs up for sponsors, I was overwhelmed," she said. "I was crying. I'm overwhelmed by all the well wishes and prayers of everyone. It's good to be part of this community."

"Once Donovan has stabilized, I hope to give back to the community like the community has given to us," she said. "I'll figure out a way."

Realtors help stabilize family

A group of Realtors in Oakland and Macomb counties has come together to help bring stability to another family with housing and financial needs.

The mother, Nao Thor, is in and out of the hospital for treatment of leukemia. The father, Pheng Vue, is home taking care of their five young children. Neither parent has a job.

The family, which came to the U.S. in the aftermath of the Vietnam War, was all set to move to Wisconsin where the mom has family and had a job prospect.

Then she took ill. Plans changed. Money became tight. They fell behind on house payments.

That's when the Realtors stepped up. Carol Downing with Century 21 Kee helped the family sell its house before it was foreclosed. The transaction was basically a wash with little appreciation.

Downing also used her credit record to make a purchase offer on another

house so the family would have somewhere to go immediately.

Mary Bann of the Prudential Chamberlain-Stiehl in Troy has offered to make the down payment on the house where the family was relocated.

Linda Rea, a Realtor with Real Estate One in Troy, donated her listing commission on the house purchased for the family.

The seller of the house graciously agreed to a short-term land contract and allowed the family to move in prior to the formal closing.

Carol Yost, manager of Real Estate One, agreed to donate proceeds to the cause from the firm's booth at the Troy Daze fun fair later this summer.

"The immediate goal is to help with medical bills and help them survive until something else comes along," Downing said.

A fund has been established, the Nao Thor Fund, First Federal of Michigan, 26000 Gratiot, Roseville, 48066, (810)

776-4870.

"I know how hard they worked. They needed a place to stay," Downing said. "I don't want to see people experience a difficult time. If I can help, I help."

"It happened very fast," Rea said. "Sometimes, I think things are meant to be. Several people banded together to help. I'd like to see the rest of the real estate community hop in and help, too. The community gives us a lot. We need to give back."

"It's just something the Lord put on my heart," Bann said. "These are hard-working people who were working 10-12 hour days, very dedicated to their family. They literally would have been on the street. They're very proud people who initially didn't want help."

"We're not doing it to get credit," Downing said. "We're doing it to help them. If you could have seen the situation and her, your heart would go out to them."

Building Bucks

Here is 50% of estimated aggregate market value of houses, condos and apartment units for which building permits were issued Jan.-March in selected communities. Property taxes are based on half of market or inflation-capped values

	1/2 of value in millions	# of permits
Canton	\$28.7	233
Westland	8.0	139
Plymouth Twp.	6.4	38
Livonia	5.0	34
West Bloomfield	\$23.8	119
Independence Twp.	19.4	101
Rochester Hills	14.6	86
Rochester	11.9	97
Orion Twp.	9.8	84
Farmington Hills	8.7	82
Troy	8.6	58
Bloomfield Twp.	7.8	98
Oxford	3.8	43

Source: Housing Consultants, Inc.

HELEN FURCEAN / STAFF ARTIST

It may pay to share rate risk

MORTGAGE SEARCH



DAVID C. MULLY

The information for this week's column comes from American Home Finance at (888) 424-1940.

The interest rate of an adjustable rate mortgages changes — for example, once a year. If interest rates go up during that time, the interest rate for your mortgage will go up — and so will your monthly payment. But if rates fall, your mortgage payment will drop.

With an ARM, your lender doesn't assume all the risks of changing interest rates — you share in them. As a result, you can often get an ARM with an initial interest rate two to three percent lower than a comparable fixed-rate mortgage. This lower rate is the most important advantage of an ARM. It can help make homeownership more affordable or enable you to buy more home. It can also make qualifying easier.

But variable rates mean that your monthly payment could go up, too. If you decide on an ARM you must be prepared for the possibility of an increase in your monthly payment.

All types of ARMs combine the same five basic "ingredients" — and by choosing your ARM carefully, you may be able to get most of the advantages of an ARM while minimizing the risks. The basic elements you need to consider are:

1. The initial interest rate (typically, 2 to 3 percent lower than a comparable fixed-rate mortgage)
2. The adjustment interval (the time between changes in your mortgage's interest rate). Typical intervals are one year, three years, and five years.
3. The index (the economic indicators used to determine changes in the ARM's interest rate).
4. The margin (the additional amount the lender adds to the index to establish the rate you pay).
5. The caps (safeguards that limit the risk of sharply higher payments)

A payment cap limits the increase in your monthly payment to a specific dollar amount. However, the interest rate may increase more than your payment, meaning you could be liable for payments beyond the life of your loan.

To choose the right ARM, compare these features. For example, if you're in line for a major promotion or your spouse is planning to take a job, higher payments may not be a problem. You may be comfortable foregoing a longer adjustment interval or stringent caps, while instead searching for the lowest possible initial interest rate.

Likewise, if you're planning to stay in the home just a few years, an ARM with an adjustment interval of five years would give you a lower interest rate with none of the risks — as long as you sell before the five years are up.

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HOMES SOLD IN OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded April 27 - May 1 at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

867 Alberta St \$123,000	6220 Eastlawn Ave \$111,000	1190 Penarth \$119,000	20789 Sunnydale St \$100,000	43057 Ashbury Dr \$352,000	45 Dennison St \$129,000	1258 Grandview Dr \$288,000	1172 Baker Ct \$190,000	5749 Cherry Ln \$250,000
966 Bloomfield VII Blvd \$40,000	6571 Eastlawn Ave \$140,000	1174 Penarth Ct \$137,000	30028 W 12 Mile # 29 \$62,000	22694 Autumn Pk Blvd \$575,000	1720 Eagle Trl \$87,000	1395 Hathaway Rising \$225,000	1261 Beattie Dr \$195,000	7615 Danbury Cir \$277,000
1049 Collier Rd \$112,000	8038 Fawn Valley Dr \$267,000	1850 Portlock St \$32,000	32432 W 8 Mile Rd \$100,000	44700 Bayview Dr \$129,000	646 Elder Way \$186,000	1919 Haverhill Dr \$436,000	435 Booth Rd \$160,000	1873 Glenhaven Ct \$202,000
3018 Debra Ct \$88,000	8335 Holcomb Dr \$215,000	8748 Ringwood Dr \$145,000	28369 Westerleigh Rd \$150,000	44850 Bayview Dr \$117,000	1718 Harvard Ct \$159,000	741 Kentucky Dr \$173,000	1855 Boulan Dr \$115,000	2895 Greenbrooke Ln \$353,000
1340 Lake Angelus Shrs \$88,000	4795 Independence Dr \$125,000	1610 Sallahan Ln \$300,000	28880 Willow Creek St \$250,000	23836 Broadmoor Park \$475,000	1726 Harvard Ct \$162,000	941 Medinah Dr \$205,000	1400 Bradbury Dr \$368,000	4096 Hardwoods Dr \$210,000
801 Slocum Dr \$100,000	5525 Kingfisher Ln \$158,000	1455 Spruce Dr \$197,000	Keego Harbor	25015 Buckminster Dr \$210,000	1315 Red Barn Dr \$78,000	803 Oakbrook Rd \$104,000	5288 Breeze Hill Dr \$127,000	6576 Inkster Rd \$186,000
774 Southampton St \$127,000	5868 Kingfisher Ln \$168,000	1945 Tiley Cir \$155,000	3120 Summers Rd \$85,000	31241 Columbia Dr \$158,000	287 S Coats Rd \$150,000	639 Oakbrook W \$119,000	1910 Buckthorn Ct \$82,000	7990 Lawrence \$148,000
	9693 Kleis Rd \$151,000	2490 Wisom Rd \$167,000	Lake Orion	43980 Durson St \$150,000	24 S Washington St \$80,000	520 Oxford Ct \$158,000	377 Carter Dr \$178,000	5451 Nardo Ct \$210,000
	7856 Pine Knob Rd \$212,000		1140 American Elm St \$229,000	22158 Edgewater \$145,000	1530 Seymour Lake Rd \$226,000	202 Sandalwood Dr \$211,000	1275 Joshua Dr \$300,000	3590 Oakleaf Dr \$433,000
	6063 Princess Ln \$145,000		2387 Brabant St \$188,000	44911 Exeter Ct \$258,000	2125 Wauerville Dr \$184,000	221 Torrey Ct \$212,000	2438 Kingsbury Dr \$280,000	4645 Patrick Rd \$225,000
	6733 Ridgewood Ct \$75,000		560 Casamer Rd \$65,000	40424 Franklin Mill St \$150,000	2125 Somerville Dr \$184,000	1632 Wakefield Ct \$617,000	2856 Manorwood Dr \$303,000	5901 Red Coat Ln \$220,000
	8948 Sashabar Rd \$140,000		2378 Cole Rd \$150,000	23394 Mystic Frost \$265,000	921 W Davison Lake Rd \$100,000	1401 Washington Rd \$455,000	2588 Marcus Dr \$189,000	7374 Simsbury Dr \$286,000
	9272 Softwater Woods \$332,000		114 Eagle Ridge Rd \$49,000	22179 Pondview \$130,000	Recheater	2853 Woodford Ct \$260,000	6910 Montclair Dr \$211,000	7215 Ten Hill Dr \$275,000
	6831 Sun Valley Dr \$215,000		2355 Galaxy Way \$295,000	22764 Renford St \$105,000	4334 Clear Creek Ct \$252,000	1540 Oakcrest Dr \$211,000	2753 Roundtree Dr \$93,000	2842 Treyburn Ln \$289,000
	6023 Sunnydale Rd \$145,000		314 Goldengate St \$108,000	23639 Stonehenge Blvd \$97,000	2020 E Gun Rd \$570,000	27333 Arborway # 63 \$115,000	5045 Saffron Dr \$258,000	5462 W Maple Rd \$285,000
	5880 Windward Ct \$99,000		875 Heights Rd \$137,000	23647 Stonehenge Blvd \$99,000	230 Glenmoor Dr \$80,000	28082 Brentwood St \$81,000	3144 Talbot Dr \$145,000	7350 Willow Oak Dr \$223,000
	Commerce Township		690 Hemingway Rd \$154,000	49050 W 9 Mile Rd \$45,000	888 Loggans Cir \$135,000	25726 Catalina Ave \$135,000	2154 Tall Oaks Dr \$620,000	5230 Winton Ct \$295,000
	5455 Bentwood Ln \$259,000		229 Indianwood Rd \$94,000	236 Wainwright St \$153,000	1405 Maple Dr \$133,000	19600 Dorset St \$115,000	2831 Teasdale Dr \$102,000	7934 Woodingham \$162,000
	5241 Bridge Trl W \$149,000		70 Newman Road \$164,000	23640 Wintergreen Cir \$392,000	450 Miller Ave # 203 \$171,000	26784 Farmbrook V. Dr \$123,000	3797 Victoria Dr \$232,000	5345 Wright Way \$147,000
	2160 Canal St \$149,000		44 North Shore Dr \$132,000	23856 Wintergreen Cir \$465,000	803 Pike St Unit 102 \$46,000	21175 Independence Dr \$177,000	5468 Westmoreland Ct \$235,000	White Lake
	4940 Cooley Lake Ct \$46,000		3233 Northfield Ct \$79,000	Orchard Lake	512 Renshaw St \$149,000	21455 Independence Dr \$169,000		8227 Carpathian Dr \$56,000
	1861 Dogwood Trl \$259,000		257 Perry St \$89,000	3707 Wards Point Dr \$740,000	1190 Rock Valley Dr \$329,000	21835 S Tuller Ct \$143,000		8325 Cooley Beach Dr \$90,000
	2740 Dufflers Ln \$95,000		1188 Ridgeview Cir \$197,000	Oxton Township	1196 Rock Valley Dr \$290,000	20551 Secluded Ln \$120,000		8806 Cooley Lake Rd \$129,000
	4115 Forest Edge Dr \$284,000		2903 Rockford Ct \$65,000	2751 Cassa Dr \$158,000	Recheater Hills	30284 Southfield #A102 \$57,000		649 Hilltop Dr \$290,000
	1540 Gleggery Rd \$135,000		3013 Talon Ct \$180,000	3747 Gratton St \$108,000	2592 Brilliance \$235,000	30224 Southfield #A242 \$53,000		1830 Mead Ln \$197,000
	4961 Ledgewood Dr \$272,000		4464 Morgan Rd \$194,000	4464 Morgan Rd \$194,000	820 Brookwood Ln E \$320,000	26593 Summerdale Dr \$130,000		593 Overlook St \$95,000
	5870 Lynne Hollow Dr \$385,000		926 W Pine Tree St \$450,000	2200 Silver Maple Ln \$191,000	1352 Crescent Ln \$126,000	26892 Summerdale Dr \$126,000		8836 Sandy Crest \$143,000
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CAI MEETING

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MICHIGAN GROUP

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TOWN & COUNTRY

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Preserved wood offers strength, workability while protecting against decay and termite infestation.

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306 Brighton. A RARE OPPORTUNITY, the right size 4 bedroom, over 1600 sq. ft.

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308 Canton. CANTON - 948 Letz, Charming New roof, plumbing, siding, kitchen & carpet.

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TROY. 3 bedroom ranch home with a finished basement. 2 fireplaces, wet bar, alarm system, Florida room and newer vinyl windows. Half acre lot backing to open area. Troy Schools. \$158,000 (09WAT) 524-1600



WEST BLOOMFIELD. Walnut Lake Canal-front. This updated ranch offers 120 ft. frontage on a canal leading to all sports Walnut Lake and is just a short walk to the beach club. 2 fireplaces, family room, custom deck with hot tub, and so much more! \$294,000 (85PUT) 642-8100



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WATERFRONT GEM. 200 feet of waterfront to Fox Lake. Move-in condition with all the bells and whistles. Marble gas fireplace, 2 tiered deck. Hurry to see inside condition. \$214,750 (20WIS) 363-1200



TROY. 4 bedroom Tudor with 2 1/2 baths. Large master bedroom suite. First floor laundry. Ceramic foyer. Finished basement with full bath and kitchen. New roof with ice shield. \$259,900 (27TAR) 524-1600



BERKLEY. 3 bedroom bungalow in the heart of Berkley! Basement, garage, fenced yard, updated bath. Home Warranty. \$137,900 (58TYL) 642-8100

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS. 3 bedroom, 2 bath Ranch offers 1875 sq. ft. with living room, family room, white formica kitchen on acre lot overlooking beach and Walnut Lake, with lake privileges. Very clean home! \$299,900 (95LON) 642-8100



BEAUTIFUL TUDOR backing to commons. Wood and ceramic floors, great room with fireplace. First floor laundry, central air, sprinklers, master suite. \$205,900 (73NOR) 652-8000



PICTURE PERFECT RANCH. Open soft contemporary ranch - Commerce, beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch features great room with fireplace, central air, 1st floor laundry, super sharp. \$187,900 (13BUS) 363-1200



ENCHANTING HOME with open floor plan, large windows, vaulted ceilings and neutral colors, looks out into large yard with mature trees. Marble natural fireplace, first floor master, large tiered deck with hot tub are elegant. Convenient to schools and shopping. \$204,000 (44DUR) (248) 626-8800



NOVI. Fabulous home, custom features throughout. Huge family room, formal library, white gourmet kitchen, knock-out lower level, walkout with full bath, 3 car garage. This home has it all! \$474,000 (37DUN) 642-8100



ADORABLE ROCHESTER RANCH on beautiful treed fenced lot. Walk to park and shops! Exquisitely decorated with hardwood floors, darling kitchen and full basement. \$149,900 (19WIL) 652-8000



TROY. 3 bedroom brick ranch located on extra large corner lot with attached 2 car garage plus carport. Great for storage. Finished basement with full bath. One year Home Warranty included. \$182,900 (14DAN) 524-1600



STATELY NORTH ROSEDALE PARK Colonial, 3 floors, 5 bedrooms, 3 full baths and 2 half baths. All spacious large rooms in a premier location in the Park. \$219,900 (18BRE) (248) 626-8800



ROYAL OAK. Neutral decor, 1,755 sq. ft. home offers hardwood floors in bedrooms, family room, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, library, 2 car garage, deck, large yard. Newer windows and furnace. \$174,900 (09WOO) 642-8100



ADAMS WEST. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths partially finished basement. Hardwood in foyer, kitchen, nook. Family room with cathedral ceiling and fireplace. 17'x41' Fox inground heated pool. \$287,000 (79QU) 652-8000



GREAT CURB APPEAL. 3 bedroom Troy ranch with beautiful interior decor. Elevated rear patio. Central air. Furnace in '93, roof in '98. 2 car attached garage. Large lot. \$174,900 (95TOR) 524-1600



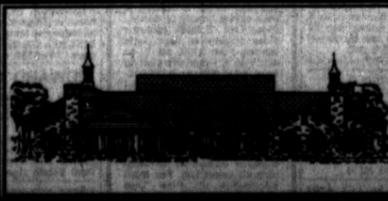
FABULOUS LOCATION and gorgeous, bright family home. Hardwood floors, foyer and library, spacious family room with cathedral ceiling, newer carpeting, and kitchen floors and window treatments. Troy Schools. \$339,900 (88HIL) (248) 626-8800



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WEST TROY, 4 bedroom Tudor with 4 1/2 baths, first floor master bedroom with whirlpool. 2nd floor private suite. Finished lower level with full bath. 3 car side entry garage. Home Warranty! \$539,900 (95RAM) 524-1600



CASS LAKEFRONT COMMUNITY. Offers 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, gas fireplace, all appliances plus pool, sandy beach and docking (upon availability). Buyer's delight. \$134,900 (59POR) 363-1200



BERKLEY. Attractive and spacious brick Cape Cod with over 1,650 sq. ft., 3 large bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car garage. Quiet neighborhood with beautiful distinctive homes. \$194,900 (21EAR) 642-8100



NORTHERN FARMINGTON HILLS. 3-4 bedrooms, newer oak kitchen with ceramic floors, refinished hardwood floors in many rooms, studio ceilings, living room, dining room. Excellent location. Almost new furnace. Walk to schools! \$172,000 (28ARA) (248) 626-8800



TROY, 3 bedroom Colonial with Troy Schools. Family room with natural fireplace. Basement. Neutral decor. Immediate occupancy. One year Home Warranty! \$169,900 (93SLA) 524-1600



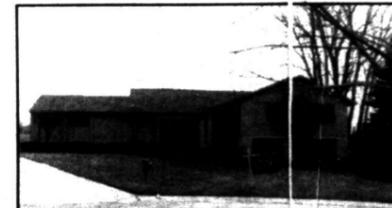
ROYAL OAK. Newer Colonial in Royal Oak, built in 1989. 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, 2 car garage and central air. Appealing neutral decor. Very low maintenance! \$169,900 (02MAP) 642-8100



EXTREMELY NEAT & CLEAN 4 bedroom brick/aluminum Colonial. Family room with natural fireplace and wet bar. Finished basement, neutral decor, central air, sprinklers. Private backyard. \$204,900 (40STO) (248) 652-8000



TROY, 4 bedroom brick Colonial with a first floor den. First floor laundry. Family room with natural fireplace. Basement with new furnace and newer roof. \$229,000 (56STO) 524-1600



BLOOMFIELD. 3,100 sq. ft. Quad in South Wabek. 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, living room, family room, 2 fireplaces, redecorated, updated roof, newer gas fireplace, deck, and located on private cul-de-sac. \$359,900 (61LAK) 642-8100



NEUTRAL FAMILY HOME - great Rochester sub, neighborhood school. Newer carpeting and ceramic, kitchen appliances. 4 large bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, family room, fireplace, extra storage, 2 1/2 car garage. Home Warranty. \$214,000 (51STO) 652-8000

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TROY, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial. Newer roof, furnace, kitchen, partially finished basement. Most paint, wallpaper and carpeting. Home Warranty! \$218,000 (12REI) 524-1600



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TROY, 3 bedroom Colonial in popular Windmill Pointe Subdivision. Many updates include remodeled kitchen, newer roof, furnace, carpet and paint. A charming home. \$168,500 (10LON) 524-1600



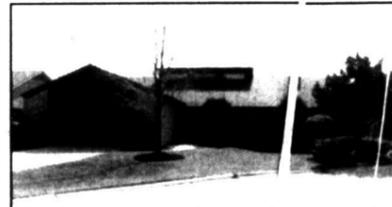
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ROCHESTER HILLS. Lovely large home with open floor plan, island kitchen. Formal dining room, large family room with fireplace and wet bar. Finished lower level, central air and sprinklers. Nice yard with fruit trees. Close to Oakland University, I-75, M-59 and Chrysler Tech Center. \$224,900 (95PLU) 652-8000



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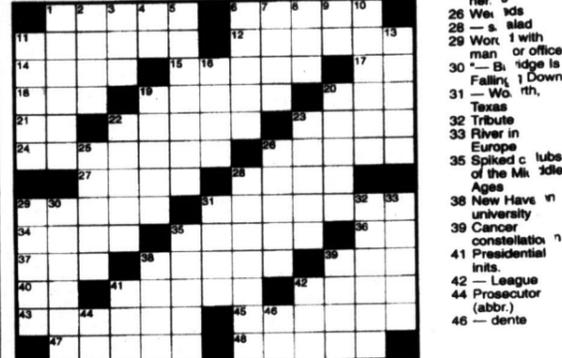


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MOVERS AND SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards and other news within the real estate, construction, architecture and mortgage communities. Send a brief summary including town of residency and black and white photo to Real Estate Movers and Shakers, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

Thomas Kloosterman has been promoted to production manager at Tower Pinkster Titus Associates, an architectural and engineering firm.



Kloosterman

He's responsible for project scheduling and coordination with staff resources, outside consultants and internal budgets for TPTA offices in Bloomfield Hills, Battle Creek, Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo.

Kloosterman, who holds a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University, has 16 years experience in the field of architecture.

Judy Miller, an associate broker with Coldwell Banker Professionals in Clarkston, has acquired the professional designation of Certified Residential Specialist.

Miller also is a licensed residential builder.

Susan Tedesco, broker/owner

of RE/MAX Showcase Homes, has earned the designation of Accredited Buyer Representative.

Tedesco, who also holds the designation of Certified Residential Specialist, has been in real estate for more than 20 years.

She's a member of the Birmingham-Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce and the Beverly Hills Village Women's Club.

Martha Momeni, a Realtor with RE/MAX Classic in Canton, also has acquired the Accredited Buyer Representative designation.

She's been in the business 11 years.

Momeni, who lives in Plymouth, also is involved with the Trust for Historic Preservation, Rails to Trails Conservancy and the National Hiking Society.

Amera Mortgage Corp. of Farmington Hills announces a promotion and two appointments.

Kerri Ryan, employed as a loan originator for three years, has been promoted to branch manager of the corporate offices. She will oversee loan origination production and day-to-day operations.

Deborah M. Pavone was appointed a residential loan originator. She previously was a regional manager for the Limited Group and World Bead Co.

Michael Hansen was appointed as Computer LAN Manager. He's a Certified Novell administrator who previously worked at L&W Engineering as a computer technician.



New center: Here's a rendering of the technology and learning complex to be constructed at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. Neumann/Smith is on the architectural team. Barton Malow is the construction manager.

Barton Malow to handle technology complex

Barton Malow Co. of Southfield has been awarded a construction management contract from Lawrence Technological University to build an \$18 million technology and learning complex on its Southfield campus.

The technology and learning complex will house the school of architecture and components of

the school of engineering and the school of management.

The new program includes renovation of a portion of the existing school of architecture building of 30,000 square feet and the construction of a new building of 80,000-90,000 square feet.

A new theater, to be used by the university and Southfield

community groups, is included.

The new school of architecture building will be built between the existing school of architecture and engineering buildings, which will require adjustments to the university's vehicular and pedestrian circulation systems.

The architectural team consists of Neumann/Smith and Associates of Southfield and

Gwathmey Siegel and Associate Architects, New York City.

Barton Malow has managed numerous university building programs including work at University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University, Wayne State University, Oakland University, Carnegie Mellon University, University of Maryland and University of Virginia.

New mall will have 16 'anchor' stores

Great Lakes Crossing, the shopping/entertainment center opening Nov. 12 in Auburn Hills will have 16 "anchors." The mall is just off I-75 between the Baldwin and Joslyn Road exits.

The 16 anchor tenants can be grouped into four merchandise/format categories:

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Great Lakes Food Court

More than 150 smaller specialty and manufacturers outlet stores are planned. These stores will be clustered in six themed and architecturally distinctive

merchandise districts offering entertainment, fashion, sports, fitness and general merchandise products.

Customer amenities will include valet parking, state-of-the-art family restroom facilities, a children's play area, multiple information areas and helpful directional signs, comfortable seating areas and rest stations throughout the center, and coffee/cappuccino courts.

Mortgage rate rises

WASHINGTON (AP) - The average rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages rose to 7.19 percent this week, just short of the 5 1/2-month high reached two weeks before, the mortgage company Freddie Mac said.

The increase was from 7.14 percent last week. The average this year has ranged between 7.22 percent at the end of April and 6.89 percent, a four-year low reached in mid-January as nervous

investors transferred money from Asia to the United States.

Fifteen-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rose to 6.82 percent from 6.78 percent the previous week. It had hit a six-month high of 6.85 percent two weeks ago.

On one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 5.71 percent.

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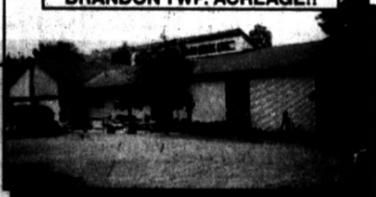
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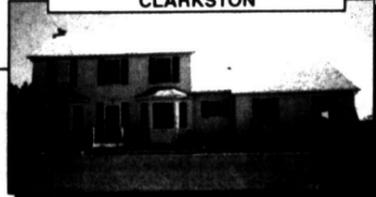


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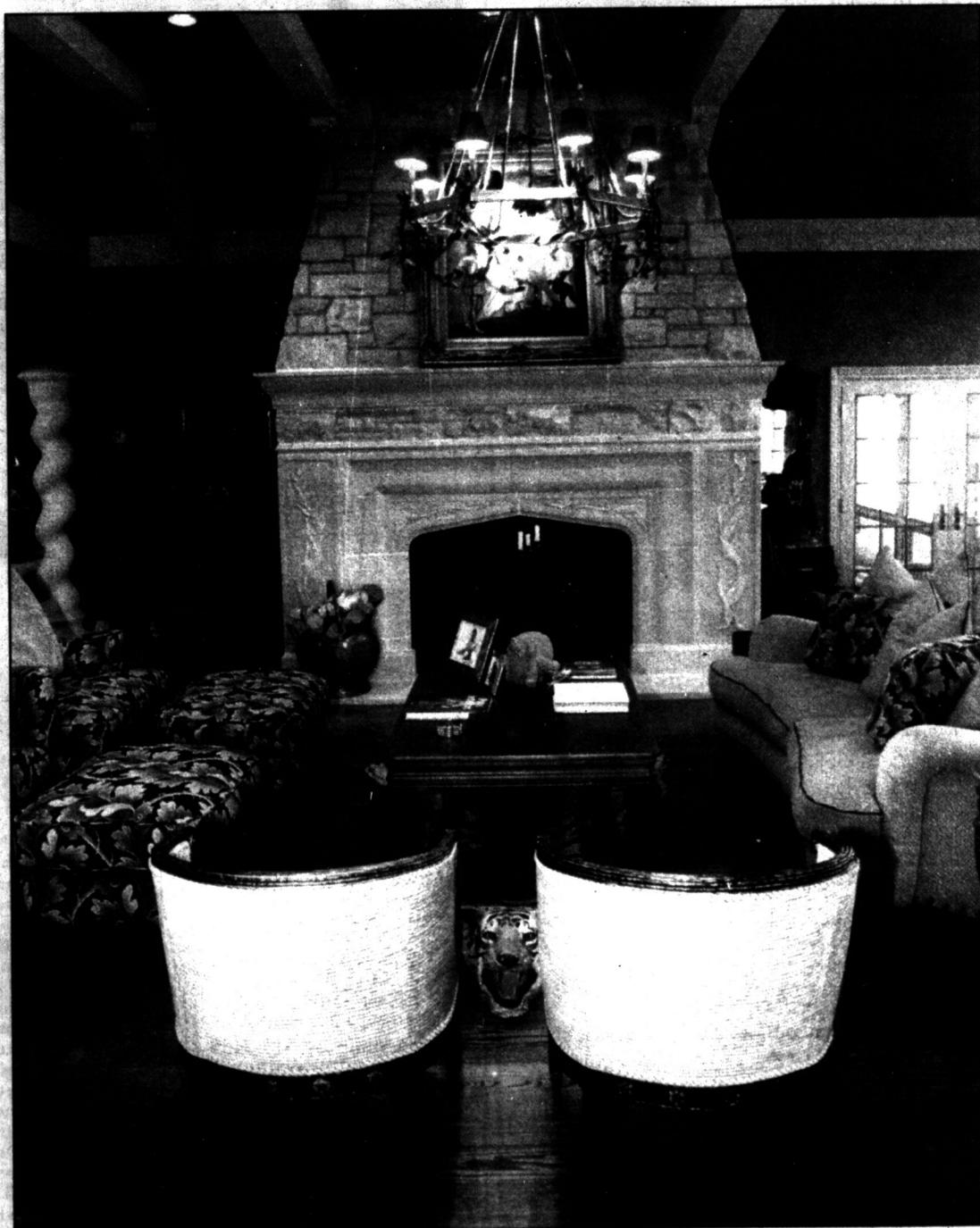
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Don't be married to an appliance



JOE GAGNON

I wonder how many readers of this paper have old appliances in their homes which they have loved for years. Products which have performed with hardly a flaw, doing the job day after day, year after year, and still holding

that brand new appearance look.

The years have taught me that bond between appliances and the user is so strong that it becomes silly. Appliance users will spend anything to get it fixed and in many cases the repairs prove to be wasted money. I hope the remainder of this column can help educate somebody on when repairs might not be feasible.

In many cases when we in the service industry attempt to repair an old major home appliance, the parts are no longer available. There are times when substitute parts can be found, but we always ask ourselves, "Will this part hold up like the original did?"

As a service technician, we don't want to be married to this old product we are fixing so we tend to charge a high price for repairs.

Mrs. Jones wants her 28-year-old electric range repaired because one of the burners no longer works. She has been out shopping for a new stove but can't find anything to come close to the stove she loves.

Mrs. Jones calls the repair man and he quotes her a price for the service call, the labor in the home and the cost of the burner, which could cost a total \$140. He comes to the home and repairs the stove according to her complaint. She's happy that the burner is repaired and the technician goes on his way. The service man who repaired the stove has observed that the wiring leading to all the other burners is very brittle, which indicates that all wiring throughout the range, seen and unseen, is probably in the same condition.

At this point, the service technician who would inform Mrs. Jones of her stove's condition is going to have to rewire the whole blooming stove. The labor for doing so will increase the repair bill by as much as another \$100 or so. He knows that the extra cost will probably make Mrs. Jones decide not to have it repaired at all. So, why say anything at all about the condition of the rest of the wiring for fear of losing the whole job?

Just fix the problem, make her happy and make sure that Mrs. Jones understands the warranty on the work just done. He must now explain the warranty, which will be in writing, and he must explain it in very clear, precise language or else he will be married to this old timer (I mean the stove). The warranty, he explains, is simple: The work performed is under warranty and nothing else that might occur is guaranteed.

Too many times I have seen this scenario played out. It ends up being money wasted and hard feelings with the service industry, and it could have been avoided. Old products are old products: They were designed to last for only so long and when that point is reached, the obvious becomes good common sense. Go shopping and give the old timer a kiss good-bye. Tune in.



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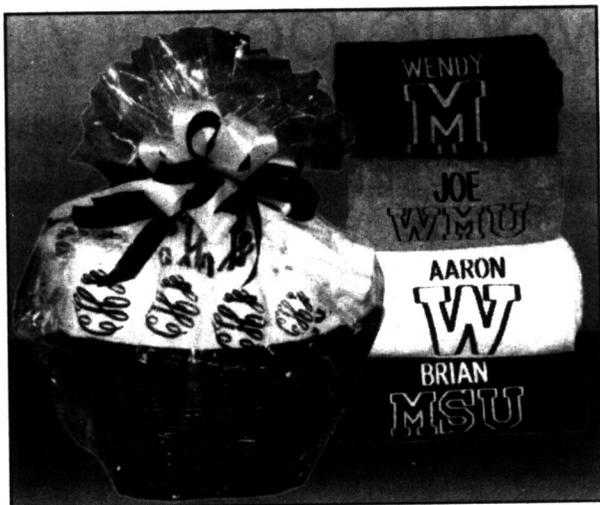
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Letter perfect

Initial reaction: Nancy Gay Designs of West Bloomfield monograms items for gifts. The towels, done in the school colors, are Fieldcrest-Cannon Royal Velvet. King size, 36 by 70, is \$32 and queen size, 33 by 66, is \$25; prices include gift wrapping. The basket is an example of shower gifts Nancy Gay Designs has done. Baskets are filled with towels and/or linens for any price range. Call (248) 683-0450.



Lemon treat

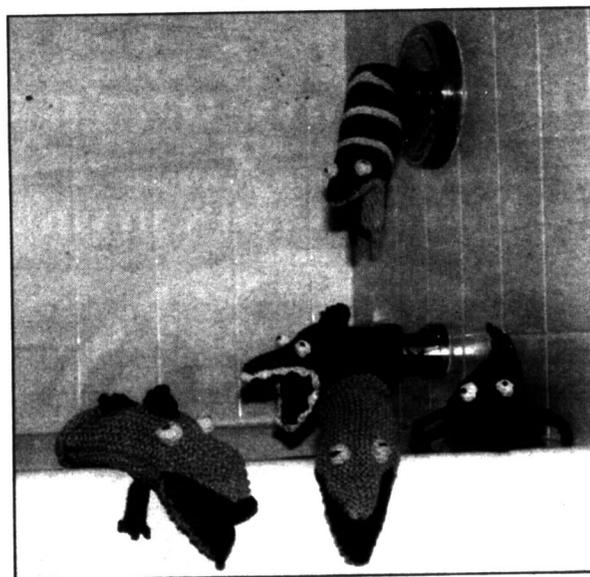
Adding some zest: Brighten up kitchen spaces and faces with lemon-colored kitchenware that will help create summer treats. The lemon pie dish and trivet are handpainted by Williams-Sonoma artist Laurie Gates. These colorful pieces can be found at Williams-Sonoma at Laurel Park Place, Six Mile and Newburgh in Livonia. Costs are: the handpainted, 9-inch pie dish, \$28; the stainless steel pastry server, \$10; the Kitchen Aid mixer, \$239; "The Lemon Lovers Cookbook," \$18.95; the lemon tea ball, \$6.50; and the handpainted lemon trivet, \$18. Call (734) 953-0515.



A-drawer-able

Pretty clever: These handpainted wood jewelry boxes in assorted pastel colors, designed by Shannon McGraw, are available at Scott Shuptrine Fine Furniture in Troy and Novi. Prices are \$89 for the five-drawer, 17-inch high box and \$45 for the three-drawer, 12-inch high box.

AT HOME, Mary Klemic, editor (248) 901-2569
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Bathing beasts

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treasure search

Painting features Pewabic pottery

BY NANCY AND FRANK BOOS
Special Writers

Dear Nancy and Frank,
We have a painting that was left to us. It is by Douglas Arthur Teed and is entitled "The Blue Vase." We have tried to research this piece and couldn't find much.

Thank you in advance for your help.
Pat and Jack,
Farmington

Dear Pat and Jack,
Mr. Teed is to be admired not only for his talent, but for his gumption and drive.

Around 1874, at the approximate age of 14, he opened a studio in his native Utica, N.Y., and made enough money from his landscape paintings to travel and study exclusively in Europe and North Africa in Algiers and Morocco.

He opened a studio in Detroit around 1918 or 1919. He is best known to his Michigan fans for his bold and vividly

colored paintings of open air markets, bazaars and casbahs of North Africa.

When Douglas was 9, his father experienced a divine revelation that caused him to leave Douglas and his mother to start a religious sect in Florida.

His father, always filled with religious fervor when he was still raising Douglas, must have instilled in Douglas a great sense of mysticism, spirituality and the exotic, all of which are evidenced in Douglas' paintings of the people of North Africa. These subjects were his later and best works.

He could also be considered to be a Romanticist in his paintings in that he conveyed nature and man as poetic and dramatic.

In your still life painting, Douglas uses Detroit's own fabulous Pewabic pottery and pots arranged on Oriental fabric as representational of the colorful vessels of North Africa.

From our vantage point, we see the Teed market as a somewhat erratic one. Sometimes the still life paintings bring



Artistic piece: Douglas Arthur Teed used Pewabic pottery in this still life.

higher prices than the casbah scenes, and some years it's vice versa.

We have sold works similar to this at our auction gallery for as high as \$8,000 and some for much less. Depending on condition, we would conservatively estimate this for auction at \$4,000 to \$6,000.

Nancy and Frank Boos are with the Frank H. Boos Gallery of Bloom-

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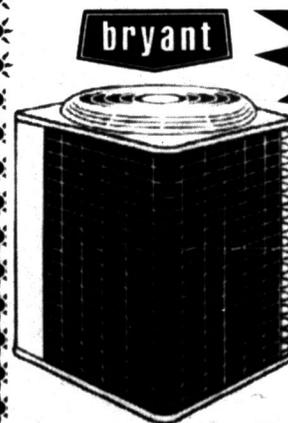
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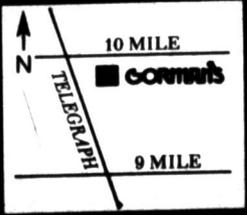
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Make arrangements: Plan cutting



MARTY FIGLEY

Have you ever dreamed of having a cutting garden that would supply all the flowers you might need (or most of them anyway) for your home, with maybe even some to spare for your friends?

I recently spoke with Susan Greener, who works for the purchasing and marketing department of English Gardens, and this well-informed lady shared her thoughts with me.

"Some people watch TV, I read horticulture books," Susan said, and her knowledge is very apparent. She advises: The first thing is to prepare the bed for the cutting garden. Remove the sod and amend the soil.

Oakland County generally has clay soil and Susan recommends using a soil conditioner, available at English Gar-

dens, which is finely ground or mulched pine bark. It contains enough woody material to create good drainage. Add the conditioner to the bed and dig it in 18 to 24 inches deep to allow the deep tap roots of some of them to have plenty of room to grow.

Much of Wayne County and lake property is often sandy, so sphagnum peat can be added to the soil. If sphagnum is used, soak it first and mix it into the soil thoroughly. If you have compost it is perfectly fine to use it.

Choose flowers that will grow well in your selected site and remember that perennials need a minimum of six hours of sun per day. If the bed is wider than 4-1/2 to 5 feet, incorporate a walkway in the middle so you won't tramp on the plant material.

Place the plants in a pleasing design with the tallest in the middle or back and work down the heights with the shortest in the front. If you grow other plants in the cutting bed, arrange them

to complement the flowers that you will be harvesting.

"Don't fertilize when you first plant the perennials, wait until they are growing well, then I recommend granular Osmocote 14-14-14 which is a slow-release, all-natural product. It's all you need."

Scatter the fertilizer, then cultivate it into the soil 1 to 2 inches deep, then water. Susan won't use insecticides in her own garden especially because it is near a butterfly garden. She just keeps a watch out for bugs and disposes of them quickly.

If you wish to sow seeds for your cutting garden, sow them directly into the garden in June or a little later, but understand that there will be no flowers the first year. Follow the package directions and don't fertilize the first year. The seed bed needs to be prepared the same as you do for potted plants.



MARTY FIGLEY

Pleased planter: Susan Greener, a happy English Gardens employee, poses with perennials suitable for a cutting garden.

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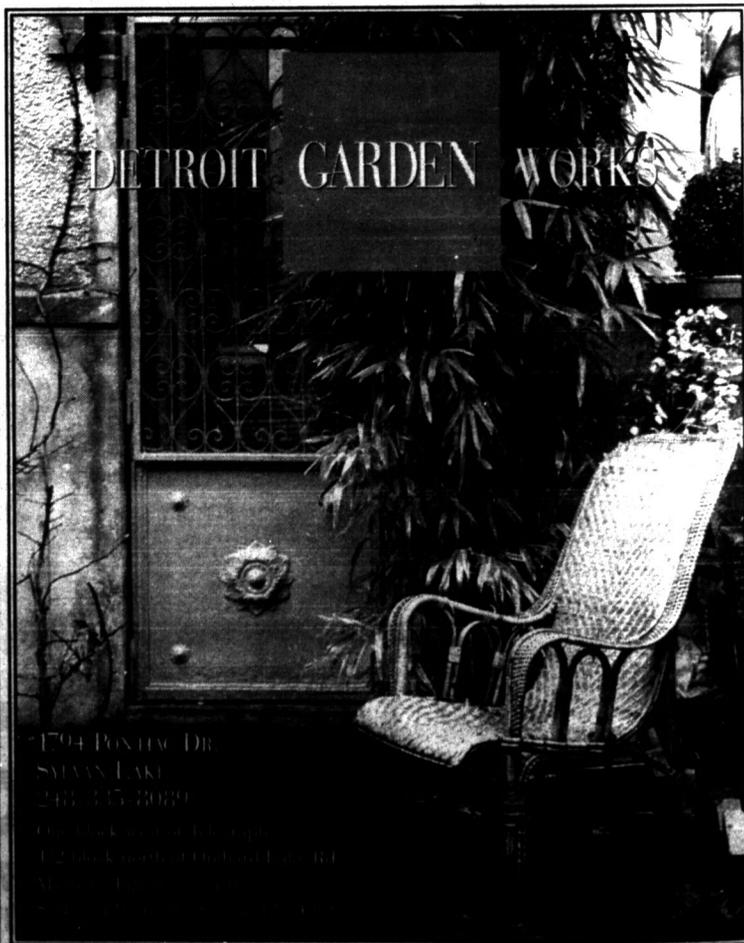
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MONTE NAGLER

A frequently-asked question at a photography exhibit I just completed was why I photograph in black and white.

I believe the answer is noteworthy and deserving of space in my photography column.

What black and white lacks in color, it gains in dramatic impact. Color, of course, is beautiful and appeals to our senses. It has a ring of familiarity and makes us feel at home in our world. People are comfortable with color photographs because they reflect what is seen and encountered in our daily lives.

But whereas the intensity and variety of color can complicate the appearance of a scene, black and white has a graphic simplicity. It has an ability to convey mood, form and pattern in tones of light and dark that color just can't do.

Black and white is a step removed from the real world. With color eliminated, you can more easily concentrate on the other ingredients that comprise a photograph.

Black and white photographs present more of a challenge to the photographer than color. More controls and image manipulation are available to the black and white worker both in the field and in the darkroom, giving him or her greater creative freedom. You might say that color will take care of itself while you have to take care of black and white.

Most serious photographers prefer working in black and white because they feel they can best express themselves in this form. And a perceptive viewer can better get the photographer's message by the subtleties found in a good black and white print. One's imagination is more stimulated by a black and white photograph analogous to digesting a good book rather than seeing the movie.



A boulder statement: These most unusual rocks and a dramatic sky make an ideal black-and-white subject for Nagler's camera. They are the Moeraki Boulders on the east coast of New Zealand's South Island.

These are then some of the reasons that I photograph primarily in black and white. Light, a vital element in any photograph, can have a profound effect on a black and white photograph. Black and white pictures have a quality that is more interpretive and less rooted in the real world.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (248) 644-1314.



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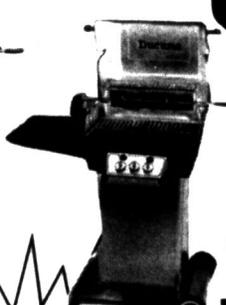
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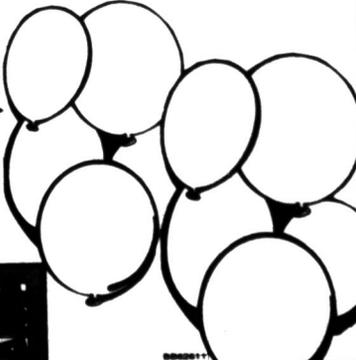
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Royal treatment: Designers' home is to the manor born

Surely, William Shakespeare never had it this good. Probably Guinevere and Arthur didn't either. Truth be told, what James and Debbie Cousens have done with their 7,000-square-foot home would make any of those bluebloods drool.

"We fell in love with the castle atmosphere," James said, reflecting on the couple's European honeymoon as he weaves his way from the master bedroom to the Grand Hall of their Independence Township home.

"We tried real hard not to make this house like all the others. It's just a different house. We went to great pains to make sure it has the Old World feel."

Located in the new Bridge Valley subdivision off Holcomb Road on property that once belonged to Henry Ford, the Cousens' year-old home - which is valued at more than \$1 million and decorated with hand-picked European antiques - will be one of five township houses featured at this year's Home Tour XVI, a fund-raiser that benefits Clarkston SCAMP.

SCAMP is a summer day camp for children with special needs.

European accents

The couple, who are both interior designers and who work out of their home, spent about a year designing the layout of their house before moving in last May. Many of the antiques and accessories that highlight their rooms were bought on a three-week trip James and Debbie took to England, France and Scotland in 1993.

The couple was married in Edinburgh, Scotland, during that same trip. They made a point of investigating and absorbing the decorations and character of several country manors and castles in preparation for their home-to-come, James said.

The European accents include everything from six ceramic chimney stacks that are patterned after the bishops and rooks of a chess set - and which came from an old building in London - to an old London taxidermy scene in the sun room to a Parisian mirror that reflects a Sleeping Beauty sink in the guest powder room.

"Mixing these antiques in with the rest of the stuff has been a fun deal for us," James said, quoting a familiar,



but appropriate, saying, "There's method to all this madness."

The European atmosphere of the home greets visitors at the curb, where two large wrought-iron gates were erected to prevent trespassers from entering the driveway.

Life-sized heads of ancient gods - which sometimes scare off trick-or-treaters - overlook the massive red oak front door, which comes complete with a sliding peep window.

"We worked hard on that front door," Debbie said. "It's too tall for me. I can open it and talk. But I can't see."

Grand Hall

Just beyond that door lies the Grand Hall, an ornate and lavish room that features an enormous, specially made, carved limestone fireplace, vaulted ceiling and automatic baby grand piano.

"The major part of this whole house is the Grand Hall," James said.

Screened, veranda-style porches reach off from it and a nearby bedroom, while hand-hewn, fiberglass columns visually separate the hall from the entrance way.

Behind those columns, tucked into glass display cases in the wall, are James' collection of rare, Austrian, turn-of-the-century, bronze erotica. With the push of a button, the tiny mechanical devices lift skirts or turn leaves and wings to reveal shapely nudes. His is one of the three largest such collections in the United States, James Cousens said.

"The bronze collection is near and dear to me," he said.

Other rooms

The nooks and crannies of other rooms are equally well-invested. James' favorite, the sun room, is paneled in knotty pine and tucked full of hunting and fishing equipment and games to make it look like an old-fashioned room from northern Michigan.

"When the sun comes up in the morning, this room just explodes with sun," he said.

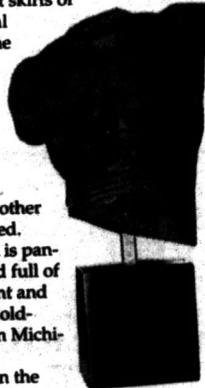
One-year-old daughter Lucy's room boasts a curio cabinet with a doll collection. And the kitchen, like many of the other rooms, overlooks a scenic view of pond, trees and birdfeeders. It has a commercial stove and vegetable sink and is designed to augment Debbie's passion for gourmet cooking.

In the basement, where the Cousens have a weight room along with their James Cousens Designs Inc. offices, wooden doors brought from an old Catholic church allow passage from room to room.

Even lattice-topped doors from the church's confes-



Manor-ed living: James and Debbie Cousens' Grand Hall has a vaulted ceiling and an automatic baby grand piano (above) as well as a giant carved limestone fireplace (on the cover). A head of an ancient god (above, center) on the front porch gives a regal greeting; other art work is inside.



sional have been put to use. They obscure tiny rooms that hold the home's heating and water machinery.

James, 54, and Debbie, 37, brought to their marriage a host of designer talents and visions.

She has a degree in interior design from Michigan State University and worked previously in the field at other design firms and for 10 years at the General Motors Proving Grounds in Milford.

He is a Vietnam veteran and attended Western Michigan University, where he studied marketing. In 1960, James and his father opened the Town House Interiors store off Orchard Lake Road in Sylvan Village.

The couple now enjoy providing interior design work for individuals and companies, private homes and larger living complexes, such as clubhouses and senior citizen residences.

"We're not butting heads," James said happily of how their tastes complement one another.

The Home Tour XVI for the benefit of Clarkston SCAMP will take place noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 7. Reservations are \$25 per person and may be bought by calling Geri Batt at (248) 625-3330 or by sending a check to Clarkston SCAMP, 6590 Middle Lake Road, Clarkston, 48346.

A patron's evening preview will take place Saturday, June 6, with registration beginning 6 p.m. A reception will immediately follow at Tina and George Milidrag's Chateau du Lac. The patron's evening is \$65 per person. For further information, call Batt at (248) 625-3330.



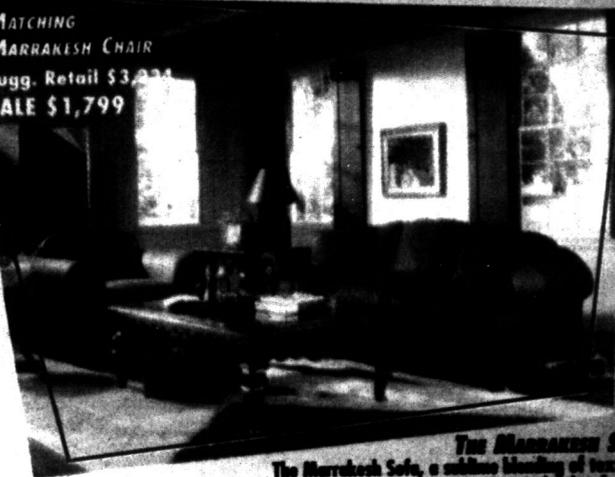
Special surroundings: Debbie Cousens and daughter Lucy stop in the kitchen, featuring a commercial stove and vegetable sink. Lucy's room (at right) contains a doll collection.



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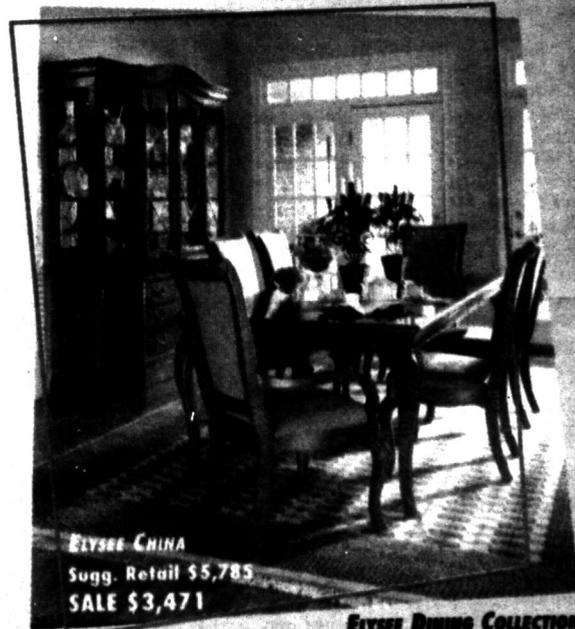
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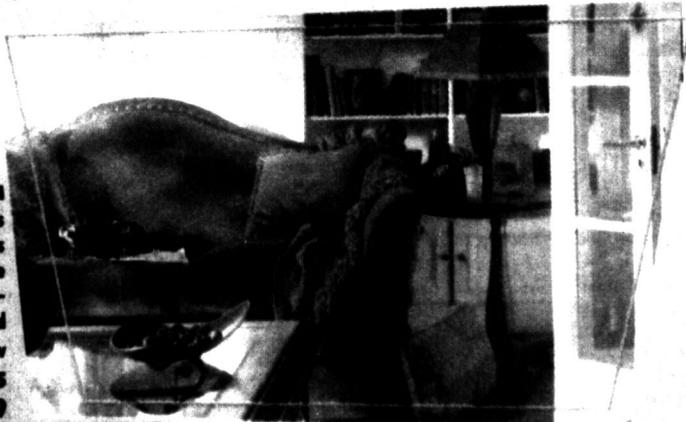


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RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

I'm en route from northern Michigan, back home to Franklin. It was the Annual Mushroom Festival Weekend in Boyne City - time for the prized morels so many of us venture out in May to find.

Well, as usual, I'm left holding the bag - the empty (mesh) bag. It never fails - whenever I am up north foraging for these prized fungi - it's always the wrong week! "Last week there were tons of them," says delightful Joe Breidenstein, who has hosted Spring Morel Mushroom Weekends for the past 11 years at Springbrook Hills Resort.

Joe Breidenstein Jr. (who's twenty-something), backs up his dad, with the facts. "We were carrying home bags of them," says young Joe, who seems to have more than a knack for finding these masters of camouflage.

OK, I know I was really only up there to cook - that's my job - but once, just once, I want to come home with a bag full of morels! My top number of morels on a hunt in the past three years has been 12, and some have been too tiny to really count. This weekend there was nary a mushroom in site. Picked over? Too dry? Wrong week? Whatever the cause, my resolve was to get off the frustrating fungi track and dig to my hearts content - wild leeks.

Their beautiful onion scent is captivating, and the floor of the forest was covered with them - this trip was not to

be in vain. I sat myself down on the ground and carefully dug up enough wild leeks to prepare for one of our four, evening appetizers (fifty-six people were to be fed). In the background I did hear "I found two blacks and one white." I hated myself for despising that woman from Ohio - not only did she find three morels, they were enormous! My husband being the sweet soul he is, asked me if I thought she had brought them along with her from home...

"Perhaps I'm just mushroom challenged," I replied. That three-mushroom lady really annoyed me when she looked at my basket filled with sweet tender wild leeks and said, "We call those ramps - they are just everywhere." She didn't say it just once, but repeated herself as she trudged along in expectation of finding another morel.

Looking for Wild Leeks to cook - here are some tips:

- Follow your nose - they definitely are aromatically onions in scent.

- Make sure you are foraging on your own property or on private land - you are removing the root!

- Plan on foraging this Lily family member from April through June.

- Look for green plants with two or three elongated smooth leaves. The leaves are between 4 and 6 inches long almost feather-like in appearance, with a burgundy cast on the stem (between the green leaves and the white bulb).

- In digging up your leeks, make sure you go all the way down to the root - that is the part you are going to eat.

- Remember that wild leeks (even though the bulb is tiny) have a strong flavor - much more potent than scallions!

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Ingredients for Baked Brie:

1 large Brie Wheel (7 or 8 inches wide)

2 pre-made or homemade pie crusts

3 tablespoons peanut oil

2 large (3 to 4 inches long) elongated slices ginger, peeled

1 pound (or desired amount) julienned vegetables (your choice - make it colorful)

For the Up North outings I use: wild leeks, carrots, parsnips, pea pods (sliced the long way), green zucchini, yellow squash, red and orange bell pepper and chopped green onions (green part only)

Seasoning Sauce: Mix these ingredients into a bowl

8 tablespoons Oyster Sauce

2 tablespoons water

3 tablespoons white wine (any type)

3 teaspoons sugar

1 1/2 tablespoons cornstarch

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

In a pie pan or ceramic quiche dish - spray with non-stick spray add one pie crust. Spray the crust. Place a wheel of brie on the pastry. Spray the top and sides of the brie - top with the other crust. Fold the top crust over the bottom crust and press lightly to totally encase the cheese. Slit the top of the crust with a sharp knife (just enough to release steam). Bake until desired doneness - should be golden brown (approximately 30 minutes).

While the brie is baking, heat peanut oil in wok or frying pan. Add the ginger and sliced wild leeks - stir fry for two minutes. As the leeks begin to brown, add the julienned vegetables; the hardest vegetables first

(carrots and parsnips) and stir fry over high heat until crisp tender, add the sliced pea pods then add the two types of squash - stir fry for a minute or so - then add the peppers - when vegetables are at desired crispness or doneness - add the green onion for just a moment. Remove the large slices of ginger and discard.

Add the Seasoning Sauce - stir until thickened and heated through.

Remove Baked Brie from the oven - let sit for a few minutes just to cool slightly - serve the sauced vegetables over wedges of en croute Brie - with English Biscuits, fancy crackers, or slices of a crusty French Baguette.

*Cook's note: In julienne of vegetables, I use a mandoline (with a hand-guard glove) and slice the squash using only the very outer areas (do not go in too far - you don't want any of the seeded part). All hard vegetables can be done with a mandoline - use a knife for the pea pods, peppers, and green onions.

*Do keep in mind, if you do find wild mushrooms out in the woods, morels or any other edible variety - they can be foraged without any penalty on state or federal land - you are not removing the root (like you do with wild leeks "ramps" - you are eating the root) but remember to cook wild mushrooms, never eat them raw!

To connect with Joe Breidenstein regarding the Mushroom Outings at Springbrook Hills Resort - write or call Joe at: P.O. Box 219 Walloon Lake, Michigan 49796, (616) 535-2227.

Ruth Mossok Johnston is an author and food columnist who lives in Franklin. To leave her a voice mail message, dial (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1902.

at home calendar

- Learn to make luxurious, vegetable oil-based, herbal soaps from scratch in evening classes offered Tuesday, May 26, through Farmington Community Education (call (248) 489-3333) and Wednesday, May 27, through Southfield Community Education (call (248) 746-8700). Ingredients can be found at your local grocery store, and you can add herbs or flowers from your garden.

- The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, offers a variety of classes and events related to the home and garden, including "How Dogs Think, Learn and Communicate" Tuesday, May 26; "Working With an Architect" Wednesday, May 27; and a presen-

tation Thursday, May 28, in which Gary Kohs of Birmingham, the owner of Fine Art Models, shares his excitement in creating museum quality scale model ships, trains, automobiles and aircraft that are enjoyed around the world, showing actual models, photos and slides of plans and models in progress. Students under age 18 admitted free to Kohs' presentation. Call the program department at (248) 644-5832 for registration and information.

- The Frank H. Boos Gallery, 420 Enterprise Court in Bloomfield Hills, will have an auction of property belonging to numerous estates and private collectors 6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, June 2-

4. A three-day preview will take place noon to 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 28-29, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, June 1. Call (248) 332-1500.

- "The Functional Vase Project: 1998," an exhibit of functional vases by American metalsmiths, continues to May 30 at the Yaw Gallery, 550 N. Old Woodward in Birmingham. Each vase, available in an edition of 10, is made primarily out of metal. Call (248) 647-5470.

- Gardenviews, 202 W. Main in Northville, will celebrate its third anniversary this weekend with cake and special events. Witness the releasing of 50 butterflies on their first flight into the world 6 p.m. Friday, May 22. A petting

zoo for youngsters will be available noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 23. Call (248) 380-8881.

- The Clawson Ladybug Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will have its annual Spring Fling 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 23, at the Clawson Historical Museum, 141 Fisher Ct. Call (248) 435-0642 or (248) 435-5488 for information. Among the items up for sale will be crafts, baked goods and an assortment of garden plants, including a few unusual varieties. Refreshments and a white elephant sale will be featured. In case of rain, the sale will take place in the museum basement.

Figley
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The correct time to harvest depends on the flowers. Some are best cut while in bud; most, just before bud break.

"Use good, sharp bypass pruners or a single-edge blade. Set them in fresh warm water and use a floral extender according to package directions, available in packets. Schultz makes a cut flower food.

"Cut to size to arrange then recut, change water and add extender every two or three days. Make sure no leaves are in the water."

Many non-flowering plants add interest to arrangements - hosta leaves and several kinds of ferns, for instance.

"Who says you can't use vegetables in the middle of an arrangement? There are all kinds of off-the-wall things you can do in cut flower arrangements."

Susan has been with English Gardens for five years.

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"I was formerly their best customer. I left the corporate life to do what I love to do."

Susan has had many responsibilities and is also the assistant manager of the West Bloomfield store. She visits each store on a regular basis to give advice

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Please submit the information - including time and date, cost, any special features and where to buy tickets - by the end of the day Wednesday, May 27, to Mary Klemic, At Home editor, by mailing it to her at 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, or faxing it to her at (248) 644-1314.

and "just to chat."

Customers make a point of shopping when she is visiting. Her schedule is: Sunday, Clinton; Monday, Eastpointe; Wednesday, Dearborn; and Thursday, West Bloomfield. Tuesday is a float day.

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That foreign language was and still is part of your family heritage - a lan-

guage your grandparents may have predominantly spoke growing up.

Have you had the good fortune of listening to stories a grandparent told about his or her childhood - what it was like growing up during the Depression? During a world war?



LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

Perhaps you have contemplated tape recording these pages of history before they are lost forever. What may be stored in your memory banks may lose detail over time when you attempt to verbally pass on a

piece of your family history to the next generation - your children.

There is no time like the present to investigate your family history by documenting everything you uncover and asking a lot of questions. If your children are old enough to assist in the process, they should be an integral part of your family investigation. Their detective work now will forever be something they can treasure for a lifetime.

Your family history is all about looking into your past for clues that tell you how your family lived. What you find may even tell you a great deal about

yourself, including where you got certain traits.

Interviews

Begin by sitting down with older family members and asking questions. Make sure your questions are prepared in advance when you have time to carefully think about what information you want to uncover.

Tape record your interviews as well as jot down all the important details, particularly in the event something goes wrong with your cassette tape. You can always transcribe your tape after the recording and include your transcription in a three-ring family history binder.

After each interview, ask your relative if you can look at some of his or her mementos, including written correspondence, photographs, invitations, cards, show tickets, and old receipts.

These will tell you more about what your family did at given times, where they lived, what they drove, what they wore, when children were born and events were celebrated, what relatives

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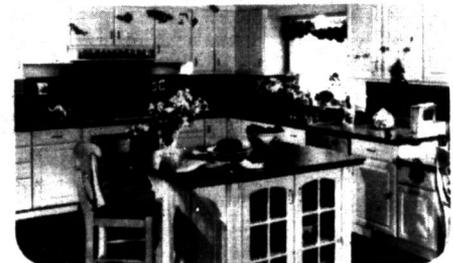
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and friends looked like, what current events took place over the years, and what the cost of living was during a given period in time.

If your relative cannot give you these mementos, ask if you can carefully make copies of the information. Many photography shops will make a negative and prints of old pictures as long as there is no copyright on the print.

Records and artifacts

Ask to look at family records such as birth certificates, passports, school report cards, a marriage license, medical information and, if appropriate, death certificates.

These documents will assist you in revealing the maiden names of married relatives, their birthplaces, the date a

■ If your children are old enough to assist in the process, they should be an integral part of your family investigation.

person started school, the cities they lived in, when they were married, the countries they came from or traveled to, important medical information that reveals some genetic history, and relatives' lifespans.

Search for family artifacts during your investigation. Will a relative part with a stamp from the country in which he or she grew up? Will your grandmother pass on her 16th birthday ring? Will your mother give you a copy of your parents' wedding invitation?

Buy a blank family tree poster from a quality book store. Begin filling in the names of all the relatives you have uncovered. How far back can you go? Can you include a photograph of each person next to his or her name? If not, you still have a great deal of investigating to do.

Does your family have a coat of arms? Inquire in your research with relatives.

The coat of arms originated when knights all looked alike in battle. The only way to differentiate them was to look at the coats of arms on their shields.

Did any relatives create a time capsule with clues telling you about their past? Time capsules can reveal mementos of important events, popular sports teams, musical preferences, an old diary or journal, and treasured photographs.

These steps in your investigation may not help you uncover every piece of your

family puzzle, but they will assist you and your children in taking some of the mystery out of your family history.

Lisa Luckow-Healy is a marketing consultant and freelance writer who regularly contributes to several parenting publications. To leave her a message from a touch-tone phone about how you celebrate family, call (313) 953-2047, then her mailbox number, 1903; or e-mail your suggestions to LiHealy@aol.com

Clarifications

Mosaic twig furnishings by L.J. Hawkins are featured at Greater Indoors, 163 N. Old Woodward in Birmingham.

The photo on the cover of the April 23 At Home should have been identified as the porch of Tom and Susan McDaniel of Birmingham.

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1. **Head** - The top of the frame.
2. **Jamb** - The side of the frame.
3. **Frame** - The combination of head (top), jambs (sides) and sill (bottom) to form a precise opening in which a window sash or door panel fits.
4. **Glazing** - The process of applying or installing glass into a window or door sash; also refers to the type of glass used in the process.
5. **Pane** - A framed sheet of glass within a window or door.
6. **Sash** - An assembly of stiles (sides) and rails (top and bottom) made into a movable frame, except on fixed windows.
7. **Sill** - The bottom of the frame.



8. **Muntin bar** - Any small bar that divides a window's glass; also called a grille or windowpane divider.

Air infiltration rate - A measure for the leakage of air through a closed window or door. The lower the number, the better the window seals against drafts.

Argon-filled - A type of insulating glass that delivers particularly high energy efficiency. The sealed air space between panes of glass is filled with argon, a colorless gas, which improves the air space's insulating value.

Clear glass - Glass that is untinted, often used for passive solar heat gain.

Fixed unit - A window or door that doesn't open.

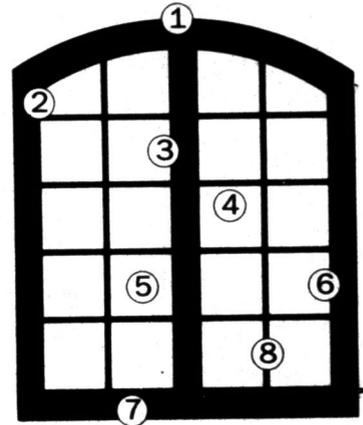
Grouping - Several windows combined to form a larger glass area in a wall; also called a combination or composite.

Insulating glass (also known as I.G.) - A combination of two or more panes of glass with a sealed air space between panes. Available for a variety of products and in various glass thicknesses, types, sizes and assembly thicknesses.

LBL fade-damage ratings - The Lawrence Berkeley Laboratories ratings, which take into account all of the sun's rays that cause fading.

Low-E glass - Low-emissivity glass - glass with a transparent material on its surface that acts as a thermal mirror. Low-E glass is used to improve a window's insulating value, and reduce heat flow and fading.

U-value - A standard measurement of a window's resistance to heat conduction. The lower the U-value, the better the insulating effect.



Vent unit - A window or door unit that opens.

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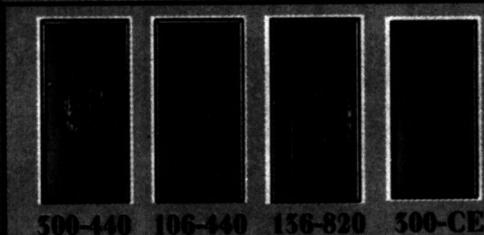
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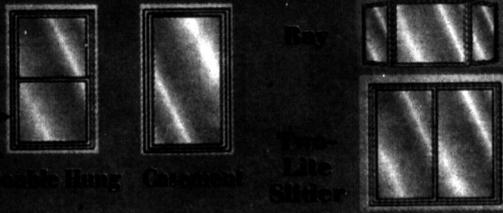
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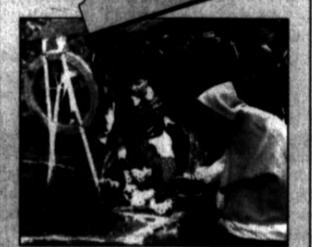
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SUNDAY



Canadian Brass performs the music of Bach, Bernstein and the Beatles 3 p.m., at *Orchestra Hall*, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$42 to \$17, call (313) 576-5111.

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Hot Tix: Return to the days of the Union blue and the Confederate gray during *Civil War Remembrance, Sunday-Monday, May 24-25* at *Greenfield Village, Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road*, (just west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Ave.) in Dearborn. Admission \$12.50 adults; senior citizens 62 and over, \$11.50; kids 5 to 12 years old, \$7.50; children under five and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1630 for information.

HOT FUN

IN THE SUMMERTIME

Pine Knob Music Theatre will be shakin' once again when the summer music season begins Friday, May 22 with Eddie Money and local pop singer Stewart Francke welcoming patrons to the shed.

"We love Pine Knob. It's very nice that they ask us back every year," said Money, talking about 60 m.p.h. "I like playing Detroit. We get to go to Tiger games. I love baseball. Last year I was there when the Red Wings

were in the playoffs. That was great." The Independence Township summer shed may be starting on a familiar note but many acts on this season's Detroit-area schedules are making their debuts.

Country singer Shania Twain's Pine Knob show Tuesday, July 21, sold out within minutes of going on sale. At 10 a.m. Friday the screams of little girls will be heard at area Ticketmaster

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Ziggy Marley

THE MICHIGAN TASTEFEST

The Michigan TasteFest runs from Wednesday-Sunday, July 1-5, in the New Center Area of Detroit. For more information, call (313) 872-0188 or visit <http://comnet.org/tastefest> after Monday, June 1. All concerts are free.

The following concerts take place on the Best Buy stage on West Grand Boulevard in front of the GM Building:

- **Ziggy Marley** and the **Melody Makers**, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 1.
- **Boney James**, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2
- **Felix Cavaliere's Rascals**, 7 p.m. Friday, July 3
- **Imperial Swing Orchestra**, 3 p.m. Saturday, July 4
- **Michael Peterson**, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 4
- **Jones Girls**, 2 p.m. Sunday, July 5
- **Los Lobos**, 5 p.m. Sunday, July 5

The Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase on West Grand Boulevard at Third Street, features:

- **Tim Limbaugh's American Guitar** at noon and 1 p.m., **Lenny Price** at 4:30 p.m. and **David Myles and Mylestones** at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 1.
- **Rayne Biggs** at noon and 1:15 p.m., **Kog's Cats** at 4:30 p.m., and **The Edge** at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2.
- **CASJAZZ** at noon, **Ryse-Tyme** at 2 p.m., **Jazzhead** at 4:30 p.m., and **Strait Ahead** at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 3.
- **3/4 Stop** featuring **Roger Tucker** at 2 p.m., **Owen and Charles Scates** at 4:30 p.m., and **Randy Scott** at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4.

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On the campus of Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. For more information, call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com>. All shows begin at 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Tickets for all shows, except the DSO performances, are on sale now at the Meadow Brook box office, all Ticketmaster outlets, and through Ticketmaster's website <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. Individual tickets for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra go on sale Monday, June 1.

- **Teen Idols** featuring **Davy Jones**, **Bobby Sherman** and **Peter Noone**, Friday, June 19. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **Phil Collins Big Band** with guest vocalist **Oleta Adams**, saxophone player **Gerald Albright**, Tuesday, June 23. \$40 pavilion, \$20 lawn.
- **Wynton Marsalis and The Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra**, Thursday, June 25. \$32.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn.
- **Nickelodeon** presents "Gullah Gullah Island Live Tour," time to be announced Saturday, June 27. \$15 pavilion, \$10 lawn.
- **Ani DiFranco** and the **Rebirth Brass Band**, Monday, June 29. \$26 pavilion, \$22 lawn.

PINE KNOB

Located at I-75 and Seshabaw Road in Independence Township. For more information, call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com>. Starred shows are on-sale now at Ticketmaster outlets, the Pine Knob box office, and through Ticketmaster's website, <http://www.ticketmaster.com>. All shows begin at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Times subject to change.

- **Eddie Money** and **Stewart Francke**, Friday, May 22. \$12.50 pavilion, \$7.50 lawn.*
- **Stevie Nicks** and **Box Seaggs**, Friday, May 29. \$45.25 and \$35.25 pavilion, \$22.75 lawn. Twenty-five cents from each ticket purchased to be donated to Arizona Heart Institute and Foundation.*
- **Clint Black**, **Trace Adkins** and **The Kinleys**, Saturday, May 30. \$27.50 and \$22.50 pavilion, \$15.50 lawn.*
- **Beck**, **Ben Folds Five** and **Sean Lennon**, 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 2. \$20 pavilion, \$15 lawn.*
- **Michael Franks**, Friday, June 5. \$28.50 pavilion, \$15.50 lawn.*
- **Lynyrd Skynyrd**, **The Freddy Jones Band**, .38 Special and **Mike Tramp**, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11. \$25 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **Double Brothers** and **Jack Ingram**, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 12. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **"Bugs Bunny on Broadway"**, 8 p.m. Saturday, June 13. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **John Fogerty**, Thursday, June 18. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **Moody Blues**, Friday, June 19. \$29.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **Vince Gill** and **Real Gone Heart**, Saturday, June 20. \$32.50 and \$25.50 pavilion, \$15.50 lawn.*
- **Boyz II Men**, **Next**, **Destiny's Child** and **Uncle Sam**, 6 p.m. Sunday, June 21. \$45 pavilion, \$25 lawn.*
- **Heart** featuring **Ann Wilson**, and **The Tubes** featuring **Fee Waybill**, Wednesday, June 24. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **An Evening with Michael Crawford**, Friday, June 26. \$45 pavilion, \$20 lawn.*
- **Chicago** and **Daryl Hall and John Oates**, Satur-

- **Joe Pascopo**, Friday, July 3. \$20 pavilion, \$10 lawn.
- **Chumbawamba** with **Sister Soleil**, Saturday, July 4. \$15 pavilion, \$10 lawn.
- **The British Rock Symphony with Roger Daltrey** featuring the music of The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, The Who, Led Zeppelin, and Pink Floyd, Wednesday, July 8. \$30 pavilion, \$15 lawn.
- **"Beauty and the Beast"** stage presentation, noon Thursday, July 9. \$10 pavilion, \$5 lawn.
- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra "Mozart Gala"** with **Royal Fireworks**, **James Laredo** conductor and violinist, Friday, July 10. \$44, \$34, \$28 and \$15 pavilion, \$13 lawn.
- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra with Roberta Flack**, **Leslie B. Dunner** conductor, Saturday, July 11. \$45, \$40, \$30 and \$25 pavilion, \$15 lawn.
- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra "Romance Under the Stars"**, with **Leslie B. Dunner**, conductor, 7 p.m. Sunday, July 12. \$44, \$34, \$28 and \$15 pavilion, \$13 lawn.
- **Pat Metheny Group**, Monday, July 13. \$29.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn.
- **"Hoodoo Bash"** with **mo...**, **String Cheese Incident**, **Leftover Salmon**, and **Strangefolk**, 5 p.m.

- day, June 27. \$35.25 pavilion, \$16.25 lawn.
- **Peter Frampton**, Sunday, June 28. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **Hanson**, Monday, June 29. \$28.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn. Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, May 22.*
- **Patti LaBelle** with **The Whispers**, Tuesday, June 30. Rescheduled for 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 26. Tickets for June 30 will be honored July 26. \$35 pavilion, \$18.50 lawn.*
- **Pat Benatar**, Thursday, July 2. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **LaAnn Rimes** and **Bryan White**, Friday, July 3. \$32.50 and \$25.50 pavilion, \$15.50 lawn.*
- **Grand Funk Railroad**, Saturday, July 4. \$27.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn.*
- **Yes In SurroundSound** with **Alan Parsons**, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, July 5. \$28.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **Lilith Fair** with **Sarah McLachlan**, **Natalie Merchant**, **Sinead O'Connor**, **Me'Shell Ndegeocello**, **Litany**, **N'Dea Davenport**, and **Mono**, 4:30 p.m. Monday, July 6; with **McLachlan**, **Merchant**, **Indigo Girls**, **O'Connor**, **Bonnie Raitt**, **Heather Nova**, **Litany**, and **Imani Coppola**, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 7; and with **McLachlan**, **Merchant**, **Tracy Bonham**, **Ndegeocello**, **Bonnie Raitt**, **Nova**, **Coppola**, and **Litany**, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 8. \$39 pavilion, \$26.50 lawn. Superfan seating available.*
- **Kenny Loggins** and **Kathleen Wilhoite**, Thursday, July 9. \$25 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **Metallica**, **Jerry Cantrell** and **Days of the New**, 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 10 (sold out); and Saturday, July 11. \$43 pavilion, \$31 lawn.*
- **Budweiser Superfest** with **Masa** featuring **Frankie Beverly**, **L&J**, **K-Ci** and **Jade**, Sunday, July 12. \$47.50 pavilion, \$25 lawn.*
- **Further Festival with The Other Ones**, **Rusted Root** and **Hot Tuna**, Monday, July 13. \$30.50 pavilion and lawn. Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, May 22.
- **Michael Bolton** and **Wynonna**, Tuesday, July 14. \$38.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn.*
- **Foreigner**, Wednesday, July 15. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*

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- **"The Golden Road Fest"**, a jazz exploration into the music of Grateful Dead with **JGB**, **Ekooetik Hookah** and **Smokin' Grass**, 2 p.m. Saturday, June 13. \$20 in advance for the all-ages festival.
- **"Riverfest"** with the **Brian Setzer Orchestra**, **Big Rude Jake**, **Agents of Good Roots**, **Billy Mann**, **Patty Griffin**, **Steve Peltz**, **Stewart Francke** and **Jill Jack**, noon Saturday, July 11. \$21.50 in advance for the all-ages show.
- **The Vans Warped Tour** with **Bad Religion**, **Rancid**, **NOFX**, **Save Ferris**, **The Rev**, **Horton Heat**, **Cherry Poppin' Daddies**, **The Specials**, **Deftones**, **Kid Rock**, **Unwritten Law**, **No Use for a Name**, **M20**, **Civ**, **All**, **Ozomatli**, **Voodoo Glow Skulls**, **Atomic Fireballs**, **MXPX**, **Telegraph**, **Snapcase**, **Gob**, **Aquabats**, **Fu Manchu**, **Frenzal Rhomb**, **Gutter Punx**, **The Smoothies**, **Punk-Joid**, **Mad Caddies**, **Priestsons**, **Assorted Jollybeans**, **Trash Brats**, **Kemuri**, **Zebra Head**, **Wank** and various extreme athletes, 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 22. \$21.75 in advance for the all-ages show.
- **Buddy Guy** and **Jonny Lang** with special guest **Susan Tedeschi**, Thursday, Aug. 6. \$25 in advance for the all-ages show. Tickets for the cancelled Jonny Lang show, Friday, March 13, at Clutch Cargo's in Pontiac will be honored.

- Wednesday, July 15. \$15 pavilion and lawn.
- **Air Supply**, Thursday, July 16. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **Steven Wright**, Friday, July 17. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **Kansas** with **Symphony Orchestra**, Saturday, July 18. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **Allison Krauss** and **Union Station** with **Bela Fleck** and the **Flecktones**, Sunday, July 19. \$26.50 pavilion, \$15.50 lawn.
- **Art Garfunkel**, Thursday, July 23. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **The Mavericks** with **BRS-49**, Friday, July 24. \$30 pavilion, \$15 lawn.
- **Kevin Nealon** and **Victoria Jackson**, Saturday, July 25. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra "The Great Greig Concerto"**, **Neeme Jarvi**, conductor, Friday, July 31. \$44, \$34, \$28 and \$15 pavilion, \$13 lawn.
- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra "Bravo Beethoven"**, **Neeme Jarvi**, conductor, Saturday, Aug. 1. \$44, \$34, \$28 and \$15 pavilion, \$13 lawn.
- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra "Summer's Fantastique"**, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2. \$44, \$34,



Sean Lennon

- **B-52's**, the **Pretenders** and **Royal Crown Revue**, 7 p.m. Thursday, July 16. \$28.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn.*
- **The H.O.R.D.E. Festival** with **Blues Traveler**, **Baroness**, **Ladles**, **Ben Harper** and the **Innocent Criminals**, and **Alana Davis** on the main stage, and **Gov't Mule**, **Huffamoose**, **Chris Stills**, and **Surfin' Pute** on the second stage, 3:20 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 18-19. \$33 pavilion and lawn in advance, \$38 the day of show. Fifty cents from each ticket sold will be donated to H.O.R.D.E. charities: LIFEbeat, The Music Industry Fights AIDS and VH-1 Save the Music Foundation.*
- **Huey Lewis** and **the News**, time to be announced, Monday, July 20. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.*
- **Shania Twain**, Tuesday, July 21. Sold out.
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- **The Backstreet Boys**, Friday, July 24. \$26.50 reserved. Quiet room available.
- **Spice Girls**, 8 p.m. Sunday, July 26. Sold out.
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THE DECK

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- **Jack Dryden** and **Sounds of Brazil**, May 29
- **Original Moon** featuring keyboardist **Dale Grise**, June 5
- **Mike Karoub Cello Jazz** with guitarist **Rod MacDonald** and **Friends**, June 12
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- Nine-piece R&B band **The Regular Boys** with vocalist **Jeane Stales**, June 26
- Alto sax virtuoso **Larry Nozoro**, July 10
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- **Robert Buger**, whose vocal tracks have appeared in the television show "Zena - The Warrior Princess," July 24
- Jazz duo **Michele Rama/Heidi Hepler** and **Friends**, July 31
- Jazz guitarist **Perry Hughes**, Aug. 7
- **Robert Noll Blues Mission**, Aug. 14
- **Pamela Ransford** with **Ursula Walker** and **Buddy Budson Trio**, Aug. 21
- \$28 and \$15 pavilion, \$13 lawn.
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- **Detroit Symphony Orchestra "Giants of Broadway"**, **Erich Kunzel** conductor, 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9. \$44, \$34, \$28 and \$15 pavilion, \$13 lawn.
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- **Richard Jeni**, Saturday, Aug. 15. \$20 pavilion, \$10 lawn.
- **Wizard of Oz**, stage presentation/family show, noon Tuesday, Aug. 18. \$10 pavilion, \$5 lawn.
- **Carrot Top**, Thursday, Aug. 20. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **"Good Guys Motor City Nationals"** auto show, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30. \$12 general admission.

- **Cypress Hill** and **Busta Rhymes**, Wednesday, July 29. \$30 pavilion, \$24.50 lawn. Tickets on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, May 22.
- **Steve Miller** with **Little Feat**, Thursday, July 30. \$37.50 pavilion, \$21.50 lawn.*
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- **RED Speedwagon**, Tuesday, Aug. 4. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **Cheap Trick**, **Candlebox** and **Brother Cane**, Wednesday, Aug. 5. \$20 pavilion, \$10 lawn.
- **The Allman Brothers Band**, Sunday, Aug. 9. \$32.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn.
- **Culture Club**, **Howard Jones** and the **Human League**, Wednesday, Aug. 12. \$25 pavilion, \$15 lawn.
- **Deep Purple**, **Emerson, Lake and Palmer**, and **Dream Theatre**, Saturday, Aug. 15. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
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- **Ted Nugent**, Saturday, Aug. 29. \$29.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn.*
- **Blues Music Festival** with **B.B. King**, **The Neville Brothers**, **Dr. John** and **Storyville**, Wednesday, Sept. 2. \$28.50 pavilion, \$15.50 lawn.
- **Wayne Newton**, Friday, Sept. 4. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.
- **Clay Walker** and **Dixie Chicks**, Thursday, Sept. 10. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn.

MOVIES AND THEATER

Beatty and Redford ripen with age in new films



JOHN MONAGHAN

I'm not sure if they're friends, but Warren Beatty and Robert Redford certainly grew up together. Both started out as young romantic leads in the early 1960s before making successful leaps to directing. If age is catching up with them (both are in their early sixties), it's nothing a little soft lighting and Vaseline on the lens can't straighten out. Their new movies, "Bulworth"

and "The Horse Whisperer," are the works of men who have little to prove but to themselves. And if both films grow a little tiresome after a while, they are still idiosyncratic studies of two remarkable men even more fascinating than the ones who shaped them. Beatty's Bulworth is a California senator so sickened by his own slick image that he puts out a hit on himself. Overcome by his what-have-I-got-to-lose freedom, he tosses out his carefully prepared campaign speeches about the challenges of the millennium and launches into a straightforward, inflammatory rant about everything from insurance companies to welfare moms.

When everyone assumes that this is just an unorthodox campaign strategy, the senator is on a roll. Soon he's donning rapper clothes, delivering speeches in rhyme, and hanging with a young black activist (Halle Berry). The only problem: he can't get hold of the guy who has the contract on him. For a movie that longs to deliver an intelligent dialogue about the nature of American society and politics, Beatty serves up a bunch of stereotypical depictions that make you wonder how much contact he has with the real world. A card-carrying Democrat, Beatty has been allied with

political candidates from Robert Kennedy to Gary Hart. His outspoken real-life disappointment with President Clinton (why is he so concerned with his popularity when he doesn't have to worry about re-election?) is referenced in Bulworth, the rare politician who tells it like it is. And by playing the clown in floppy jogging suit, stocking cap and sunglasses, he sometimes gets his point across.

Horse Whisperer
Robert Redford has a different agenda. According to the Sundance Kid, we should all get away from the big bad city and breathe some of that clean Montana air. It's here that his Tom Booker raises cattle and develops his reputation as a "horse whisperer," a man who literally can talk to the animals.



Romantic drama: Kristen Scott Thomas stars with Robert Redford in "The Horse Whisperer."

When a high-powered magazine editor ("The English Patient's" Kristin Scott Thomas) phones from New York, he's not impressed. "I don't help people with horse problems, ma'am. I help horses with people problems," he says, politely declining her offer to fly him out to see the animal. Nonplused, the woman packs the horse and her daughter (Scarlett Johansson) and travels across country uninvited. The girl lost her leg in a riding accident while the horse, torn and severely spooked, lost his spirit.

Of course he takes the case, spending countless hours looking into the horse's eyes. These are the best scenes, beautifully shot with the Montana mountain backdrop, as man and horse learn to trust each other. Of course, "The Horse Whisperer" is not only about horses as both mother and daughter undergo their own spiritual transformation in his capable hands. He won't be rushed. "Pilgrim will let me know when he's ready," Booker says when pressed about time. You get the feeling Redford had the same philosophy about his movie.

At nearly three hours long, "The Horse Whisperer" can be something of a melodramatic trial (does any other movie have more hugs?) Fortunately, this horse opera is populated by a stable of capable performers including Thomas' Oscar-worthy turn as the impatient mother and Diane Wiest as a no-nonsense ranch wife.

Redford still isn't much of an actor, but he has a calming presence in the movie that few actors could duplicate. This is a reminder of what he does best, recalling the family tragedy that launched his directorial debut in "Ordinary People" and the cowboy outdoorsman persona that kept him popular throughout the Reagan era. With "The Horse Whisperer," he has delivered a literate, intelligent drama that is the first movie since "Titanic" that a whole family can equally enjoy. John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. You can listen to him at 6:50 a.m. Friday on WYUR Radio, AM 1310. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.

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Musical: Susan Parea (from left) as Marsinah, Doug Clark as The Caliph, Stephen Worley as The Wazir, Diana Geralt as Lalume and Marc Meyers as The Poet/Hajj in "Kismet: A Musical Arabian Night."

Stagecrafters' 'Kismet' excellent season finale

Stagecrafters presents "Kismet" through Sunday, June 7. Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 24, and 2 p.m. Sunday May 31 and June 7 at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 South Lafayette, downtown Royal Oak. Tickets \$12-\$14, all seats reserved, call (248) 541-6430. Box office open 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday.

BY JON KATZ
SPECIAL WRITER

Surely you remember that TV commercial from some years back, the one for the classical record collection (not sold in any stores). You remember, with the snooty British actor who tells us rather patronizingly that the popular standard, "Stranger in Paradise," is actually a composition by the 19th century Russian composer Alexander Borodin. You already knew that, of course, along with the fact that "Stranger..." "And This Is My Beloved" and "Baubles, Bangles and Beads" were all adapted from Borodin for the 1953 Broadway hit "Kismet."

This "Musical Arabian Night" is given an epic treatment by Stagecrafters, with a cast of 39

playing 55 roles in nearly 100 stunning costumes. The singing - individual and ensemble - is among the best we've heard in almost 20 years of attending the group's productions.

Now "Kismet" isn't for everyone. It's uncompromisingly corny in plot, with the predictable leading couple, mistaken identities and other silly goings-on.

Many of the songs make you reach for the fast-forward button, until you remember that it's live and you left the remote at home. Be forewarned, as well, that "Kismet" is more Gilbert & Sullivan than Rodgers & Hammerstein, more "Mikado" than "Mame."

If you can get past that, this may be one of the area's most delightful community theater productions of the season.

Marc Meyers of Lathrup Village portrays Hajj, a poet trying to sell rhymes in 14th century Baghdad. He's a rogue, a scoundrel, a liar. Think Zero Mostel in "Forum." He's also a terrifically confident and engaging singer with personality to spare, although no one else on stage needs any more. Through a series of improbable circumstances, he rises to the rank of

Emir, and uses a few of his ill-gotten gold pieces to buy a bevy of slave girls. So what's so improbable about that?

Susan Parea plays his daughter, Marsinah, and is a golden find, indeed. Her radiant soprano elevates the production to another level. Perhaps inspired by his leading lady is Doug Clark as the Caliph. Clark, a Stagecrafters regular and always reliable, has never sounded better, especially in his solo, "Night of My Nights."

Stephen Worley provides ample comic relief as the Wazir of police, an Arabian Colonel Klink. Diana Geralt of Beverly Hills is his lusty and lusting wife; she has lots of competition up there for our attention, but her joyous singing and acting won't let her be upstaged for a moment. The supporting cast does so wonderfully and consistently, from the lowliest beggar to the jiggliest belly dancer.

Director Betsy Todd, musical director Priscilla Benson and choreographer Barbara K. Vorves have crafted one fine finale to the group's season, featuring sensational sets, excellent lighting and those one hundred costumes.

STREET SCENE

Carole King helps Billy Mann get 'Earthbound' airborne

For his sophomore effort "Earthbound," singer/songwriter Billy Mann really went back to his roots.

"I recorded the album with my junior high school band. Seriously, we played the 'battle of the band' contests and everything," Mann said with a laugh.

"It was a much more organic way to make a record. It just gelled so well. I went in the studio with all the guys I grew up with. It sort of had a feeling of a reunion. There was that sort of giddy excitement looking around the room and playing together."

Produced by David Kershbaum (Tracy Chapman, Cat Stevens, Joe Jackson), "Earthbound" also features the piano and background vocals of Carole King on three tracks including "What Have I Got To Lose," which she co-wrote with Mann.



Two shows: Singer/songwriter Billy Mann will perform songs off his forthcoming album, "Earthbound," at two Pontiac shows.

cer. Within weeks they were married and within a year he was a widower in his 20s.

As a result, "Earthbound" is much deeper than Mann's self-titled debut which featured the hit "Killed By a Flower."

"A lot can happen to a person in four years," Mann said quietly. "Earthbound," which hits stores Tuesday, June 2, features the songs "How Do I Say Goodbye," "Make God Laugh," "Numb Heart," and the upbeat single "Beat Myself Up." The bi-polar album successfully wavers between light-hearted and soul-

bearing songs.

"Where Are the Happy People" was written with Dominic Miller, Sting's guitar player who wrote "Shape of My Heart" with Sting.

"I wrote that in France. Miles Copeland has a retreat at his castle for songwriters. He picked these certain writers to go and write songs," Mann explained.

"Dominic was there. I was listening to a lot of Jim Croce. I had his collection there with me, so 'Where Are the Happy People' started with that and I just began rambling these comedic, cynical lyrics."

"This is really the record I wanted to make. Nothing to me is more precious than the other," he explained when asked to name his favorite song.

"They all really represent a genuine though, a complete journal entry."

Mann will preview the record for fans on Friday when he opens for Vonda Sheperd, who will perform songs from the television show "Ally McBeal," at Clutch Cargo's in Pontiac. He returns in July to perform as part of radio station CIDR's "Riverfest" at the Phoenix Plaza in Pontiac.

"I'm looking forward to coming. I've never heard any of Vonda Sheperd's music. But I've gotten some amazing letters from some people in Detroit. It's humbling. I have read some of the letters and I realized there's so many amazing people out there."

Some of whom are his family. His father and mother were born in Detroit but moved to Philadelphia, where Mann was raised. He expects some distant cousins to attend the Clutch Cargo's show.

"I've never brought a full band to Detroit," Mann said cheerily. "It's been really very exciting. It's also just musically interesting to go out and play with great musicians and guys I grew up with. I'm very lucky to be in this position."

Billy Mann along with Willy

Porter open for Vonda Sheperd, who will perform songs from the television show "Ally McBeal," at 7 p.m. Friday, May 22, at Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets are \$10 in advance for the 18 and older show. Call (248) 333-2362 or visit <http://www.961melt.com> for more information.

Mann will also perform as part of radio station CIDR's "Riverfest" with the Brian Setzer Orchestra, Big Rude Jake, Agents of Good Roots, Patty Griffin, Steve Poltz, Stewart Francke and Jill Jack at noon Saturday, July 11, at the Phoenix Plaza Amphitheater in Pontiac. Tickets are \$21.50 in advance for the all-ages show. For more information, call (248) 335-4850 or visit <http://www.961melt.com>

Mike Dirnt of Green Day is another musician who's looking forward to coming to Detroit.

"I just like the town. It's industrial. I like things like that. The big iron fist, that's really cool. It says, 'Hey (mess) up here, we're gonna hit ya,'" Dirnt said forging an Italian accent.

Green Day is coming to the Detroit area to play a secret show in a small club for listeners of WXDG ("The Edge").

The band chose the city "because Detroit's so cool. Not every show (on the tour) is like that. There's only one small show

on the tour, really. Usually we're playing places that hold about 1,500 to 2,000 people."

"We tried to play a small show in Corpus Christi (Texas) and it didn't turn out that way," the bass player said. Swarms of fans found out where the band's gig was scheduled and tried to get in.

Nevertheless, club shows, he said, are fun to do.

"It's good to stir up the soup every once in awhile. We'll mix it up."

Aside from Dirnt, singer/guitarist Billy Joe Armstrong and drummer Tre Cool, Green Day is bringing along the No Doubt horn section.

"We thought we'd try it out. For the first half we had two guys from the Voodoo Glow Skulls and it worked out well. We're just trying to keep it interesting for ourselves."

The band recently spiced up its single "Brain Stew" for the "Godzilla" soundtrack which was released this week. Along with a little remixing, it features the vocals of the giant reptile itself.

"We tried to do something eerie. Do you like that guitar part at the end? I made them put it in."

He wouldn't say who played said guitar part except for "some guy."

To try to win tickets to the Green Day show e-mail "The Edge" at studio@radioedge.com

"To have someone like Carole believe in you, it's pretty humbling. She's such a legend that it took a little while for me to get to know her as a person separate and apart from the songwriter and the artist. She's an amazing person. With all the songs that she's written, she's as genuine and as wonderful as you can imagine," he said.

Leading up to the recording wasn't such a carefree road for Mann. Shortly after making his self-titled debut in 1995, his fiancée was diagnosed with can-

'Live to tape' has some tense moments

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

Here's a quick lesson in television vernacular. Backstage Pass is a "live" show to the extent that it's not post-produced - it's not a bunch of pieces edited together. But when you watch the big show at home, you're watching a tape

being broadcast by the station. You see, in a great phrase that should be added to George Carlin's list of oxymorons, we go "live to tape." Lots of talk/variety shows do it. When you watch Leno or Letterman at 11:30, it was recorded live to tape earlier in the day, at around 5:30.

The benefit of going live to tape is that the people on the studio floor get a sense of the show's continuity. If you don't make any mistakes, you run through the show in real time, just like it airs. When it's clicking, the venerable Detroit Public Television studio is crackling with energy.

Of course, we do sometimes make mistakes. And when you go "live to tape," mistakes can cost you a lot of time. Here's why: since you're not going to

edit the show later, you have to find a point before the mistake at which you can start up again - a "pick up point." Sounds easy, go a sentence or two before the goof and start fresh from there.

Not so. For technical reasons of which I attempt to remain blissfully ignorant, you need a cut (a straight image-to-image transition), not a fade or dissolve. Preferably, there's a silent moment, what they call "clean audio." And video tape takes two seconds to get up to full running speed. So you need to a spot that meets all the aforementioned criteria, back the tape up by two seconds, roll the tape, then time your "pick up" to hit that mark exactly as it rolls by on the tape. Good luck.

Since so few moments in a show meet all those requirements, if we make a mistake in the first third of a show, we just start over. And it so happens that the most difficult part of the show is the first five minutes. First we roll the pre-produced open (the one with me walking backstage at area venues). The music that trails out of the open brings you into the studio, where a camera attached to a crane makes a difficult sweeping move, during which there are three light cues. The end of the music is my cue to tell you what's com-

ing up on the show. Then our musical guest plays live music under a tape which acknowledges our underwriters while I switch places on the set, usually joined by our first segment host. When the tape ends, we chat about the first event we're covering while the band sneaks off the set so they can chill in the green room until their full performance.

So odds are that if we're going to goof, it's going to happen early, and we're going to start over from the very beginning. Which means we're going to do the toughest, most mistake-prone portion of the taping again. It can be a little nerve-wracking. We all love our opening music, but it's suffered from an unfortunate conditioned-response: we associate it with the tension of having to start over from the top. Sometimes repeatedly. On a really, really bad day, you might hear that opening song six times.

Choose your all-time favorite song. Now play it over and over every time you make a mistake. Every time you're a wee bit tense. It may still be your

favorite song, but pretty soon it'll give you an ulcer. Pavlov's ringing the bell, but instead of food, he's swatting us with a rolled-up newspaper. So by the third or fourth time we hear our show's opening music, we're wincing.

Luckily, we often run through the show in real time, no mistakes. And we've got a great one this week: Marsha Miro gives us a sneak peek of new construction that will double the size of the Cranbrook Institute of Science (it doesn't open to the public until June 13). Blair Anderson will host a performance from "Joe Turner's Come and Gone," currently playing at the Plowshares Theatre. And we'll get music from Billy Mann and the Dirty Dozen (formerly The Dirty Dozen Brass Band), renowned worldwide for revitalizing the once-dormant New Orleans brass band tradition with a funky new musical vision.

That's all on Backstage Pass, tonight at midnight, repeated tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. on Detroit Public Television.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday, May 22

"FEAR AND LOATHING IN LAS VEGAS"

Explosive pop culture comedy based on Hunter S. Thompson's 1971 cult book that chronicled the writer's drink-and-drug fueled road trip to cover a motorcycle race. Stars Johnny Depp, Cameron Diaz.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, May 27

"I GOT THE HOOK-UP"

Comedy about two street entrepreneurs who are running a shopping center out of their van. When they start dealing in bootleg cell phones they find themselves scrambling to stay ahead of unhappy customers and the FBI.

Scheduled to open Friday, May 29

"HOPE FLOATS"

When a woman's picture perfect life comes crashing down around her, she returns home to start over. There her life becomes even more complicated, but she finds the strength to reclaim her life and rediscovers something she had almost given up on, hope. Stars Sandra Bullock, Harry Connick, Jr.

"ALMOST HEROES"

Rolling comedy about two explorers who lead a band of hopeless and clueless misadventurers in a race to beat

Lewis & Clark across the uncharted American West. Stars Chris Farley and Matthew West.

"BEYOND SILENCE"

Movie set in a small German town chronicles the life of a young girl raised by deaf parents.

"WHY STILLMAN'S THE LAST DAYS OF DISCO"

Set in the late 1970s this romantic comedy centers around a youthful group, living, working, and playing in New York City. Stars Mac Kenzie Astin, Kate Beckinsale, David Conrad.

Exclusively at the Landmark Main Theatre. A biography of the legendary Irish wit Oscar Wilde. Stars Stephen Fry, Jude Law, Vanessa Redgrave.

Scheduled to open Wednesday, June 3

"I WENT DOWN"

Action thriller about an ex-con forced to team with a small-time hood to find a missing gangster and his loot. Stars Brendan Gleeson, Peter McDonald.

Scheduled to open Friday, June 5

"A PERFECT MURDER"

A wealthy and powerful man hires some one to murder his unfaithful wife. Stars Michael Douglas, Gwyneth Paltrow.

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DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE
"Scott Joplin," a musical play about the king of ragtime, through Sunday, May 24, at the theater 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15. (313) 868-1347 or DetRepTh@aol.com

FOX THEATRE
"Grease," with Erik Estrada and Sandra Dee, Wednesday-Sunday, May 27-31, at the theater, 2111 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$11.25-\$42.50. (313) 983-6611

FISHER THEATRE
"Rent" continues through June 13 at the Fisher Theatre, 3011 W. Grand Boulevard, Detroit. \$26-\$60. Seats in the front two rows of the orchestra will be made available for every performance for \$20, available at Fisher Theatre box office on the day of performance only, two hours before the show, and are available to anyone, cash only, with a limit of two tickets per person. Line ups begin no earlier than 6 a.m. and no line jumping or space saving. Enter the Fisher Building at the south entrance on West Grand Boulevard. (248) 645-6666

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE
"The Cemetery Club," a story about three widows in their early 50s who meet monthly to remember their husbands, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 21, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 23, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 24, Aaron DeRoy Theatre, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. \$13-\$23, with seniors, students and group discounts available. (248) 788-2900

PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY
"Book of Days," by Lanford Wilson, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 21 (\$20), 8 p.m. Friday, May 22 (\$25), 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, May 23 (\$25), and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 24 (\$20), at the theater, 137 Park St., Chelsea. (734) 475-7902

COMMUNITY THEATER

R.A.L.Y.- REDFORD ASSISTING LOCAL YOUTH
"Speak No Evil," original script written by Mary Koerchner about the devastating effects of alcoholism on the family, 7:30 p.m. Saturdays, May 23 and 30, at the Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemingway, next to Capital Park, Redford. \$5, \$3 students. (313) 387-2775

FLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY
"Joe Turner's Come and Gone," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$18) through May 24, 3 p.m. Saturdays and 6 p.m. Sundays (\$15), at the Dr. Charles H. Wright Theatre, Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren (at Brush), Detroit. \$3 discount for seniors/students and museum members. (313) 872-0279

SRO PRODUCTIONS
"Crossing Delancey" Fridays-Sundays, through May 31, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, at the Burgh, Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, east of Telegraph, Southfield. \$8, \$7 seniors/children. (248) 827-0701

STAGECRAFTERS
"Kismet: A Musical Arabian Night," Thursday-Sunday, May 21-24, Thursday-Sunday, May 28-31, and Friday-Sunday, June 5-7, at the theater, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. \$12-\$14. (248) 541-6430

DINNER THEATER

GENITTI'S HOLE-IN-THE-WALL
"Trial By Error," live interactive comedy dinner theater, through June at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. \$39.95 includes seven-course dinner of soup, bread, pasta, antipasto salad, baked chicken, Italian sausage, Italian steak, vegetables and dessert, the show, tax and tip. (248) 349-0522

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

FAR CONSERVATORY OF THERAPEUTIC AND PERFORMING ARTS
The "Wizard of Oz," 2 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Knox Auditorium at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maple Road (between Cranbrook and Southfield roads), Birmingham. The cast recently performed the classic at the Very Special Arts Festival presented by the Southeast Region Committee in Livonia. Free, donations welcome. (248) 646-3347

MOSAIC YOUTH THEATRE OF DETROIT
"heartBEAT," a new musical play about love, hate, and rhythm, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 29-30, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 31, youth matinees 10 a.m. Thursday-Friday, May 28-29, at the Music Hall Center, Detroit. \$15, \$7 student/seniors. (313) 963-2366/(248) 645-6666, for group rates (313) 554-1422

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS
"You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" Saturdays and Sundays through May



Civil War Remembrance: Relive the Days of the Civil War during Civil War Remembrance, Sunday-Monday, May 24-26 at Greenfield Village, Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road, (just west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Ave.) in Dearborn. History re-enactors re-create tactical troop movements, encampments and other daily scenes of the Civil War. Since Memorial Day originated as a result of the American Civil War, to preserve our freedom. Admission \$12.50 adults; senior citizens 62 and over; \$11.50; kids 5 to 12 years old, \$7.50; children under 5 and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 for information.

24, Historic Players Club, 3321 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit. Noon lunch and 1 p.m. show Saturdays, and 1 p.m. lunch and 2 p.m. show Sundays. \$7.50 includes lunch. (810) 662-8118

DSO TINY TOTS SERIES
The Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Tiny Tots Series will feature Tales & Scales performing their newest work "The Enchanted Horn," 10:15 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Saturday, May 23 at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills. Tickets are \$10, call (313) 576-5111. Tickets will also be available at the door, 29300 11 Mile Road.

SPECIAL EVENTS

COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY SHOW
Noon to 9 p.m. Friday, May 29, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 30, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 31, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. (734) 287-2000

DOWNRIVER FAIR AND EXPO
Featuring 40 amusement rides, games and attractions, and circus acts, Thursday-Sunday, May 28-June 7, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. 3-11 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 3 p.m. to midnight Friday, noon to midnight Saturday-Sunday. (734) 287-2000

MOTOR CITY CLASSIC AND CUSTOM MOTORCYCLE SHOW AND SWAP MEET
Noon to 9 p.m. Friday, May 22, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, May 23, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 24, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. (734) 287-2000

NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN DANCE AND EXPOSITION
Featuring traditional dancers, basket weavers, fancy dancers, beadwork, grass dancers and jingle dress dancers, and authentic Indian items for sale, noon to 9 p.m. Friday, May 29, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, May 30, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 31, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. (734) 287-2000

BENEFITS

DUET
The first of Matt Prentice's Unique Restaurant Corporation venues opens with a duet of benefit dinners Tuesday, May 26 (Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall's education program and Detroit Medical Center's Family Road Program) and Wednesday, May 27 (Detroit High School for Fine and Performing Arts), includes a "Taste of Duet," great wines and choice liqueurs. \$150 per person, limited to 160 seats each night. (248) 646-0370, ext. 211

"FATHER'S DAY GOURMET JAZZ BRUNCH"
With Matt Michaels Trio and special guests George Benson and Johnny Trudell, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, June 21, The Waterman Center, Schoolcraft College, Livonia. \$22.50 by Friday, June 12. Send check payable to Michigan Jazz Festival to Midge Ellis, 20457 Maplewood Road, Livonia, Mich., 48152-2022. Benefits the Michigan Jazz Festival. (248) 474-2720/(248) 437-9468

"LAUGHING AT LYME DISEASE" BENEFIT
With Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, hosted by Ken Calvert, Thursday, May 21, Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. (810) 771-1872/(248) 542-9900

LIFE BLOOD OF THE ARTS

Annual blood drive 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 22, Detroit Institute of Arts (theater entrance off John R), 5200 Woodward Ave. All attendees who attempt to donate receive one free ticket for the Detroit Institute of Arts, two-for-one coupon to Detroit Film Theatre, a 10 percent discount coupon for Kresge Court. Anyone attempting to donate blood at Red Cross centers Thursday-Friday, May 21-22, will be entered into a drawing for a DIA Founders Society individual annual membership. (800) GIVE-LIFE

SIP, SWIRL, SAVOR FINE WINES
Third annual Great Lakes-Great Wine Walk Around Tasting, 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$40 per person, call (248) 471-6340. Proceeds benefit scholarships for culinary arts and management students.

THE GARDEN PARTY, LA FETE AU JARDIN
Presented by The St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center, 1-6 p.m. Sunday, June 7 in the gardens of the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center (27400 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills). Tickets \$125 per person, patron tickets \$300 includes two tickets and complimentary valet parking. Benefactor tickets, \$600 includes four tickets and complimentary valet parking. Call (248) 626-7527, Ext. 3115 for information. The event will feature over 60 chefs preparing delicacies from metro Detroit's best restaurants, a wine tasting, live auction and musical entertainment.

FAMILY EVENTS

KIDS CONCERT SERIES
Featuring the comedy ventriloquism of David Stewart along with his puppet friends, 1:30-2:15 p.m. Saturday, May 30, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. \$3.25, groups of 10 or more \$2.50 and may use a party room at no additional cost (based on availability). (248) 424-9022

POLISH COUNTRY FAIR
Midway, clowns, face painting, entertainment, Polish food, bingo, Las Vegas tent, arts and crafts, drama, juggling instruction, 6-11:30 p.m. Friday, May 22, noon to 11:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 23-24 and noon to 10:30 p.m. Monday, May 25, on the St. Mary's Prep campus at Orchard Lake and Commerce Roads, Orchard Lake. (248) 682-1885

SECOND CITY KIDS' CAMP
Two-week day camp for kids ages 10-16 that helps children develop teamwork skills by learning how to improvise in group situations, 9 a.m. to noon or 1-4 p.m. July 6-16 or Aug. 3-13, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$120. (313) 964-5821

CLASSICAL

LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"Mountains, Valleys & Steppes" concert in recognition of great Ukrainian music, with guest artists Volodymyr Yynnytsky, pianist, Christina Lypecky, mezzo-soprano, Jerome Cisaruk, baritone, and narrator Marko Farion, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 30, at Churchill High School auditorium, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy Road, Livonia. \$12.50, (248) 645-6666/(734) 421-1111

part of "garb night" 7 p.m. Thursday, May 28, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Free. 21 and older. (renaissance night) (248) 399-6750

POPS/SWING

ATOMIC FIREBALLS
6:30 p.m. Friday, May 22, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (swing) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA
With Seven Foot Politic, 9 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (swing) (313) 833-POOL

SWING SYNDICATE
9 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (swing) (734) 485-5050

BRASS MUSIC

THE DIRTY DOZEN
Formerly known as The Dirty Dozen Brass Band, with Domestic Problems, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 21, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$12 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

ORGAN

MOTOR CITY THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY
Movies and concerts series continues with "This Time for Keeps" starring Esther Williams, Xavier Cugat and his orchestra and Jimmy Durante, 7:30 p.m. Friday May 29, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 30, the Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser at Grand River, Detroit. Organ overture precedes film, guest organist Gus Borman. \$2.50. (313) 531-4407

AUDITIONS/WORKSHOPS

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE
Oakland University's professional theater company is holding auditions for Equity actor for the 1998-1999 season by appointment only, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 29-30, non-Equity actors may sign in on the audition days and may be seen in between the Equity appointments, at the theater in Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. Auditions also for child actors for 1998-99 season to include "The Merry Wives of Windsor," "The Miracle Worker" and "A Christmas Carol," 1 p.m. Sunday, May 31. (248) 370-3310

THEATER GUILD OF REDFORD-LIVONIA
Offers acting classes for youths in grades K-9 Saturday, June 20-July 25, classes for grades K-2 are 9-10:15 a.m., grades 3-6 10:30-11:45 a.m., and grades 7-9 noon to 1:15 p.m. at the playhouse, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. \$45, students must register before June 13. (313) 537-4145

CHORAL

SPIRIT OF DETROIT CHORUS OF SWEET ADELINES INTERNATIONAL
Perform songs ranging from Broadway to Motown, Big Band and Jazz at the annual St. Aiden Women's Guild Leadership Recognition Dinner, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 3, at the St. Aiden Activity Center, 17500 Farmington

Road, Livonia. \$10 donation for dinner/entertainment. Reservations by May 22. (734) 591-1941/(734) 453-8736

JAZZ

PAUL ABLER TRIO
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, May 22, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (guitar/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

SEAN BLACKMAN AND JOHN ARNOLD
10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 29-30, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (gypsy jazz) (734) 332-0800

THE GARY BLUMER TRIO
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, May 23, Jada Barbecue and Grill, 546 E. Larned, Detroit. Free. All ages. (313) 965-1700

SANDRA BOMAR TRIO
8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, May 28, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

RAY BROWN TRIO
9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 28-30, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$20. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

CAROLYN CRAWFORD TRIO
Former Motown backup singer performs 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, May 22, Kellogg Park, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, downtown Plymouth. Free. All ages. (734) 459-8850

MICK DOBDAY TRIO
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, May 23, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

WILL DOWNING
7:30 p.m. Friday, May 22, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10-\$15. 21 and older. (313) 961-5451

CHARLES GREENE
7-11 p.m. Fridays, May 22 and 29, and 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Free. 21 and older. (248) 399-6750

GROOVE COLLECTIVE
8 p.m. Thursday, May 28, The Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (acid jazz) (313) 833-9700

WENDELL HARRISON TRIO
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, May 29, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO
8:30-10:30 p.m. Thursdays, at Java Master, 33214 W. 14 Mile Road (east of Farmington Road), West Bloomfield; 7-10 p.m. Fridays, at Cafe Cortina, 30715 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 626-7393/(248) 474-3033/(248) 305-7333

HORVATH AND MATTHEWS
8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, May 23, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave. (at Center Street), Royal Oak. Free, 25-cent surcharge on drinks during live entertainment. Free. (248) 546-1400

"JAZZ IN THE STREETS"
The Detroit Historical Society's series continues with Pamela Wise & The Latin Jazz All Stars, 6-9 p.m. Thursday, May 21, at the museum, 5401 Woodward and Kirby, Detroit. \$15 includes valet parking. (313) 833-1805

JAZZ MANDOLIN PROJECT
8 p.m. Friday, May 29, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

SHEILA LANDIS
With Rick Matle, 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-1600

DARRON MCKINNEY AND THE PRIZMS OF JAZZ
8 p.m. Saturday, May 23, JD's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (810) 465-5154

MATT MICHAELS TRIO
8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, May 21 with Chris Collins on saxophone; May 28, with Barbara Ware, vocals, at the Botsford Inn 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner. Reservations recommended. (248) 474-4800

NOTORIOUS
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Free. 21 and older. (contemporary jazz/top 40) (248) 852-0550

OASIS
Flint-based band performs with Stephanie and Cliff Monear, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

POIGNANT PLEOSTHANNUS
9 p.m. Friday, May 22, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (acid jazz) (734) 485-5050

PAUL VORNHAGEN TRIO
8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, May 21, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax and vocals/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

WORLD MUSIC

THE ARTICLES
10 p.m. Thursday, May 21, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (Jamaican jazz/ska) (734) 332-0800

BLACK MARKET
9 p.m. Friday, May 22, The Deck above Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500

COMPANY O' STRANGERS
9 p.m. Fridays, May 22 and 29, O'Grady's Irish Pub, 585 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 524-4770

CHAKA DEMUS AND PLIERS
8 p.m. Thursday, May 21, The Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15 in advance. 18 and older. (reggae) (313) 833-9700 or http://www.99music.com

THE DIGGERS
9 p.m. Saturday, May 23, O'Grady's Irish Pub, 585 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 524-4770

JACK DRYDEN AND SOUNDS OF BRAZIL
6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, May 29, Kellogg Park, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, downtown Plymouth. Free. All ages. (Brazilian samba/bossa) (734) 459-8850

KELLY GRINER
9 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, O'Grady's Irish Pub, 585 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 524-4770

LISA HUNTER
9 p.m. to midnight Friday, May 22, Tuscan Cafe, Northville. Free. All ages; 9 p.m. to midnight Saturday, May 23, Lonestar Coffee, 207 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (acoustic folk pop originals) (248) 305-8629/(248) 642-2233

IMMUNITY
10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, Bachelor's, 1967 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Free. 21 and older; 5-8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Bakers, 2025 S. Milford Road, Milford. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, May 29, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 682-2295/(248) 685-0505/(313) 581-3650

PINO MARELLI
7 p.m. Thursday, May 21, and 8 p.m. Friday, May 22, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, at Luciano's, 39031 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. Free. All ages. (English/Italian/Spanish pop standards and originals) (810) 263-6540

JO NAB
9 p.m. Saturday, May 23, The Deck above Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500

TERRY MURPHY
12:30 p.m. Sunday, May 24, O'Grady's Irish Pub, 585 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 524-4770

MICHAEL O'BRIEN AND THE DISTRACTIONS
9 p.m. Thursdays, May 21 and 28, O'Grady's Irish Pub, 585 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 524-4770

THIRD COAST REGGAE
Formerly known as The Jah Kings, 9 p.m. Friday, May 29, The Deck above Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

STUART DAVIS
8 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

SALLY FINGERETT
8 p.m. Friday, May 29, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

JAN KRIST
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, May 29, Captain Tony's, 3335 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 861-8101/(248) 288-6388

RFD BOYS
8 p.m. Friday, May 22, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$9, \$8 members, students, seniors. All ages. (bluegrass) (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

DICK SIEGEL
8 p.m. Saturday, May 23, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50, \$11.50 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

DANCE

ADVANCED CONTRA DANCE
8 p.m. Friday, May 22, at the Pittsford Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor Saline Road, south of I-94, Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 665-8863

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING
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and Dance hosts dance lessons, previous experience and partners not required, 7-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, at Chapel Hills Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road, north of Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. \$4. (734) 663-0744/(734) 662-5158

REGIONAL DANCE AMERICA/MID-STATES FESTIVAL
Hosted by the Michigan Classic Ballet Company with performances by 12 companies, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, at the Power Center, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor. \$20 advance, \$22 at door. (248) 661-4349/(734) 763-3333

COMEDY

BIG RED'S COMEDY CLUB
J.J. Walker, Friday-Saturday, May 29-30, at the club in Mr. B's Roadhouse - Oxford, 595 N. Lapeer Road (M-24), Oxford. (248) 628-6500

"CO-CO'S HOUSE OF COMEDY"
With A.J. Johnson, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Royal Oak Music Theatre, 318 W. Fourth St., Ann Arbor. \$27.50 in advance. 21 and older. (248) 546-7610

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
Milke Green, Keith (Lenard) Valentine and Rich Higginbottom, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 21 (free), and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23 (\$10); Jeff Brannan, J.R. Remick and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, May 28-30, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 9 p.m. Wednesdays (\$2), 9 p.m. Thursdays (free), 9 p.m. Friday (\$10), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturdays (\$10), unless otherwise noted. (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
Ruben-Ruben, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 21 (\$5), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23 (\$8 and \$18.95 for dinner show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE
Tommy Chong, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23 (\$17.50); 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 27 (\$6), 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
Mark Cordes and Jon Uberroth, Thursday-Saturday, May 21-24; Keith Ruff and Frank G. Wednesday, May 27, and Sunday, May 31; Craig Shoemaker and Keith Ruff, Thursday, May 28 (\$15), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 29-30 (\$17.50), at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices same unless otherwise noted. (248) 542-9900 or http://www.come-dycastle.com

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

AFTER WORK TOURS OF DOWNTOWN DETROIT
The Detroit Historical Society program tours the riverfront area at Orleans and Atwater where Henry Ford served his apprenticeship, new casino sites may obliterate the historic roots of Detroit's industry unless planners are guided by the will of the public. 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 27. \$5. Meet at St. Rubin Park, corner of Atwater and Orleans. (313) 222-0321

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
Encounter nocturnal creatures as you hike the Cranbrook campus, 8-10 p.m. Friday, May 29, evening's activities conclude at Nature Place for Bat Salad (fruit salad) and live critter demonstrations, at 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. \$6 members, \$8 non-members. (248) 645-3230 for reservations.

DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
"Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
"IMAX movies showing indefinitely include: "Super Speedway," 10 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays; and "Special Effects," 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays-Fridays; at the museum, 5020 John R. (at Warren Road), Detroit. \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older, includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups to 10 or more. Hours are: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400 or http://www.sciencedetroit.org

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
"A Communion of the Spirits: African

American Quilters, Preservers and Their Stories" exhibits featuring 175 photographs of varying sizes, a selection of the surveyed quilts, interpretive panels, and a limited amount of other artwork related to the quilters, through Sunday, June 7. The exhibit features area quilters and celebrity quilters such as Maya Angelou, Rosa Parks, Bernice Johnson Reagon, Faith Ringgold, Sonia Sanchez and Alice Walker; "The Life and Times of Paul Robeson" exhibition featuring records, photographs and paintings on loan from private citizens and from the collection of the MAAH, runs through Tuesday, June 30, at the museum, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush Street), Detroit. Museum hours 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays. \$3 for adults and \$2 for children aged 12 and younger. (313) 494-5800

POPULAR MUSIC

AGAINST ALL AUTHORITY
With The Criminals, 6 p.m. Thursday, May 21, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (punk) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

THE ALLIGATORS
10 p.m. Friday, May 29, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 421-2250

AMAZING ROYAL CROWNS
With The Intoxicants and The Migraines, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6. All ages. (punk/rockabilly) (313) 833-POOL

APPLEPOP
With The Vehicles Invisible, 6 p.m. Friday, May 29, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

AVAIL
With Earthmover and Sons of Abraham, 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

BUGS BEDDOW BAND
9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, May 29-30, Sinbad's, 100 St. Clair, Detroit. Free. 21 and older. (trombone-driven party blues) (313) 822-7817 or http://www.bugsbeddow.com

NORMA JEAN BELL AND THE ALL STARS
9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays through June 27, Bacci Abbracci, 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac. Free. All ages. (variety) (248) 253-1300

MATT BESEY
3 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Media Play, 600 N. Telegraph Road (across from Summit Place Mall), Pontiac. Free. All ages; 10 p.m. Friday, May 29, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older. (rock/blues) (248) 745-0225/(810) 731-1750

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS
9 p.m. Friday, May 29, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (jump blues) (734) 485-5050

THE BIZER BROTHERS
8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, May 29-30, The Rattlesnake Club, 300 River Place, Detroit. Free. All ages. (pop) (313) 567-4400

BLACK BEAUTY
9:30 p.m. Thursday, May 21, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, May 29, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (734) 455-8450/(734) 451-1213

BLACK FUZZ
9:30 p.m. Friday, May 22, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 338-6200/(248) 332-HOWL

"BLIND PIG SHOWCASE"
With Stun Gun, Forge, Laceration and Powertrain, 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Free. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

BLINDSIDED
With Master Cylinder, 9 p.m. Friday, May 22, JD's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 465-5154

BLUE SUIT
With Alberta Adams, 9 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 21-22, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older; With Johnny "Yard Dog" Jones, 9 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800/(734) 451-1213

BLUES SHAKERS
9 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BONNE TEMPS ROULLE
9 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, and Friday, May 29, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (248) 644-4800

BRIDE
With One Bad Apple, Against the Enemy and Red Letter, 7 p.m. Friday, May 29, as part of the non-alcoholic "Cage" night at Knights of Columbus Hall, 35100 Van Born (east of Wayne Road), Wayne. Cover charge. All ages. (punk/metal) (734) 729-5879 or http://www.bandinfo.com

BRILLIANT
11 p.m. Friday, May 29, Sardine Bar, 1548 Franklin St., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (pop) (800) 700-2437 or brilliantm@aol.com

BUSTER'S BLUES BAND
7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Hazel Park Raceway, 1650 E. 10 Mile Road, Hazel Park. (blues) (248) 398-1000

CAUSTIC POP
With Sensitive Clown, 10 p.m. Friday, May 22, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 Woodbridge, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (pop) (313) 567-8020

CIRCUS MCGRIRKUS
With Packaged Bliss, 9:30 p.m. Friday, May 22, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

THE CIVILIANS
10 p.m. Friday, May 29, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 332-HOWL

COMMANDER CODY AND HIS LOST PLANET AIRMEN
8 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$13 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

CORNERSHOP
With Getaway Cruiser, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$12 in advance. All ages. (Indian-inspired pop) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

DANNY COX
10 p.m. Friday, May 22, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 21 and older; 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (734) 332-0800/(248) 544-1141

GUY DAVIS
8 p.m. Thursday, May 28, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 18 and older. (248) 335-8100

ROY DAVIS JR.
9 p.m. Friday, May 29, Motor Lounge, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. (house) (313) 396-0090 or http://www.motorlounge.com

MORRIS DAY AND THE TIME
10 p.m. Friday, May 29, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10. 21 and older. (funk) (313) 961-5451

DEPTONES
7 p.m. Thursday, May 21, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (rock) (248) 333-2362

DELTA 88'S
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 29-30, Hennessey's Pub, 49110 Grand River Ave., Wixom. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 348-4404

DETROIT COBRAS
With 68 Comeback, 9 p.m. Sunday, May 24, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. (R&B) (313) 833-POOL

"DETROIT NOISE FEST"
With Hillside Strangers, Carbona, Murder City Wrecks, Stau, Brass Knuckles for Tough Guys, Fiasty Cadavers, PBE, Fuzz Factor, Roswells and Smoke Bombs, 5 p.m. Monday, May 24, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8. All ages. (punk) (313) 833-POOL

TIM DIAZ
Of Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise performs 9 p.m. Friday, May 22, Captain Tony's, 3335 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (pop) (248) 288-6388

DISCIPLINE
With Present, 10 p.m. Friday, May 29, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (prog rock) (248) 334-9292 or http://members.aol.com/strngout

DOMESTIC PROBLEMS
With Plumiro and The Jaws, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

ELIZA
10 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (pop) (734) 332-0800

FOOLISH MORTALS
9:30 p.m. Friday, May 29, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 360-7450

STEWART FRANCKE
With Jill Jack, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10. \$9 members, students, seniors. All ages. (pop/roots rock) (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

FRANKLIN STREET BLUES BAND
9 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

8 p.m. Thursday, May 28, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$89. All ages. (pop) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

SLIVER GOODMAN AND THE ROCKETPOPS
9 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

GRR
9 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, Captain Tony's, 3335 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 288-6388

GYPSY TRIBE
10 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

HARMS WAY
With Workhorse and Taproot, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

JILL JACK
9 p.m. Friday, May 29, Captain Tony's, 30919 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (roots rock) (248) 288-6388

JIMMIE JACKSON AND THE BLUES CONNECTION
9 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS
10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, May 29, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 731-1750/(248) 349-9110

JELLY'S PIERCED TATTOO
1 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Media Play at Tel-Twelve Mall, Southfield. Free. All ages. (funk/alternative) (248) 351-0258

JESTER'S CROWN
3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Media Play, 45250 Northpointe Boulevard (across from Lakeside Mall), Utica. Free. All ages. (modern rock) (810) 997-3400

THE JOLLY RANCHERS AND FRIENDS
10 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (band jam) (248) 334-9292

KUNG FU DIESEL
10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (248) 683-5458

LIGHTNIN' CREOLE
10 p.m. Friday, May 28, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 683-5458

THE LOOK
10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 21-22, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110/(734) 421-2250

MASCHINA
With Park, 9:30 p.m. Friday, May 29, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

JOE MEYER
2-5 p.m. Sunday, May 24, Media Play, 600 N. Telegraph Road (across from Summit Place Mall), Pontiac. Free. All ages. (country) (248) 745-0225

EDDIE MONEY
7:30 p.m. Friday, May 22, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$12.50 pavilion, \$7.50 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100

MUDPUFFY
9:30 p.m. Friday, May 22, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-0917/(248) 542-9922

KAREN NEWMAN
The Detroit Red Wings National Anthem singer performs 1 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Media Play, 45250 Northpointe Boulevard, Utica. Newman will donate a portion of her sales of her CD, posters and T-shirts to the "Family Trust Fund" for the families of Vladimir Konstantinov and Sergei Mnatsakanov. Free. All ages. (pop) (810) 997-3400

STEVIE NICKS
With Boz Skaggs, 8 p.m. Friday, May 29, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$45.25 and \$35.25 pavilion, \$22.75 lawn. 25 cents from each ticket goes to the Arizona Heart Institute and Foundation. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100

OUTRAGEOUS CHERRY
With Universal Indians, 10 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Burns Room of St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5. 18 and older. (quirky pop) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

PARKA KINGS
With Gangster Fun, 7 p.m. Friday, May 29, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (ska) (313) 833-POOL

PULL
10 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (734) 421-2250

BONNIE RAITT
With Keb Mo, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 26, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$35 and \$25. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

NIM RICHEY
8 p.m. Thursday, May 28, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (country) (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

GREGORY SCOTT
6 p.m. Friday, May 22, Media Play, 600 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac. Free. All ages; 2 p.m. Sunday, May 24, Media Play, 45250 Northpointe Parkway (near Lakeside Mall), Utica. Free. All ages. (country/rock) (248) 745-0225/(810) 997-3400

VONDA SHEPARD
Performing her music from the television show "Ally McBeal," with Billy Mann and the Willy Porter Band, 7 p.m. Friday, May 22, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (pop) (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com

SHOUT!
9 p.m. Thursday, May 21, The Velvet Lounge, 29 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (Beatles cover band) (248) 334-7411

SISTER SEED
8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic pop) (248) 544-1141

"SOLAR" NIGHT
With DJs Recoil, Ground Zero, and Disco D, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$10. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555

STARLIGHT DRIFTERS
9 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (248) 543-4300

STUN GUN
With The Miracaberries and El-Kabong, 9 p.m. Friday, May 29, JD's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 21 and older. (pop) (810) 465-5154

SUFFOCATION
With Backstreet Law, Acidama, Grievance and Incercourse, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 21, Palladium Music Club, 17580 Frazho Road, Roseville. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 778-6404

CURTIS SUMPTER PROJECT
With Cathy Davis, 9 p.m. Friday, May 22, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

SUN 209
10 p.m. Thursday, May 21, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (roots rock) (734) 421-2250

SUPERDOT
9 p.m. Thursday, May 28, The Velvet Lounge, 29 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (ska) (248) 334-7411

THIK
With Factory 81, Boon Doggie and Drone, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 28, Palladium Music Club, 17580 Frazho Road, Roseville. \$6. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 778-6404

UNTOUCHABLES
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 22-23, Hennessey's Pub, 49110 Grand River Ave., Wixom. Free. 21 and older. (oldies) (248) 348-4404

VAL VENTRO
10 p.m. Friday, May 22, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 421-2250/(248) 349-9110

VERSUS
9 p.m. Friday, May 22, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 335-8100

VIETNAM FROM
With Maschina and St. Ashley, 9 p.m. Friday, May 22, Gold Dollar, 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Free. donations to The AIDS Foundation. 21 and older. (variety) (313) 833-6873

THE VOLCANOS
With The Insnomniacs and Mondo Mod, 9 p.m. Friday, May 22, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (surf/pop) (313) 833-POOL

RANDY VOLIN AND THE SONIC BLUES
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outlets as billets for Hanson's first Detroit-area show, June 29 at Pine Knob, go on sale. Mmmm-bop, indeed.

Imagine this, Sean Lennon will play songs from his latest album, "Into the Sun" (Grand Royal/Capitol), for a local audience Tuesday, June 2, at Pine Knob when he opens Beck and Ben Folds Five.

The Palace

Pine Knob's sister venue, The Palace of Auburn Hills, will play host to the Spice Girls, whose July 26 show quickly sold out, and Tori Amos's first arena show July 23. The Verve is confident that it can successfully pull off a show at The Palace Wednesday, July 29, after selling out the 1,000-person capacity St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit last winter. It may turn out to be a "bittersweet" affair. It hasn't been a hot seller.

Although Kansas, Phil Collins and Roger Daltrey aren't newcomers, they've each added a little twist to their summer shows.

His latest solo album, "Dance Into the Light" (Atlantic), crashed and burned, so Collins is re-arranging his music as swing. He, vocalist Oleta Adams and saxophone player Gerald

Albright will perform big band versions of his music at Meadow Brook Music Festival on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester June 23.

The Who's Roger Daltrey will perform the music of his band, The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin and Pink Floyd with The British Rock Symphony July 8 at Meadow Brook. Following the symphonic lead, Kansas is bringing along its own orchestra to the same venue July 18.

On a more traditional note, retro acts and classic rockers fill out the schedule at Pine Knob. Ted Nugent, The Doobie Bros., Heart, Peter Frampton, Pat Benatar, Foreigner, Loverboy, Blue Oyster Cult, B-52's and the Pretenders, Huey Lewis and the News, and, oh dear Lord, a reunited Culture Club - with all original members - visit this summer.

Money offered his insight as to why classic rockers still can attract a Pine Knob-ful of fans.

"If you look at little groups like Green Day or Pearl Jam, the fans never stuck. We developed a really large following. They still want to hear 'Shakin' or 'Baby Hold On,'" he said.

They're back

Festival granddaddy Lollapalooza may have dropped out of the touring world, but multi-band shows are in full effect this summer.

Banking on last year's success, Lilith Fair, the all-female music festival starring Sarah McLachlan, will play its only three-date run in the United States at Pine Knob July 6-8.

Speaking of success, Ozzy will drag his feet across the stage at this year's OzzFest bringing along heavy rockers Tool and Megadeth as well as a slew of metal bands to Pine Knob Thursday, July 23.

Blues Traveler is hoping to erase memories of last year's dismal ticket sales by rejoining the festival it founded, H.O.R.D.E. (Horizons of Rock Developing Everywhere). The Pine Knob shows, Saturday-Sunday, July 18-19, will also feature Detroit- and Windsor-area favorites the Barenaked Ladies.

Due to logistical problems, The Warped Festival returned to its former home, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre in Pontiac, from Pine Knob. Pine Knob, it seemed, wasn't very conducive to a three-stage festival. The pavilion stayed empty most of the day while fans packed the entrance

way and picnic area to see bands like Sugar Ray, the Mighty Mighty Bosstones, and Social Distortion.

"The concert lends itself well to not having seats just because of the nature of the bands, the attractions and those sorts of thing," a spokeswoman for the event said.

New festivals

This year, Bad Religion, Rancid, Deftones, NOFX, Save Ferris, Rev. Horton Heat, Cherry Poppin' Daddies, The Specials, and Royal Oak rapper Kid Rock are among those playing the concrete jungle of the Phoenix Plaza at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 22.

Two new festivals - the "Golden Road Fest" at the Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre on June 13, and the "Hoodoo Bash" Wednesday, July 15, at Meadow Brook - are hoping to attract Deadheads with the likes of moe. and Ekostik Hookah.

Cheese metalheads rejoice! Quiet Riot, Firehouse, Slaughter, L.A. Guns and Warrant come together for "Rock Never Stops" (doesn't that conjure up images of Homer Simpson yelling "Don't stop a-rockin'") Aug. 17.

The Newport Folk Festival

with Nanci Griffith, John Hiatt, Joan Baez, Marc Cohn, The Staples Singers, The Violent Femmes and Lucinda Williams will come to Pine Knob Aug. 22.

Radio stations such as CIMX, WKQI and WPLT will announce their annual festival line-ups soon. Besides breakfast in bed, ties, and homemade cards, Father's Day will also feature the Young Country (WYCD) Festival with Toby Keith at the State Fairgrounds.

Brian Setzer Orchestra's show July 11 at the Phoenix Plaza has been redubbed CIDR's "Riverfest." Hitting the stage with Setzer will be Big Rude Jake, Agents of Good Roots, Billy Mann, Patty Griffin, Steve Poltz, Stewart Francke and Jill Jack. The ticket price is higher than past years, \$21.50, because the festival was tacked onto an already existing show, according to a station spokesman.

Music fans low on cash can still hear some quality tunes. Music and the aroma of local restaurants' specials will intertwine July 1-5 at the Michigan TasteFest in Detroit's New Center area. Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers, Los Lobos, Imperial Swing Orchestra, Straight Ahead, Mudpuppy, and Kog's Kats will be among those playing for free.

The "Entertainment on Us" series at Plymouth's Kellogg Park features top local acts such as Larry Nozero, Robert Noll and Michele Ramo and Heidi Hepler through Aug. 21.

In celebration of its second year operating and managing Meadow Brook, Palace Sports and Entertainment dropped \$2 million to refurbish the venue deep in the woods behind Oakland University.

The most significant change is a state-of-the-art marquee with a computerized message board sitting at Walton Boulevard and Adams Road.

"Our goal is provide a schedule of great variety, which will entice those who haven't visited Meadow Brook to discover its beauty and charm and also to attract those who haven't visited the venue in recent years to return and re-discover it," said Tom Wilson, president of Palace Sports and Entertainment.

Pine Knob has even undergone \$1 million in improvements including new video screens, signage, and the addition of absorptive material to the pavilion to improve sound.

"During the relatively short summer in Michigan, Pine Knob must compete with a variety of outdoor entertainment options our great state offers," Wilson said. "To keep up with the pace, we must continually strive to give our guests the best experience possible."

It's the little things at Pine Knob that makes Money feel right at home.

"We've got a lot of friends in Michigan. We have a bigger guest list at Pine Knob than anywhere else. One time, someone brought us a broccoli casserole. We take care of as many people as we can. We're very excited."

SRO's 'Crossing Delancey' charming

SRO Productions presents Susan Sandler's "Crossing Delancey," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday through May 31 at the City of Southfield's historic park, "The Burgh" on the northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road (one block east of Telegraph). Tickets \$8 general admission, \$7 senior adults and children age 12 and younger. Call (248) 827-0701.

BY BOB WEIBEL
SPECIAL WRITER

SRO's "Crossing Delancey" by Susan Sandler asks the question: Just how does a modern young woman meet the man of her dreams? There are, of course, scores of possibilities, unless you have a lovable, old world Jewish grandmother. This wise lady is

taking no chances - she calls the matchmaker! And the fun begins.

Director, Ves Spindler, has fashioned a charming, romantic comedy for SRO. The characters are likable, their relationships are authentic, their differences in values deftly portrayed.

A few speech stumbles and pauses detracted from performances at times. And one excessively long costume change needs to be shortened to maintain the tempo and rhythm of the show.

Robin DeMaagd as Isabelle (Izzy) creates an interesting character of a modern young woman content with her life working in a bookshop in Manhattan, though she is disconnect-

ed from her heritage and culture of New York's lower East Side.

She's in no hurry to find Mr. Right. In fact, she may have already met him in the form of Tyler Moss, a writer. So, Izzy is furious when she learns that her Bubbie (an affectionate Yiddish term for grandma) wants to fix her up with "a nice Jewish boy" (Sam) from Delancey Street who sells pickles.

Helen Weiss as Bubbie is the quintessential eccentric grandmother (compete with four locks on her door and a pouch under her clothes for all her money). Weiss tosses out Yiddish phrases and pearls of wisdom with aplomb. On talky women, "Give your moth a rest, it will thank you." On Izzy's job, "Books can't

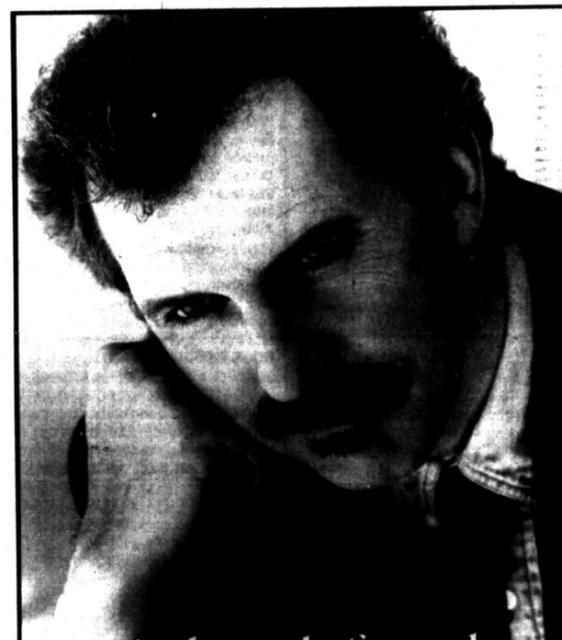
make blintzes." On grabbing a man, "To catch the wild monkey, you've got to climb the tree."

Janice Leadbitter sparkles as Hannah the matchmaker - an energetic, larger than life character, brash, opinionated, and always ready to eat. Her colorful outfits are delightful.

Doug Noel gives a nice reading to his role as Sam, a no nonsense hardworking guy - yet sensitive and intelligent. His advice, "Sometimes you only need to change your hat to change your attitude turns out to be pivotal.

Ross Grossman as Tyler creates a good contrast to Sam. Whereas, Sam is reliable, but drab and uncool, Tyler is a hip, take-charge guy, but pretentious and manipulative.

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