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Putt-putt: A removable miniature golf course designed by Pine Knob Elementary physical education teacher Lars Covintree for the school's gym introduces the students to the sport and gives them a lesson in cooperation. / **A3**

SPORTS

Too Good: Rochester senior Andrew Good limited Clarkston to two hits over six innings and led the Falcons to a 6-2 win over the Wolves in a regional semifinal Saturday. / **B1**

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A last look at household hints from the '40s and '50s. First, because a penny saved is a penny earned, here are some "ideas that pay off."

"When dusting the furniture, don't overlook the light bulbs. So many housewives fail to realize that a two-second swipe with a cloth over a dusty bulb can increase your light as much as 50 percent."

"Cooking prunes for breakfast? Before retiring at night, set the pot of prunes and water over the pilot light on your stove, making sure the lid is on snugly. The prunes will be nicely stewed and ready to eat when you get up in the morning, and it won't cost an extra penny to cook them."

And here are a few hints that this '90's "housewife" just can't figure out without a dictionary and some old-fashioned knowledge.

"Oyster shells placed back of the fire in a cook-stove will break clinkers (a fused lump of incombustible residue that remains after coal has burned) and prevent excessive heat from cracking the fireproof lining of the fire box."

"Keeping a little whetstone handy can save those blunted sewing machine needles. The curled point can be sharpened off, and the needle can then be used for heavier sewing."

"You can make your own bodkin (a blunt needle for pulling ribbon through loops or a hem) at home in an emergency by breaking off the point of a heavy darning needle and filing off the rough edge."

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



MEAP scores above county averages



■ MEAP test results for fifth- and eighth-grade writing and science put Clarkston schools' median scores above both county and state averages. Nonetheless, Clarkston educators still see room for improvement.

Clarkston Community Schools' median scores in the state's standardized MEAP science and writing tests for fifth- and eighth-grade students surpassed averages in the county and the state.

Likewise, the school district learned in May that mean scores in math and reading for fourth- and seventh-graders topped state and county averages.

"We're always looking to improve our scores," said Clarkston Community Schools Assistant Superintendent David Reschke, who declined to make additional comments about the scores until he is able to analyze the district's results. Administrators and teachers will likely begin that process this summer, he said.

District averages

The latest MEAP results indicate that the district's fifth-grade writing skills are particularly strong. In fact, the district's proficiency average for fifth graders was 82.7 percent — more than 10 percentage points higher than the county average and 18.4 percentage points above the state average.

While Clarkston Schools' average was almost 56 percent proficient for fifth-graders in science, the county's average was 49.3 percent. The state's average was 40.4 percent.

The district's eighth-grade science and writing median scores were higher than county averages, but not significantly so.

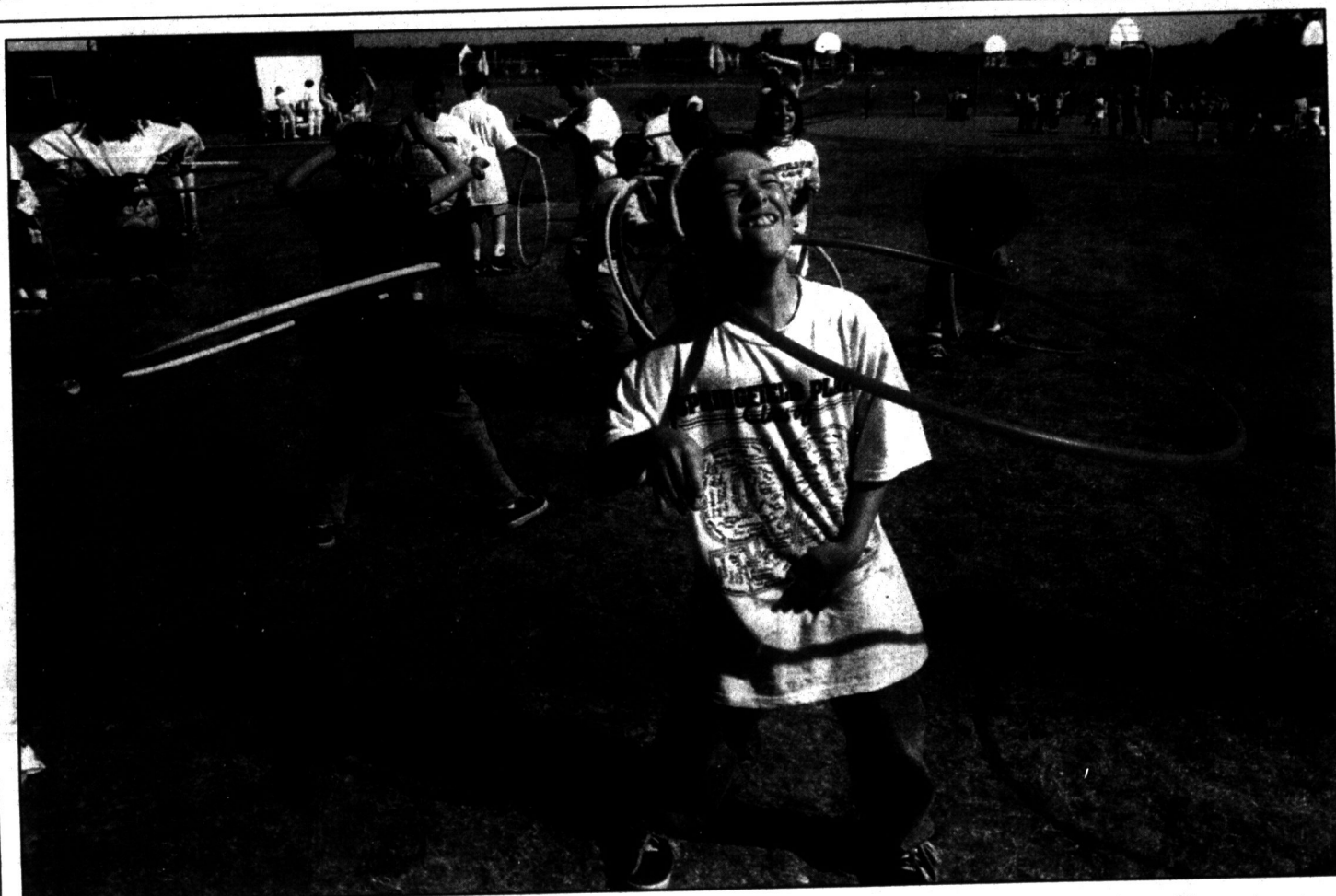
In writing, however, proficiency among eighth-graders was 79.6 percent (median), more than 10 percentage points higher than the state's average of 69 percent.

Year-to-year comparisons

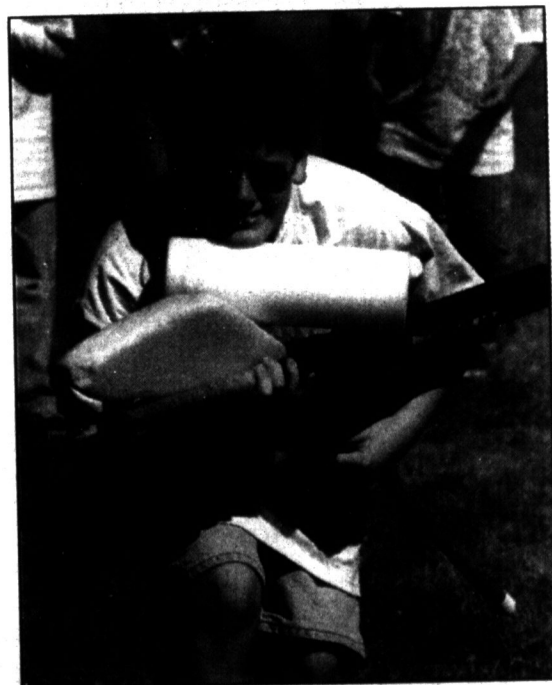
While Clarkston Community Schools' fifth-graders on average outperformed the county and the state in writing this year, the district's average score of 82.7 percent is a drop from 1997 when the district's average was 87.1 percent.

Similarly, the district's average for eighth-graders in writing dropped.

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A "hole" lot of fun: Jeremy Edwards plays with a hula-hoop during free time on Field Day at Springfield Plains Elementary School.



Hands full: Garrett Phillips runs in the "I Have My Hands Full" relay event.

It takes a team

Field Day teaches kids value of cooperation

While the Olympic theme song played in the background, students at Springfield Plains Elementary participated last week in the school's fourth annual field day.

This year's day-long event stressed teamwork and featured various outdoor activities that required cooperation.

"The kids loved it," said Springfield Plains physical education instructor Joe Palace, who, along with several parents, coordinated the event. "The kids came away with the sense of teamwork."

While they weren't awarded for their efforts, Palace said each student came away a winner.

"It was great to see the groups working together to accomplish their goal," Palace said. "Competition isn't a bad thing, but it's not a great priority for kids at this age."



Sack relay: Jillian Kouri hops toward the finish line.

Veteran school trustee re-elected for 4 more years

The faces on the Clarkston Board of Education will look a little familiar at the next school board meeting.

Incumbent Sheila Hughes received 578 votes to return for her third four-year term on the board. Challenger Charles Hensley received 302 votes.

Only 880 voters cast their ballots in Monday's election.

Hughes said she was disappointed with the low voter turnout — there are approximately 29,000 registered voters

in the district.

"I am very thrilled and thankful to be re-elected. I guess it shows that people feel I have contributed something positive to this board and can continue to contribute," Hughes, 53, said. "However, I am disappointed that we had such a low (voter) turnout. It seems like people only come out to vote if it directly affects their pocketbooks. How the children's education is affected is what I'm

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Each vote counts: Gail Winship (standing) prepares to vote in Monday's school board election.

Balloon fest set for Aug. 28-30

The 13th Annual Hot Air Balloon Festival is set for Aug. 28-30 at Springfield Oaks County Park. The festival has been moved from its usual September slot.

The Hot Air Balloon Festival is a charity event for the Children's Miracle Network. An event fee of \$5/vehicle will be charged.

Springfield Oaks County Park is on Andersonville Road near Hall Road in Davisburg.

For more information, call (248) 620-1000.

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Clarkston Middle School Principal Vince Licata said, however, that teachers at the school felt parts of the tests were confusing this year.

Conversely, the district average for fifth-graders in science rose to 55.7 percent, up several points from 47.4 percent in 1997.

Again, eighth-graders followed this trend in science. The district's average in the category rose from about 24 to about 30 percent from 1997 to 1998.

Clarkston Elementary

Clarkston Elementary's fifth-graders performed particularly well in writing — a noteworthy 97.3 percent were proficient.

"The science could be higher,

but we're moving in the right direction, and I think that reflects the work we've done with staff and students," said Clarkston Elementary School Principal Michael Kehoe of his school's Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) scores, which were the highest among the district's elementary schools.

"The district has some initiatives going in writing and we have teachers in the building that are highly involved in the initiatives," Kehoe said of the school's close-to-perfect writing score.

Students regularly do writing assignments designed to improve their ability to express ideas through language and do so from one grade to the next, Kehoe said.

However, Kehoe said, parents of students who attend other elementary schools in Clarkston need to remember that each school is unique and, out of necessity, has different priorities.

Pine Knob Elementary

While Clarkston Elementary School was the biggest standout, Pine Knob Elementary not only performed well on the tests but also made some significant gains.

Just over 67 percent of the school's fifth-graders were deemed proficient this year in science. Not only is the score the second highest in the district, it's also a big jump from the school's 32.5 percent proficiency rating in 1997.

Scoring 28.8 percent proficient in science in 1996, Pine Knob Elementary's 1998 results represent a 38.4 percentage point hike.

Clarkston MEAP scores for science and writing

Percentages indicate students scoring in the satisfactory range.

Grade 5 Science					Grade 5 Writing				
SCHOOL	1996	1997	1998	2-year change	SCHOOL	1996	1997	1998	2-year change
Andersonville	14.5	30.3	42.7	+28.2	Andersonville	57.4	92.4	78.7	+18.3
Bailey Lake	33.3	47.9	49.5	+16.2	Bailey Lake	89.0	95.9	82.7	-6.3
Clarkston Ele.	30.9	65.7	73.0	+42.1	Clarkston Ele.	89.5	95.8	97.3	+7.8
Pine Knob	28.8	32.5	67.2	+38.4	Pine Knob	73.2	79.2	80.3	+7.1
North Sashabaw	26.5	53.2	46.2	+19.7	North Sashabaw	78.7	60.7	87.9	+10.8
Springfield Plains	30.1	53.8	58.8	+28.7	Springfield Plains	79.4	89.1	90.7	+11.3
County average	-	-	49.3	-	County average	-	-	72.3	-
District average	28.2	47.4	55.7	+27.5	District average	79.4	87.1	82.7	+3.3
State average	26.9	36.8	40.4	+13.5	State average	55.6	73.4	84.3	+8.7

Grade 8 Science					Grade 8 Writing				
SCHOOL	1996	1997	1998	2-year change	SCHOOL	1996	1997	1998	2-year change
Clarkston M.S.	38.0	25.8	34.8	-3.2	Clarkston M.S.	75.1	92.8	80.4	+5.3
Sashabaw M.S.	33.4	23.2	26.3	-7.1	Sashabaw M.S.	80.1	90.7	79.0	-1.1
County average	-	-	28.3	-	County average	-	-	76.4	-
District average	35.3	24.4	29.9	-5.4	District average	78.0	91.6	79.6	+1.6
State average	21.5	17.5	22.0	+5	State average	69.1	77	89.0	-1

The remainder of the district's elementary schools received proficiency scores between 42.7 percent and 58.8 percent in the category.

North Sashabaw Elementary School had the lowest score in the fifth-grade writing category; close to 68 percent of the school's students passed as proficient, but the score is still above the state average.

Middle school buildings

While there wasn't a large gap in the district's middle school scores, Clarkston Middle School did outperform Sashabaw Middle School.

In science, 34.8 percent of Clarkston Middle School's eighth-graders were deemed proficient, compared to Sashabaw's proficiency rating of 26.3 percent, which is an increase from 1997.

Also, both schools saw declines in their writing scores. Sashabaw Middle School received a 79 percent proficiency rating in 1998, down from 90.7 percent in 1997.

Clarkston Middle School's eighth-graders were deemed 80.4 percent proficient, down over 10 percentage points from 92.8 percent in 1997, but up from the school's 1996 score of 75.1 percent.

Sashabaw Middle School Principal John Dilegghio said, however, he is comforted by the fact that the school's science scores were higher than last year. Many school buildings have been struggling to make improvements on the science portion of the test, which was changed two years ago and has many schools scrambling to realign their curricula, he said.

"They were an improvement over last year, which was nice to hear," Dilegghio said.

Vince Licata, Clarkston Middle School's principal, agreed with Dilegghio. Administrators and teachers at his school are still adjusting to changes in the MEAP's science format, he said.

"We are still adapting," he said. "But as long as we're moving in the right direction, I'm pleased."

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The City of the Village of Clarkston will be accepting bids for a 1991 Chevrolet Caprice, VIN Number 1G1BL53E7MW240730.

Bids will be accepted by postmarks dated no later than June 26, 1998.

Any bid may be withdrawn by giving notice to the City Manager before the stated closing time (June 26, 1998).

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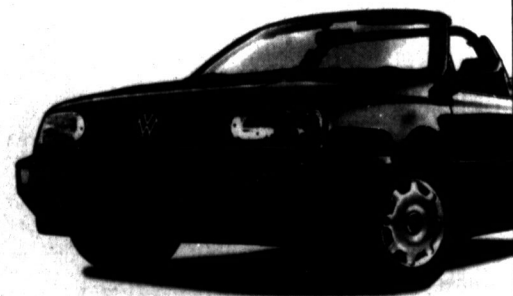
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Thursday, June 11 through Sunday, June 14

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Beginning on June 11, 12 names will be drawn each day from entries collected at each MeadowBrook Village store, until 50 finalists are drawn. The giveaway will be held at Suburban Nissan Volkswagen in Troy on Monday, June 22 at 6:00 pm. At that time, each of the finalist will be given a car door key. The person whose key unlocks the door of the '98 Cabrio GL Convertible is the lucky winner, so all finalists must be present!

VISIT THE VILLAGE

Gym teacher builds golf course for kids

Not many youngsters are familiar with putters or wedges — except maybe for the students at Clarkston's Pine Knob Elementary.

Thanks to dedicated physical education teacher Lars Covintree, who constructed a removable nine-hole miniature golf course for the school gym, students in grades K-5 have the opportunity to perfect their golf strokes during their gym class periods.

Looking to expand the current physical education curriculum from the traditional games such as basketball and basketball, Covintree said he built the course knowing that many of his students will take up golf as a hobby later in life.

"The game of golf is a very popular and expanding sport," said Covintree, who has been teaching physical education at Pine Knob for the past four years. "I think it is important to introduce sports to children that they can play for life. Plus, it's something new and different and they're having a lot of fun with it."

Covintree approached the PTA last November with his idea for a miniature golf course and applied for and received a \$525 grant earlier this year. However, the cost of the materials quickly added up, raising the total expenditures to nearly \$1,000, which includes the costs of the balls and clubs.

While the school may reimburse him for some of the costs, Covintree isn't looking to recover any money.

"It's really not a money issue," Covintree said. "I did this because I wanted to teach the kids about fair play, cooperation, sharing and playing by the rules. So far, they're responding very well so all my time and effort was well worth it."

On the weekend of May 30, Covintree recruited 5th graders Liz



Fore! Above, from left, Denise Wealer, Marie Cooke and Kira Engelhard enjoy a bit of miniature golf in the gym at Clarkston's Pine Knob Elementary.

Hillinger and Andy McKinney and the trio worked for nearly 26 hours to finish the course, complete with a bridge, sharp corners and various angles.

Each hole is built on two 8 x 4 particle boards. Covintree omitted any mechanical gadgets.

"Since the whole thing is removable, we had to make it so it could be easily stored and set up when we needed to," Covintree said. "It's pretty basic, but there is definitely the possibility that we could add more holes or various features in the future."

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Lars Covintree
—gym teacher

Covintree said the course may not be used every year — he had to sacrifice his unit on baseball this year to make room for golf.

"I don't want the same little course to get boring to the kids," Covintree said. "But the kids are definitely getting a big kick out of it so far."

Pine Knob Principal K.C. Leh said she is thrilled with the school's new edition and has heard nothing but positive feedback from the students.

"It's spectacular. It's a wonderful addition to the P.E. department," Leh said. "The kids are having a blast. It's nice to see teamwork and cooperation."

Deputy terminated pursuit before fatal accident occurred

An Oakland County Sheriff's deputy backed off his chase of a car that had run a stop sign and a red light early Saturday morning in Independence Township — hoping it would stop or slow down — but the move failed to prevent an accident and two men in another car paid with their lives.

At about 1:30 a.m. Saturday, the car, a 1990 Olds Cutlass, ran a stop sign in a neighborhood off Sashabaw and Pelton roads, and then a stop light at Maybee and Sashabaw and then came over the crest on Sashabaw where it collided with a 1997 Neon. The Neon contained two 27-year-old men who were driving up an exit ramp at I-75. Both were killed.

Joseph Weeder of Holly, an unlicensed driver who police said had an extensive driving record, was arraigned on two, second-degree murder counts in his Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital bed on Sunday, according to Lt. Dale LaBair of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Independence substation.

Killed were Andrew Hartke, a former Clarkston resident living in Keego Harbor, and his passenger, Gregory Benninger, of Lake Orion. The vehicle Hartke was driving belonged to Benninger's girlfriend.

In total, Weeder was charged with seven counts that also included operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, fleeing and eluding police and driving with a license suspended/second or subsequent offense.

A not-guilty plea was entered on Weeder's behalf. The charges carry a penalty of up to life in prison. No bond was posted. Weeder was arraigned before Magistrate Lisa Asadoorian and faces a preliminary hearing before 52/2 District Court Judge Gerald McNally on June 18.

LaBair said the Cutlass was fleeing police after an officer pulled it over for running a stop sign at about 1:30 a.m. When the officer, whose name was not being released at press time, approached the car on foot, it sped off and the officer followed in his patrol car, eventually slowing down in hope of preventing an accident. At one point, the Cutlass was at least one-half mile ahead of the patrol car, a police report said.

"You back down and let them re-think it," LaBair said, explaining the philosophy of local officers when pursuing a vehicle, hoping that suspects will re-evaluate and slow down or stop.

LaBair said high-speed police chases are not common in Independence Township.

Ironically, LaBair said, Benninger's girlfriend had called the substation to report her car taken by Benninger just as officers were arriving at the scene of the accident. Almost four hours had elapsed between the time car was allegedly taken at a local bar and the time she called police.

"We didn't know what we had. I kind of suspected," LaBair said.

On Tuesday, POH representatives declined to release the driver's condition. His two passengers were treated and released.

Funeral arrangements for Hartke and Benninger were being handled by Wint Funeral Home in Clarkston.

A funeral service is scheduled for 11 a.m. today for Hartke at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 5301 Hatchery Road, Waterford.

Hartke is survived by his parents Ed and Peggy, brothers Chip (Tamie) of Northville and David of Ann Arbor and his sister Carolyn (Rich) Redvanly of Atlanta, Ga. He was the uncle of Michael and Hailey. He is also survived by a grandfather, Gordon Wright, of Florida.

Hartke was a 1989 graduate of Clarkston High School and had attended Oakland Community College and Central University. He was an account associate for Xerox of Southfield and loved to ski.

Memorials for Hartke may be made to St. Andrews Episcopal Church.

Benninger is survived by his parents, Brian and Theresa of Lake Orion; his grandparents, John and Evelyn Benninger of Ontario, and his brother, Steve (Jennifer) of Lake Orion. He was the uncle of Luke.

He was a 1989 graduate of Lake Orion High School, having been active in wrestling. A funeral service was held Wednesday at Clarkston Community Church with the Rev. Greg Henneman officiating.



Course designer: Pine Knob Elementary gym teacher Lars Covintree built a portable miniature golf course for the gym.

POLICE CALLS

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

Springfield Police

Local officers are investigating the possibility that two area break-ins, in which blank payroll checks were stolen from local businesses and subsequently cashed, are related to similar crimes across the state.

According to Sgt. Pat Miles, Vinyl Tech Windows Systems and Rex Manufacturing both had checks stolen during break-ins between January and May. He estimated that the thieves, believed to be about six to eight men and one woman, cashed \$18,000 worth of checks from Springfield break-ins.

He also estimated that the thieves have cashed \$80,000-\$100,000 from break-ins that occurred in other communities including Groveland, Lansing and Kent County.

Miles said a chance conversation between an Oakland County Sheriff's officer and a Lansing officer led them to believe the thefts were related and prompted a state-wide investigation. No arrests have been made yet, Miles said.

Thefts

On June 4, sunglasses, a base-

ball glove and fishing lures were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Rattalee Lake Road**.

On June 4, golf clubs, a bag, a men's watch and wedding ring were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **East Holly**.

On June 5, sunglasses and a radar detector were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Earl**.

Fire

On June 6, officers responded to the scene of a car fire on **White Lake Road**. The fire was being attended by Independence Township firefighters. The vehicle was empty and the case was turned over to the sheriff's arson investigators.

Vandalism

On June 6, a windshield was reported damaged while parked on **Dixie Highway**.

Independence Police

Thefts

On June 4, cement urns were reported stolen from Lakeview Cemetery off **White Lake Road**.

On June 5, a barbecue grill was reported stolen from a residence on **Parview**.

On June 5, a purse was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Parview**.

On June 5, a portable cassette disc player was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Lancaster Hill**.

On June 7, a case of beer was reported stolen from a person walking along **Sashabaw Road**.

Vandalism

On June 5, a window was reported damaged on a garage on **Bronco**.

On June 5, a window was reported damaged on a vehicle while it was parked at the Park and Ride lot on **M-15**.

On June 6, a window was reported damaged on a vehicle while it was parked on **Spring Lake**.

On June 7, a window was reported damaged on a vehicle while it was parked on **Parview**.

Independence Fire

Between June 4-8, firefighters responded to 29 calls. Among them were nine medical runs, four personal-injury accidents and four vehicle fires.

Clarkston Police

On June 6, officers responded to an unfounded report of a gas leak at a residence on **Miller Street**.

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City council pledges \$5,000 towards study of downtown

Plans to conduct a revitalization study in downtown Clarkston are one \$5,000 step closer.

Clarkston's city council voted 5-1 Tuesday in favor of contributing that amount towards a revitalization study of the downtown, even though council isn't sure where it will get the money.

The \$5,000 contribution is contingent on whether downtown Clarkston's business community is able to raise \$20,000 to pay for the study, which will be done by HyettPalma Inc. at a total cost of \$25,000. The city's offer expires June 9, 1999, one year from Tuesday's vote.

Councilman Doug Roeser was the lone dissenter, voting against the pledge. Mayor Sharon Catallo was not present at the meeting.

"I want to state that I think it's irresponsible to allocate funds when we already have a deficit," said Roeser, a member of the city's finance committee.

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However, both Councilman David Savage and Catallo later said they believed the money could be found. And, excluding Roeser, remaining council members didn't take issue with having to identify the revenue source at a later date.

The revitalization study would provide the community with an action plan for improving business in the historic district and information about the types of businesses that would succeed.

"I'm secure in the fact that we can get it," Catallo said. "It isn't fair to take money away from another program if we're not really using it (yet)," she added.

The city funds might come from a variety of sources, Savage said. If business people are able to raise the \$20,000 this year, the \$5,000 could come from

either the city's 1998 budget or from current reserves.

Clarkston's finance committee members are working on a 1998-99 budget, which is expected to come before council at its next meeting. As of Tuesday, funds had not been earmarked for the revitalization study.

Downtown Clarkston's business community must also provide a plan for administering the study to receive the city's contribution.

"The resolution stands that if the business owners came up with their share of the money tomorrow, the city would make their contribution immediately," Savage said of the situation.

"But it's going to take some time to raise these funds, and we don't expect that this will happen overnight," he said. "In reality, with the timing, some of the money could come out of this year's budget and some out of 1999's budget."

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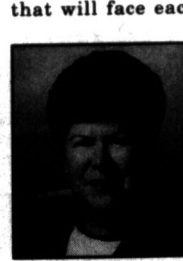
most concerned with."

Hensley, 38, did not return a reporter's phone calls.

With the election in the past, Hughes, who was first elected in 1990 and has advocated three bonds passed in the district to support a new senior high and elementary school, said she will continue to move ahead with current projects, while looking toward the future. Specifically, Hughes said she will address a possible growth spurt within the district.

In addition, Hughes said she, along with her fellow board members, will stay on top of the budget to prepare for unforeseen costs.

"Funding is one of those issues that will face each and every school district across the state forever," said Hughes, who is certified by the Michigan School Board Association.



Sheila Hughes

"We're not always sure how the state will fund the schools so we have to keep putting some money away just in case."

Since being elected to the board, Hughes, a Clarkston High School graduate, said she has seen several positive changes in the district's curriculum, including an art program at the elementary level and a stringed-instrument program.

Currently, while working to raise academic standards, the board is also involved in staff development.

"The staff needs to be brought up to speed in every level of technology," Hughes said. "Our goal as a board is to help prepare the students to become productive citizens as they go out into the world."

Summer reading program targets adults

"I read to dream" is the motto for Independence Township Library's Summer Reading Club for Adults, which begins June 22 and runs through Aug. 31.

Participants can dream of prizes while they also dream of new worlds, fantastic worlds, ancient worlds, scary worlds, or even familiar worlds seen in a

new way. Club participants will receive a packet of suggested readings in nine categories of fiction and non-fiction. Any member who reads a book in five of the nine categories by Aug. 31 will be eligible for the grand prize drawing. The grand prize is a \$50 gift certificate from Borders Books. Other fun prizes are

also awarded in the prize drawings.

To register for the Summer Reading Club for Adults, go to the library's reference desk anytime beginning June 22. Independence Township Library is at 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston. For more information, call the library at (248) 625-2212.

Chamber hosts candidates' breakfast

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce will host a candidates' breakfast July 23 for candidates running for the offices of State Senate District 16, State Representative District 46, and County Commissioner Districts 2, 4 and 5.

The breakfast will be held at 7:30 a.m. at Deer Lake Athletic Club. Cost is \$10.

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"Grandmother Reveals Secret to 105 Lb. Weight Loss Success"

Hi, I'm Patricia Carley. I live with my husband, Ken. I am a mother and grandmother. I work as a civil servant. Amazing as it seems, I lost 105 pounds of fat with hypnosis. My dress size plunged from a bulging 24 1/2 to a sleek size 8 in ten short months. It was easy and fun. This is my true story.

I came into the world at five pounds. I was overweight from there. One of the few baby pictures I have is when I was two years old sitting on a sidewalk. I was so plump I couldn't get up and walk. I went from an overweight infant to a fat child.

Overweight Hurts

With a name like Pat, which rhymes with fat, I was the brunt of cruel jokes. I had no friends. Never developed self-esteem. Confidence was zero. I would gaze in the mirror, tears in my eyes, asking, "Why me? Why am I so fat? Why can't I be normal?"

I blamed heredity. I had a 300 pound aunt who had cinder blocks instead of a bed frame. My mother was over 300 pounds and confined to a wheelchair. I looked at my family and decided fat is my fate.

I had to sit at the dinner table for hours until every morsel on my plate was eaten. Starving kids in China and all. Later I became the family cook. I was the taste tester. I hated to see leftovers so I gobbled them up. Food became my friend. My comfort and support. I went from a fat teen to an obese young adult.

The Diet Rollercoaster

I married at 18 to get out of the house. That's when I lost control. When I wasn't eating, I was thinking about eating. I craved.

I binged. I ate all day and into the night. I developed agonizing headaches. PMS was a nightmare. After 16 years my marriage ended bitterly.

I was 34 and single. I knew no one would want a fat mother of two. With a starvation diet and expensive therapy, I lost 100 pounds. I met and married Ken. I re-gained all my weight.

I was cheating Ken not being the slim woman he married. I knew Ken would never cheat on me. Still, the question haunted me, "Why would this terrific guy want me when he could have a younger, thinner, more desirable woman?"

I went on every crazy weight loss scheme. Tried the grapefruit, egg, special soup, all protein, all vegetable, only starch, high fiber and all fruit diets. Spent a fortune on tasteless prepackaged food. Went to support groups. Starved on protein shakes. I even guzzled down straight vinegar praying it would help me lose weight. The result was always the same. I would lose weight slowly then quickly gain it back plus more. I was

ashamed and embarrassed. I had lost all hope.

Desperation to Delight

In January of 1996 I took a business trip. The airplane seatbelt barely fit my enormous waist. I became anxious, stressed and depressed. The weight had to come off.

I heard a woman on the radio saying she had lost weight fast and easy with hypnosis. My first thought was it must be a gimmick.

The disgust with my fat and myself was unbearable. It

outweighed my skepticism. I was desperate. Ken agreed to go with me.

I gritted my teeth for the sales pitch. There was none. The free screening was fun and exciting. They explained everything in detail. Answered all my questions. Left it for Ken and me to decide. I walked out that night with a signed guarantee and my heart full of hope.

Instant Results

I was amazed by the change after my first session. My brain got the message to zap my



Pat Carley before 105 lb. Weight Loss



meal and couldn't force down another bite. It was automatic. Like I had been doing it all my life. I asked for a doggy bag for the first time in 45 years.

Pounds Melt Away While Vacationing!

I have taken several trips since starting my hypnosis program. I've been to Chicago, San Diego and Milwaukee, all noted for fabulous food. I not only didn't gain weight, but actually lost weight every trip. I savored local cuisine with zeal. Never felt deprived. Best of all I had to adjust the airplane seatbelt smaller and smaller!

Benefits Galore

I received so many benefits from hypnosis I could write a book. No more headaches, cravings, binges, bloating or weight gain. I'm more confident at work. I feel alive, vibrant, active and energetic. I'm in tune with my feelings. I have never felt better emotionally, mentally and physically.

My husband is ecstatic. Now he can wrap his arms around me! There is nothing between us. We're like young lovers. Our passion grows stronger every day.

SKEPTICS READ THIS!

I realize you may be skeptical. I understand. I'm a skeptic too. I failed miserably at every diet I ever tried. I had no hope of ever being thin.

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Don't think my results are an isolated case either. Read what other successful clients have to say about their results with hypnosis. You be the judge.

positive hypnosis was going to work.

I lost 4 pounds the first week. 12 pounds the first month. 25 pounds in less than 10 weeks! That's four notches in my belt! Arlene lost 27 pounds in 10 weeks. We are extremely satisfied with our results.

I know hypnosis works. We have six friends coming and they are all getting results like Arlene and me. I highly recommend hypnosis to anyone who wants to lose weight and get a new lease on life. Hypnosis is the only way to go!

Bud McCullough,
Letter Carrier, USPS

Motivation Galore

"In less than one month I lost 10 lbs. Hypnosis gave me the motivation to do it! With hypnosis I feel satisfied."

Kathy Rolaf, Realtor

"Bartender Kicks Smoking Habit!"

I was amazed the first time I was hypnotized. I thought it hadn't worked because I didn't go to sleep. Imagine my surprise when I got in my car and didn't want to light up. Being a bartender, I am constantly around smokers. I still do not think of having a cigarette. Smoking completely slips my mind, even in stressful situations. Hypnosis even helped decrease my appetite. It improved my self-confidence. I've been giving my customers and friends the number so they can also kick this dreadful habit and be happier people.

Mariette Landry, Bartender

Instant Weight Loss Results

My name is George McCullough. My friends call me "Bud." I live with my wife, Arlene. I had been overweight for more than 20 years. Arlene and I came to hypnosis to take our weight off and keep it off. After seeing our friend, Marge Garst, take off 71 lbs., we were

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"I, Jodelle Munroe, have lost 32 lbs. in 2 1/2 months. I had tried every diet known to man. I was on the yo-yo syndrome for years. I knew from the free screening that hypnosis was for me. The staff genuinely cares about your success. It is a positive change. The only word I would add is permanent. For the first time in my life I can honestly say I have made life-long changes. It is easy and natural. I thank my dear friend for introducing hypnosis to me. It has changed my life in so many ways."

Jodelle Munroe,
Homemaker/Waitress

Cravings Vanish!

"Hi, I'm Allen Hollingsworth. I am in Law Enforcement. I lost 15 lbs. in only

three weeks thanks to hypnosis. I am averaging 5 lbs. a week!

I was overweight ever since I can remember. Nothing could keep my weight off. With hypnosis my eating habits have changed. The weight loss thus far has been easy. The change in my habits was immediate. When I was overweight I felt out of control. With hypnosis I have no cravings. I no longer eat for emotional reasons. I have also noticed a reduction in my stress level. I recommend hypnosis for anyone. The cost is much less than most diets and it is worth every penny. I believe my weight loss will be permanent because it is a mental change. Hypnosis is what I've been looking for."

Allen Hollingsworth,
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Parties spar over environmental bond issue

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

It's called a \$550 million environmental bond issue, but it's getting all-out support from the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

That's why former state Sen. Lana Pollack is suspicious. "Only 13 percent of the money is dedicated to real environmental problems. The rest is for economic development. It's a bad value for the money," said Pollack, now president of the 100,000-member Michigan Environmental Council.

"Vote 'no,'" Pollack says, unless the bills putting the issue on the ballot are changed in the Legislature.

"Absolutely yes," says Russ Harding, Gov. Engler's director of the Department of Environmental Quality. "It cleans up our cities. It continues the success we've had cleaning up and redeveloping those properties in the cities."

Lawmakers have yet to put the finishing touches on three House bills and two Senate bills

in order to place the issue before voters Nov. 3. Harding and Pollack squared off June 7 on channel 7's "Spotlight" television program.

1990 law 'gutted'

The battle started in 1990, the last year of Gov. James Blanchard's administration. Pollack, then a Democratic state legislator from Ann Arbor, sponsored the "Polluter Pay" law, which set up strict standards under which property owners would have to pay to clean up chemical contamination.

Many say it backfired, shutting down redevelopment of "brownfields" in older cities and encouraging paving over of "greenfields" in outer suburbia.

Harding agrees. "The mayors of our largest cities came to the governor and me and said, 'We cannot redevelop properties because we have an inherently unfair law.'"

"The old law (Pollack's) was strict liability — you'd be responsible for paying the cleanup in pollution, even if you didn't cause it. With the new law, if

'It cleans up our cities. It continues the success we've had cleaning up and redeveloping those properties in the cities.'

Russ Harding
—DEQ director

you cause it, you're responsible for cleaning it up," Harding said.

The "new law" was written by industry and sponsored in 1995 in Michigan by Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton. It's called the Clean Corporate Citizen Self-Audit Act. Companies that report problems can escape criminal liability — and be exempt from the Freedom of Information Act.

Pollack, who by 1995 had left the Lansing, said Bennett's bill "gutted" her "Polluter Pay" law in two ways:

"First, they changed it to allow carcinogens — a cancer risk — to increase by 1,000 times." And with the state's emphasis on industrial redevelopment, she said, kids in Detroit are missing school due to asthma, lead poisoning and PCB poisoning.

"Second, they made the stan-

dard of liability so impossible that it became a haven for polluter criminals. It's virtually impossible to find anybody guilty of polluting."

Result, she said, is that collections have plummeted from \$18 million to \$2 million.

"Off the mark," replied Harding. "We're just finishing up cases under the old (Pollack) law. We're just beginning to get to cases under the new (Bennett) law."

Meanwhile, the DEQ chief said, "Since 1995 we have more than \$300 million invested in brownfield sites since that law changed and 4,500 new jobs. The mayors have told us those investments would not have occurred under the old law."

Package outlined

Harding, educated as a geologist in Arizona, worked for natu-

ral resources departments in Alaska, and Missouri before coming to Michigan's DNR parks division in 1991. When Engler split DEQ from the DNR, Harding became the first director of DEQ.

The Engler Administration calls its bond proposal the Clean Michigan Initiative. The general outline:

■ \$325 million for brownfield redevelopment and cleanup — grants to local units of up to \$1 million, state-funded cleanups, municipal landfill cost-share grants.

■ \$50 million for water quality — to attack "non-point" pollution caused by runoff from construction sites, farms and parking lots; nutrients from golf courses, residences and septic tanks; and used motor oil dumped down storm drains.

■ \$25 million for river sediment cleanups — three million cubic yards from nine targeted areas: The Clinton, Rouge, Raisin and Detroit rivers in southeastern Michigan; the Pine River, Black River (South Haven), White Lake and

Muskegon Lake outstate; and the Upper Peninsula's Deer Lake and Carp river.

■ \$50 million for waterfront reclamation.

■ \$50 million for state park revitalization. Targeted are state parks that "possess a significant natural feature or are larger than 500 acres and offer multiple recreational opportunities," according to administration literature. Money will go for such infrastructure items as roads, electrical, water and wastewater with new construction limited to critical needs.

■ \$50 million for local parks. This was tacked on by lawmakers and not requested by Engler.

Much of the money will be doled out in grants by DEQ staffers. "The Legislature has to approve every dollar before we can spend it. That will be a good watch over our agency," Harding said.

When writing to your state legislator, refer to Senate Bills 902 and 904 and House Bills 5620, 5622 and 5719.

Lawmakers argue about abortion again

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Once every two-term session, abortion becomes an issue in the Michigan Legislature, and it happened in the last month.

Lawmakers put the finishing touches on bills prohibiting "partial-birth" abortions and making it a felony to cause "a pregnant individual" to miscarry. They are on the way to Gov. John Engler for signing.

Both debates were bitter.

"This Senate is 97 percent male," said Democrat Jim Berryman of Adrian as he battled the ban on partial-birth abortions, defined as killing a living fetus that is partly delivered. (Actually, with three women, the 37-member Michigan Senate is 92 percent male.) Berryman said men shouldn't be interfering with decisions women make with their doctors.

Sen. Joel Gougeon, R-Bay City and the bill's sponsor, turned the tables: "Should women have nothing to say about going to war because it's men who do the fighting?"

Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, said Senate Bill 888 is constitutionally defective that, without an amendment he proposed, it could be interpreted as banning all abortions. That would violate the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade ruling of 1974.

"We'll be right back here debating this after a court battle," Peters predicted.

The Senate voted June 4 to concur in House amendments on a 29-8 vote. All 22 Republicans were joined by seven Democrats.

Opponents, all Democrats, included Peters. Peters' amendment was voted down.

The House on May 27 approved a pair of bills to prohibit causing a woman to miscarry, to have a stillbirth or do great bodily harm to an embryo or fetus.

House Bill 4524 would allow civil suits. It moved to the Senate.

Senate Bill 21, passed and sent to the governor, would allow criminal punishments up to life in prison. One who commits a "grossly negligent act" against a pregnant woman could be punished by up to 15 years and a fine of \$7,500. Doing great bodily harm to an embryo or fetus would be punishable by up to five years in prison and a fine of \$2,500.

"It treats the death of a fetus the same as the death of a live, fully-developed human being," objected Rep. Laura Baird, D-Okemos. "The bill would likely punish an illegal abortion with life in prison, while current law punishes it as manslaughter."

On SB 21, the criminal bill, the vote was 80-24, indicating a split in the usual pro-choice group. Here's how area lawmakers voted:

Penny Crissman, R-Rochester, who also represents Addison Township, Oxford Township, Orion Township, Oxford and Lake Orion, voted yes. Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville, who also represents Springfield Township, Independence Township and Clarkston, voted yes, too.

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Oakland County Sheriff's Department Lt. Don McLellan received a doctorate in management from Walden University, making him the first employee in the department's 178-year history to earn a Ph.D.

"It's been a long, hard road and I'm real pleased to have finished it," said McLellan. "Under three years, that was my goal."

McLellan began his career in law enforcement as a Farmington police cadet in 1972. He joined the sheriff's department three years later, starting out as a deputy on road patrol.

His assignments have included Rochester Hills, Independence Township, Brandon Township and Orion. He's worked in all areas of the sheriff's department, including the courts, detective bureau, marine division and jail.

He earned his master's degree in criminal justice from the University of Detroit and a bachelor's degree in political science from Wayne State University.

Hazardous waste fee standardization sought

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Over Senate Democrats' objections, the Michigan Legislature has passed a law slashing inspection fees for trucks hauling hazardous waste by 88 percent.

Senate Democrats were successful only in delaying the starting date of the new laws to Sept. 1. Had Republicans been successful in giving the bills immediate effect, truckers would have paid no fees from July 1 to Aug. 30.

Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton and the sponsor, urged the Senate on June 4 to concur in House amendments delaying the starting date from July 1 to Sept. 1 and removing the Department of Community Health as an enforcement agent, leaving inspections to the Department of Environmental Quality and Michigan State Police.

"The program will be even less effective," complained Sen. Alma Smith, D-Salem. "As the bills left the Senate, they reduced fees. We already had an ineffective inspection program. The revenue shortfall now will be \$2.5 million to \$4 million a year."

Purpose of the new "Hazardous Materials Transportation Act," according to a

Senate Fiscal Agency analysis, is to make fees uniform between the states.

Although the House had given the bills 103-0 approval May 27, the Senate split almost along party lines, 23-14, in concurring in amendments. Voting yes were 22 Republicans and Democrat Chris Dingell of Trenton. Voting no were 14 Democrats.

Vehicle inspections for first-time permit-holders, currently mandatory, will become optional.

Pushed by the Association of Waste Hazardous Materials Transporters, the act, if adopted everywhere, will end the system of 37 states' administering 53 registration and permitting programs. All states would have the same level of compliance.

Smith noted, however, that state police now inspect only one hazardous waste hauler in five. Of those inspected, 30 percent got warnings for violations of federal or state laws.

The new fees would generate \$180,000 to \$220,000 a year, said Smith. The current program generates \$1.6 million in state revenue which is matched by \$3 million in federal revenue.

Permit and registration fees are

placed in a restricted fund to support the inspection program. Local units, such as counties and cities, may enforce the act but may not have their own registration-permit programs.

The new act requires motor carriers to designate their "base" state, where they conduct most of their business.

Senate passage came at the end of a long session interrupted by the unveiling of a new portrait in the Capitol rotunda of James Blanchard, governor from 1983-90.

When Democrats refused to provide enough votes (a two-thirds supermajority) to give the bills immediate effect, Senate majority leader Dick Posthumus, R-Alto, warned, "They'll regret it if they refuse. There will be consequences."

Democrats hooted in derision.

Said Sen. Joe Conroy, D-Flint: "The consequences will be fierce. They're going to cut out the carpet on this side of the aisle. We'll be dirt-street Democrats."

Much of the permit information would be exempt from the state's Freedom of Information Act. Closed would be the carrier's customers, financial and income information, ownership and the

carrier's parent companies, affiliates and subsidiaries.

Borders tighter

Meanwhile, the Department of Environmental Quality announced that more than 125 U.S. and Canadian border inspectors have been trained to detect environmental crimes and commercial waste smuggling during a three-day program.

DEQ chief Russ Harding said the session was conducted in Detroit at the Ambassador Bridge. Patrols got hands-on experience in contacts with 114 transporters and the inspection of 19 waste transporting vehicles.

It was jointly developed by DEQ, the U.S. Customs Service, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Environment Canada, and the Canada Customs Border Service.

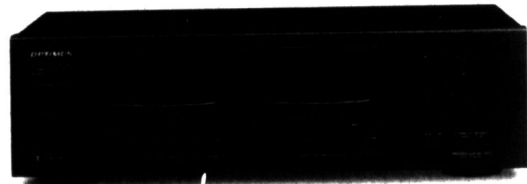
"As always, our DEQ investigative team is at the forefront of law enforcement innovation," Harding said.

He said the agencies may expand the training to the Bluewater Bridge between Port Huron and Sarnia, where industrial waste traffic is even higher.

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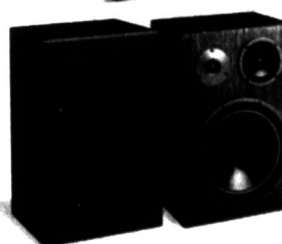
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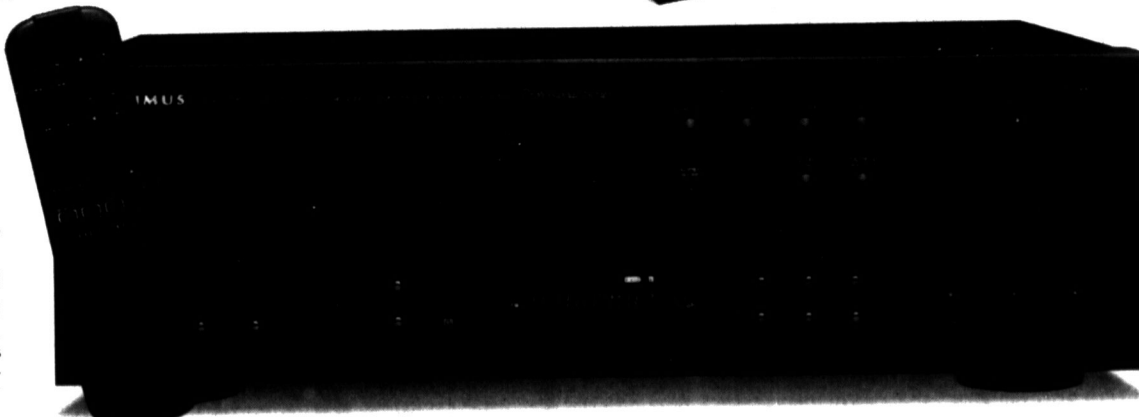


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OAKLAND DIGEST

BIRMINGHAM

Florida-style: The New City Center plan for downtown Birmingham could have a decidedly Florida-style look. The downtown retail/office/residential center is expected to be similar to the CityPlace Center in West Palm Beach, Fla., developer Jim Weiner of Related Retail said.

CLARKSTON

Mom's a grad: Melissa Conley, 18, is one of Clarkston High School's top 10 graduates this year and she's also mom to 13-month-old Mikayla. Conley, who learned she was pregnant during her junior year, has since married her daughter's father, 20-year-old college student Kurt Hine. She remained in school until her daughter was born, then finished her studies at home, graduating with a 3.92 grade point average on a 4-point scale.

FARMINGTON HILLS

Flamingos fly: The lanky pink flamingo statues that adorned the Flamingo Trailer Park on Middlebelt Road are gone and no one seems to know where. Park management has been relatively mum on the fate of the kitsch landmarks. "They're sleeping," manager Renee Vertin said. "They might come out of their sleep or they might not."

LAKE ORION

Pathway maps: Brochures containing descriptions of Orion Township's network of safety paths are on their way to the printer after a private individual stepped in to pay for them. Township board members had voted the project down.

OXFORD

Water delay: The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department is extending a water main into Oxford Township, but no one knows just where. Representatives of Oxford, Orion and Oakland townships met with Detroit officials to determine where the new line should go.

ROCHESTER

New coat of paint: Uniform-wearing workers are scaling Rochester's landmark water tower to put a new coat of paint on the 44-year-old structure. Safety precautions, including decontamination trailers, are in place because workers are sand-blasting the tower's old lead-based paint.

SOUTHFIELD

Top K-9 cop: Retired police dog Ark, a three-year member of the Southfield Police force is the first working canine to be honored under a new Michigan Humane Society program. The German shepherd, who was retired from police duty eight months ago, was named MHS animal of the year this week during ceremonies at the Holiday Inn-Fairlane in Dearborn.

WEST BLOOMFIELD

Road not taken: Al Karner is among the minority of folks who support an extension of Northwestern Highway. Karner, a West Bloomfield resident, estimates his Halsted Road property would be worth a pretty penny if the long-delayed extension ever went through.

AGENDAS

Springfield Township
650 Broadway
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Board of Trustee Meeting
7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11
Tentative Agenda
Call To Order
Roll Call
Agenda Additions and Changes
Public Comment
Consent Agenda
a) Approval of Minutes: May 14, 1998 Regular Meeting and May 20, 1998 Special Meeting

(continuation of May 14 meeting)
b) Acceptance of May Treasurer's Report
c) Receipt of May Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical; Litigation, Fire and Ordinance
d) Authorize payment of bills as presented
e) Authorize \$115 cost of Land Division Act training for Planning Coordinator
f) Authorize membership in MTA for FY 1998-99 and payment of \$3,950 dues
g) Authorize \$1,500 contribu-

tion to Andersonville Cemetery Association
h) Amend Fire Dept. Budget: General Expense Cost Center: Establish new line item: Court/Collection Fees \$500; Reduce Miscellaneous by \$500; Total Cost Center and Total Expenses unchanged
i) Approve one year extension of AWD site plan, Phase II
j) Receipt of Communications: -Consumer Energy letter regarding donation to Fire Dept. for Thermal Imager
Public Hearing

1. Special Land Use: Canterbury Cove-Residential Development
2. Special Land Use: Hickory Hills-Residential Development
Old Business
1. Saturn North PUD Amendment-Second Reading
2. Sidewalk Maintenance Ordinance-Second Reading
3. Sherwood/Patrick Drives: Road Maintenance/Improvements
4. Architectural Agreement-Preliminary Design Services
New Business
1. Canterbury Cove
a) Special Land Use
b) Final Site Plan
Review
2. Hickory Hills
a) Special Land Use
b) Concept Site Plan
3. EDC: IBC North America,

Inc.
4. Consultant Budget-Bridge Lake Road Tree Planting
5. Extractive Ordinance Provisions
Public Comment
Adjourn

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Planning Commission
7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11
Annex Board Room
Tentative Agenda

Roll Call
Public Comment
Public Hearing
File No. 97-1-053
Mr. Robert Shell, Petitioner, Request PUD Rezoning & Plan Approval, Andersonville Acres Industrial Park 8.98 Acres, ML

Zone, NE Corner Andersonville & White Lake Road, 08-31-376-027 & 028

File No. 98-1-029
Mr. Barry Young, Petitioner, Rezoning Request, From: R-1R (Rural Residential) To: R-1C (Suburban Farm Residential) Sashabaw Road, 15.17 Acres, 08-10-300-023

Old Business
New Business: Approval of Minutes: May 14, May 28, 1998

Continuing Review
Planner's Report
Staff Report
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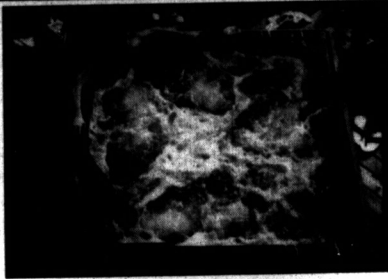
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OBITUARIES

Raymond De Grow Sr.

Raymond Earl De Grow Sr. of Clarkston died June 8, 1998, at age 90.

Mr. De Grow was a Clarkston resident since 1955 and retired from Pontiac Motors after completing 35 1/2 years of service. He was an avid gardener and fisherman.

He is survived by his sons, Ray Jr. (Sandy) of Clarkston and Doug (Jeannie) of Indiana; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters, Pearl Wesenick of Flint and Frances Cichanski of Florida.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 17220 12 Mile Road, Suite 100, Southfield MI

48076.

Donald B. Graham

Donald B. Graham of Clarkston died June 7, 1998, at age 72.

Mr. Graham was a retired car salesman from Bowman Chevrolet and a member of the Clarkston Eagles.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine; sons Mike of Florida and Scott of Clarkston; and daughters Cindy Haggitt of Waterford and Sandy (Rod) Cole of Clarkston.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston with the Rev. Douglas R. Trebilcock officiating. Interment was at Lakeview Cemetery.

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Arts reporter named journalist of the year

Head bowed, arts reporter Frank Provenzano thankfully accepted an accolade from his peers recently — the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' Journalist of the Year award.

"Frank is in the process of creating a new genre of journalism," said Philip Power, chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the O & E's parent company.

"And the guy writes like an angel," Power said, addressing O&E editorial staff and executives who attended the company's annual award ceremony.

Power credited Provenzano with melding community and art, emphasizing and supporting their relationship.

A graduate of Michigan State University, Provenzano has been writing about the arts for the Q&E since early 1997, shortly after the group launched its Sunday edition.

A resident of Grosse Pointe Woods, Provenzano, 38, has written for the Detroit Free Press, Crain's Detroit Business and the Metro Times.

"I'm just so pleased that people are really taking the arts seriously," he said. "The arts are really a vehicle for self development and they're also a way that many communities develop civic pride and identity."

While praising Provenzano's literary writing style and in-depth treatment of arts and community, O&E Taste/Entertainment Editor Keely Wygonik also noted his leadership and advocacy skills.

Provenzano is credited with organizing three local forums on



Way to go, Frank: Observer & Eccentric arts reporter Frank Provenzano (at left) gets a congratulatory handshake from Philip Power, chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the O & E's parent company.

the National Endowment for the Arts' "American Canvas Report," a probe into the viability and survival of the nation's arts groups.

Stepping beyond the role of reporter, Provenzano united local arts organizations in discussion — many for the first time, Wygonik said.

Also nominated for the annual award were: Redford Observer reporter Bill Casper; West Bloomfield Eccentric reporter Greg Kowalski; Rochester Clarion-Eccentric reporter Sharon Dargay; Westland Observer reporter Darrell Clem; arts reporter Linda Chomin and community life reporter Christina Fuoco.

Nominees were honored for

following the newspaper group's mission — providing unsubstitutable news to its readers.

The event was held May 21 at the Italian American Club, Livonia.

Featured speakers included Tim Richard, a recent inductee into the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame and director of HomeTown Communications' Regional News Service and writer, columnist and journalism faculty member at Wayne State University Jack Lessenberry.

Lessenberry underscored the O&E motto: "Today, competition is for time," he said. "I think you have to be indispensable."

Get ready for 4H summer programs

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.

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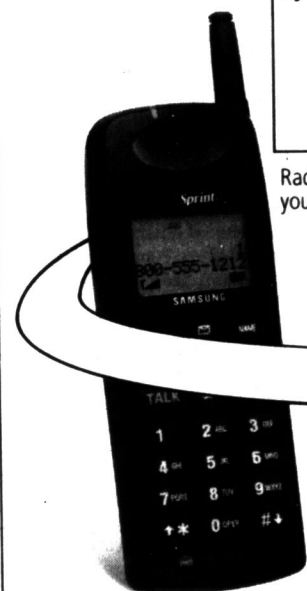
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MUSIC SHOW

SRO Institute of Music is presenting a string quartet concert, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 16 at Northbrook Presbyterian Church to benefit Mothers Against Drunk Driving. The group will perform pops and classical music. The concert is free, though a donation in support of MADD is requested. The church is at 14 Mile and Lahser roads, Beverly Hills.

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.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Oakland County 4-H Clubs are joining with Habitat for Humanity to raise money to construct

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Way to go, Clarkston Inclusion of handicapped applauded

On May 8, 498 students from Clarkston High School attended this year's senior prom. They danced. They partied. They anticipated their futures.

Among the revelers was the mentally retarded daughter of a Clarkston Eccentric staffer who, in her wildest imaginings, never dreamed that her daughter would one day be able to join her peers in this important rite of passage.

On the morning following the prom, the young woman arose from her bed, took off her night gown, and put her prom clothes back on, simply so she could appreciate the joy of wearing them one more time — while remembering an evening rivaled only by the one that Cinderella experienced.

Her actions were a testimony to the fun she had partying the hours away with her "normal" and quite accepting peers.

This young woman's opportunity — as well as those of other handicapped high school students in the community who have attended the prom in the past, or who have attended high school basketball games, or who have worked in local businesses and so on — was a direct result of the Clarkston school district's progressive, lead-the-way approach to education as it concerns its disabled population.

And to the Clarkston community's willingness to embrace that approach.

Along with Clarkston SCAMP — the area's well-respected, highly successful day camp for youngsters with special needs — the Clarkston school system is proving that there is a place for everyone within the community and that the general population can benefit from the inclusion process right along with the disabled.

Clarkston schools are proving that acceptance and friendship can reach across even the most difficult of barriers. The young woman is a case in point:

■ Two high school juniors from the general population volunteered to come to her home, to paint her nails and "do" her hair in prepa-

ration for the prom. They brought a tackle box full of nail polish and jewelry to complete the effect.

■ A third student, a girl who graduated from CHS last year and who is now a freshman in college, volunteered to return to Clarkston from her dorm for one evening and to drive this girl to and from the prom.

■ The CHS student council paid the freshman's \$45 ticket fee so that she could perform her good deed.

■ A 12th-grade boy asked the girl to dance. Scores of other general education students took the time to pose for photos with the young woman that she might have pictures to remember the event by.

A sharing of experiences such as these would not have been possible even 20 years ago.

It can be assumed that because they have grown up with disabled students in their midst, Clarkston's general education pupils have grown wiser and more compassionate. The future that will be in their hands promises to be a good one because of what they have learned.

The administrators and teachers of the Clarkston school system are to be commended for having open minds, open hearts and open doors. And for having a vision that includes everyone.

The greater-Clarkston community should also be recognized for the support it provides the schools and its students. Welcoming arms from places as diverse as Mammoth Video on Sashabaw Road to the Independence Township Parks and Recreation's softball league make their sometimes difficult task that much easier.

Lest we forget, as recently as the 1960s, children such as the young woman about whom we write were institutionalized for life — as was the practice of the day.

Progress is limited only by the size of the dream.

Candidates: Behave yourselves

Someone should write a song — "Election time and the rhetoric is sleazy . . ." or something like that, with our deepest apologies to Mr. Gershwin.

Election campaigns can sometimes get down and dirty and disgusting. Let's hope this year's will be an exception.

It is indeed election time. Soon "vote-for" signs will sprout from front yards, be tacked to posts along busy highways and stuffed into residents' mailboxes.

Now that the school-board races are history, campaigns for federal, state and county offices and judgeships are gearing up. In addition to those races, we know there'll be ballot issues on some of the local ballots come primary day, Aug. 4.

Oakland County voters will have tough choices to make when they go to the polls that Tuesday to thin the field of would-be members of Congress, state representatives and senators and county commissioners. And, my, isn't the field thick this year now that term limits have eliminated some familiar names?

Decisions made less than two months from now will go a long way toward determining what the Oakland County of the future will be like, we think.

We're acquainted with many of the people running for these offices — and we're sure we're going to get to know them a whole lot

better as the campaigns roll along. Most seem to be decent people. We hope the people will be well-served no matter who is elected.

But let's be honest about it: A lot of folks become jerks during election campaigns. We've seen it in past elections. Will we see it in this one? Well, what is your guess?

Political campaigns have taken on an increasingly personal tone in recent years, with candidates increasingly attacked by opponents on increasingly minute and slippery issues of "character" rather than their positions on the issues.

At the same time, there has been a corresponding drop in public confidence in government at all levels.

Candidates and sidekicks should grow up and stay grown up during the campaigns. Stick to the issues and forget about:

Starting whispering campaigns about each other.

Yanking each other's signs out of lawns.

Pitting one supporter against another in divide-and-conquer schemes.

Participating in the cynical "attack dog" politics that has gotten the electorate so fed up.

Candidates who expect to be taken seriously by voters and the press should show a commitment to the voters and the community — and stick to the high ground.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Should boys and girls be separated by gender for some classes to help improve their grades?



'No, I don't think so. They might as well be mixed up. That's how it is day-to-day.'

Karen Neubeck
Independence
resident



'I would say no. I'm not certain that would change anything.'

Craig Richie
Independence
resident



'No. I just don't think it would be appropriate.'

Ken Suchodolski
Waterford
resident



'No.'

Ed Socia
Independence
employee

This question was asked at the U.S. Post Office on M-15.

LETTERS

Accidents prove Dixie's unsafe

I have just read the Thursday, May 28, Clarkston Eccentric story about the unfortunate accident on Dixie Highway in Springfield Township. What a terrible tragedy for one family to have to live with for the rest of their lives.

I have two comments I would like to make regarding this mishap. First of all, how much study is required to verify that it is an unsafe situation to have a four-lane highway without a center turn lane? Surely one only needs to look at the numerous accident reports in this stretch of highway. I personally have been witness to many of them. It seems to me that since the majority of them only resulted in smashed cars and injuries, it's not serious enough for the Road Commission; maybe a few more should have died to get your attention?

Well it was serious enough of a problem for Dr. Bette Moen and her partner, Delores Imbrunone. After several accidents in front of the school on Dixie Highway, these two business leaders took their own action rather than allow the unfortunate fatality to happen directly in front of them.

I think their action speaks volumes for both their commitment to safety as well as the severity of the situation. If private business owners are willing to spend hard-earned funds in such a way, it should have gotten the attention of the people who have jurisdiction. Let's hope that the Road Commission takes a more committed stand on safety out here in North Oakland County.

Susan R. Balmas
Clarkston

Congratulations, grads!

Congratulations to our 1998 graduates! You made it! Your hard work and perseverance have paid off. Your town of Clarkston is proud of you. We look forward to celebrating with you and your parents. Continued success in your future endeavors. In honoring your graduate, consider a contribution to the Clarkston Task Force for Youth. Pick up an envelope at Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, or call Cindy Dixon at 394-0252. Enjoy a safe and happy graduation season!

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Candidate has integrity

I write in support of State Representative Tom Middleton as he seeks the Republican nomination for the 16th District Senate seat. It is heartening to me to see that there are still people of integrity and exemplary

character that want to serve the public in a government role.

I am especially pleased that Tom Middleton is running for this seat. I have known Tom and his family for many years, and I know that he is very aware of the needs of Oakland County. He has lived in the northern part of the county all his life and has witnessed the tremendous changes and growth in the area.

Tom's eight years of public service as a state representative and his previous years working as a farmer and small businessman have provided him with the background to do a very effective job representing the 16th District in the State Senate. Tom is known for his dedication to resolving problems and working out solutions without concern for who gets the credit. He is honest, hard working and will do an excellent job as our senator. Be sure to join me on Aug. 4 in casting your vote for Tom Middleton for Senate in the 16th District. This is a very important primary vote.

Claude A. Trim
Davisburg

Detroit Zoo is a mess

After recently visiting the Detroit Zoo, I was shocked and horrified to discover what a pitiful site it has become. Despite celebrating its 70th anniversary, I have never seen the zoo in such a dilapidated state.

Excited to share my wonderful childhood memories of the zoo with youngsters, I dragged them off to get a close look at the animals. It seemed that every other exhibit was "in construction" with torn up mud and grass.

What happened to all the animals? If my memory serves me correctly, there were several hippos not too long ago. However, I discovered the exhibit had a too-large-for-its-cage hippo wallowing in extremely muddy water. Every exhibit seemed to have only one animal.

The surroundings included burnt grass, dead trees and acres of cement. These are unbearable and depressing living conditions for any animal.

I am not alone in this conclusion. There is a reason why many will travel to Toledo this summer to see a REAL zoo. Once again, Detroit has failed us.

Lisa Tosch
Troy

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POINTS OF VIEW

Bear probably missed his exit at Grayling

Once upon a time in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-eight, a bear wandered into the Township of Independence, County of Oakland. Now this was unusual because bears don't normally live or hang around in Independence Township. Nobody is exactly sure how he got there or why, but the speculation first was that he was an abandoned pet that had grown too large for his owner, but it was later surmised that he had wandered down from Up North somewhere. Again this was unusual because people normally move Up North, not the other way around. They speculated that he traveled down I-75, which must have taken him a long, long time considering all the construction delays. Was he looking for Jelly Stone Park

and missed the Grayling exit? The bear was first spotted roaming around Northcrest Condominiums behind Farmer Jack's. Once it was reported that he was wandering around, the neighbors stayed inside and locked their doors while the police, the Department of Natural Resources and the press invaded the woods nearby to catch a glimpse of him. The press arrived via helicopters and vans with funny-looking aerials on top. It was probably the biggest thing to happen in town since Robert at Rudy's announced he was moving out of town and NBD closed its downtown Clarkston branch. But no one found the bear. The DNR built four traps with bacon and corn to attract the animal. It didn't work.

ECCENTRICITIES



HANK HOGAN

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Anyone knows that a sophisticated traveler feasts on gourmet food. Possibly they should have poured bear-naise sauce over the bacon. Next a bear sighting was made in Goodrich, 12 miles north of Independence in Genesee County. No one will know if it's the same bear until the scientists compare bear droppings. The wonderful part of being a scientist is that it is such interesting work. Some have to go to graduate school to learn the difference between bears and deer. If the bear is going back home, there are several questions we need to ask. Did he not find a condominium at Northcrest he liked and decided to look elsewhere? Was it the price or the neighbors?

If he traveled north from Northcrest to Goodrich, how did he get by the police car that always sits radaring traffic on White Lake Road near the public beach? Did he swim across Deer Lake? Was there only one bear? How did he get to Goodrich so quickly? Is traffic that much better when you travel at night? MORAL: If a bear chases you, should you climb a tree or go in a church? Bears can climb trees, but you shouldn't go into church with a bear behind. Hank Hogan, former publisher of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, lives in Independence Township. He works as a Realtor on Main Street in downtown Clarkston.

Graduation seems like an end, but it's a beginning

Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end. As I look back on my life, I've had a lot of beginnings. I began life. I began school. I began friendships. I began to live life on my own. I began to make decisions. I began to grow up. With all these beginnings, it's hard to believe I'm at a turning point — an end. The high school-to-college transition has to be one of the biggest changes in life. Moving away from all who care about you with a handful of luggage and a lost mind. All the questions with no answers. It's a time to start a new life or better

the old one. A time to grow up and plan for the future. A time to reminisce. As I look back on my life, I can't help but smile. Most of my accomplishments and all of my close friends were made during these four short years prior to high school graduation. I've had a lot of good times and a lot of hard times. I've made mistakes and I've made history. Now it's time to say goodbye and continue down the road of life. Although the future is desired and the changes are exciting, saying goodbye is always hard. Leaving a comfort zone can be difficult because most people do it alone.

STUDENT COLUMNIST



KRISTIN FRENCH

■ The mistakes I've learned from will be a constant reminder to do better and the opportunities that were offered to me will never be taken for granted.

When teens graduate from high school, they go off to college leaving everything they are comfortable with on their front-door step. All of their friends are off to different schools and their family is miles away. It's a big change to say goodbye to life-long customs. As I go through these changes in my life, I will keep in mind all that is important to me and that makes saying goodbye easier. I will keep the memories close to my heart as I travel this long road of life. The mistakes I've learned from will be a constant reminder to do better and the opportunities that were offered to me will never be taken for granted.

Being only a teen, I always felt it an honor to write for a real newspaper. This opportunity was given to me and I'm so glad I decided to take it. It has helped me learn more about real issues, real people and real stress. I've learned to meet deadlines and do research. I've met a lot of new people in the community. Now I must say goodbye. Thank you for supporting me and my writing. Kristin French is a student at Clarkston High School. Her column alternated this past school year with a column written by Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent Al Roberts.

Conflict of interest in politics is hardly ever cut and dried

You're a wealthy business owner. You give big bucks to politicians and political parties. In return, you get favorable treatment from state government. That's the way many folks think the political-business complex operates these days. That's why some Michigan Senate Democrats stirred up such a hornets' nest last week when they released research contending that big GOP contributors are getting big bucks back from the state. They released a list of 53 people who contributed \$50,000 or more to the Republican Party from 1994-97. Of these, 36 are affiliated with companies that received state contracts worth a total of \$758,613,307 and various grants including job training amounting to \$41,900,032, according to the Democrats. "The massive donations by those individuals whose companies do business with the state clearly create the potential for a conflict of interest," according to Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township. "When you find this correlation between big contributors and the amount of the contracts, it just leaves open the door for charges of conflict of interest and abuse of the system." Peters also introduced legislation modeled on laws prohibiting investors in casinos in Detroit from contributing to political parties or candidates. The package would also: ■ Cap donations by individuals to state parties at \$5,000 annually. ■ Cap total contributions by an individual to all political campaigns at \$50,000 or \$100,000 per election cycle. Response from Republicans was furious. "This is sleazy research that should never have seen the light of day," charged Jim Tobin, spokesman for the Michigan Jobs Commission, which awards most of the job training grants to companies. John Truscott, spokesman for Gov. John Engler, asserted the state runs the cleanest contracting process in history. "The governor's office doesn't know who's getting the contracts," Truscott argued. "Contracts are competitively bid and, besides, most of the bureaucrats making those decisions are Democrats." During the administration of Gov. James Blanchard back in the 1980s, I served as chair of the Michigan Job Training Coordinating Council. The council worked closely with the governor's office for job training. Together, we did much the same things the Michigan Jobs Commission does today, so I know something



PHILIP POWER

about what reality lies behind the partisan sound and fury. First, there is no doubt the potential for abuse exists, whether in Republican or in Democratic administrations. Big contributors are always going to get access to the system; they certainly aren't making those big contributions for nothing. John Truscott is being disingenuous when he claims nobody in the governor's office knows who's applying for state contracts and grants. The Engler Administration is one of the most efficiently managed political operations in Michigan history, and if you believe nobody in the administration knows who has contributed to the Republican Party, I've got a very nice bridge I can sell you. It's never cut and dried in these matters. As I remember it, we gave some big job training grants to the Chrysler Corp. Why not? The company was among Michigan's largest employers, fully entitled to legal job training help. And some Chrysler executives made big contributions to Gov. Blanchard's campaigns. Why not? He helped save the company. Peters' legislation makes lots of sense, although I doubt it will go anywhere in the GOP-controlled Senate. Short of that, one useful step might be to require full disclosure of just who gets what state grants and contracts from the state and what their record of political giving might be. This, at least, might reduce the appearance of conflict of interest. Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@oeonline.com

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Assisted suicide PR campaign ready to roll

Merian's Friends, a group advocating legalized assisted suicide, is confident it has enough valid signatures to put the issue on the November election ballot.

So the group is getting ready for what its founder calls "the second phase" — a public education campaign to explain the issue, and its ramifications, to voters.

"I won't go on television or anything," said Kathryn Mogle of Berkley. "But I am willing to talk to people... to ask them to vote, and to vote yes."

Mogle is among dozens of Oakland County residents who helped the Ann Arbor-based Merian's Friends to present roughly 389,000 signatures to state election officials in May. With 141,000 more signatures than the minimum required, the organization is confident the issue of legalizing assisted suicide will be addressed.

"I think the first phase of our campaign is complete," said Carol Poenisch, the Northville resident who founded Merian's Friends.

Merian's Friends is named after Poenisch's mother, Merian Frederick, who chose to end her own life after consulting with Dr. Jack Kevorkian in 1993, rather than continuing to endure the ravages of ALS, commonly known as Lou Gehrig's Disease.

Poenisch said the public education campaign — like gathering the petition signatures — will require professional help... such as television ads. "Tell me a statewide campaign that doesn't involve television," she said.

But the public education phase of the campaign — also like gathering the petition signatures — will also rely on volunteers, said Poenisch — volunteers like Mogle and her like-minded people from Auburn Hills to West Bloomfield.

"I really didn't do all that much in terms of getting signatures," said Mogle. "I probably got 300 or 400 signatures. But remember, I'm 80 years old."

Eighty or not, Mogle said she's ready for the second phase. "I saw my mother, 93, in terrible pain dying of old age," said Mogle. "She couldn't do anything but say how much she wanted to die."

"If I hadn't seen that, I might feel otherwise," said Mogle. But having seen her mother's death, she said, "I don't believe somebody in pain has to wait for God's call."

Dorothy Conrad, a former mayor of Birmingham, said she helped circulate petitions to legalize assisted suicide because she's convinced it's a personal right. "I believe a person should have the

right to say enough's enough," she said.

That right is so basic, Conrad said a ballot referendum shouldn't be necessary. "We shouldn't have to be voting on somebody's basic right," she said.

Poenisch said the ballot question voters are likely to decide gives terminally ill, mentally competent people the right to choose assisted suicide. Although Merian's Friends is not associated with Kevorkian, Poenisch believes the discussion generated by Kevorkian's actions over the weekend will indirectly help the cause.

"Anything that generates discussion about medical ethics is helpful in that it prompts people to think about the issue," she said, referring to Kevorkian's unsuccessful effort over the weekend to harvest the kidneys of his latest patient.

One Troy woman isn't so sure, however.

"I backed Merian's Friends," said the woman, who asked not to be identified, "and I circulated petitions to get assisted suicide on the ballot. But I don't support them any more, and Kevorkian is

the reason."

Reminded that Kevorkian is not a part of Merian's Friends, the woman responded, "Assisted suicide is out of control."

Kevorkian's effort to harvest the kidneys is guaranteed to trigger public debate, Poenisch said. And public discussion is part of the coming campaign.

The Michigan Catholic Conference, the public policy voice of the Catholic Church in Michigan, agrees the ballot issue on legalizing assisted suicide will involve public debate, said Paul Long,

the Lansing organization's vice president.

"We believe legalized assisted suicide would be very bad public policy," said Long. "We have been a leader in the effort to ban assisted suicide. We promote pain management and hospice care as the more appropriate and compassionate alternative for those who are dying."

The conference is challenging the petitions submitted by Merian's Friends, said Long. "We want to disqualify invalid signatures," he said.



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The Oakland University Foundation will finance and manage the construction of a new golf course at Oakland University.

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Golf course architect and teacher Rick Smith of Rick Smith Enterprises and Michigan's Treetops Resort has been commissioned to oversee the course's design.

"The new golf course will allow us to expand existing friendships and solidify new relationships with corporate and private donors," said OU Foundation director David Disend in a press release.

Rita and Stephan Sharf, retired executive vice president for manufacturing for the Chrysler Corporation and a current OU Foundation director and his wife, Rita, have donated \$2 million to the project.

The OU Foundation is asking all President's Club members to make a one-time voluntary contribution, in addition to their current contributions, of \$1,500 per year to build the new course.

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ROCHELLE SMITH

Skip retro cars, clothing; bring back old prices

"School's out. School's out. Teachers let the monkeys out."

Now that we have to worry about being politically correct, I suppose it's not appropriate for me to refer to children as monkeys, but I'm trying to get into the swing of this

If I did start wearing tie-died shirts and bell-bottoms again, it would be a sad sight.

whole "retro" thing. Recently, I heard on the radio that "retro" is truly "in." Volkswagen Beetles are selling like hot cakes. The clothes styles of the '60s and '70s are hotter

than ever and "clog" shoes are again stacking up on closet floors.

Personally, I'm meeting this news with mixed emotions. I loved the "Bug" when I was a teenager. When shopping for my first car, I definitely wanted a used Volkswagen Beetle. Since everyone else felt the same way, the Bug was holding

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Laundry 'club' is good clean fun

If it's early Sunday morning, it's time for the informal laundromat club to meet at the EZ-Duz-It Laundromat in Independence Township.



There's no place like home; there's no place like home.

But it's the EZ-Duz-It Laundromat in Independence Township, not Kansas, that a group of Clarkston-area residents summon as their home, or at least a home away from home.

'Nancy makes a toy for the dog with all the socks that were left behind during the week.'

*Paula Tubbs
—of Clarkston*

regulars typically arrive at the laundromat each Sunday between 6 a.m. and 7 a.m.

Born of a mutual desire to beat the Sunday morning laundry rush, these early risers have formed a kind of unofficial laundromat club, complete with a routine order of business.

Tubbs and Phipps, core members of the group, show by 6:45 a.m. prior to the EZ-Duz-It's official opening time.

The club's membership changes from time to time, explained the laundromat's owner, Nancy Scully. "It's kind of a tumbling thing," she said, putting a laundromat spin on the matter. "You gain and you lose."

Upon arrival, Tubbs helps Scully



Coming clean: EZ-Duz-It Laundromat owner Nancy Scully (at left) welcomes Bob Phipps (on dryer) and Paula Tubbs to her establishment every Sunday morning.

clean up while Phipps makes a pot of coffee. Tubbs then starts up her loads in a designated row of six washers. Phipps typically uses about nine washers.

And soon enough the rest of the cast of characters arrives. Currently, there are "The German Lady" and "The Dog

Guy," accompanied by dog Katie.

"We play with the dog," said Tubbs of the group's routine. "And Nancy makes a toy for the dog with all the socks that were left behind during the week."

After which, Phipps, Tubbs and the gang begin sharing their stories. "We just kind of share things that

are important," Tubbs said of their conversations, which all agree come close to group therapy.

Death and sickness in the family, troubles at work, a daughter or son's progress on getting a new job, the laun-

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its value so well that I couldn't afford it. Instead, I took the \$600 I had saved up from baby-sitting jobs and bought an old Opal Kadette. It was a two-tone: gold in front and cream in back, apparently the result of a mishap/junk yard experience. When I originally heard that the Volkswagen Bug was coming back, the soft spot in my heart for the Bug warmed. After a little thought, though, I realized it's too late for me. I'm now part of the van/station wagon generation. It's a bit depressing to think that now, when I could possibly afford the Bug, I no longer want it. Before depression had time to get a firm grip on me, I heard on the radio that the price of the new Bug is not "retro." I guess some things never change. In the '70s a kid with \$600 couldn't afford a used Bug. Now a kid with \$6,000 can't.

As for the clothes from the '70s, it's pretty "far out" that kids are wearing bell-bottoms and tie-died T-shirts again. Personally, though, I don't think they will sneak back into my wardrobe. If I did start wearing tie-died shirts and bell-bottoms again, it would be a sad sight. And you can forget about clog shoes. I lived in clogs for years. I was convinced that I looked slimmer with the extra four inches (after all, I'm not over weight, I'm under tall). Today I would probably sprain an ankle if I tried to run errands in those heavy awkward things.

This whole "retro" thing needs to take a new direction. Instead of bringing back the things I can no longer enjoy, how about bringing back some of the important things? Like the 50-cent box of cereal. I have been conducting a silent protest for the past three years

Twenty years from now the teenagers will be dying their hair purple, piercing their lips and wearing dog collars to reenact the 'good old days.' Scary thought, isn't it?

against the high cost of cereal. Although my children think I'm just plain cheap, I feel I'm making a valuable statement with my one-woman army against rising cereal prices. I refuse to buy any box of cereal that is over \$3. For a while this was very difficult and completely eliminated the hopes of getting great toys in the bottom of the box, but recently it has become much easier. I don't know if it's the "retro" movement or if others have joined my silent protest and gotten the attention of the manufacturers, but I have noticed that many stores are having the large brand name cereals on sale for very reasonable prices (admittedly, not 50 cents, but at least they are under \$3).

Another good place to get "retro" would be the car dealership. The first brand new car I bought cost me \$2,471. (Don't ask me how I remember that; it's just one of the numbers that stuck in my mind.) Instead of bringing back the old models, bring back the old prices. My husband has a handle on the whole "retro" movement. He's currently trying to restore a 1970 Torino to its previous splendor. The original window price sticker has been laminated for posterity and sports the unbelievable price of \$2,581, which included a high-powered V-8 engine, automatic transmission and all the standard options of the

day. Of course, remember with this whole "retro" movement, you don't get standard air conditioning, cruise control, intermittent wipers or AM/FM/CD players. The standard equipment from 1970 was body side moldings, courtesy lights, nylon carpeting, belted tires and foam padded seats. A few of the comforts we enjoy now would have to be forfeited if we truly want authentic "retro."

Thinking of school getting out next week reminds me of a "retro" item that I don't want to bring back. If you are old enough to remember the "bomb drills," you may remember the silly instructions we were expected to follow if a nuclear bomb was dropped on us. Did they truly think "duck and cover" would save us if the Russians "pushed the button"? That "button" had me very nervous. I always wondered where the button was and hoped someone didn't accidentally set a cup of coffee on it or something. In elementary school we were told, if a bomb siren sounded while we were walking home from school, we should jump in a ditch and pull our dress over our heads. My worst fear during third grade was that the Russians would drop the bomb between 3:30 and 4 p.m. and I would have to show the world my underwear.

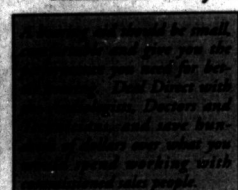
Whether you're in favor of this whole retro movement or not, it's another example of the truth to the saying "What goes around, comes around." Twenty years from now the teenagers will be dying their hair purple, piercing their lips and wearing dog collars to reenact the "good old days." Scary thought, isn't it?

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Teens need behavioral boundaries to mature

The recent collective temper tantrum observed at the campus of Michigan State University reminds us of the "Boundaries and Expectations" section of the Search Institute's Developmental Assets framework. Students there (some, not all) resented the restriction university authorities had placed on underage drinking at a favorite party field and proceeded to stamp their collective feet and throw things. To their credit, officials did not back down but actually strengthened the behavioral boundary by expressing a willingness to address the bigger issue of underage drinking and the need for more treatment programs for teen alcoholism at MSU.

According to Officer Dan DeKorte, East Lansing Police, and Officer Bob Stanberry, MSU Police, over the past year there has been a significant crackdown on underage alcohol purchases and public drinking using false ID, thanks to a partnership between liquor establishment owners and undercover police officers in the SPOTLIGHT Program.

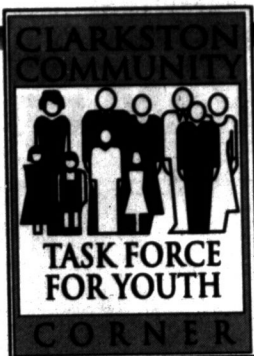
As parents, we teach our toddlers not to run out in the street — it is dangerous. We have set up a "behavioral boundary" and must be willing to enforce the boundary if it is to be taken seriously. A 10-year-old might have a behavioral boundary of not being allowed to watch PG-13 movies. Obviously, boundaries and consequences must be appropriate to a child's age and maturity level — and even extend to college-age. The goal is not to stifle development, but to keep our children from harm so they can continue in their development. Alcohol and drug dependency often cause a young person to miss out on whole chunks

of social and emotional growth because they have substituted a chemical high for real-life experiences.

Clarkston is fortunate to have many people who care about the quality of life in our community and the future of our youth. Recently, within a two-week time frame, we saw 96 youth honored for volunteer efforts by Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, concerned citizens brainstorming with the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department for future recreational needs, a police chief reminding senior citizens of their significant role in building developmental assets in youth, and two Oakland County Sheriff's Department deputies teaching 10th graders why sucking on pennies will not fool the breath-o-lyzer.

Healthy alternative activities are an important part of living within behavioral boundaries. (If you can't play in the street, you have to play somewhere else.) Yesterday's Post Graduation party, sponsored by parents, businesses and community leaders, is an excellent example of our community placing a high value on youth by providing a healthy alternative activity. Beginning this week, graduation open houses will again test the boundaries.

Next time you see an Oakland County Sheriff's Department or a Clarkston Police car, look for the "Clarkston Cares" bumper sticker. Let it remind you that people at all levels of influence from our county commissioners to the school authorities, to the Scout leaders, to business owners who employ teens, to the crossing guards, to the neighbor next door can have a positive impact on youth.



As a tool to assist parents in reinforcing behavioral boundaries, some communities are offering home alcohol and drug-testing kits to parents. Would it be easier for a kid to say "No, thanks" if he/she knew the alcohol/drug test kit was at home in the family medicine cabinet? Many in Clawson and Wixom report this is a strong deterrent. Others claim this type of device would hamper trust and communication between parents and youth. What do you think? Register your opinion at our web site guest book and let's get some community dialog going on this topic! We can be found at www.clarkstonyouth.org. Is anybody out there?

To learn more about the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth, check out our web site as listed above or call us at 394-0252.

This column is shared by local community groups. Up next week: Habitat for Humanity.

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Laundromat from page A13

Laundromat club members share and stay abreast of one another's trials and tribulations.

"You just kind of get to know each other," said Scully. "It's a different level of having a friend. You might not call in the week or go out together..."

Tubbs, nevertheless, doesn't forget to give Scully a hug before stacking up her laundry baskets and loading them into the car.

"I look forward to this. I really do," said Tubbs.

And like all good friends, the club has at least one point of

contention — music to launder by — which usually results in a battle over the EZ-Duz-It's radio.

Ironically, the group does have a strong consensus about laundry methods — let others alone — and united laundry room etiquette.

But perhaps there's a reason for such agreement.

"They really feel like it's their living room," Scully said. "It's their home."

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Trip to Spain: Clarkston High School students (from left) Heather Whitfield, Cenia Fraire, Kristy Glenn, Adam Douglas, Laura Richardson, Steve Green, Lindsay McCleary, Anne Underwood, Kristin Jambriska, Catie Baetens and teachers Melissa White and Deborah Zonca spent spring break traveling through Spain. They visited Barcelona, Madrid, Valencia, Cuenca, Tarragona, and Toledo. The students enjoyed practicing the language, shopping on Las Ramblas and going to the discoteca.



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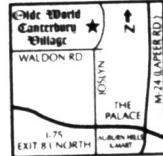
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Local churches, synagogues TEAM up

BY BARE PERT TEMPLETON
SPECIAL WRITER

The chance to lend a helping hand to someone in need was just the opportunity Lisa Vautaw was looking for when she heard about the TEAM (The Emergency Assistance Ministry) Center of Greater Birmingham and Bloomfield.

On June 1, Vautaw, of Beverly Hills, accepted a part-time position as the new coordinator for the TEAM Center which is located at the First Baptist Church in downtown Birmingham.

TEAM's original coordinator, Carol Averill, retired and has relocated to another area.

"I thought it would be a good way for me to be of service to the community, and a way for me to help people in need," Vautaw said. "My motivation comes from wanting to be of service to God."

The TEAM Center has been in operation since September 1996 as a way for area congregations to respond to individual requests for assistance. The idea was to help people who are in transition or experiencing some kind of emergency family crisis.

"The area churches and synagogues got together and decided instead of having people going from church to church they could send someone to a central location and that's here at the TEAM Center," explained Vautaw.

The center places first priority on helping persons in the Birmingham/Bloomfield area, but also extends assistance to persons in southern Oakland County.

"We are really here to help any-



TEAM player: Lisa Vautaw of Beverly Hills is the new coordinator of the TEAM Center.

one in need," added Vautaw, who said falling into the a specific geographic area isn't mandatory.

The center helps individuals or families get referrals to county agencies for things such as shelter or medical attention.

No cash is given out to those in

need, but rent, utility, transportation, medical and other needs are met. The center typically distributes \$1,800 to \$4,000 a month.

"Surprisingly enough, there is a need in this community for this service," Vautaw said, as she

noted that the center also operates a food pantry during its normal hours 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Nearly \$50,000 has been given to the TEAM Center since it

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Reconcile differences at the table that God sets

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In the 23rd Psalm, the Psalmist makes a rather curious assertion about his God when he says, "Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies."

I do not know about you, but that has always struck me as a rather strange thing for God to do, and for the Psalmist to acclaim, for that matter. Filling your plate with goodies just doesn't seem like a very effective thing to do when people are out gunning for you.

Wouldn't you expect the Psalmist to extol God for striking down one's enemies; for wiping those enemies off the face of the Earth? Instead, the Psalmist rather passively declares that God will set up a smorgasbord for you in the midst of a group of people who would like to see you hanging from the highest tree. After all, with the wolves nipping at your heels, you might have more pressing matters to worry about than liver paté.

We have to remember, however, that in both the Hebrew Bible and in the Christian scriptures, as well as in Islamic tradition, the table is a symbol of fellowship, and is, therefore, a symbol of reconciliation.

To prepare a table in the presence of your enemies is to invite those enemies to dine with you; and if they dine with you, you are establishing a relationship of trust and respect with them. All of this is to say that God is at work trying to achieve a reconciliation between you and your enemies.

This is why, in the Christian church, you are supposed to seek reconciliation with those whom you have wronged and with those who have wronged you, before you receive Holy Communion. The table is the place of reconciliation. God's solution to the problem of enemies is not violence, but reconciliation.

Some people might say, "But wait a minute; I don't have any enemies!" There are at least a few people who can legitimately say, "I love everybody, and everybody loves me." But this doesn't mean that they don't have any enemies. Evil, cruelty and hatred should be your enemies, even if none of your personal acquaintances have these unfortunate characteristics. Lying and deception should be your enemies, even if you do not hold a personal grudge against people who engage in such practices.

Of course, there is the most serious enemy with whom you have to contend — the enemy who generally causes you the most problems — the one you

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SPECIAL BLESSINGS

First Presbyterian Church in Birmingham will include a "blessings of the Fathers" in all three of its services on Sunday, June 21, Fathers Day. The service times are as follows, 8:30, 9:40 and 11 a.m.

GOSPEL SONGSTRESS

The Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church Board of Ushers presents "A Father's Day Afternoon of Praise," featuring Jacqueline Turner-Robinson, noted gospel songstress and recording artist on Sunday, June 21 at 6 p.m. The concert will be held in the sanctuary of Tabernacle Missionary Church at 6125 Beechwood Street in Detroit with Pastor Dr. Frederick G. Sampson II. There is no admission to the event. For more information call (313) 868-6060.

A CELEBRATION

The West Bloomfield United Methodist Church will celebrate its 30th anniversary on June 23. Pastor Ray

Anderson said members of the congregation look back with personal and collective gratification at three decades of dedicated service to the church and the greater West Bloomfield community. He offers special thanks to several ministers and their families whose leadership helped make the dream a reality. In order of service the church extends deepest gratitude to the Revs. Galen Wightman, Leland (Lee) Penzien, Tom Hart, Jerry Smith and Brent Webster.

"LIGHTHOUSE ADVENTURE"

Vacation Bible School will be offered at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills from 9 a.m. to noon the week of June 15 through June 19. The theme will be "Lighthouse Adventure". Classes are available for children from three years up through the sixth grade. Bethlehem Lutheran Church is located at 35300 West Eight Mile Road, between Farmington and Newburg Roads. For registration information, please call the church office at (248) 478-6520.

DAY CAMP

The Evanswood Church of God, in Troy, is offering two day camps for children from June 22 to June 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. To register call the church at (248) 879-9240.

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see when you look in the mirror. For, it can honestly be said, that we are our own worst enemy. Only you know the myriad of ways that your have fouled up and made of mess of things for yourself. It comes out in that famous phrase, "Oh, I could just kick myself." If you have ever felt like doing yourself bodily harm, then you know what an enemy you can be to yourself.

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the enemy within, may not be destroyed, but you may learn to live with those enemies with some degree of understanding and possibly even with some compassion.

May God prepare a table before you in the presence of your enemies, so that you can experience the reconciliation that only God can bring.

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opened. The donations are generated by the 24 sponsoring congregations, both Jewish and Christian, and also many private donations.

A majority of the volunteer staff are members of the sponsoring congregations, although anyone interested in volunteering at TEAM Center is welcome.

"At the recent annual meeting of the sponsoring congregations, Joyce Davis was elected president; Bill Bones, treasurer; and Stephen Jones, secretary. George Falls was elected a new member of the Board joining Brian Carroll, Bob Pierce,

Noreen Keating, Marsha Rofel and Bob Nicolson.

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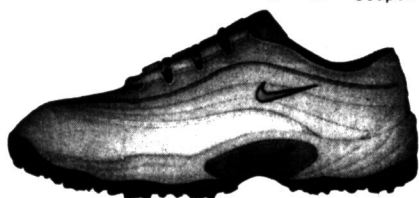
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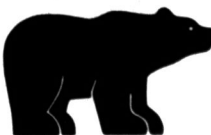
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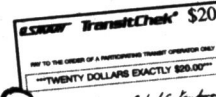
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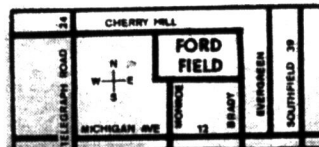
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Thursday, June 11, 1998

NORTH OAKLAND- SPORTS SCENE

Dawg tryouts

Final tryouts for the Clarkston Riverdew girls' 16-under softball team will be conducted Thursday, June 11.

Tryouts will take place at Clarkston High School from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information, call the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department, 625-8223.

Select soccer tryouts

The Lake Orion/Brandon/Oxford Select Soccer Club (LOBOS) will be holding tryouts for the 1998/1999 season at the Orion Township Park on Joslyn Road, 3 miles north of I-75, across from Canterbury Village.

Tryout for Boys U9 through U14 will be June 22nd and 24th, 5:00 to 8:00 P.M.. Tryout for Girls U9 through U14 will be June 23rd and 25th, 5:00 to 8:00 P.M.. Registration begins at 4:00 on the first day of tryouts. Players must attend both sessions.

Boys U15 and U16 will be June 16th and 18th, 5:30 to 8:00 P.M. and Boys U17 through U19 will be June 24th, 5:00 to 8:00 P.M.. Girls U15 and U17 through U19 will be June 25th, 5:00 to 8:00 P.M. and Girls U16 will be June 16th, 17th, and 18th, 6:30 to 8:30 P.M..

Bring water, cleats, and a ball to tryouts. If you have any questions, please contact Marty Kimmel at 248-627-4771 or Jim Jones at 248-628-0511.

Select soccer coaches needed

The Lake Orion/Brandon/Oxford Select Soccer Club (LOBOS) is in need of coaches for the 1998/1999 season for the following teams: U9 Boys, U9 Girls, U10 Girls, U11 Girls and U14 Girls. If you are interested or if you have any questions, please contact Marty Kimmel at 248-627-4771 or Jim Jones at 248-628-0511.

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. For more information call (248) 858-0916.

New soccer league

The Oakland Developmental Soccer League is Oakland County's newest youth co-ed soccer league, providing an opportunity for children who want to compete at a level above recreational soccer.

The ODSL will provide experienced trainers for each age group, and will consist of ball skill development, speed and running development.

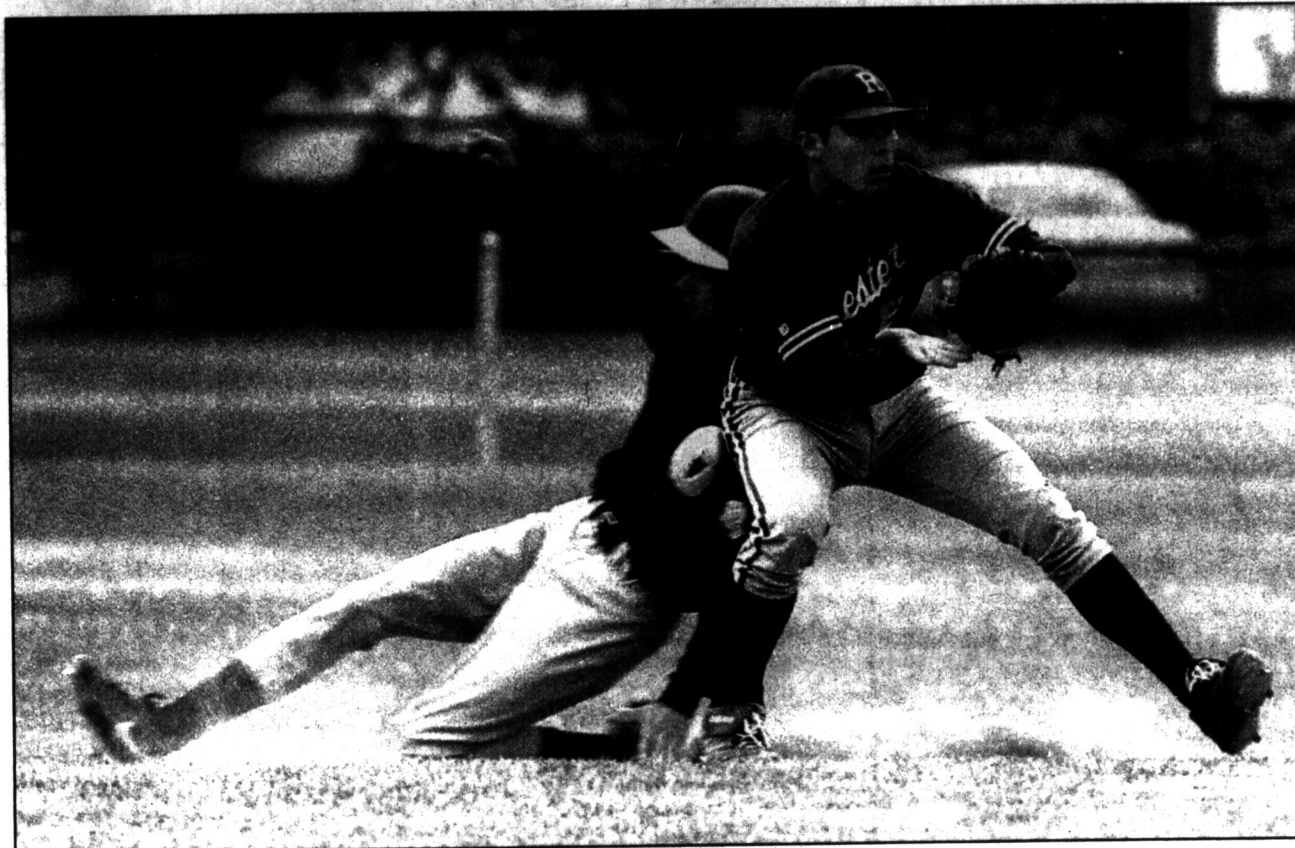
Open registration will be conducted June 1 to July 15, and will be accepted on a first-come basis. Registration forms can be picked up at Global Soccer (formerly Soccer World) in Lake Orion, RARA Office in Rochester and the City of Auburn Hills Recreation Department on Squirrel Road across from Oakland University.

Whitt camp

Dates have been set for the annual Ernie Whitt Baseball Academy, designed to provide youngsters ages 7-18 with an opportunity to learn more about the game and to improve their baseball skills through positive reinforcement. The camp is run by Whitt, a 14-year major league veteran best remembered for his years with the Toronto Blue Jays.

The camp will be held in Harper Woods June 15-19 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and at Macomb Community College (South Campus) June 22-26, also from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information call (810) 465-1095.



In time: Clarkston's Phil Johnston beats the throw to second as Rochester's Tim Frankhouse waits during the Falcons' 6-2 win over the Wolves in Saturday's regional baseball tournament.

My Good-ness

Falcon senior silences Wolves in regional semifinal



n Josh Clark was excellent, but it still wasn't good enough to stop Andrew Good of Rochester, who held the Wolves to two hits in leading the Falcons to a 6-2 win in the regional semifinal at Port Huron.

Clarkston senior Josh Clark put on one of his most masterful pitching performances of the season in Saturday's regional semifinal against Rochester.

Unfortunately for the Wolves and Clark, masterful wasn't good enough.

Falcon senior Andrew Good was nearly perfect, striking out nine of the first 10 hitters he faced and leading Rochester to a 6-2 victory over Clarkston. The Falcons then beat Utica Ford in the regional final before falling to Midland at Tuesday's state quarterfinal.

Clark held the Falcons to five hits through six innings before tiring in the seventh. He finished with six strikeouts. But Good limited the Wolves to two hits and finished with 13 strikeouts in six innings in a performance that impressed Clarkston coach Roy Warner.

"He was pretty good," Warner said of Good, the Arizona Diamondbacks' eighth-round draft pick. "This is probably the best I've seen him pitch in four years on varsity. He mixed his pitches and he hit his spots. We lost to a good team."

The Falcons staked themselves to a 2-0 lead with single runs in the first and third innings. Clark avoided other trouble by getting Good to pop to shortstop Mike Simko with a runner at second in the second, and got Justin Robinson on a fly to right with runners at second and third in the third.

He also got defensive help, particularly second baseman John Drallos, in the fifth. Drallos made a fine diving stop of a grounder by Mike Bennion leading off the fifth. After a Tim

Frankhouse single, Drallos stayed down on a bad-hop grounder by Brett Wattles and turned it into an inning-ending double play.

But the Wolves simply couldn't hit Good. He struck out the first eight hitters he faced before Phil Johnston singled with two out in the third. Spencer Hynes nearly beat out a bunt leading off the fourth, but his slide was barely late. Jared Thomas singled one out later, the last hit Clarkston got off Good.

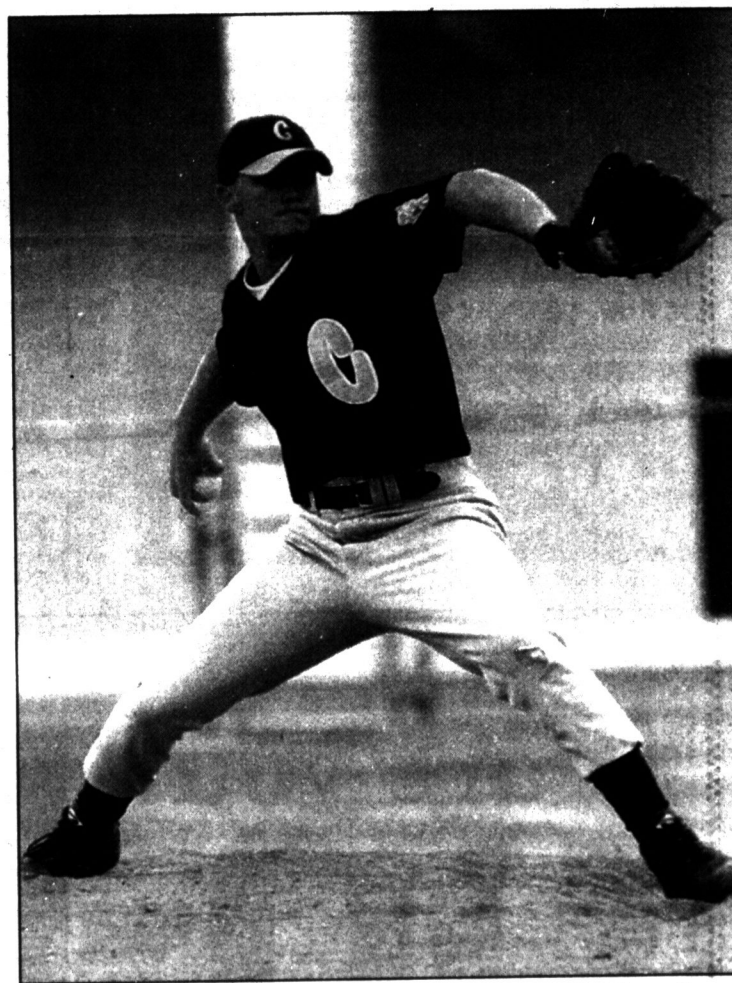
The Falcons scored four times in the top of the seventh off a tired Clark, who admitted he lost his stuff late, but was otherwise pleased with his performance.

"I was happy," the senior right-hander said. "I was hitting my spots, and my velocity was up there. I got tired at the end, but I was pretty happy with the way I pitched."

His coach was also satisfied, noting Clark squared off against some of the best in the state all season and still managed to pitch well.

"It's been like that all year," Warner said. "He's been going against all the horses. He really wanted it bad and he worked really hard. I'm glad to see him get the chance to go to Western Michigan and further his career."

The Wolves scored their only runs in the seventh off reliever Domanick Squires. Thomas led off with his second single and went to second on a wild pickoff throw. Chris Mitchell singled him to third, and Thomas scored on a single by Clark, which sent Mitchell to third. Clark was out trying to steal second, and Mitchell scored on a single by catcher Derek Casper.



Just Joshing: Clarkston senior Josh Clark was brilliant Saturday, scattering five hits over the first five innings before taking a 6-2 loss in the regional semifinal.

Wolves let softball region slip away

Clarkston falls to Captains after letting late 3-2 lead evaporate

One more play.

That's all the Clarkston Wolves needed Saturday to advance to the championship game at the Port Huron softball regional.

The Wolves didn't get the play, and the result was a 6-3 loss to Waterford Kettering in the regional semifinal.

The Captains scored the game-tying run with the help of an innocent-looking pop single to right in the top of the seventh, then scored three times in the ninth inning to reach the title game.

Kettering then claimed the regional title with a 7-4 win over Anchor Bay in the regional final.

Clarkston was up 3-2 entering the seventh and, with a runner at first, Kettering's Devon Hillstrom lifted a

soft fly down the right field line. Clarkston second baseman Lindsay Simko and right fielder Jennie Winn converged on it, but it dropped for an error, allowing Jennifer Garbovitz to advance to third.

Kettering catcher Allison Keebaugh then punched a single up the middle to score the game-tying run.

"It came down to that one play," Clarkston coach Al Land said. "It's as simple as that. The ball should have been caught. Both of them hesitated and it dropped in."

Clarkston starter Rachel Fuller pitched well, but couldn't get much offensive support, being matched pitch-for-pitch by Kettering freshman Jessica Brubaker.

The Wolves' senior right-hander didn't give up a hit until the fourth, and got help from her defense to keep the Wolves in the lead early.

Clarkston claimed a 2-0 lead in the third. Melanie Arnold and Aimee Giroux slapped back-to-back singles. A Carmen Lund grounder forced Arnold at third, and Tiffany Honey's grounder forced Lund at second.

Giroux scored on a wild pitch, and Honey eventually scored on a double by freshman designated hitter Mary Warchuck.

The Captains tied it with two in the fifth, the big hit a triple that bounced away from Winn and down the right field line. But the Wolves regained the lead with their third run in the bottom of the inning. Lund reached on a two-base error, moved to third on a single by Honey and scored on Warchuck's grounder back to the mound.

Fuller worked out of a first-and-third jam in the top of the eighth, and Clarkston tried to mount a threat of its own

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Al Land

—Clarkston softball coach

in the bottom of the inning. Simko grounded a single through the hole at shortstop and moved to second when Winn was safe on an error. But the Wolves stranded the runners, then went out 1-2-3 in the bottom of the ninth.

Land was complimentary of the Captains afterward, but felt his Wolves could have won the game.

"They're a good hitting team, probably better than we are," Land said. "(But) I thought we did enough to win the game. The kids played well. I'm proud of them."

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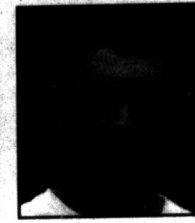
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Track squad is loaded with talent

If you absolutely had to, you could sum up the 1998 All-North Oakland Boys Track & Field Team in just word — talented. But to be honest, that does not solely justify what this group is all about.

The 21 members of this year's contingent are blessed with heart, determination, willpower, incredible work ethics, speed, power, strength, super-natural ability and, yes, they do have talent.

Amongst this group are five school record holders, eight state qualifiers, two state medalists, and a bevy of others that placed at both the league and regional meets.

Veterans of newcomers, they are all here. So let's line them up and count them down.

Meet the team:

FIELD EVENTS

■ **POLE VAULT:** Jon Londer, Oxford sr. — Although only a few area individuals competed in this event, Londer was clearly the best. A captain in his third varsity campaign, Londer twice cleared 10-6 in dual meets, but an injury caused him to miss the Flint Metro League, Oakland County and Class B Algonac Regional meets.

"Jon has an incredible work ethic; he worked his tail off each and every day," said Oxford coach Pat Donahue. "That's why it was so disappointing to see him get injured. He was really starting to improve, so we hope he can bounce back next year and have an injury-free season."

■ **LONG JUMP:** Marc Vene-

goni, Clarkston sr. — A senior captain, Venegoni concluded a stellar four-year varsity career by placing seventh at the Lower Peninsula Class A state meet. Undeclared in six dual meets, Venegoni also won the Oakland Activities Association Division II, Ashley Relays and Oxford Invitational titles, and placed second at both the Holly Regional and county meets. His best effort this season was 21-5.25.

"Marc consistently placed in the top two in every meet heading into the state meet," said Clarkston coach Walt Wyniemko. "He is a very strong athlete that ran a lot of events for us without ever complaining. Marc just had a great season."

■ **HIGH JUMP:** Blair Richards, Lake Orion sr. — Although Richards, a team captain and four-year varsity performer, stands just 5-feet-8, he was still able to clear the 6-2 barrier in the high jump on two occasions this past season. Throughout the spring, Richards also won three dual meets, was third at the OAA Division II meet, sixth at the Ashley Relays, and seventh at both the Holly Regional and Oxford Invitational.

"Blair is just an amazing athlete," beamed Lake Orion coach Rich Burrell. "It's amazing that he was able to clear something that is six inches taller than he is. Blair had a great work ethic and deserved every honor he received this season."

■ **DISCUS —** Klinton Powell, Clarkston jr. — Powell con-

sistently threw the discus at least 130 feet this, including a career-best 142-3.5 in a dual meet against Berkley. A two-year letterman, Powell won four dual meets total, placed fifth at the league meet, eighth at both the Oxford Invitational and Holly Regional, and finished the season with a 12th-place effort at the county meet.

"There is no question that Klinton had a great season. He really came into his own this year," said Wyniemko. "He was very consistent in the discus, and he also excelled in some of the (sprints) and relays for us. We look forward to having him return next season."

■ **SHOT PUT:** Jason Zurbick, Oxford sr. — Seeded eighth heading into the Class B state meet, Zurbick saved his best for last as he heaved the shot put a career-best 52-8, landing him in fifth place overall. Undeclared in dual meets throughout the season, Zurbick, a team captain, also won the FML and county meets, and was second at the regional and Oxford Invitational. Zurbick also placed third in the FML and sixth at the regional in the discus.

"Jason will be dearly missed," said Donahue. "He had just an incredible season and we wish him well in college."

Zurbick is considering Eastern Michigan among several scholarship offers.

SPRINTS

■ **100 METERS:** Matt Bautel, Oxford sr. — Bautel was

one of the premier sprinters in the county this season and his resume proves his worth. Bautel's highlight of the year came at the Oxford Invitational, where he placed third and tied a school record with an 10.8 clocking. Undeclared in dual meets, Bautel also came in third at the regional and league meets, was ninth at the county and was a semifinalist at the state meet.

■ **200 METERS:** Matt Bautel, Oxford sr. — Bautel also graduates as the school-record holder in the 200, which he was clocked at 22.3 this season. Perhaps his best event, Bautel was unbeaten in dual meets and won the FML title in convincing fashion. He also placed third at the regional meet, fourth at both the Oxford Invitational and county meets, and capped off a brilliant four-year career by becoming a state semifinalist in the 200.

"Matt is definitely one of the best sprinters this school has ever produced," boasted Donahue. "He had a slight groin pull late in the season which prevented him from doing better in the big meets, but he still had a great season and career."

Bautel is considering Central Michigan and McPhearson (Kan.) among his college choices.

MIDDLE DISTANCES

■ **400 METERS:** Mike Spencer, Lake Orion sr. — Spencer battled through several leg injuries this spring, but one couldn't tell by his performances this season. A three-year letter-

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Sashabaw closes good track season

Only a four-point loss to Pontiac Madison kept the Sashabaw boys track team from a perfect season.

Sashabaw defeated its Clarkston rivals 85-43, then finished strong with a seventh-place finish in the 35-team field at the Oakland County Middle School track meet.

Winners in the meet against Clarkston included the 800 relay team (Russ Beebe, Mike Blicher, Brad Moore and Mark Lindsey), which finished in 1:49; Derek Coe (2:20) in the 800; Shane Bennett (12:03) in the 100 dash; Mike Wilder

(:57) in the 400; the 3200 relay team (Mark Sitko, Kyle Yu, David Griffith and Mark Kraus) which finished in 10:55; Dan Chavers (9:50) in the 70 dash; Russ Beebe (27:56) in the 200 dash; the 1600 relay team (Coe, Blicher, Grant Henderson and Wilder), with a time of 4:07; the 400 relay team (Zane Pockrandt, Chavers, Lindsey and Bennett) with a time of 50:25; Eric McKnight (37:5) in the shot put and Wilder (16-1) in the long jump.

First place medals at the county meet went to the 800 relay team (Beebe, Blicher,

Lindsey and Justin Steen), which set a school record with a 1:43.28 finish; and the 1600 relay team (Coe, Blicher, Henderson and Wilder), which also set a school record with a time of 3:57.59.

Derek Coe finished fourth (2:12.66) in the 800 run, while Steve Siebert (11:47.31 in the 3200) and Mike Wilder (56.6 in the 400) picked up fifth-place finishes.

The Sashabaw girls team had only a 74-74 tie with Scripps Middle School to spoil an otherwise perfect season. They beat Clarkston 90-40.

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winner, Spencer won four dual meets was runner-up at the league meet with a 51.1 clocking, placed third at the regional, sixth at the Oxford Invitational and ninth at the county meet. Spencer, a team captain, was also second at the league and fifth at the regional in the 200 meters.

"Mike was just a gutsy runner," said Burrell. "He was a fierce competitor that always came ready to run and the younger kids looked up to him."

800 METERS: Jon Burklow, Clarkston sr. — Although Lake Orion's Jordan Desilets had the top time in the area (1:59.1), Burklow was the lone state-meet qualifier, which gives him the nod in the 800. Burklow — the Wolves' Team MVP and a four-year varsity veteran — finished the season with a 2:00.2 showing at the state meet, which placed him 11th. Burklow also crossed first in two dual meets and was second at the regional. He did not compete in the 800 at the league or county.

"Jon has all of the heart and dedication in the world," said Wyniemo. "He has a great work ethic and he never quit. He will be missed."

DISTANCES

1,600 METERS: Jordan Desilets, Lake Orion jr. — Perhaps the area's most dominating athlete, Desilets capped off his fine junior campaign by finishing third in the state with a blistering 4:15.6 showing. A three-year letter-winner, Desilets was 4-0 in duals, and won the West Bloomfield Invitational, Oxford Invitational, Ashley Relays, league and regional titles in the 1,600. He was just as dominating in the 800 and 3,200, going undefeated in both events up until the state meet, where he placed 11th in the 3,200 (9:37.0). He did not compete at the county due to an illness.

"Jordan has such amazing natural talent that nobody is surprised about his incredible junior year," said Burrell. "He is a very fierce competitor and his confidence really grew this season. He is definitely in an elite group of distance runners."

3,200 METERS: David Sage, Clarkston soph. — Sage turned in the area's top performance of the year at the county meet, where he placed third with a 9:33.6 showing. A two-year varsity performer, Sage

consistently scored points throughout the season, winning four dual meets and placing second at the OAA Division II meet, third at the regional, fourth at the Ashley Relays, fifth at the Oxford Invitational and 12th at the state meet. Sage was also second at both the league and regional, and fourth at the Oxford Invitational in the 1,600.

"David has put together two strong years and he is far from reaching his potential," said Wyniemo. "He has a great future ahead of him."

HURDLES

110-METER HIGH HURDLES: Mike Rolfingsmeyer, Lake Orion sr. — Although Rolfingsmeyer placed third at the Holly Regional and missed qualifying for the state meet by just a tenth of a second, he still had a great encore campaign. In his best event, this three-year letterman went undefeated in six dual meets and the OAA Division II champion, he went on to take second at the county, third at the Ashley Relays and seventh at the Oxford Invitational.

300-METER INTERMEDIATE HURDLES: Mike Rolfingsmeyer, Lake Orion sr. — Rolfingsmeyer was also undefeated in league competition in the 300 hurdles and turned in a season-best time of 40.9 at the OAA Division II meet. Other notables throughout the season included a fifth-place showing at the Ashley Relays and seventh-place efforts at the regional and Oxford Invitational.

"It was really rewarding to see Mike work really hard and reach his potential," said Burrell. "He really matured this season which helped him have an outstanding year."

RELAYS

400-METER RELAY: Clarkston (Marc Venegoni, sr., Jeff Long, sr., Brenton Bergkoetter, sr., Mike Renda, soph.) — This foursome made great strides throughout the season and posted their best effort of 45.3 at the league meet, they came in third. The Wolves also combined forces to take sixth at the Ashley and regional meets and seventh at the Oxford Invitational.

"These guys really worked hard on their hand-offs and they really saw their time drop significantly at the end of the season," said Wyniemo. "Their showing at the league meet was crucial in

us winning the meet because we weren't expected to finish that high in the 4x100 relay."

800-METER RELAY: Lake Orion (Joel Cudnohufsky, jr., Nick Gonzales, jr., Blair Richards, sr., Mike Spencer, sr.) — This unit threw on the afterburners at the OAA Division II meet and clocked a season-best 1:34.8, which placed them second. They were also victorious in three dual meets and placed third at the Oakland Indoor meet and eighth at the Oxford Invitational.

"All of our relay teams really came on strong at the end of the year, especially at the league meet," offered Burrell. "Our hand-offs were crisp and that really helped us take a lot off our times."

1,600-METER RELAY: Clarkston (Klinton Powell, jr., Curt Brewer, sr., Matt Baker, jr., Jon Burklow, sr.) — With the league meet title at stake, this quartet buckled down and crossed first with a 3:28.6 clocking, giving the Wolves the overall league championship in boys track. Although they rarely ran together in dual meets, this unit consistently placed at invitationals throughout the season, finishing fourth at the Ashley Relays, fifth at both the Oxford Invitational and county meet, and seventh at the regional.

"With the money on the line, these guys really came through for us, winning the league and securing the title for us," said Wyniemo. "They all have a lot of guts and they know how to compete."

3,200-METER RELAY: Clarkston (Jon Burklow, sr., Matt Baker, jr., Brent Quantz, soph., Kevin Breen, soph.) — This foursome broke a 17-year-old school record at the state finals, posting a time of 8:02.1 — three seconds better than the old school mark — to finish ninth. Undefeated in six dual meets, this group also won league and regional titles, and placed third at the Oxford Invitational, Ashley Relays and county meet.

"They really wanted to break the school record and by doing it at the state meet — you can't do any better than that," praised Wyniemo. "They were focused all season long and they always competed very well, regardless of the weather."

Legion ball returns with sweep

American Legion baseball found its way back to Clarkston successfully Sunday, as the first team in years — sponsored by local Campbell-Richmond Post #63 — swept a season-opening doubleheader from Chief Pontiac #1 at the local legion field.

The 18-under legion team consists of varsity and junior varsity players from Clarkston High School along with other local talent, including Keith Perez, a Holly High School pitcher

recently drafted by the Detroit Tigers.

Phil Johnston allowed four runs on three hits in winning Sunday's opener, and Travis Boyd picked up the 5-4 win.

Clarkston scored the tying run in the sixth and the game-winner in the seventh on a double by Josh Rigg.

Outfielder Jeff Oliver finished 3-for-4 with two doubles and two runs scored.

Adam Petrulis played excel-

lent defense at second base and went 2-for-4.

In the nightcap, Perez went the distance, allowing just two hits and a run with 10 strikeouts.

The 8-1 pitching gem was also highlighted by another strong hitting performance from Oliver, who went 2-for-3. Others contributing to the hitting attack were Petrulis, Perez, Adam Leach, Justin Nanney and Nick Petrinc.

New rule lengthens wait for elk renewal

Elk hunters who received a license to take a bull elk will now have to wait 10 years to apply again, under a new rule adopted recently by the state Natural Resource Commission. The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act authorizes the NRC to make orders related to the taking of game.

NRC chairman Keith Charters said the new ruling was a result of a DNR evaluation of repeat winners of elk licenses and recent findings of a state audit.

"The audit concluded that the drawing process used by the DNR is fair and unbiased, but auditors clearly illustrated that the 'luck-of-the-draw' will result in a growing number of repeat winners just because of the growing number of past winners," said Charters.

In the past, successful Michigan elk permit applicants had to wait one year before again applying for a permit. Under the new regulations hunters who receive an antlerless permit must still wait a year but hunters who receive a hunters choice permit will be ineligible to apply for another Michigan elk license for 10 years.

In other related actions by the NRC, the Commission approved two elk hunts for this year. This will allow the DNR to continue the selective reduction of the elk herd, in keeping with the objective to have between 800 and 900 elk in the winter herd. The first hunt this fall will be Sept. 12-20 and the second will be Dec. 8-14. The season limit will continue to be one elk per license.

Elk hunts in recent years have been successful in reducing the herd from an estimated 1,350 elk in the winter of 1992-93 to 1,075 in the winter of 1996-97. The winter count for 1997-98 is still not out but is expected to be less than 1,000, which still allows the DNR to conduct both a September hunt and a December hunt.

The deadline to apply for an elk permit for either of the upcoming hunts in July 15.

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Contractors looking for hardworking individuals who know the trade. Minimum 5 yrs. experience. 40 to 85 hrs/week. Reliable transportation a must. Small tools & reliable transportation a must. Great pay for serious individuals. Call: 1-800-390-6351

PAINTERS

2 yrs experience steady work, reliable, must have transportation. 810-949-1504

PARALEGAL

for AV rated Westland firm. Your transactional, corporate and real estate experience are needed for our growing office. Please send resume to: 313-595-9771

PARENTS CORPORATIVE

open. Send resume to: Plymouth Children's Nursery, 5825 N. Sheldon Rd., Canton, MI 48117. All resumes must be post marked by July 6

PARTS COUNTER PERSON

Dealership experience helpful but not necessary. Contact David Korte at: Bob Sak's Toyota, Farmington Hills, (248) 699-7185

PARTS DRIVER

Material handling company is seeking a driver for the parts department. The position will be four hours a day, Monday thru Friday. Those interested must have good communication skills, mechanical background a plus, plus physical and good driving record. Please forward resume to: Fraze Equipment, Inc., 11231 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Fax: (734) 522-3563. Equal Opportunity Employer

PARTS DRIVER

Pick up & delivery. Full or part time. Reliability. Call (313) 273-5021

PARTS PERSON

To maintain inventory and small warehouse of ice machines and parts in Livonia. Pleasant work environment. A plus. Send resume to: UIMA/IB Westwood, 28472 N. Clement Circle, Livonia, 48150

AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS

Full and part-time. Paid holidays & vacations, medical & dental. 401K. Apply in person at: 33523 W. 14 Mile Rd., Livonia, MI 48150. Fax: 734-476-7355

PILGRIM YAMUS/KAUF

offering 25% off for full time. Call Steve, 734-451-7200

500 Help Wanted General

PHONE REPRESENTATIVE PRO

We seek (5) phone representatives at our Call Center located in West Bloomfield.

PRODUCTION WORKERS

Vinyl window company needs experienced workers to fabricate windows who are looking for a career with division of Fortune 300 Company. Competitive wages with benefits. Immediate openings on day shift. Apply at: Farmington Hills, 29755 Beek Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Fax: 248-960-9300

PROJECT MANAGER BLUE PRINT ESTIMATOR

for laboratory table manufacturer in Plymouth-Canton area. Involves blue print reading, data entry, pricing, communication with customers. (No traveling required). Experience with blue prints & specifications desired. Good pay with benefits. Mail resume to: R. J. Reynolds, 10000 Oldfield, Suite 100, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Fax: 248-455-5506

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Career Opportunity. Full and part-time positions available. Help. No experience necessary. WE WILL TRAIN. Some over-time and Saturday work. Raising and promotions based on job performance. Advancement potential. Health & dental benefits available. Casual dress code. Looking for: Production Workers & Customer Service Reps.

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Negative Retouching & Artwork. Pro-Lab experience. Pay commensurate with experience. Apply in person at: 105 Pontiac Street, Oxford, MI 48371. For further information about positions, call John Cox at 248-969-5012.

PLANT OPERATIONS MANAGER

Experience with minor repairs, supervising janitorial staff and overall plant operation. Salary range: \$25,000-\$30,000 depending on experience. Health insurance paid. Send resume to: Mr. Abrams, PO Box 2044, Southfield, MI 48037-2044

MOLDING TECHNICIAN

for Wayne County Plastic Injection Molder seeks detail setter with at least two years experience. Knowledge of Kawaguchi and Cincinnati Milacron helpful. Knowledge of extrusion, injection, die casting, mechanical, electrical and hydraulic systems a plus.

SUPERVISOR

Opening for experienced supervisor with molding experience. Must have excellent technical people skills. Experience with Kawaguchi & Cincinnati Milacron. 4-5 hrs/week. \$10,000/yr. This is a UAW facility. Excellent pay and benefits. Fax resume to: (734) 451-1550 or mail to: Human Resources, 8555 Rondo Dr., Canton, MI 48187

PORTER

for Birmingham Hotel. Good wage & benefit plan. Call Bob 248-645-1283

Positions Available

- Full/Part-Time
- Overnight Crew

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positions for ALL MANAGEMENT positions including:

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- Assistant Director of Nursing
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William Beaumont Hospital affiliated nursing and rehabilitation centers which include: Evergreen, Shelby, Cherrywood, West Bloomfield, and Woodward Hills. All of the facilities have fine reputations and competitive salaries. Come explore your career opportunities with PREMIER. Fax your resume to 248-647-1155. Attention: Vicki Ciccone

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PRESS OPERATOR

We have an opening in Novi for an experienced press operator who can work the hrs. of 8:30am-3:30pm. \$10/hr. Call for an appointment. 313-273-5021

PRINTING/PRO-PRESS

High quality, Livonia graphic arts company seeks experienced team member for our pre-press dept. Must be organized & accurate with a minimum of 2 yrs. exp. in setting, proofing & plate making. Non smoking environment. Excellent benefits. Call 734-522-5350

RETAIL SALESPERSON

Experienced salesperson. The Goldsmith Agency, 4104 W. Maple, Bloomfield Hills, (482) 539-4555

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has full time Management & part time openings in the Detroit area. If you'd like a career working with people in a creative, retail environment, this may be the opportunity for you. LIVINGSTON STORE ONLY: (734) 427-0040 ext. 118; or send resume to: 15630 E. 15th Ave., Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Fax: 248-355-5000

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Excellent opportunity in our Novi & Farmington Hills locations. Dynamic people to fill management and sales positions. Women Apparel. Retail. Customer Service experience preferred. Flexible hours required. Dan Howard Maternity 800-468-6700, Ext 360

RETAIL REPRESENTATIVE

R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., an industry leader, seeks qualified applicants for the position of retail representative in the Southfield and Farmington Hills areas. Excellent calling on retail accounts to implement promotion and to merchandise products. Prefer 1 to 2 years retail merchandising experience. High School diploma or equivalent. No previous experience necessary. Company pay provided. Eligible for benefits after first year. Applicant should have 1 to 2 years of retail experience. No phone inquiries or walk ins accepted. Mail resume to: R. J. Reynolds, 10000 Oldfield, Suite 100, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. An Equal Opportunity Employer

ROCHESTER HILLS community

seeks full time Maintenance person. Must have experience own tools & transportation. Great salary & benefits. Call for information: 248-373-4081

ROOFERS NEEDED, males & females

for commercial and industrial. Experience in single ply roofing preferred but not necessary. Union wages and benefits. Call: (313) 449-1134 E.O.E.

ROOFERS/SINGLER - Top Pay!

Excellent opportunity for right person. Experience, strong aptitude. No allowance or company truck w/equipment. 248-351-9050 EOE

ROOFERS WANTED - No experience

necessary. Will train. \$8.50/hr to start. Weekends. Send resume to: 248-351-9050 EOE

ROUTE DRIVER

for vending company in Metro Detroit area. Must have good driving record, will be using own vehicle, some travel involved. Electronic skills helpful. Excellent opportunity. Call: 313-326-3000 or fax resume to: 313-326-8003

ROUTE SALES PERSON - needed

customer oriented energetic self-motivated person for route sales. Must be strong communicator. Company offers growth opportunity, health & retirement benefits. Call: 313-326-3000 or fax resume to: 313-326-8003

QUALITY CONTROL TECHNICIAN

for small metal stamping plant. Must be able to read prints and have a good understanding of SPC and the use of statistical process control. Must be able to work afternoons. Medical benefits & profit sharing. Non-smoking environment. 3:30pm - 6:30pm. FRANKLIN FASTENER COMPANY, 12701 Beech Dr., Redford

REAL ESTATE ASSISTANT - desired in West

field model homes for full time help. Experience not necessary. M-F: 11:30am-6:00pm. Call: 248-363-8756 or fax resume: 248-363-8756

RECEPTIONIST

for Farmington Hills Hair Salon. Part time. Call (248) 851-9043

RECEPTIONIST

KSI Kitchen & Bath Showrooms is seeking a Receptionist for our Brighton Showroom. The right person will be enthusiastic, organized, a professional w/ good interpersonal & clerical skills. Positions involves greeting customers, answering phones & scheduling. Successful candidates will have some office experience & a great service attitude. Competitive pay & full benefits package. Send resume to: KSI Kitchen & Bath Showrooms, 9325 Malloy Rd., Brighton, MI 48116. Fax: (810)229-2230. Fax: 1000-229-2230. www.ksik.com

RECEPTIONIST PART TIME

Entry level position open. Roseville, Sterling Hills & Novi. Multiple phone & faxing. Will train ideal students. 810-739-7090

RENTAL AGENTS

For busy, reliable truck rental agency. Need knowledge of trucking industry, but not necessary. Hourly wage & monthly bonus. Full benefits package including 401K. Apply in person. Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. McDonald, 17000 North Rd., Northville, MI

RESIDENTIAL BUILDER

currently seeking customer service field representative. Position includes servicing home owners after closing. Must have construction experience, tools, truck and experience dealing with home owners is required. Send resume to: The Selective Group, 27655 Middlebelt Rd. Suite 130, Farmington Hills, MI 48334. Attn: Kathy Goodreau

RESIDENT MANAGER

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Employment

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
needed for President of real estate appraisal company. Good phone and grammar skills a must. 1 full time position with hours from 8 to 5 pm. Located at 13 Mile & Telegraph Rd. Call Kelly to schedule an interview at: (248) 647-9490

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
needed for Farmington Hills Accounting firm. Good typing computer skills a plus. Tax assembly & light bookkeeping knowledge helpful. Send resumes to: BWP/PC, P.O. Box 2718, Farmington Hills, MI 48333

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Automotive Sales & Engineering Firm in Birmingham desires Secretary Administrative Assistant. Must be a team player, computer literate, excellent communication skills. Resumes to: 1010 Bowers, Suite 8, Birmingham, MI 48009.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Livonia/Southfield area seeking candidate that is professional in appearance, have knowledge of Windows & Excel, have 2+ years of experience. Full time, \$8-\$12 based on experience. For interview call 248-352-1334 or fax resume to: 248-352-4787

STAFFPRO

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
International Corporation has a position available for a full-time Administrative Assistant in our Nov, Michigan office. We are seeking an individual with strong organizational abilities and good interpersonal skills. Duties include: computer entry, typing and other administrative functions. Knowledge in MS Office required. Pleasant phone manner a must. Send resume and salary requirements to: Crane Pro Services, 42970 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 ATTN: Donna Chmbo.

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Executive secretary for international financial services firm. Assisted in Detroit location. Adversing agency administrative secretary to work with creative staff and clients. Southfield, also Auburn Hills and Livonia.

Consumer services - support senior executives. Friendly and professional attitude. Troy and Southfield.

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Administrative Assistant

At Yazaki North America, Inc., our rapid growth in the automotive electrical components industry is creating exciting opportunities for challenge-driven professionals. Join our continued expansion, we can move your career forward.

Join us with clerical and communications skills to provide office support. Perform typing, filing, dictation, mailing, review time and expense records, make travel arrangements, and operate the central switchboard. Requirements include: excellent grammatical skills, a high school diploma or equivalent, PC proficiency in word processing, data entry and spreadsheets and basic math ability.

We offer an attractive salary and benefits package. Send your resume and salary requirements to: Yazaki North America, Inc., 6700 Highway Road, Canton, MI 48107; fax: 313-661-3410; e-mail: hr@yazaki-na.com; or visit our website: www.yazaki-na.com. We value workforce diversity.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
needed for part-time for Livonia Real Estate Sales Woman. Computer experience needed. Flexible hours. Fax resume to Donna Donaldson: 248-347-1169

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Livonia based, fast growing, national company seeks full time Administrative Assistant. Must be very organized, detail oriented and self motivated. Excellent phone and communication skills. Proficiency in Word Processing and Excel. Send resume to: 734-522-0777 Attn: Jeff Stewart.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
A firm in the fashion industry is seeking a unique individual to support a senior executive. Ideal candidate has a proven track record in a rapidly changing environment, where many tasks are undefined. Must be confident, self motivated & results oriented. Near Auburn Hills. Fax resume in confidence to: Stuart Klein & Assoc. at 248-652-5161

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Smith Barney seeks an Administrative Assistant in the Bloomfield Hills office. Successful candidates must be highly organized, have excellent communication skills & accurate typing. Experience in brokerage industry a plus. Send resume to: Smith Barney, Attn: Carol, 1701 N. Woodward Ave., Suite 200, Bloomfield Hills, 48304. EOE M/F/D/V

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Looking for full time person with Accounting and Excel Spreadsheet experience. Excellent benefits, and 401K Plan. Please fax resume to: (248) 560-1065 or Mail To: 2000 East Oakley Park Road, Suite 101, Warren, MI 48090-1501

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Career position for experienced person with large Plymouth Industrial distributor in modern facility. Must have excellent office skills including PC experience in Windows 95, Word 7.0 & Excel. 401K & company paid health insurance, life, disability & pension. Excellent earning potential. EOE. Reply in confidence to: Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Bloomfield Hills General Contractor has immediate opening for Administrative Assistant. Candidates should have experience with Microsoft word, Excel and Peachtree Accounting. Construction experience a help, but not required. Qualified applicants are to send their resumes with salary requirements to: (248) 352-4787

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
CSC GLEASON CONSTRUCTORS, INC. 500 W. Long Lake Rd., Suite 150 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 or fax to: (248) 847-9530 NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Brass Craft Manufacturing Company, a subsidiary of the Fortune 500 Masco Corporation, has an immediate opportunity in its Novi headquarters for an Administrative Assistant.

Essential job functions include phone interfacing with clients, adjusters and contractors. You will also be responsible for assisting in the preparation of confidential legal documents, reports and correspondence. Performing audit functions, assisting in the development of cost control measures as well as performing standard and/or advanced secretarial duties are also required.

Job requirements include the ability to show initiative and function with minimal supervision. Superior math skills, computer literacy, data entry, filing, confidential documents, and the capability of learning new software are also required. Must have positive interpersonal skills, with a preference to previous customer service experience.

We offer a competitive wage and benefit package. For consideration, please submit your resume (no phone calls, please) including salary history, in confidence, to:

Brass Craft Mfg. Co.
Attn: HK/MC
P.O. Box 8032
Novi, MI 48376-8032

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ANIMAL LOVERS
Receptionist needed for Animal Hospital. Full time, \$6-\$9 an hr. Apply at: 1205 Five Mile, (4 bl. E. of Meridian), Livonia.

AUTO DEALERSHIP
Immediate opening for general office position. Auto dealership experience preferred. Please fax resume to Bob Saks, Automobile at (248) 699-7065 or call (248) 699-7065

BOOKKEEPER/CLERK
Some experience with computers, bank reconciliations and payroll taxes for Southfield CPA office. Benefits (248) 350-2600

BOOKKEEPER
for local CPA. Client bookkeeping, phone answering, etc. Creative Solutions, WordPerfect & Lotus experience a plus. Hours flexible. Benefits. Please submit resume to: BWP/PC, 7430 Middlebelt, #3, West Bloomfield, MI 48322 or fax: (248) 851-9148

BOOKKEEPER - FULL CHARGE
Troy, \$30K range. Strong computer skills. No fee. Betty Hama/Personnel, 248-424-8470 or fax: 248-424-8536

BOOKKEEPER part time for busy Bloomfield Hills real estate office. If interested please call Leona at: (248) 647-6000

BOOKKEEPER / SECRETARY
Residential building company in Auburn Hills is seeking a full-time bookkeeper, full-charge thru financial statements. Must have excellent office, phone & communication skills as well as experience in Peachtree, Excel and Word. Excellent salary & benefits. Fax resume to: 248-373-3534

BOOKKEEPING ASSISTANT
For Wholesale company in Southfield. Duties include: Accounts Receivable posting & reconciling, filing & assisting other clerical departments as needed. Send letter or resume to: Personnel Dept., P.O. Box 5137, Southfield, MI 48066 or fax to: 248-358-6363

CHECK PROCESSOR
Full-time. Will train right candidate. Should possess good math skills; detail oriented; work well under deadline. Some data entry. Benefits. Health Insurance. 401(k). Paid vacation. (734) 513-3991 x 71

Clerical Assistant
Weight Watchers Headquarters in Farmington Hills seeks an entry-level full-time Clerical Assistant. MS Word proficient, fax, filing, copying, excellent phone manner, must be flexible. Excellent work environment. Please fax resume and salary requirements to: (248) 553-7106 or send to: CAHR, P.O. Box 9072, Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9072.

CLERICAL, FULL-TIME Phone & computer experience helpful. Located at 13 Mile & Telegraph Ave. Ask for Eric. (248) 644-8668

CLERICAL POSITION
Full-time, for growing office in Livonia. Please call: 1-866-698-4141

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

CLERICAL/DISPATCH
IKON Office Solutions has openings in their Novi office for Service Dispatchers. Prior office experience necessary. Positive telephone etiquette, excellent customer relationship skills and desire to work in a fast-paced environment necessary. We offer excellent benefits which include a comprehensive medical and dental plan, profit sharing and a company sponsored pension plan. If you are interested, please send resume to: Dispatch Supervisor, IKON Office Solutions, 41180 Bridge Street, Novi, MI 48375-1300. EOE

CLERICAL, FULL-TIME/PART-TIME
ACO Hardware is looking for a self-starter with excellent communication skills and good computer skills, good aptitude for numbers, and data-entry skills. Must have a competitive salary, excellent benefit package, and flexible full-time/part-time hours. Please send a resume AND SALARY REQUIREMENTS to: ACO Hardware, ATTN: HR Director/EOE/PC, 23333 Conner Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48335-2764 or FAX 248-615-2696 An Equal Opportunity Employer

CLERICAL/GENERAL OFFICE
Small rep firm based in Livonia, looking for a multi task oriented individual. Must have computer knowledge in Word, Excel, Spreadsheet & data entry. Salary based on experience. Benefits. Call: 234-266-4100

CLERICAL
Graphic Design/Sign firm in Plymouth needs enthusiastic person for multiple task environment. Maintain bookkeeping on Quick Books Pro. Software. Human resources office coordination. Please call: (734) 420-3508

Clerical/Receptionist
IMMEDIATE OPENING AVAILABLE

For Outgoing and RELIABLE person interested in working with a Fast-Paced Professional Environment. You will be dealing with the Office & Sales Staff for a National Franchise. Recognized AD Firm located at the Galleria Office in SOUTHFIELD.

This entry-level position requires you to be able to work part-time, have strong communication skills, professional attitude, and have an aptitude for follow up.

Ask for Paula
(800) 935-0089

CLERICAL (TEMPORARY)
Farmington Hills technical school (12 Mile & Haggerty) has occasional needs for temporary clerical help. Some duties include photocopying, collating, light typing, and assembling material, etc. If you are interested in occasional temporary clerical office help, please contact 248-848-3773. Office and PC experience (WordPerfect) very helpful.

CLERICAL
WORK part-time for an established property management company located in Southfield. Dependable, flexible person. We need you! Call: (248) 358-3777 or Fax (248) 358-3779

CLERK
Great opportunity to learn the mortgage business! Computer skills necessary. Full-time. Blue Cross & pension plan. Send resume to: PO Box 53117, Livonia, MI 48153.

FILE CLERK - Part-time
Busy Farmington Hills law office. 15-20 hours/week. Salary negotiable. Contact Lynn: (248) 737-4747

GENERAL OFFICE
Seeking an individual with good organizational and problem-solving skills to work in a fast-paced environment with MS Office, insurance and/or investment background. A plus: Fax resume to: (248) 540-5318, Attn: Janice

GENERAL OFFICE
Immediate opening for our Builder Division. 2 yrs. office experience needed. Must be detail-oriented and able to follow through. Will train. Competitive wages and benefit package. Send resume or call at: 248-358-6264 or Fax: 248-358-6268

CUSTOMER SERVICE REP
Farmington Hills location is in need of a customer service rep with any HVAC experience. Duties include heavy phone work, placing orders, follow-up, data entry. \$24k-26k. Please call for an appointment:

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248-352-1300
248-373-7500
313-284-0777

SNELLING PERSONNEL SERVICES
CUSTOMER SERVICE REP for insurance agency in Northville. Full time, will train. Please call: (248) 349-8990

CUSTOMER SERVICE REP
Westland, MI area company seeks a person to handle incoming phone calls, input orders and other general clerical duties. Some data entry. PC skills preferred. Dependability a must. Send resume to: Detroit CSR, P.O. Box 2480, St. Louis, MO 63114

CUSTOMER SERVICE
Over 100 year old company, with excellent benefits, has immediate full-time opening. Applicants must possess good communication, computer, organizational skills and friendly personality. Opportunity for advancement. Send resume to: Office Manager, 6000 Farmington Hills, MI 48333

DATA ENTRY
Experienced Data Entry person. Must be dependable with good attendance. Excellent oral & written communication skills required. Full-time position with benefits. Call Sam-Ann, 6000 Farmington Hills, MI 48333 or Fax, Ask for John, (248) 534-5100

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (Part-Time)
Spartan Stores, Inc., a grocery wholesaler serving over 500 retailers in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, has an immediate opening for an experienced Part-time Customer Service Representative.

Responsibilities include responding to all member store inquiries and resolve problem situations, process retailer credits and pickups, provide product information, answer consumer inquiries and perform general clerical duties. Schedule - Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm.

Previous experience in Customer Service required as well as excellent verbal and written communication skills. Good problem solving ability also required. General knowledge needed of CRT, PC, data entry and computer operation. Previous experience working in the grocery industry a plus.

For immediate consideration please send resume to: SPARTAN STORES, INC. Human Resources - C.S. P/T 9075 Haggerty Road (between Joy Rd & Ann Arbor Rd) Plymouth, MI 48170 EOE/M/F/D/V

DATA ENTRY SECRETARIAL SUPPORT
SOUTHFIELD
Ambitious & energetic person for FULL TIME SECRETARIAL SUPPORT in NON-SMOKING OFFICE. Data entry, general office & clerical duties. Computer experience necessary. Must be organized and have the ability to assist & support several individuals at a time. Our busy office. Full benefits. Mail resume & salary requirements in confidence to: Mr. R. Wrights 3273 West Ridge Court Commerce, MI 48390

DEALER ACCOUNT COORDINATOR
Publisher seeking accounts person to handle dealer inquiries. File maintenance, computer, typing and phone skills required. Full time position. Call Janette at 248-477-6650 Ext. 104

EDUCATION SECRETARY
wanted full-time in Farmington area. Computer skills, program skills, and phone sales experience necessary. Starting salary \$16-\$17K. Call Marge or Vicki to schedule. (248) 478-1700

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Private college. Registration, class schedules, student records, financial aid. Ability to work independently. Fax resume to: 248-414-6907

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Southfield office needs full-time Secretary with accurate typing skills. Word processing and some computer experience. Must be capable of performing general clerical duties & handling a busy telephone. Compensation consists of hourly wage and benefits package. Reply giving job history, salary requirement & phone number to: Personnel Department P.O. Box 2230 Southfield, MI 48037 Fax 248-550829

EXPERIENCED PAYROLL & billing person Phones, typing and computer skills. Full-time. Blue Cross & pension plan. Send resume to: PO Box 53117, Livonia, MI 48153.

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502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

Inventory/Purchasing
Experience with purchasing of components & raw material, with inventory control functions. Computer literate with MRP & Windows. Career opportunity Livonia. Resume to: 8345 Hilcrest Westland, MI 48185

LEGAL SECRETARIES
Southfield law firm seeks 2 experienced secretaries. One with 5 yrs. litigation and one with corporate real estate experience. Send resume to: Office Administrator P.O. Box 215 Southfield, MI 48037-0215 or FAX 248-354-1422

LEGAL SECRETARY
Bloomfield Hills litigation firm, minimum 2 years experience. Pleasant atmosphere, excellent benefits, competitive salary. Send or fax resume: 4111 Andover Rd., Suite 300 E. Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 Fax: 248-433-2001

LEGAL SECRETARY
Birmingham legal firm specializing in intellectual property prosecution, and litigation seeks secretary with patent, trademark and litigation experience. Salaried position with attractive benefit package. Send resume to: Administrator Gifford Krass, 280 N. Old Woodward, Suite 400, Birmingham 48009 fax 248-647-5210

LEGAL SECRETARY
Excellent typing & organizational skills. Bookkeeping knowledge helpful. Diversified practice for sole attorney. 35-40 hrs. week. Mail or fax resume to: R. Shaya, 30500 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334. Fax: 248-932-5201

LEGAL SECRETARY
for small computer knowledge of WordPerfect 6.1 field law firm. Litigation experience preferred. Knowledge of WordPerfect essential. Non-smoking office. Fax resume to: (248) 354-1259

LEGAL SECRETARY
for one person law firm. Good Word-processing and communication skills necessary. Flexible hours for sole attorney to Secretary. 26150 Five Mile Rd., #25, Redford MI 48239 or fax: (313) 534-3332

LEGAL SECRETARY
for Birmingham law firm 2 yrs. experience W.P. 6.1 for Windows, Commercial Litigation, Real Estate, Malpractice experience preferred. Excellent salary & benefits. Fax resume to: Irene at 248-647-8596 or fax: P.O. Box 1899, Birmingham, MI 48012-1899

LEGAL SECRETARY
For Downtown law firm 4-6 years litigation experience, strong Microsoft Word & Excel, 15-20 hrs/week with experience. Excellent benefits. Reply to: Legal Secretary, PO Box 43932, Detroit, MI 48226

LEGAL SECRETARY
Full time for corporate office. Three or four years experience needed in filing state & local documents and estate planning a must. Good working atmosphere, competitive wages and benefits. Please send resume to: Legal Secretary, PO Box 43932, Detroit, MI 48226

LEGAL SECRETARY
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ROCKWOOD 1982 Pop-Up - sleeps 6, furnace, heater, stove, 460 Ford engine, 6 speed motor. \$1,500. 734-261-5430

SPORTSMAN 1995 5th Wheel, 28' 1/2" with slide, loaded. Excellent condition. \$14,000. (313) 891-3893

STARFACIT NOVA POP-UP 1989 sleeps 6, stove, awning, garage lift, \$3,000. (734) 427-7555, eves. (248) 944-9441

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FORD 1993 Ranger Splash, V-6, manual, air, new tires, AM/FM cassette, \$6,000 or best offer. (248) 449-7748

FORD RANGER 1994 XLT - air, 4 cylinder, automatic, low miles, warranty. \$6,900/off. 248-478-6077

FORD RANGER 1993 XLT, air, power windows/locks, CD player, 4.0 liter, V6, \$7,500. (248) 458-0778

F-150 1992 XLT - excellent condition, 55,000 miles, 2-tone, tonneau cover, new brakes. \$8,200. 734-522-8480

GM 1992 Jimmy SLT 4 door, 4x4, loaded, very clean, 83,000 miles, green. \$9,700. (248) 960-3685

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GM 1988 Suburban Sierra, 5.7 liter, tailgate, 4x4, new exhaust & engine with 3000 miles, warranty, good body. \$8,900. 248-624-8677

GM SUBURBAN 1996 4WD, 27,000 miles, rear heat/fair, trailer package. \$25,500. (517) 548-2892

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RANGER 1996 Super cab, STX, loaded, 4 x 4, autotrans, premium wheels, \$14,500. (248) 347-0747

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ASTROSTAR 1994 - 7 Passenger, Power windows, locks, automatic, 52,000 miles, factory warranty. \$7,700. best. 734-981-5810

ASTROSTAR 1989 XLT, extended 155,000 miles, many new parts, runs great. \$2,300. (248) 682-6527

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ASTROSTAR EXT 1992, all wheel drive, Eddie Bauer, black, extra clean. \$4,900/best. 734-427-3178

ASTRO, 1995, GS, air, automatic, air, cruise, power windows & locks, 53,000 high miles, AM/FM cassette, extended warranty. \$11,500. best. (734) 459-8398

ASTRO 1992 - Extended, loaded, 1 owner, clean, well maintained. \$6,000. (248) 399-1714

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CARAVAN 1991 LE 3.3 V-6, automatic, air, very clean. 75,000 miles. \$5,200. (810) 877-2598

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EXPLORER 1997 - 4 door, leather, power roof, CD, 36,000 mi. low. \$19,500/best. 248-348-5015

EXPLORER 1995 LTD, CD/tape, leather, low package, 36,300 miles. \$19,500. 248-652-2875

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824 Mini-Vans

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FORD 1992 E-250 cargo van, V8, automatic, air, 66,000 miles, \$7,800. 1992 E-250, V8, automatic, air, 105,000 miles. \$7,400. (810) 622-7609

FORD 1994 - E-250 Super HD, V8, roof rack. Very Good Condition. \$10,200. (248) 477-7049

FORD 1995 F-450, Super Duty, 12' box, roll up rear door, air, 9,000 miles, 460 Ford engine, 6 speed motor. \$17,500. 734-453-7537

FORD 1981 Super Van V8, 460, trailer pkg., air, 60,000 miles. \$5,000. (734) 522-8217

MARK III 1994 H-400 conversion with TV/VCR. 34,000 miles. Excellent condition. \$14,800. 734-455-2843

826 Vans

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828 Jeep/4 Wheel Drive

BLAZER 1997 - 4 door, 4x4, loaded, 21,000 miles. \$18,500. 248-652-4678

BLAZER 1996 LS - 4x4, 4 door, hood protector, trailering package. Loaded. \$17,500. (734) 981-6529

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BRONCO 1990, full size, V8, extra clean, excellent. \$3,995. (734) 454-3566

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CHEVROKKE 1994 4x4, 4 door, automatic, air, loaded, dark green. \$9,950/off. (313) 562-8659

CHEVROKKE 1996 4x4, 4dr, automatic, excellent condition. 30,000 miles. \$17,000/off. 248-437-4866

CHEVY BLAZER 1997 black 2 door, loaded, 21,000 miles, excellent condition. \$19,900. 248-558-9059

CHEVY BLAZER 1995 LS 4x4, V-6, 67,000 miles, automatic, cloth seats, new tires. Loaded. \$13,500. Call & ask for Steve. (313) 565-5705

CHEVY BLAZER LT 1996 - 4 door, 4x4, black, beige leather, loaded. 12,500 mi. - excellent condition. \$17,900. (248) 877-2280

CHEVY 1997 Tahoe LS 4x4, 4 door, CD, loaded, 14,800 miles. \$25,800. best. (248) 449-5436

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PLYMOUTH 1933 - \$9,000. 313-555-7804

WILLIS 1939, 2 door, 3.8, 350, IFSC power steering, disc brakes, excellent. \$21,900. 313-459-3832

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INTEGRA 1989 LS - 4 door, 5 speed, power windows/locks, excellent condition. \$2,485. 313-449-5252

INTEGRA 1994, RS, 3 door, 5 speed, air, excellent condition, new brakes, tires. \$9,900. 248-486-5880

VIGOR 1993 - 5 speed, any/mv tape, black leather, power roof, New tires. 72,000 miles. \$8,900. 313-460-6679

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BUICK 1986 Park Avenue - grand-mare car, 36,000 miles. \$2,500. before 5PM. SOLD after 5pm & weekends. \$OLD

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LESABRE CUSTOM 1997 - loaded, 7000 miles, warranty, garaged, GM exc. maint. \$18,500. 248-338-4586

BMW 1988 325i, white convertible, automatic, CD, must sell, \$8,900 or best offer. (248) 738-0900

CORVETTE 1989 - Black custom convertible, 46,000 miles, excellent condition. \$18,000. 248-540-4402

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CORVETTE 1981 - 350, red/black, original, 22,000 miles, excellent condition. \$11,800/best. 248-867-4934

CORVETTE 1990 - 6 speed, loaded, leather, 37,000 miles, new tires, perfect. \$16,900. (248) 380-8378

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MAZDA 1992 MX3 - 5 speed, 118,000 miles, AM/FM cassette, must see. \$4,800. (313) 464-8286

MERCEDES 1995 E420 - white/grey leather, excellent condition. Loaded. 30,000 miles. Must see. \$40,500. Call after 8pm. (248) 645-5353

MERCEDES 1990 new style 300SL, smoke sand, 45,000 miles, 2 tops, excellent condition. \$39,000. 248-363-1245. Work 248-576-5724

MERCEDES 1986 500SEL, great condition, runs strong. \$12,000. 248-682-6760

MERCEDES 1978 SL, Excellent condition. 55,000 miles, 2 tops, custom backseat. New tires & chrome wheels. Never exposed to salty MI roads. \$20,000/Firm. (248) 681-6844

MERCEDES 1987 560SEL, hard & soft top, red, mint condition. 65,000 miles. \$23,500/best. 734 285-5566

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848 Ford

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TAURUS 1992 SHO - red, black leather, moonroof, 5 speed, 85,000 miles. \$6,700/best. 248-678-0420

TAURUS - 1991 Station wagon, auto, power, air, clean. Well maintained. \$3,750. (248) 349-3394

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TEMPO 1990, automatic, air, loaded, 51,000 miles, small down, 1109 month. No co-signer needed. OAC. TYME AUTO (734) 455-5566

TEMPO 1993 GL-Air, power steering/brakes, cassette player. \$4,250/best offer. After 6pm: 734-422-3785

TEMPO GL 1989 - \$1,200. Automatic, 4 door, power locks, good condition. (248) 504-8928

TEMPO 1994 GL - 68,500 miles, air, automatic, stereo, etc. excellent condition. \$5,200. (248) 650-8671

THUNDERBIRD 1993, sharp, black, great condition, lots of extras. \$5,500. 734-513-9987

850 Geo

METRO 1997, air, automatic, red, only 6,000 miles, perfect condition. \$7,000. (248) 557-3048

METRO 1993-new parts, low mileage, 4 dr, 55,000 miles, great college car. \$4,000. (248) 644-8184

TRUCKER 1997 - 4x4, 5-speed, sport top, AM/FM tape, 4,700 mi. \$11,500. (248) 673-7350

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ACCORD 1995 EX, black, 2 door, 5 speed, loaded, excellent, moonroof, 61,000 miles. \$13,300. 734-651-2780

ACCORD 1988. Excellent condition, air, 5 speed, power windows. \$4,200. (248) 473-7076

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CIVIC 1994 DX, 3 door, 5 speed, 55,000 miles, air, cassette, excellent condition. \$7,500. 734-591-0790

CIVIC 1993 DX Hatchback, 2 door, new tires. Very well maintained/Good condition. (248) 267-8866

CIVIC 1997 LX 4 door, from original owner, automatic, air, and more. Like brand new. Asking \$12,750. Call 248-686-2277 or 248-945-1808.

854 Lexus

ES-300 - 1996. 15,000 miles, Cashmere, Warranty, loaded. Immaculate. Must see. \$28,000. 810-231-1230

LEXUS 1992 - SC-300. All options, 55,000 miles, pearl white, gray leather. Mint Condition. \$25,000. Call Mr. Falcone, Days (248) 357-8610 or leave message.

LS400 1990, jade black, gray leather, 77,000 miles, heated seats, traction control, factory phone, loaded. \$13,900/best. 248-553-3544

856 Lincoln

CONTINENTAL 1992 - Blue, super clean, runs & drives like new. Must see \$5,300. 248-360-5367

CONTINENTAL 1994 Executive - Green, gray leather, 58,000 miles. Just detailed. \$12,900. 248-786-3013

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856 Lincoln

CONTINENTAL 1993-41,000 miles, executive series, fantastic condition, silver blue wigrey leather. \$12,300. (248) 853-0341

MARK VIII 1995 - excellent, loaded, black, leather, 56,000 miles, \$15,800. (248) 647-8456

MARK VIII 1997 - 17,000 miles, full options, moon roof, excellent condition. \$29,500. (248) 684-2244

MARK V 1978 - 480 V8, 35,000 actual miles. Mint Condition. real wire wheels, moonroof. 734-422-5889

TOWN CAR 1990 - Immaculate. Mint condition. Original owner. 65,000 miles. Gray with black padded vinyl top. Loaded. Asking \$7,995. 734-354-8822/Pager 313-910-8149

TOWN CAR 1985 - loaded, new tires, brakes & more. Runs & looks great. \$1,900. (313) 330-8529

858 Mazda

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What is a historic district?

REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q: Can you give me some information about what the historic district statute provides for in this area?

A: A historic preservation easement is created when a property is listed as a natural historic landmark, on the national register of historic places, the state register of historic sites or is recognized under a locally established historic district under the

Local Historic Districts Act.

That easement limits the use of the structure or site. This is often used for zoning protections. You are best advised to consult your attorney in this regard.

Q: What is the law in regard to sellers real estate agents' duty to disclose information to prospective purchasers in terms of their potential liability?

A: The whole issue of seller and seller's real estate agent liability is being reconsidered by the courts.

The court has recognized that sellers' real estate agents, by virtue of their agency relationship as agents for the sellers, don't have to disclose to purchasers material defects involving the property.

They do, however, remain liable for common law fraud or misrepresentations based upon false material misrepresentations that are made with fraudulent intent.

There is some question by the court, however, as to whether the administrative rules pertaining to real estate licensing create a duty of disclosure which could be pursued through a civil remedy. That issue is still not clear, although presumably one could complain to the licensing agency for real estate brokers if they don't comply with these administrative regulations.

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Cleaning up slob next door

You want to sell your house. It's in beautiful condition inside and out. You've done everything you're supposed to do — clean up, paint up, fix up.

The only problem is your neighbors don't necessarily share your standards. Or, maybe worse — they're slobs.

The grass and shrubbery is overgrown; papers, trash and dog poop strewn throughout the yard. The rusted swingset in the backyard is falling apart. Paint is peeling off the garage. A boat or inoperable vehicle is stored on the property.

"First impression is everything," said Tony D'Orazio, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Livonia. "If the next door neighbor's house is looking bad ... they (prospects) don't even want to see yours. If they do, they will low-ball on the price."

So what to do? "That's a tough one," said Charlene Mieras, a Realtor with RE/MAX Crossroads in Canton. "Environment is very important."

"I would call the municipality to see if there are any ordinances we could address," she said. "They may have an ordinance on how long a car can be parked. The same with boats in the yard. That would be my first issue."

"Second, I'd visit the neighbor," Mieras said. "I'd say, 'We're attempting to sell, can you do things to help us, make the neighborhood better, maybe move the boat?'"

"Explain as gently as you can. Approach without attacking and explain, 'If you're thinking of selling, maybe we can help. Here's some issues to look at,'" Mieras said.

D'Orazio, thinking along similar lines, suggested appealing to the neighbor's self-interest. "We've been

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taught that real estate is an investment," he said. A well-kept house generally is a more valuable house.

Mieras said she's never personally experienced the problem, but she's seen it.

"When you're driving around showing, you'll think, 'Oh, that house looks wonderful, but look what it's next to,'" she said.

Gary Newville, a Realtor with Hall & Hunter in Bloomfield Hills, recalls the time the neighbor of a client was suddenly parking a lot of vehicles in front of the house.

"We chatted with the neighbor and they said, 'No problem, we didn't realize it. You should have said something sooner.'"

The key is in the delivery — "a very friendly basis," Newville said. "Ninety-nine percent of the time, it works."

Let the neighbor know you plan to sell before the sign appears on your front lawn and ask if there's anything you can do to help the neighbor get his property in order, Newville said.

Eunice Bitkowski, a Realtor with

Max Brook in West Bloomfield, suggests that time can dull a homeowner's perceptions of his own house and also the ability to maintain a house.

Don't file a complaint with government and wait for things to get done, Bitkowski said. Organize the neighborhood, if there's really an eyesore, and do the job yourselves.

"Have a cookout and everybody pitches in, especially if someone is handicapped or a senior citizen," she said. "What would it cost for beer, pop, hot dogs and flowers?"

And when the job is done — "Start to say, 'Good morning,' to them, tell them how good their place looks," Bitkowski said.

Glenda Byers, a Realtor with Real Estate One in Rochester, prefers "subtle positive reinforcement" when dealing with the condition of neighbors' property.

"Say something like, 'We're trying to get cleaned up around here, appearances are important to a sale,'" she said. Maybe the neighbor will pick up on a few things that can apply to his place, too.

If not, there are usually deed restrictions that can be referred to the community association or code violations that can be passed along to municipal officials for enforcement.

Sometimes, recognition and reform come after a sale.

"I had a listing in town next to a duplex that was in very bad shape," Byers said. "Barbecue grills were on the front porch, bicycles all over the yard. When he found out the price we got, he started to remodel, renovate."

The buyer knew the duplex owner next door to her client, Byers said, which probably helped the sale go through.

Sizzling Quarter

Residential builders set a U.S. record by pulling nearly 250,000 permits during the first quarter of this year. Here's the top dozen metro areas. Figures include houses, condos and apartments.

City	1st Qtr. 1998	% change from '97
Atlanta	13,276	+28
Phoenix	10,737	+9
Houston	10,063	+66
Las Vegas	9,181	+32
Dallas	8,456	+19
Washington, D.C.	7,404	+25
Orlando	6,710	+58
Chicago	6,427	+4
Charlotte, N.C.	5,293	+30
Denver	4,608	-6
Seattle	4,407	+16
Detroit	4,196	+21

Source: U.S. Housing Markets

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More myths

MORTGAGE SEARCH



DAVID C. MULLY

This article continues from last week's discussion about myths of applying for a mortgage which included Myth #1: Lenders are looking for ways to disqualify you and #2: They need to know everything about you.

Myth Number 3: If you've ever screwed up, you'll never get a mortgage. Most lenders agree that this is the

biggest fear — and the most common misconception — of the homebuyers they work with. One person really believed his chances for qualifying for a mortgage might have been ruined because he lost a video tape he had rented.

The facts are these: Your lender will get a copy of your credit report. And if there's any difference between what you've told the lender and what's in the credit report, it will have to be resolved.

So if you have had credit problems, the biggest mistake you can make is to try to hide them. The best approach to take if you've had credit problems is to tell your lender about them and explain what happened. Even better, write your explanation down. A written explanation of the circumstances will be considered during the approval process.

It's also a good idea to get a copy of your credit report ahead of time to clean up any credit report problems. Everyone knows that there are many legitimate reasons for difficulties with credit, ranging from unemployment and illness to marital difficulties and other personal issues.

If the problem has been corrected and your payments have been on time for a year or more, your credit will probably be satisfactory.

Myth Number 4: They love to make you wait. They don't. But unfortunately, they have to, because reviewing your application takes a certain amount of time.

The first step in reviewing your application is to verify the information you've provided. This involves obtaining records from employers, banks, and other institutions, and ordering an appraisal of the home you're buying. Other documents may have to be ordered as well. Under the best of circumstances, the process takes some time. But if any of the verification information doesn't agree with the information you provided, the discrepancies must be resolved. That takes extra time — and that's why it's so important to provide accurate information on your application.

Once all the information is verified and all the required documentation is on hand, your application is sent on to the underwriter for final review. Generally, the process takes 30 to 60 days. Your lender can probably give you a pretty good idea what to expect when you complete your application.

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Corporate apartment company sold

Village Suites Co., a provider of short-term corporate furnished apartments throughout the Midwest and a division of Village Green Management, has been sold to Globe Business Resources.

Terms weren't disclosed by Jonathan Holtzman, Village Green chairman, or David D. Hoguet, Globe chairman.

Village Green Management, headquartered in Farmington Hills, is privately owned, Globe publicly.

"When we began Village Suites Co. 10 years ago with a handful of furnished apartments, we had a vision to reinvent the short-term stay industry with a product that was twice the size of a hotel room at about half the cost," Holtzman said. "At that time, Globe provided our apartment furniture and they shared our enthusiasm."

Since then, the industry has experienced tremendous growth, Holtzman said. Several national firms, large public and private operations as well as

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Jonathan Holtzman
Village Green chairman

hotel chains, now offer similar services from coast to coast.

It became apparent, Holtzman said, that to remain a leader in this competitive environment, Village Suites should operate on a national rather than regional basis.

"As a firm, Village Green's business plan is to operate our various companies, apartment communities and our core business operations exclusively in the Midwest," he said.

"This plan did not allow us the opportunity to take Village Suites into the national arena, but we also recognized that to remain a leader and be

competitive, it should be national in scope," he said.

Village Suites has annual revenues of \$13 million, with approximately one-third of those units leased from apartment communities owned or managed by Village Green.

"The acquisition of Village Suites is a significant event for Globe," Hoguet said. "Village Suites is one of the largest providers of corporate housing in the country."

"Village Suites provides us with a presence in three new markets ... and enhances our market share in Detroit, Chicago and Cincinnati," Hoguet said.

"As the largest provider in the Midwest, Village Suites has successfully captured this marketplace," Holtzman said.

"But as we look to the future, the timing of this sale, given our business plan, was inevitable, and it created the most value for our stockholders to complete this transaction now."



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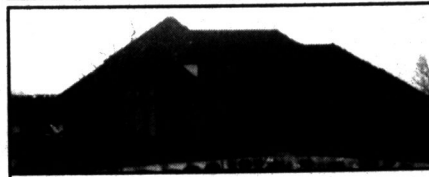
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• Hardwood floors in bedrooms, den, foyer & kitchen
• Updated master & 1/2 bath, newer roof, central air
• Side entry 2 car garage. Walk to downtown!
\$254,900 (248) 656-4405 HE990



ORION TOWNSHIP - MUST SEE
• Attractive newer home built by Pulte Construction
• Spacious family room features natural fireplace
• Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths, finished basement
• Walk to swimming pool, tennis courts. Great area!
\$249,900 (248) 851-4400 TA356



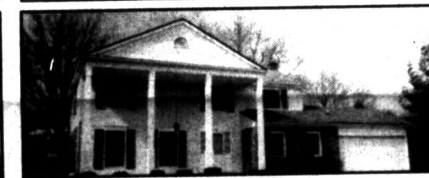
32471 Madison St., S. of 14 Mile, W. of Greenfield
• Unique & charming 3 bedroom home located on lovely double lot with trees, privacy and garden area.
• Beautiful living room with fireplace, formal dining room
• Hardwood floors thru-out, updated bathroom.
\$238,500 (248) 647-6400 MA324



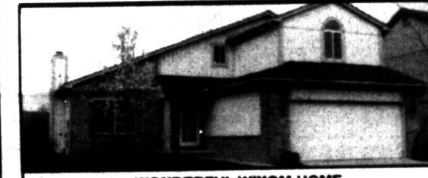
1916 Squirrel Valley
• There's room for everyone in this 3000 sq. ft. Colonial
• 4 large bedrooms, 2.5 baths, family room & library
• Hardwood floors in most rooms, large patio, lovely back yard. Hampton Hills sub with Avondale Schools.
\$229,900 (248) 646-6000 SQ191



SOUTHFIELD NEW BUILD
• Beautiful brick ranch now being built in Pebble Creek
• Great room features vaulted ceilings and fireplace
• Master suite with walk-in closets and master bath
• Premium elevation and upgraded roof! Lots of extras
\$224,350 (248) 651-8850 IS266



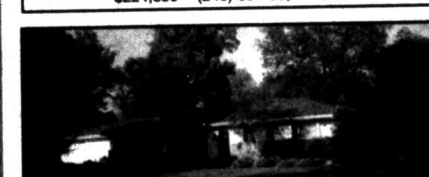
ROCHESTER HILLS
• Charming Classic pillared Colonial in University Hills
• Hardwood floors in each of 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths
• Many updates, finished basement, cozy fireplace
• 2 car attached garage. Membership to swim club.
\$219,900 (248) 641-1660 SP748



WONDERFUL WIXOM HOME
• This home has it all! Convenient location, professional landscaping with pond view & skylights
• Loft over great room, fireplace, hardwood floor in kitchen, deck and 2 car garage.
\$194,900 (248) 626-9100 AP270



COMMERCE TWP. - FOR NATURE LOVERS
• This is a great home on a spectacular piece of land
• Mostly fenced lot backs to pond and wetlands
• Finished walkout, high ceilings with skylights
• Natural fireplace in great room, white kitchen
\$192,500 (248) 646-6000 WE535



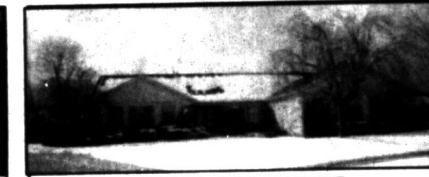
WEST BLOOMFIELD - SUPER BUY
• Enjoy your beautifully landscaped yard from the screened porch on this updated, clean brick ranch
• 2 way fireplace enjoyed from living & dining room
• Open family room with built-ins & sliders.
\$187,500 (248) 626-9100 CO742



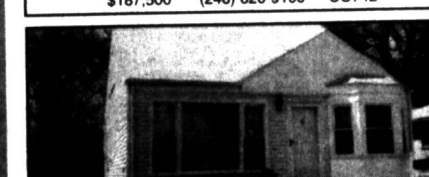
ROCHESTER HILLS-CONDO
• So conveniently located! Near downtown Rochester!
• Newer kitchen with peninsula, great walk-in closets
• Decks off both bedrooms, fireplace in living room
• Basement & paver patio. Two car attached garage
\$177,900 (248) 656-4400 OA126



OAK RIVER - TROY
• Special features, warm wood tones, dual staircase
• Luxurious master suite features large bath with spa
• Dramatic family room, center island kitchen
• Extensive cedar decking with hot tub on 1/2 acres
\$485,000 (248) 689-8900 SQ462



SHELBY - DON'T MISS OUT
• Outstanding ranch in prestigious Cedar lake sub
• Hardwood floors in kitchen & large, fire lit family room
• Over 2,500 sq. ft., walk-in pantry, 14'x6' mud room
• Gorgeous park-like yard with patio and shed.
\$238,900 (248) 641-1660 SP462



ROYAL OAK - COMPLETELY UPDATED
• This updated Bungalow is immaculate throughout!
• Three bedrooms, 1.5 baths and breakfast room
• Located in great neighborhood on tree lined street
• Walking distance to downtown, parks & schools!
\$150,000 (248) 647-6400 AL633



AUBURN HILLS - GREAT LOCATION!
• You can't beat this 3 bedroom home's location!
• Hardwood floors throughout. Freshly painted, all new windows plus glass block windows in basement.
• Large & deep fenced yard. All appliances stay
\$99,900 (248) 647-6400 PO261



FERNDALE
• Freshly painted and totally updated with lots of charm
• Sparkling white kitchen offers large eating area
• New carpet, roof & furnace. Updated bathroom
• Partially finished basement and deck off kitchen
\$92,000 (248) 647-6400 FI386



COMMERCE - LAKE PRIVILEGES
• Good starter home with 2 car garage and basement
• Fireplace in living room, sunny glass porch
• Situated on a double lot with Long Lake and beach privileges & Union Lk. docking. Walled Lake Schools
\$89,900 (248) 851-4400 UN186



BIRMINGHAM - BACKS TO GOLF COURSE
• Ranch with full finished walkout on lovely course
• Refinished wood floors, 5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths
• Family room offers cathedral ceiling & fireplace
• Fire lit living room, lots of windows for views.
\$398,876 (248) 683-8900 CR198



FERNDALE - QUALITY 3 BEDROOM HOME
• Ideal location near Martin Park and Junior High
• Easy access to I-75, I-696 or Woodward Ave.
• Cathedral ceiling in living room, large laundry room
• Two sheds, fenced yard.
\$77,500 (248) 647-6400 RO204



AUBURN HILLS CONDO
• A steal of a deal in mint condition
• Newer windows, doorwall, carpeting, stove, refrigerator, bath and kitchen floors
• One bedroom plus study, deck.
\$59,900 (248) 647-6400 CH910



ROCHESTER HILLS
• This quad-level will fit your lifestyle whether you're entertaining or looking for a quiet place to relax
• Hardwood floors, formal dining with picture window
• Natural fireplace in family room with slate hearth.
\$184,900 (248) 641-1660 GU212

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Troy - Luxury, Privacy and Distinctive Design

- Outstanding condo alternative without the usual compromises - extremely low maintenance exterior. Superb condition and designer decor.
- Fabulous master bedroom with sumptuous marble bath and huge walk-in closet
- Lush perennial landscaping and gazebo provides private nature retreat

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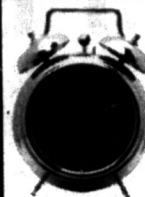
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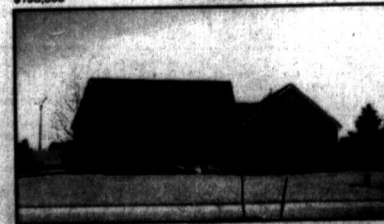
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FARMINGTON HILLS
 COUNTRY LIVING IN THE CITY. This 4,800 sq. ft. home is a privacy lover's paradise. Surrounded by 2 1/2 to 5 acres of rolling terrain, gorgeous trees and nature at its best.
 \$440,900 PE-30



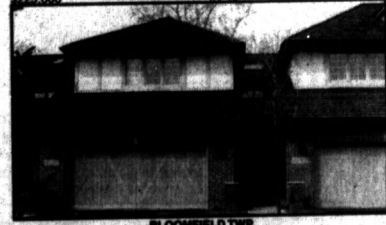
TROY
 THIS BRICK COLONIAL on one of the nicest lots with a custom oversized deck. Professionally landscaped. Updated kitchen, newer roof, first floor laundry, formal dining room, family room.
 \$193,500 WI-43



TROY
 COMBATER'S DREAM. Refuge from the city, less than 5 minutes to I-75, Somerset Mall, soccer fields. First floor master suite with tub and shower. Huge backyard. Contemporary. Neighborhood of fine homes and immaculate lawns.
 \$259,000 FA-11



BLOOMFIELD
 LARGE FLOWING RANCH on almost 1 acre treed lot in Brans Sub. Neutral decor, many updates, private setting. Year round sunroom overlooks gorgeous yard. Granite and marble bath with jacuzzi. Birmingham School District. Walnut Lake swimming & boating.
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BLOOMFIELD HILLS
 BLOOMFIELD HILLS LUXURY CONDO in excellent condition. Winding staircase, fabulous master bedroom with steam shower. Small private development.
 \$430,000 GR-40



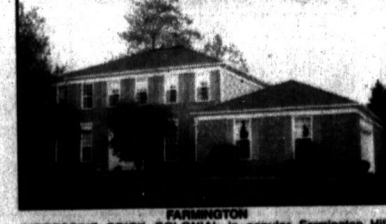
WEST BLOOMFIELD
 CASS LAKEFRONT with exquisite views from every room in the house. Over 3/4 acre lot with lovely gazebo and dock at water's edge. Dock and boat lift. Three bedroom Colonial, finished walk-out lower level, extensive decking. SELLER MOTIVATED. Priced to sell at \$595,000 LE-25



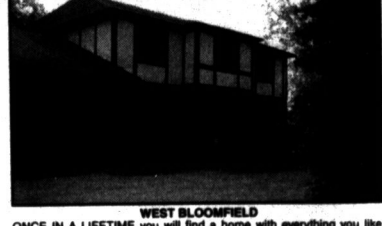
ORCHARD LAKE
 MAGNIFICENT PROPERTY IN ORCHARD LAKE. 5 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath Orchard Lake beauty! 1st floor guest or parent bedroom, 14x10 master room, library, fantastic open floor plan, huge rooms, cut-de-sec location.
 \$467,900 CH-42



NOVI
 FORMER BUILDERS MODEL. Newly updated ceramic tiled foyer. Huge kitchen, large pantry, 1st floor laundry room, kitchen, new carpeting in family room, huge master bedroom with walk-in closet.
 \$292,900 BR-24



FARMINGTON HILLS
 IMPRESSIVE BRICK COLONIAL in popular Farmington Hills neighborhood. View of commons. Large master suite. Library and more.
 \$240,000 FO-29



WEST BLOOMFIELD
 ONCE IN A LIFETIME you will find a home with everything you like. Large level lot, side turned garage, full finished walk-out basement with hot tub. Beautifully decorated four bedroom Colonial built in 1984. Call for further information.
 \$339,000 NO-83



FARMINGTON HILLS
 PICTURE PERFECT Ranch with finished garden level. 4 bedroom, 3 baths, white kitchen with hardwood floor, 2 fireplaces, private setting, attached garage and in mint condition.
 \$239,900 HU-71



SYLVAN LAKE
 VACATION AT HOME! 75' Sylvan lakefront with steel seawall and sandy bottom. Updated 3 bedroom, 3 bath raised ranch with finished lower level. Solarium with swim spa and hot tub.
 \$399,900 JA-91

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WEST BLOOMFIELD - CONDO
 ALTERNATIVE. Soft contemporary ranch with great room. Neutral decor and move-in condition. \$227,500 HE-46

BEAUTIFUL 3 BEDROOM 2 1/2 bath home designed by David Lubin. Spectacular foyer with marble floors, library/study off foyer, floor to ceiling windows, hardwood floors, great room, recessed lighting and more. \$420,000 OA-51

SOUTHFIELD - 3 BEDROOM RANCH. Freshly painted, newly remodeled kitchen, including stove, formal dining room, finished basement with recreation room, central air. Great layout and more. \$179,900 SO-29

ROYAL OAK - TRADITIONAL COLONIAL with open floor plan. Updated kitchen with breakfast bar. Updated baths. Large master bedroom has entry to full bath. Move in condition. \$174,000 PA-32

BEAUTIFUL LOT overlooking golf course. It has all the rooms you are looking for: living room, dining room, family room, study. Master bedroom suite features walk-in closet and full bath. Finished without basement and much more. \$339,000 GR-52

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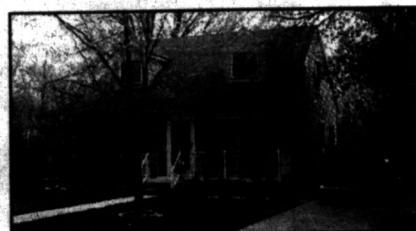
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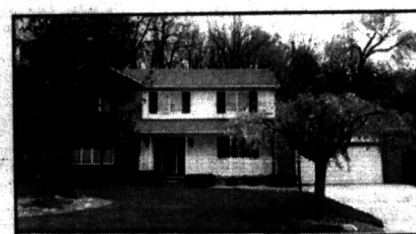
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80 FT. SANDY BEACH all sports lake Driftstone. FP. Great room, living room, family room, formal Dining room plus part finished walk-out 1st floor laundry. Don't pass this one up! \$389,900 (60PIN) 652-8000



CHARMING in-town Cape Cod, 4 bedroom home, 2 full bath, full basement, eat-in kitchen, central air, deck, fenced backyard, built 1985, security system, 2 entry level bedroom. \$176,900 (59WOO) 652-8000



VERY SPECIAL HOUSE. You'll love entertaining in this home. Open flowing floor plan with large kitchen overlooking easy living family room with doorwall to large deck & private wooded lot. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, den, formal dining room, 1st floor laundry, many extras. \$289,900 (87TAN) 652-8000



BETTER than new raised ranch completed in 1996. On rolling, treed private lot. Attractively landscaped. Neutral decor, living room with cathedral ceiling & corner fireplace with gas insert. Master bath with shower & Jacuzzi. Lower level walk out finished, carpeted with full bath. \$224,900 (40THE) 652-8000



TROY 4 bedroom 2.5 bath Colonial with a first floor laundry. Heated four season Florida room. Hardwood floors under carpet. Walk to Troy Schools. One Year Home Warranty! \$207,000 (20CHA) 524-1600.



TROY 4 bedroom, 2.5 Colonial. Family room with wood stove. Two master bedrooms. 2nd floor laundry room. Newer windows thru-out. A must see! \$239,900 (56BER) 524-1600.



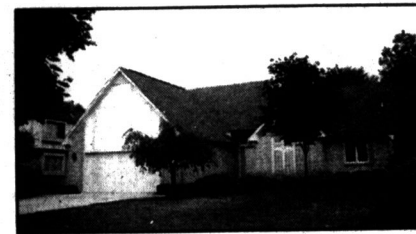
TROY 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Ranch home with a first floor laundry. Family room with fireplace. Finished basement. 2 car attached garage. \$189,900 (58HUB) 524-1600.



TROY, 3 bedroom ranch home on park-like setting. Updated bath, roof, hot water heater, furnace. Above ground pool. Large cement apron area. Family room with wet bar and more. \$199,900 (65MAP) 524-1600.



BLOOMFIELD HILLS 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath Ranch home. Master bedroom with bath. Formal Dining room. Living room. Family room with fireplace. West Chester Village. \$259,900 (63MID) 524-1600.



ORIGINALLY builders own home. Ceramic tile in kitchen & hall areas. Hardwood floors in foyer, French Doors to library. Beamed Cathedral Ceiling in Great room & library. Kitchen with ceramic counter & splash. 1st floor Master suite and bath with whirl pool tub & sep. shower. \$279,000 (16CHA) 626-8800



STATELY north Rosedale Park Colonial, 3 floors, 5 bedrooms, 3 full baths & 2 half baths. All spacious large rooms in a Premier Location in the Park. \$212,000 (18BRE) (248) 626-8800



BEAUTIFUL 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath. Soft contemporary on almost 1.2 acre. Park like site. Finished walkout features Sauna, rec-room, wine cellar. Knockout kitchen with granite island. Den has marble built-ins. \$399,900 (44CHE) (248) 626-8800



ALL SPORTS LAKE - Canal front ranch with 3 bedroom, 2.5 baths and all the extras! 4th bedroom in lower level, finished walk-out, wet bar, fireplace, sun room, 1st floor laundry, 2 car attached garage, central air, sprinkler, deck, and must more! \$249,000 (78RAC) (248) 626-8800



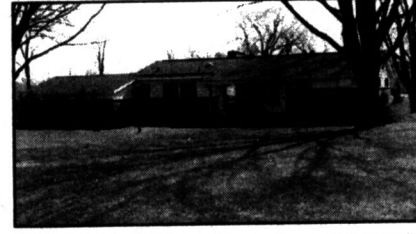
BEAUTIFUL HOME ON BEAUTIFUL LOT Colonial on a large lot within the subdivision. 5 bedroom, 3 baths, family room, fireplace in living room and 2 car attached garage. \$185,000 (12LON) (248) 642-8100



WEST BLOOMFIELD - Super Upper Ranch condo! Sellers say, "We love view of nature and open floor plan!" Each bedroom is private suite, enjoy library/loft, cathedral ceilings and skylights! Laundry off kitchen, finished basement with carpet & full bath. \$189,900 (41WES) 642-8100



BLOOMFIELD - 2000 + sq. ft. home offers many updates including furnace, baths, kitchen, flooring. Family room with fireplace, 3 bedroom and more. Great treed lot! \$199,900 (59WIN) 642-8100



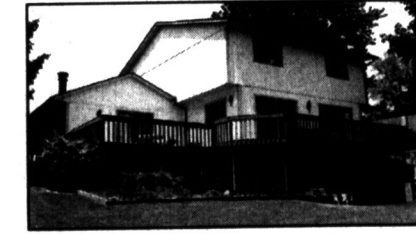
FRANKLIN - 1750 sq. ft. ranch on 2/3 acre lot in Franklin. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath, living room with fireplace and cathedral ceiling, family room with fireplace, dining room, library, newer kitchen, GFA, central air, and updated roof. \$218,900 (66GRE) 642-8100



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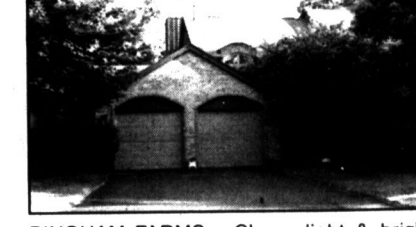


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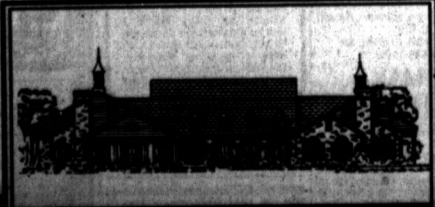
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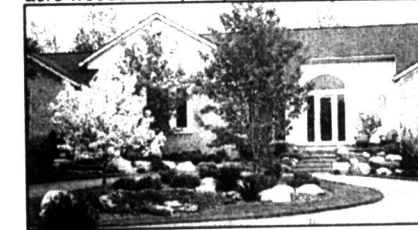
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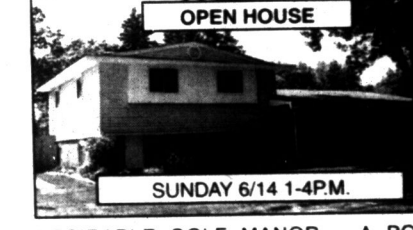
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
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appliance doctor

New school planned for technicians



JOE GAGNON

This month marks my third year of writing this column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers which is a proud time in my media career.

This paper allows me to give of myself to readers in a very special way and just knowing that the information I write is helping somebody out there is justification in itself. Much has been written about the Appliance Service industry, and I remember one column in particular which explained why I thought a service school for new technicians would really take off in this country.

In the weeks following that article, I received many phone calls and letters from people who wanted to know how to receive information on any new training programs coming up in the service industry. Many of these inquiries were from men and women who had already

worked several years in a certain field but wanted to make a change.

At the time it looked like I might be the one to start this new program in the near future, but things didn't work out that way. The ABC Radio Network got serious about what I was doing and my plans for starting a school were put on hold.

In the Appliance Repair business, there once were training facilities where young people who couldn't go on to college could foster a new career in the service industry. Many of these trained technicians are now up in years and there is a limited amount of people who can fill their shoes. Service schools came to a stop years ago and I've read that there is a need for more than 3,000 trained technicians per year for the next 10 years.

All this means a good paying job in a field which is certainly not boring and able to be absorbed by anyone with good people skills and a good grasp of common sense. All we need now is for somebody to start a school.

I received a phone call a few weeks ago which informed me that a service school for the appliance industry would start by the beginning of 1999. This school would be in the atmosphere of a college campus and would be operated by a major retailer in the country.

I'm not free to give you their name at this time, but I will in the near future. I would suggest that those individuals who are interested in changing careers write out their resume and get it ready now. To the old timers in the repair industry who feel the pain in their kneecaps every time they bend down, think about becoming a teacher. It is my belief that the appliance service industry should have women trained to be repair persons. For too long, too few women have come forward in my industry, and it's time for that to change. I'm excited as can be over what is about to happen in my industry, and although I'm not doing it personally, I'm certainly going to be there to help in any way I can.

Imagine a job where you work 40 hours a week with plenty of overtime available during busy seasons, a company vehicle loaded with parts and tools

and the personal skill to repair the homeowners expensive appliances. Fringe benefits and profit sharing exceeded by few and a retirement program for the later years. Meeting new and different people every day and living a life of helping others. Life couldn't be better folks, a solid job and solid pay and as long as they keep building appliances, you can keep right on ticking. When this school is about to start, I think I will ask the company if I can write their advertising to promote it. Think of it, I've complained for so long about the need for good, competent service technicians in my industry and somebody is finally doing something about it. The power of the press - God it's great.

Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president of Carmack Appliances in Garden City and does a weekly radio program on WJR-AM. He is author of "First Aid from the Appliance Doctor," available at area bookstores. He can be reached at (313) 873-9789.

Brighten your father's special day by giving him candles

Give Dad a gift that reflects his style and personality and says "Thanks, Dad" in a very special way - a candle.

PartyLite Gifts Inc., a direct sales marketer of candles and candle accessories based in Plymouth, Mass., shares these unusual gift ideas for Father's Day:

■ If your dad enjoys gardening or landscaping, he'll love a wrought-iron candle lantern and some garden spikes.

Use garden spikes and lanterns any-

where you want to bring light to the outdoors, such as at a flower or rock garden, or a pathway around the pool or back yard.

■ Help Dad brighten up his office, den or computer table with a candle lamp. Spring-loaded and refillable, a candle lamp gives just the right amount of light and the perfect touch to any decor.

■ Surprise Dad with a grand three-wick candle in his favorite fragrance.

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■ Call to mind Dad's love for the ocean with a nautical tealight or votive candleholder.

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■ Delight him with good scents. PartyLite suggests the following popular candle fragrances for men: spiced vanilla, cinnamon, balsam pine, black cherry, Destiny, Spinnaker, Cavalier, sky and meadow.

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AT HOME, Mary Klemic, editor (248) 901-2569
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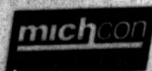
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Go smoky or spicy with shrubs



MARTY FIGLEY

Are you looking for a fabulous shrub that will elicit a lot of oohs and aaahs? Here are a couple of suggestions:

The Smokebush, *Cotinus Coggygria*, is a beauty in all seasons. Some people call it Smoketree and

either is correct because it can be trimmed and kept bush size or let to grow to its ultimate height of between 10 and 15 feet.

Smokebush has colorful foliage all the time, but in the fall its brilliant shades of purple, red or orange-yellow (depending on the variety) will stand out in the landscape.

The bush gets its name from the flowers that have a smoke-like appearance as they fade from small greenish blossoms when the flower stalks get longer and by June or July are covered with fuzzy purple or pink hairs when the shrub is in its glory.

Some varieties have foliage in a blue-green shade that turns yellow-purple in

the fall, but many cultivars have purple foliage. These are generally the most desired. The hair color ranges from pink to purple. The trunks are multi-stemmed and the shape is upright with spreading branches that contribute to the large crown spread.

These shrubs are very versatile in the garden as they combine well with many other plants. They make excellent border or screens and the "smoke" adds a new dimension to the landscape.

Choose a variety that appeals to you. Among them are: "Daydream," dense green leaves and a brownish-pink inflorescence; "Flame," orange-red fall coloration; "Velvet Cloak," reddish-purple leaves that turn deep red in the fall and producing pink "smokes;" "Royal Purple," maroon foliage that turns purple-black with purple-red "smokes;" and "Purpureus," green leaves with purplish-pink inflorescence.

Another shrub that will pique the imagination is *Calycanthus Floridus*, or Spicy Sweet Shrub, also known as Carolina Allspice. It, too, is hardy in our zone.

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PHOTO BY MARTY FIGLEY

Some smoke: The Smokebush will add an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Help Gilda's Gardens grow at area supportive clubhouse

Thanks to the artistry of Ralph and Diane Nunez of Design Team Ltd. of Southfield and plantings from Ken Schecter of Schecter Landscaping Inc. of Commerce Township, Gilda's Gardens will soon enhance the recently opened Gilda's Club at 3517 Rochester Road in Royal Oak.

The gardens will surround the clubhouse offering inviting "plein air" venues for the social and emotional support community offered at Gilda's Club for men, women and children with all types of cancer, along with their families and friends.

The plan calls for a series of "garden pods," each with a different theme. Each pod offers corporations, families or individuals an opportunity for sponsorship with donations ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000 per "pod." Special arrangements can be made to include more than one contributor per pod.

Among the various areas of the garden surrounding the renovated 1913 clubhouse will be the garden entrance with trellis, a shady retreat, a water garden with special perennials and a stone wall, a perennial garden, a children's garden with playful animal sculptures and a color wheel of flowers.

The gardens will feature flowering cherry trees, flowering pear trees, rhododendrons, hostas, spruce trees, ash trees, a river beech and red maple. There will be brick and cobblestone pathways,

Figley

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Spicy Sweet Shrub is an old-fashioned plant that can be grown in a partially shady corner of the garden where its sweet scent gives a lovely reward. This surprise is the camphor-like scent from the branchlets and the aromatic scent when the shiny green leaves are crushed.

Blooming in early June, the rusty chocolate-colored flowers look like the center of two leaves - like tiny cones on a cedar tree, round and flat. The fragrance of the flowers is at first similar to a spicy strawberry but as they mature, more like that of a spicy, ripe apple, giving it yet another name of Strawberry Shrub.

After the June bloom aromatic seed pods form, adding much interest to the shrub. Because they are deciduous, the leaves fall when autumn arrives. Carolina Allspice usually grows to 4 feet at maturity, but may grow to 6 or 7 feet, so there are many situations when it would be the ideal plant. It likes a rich, moist soil.

The shrub sometimes has a dense growth, but may become open and scraggly depending on the soil in which

■ A series of 'garden pods' is planned for Gilda's Club, which offers social and emotional support for people with cancer.

a special exercise area, a white picket fence and more.

For garden sponsorship information, call Tonia Victor, Gilda's Club director of development, at (248) 577-0800.

Ralph Nunez, a nationally known landscape architect, has created and donated a landscape plan to honor the memory of his sister, Carmen Scheib, who died of cancer at age 42.

Along with his wife, Diane, also a landscape architect, and six others at Design Team Ltd., Nunez created a plan that includes formal to informal gardens. Nunez, a member of the American Society of Landscape Architects, is certified by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Board.

Schecter is implementing Nunez's plan with magnificent specimen plantings. Schecter and his brother, Michael, are partners in Schecter Landscaping, which opened in 1983 and includes their own nursery. They hold awards from the Metropolitan Detroit Landscape Association for design, environmental improvements and construction.

it is grown. In clay soils it tends to grow in the latter form. It needs little pruning other than the removal of dead branches and thinning if the stems become crowded.

When planting any shrub or tree, or any plant at all, do a little homework and choose something that won't compete with but will rather settle readily into its niche in the garden. If you choose the right plant for the right place, success is sure to follow.

Spectacular

Have you seen the article in the November 1997 Horticulture magazine about Heronswood Nursery? It is one of the outstanding gardens featured on our trip to the Spectacular Gardens of the Pacific Northwest. Space is limited. Call Jean at Randolph Travel at (248) 645-5050 to make your reservation today!

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Whether you are remodeling to sell the home or just to make it more comfortable for the coming years, remodeling is a smart decision. But it is a decision that requires planning and patience.

The National Association of the Remodeling Industry suggests following this 10-step program when considering any remodeling project:

Step 1: Assess your current situation. Do you have the funds, time and patience to remodel your home? Does it make sense to remodel or simply move into a larger home?

According to the American Homeowner Foundation, moving can be extremely expensive, typically involving

a 6-percent commission on the sale of the current home, plus another 2 to 4 percent for closing, moving and other costs.

The foundation suggests that if you like your present neighborhood, you should look into what improvements you could make for 8 to 10 percent of your current home's value before you seriously consider moving as an alternative to remodeling.

Step 2: Decide how long you intend to stay in your present home. Are you remodeling so you can sell faster or get a higher sale price? Or are you remodeling to create a more comfortable environment for a long-term situation? The answers to those questions will determine how much money you should spend and the scope of the remodeling project you should realistically undertake.

Step 3: Start defining the areas of the home that you want to change. You should have some idea of what the remodeling project will entail before you



call a contractor. Cut pictures out of magazines. Make a list of rooms that need to be altered and the reasons for those changes. This information will help speed the design phase of your remodel.

Step 4: Clear plenty of time on your calendar for the project. Don't attempt to remodel your entire kitchen the month before Thanksgiving—it's unrealistic. You should establish a realistic timetable with your contractor that allows for delays due to weather, supply shortages or other glitches that may occur.

Step 5: Find a reputable contractor. The only way to protect yourself during a remodeling project is to hire a professional contractor. Make sure that you choose a contractor who is insured, licensed (if required in your state) and a member of a professional trade association, such as NARI.

Step 6: Create a budget. Decide how much you can realistically afford for the project before you start. If you are remodeling to sell, your budget shouldn't exceed the increase in sales price of the home that is the result of remodeling. If you plan on staying in the home for a lengthy amount of time, you should spend a little more to get what you want.

Step 7: Request a comprehensive proposal from your contractor. The propos-

al should tell you how much the project is going to cost and what types of products will be used. If the proposal comes in above your budget limit, talk to your contractor about other options. Sometimes you can accomplish the same look with other products or techniques.

Step 8: Get a complete, written contract before the work begins. The contract should cover the description of the project, timetable, payment schedule, types of products, etc., with provisions for the responsibilities of the contractor, subcontractors, change order procedures, warranties and alternative dispute settlement clauses.

Step 9: Tie payments to work stages. Be wary of any contractor who wants a large amount of money up front. Normal contracts split payments by decreasing percentages of total cost and are tied to significant work stages in the project. Please note, however, that a large amount of money is usually required at the start of kitchen remodels to cover the costs of ordering appliances.

Step 10: Take a deep breath and keep your perspective. Remodeling can be noisy, time-consuming and disruptive to the normal home environment. It's important to keep your sense of humor and stay focused on the end result, not the process that takes you there.

For additional help and guidance from NARI, call the NARI Homeowner Remodeling Hotline for your free copy of The Master Plan for Professional Home Remodeling magazine.

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Hot summer days call for cool meals



LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

With school out for the summer, hot days dictate cooling activities and menus.

Working parents who might typically begrudge their daily trip into the office find it a bit easier when the air conditioning maintains a cool

environment as opposed to battling the sweltering summer heat. Stay-at-home parents gladly welcome a family invitation to the lake or a dip in a pool.

When you spend the days away from home trying to keep cool, one of the last things you want to do is come home and heat up your kitchen to prepare a meal.

Cool down before you heat up. Before preparing any meal, think about what goes into its preparation. Many meals require the use of a cooking surface or oven.

When summer heat strikes, try to preplan meals so you can do most of the hot preparation the evening before the following day's meals when the outside temperature is generally dropping and your family is going to bed.

Although early morning temperatures are often the day's most comfortable, heating up the house first thing in the morning can make for some discomfort throughout the day, and an air conditioning system that works overtime to compensate for your comfort.

If pancakes and sausage are on the morning menu, you can easily prepare them the evening before, store them in the refrigerator overnight, and heat them up in the microwave oven in the morning.

Aside from dinner items that require grilling or cannot be easily cooked and reheated the next day, many dinners can be prepared the night before, stored in a

casserole dish, and reheated in the microwave the following day.

Cool treats bring pleasure to hot summer days. After struggling through a hot night without air conditioning or spending the day poolside, it is often difficult to fathom a plate full of steaming hot food on the table. Try the following suggestions to complement your summer menus and help your family keep their cool this summer.

LAYERED SPINACH SALAD

- 1 bag cut spinach
- 2 cups mushroom slices
- 1-1/2 cup red onion rings
- 1 small bag frozen peas, cooked and drained
- 1 package bacon, cooked and crumbled
- 1 small bottle ranch dressing
- Grated romano cheese to taste

In a large bowl, layer the following in order from: spinach, mushrooms, onions, spinach, bacon and peas. Pour the ranch dressing evenly over the peas. Sprinkle romano cheese lightly over the dressing to taste. Refrigerate until mealtime. Serve with sliced french bread.

FRUIT PIZZA

Crust:

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 cup oatmeal
- 1/4 cup chopped pecans
- 1 cup flour

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease a round pizza pan. In a medium bowl, cream butter and brown sugar. Mix in oatmeal, chopped pecans and flour until blended. Spread crust mixture evenly onto greased pan. Bake at 350 degrees for approximately 10 to 15 minutes until golden brown. Let cool.

Cream Cheese Topping:

- 8-ounce package light cream cheese
- 1/3 cup sugar

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- 1 tbl. brandy (optional)
- 1 tsp. vanilla

In a medium bowl, combine all ingredients and mix well. Spread over cooled crust.

Garnish pizza with your choice of fruits, such as:

- 1 large banana, thinly sliced
- 1 cup sliced strawberries
- 1/2 cup blueberries
- 2 kiwi fruit, thinly sliced

Layer each fruit in a circular pattern on the cream cheese topping, one fruit at a time.

Pizza Glaze:

- 1/2 cup apricot preserves
- 2 tbl. brandy

In a small saucepan, cook down apricot preserves and brandy at medium heat to

form pizza glaze. Using a pastry brush, spread glaze over fruit toppings. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

PICNIC STYLE HAM SANDWICHES

- 1 lb. slivered boiled ham
- 1/2 pound margarine, softened
- 1/2 tsp. mustard
- 1 onion, chopped fine
- 1 tbl. poppy seeds
- 12 onion rolls

In medium bowl, mix together margarine, mustard, onion and poppy seeds. Spread mixture on buns. Layer ham on top of mixture. Freeze until ready to use. At time of use, preheat oven to 350 degrees. Bake sandwiches for about 30 minutes. Slightly cool and serve with fresh fruit in season.

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cover story

Paradise found: Garden is floral bonanza

It seems there's a place for everything - well, almost everything - in Catherine Wade's yard.

The Livonia resident presides over a floral celebration of a wide variety of flowers in front and back of her house, from scatterings of sweet William, delicate like confetti, to a flourish of hibiscus, dramatic like a trumpet call.

"I just love to come out and sit," said Wade, 82.

Her son, Tom, also of Livonia, selects and places the flowers every year as a hobby.

"He wants me to be happy."

Ron Rogers, a friend of Tom's, is in the business and has access to plants for the placements. This year Tom followed a tropical theme with many of the flowers and plants, including a pineapple tree, a sego palm, dracaena and water lilies.

An exotic look is also carried in the front yard by a pond featuring a gently trickling waterfall, rocks, fish, tadpole and turtle. The pond is near the porch, which will be sheltered from the full sun in the afternoon by an electric awning.

"In the morning I like to come out on the porch and sit in the swing and read my paper."

Little pathways wind through a mixture of gerber daisies, moss roses, bleeding heart, Mexican heather, crawling Japanese evergreen, columbine, begonias and other blooming beauties. Among the accents interspersed through the flowers are coral rock and



Impressive iris: Gentle irises stand in a mini-garden shared by Wade and her next-door neighbors.

sculpted angels, children, elves and mushrooms.

Near the curb, pockets of flowers fill the corners of the yard.

The back yard measures about 60 by 60 feet. Containers of black-eyed Susans, daisies, geraniums, pansies, verbena, delphiniums and petunias (Mrs. Wade's favorite) are displayed on a deck here.

Flowers also form a colorful, kaleidoscopic border around the house. Clematis, hollyhock, dianthus and rhododendron are some of the plants.

Wade has lived at the address since 1987. Work done on the property since then included removing a pond from the center of the back yard, creating a slide ridge that forms a little stage for an arrangement of impatiens. Evergreens were placed to make a natural fence.

Wade and next door neighbors Ken and Claudia Steinke share a perennial garden added between their two yards. This mini-garden features such unusual flowers as red lilies and white and purple Japanese iris looking as though made of tissue.

Visitors to the residence enjoy whatever scene they take in, wherever they are.

"They think it's gorgeous."

On the cover:

Magnificent lilies are among the many flowers in Catherine Wade's garden.



Beaming among the blooms:

Catherine Wade and dog Jenny pose in the Livonia resident's garden. Wade's son, Tom, arranged a floral bonanza, with such accents as a waterfall, in designing the garden.

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inviting ideas

Invite summer guests to 'popover'



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

This cool Michigan summer weather seems to spark unexpected guests to pop over for a visit.

Nothing to serve these welcomed but uninvited visitors? A quick check in the fridge and pantry — eggs, milk, butter, flour, salt, and perhaps a jar of jam — and you are in business. Here are the makings for Popovers (Yorkshire Pudding).

Yorkshire Pudding has its roots in England, specifically traditional to North English Sunday dinners, and is most often served as an accompaniment to roast beef.

In Yorkshire it is served with any type of roasted meat, or sometimes served before the meat with gravy, and then again at the end of the meal cold with treacle (a golden type molasses) or golden syrup. These English products can be found at the Hiller's Food Emporium, Shopping Center Markets and other specialty stores.

In Lancashire, the Yorkshire Pudding is often topped with sugar and served after the meat course. Throughout England it is also common to find sugar sprinkled on popcorn instead of salt.

When I lived in the U.K., I heard it told that the Yorkshire pudding was used to fill up the hard-working men with starch, in hopes that they would soon fall asleep after the meal, freeing the ladies up for working on their knit-

ting, embroidery and other female-oriented projects.

In making Yorkshire pudding, there are a myriad of recipes, all variations of one another — ingredients the same, proportions differing.

Many old English recipe purists have the Yorkshire pudding cooked beneath the beef, in the same pan, so that it absorbs all those meaty flavors. If making it this way, it won't have a crisp exterior. Other purists believe it should be made in a rectangular pan, and not made in individual servings. The shape is the choice of the cook!

There is also nothing written in culinary stone that says Yorkshire pudding must be served along with a roast. It makes for a great accompaniment for a salad, soup or alone with jam, jelly, curd (lemon, raspberry or orange), or take it to the Lancashire concept of sweet and top with powdered sugar or cinnamon sugar, or drizzle with some pure maple syrup.

While these golden brown puffs of crisp crust and light, fluffy, eggy centers are easy to make and don't need an abundance of ingredients, those of you who want to avoid the work at all costs can buy them freshly made at the Oakland Mall Hudson's Department Store Restaurant for \$1.50 each. Hudson's still has the best popovers in town, where they are served instead of a roll or biscuit with an entree.

Unfortunately, not all of the Hudson's stores have them or even restaurants anymore. Check with each store individually before going on the hunt to find their wonderful popovers.

In England the old simple recipe for Yorkshire pudding seems to stand the test of time (except for A Toad in the Hole — before putting the batter into the oven, put some lightly browned sausages into the tin).

In America, we are seeing variations of these wonderful popovers — some with fresh or dried herbs or a favorite cheese sprinkled on top, cheese added to the batter, or an actual dropped pudding (before putting into oven add some fresh apple and cinnamon sugar and serve as a sweet).

You can mix and match your favorite herbs to the batter — keep in mind what you are serving with your popovers and keep the flavors compatible. If making a roast and doing Yorkshire pudding as an accompaniment, use the pan drippings as your grease!

Brian Kimball, executive chef at Oakland Mall Hudson's, has graciously shared the Hudson's recipe for popovers with us.

HUDSON'S POPOVERS

Yield: 25 portions (3.33 ounces each) — to reduce amount, just divide — the recipe stays stable.

Ingredients:

6 1/2 ounces scrambled eggs (uncooked)
1 2/3 cup milk
6 1/2 ounces flour
1 1/2 ounces melted butter
1/2 teaspoon Kosher salt

Directions:

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Place popover pans in oven to preheat.

Combine eggs, milk and melted butter.

Slowly add flour and salt.

Batter should be light, but not foamy. Don't over mix (some lumps will remain).

Pour batter into well-greased preheated popover pans (smooth muffin tins 3 inches deep and 2 1/2 inches across), filling 3/4 full.

Place pans on a baking tray and bake until very brown and well done (approximately 1 hour). Serve hot with pads of butter.

ANOTHER AMERICAN VERSION OF POPOVERS

Yield: 12

Ingredients:

4 tablespoons grease of choice (oil, bacon grease, etc.)

2 eggs

1 cups milk

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 cup all-purpose flour

Directions:

In a bowl with a wire whisk, beat eggs, add milk and salt. Gradually add flour, and beat until relatively smooth. Let the batter sit for 1 hour.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.

To the muffin tins, add the grease — divide 4 tablespoons among the 12 tins.

Heat the muffin pan with the grease for 5 minutes. Rebeat the batter slightly, and then pour in 2-1/2 tablespoons of batter per cup. Bake 30 minutes until golden brown and crisp.

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Here are suggestions to help make your garden friendly to pets

The term "pet-friendly garden" evokes images of extravagant doghouses, birdbaths and decorative sunflowers.

In reality, to be "pet-friendly" a garden must simply meet an animal's most basic needs — food, water and shelter, the Metropolitan Detroit Landscape Association said.

Although it may seem preferable to keep pets indoors, animals, like people, can benefit from outdoor activity. Given that spring is the optimal time for planting a garden, it makes sense to take the few simple extra steps that are necessary to make your garden pet- and wildlife-friendly.

For wildlife, i.e. birds and butterflies, providing food, water and shelter isn't as difficult as it may sound.

■ By adhering to these and other simple guidelines, both you and your pet will blossom in your pet-friendly garden this summer.

A garden that includes ponds, basins and sprinklers, as well as seed, fruit and nectar-producing plants, can usually accommodate the food and water requirements of garden wildlife. Bird feeders with seed and suet are also appropriate for regular feeding.

For shelter, feel free to incorporate birdhouses, trees, large shrubs, rock piles and woodpiles into your garden, but keep shade trees to a minimum so as not to block the sunlight required by butterflies and fruit- and nectar-bearing plants.

And how do you wag the dog's tail? Doghouses made of straw and situated under a tree can keep your canine cool on hot summer days. Make sure that your garden contains no toxic plants, such as yews, that your dog may inadvertently chew. Also, change your pet's water daily and keep the bowl clean to ensure good health.

Ideally, a dog-friendly garden should have ample open spaces to facilitate exercise. Small trees and tough shrubs

provide interesting mile-markers for Fido's race.

To ensure that delicate plants in your garden aren't trampled in the midst of play, display them behind a barrier of small hedges such as boxwood or privet. You can also create boundaries for your dog using shrubs and small trees.

Walking your dog around the yard with a lead several times a day provides the training necessary to establish limits. Commands consistent with this training will help reinforce the behavior.

By adhering to these and other simple guidelines, both you and your pet will blossom in your pet-friendly garden this summer.



focus on photography

Instruments are noteworthy subjects



MONTE NAGLER

Do you have the photography blues not knowing what new and exciting subjects you can shoot?

If so, perhaps a solo performance is in order. Photographing musical instruments can be just the ticket for you.

Musical instruments can be dramatic subjects, indeed. Take pianos, for instance. A close look will reveal an abundance of geometric designs consisting of curves and angles all surrounded by the sheen and grain of polished wood.

Behind the keyboard are patterns of strings and hammers awaiting your photographic vision. All of these can be impressively captured on film. Look for an unusual camera angle that will enhance your shot.

Change the tempo and look at other instruments, too. Reflections in a polished brass tuba, looking straight into the throat of a trumpet, or a closeup of the strings on a violin will all reward you with a shot of which you will be proud.

Don't overlook the intimacy of a harp. How about making a bang with your pictures by shooting details of percussion instruments? Look closely; they and many more opportunities are awaiting your camera.

As in all good photography, pay attention to proper exposure, depth-of-field, and, of course, watch your backgrounds. Try for plain, unobtrusive backgrounds so that attention is keyed to the instruments themselves.

But at times a background can help your picture. On a recent trip to new friends in Forest, Ontario, I saw this charming chaise in front of a plant-adorned window. The addition of a violin and bow was just the right touch for the photograph shown here.



Take a bow: All elements of the composition worked in perfect harmony to produce this delightful photo for Nagler's camera.

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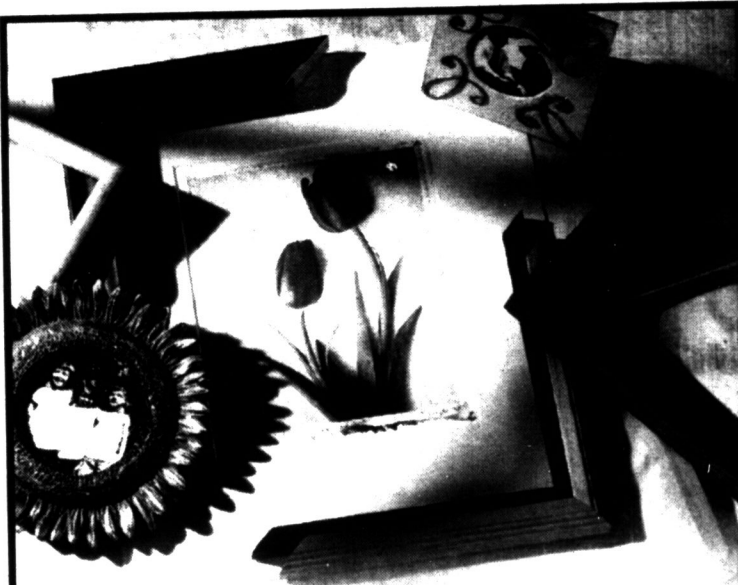
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Plan to tour special area gardens

BY MARTY FIGLEY
Special Writer

The gardening season is in full swing when garden clubs sponsor their annual garden walks.

Several clubs have been working diligently to prepare for successful affairs. Most will offer refreshments, many will have garden-related boutique items and plants.

You may wish to cut this article out of the paper and keep it handy so you won't miss a single one!

In chronological order the garden walks are:

■ Hardy Plant Society, 3 p.m. Saturday, June 20 (rain date: June 21) - Visit the gardens at Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road at Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Free admission.

Enjoy the beautiful gardens that feature a large selection of roses, perennials, day lilies and peonies. Many unusual perennials and native plants will be offered for sale. For information, fax (248) 932-4315.

■ Franklin Village Garden Club, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 24 - Seven private gardens in Franklin Village will be open for viewing. One very

lovely garden is listed in the Garden Conservancy directory and contains a pond, unusual plants and specimen trees. Many sculptures grace the grounds.

The gazebo on the Village Franklin Green, south of 14 Mile and just west of Franklin Road by Franklin Community Church, will be the site of special goodies for sale, including baked goods and garden crafts.

A salad buffet luncheon will be served at the church; seatings 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Tickets (200 available) are \$7.

Tickets, \$8, will be available 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 24 at the gazebo. Pre-sale ticket deadline is Wednesday, June 17. Call (248) 646-8033 for information.

■ Lathrup Village Historical Society, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 27 - In addition to some of Lathrup's beautiful private gardens, several Lathrup homes will be open for viewing.

One not-to-be-missed garden contains plants for both sun and shade and features a small pond in the center. An old ornamental wooden bench is adorned with live variegated ivy from the owner's wedding bouquet.

Free refreshments will be available. A garden boutique, at the shelter in the park adjacent to the Municipal Office Building, will offer plants, garden statuary, unusual garden accessories and giftware for sale. Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority volunteers will staff display tables with pertinent garden information.

Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 the day of the tour and \$8 for seniors (60+), and are available at the Lathrup Village City Offices, 27400 Southfield Road between 11 and 12 Mile. Proceeds will support beautification projects sponsored by the society. For information, call (248) 559-0087 or (248) 559-4967.

■ Friends for Development of Greenmead, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 27 - Seven outstanding Livonia gardens will be open, one of which is lovingly cared for by the owner, a horticulturist at Greenfield Village (this is obvious in her own charming garden).

A plant sale will take place at Greenmead Historical Village, Newburgh and Eight Mile in Livonia.

Tickets are \$7 in advance, available at Greenmead, Community Resources at Livonia City Hall (Five Mile and Farmington Road) and Livonia libraries; and

\$8 day of tour, available at Hill House at Greenmead and the lobby of the Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington Road. All proceeds go toward the restoration and preservation of Greenmead. Call (734) 466-2540 for information.

■ Troy Garden Club, morning, afternoon and evening sessions Wednesday, July 8 - Six outstanding Troy gardens will be open for this 24th annual garden walk, which is entitled "Today's Seeds are the Beauty of Tomorrow."

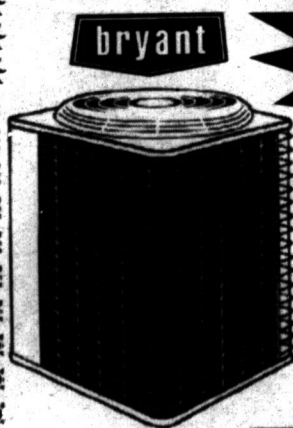
Visitors will learn about gardening on small lots where ideas abound as the owners enjoy the flowers they grow. An Oriental garden was influenced by one gardener's heritage.

Refreshments will be served at several gardens. A craft boutique will offer copper garden art, baskets, jams, jellies, mustards and handpainted pots. A raffle will also be conducted.

Tickets are \$7 in advance now through June 30 (send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with check made payable to Troy Garden Club to 1898 Lyster Lane, Troy 48098) and \$10 day of walk. For information, call (248) 879-9160.

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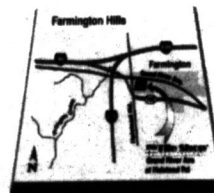
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Gardens from page D12

■ Country Garden Club of Northville, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 15 (severe weather date: July 16) - Six outstanding gardens of Northville will be open for viewing. Visitors will have the opportunity to stroll through the colorful gardens of historic Mill Race Village.

Beverages and cookies will be available at Cady Inn. Accessories and plants offered by local vendors, raffle prizes and music on the green will be featured.

Tickets are \$8 after June 15 from gardenviews in Northville, the Northville Chamber of Commerce and Brainerd Greenhouse of Wixom.

■ Farmington Garden Club, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 18 - "Rhapsody of Flowers" will feature garden designs including floral and architectural components to enhance the landscape.

Six private, colorful gardens in the Farmington-Farmington Hills area will be showcased. Among them are a mid-19th century-designed property and a contemporary landscape with life-size bronze animals.

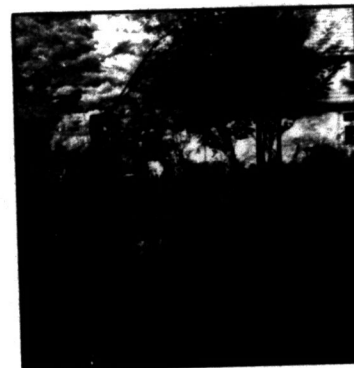
Refreshments will be served. A special boutique in the Visitors Center in Heritage Park, west of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile, where the tour

begins, will offer garden-related items.

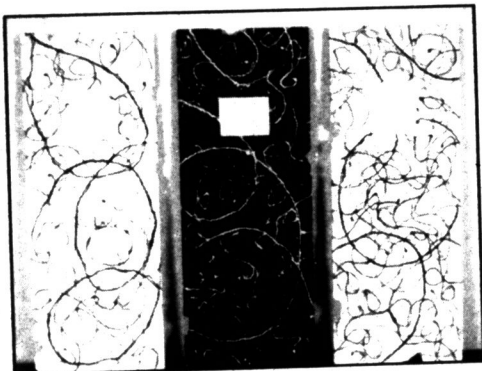
Tickets are \$7, free for under age 12, and will be available the day of the event at the Visitors Center. Advance tickets may be bought at McFarland's Florist, The Vines Flower & Garden Shop, Springbrook Gardens, Schroeter's Flowers & Gifts, Steinkopf Nursery, Farmington Florists and Hearts & Flowers. For information, call (248) 477-3854.

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■ The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, offers a variety of classes and events related to the home and garden, as well as to hobbies, including "Ceramic Tile Installation," Thursday, June 11; "Shade Gardening," Tuesday, June 16; and the three-session "Photography in the Garden," Thursdays, June 18 and 25, and Monday, June 22. Call the program department at (248) 644-5832 for registration and information.

■ Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club is sponsoring a bus tour Friday, July 24, to Michigan State University's Hidden Lake Gardens near Tipton, Mich. Price is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members and includes a box lunch. Final sign-up date is Thursday, June 25. For reservations and more information, call (248) 656-2187.

■ "New Wood," an exhibit of wood furniture and accessories by more than a dozen artists nationwide, will run through August at Gallery:FunctionART, 21 N. Saginaw in Pontiac. An

opening reception will take place 7-10 p.m. Friday, June 12. Call (248) 333-0333. The show features lively organic forms, sleek modernist expressions and innovative new surface decorations. Of special interest is the new furniture by Robert Watson of Pontiac from historical architectural elements such as columns, pilasters and window panes reclaimed from homes in and around Pontiac. Other artists include the Architectural Arts League and Fernando Calderon of Michigan, Paul Sasso of Kentucky, Scott Grove and Peter Harrison of New York, Jack Larimore, Rachel Fuld and Jane Swanson of Pennsylvania, and Joel Urruty of North Carolina.

■ The adult education program of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens presents many different classes, including the three-session "Photography in Gardens," Thursday, Saturday and Tuesday, June 11, 13 and 16; and "Wednesday Summer Hiker," two Wednesdays, June 17 and 24. Call (734) 998-7061 for fees and other information.

■ Learn to make a fitted slipcover for a side chair or simple armchair in a six-session class taking place Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning June 11 at Haberman Fabrics, 117 W. Fourth in Royal Oak. Bring your chair to the first class, with a helper to get it up the stairs; the chair will remain in the classroom until the

last session. Call (248) 541-0010 for registration and information.

■ The University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens' Environmental Learning Fund continues its speaker/workshop series Saturday, June 13, with "Seeing Through Native Eyes" with Jon Young of the Wilderness Awareness School. The class will take place 3-10 p.m. with a potluck dinner break. Cost is \$10 for the general public, free for students with a valid ID. To register or for more information, call (734) 998-7061.

■ The 26th annual Historic Indian Village Home and Garden Tour will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 13, featuring seven elegant residences in Detroit. Advance tickets, \$10 per person, may be bought at the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson at Burns (call (313) 822-3466) or the Iroquois Avenue Christ Lutheran Church, 2411 Iroquois at Vernor (call (313) 921-2667). Tickets on tour day are \$15 per person and will be sold 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, the Iroquois Avenue Christ Lutheran Church and the Waldorf School, 2555 Burns at Charlevoix (call (313) 822-0300). For recorded information, call (313) 922-0911. The tour is a fund-raiser for the area's beautification, education and preservation efforts to

restore, maintain and enhance the distinctive community.

■ The Roses-West Rose Society presents its first rose show Saturday, June 13, in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile, west of Novi Road. Call (248) 347-0400. Hours open to the public are 2-5 p.m. Miniature roses will be for sale.

■ The Michigan State University Tollgate Gardens Volunteers are sponsoring a spring plant sale noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 13, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, June 14, at the MSU Tollgate Education Center, 12 Mile and Meadowbrook in Novi. MSU master gardeners will be on hand to answer questions. Call (248) 347-3860, Ext. 300, for information.

■ The Iris Club of Southeast Michigan will have an iris show 12:30 p.m. Saturday, June 13, at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center, 3500 Marais, three blocks east of Crooks and three blocks north of 13 Mile. Admission is free. Call (248) 288-0828. Blooms will include Siberian and possibly Japanese irises.

■ The Metropolitan Rose Society will have its annual rose show Saturday-Sunday, June 13-14, at Macomb Mall, 32233 Gratiot between 13 and 14 Mile in Roseville. Call (248) 689-9529 for information.

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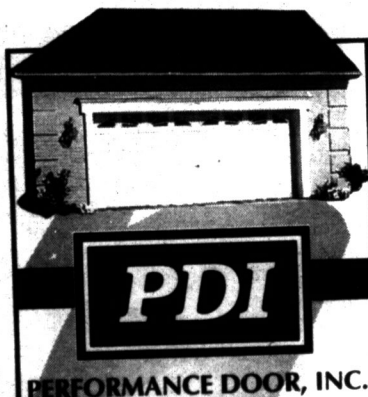
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Some plants need coaxing to reach skyward. Tomato plants, unstaked,

sprawl. Long, blue spires of delphinium really want to grow upward, but they are too easily toppled by rain and wind.

For any annual plant that needs help getting off the ground, plant the stake and plant together to avoid root damage.

Tie soft strings tightly to stakes, then loosely around stems. Strips torn from rags also make useful, soft ties. Tomato fruits will break wooden stakes less than an inch thick; bamboo stakes or long, straight saplings are sturdy enough for flowers.

Pole beans, moonflowers, Dutchman's pipe, and morning glories are among plants that climb by twining stems.

Drive individual poles into the ground, or tie three or four together teepee style. These poles need to be less than an inch in diameter or the stems won't be able to curl around them. You can also train twining plants up strings stretched between metal eyelets screwed near the base and roof of your house or garage wall.

Another way that plants climb is by means of tendrils that can actually reach out and grasp onto any sort of support.

Grapevines clamber to the tops of trees this way, although in the garden the vines are more manageable restricted to arbors, fences or two-wire trellises. Wire fences can provide support for the groping tendrils of cucumber, pea and melon plants. To keep the melon fruit from falling from their own weight, cradle each one in a mesh bag, such as ones in which onions are sold, and pin the bags to the fence with clothespins.

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■ Tours of the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens' Conservatory, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor, will take place Sundays, June 14 and 28. The warm-temperate house at the Conservatory is undergoing renovations and you can visualize the end results as you see the work in progress. Conservatory admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students (K-12) and free for preschoolers, UM students and Members of Matthaei. Call (734) 998-7061.

■ The Detroit Historical Society's Sunday Stroll program continues this month with a tour of the Woodbridge Historic District June 14 and the Joseph Berry Subdivision June 28. Rain or shine, tours begin 2 p.m. and last two to three hours. Tickets are \$10, or \$5 for DHS members. You can charge tickets over the phone by calling (313) 833-1405 during normal business hours. Tickets aren't sold on the day of the stroll. Meeting place and parking instructions will

be on the tickets, which are mailed in advance of the event. Other Sunday Strolls are scheduled in September and October.

■ Get ready to entertain this summer as a representative of Weber grills discusses the ease of assembly and versatility of the grills, a gift idea for Father's Day, 2-3 p.m. Sunday, June 14, in Hudson's Marketplace at Twelve Oaks in Novi.

■ The Iris Club of Southeast Michigan will meet 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 18, at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center, 3500 Marais, three blocks east of Crooks and three blocks north of 13 Mile. Admission is free. Call (248) 280-0848. Club member Ann Cline will give a presentation including a discussion on growing bearded iris, slides of the six different bearded classifications, and a demonstration on how to divide bearded irises.

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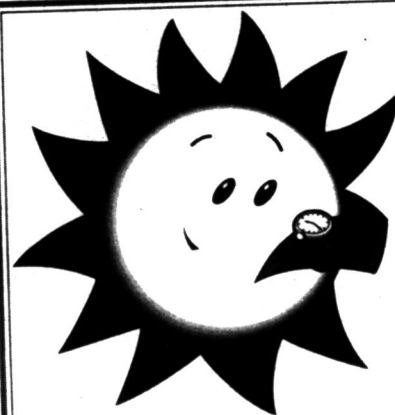


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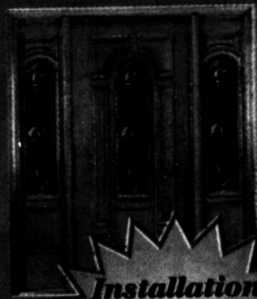
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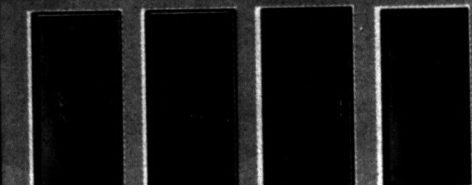
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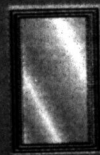


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SATURDAY



"Where in the World of Music is Carmen Sandiego?" Bobby Weinapple as "Inspector Clue-Not" and conductor Gary Sheldon "Senior Investigator" will help you find out during a Young People's Concert with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, 11 a.m. at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$18 to \$7, call (313) 576-5111.

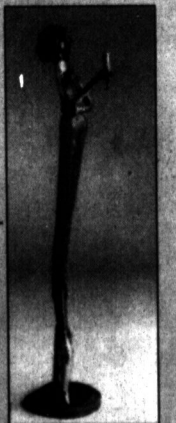
SUNDAY



Scandia Women's Chorus performs at the Swedish Club, 22398 Ruth St. in Farmington Hills during the Midsummer Celebration. Event begins 9:30 a.m. with pancake breakfast, call (248) 478-2563 for details.

HOT TICKET

Hot tip: Spend the weekend enjoying art by L.H. Turdy and other artists. The West Bloomfield Art Festival takes place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 13-14 outdoors at the Henry Ford Medical Center campus, along 15 Mile Road, just past Orchard Lake Road, (248) 626-3636. Livonia Arts Commission presents its Arts and Craft and Fine Arts shows 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 13, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 14 at Greenmead Historical Village, 20501 Newburgh Road, (south of Eight Mile Road), Livonia. (248) 477-7375.



Filmmakers revisit the 'Hudson's Building'

Downtown Hudson's - few words illicit a stronger, emotionally charged response in metro Detroiters. Hudson's was more than a place to shop, it was a member of the family.

"People have deep thoughts about the building whether they worked or shopped there," said Gary Glaser of Troy who wrote and produced "The Hudson's Building" with Dave Toorongian. The documentary will be shown this Saturday at the Detroit Historical Museum, and air Sunday on Channel 56.

"The Hudson's Building"

Documentary will be shown at the Detroit Historical Museum 1 p.m. Saturday, June 13. Filmmakers Gary Glaser and Dave Toorongian will be present to answer questions.

Tune in WTVS Channel 56, 7 p.m. Sunday, June 14 to see the documentary on TV.

"Remembering Downtown Hudson's"

What: a nostalgic look at what made the store an icon of the city's prosperous era.

Where: The Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit.

When: Exhibit runs through December. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.

Cost: Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays, call (313) 833-1805.

Sunday, Flag Day, is significant because that's the day Hudson's unfurled the world's largest flag from 1923 to 1976. It weighed 900 pounds and it took 55 men to hoist it on the Woodward Ave. side of the building. It's a fitting salute, and eulogy, for the Hudson's building. Demolition appears imminent. It was scheduled for June 21, but postponed because of concern over the number of people who would be downtown for the Freedom Festival.

"It will be a media spectacle," said Glaser. "It will be quite an event. We're attempting to find a perch to film it. We're not going to revise our documentary, but filming it will bring it to a close. I know a lot of people will be upset. They are really sad and think it's not a good thing for the city."

"The Hudson's Building" doesn't defend preservationists who have tried to save the building, nor does it exclude voices



Flag Day Salute: Hudson's displayed the world's largest flag on the Woodward side of the building every Flag Day from 1923 to 1976.

of developers who want to tear it down.

Glaser and Toorongian objectively present each point of view, asking questions to stimulate debate.

"The Hudson's Building" recalls some of the things that made Hudson's special - the Maurice salad, chicken pot pies, elevators and spectacular service. But it's not just about the store, it's about the way Hudson's fate was decided, and what that means for the future of Detroit.

"There's even some beauty in how the building is now," said Glaser. "We've worked hard to get beauty shots of the building."

Hudson's looks grand in the documentary, during the day underneath a clear blue sky and at night basked in the light of a full moon.

Sounds of yesteryear - the gentle clip-clop of horses - take viewers back to Hudson's downtown, which served metro Detroiters from 1891 to 1983. You can almost taste Hudson's famous chicken pot pie and Maurice salad as Jessie Schneidewind remembers getting a job in the food service department during the Depression.

Please see HUDSON'S, E2

MUSIC

Ann Arbor festival celebrates summer

The Ann Arbor Summer Festival may be in its 15th year but, for the organization, it's business as usual.

"We're going to have a really big celebration in coordination with the Harry Belafonte opening night event but that's not really a celebration so much of the anniversary. It's one of our annual benefits," said Colleen Murdock, the festival's marketing coordinator.

Belafonte will perform his hits including "Banana Boat" and "Island in the Sun" 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20 at the Power Center for the Performing Arts in Ann Arbor.

At 10 p.m. an afterglow reception will be held at the University of Michigan Alumni Center and will offer hors d'oeuvres, desserts, coffee and wine for \$25.

This year's Ann Arbor Summer Festival begins Friday, June 19, with the Community High Jazz Orchestra and the Ambassadors performing at the Top of the Park above the Power Center and ends with local rockabilly cats George Bedard and the Kingpins entertaining crowds at the park on Sunday, July 12.

The concerts take place in two locations throughout the month-long festival - at the Power Center and at the Top of the Park. Sundays through Thursdays families can relax on a blanket and watch films at Top of the Park. This year's schedule includes "Psycho," "Space Jam," "African Queen," "Saturday Night Fever," and "Men in Black."

Willie Nelson was originally scheduled to perform June 24 but has been replaced by Loretta Lynn.

"It was kind of inconvenient for us, that's for sure. But I sat down and I

thought about it. If I were Willie Nelson would I want to go to the Midwest and do six tour dates or go to Europe to make a movie? Going to Europe for a summer sounds good for me," Murdock said with a laugh.

Booking Lynn to perform was somewhat of a coup for the festival.

"Within three days we were able to confirm Loretta Lynn which was really a boon for us. She hasn't toured in the last five years. Now she has a new gospel album coming out to support," she explained.

The 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 24, Loretta Lynn concert will be preceded by the festival's second benefit, the Blue Skies Barbecue at 5:30 p.m. The \$125 tickets, which includes a \$50 tax-deductible donation to the festival, offer a pre-show barbecue, priority concert seating and a "toe-tappin'" champagne afterglow reception.

"We're going to have line dancing taught by Thomas Chavez of Ann Arbor. He's a real local favorite. Everyone in town knows who he is. I've take ballroom dancing from him and there was some really flamboyant people there," Murdock said.

Aside from Lynn, a host of other performers will make their festival debuts - Janis Ian and Ritchie Havens, Three Speed which features members of the Holy Cows, and The Derailers. Youngsters will make their bow on the Power Center stage.

"We're going to have the Festival Youth Arts Showcase where we'll have youth performing groups on the Power Center main stage," she said.

Featured performers on the Sunday,

Please see SUMMER, E2



At the crossroads: Amy Grant takes a bold step forward through her music with "Behind The Eyes," her newest release.

Amy Grant gets down to earth with new album

Singer/songwriter Amy Grant is feeling "earthier" this days.

For her latest album "Behind The Eyes" (A&M), Grant composed songs on an acoustic guitar making for a more vulnerable and revealing album.

"I just think songs written on an acoustic guitar tend to be earthier," Grant explained.

"It's an instrument you can wrap your arms around. Life becomes really beautiful and raw as you approach your mid- to late-30s. Statistics basically say your life is halfway through."

"The big part of it is a 'forever young'

AMY GRANT

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approach to life. You have to step back and humbly say, 'Wow. What is it? What are the things I've invested in that really mattered? There's nothing wrong with looking at your life honestly.'"

Prior to making "Behind the Eyes," Grant was asked why she had written songs that failed to represent her true self. In response to that she went behind her eyes to "make a record that might inadvertently shake up people's perceptions of me. What I found was that it shook me up most of all."

For example, in the song "Leave It All Behind," with which she co-wrote with William Owsley, she encourages an estranged lover to go away with her to rebuild their relationship. In "Every Road," the main character admits that he or she tried to leave "but every road that lead me/Leads me back to you."

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Summer from page E1

June 21, bill include the Community High 2 O'Clock Jazz Ensemble, The Community Players with selected pieces from the musical "Fame," DEMI Dance Ensemble of Michigan, Arbor Creek Suzuki violin students, violinist Melissa White, and The

Ann Arbor Summer Festival

When: Friday, June 19-Sunday, July 12, at the Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor, and the Top of the Park on a top level of the Power Center parking structure.

Tickets: Will be available through Saturday, June 13, at the box office at Burton Memorial Tower, University of Michigan campus from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday-Friday, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

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Harry Belafonte, 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20. \$31-\$40.

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The Robert Cray Band, 8 p.m. Monday, June 22. \$18-\$27.

Loretta Lynn, 8 p.m. Wednesday,

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Smothers Brothers, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 25. \$21-\$30.

Kol Simcha, 8 p.m. Friday, June 26. \$15 and \$18.

Haf Holbrook in "Mark Twain Tonight," 8 p.m. Saturday, June 27. \$19-\$28.

Gemini, 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28. \$10, \$5 children ages 12 and younger.

Dave Brubeck, 8 p.m. Monday, June 29. \$16-\$25.

Janis Ian and Ritchie Havens, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30. \$11-\$20.

The Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic with Peter Ostroushko and Dean Magraw, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 2. \$9-\$18.

Monix, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3. \$14-\$23. Performance contains partial nudity.

Capitol Steps, 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4. \$12-\$21.

Three Men and a Tenor, 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 7. \$15 and \$18.

Flying Karamazov Brothers, 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 8. \$11-\$20.

Peter Sparling Dance Company, 8 p.m. Friday, July 10. \$10-\$19.

The Chenille Sisters, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 11. \$11-\$20.

Hudson's from page E1

Namon J. Clarke, elevator supervisor from 1949 to 1979, explains how the elevator starters and operators spread goodwill and courtesy.

Like fashion, Hudson's changed with the times, and celebrated holidays and key events in the lives of Detroiters. It was a big part of family life. Thomas and Judy Smyczynski, former and current Hudson's employees, share home movies, and talk about what it was like to shop there, and how they, like lots of metro Detroiters, wouldn't think of beginning their Christmas shopping until after the Hudson's Thanksgiving Day parade when Santa officially arrived.

There's a hilarious story told by Dennis "Machine Gun" Thompson, drummer for the MC5 about Hudson's refusal to carry their album because of that word in their famous song — "Kick out the Jams blank, blank" led to an even better record contract with Atlantic.

After reaching a peak in the

1950s, Hudson's downtown started to decline as their customers began moving to the suburbs.

"I go to cities and get cities envy," said Glaser. "We destroy our history, we want newer, bigger, better, brighter, the new 1999 model. It's planned obsolescence."

The debate over the building's fate between developers who wanted to tear it down, and preservationists with visions of development combining residential, retail and office space began after Hudson's closed in 1983.

Glaser and Toorongian let the viewer decide, presenting each side. You'll meet Larry Marantette, president of the Greater Downtown Partnership, which lobbied for demolition. Jim Turner, president of Preservation Wayne, and Randy Alexander, developer of the Alexander Co., Inc., which renovated a former cold storage facility in Cleveland.

A public hearing was sched-

uled to discuss the Hudson's building but canceled after the city council voted to demolish it.

"It's not the plan but the process that upset people," said Glaser. "There was way too much decided behind closed doors, and this is public money being spent. There were a lot hidden advantages to it being redeveloped, historic tax credits, it would have helped bring more people downtown. Look at the Fox, they could have easily let that go and made it a parking lot. We need people living downtown to make it a neighborhood."

The filmmakers don't blame Hudson's for what happened — "they weren't the first to leave the city, and stayed and maintained offices downtown even after the store closed in 1983."

In the end, the developers won, and Hudson's fate is certain. "We have nothing, but positive things to say about Hudson's," said Glaser. "We want this film to be a discussion starter. We want peo-

ple to talk about it. This is like a good home cooked meal, there are issues to chew on. It looks good and tastes good, otherwise people would be bored."

As the film closes, you hear Clarke's as the filmmakers take viewers on a tour of the abandoned building. It's almost as if it's haunted.

"The building is really decimated," said Glaser. "Everything of value has been removed. The paint is falling off the ceiling and walls, you can hear a brittle, crunching sound. No heat and electricity caused the pain to fall off the walls. It's disheartening to walk through Christmasland. A lot of the graphics are still there."

As the camera scans the cafeteria, Glaser said he looks at twisted metal, and can't help but think about all the trays.

"The Hudson's Building" is a follow-up Glaser and Toorongian's Emmy Award-winning documentary of last year "Borderline: The Story of 8 Mile Road."

Grant from page E1

In her 19-year career, Grant has earned five Grammy awards and sold more than 18 million albums. Her popularity was founded on her strong belief in God, however, as her career went upward the emphasis on Christianity went downward.

"I don't know if this is the way I want the interview to go but I think the human experience tends to be that when someone first discovers the love of God they're doodling crosses everywhere," Grant explained.

"The youth group is their main social activity and Christianity is their main kind of conversation. When you look at your own life experiences, I'm guessing that there was a time when the

love of anything plays out in a very loud way. ... What I've done is aged and that's what everybody does."

Grant said that her crowds are just as enthusiastic.

"What I have discovered on this theater tour is some of the biggest responses I have had is to older songs. That makes me go, 'Wow.' It meant enough to this person to buy a theater-priced ticket in 1998 when they know I'm touring a new record. They have an emotional investment in this song that's 15 years old. That's a good feeling."

Besides writing songs on an acoustic guitar, Grant has returned to her roots by dodging arenas and booking her shows in

intimate theaters like the Fox Theatre in Detroit. "Last Christmas I did a Christmas tour at The Palace at Auburn Hills. The experience of it, being part of a touring company of 150 people, 11 buses and seven trucks, you've got to balance that with something," Grant explained.

"I've really looked forward to this tour. I think it's really sweet. Sweet's not the right word. I prefer the unpropped up setting to enjoy music. Somebody in the back row can say 'what about doing such and such' song and I can hear them and say it sounds like a great idea or no thanks."

Much like the Fox Theatre, Grant is enjoying this tour

because it allows her to feel the

extravagance of the 1920s-1930s.

"A lot of the theaters I have played in this tour were built in the '20s. I can really feel the impact of the nation high on the hog with the gold trimming. It's kind of interesting to go back and know that they had no idea of what was going to happen next."

As for Grant, she's unsure about the future.

"You never know what you're going to be sent tomorrow. I've made records for 20 years and it's been really fascinating to see the cycles come and go. I think the most important thing is to be aware of what moves you as a songwriter or as a listener and to be willing to pursue that."

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Anyone who has ever wondered what "And they live happily ever after" means in fairy-tale land, must take a romp in Cranbrook Woods to see St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild venture into the land of imagination. On the Greek stage, they have mounted a sprightly and enjoyable version of Stephen Sondheim's "Into the Woods" that really takes you into the woods.

And there, underneath that clouded sky, is a hint of a suggestion that Jack (John W. Rutherford) may be right when he sings "Giants in the Sky."

In reality, this open-air, wooded setting fits this contemporary "behind the scenes" look at what really happens in those ageless fairy-tales and nursery rhymes that date back in time almost to the era of the theater style itself. While the setting presented Music Director Margery Brooks and Director Amy Lynn Smith with some additional challenges, Smith creatively turned these surroundings into scenes from the show.

The audience finds themselves seated "On The Steps of the Palace," on Prince Charming's steps, and around Ann DeMay's

colorful storybook sets. A particularly strong 20 member cast humorously acted out the heroically ever after version of the Baker's Wife, Little Riding Hood, Cinderella, Jack and the Beanstalk, and Rapunzel.

Sondheim does not compose at the piano so his music is in his words, something the St. Dunstan's captured with strong "praiseworthy" diction. Clearly the jokes came across from the body microphones when the microphones weren't playing tricks on the speakers.

This speak-sing Sondheim quality doesn't allow outstanding voices like Peggy Lee's to resonate when she sings the role of Little Red Riding Hood, but the show still demands a host of quality voices.

Jamie Richards as the Baker, John W. Rutherford as Jack, Nicki Stacey as the Baker's Wife, Marnie H. Diehm as Cinderella, Kendall White as the Witch, Joshua S. Dawson as Rapunzel's Prince and Chris Steinmayer as the Wolf and Cinderella's Prince all have that essence of quality. Even though Elizabeth Robinson never sings much but "Ah's" as Rapunzel, she does it well.

A dramatic Keith Lepard narrators this ensemble work where there seems to be as many leads as there are stars in the sky. The story opens with a wish list, Cinderella wishes to go to the ball, the Baker and his wife wish for a child, and Jack's Mother (Kappy Pennington) wishes for cow that gives milk.

The cast has captured the personalities of the characters. Diehm is a warm-hearted Cinderella. Stacey personifies "the end justifies the means" philosophy as the Baker's wife. Rutherford is funny as the dim-witted Jack. Lee is articulate and cute as the Little Red Riding Hood.

The jesting trio Kimberly Parlove, Margaret Callaghan, and Jan Caci add significantly to the show as the Stepmother and her two daughters. Ironically, Steinmayer is just as slimy a Wolf as he is insincere as Prince Charming. A commanding Kendall White throws more than her pointed nails around as The Witch.

It is hard to know which witch is which, as the story unfolds in the unnarrated, ominous Act 2. Each of the characters had resorted to harming the others in the pursuit of their own ends. Everyone loses what they love in the process of "Agony" and learns that sometimes witches can be right and giants can be good. Richards is wonderful in his climatic "No More" as the Baker.

While there are no falling trees in this set, the wolf is fully clad, and the Prince has no gallop, Smith has given us a post-Simpson version of Sondheim where "the bloody shoe fits like a glove." In this land of wolves and witches, St. Dunstan's has come up with a distinctive show where the end really does justify the means.

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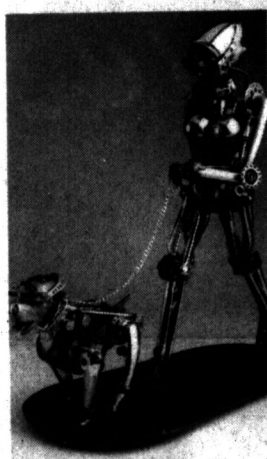
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CLASSICAL

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY
Kicks off its 25th anniversary celebration with a concert highlighting Japanese soloists Kyoko Kashiwagi, violin; Rie Yamauchi, cello, and Chitose Oakshiro, piano, 7 p.m. Sunday, June 14, at Temple Beth El, 7400 Telegraph, Birmingham. \$20, \$15 students. (248) 355-4899
"BUGS BUNNY ON BROADWAY"
8 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. (classical music) (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com
DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
"American Jubilee" features music based on the nation's favorite pastime—baseball, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday June 11-12, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, June 13, and 3 p.m. Sunday, June 14, at Orchestra Hall. \$17-\$42. (313) 578-5111

POPS/SWING

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA
9 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Cover charge, 21 and older. (swing) (248) 333-2362

AUDITIONS /WORKSHOPS

CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH YOUTHEATRE
Auditions for "Cinderella, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 19-20, all children ages 5-18 who register will be cast with the audition to determine level of talent, auditions should be prepared to sing and read from script, at the church, 3882 Highland Road (M-59) west of Cass Lake Road, Waterford. \$10 per child, \$20 per family. For performances Aug. 6-9. (810) 662-8118

HEARTLANDE THEATRE

Auditions for its first workshop production of a new musical comedy, "The Wedding Ring," written by Mike Vigilant and Gerry Castle, 6-10 p.m. Friday, June 12 and 6-7 p.m. Sunday, June 14, callbacks 7-10 p.m. Sunday, June 14, prepare one song with piano score showcasing projection, comedy and acting ability, in Room 134 at Varner Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 988-1094, ext. 1. Six performances during summer festival Aug. 6-16 on stage at Meadow Brook.

JAZZ & SPIRIT DANCE THEATRE OF DETROIT

Auditions for professional modern and jazz dancers, 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, June 15, bring photo and resume, at the Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers, between McNichols and Seven Mile, Detroit. (313) 862-0966

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
THEATER GUILD OF REDFORD-LIVONIA
Offers acting classes for youth in grades K-9 beginning Saturday, June 20 to July 25, classes for grades K-2 are 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., grades 3-6 10:30 a.m. to 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

DETROIT CONCERT CHOIR
"America Sings," 8 p.m. Friday, June 19, at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods. (313) 882-0118

SCANDIA WOMEN'S CHORUS/ARPI MALE CHORUS

Perform at the Swedish Club of Farmington Hills Midsummer Festival, activities begin with a Swedish Pancakes and Sausage Breakfast 9:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, June 14, followed by Maypole raising at noon then the entertainment, buffet at 2:30 p.m., at 22398 Ruth St., Farmington Hills. (248) 478-2563/646-4073



Midsummer celebration: The Arpi Male Chorus will perform at the Swedish Club of Farmington Hills Midsummer Festival on Sunday.

ORGAN

MOTOR CITY THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY
Movies and concerts series continues with "An American in Paris" starring Gene Kelly, Leslie Caron and Oscar Levant, guest organist all performances Tony O'Brien, 7:30 p.m. Friday June 12, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 13, the Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser at Grand River, Detroit. Organ overture precedes film, guest organist Gus Borman. \$25.00. (313) 531-4407

JAZZ

MOSE ALLISON TRIO
9 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 12-13, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

SEAN BLACKMAN AND JOHN ARNOLD
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 12-13, Rattlesnake Club, 300 River Place, Detroit. Free. 21 and older. (gypsy jazz) (313) 567-4400

GARY BLUMER TRIO
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, June 19, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums) (248) 645-2150

CELLO JAZZ
6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, June 12, Kellogg Park, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, downtown Plymouth. Free. All ages. (734) 453-1234

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND
8 p.m. Thursday, June 25, in Heritage Park, on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Free. (734) 261-2202/(248) 489-3412

"GUITARS AND SAXES"
With Jonathan Butler, Richard Elliot and Kirk Whalum, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 12, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20-\$35. All ages. (313) 961-5451

HEIDI NEPLER & MICHELE RAMO

6-10 p.m. Mondays, at Too Chezy, 27155 Sheraton Dr., Novi; 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays at Encore in the Quality Inn, 1801 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills; 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) 348-5555/(248) 335-3790/(248) 626-7393/(248) 474-3033/(248) 305-7333

"JAZZ IN THE STREETS"

The Detroit Historical Society's series continues with Jazz for a New Generation: Harold McKinney & McKinfolk, 6-9 p.m. Thursday, June 18, at the museum, 5401 Woodward and Kirby, Detroit. \$15 includes valet parking. (313) 833-1805

KATHY KOSINS TRIO
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, June 13, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

STEVE LACY
8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

SHEILA LANDIS
With Dennis Sheridan and Rick Matie, 8-10 p.m. Friday, June 19, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Troy. Free. All ages. (248) 652-0558

PHIL LASLEY
7 p.m. Thursday, June 18, as part of Music on the Plaza at Kerscheval and St. Clair roads, Grosse Pointe. Free. All ages. (313) 886-7474

LOBA AKOU
8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 19-20, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-1600

MAINSTREAM
8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 13, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave. (at Center Street, between Main and Washington streets), Royal Oak. Free. 25-cent surcharge on drinks during live entertainment. All ages. (248) 546-1400

MATT MICHAELS TRIO
8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11 with Ron Kischuk, trombone; Thursday, June 18 with Larry Nozoro, saxophone, at the Botsford Inn 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner. Reservations recommended. (248) 474-4800

CARL MICHEL AND MICHAEL GRAYE
8 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Espresso Royale, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-1838

LARRY NOZORO TRIO
8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, June 11, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

ROBERT PIPHO TRIO
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, June 12, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vibraphone and piano/bass/drums) (248) 645-2150

DOC POWELL
With Pamela Williams, 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. \$5. All ages. (313) 393-0292

ERIC REED TRIO
9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Saturday, June 13, at the SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward at Charlotte, north of Fox Theatre, Detroit. \$20 per show. (313) 832-3010/(248) 645-6666

SONNY SIMMONS/SUNNY MURRAY

9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday, June 12, at the SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward, Detroit. \$20 (good for both sets). (313) 832-3010

LARRY SMITH TRIO
8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, June 18, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

DONALD WALDEN
With David Myles and Mylestones, as part of the "Urban Moods Concert Series," 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 19, Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit. Free. All ages. (313) 494-5800

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON

With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 South Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

DAVE YOUNG TRIO
9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 19-20, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$10. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

ALEXANDER ZONJIC
7:30 p.m. Friday, June 12, Dearborn City Hall Park, Michigan Avenue and Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Free. (313) 582-3421

GOSPEL

FARMER JACK MOTOR CITY PRAPRIST

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With Milton Brunson's Community Singers, Karen Clark Sheard, The Williams Brothers, comedian Jonathan Slocumb, the Rev. Clay Evans' AARC, keyboardist Ben Tahkard and the Tribe of Benjamin, and Evangelist Beverly Crawford, noon to 1 p.m. and 5-11 p.m. Friday, June 19, noon to 11 p.m. Saturday, June 20, and 1-9:30 p.m. Sunday, June 21, Hart Plaza, Detroit. Free. All ages. (734) 459-9157 or <http://www.wattsupinc.com>

WORLD MUSIC

THE ARTICLES

10 p.m. Thursday, June 11, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (Jamaican jazz) (734) 332-0800

FRANCES BLACK

8 p.m. Friday, June 19, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (Celtic) (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

BLACK MARKET

9 p.m. Friday, June 19, The Deck above Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500

CAPERCAILLE

As seen in the film "Rob Roy," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 18, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (Celtic) (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

IMMUNITY

9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, June 12, The Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Saturday, June 13, The Deck above Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, June 19-20, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 349-9110/(313) 965-950/(248) 360-7450

PINO MARELLI

7 p.m. Thursdays, June 11 and 18, 8 p.m. Fridays, June 12 and 19, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, and Luciano's, 39031 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. Free. All ages. (English, Italian, Spanish contemporary pop standards, original material and traditional Italian songs) (810) 263-6540

TRINIDAD TRIPOLI STEEL DRUM BAND
9 p.m. Friday, June 12, The Deck above Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500

ZYDECAJUN
Featuring Wayne Toups, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 18, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50 in advance. 19 and older. (zydeco) (734) 996-8555

NEW AGE

LIZ STORY

8 p.m. Saturday, June 13, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (pianist) (734) 761-1461 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

ARLO GUTHRIE

8 p.m. Friday, June 19, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$22 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

JAN KRIST

10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 12-13, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (313) 886-8101

JO SERRAPERRE

10 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 332-0800

RICHARD SHINDELL

With Lynn Miles, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 11, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

DANCE

PROFESSIONAL BALLET SCHOOL

"A Talent Factory," under the direction of Svetlana Ageeva-Chrin, presents "The Feast of Terpsichore 98," noon Saturday, June 13, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Clinton Township. \$23, \$18. (810) 977-8780

WOLVERINE SILVERSPURS DANCERS
Country-western dancing to DJ music, 7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 13, at the Italian American Cultural Center, Warren. \$7 non-members, \$6 members. (810) 573-4993

COMEDY

"COMIC RELIEF - DETROIT"

7 p.m. Sunday, June 14, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$26.50 gold circle seats, \$10 reserved. All ages. (313) 961-5451

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

John Joseph and Johnny B, Thursday, June 11 (free), Friday-Saturday, June 12-13 (\$14); Tim Lilley, Thursday-Saturday, June 18-20, 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

Bill Thomas, 9 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, June 12-13 and 19-20 (\$6), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE

Wayne Cotter, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11 (\$9), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 12-13 (\$12), 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

Elliott Branch and Michael Jr., Thursday-Sunday, June 11-14; Ross Amicucci and Bill Thomas, Wednesday-Sunday, June 17-21, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 9:30 p.m. Fridays (\$12), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices same unless otherwise noted. (248) 542-9900 or <http://www.comedycastle.com>

SECOND CITY

at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 965-2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

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 through June 14 are: "Tropical Rainforest" 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and 1:20 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays; "Everest" 11:10 a.m., 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10 a.m., 11:10 a.m. and 12:20 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays; "Special Effects" 4:15 p.m. Saturdays, and "Super Speedway" 4:15 p.m. Sundays, at the museum, 5020 John R (at Warren Road), Detroit. \$7, \$6 for children ages 3-17 and adults 60 and older, \$4 for children ages 2 and younger, include Science Center and IMAX movie. (313) 577-8400 or <http://www.sciencedetroit.org>

GREENFIELD VILLAGE

American Girls Museum Program based on the character of Samantha Parkington, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Friday-Tuesday, June 12-16, Friday-Tuesday, July 10-14, 17-21, and 24-28, Saturday Tuesday, Aug. 1-11, and Friday-Tuesday, Aug. 21-25, Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 5-6, 19-20, and Oct. 17-18, and Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 7-8 and 14-15, at the village, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn. \$40 includes light refreshments and the 2 hour and 45 minute-hour program. (313) 982-6180

POPULAR MUSIC

AMERICAN HORSE

Featuring three former members of Jackpierce, with Sherri Jackson, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$8 in advance. 19 and older. (roots rock) (734) 996-8555

A.T.E.

With Paupers Field and Stretch, as part of the "Cage" alcohol-free night, 7 p.m. Friday, June 12, Knights of Columbus Hall, 35100 Van Born Road, Wayne. \$6. All ages. (alternative rock) (734) 729-7092

BUGS BEDDOW BAND

9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, June 12-13, Blue Goose, 28911 Jefferson Ave., St. Clair Shores. (trombone-driven party blues) (810) 296-0590 or <http://www.bugsbeddow.com>

BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS

9:30 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (jump blues) (734) 996-8555

THE BIZER BROTHERS

8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, June 19-20, The Rattlesnake Club, 300 River Place, Detroit. Free. All ages. (pop) (313) 567-4400

"BLIND PIG SHOWCASE"

With The Glen Wiseman Experience, Downstream, Echolalia and Our Flesh Party, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 16, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor.

Free. 18 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

BLUECAT

10 p.m. Friday, June 12, Drinks North, 2505 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 683-8186

BLUE EYED SOUL

9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (734) 455-8450

MICHAEL BROCK AND THE CONTOURS

As part of the "Urban Moods Concert Series," 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 12, Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit. Free. All ages. (Motown) (313) 494-5800

DAWN CAMPBELL AND BLUE FUSION

10 p.m. Friday, June 19, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older. (R&B) (810) 731-1750

CITY LIMITS BLUES BAND

9 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, June 12-13 and 19-20, Hennessey's Pub, 49110 Grand River Ave., Wixom. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-4404

DANNY COX

8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, June 19, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 544-1141/(734) 332-0800

DETROIT BLUES BAND

9 p.m. Thursday, June 11, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

DOOBIE BROTHERS

With Jack Ingram, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 12, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (classic rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

8 OHM APPLE

With Merge and Brilliant, 8 p.m. Friday, June 12, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$7. 18 and older. (pop) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

ELIZA

9 p.m. Sunday, June 14, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (pop) (248) 543-4300

THE REV. MARC FALCONBERRY
7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Hazel Park Racetrack, 1650 E. 10 Mile Road, Hazel Park. (blues) (248) 398-1000

5-TON CREEK

With Blue Eyed Soul, 10 p.m. Thursday, June 18, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

THE FIXX

With Noella Hutton, 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$20 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (248) 335-8100

JOHN FOGERTY

With Whiskeytown, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 18, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

FOOLISH MORTALS

10 p.m. Friday, June 19, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750/(248) 349-9110

FUNKTELLIGENCE

With Sugarbuzz, 10 p.m. Friday, June 19, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (funk/rock) (734) 485-5050

"GOLDEN ROAD FESTIVAL"

With Jazz is Dead, a jazz exploration into the music of the Grateful Dead, JGB, Ekoostik Hookah and Smokin' Grass, 2 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre, 2 Water St., Pontiac. \$20 in advance. All ages. (248) 335-4850 or <http://www.961melt.com>

AMY GRANT

8 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$35 and \$27.50. All ages. (pop) (313) 983-6611

GRR

Featuring Stephen Grant Wood, 10 p.m. Thursday, June 11, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

GYPSY TRIBE

10 p.m. Saturday, June 13, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake. Free. 21 and older. (Deadhead jam rock) (248) 683-5458

HAYDEN

6 p.m. Friday, June 19, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (Tom Waits-like rock) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

DAN HICKS AND THE ACOUSTIC WARRIORS

8 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Magic

Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$12 in advance. 18 and older. Tickets from postponed April 17 show will be honored. (rock) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

HOMEGROWN

6 p.m. Friday, June 19, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

THE HOPE ORCHESTRA

8 p.m. Friday, June 12, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. Free. All ages. (alternative rock) (248) 652-0558

"HOT COUNTRY JAM"

With John Anderson and Wade Hayes, 2:30-11 p.m. Friday, June 12, and Lee Ann Womack, Ricochet and Ken Mellons, noon-11 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Thorn Park, Telegraph and King roads, Brownstown Township. Free. All ages. (313) 259-W4W4 or <http://www.wattsupinc.com/>

IVY

With Kameda, 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (pop) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

JILL JACK

10 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, Captain Tony's, 30919 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (roots rock) (734) 421-2250/(248) 288-6388

NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS

10 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-9110

PAUL KELLY

With Todd Thibaud, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 11, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$7 in advance. All ages. (pop) (248) 335-8100 or <http://www.961melt.com>

HAL KETCHUM

7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 14, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$17.50. All ages. (country) (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

MIKE KING BAND

10 p.m. Friday, June 19, Drinks North, 2505 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 683-8186

KNEE DEEP SHAG

With Blue Eyed Soul, 10 p.m. Saturday, June 13, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 Woodbridge St., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; With Black Fuzz, 9:30 p.m. Friday, June 12, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (funk/rock) (313) 567-6020/(734) 996-8555

KRAFTWERK

7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 11, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$23.50 in advance. \$26 week of show, for general admission seating. All ages. (techno) (313) 961-5451

KUNG FU DIESEL

10 p.m. Thursday, June 18, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (734) 421-2250

THE LOOK

10 p.m. Thursday Friday, June 11-12, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (734) 421-2250

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MOVIES

'Perfect Murder' actually improves on original



JOHN MONAGHAN

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Murder."

Alfred Hitchcock is indelibly linked with the story of a greedy sophisticate who orchestrates the murder of his rich, unfaithful wife. Yet you have to remember

In most remakes, familiarity with the original can be a detriment. Not so with "A Perfect Murder," which weaves its own clever mystery around the familiar storyline of Frederick Knott's theatrical chestnut, "Dial M For

that "Dial M," made in 1954, was merely a footnote in Hitchcock's most brilliant period, despite the obvious appeal of watching Grace Kelly in 3-D.

Most remember the movie for its sole gimmicky 3-D effect, in which Kelly, choked by her attacker, grabs literally into the audience for something to defend herself with. Otherwise, the movie was surprisingly tedious and uninspired.

When you get right down to it, this new version is more Hitchcock than Hitchcock. It's not nearly so staid, getting out into real-world locations like the Statue of Liberty and an art museum (both reminiscent of famous scenes from the Master

of Suspense.) Moreover, director Andrew Davis doesn't let the movie go on too long without something suspenseful happening.

What it lacks, I suppose, is subtlety. This is the '90s, after all, and Davis, who brought us "The Fugitive," knows his action-loving audience well. When Michael Douglas' homicidal husband says, "bludgeon seems appropriate in such a situation," you're not sure if it's him talking — or the director.

In the original, a well-heeled husband who made some bad investments needs his wife's fortune to avoid financial ruin. He blackmails an old acquaintance to conduct the murder while he

and his wife's lover go out to the club for the perfect alibi.

Of course, there's no such thing as a perfect murder. Things go awry, leaving the husband scurrying to cover his tracks. Meanwhile, a police detective has a hunch that this was not just a random burglary turned violent.

In Patrick Smith Kelly's script, the lover and the murderer cleverly roll into one. Artist David Shaw (Viggo Mortenson) is an ex-con and two-time loser who has been wooing, then ditching, rich women, so it doesn't seem out-of-the-question that he'd murder his lover (Gwyneth Paltrow) for half a million dollars.

Michael Douglas reprises his role of "Wall Street" tycoon, barking at his underlings when the market isn't going his way. He's appropriately calculating and cold-blooded, especially as he listens casually on the phone as his wife is attacked on the other end of the line.

And where Grace Kelly was merely the pretty victim while the men did all the brain work, Paltrow is a key player (pun definitely intended) in the action. She figures out what her husband is up to long before that know-it-all detective.

Though it doesn't really work, the movie sets up a relationship between Paltrow and the Arab-American detective (David Suchet), whose respect she earns



ANDREW SCHWARTZ

Suspense thriller: Gwyneth Paltrow and Michael Douglas star in "A Perfect Murder."

by speaking to him in his native language. You see, she's a translator, thus the scenes at the United Nations and another famous location from Hitchcock.

The set design captures the stifling elegance of the couple's life together, but what was Director of Photography Dariusz Wolski thinking when he bathed the entire movie in such over-saturated color? The white tones register yellow, making Paltrow look not only unhealthily thin,

but jaundiced.

"A Perfect Murder" may not be perfect, but it's a surprisingly knowing nod to Hitchcock. Memo to the screenwriters: Before you start adapting that new version of a Hitchcock classic, you might want to look here first.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.

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Action romantic comedy about a gruff cargo pilot and an acerbic New York magazine editor who are stranded on a deserted island. Stars Harrison Ford, Anne Heche, David Schwimmer.

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How to connect with 'Backstage Pass' on the Internet

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

Danny Thomas probably wasn't the first to tell this old joke, but he told it well — the one about the city guy who's driving in the country and gets lost. Soon, the city guy stops to ask a farmer who's out standing in his field (bonus joke!) how to get to wherever it is he's going. After much stammering and thinking out loud, the farmer finally blurts, "You can't get there from here!"

But for all you hear about the vaunted "connectivity" of the Web, sometimes it's still tough to "get there from here."

First you have to find a search engine with which you are comfortable. Then you have to not only think up key words, you have to think up key words that match the key words submitted by whomever made up the elusive site for which you're searching.

This is a kind of new word association test being administered on a mass scale. Looking for a site about baking cookies? From the HotBot search engine, "cookie dough" results in 14,641 matches. Even if you do have time to browse through 14,641 Web sites, who's to say the maniac who posted the recipe for

which you're searching didn't post it under the key word "spatula?" After all, you use a spatula when you're baking. ("Spatula," by the way, results in 16,131 matches.) Have we really advanced from the days of the Dewey Decimal System? For that matter, did anyone other than school librarians actually know how to use the Dewey Decimal System to begin with?

Enter into this fray the *Backstage Pass* Web site. It's updated every week by one of the program's producers, Jimmy Rhoades, so I asked him the first, most basic question: how do I get there? "The site itself has a really long address, but there are two easy ways to get there. First you can connect to it from the Detroit Public Television Web site, which has a nice, short, easy-to-remember URL because

it's our broadcast call letters: 'www.wtvs.org.' And because the site was designed and is hosted and maintained by the folks over at Comcast Online, you can also easily link to us from their site, which is at 'www.InDetroit.com.' Once you're at the *Backstage Pass* site, you can bookmark it or add it to your favorites folder so you can return directly to it."

OK, once I'm there, what are my options? "It's really a starter site, a place you go that links you to other places that probably have more actual content on a given subject. We give an overview of the arts and culture in Detroit, with a specific focus on what's coming up on the show. We like to create temporary links to sites maintained by guests of the show if they have them that are up for two weeks prior to air. We also have a list

of permanent links to many Detroit's major cultural institutions."

The Internet may be great for getting information about events at Detroit's cultural institutions, but eventually you still have to physically visit them. Unfortunately, for many people, our old "get there from here" problem pops up. Enter a new program from the City of Detroit Cultural Affairs Department called "The Culture Connection."

The Culture Connection provides senior citizens, youth and public housing residents with inexpensive bus transportation to 10 institutions in the city's Cultural Center: The Children's Museum, The Detroit Historical Museum, The Detroit Institute of Arts, The Detroit Public Library's Main Library, The Detroit Science Center, Detroit

Symphony Orchestra Hall, Heritage Museum and Fine Arts Center, International Institute, Museum of African American History, and The Scarab Club. On tonight's show, we'll welcome Marilyn Wheaton, the director of the City of Detroit Cultural Affairs Department, to tell us all about this exciting new program.

Also on the big show, we'll hear music from "Late Night with David Letterman" veteran Edwin McCain off his current CD, "Misguided Roses" and from Detroit blues band Mudpuppy from their current offering, "White Bread & Hot Sauce." And we'll take another look at our trip to the Michigan Opera Theatre production of *Aida*. All that's on "Backstage Pass," tonight at midnight, repeated Friday night at 7:30 on Detroit Public Television.

SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.

Magic Bag — 22920 Woodward, Ferndale. Call (248) 544-3030 for information. (\$2)

"Wild Things" (USA - 1998). 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 17. The year's first great guilty pleasure is this trashy story of a high school guidance counselor who falls into murder and mayhem with a pair of femme fatale students. From John McNaughton, the director behind the twisted "Henry: Portrait of a Serial Killer," this movie has a few twists of its own.

Main Art Theatre — 118 N. Main (at 11 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Call (248) 542-0180 for information. (\$6.50; \$4 students/seniors and matinees; \$3 twilight)

"The Spanish Prisoner" (USA - 1998). Campbell Scott plays a young businessman who develops a dangerous relationship with a mysterious tycoon

(Steve Martin). Expect plenty of fascinating verbal interplay in this latest film written and directed by David Mamet ("Glengarry Glen Ross").

"Wilde" (Britain - 1998). Stephen Fry plays the English playwright Oscar Wilde, whose brilliance in plays ("The Importance of Being Earnest") and stories ("The Portrait of Dorian Gray") were partially eclipsed by his scandalous trial involving a male lover.

"The Last Days of Disco" (USA - 1998). Whit Stillman, the introspective director of "Metropolitan" and "Barcelona," delivers what he calls the third story in a loosely woven triptych about the well-heeled young people who populate New York's club scene in the early 1980s.

Maple Art Theatre — Maple at Telegraph, Bloomfield. Call (248) 855-9090 for information. (\$6.50; \$4 before 6 p.m.)

"Artemesia" (France/Italy - 1998). Seventeenth Century painter Artemesia Gentileschi

was the first woman of note to make it into the art history book. Writer/director Agnes Merlet focuses on her struggle to work in a male-dominated field as well as the relationship that nearly destroyed her.

"The Horse Whisperer" (USA - 1998). Robert Redford directs and stars in this quiet tale of a man who has the power to heal, in this case a horse who, along with its young rider, was traumatized in a freak accident. Early Oscar predictions have already

surfaced for the film and its excellent cast, including Kristin Scott Thomas ("The English Patient") and Diane Wiest as a no-nonsense ranch wife.

Redford Theatre — 17360 Lahser (at Grand River), Detroit. Call (313) 537-2560 for information. (\$2.50)

"An American in Paris" (USA - 1951). 8 p.m. June Friday, 12; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, June 13 (organ overture begins a half hour before showtime.) George and Ira Gershwin provid-

ed the tunes in this colorful MGM musical which won eight Academy Awards, including Best Picture. Gene Kelly plays the painter, an American expatriate living in Paris.

Windsor Film Theatre — 2135 Wyandotte Street, Windsor, Canada. Call (519) 254-FILM for information. (\$5.25 Canadian; \$4 U.S.)

"Nil By Mouth" (Britain - 1998). 9:15 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, June 11-14. Actor Gary Oldman takes a turn in the director's chair. He wrote and directed this drama about a dysfunctional family in South London, presumably based on his own troubled life which has been filled with violence, alcoholism, and drug addiction.

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DINING

New Duet in Detroit is full-blown orchestration

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
SPECIAL WRITERS

"When it come to performance, it doesn't get any better than this," is the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's 1998-99 Classical Series billing. Ditto for Detroit's newest restaurant Duet, its next-door neighbor!

Duet, the latest addition to the Unique Restaurant Corporation's array of restaurants opened for dinner June 3, 1998 and for lunch June 5. Owner Matt Prentice, who puts forth great energy in making each of his restaurants different, has outdone himself with Duet. He says he chose Detroit because Mayor Dennis Archer has made a serious impact on the city.

"People driving the Orchestra Hall projects are the brightest real estate minds in Detroit," he noted. "The whole development is \$80 million. There's a lot of smart money coming into Detroit today."

"If Duet executes, we'll have as good food as any other fine dining in Detroit. Duet provides a restaurant environment that's complete. What I saw missing in Detroit was a visual participatory feast with outstanding food, ambiance, great beverages and entertainment, all in one setting."

Prentice admits that Duet is an emulation of restaurant Marche in Chicago's developing warehouse district. Imitation or not, there is no atmosphere like Duet in Detroit. Ron Rea, of JPRA Architects in Farmington Hills, has gone to great lengths to create a unique environment with clever plays on the orchestral theme from a large trumpet kitchen hood to seating in concert boxes.

Enough about eye candy. The menu is all new. URC's Corporate Chef Jim Barnett worked on the ideas for over a year. Co-Executive Chefs Elizabeth Solish and Erle Webber have tweaked offerings to perfection using only the freshest, high-quality ingredients and sound culinary techniques to emphasize clean and distinct flavors. They are particularly

Duet

Where: 3663 Woodward Avenue (at Mack), Detroit (313) 831-DUET.

Hours: Lunch Monday-Friday 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Dinner Monday-Thursday 5-11 p.m. Until midnight Friday and Saturday. Sundays 4-8 p.m., only when the Detroit Symphony Orchestra is performing.

Menu: Urban upscale theme plays on continental cuisine notes with overtures and orchestrations bringing the word creative to heightened tones.

Cost: Preludes \$5-13; main course orchestrations and duets (combination plates) \$16-34.

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enthusied about several "Preludes." Spicy Duck Wontons not only have a dynamic preparation, but bring duck confit to new dimensions. Sauterne Cured Foie Gras Terrine with huckleberries, pickled leeks and brioche crisps is another elaborate preparation.

Baby Spinach & Hearts of Palm Salad, with applewood smoked bacon, mushrooms and warm roasted shallot mustard dressing, is made from fresh hearts of palm imported from South America.

If your preference is meatless and you are sick to death of steamed vegetables, select the first "Orchestration," Vegetarian Beggar's Purse. For architectural elegance on the plate, it's hard to top the Chargrilled Lamb Strip Loin.

Big Eye Ahi Tuna is a fire-cracker in your mouth. Love New Orleans dishes? They don't make Gulf Shrimp & King Crab Gumbo this great. Seafood lovers get the best catch with Crispy Seared Wild King Salmon which follows seasonal species variation.

Duet's "Duets" are combination plates and include such offerings as Maine Lobster Symphony, a marinated in citrus and saffron pan-roasted lobster with lemon saffron angel hair, tomato concasse and shitake mushrooms or Mixed Grill with prime tenderloin, ahi tuna and duck confit.

To complement this level of kitchen artistry, there is a fabulous wine list. URC's wine director and Master Sommelier Madeline Triffon's champagne and sparkling wine section truly sparkles! From around the world, she has selected world-class and critically acclaimed still wines, most selling at over \$40. But Triffon tells you right on the list which are her personal favorites!

Additionally, for those who like multiple experiences, there's Wine Trios. Four trios each have 3-ounce pours of three special wines. Pricing here is modest ranging from \$18 to \$24 per person.

Most novel is the "Prix-Fixe Dessert for 2," a five-course dessert ecstasy at \$15 per person



Chefs in charge: Co-Executive Chefs Elizabeth Solish and Erle Webber in the dining room of the newly opened Duet.

available after 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday and after 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday. If you want it over the top, a Quartet of Dessert Wines at \$18 complements the dessert prix fixe.

Joe Decker of Schoolcraft College's culinary program, and one

of only three certified Master Pastry Chefs in the U.S., acts as consultant for the dessert menu. Three of Decker's best students have been hired to fully-orchestrate.

While Matt Prentice maintains that he does not want Duet to be

considered a special-occasion restaurant, once the word is out, you will need reservations well in advance, particularly on the weekend.

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