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CLARKSTON

As if battles and difficult living conditions aren't bad enough for Civil War soldier Edgar Clark, things on the homefront are looking bad as well in his letter from Fairfax, Va., dated Oct. 17, 1863.

My dear wife, we left camp about a week ago and marched about two miles and formed in lines of battle and waited there for the rebels to attack us. But they did not come so the next morning we marched across the Rappahannock (river) and stopped for 36 hours, where we again got on line and marched back toward Alexandria. Our brigade had quite a sharp skirmish with the rebels on Tuesday. We had one in our regiment wounded. My health is not very good. We had to wade the Rappahannock and I took a very hard cold and had a slight fever. I went to the doctor and got some quinine and feel better today...

I got a letter from mother last week. She wrote that your mother made all sorts of complaints about me, said I was not fit to have a wife, that I did not take care of you. I had gone off and left things in bad shape. I am sorry that money was lost for you needed it very bad. I have sent you all the money that I could spare and went without myself to send it to you. If I get out of the service I should be better off and can say that I helped sustain my country. As long as your folks try to help you along, they will get my thanks, for it makes no difference what they say about me; I can stand it. Your husband, Edgar Clark.

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



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Decked out: Bob and Mary Alice Cook, with their dog, Sparty, are ready for the Fourth of July when they'll host a parade-watching party on their front lawn.

Patriotic parties

Residents pull out stops for the 4th

A small town. A white historic house. An old-fashioned Fourth of July parade. All of it united on a road designated Main Street — that's Americana worth celebrating.



Decorative details: Even the wreath flies flags.

In fact, the couple has given a Fourth of July parade-watching party on the front lawn of their historic Main Street house for more than a decade.

"It's an American holiday," said Mary Alice. "And I think it's — uniquely — an American holiday."

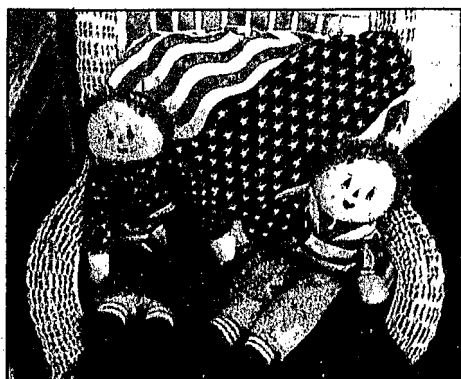
While it's no secret that residents in and around Clarkston and Independence Township fall on the patriotic side — Clarkston's downtown parade is the largest in Oakland County — their big-to-do approach to commemorating the holiday may astonish even some local folk.

"I guess it's the small town. We live in a small town on Main Street," Mary Alice said of her enthusiasm for the holiday, as she and Bob sur-

veyed their old-fashioned wrap-around front porch — bursting with the colors red, white and blue less than a week before the Fourth.

"Parades are a part of a 'Main Street,'" Bob said, adding that the couple's guest list has grown from 30 to 100 people since the gathering's inception.

While orange juice and champagne Mimosas are a tradition at the gathering, a patriotic spirit — in



Americana Ann and Andy: Rag dolls in a wicker chair don patriotic colors.

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Finale to 4th fest: Fireworks

Independence Township's huge Independence Day celebration will be even bigger and better this year now that the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce has provided the grand finale — fireworks!



A huge parade down Main Street in the morning; an arts and crafts show, kids' games and live music in the afternoon — and now fireworks in the evening.

There's no reason for Independence Day revelers to leave Independence Township on the Fourth

of July.

In past years, after the annual parade and afternoon festivities, Clarkston-area residents have had to travel to neighboring Lake Orion or Orionville at dusk to get in their annual oohs and ahhs.

But thanks to the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, fireworks will be shot off for the first time ever in Clintonwood Park at 10 p.m., providing the grand finale to an already big celebration.

Called Independence Day in Independence Township, the three-pronged celebration begins with a parade down Main Street in Clarkston at 10 a.m. Organized by the Independence Township Fire Department with a theme "Michigan: A State to Behold," the 1 1/2-hour parade consists of more than 100 entries including floats, bicycles, antique automobiles, marching bands, a pompom squad, costumed pets and more.

The arts and crafts show, featuring 125 crafters, runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Clintonwood Park. Entertainment for the day includes: bands, pony rides, a caricature artist, hot-air balloon launch, a Velcro climbing wall, dunk tank and other games for all ages. Softball, tennis and volleyball tournaments are also scheduled throughout the day.

There is no admission fee to get into the park, located on Clarkston Road east of Main Street.

"This festival is great fun. It offers something for everyone," said Mike Turk, assistant director of parks and recreation. "There's something going on to

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Cyclists raise funds in fight for MS cure

Richard Pokrefsky has never pedaled 30 miles in a bicycle tour before.

But that won't stop the Clarkston-area resident from riding in the 1998 Multiple Sclerosis 150 Bike Tour, which will be held July 11-12.

Pokrefsky heard about the annual tour while listening to WCSX radio. The reasons behind the tour struck him on a personal level. His mother was diagnosed with the illness six years ago.

"My mother has always been there for us," he said. "I thought this would be something I could do for her and for others with multiple sclerosis."

Multiple sclerosis is a chronic disease of the nervous system. It is characterized by a loss of control over one's body and includes symptoms like numbness, paralysis and blindness. But the symptoms, progress and severity of the disease vary from one person to another. The age of onset is between 20 and 40. The National Multiple Sclerosis Society estimates that more than 15,000 people in Michigan suffer from the disease.

"Multiple sclerosis is a disease that's very unpredictable," said Elana Chrisman, director of communications for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. "It usually occurs when people are just starting off their lives. It affects everybody differently. You never know if you'll fully recover."

The Michigan chapter of the national society has sponsored an MS bike tour for the past 13 years to

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Ready to ride: Richard Pokrefsky's mom has MS.

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the form of holiday decorations, guests' red, white and blue attire, which is requested, and enthusiasm for the town's parade — are the focus of the Cook party.

While the local Hallmark store is one source for Mary Alice's decorative spirit, she doesn't shop there. Many of the unique Fourth of July items that adorn the front porch — ranging from a flag-shaped coat rack to a caricature doll of Betsy Ross — are gifts from the party's guests.

While the Cook's front yard will become a sea of red, white and blue attire — from shorts and shirts to dresses and hats — Bob ritually steals the show by donning a vest made out of an authentic American flag.

But how did this all start? "We don't know," Bob mused. "Basically, I thought this was such a great place to watch the parade so I said, 'We should invite some friends and we'll have lemonade and doughnuts.'"

Although Main Street is an ideal spot to rejoice in local cheer over the holiday, another local couple brings Fourth of July revelers together in the surrounding countryside.

Like the Cooks, Phil and Theresa Dolbert annually throw a party of grand proportions in commemoration of the holiday. The backdrop is the rural landscape around the couple's Independence Township residence.

■ On the menu: 150 pounds of ribs, 20 pounds of hot dogs, 10 pounds of hamburger, 12 dozen deviled eggs, 30 pounds of potato salad (Phil's mother's special recipe), baked beans, sliced tomatoes, three to four types of bean salad and two flats of strawberries for dessert.

The primary exertion is partaking of Phil's classic barbecue feast at a total cost of just under \$1,500.

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And Phil, a cook while serving in the U.S. Army, does all the meat grilling, potato boiling and egg peeling.

"Did you ever peel 144 eggs?" said Phil, who seems to revel in the challenge of taking on his guests' appetites.

"I've got an 11-year-old kid that last year ate 23 ribs. And this year, he says he's going to beat his record. I love challenges."

While Phil's fete of food might seem like enough tradition for one night, the party's signature offering is a "greetings pina colada," which each adult guest receives upon arrival.

"They're met at their cars with a pina colada with a red flag and a cherry on top," explained Phil.

With 80 or more guests expected to attend, one might wonder how the Dolberts manage to prepare and deliver so many pina coladas in such an efficient manner.

Apparently, the soft serve ice-cream machine that Phil purchased a few years ago does a

fine job at keeping three gallons of the tropical drink on hand during the course of the party that lasts from mid-afternoon until whenever, said Phil.

"Nobody gets obnoxious, but everyone gets a little tingle," he said. The only exception to the rule is the Dolbert's Doberman Pincher. Having acquired a taste for pina coladas, the dog has been known to lap up the contents of drinks left unattended.

Food and beverages aside, decorations and activities are a large part of the Dolberts' annual gathering, which began when the couple lived in Virginia and is in its 13th year.

In addition to a red and white outdoor party tent, the Dolberts and their out-of-town guests — at least eight from various states as far away as Maryland who come in each year for the party — hang up about 150 feet of red, white and blue banner. The Dolberts' barn gets done up nicely, too, with 100 feet of red, white and blue Christmas lights.

"You don't have to wear red, white and blue," Phil said. "But a lot of people do. I do have red shorts and a blue shirt. I usually wear white sneakers, but that could change depending on my mood," he said.

With at least 30 hours of food preparation awaiting Dolbert — the out-of-town guests pitch in doing yard work and putting up decorations — an allowance for a mood change seems fair enough.

"Some of the people who are here for the week will go to the parade, but I'm too busy cooking," he said.

Less than a week away from the Fourth, the Dolberts and their visitors are already working diligently in the yard, pulling weeds, planting flowers and cutting nature paths through the area brush. "People who live in the city never get out in the wild to go for a nature walk," Phil explained. Other activities include volleyball, badminton and trampoline jumping.

"The only thing you bring is yourself and a chair," he said. "If you go away hungry, it's your fault."

New cleaning method OK'd for toxic dump

■ SPRINGFIELD

The Environmental Protection Agency has formally approved a new cleanup method for the old toxic dump off Woodland Trail in Springfield Township.

The EPA on June 10 formally amended its 1990 Record of Decision, a legal document that originally said the Superfund site would be cleaned by incineration.

"This is a big step. It's not the final step," said Springfield Clerk Nancy Strole. "That's what's been such a problem over all these years."

In April, the EPA hosted a public hearing in which three new methods were proposed for

cleaning the soil at the 20-acre site at which industrial greases, oils, paints and solvents were illegally dumped in the 1960s. Those methods are called soil washing, solvent extraction and low temperature thermal desorption and, depending on which type is selected, are expected to cost between \$3 million to \$12 million.

Originally, the EPA had proposed incinerating soils at the site, a process that required deep, potentially hazardous digging and which became finan-

cially prohibitive. New plans call for cleaning the soil and covering it with a 1-foot-deep cap of clean soil.

The exact method of soil cleaning has not yet been determined, Strole said. Which ever is chosen, it will not go as deep into the earth as the incineration method that was originally proposed. However, it is expected to leave the five-acre contamination area safe to humans and animals.

Depending on the type of soil cleaning chosen, the actual process should begin between 1999 and 2001. Ground-water cleaning is expected to go on as long as necessary.

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keep all ages busy from 10 a.m. until midnight.

A 20-30 minute fireworks show will begin at about 10 p.m. The show is produced by Zambelli, the same company that produces the Detroit show every year and also produced the rededication celebration of the Statue of Liberty.

Penny Shanks, administrative assistant for the chamber, said the fireworks were organized in response to many calls from community members asking if the township was going to have a fireworks show.

"Our goal at the chamber is to better the community and to increase awareness of the area. There's no better way to do that than host fireworks during the Independence Day in Independence Township" celebration," Shanks said. "We expect the display to be just beautiful."

The show is free and open to residents of all surrounding communities but donations will be accepted at the entrance as well as at local businesses prior to and following the event.

Concessions, such as cotton candy, popcorn and beverages, will be available. In case of rain, the event will be rescheduled for July 5.

With well over 15,000 people expected to attend the expanded Fourth of July celebration at

Independence Day in Independence Township

Saturday, July 4

10 a.m. — 1 1/2-hour parade down Main Street in Clarkston from Church Street to Miller Road.

11 a.m.-5 p.m. — Arts and crafts show, kids' games, live bands, Civil War demonstrations, etc., in Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road, east of Main Street, in Independence Township.

7 p.m. — Hot-air balloon launch in Clintonwood Park, weather permitting.

10 p.m. — Fireworks in Clintonwood Park. Rain date will be Sunday, July 5.

Clintonwood Park, traffic could become frustrating.

Turk said extra parking lots have been secured and additional patrol from both the Independence Township Fire Department and Oakland County Sheriff's Department will be on hand to direct traffic.

"Because it can become a huge

hassle, traffic and parking was one of the first things we addressed when planning the festival," Turk said. "I think no matter what we do, there's going to be quite a traffic back-up. We're definitely not complaining that a lot of people will show up. Hopefully, we can count on them for their cooperation and patience."

Parking will be available at Clintonwood's parking lot, on the park's six soccer fields and at Everest Academy during the day, if needed. Also, to handle the expected traffic overflow for the fireworks, free shuttle buses will transfer people to and from the park beginning at 8 p.m. Spectators can park at the Independence Township Library on Clarkston Road east of main Street or the DPW lot on Flemings Lake Road near the new high school site. Shuttle buses will pick spectators up from there and take them to Clintonwood Park. If those lots become full, signs will be posted for yet another lot.

In addition to the fireworks at Clintonwood Park, Pine Knob Music Theatre will also be hosting a fireworks display for concert-goers and a show will be displayed at Lake Oakland for residents only.



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All in the family: Brandon Scheiderer, 17, of Springfield Township (center) followed in the footsteps of his brothers, Jayson, 19, (left) and Frank, 20, when he became the third in his family to earn an Eagle Scout award.



Third brother earns Eagle Scout award

As the third son of Hazel and Dennis Scheiderer to be awarded the rank of Eagle Scout by the Boy Scouts of America, 17-year-old Brandon, of Springfield Township, had a dream for how he wanted to receive his.

A young man with a love for nature and camping, he chose to receive his Eagle Scout award while on the 42-foot Silent Harmony, a sailing ship he helped man with other boys and Capt. Grey Beard during a "high adventure" out of the Florida Sea Base.

"I kind of planned that to happen there — just to make it a big thing," Brandon said recently, recalling the special moment he achieved his goal. "To become an Eagle Scout, you have to go through a series of ranks. I feel good about it. I feel it's a big honor. I feel I worked hard for it." Brandon was presented his

■ 'It's taught me a lot of morals and beliefs. It's taught me to just do what's right, I guess.'

Brandon Scheiderer
Eagle Scout recipient

award aboard ship by Scout master Dan Hill.

To earn the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout, Brandon, like other boys, said he had to have a minimum of 21 merit badges, eight of which were in required areas. There are more than 100 to choose from, Brandon said.

Brandon, who has 32 merit badges to his name, also had to perform a special community project.

"My hobbies and interests are nature. I mostly focused on

that," he said. Brandon's special project — which had to be OK'd by library officials and approved by the scouting board — involved renovating, re-stoning and weeding the parking islands at the Independence Township Library off Clarkston Road.

"It was a big project," he said, noting that he invested approximately 14 hours in his library endeavor, alone.

Brandon, who will be a senior at Clarkston High School in the fall, said he intends to pursue the award of Eagle Palms, which can be earned after the Eagle Scout level, and might some day consider becoming a Scout leader.

A former Cub Scout, the young man, who is also a member of the mime troupe and the Madrigal Singers at CHS, became a Boy Scout in 1992, following on the heels of elder brothers

Frank, now 20, and Jayson, 19. Both are Eagle Scouts. Brandon is currently the youngest member of Calvary Lutheran Church Troop 189.

"It wasn't really a decision," he said of how he came to earn his Eagle Scout rank. "I just wanted to fit in with the troop and grow with the troop and then my brothers got it. I like advancing."

Recalling his motives for becoming a Boy Scout, Brandon said he joined, in part, because his brothers had joined before him. "I guess, somehow, I just showed up at meetings and before I knew it, I was in."

"It's taught me a lot of morals and beliefs. It's taught me to just do what's right, I guess."

Residents protest development plan for 'rural' area

INDEPENDENCE

The proposed Parks At Stonewood residential/retail development that would sit on 258 acres along White Lake Road behind Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital property was met with pros and cons at an Independence Township Planning Commission public hearing June 25.

While some commissioners reassured the audience that the residential/park/retail/office planned unit development is a nice alternative to some that could go between Dixie Highway and Clement Road, nearby residents feared for wildlife and complained they would be losing their rural setting. They also expressed concerns about drainage and traffic.

The commission listened for more than an hour to numerous objections before tabling the Parks At Stonewood request for rezoning — due, in part, to their belief that retail and restaurant space would not be appropriate near adjoining POH land that is master-planned for medical use.

At one point, just before the vote, developer David Johnson offered to pull the controversial restaurants and retail/office space from consideration so that he could get the residential portion going.

He was told that to do so would make the project no longer a PUD development and the commission tabled the matter as it was submitted. A PUD allows for multiple uses on a single parcel of land and must show a benefit to the community over existing zoning. The parcel is currently zoned residential.

Township Planner Jeff Dehring of Carlisle/Wortman Associates told the commission the retail portion needed further tweaking to be compatible with

the Dixie corridor and the master plan. He nevertheless recommended concept approval.

"They're on the right track," he said.

Johnson hopes to build site condominiums, townhouses, a 100-acre park with nature trails, some office space and restaurants, the latter of which would be near Dixie.

"The plan before you is a very interesting and very challenging piece of property," he told the commission.

The park portion of the property includes a steep, woodland fen — one of two in Independence Township that contain sensitive wildlife and plants. The other is the Bridge Valley property currently under development between Dixie Highway and Holcomb Road.

"Our intent would be to lay a development in here that fits the land forms," said his associate, Bernie Fekete.

Johnson said his Rochester firm's philosophy is to build residences in such a way that they are "self buffering." No homes or drives would be visible from White Lake Road, he said.

The PUD plan is broken into several sections including Park Ridge, a residential portion where the lots would be about one acre in size; Village Park, a community with sidewalks, front porches and Victorian boulevards; Park View, one-third-acre sites with walk-out homes and lower levels; and Peninsula Park, an 18-unit area.

One Foster Road resident, Valerie Marthaler, cried as she

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POLICE NEWS

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Springfield and Independence townships and the city of Clarkston June 26-29.

Springfield Police

On June 26, an unsuspecting Clarkston motorist, driving a 1989 Toyota, had his vehicle struck by a Grand Trunk Railroad maintenance-type truck traveling along the tracks across Edgar Road.

The motorist, who was traveling westbound at about 30-35 mph, crossed the tracks without realizing a northbound truck, being driven by a Westland man, was coming because the railroad trucks do not activate crossing signals the way trains do, said Sgt. Pat Miles on Monday.

According to a police report at the Springfield substation, there is no stop sign for motorists going east and west on Edgar. There were no injuries.

Vandalism

On June 26, building supplies were reported damaged at a site on Creekwood Trail.

Home Invasions

On June 25, money was reported stolen from a residence on Clarridge.

On June 25, power tools were reported stolen from a residence on Tucker.

On June 25, money in jars was reported stolen from a residence on East Holly Road.

On June 26, a power amplifier was reported stolen from a residence on Big Lake Road.

Thefts

On June 26, cassette discs and a cell phone were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Davisburg Road.

On June 26, necklaces were reported stolen from and scratches were reported carved into a vehicle at a residence on Bigelow.

Independence Police

Jumped from car

On June 28, a 22-year-old woman reported to police that she jumped from her 35-year-old husband's vehicle after they left Pine Knob Music Theater. According to a police report, the couple, of Lincoln Park, was driving along Clarkston Road near Eston Road when the husband allegedly threatened his wife and sped the car up to speeds nearing 100 mph.

When the vehicle was traveling at about 46 mph the wife jumped from the vehicle and fled on foot to Hungry Howie's Pizza and Subs, from where police were called. The woman was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac, treated for skin abrasions and released, the report said.

Thefts

On June 27, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Fireside.

On June 27, a cell phone and men's wallet were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Iroquois.

Minors in possession

On June 27, two 17-year-olds were stopped by police after they fled an officer's car on Maybee Road. They were stopped by police and cited for malicious destruction of property involving mailboxes, reckless driving and minors in possession.

Vandalism

On June 27, a window was reported broken by a ball at a residence on Wellesley.

Independence Fire

Between June 26-29, firefighters responded to 20 reports. Among them were 10 medical runs, one grass fire and six personal-injury accidents. They included:

On June 28, firefighters assisted a person who had possibly

injured an ankle at Clintonwood Park off Clarkston Road.

On June 28, firefighters assisted an injured ball player at Clintonwood Park off Clarkston Road.

On June 28, firefighters assisted five injured persons who had been involved in a two-vehicle accident near Sashabaw Road. All the injuries were minor. One patient was transported to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital by ambulance. Another went by private vehicle to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

On June 28, firefighters responded to Depot Road where they assisted Clarkston police with a 29-year-old man who had neck pain, facial and arm numbness, possibly as the result of an accident earlier in the evening. The man was transported to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital by ambulance.

Clarkston Police

On June 25, officers responded to a report that damage had been done to a gate at the beach off Pinehurst. Three youths believed responsible were referred to Clarkston Youth Assistance.

On June 26, officers stopped a vehicle on White Lake Road for erratic driving. The driver, a 48-year-old Waterford woman, was found to be intoxicated. She registered a 0.18 on a Breathalyzer test. She was arrested and taken to Oakland County Jail. She later posted bond. She is to be arraigned before 52/2 District Court Judge Gerald McNally on July 7.

On June 28, officers stopped a vehicle on Main Street near Washington Street for a speed violation. The driver, an Independence Township woman, was found to be in possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. She was cited for speeding and possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

On June 29, a West Washington Street resident reported that several personal items had been stolen from her parked vehicle.

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explained to commissioners her fears about losing the rural environment to commercial and multi-family development.

"I moved here thinking I was moving to the country," she said. "Obviously, I made a mistake."

Other residents asked about increased traffic and how it would affect the newly renovated White Lake Road. They said a recently created third-turn lane has only compounded their driving problems because people use it for passing. An extension of that lane, as proposed by the township, would not be a benefit, they said.

"This is a very difficult site," said Commissioner Joe Figa. "It's a beautiful site. But it does have a lot of problems."

"We've seen other potentials and this is one of the most sensitive," said Commissioner Dan Travis, adding, "That fen is one of Oakland County's top parcels to remain undeveloped. To see the sensitive treatment of that is a real bonus."

Commissioner Richard Opp-

'I moved here thinking I was moving to the country. Obviously, I made a mistake.'

Valerie Marthaler
Independence Twp. resident

mann was against some of the proposed uses.

"I just have a hard time seeing where restaurants are medical use," he said. "It's clear in the master plan that that should be medical-related not commercial."

Chairman Steve Board agreed, and he encouraged Johnson to increase the space that would be allotted between homes and residents on neighboring Foster Road. "You need to protect the residents on Foster Road and a restaurant doesn't protect them," he said.

The PUD rezoning request and site plan were tabled in a 5-0 vote. Commissioners Todd Moss and Cynthia Lohmeier were absent.

Water park planners forge ahead

Saying that they have their eyes on the future, representatives of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority are moving forward with plans to bring a full-scale water park to Indians Springs Metro Park in Springfield Township.

Park authorities have petitioned the township government for a planned unit development that will include a wave pool, lazy river ride, a children's play area, bath house and two 30-foot tall water slides.

The plans have long been contested by Springfield officials and as recently as April, the planning commission informally nixed a modified version of the facility. That version eliminated the slides, lazy river ride and over-flow parking and was designed by the HCMA as a sort of compromise. It was presented for discussion only and was never considered for official action, said HCMA Chief Planner Dan Duncan during a telephone interview on Tuesday.

'We had hoped through the planning process that the planning commission and township would see we're putting it in for the residents that are going to be there in 2010 or 2020.'

Dan Duncan
HCMA chief planner

Meanwhile, he said, there has been no news regarding an ongoing lawsuit between the township and the authority. Depositions in that suit are being taken but no evidentiary hearing has been set yet, he said.

A year ago Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Nanci Grant ruled that the HCMA has to abide by township zoning ordinances. The HCMA and township are awaiting the court's response on two related

matters: the HCMA's contention that it was not properly notified when zoning of its property was changed, and that the HCMA has a prior, existing, non-conforming use that is not subject to the zoning ordinance.

The HCMA is made up of representatives from five counties and governs several metropolitan parks as a state mandate.

"We had hoped through the planning process that the planning commission and township would see we're putting it in for the residents that are going to be there in 2010 or 2020," Duncan said, referring to the increase in residential growth taking place in the township.

Township officials have long contended that the proposed water park does not meet zoning and master plan regulations. Many officials and residents, alike, have expressed concerns about how the aquatic facility would affect traffic and a nearby nature preserve. The full-scale, \$10-million facility, if

it is ever constructed, could attract as many as 300,000 people over a 100-day period.

As officially presented for PUD consideration, the aquatic center will go on 20 of 41 acres set aside at the metro park. The park, itself, is a 2,500-acre area off White Lake Road.

The HCMA wants to put a water park in place because there are no beach or swimming facilities at the park.

During his conversation, Duncan said the 30-foot slides would be about 12 feet higher than the rooftops of neighboring buildings. They will not exceed the heights of power lines, tree tops or vegetation, he said.

"Thirty feet is not excessive at all in terms of the water slides," he said.

Duncan said he hopes the plan will be on the July or August agenda of the planning commission. Once it has been considered and voted on by the commission, the PUD proposal must then be approved or denied by the township board.



Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD will hold a PUBLIC HEARING at the regular meeting on Thursday, July 9, 1998, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive public input on reprogramming Community Development Block Grant Funds from 1997 totaling \$18,137.00. Block Grant funds must be used to benefit low and moderate income population, prevention or elimination of slum and blight, or to meet an urgent community need.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any questions may be referred to the Clerk, Charter Township of Springfield, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan, during regular office hours Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

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Bike tour from page A1

raise money for research. This year, the two-day event has relocated from Northville Downs in Novi to the Springfield Oaks Activity Center in Davisburg.

Organizers said riders will follow scenic paved roads and encounter less traffic. Participants can pedal in events on both days, or just participate on Sunday.

On Saturday, July 11, the route will extend from Davisburg to Michigan State University in East Lansing. Riders will pedal either a 75-mile or 100-mile route with rest stops and refreshments available every 10 to 12 miles. Staying overnight at the university's residence halls, bikers will be served dinner as

'For people who have a personal connection, it gives them a sense of doing something, of making a difference,' she said. "It's such an exhilarating experience to see (the riders) return. It's very emotional.'

Karen Breen

Manager of 1998 Multiple Sclerosis 150 Bike Tour

they arrive. Breakfast will be provided the following morning.

On Sunday, July 12, cyclists can join a 30- or 60-mile ride. Also, courageous riders can choose a challenging seven-mile mountain bike trail ride at Springfield Oaks.

In past years, the tour did not include an extra day of events. This year's event combines a September bike tour, The Fall Breakaway, with the larger MS 150 Bike Tour. Riders who do not have the time or interest in participating in the 150-mile tour, may choose to engage in the shorter activities held on Sunday. All tours end with a barbecue at Springfield Oaks.

Pokrefsky, one of an expected 1,000 participants, has been training for the past two months to take on the Sunday afternoon tour. He rides his mountain bike three to four times a week along the winding hills and roads of Clarkston to prepare for the Sunday ride.

"I'll do whatever it takes to get

the 30 miles done," said Pokrefsky, who hopes to raise more than \$500 for the cause. "I don't have any state-of-the-art equipment, but it should be sufficient."

The organization set this year's goal at \$680,000, which surpasses last year's total by \$100,000.

"Sixty percent (of the money raised) stays in the state of Michigan," she said. "Forty percent goes to the national organization to fund research to find a cure."

Chrisman said 89 cents on every dollar earned goes toward the society's mission. The organization provides support services and information for those diagnosed with the illness and their family members.

"We're just here to help people," she said.

For the past five years, Karen Breen has kept that idea in mind

as mahager of the tour.

"For people who have a personal connection, it gives them a sense of doing something, of making a difference," she said. "It's such an exhilarating experience to see (the riders) return. It's very emotional."

Cyclists of all abilities are encouraged to join, but participants must be at least 18 years old. Helmets are required, and a bike inspection prior to the tour is suggested.

Safety is a primary concern. More than 200 volunteers will help at rest stops, providing food and beverages. Bike mechanics, medical support teams, and vehicles equipped to give exhausted riders a rest will also be available.

"With the support vans, people never have to worry about not being able to make it," said Chrisman.

Corporate sponsors include Huntington Banks and Saturn Corp. Breen said the assistance of these companies has brought the event to a new level.

Interested cyclists can register on July 11 before the tour begins. Registration costs \$35 and at least \$150 in pledges is due at that time for new riders.

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NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS of the CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD will hold a meeting on Thursday, July 16, 1998 beginning at 8:00 P.M. at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan, to hear the appeal of:

OLD BUSINESS:

Brian and Margaret Quigley, 11564 Haylock Street, Davisburg, MI 48350 to allow construction of a detached accessory structure with 1) a front yard setback of 7 feet rather than the required 60 feet and, 2) two side yard setbacks of 8 feet each rather than the required 15 feet each. P.I. #07-28-376-018.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Brian and Margaret Quigley, 11564 Haylock Street, Davisburg, MI 48350 to allow a total of 1,040 square feet of proposed accessory structure rather than the maximum permitted 1,000 square feet. P.I. #07-28-376-018.
2. Robert D. Yokes, Jr., 11503 Big Lake Road, Davisburg, MI 48350 to allow construction of a detached accessory structure with 1) a rear yard setback of 6 feet rather than the required 35 feet and, 2) a side yard setback of 4 feet rather than the required 15 feet. P.I. #07-28-201-009.
3. Alvin E. Giroux, 8808 Big Lake Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to allow construction of a detached accessory structure of 484 square feet with a side yard setback of 5 feet rather than the required 15 feet. P.I. #07-24-301-017.
4. Gardella Homes, 81 Regal Place, Grosse Pointe, MI 48238 to allow construction of a home with a height of 29 feet, which exceeds the maximum permitted height of 25 feet on lot 49 of Bridge Valley Subdivision, Clarkston, MI. P.I. #07-13-476-002.
5. Grant Ward Surveyors, 681 Broadway, P.O. Box 440, Davisburg, MI 48350 to: 1) allow construction of two ground signs, one to be 9 feet in height with a total area of 90 square feet and the other to be 40 feet in height with a total area of 300 square feet, when the permitted signage per zoning lot is 1 ground sign which in this district is limited to a maximum height of 10 feet and a total area of 100 square feet, 2) allow lighting fixtures with a height of 27 feet which exceed the maximum permitted height of 16 feet and, 3) allow the width of the greenbelt buffer to be 10 feet in those instances where it abuts the existing MDOT buffer rather than the required 35 feet. #07-05-426-001.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the maps and variance requests may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan, during regular office hours Monday through Friday until the date of the meeting. Anyone needing a special accommodation at the meeting should contact the Township Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance of the meeting.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

Published: July 2, 1998



Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION JULY 6, 1998

FOR GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION Tuesday, August 4, 1998

To the Qualified Electors of
SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP - OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that Monday, July 6, 1998 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the above stated election.

Qualified electors may register to vote or change their address in the following manner:

In Person:

- At the Springfield Township Clerk's office, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI 48350 during normal business hours.
- At the office of the County Clerk during normal business hours.
- At any of the Secretary of State Branch offices located throughout the state during normal business hours.
- At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the blind.
- At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

By Mail:

- By obtaining and completing a Mail Voter Registration Application and forwarding to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline. Mail Voter Registration Applications may be obtained by contacting:

Springfield Township Clerk's Office
(248) 684-3111; (248) 625-4802
P.O. BOX 1098
Davisburg, MI 48350

Note: A person who registers to vote by mail is required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in the township where they live or at least 60 years of age or are handicapped.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

Published: June 25 and July 2, 1998



Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a PUBLIC HEARING at its Regular Meeting on Thursday, July 9, 1998, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Hall, P.O. Box 1038, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI 48350.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive comments on an application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (tax abatement) received from General Inspection, Inc., 10585 Enterprise Dr., Davisburg, MI 48350.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a copy of the application may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan, during regular office hours until the date of the Public Hearing. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two business days in advance.

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Companies and customers await cable merger's fallout

It will be months, maybe a year or more, before the proposed buyout of TCI cable by AT&T is approved by stockholders and federal regulators.

But Oakland County customers are already anxious about the changes they believe will inevitably occur when — and if — the two communications giants join forces.

Most affected by the buyout would be about 100,000 customers of TCI (Tele-Communications, Inc.) in communities like Troy, Auburn Hills, Rochester Hills, Clarkston, Lake Orion and Walled Lake.

The effect on other communities would be indirect. "I don't see it (the proposed buyout) having any real effect on us," said Dave Alberty, administrator of the Greater West Bloomfield Cable Advisory Board. "But greater concentration in the telecommunications industry affects everybody."

Indeed, AT&T's proposal to buy TCI sent ripples throughout the telecommunications industry in metro Detroit as well as the entire country.

Taking notice

"The whole industry took notice," said MediaOne spokesperson Bill Black, referring to last week's announcement that AT&T has offered to buy TCI (Tele-Communications Inc.) for \$32 billion, one of the

largest mergers of its kind in history.

MediaOne is a telecommunications provider, smaller than TCI, with regional offices in Plymouth and customers in Southfield, West Bloomfield and Birmingham, and other nearby communities.

From his company's perspective, Black said, the proposed union between AT&T and TCI would enable the unified company to offer a wider range of services including local and long distance phone service, cable television and high-speed access to the internet — much like MediaOne is trying to offer, but without phone service, in parts of its service area.

Such service is vastly superior, said one MediaOne customer, Arthur Dubin of Southfield. As a customer, he has more options and much faster access to the internet, he said.

Black said the kind of "Broadband" service his company is offering will — if the buyout is approved — one day be available to TCI customers.

And some TCI customers are aware of the possibilities, according to Gail Whitty, executive director of the Intergovernmental Cable Communication Authority that includes residents in Troy, Royal Oak, Rochester Hills, Berkley, Oakland Township and other communities.

"Right after the (June 24) announcement

we had calls from three or four subscribers who wanted service right now. They were excited about the prospect and they wanted it to happen immediately."

Wait and see

Whitty, however, said she would take a wait and see approach. There have been announcements about such mergers or buyouts before, she said, but fell through for a variety of reasons — such as objections from stockholders or federal regulators.

At TCI offices in Royal Oak, however, reaction to the announcement prompted excitement, according to general manager John McNeel. "It would give us the opportunity to offer a broad range of products," he said. "Customers will be able to cable television, telephone service, cellular phone service and high-speed access to the internet from one company. We're very excited."

Troy city attorney Peter Letzmann — who has dealt with TCI on a variety of legal issues — said he expects the buyout to lead to more options for consumers. Customers in Troy, for example, could get cable television and long distance from the same company. "That could lead to real competition," he said.

Troy just renewed its contract with TCI for an additional 15 years.

Deadline nears to sign up for county election

Politics in Oakland County will intensify in the coming week as the deadline for voter registration approaches, and candidates are more active with yard signs.

The deadline for registering to vote in the Aug. 4 primary election — when Democrats and Republicans elect precinct delegates as well as their candidates in the November election — is 4:30 p.m. Monday.

Oakland has about 858,900 registered voters, according to the county clerk's office, and anyone who has changed residences since the last election is advised to check with his or her

local municipality to verify eligibility.

Residents who are not registered will not be able to vote in the primary, although they can still register for the Nov. 3 general election. The deadline for registering for the general election is Oct. 5.

Voters can also expect to see more yard signs in the coming weeks as local ordinances take affect.

Sign limits

In Troy, for example, where political yard signs are legal 30 prior to the election — and 10 days after — voters can expect a

proliferation of signs beginning Saturday.

"We're pretty lucky," said city attorney Peter A. Letzmann. "Candidates are pretty good about complying with the regulation. But I expect yard signs to sprout up en masse — like mushrooms in a forest — over the weekend."

"But I can almost guarantee that every one of those signs will be taken down within two days after the election," he said.

Some communities — including Farmington Hills and West Bloomfield — do not have time restrictions on yard signs. But so

far, there have been no complaints in either community.

"Some of our council candidates insist yard signs are a nuisance," said Farmington Hills clerk Kathryn Dornan. "So they won't put their signs out until about two week prior to the election."

But other communities, including Birmingham and Rochester Hills, have stringent regulations. Birmingham allows signs 30 prior to the election and for three days after. Rochester Hills allows yard signs 31 days before election day, but are expected to be gone 48 hours later.

OAKLAND DIGEST

Oakland Digest provides a summary of headline stories from around the county during the week leading up to July 3.

BIRMINGHAM

Big project: Plans for the downtown City Center project were revealed recently, ending weeks of speculation. The project will include: the Palladium of Birmingham, a five story building, housing a movie theater, restaurants and retailers; a new Jacobson's store and three other retail/residential buildings. Gone will be the old Crowley's store, the current Jacobson's store, and the Wabeek parking lot. New underground parking will be added at several sites.

ROCHESTER

For years, the Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery authority has operated a composting site in Rochester Hills. But the city isn't among the communities who use it. That could change, as council members are considering joining the 12-community waste disposal authority.

SOUTHFIELD

Administrator's dispute: Fall-out continues in the wake of the departure of longtime Southfield city administrator Robert Block. Block's contract wasn't renewed last week, but Mayor

Donald Fracassi said he'll veto the council's move to name community development director Donald Gross as Block's successor. At the same time, the Southfield Eccentric has asked Oakland County Prosecutor David Gorcey to investigate whether the council's actions in removing Block and picking a successor violated the state's Open Meetings Act.

TROY

Airbag theft: Troy Police were part of an investigation that led to seizure of 7,000 stolen airbags and indictments against 15 people. Airbags were stolen from cars throughout metro Detroit for shipment out of state.

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Clarkston Middle School 4th Quarter Honor Roll

Chamber sponsors free concerts

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor free concerts at Depot Park in downtown Clarkston every Friday evening in July, beginning July 3. Concerts run 7 to 9 p.m.

The first in the series is Jimmy Buffett-type music by Air Margaritaville and The Chameleon Caravan.

Depot Park is west of Main Street on Depot Road. Concertgoers may also enjoy a variety of food and beverages available from area non-profit groups selling concessions at the concerts. Each week there are different concessions and different menu/snack items available.

Corporate sponsors are First of America Bank, N.A., Saturn North, Better Homes and Gardens, the Property Shopper, Republic Bank, Detroit Edison and the Clarkston Eccentric. Additional funding is provided by local businesses and individuals who enjoy the concert series.

Following is the concert schedule:

July 3 — Air Margaritaville with the Chameleon Caravan
July 10 — Paul Ventimiglia
July 17 — One Flight Up
July 24 — Moose and Da Sharks
July 31 — Bobby Lewis and the Crackerjack Band

OBITUARY

Nona G. Brabbs

Nona G. Brabbs of Oxford, Fla., formerly of Clarkston, died June 29, 1998, at age 84.

Mrs. Brabbs was a member of the Oxford Assembly of God Church in Florida.

She is survived by her daughters, Barbara Siegert of Clarkston and Luellen Paxton of Florida, seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother, Albert Fraser, and sisters Mattie Brooks and Fern Pence.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, July 3, at Lakeview Cemetery, 6150 White Lake Road, Clarkston.

Clarkston Middle School Honor Roll

Quarter 4, 1997-98

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Kathleen Amor
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Katie Bailey
Andra Barget
Jessica Baum
Jacob Beno
Brian Bigger
Scott Bigger
Heather Binasio
Rheannon Blake
Kelly Boskee
Aaron Catanese
Emily Clark
Jenna Clavette
Heather Cole
Stephen Coryell
Andrew Crane
Griffin Cummings
Annemarie Cutis
Cameron Darrow
Colleen Dempsey
Elisa Dickey
Ammon Dietz
Cynthia Dodich
Kelly Dougherty
Ashley Doyle
Elizabeth Dughaw
Terry Fahey
Maria Felt
Bess Ferguson
Jami Fitch
Jamie Fugitt
Nicole Gauche
Eric Gauthier
Suzanne Giroux
Matthew Haag
Brandon Hampton
Jenna Hart
Lyndsey Hart
Matthew Herron
Allison Hillman
Ashley Hudson
Mark Jackson
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Courtne Sinclair
Alexandra Smith
Justin Smith
Matthew Smith
Anthony Sorise
Daniel Spencer
Katherine Stapp
Daniel Streby
Kyle Sweeney
Aaron Verlinden
Maria Vermeulen
Jacob Walker
Shanna Williamson
Nicholas Zeeman

7th Grade

Nolan Abney
Michele Aenlle
Andrea Aldrich
Christopher Allen
Emily Audette
Victoria Baetens
Matthew Baker
Cameron Banworth
Bregna Berden
Peter Boissonneau
Casey Bolten
Emily Boose
Andrew Breen
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Jessica Bukoski
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Marissa Combs
Courtney Cook
BJ Cooper
Nichole Cox
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THURSDAY, JULY 2, 1998

Sharing plans is key School district does the right thing

We were extremely pleased to see Clarkston Community Schools on the agenda for the Independence Township Planning Commission's meeting last Thursday.

School officials were placed on the agenda because they desire input from Independence Township planners on the newest school they will be building — an elementary on Hubbard at M-15. School officials are not required by law to submit to a review process by local planning authorities.

They simply went before the planning commission for special land use and conceptual site plan approval because they want to be neighborly — and they want to do what's best for the community.

We commend them for it.

When Clarkston school officials began building the new high school that will open this August, they came under fire by some Independence Township officials because they did not confer with local planners even though they aren't legally required to do so.

Unlike private developers, school officials do not have to go through the steps leading to site-plan approval before they can begin construction.

Some township officials argued that if school officials had met with local planners before building the new high school, its impact on abutting neighborhoods might not have been as severe. The township officials were primarily concerned about lessening the impact of traffic on nearby dirt roads and increasing the amount of buffering between the school and nearby homes. (School officials are now considering the paving of both Flemings Lake and Walters roads.)

The dispute came to a head before January when a joint meeting was held involving school officials and officials from Independence and Springfield townships and the city of the Village

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of Clarkston. At that meeting, it was agreed that better communication among the governing entities was needed and that school officials ought to voluntarily share their site plans with planning authorities. (Noting that communication is a two-way street, school officials told township planners that they need to know where new subdivisions are going in to better plan for an influx of new pupils.)

Last Thursday's planning commission meeting was evidence that school officials are serious about improving communication between them and municipal officials.

At that meeting, where they unveiled the proposed look of the new elementary, planners asked them to consider retaining part of the fencing of the existing horse farm on which the school will be located to preserve the area's rural character. They also asked them to preserve the property's natural features and to consider paving Hubbard Road.

And while they weren't required by law to officially vote on the matter, the planning commission unanimously granted school officials a special land use permit.

We commend school officials for voluntarily submitting their latest school proposal to local planners.

It was the neighborly thing to do.

And it shows that they have the community's best interest at heart.

SMART millage worth saving

What do these two numbers have in common?

3.7 percent
1/3 mill

The first is Michigan's unemployment rate, the lowest in a generation.

The second is the property tax rate we voted for SMART, the suburban bus system, three years ago. The money not only helps the elderly and handicapped take care of their periodic chores, but it opened the doors to thousands of jobs.

We suggest that at least part of the reason for low unemployment is the investment we have made in SMART buses, radio equipment, computers and drivers to help people get to work here in Oakland County suburbs. That fraction of a mill has meant paychecks, self-confidence and respectability for tens of thousands of people.

In many Oakland communities, that millage is coming up for renewal Aug. 4. This time, it will be for a period of four years. While we're disappointed it won't be on the ballot in all Eccentric area communities — north Oakland and Bloomfield Hills, this means you — we consider SMART the most effective "jobs" program in the entire governmental array. We heartily endorse voters in Birmingham, Southfield and other communities where it's on the ballot to vote "yes" to keep opportunity alive.

The tax amounts to 33 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation. For a home with a market value of \$200,000, SMART costs \$33 a year. At triple the price, it still would beat welfare.

Downtown Detroit no longer is where jobs are. In 1967, some 130,000 people worked

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there. Today, fewer than 65,000 work there. The jobs here in the suburbs, alone buys routes served by SMART.

Overall, ridership has risen from 600,000 three years ago to 850,000 currently.

That's equal to or better than the 1995 promise SMART's acting general manager Mike Duggan made. Rick Kaufman, the current general manager, redesigned routes to reflect the new economic realities.

SMART also has paid attention to its historic responsibility of bringing mobility to the elderly and handicapped. It has formed 50 partnerships with communities in the tri-county region. Farmington, Troy and West Bloomfield are but three of the participating communities.

For money, forget Uncle Sam. Federal aid for operations dried up several years ago.

SMART's total budget is just under \$70 million. Of that, \$32 million comes from Lansing. The total tri-county share from the millage has been \$19 million, of which Wayne County produces \$6.4 million and Oakland \$7.1 million. Fare box revenues amount to \$10.5 million.

We should continue SMART's successful jobs program by renewing its millage Aug. 4. "With taxes," Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes once said, "I buy civilization."

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Do you think high-speed police chases should be allowed?



'I think it depends on the crime. For a violent crime or a serious crime, yes.'

Marilyn Springhorn
Independence Township



'No. I think it's just too difficult. If you have a license plate ... and model of a car, I don't think there's any reason for that.'

Kip Driver
Independence Township



'No. I think what they should do is probably expensive — where the 'copters follow people.'

Sandy Isaacs
Brandon Township



'Unfortunately, I think sometimes they're necessary.'

Claude Gourand
Independence Employee

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

LETTERS

Put Johnson in state office

Although my wife and I vote on a regular basis it is not our custom to become actively involved with political candidates. However, when we have needed help or advice, we have been able to count on Ruth Johnson who has represented north Oakland County on the Board of Commissioners for nine years.

Ruth is now running for State Representative and because of her determination to get things done while looking out for the interest of her constituents, we felt obligated to help her with her campaign. Talking to her and working closely with her only strengthens our conviction that she is what's needed in politics today. She is hard-working, honest and looks after her communities' needs. She has fought to stop trash dumps being put in our neighborhoods, cut Oakland County's property tax rate four times, fought to put more sheriff's deputies patrolling our streets and worked to strengthen education. She has the experience to make our voice heard in Lansing.

I hope that Ruth can count on the voters to support her when it comes time to vote.

Albert Peel
Holly Township

Map paid for by taxpayers

As a former director of MDOT and a former candidate for the U.S. Congress, I know how important it is to avoid use of taxpayer-funded material when campaigning for public office.

That's why I was shocked and disappointed to see County Commissioner Ruth Johnson-Nanney using a State Transportation Official map as part of her campaign literature and further to say that it was paid for by her campaign.

The commissioner should cease this practice and issue an apology to the taxpayers for the abuse of their dollars.

Cutting waste and abuse was one of my highest priorities at MDOT and it pains me to see people who should know better fail to see the symbolic negatives associated with such questionable campaign practice.

Pat Nowak
Parrish, Florida

Gallant's visit was refreshing

Recently, Jeff Gallant came to our door to give us his views on what was important in the upcoming political election. It was pleasant to have an opportunity for direct access and immediate response from a candi-

date. Through our discussion, we gained a good understanding of Jeff's position and what we could expect from him should he be elected to the State Legislature.

Door-to-door campaigning is something we took for granted during the years we lived in the South, but have not found to be common here. Thank you, Jeff, for taking the time to visit our home. Good luck to you in your run for State Representative in the 46th District.

Andy and Sandy Marrical
Clarkston

Johnson honest, works hard

The Aug. 4 primary will be here soon and it is a very important election for all citizens of north Oakland County. Due to term limits opening the seat for state representative, we have an opportunity to send our state commissioner, Ruth Johnson, to Lansing to represent our concerns.

For the past nine years she has gained experience as vice chair of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. She has a proven record as a tax cutter and has done so four times. She is well-known for protecting north Oakland families from landfills, prisons, juvenile detention camps and unsafe drinking water. She has led the fight to get our roads fixed.

We are very fortunate to be able to elect such a hard-working, honest and decent person to represent us in Lansing. Remember, Ruth gets the job done so please vote for Ruth Johnson for state representative.

Jan Koop
Rose Township

Gallant has common sense

Iurge you to vote for Jeff Gallant who is running for state representative in the 46th District. I met Jeff Gallant at a neighbor's meeting, where he discussed his "common sense" ideas. Jeff knows this community and he impressed me with his ability to listen and to fully answer questions.

Catherine Lobb
Clarkston

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POINTS OF VIEW

What's the real meaning of a clean desk?

Some people pride themselves on being clean-desk people.

You walk into their office and there isn't a paper in sight.

While subconsciously I probably envy these people, as those who have visited my office know, I just don't belong to their club.

I'm even worse than a messy desk person. I'm also a messy floor person. I pile things on the floor all around the office.

I'm sure I'm an embarrassment to the office because I have glass doors and when visitors come through the office, it's hard to hide my work style.

But all those piles of paper on my desk and floor aren't just accumulations of wood pulp. I know what is in

each pile and can readily find what I'm looking for.

That is, usually.

I share an office with my wife and every Wednesday she attempts to clean my desk. That means that on Thursday and Friday I waste a lot of time searching for things.

I've always felt that a busy desk is a sign of a busy person, and there is an old saying that if you want a job well done select a busy person.

I don't really want all the stuff around, but if you are always looking for ideas to write about, you have to keep exposing yourself to many new things and saving the best ones.

I consider myself as having done a day's work when my wastebasket is full, but apparently I need a bigger

ECCENTRICITIES



HANK HOGAN

wastebasket because more seems to come in than goes out.

People around me know when I'm about to take a vacation because the piles become more orderly. I even try to clean up the floor in case someone

decides to clean the carpet while I'm gone.

I secretly believe that a person with a clean desk has one because he has nothing to do.

It is hard for me to believe that anyone can clean up all his problems before each day ends so he can face the new day with nothing on his mind or desk unless he had no problems in the first place.

When I see a clean desk, I always peek into nearby offices to see if the person has a working office and a meeting office.

Years ago I was in Ed Cole's office when he was president of General Motors. He had a clean desk.

During the discussion he needed some document so he got up and

opened the door to an adjoining conference room and lo and behold, there was a table stacked high with papers.

He immediately went up in my estimation.

I say all these things not as an apology for my messy habits but as a sign of the future. The day my office becomes clean and bare, and I'm sure that it will some day, it will be time for me to retire because I will have lost interest in saving things for the future.

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

'Blueprint for Birmingham' bears fruit years later

In 95 degree temperatures, I walk the streets of Birmingham trying to envision a very different cityscape than the one I see right now. For despite the unusually hot and sultry weather, Birmingham is not in a vacation mode this summer.

Moves made last week will continue the redefinition of a community whose downtown is claimed not only by its own residents, but those of neighboring suburbs as well.

On June 22, the city commission appointed two architectural firms - Shervish Vogel/Luckenbach, Ziegler-mart to create a more cohesive and identifiable civic center along Martin Street where city hall, Shain Park and the Baldwin Public Library are located. Public art and landscaping are expected to play a large part in creating a sense of place south of Maple.

Two days later, the planning board received its first view of the Palladium Company's plan to develop five major properties spread over four

blocks north of Maple. By bulldozing existing buildings and eradicating parking lots, new construction will create space for two dozen retailers, up to six new restaurants, a 14-screen film theater, a newly-constructed Jacobson's department store and up to 200 new downtown residential units.

But in some sense, what is happening in Birmingham now and over the past few years seems familiar.

That's because back in 1986, The Eccentric published a series of articles - "Blueprint for Birmingham" - that foreshadowed some of what is happening today. Our idea was to present some fresh views of the city from outside experts and from people who live and work in Birmingham, chosen at random.

In a sense, Birmingham repeated that exercise on a much broader and more intense scale as it came up with its 2016 Plan, developed two years ago by nationally-known city planner Andres Duany with significant com-



JUDY BERNE

munity input.

Here are some of the conclusions from 1986 and how I think they've been translated:

Architecture: "Birmingham needs a mix of styles," our experts said, "which blend, not just recapitulate traditional architecture. And the quality and aesthetics of a building are at least as important as its height."

Old height and density restrictions

have been eased resulting in opportunities to create new buildings, mix uses and put residential housing in the heart of downtown.

For the downtown business district: "Birmingham might wage a stronger fight against the shopping malls by merchants coming together and funding a comprehensive advertising campaign. Well-designed street kiosks showing the location of shops, restaurants and parking should be set up."

Now, a Principal Shopping District, financed by taxes from downtown businesses, not only markets Birmingham as a destination but also has a hand in creating a proper tenant mix. No kiosks yet.

Residents' concerns: "They don't like the replacement of one-of-a-kind stores by chains." And, "Most consider Birmingham 'a walker's town.'"

Now, market forces have resulted in several chain stores scurrying back to malls, replaced by one-of-a-kind or otherwise unique stores. For example,

Palladium will bring Anthropologie, a casual clothing and home furnishing store; Smith and Hawken, a gardening store; and Nicole Miller, an upscale dress shop to the Wabeek Building. And the "walker's town" philosophy prevails as landscaped walkways are expected to define the civic center and link the various Palladium projects.

As I walk in 95 degree temperatures, I know it's not just the weather that makes Birmingham "hot."

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New book offers look at city-suburbs relationship

The history of southeastern Michigan for the past 40 years has in large part turned on the relationship between the city of Detroit and the various suburbs surrounding the core.

Pause for a moment to remember:

■ The 1967 Detroit riot that brought armed National Guardsmen onto the streets of a burning city.

■ The sweeping cross-school district busing plan propounded by U.S. District Judge Stephen Roth in 1972, which provoked massive opposition brought to a focus by a Pontiac housewife, Irene McCabe, and her National Action Group.

■ The 1974 inauguration of Coleman Young as the first black mayor of Detroit whose increasingly confrontational rhetoric over 20 years in office provoked growing suburban indifference, regularly punctuated by anger.

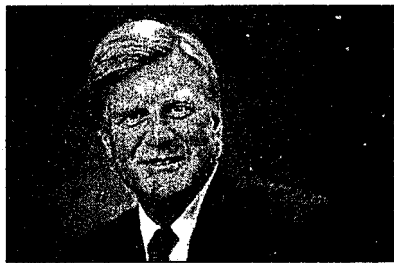
This history is tellingly and remorselessly brought to life in a new book, "Someone Else's House," written by Tamar Jacoby, an experienced journalist with a passionate commitment to social justice. Jacoby's review of the history of relations between the races as played out in New York, Atlanta and Detroit should be essential reading for concerned citizens.

At the core of her book lies this question: How did racial integration, once the overarching ideal of the civil rights movement of the 1960s, mutate into today's emphasis on separate-but-sprt-of-equal ethnic communities in uneasy and spannered co-existence?

Certainly, much of the answer lies in the confusion of ends and means, through which the methods by which integration was to be accomplished turned out to be so offensive to so many people that the objective itself gradually lost legitimacy.

For Judge Roth, the finding that society in metropolitan Detroit was unacceptably segregated required him to impose the remedy of metropolitan cross-district busing of school children. The remedy, so widely detested as to transform Michigan politics, legitimated a sometimes violent white backlash and ultimately poisoned in the public mind the goal of integration.

How? Jacoby quotes in her book a column I wrote in 1972: "Parents who may be the farthest thing from being bigoted resent the idea of their child being bused for an hour every morning and afternoon in service of a principle that seems to have little application to their own



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community."

Unflinchingly fair-minded, Jacoby recognizes that black politics also had a hand in offing the goal of racial integration.

The election of Coleman Young, the first black mayor of a newly black city, was at first praised by liberals (who saw election of a black man as a working definition of racial integration) and supported by the business community (perhaps looking for an insurance policy against further riots).

But over the years, Young became more and more strident in attacking the suburbs and playing the race card to pander to his own electorate. When well-meaning people proposed regional solutions to regional problems - building, for example, an area-wide mass transit system with a \$900 million grant engineered by Michigan's Gerald Ford when president - Mayor Young rejected the idea.

Whether Young fully intended it or not, it eventually became clear his ultimate objective was to maintain black political control, won after so many years of struggle, over a city that was becoming increasingly diminished, impoverished and segregated.

So the core city and the surrounding suburbs settled into largely separate ethnic worlds, mostly unconnected. The once-glittering goal of racial integration took on a fusty tarnish of the distant and not very relevant past.

"Someone Else's House" is not happy reading. But it is compelling, instructive and essential to understanding much of Michigan's history.

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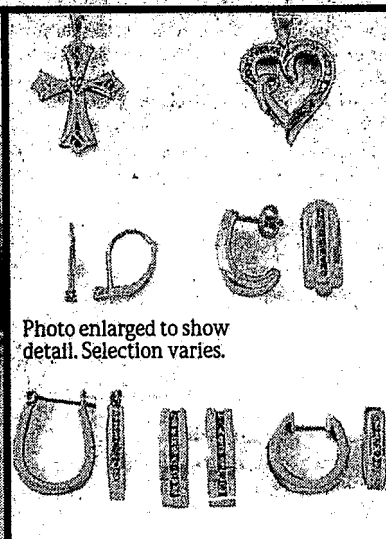


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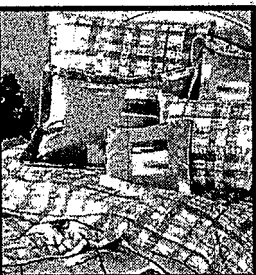
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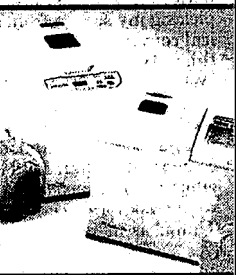
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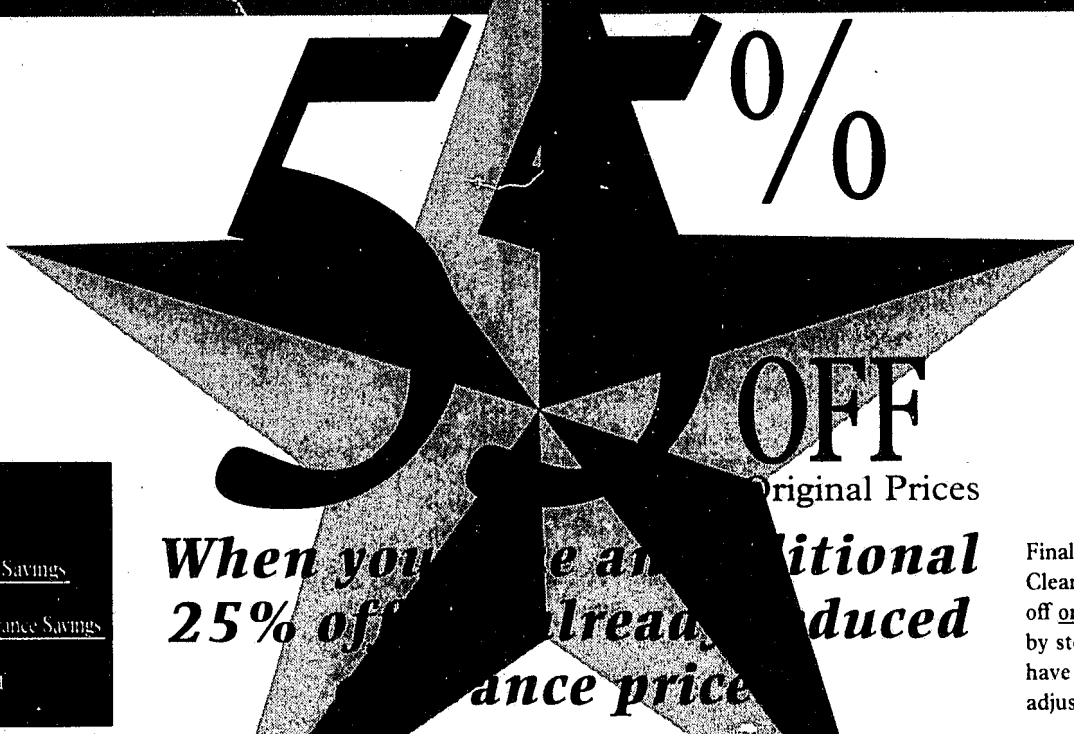
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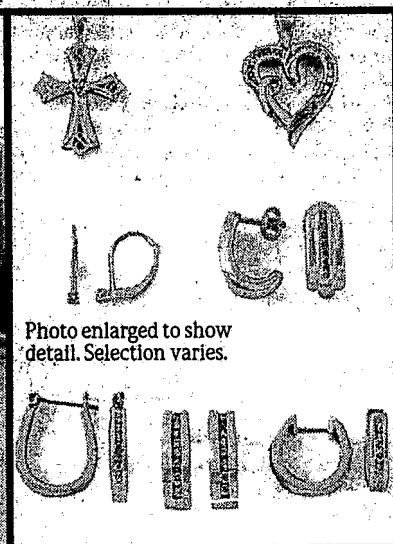


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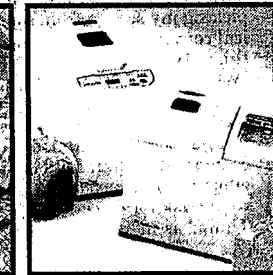
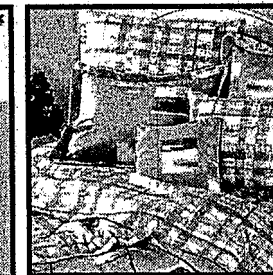
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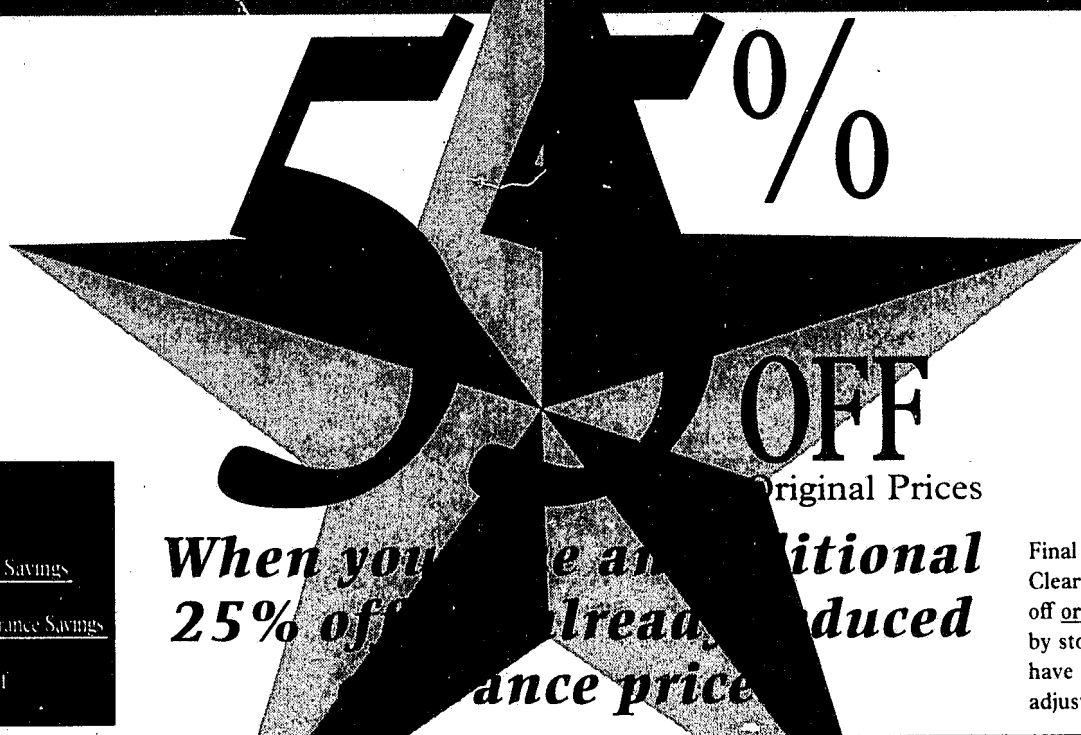
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ROCHELLE SMITH

Does teen groan drive me crazy? In 1 word: Unha

Thank goodness it's summer. Maybe I'll begin to understand my oldest son again.

There are many different types of communication: foreign language, sign language, body language, mental telepathy. Unfortunately, my oldest son seems to have picked up a form of communication that I am unable to learn — the "teen groan." Since he won't be 13 until late September, it hasn't progressed to its fullest form yet. So far we seem to be in the beginning stages of this new vernacular. The most obvious sign of this language deterioration is the single-word answer groan.

I'm starting to wonder if this is being taught in the schools. I first noticed this diction problem when picking my son up from school. A typical conversation would sound like this: "How was your day?" "Uh." "Who did you sit with at lunch time?" "Uhno." "Do you have any homework?" "Unha." For some reason, I feel no more enlightened after the conversation than I did before. In an effort to continue communicating, I would ask for direction. "Was that an 'Unna,' as in 'no,' or an 'Ahha,' as in 'yes'?" The answer to this would either be another illegible groan or a disgusted look.

As the evening progressed, he

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Garden club grows roses, memories

They have been friends forever. Rooted, as it were, in a by-gone era. In community. In dedication. In pleasure.

"You're dangerous," calls 81-year-old Janet Rose with a certain familiarity as she is instructed by her younger friend, Maryetta Bullard, 78, to "show a little cheesecake" — that is a well-shaped leg — from beneath her skirt for the photographer.

Good humor flows as readily as stream-of-conscious memories from the five "ladies of the club" who have gathered this day to recount tales from their time as members of the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club.

Over the years, they have planted flowers and good will aplenty, to be sure. Chattering all at once and debating a few small details, they tell a story full of camaraderie and spunk — while Bullard, especially, rakes up a little fun.

"They were originally very strict about membership," says a serious Virginia Walter, 84, as she settles into a chair in the Clarkston living room of club President Kay Robertson. "They were very, very sure that you'd come in and work hard. In the old days membership was quite prized."

"When we first joined, I think we were the most wonderful working group. They were true ladies," she says.

"They were all wonderful cooks," adds 90-year-old Fran Stageman, noting, "We always had an objective."

Bullard, grinning, can't resist a gentle — and knowing — jibe. "It's a wonder they didn't kick me out."

Founded in 1948, the Garden Club was comprised of 20 original members with now-familiar community names like Huttenlocher, Vliet, Lambert, Rose and Barrett. The organization will be celebrating its 50th anniversary with a picnic and featured guests at Baycourt Park on July 13. All former members are being invited to attend and organizers expect to extend some 140 invitations.



Green thumbs all around: Clarkston Farm and Garden Club members Kay Robertson and Janet Rose (front row) and Virginia Walter, Maryetta Bullard and Fran Stageman are looking forward to the group's 50th anniversary celebration on July 13.

"We needed something to bring us together," remembers Janet Rose to Walter's, "They were all good gardeners. They were great gardeners." Rose and Stageman are the only surviving charter members of the club.

The club, which met and continues to meet monthly except in January and

February, was formed at a post-war time when far fewer women worked outside their homes. They'd meet over a tea luncheon, or over dessert, to promote gardening and flower appreciation in the greater-Clarkston community.

Many meetings featured prominent guest speakers and the club also put on

garden shows complete with blue ribbons, and the occasional fund-raising rummage sale — along with sponsoring a teacher to go to a conservation camp at Higgins Lake.

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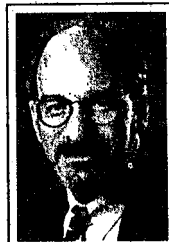


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Hunger knows no season; giving shouldn't either

As we enjoy those lazy, crazy days of summer, it is easy for us to forget about our friends and neighbors who have fallen upon hard times. It sometimes takes a "wake up" call from Mother Nature to remind us of the need to help others. The turbulent storms of early June left many homes without power for as long as one week. For many of us, the loss of power is a terrible inconvenience; for others it is a time to go hungry. Many families could not afford to replace the spoiled food from their refrigerators. However, thanks to the many holiday donations and generous contributions, Lighthouse was able to provide emergency food assistance. Without your continued support, we can not maintain this service to the community. Hunger does not change with the seasons, nor should the spirit of giving. As the summer is upon us, we ask that you continue to help Lighthouse shine as the "Beacon of Hope" for those less fortunate. The following events are a few ways you can enjoy the light of summer while contributing to a very worthy cause.

Concerts in the Park

Air Margaritaville (Jimmy Buffet-style music) will perform 7-9 p.m. July 3 in Depot Park, Clarkston. Enjoy this free, hometown concert sponsored by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce. Concession stand to serve Italian sausage and pepper/onion sandwiches and beverage from Rudy's Market. All proceeds will benefit Lighthouse Emergency Services, Clarkston.

Celebrity Golf Classic

Lighthouse Emergency Services 9th Annual Celebrity Golf Classic will be Monday, July 13,

at Wabek Country Club in Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are still available for dinner beginning at 7 p.m. Master of Ceremonies: Mike Holfeld, WXYZ Channel 7. Guest Speaker: Bobby Ross, Detroit Lions coach. For more information, contact Lighthouse, Clarkston, 673-4949.

Renaissance Festival

The 19th Annual Michigan Renaissance Festival will be Aug. 15-16 on Dixie Highway in Holly. Legends & Lore: Enter a land steeped in mystery and myth where heroes of fantasy and folklore roam the streets of Hollygrove. Many, many volunteers needed to sell beverages at the festival. Proceeds from sales to benefit Lighthouse. A good time is promised to all! Contact Katie at Lighthouse, Clarkston, 673-4949.

Buick Open

The Buick Open will be Aug. 5-9 at Warwick Hills Country Club in Grand Blanc. Volunteers are needed to sell food and beverages. Proceeds from sales to benefit Lighthouse. For more information, contact Lighthouse, Clarkston, 673-4949.

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This column is shared by local community groups. Up next week: Task Force for Youth.

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seemed to slowly recall the dialect normally spoken in our house. But the next day, as soon as he went back to school, the unfamiliar dialect returned. It was like he had been in a foreign country all day, speaking to the local natives in their own foreign tongue. Upon returning home, it took some time for him to recall his own family's vernacular.

In trying to educate myself on this new language, I did a survey of some mothers of teenagers to see if it was just my son or if they had noticed this new language being spoken by their kids, too.

I spoke with one mother who

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elementary schools throughout Independence Township.

In 1949, dues were \$11. Of that \$1 was sent to the national Farm and Garden Association, \$5 to a gardening extension center in Detroit and \$5 was committed to a scholarship fund.

According to Walter, there was a time when the Garden Club made it a part of its mission to visit a nursing home in Ortonville. Their visits came on the heels of a guest appearance by the woman (name now forgotten) who introduced the concept of horticultural therapy to institutions such as nursing homes and state hospitals.

The club's flower shows, featuring arrangements and items that were home grown, had rigid rules and included a junior division, says Walter, who chaired the event in 1957.

The event was given a different name every year and Walter called her show, "A Day In

June." "I was going to have it put on my tombstone that I chaired the Garden Club Flower Show," she says. "It was a tremendous amount of work."

Area residents who were not members of the club were encouraged to participate in the show.

"We tried to get as many entries as we could," Walter says.

In addition to their flower show, some club members also displayed their products in the annual shows held at the Pontiac Mall, now called Summit Place.

Bullard remembers the year a friend talked me into doing a whole wetlands thing. It was a mess.

"(She) was very enthusiastic. We were stomping around the woods and swamps."

Robertson, who has been deferring to her guests' memo-

ries for an hour, is the newest member among this group. Introduced to them ages ago by her mother-in-law, who was a Garden Club member, she considers her life charmed by the women's presence and this link to Clarkston's history.

"I've been in this 31 years and the reason I wanted to do this this year is because I think it's very special for a club to make it 50 years," says Robertson. "I just feel so honored."

Currently, the club maintains the flower beds at the Independence Township Library, plants and maintains flowers in the barrels along Main Street, sponsors the annual holiday Greens Market each November, and grants scholarships and funds educational programs in Clarkston schools. The club also participates in Clarkston's annual flower exchange day and the Historical Society's Crafts and Cider festival.

hormones started taking up more of the teenager's energy, there was less energy left for the brain, thus causing these relaxed speech patterns.

Whether this teen groan is medically based, or part of a new language being taught in the schools (perhaps in the hallways by 'student teachers'), it seems to have taken a summer recess. Since school ended a couple weeks ago, I've actually been able to understand most of what my son has said to me. That doesn't mean all of our conversations have been highly intelli-

gent, though. Just the other evening around the dinner table we somehow got on the subject of money. My son said he wished he had a bunch of new bills that had never been touched. My husband, with his usual dry sense of humor, told my son that was impossible. "The government hires a person to touch every bill. It's the official Bill Feeler." To which my son quickly replied, "I know what they call the government's Bill Feeler ... Monica Lewinsky."

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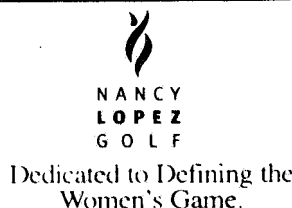
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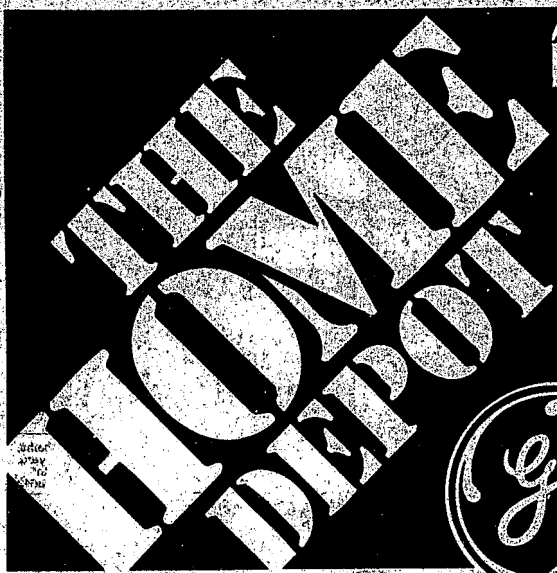
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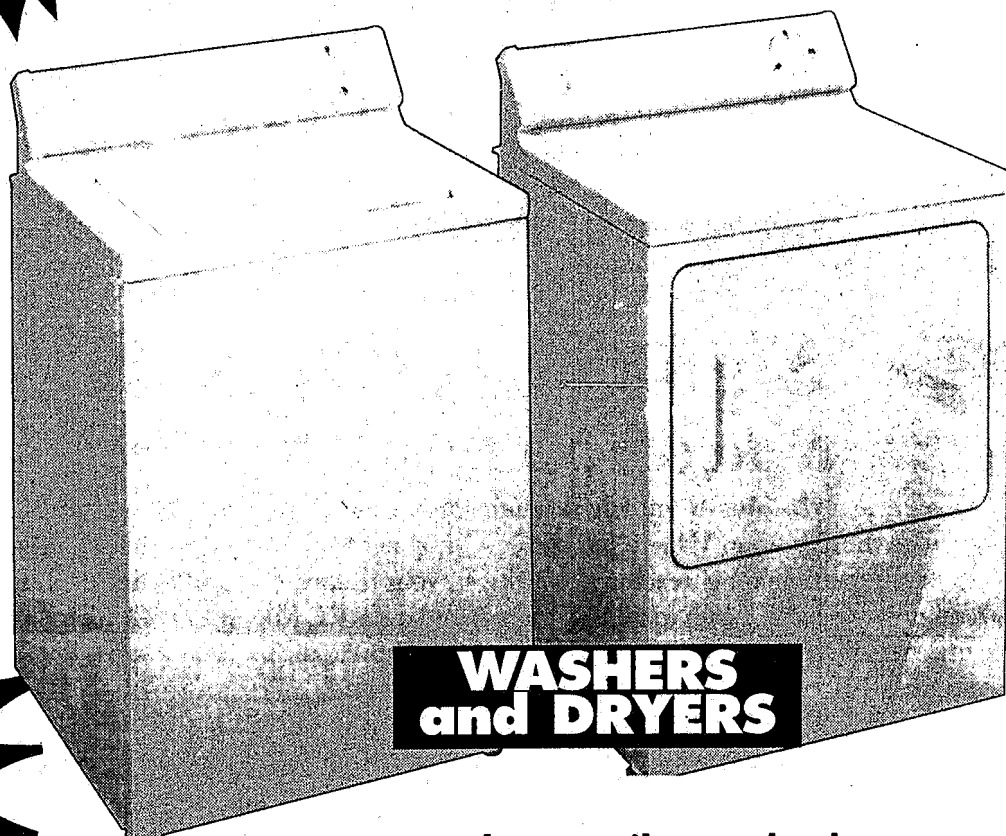
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On the other end of the scale, the team with Teresa Tanner, Sharon Walker and Cathy Ross shot 81 to capture that prize.

The one that didn't get away



Big bite: Clarkston's Louis Grech-Cumbo (right) proudly displays the five-pound, 21-inch bass he reeled in while fishing for bluegill at Mill Pond. That's Louis' friend, Ian Ferguson, on the left. Louis was reeling in a small bluegill when the bass jumped out of the water and swallowed the bluegill, so Louis reeled him in. According to Louis, the fish is chilling out in a freezer waiting to be mounted.

Rams drop pair, get ready for tourney

Brad McCloskey pitched five strong innings for the Michigan Lake Area Rams Monday, but it wasn't enough to prevent a tough 5-4, eight-inning loss to Nester at Madonna University in Livonia.

McCloskey (Brother Rice) went five innings and gave up three runs on four hits and five strikeouts. Chris Mitchell and Eric Jenks, both of Clarkston, also pitched well in relief.

Jenks and John Drallos (Clarkston) each had a single, double and RBI. Tim Clouse and Steve Seargeant (both of Lake Orion), Matt Mitchell, Mike

Ciulis and McCloskey also had hits for the Rams.

Spencer Hynes (Clarkston) nearly won the game for the Rams in the seventh inning, but his drive down the right field line curling foul at the last moment. He hit the next pitch to the 368-foot sign, but the drive was hauled in for the final out.

Earlier in the week, Hynes went 3-for-4 with a home run and five RBI against the Michigan Braves. George Maroulitsas also hit a homer to add to the 400-foot shot he hit against Livonia Travel at Ford Field in Livonia.

The Rams now get ready for what coach George Drallos calls "an exciting and challenging month of baseball."

In addition to the Little Caesar's Elite League schedule, the Rams begin tournament play over the Fourth of July weekend in the Gator Classic in St. Clair Shores. Games begin today (6:30 and 9 p.m.), Friday and Saturday.

The championship rounds are set for Sunday.

The Rams then get ready for the Mayor's Invitational in Battle Creek July 16-19.

Games are at 11:30 a.m. and

4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The championship rounds begin July 19.

The season ends with the Rams traveling to Cleveland to represent Michigan in the Continental Amateur Baseball Association National High School (17-year-olds) World Series, which includes teams from most states, including Hawaii.

"We are proud that we qualified and have this chance to represent the area and the state," Drallos said. "It's an opportunity that many young people will never experience."

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Frankhouse was the catalyst behind the onslaught, going 4-for-4 with four RBI, four runs scored and one stolen base. Mike Kiehl (Rochester) was 2-for-2 with two runs scored and one RBI. Jim Essian (Troy) scored twice and drove in a pair of runs, and Jeff Buelow (Rochester) belted a three-run homer and scored twice for the Stars, who totaled 17 hits, nine walks and five stolen bases.

"Revenge is nice," said LaNoue. "This was a close game going into the fourth inning, but we just exploded on them, and they are a good team. We just came ready to play tonight."

The Stars' hot streak couldn't have come at a better time as they head into the 24-team Great Black Swamp Invitational Thursday-Sunday at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio, on a torrid pace.

"If we come back from this tournament still with just one loss, then we'll know that we are a good team," offered LaNoue. "This is going to be a very good tournament. This is an invitation-only tournament and some of the best teams from the mid-west are going to be there. We will definitely know where we stand after this weekend."

■ **Stars understudies second at WABA Tournament** — The North Oakland Stars 14-year-old baseball team is also enjoying tremendous success this summer. Amongst their accomplishments include a runner-up finish at the WABA Tour-

nament this past weekend in Canton (Mich.).

The Stars went 4-1-1 on the weekend, falling to national power Oregon (Ohio) in a 10-inning, marathon final, 8-7, where pitcher Danny LaNoue (Rochester Adams) went the first nine innings with 10 strikeouts against just four hits.

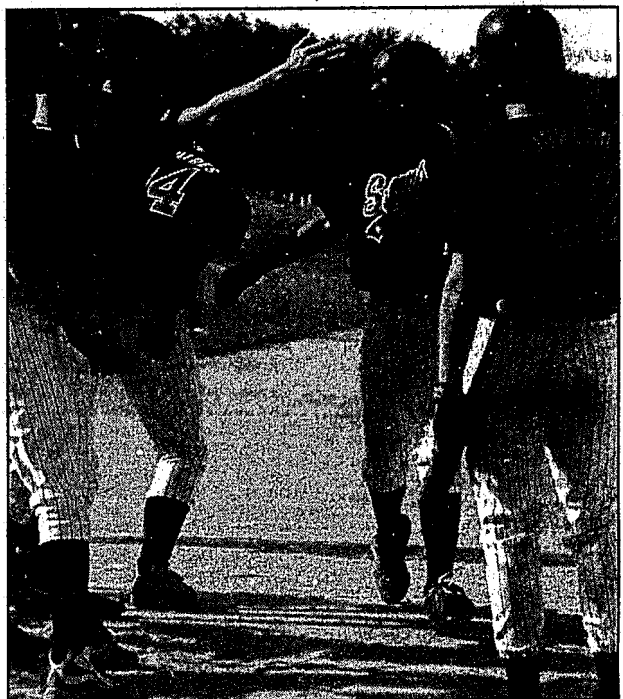
John Dushane (Bloomfield Hills Andover) contributed three hits, Drew Crowder (Rochester Adams), LaNoue, Robert Elliott (Rochester Adams) and Justin McNamara (Rochester Adams) all added two hits apiece, and Chad Elliott (Pontiac Notre Dame Prep) drove in two runs in a losing cause for the Stars (30-8-1).

North Oakland opened up the tournament with a 6-3 triumph over Milford. Kirk Akers (Rochester Adams) picked up the win with six punchouts. LaNoue led the charge with three hits and three RBI, while McNamara, Robert Elliott and Ryan Monroe (Rochester Adams) all had two hits.

The Stars tied Toledo 1-1 in the second game of pool play as Crowder pitched a complete game with nine strikeouts and just five hits. LaNoue drove in the Stars' only run.

North Oakland regrouped to blank Chelsea 8-0 in their final game a pool play behind a 13-strikeout, four-hit performance by Dushane.

LaNoue, McNamara, Sean Sheaffer (Rochester Adams) and Steve Kiehl (Rochester Adams) each provided the offense with



Glad-handing: North Oakland's Tim Frankhouse is greeted by cheering teammates after blasting a home run to help the Stars beat the Detroit Hornets, 18-1, Monday night.

two hits apiece.

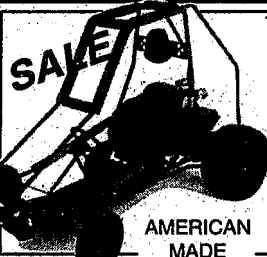
The shutout was enough for the Stars to advance to the semi-finals, where they dispatched of the Southgate Sox, 5-3.

Akers got the decision on the mound, allowing just four hits

while striking out 10. Kiehl led the attack with three hits and three RBI, Sheaffer added two hits and two RBI, including the game-winning hit, and Crowder contributed two hits for North Oakland.

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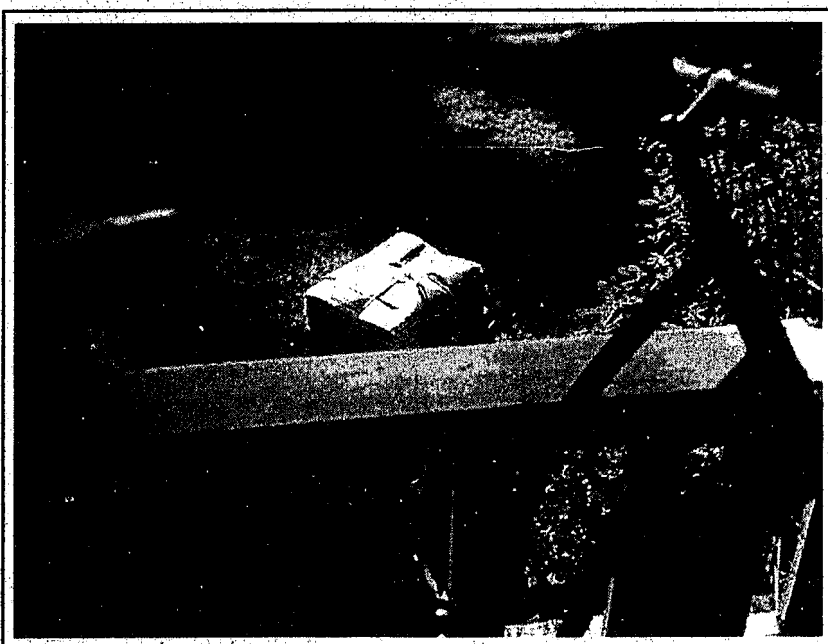


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Oakland County Sportsmens Club will hold a 30 target 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, July 12, on its walk-through course in Clarkston. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

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The Michigan Bow Hunters Rendezvous will be held July 25-26 at the Springfield Oaks Fairgrounds in Davisburg. The show offers seminars, shooting exhibitions, MUCC's live encounters show, Yoder's Big Game Exhibit, free archery shooting and instruction for the kids, a 3D course and much more. Admission is \$5 for both days and children 15 and under will be admitted free. Springfield Oaks is located on Andersonville Road, one mile south of Davisburg.

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

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

CLASSES/CLINICS

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

HUNTER EDUCATION
Wayne County Sportsmen's Club will hold several hunter education classes in the upcoming months at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. These classes will be taught by certified instructors. Students must be present for both days of their respective class. All equipment will be provided. Classes will be offered Aug. 29-30, Oct. 3-4, Oct. 17-18 and Nov. 7-8. Cost is \$10.50 and includes lunch both days. To pre-register call (313) 941-9688.

CLUBS

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

information.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

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

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

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

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

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

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS
Oakland Bass Masters will hold its fifth annual Tournament for Toys benefit bass tournament on Sunday, July 19, on Lake St. Clair. A portion of the proceeds from this two-man team tournament will benefit the pediatric patients at William Beaumont Hospital. Registration is \$75, and \$80 after July 15. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

MEETINGS

NRC
The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday, July 6, at the Calumet Theatre, 340 Sixth Street, Calumet. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 a week in advance.

SEASON/DATES

DEER
August 15 is the deadline to apply for an antlerless deer permit.

ELK
July 15 is the deadline to apply for a September or a December elk permit.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

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

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

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

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

FISHING IN THE PARKS
Learn the basics of fishing including how to bait a hook, basic knots, casting and fish ecology during this weekly program, which is offered Tuesday's at 6:30 p.m. through August 11 at Metamora-Hadley, Pontiac Lake and Island Lake.

RESIDENT BIRDS

An evening hike in search of resident birds begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 2, at Maybury. Participants should meet at the Farm Demonstration Building at the main park entrance off Eight Mile Rd., one mile west of Beck Rd.

FARM STORIES

A program for children including stories and a craft session about birds on the farm, begins at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 5, at Maybury.

SENIOR STROLL

A nature hike for senior citizens along a wheelchair-accessible trail begins at 9 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, at Maybury.

BIRD HIKE

Learn to identify some of the area's birds during this natural-ist-led hike, which begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 11, at Maybury. Participants should meet at the riding stable parking lot off Beck Road, 1/4-mile south of Eight Mile Rd. A similar pro-

gram will be held on Saturday, August 8.

METROPARKS

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

1998 PERMITS

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

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

FREE WOOD CHIPS

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

WINGS OF THE NIGHT

A slide presentation, craft session and an evening walk to learn more about the misunderstood, yet very helpful, bat begins at 8 p.m. Friday, July 10, at Independence Oaks.

STREAMSIDE SAFARI

View the Clinton River at its source and discover some of the fascinating creatures that make their homes along the river during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 11, at Independence Oaks.

SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS

■ They may not make a hole-in-one their first time out, but kids ages 9-16 will learn to drive the fairways, hit iron shots and measure putts at West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation's Hole-In-One Golf Camp. The five-week program builds and refines playing skills for experienced and novice golfers.

The camp is scheduled to take place from 7-11 a.m. on Mondays from June 29 until July 27. Campers receive two hours of instruction each week, plus two hours of group play on a mini-golf course at Shenandoah Country Club (5600 Walnut Lake Road) in West Bloomfield.

Each camper must wear proper attire and bring a wood, 5-iron, 7-iron, 9-iron, putter, water bottle and towel. Golf balls will be supplied.

Campers will also receive a camp golf shirt and admission to the West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Junior Golf Tournament, scheduled for 8 a.m. July 27 at Shenandoah.

The camp costs \$120 for West Bloomfield residents and \$135 for non-residents. To register, call West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation at (248) 738-2500.

Parent volunteers are needed as course escorts. Those interested can contact Jackie Wilson at West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation.

■ RARA will conduct a Sports Unlimited Camp, which includes such activities as floor hockey, dodge ball, basketball and scooters, July 20-23 from 9-11:30 a.m. at Musson Elementary. Cost is \$50.

For further information, call RARA at (248) 656-8308.

■ Birmingham Brother Rice will conduct a basketball clinic through July 3 for youths entering grades five through 12. The clinic will be held from 8-10 a.m. for grades 10-12, 10 a.m.-noon for grades 7-9 and noon-2 p.m. for grades 5-6.

Rice basketball coach Bill Norton will serve as camp director. He will be assisted by former prep stars Les Daggs, Dan McGrath, Jon Borovich and Jon Poyer.

For further information, call (248) 647-2526.

■ Birmingham Marian High School will be the site of the Fun-Mental Softball Clinic July 11-12 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

The clinic is open to seventh-

and eighth-grade girls interested in learning and expanding the "fun-mentals" of softball. Cost is \$45 per person. Deadline to register is July 1.

Those attending are asked to bring a softball glove, bat, cleats, tennis shoes and sliding pads.

Marian varsity softball coach Christine Snyder, along with assistants Heather Crowl, Meghan White and Andy Torrence, will make up the clinic staff.

For further information, contact Snyder at (248) 357-4196.

■ Geoff Zahn, head baseball coach at the University of Michigan, and his coaching staff will conduct three summer baseball camps for players ages 9-19. All camps will be held at Fisher Stadium on the U-M campus and will be open to both overnight and commuter campers.

Current and former Wolverine players are expected to be on hand as instructors, in addition to coach Zahn and his staff. Campers can choose from pitching, hitting or complete fundamental camps.

Camp dates are July 12-16, July 19-23 and July 26-29. For more information, call (313) 647-4579.

■ Sponsored by the LA Hawks, the 5th Annual Lakes Area Football Camp comes to Walled Lake Western on Saturday, Aug. 1 and Sunday, Aug. 2.

The program, which will run from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. each day, is open to all youngsters with an emphasis on learning the fundamentals of football.

This year's staff includes coaches from Walled Lake Central and Walled Lake Western high schools, renowned Birmingham Brother Rice head coach Al Fracassa and other certified Lakes Area coaches.

This is a non-contact training camp, and it's suggested that players bring cleats, gym shoes, a mouth guard and regular gym clothes. All lunches and drinks will be provided, and camp-shirts will be given to all participants.

Cost is \$40 per person, and applications must be received by Wednesday, July 15. The camp is limited to the first 100 registrants.

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TOW TRUCK DRIVERS
Wreckers, drivers needed for busy towing company. Full time/weekend. Excellent pay. Send resume to: Towing Dispatchers, P.O. Box 1883, Holly, MI 48442.

TRUCK DRIVER
Semi-Dump truck, Class A CDL, minimum 1 year experience. (313) 281-3038

TRUCK DRIVER/UTILITY PERSON
A/O shop. No weekends. Excellent benefits. BGSB, dental, 401K. Knowledge of Metro Detroit area. Good driving record & must. \$50,000 to start. Wallick Lake, 248-624-2583

UNSKILLED SHOP labor, benefits after 90 days. Wallick Lake area. Joe Smotherman (248) 380-7900

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VOICE/DATA NETWORK
National property management company seeking experienced network technician. Must have experience in Voice, Data, LAN and WAN. Minimum 2 years experience, electronic background preferred. Competitive salary and benefits. Send resume to: Property Manager, P.O. Box 115, Belleville, MI 48110 or fax 313-957-2054

WAREHOUSE ASSISTANT
hands on, full time plus benefits, valid driver's license, Southfield area. Call: Martin 248-353-1811

WAREHOUSE ASSISTANT
Prepare and package small orders for H&M shipping in a clean non-smoking warehouse. Full-time days 8:30-5:00. \$7.50/hr. to start, plus benefits. Send resume to: 37709 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150

WAREHOUSE HELP needed full time. Must be able to drive H.I.O. Apply at: Innovative Food Coverings, 13256 Newburgh, Livonia, 1 block South of 889

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Fax (248) 789-7160
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FILE CLERK
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Livonia, MI 48150

Horizon Health System
Human Resources-FC
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P.O. Box 51
Southfield, MI 48038-5153
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Henry Ford Health System
An Equal Opportunity Employer

GENERAL OFFICE
Immediate opening 2 yrs. office experience needed. Must be detail oriented and able to follow through. 1987 train. Competitive wages and benefits package. Send resume or apply at: Innovative Floor Covering, 12550 Newburg, Livonia, MI 48150 or call (734) 933-4100

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Southfield, MI 48033-0183
Fax (248) 335-3346

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-Fax or Mail Your Resume
-Telephone Call Will Not Be Accepted

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Full time and part time openings. Organized, self-starter. Responsibilities include typing, filing, mail, and other general office duties. Reliable transportation a must. Resume & previous office experience required. Call 248-398-6533, ext. 10

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

LEGAL SECRETARY
Birmingham employment law firm 2 years plus litigation experience required. Competitive salary & benefits. Please send resume Attn: Kelly 401 S. Old Woodward Suite 400 Birmingham, MI 48009

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

LEGAL SECRETARY
Buyer/Southfield plaintiff personal injury law firm requires experienced legal secretary 3 to 5 years litigation experience preferred. Must have excellent organizational and communication skills and like to work independently. Excellent salary/benefits package. Fax resume to:
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Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

LEGAL SECRETARY
Experienced legal secretary for Clavison office, insurance defense background preferred. Fax resume to:
Call Judy/Debbie at: 313-453-4044

LEGAL SECRETARY
Established Bloomfield Hills law firm has opening for experienced secretary in business and corporate practice. Microsoft Word/Windows 95. Good benefits. Salary commensurate with experience. Phone
(248) 645-6400 ext. 316

LEGAL SECRETARY
Experienced legal secretary. Strong litigation background required. Excellent working conditions and benefit package. Mail or fax resume to:
Office Administrator, P.O. Box 703,
Troy, MI 48067 (248) 641-9921

LEGAL SECRETARY
Full or part time. For small Farmington Hills law firm. Windows based computer skills needed. Experience preferred. Fax resume to:
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LEGAL SECRETARY
Immediate fast-paced defense opening. Must be experienced & highly skilled. Life and auto insurance benefits. PO Box 567, Troy, MI 48069

LEGAL SECRETARY
Litigation experience required. Small Birmingham firm. Fax resume to: 248-258-9596

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

LEGAL SECRETARY
Part-time for Birmingham law firm. Flexible hours. Call (248) 644-0000

LEGAL SECRETARY
Royal Oak law firm seeking secretary with family law and WordPerfect experience. Full time. Fax resume and salary requirements to:
Hiring Partner, 248-399-1711

LEGAL SECRETARY
Small Birmingham personal injury law firm. Litigation experience required. Quick typing & organizational skills required. Ask for Melanie (248) 258-1100

LEGAL SECRETARY
Troy firm needs experienced legal secretary. WordPerfect, Microsoft Windows 95 knowledge and an emergency planning, corporate and litigation experience. Fax resume to: 248-528-3638 or call 248-528-3380

LEGAL SECRETARY
Wall Lake general practice/criminal law firm. Must be computer literate, experienced in MS Office preferred. Send resume to: 2410 S. Commerce, Wall Lake, MI 48399

LEGAL SECRETARY \$1000 SIGNING BONUS
Highly efficient, litigation/corporate attorney seeks legal secretary. Must be highly motivated, have excellent typing skills. WordPerfect 6.1, 95 knowledge and an emergency planning, corporate and litigation experience. Fax resume to: (734) 416-2683 or mail to:
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11001 Union Road
Plymouth, MI 48170
Attn: Marilee
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Our Orthodontic office is searching for highly motivated people to join our team. We desire co-workers who are energetic, enthusiastic, bright and confident. We focus on expert communication with patients and high organizational skills. Position available for front desk appointment scheduling, preformed full time (computer knowledge helpful). Will train qualified person. Please call (248) 344-8400 between 9:30am-5pm

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Part time. Filing, phones, light typing & errands. Some experience helpful. Contact Lisa (248) 478-2228

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Engineering/Information Technology firm seeks an OAT/typist, 45wpm with 2 years of experience in MS Word, internet, PowerPoint and can print/size work. Must have good organizational skills. Mail/Fax resume to:
CA/Etech
13486 Standard Ct.
Livonia, MI 48150
Tel (734) 513-6100
Fax (734) 513-6174
Email: resume@cae-tech.com
Visit us at: www.cae-tech.com
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OFFICE ASSISTANT
Excellent part-time position available for a detail oriented person with computer skills helpful. Southfield area. Great opportunity for steady hours & income. Hrs Tues/Thurs. Why? 1-5pm. General office duties, word processing experience required. Call 248-848-9120 or Fax resume with salary requirements 248-848-9019

OFFICE HELP
Full-time Communication and computer skill helpful. Southfield area. Ask for Mr. Martin 248-353-1811

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OFFICE CLERK
Southfield law firm seeks an organized individual to assist office with general duties. Accounts payable experience helpful. Must have disciplined work habits & strong people skills. Experience in Microsoft Word is necessary. Competitive salary & benefits. Please send cover letter & resume stating salary requirements to:
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36251 Schoolcraft Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150

OFFICE MANAGER
Bookkeeping experience & computer knowledge for accounts exp. Full-time or part-time. Also, Receptionist opening with experience. Southfield area.
1-800-321-8560

OFFICE POSITIONS
2 positions. Entry level Bookkeeper, Administrative Assistant. Fax resume: 248-578-3021

OFFICE SERVICES MANAGER
Outstanding individual needed for 40 person Southfield professional firm. Successful candidate will supervise administrative support staff and manage office facilities. Must be familiar with people centered leadership. Successful candidate will have 2+ years of management experience and a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent. Excellent opportunity for a highly motivated individual who works well in a busy office. We offer a professional salary and excellent benefits including 401K, Master Medical, Dental, Optical, Prescription, Life and Disability. Please send resume and salary requirements to:
Human Resources Manager
26555 Evergreen #1100
Southfield, MI 48076

OFFICE SUPPORT
For fast paced mortgage lender located in Southfield. Must be computer literate & the ability to work well with others. Must be competitive wages & comprehensive benefit package. Fax resume 248-354-5517, attn Mr. Hall

ORDER CLERK
Are you a Foodie but tired of evenings, weekends & holidays? Specialty food wholesaler is looking for hardworking, dependable, inside sales team member. Full time. Benefits, Paid training. 401K. Call: 313 631-2026.

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Experienced Paralegal sought for busy Southfield plaintiff personal injury firm. Must have knowledge of non-litigation, as well as top organizational and communication skills. Excellent salary/benefits package. Please Fax resume to: (248) 483-3131

PART-TIME RECEPTIONIST
Position available. Flexible hours, afternoons and occasional weekends. For interview and employment, please call: 248-816-8757 or call 248-528-3380

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Strong typing & phone skills a must. Redford 313-535-4109

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Fortune 500 Retail Company is seeking a detail oriented person in position in its distribution center. Candidates must have strong people skills as well as general computer skills, preferably with Microsoft Office 95. Experience with the Kronos Timekeeping System preferred. Fax resume to: (248) 674-8029 or send them to:
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Warren, MI 48093
ATTN: HR/SCMG

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A Franchise of Pizza Hut
We're looking for professional General Office and Administrative staff for our fast-paced, rapidly growing location in Novi. Qualified candidates need a minimum of 3 years general office experience. We offer a great location, excellent work environment, along with competitive salaries and benefits.
Submit your resume, including references and compensation requirements to the following address. No phone calls please.
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39555 Orchard Hill Place
Suite 169
Novi, MI 48375
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Busy Nov. real estate agent seeking team member with strong communication, organizational and computer skills. Full or part-time. Real estate background preferred. Call 888-285-1449 Ext. 9201 for a recorded message.

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For busy Plymouth residential builder. Willing to train right person. Competitive benefit package. Salary based on experience. Fax resume to: Personnel at (734) 459-0606 or mail to: 1330 Goldsmith, Plymouth, MI 48170

RECEPTIONIST
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Cindi Lyons
Employer Solutions
215 W. Ann Arbor Rd.
Suite 301
Plymouth, MI 48170

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

RECEPTIONIST
ACRO Service Corp., a \$50 million organization, is one of Michigan's fastest growing staffing companies. We have an opening for a Receptionist to join our team in our Livonia office. The hours are 10:00pm to 6:00pm. Responsibilities include answering and directing all incoming phone calls from switchboard, distributing incoming mail, stamping all outgoing mail using postage meter, call for pick up of express mail, drop all express packages, stuff envelopes and other clerical duties as needed. Selected candidates must have high school diploma, one to two years experience with multi-line phone system and familiarity with word processing and data entry. Please mail or fax your resume to:
ACRO Service Corp.
Human Resources, TM
17187 N. Laurel Park Dr., Ste. 165
Livonia, MI 48152
Fax: (734) 591-1217

RECEPTIONIST - Animal Lover
For Animal Hospital, Full-time, \$8-\$9/hr. Must love animals, 7th Ave. S.W. E. of Marquette, Livonia.

RECEPTIONIST
Automotive supplier located in Southfield looking for full time receptionist. Duties include answering all incoming calls as well as some clerical support. Knowledge of Microsoft Office required. Fax resume with salary requirements to:
Attn: H.R.M., 248 352-7464.

RECEPTIONIST
Busy Troy engineering firm needs efficient and courteous receptionist to assist with incoming calls. Must be computer literate. Excellent benefit package includes benefits, 401K, vacation, and holiday pay (Christmas week, inclusive). Send resume with salary history to:
Human Resources
685 Elmwood
Troy, MI 48063
Fax 248-588-1888

RECEPTIONIST/CLERK
Searl Hearing Aid Department, Livonia. Must have some computer and typing skills. Must also be outgoing and have good people skills. Organizational skills. Full time. Health benefits. Fred Kowal 248-471-5909

RECEPTIONIST - COMPUTER OPERATOR
For Farmington Hills office. Entry level, full time. Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM thru 5:00 PM. Must be able to work independently. Benefits. Call: (248) 485-1117 ext. 501

RECEPTIONIST
Experienced for insurance Southfield office. Experience with voice-mail, e-mail, network, some experience with Word. Excellent benefit package. Fax resume to: (248) 485-1117 ext. 501

RECEPTIONIST
Fast-paced Livonia practice specializing in weight loss. Full time. 734-422-8040

RECEPTIONIST
For private mental health clinic in Northville. Full or part time. Office hours 9:00am-5:00pm. For Mr. Keller (248) 348-1100

RECEPTIONIST
For national company headquartered in Farmington Hills. Full or part-time. Please call & ask for Mr. Brown: (248) 737-2000

RECEPTIONIST FOR WEEKEND EVENINGS
Private country club in W. Bloomfield seeks an experienced receptionist for weekend evenings. Must have excellent organizational skills and be a team player. Excellent compensation package. Fax resume to: (248) 674-8029 or send them to:
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Warren, MI 48093
ATTN: HR/SCMG

RECEPTIONIST
For busy Farmington Hills real estate Co. Days, 10am-4pm. Call Beth Tews or Thurs after 4pm 248-4765300

RECEPTIONIST
FULL TIME receptionist. Good communication skills, computer proficiency required. We offer competitive wages and benefits. Fax resume 248-363-7096 or apply in person at 4305 Pineview Dr., Suite 200, Wall Lake, MI 48392-4200 Ext. 29

RECEPTIONIST FULL-TIME, typing, filing, computerized inventory, etc. Start \$8 benefit, good pay, 8-5-1111 E. 11th St. or M-24/Lapeer, first right N. of Brown Rd., in Orion Business Park, Lake Orion

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Needed for busy Troy law firm. Excellent benefits. Please mail to:
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RECEPTIONIST
Needed for busy non-smoking Livonia office. Must have some computer knowledge, good filing skills, & be adept at handling busy 7 line phone system. Send resume & salary requirements to: 34039 schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or Fax to 734-522-6970

RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE ASSISTANT
Entry-level Good phone skills a must. Computer skills helpful. Send resume with salary requirements or apply in person to: Anson Mold Inc. 7779 Market St. Farmington Hills, MI 48333

RECEPTIONIST
Part-time, 9-3 A.M. for Sue 734-422-7110

RECEPTIONIST
Plymouth law firm seeks friendly professional person. Excellent oral and written communication skills are required. Must be detail oriented and able to handle multiple priorities in a fast-paced customer service environment. Word, Excel and data entry experience desired. Basic bookkeeping skills a plus. Send resume and salary requirements to:
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Suite 301
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Entry level for busy office. Full time. Answer phones, typing, filing, A/R plus general office tasks. Must be detail oriented have excellent phone manners. Microsoft Office experience independent thinker & a team player. Send resume to:
Cech Corporation
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Livonia, MI 48150
Fax to 734 513 6757

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DWF, 42, 5'10", NS, ND, enjoys easygoing, over-the-top, enjoys swimming, walking, bowling, cards, etc. Seeks, honest, loyal SWM, NS, ND, South Lyon area. #8484

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I NEED A MAN

Attractive, employed, educated BF, 50 (looks much younger), exercises daily, no dependents, seeks employed male, 45-55, no dependents, no hanging out, sensitive, old-fashioned guy. #8844

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Humorous SF, 41, 5'6", 130lbs, brown/hazel, no kids, never married, enjoys comedy clubs, drag racing. Seeking commitment-minded SM, 38-48, race unimportant, for a mutually fulfilling relationship. Ypsi Township area. #7816

FOX Y LADY

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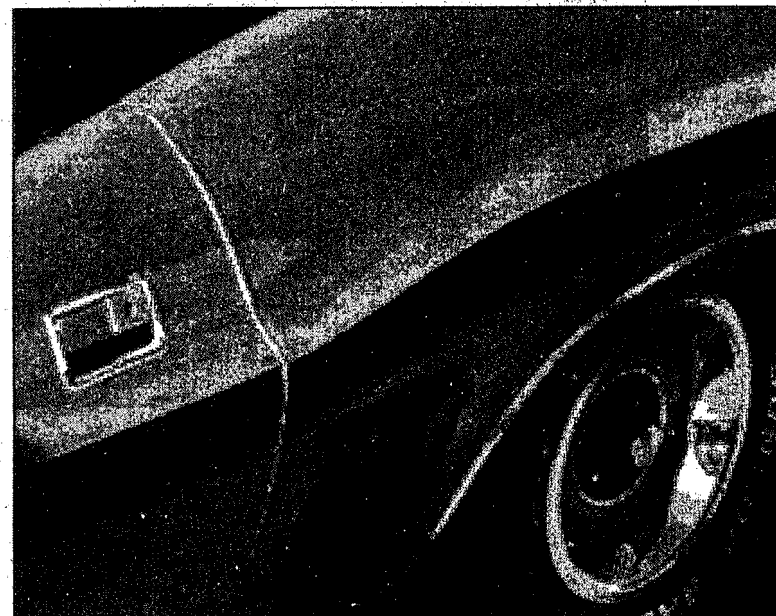
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REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q: I am contemplating selling some property on a land contract but would like to be sure that if the buyer sells the property within 10 years that I get to share in any profits received by the buyers. Do you think that this is enforceable?

While your proposal is clever, I don't think it will pass the general rule in Michigan against unreasonable restraints on the transferability of property.

Restraints are strongly disfavored in Michigan. Where they are permitted, they are strictly construed to prevent a forfeiture. They are generally permitted only where there is a desire to avoid loss of security of the property.

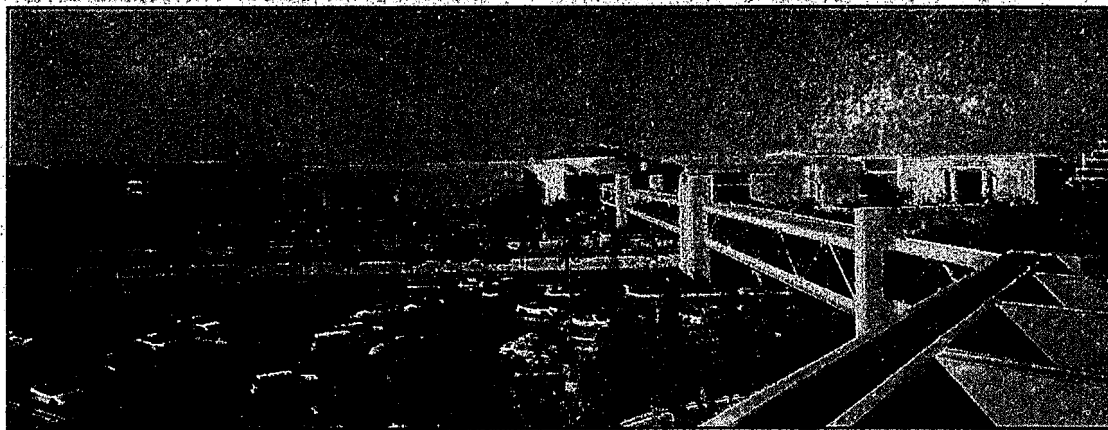
That wouldn't be the case here, based upon a recent court of appeals decision. That case indicated that such a type of restraint wouldn't be permitted.

Q: I have heard recently about a land owner being successful in suing a building official for denial of a building permit under federal statute. Do you have information about this?

In a recent Supreme Court decision from Rhode Island, the land owner was successful in suing under 42 U.S.C. Section 1983 against a building official who denied a permit because the building official incorrectly determined that there was a zoning violation.

The land owner claimed that the resulting delay increased his construction costs. The court indicated that the denial may have violated the 14th Amendment right to due process clause which would give the homeowner a right to pursue attorney fees under Section 1983.

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Luxury Mall: JPRA Architect of Farmington Hills was the designer, Perini Building of Southfield the contractor/builder of the Somerset Collection North in Troy.

These buildings are winners

Real estate is more than just vacant land. Buildings often are like icing on the cake.

A university library, an upscale shopping mall, a parking structure and a combination middle/high school were among eight buildings selected for general excellence construction and design awards this year for ESD-the Engineering Society.

Judges looked at seven criteria including quality of overall design, appropriateness of materials, innovative construction materials and land use/environmental consideration.

The panel also examined unique engineering system features, degree of energy consciousness and social/economic effect.

The nominated structures had to be finished as of Jan. 1, 1994 and at least one member of the building team - architect, general contractor or owner - must have had a Michigan connection and be an ESD member.

The judges weren't restricted as to the number of awards presented. Following is a brief description of the winners as provided by ESD.

David Adamany Undergraduate Library, Wayne State University, Detroit.

Architect/Engineer: BEI Associates. Construction Manager: White Construction and Walbridge Aldinger. Mechanical & Electrical Engineer: Mancini, Alkateeb & Associates, Bingham Farms.

The ceremonial entrance with triumphal arch that faces onto a plaza symbolizes the library as an icon of academic excellence.

A state-of-the-art electronic Direct Digital Control has been installed to optimize start-up, control and shut-down of all heating, ventilating and air conditioning equipment.

An extended study center will be open 24 hours a day, five days a week with appropriate security.

Media Union, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Lead Architect/Engineer: Albert Kahn Associates. General Contractor: Ellis-Don Construction, Livonia.

This four-level "library" bringing together resources of the schools of Art and Architecture, Engineering and Music has become the focal point of the North Campus.

Brick, stone and glass curtainwall skin the steel-framed structure. Technical requirements included 2,500 data ports. Flexible walls in several rooms offer maximum adaptability of spaces.

Somerset Collection North, Troy.

Owner/Developer: Forbes-Cohen Properties/Frankel Associates. Architect/Designer: JPRA Architect. Builder/Contractor: Perini Building.

Luxurious materials such as Mankato stone, a 40,000-square-foot skylight and a glass-and-brick moving skywalk make this shopping mall a cultural center and architectural icon for southeastern Michigan.

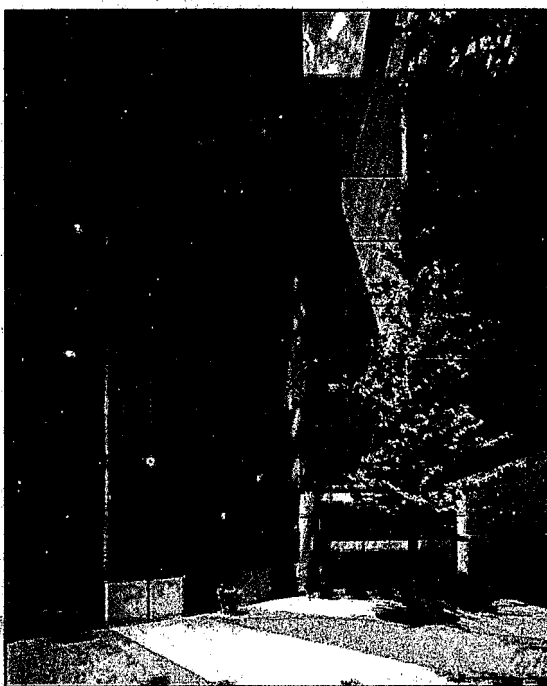
Artisan touches such as curved mahogany benches, waterfalls and fountains and different upscale tiles can be found throughout the three-level structure.

General Motors Service Parts Operations World Headquarters, Grand Blanc, Mich.

Architect: Neumann/Smith & Associates, Southfield. Associate Architect: Sims-Varner & Associates. Structural Engineer: L&A Inc., Southfield. Mechanical Engineer: Limbach Co. Electrical Engineer: G&S Integration Ltd., Troy. Civil Engineer/Landscape Architect: Giffels-Webster Engineering, Rochester Hills. Construction Manager: Granger Construction.

The design challenge was to create a large office area with minimal fixed offices and 95 percent of the staff in open, landscaped work stations.

A mitigation plan was developed to protect wetlands and movement of ani-



Parking structure: Neumann/Smith and Associates of Southfield was the architect, Hubbell, Roth & Clark of Bloomfield Hills the engineer and Grissim/Metz Associates of Farmington Hills the landscape architect for this parking structure owned by Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

mals, while at the same time recharging the underground water system, meeting filtering and purification requirements.

Jefferson Avenue Parking Structure, Detroit.

Owner: Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan. Architect: Neumann/Smith & Associates, Southfield. Structural/Mechanical/Electrical Engineer: Walker Parking Consultants/Engineers. Civil Engineer: Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Bloomfield Hills. Landscape Architect: Grissim/Metz Associates, Farmington Hills. Construction Manager: Walbridge Aldinger.

The design challenge was to maximize parking density, 480 spaces, on a very narrow urban site that fronts a primary downtown boulevard.

Great care was taken to express every possible component offering unusual design opportunities including curved front facade and glass link.

Open space and landscaping were added around the nine-story structure to relieve the hardness of the cityscape.

River Rouge Middle School and High School.

Architect: URS Greiner, Farmington Hills. Construction Manager: Barton Malow, Southfield.

The three-story building on a compact, irregularly shaped lot entices young people with a pool, gymnasium, theater, TV studio, media center, library and computer labs.

The air conditioning system involves

frozen-water tanks and an anti-freeze solution circulating through coils.

Wolverine Secure Treatment Center, a private juvenile treatment facility, Saginaw.

Owner: Wolverine Human Services. Architect/Engineer: BEI Associates. Construction manager: Wolgast Construction.

The design can be compared to a rural town concept, with residential and educational functions revolving around a social/recreation center. Each bedroom has a view outside. Large skylights let in sunlight.

The perimeter wall system provides a nearly inescapable barrier.

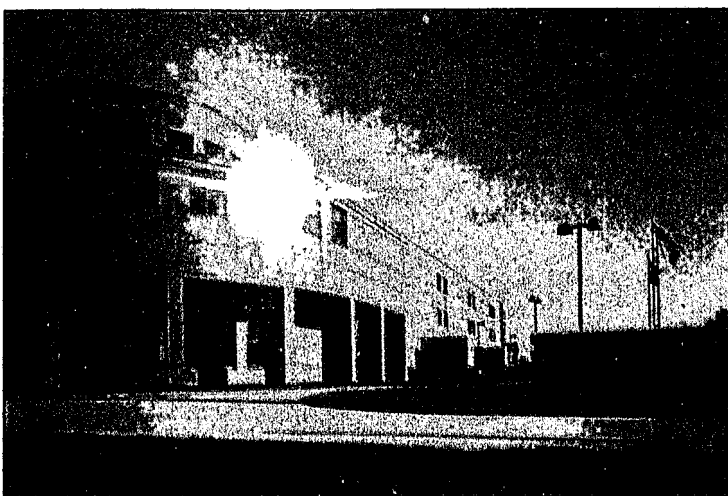
Ford Motor Hypobaric Test Chamber, Allen Park.

Engineer: Ruby & Associates, Southfield. Constructor: MBM Fabricators & Erectors.

Each of the three chamber rooms at the emissions/altitude test laboratory has individual, full-environmental operating conditions.

Albert Kahn Associates won an ESD award in the national category for work as lead architect/engineer at the Mercedes-Benz Plant in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.

Ghafari Associates of Dearborn, architect/engineer, and Ellis-Don of Livonia, contractor, were cited in the historical category for renovation work at Old Main Administration Building, Wayne State University.



School winner: URS Greiner of Farmington Hills was the architect, Barton Malow of Southfield the construction manager for the River Rouge Middle/High School.

Housing pulse

Single family builders pushed the pedal to the metal during March. Every Census Bureau division showed sizable gains in permits pulled compared to March of '97.

	Units permitted	1-Year change
New England	3,335	+25%
Mid-Atlantic	6,511	+10%
Great Lakes	14,260	+15%
Plains	5,791	+9%
South Atlantic	29,100	+15%
East/South Central	6,737	+15%
West/South Central	11,613	+30%
Mountain	13,196	+17%
Pacific	13,295	+23%
U.S.	103,838	+17%

Source: U.S. Housing Markets

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Broker puts together library of computer programs

MORTGAGE SEARCH



DAVID C. MULLY

First of two parts

Great American Mortgage Corp., a Michigan mortgage broker/lender, has come up with a shareware library of computer programs that should be useful for anyone who is in the market for a mortgage or a new home.

"Both consumers and real estate professionals can now utilize

their desktop computers to analyze different financing scenarios in a user-friendly manner," said Robert Rabano, president of Great American Mortgage.

"With so many different loan options, it's easy to choose the wrong loan program if you haven't considered all the factors," he said. "We have compiled a catalog of shareware and freeware available to the public. These programs can educate and assist the consumer in making one of the biggest financial decisions of their lives."

Recent studies indicate that many people use their home computers to manage personal finances. The mortgage company believes that the major computer retail outlets carry a very limited selection of mortgage and real estate software, so it assembled its own library.

"We have selected the best and most user-friendly programs," Rabano said. "We wanted to help consumers and real estate professionals gain access to the various tools available for making these types of decisions."

The shareware catalog contains programs for all levels of sophistication from computer programs that define basic mortgage and real estate terminology to in-depth mortgage analysis including amortization schedules, loan comparisons and good-faith estimates.

The catalog makes it possible for real estate agents to offer these programs to potential buyers to help them figure out how much money they need to buy a new house or get a mortgage.

Some of the programs listed in the catalog allow you to calculate such things as the new house payment, down payment, loan fees, property taxes and escrows. This also allows people to determine where you can find the homes that are in your price range even if you don't have a formally pre-approved mortgage loan.

Next week: How to acquire this software.

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HOMES SOLD IN OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric's real estate closings recorded July 26 - 29 at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Auburn Hills

2505 Gates Dr. \$102,000
2876 Horseshoe Ct. \$159,000
893 Mulberry Blvd. \$180,000
2586 Elmwood St. \$132,000
3616 S. Shiloh Cir. \$132,000
614 Princeton Rd. \$132,000
2223 Walnut Rd. \$98,000

Clarkston

5551 Adderstone Dr. \$215,000
268 Baldwin Rd. \$96,000
1059 Blue Ridge Cir. \$315,000
6022 Cedar Bend Dr. \$260,000
6341 Church St. \$155,000
7240 Elmhill Ct. \$285,000
5120 Eastview Rd. \$135,000
8523 Elkton Dr. \$550,000
8185 Elmwood Dr. \$169,000
6101 Lake Walden Dr. \$212,000

Franklin

5734 Leeward Ct. \$136,000
6895 Maple Dr. \$173,000
5815 Meadows Dr. \$289,000
4917 Miskoddy Rd. \$156,000
4595 Oak Vista Ave. \$122,000
10134 Old Kent Ln. \$225,000
6545 Park Valley Dr. \$375,000
6539 Ricki Ct. \$228,000
23 S. Holcomb Rd. \$190,000
8238 Sashabaw Ridge \$290,000
514 Sunrise Dr. \$199,000

Farmington

23119 Cass St. \$178,000
32615 Cloverdale St. \$169,000
33712 Glenview Dr. \$143,000
22620 Hayden St. \$160,000
35460 Heritage Ln. \$170,000
33933 State St. \$159,000

Farmington Hills

22267 Arbor Ln. \$207,000
25728 Blue Creek Ct. \$223,000
31842 Bristol Rd. \$350,000
34727 Bunker Hill Dr. \$188,000

Livonia

6588 Wealthy St. \$146,000
6805 Wealthy St. \$141,000
6144 Woodcreek Trl. \$175,000

Livonia

3811 Bismark Rd. \$112,000
6775 Cay Rd. \$205,000
1770 Dogwood Trl. \$225,000
1891 Dogwood Trl. \$238,000
4487 Driftwood Dr. \$235,000
2981 E Commerce Rd. \$176,000
1650 High Pointe Dr. \$217,000
2835 Laurel Dr. \$177,000
2846 Laurel Dr. \$91,000
9670 Nestora St. \$279,000
6061 Northbrook Ct. \$239,000
1891 Plumridge Ct. \$239,000
1900 Quail Run. \$184,000
2830 Red Arrow Dr. \$185,000
28537 Newport St. \$220,000
2404 Ryan Pl. \$210,000
1560 Sabie St. \$70,000
1392 Spruce Dr. \$193,000
1782 Thorndale St. \$140,000
4640 Vandalia St. \$149,000
218 Vinona Ter. \$119,000
1475 Wandell Dr. \$600,000
2150 Winston Dr. \$300,000
9004 Woods Edge Dr. \$215,000

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10981 Big Lake Rd. \$135,000
8887 Boulder Ct. \$369,000
11946 Scott Rd. \$53,000
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- This custom Cambridge Cape Cod sits amidst prestigious homes and has its own special extras to dazzle you with
- Features extra large rooms and spectacular lower level
- Three car garage, lush landscaping and brick pavers

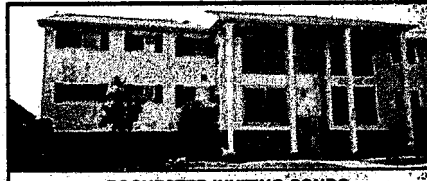
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PONTIAC - INVESTOR'S SPECIAL

- Perfect for the family starting out or investors
- Two bedrooms, full basement, enclosed front porch
- Detached 1 car garage.

\$21,900 (248) 625-5700 MA438



ROCHESTER INVITING CONDO

- Sharp, neutral & clean with new carpet throughout
- New ceramic flooring adorns kitchen with eating area.
- Freshly painted. Two bedrooms, enclosed balcony
- Walk to town, library, parks, post office & more

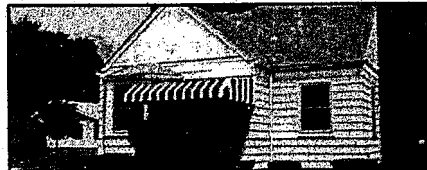
\$79,900 Ask For: Juanita Mallmann (248) 656-4405 BA480



ROSEVILLE

- Nice three bedroom Bungalow freshly painted
- Hardwood floors, some newer windows, large breakfast room, excellent location
- Close to parks and schools

\$86,500 (248) 641-1660 WE177



FERNDALE

- Cute three bedroom home in Ferndale School District situated on prime corner lot with mature trees
- Partially finished basement, stove & refrigerator stay
- Central air. Call for more details on this good buy.

\$76,500 (248) 646-6000 CH494



FENTON

- Move right in! Gorgeous split ranch in premier sub.
- Many fine amenities include master with whirlpool, White Bay kitchen with hardwood floor, ceramic bath
- Firelit great room with cathedral ceilings. (SP409)

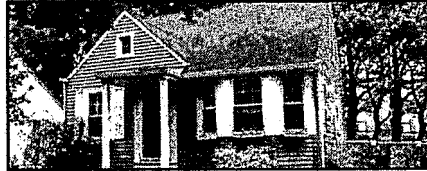
\$199,900 Ask For: Carol Ray (810) 629-9612



BERKLEY - CUTE HOME

- This 3 bedroom brick Bungalow sits on a corner lot
- Large kitchen, 2 full baths, central air, 2 ceiling fans
- Basement, 2 car detached garage and patio
- Vacant and ready for your special touches

\$126,000 (248) 851-4400 RO318



BERKLEY - EXCELLENT LOCATION

- Perfect for the active family with well kept, landscaped lawn and above ground pool w/decking
- Three bedroom Bungalow with 1st floor master
- Basement, walking distance to play ground and fields!

\$127,900 (248) 625-5700 PH184



WOW! OVER 3,000 SQUARE FEET!

- Four bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial
- Huge family room plus library
- Hardwood floors, Fieldstone fireplace, newer roof
- Big yard with patio. Priced to sell in Bloomfield!

\$229,900 (248) 646-6000 SQ191



SHARP BERKLEY BUNGALOW

- Four bedrooms, basement, new kitchen
- Gorgeous hardwood floors in living and dining rooms
- Newly decorated, new furnace, central air
- Doorwall to patio, fenced yard

\$129,900 (248) 647-6400 TY178



GROVELAND TOWNSHIP

- Brick & cedar Colonial situated on 10.1 wooded acres
- Fire lit family room, dining room, library/study
- Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Basement and garage.
- 70x64 horse barn w/indoor arena.

\$269,900 (248) 625-5700 VA801



ROYAL OAK - WALK TO GOLF COURSE

- Enjoy city living in this brick ranch with 3 bedrooms
- Newer windows and hardwood floors throughout
- Jacuzzi tub in bathroom, finished basement with bath
- Florida room overlooks large fenced yard with BBQ grill

\$139,900 Ask For: Mary Bann (248) 970-5321 EL482



TROY

- Tremendous deep site provides privacy & room with all the convenience of a mid-town location
- Updated ranch with new windows & updated kitchen
- Full, finished basement. Huge 4 car garage.

\$143,900 (248) 641-1660 IO274



ROYAL OAK - FABULOUS DOWNTOWN CONDO

- Cathedral ceiling, skylights, fireplace
- Open floor plan, neutral carpeting
- White tile baths, door wall from dining room
- New window blinds, appliances included

\$177,000 Ask For: Jane Solomon (248) 647-6400 WA130



OAKLAND

- Picture perfect home with perfect location
- Large lot backs to woods and commons
- Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths, spacious library
- Extra deep walkout basement. Great landscaping

\$394,900 (248) 851-4400 DE373



HUNTINGTON WOODS

- Lovely brick Bungalow in center of The Woods
- Hardwood floors under carpeting, large sitting area
- Fourth bedroom in finished lower level, 2 1/2 baths
- Fireplace in living room, 16x21 enclosed porch

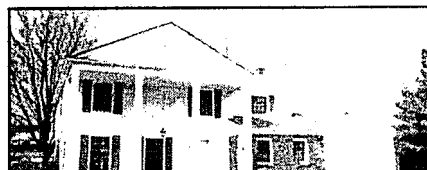
\$199,000 Ask For: Jane Solomon (248) 647-6400 NA107



ROCHESTER HILLS

- This brick Colonial has more than great curb appeal
- Gracious curved staircase and beautiful bow window
- Family room features brick wall fireplace & wet bar
- Beautiful decor. Situated in a secluded setting

\$199,900 (248) 626-9100 ST280



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



SOUTHFIELD

- Redone ranch, move in condition, contemporary
- Custom kitchen, new Andersen windows, new doors
- Great room with vaulted ceiling - fireplace
- Large treed lot w/backyard ravine. Approx. 1.5 acres

\$222,500 (248) 646-6000 BR292



ROCHESTER HILLS COLONIAL

- Private wooded yard with deck & gazebo, 4 bedrooms
- Updated decor and appliances. Jetted tub
- Just 5 minutes to I-75 or M-59

\$229,900 Ask for Joyce Dobbs (248) 656-4422 AQ323



ROCHESTER HILLS

- Home sites available in Rochester's newest sub
- Many custom & quality features & extras thru-out
- Two way fireplace between great room & hearth room
- Four bedrooms, 3 full and 2 half baths. Much more

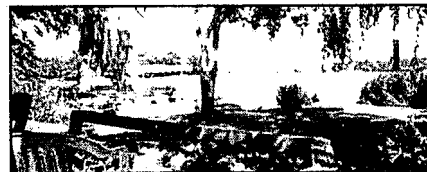
\$429,500 Ask for Eleanor Feeley (248) 656-4404 AS1



BLOOMFIELD HILLS - WELL LOCATED

- Mature landscaping & lake privileges
- Sprawling four bedroom ranch with fireplace in large family room - breakfast room plus formal dining room
- Over 2,100 sq. ft., security system. (SH643)

\$255,000 (248) 647-6400 SH643



UPPER STRAITS LAKE - CANAL FRONT

- Enjoy panoramic view of private all-sports lake
- Association beach in charming neighborhood
- Canal frontage, 2 bedroom ranch/value in land
- Private and public golf course nearby

\$285,000 (248) 646-6000 SH554



FARMINGTON - ILLS

- This 4 bedroom Colonial has a great open floor plan
- Doorwalls, window walls and deck overlooks commons
- Family room with natural fireplace and built-ins
- Contemporary kitchen. Timed lighting Circle drive

\$289,500 Ask for Ann Greene (248) 646-3534 HI296



FARMINGTON HILLS

- Four bedroom contemporary offers great appeal
- Ceramic foyer, oversize island kitchen, great sub
- Cathedral ceiling great room with marble fireplace
- Vaulted ceiling library, dining room with wet bar

\$289,900 (248) 646-6000 DO376



ORCHARD LAKE - UPPER STRAITS LAKE

- Luxurious 2,902 sq. ft. wood Contemporary home
- Totally remodeled and updated with beautiful decor
- Two way fireplace in family room, unique media room
- Gorgeous master suite. Lake and beach privileges!

\$299,700 (248) 851-4400 LA385



GRAND BLANC - \$25,000 UNDER APPRAISAL

- Prime corner elevated golf course lot with circular drive
- Over 2,600 square feet, four bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths
- Master & guest suites. Customized Stephan Fuller design Golf cart storage, lower level walkout. (WO550)

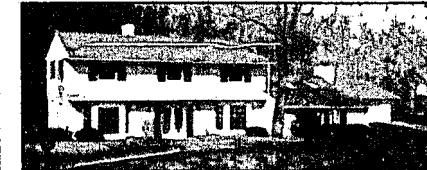
\$350,000 Ask for Mary Towns (810) 695-1990 WO550



BLOOMFIELD - EXCLUSIVE GATED COMMUNITY

- Very Fine Waterfront French Colonial in prestigious Heron Bay Bloomfield Hills Schools
- Large spacious rooms overlook wildlife sanctuary
- Sellers will consider offers between

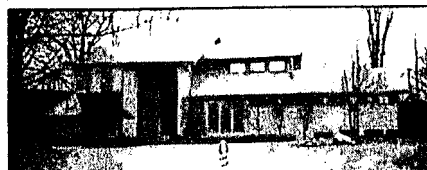
\$1,650,000-1,750,000 Ask For Gwen Williamson 646-6089



BLOOMFIELD

- Motivated Seller
- Will look at all offers \$340,000 \$357,900
- One acre - wooded - great location
- Gunite pool - spa

\$357,900 (248) 647-6400 GR453



TROY - BEAUTIFUL VIEWS

- All the extras for this Colonial backing to commons
- Almost 3,400 sq. ft. with private den, four seasons sun room and finished lower level with walkout
- Sits on quiet cul-de-sac street. Troy School District

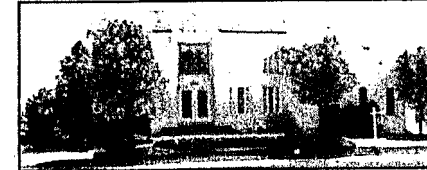
\$389,000 (248) 641-1660 RE240



FARMINGTON HILLS

- Custom built sprawling 3,800 sq. ft. ranch in beautiful Woodcreek Hills is a rare find with large ceramic foyer
- Impressive great room, banquet size dining room
- Family room with built-ins and wet bar, separate wing

\$399,000 (248) 851-4400 HA282



SHELBY - PREMIUM HOME

- Fabulous white brick Colonial on premium lot
- Large open foyer with marble floors through to kitchen
- Tastefully decorated in neutral with custom windows
- Finished walkout with wet bar, kitchen, Jacuzzi & more

\$447,900 (248) 647-6400 AM485



WEST BLOOMFIELD

- Almost new transitional contemporary in popular sub with lot lot pool - Over 3000 sq. ft.
- Walkout basement plumbed for full bath
- Master suite with sitting room and great bath

\$479,900 (248) 646-6000 WA477

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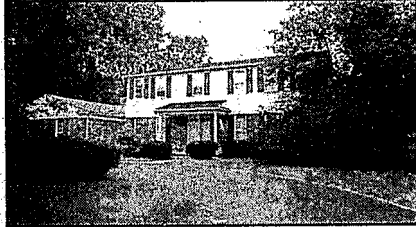
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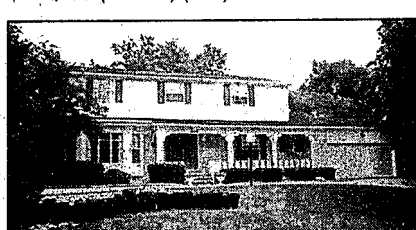
LOADED WITH TOP OF THE LINE EXTRAS! Gourmet kitchen, center island, walk-in pantry, 2 master walk-in closets, **EXTRA-large** master bedroom bathroom suite - spa room, built-in - full basement, 2 car attached garage, large corner, deep lot. \$269,900 (25HUN) (248) 626-8800



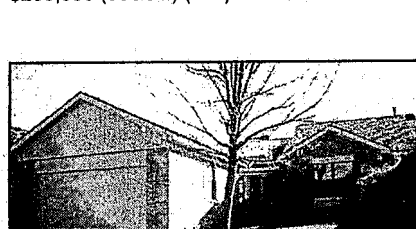
ALWAYS IN GOOD TASTE, this spacious Colonial in a popular subdivision is convenient to freeway, shopping & schools. First floor master has large dressing area & walk-in closet. Open floor plan & doorways to patio. Cozy fireplace of course. \$269,000 (45PIN) (248) 626-8800



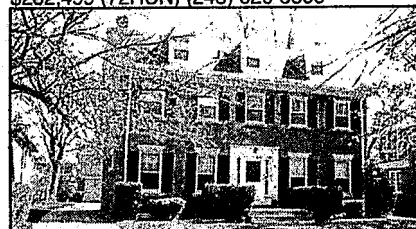
TAKE A CLOSE LOOK! Traditional Colonial with contemporary flair! Newer white kitchen. Appliances stay. Family room with fireplace. Doorwall to 21x30 deck. Freshly painted throughout. Two car side entry garage. \$252,911 (59SHA) (248) 626-8800



COLONIAL 2,800+ SQUARE FEET, 4 or 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, quiet street. Move in condition! Must see. This is a great location! \$260,000 (30SUD) (248) 626-8800



GREENPOINTE 4 bedroom, 3 bath Condo, 2 fireplaces, bay window, large deck on treed commons view, 2 car attached garage, and beautiful lower level. Many upgrades, recessed lighting, private patio, brick construction, wet bar, 1st floor laundry. \$232,499 (72HUN) (248) 626-8800



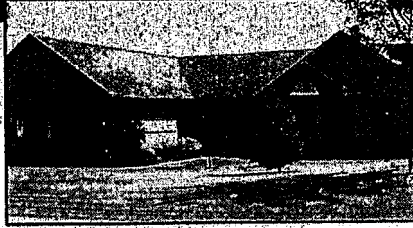
STATELY NORTH ROSEDALE PARK Colonial, 3 floors, 5 bedrooms, 3 full baths & 2 baths. All spacious large rooms in a premier location in the Park. \$212,000 (18BRE) (248) 626-8800



BRAND NEW RANCH WITH WALKOUT! 2 bedrooms, plus library, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, sod & sprinklers just to name a few amenities. Waterford area. \$218,900 (39HER) 363-1200



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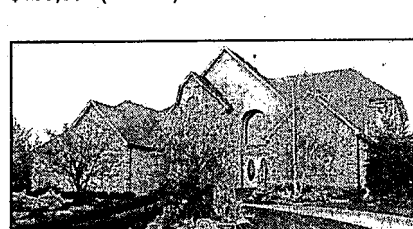
ONE GREAT PACKAGE! 1992 built ranch with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, walkout lower level, 2 car attached garage, deck & large tree-lined yard. Shows like a model. \$217,800 (O4RAC) 363-1200



NEW CONTEMPORARY RANCH HOME. With 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, library, vaulted ceilings, plus sodded yard with sprinklers in Harbour Pointe on The Lake. \$204,900 (44HER) 363-1200



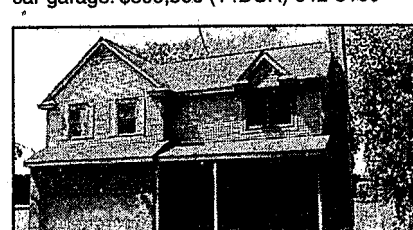
CASS LAKE CANAL FRONT. 3 houses from lake, updated 3 bedroom ranch, walkout, new kitchen & bath, hardwood floors, some new windows, doors, spacious brick paver patio. \$189,900 (31MAP) 363-1200



BEACH FOREST TUDOR. 5 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath brick home offers 1st floor master bedroom suite. Premiere features include marble, ceramic, custom woodwork, leaded glass doors, gorgeous kitchen with breakfast nook. Finished basement with great room, fireplace. \$799,900 (59HAV) (248) 642-8100



BLOOMFIELD HILLS - 5,000 sq. ft. of living space in this designer perfect contemporary 2-story. Huge 2-story living room, family room, gorgeous white formica kitchen, terrific master bedroom suite, finished basement. 3 car garage. \$599,900 (14DUR) 642-8100



LAKEFRONT-LAKEFRONT. Brand new West Bloomfield Colonial with finished walkout basement. Just completed. White kitchen. Hardwood floors & high ceilings on 1st floor. Large living room with fireplace. Master suite with separate shower & whirlpool tub. First floor laundry. \$449,000 (30LEY) 642-8100



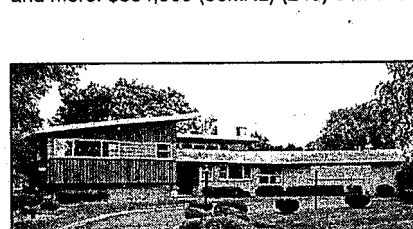
BIRMINGHAM - Move right into this very special "California Style" Ranch in fabulous downtown Birmingham location. Features include 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car attached garage. Open, vaulted ceilings. \$415,000 (78BAL) 642-8100



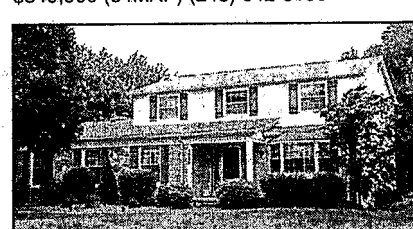
BLOOMFIELD - Bloomfield land value! Tear down and build a showplace on this beautiful acre-plus property in the Kirk in Hills area. Not many like this one left! \$385,000 (10GRO) 642-8100



BLOOMFIELD - 4 bedroom Quad level home with over 2,800 sq. ft. on an acre plus! Hardwood floors, ceramic tile, 2 fireplaces and more! \$364,900 (30MAL) (248) 642-8100



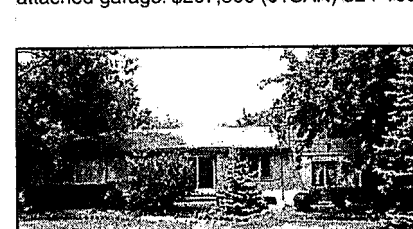
BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Oakland Hills 8th green, 9th fairway is your backyard. 3 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, family room, living room, greenhouse, 3 car garage. All on beautifully manicured lot overlooking the golf course. \$349,900 (34MAP) (248) 642-8100



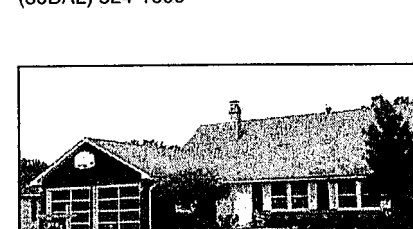
TROY - 3 bedroom Colonial. Ceramic floors in kitchen, foyer, baths. Whirlpool tub in hall bath. Deck, gazebo. Appliances included. Island kitchen with two pantry closets. 2 car side entry garage. \$309,900 (96EDG) 524-1600



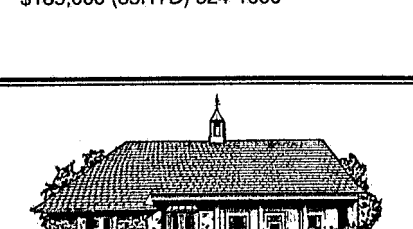
ROCHESTER HILLS - 3 bedroom ranch home with 2 full baths. Full basement partially finished. Sprinkler system. Great room with fireplace. First floor laundry. Deck. 2 car attached garage. \$207,500 (01SAN) 524-1600



TROY 4 bedroom Colonial with 3 full baths. Remodeled kitchen. Basement. Master suite with balcony. Above ground pool. \$284,900 (80DAL) 524-1600



FABULOUS 5 bedroom 3 full bath Cape Cod in Troy. Central air. Paver patio, cedar deck area. Inground pool. All appliances included. \$185,000 (85HYD) 524-1600

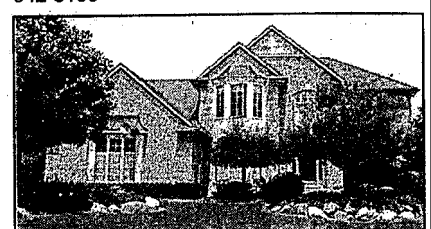


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BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Fabulous 4,800 sq. ft. contemporary with 4 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath, great room, den with 100' spectacular lakefront on Upper Long Lake. Magnificent views, total renovation, 3 car, 1/2 acre. \$929,900 (53LON) 642-8100



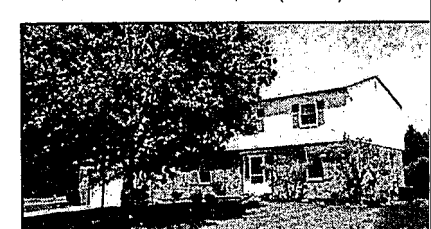
TROY - 4 bedroom Colonial located on cul-de-sac offers 2 story foyer. Central air. Living room and dining room. Security system. Sprinklers. 3 car garage. Home warranty. \$454,900 (34CAR) 524-1600



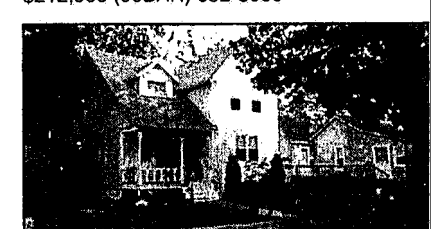
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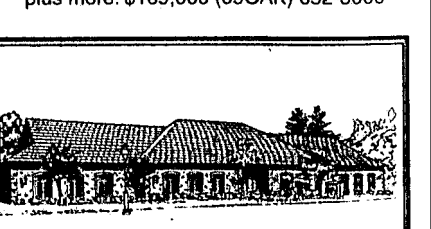
BRICK-FACED COLONIAL in Heatherwood sub. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Master bedroom with walk-in closet. Family room fireplace. Finished basement. Deck, sprinklers, professional landscaping. Cul-de-sac, backs to wooded commons. \$206,900 (40IVY) 652-8000



STATELY UPDATED neutral 4 bedroom colonial in Rochester Hills. Family room with cathedral ceiling and gas log fireplace. Private library. Enjoy your finished basement. Patio looks out onto nicely landscaped large lot. \$212,900 (90DAH) 652-8000



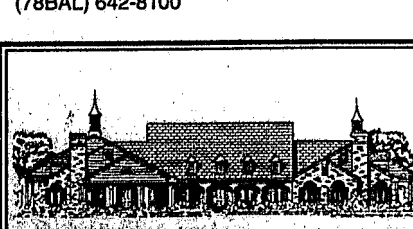
WONDERFUL VICTORIAN, 2 blocks from park and downtown. One of the only 2 original carriage houses left in town. Kitchen and both baths have been totally updated. Newer windows, complete electrical and plumbing plus more. \$169,000 (09OAK) 652-8000



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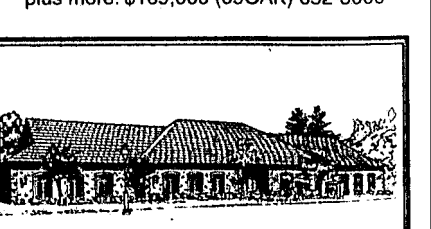
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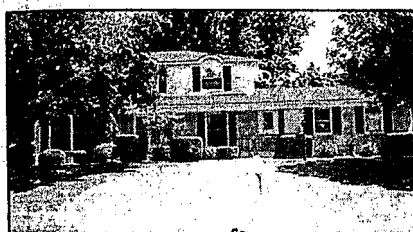
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DUPLEX - upper unit 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, updated kitchen. Central air, private entrance. Down unit, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, updated kitchen, full basement. Private entrance. \$295,000 (08FOU) 652-8000



FRENCH COLONIAL GEM. Nestled between tall pines, across the fresh paved street from the golf course, sits this well maintained brick 4 bedroom, 2½ bath in move in condition. \$264,900 (76TEQ) 363-1200

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PRIVATE BACKYARD - Fabulous 4 bed, 4 bath in Lathrup Village. Master suite is 21x14 with fireplace, bath with Jacuzzi and skylights, professionally finished lower level. Private back yard with gardens and fountain. Must see! \$249,900 (35GLE) 642-8100



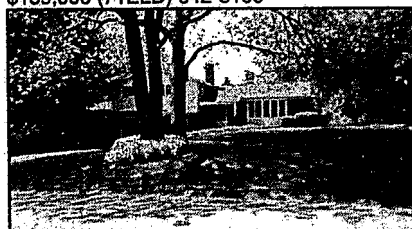
EXCELLENTLY MAINTAINED-Sharp, updated. 3 bedroom brick bungalow. Large family room leads to deck. Hardwood floors (except family room) ceiling fans, updated kitchen ('94). New roof & windows, electric & furnace ('94) vinyl siding ('95). Finished basement with full bath & wet bar. \$210,000 (53PEM) 642-8100



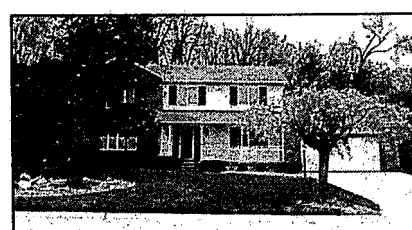
WEST BLOOMFIELD - Wow! Spacious upper Ranch with open floor plan and views. Offers 2 bedrooms, library, laundry on same floor, and appliances included! Decor is lite and brite. Curved staircase with 2 story foyer. 24 hour guardhouse. Immaculate! \$169,900 (13PEB) 642-8100



ORIGINAL OWNER SAYS SELL! Custom built Lathrup Ranch. Great room with vaulted ceilings & large windows with view of backyard. Sculptured beds, recessed lights, master bedroom with private bath and walk-in closet. Skylights in main bath. MUST SEE! \$159,000 (71ELD) 642-8100



FAMILY ROOM with fireplace, den-library. 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, central air. Country sized lot. Quality throughout this big family home. Nearby shopping, schools, church. \$218,500 (20ROC) 652-8000



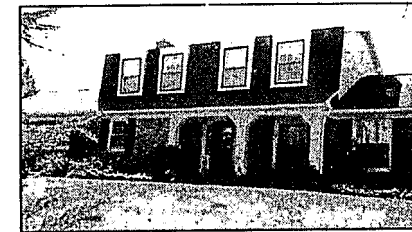
VERY SPECIAL HOUSE - You'll love entertaining family & friends in this home. Open flowing floor plan with large kitchen overlooking easy living family room with doorwall to large deck & private wooded lot. 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, den, formal dining room. \$289,900 (87TAN) 652-8000



SEARCHING HIGH & HOW for an affordable home? See this great room ranch with formal & informal rooms. Situated on a large lot in one of Rochester's most popular subs with parks & trails. Special amenities include sprinklers, alarm system, central air, large basement. \$154,900 (98HAD) 652-8000



FULL 1900 SQ. FT. of family living. Low maintenance corner lot with attached garage & workshop. Rochester schools. Possible 4th bedroom or office. Air & many updates. Attractive price! \$152,900 (46HES) 652-8000



TOTALLY UPDATED thruout + kitchen & baths, neutral decor & carpet. Finished fully excavated basement with separate room, could be 4th bedroom. Heated inground gunite pool + 300 sq. ft. Florida room. Located in Oakland Twp. on private half acre wooded lot. \$229,900 (70GLE) 652-8000



IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY! West Bloomfield! Colonial. 4 large bedroom, 2 fireplaces, deck, wooded lot! Deep in the heart of the sub. 2,450 sq. ft. Don't miss out. \$219,900 (59CRO) (248) 626-8800



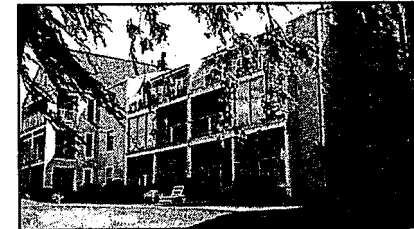
INCREDIBLE WOOD CREEK Farms Quad situated on a 1-acre park-like lot! Updated kitchen and bathrooms. Outstanding floor plan with great room, library and living room. Newer windows, furnace and much more since 1995! Won't last long! \$279,000 (28SPR) (248) 626-8800



ADAMS WEST. 4 bedroom, 2½ bath, partially finished basement. Hardwood in foyer, kitchen, nook. Family room with cathedral ceiling & fireplace. 17x41 Fox inground heated pool. \$278,900 (79QUI) 652-8000



CONTEMPORARY SENSATION. Less than 10 years old. 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths in impeccable condition. Lake privileges to Elizabeth Lake, a short walk away. All seasons recreation area too! \$159,900 (94CHA) 363-1200



TRULY CASS LAKEFRONT! 1 bedroom, 2 bath Port Cove condo with 2 decks, basement, garage, plus dock facilities and pool! A unique opportunity. \$149,900 (53POR) 363-1200



PLAN THE PICNIC. This 4 bedroom quad with a huge yard is waiting for the crowd. 2 kitchens, formal living room, dining room & family room with fireplace. Ready to go! \$149,900 (31LAC) 363-1200



DON'T SKIP OVER THIS HOME. Half acre fenced lot, 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Full basement, 2 fireplaces, 2 car garage, master bath. Run or it's gone! (25HAL) 363-1200



WOLVERINE LAKE RANCH. Who said you can't buy a 3 bedroom, all hardwood floor ranch, with a fenced yard & garage for under 125K? Not here! Call today to see a great house. NOW! \$124,900 (37MCC) 363-1200



LAKEFRONT - 4 bedroom brick Ranch features family room with fireplace and garden room. Both overlooking the sandy beach lakefront. Ceramic tiled kitchen and dining area. Home warranty! \$234,900 (44CRE) 524-1600



TROY - 3 bedroom, 2 full bath Ranch home with many updates. New windows with E glass, new carpet, new roof. 2 fireplaces. Oversized garage with workshop. \$159,900 (75SQU) 524-1600



TROY - 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial. Family room with fireplace. Finished basement. Central air. First floor laundry. Open floor plan with light colors. Professionally finished basement with wet bar. 2 car attached garage. \$319,900 (74DEL) 524-1600



TROY - 4 bedroom Colonial with 2½ baths. First floor laundry. Master bath. Finished basement. Hardwood floors and immediate occupancy! \$217,800 (39PAT) 524-1600



TROY - 3 bedroom ranch home with a finished basement. Florida room. Light and bright decor. Many updates. Call Today! \$174,900 (32CUM) 524-1600



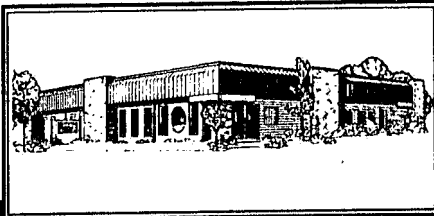
THREE QUARTERS OF AN ACRE of treed property surround this immaculate and updated 2,300 sq. ft. home in desirable Nash Acres. This home offers year round views and northern Michigan living in the heart of West Bloomfield \$229,899 (69NAS) (248) 626-8800



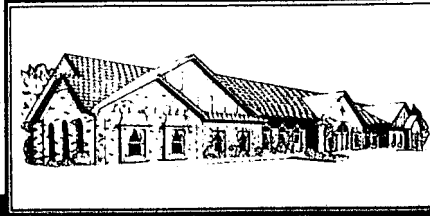
NORTH FARMINGTON HILLS - 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, 2,000 sq. ft., great neighbors \$190,000 (29BEA) (248) 626-8800



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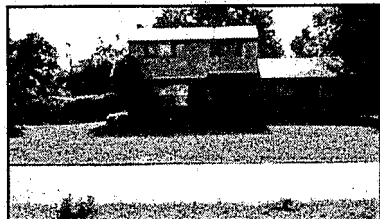
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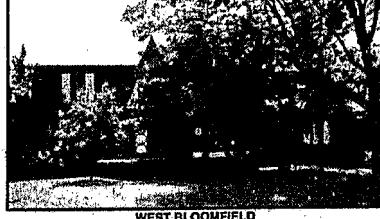
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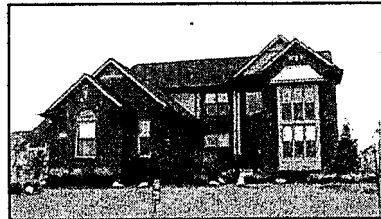
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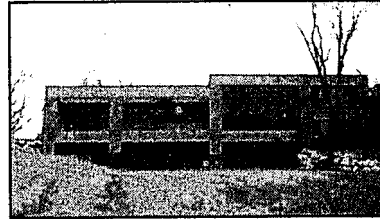
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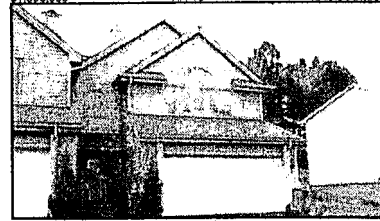
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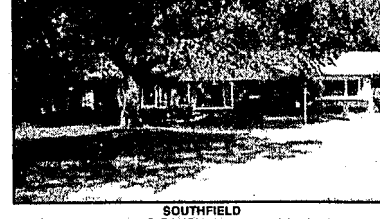
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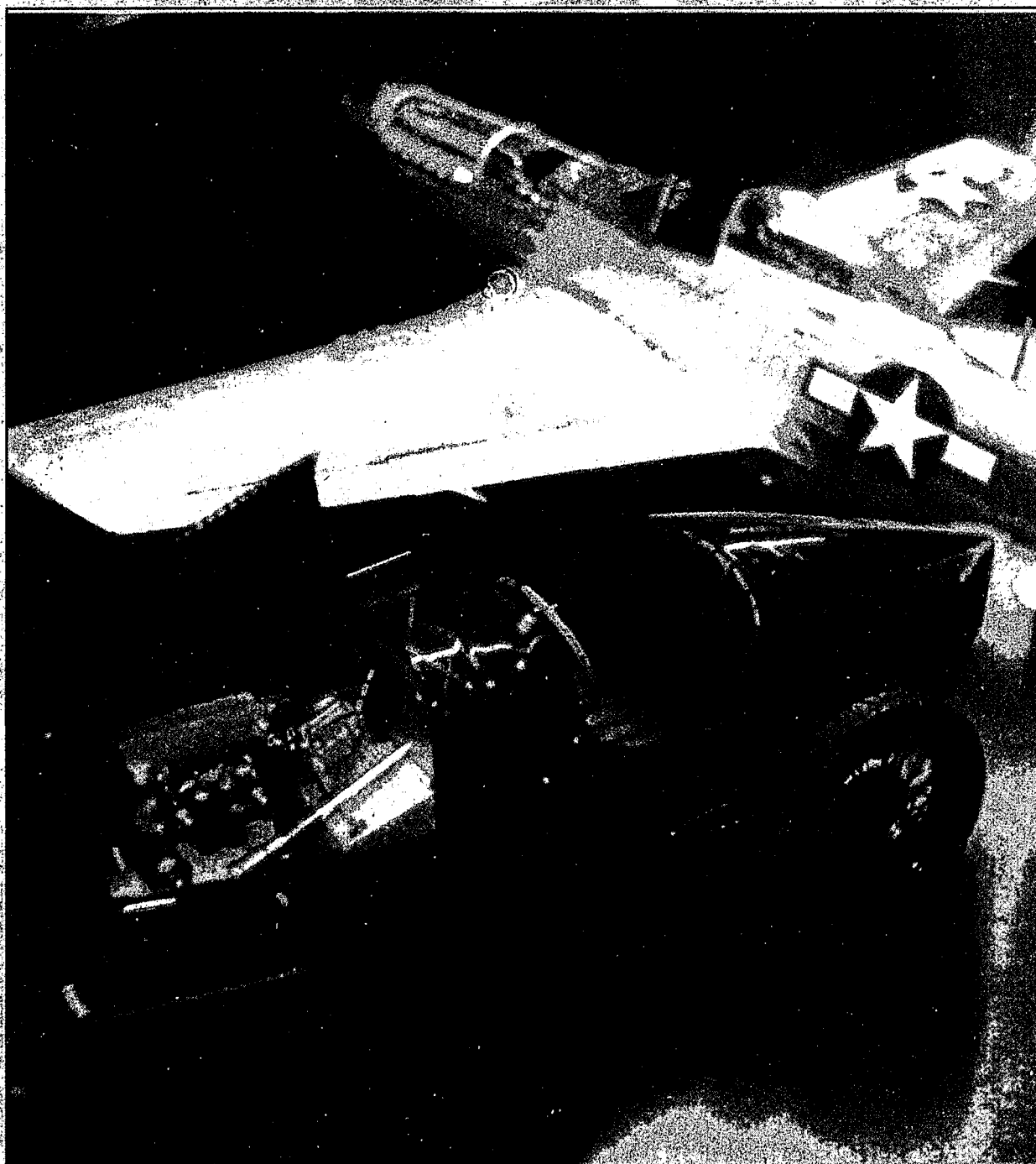
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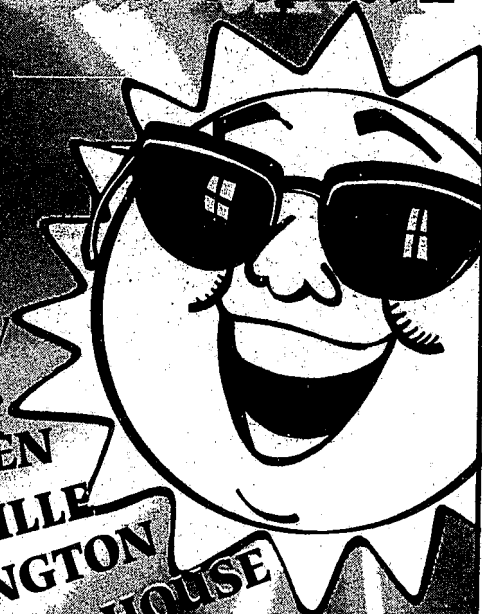
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LISA LUCKOW-
HEALY

Sometimes you forget about the fantastic earthly elements that piqued your curiosity as a child, such as the cracked robin's egg and the wilted garden flowers you tried to sell to your neighbors from your Radio

Flyer wagon.

One day your children reacquaint you with the wonderful world of nature on a trail hike. You thank them for thinking of such a revitalizing activity. Then your son pops the question, "When can we buy a tent and go camping?"

Instantly, thoughts of Scout camp fill your memory banks. The mice that chewed on the vacant mattress next to you in your tent, the coffee can surface you cooked pancakes on one fine morn-

ing, and the stories told after the lanterns were turned off.

One half of you welcomes the idea of sharing the splendors of nature while the other half asks if you are ready to tackle your first family camping experience. You decide the time is right.

Planning is perhaps the most crucial element of your outdoor adventure. You need to consider:

- Where you will camp (back yard, local campground, extended trip away from home)

- What facilities you feel your family needs (bare bones campground to some-what luxurious destination catering to families)

- When your family camping adventure will take place (the time of year most appropriate for your camping desires and climate conditions)

- How long you will stay at the campsite (start with short excursions and build up to longer trips when your family gains more experience)

- What family programs or perks are available at the campground (playground, pool, lake, river, canoe livery, running water)

- What equipment you will take to accommodate your family camping excursion (type of tent or camper, sleeping gear, cooking apparatus, bottled water, refrigerators or coolers, lanterns, candles, daily hiking needs, compass, first aid supplies, food)

Once your family has decided on how you will address all these considerations, it's time to whittle down your budget.

Buying all kinds of expensive camping gear for your first trip may not be worth the initial investment if your family decides camping isn't your bag after the first outing.

Better to borrow equipment from friends and family who can show you how it works than to sink your entire vacation budget and more into pricey equipment you cannot figure out and may find yourself selling at your next garage sale.

What did you do on your summer vacation? Send your family adventure story to Lisa Luckow-Healy, c/o At Home, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, or e-mail it to LiHealy@aol.com. We'll share your ideas with other readers in an upcoming Celebrating Family column.

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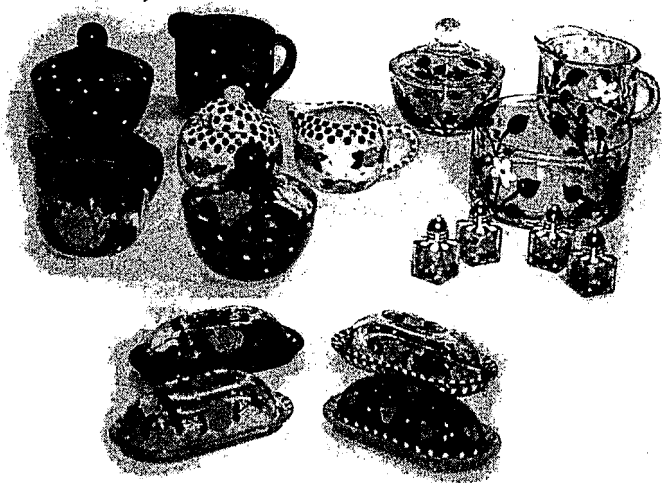
Folk art

Classic look: Folk art portraiture has always been a classic choice for wall decor, and a new process that transfers prints to canvas has made "the look" easier and more affordable. Sheila Harris of Harris Street Interiors, 255 S. Main in Rochester, said the finished product has the look of an original at a fraction of the cost. After transferring the print to stretched canvas, artists add staining, crackling and individual brush strokes to enhance the illusion of an original piece of art. Each piece is then "gallery wrapped" to include all edges so that framing isn't required. These canvas transfers, limited edition prints and other works of folk art are on view daily at Harris Street Interiors. Call (248) 651-8092. Wonders by Wendy



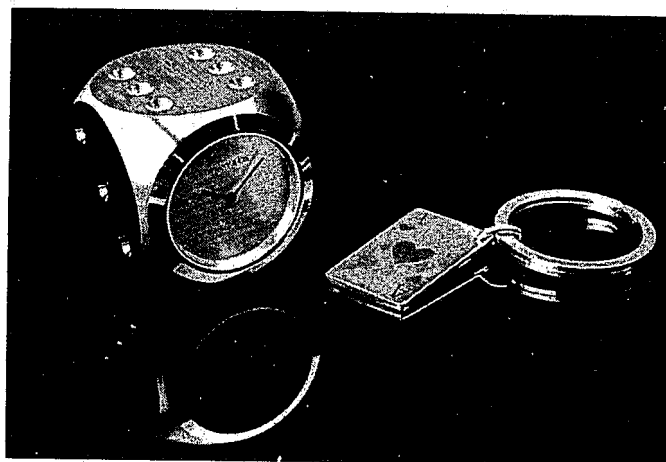
Link up

Tee-rific: For the golf fan, Jacobson's offers this golf bag cooler by California Innovations. The sturdy blue and hunter green nylon cooler is perfect for storing snacks and drinks. Simply drop in the ice/hot pack to keep food cold or warm. Unzip the front to store golf balls and tees for the multipurpose bag. The cooler retails for \$25. (Snacks are available at Jacobson's Fine Foods Department.) Now, where do the clubs go?



Glass act

Artistic elements: Kelley Smith of Bloomfield Hills sells her handmade items through her business, The "Bow"tique. Among the product lines she creates and sells is this painted glassware, ranging from \$10 to \$60. Call (248) 626-0203.



On a winning roll

Good bet: Show some good luck with these items available at Tiffany & Co. at the Somerset Collection, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy. This dice clock in brass, measuring 1-1/2 inches square, is \$125. This sterling silver ace of hearts key ring retails for \$65. Call (248) 637-2800.

AT HOME, Mary Klemic, editor (248) 901-2569

We are looking for your ideas for At Home and for the Marketplace roundup of new ideas. Send your comments to:

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let's remodel

Watch cost in developing budget

You have a notebook full of ideas and a "wish" list for your home that includes everything you have ever dreamed for a home - you even know who has the skill to make it come true. Now all you need is to decide how to pay for it.

Financing can be a major source of stress in any remodeling project. The National Association of the Remodeling Industry suggests several options for establishing your budget.

■ Keep the cost of your remodeling project in perspective. Moving to a new home typically costs 8 to 10 percent of the current value of your home, the American Homeowner Foundation said. This is a good base figure for establishing your remodeling budget.

■ How much should you spend? The answer varies by circumstance. However, you should spend as much as is necessary to create your dream home if you are staying in the home for a long time and can afford to do so. However, if you are planning on moving, be sure to

remodel within the standards for the homes in your particular neighborhood and a reasonable budget.

■ Once you determine how much you can afford to spend on a remodeling job, decrease that amount by 10 to 20 percent. This money should be put in a reserve account to cover any change orders or incidental charges accrued along the way, which will prevent a frantic scramble for additional funds at the end of a project.

■ Keep change orders to a minimum and remember that phrases such as "While you are _____, could you just _____?" can quickly destroy a budget. Remember that any work not specified in the original contract will have a new and additional cost attached to it.

■ You may want to obtain financing for your remodel, especially for larger projects. There are various financing plans readily available to homeowners. Among the most popular is the equity line of credit that bases the loan amount on the equity in your home.



■ Federal Housing Administration loans specifically for home improvements are available through many banks and lending institutions. FHA, however, requires that the contractor be approved by the lender; but be careful, it doesn't guarantee the contractor's work.

■ Some institutions will allow you to borrow against the anticipated equity in your home once your remodeling project is complete. Check your local banks and lending institutions for more details about this form of financing.

■ A professional remodeling contractor is familiar with many of the financing options available and can often help you arrange the financing you need. However, it is important for you to research various sources of funding to

compare individual qualification guidelines, interest rates, terms and tax considerations.

■ Whichever financing plan you choose, stick to it. If you decide that your budget is "x" and your reserve fund is "y," tell your contractor to work within those figures.

It is easy to say, "A little more on this faucet won't matter. It's a small amount of money." Unfortunately, this is also an easy way to overextend your prepared budget.

For additional advice about preparing your budget and yourself for the remodeling project, call the NARI Homeowner Remodeling Hotline at (800) 440-NARI (6274) for your free copy of The Master Plan for Professional Home Remodeling magazine.

This publication is filled with tips about everything in remodeling from preparing a budget to reasons cash may not be your best choice. It also covers legal matters and offers tips for finding the right professional for your job.

If you have home improvement questions, call the National Association of the Remodeling Industry at (517) 484-0039, or write NARI at 1026 N. Washington, Lansing 48906-4839.

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For more information about DuPont Corian, please call Modern Kitchen & Bath at (248) 546-0660 or visit their showroom at 819 E. Fourth St. in Royal Oak.

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Showhouse volunteers sought

Volunteers are sought for a new designer showhouse presented by the Detroit Historical Society, in partnership with the Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers.

The showhouse, at 150 W. Boston in Detroit's historic Boston Edison district, is an exquisite Italian Revival designed by Albert Kahn and constructed between 1913 and 1915.

The showhouse will be open to the public Oct. 3-25, 1998. The DHS will need many volunteers during the design period (Aug. 3 to Oct. 3) and the actual showhouse. Opportunities range from check-in of designers, assisting visitors, docenting, and ticket sales. Shifts will be three to four hours in duration.

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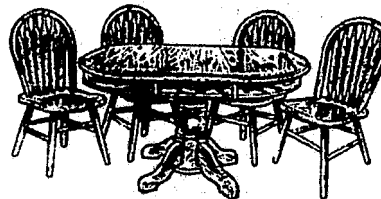


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JOE GAGNON

There are times when I get so angry and disgusted with my own industry and I would like to have you read this column and see if you can agree or understand why I feel this way. As a matter of fact, the following story

may be one that you've been through. I know I'm not the only one.

It started four years ago this month when I purchased a new side-by-side refrigerator with water and ice through the door. This beautiful new refrigerator, which cost about \$1,600, is a piece of work, and how well it works is opposite of appearances. The refrigerator section will maintain temperatures of no colder than 42 degrees and on some occasions it's gone the other direction and frozen items in the lower crisper drawer. The condenser space located under the product is so tight that it's almost impossible to clean it properly with my condenser brush. I manage, but it's not as easy as the old refrigerator. The water which comes out of the dispenser is not cold enough for my liking and ice cubes always seem to hit the edge of my glass and land on the floor. These little tidbits I'm sharing with you are facts which many homeowners can share with me but wait until you read the "rest of the story."

A year after purchasing this refrigerator, I was sent a service memo by the manufacturer that a problem could occur with the defrost heaters and that if it happened during the second or third year of ownership, the manufacturer would repair the product for free, meaning no charge at all.

When I received this letter, which was sent only to the sales outlets and service companies and not directly to consumers, I was disgusted. I knew darn well that service companies might charge the customer for service and repairs, especially if the homeowner didn't know about this secret warranty. I suspect that only those people who listened to me on radio talk about this particular brand and model would inform each and every one of their customers.

As I thought about it even more, I asked myself, what if the failure of these defrost heaters happens during the second and third years and who has to pay

■ Even though the manufacturer knows full well that the heaters are defective, they've admitted it soon after they built and sold the product, you still have to pay.

for it then? It is YOU, the owner of the product in your home who has to pay for the repairs. Even though the manufacturer knows full well that the heaters are defective, they've admitted it soon after they built and sold the product, you still have to pay. Is it fair that you have to pay during the fourth and fifth year of ownership? The customers who had the failure during the second or third year didn't have to pay. Something is not right here folks; is there an attorney in the house?

Before I go any further with this story let me say that some of the appliance dealers who sell this brand of product are not too happy. This manufacturer has several times through the past few years discovered a problem with their product after it has been purchased by the consumer. This has caused a loss of confidence to these dealers and a lack of confidence by the consumers. Some of us in the industry suspect that these inferior parts are being installed at production to create these kinds of situations. If I could prove this statement, I'd become famous overnight.

In next week's column, I will describe how your appliance doctor, who could have fixed the problem himself, waited to have service rendered in his home on a refrigerator that they knew would break down. I wanted to find out first hand what it's like for you to need service and receive it. Was the doctor happy, did he have to pay? Stay tuned for the final episode.

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.

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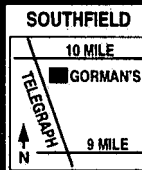
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Big jobs become little wonders

The warehouse is quiet and dark when you first enter, but as you move from one area to another it's almost as though your senses take on a special power.

You can see the splash of foam as a ship plows through the water. You can hear the buzzing engine as a car speeds down a narrow, dusty roadway. You can smell the pungent smoke as a mighty locomotive rushes along a track. And in a way you're not just moving around a room, but through time.

This building is part of the Royal Oak office of Fine Art Models, the business Birmingham resident Gary Kohs started in 1990.

The items that seem to expand what you can see and hear and smell, and transport you to another decade or century, are the intricate, limited edition, scale model aircraft, trains, automobiles, ships, submarines — and even such objects as cranes — made by the internationally known company.

"I'm not building models," Kohs said. "I'm documenting history."

Kohs set no less a goal for Fine Art Models than for it to be the greatest in the world at what it does.

Its success has to do with such features as meticulous, painstaking research and construction, involving 132 skilled artisans from around the world, quality mate-



Thinking small: Gary Kohs of Birmingham is a giant in the model field. The business he started in 1990, Fine Art Models, is known internationally for its intricate miniatures of aircraft, sea vessels, automobiles and locomotives.

rials and computer assisted design systems, lasers and photo etching. It combines art and instruction, preserving history in a special way.

The models are built to museum standard, about 1/16-inch to the foot. Fine Art Models supplies magnifying glasses to view the details. The models are so precise that even hidden parts are as detailed and accurate as those in the open. Spark plugs in car engines are removable, gauges in plane cockpits have glass lenses. Locomotives run.

"There is no competition for what we do."

Titanic task

The process takes about 1-1/2 years from original plans to creation of the model, followed by three or four months of fine tuning. Research involves using only the original builder plans and could include interviews with people who were familiar with the original.

Limited production, never more than 139 editions of a model, begins the second year. Prices have ranged from \$595 for a jeep trailer to \$16,000 for a Mercedes Simplex.

"Quality, value, service. If you've got those three things you don't have to worry about profit. It will always be there."

Fine Art Models is now in the process of building the first builder's type model and a limited edition model of the Titanic. The business was hired three years ago for the project by Harland and Wolff in Belfast, Northern Ireland, the firm that built the ship.

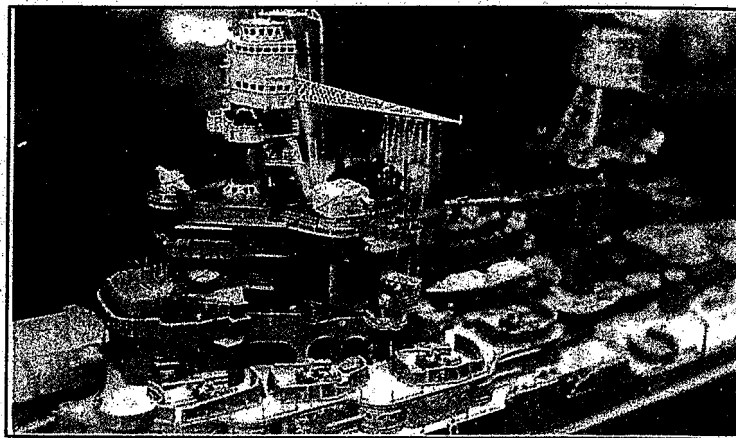
"In 84 years there has never been a model of the Titanic built. The plans were never released."

After the Titanic sank in 1912, the original plans for the ship were put into a vault, where they stayed until they were taken out to be shown to Kohs.

As the 80-foot drawings were unrolled for him, "(I thought) wow, this is history. That's pretty exciting stuff."

The Titanic builder's model, which will tour marine museums around the world, will be 18 feet long. It will feature 3,376,000 domed rivets in exact positions in the hull plating. Just like on the actual ship, its deck handrails in first class will have wooden tops, unlike those in second and third class. Fine Art Models will be working from a copy of the designer's notebook.

Every project pushes the envelope. The firm's P-51 Mustang model, with a 30-inch wing span, is made entirely of aluminum and has a sliding canopy and removable engine cowl. For the model of the Fokker Dr1 triplane from World War I, the com-



History at hand: The USS Arizona is one of the famous ships in model form by Fine Art Models.

pany obtained every piece of reference for it; the only difference between the scale model and the real airplane is the size.

The model of the Bugatti race car has a metal body, wire wheels with rubber tires, leather seats, real leaf springs and removable gas and radiator caps.

Actual paint samples of every color from the original paint supplier for the Edmund Fitzgerald were used for the model of that ship, along with a rare photo of the ship taken the day before a storm sank it in 1975, killing its captain and crew of 28 men.

"Models will stand the test of time."

International recognition

Models made by the company are in museums and private collections around the world. Not all of the customers buying the models for themselves are wealthy; some pay for the items in installments.

Fine Art Models has opened service centers in France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

Museums it uses for reference are the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania in Strasburg, Pa., the Deutsches Museum in Munich, the Nurnberg Transportation Museum in Germany and the French National Museum of the Automobile in France. The firm has exhibited in London; Nurnberg and Sinsheim, Germany; Paris; Luzern, Switzerland; and Milan, Italy.

Kohs had been a marketing consultant for corporations for 20 years when he decided to go into the model business. Searching

for artisans and materials has taken him on adventures in many countries.

Components for airplanes are assembled in the Ukraine, trains in Korea and autos in France.

When Kohs bought and put together the firm's shipbuilding operation in Latvia, the company inherited 18 Lenin Destroyers that were going to museums around the former Soviet Union.

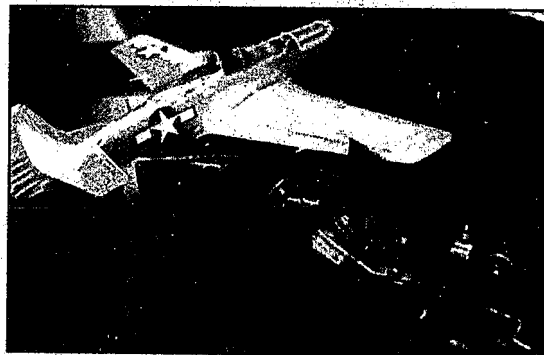
The firm decided to produce a model of another vessel from that period, a 1926 submarine. When it was discovered that the former captain and chief engineer were still alive, age 91 and 94 respectively, they met with the company.

Kohs' favorite place is Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula. He recently became the owner of the 103-year-old Mendota Lighthouse in Bete Grise there, and is developing a scale model of it.

Kohs puts 16-hour days into Fine Art Models, and enjoys it.

"The business really is fun.

"I'm always learning. Every day is a new experience."



Little wonders: Fine Art Models goes to great detail in making its objects. For example, here and on the cover, the company's P-51 Mustang model has a sliding canopy; its Bugatti race car model has wire wheels with rubber tires.

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inviting ideas

Cool down with these summer ideas



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

Waiting for these high temperatures to plummet downward? Perhaps you need to start thinking of serving cold cuisine to family and friends and keep your eye off the thermometer (it's much like weighing yourself daily!). Appetites seem to wane in hot weather and cooking over a blazing stove is almost unthinkable. Take the sweat out of meals and prepare dishes that are deliciously cold.

Here are some cool tips:

■ Prepare cold soups – savory or sweet – using vegetables or fruits – or a combination of both.

■ Make sun tea out of fresh herbs or mint leaves – refrigerate and serve well chilled.

■ Use lettuce or fresh vegetable salads as your menu focus.

■ Make fruit salads with a yogurt dressing – use flavored custard style (Yoplait) yogurt (raspberry, lemon, or peach).

■ Use sliced luncheon type meats on roll-up sandwiches – add chilled chutney, Spoon Fruit, or salsa instead of mayo or mustard.

■ Use cold pasta as a base for a delicious salad – then add meat, fruit, vegetables (grilled or raw) and cheese – top with the vinaigrette of your choice.

■ Leftover grilled vegetables make for a delicious addition to a sandwich or salad.

COLD CUCUMBER AND COLORED BELL PEPPER SOUP WITH MOUND OF CRAB MEAT

Yield: 10-12 servings

This soup is almost like a gazpacho – not cooked. Light summer flavors; perfect for an appetizer, lunch entree or light dinner.

Basic Soup Ingredients:

4 medium (approximately 6 cups) cucumbers – peeled, seeded, and chopped

3-4 medium (approximately 2 cups) yellow or orange sweet bell peppers, seeded, deveined and chopped

4 cups (cubed) honeydew melon, rind removed

3 tablespoons finely chopped sweet onion

1-2 jalapeno pepper(s), seeded and chopped

1 cup Laban (heavy strained yogurt – can be found at Middle Eastern markets or at (Hiller's Food Emporium – Shopping Center Markets)

4-6 tablespoons fresh lime juice (to taste)

Sea Salt (to taste)

Additional Soup Ingredients:

1 pound lump crab meat, picked over for pieces of shell

1 1/2 - 2 tablespoons light olive oil

4 teaspoons Seasoned Rice Vinegar, or to taste

Finely chopped fresh chives, to garnish on top

In a food processor fitted with an "s" blade, blender, or Vita Mix® – in small batches, puree all basic soup ingredients until smooth.

Chill processed soup, in a covered non-reactive container (glass or enamel), 4-6 hours, until very cold.

Just before serving – toss crab meat with light oil and seasoned vinegar in a separate bowl.

Divide the crab mixture among 12 low soup bowls, mounding the crab mixture in center – then ladle chilled soup around it. Top each serving with finely chopped chives.

CHILLED BEET SOUP

Yield: 6-12 servings (depending on the size of glass served in – if using par-fait glasses – it will only equal 6 large

servings)

3 teaspoons light olive oil

2 onions (Vidalia if possible, or any other type of sweet onion), chopped

6 medium carrots, peeled, and rough chopped

3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar (use a good quality vinegar – they have great ones at Zingerman's Deli in Ann Arbor)

4 15-ounce cans (or 2 Large cans) sliced beets with liquid

1-2 tablespoon(s) sugar

1 1/2 cups Laban

Sea Salt

Pinch Cayenne

Fresh chopped Summer Savory (if desired) or a sprig.

Heat light oil in large skillet over medium-low heat. Add onions and cook until transparent. Add carrots and continue to saute.

Cook until vegetables are just tender, approximately 15 minutes. Add balsamic vinegar, and continue to cook until onions and carrots are very tender.

In a food processor fitted with an "s" blade, blender, or Vita Mix® – in small batches, puree cooked onions, carrots, canned beets with their liquid, and sugar. Process until smooth.

Once smooth, transfer borscht to large bowl and add in the Laban (heavy strained yogurt), then season with sea salt and cayenne pepper. Chill 4-6 hours, or until very cold.

Serve in tall chilled glasses and top with fresh chopped Summer Savory, or a sprig of the fresh herb.

Ruth Mossok Johnston is an author and food columnist who lives in Franklin. To leave her a voice mail message, dial (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1902.

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Band to jazz up Fourth of July

Charley Gabriel's traditional New Orleans Dixieland Jazz Band will play atop the Brickscape Gardens float in Northville's Fourth of July parade, starting 10 a.m.

Gabriel's six-piece band will ride on the "Jazz in Bloom" theme truck/float of Brickscape Gardens and then play in the flower garden at Brickscape immediately after the parade.

The parade also celebrates the 100th birthday of Northville Township, and everyone is invited to a birthday cake cutting and sharing at Brickscape immediately after the parade.

Hot dogs and pop will be available there for \$1 each, with proceeds going to Northville Youth Assistance.

Brickscape Gardens is on Brickscape Drive, running north from Eight Mile just east of Novi Road on the limit between Northville and Novi. Call Brickscape Gardens at (248) 348-2500.

"This band drew great comments for their lively, fun music last year," said Joe DiRado, owner of Brickscape.

Brickscape plays the band's music as background in its garden store and people have bought out the supply of CDs that Gabriel left with the store last year.



garden spot

Garden is something to sing about



MARTY FIGLEY

Bright red, white and blue flowers abound in Alma Kautz's garden in Southfield and are literally traffic stoppers.

The circular driveway and center tiered bed contain about 70 flats of red and white begonias and blue ageratums, all lovingly planted and beautifully maintained by this 80-year-old gardener "Because I love it," she said.

"I have been doing this for 40 years and the last five I have used the same type of flowers. Before Desert Storm it was red and white petunias, but (there must be) something in the air, especially after a rain because petunias close and are gone."

During Desert Storm Alma decided to make the garden more patriotic and now uses the red/white/blue theme.

It takes about five weeks to get all the flowers planted. She immediately fertilizes each plant with Miracle-Gro, then about every two weeks she sprays with the same fertilizer. She waters regularly.

I asked why she continues to do this intensive gardening.

"I don't know, I just love flowers and every year they're getting better," she replied. "I love them outside, but not in the house. I go out and look about each day. It just doesn't make sense to plant and not look."

To make them grow, "You've got to praise and sing to the flowers. I like to sing sweet music. I sing anything."

Five thousand cars go by the house each day and their radios give the flowers all the music they want in the summer, she said.

Alma receives many, many compliments on the flowers and people tell her what the flowers do for them. One lady who was ill said they give her such a lift and have done wonders for her. She parks across the street on her darkest days and sits and looks at Alma's flowers.

Alma receives little notes in the mail from passersby and they tell her that they're so tired when they go to work in the morning, they hope they will stop in front of her house because of a traffic light because "Your flowers make my day."

She believes that men like flowers better than women do because many men from all walks of life stop to admire them.

The front yard isn't the only "flower bower" on Alma's property. She calls the fenced-in back yard her farm. Many baskets overflow with colorful flowers and "other trinkets," including 12 lifelike geese that people think are real.

Let's hope this sprightly, charming lady continues to enjoy her flowers and is able to care for them for many years. In her own way she has brightened the world for thousands of people.

Spectacular trip

There's still time to make reservations to join me on a trip to the Spectacular Gardens of the Pacific Northwest. Don't miss this exciting venture! Call me at (248) 644-2178, or Chuck Randolph Travel at (248) 645-5050, today!

Groundhogs

For Sharon and Gordon Blake of Davisburg - and all others troubled by groundhogs: You sent a clever poem, but, unfortunately, your problem hasn't gone away!

Woodchucks are vegetarians and do like the delicate "goodies" in our gardens. There is no real way to deter the animal, the Oakland County Extension Service said. The service recommends a kill trap.

If you use a live trap, you must get permission from the Department of Natural Resources to trap and also permission from the landowner on whose property you want to release the animal.

Bait the trap with nutmeats or pieces of fruit. Our resident woodchuck seems to prefer Sweet Cicely to the other plants - maybe a patch of it would satisfy his culinary appetite. Good luck!

GOODGARDEN TIPS

■ If you have lots of grubs, now is the time to control them. Several products are available.

■ Latex non-sterile examining gloves will protect your hands when gardening.

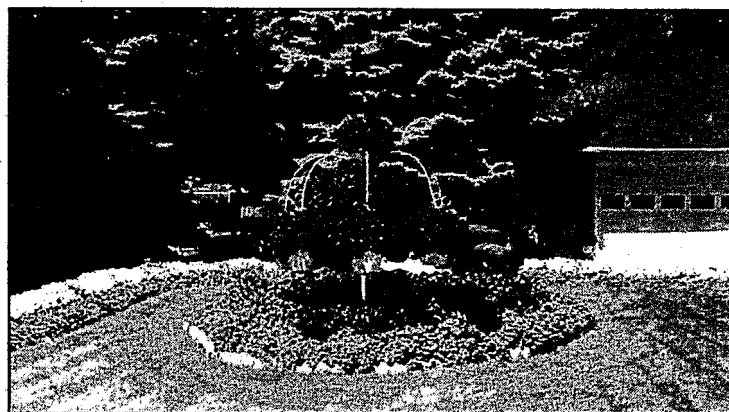
■ BEFORE digging new excavations, call Miss Dig at (800) 482-7171 to find where underground utilities are on your property. It's better to be safe than sorry.

■ Water trees and shrubs if the weather is very dry.

■ Cut back hedges and thin shade trees.

■ Keep plants deadheaded for continuous bloom.

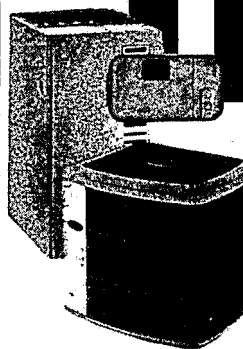
Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.



MARTY FIGLEY

Praises sung: Alma Kautz's Southfield garden is a traffic stopper.

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Practice improves photography skills



MONTE NAGLER

Photographers, like athletes and musicians, require continuing practice. A violinist works daily on bowing and fingering techniques. A gymnast practices his routines constantly to improve his performance. Photographers need their own kind of practice, too.

First, you need to keep in tune with the technical skills needed to take good pictures. A photographer must know his equipment thoroughly. Basic controls such as aperture and shutter speed settings, focusing, ASA settings and depth-of-field preview must become second nature.

Knowing what each lens will do for you is important, too. Many shots requiring spontaneity may be lost if you

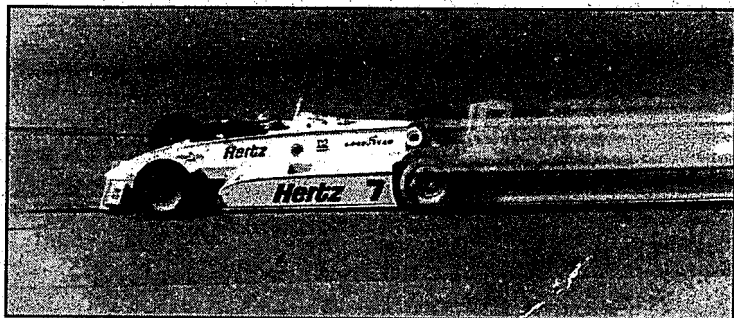
have to fuss and deliberate over the controls on your camera.

Second, you must practice seeing picture possibilities. Learn to see picture potential in ordinary situations that others may miss.

The creative photographer looks for the unusual, notices small details, responds to color arrangement, sees textures and shadows.

The creative photographer practices in communicating with the subject and responding with the subject. You must be open and receptive to the world around you. Let your subject "speak" to you, and, more importantly, learn to listen. Think of your mind and feelings as a piece of film ready in an instant to respond to what moves you.

Practice looking at things in new ways. Study your subjects from all angles. Try different camera positions, lighting conditions or lens selections. Look at your subjects with an inner vision, allowing your personal experiences to become involved.



Up to speed: Staying in practice and knowing his equipment well produced this exciting picture for Monte Nagler's camera. A special "speed" filter helped out, too.

To stay in practice, be sure to use your camera often. A tennis player, for example, develops skill and expertise only by spending hour after hour on the court. In photography, it's the same. You must practice. If you do, new horizons will open and your photography will be

greatly enhanced.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873.

Gather floral tips at workshop

Learn the secrets of professional floral designers at workshops at Michigan State University, then use those skills to make attractive arrangements with home-grown or bought flowers.

The workshops will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fridays, July 10, 24 and 31, at the MSU Plant and Soil Sciences Building. Participants need attend only one workshop. No previous flower arranging experience is needed.

Registration is \$99, which includes the noon meal, fresh flowers and other materials, and educational information.

The program will show how to make

floral arrangements last longer, how to make attractive floral displays and how to make sure ordered floral arrangements meet expectations. The hands-on portion will focus on creating colorful centerpieces and vase arrangements using flowers taken from the home garden.

Advance registration is required. Make checks payable to MSU and send them to Sandy Allen, Department of Horticulture, A222 Plant and Soil Sciences Building, MSU, East Lansing 48824-1325. For more information, call Allen at (517) 355-8362.

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at home calendar

■ The Plymouth Community Arts Council will present a garden stepping stone workshop 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 7 (rain date Tuesday, July 14). Call (734) 416-4ART to register and for more information. At the workshop — back by popular demand — make at least three of your own personalized outdoor stepping stones with ceramic tile pieces and cement. Participants will break the tiles, make a mosaic design, and mix cement and pour it into a rectangular form. Additional embellishments in the wet cement are possible. Cost is \$46, all materials provided. Bring any material of your own, such as ceramic tile, marbles and shells, that you would like to incorporate into your creation. Wear old clothes and gloves and bring knee pads if you have them.

■ The Troy Garden Club will present its 24th annual garden walk, "Today's Seeds are the Beauty of Tomorrow," Wednesday, July 8. Six Troy gardens, a craft boutique, refreshments at some of the gardens, and a raffle will be featured. The boutique will offer such items as copper garden art, baskets, handpainted pots, and jams, jellies and mustards for your kitchen pantry. Tickets are \$10 the day of the walk. Proceeds benefit various community garden-related organizations. For more information, call Dorothy at (248) 879-9160.

■ English Gardens conducts free seminars on various gardening topics during July and August at its four locations. The next topic, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, at 6370 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield, is "Summer Rose Care." English Gardens rosarian and Detroit Rose Society past president Dick Schmidt will provide information on the care and maintenance of roses, as well as proper planting procedures, insect/disease control, pruning and fertilizing. Call (248) 851-7506.

■ The Farmington Garden Club will host a biannual garden walk, showcasing six private gardens in the Farmington-Farmington Hills area, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 18. Garden-related items for sale will be at a special boutique in the Visitors Center in Heritage Park, west of Farmington Road between

10 and 11 Mile, and complimentary refreshments will be served. This year's theme, "Rhapsody of Flowers," features garden designs including floral and architectural components to enhance the landscape. Color abounds in gardens from a mid-19th century designed property to a contemporary landscape dotted with life-size bronze animals. The tour will begin at the Visitors Center. Tickets are \$7, free for under age 12, and will be available the day of the event at the Visitors Center. Tickets may be bought in advance at McFarland's Florist (call (248) 474-0750), The Vines Flower & Garden Shop (call (248) 478-5544), Springbrook Gardens (call (248) 474-0858), Schroeter's Flowers & Gifts (call (248) 851-0222), Steinkopf Nursery (call (248) 474-2925), Farmington Florists (call (248) 474-4079) and Hearts & Flowers (call (248) 553-7699).

■ Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club is sponsoring a bus tour Friday, Aug. 28, to the University of Michigan's Matthaei Botanical Gardens. Price is \$17 for members and \$22 for non-members. Final sign-up date is Thursday, July 23. For reservations and more information, call (248) 656-2187.

■ To help you choose the right piece of art to enhance your deck, flower garden or patio, Objects of Art in West Bloomfield presents "Artscape" through July 30. Featured are unusual wind chimes, birdbaths, garden stakes, artful sprinklers and just plain art for the outdoors by local and out of state artists. Objects of Art is at 6243 Orchard Lake Road, just north of Maple in the Sugar Tree shopping center. Call (248) 539-3332.

■ Homeowners interested in learning to lay their own brick patios, walks and driveways can attend classes 3 p.m. every first and third Saturday of the month through September at Brickscape Gardens on Brickscape Drive, which runs north off Eight Mile just east of Novi Road, on the limit between Northville and Novi. Call (248) 348-2500. Registration for the one-hour class is \$5 per person; refundable with any brick purchase.

■ The Do It Yourself Center in the Riverland Shopping Center, 43630 Van Dyke in Sterling Heights, offers a variety of furniture projects and craft classes. "Glass Painting," Monday, July 6, is a great class for people who can't paint; participants will create beautiful, one-of-a-kind pieces using glass plates, stemware, wine bottles and more. In "E-Z Build Ottoman" Tuesday, July 7, learn the secrets to creating a 30-inch round, tufted ottoman without sewing or sawing. "Armless Chair," Wednesday, July 8, will show how to build this custom piece of furniture great for any room in the house. Call (810) 739-7969 for fees and other information.

■ The adult education program of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens presents many different classes, including "Great Explanations," three Thursdays beginning July 9; "Ferns," three Saturdays beginning July 11; "Wetlands," two Saturdays beginning July 11; and "Gardening Afield," three Sundays beginning July 12. Call (734) 998-7061 for fees and other information.

■ The University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens' Environmental Learning Fund continues its ELF speaker/workshop series with a workshop, "Basic Survival Skills," 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 11. Cost is \$10. Guest coordinator is Jim Miller of Wil-

low Winds. For more information, call Serena Schwartz-Larson at (734) 998-7061, Ext. 31.

■ Visit six distinctive gardens in the Marshall area in the eighth annual "Welcome to My Garden" tour, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 11-12, rain or shine. Other features will be a garden and accessories market, a complimentary refreshment booth, and expert gardening advice available from local master gardeners. Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$6 on tour days, \$2 for under age 12. Call (616) 781-5163 for advance ticket information; (800) 877-5163 for other information. Marshall is in lower central Michigan near the intersection of I-94 and I-69.

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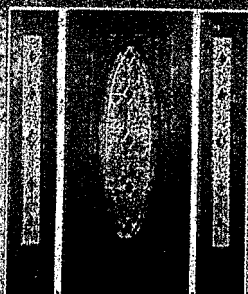


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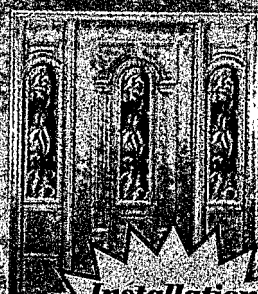
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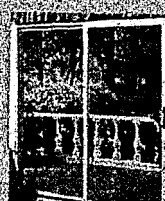


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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



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SATURDAY



Chumbawamba with special guest Sister Soleil perform at 8 p.m. Meadow Brook Music Festival at Oakland University in Rochester. Call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com> for more information.

SUNDAY



The Canton-based band The Articles perform as part of "Moonstomp III" with Easy Big Fella and the Robustos, 8:30 p.m. at the Magic Stick in the Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door for the all-ages show. Call (313) 833-9700 for more information.

HOT TICKET



Hot Tix: The Michigan TasteFest runs through Sunday, July 5, in the New Center Area of Detroit and features a variety of entertainment, including country singer Michael Peterson at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 4, and a taste of metro Detroit's finest restaurants. For more information, call (313) 872-0188 or visit <http://comnet.org/taste-fest>. All concerts are free.

GIRL POWER

Local women show their stuff at this year's Lilith Fair

Blanketed by sunlight and engulfed by sticky heat, Lori Amey intently watched last year's Lilith Fair performers at Pine Knob and vowed that someday she would be a part of the all-women music festival.

"I didn't mean this summer," Amey said buoyantly. "It's weird how things happen."

Amey, a former Livonia resident now living in Commerce Township, along with Detroit R&B/blues singer Thornetta Davis and Windsor singer/songwriter Julie Kryk were chosen to open the Lilith Fair shows at 3:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, July 6-8, at Pine Knob Music Theatre in Independence Township.

The three women were among

78 females who submitted tapes and biographical information to Ritual Inc. in Detroit in hopes of earning the coveted Lilith Fair spot. Maria Cukr, a promoter for Ritual, said the decision was a lot harder than she thought.

"I went into it thinking, 'I'm sure there will be a lot who are OK and a few that would really stand out.' But as they performed, it got harder and harder with each person," Cukr said.

"Julie Kryk, she's really young and Jewel-like. Thornetta is well, fabulous. And Lori, I had never heard of her. Where did she come from? She performed really well," she added.

Singer Kari Newhouse was a runner-up and won a prize package. She will step in if Kryk,

Amey or Davis are unable to perform on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

Chalk it up to fate

Being chosen to play Lilith Fair "is one of the 'good things' that have been happening" since Amey released her CD "Nothing to Say" in March.

Record companies have been nosing around and she has scheduled gigs here and in Chicago. Amey said she owes most of it to her producer Larry Pachecowhom she met while ordering the "Nashville Red Book" over the phone.

"I decided to take a trip (to Nashville) in August 1997

Please see WOMEN, E2

Lilith Fair comes to Pine Knob Music Theatre, 175 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township, 3:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, July 6-8. Tickets are \$39 pavillion, \$26.50 lawn. For more information, call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com>.

The line-up

(Subject to change)

MONDAY, JULY 6:

ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Julie Kryk 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Sheri Jackson 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
- N'Dea Davenport 4:55-5:15 p.m.
- Sister 7:50-8:40 p.m.

ON THE MAIN STAGE

- Me'Shell Ndegocelle 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Sinead O'Connor 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Indigo Girls 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:50 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits Interim House in Detroit.

TUESDAY, JULY 7:

ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Lori Amey 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Dayna Manning 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
- Imani Coppola 4:55-5:15 p.m.
- Heather Nova 6:10-6:40 p.m.

ON THE MAIN STAGE

- Sinead O'Connor 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Indigo Girls 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Bonnie Raitt 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:50 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits SAFE House in Ann Arbor.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8:

ON THE VILLAGE STAGE

- Thornetta Davis 3:30-3:50 p.m.
- Dayna Manning 3:55-4:15 p.m.
- Kendall Payne 5:20-5:40 p.m.

ON THE SECOND STAGE

- Litany 4:20-4:40 p.m.
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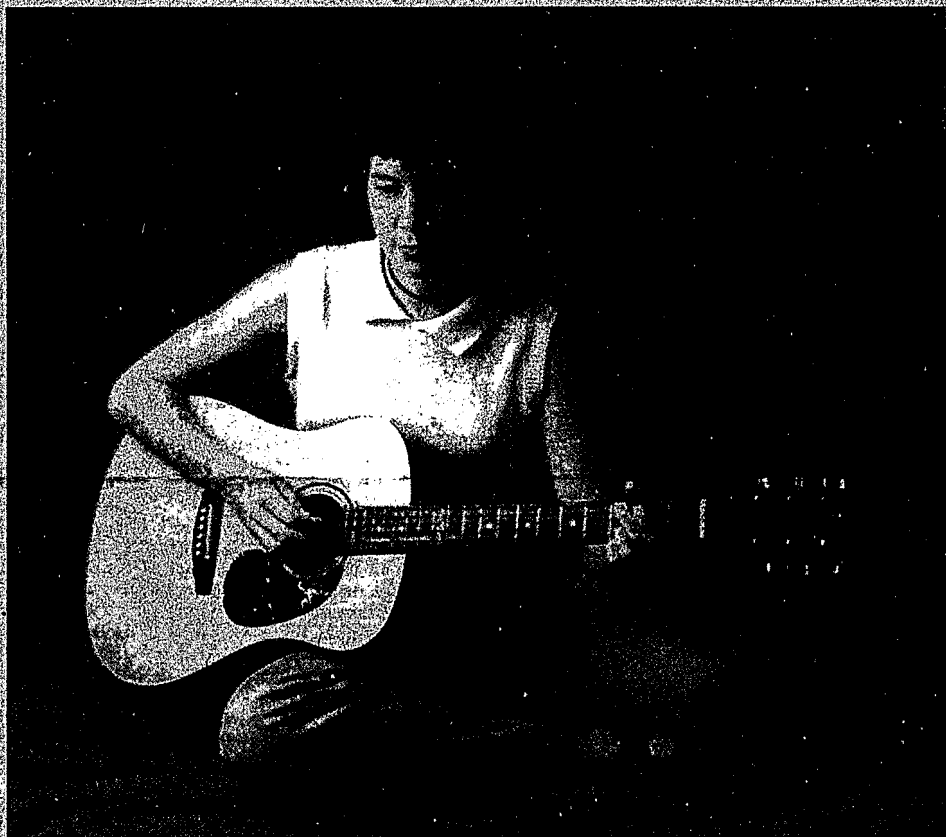
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- Traci Bonham 5:40-6:10 p.m.
- Me'Shell Ndegocelle 6:45-7:30 p.m.
- Bonnie Raitt 7:50-8:40 p.m.
- Natalie Merchant 9:50 p.m.
- Sarah McLachlan 10:10-11 p.m.

The show benefits LACASA in Howell.

RELATED PERFORMANCE:

Heather Nova performs for free at noon Monday, July 6, at Starbucks, 300 S. Main St., in Royal Oak. For more information, call (248) 548-4570.



Hitting the stage: Lori Amey, a former Livonia resident, is going from playing Cup O' Joe coffeehouse in Novi to the Village Stage at Lilith Fair Tuesday, July 7.

African Rhythms

WHAT: Three concerts featuring African Music

WHEN:

- 7 p.m. Thursday, July 2
 - Africa Fete w/ Salif Keita & the Wanda Band
 - Papa Wemba and Molokai
 - Cheikh Lo
 - Maryam Mursal
- 8 p.m. Saturday, July 25
 - Women of the Calabash
- 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13
 - Ensemble Kalinda

WHERE: Orchestra Hall, 3663 Woodward, Detroit

TICKETS: Range from \$15 to \$25 and may be purchased at Orchestra Hall or by calling (313) 576-5111.

Fete celebrates African rhythm

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

When Cheikh Lo was growing up in Burkina Faso he listened to a lot of different music but especially Zairean Rumba which was rooted in Cuban Son music which was the rage in West Africa in the 1950s.

Cuban music was in turn rooted in the rhythms of Africa. What goes around comes around in music as well as life.

Cheikh Lo tonight will join popular African musicians Salif Keita and the Wanda Band of Mali, Papa Wemba and Molokai of the Democratic Republic of

Africa, and Maryam Mursal of Somalia for an "Africa Fete" at Detroit's Orchestra Hall, the first of three summer concerts at Orchestra Hall celebrating African rhythm.

On Saturday, July 25, the Women of the Calabash will perform. The company of three African American women — Madeline Yaydele Nelson, Marsha Perry Starks and Mayra Casales — use a variety of percussion instruments made from natural material including calabash, an African gourd, augmented by lyrically harmonic vocals.

Please see RHYTHM, E2



Africa Fete '98 CD cover

HOLIDAY CELEBRATION



Patriotic salute: Fireworks follow "Salute to America" concerts.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra set to shine under the stars

"Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue!" For the past six years, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and U.S. Army Field Band, have joined forces in a "Salute to America" at Greenfield Village in Dearborn to kick off their summer season.

"It's a beautiful location. Outdoor concerts are always comfortable," said resident conductor Leslie B. Dunner who will lead the DSO in a program of patriotic and pop favorites including Aaron Copland's "Rodeo" and Leonard Bernstein's "West Side Story."

They will muster their forces with the Soldiers' Chorus, conducted by Col Jack H. Grogan, Jr., for Copland's "Old American Songs," and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."



Conductor Leslie B. Dunner

and picnic dinners to enjoy on the Village Green surrounded by historic buildings. Snacks, gourmet picnic baskets, and a variety of beverages will be offered for sale.

As the premier touring musical representative for the U.S. Army, the United States Army Field Band travels world-

The July 4 concert will be broadcast live on WJBK Fox 2, and stereo simulcast on WNIC 100.3 F.M.

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wide each year giving formal concerts, participating in clinics and music festivals, and making radio and TV appearances. The band has 160 members, including the 29-member Soldiers' Chorus who present their own arrangements that include operatic arias, melodies from the Broadway stage, patriotic music and current pop hits. Fireworks follow each concert.

On July 10, the DSO begins their three weekend summer concert series at Meadow Brook Music Festival. Three programs will feature fireworks finales.

This year, for the first time, the DSO is offering subscription concert packages with significant discounts.

Please see CELEBRATION, E2

Women from page E1

because I heard it was the mecca for the recording industry. I decided to call and get the Nashville Red Book. The guy on the phone asked why I wanted it. I told him I was a musician and he said he was a producer," Amey explained.

Amey admits that she was skeptical at first so she went down to Nashville for three days to meet with him. She had a good feeling about him and went for it.

Influenced as a child by Simon and Garfunkel and Peter, Paul and Mary, Amey began singing at age 5. Her earliest gigs were for her family where she'd sing along with records with a microphone fashioned from a pen covered with tin foil.

Her grandfather, who mastered the guitar, mandolin and violin, played an important role in her future musical career.

"I'd love to get him to perform with me, but he's just not interested anymore," said Amey, 21.

She went from her living room to choir rooms as she got older. Upon graduating from Livonia Stevenson High School in 1994, she began playing the guitar.

Amey entered Michigan State University as a voice major but found the program to be too limiting.

"It was too much music and too many classes. But it was good training."

Moving from folk music to 10,000 Maniacs and R.E.M., Amey is now a senior studying

English, music and sociology.

"It keeps me sane," she said with a laugh.

Amey is a newcomer to the Detroit music scene having performed mostly at Cup O' Joe Coffeehouse in the Novi Town Center. Despite that, she said she's really not that nervous about performing at Lilith Fair where she will be joined by guitarist Eric Stienier and percussionist Steve Hartley.

"I thrive in a big crowd. I'm more nervous in front of a smaller crowd," said Amey who hopes to meet Sinead O'Connor.

"Everything that has happened has been beyond my wildest dreams. And it was all a result of the CD. I guess it was

meant to be."

Disqualified?

Singers auditioning for Lilith Fair were told to have a limit of three people in their band. Multi-Detroit Music Award winner Thoretta Davis brought three musicians with her.

"I had three musicians behind me because I can't play any instruments. When I walked off stage, the lady who was one of the judges told me, 'You're only supposed to have three pieces and you have four.' I asked her if I was disqualified and she said no, but if I won I had to break it down one more person," Davis explained.

"I left there thinking I didn't have a chance."

After winning two Detroit Music Awards on Friday, April 24, Davis returned to her Detroit home and received the call.

"I collected two awards at the music awards and then the phone rang and I found out I won a slot in Lilith Fair."

For Davis, Lilith Fair will give her the opportunity to reunite with Bonnie Raitt.

"The last time I saw her I opened up for her and she let me sing an encore song with her; I don't remember which song it was. But she came in my dressing room and taught me the song. Man, it was so cool. I'd love to talk to her for a minute."

Since the 1996 release of her gospel- and R&B-flavored debut CD "Sunday Morning Music"

(Sub Pop), Davis has been writing new material and has been gigging locally. She performs with the Chisel Bros. at area blues clubs, Oo Papa Dah on Wednesdays at the Music Menu Cafe in Greektown, and with the rockabilly outfit Black Beauty.

For her Lilith Fair performance, Davis called upon Black Beauty's lead guitarist George Friend, formerly of the Twistin' Tarantulas, and upright bassist Jim Simonson.

"I only have 20 minutes so I'm gonna perform some of the stuff off my album. I've been rehearsing a tune by Oleta Adams called 'You Gotta Give Me Room.' If it works out in rehearsal I'm going to sing that too."

Rhythm from page E1

On Thursday, Aug. 13, Ensemble Kalinda will perform. The group was formed to explore the links of African music to the music of Latin and South America as well as the Caribbean. Founded at Chicago's Columbia College Center for Black Music Research, the nine-piece group, led by electric bassist Miguel Rivera, takes its name from the Kalinda, a universal Caribbean dance that was danced in that region by African slaves as late as the late 17th century.

The African Fete '98 tour of

African musicians began June 18 in Los Angeles and concludes July 12 at the National Black Arts Festival in Atlanta, Ga.

Interest in African music has exploded in recent years. World Music is introducing the West to the rich rhythms that have influenced the development of ragtime, jazz, salsa, reggae, rock and roll and hip-hop and, in turn, have been influenced by North and South American music and rhythms.

Cheikh Lo was born in 1955 to Sengalese parents in the small

town of Bobo Dioulasso in Burkina Faso, near the border with Mali. This was a multi-lingual, multi-ethnic area where Cheikh heard every kind of music.

In a telephone interview and through an interpreter Cheikh Lo talked about his music.

"I started very young with Orchestra Volta, the biggest band in Burkina Faso," he said.

At 21, Cheikh started playing percussion but quickly became proficient in guitar and singing. "I enjoy guitar when I am

singing, but my first instrument is drums. I play all the drums on my CD," Cheikh said.

He moved to France in 1985 where he worked as a session musician and immersed himself in the Parisian recording scene.

He is quoted as saying, "Studio - sleep - studio for two years. I love Zairean and Cameroonian music and I absorbed a lot of it during this period."

He was also influenced by reggae and says he listened to a lot of Bob Marley and Peter Tosh. Several music critics have com-

pared Cheikh and Marley. Their often impassioned vocal styles are similar.

Like Marley, Cheikh's music is influenced by his religion. He is a follower of the Baye Fall, a Sengalese form of Islam. He said his religion has been an influence, but he tries to reach out to everyone.

A CD to promote the tour, "Africa Fete '98" on Island Records, contains a sampling of the four featured acts. It displays Cheikh's high, bright, emotional

voice; rhythmic acoustic guitar; and multiple drum patterns on two songs "Ne La Thiass" and "Guiss Guiss."

"Ne La Thiass" is about destiny, what your destiny can do, when your time comes, your time comes," he said. "Guiss, Guiss" is about observing things, being aware of what's around you."

Cheikh and his fellow musicians serve up a rich variety of roots music in this first of three African music concerts.

Celebration from page E1

Specially priced discount tickets, and the best available seating, will be offered to subscribers who purchase a two or three concert series on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. There are also specially priced subscription tickets for Sunday concerts for children and senior citizens.

For those who want to enjoy a catered dinner and remain at the table while listening to the concerts, the DSO is offering a VIP

table seating section in front of the orchestra, reminiscent of the Hollywood Bowl, complete with candles and linens.

Whether you're in the mood for "Mozart," "Romance Under the Stars," or "Beethoven," you're sure to find something to whistle about in this season's schedule.

The DSO will travel to Vail, Colo. for a series of concerts from Wednesday, July 15 to Sunday, July 26.

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"We're part of their two-week residency program," said Dunner. "There's a similar outdoor pavilion and concert theme."

Sixth Annual

"Salute to America"
What: Concerts featuring the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the United States Army Field Band and Soldiers' Chorus, at Greenfield Village, Oakwood Boulevard at Village Road (west of the Southfield Freeway) Dearborn.

When: 7 p.m. (doors open) 7:30 p.m. (prelude concert with the U.S. Army Field Band and Soldiers' Chorus) 8:30 p.m. DSO concert. Fireworks follow all concerts. Thursday-Saturday, July 2-4.

Where: Greenfield Village, Oakwood Boulevard and Village

Road, Dearborn (west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Ave.)

Tickets: \$18 adults, \$9 children (ages 5-12), children under 4 admitted free. Available at the Orchestra Hall box office, (313) 576-5111; all Ticketmaster outlets, (248) 645-6666; and Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village (313) 982-6177.

Program - Leslie B. Dunner conducts the DSO; Col. Jack H. Grogan, Jr. commander and conductor U.S. Army Field Band and Soldier's Chorus

■ Star Spangled Banner - Smith
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■ "Old American Songs" - Copland

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■ "Armed Forces Salute" - Whitcomb

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Individual concert tickets: \$13 to \$44 available at Orchestra Hall or the Meadow Brook Music Festival, call the Palace box office (248) 377-0100 or Ticketmaster (248) 648-6666.

Concert Schedule

■ Mozart Gala - 8 p.m. Friday, July 10; Jaime Laredo conductor & violinist. Fireworks

■ Roberta Flack - 8 p.m. Saturday, July 11; Leslie Dunner, conductor

■ Romance Under the Stars - 7 p.m. Sunday, July 12; Leslie Dunner conductor; Xiang-Gao; violin

■ The Great Grieg Concerto - 8 p.m. Friday, July 31; Neeme Jarvi conductor, Sergei Babayan, piano

■ Bravo Beethoven! - 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 1; Neeme Jarvi, conductor; Mark Kaplan, violin

■ Summer's Fantastique - 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 2; Neeme Jarvi, conductor; Ted Oien, clarinet

■ Top Down Pops! - 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7; Erich Kunzel conductor, Cortes Alexander Trio. Fireworks

■ Tchaikovsky Spectacular - 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8; Erich Kunzel, conductor, Stephen Prutsman, piano. Fireworks

■ Giants of Broadway - 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 9; Erich Kunzel conductor, Kathleen Brett, soprano, Kevin Anderson, tenor, Daniel Narducci, baritone, Choral Union of the University of Michigan Musical Society.



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THEATER

Politics takes center stage at the Stratford Festival

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Politics is at the center of several plays this year at the Stratford Festival in Stratford, Ontario.

But politics, as we see from reading the newspaper or watching television, often involves private issues and personal relationships.

Two plays at the Festival Theater concern defiance to a king and the consequences of those acts. In neither case are the answers easy and straightforward.

A Man for All Seasons

Robert Bolt's "A Man for All Seasons" is a modern play set in the period just before Shakespeare. Bolt was a political radical who found a hero in a man dedicated to rule of law and loyalty to church, Sir Thomas More.

Bolt's play tells the story of More's objection to Henry VIII's divorce and remarriage.

Though More was opposed to Henry's actions, he was willing

to say nothing and stand aside. It was only when Henry forced him to accept the Act of Nullification that More would not act against his conscience and went to his death a martyr.

Though this is serious material, More was a witty man and Bolt makes his wit and progressive ideas an integral part of the play. Also by creating a Common Man narrator, Bolt undercuts easy saint making for More.

Director Marti Maraden makes exciting theater out of a battle of ideas, and she lets the humor flow freely, realizing that it was More's greatest weapon.

Douglas Rain is the calm center here as More. He projects the quiet strength, the easy professorial manner, the decidedly unheroic presence that contrasts with the underlying strength that carries him to death.

Brad Rudy's Common Man both chides and admires More. Rudy plays him as blunt, gruff and crudely funny.

More's antagonist is not old friend Henry. As all leaders do, Henry lets someone else do his

dirty work. In Bolt's retelling, that someone else is Thomas Cromwell, whose unctuous personality might remind some of Kenneth Starr. John Dolan's carefully modulated voice and false, oily civility perfectly capture the political man, all false sheen hiding ugly motives.

Henry struts his time on the stage in one great flourish that Bolt uses to show the arrogance of such power and its brutality. Benedict Campbell projects all that bigger-than-life, better-than-you attitude.

"A Man for All Seasons" runs through Nov. 6.

Julius Caesar

Shakespeare's retelling of Caesar's assassination and its aftermath is probably the first Shakespeare that young people encounter. One of Shakespeare's earliest plays, it has simpler language, more direct plot and lots of action. Since it also deals with a historic event, the play is also a good history lesson.

Director Douglas Campbell's Festival Theatre production is

generally straightforward, clean-lined and vigorous. When it strays it becomes noisy and excessive without adding anything.

There is always this temptation at Stratford to change the Bard. Sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't. A production of "Much Ado About Nothing" this year features Benedict and Beatrice as a much older couple in the late 19th century. But since Benedict and Beatrice are Brian Bedford and Martha Henry, chances are good it will work out fine.

This "Caesar" adds some Greek theater touches, crowd moaning and odd costuming, but generally these don't distract from the overall impact of the work.

Tom McCamus is a noble but posturing Brutus, who wrestles with his conscience and great Caesar's ghost. Stephen Ouimette is a "lean and hungry" Cassius, but also an oddly sympathetic one. Stephen Russell is actually a dashing Caesar for once, not an old politico as usually portrayed.

Benedict Campbell, again, is a strong Marc Antony, though his powerful oration gets swallowed at the end by hubbub.

Any students who are studying the play would find this a good introduction.

"Julius Caesar" runs through Nov. 7. For ticket information, call 1-800-567-1600.



Julius Caesar: Benedict Campbell, left, as Marc Antony advises Caesar (Stephen Russell) in the Stratford production of Shakespeare's tragedy.

Backstage Pass celebrates 4th

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

We're coming up on the big Fourth of July weekend, a long weekend for many, an odd weekend for all. It's the only American holiday that boasts a tradition of mixing alcohol consumption with explosives, which angers many militia members they'd like every American holiday to combine beer and fireworks. ("Merry Christmas, Bubba! Here's a six-pack and some M-80s!")

And for a lot of us growing up, the Fourth of July was the only day of the year that our fathers cooked. This person whose only demonstrable kitchen skills on any other day of the year had to do with rooting around the refrigerator for leftovers was suddenly shooting mom away from the grill and cooking for you and your cousins. The flame could never be too hot or too high for Dad. The hibachi threw off so much heat it affected the sun spots. Any food that didn't fall through the grill looked like an unused charcoal briquette with a light coating of caramelized barbecue sauce sitting on your paper plate, which would succeed in holding the tasty entree for all of thirty seconds before losing all rigidity and allowing it to fall to the concrete, off which it actually bounced before the dog gulped it down.

The lack of food, combined with the heat, made you feel downright anemic, which didn't deter the never-ending posse of

mosquitoes from attempting to totally exsanguinate you. The best one-word summation of the day: "sticky." Inflatable pools always look better in the store, except to your briquette-engorged dog, who brought in with him every unbagged blade of grass from your lawn.

Did I mention the heat?

So I love the big Fourth of July holiday! And this week on Backstage Pass on Detroit Public Television, we've put together a downright patriotic show! Starting with some of the best and most popular political satirists in America today, the Capitol Steps. They bill themselves as "the only group in Washington that attempts to be funnier than the Congress," and they succeed with consistently hilarious musical parodies of the days headlines. We all had a great time when the Steps visited our studio in the Spring. I even got to interview President Clinton (or a close facsimile thereof)!

The Capitol Steps Fourth truly enjoy what they do. They had us all in stitches during their visit, not just in the studio, but in the greenroom, in the halls, in the lobby. They ran amok at Detroit Public Television studios doing impressions of recent Presidents by request. You can catch them on the Fourth when they perform at the Ann Arbor Summer Festival.

A word on the Summer Festival: this is the 15th anniversary of the event. From the Power Center Mainstage Series to the free music and films outdoors at the Top of the Park (located on the top level of the Power Center parking structure), the Ann Arbor Summer Festival has consistently presented top perform-

ers of both national and local renown. This year they have another great lineup, from Backstage Pass alums like the Capitol Steps and blues greats Madcat and Kane, to talents like George Bedard and the King Pins, to great films on a huge outdoor screen, it's one of our area's top summer events. And this season inaugurates a new feature for the event - the Festival Youth Arts Showcase, which gives students from area schools and organizations the opportunity to present their talents to their own community on the Power Center stage.

Also on the big show, we'll present music by the honorable Judge Myron Wahls. Judge Wahls sits on two benches: the piano bench and the bench of the Michigan Court of Appeals. He's played with the likes of Marcus Belgrave and Ursula Walker locally, and even toured Europe with Lionel Hampton. Judge Wahls was one of our most memorable guests in the studio. He loves to play jazz, and his zeal is contagious. We were so wrapped up in listening to his stories that we almost forgot to tape a show! As a justice on the court of appeals, he's renowned for his commitment to public service. So it's not surprising that as a musician, he continues to help those in need. All proceeds from Judge Wahls' first CD, "You Be the Judge" benefit cancer research at Henry Ford Health System.

All that plus the music of Tiles and a trip to the Elaine L. Jacobs Gallery airs tonight on Backstage Pass at midnight, repeated Friday, at 7:30 p.m. on Detroit Public Television.

Southfield Library presents film series

The Southfield Public Library's nine-week summer movie series begins Monday, July 6, with the film version of Noel Coward's ghostly play "Blithe Spirit," starring Rex Harrison, and continues every Monday evening through Aug. 31.

Movies are shown in the Marquette Room of the Library at 7 p.m. Admission is \$1.

In addition to the 1945 comedy, the series features: The 1957

musical "Silk Stockings," July 13; the 1996 film adaptation of Jane Austen's "Emma" with Gwyneth Paltrow, July 27; the 1950 Spencer Tracy-Elizabeth Taylor comedy "Father of the Bride," July 27; the story of West Point in the 1955 "The Long Gray Line," Aug. 3; Geraldine Page in her Oscar-winning performance in "The Trip to Bountiful," Aug. 10; the Cole Porter story with Cary Grant in the 1946 "Night

and Day," Aug. 17; the acclaimed film version of Tennessee Williams' "Streetcar Named Desire" with Vivian Leigh and Marlon Brando, Aug. 24; and Robert Duvall in his Oscar-winning performance in "Tender Mercies," Aug. 31.

The Southfield Library is in the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen Road. For more information, call (248)948-0470.

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A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

COMMUNITY THEATER

HURON CIVIC THEATRE

"The Hunchback of Notre Dame," featuring Mark Hammet of Lathrup Village as Frodo, the priest. 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11 and 17-18, Huron High School auditorium, 32044 Huron River Dr., New Boston. \$12, \$10 students and seniors. (734) 782-5380.

DINNER THEATER

FIORILLI'S

"Divas Do the Movies," a musical revue, 6:30 p.m. Saturdays to Aug. 29, at the restaurant, 26125 E. Huron River Dr., Flat Rock. \$30 advance, \$35 at door, includes dinner, show, tax and tip. (313) 782-1431

GENITTI'S

"Pasta to Paczki," the story of the marriage of an Italian bride and a Polish groom, through October at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. \$39.95 includes seven-course Italian dinner, show, tax and gratuity. (248) 349-0522

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

HILBERRY THEATRE

"Little Red Riding Hood," Thursday, July 2, Monday-Saturday, July 6-11, and Monday-Tuesday, July 13-14, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2972

NOVI THEATRES

"The Pied Piper," 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, and 3 p.m. Sunday, July 12, Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi. \$7 in advance, \$7 at the door. All ages. (248) 347-0400

SPECIAL EVENTS

"CRAZY CAROL REVUE"

Italian American Club of Livonia event includes the Sarasota, Fla., entertainer and dinner of rosemary chicken, Italian sausage with peppers and onions, pasta with meat sauce, pasta all'aglio, sugar snap peas, salad, rolls, coffee, tea, and Italian lemon ice, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, at the club, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia. \$20, mail check along with names of guests, address, city, zip and phone number, to: Rose Meteyer, 16030 Meadowbrook, Redford, Mich., 48239-3942. (313) 534-5924/(734) 422-3415

"FASH BASH"

Fashion show extravaganza to benefit the Detroit Institute of Arts, Wednesday, Aug. 5, at the Fox and State theaters, Detroit. \$150, \$37.50, \$27.50. (313) 833-6954

"FERDALE WOODWARD AVE. PUB CRAWL"

A "walking" tour of clubs and nightspots along Woodward Avenue just north and south of Nine Mile Road, 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 10. Participants meet at the corner of West Breckenridge and Woodward. Sponsored by FANS of Ferndale, a gay/lesbian residents' association. \$2. 21 and older. (248) 545-1435 or FANSofFerndale@aol.com

REDFORD THEATRE

The film "Love Me or Leave Me" with Doris Day and James Cagney, and guest organists Brian Carmody (evenings) and Gus Borman (matinees), 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 10, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 11, at the theater, 17360 Lahser Road (at Grand River Avenue), Detroit. \$2.50. (313) 531-4407

FAMILY EVENTS

"OPA FEST"

Greek festival featuring authentic Greek folk dancing, live music, Festival Singers, children's activities and free food, 4-10 p.m. Friday, July 10; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, July 11; and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, July 12, St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 760 W. Wattles Road, Troy. (248) 362-9575

SUMMER CONCERTS

AIR MARGARITAVILLE

Featuring the music of Jimmy Buffet, 7 p.m. Friday, July 3, Depot Park in downtown Clarkston. Free. All ages. (248) 625-8055

JACK DRYDEN AND THE SOUNDS OF BRAZIL

7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Municipal Park behind Rochester City Hall (rain location is Rochester High School auditorium). Free. All ages. (248) 652-7762

GEMINI

7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Civic Center Park, Livonia. Free. All ages. (734) 421-2000, ext. 351

JOE KINGSLEY BAND

7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Civic Center Park, Livonia. Free. All ages. (Glen Miller hits) (734) 421-2000, ext. 351

SHEILA LANDIS TRIO

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Performing Arts Pavilion behind the William Faust Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. All ages. (734) 326-6123

RED CARTER BAND

7 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Burgh



Grab your fork: Over 125 tempting dishes will be offered by 35 restaurants selling "tastés" of their culinary specialties during Michigan TasteFest.

Fine tunes, food at TasteFest

The Michigan TasteFest runs through Sunday, July 5, in the New Center Area of Detroit. For more information, call (313) 872-0188 or visit <http://comnet.org/tastefest>. All concerts are free.

In addition to music, 35 Michigan restaurants will be selling "tastés" of their culinary specialties. See award-winning ice carvers from Henry Ford Community at work 1-6 p.m. Friday-Sunday, July 3-5; QVC will broadcast live from TasteFest noon to 2 p.m. Friday, July 3.

The following concerts take place on the Best Buy stage on West Grand Boulevard in front of the GM Building:

Boney James, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2
Black Market at 3:30 p.m. and Felix Cavaliere's Rascals, 7 p.m. Friday, July 3
Imperial Swing Orchestra at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 4, and Michael Peterson, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 4

Enchantment at 2 p.m. and Los Lobos, 5 p.m. Sunday, July 5

The Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase on West Grand Boulevard at Third Street, features:

Rayse Biggs at noon and 1:15 p.m., Kog's Kats at 4:30 p.m., and The Edge at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2

CASSJAZZ at noon, Ryse-Tyme at 2 p.m., Jazzhead at 4:30 p.m., and Straight Ahead at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 3

Double Exposure: The McKinney Twins and Friends at noon, 3/4 Step featuring Roger Tucker at 2 p.m., Gwen and Charles Seales at 4:30 p.m., and Randy Scott at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4

Tim Bowman at 1 p.m., Orchestra Fuego at

3:30 p.m., and Kimmie Horne at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 5.

The New Center Park Stage on Second Avenue and West Grand Boulevard hosts:

The Rev. Right Time and the First Cuzins of Funk, 5:30 p.m., and Killer Flamings, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3

Jan Krist at 3 p.m., Mudpuppy at 5:30 p.m. and Twistin' Tarantulas at 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4

Jill Jack at 3 p.m. and Gillespie, Rasmussen and Raffoul (G.R.R.) at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, July 5

This summer's Kids Shows take place in the Fisher Theatre lobby.

The Mosaic Youth Theatre performs at 1 p.m., Children's Theatre of Michigan at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and Maureen Schiffman's Musical Jamboree at 3 p.m. Friday, July 3

Storyteller Ivory Williams takes the stage at 1 p.m., Gemini at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. and the Mosaic Youth Theatre returns at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 4

Amazing Clark's Punch and Judy visits at 1 p.m., Chris Linn at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and Yo-Master Zeemo at 3 p.m. Sunday, July 5

The Henry Ford Health System Kidzone in New Center One Plaza offers dozens of free activities for children July 3-5 including Barnes and Noble Story time, cookie decorating, barnyard express, model trains, Kids Art on the Boulevard, Snowden and Friends, Make 'n' Take Crafts, as well as visits by Marine Safari, Science Alive, Kids and Chemistry, the Detroit Science Center's Bubbles and More, and a puppet-making workshop.

Historical Park, northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, Southfield. Free. All ages. (Dixieland) (248) 424-9022

GUY SPERLAZZA AND THE CHAUTAUQUA EXPRESS

7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Municipal Park behind Rochester City Hall (rain location is Rochester High School auditorium). Free. All ages. (248) 652-7762

THE TRIPHONIX

7:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, gazebo next to Village Commons on Grand River Avenue in Farmington. Free. All ages. ('50s and '60s music) (248) 473-7283

PAUL VENTIMIGLIA

7 p.m. Friday, July 10, Depot Park in downtown Clarkston. Free. All ages. (Jazz) (248) 625-8055

ALEXANDER ZONJIC

6 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Big Fish, 700 Town Center, Dearborn. Free. All ages. (313) 336-6350

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

"FOURTH OF JULY ROCKS"

Northville celebration includes a morning parade, rock concert with Baked Potato from 2-3:30 p.m. at the gazebo, and fireworks, Saturday, July 4, (248) 449-8361

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP

Fourth of July parade featuring more than 100 entries and F-16 flyover, 10 a.m. Saturday, July 4, downtown. Free. All ages. "Festival of Fun," with Midway games, live entertainment, arts and crafts show, sports tournaments, food, Civil War demonstration,

hot air balloon launch, K-9 Rescue Adopt-A-Animal, petting zoo, fireworks at dusk, noon to 10 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Clintonwood Park. Fee for food and games. (248) 625-1924

NORTHVILLE

Parade, featuring Charley Gabriel's traditional New Orleans Dixieland Jazz Band atop the Brickscape Gardens float, begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 4.

CLASSICAL

CLASSIC TOUCH STRING TRIO

With Diane Worthey, Leslie Capozzoli and Wendy Stuart, 1 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-7100

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Mozart Gala" with conductor/violinist Jaime Laredo, 8 p.m. Friday, July 10, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. Tickets at Ticketmaster. (313) 576-5100 or <http://www.detroitssymphony.com>

FLYING KARAMAZOV BROTHERS

8 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$11-\$20. All ages. (734) 763-3333

CARILLON

PATRICK MACOSKA

Noon Sunday, July 5, Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson Ave. (at Burns in Indian

Village), Detroit. Free. All ages. (313) 822-3456

HENK VERHOEF

Carillonist of Woerden and Monnickendam, the world's oldest carillon, 7 p.m. Monday, July 6, University of Michigan's Ann and Robert H. Lurie Tower on the school's north campus. Free. All ages. (734) 764-0594

POPS/SWING

BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY

9 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 18 and older. (swing) (248) 333-2362

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor Leslie Dunner, the U.S. Army Field Band and Soldier's Chorus, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, July 2-4, Greenfield Village, Dearborn: 6 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. (313) 576-5100 or <http://www.detroitssymphony.com>

THREE MEN AND A TENOR

8 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$15 and \$18. All ages. (734) 763-3333

AUDITIONS/WORKSHOPS

BARBIZON SCHOOL OF MICHIGAN

The school is offering "The Play's the Thing," a series of summer acting workshops for special needs children and handicapped young persons taught by Detroit actor Bob Cafagna at the school, 6230 Orchard Lake

Road, Suite 110, West Bloomfield. Topics include improving their speech, movement, coordination and confidence through acting. (248) 855-5660

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

The DDC offers "Learning at the Opera House," a series of classes at the Detroit Opera House in July. Jazz dance for children ages 10-14 (no experience necessary) are 9:30-11 a.m. Monday-Friday, July 13-17 (\$10); Modern dance technique and improvisation for teens and adults (intermediate level), 6-8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, July 21-23 (\$36); followed by performance/sharing by workshop participants, Friday, July 31, all at the Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. (313) 965-3544

HURON CIVIC THEATRE

Auditions for the musical "Anything Goes," 7:30-10 p.m. July 12-14, in the Huron High School auditorium, 32044 W. Huron River Dr., New Boston. (734) 782-5380/(734) 675-4017

RACKHAM SYMPHONY CHOIR

Auditions for the 1998-99 season including Rutter's "Gloria," Handel's "Messiah," "Carmina Burana," and "Misa Criolla." By appointment (313) 341-3466

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

SUMMER MUSIC SCHOOL

Schoolcraft College is offering the opportunity for late elementary and high school musicians to perform as soloists and with a live orchestra July 20-31 and Aug. 3-14; \$250 for each two-week term. (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218

JAZZ

ABLER-LEDUFF TRIO

With guitarist Paul Abler, congas and percussionist Jerry LeDuff, alto saxophonist John Wojciechowski and bass accompaniment, 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursday, July 9, Fleetwood on Sixth restaurant, 209 W. Sixth St., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 541-8050

SEAN BLACKMAN AND WAYNE GERARD

8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages; 10 p.m. Friday, July 10, Giovanni's, 31 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (gypsy jazz) (248) 652-1600/(248) 334-5241

RON BROOKS TRIO

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 3-4, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO

6-10 p.m. Mondays, at Too Chez, 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

JAZZODITY

9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) 455-8450

BETTY JOPLIN

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

PHIL KELLY TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, July 10, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/bass/drums) (248) 645-2150

LARVAL

With The Disco Biscuits, 9:30 p.m. Friday, July 10, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (avant jazz) (734) 996-8555

JEFF MICHAEL BAND

6-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, July 2-3, in the Coyote Cantina at the Crowne Plaza Pontchartrain, 2 Washington Blvd., Detroit. (313) 965-0200

MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With vocalist Judie Cochill, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, and trumpeter Louis Smith, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Botsford Inn 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner. Reservations recommended. (248) 474-4800

HIDEKO MILLS

With Surrogate Earth, 10 p.m. Friday, July 10, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$6. 18 and older. (313) 832-2355

LARRY NOZERO

6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, July 10, Kellogg Park, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, downtown Plymouth. Free. All ages. (734) 453-1234

SHAHIDA NURULLAH TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, July

3, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

ANGELO PRIMO

8:30 p.m. Friday, July 10, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-1600

TERRANCE SIMIEN

7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10 in advance. All ages. (734) 761-1800

TRANSMISSION

9 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (acid jazz) (734) 662-8310

PAUL VORNHAGEN TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, July 9, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax, vocal/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON

With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

WHAZUREE

8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, July 4, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 546-1400

STEVE WOOD TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, July 2, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

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"AFRICAN RHYTHMS SUMMER FESTIVAL"

With "African Fete 1998" with more than 50 musicians and dancers performing a wide range of African popular and ethnic music featuring Salif Keita and the Wanda Band (Mali), Papa Wemba and Molokai (Democratic Republic of the Congo), and vocalists Cheikh Lo (Senegal) and Maryam Mursal (Somalia), 7 p.m. Thursday, July 2; With Women of the Calabash, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 25; and Ensemble Kalinda, 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, Orchestra Hall, 3663 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15-\$40. (313) 576-5100 or <http://www.detroitssymphony.com>

JUSTIN HINDS AND THE DOMINOES

9 p.m. Friday, July 3, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance. All ages. (roots reggae) (313) 833-9700

IMMUNITY

10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, July 3, The Deck at Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Goudy Park near Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Road, Wayne. Free. All ages. (reggae) (313) 965-2222/(734) 722-2000

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Surreal dance troupe contains partial nudity, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$14-\$23. (734) 763-3333

PETER SPARLING DANCE CO.
8 p.m. Friday, July 10, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$10-\$19. All ages. (734) 763-3333

COMEDY

CAPITAL STEPS

5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4, as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$12-\$21. All ages. (734) 763-3333

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Kevin McPeck, Robert Mack and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, July 2-4; Lowell Sanders, from the movie "Jungle to Jungle," Jim Hamm and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, July 9-11, 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

Keith Ruff, 9 p.m. Friday, July 10 (\$6), and 9 p.m. Saturday, July 10 (\$8); at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE

Closed July 2-4; Chris Zito, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

JOE PISCOPO

With Bill Thomas, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10-\$20. All ages. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

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

"Viagra Falls," 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. on Fridays-Saturdays through September, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays. (313) 965-2222

POPULAR MUSIC

ACME JAM

8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, July 2-3, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

PATTI AUSTIN

With Alex Bugnon, 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater, Detroit. \$5. All ages. (R&B) (313) 393-0292

BARDO POND

9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (space rock) (313) 833-POOL

BUGS BEDDOW BAND

6:10-30 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Halmich Park Concert, 13 Mile Road between Dequindre and Ryan roads, Warren. Free. All ages; 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, Beale Street Blues, 8 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (trombone-driven party blues) (810) 954-0497/(248) 334-7900 or <http://www.bugsbeddow.com>

PAT BENATAR

With Jill Jack, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

"BLIND PIG SHOWCASE"

With Yoroka, Crack Abraham, Dave Boutette and Tinfoil, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 7, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Free. 18 and older. (variety) (734) 996-8555

BLUE ROSE

9 p.m. Friday, July 3, O'Grady's, 585 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 524-4770

"BLUE SUIT WITH ALBERTA ADAMS"

9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BONNE TEMPS ROULLE

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Giovanni's, 31 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (R&B) (248) 334-5241

BROKEN TOYS

With 60 Second Crush and Emergency Grapefruit, 8 p.m. Friday, July 10, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward

Ave., Ferndale. \$5. 18 and older. (rock) (248) 544-3030

THE BURROS

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (roots rock) (248) 349-9110

CHUMBAWAMBA

With Sister Soleil, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

"COUNTRY CONCERT"

With Tim McGraw, Faith Hill, Clint Black, Deana Carter, Lorrie Morgan, Collin Raye, Neal McCoy, Diamond Rio, Kevin Sharp, Daryle Singletary, Trace Adkins, Don Williams, Kenny Chesney, Aaron Tippin, Rhet Atkins, Confederate Railroad, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, The Kinleys, America and Creedence Clearwater Revisited, Thursday-Sunday, July 9-12, Hickory Hill Lakes, Fort Loramie, Ohio. \$90-\$485. (937) 295-3000 or <http://www.countryconcert.com>

DANNY COX

8:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages; 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 652-1600/(248) 544-1141

CYBERTRYBE

8 p.m. Thursdays, July 2 and July 9, Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 21 and older. (industrial/techno) (810) 465-5154

THE DERAILERS

9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (country rock) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961MELT.com>

88 FINGERS LOUIE

7 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

ELIZA

10 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Giovanni's, 31 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (pop/rock) (248) 334-5241

PETE "BIG DOG" FETTERS

8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, July 10, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic blues) (248) 544-1141/(313) 886-8101

THE FLESTONES

With Swingin' Neckbreakers, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POOL

THE GHETTOBILLIES

With Blaze and Face, 9:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

GRAND FUNK RAILROAD

With Wet Willy, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$27.50 pavilion, \$15 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

GRR

10 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 349-9110

COREY HARRIS BAND

9:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. **Cancelled.** (blues) (313) 833-POOL

AL HILL

6:10 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, D.L. Harrington's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 852-0550

HUFFAMOOSE

9 p.m. Friday, July 3, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (pop) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961MELT.com>

IMMATURE

3:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. \$16.50-\$26.50. All ages. (R&B) (313) 393-0292

THE INCURABLES

9 p.m. Thursdays beginning July 9, Fire and Ice Lounge, 27200 Cherry Hill Road (east of Inkster Road), Inkster. Free. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 730-9014

JOAN OF ARC

With Call It In The Air, 6 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$5 in advance. All ages. (indie pop) (313) 833-POOL

CHAKA KHAN

With Ashford and Simpson, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. \$19.50-\$46.50. All ages. (R&B) (313) 393-0292

MIKE KING

8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 544-1141

LILITH FAIR

With Sarah McLachlan, Natalie Merchant, Sinead O'Connor, Me'Shell Ndegeocello, Litany, N'Dea Davenport, and Mono, 3 p.m. Monday,

July 6; With McLachlan, Merchant, Indigo Girls, O'Connor, Bonnie Raitt, Heather Nova, Litany, and Imani Coppola, 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 7; and with McLachlan, Merchant, Tracy Bonham, Ndegeocello, Bonnie Raitt, Nova, Coppola, and Litany, 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$39 pavilion, \$26.50 lawn. Superfan seating available. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

LL COOL J

With Montell Jordan, 8 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Masonic Temple Theatre, 500 Temple Ave., Detroit. **Cancelled.** (rap/R&B) (313) 832-5900

METALLICA

With Days of the New and Jerry Cantrell, 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 10-11, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. Sold out. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

THE MIGHTY SNOW CONE

Hosts open mic with Shorty Sneeze, Lyrikill Assassins, 3D, TNT, KO, Paige, Dr. Mynd Benda and C-A-Million, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (variety) (810) 465-5154

BUDDY MILES

8 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$13 in advance. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

STEVE MILLER

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, Toledo Zoo, Toledo. \$24.50. All ages. (rock) (419) 474-1333 or (248) 645-6666

MR. FREEDOM X

9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

"MOONSTOMP III"

With The Articles, Easy Big Fella and the Robustos, 8:30 p.m. Sunday, July 5, The Magic Stick in the Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 in advance, \$10 day of show. All ages. (313) 833-9700

CHARLIE MOSBROOK

8:10 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (pop) (734) 668-1836

MUDPUPPY

9:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-0917

NAKED

With The Tories, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$7. All ages. (pop) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

STEVE NARDELLA

9 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, July 7-8, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

HEATHER NOVA

Lilith Fair performer does a free show noon Monday, July 6, Starbucks, 300 S. Main St., Royal Oak. All ages. (pop) (248) 548-4570

ORIGINAL HITS

9 p.m. Monday, July 6, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (variety) (248) 644-4800

ROBERT PENN

9 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover

charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 624-9400/(734) 451-1213

BONNIE RAITT

With John Hammond, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Toledo Zoo, Toledo. \$28.50 and \$24.50. All ages. (pop/rock) (419) 474-1333

MARKY RAMONE AND THE INTRUDERS

With Beatnik Termites, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 2, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

COLLIN RAYE

With Trace Adkins, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Interlochen Center for the Arts' Kresge Auditorium, Interlochen. \$17.50-\$32.50. (country) (616) 276-7604

REDFORD STEVE

9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

RUBBER SOUL

With Big Sam, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

SMASHING PUMPKINS

8 p.m. Wednesday, July 8, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Sold out. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961-5451

THE STILL

With Sluice, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

SUPERDOT

9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (ska) (734) 485-5050

THEY COME IN THREES

With Cloud Car and Fletcher Pratt, 9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POOL

THIRD EYE BLIND

With Our Lady Peace and Eve 6, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre, 10 Water St., Pontiac. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (rock) (248) 335-4850 or <http://www.961melt.com>

MARY THOMPSON AND THE DELTA CHILDREN BLUES BAND

8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, July 4, Lone Star Coffee House, 207 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (blues) (248) 642-2233

THE TRI-PHONIX

7:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, the gazebo next to Village Commons on Grand River in downtown Farmington. Free. All ages. ('50s and '60s music) (248) 473-7283

TWISTIN' TARANTULAS

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (734) 421-2250

US

10 p.m. Friday, July 3, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (313) 886-8101

VAL VENTRO

10 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-9110

RANDY VOLIN AND THE SONIC BLUES

Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, 9 p.m. Friday, July

10, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300 or <http://www.rockindaddys.com>

WITCHDOCTORS

9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 455-8450

THE WORKHORSE MOVEMENT

With Taproot and Powerface, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

THE X HUSBANDS

7-11 p.m. Wednesdays through August, Woolly Bully's, 43333 W. Seven Mile Road, Northville. Free. All ages. (acoustic rock) (248) 380-5163

YES

In SurroundSound, with Alan Parsons, 6:30 p.m. Sunday, July 5, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$28.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

ZEN TRICKSTERS

8 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (Deadhead) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

CLUB NIGHTS

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MOVIES

Clooney, Lopez click in Elmore Leonard's 'Out of Sight'

TICKETS PLEASE



JOHN MONAGHAN

being held up?" "Thank you," he smiles. "You're welcome," she replies, almost ready to chirp, "have a nice day." I suppose if you're going to be

In the opening scene of "Out of Sight," George Clooney walks up to a bank teller's window and quietly tells the woman to put unmarked hundreds into a bag. "You're doing fine," he says encouragingly. "Is this your first time

held up, it might as well be by Clooney. Witty, polite, his hair graying slightly at the temples, he is the kind of thief Cary Grant used to play. Sure, he's breaking the law, but he has such a nice way of doing it, with a line into senseless violence that he won't cross.

And it's precisely this style of unnerving charm that first attracts Jennifer Lopez's U.S. Marshall, who ends up locked in the trunk of a getaway car with him during a prison break. Feigning disinterest, she listens as he whispers to her the idea that if they were talking this same way in a bar right now, they might actually have something.

And the thought sticks. She begs to be put on the task force to catch him, and the two engage in a game of cat-and-mouse as their paths cross in some unorthodox situations.

"Out of Sight" is the third Elmore Leonard adaptation in as many years ("Get Shorty" and "Jackie Brown" were the others) to capture the spirit of the writer. And even though Bloomfield-based Leonard admits that the characters stray widely from the way he envisioned them on paper, they look great on film.

And looks are almost everything here. Let's face it: Neither Clooney nor Lopez is that great of an actor, but they click on film.

Lopez, a relative newcomer best known as the movies' Selena, plays her Marshall with a cold detachment, in control of virtually every situation. Yet she plays her scenes exactly the same way with her father as with her bank robber.

Clooney, meanwhile, has finally arrived in his best screen role to date. "Out of Sight" cashes in on his good looks — for once he looks like a movie star, not just a blown-up TV actor — but also on his quiet vulnerability. Unlike Lopez, his plans often goes awry, and these are some of the moments in which he's most endearing.

Another pleasure of the movie

is seeing familiar Detroit-area locations captured in a Hollywood film. Though the Motor City has often figured prominently in Leonard's novels, this is the first to shoot here in any depth, thanks, I suppose, to producer Danny DeVito, who had such a good time working here on "Hoffa."

The Renaissance Center. The Barry Sanders mural. The Joe Louis fist. Woodward near the Fisher Building. They all make cameo appearances. But what makes "Out of Sight" different from other movies is how it doesn't just treat locations as establishing shots, but actually gets inside them. You'll see the State

Theater both inside and out, as well as a prominent Bloomfield Hills estate where Clooney and company attempt to lift some diamonds.

To say that "Out of Sight" is the best Leonard adaptation ever might be a bit presumptuous. Some of the early Westerns ("3:10 to Yuma" and "The Tall T" among them) were outstanding films, but in a summer of "Godzilla"-sized disappointments, a movie this good is definitely something to shout about.

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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Comedy about a man who hires a private detective to find the love of his life. When the detective falls in love with the woman himself, the two suitors embark on a no-holds-barred battle for her affections. Stars Cameron Diaz, Matt Dillon.

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STREET SCENE

Eve 6 member decides to join the family business

Tony Fagenson isn't like other kids. As a high school student in Los Angeles, the now 19-year-old rebelled against his family by not getting into music.

"There was a long time that I didn't want to go into music actually. It must have been a child rebellion thing or something like that," he said with a laugh.

"My dad and my step-mom were in the music industry and I thought, 'That's being done.' Then eventually with all the people around me being into music, I thought it might be something in my genes also."

Fagenson's father is Oakland County native and Grammy Award-winning producer Don Was. He identified his step-mother as a woman who works in Virgin Records' A&R department.

Fagenson and his friends Max Collins and Jon Siebels, both of whom are 18, are following in his father's footsteps with Eve 6, a mouth-watering pop rock band whose self-titled debut has spawned the hit "Inside Out."

Short spurts of guitars coupled with bassist Max Collins' hummable lyrics "I would swallow my pride / I would choke on the rhines / But the lack thereof would leave me empty inside" made "Inside Out" a recent WXDG "Shriek of the Week."

"Leech" grasps the same characteristics while Collins shares his knack for writing crafty lyrics: "sucking on my brain / You're the teacher / I'm the student / Turning things around / Your story's not congruent." "Superhero Girl" is a super-charged pop gem.

Eve 6, named for an "X-Files" character who gouged her guard's eyeball with her teeth, was formed in 1993 by La Crescenta Valley High School students Collins and guitarist/vocalist Jon Siebels. While still at La Crescenta Valley the duo was signed to RCA Records. About 1 1/2 years ago, the blonde-streaked Fagenson joined Eve 6.

When Fagenson was approached to join Eve 6, he was "actually in college. I went to USC for a little more than a semester. I've always done a lot

of music stuff. In high school I was in jazz band, I had a couple rock bands. I did a lot of recording in the home studio; finding my own way through the studio."

"I was kind of lost in college. I was not really sure what I wanted to do."

Fagenson added that Eve 6—"was signed before they met me or knew who my dad was. Max the singer had written a lot of the lyrics by then and had some of the basic melodies and stuff."

Eve 6 went into pre-production about a year ago and wrapped up the album in August. Fagenson explained that the three-year lapse in recording and releasing an album was the band's choice.

"I wasn't really part of the band when they got signed but the record company knew that they were not ready to put out a record right away. They gave us time to develop and really get the songs together and stuff."

"It's extremely exciting. No one thought things would happen so quickly. It's really come into place. Everything that's had to

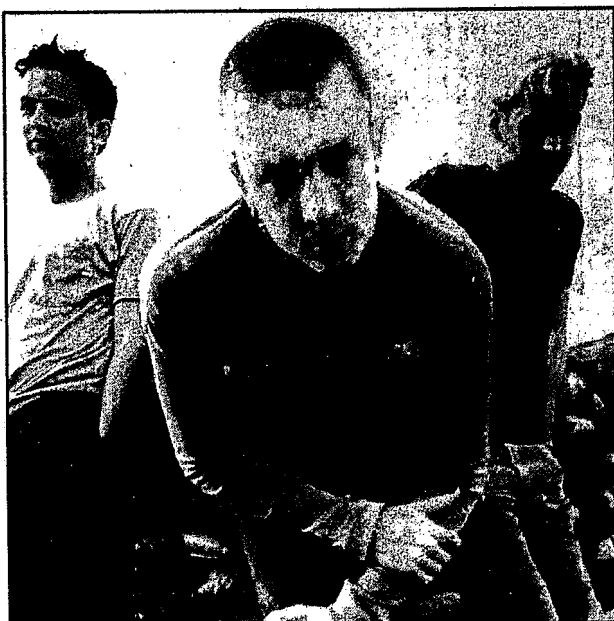
happened has happened. It's like clockwork."

Fagenson was born in the Detroit area and lived in Birmingham until the age of 5 when his family moved to Manhattan. Fagenson spent most of his formative years in Los Angeles.

With singers like Bonnie Raitt working with his father, Fagenson said that his father's career taken as a whole was inspirational.

"I can't say there were instances where afterward I said, 'I have to do music because I met someone.' I went to the studio a couple times but it wasn't like I ever went in and said 'Wow, this what I want to.' It was independent of that."

Eve 6 opens for Third Eye Blind and Our Lady Peace Thursday, July 2, at the Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre, 10 Water St. (at Saginaw Street), Pontiac. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for the all-ages show. Tickets are still available. For more information, call (248) 335-4850 or visit <http://www.961melt.com>.



Playing Pontiac: The rock band Eve 6 - from left, Jon Siebels, Max Collins and Tony Fagenson, the son of Don Was - performs Thursday, July 2, at the Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre in Pontiac opening for Third Eye Blind and Our Lady Peace.

Liquid Soul added to Montreux lineup

The 1998 Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival has added acid jazz sensation Liquid Soul to its line up.

Liquid Soul will close out the free Labor Day weekend jazz festival 9:45 p.m. Monday, Sept. 7 on the festival's Hudson's/Live Jazz Stage.

The 10-piece Chicago group led by saxophonist Mars Williams, plays a mix of jazz, funk, hip-hop, rap and salsa that pushes jazz back onto the dance floor.

Liquid Soul has received rave reviews for its second CD "Make Some Noise."

The Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival features more than 120 acts, all free of charge, one five stages at Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit, noon to 11

p.m. Sept. 4-7. For more information and a complete schedule, call (313) 963-7622.

Here are some other jazz festivals of note:

■ Michigan Jazz Festival - noon to 11 p.m. Sunday, July 19 at Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River (at 8 Mile Road), Farmington Hills.

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■ Birmingham Jazzfest '98 - Thursday-Saturday, July 23-25,

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DINING

Something for everyone at Copper Canyon Brewery

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

What does owner Ed Miri have in mind for your enjoyment at Southfield's new Copper Canyon Brewery? Just about everything from food designed to match microbrews to live entertainment and cyberbooths. Appealing to families is a great kids menu.

The name tells you a lot. While Miri's marketing research affirmed the name as "catchy," it's more than that. Michigan's copper industry reaches deep into the state's history. Canyon suggests grand, big and beer country. Copper Canyon Brewery's motif and entire operation plays on this.

Seating about 240, but convenient to the Telegraph Road, I-696 and Northwestern Highway interchanges, this eatery gets busy. Reservations are not accepted, but table calls are made by a paging system offered to each diner on the waiting list.

To the tune of \$3 million, Miri more than face-lifted the former Pearl City located on the site, to a spacious, sleek, bright and inviting environment with glimpses of copper everywhere. Simultaneously, it speaks to casual but upscale, where social environment is a prime focus.

While this is Miri's first restaurant, he's been around the industry for a while. He formerly owned four Coffee Exchange outlets in Birmingham, Royal Oak, West Bloomfield and Rochester Hills. He sold these to Caribou Coffee and began to achieve another goal, "turning liquid into

Copper Canyon Brewery

Where: 27522 Northwestern Highway, Southfield (248) 223-1700

Hours: Food served seven days a week noon to midnight

Menu: American steakhouse focus with sandwiches, pasta, pizzas and seafood, all designed to accompany house brews. Lunch express menu with six items is both time and price sensitive.

Cost: Appetizers, soups, salads, sandwiches and burgers \$3-9; entrees \$11-20.

Live entertainment: Friday & Saturday 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. featuring Blues, Jazz, Top 40 and Motown.

Reservations: Not accepted.

Credit cards: All majors accepted.

liquid assets." He came up with the brewery idea in 1993 after a visit to Crescent City Brewery in New Orleans.

He translated the idea well to a great Michigan fit with a number of unique twists including roasting coffee on premise, integrating house-roasted coffee into the Stout, roasting barley on premise for the Stout, cyberbooths where one can access the Internet through a server with local telephone number, telling kids they get dessert only if they finish their plate, a billiards game room, house bread with wort spritzed ale-herb butter, house-made root beer and an equal commitment to beer and food.

All this is in the capable hands of General Manager Dan McNamara and Executive Chef Brian DeMeyer, whose 10-year "training" at Southfield's Golden Mushroom and Oakland Community College's culinary apprentice program, is not wast-

ed. DeMeyer's kitchen crew knows how to cook food properly, from scratch, without shortcuts.

Head Brewer, 26-year-old Matt Allyn, who trained in Utah, didn't skip a beat when I asked him to pair his four main brews and two seasonal, rotating beers with his favorite menu listings. The menu gives you some beverage pairing clues, but it never hurts to get it straight from the head suds man.

Northwestern Gold Ale with balanced malt presence and crisp bitterness from European hops is best with Honey Roasted Salmon topped with apple, walnut and raisin chutney. The American style Devil's Peak Ale, appealing to hop-heads, makes an unbeatable match with The Copper Canyon Slab, full \$16 or half \$11. This is American-style eats at its best served with baked beans and coleslaw.

"I like Buffalo Jump Stout after dinner because of its coffee-like flavors," Allyn noted. "It



On tap: General Manager Dan McNamara at the newly opened Copper Canyon Brewery in Southfield.

doesn't pair that well with food."

Alt, an old-style German ale, is reproduced in Copper Canyon Alt that Allyn likes with Pan Flashed Perch Piccata (although it's not recommended on the menu with this beer). Currently, American Ale and Peach Tea Ale are the seasonal brews. With American Ale, Allyn suggests

Linguini Chicken Florentine in a garlic cream sauce topped with roasted pinenuts and freshly-grated Parmesan cheese. Peach Tea Ale makes a refreshingly light opener brew.

Cost of items, given in fractions, will not befuddle the math challenged, but it will get you to look twice! Holding that math

thought, Miri said, "I believe in multiplicity, but I'm a cautious multiplier. Before I'd anchor at another property, we'll debug the system here totally."

But Miri is doing a little multiplaying at this location. An outdoor beer garden is slated to open in July, next to the big grain storage silo he's erecting.

EATING OUT IN THE SUBURBS

In case you missed it. Here are some of the restaurants we've recently featured on our Dining page. Call (734) 953-2105 to recommend your favorite restaurant. If you're a restaurant owner, call us with information about restaurant anniversaries, renovations, and menu changes. You can fax information to Entertainment editor: (734) 591-7279, or mail to The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

■ **Cafe Hawaii** - 22048 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, (west of the Southfield Freeway) (313) 724-2233. There is a fear entrance on Garrison. Open: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Thursday-Saturday; 1-9 p.m. Sunday. Lunch served until 3 p.m., Early Bird Dinner Specials begin 3 p.m. Menu: Hawaiian theme menu including American fare with a Polynesian flair. Cost: Lunch \$5.95 to \$10.95; dinner \$7.95 to \$18.95. Credit cards: All majors accepted. Reservations: Groups of seven or more. Can accommodate groups up to 50 people. Highlights: Hula dancers and Hawaiian singer 8-10 p.m. Wednesdays; Live bands 9 p.m. to close Thursday-Saturday.

■ **Too Chezy** - 27155 E. Sheraton Drive, (northwest corner of Novi Road and I-96) Novi, (248)

348-5555. Open: 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, (lunch); 5:30-10:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday (dinner) and 5:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Closed Sunday. Menu: Innovative, contemporary presentations for a variety of palates. Offerings include vegetarian dishes, pasta, seafood, steaks, and poultry. Reservations: Accepted. Credit Cards: All majors. Cost: Dinner entrees \$13 to \$27; Small courses such as steamed mussels and Nori rolls \$4.50 to \$8.25; Soups \$3.50 to \$4.95; Salads \$3.25 to \$5.25; Pizzas \$7 and \$8. Half portions available at half price, plus a buck and a half. Highlights: Jazz on the outdoor patio features Heidi Hepler and Michele Ramo 6-10 p.m. Mondays; Louis Resto and David McMurray perform 7-11 p.m. Fridays; Pink dinner featuring rose wines, Monday, July 27 - call for information/reservations; Macrobiotic dinner celebrating the first frost, late September or early October. Call for details.

■ **Duet** - 3663 Woodward Avenue (at Mack), Detroit (313) 831-Open: 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. Reservations: Accepted. Credit cards: All majors accepted. Smoking: Cigar-friendly bar. All dining areas non-smoking.

■ **Portabella** - 2745 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy, in Somerset Collection South, (second level, adjacent to sky bridge) (248) 649-6625. Open: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Menu: Italian with creative diversions. Many dishes play on the portabella mushroom theme. Cost: Starters and pizzas \$5-8; sandwiches and salads \$6.50-10; pastas \$7-10; and main plates all under \$13. Pastas and main plates come with bread and choice of mine-strone or salad. Reservations: For parties of six or more. Credit cards: All majors accepted.

■ **American Table** - 33501 W. Eight Mile Road (one 1/2 mile

west of Farmington Road), Livonia, (734) 888-1000. Open: 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Menu: Family style restaurant serving American, Italian, Greek specialties including burgers, meat loaf, pork chops, spaghetti, spinach pie and gyro plate. Breakfast served anytime. Children's menu available. Cost: Reasonable. Sandwiches \$2 to \$4.50; entrees \$6 to \$12. Credit cards: All majors, except Discover. Private dining room: For parties of up to 40 people. Reservations: Recommended for parties of eight or more. Carry-out: Yes. Seats: 200

■ **Champps Americana** - 19470 Haggerty Road, (between Seven and Eight Mile Roads) Livonia, (734) 591-3334. Open: 11 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. Monday-Saturday; 10 a.m. to midnight Sunday. Sunday brunch menu 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Menu: Classic American dining including salads, sandwiches, pasta, chicken, steaks, seafood, pizza and hamburgers. Children's and late night menus available. Cost: Entrees \$9.95 to \$14.50; sandwiches \$6.25 to \$10.50; burgers \$4.75 to \$6.95; pizza \$6.50 to

\$8.25. Sunday brunch items range from \$6.95 to \$8.95. Reservations: Not accepted. Credit cards: All majors accepted. Magician performs 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays during brunch. Bloody Mary Bar 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, noon to 3 p.m. Sundays. Specialty martini menu.

■ **Fire Academy Brewery & Grill** - 6677 N. Wayne Road, Westland, (734) 595-1988. Open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m. to midnight, Thursday-Saturday; noon to 11 p.m. Sunday. Menu: Something for everyone including hand-crafted beers and root beer, sandwiches, soup, salads, steaks, baby back ribs, chicken, shrimp, whitefish, and pasta. Children's menu available. Cost: Ranges from \$4.75 to \$5.95 for sandwiches, entrees \$7.95 to \$15.50. Credit Cards: All majors accepted. Reservations: Not accepted after 5 p.m. Very busy 5-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, expect to wait.

■ **Restaurants at Greenfield Village** - At Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road, west of the Southfield Freeway,

and south of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. With the exception of monthly special dinners at The Eagle Tavern, restaurants are open to Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum visitors only. Admission: Adults \$12.50; senior citizens 62 and over, \$11.50; kids 5-12 years old, \$7.50; children under five and members admitted free. Call (313) 271-1620 for more information. Museum & Village open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

■ **Taste of History** - What: Casual cafeteria-style restaurant offering a variety of soups, salads, sandwiches, entrees, and desserts. Lunch served 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Seats: 250 people. Cost: Sandwiches and entrees \$2.25 to \$5.75. Desserts \$1.35 to \$4.25.

■ **Eagle Tavern** - Dinners served at candlelit tables. Offers an authentic 19th century dining experience. Open: 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. Seats: 200 people; Public diners: 6:30 p.m. Thursday, August 13; Sunday, Sept. 20 and Oct. 25. Cost \$22.50 per person. Call (313) 271-1620 for reservations/menu information.

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