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AROUND



THE MILL POND

Everything's relative

Students at the new Clarkston High School can't seem to get far enough away from their brothers and sisters.

With the new policy that lockers are assigned alphabetically, students are finding themselves closer to relatives than friends. And in high school, lockers are the only personal space a teenager truly owns. Some students are wondering why it isn't enough that they share bedrooms or dinner conversations with siblings. Now it's locker spaces, too.

Flocking together

One bird's junk turned out to be another bird's treasure last week when Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catallo gave a plethora of her used bird toys to neighbor Cheryl Molencupp, owner of Home Sweet Home Pet Care.

A happy Molencupp, who has two exotic pet parrots and other birds of her own, said she and her feathered friends spent an entire glorious day playing after the windfall. Dr. Doolittle should have had such a neighbor!

Bountiful summer

Nothing is free in this world, except maybe a few tomatoes in Independence Township. On Thursday, there was a tray of plump, homegrown tomatoes sitting in front of a house on Drayton Road. The sign next to the tray read "free," but either the residents hadn't had any takers or everybody in the neighborhood has tomatoes coming out of their ears.



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Target practice: Dan Hall practices shooting with a high-tech bow at the outdoor archery course at the Oakland County Sportsman's Club in Independence Township.

On target

Course gives bow hunters feel for real thing

So close, yet so far away — that's the maxim that defines the challenge of broadhead archery, hunting with bow and arrow the old-fashioned way.

"It's more of a challenge," said 19-year-old Dan Hall of Independence Township who has been practicing the sport and art of archery since he was 3.

"With a bow, the deer actually has a chance to use deer skills to get away," Hall said. "With a gun, you either shoot the deer or you screw up."

That's because the speed of a traveling arrow — about 240 feet per second — doesn't compare to the 3,000 feet a bullet will travel per second.

It's also important to remember that the range for shooting deer and other animals is about 20 to 25 feet. Hunters who use firearms, in comparison, can shoot targets hundreds of feet away.

Dan's father, Ron, is president of the Oakland County Sportsman Club's Archery group, which sponsors an array of bow and arrow programs, including an eight-week broadhead league that begins in August as preparation for the archery hunting season — Oct. 1-Jan. 1.

While the act of practicing for the hunt might seem simple — shoot a few arrows at a bullseye target — it's quite involved and not only generates a competitive spirit but also the hunters' camaraderie.

Behind the club's archery building is a sprawling, 35-acre, outdoor archery course. Beset with hills, downed



Decoy deers: Three-dimensional practice deer are more realistic than flat targets.

tree trunks and leafy branches, mosquitoes and an array of naturally occurring obstacles and inconveniences, the course gives broadhead archers an opportunity to practice in an environment similar to the real one.

"It's kind of like simulating hunting — simulating different hunting situations," said Mike Robertson, an Independence Township resident and one of more than 400 broadhead league members.

One dramatic difference between conventional target shooting and bow and arrow hunting is that archers must typically aim downwards — just another added difficulty. "These deers are so smart — they're so nervous, skittish and so alert," said Robinson. Therefore, bow and arrow hunters set up elevated stands in the woods to study, observe and track their prey.

By hunting from above, the archers dodge the deer's skillful ears, eyes, and most importantly, noses.

"You can fool the ears and the eyes; you can't fool the nose," Robinson said. And given that deer are shot from about 20 feet away, the challenge is only heightened when a cool wind threatens to give away hunters' scents, he said.

"To try and get within 20 yards of a deer is pretty neat," Robinson said. "And you're shooting it with this very primitive outfit. ... There is a feeling of accomplishment."

Bow and arrow hunters also spend weeks scouting the areas where their prey roam before setting up hunting locations. Countless more hours are spent waiting in these locations — which lends a spiritual component to

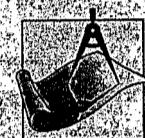
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Practice pull: Ron Hall demonstrates how to pull back on a bow.

Planners OK project despite no safety path

Independence Township planners, who typically require developers to put in safety paths, did not make that requirement for a new project Thursday.



BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Independence Township planning commissioners backed down Thursday from a standard requirement — that developers extend the community's safety path system along the property boundaries of their projects.

In a 5-0 vote, commissioners granted final site-plan approval for the sprawling Parks at Stonewood residential/retail development, but excluded developer Victor International from constructing a standard safety path connection on White Lake Road between Clement and Dixie Highway.

The development runs the length of White Lake between the two roads and is located on 258 acres. It will include some 250 single-family homes, several condominiums and about 120,000 square feet of mixed office/retail space.

Victor International does plan to construct a safety path on White Lake Road for about one-quarter of the distance between Dixie Highway and Clement

but not for the rest of the stretch. It also intends to implement a hard-packed internal path-

Dick Carlisle
Independence
Township Planner

way through the subdivision that will connect to Clement Road.

"The purpose of the safety path is to benefit the community," said township planner Dick Carlisle, who took issue with petitioner Dave Johnson's refusal to extend the path fully along White Lake Road or make a \$45,000 contribution to the township's safety path fund.

Carlisle said Victor International is constructing internal pathways to serve subdivision residents, not the community in general. Also, the township's safety path master plan clearly sets forth the requirement for developers, Carlisle said.

However, township building director Beverly McElmeel said the safety path matter is probably not fully resolved. "I believe that we're going to see a safety path system there," she said.

Township Supervisor Dale Stuart, who said he wasn't sure whether the requirement was a township policy or zoning mandate, commented Friday on the decision. "It surprises me, certainly, that (planning commissioners) have taken a different tack than what we would usually do with a development."

However, the exemption may be compensation for some other cost incurred by the Victor International, Stuart said.

In arguing for the exemption, Johnson cited the costs of constructing a third roadway lane on White Lake Road and realigning Clement Road for

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Nature center helps land volunteer award

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
STAFF WRITER

A quick glance at Richard Taylor's license plate says it all.

It reads, "I brake for woolly bears."

Woolly bears are Tiger Moth caterpillars, mythically known to predict the severity of the coming winter. Taylor can identify and collect those fuzzy caterpillars with ease.

The 69-year-old entomologist, and his wife Vivian, 68, spend much of their retirement volunteering at nature centers in Oakland County. Together, the Rochester Hills couple work side-by-side to bring their knowledge of woolly bears and other facets of nature to their community.

For their contributions to Independence Oaks County Park in Clarkston, the Taylors have been chosen by the Michigan Recreation and Park Associa-

tion as winners of the 1998 Margaret Whitehead Senior Citizen of the Year award.

"We're grateful and honored," said Vivian, smiling. "It's very nice to volunteer and get recognition."

Kathleen Dougherty, naturalist at Independence Oaks, nominated the couple for the award. They have been working at the park's Lewis E. Wint Nature Center since 1987.

"Quite often people that do volunteer service don't do it because they're expected to," said Dougherty. "They do it," she said nodding toward the couple, "because that's their nature."

The award itself was named for the late Margaret Whitehead, director of one of the first senior centers in the state. In 1967, she spearheaded an effort to enable senior citizens to travel

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STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Honored: Retired inspect specialist Richard Taylor and wife Vivian, a former Chrysler designer, were honored for volunteering at Independence Oaks nature center. Among other things, the pair designed realistic-looking puppets for kids' programs.



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safety reasons.

But commissioners had other concerns, including environmental ones. Commissioner Bill Palulian wondered how the developer would insure that homeowners use lawn treatments that wouldn't jeopardize the natural portion of the property.

While Carlisle suggested that a partnership between the project's homeowner association and the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy be established as a way to monitor and manage the area, Johnson said he would not accept doing so as a condition for site-plan approval.

A concern for Planning Commission chair Steve Board, who

The development ... will include some 250 single-family homes, several condominiums and about 120,000 square feet of mixed office/retail space.

submitted a letter about the project, is that Victor International's plans for the commercial portion of the project are still vague. "In concept, he has no concern," said Carlisle of Board's comments. "But he would like to see a stronger, pedestrian-friendly orientation (in the commercial

area)," Carlisle said.

In addition, Victor International has not provided sufficient detail about their plans to manage wetland areas, according to Derek Stratelak, the township's wetlands consultant from Hubbel, Roth and Clark.

Although the developer has generally been sensitive to the site's natural features, Stratelak said he could not offer definite conclusions because of the lack of detail. "In a nutshell, I cannot give you a conclusive statement," he said. "But it looks good."

Victor International now requires a wetlands building permit and site plan approval from the township board.

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the activity, said Rich Gulish, a 29-year-old broadhead league member from Davisburg.

"You can do a lot of thinking — sitting in a tree for three or four hours. That's how the owl got wise," Gulish said.

Likewise, the sport enables hunters to participate more closely with nature. "It's a chance to study and understand the animal," said Gulish. "You can't get on their level."

You can do a lot of thinking — sitting in a tree for three or four hours. That's how the owl got wise.

*Rich Gulish
Davisburg bow hunter*

And although deer, like most living things, conform to certain behavioral patterns, they also are always unpredictable.

In the end, hunting with bow

and arrow also transcends the rational. Surrounded by woods, chirping birds and a falling afternoon sun, Robinson and Gulish admit there is something instinctual about the activity. "It's the animal in all of us," joked Robinson.

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around Michigan.

Kathy Crawford, committee member and former chairperson of the Michigan Recreation and Park Association senior citizens committee, described Whitehead as a "pioneer of senior activity." The award that bears her name is given in two categories, service and leadership, to those demonstrating innovative work. The Taylors received the award for serving their community. As winners, they receive a trip to Mackinac Island and a stay at the Grand Hotel.

"We wanted to honor people who go above and beyond," said Crawford, who interviewed the couple for the award. "It was exciting to talk to them. Their enthusiasm was so great."

At Independence Oaks, the Taylors have done everything from creating insect displays to designing accurate puppets of insects and animals for educational purposes, to helping out with face painting and parking at special functions.

"They treat us right," said Richard. "We have a lot of fun. We dabble in just about everything."

The Taylors have used their volunteer work as a continuation of their careers. Richard worked for the Department of Agriculture as an area identifier in the quarantine division. His job involved special training at the Smithsonian Institute where he learned to identify foreign insects. Working at airports in Detroit and Chicago, he inspected planes, passengers and lug-

gage for foreign insects at their point of entry. He has moved from foreign to local insects and now collects and studies them on his own time.

Vivian worked as an engineer for the Chrysler Corp., specializing in illustration and design. Since retirement, she has switched her focus to botanical drawings and designing hand puppets.

"This is an extension of what we've been doing all of our lives," Richard said.

The Taylors said volunteering at Independence Oaks has been a positive experience because the staff takes good care of the displays and appreciates their work. Richard said he enjoys the diversity of habitats at the park. Vivian enjoys working with a variety of age groups. She said volunteering with young people keeps them young at heart. She is 68, and her husband is 69.

The couple's volunteer work is not confined to the Clarkston area. Richard and Vivian Taylor give time and energy to nature centers in cities including Ann Arbor, Madison Heights and Rochester. At Dinosaur Hill Nature Preserve in Rochester, the Taylors have created a multitude of insect and animal displays. Jane Hoyle, assistant naturalist and retired program director at the center, has worked alongside the couple for 10 years. She said their work has been primarily artistic and insect-related.

"We have absolutely enjoyed and used the displays," said

Hoyle. "It has been a joy to see their ideas come to fruition. They've given our nature center such a classy look. Without them, we wouldn't have the sophistication of displays."

Sophisticated or otherwise, Vivian compares her volunteer work to a sort of legacy.

"I get satisfaction out of watching the reaction of children," said Vivian, who does not have children of her own. "I'm also trying to pass on whatever knowledge I have gained in past experience to another generation."

Richard agreed and added that he enjoys "creating that spark of interest where there is none."

To accomplish that goal, Richard — always the scientist — has developed a three-stage plan. First, he said, insects by themselves are interesting to children.

Exposure and education can enhance that natural interest, he said. Next, people need to "tune in to nature." Finally, he hopes to help counter what he calls the "large, anti-insect sentiment" that exists throughout the country.

"The big interests in science are medical breakthroughs and space (exploration)," said Richard. "All the money goes into that rather than exploring the earth, which is much more essential. I'd like to see the kids turn back to the earth sciences."

That's where the volunteer work gains momentum.

"It's a very valuable service to the whole community," Dougherty said.



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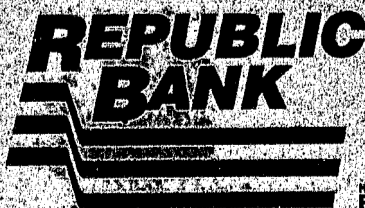
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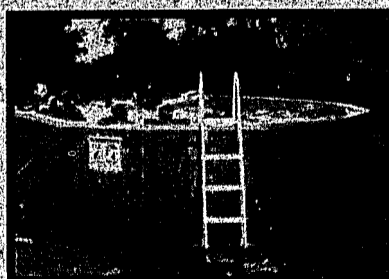
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Slovakian vicar shares the word in Clarkston

BY CAROLYN WALKER
STAFF WRITER

Silvia Kozlejova found her savior as a child in Slovakia. When she arrived in Clarkston three months ago, she sought new ways to tell of him.

"It was a very good opportunity to come here to see different ways — and different ways to work in the church," she said recently, adding as an afterthought "and also to improve my English."

The Republic Slovakia is one of two free countries that formed when communist Czechoslovakia dissolved and split into separate nations in 1989. The other country is the Czech Republic.

Kozlejova, 20, is a vicar of the Lutheran Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession and she aspires to be a pastor. She arrived in Clarkston in June and expects to leave for home in mid-September.

With two years of religious study under her belt, she hopes to take her vows in about three years. It is her dream, she said, to pastor a congregation in her home country with her Slovakian boyfriend, who is currently studying in Pennsylvania.

"It is our dream to work together," she said.

Raised by Christian parents who encouraged her to pursue her goals, Kozlejova said she realized as a teenager that she would like to be a pastor of a church.

"I grew up in a Christian family. When I was 14, I started leading a youth group in our congregation," she said, adding that she was involved in two choirs and also taught Sunday school. "When I was about 17, I realized I would like to do it for all my life."

While in the United States, Kozlejova has been a guest vicar at Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church in Clarkston, working under the tutelage of Pastor

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*Silvia Kozlejova
guest vicar, Calvary Evangelical
Lutheran Church*

Bob Walters and living with Independence Township parishioners Margaret and Thomas Miller.

"She is a very intelligent, vivacious, faithful lady," Walters said, explaining that her presence in Clarkston is linked to Calvary's and Walters' interest in and support of the Slovakian church.

In the early 1990s, he said, seven Calvary parishioners visited parts of Germany and Slovakia, where they became acquainted with, among others, a professor of theology in the latter country. A number of students wished to travel to America, Walters said, and eventually Kozlejova, who hails from a village of 1,000, made the journey.

She represents Calvary's second foreign pastoral visitor and while here has participated in baptisms, funerals, weddings and hospital visitations — learning the methods of American pastors.

"I found some things they have and we don't have and also some things we have, they don't," Kozlejova said. "For me here, it is very good that I could do all this. It means very much to me."

While there are some differences between her home and her adopted churches, there are also differences between Slovakian congregations as well, she added, not giving those differences much importance.

Walters, however, noted that one



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Visiting vicar: Silvia Kozlejova, a native of the Republic of Slovakia, wants to be a pastor in her denomination, the Lutheran Evangelical Church of the Augsburg Confession. Since June, she has been staying in the Clarkston area and serving as a guest vicar in a local congregation.

striking difference is the fact that Slovakian pastors sing their gospel lessons and the Lord's Prayer, which are spoken in United States churches.

In addition to studying American church habits, Kozlejova said she has

had an opportunity to travel with her host family, the Millers.

They visited Niagara Falls and Toronto, where she was treated to a showing of "Phantom of the Opera."

"I cried not just because of the story

— but because I could see something so wonderful," she said. "I like to be here and I met many nice people. Everybody was so nice and so friendly. It was like a grand vacation for me. And I could learn so much from Pastor Bob."

Ford dealership given OK to make move to Springfield

BY CAROLYN WALKER
STAFF WRITER

Residents of Springfield Township can expect to see a fourth car dealership in their midst sometime next year.

On Aug. 21, the township board voted to grant site-plan approval to the owners of Holly Ford Inc. for a 23,000-square-foot, full-service dealership to be built on the southeast corner of East Holly Road and I-75.

The owners, according to manager Harold Shepherd, plan to relocate their existing facility from Grange Hall Road in Holly to take advantage of the population growth in northern Oakland County; along with the accessibility of I-75.

"Most people want to buy close to their homes. We picked the location because of its exposure on I-75."

*Harold Shepherd
manager, Holly Ford*

"Most people want to buy close to their homes," Shepherd said, adding that statistics show that 45-60 Ford vehicles are sold monthly to residents from the greater-Clarkston area. "We picked the location because of its exposure on I-75. We found that

to be the best at bringing us closer to the masses."

Shepherd could not say when construction would begin but said he hopes to see the building open for business sometime early next year.

Early last week, Supervisor Collin Walls said the site plan was approved by the board though the project was sent back to the zoning board of appeals and planning commission for sign and lighting variances.

Existing dealerships in Springfield include Town & Country Dodge and Saturn North on Dixie Highway and Chuck Fortinberry's Clarkston Chrysler Plymouth Jeep Eagle dealership on Big Lake Road.

Township firefighters get 6-year pact

After two years of negotiations, Independence Township trustees approved a new contract for the township's 19 firefighters.

The decision to accept the six-year pact came Tuesday in a 7-0 vote by the board during a special meeting.

The contract runs through the

year 2002 and includes improvements in wages and disability benefits, said township Supervisor Dale Stuart.

Details of the contract were not revealed since it had not yet been signed.

Other improvements came in the form of language changes from the previous contract, he

said.

"There were a lot of different areas" township officials considered problematic that were cleared up, he said.

"I think it's a generous settlement," Stuart said. "But I don't think it's a settlement that's going to break the township's budget."

POLICE NEWS

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Springfield and Independence townships and the city of Clarkston Aug. 24-28.

Springfield Police

Thefts

On Aug. 25, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Foster.

On Aug. 27, stereo equipment was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on North Bay.

Vandalism

On Aug. 25, a door to a residence was reported kicked in on Leslie.

Independence Police

Vandalism

On Aug. 24, unknown persons threw lit firecrackers on a passing vehicle on Maybee Road.

On Aug. 25, unknown persons reportedly tampered with a sprinkling system on Timberlake Trail.

On Aug. 26, unknown persons reportedly threw a saw horse and deer mannequin into a pool on Pine Knob Trail.

On Aug. 26, unknown persons reportedly stepped on the hoods of vehicles parked on South Marshbank.

Thefts

On Aug. 23, lumber was reported stolen from a site on East Princeton.

On Aug. 24, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Maybee Road.

On Aug. 26, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Clawson Tank Drive.

On Aug. 26, a power washer was reported stolen from a site on Hillcrest.

On Aug. 26, a two-man paddle boat was reported stolen from a beach off Whipple Shore.

Burglary

On Aug. 25, unknown persons reportedly illegally entered a business on Maybee Road. It was not immediately known if anything was taken.

Independence Fire

Between Aug. 24-28, firefighters responded to 14 calls. They included eight medical runs, two personal-injury accidents and one downed wires report.

Clarkston Police

On Aug. 27, officers responded to a West Washington location, where a Clarkston boy had fallen off his bicycle and struck his head on the pavement. The child received a laceration and was transported to his parents' home, according to Chief Paul Ormiston.

The parents then sought treatment for the child.

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Write on: Omas pens celebrate "Return to the Motherland - The Hong Kong Collection," at Crane & Co.

Fine pens spur passion

SHOPPING CENTERED



DONINA MULCAHY

When I take notes for my column, or make out my grocery list, or doodle while talking on the phone, it's usually with a cheap, plastic, ball-point pen.

I have two very nice Cross pen and pencil sets, but I rarely take them out of my desk. It's not that I don't like them

- I do. It's just that I'm afraid that if I use them, I'll lose them, because I'm notorious for losing pens.

Come to find out, maybe I lose a lot of pens because I use the really inexpensive kind. Carlyle Smith, manager of Crane & Co. pen and stationery store at the Somerset Collection in Troy, carries a fine fountain pen with him every day. He said he's not afraid to use it or to lend it out briefly when customers ask to borrow a pen. "If you use a fine pen," he said, "you tend to keep track of it and people are more apt to give it back when you loan it out. They're less likely to walk off with it, because they'll notice that it's a nice pen and sometimes they'll even make comments about it."

Gina Gajda-Tweed, manager of the Colorado Pen Co. store at Twelve Oaks mall in Novi, agrees.

"When you value something, you become more aware of it, whether it's a pen or a piece of jewelry," she said. Like fine jewelry, fine pens can range anywhere from about \$100 to thousands of dollars.

In general, the things that set them apart from less expensive pens include: the materials of which they're crafted (gold, silver and glass, for example, as opposed to plastic); the way they fit and feel in the hand (the pen should feel light and balanced), better ink flow technology and the overall look of the pen (some have special, limited edition designs). Fine pens can include ballpoint and roller ball types, as well as fountain, calligraphy and glass dipping pens.

So who buys fine pens? Collectors, mainly?

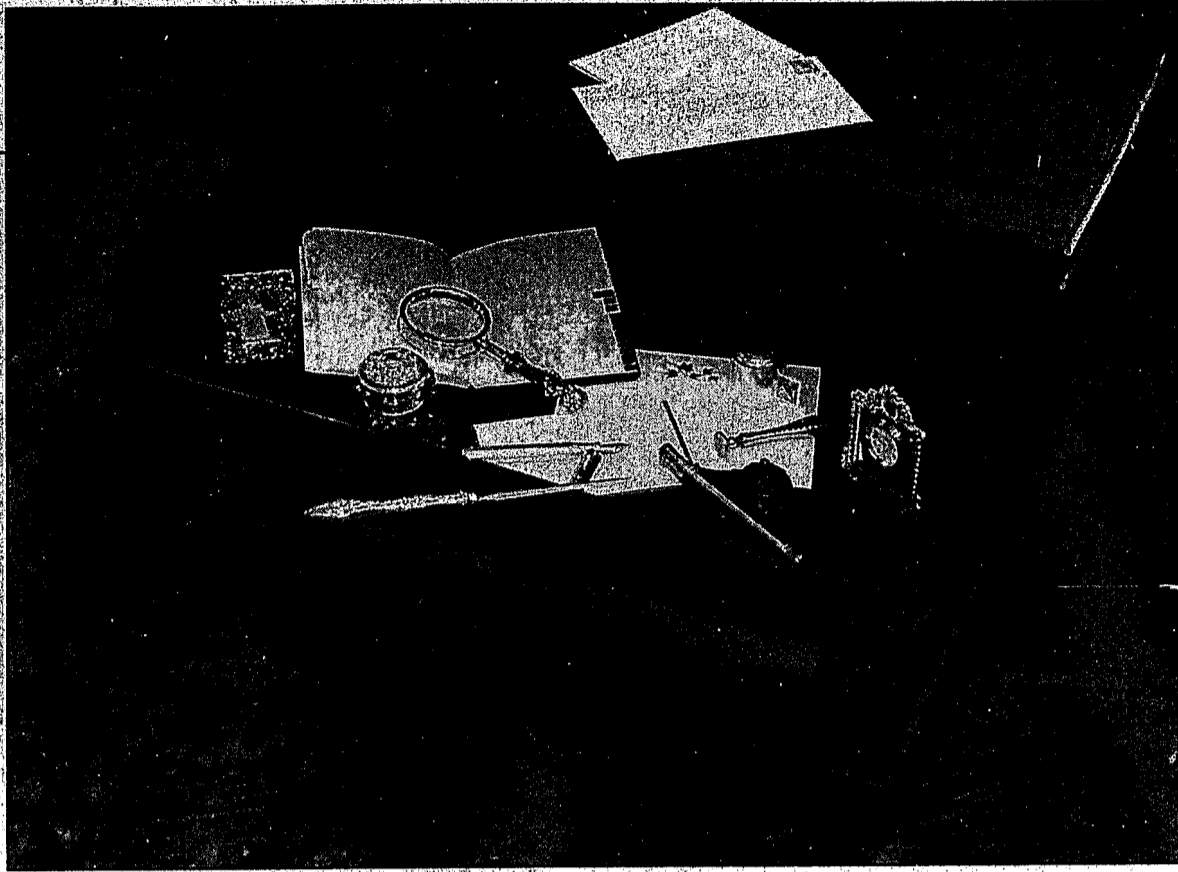
"No, I wouldn't say that," said Darin Asselin, owner of Penn & Paige social stationers in Rochester. "Basically, it's writers. People who just really enjoy writing."

Has the development of faxes, e-mail and other forms of communication hurt the market for fine pens? Not at all, in fact, it may have boosted it, Smith said.

"People may not be writing as much as they used to," he said, "but when they do sit down to write, they want to use the best paper and pen possible."

Montblanc, Waterman, Parker and Cross are the four big names in fine pens, Gajda-Tweed said. The Colorado Pen Co. (which has a store in the Somerset Collection, too), also sells Aurora, Waterford Crystal, Cartier, S.T. Dupont, and Rotring and Lamy pens, plus Fisher Space pens, which can write upside down and in extreme cold and heat (NASA uses them) and an episode of "Seinfeld" was written about one such "astronaut pen". Two of the many brands that Crane & Co. carries include: Sensa pens and Omas, known for its handmade pens fashioned from celluloid and vegetal celluloid (which give the pen casings a vibrant, iridescent look).

Penn and Paige carries pens by Recife, one of the oldest pen houses in France. I don't know if I'm ready for anything that fancy. But maybe I'll start using my Cross pens, after all.



STAFF PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLINSKY

Write in style: Get inspired with an antique writing slope (\$188) filled with elegant accoutrements. Magnifying glass (\$75), sterling silver fountain pen (\$720), inkwell (\$360), letter opener (\$50), sterling pen (\$150), pewter frame (\$30), stamp box (\$40), antique wax sealer (\$80), clock (\$140), pen rest (\$30), address book (\$50), all from Presence II, Birmingham. Stationery from Crane & Co., Somerset Collection.

Duly noted: Writing is an art worth reviving

BY LINDA BACHRACK
EDITOR

Before we e-mail a farewell to the handwritten word, consider its power. Beyond ceremony and respect for tradition, writing by hand makes you think differently from when your fingers are flying across a keyboard. The pace is slowed, the sentiment given renewed consideration.

"There's a tactile element to writing your thoughts on 100 percent cotton papers," says Carlyle Smith, manager of Crane & Co. in the Somerset Collection. "The paper is smooth; it feels good beneath your hands. And it's relaxing to step back from technology for a moment and embrace the art of writing."

Sometimes it's nice to rebel a little against the modern world, continues Smith. "You don't keep a fax for 50 years. But you might cherish a note in your grandmother's hand."

Stop and think for a minute about the mail you receive every day. Most of us rifle through the bills, fliers and advertising promotions, stopping only to read the occasional hand-written note. It's nice to receive a personal letter. And it feels just as good to take the time for yourself to sit down and write to someone. It might be slower than e-mail and more painstaking because there's no delete key. But when you're done, you know you've conveyed your true feelings.

"In every man's writings, the character of the writer must be recorded," wrote Thomas Carlyle. While the casual convenience of a phone call or the impersonal efficiency of electronic dialogue have their place in modern society, the art of letter writing remains a precious skill. It is more than mere communication; it is an asset that should be taught to our computer-savvy children.

In Crane's "The Romance of Paper," it is said that the written word on paper remains our most fundamental means of permanent communication. Our knowledge of the past exists on paper. And the legacy of what we do, think and feel today will live for future generations ... on paper.

Cotton to your paper

For almost 200 years, Crane's has been making social stationery from cotton. In 1801, Crane papers were made from cotton rags, collected from the neighbors along the Housatonic River in Dal-

ton, Mass. In this wooded valley, inside an old stone mill, Zenas Crane produced the handcrafted sheets that set the standard for fine quality paper in America. Today, in its seventh generation as a family-owned business, Crane & Co. supplies the paper for such venerable stationers as Cartier and Tiffany & Co.

Beyond etiquette

The etiquette of note writing is no longer of supreme importance, as it was when Charles Louis Tiffany and John P. Young opened their small "Stationery and Dry Goods" store in 1837. Though Tiffany & Co. emerged as an arbiter of style and good taste, and still adheres to a conviction that correspondence on fine paper be restrained and appropriate, the overriding concern in the '90s is one of revival of the art. Though customers are counseled on proper phrasing at both Tiffany and Crane, the purveyors are flexible and bow to contemporary thought.

"Etiquette should make things comfortable and convenient," says Smith. "Everyone doesn't want what grandma had."

Wedding invitations today often are printed in two languages and embellished with personal symbols and motifs. Invitations can be self-designed on Crane's interactive CD ROM. But the quality of the paper is unchanged - all cotton and all hand-bordered.

Social graces

There are, however, a few traditions that endure. Like escort cards - those tiny gold-bordered cards with hand-folded envelopes. The dinner party host writes the guest's name on the envelope and his dinner partner's name (not the person he comes with) on the card. They can then make their acquaintances before they sit down to dinner. Place cards and calling cards also remain popular.

As Benjamin Franklin said, "Make recollection as durable as possible, by putting it down on paper." When you really want to say something, forgo the convenience of faxes and cell phones. Write your bon mots on elegant deckle-edged sheets.

Build a stationery wardrobe

Excerpts from "The Romance of Paper," by Crane & Co.

There is no "wrong" stationery on which to write your letter. Your words convey the message and your paper is the emissary.

However, in the same way that many wardrobes are built around a "basic black dress" or a dark suit ... for business and professional correspondence your basic stationery is your business letterhead.

Most executives also use the "executive letterhead," with only the name of the individual engraved at the top, for more personal, yet business-related, correspondence. These are always the smaller monarch size (folds three times), and are used for letters of recommendation, notes of thanks or congratulations, charitable work, or combined business-social-personal correspondence.

The complete executive stationery wardrobe will properly include as well:

- Correspondence cards, engraved with a name or monogram, and used for brief notes.
- Business cards.
- A social calling card, since it's not considered in good form to present a business card on a social occasion. It may have a business phone number in the lower right corner.

The personal stationery wardrobe may include side-folded notes and correspondence cards, as well as top-folded notes, either bordered or plain and engraved with your name or monogram for notes of thanks, appreciation, etc.

Every home should have a house stationery - a larger flat sheet engraved with the household address only. It can be used by all members of the family.

Says Carlyle Smith, "The professionals at Crane will ask you lots of questions regarding your correspondence preferences and habits. Your paper should reflect your personality."

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

FRIDAY, SEPT. 11

ELEGANT ACCESSORIES
Fiber artist Debra Olbrantz Meinke, owner and designer at Meinke Toy, will appear at Bellissima, 301 Main St. in Rochester, from 7-9 p.m. The trunk show features her latest collection of contemporary tassels and pillows that include French techniques in passementerie and velvet gaufrage. Preview her Holiday '98 collection. Event continues on Saturday, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 12

ART IN THE PARK
The 24th annual Common Ground Sanctuary Art in the Park returns to Birmingham's Shain Park today

SATURDAY, SEPT. 19

GARDEN GANDER

Browse the storefronts and the rose gardens at the Detroit Rose Society's annual show at Laurel Park Place in Livonia. View hundreds of prize roses vying for "best of show."

SUNDAY, SEPT. 27

MIRACLE MODE

The Children's Miracle Network Fashion Show takes place at 1 p.m. at the Livonia Marriott Hotel. See the fall fashions from Laurel Park Place shops and enjoy great food from the Marriott. A fashion auction raises funds for children's hospitals. For tickets, call (248) 526-3414.

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

MONDAY, AUG. 31

COZY WRAPS
Hersh's on The Boardwalk, 6901 Orchard Lake Rd. in West Bloomfield, presents a trunk showing of DUNA sweaters in chenilles, crepes and blends, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Continues Tuesday.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 2

HELP WANTED
Kensington Valley Factory Shops host a Job Fair in the Food Pavilion from 12-4 p.m. and 5-8 p.m. Approximately 150 positions need to be filled. Bring your resume.

and tomorrow, Saturday, Sept. 13. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday. Admission is free.

Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement), please call Where Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message, and you should see your input in Sunday's column. Thank You.

What We Found:

- A retractable clothes line priced at \$12 can be found at Meijer's on Warren and Newburgh roads and at the Livonia Hardware store.
- A Poor Pitiful Pearl doll for Betty and a Chatty Cathy doll for Debbie. A reproduction of the Chatty Cathy doll can also be found in the Speigel catalog after October, 1998 for \$99.
- Pit instructions for Brenda.
- Plastic rain bonnets can be found at the Dollar Store on Eureka and Trenton roads in Southgate.
- A reader called to say Catholic Central Girls High school is now a Senior Center. (313) 833-0857, might call and maybe they can refer you to someone who might help with the finding of the yearbook.

We're still looking for:

- The Hallmark Rocking Horse series ornament (not mini size) for Rita.
- An electric curling brush 3/8" for Donna.
- Doyle Pineapple Juice frozen concentrate in a can.
- Ruth from Bloomfield township is looking for BLEYLE slacks made in Germany.
- Still looking for magnetic playing cards.
- Mary would like to know where to buy short hair wigs.
- Joyce wants a stainless

steel electric fry pan, new/used.

Sharon is looking for Heartherwood floor stain by Glidden in a two gallon can.

Joyce is looking for an Antique Ear Horn from the last Century.

Sanford is looking for old Civil Defense items from the 50's-60's.

Mary from Beverly Hills wants a copy of the 1978 Seaholm High yearbook.

Francis need the stem that holds the basket to the 4 cup Pyrex glass coffee percolator.

Pat from Redford is looking for Pivot Men and Women's Golf Wear, used to be able to buy at Hudson's or Saks. And she also wants a 1982 Montrose Jazz Festival poster.

Linda is looking for a 1969 Lincoln Park High yearbook.

Simplicity Moisturizer eye cream/eye gel for Margaret Hudson's used to carry it.

Katherine is looking for Kirks Castille hard water soap.

Thomas is looking for a Weather Eye by MacDonald Industries and distributed by R.J. MacDonald Int'l Corp.

Francis is looking for a children's book called Ickle, Spickle, Robin.

Tisha is looking for METAL perfume by Paco Rabon and INFINY by Caron.

Judy is looking for a Sterling silver dog tag, large enough to engrave and to be worn on a necklace.

Sue is looking for a Bubble Comb from the 60's/70's. It has 2/3 rows of teeth with a handle.

John wants bare floor brush attachments for Silver King Home Canister Shop Vacuum #280828, to fit a 1/4" service wand.

Mary is looking for lower case Stencils (3 inch) in block lettering. And a kids game from

the 60's, Pig in the Garden.

Sally has 5 Frank Sinatra 12" LP's from the 1950's in excellent condition she wants to sell.

Kathy want Britannia baggy blue jeans in women's petite sizes.

Bob from Farmington wants a copy of the movie Robinson Crusoe on Mars. It is a Sci-Fi movie from the 1960's. And the 1987 Hudson Santa Bear (in the pilot outfit).

Susan is looking for magazines, articles, on Princess Diana (back issues).

Lena wants the game Generation Gap.

Compiled by
Sandi Jarachas

RETAIL DETAILS

NEW DQs

Three new retailers have opened recently at Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn. They are: d.e.m.o., a new cross-cultural clothing concept for teens and young adults; Fast Track Shoe Repair, a locally-owned shoe and leather repair shop; and Pearl Vision, offering 1,500 different designer frames and an upscale sunglasses department.

FASHION 4CAST

The associates of 4Men in Southfield's Tel-Twelve Mall present their Back-2-School 4Cast. Look for textured flannels, brushed twills, plaids, sueded and dark denims from Tommy Hilfiger, Polo and Nautica. For outerwear, choose sherpa, microfibre jackets and polar fleece. Match your designers from the top down. No mixing Polo and Girbaud.

TEEN TRENDS

Hudson's launches a new private label for back-to-school called Oxford & Fulham. It's a line of classic clothing with a young attitude. For girls, Oxford & Fulham will be showing shetland wool sweaters, hooded tops, cardigan twin sets and long sleeve knit T-shirts. Trends for boys include washed button-down collar plaid shirts, pigment-dyed corduroy shirts, boiled wool sweaters and long sleeve T-shirts. Cargo pants and carpenter pants are must-haves for fall.


Ave., Royal Oak.

A BUG'S-EYE VIEW

"A Bug's Life Mall Tour," sponsored by Chevy Venture, arrives Friday, Sept. 4 at the Somerset Collection North in Troy. The multi-media traveling show hosts two live stage productions and a behind-the-scenes look at computer animation with interactive games and film-related activities. Walt Disney Pictures' *A Bug's Life* opens nationwide on Nov. 20.

ORIGINAL FARE

Hudson's chefs have teamed up to create several new and unique menu selections for the company's 10 restaurant locations. Ready for your enjoyment are Chicken, Avocado, Papaya Salad; Grilled Chicken with Buckwheat Noodles; Santa Fe Turkey Penne Pasta; Coriander-Crusted Pork Medallions; Pistachio Pesto Pizza; and Grilled Tuna Sandwich. Bon appetit!







10TH YEAR
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The PHANTOM of the OPERA

Directed by HAROLD PRINCE

The Toronto production of the Phantom of the Opera enters its Tenth Historic Year this September, and we're celebrating with

"Who's Behind The Mask?" Sweepstakes

How to Play

To play "Who's Behind The Mask?" Simply guess who the local celebrity "Phantoms" are and submit your answers on the ballot below for a chance to win a weekend for two in Toronto & tickets to see "The Phantom of the Opera" at AT&T Centre The Pantages Theatre in Toronto. Tune in daily to WNIC for on-air clues with Jim Harper and "The Breakfast Club" mornings 5:00 a.m. - 10:00 on 100.3 WNIC, FM.

Grand Prize

The Grand Prize will include a pair of choice tickets to a performance of The Phantom of the Opera in Toronto, one night accomodation at The Delta Chelsea Inn, round trip VIA RAIL passes and one Phantom Gift Pack.

How to Enter Contest Rules

If you know "Who's Behind The Mask" complete the entry ballot below and send to: **Observer & Eccentric Newspapers**, C/O: Marketing Department 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150. One ballot per household. Contest is open to residents of Michigan over the age of 18.

No purchase necessary. To obtain an entry ballot and/or full contest rules, please visit the AT&T Centre for the performing Arts, Pantages Theatre Box Office located at 244 Victoria Street in Toronto or mail a self-addressed stamped envelope to Observer Eccentric c/o: Marketing Dept. 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150. Entry Ballots must be received by Observer Eccentric no later than Sunday, September 27, 1998. No substitution for or transfer of the prize will be allowed. The contest is subject to all Federal, Provincial, state and municipal laws. The correct ballots will be submitted for a random drawing. The contest is open to residents of Michigan over the age of 18. Employees of Livent, Inc. Spring Newspapers, Delta Chelsea Inn and members of their households are not eligible.

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Those interested in submitting a proposal may contact Jennifer Tucker, Director of Parks and Recreation at 248-634-0412 for further information concerning specification components.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Charter Township of Springfield Parks and Recreation Department until 3:00 P.M. Tuesday, September 8, 1998.

Proposal may be submitted to:

Springfield Township Parks & Recreation
P.O. Box 1038, 495 Broadway
Davisburg, MI 48350

Proposals shall be sealed and labeled with the name of the bidder and clearly stated "Bid for Playground Structure" on the envelope.

The Springfield Township Parks and Recreation Commission reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal.

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JENNIFER TUCKER,
Director of Parks and Recreation

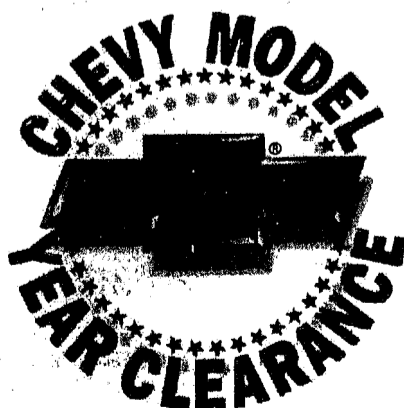
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HOME SENSE



LOIS M. THIELEKE

Pack a bag that's fun to open at lunch

Packing a school lunch your child will eat is not that difficult. The trick is to create a fun, healthy lunch they won't want to trade, or throw in the trash.

The first thing you need to know is how much time is allowed for eating. If the school has a lunch policy that says when children are done eating they can go play, naturally your child will hurry through their eating. Playing is definitely more fun than eating. Also, remember young children eat slower than older children. Your child may do just fine on a few quick bites of food.

Next, find out where lunches are kept. Sometimes they are shut up in a closed locker in a hot hallway, or put on a shelf in the classroom. Food safety has to be a concern when packing a lunch.

Keep food cool

Anything you take out of the refrigerator and put into your lunch must be kept cold. This includes meat sandwiches, tuna or egg salad, milk, cheese or yogurt, dips for fresh vegetables.

- Add a freezer pack to keep foods cold until lunch
- Freeze water in a leak-proof container to act as an ice pack.
- Freeze the beverage, a juice box or bottled water. It will thaw and be ready to drink at lunch time.
- Freeze pudding, yogurt, or canned fruits. By noon they will be slushy, but cold.
- Pack cold and frozen foods together. This keeps the food colder longer.

Pack your lunch the night before, and keep it in the refrigerator. Completely chilled foods stay cooler longer.

Freeze meat sandwiches and pack frozen in the lunch bag, they will thaw by noon and be safe to eat. Don't freeze hard-cooked eggs, tuna or egg salad sandwiches.

- ### Foods that don't need to be kept cold
- Peanut butter sandwich
 - Muffins or bagels
 - Fresh fruit in the peel
 - Unopened cans of fruit or pudding

Leftovers for lunch

A thermos can accommodate an endless variety of foods for lunch. Fill a thermos with last night's leftovers, hot soup or chili, cold or hot pasta salads, hot dogs, taco fixings, hot cereal.

Lunch tips

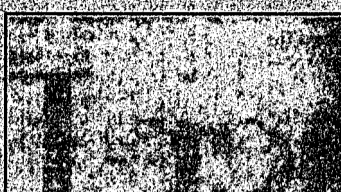
- Cut food into bite-size pieces so your child can easily manage them.
- Make everything look attractive, good enough to eat.
- Decorate small plastic containers that can be used in a lunch bag for small food items.
- If your child likes breakfast items, recycle the morning meal for lunch. Waffles or rolled pancakes with jelly, or dry cereal in festive containers, or decorated bags are great.
- Pack a hand washing wipe in the lunch in case soap and water aren't available. Encourage your child to use it before touching their foods and after they are finished.
- Pack the lunch in a clean container. Wash out the lunch box or bag with warm water and soap every day. Throw away brown paper bags, use a fresh one daily.

Lois M. Thieleke of Birmingham is an Extension Home Economist for the Michigan State University Extension - Oakland County. For answers to food questions, call the hot line (248) 858-0904.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Focus on Wine
- Eating Better Sensibly



GOLDEN MUSHROOM ADDS DELIGHT TO YOUR KITCHEN

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

The Golden Mushroom, a Southfield dining landmark for a quarter century, unlocks secrets to preparing wonderful and creative meals in "The Golden Mushroom Kitchen: 25 Years of Chefs and Recipes."

"The cookbook offers the very best dishes from some of the finest chefs who have trained in Michigan," said owner Reid Ashton who conceived the idea of a cookbook honoring star performers whose culinary wizardry brought and continues to bring the Golden Mushroom its accolades.

In the cookbook 23 chefs provide recipes for a complete menu from hors d'oeuvre to dessert. The complementary flow of flavors from one course to another is unparalleled. Chefs contributing menus either currently work, such as Executive Chef Derrin Moore, or have worked, at the Golden Mushroom. A brief biography of each chef brings the reader up close and personal.

Hardbound, "The Golden Mushroom Kitchen" will be a welcome addition to your collection of cookbooks. Retailing for \$24.95, its 188 pages include over 200 recipes. A portion of the sale proceeds goes to scholarship programs at Michigan State University, the Michigan Chefs de Cuisine Association and the Michigan Restaurant Association. It is available at the Golden Mushroom and many other restaurants whose chefs are featured in the book. Phone orders may be placed at (248) 559-4230.

Culinary university

The breadth of imagination and dedication represented by the menus and recipes brings The Golden Mushroom a new moniker, Golden Mushroom Culinary University. As such, the kitchen of the restaurant provides an apprentice program for some of metro Detroit's top chefs. Once apprentices, Steve Allen of Steve and Rocky's in Novi, and Brian Polcyn, Five Lakes Grill in Milford, are now restaurant owners. Others, like Marty Blitz, owner of Misen Placem in Tampa, Fla.,

The number of chefs staying close to home has given the metro Detroit area dining prominence. Up north at Tapawingo in Ellsworth, Executive Chef Richard Travis displays his skills making the restaurant a destination for fine dining.

The early years

It all began with the genius of Milos Cibulka, the first Master Chef certified in the United States and the chef whose Continental cuisine put the Golden Mushroom on the culinary map. His biography places him at the Golden Mushroom in 1976 when he joined Ashton and later became partner. Only four years before, as a member of the 1972 U.S. Culinary Team, he won two Gold Medals in the Culinary Olympics in Frankfurt, Germany.

Returning in 1984, he won the Gold Medal with distinction for a perfect score in eleven dishes. In 1986, Chef Milos turned tutor and coach for members of the Michigan Culinary Team that has won a total of 44 Gold Medals, three Grand Prizes and

two Best of Shows culminating with the Grand Prize in Gold.

That smell of past victory inspired Executive Chef Randy Smith of Birmingham's Big Rock Chop & Brew House to compete in the 1992 World Culinary Olympics where he won a gold medal as sous chef on the Michigan Culinary Team.

Following in the footsteps of his mentor Master Chef Milos who retired in 1992, Chef Kevin Enright has, for the last 14 years, been training other chefs enrolled in the culinary arts program at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. Enright credits his success to the training he received from Master Chef Milos in the Golden Mushroom kitchen.

In 1980, Chef Brian Polcyn joined the kitchen of Master Chef Milos and rose to the rank of sous chef. Today, as owner of Five Lakes Grill in his hometown of Milford, his culinary expertise has been recognized in many national magazines. He also serves as a culinary consultant to Northwest Airlines.

Creative isn't simple

But don't expect creative food to have simple preparation. Many recipes are challenging and include numerous steps. However, it does give the home cook an appreciation for what goes on in a creative restaurant kitchen.

Taking the guess work out of wine pairing is an added feature for the wine aficionado. Golden Mushroom's Sommelier Marlene Vendramelli has made a wine selection for most dishes.

See recipes inside.

Absopure celebrates 90 years of bottling water

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Diane Schuur, Regina Carter and Liquid Soul aren't the only familiar names at this year's Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival, Absopure Water Co. will be there too.

"We are proud that Absopure is the official bottled water of the 1998 Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival," said William Patrick Young, vice president of retail marketing for the Plymouth based company. "We felt it was a great way to get involved, we've been a festival sponsor for many years."

Look for the commemorative label, which includes a smaller version of the colorful Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz poster designed by Tania Macioce of Farmington Hills, an art director at J. Walter Thompson.

"Jazz lovers have discriminating tastes," said Young. "They're the type of people who drink our product. Water is the very best way to quench your thirst. People like the taste of it. Our spring water comes from southern Michigan near Irish Hills. The bottles are convenient and make it easier for people to drink water."

Ice cold Absopure Water will be sold at the Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival to refresh everyone enjoying "All that Jazz." Look for the commemorative label on one liter Absopure Water bottles at Farmer Jack and other stores.

"The commemorative label is Absopure's way of paying tribute to the world's largest free jazz festival in the country," said Young. "The bottles will be in stores this week. They'll be available until we run out."

Family business

Family owned and operated, Absopure Water Co. is celebrating its 90th anniversary this year. They're one of the nation's leading regional bottlers and marketers of a wide array of bottled water products ranging from distilled, spring and drinking water, to Cap 10 effervescent, naturally flavored mineral water.

The company has called Plymouth home since 1979. Like a good neighbor, Absopure supports not only cultural events such as the Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival but

helps people in need. When a water main broke recently in Macomb Township leaving hundreds of people without water, the company gave away about 4,000 gallons of water.

Beginnings

Absopure began in 1908 as a brand name of General Necessities Company. Back then, Absopure Ice was delivered to Detroit area customers on horse-drawn wagons. In the 1920s the company introduced the Absopure brand of electrical "Trigerators."

Arthur and Belle Porteous bought the Absopure name and formed a new company - Absopure Water Co. after General Necessities Co. went bankrupt following the stock-market crash on Wall Street in 1929.

In the mid-1950s, Young's grandfather, William P. Young, a self-taught engineer from Bay City, called on Absopure as part of his sales position with Fred Myers Co. While trying to sell Porteous a new bottle washer, Young



STAFF PHOTO BY BRIAN MITCHELL

Thirst quencher: Look for Absopure Water, with this commemorative label, at the Ford Montreux Detroit Jazz Festival, and your grocery store.

learned about the water company and purchased it in 1956.

His son, William C. began working at Absopure part time when he was 16. He earned his degree in engineering from the University of Detroit and worked in a co-op program at Ford Motor Co. before joining Absopure full-time in 1961. He soon became the driving force in the company.

In 1973, the Young family merged their company with Beatrice Foods, a major food products company based in Chicago. The Youngs continued to manage the Absopure division. In addition to making a significant investment in new equipment and facilities modernization, it added CAP 10 sparkling water to the Absopure product lines. Over the next decade, it became clear that Beatrice and Absopure were growing in different directions. In 1982 the Young Family bought Absopure back.

"I've been with the company since I was born," said William Patrick Young with a chuckle. After earning his degree in marketing from the University of Detroit, Young, like his father, joined the company.

"It's always been part of me," he said. "I saw the bottled water industry as an exciting industry, something I wanted to be part of. It's something I've always known."

Part of Absopure's 90th anniversary celebration includes a strong marketing focus on hydration - water consumption. Labels include the words - Absopure "The Hydration Drink."

The Young family also owns three independent affiliates that grew from Absopure's success - Plastipak Packaging, Inc., Clean Tech, Inc. and Whiteline Express, Ltd. Absopure products touch 20 states in the United States.

Water

- Composes 75 percent of your brain
- Makes up to 70-75 percent of your muscles
- Helps convert food to energy
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Wolves, Eagles hopeful for soccer fortunes

Eccentric sportswriter Dan Stickradt scouts the Clarkston and Clarkston Springfield Christian varsity boys soccer teams. (Last season's records are in parentheses.)

Clarkston (13-4-2)

Under veteran coach Dan Fitzgerald, the Wolves enjoyed, perhaps, their second most successful season to date last fall, finishing second in the Oakland Activities Association Division I behind champion Lake Orion — which is now in the OAA Division I — and winning their own Division I district.

Clarkston, which hadn't won a district title since 1992 behind then-dream-teamer Scott Rooney, did lose to eventual state champion Troy Athens last year in the regional semifinals, 3-1, but not before the Wolves gained plenty of respect from some of Oakland County's powerhouses.

To keep that respect, however, Fitzgerald must replace six starters and seven players total lost to graduation, including honorable-mention all-state sweeper Sean Verlinden and four-year veteran Mike Gabriel.

The key players back for the Wolves, who should engage in a four-way battle with Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Royal Oak Kimball and West Bloomfield in the OAA Division II race, include senior midfielder Tom Dewa, a third-year starter, senior Russ Parrott, who shifts to the sweeper position to anchor the defense, senior fullback Mike Tharrett, junior forward Mike Renda, and senior forward/midfielder Mike Lenhardt.

Players to watch

Below is a list of the top prep boys soccer players in the North Oakland Eccentric coverage area.

Rk	Name	School	Grade	Position
1	Kellen Kalso	Oxford	Sr.	Midfield
2	David Rayner	Oxford	Soph.	Sweeper
3	Derek Elliott	Lake Orion	Sr.	Mid/For
4	Tom Dewa	Clarkston	Sr.	Midfield
5	Andy Lyssiotis	Oxford	Jr.	Forward
6	Russ Parrott	Clarkston	Sr.	Sweeper
7	Paul King	Lake Orion	Sr.	Fullback
8	Gareth Summers	Oxford	Soph.	Midfield
9	Tom Reese	Springfield	Sr.	Sweeper
10	Jared Jeffers	Lake Orion	Sr.	Midfield
11	Chris Wentzel	Oxford Chr.	Jr.	GK

Others to watch: Aaron Collins, Lake Orion sr. F/M; Jordan Kozak, Oxford soph. M; Mike Renda, Clarkston jr. F; Mike Lendhardt, Clarkston sr. M; Jon Vanaman, Clarkston Springfield Christian jr. M; Justin Richmond, Lake Orion sr. GK; Jason Bowyer, Oxford sr. D; Brent Ludwig, Oxford Christian sr. D; Kevin Majic, Lake Orion sr. D.

Although the Wolves lost a great cast, 10 other letter-winners also return, which should help Clarkston — 0-3-1 so far this season — remain a competitive team.

Senior fullbacks Nate Green, Rob Allyn and Dave Midkiff, senior midfielder Jeremy Parrott, junior midfielders Jared Bauer and Mike Licata, junior forward Bill Kalush, and senior forwards Eric Klemm and Dan Jackson, also return and hope to make an impact.

Junior Dustin Coleman and senior Jeremy Fecteau will split time between the pipes, although Fecteau has shouldered most of the load so far.

Clarkston Springfield Christian (7-13-1) — In their first season in the Fundamental Baptist Athletic Conference, Springfield Christian had its ups and downs in the Red Division, finishing in fourth place with a 2-2-2 mark. Improvement this year will depend on

how the young Eagles continue to mature.

"We had a really young team last year and at times we struggled and other times we played really well," recalled Eagle coach Tigg Vanaman. "With a young team, you're going to have your ups and downs. This year, we return a lot of players and I'm hoping that their experience in the league last year kind of paid off."

Although Rochester Hills Christian and Clinton Township Faith Christian appear to be the co-favorites in the Red Division this year, Springfield should be considered a sleeper.

Leading the way will be four-year veteran Tom Reese, a tenacious sweeper who garnered all-league honors last year. Reese will be joined in the backfield by junior stopper Matt Christie and sophomore returnees Brian Morris and Joe Kennedy, who will start at the full-back positions. Sophomore Adam Armstrong

will inherit the goal-keeping duties after seeing limited action as a freshman.

"If Adam develops, that will be the key to our defense because he has a strong unit in front of him," said Vanaman.

Junior Jon Vanaman, the coach's nephew, returns to anchor the midfield alongside classmate Trevor Cole, a returning starter, senior Felipe Brito, an exchange student from Chile, and freshman Josh Cole, Trevor's younger brother.

Up top at forward, the Eagles are young as junior Greg Irish is the lone returnee, but freshman prospect Knoa Knapper should be a player to watch the next four years, according to Vanaman.

"I think Knoa is going to be a really good player; he's got the knack of finding the net," beamed Vanaman. "Overall, I think we a little better this year, but time will tell," concluded Vanaman.

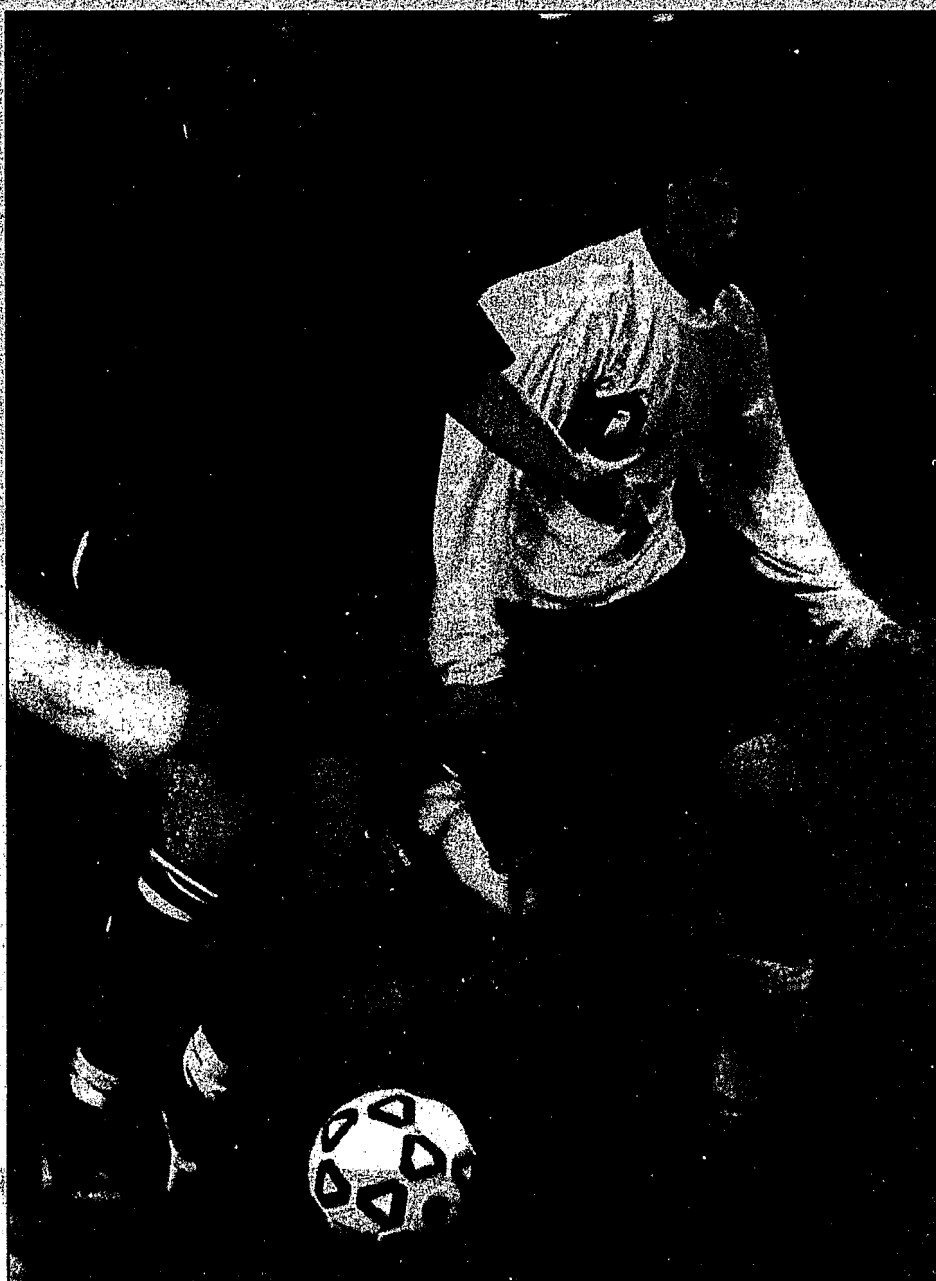


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Marking up: Clarkston's Jared Bauer (right) tries to beat Matt Fisher of Royal Oak Kimball to the ball during the Wolves' 2-2 tie with the Knights Thursday. Bill Kalush and Eric Klemm got the goals for the Wolves.

Off and running

Sage, juniors lead harriers into OAA battle

BY DAN STICKRADT
STAFF WRITER

With five sophomores amongst its top seven last year, Clarkston still emerged as one of the premier teams in talent-laden Oakland County.

The Wolves, who recorded a 4-2 overall dual meet record last year, including 3-2 in the Oakland Activities Association, won the Flint Carmen-Ainsworth Cavalier Classic, placed fifth at the county meet, won the league meet by a point, and took fifth at the rugged Holly Regional that featured four state-ranked teams.

This year the Wolves will be just as good — if not better.

"Our guys

are a year older and we have high expectations," said Clarkston coach Mike Taylor. "Last year we were young and we snuck up on people. This year, everybody knows what we have, so we won't be able to surprise everyone."

Junior David Sage, a state qualifier last fall and a two-event state meet participant in track last spring, is back as one of the county's premier distance runners. Also back for Clarkston are the junior foursome of Matt Haver, Kevin Breen, Dan Burke and Chris Weber.

"Those five were primarily our top five last season," said Taylor. "They are all experienced and I think that they will do well again this season."

'Our guys are a year older and we have high expectations.'

Mike Taylor
—Clarkston coach

The final two spots in the top seven may be a pair of newcomers — junior Brent Quantz, a member of the Wolves' school-record setting 3,200-meter relay unit last spring in track, and freshman prospect Eric Sweeney — although the Wolves have plenty of depth on their roster of 22 athletes.

Senior newcomer Jon Drallos, senior four-year veteran Dave Dixon, junior Jeff Ginn, and sophomore Dan Clouse could also step right in if any of Clarkston's key runners go down with an injury.

"We do have some depth, which is good because you never know what might happen," continued Taylor. "We should be in good shape."

The Wolves, who will look to defend their Cavalier Classic title this Thursday, open their dual meet season Sept. 15 in a tri-meet with defending league champion

Rochester and Lake Orion. Ironically, that meet not only features the league's top three teams, but three of the top-ten teams in the county.

"It's really a shame that these three teams have to face each other in the same tri-meet, and it's really a shame that it's the first league meet of the year," said Taylor. "I don't think any of the coaches requested this schedule. We'll just go out and do our best that day and see where the cards fall."

With a strong lineup, expect the cards to fall Clarkston's way on more occasions than not this season.

Rating the OAA

Eccentric sportswriter Dan Stickradt scouts the Oakland Activities Association Division I cross-country race.

BOYS

Clarkston won the league meet last year and tied for second in the division and should be in the hunt again, although there are no seniors in the Wolves' top five. Returning state-qualifier David Sage leads a strong junior class that also boasts Matt Haver, Dan Burke Kevin Breen and Chris Weber — all who return from last year varsity lineup. Rochester has won or tied for the league title the past two years and the Falcons don't look like they are ready to relinquish their crown just yet. Senior Sean Secord — who posted the county's fastest time last year in 15:40 — is back along with fellow state-qualifiers Brian Lindensmith and Zach Wincek. Seniors Ed Lotoczky and Ryan Linden, and sophomore Chris Gumz should also keep the Falcons in the running. Lake Orion makes the leap into the Division I ranks and right into the title chase with Clarkston and Rochester. The Dragons return a senior-laden lineup that includes Jordan Desilets, last season's Class A runner-up medalist, along with seniors Eric Lohr, Pete Minton and Mark Rice, and junior Andrew Fons. Lake Orion did beat the latter two

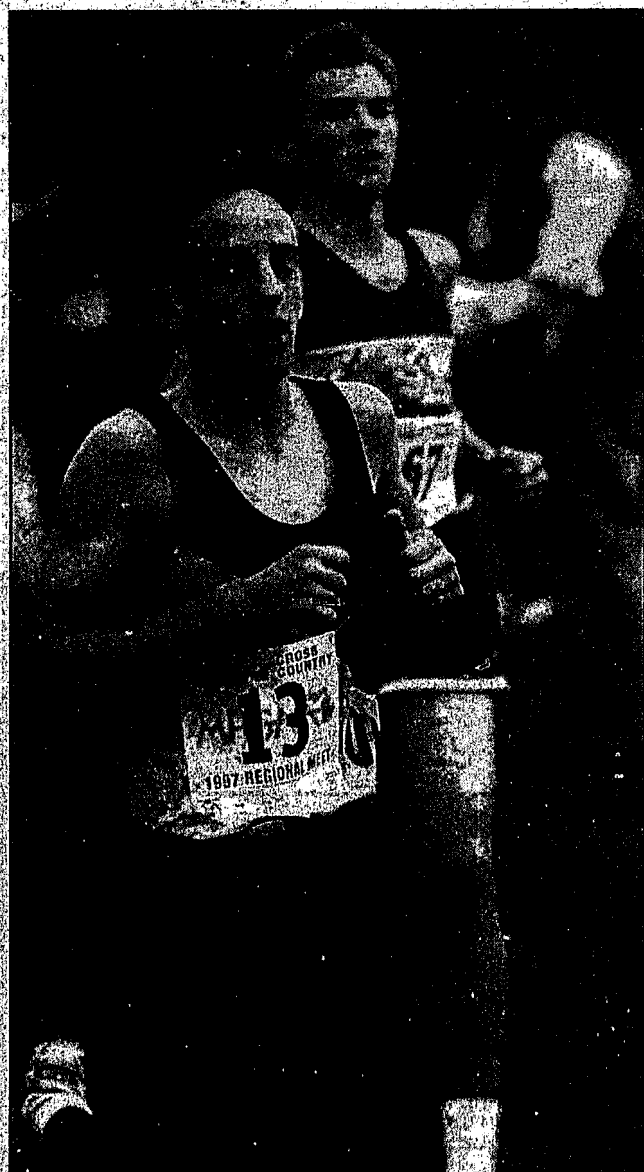
schools at the county meet last autumn. Troy Athens has had plenty of success in the nineties, tying Rochester for league honors two years ago and winning three straight Class A regional titles, but the Red Hawks lost four of their top seven runners. Senior four-year veterans Josh Wegner and Ryan Cook hope to lead the Athens pack this year. Rochester Adams was a surprise state qualifier last season, but the Highlanders lost two key runners. Senior Adam Cross, 14th at the state meet a year ago, is back as are seniors Sean Halliday and Nick Reek, junior Mike McKee and sophomore Dave deSteiger. Expect Adams to start slow and finish strong. Troy usually fields a competitive team and this year will be no different. But the Colts always seem to be a notch under the division's front-runners. Troy does welcome back former coach Mike Spencer and a rediscovered winning attitude. Expect seniors Sean McHale and Erik Anderson, and sophomore Paul Socier to lead Troy's hopes.

ECCENTRIC POLL — 1. Lake Orion; 2. (tie) Rochester and Clarkston; 4. Troy Athens; 5. Rochester Adams; 6. Troy.

Girls

With a freshman-sophomore lineup last year, Troy

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Youth serves: Junior Chris Weber (13) is one of a talented pack of youngsters expected to lead Clarkston to Oakland Activities Association cross country success this season.

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Dodge Ram Quad Cab a classic in its own lifetime

CAReport



By Anne Fracassa
Avanti NewsFeatures

It's been almost four years since my neighbor got his Dodge Ram. It's this Club Cab model because he's got three kids to stuff in the back. He loves his truck and washes and shines it up every chance he gets.

So it was no surprise to me when he flew down the street when he saw me driving up in a beautiful red 1998 Dodge Ram Quad Cab.

Wow! Look at that back seat, look how the door opens so easily, look at the seat belts, how they're integrated into the seat, look how different the steering wheel looks, look how... "he went on and on."

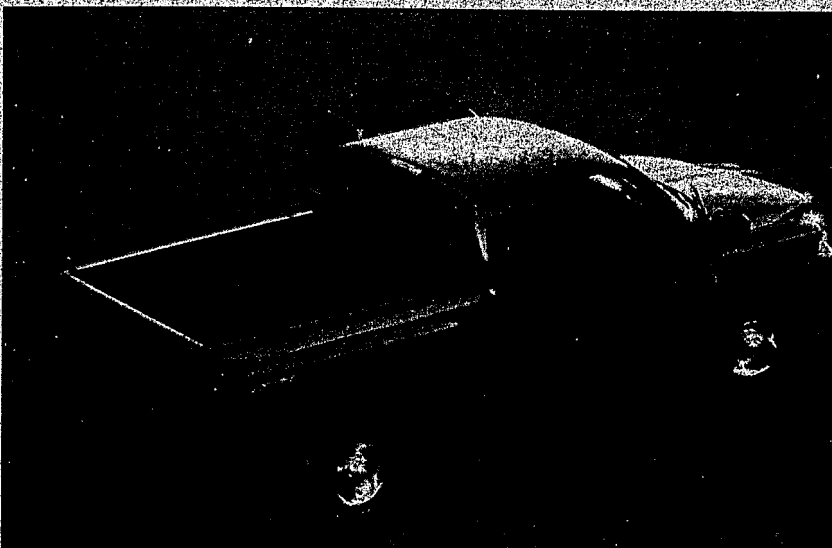
Much has changed about the Ram, but the real changes are due to the Quad Cab. The outside of the Quad Cab is virtually the same; you know, the super aggressive front grille and bumper treatments.

The only difference between the older Rams and the new one is that the grille isn't chrome — it's color keyed. It's still aggressive, but gives it a softer look.

The inside, however, is really different.

My neighbor hit it right on the head about the front driver's and passenger's shoulder belts. They're incorporated right in the seat, so there's no struggling to get into the truck for the back seat passengers. The belt isn't attached to the roof, so all you have to do is pull the front seat back forward and you're in. That's simple.

The rear door is hinged to the rear of the cab and there's a total absence of a B-pillar. When you close the two doors, however, the back locks first, then the front door latches



The Dodge Ram Quad Cab takes comfort and convenience a little bit further.

onto that, which creates a solid pillar.

The best part of all of it is that the doors open wide, so it's easy to get yourself into and out of it, not to mention any cargo you might want to put back there.

With the introduction of the 1994 Dodge Ram, the emphasis was put on power, capability, comfort and convenience. The new Quad Cab takes the comfort and convenience stuff a little bit further.

The Dodge Ram Quad Cab seats three in front and three in the back. All passengers can be adults and all will fit without a crowbar.

In the middle of the front two seats is a huge armrest that flips down. Inside, there's a storage compartment that can hold a laptop computer, power cord, a couple of cell phones and a bunch of whatever nonsense you can think of.

Up front is also an overhead console that includes a compass, temperature display

and map lights. Really handy stuff on long drives. There are cupholders in front and in back.

One thing I really enjoyed having was the optional leather package. There are leather seats up front, but vinyl in the rear. The package also includes dual lighted visor mirrors, a travel convenience group (the overhead console stuff), 6-way power driver's seat, woodgrain instrument panel and vinyl door trim.

Slip behind the wheel of the Quad Cab and you'll find a brand new instrument panel. It's more ergonomic and everything is positioned a little more logically. There's a passenger-side airbag and a cut-off switch on the instrument cluster.

Instrumentation is very functional and includes a 120 mph speedometer and gauges for oil pressure, temperature, voltage, fuel and tachometer.

The power mirrors are now heated, power door locks and window controls are illumin-

nated and you can now get a factory-installed security system.

There has always been a host of powertrains to choose from with the Rams, but this year the 5.9-liter V8 has increased horsepower to 245. And much to my chagrin, you can't order the 8.0-liter or Cummins Diesel on the Club Cab or Quad Cab.

Other engines available include a 3.9-liter V6 (175 horsepower) and a 5.2-liter V6 (230 hp). All engines can be mated to either a 5-speed manual or a 4-speed automatic transmission with overdrive.

The Quad Cab can be ordered in a 2-wheel-drive or 4-wheel-drive model and in a 6-foot box or an 8-foot double wall steel box with four tie-down hooks. The Quad Cab tested was outfitted with a factory-installed liner. Smart idea.

There are three trim choices as well, including the ST, WS (as in Work Special) and Laramie SLT. The Dodge Ram has become a classic truck in its own lifetime.

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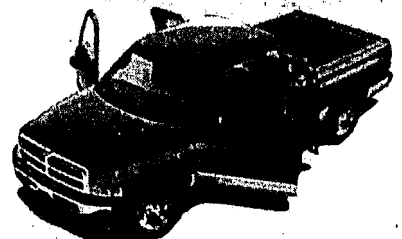
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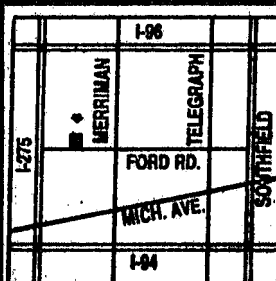
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ASK THE EXPERT

Homeowner can revive slanted concrete

By POPULAR MECHANICS
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Q: The concrete walk in the corner of our L-shaped house has settled to a slope of 3 or 4 inches. The slope causes rainwater to seep into the crawl space. Can we top this walk with a thin layer of concrete, or will it crumble?

A: You have three choices: replace the slab, top it with a layer of concrete, or lift it up and fill in under it. There are two ways a homeowner can lift a slab. If the edge of the slab is accessible, you can use a pry bar. If the edge is not accessible, or it's too big to pry up, you can jack it up.

Span across the slab with two 2-by-4s placed on edge. Bore holes through the 2-by-4s and through the concrete slab (rent a hammer drill if need be). Take some threaded rod (known as all thread) and put a spring-loaded wing on the end of each. Push the rod through each hole in the 2-by-4s and into the holes in the slab.

Put a washer and nut on top of each rod and thread the nut down. Drive the rod down, with a hammer if necessary, until the wings open under the slab. Be sure to put the nuts on the threaded rod before driving the rod down. Driving the rod will mushroom the threads and make it difficult to thread the nuts on the rod.

Tighten the nuts against the 2-by-4s to jack the slab up. Then pour a slurry of cement, sand and water through the open holes in the slab to fill the void underneath. Turn the rod out of the nuts when the filler under the slab has set up a little. Patch the holes, and the job is done.

Q: What's the best way to store partly used cans of paint without

Please see QUERY, E2

Homes near entertainment, shopping

Clarkston Pines, a detached condominium community in Independence Township, is within a couple miles of the Pine Knob entertainment complex and the quaint village of Clarkston.

It's within easy walking distance to shopping needs—stores, financial institutions and restaurants—that touch on everyday life.

The I-75/Sashabaw interchange also is fairly close.

That will bring prospects in. The terrain, floor plans and prices will prompt some to buy.

And they are buying. About two dozen building sites remain on the 33 acres of land off Maybee between Sashabaw and Dixie Highway. The community will feature 82 homes when fully developed.

Most homes are built on just one side of the road, said Richard Komer, principal in the development/building firm of Wineman & Komer. "In most cases here, you're looking at park area in front of you, wooded area in back."

"The topography is beautiful," Komer added. "It's a combination of pine trees and deciduous trees. A pond here goes about 800 feet. There's fish in the pond—wildlife, animals."

"The two biggest things are the site is so wooded and the terrain is so rolling," said Marsha Wisz, sales consultant.

"The spaciousness of our floor plan they (visitors) like and the idea we'll customize, we'll make changes in the floor plan," she said.

"The idea it (condo) is detached, they have their own home, privacy, no common walls. Plus, it's maintenance free. They don't have to cut the grass any more," Wisz said.

Three basic floor plans are available. A colonial of 1,800 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths carries a base price of \$198,900. A two-bedroom, two-bath ranch of 1,450 square feet goes for \$210,900.

A story-and-a-half of 1,970 square feet with two bedrooms and a loft or three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths prices at \$226,900.

Wineman & Komer also offer a couple of other ranch plans with minor variations.

Standard features at base price include air conditioning, fireplace, range and dishwasher, two-car garage, first-floor laundry, basement, carpeting throughout and landscaping.

Visitors can browse through three



Ranch plan: The Birchwood at Clarkston Pines features a great room and dining area, a master suite with shower, a second full bathroom and a room that can be used either as a second bedroom or a den.

models.

The ranch features a great room and dining area with cathedral ceiling; master suite with cathedral ceiling, bay window, shower and walk-in closet; a second bedroom decorated as an office; a second full bath; and kitchen/nook.

The story-and-a-half contains a great room with cathedral ceiling; dining area; den; master with separate tub and shower; kitchen/nook; and a half bath on the main floor.

Buyers have a choice upstairs of two bedrooms or a bedroom and loft connected by a jack-and-jill bath.

The colonial features a great room; dining area; kitchen/nook and half bath in the main living area, three bedrooms upstairs. The master with cathedral ceiling includes a separate tub and shower and a walk-in closet.

A second full bath also is up.

Primary exterior materials are vinyl siding, cultured fieldstone and brick.

Most remaining lots are walkouts that carry premiums ranging from \$18,000-\$27,000.

Clarkston Pines is served by city

water and sewers. It's within the Clarkston school boundaries. There are no sidewalks.

The property tax rate currently is \$31.30 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation, half of market value. That means the owners of a \$211,000 home would pay about \$3,300 the first year.

The monthly association/maintenance fee, which includes grass cutting, trash removal and snow plowing, is \$110.

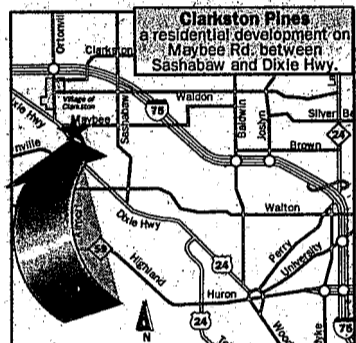
"Our people here—many empty-nesters, single people, divorced folks and younger married couples—like the convenience of walking to shopping and being out in the country," Komer said.

"Plus, they don't have the upkeep to worry about," he added.

Nancy and Harry Knitter bought a ranch in Clarkston Pines.

"One of the things we love about our new home is that it is backed up to the woods and nature surrounds us," Harry said.

"When we travel, it's comforting to know that... our grass will be cut, our lawn will be watered, our garbage will



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be collected and exterior repairs will be handled as needed.

"Another misconception people have about condominiums is that they're small and cramped. Not here at Clarkston Pines," Harry Knitter said.

The sales office/models at Clarkston Pines, (248) 620-3217, are open 1-6 p.m. daily, closed Thursdays.

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\$199,900...on the Golf Course

OPEN HOUSES OF THE WEEK

Hunter Heights West Bloomfield

Custom building and personalized changes are welcome.

OPEN SUNDAY 12-5

Discover affordable country club living in Oakland County at Brentwood. A Golf and Country Club Community located in the heart of the lakes area.

Starting at \$199,900, Brentwood is truly Oakland County's best value on the golf course.

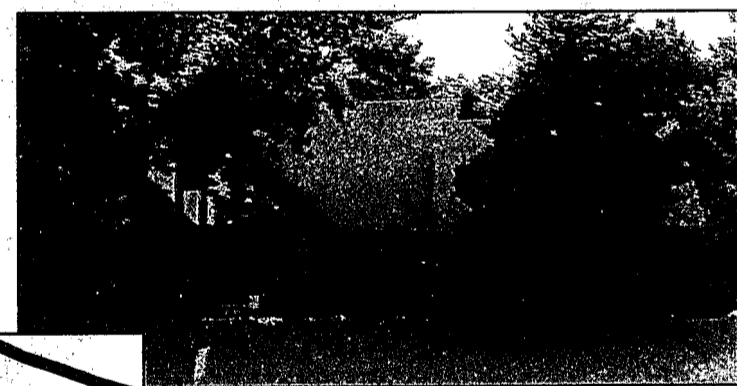
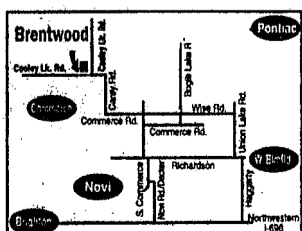
Brentwood offers the convenience of being located minutes from major shopping centers, a state park and ski resort, a major hospital and expressways, while at the same time provides country club living with beautiful estate size homesites bordering Brentwood's 18-hole championship golf course and protected wood lands. Located in the award winning Huron Valley School district, this family friendly subdivision boasts city sidewalks and standard side entry garages to provide a truly upscale community.

Brentwood offers five floor plans with generous amenities, including two first floor master plans and three traditional colonial floor plans, ranging up to 3,000 sq. ft. Available features include wooded and walkout sites, dramatic two story great rooms and foyers, formal living and dining rooms, and family rooms with a

wood burning fireplace. Ceramic or hardwood floors are standard in the foyer and powder room and ceramic floors in the master bath and main bath.

Brentwood has two homes available for immediate occupancy including: a traditional four bedroom colonial priced at \$299,900 located on the 8th fairway, with 3-car garage, vaulted ceilings, hardwood floors, and a gourmet kitchen with custom wood cabinets and an island. The second available home is a first floor master priced at \$234,900 located on the 7th hole, with a spacious two-story great room, three-bedroom loft, and magnificent master bath with Jacuzzi tub.

For sales information contact Bill French at (248) 685-1990 Sales Office Model Open Daily 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. or by appointment. Brokers and agents welcome.



OPEN SUNDAY 1-5
2648 Hunter Heights Drive
South of Willow Road
West of Hiller
\$284,900

This warm, contemporary Brick Tudor nestles amidst a generous expanse of trees in a community full of forrestation, lakes, flora & fauna. Enter this gracious 2,400 sq. ft. home through an inlaid marble foyer and hardwood floor hall. The spacious Living Room is graced with a lovely natural fireplace and has an adjacent formal dining room. A gorgeous library boasts a built-in desk/wallunit.

The Kitchen, Breakfast Room & Family Room along the back of the house provide a great view of a generous deck, a dense row of trees & a vast

array of birds & other small wildlife.

The second floor hosts the master bedroom & bath as well as the second bath and remaining three bedrooms.

The owner, a construction professional, has added many lovely and practical enhancements throughout the house.

A nicely constructed finished basement, prepped for a third full bath, adds another 750 sq. ft. of living space.

The exterior includes a side-entry two car garage, sprinkler, outside lights, porch and deck.

West Bloomfield Schools and a home warranty completes the package. Visit this wonderful home on Sunday between 1 and 5 p.m. or call Matt Kenkel for a private showing.



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