

April is National Poetry Month. Before anyone puts his or her nose in the air and remarks "so what," it's worth a trip to the Independence. Township Library to see its poetry month display.

. The display at 6495 Clarkston Road includes a different poem-of-the-day for visitors to read. Poetry is selected from various types of poetry books from traditional to modern - available for checkout.

Library hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sat-urday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

### Walkers, take notice

Since the month of April may bring showers (you know how that works, to help with.May flowers), walkers might not always want to get their

cardiovascular exercise outside. Clarkston High School at 6093 Flemings Lake Road offers a solution to this problem. Its doors are open 5-8:30 p.m. on school days for the community to use for indoor walking. Anyone interested in taking advan-tage of this indoor route should sign in with the evening supervisor after entering through the school's main entrance. N



Luce tries to find the candy inside his Easter egg.

Candy-coated: Baylie Bunny, and got their faces. painted at the event, which lasted from 10:30 a.m. to noon. 

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way that lasted about five minutes. Northbound traffic on Dixie Highway was shut down near Waterford Hill Florist for a few minutes, according to police.

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## Alternate routes proposed for gas pipeline

#### BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

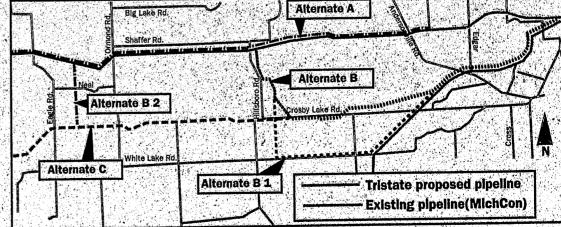
Consumers Energy has proposed alternate routes for the TriState Pipeline Project, which may be less disruptive to homeowners and sensitive

wetlands in Springfield Township. The company submitted three alter-nate routes — one of which includes two variations — to the Federal Energy **Regulatory Commission last week.** The routes would alter the original plan to build a pipeline that would carry 700,000 million cubic feet of natural gas daily to meet commercial needs. The TriState Pipeline Project is meant to span from Dawn, Ontario, Canada to Joliet, Ill., as a means of providing energy alternatives to the Eastern and Midwest United States.

The possible alternatives made Far-

ley Road resident Denise Olson smile. "I'm very happy," said Olson. "I'm glad Consumers took our concerns into. consideration. The new routes will not

affect as many people." However, one of the new routes still raises concerns for Olson. Route A, which would remove the existing 22inch gas pipeline and replace it with the new 42-inch pipeline, would still be



nor plays amidst an

assortment of pastel

balloons.

located close to her home The right-of-way on her property is only about 20 feet from her home. She has expressed concerns for the safety of her family, if the pipeline is set to be constructed there. Olson said she would prefer a route that bypasses Farley Road,

"The risks of danger would still be very prominent," she said of option A. "There would be more pressure, more gas filtering through, and all of the mes are going to be right there." The safer options, she said, would route the pipeline through more open spaces than highly residential areas.

The statistics show that most of the alternates would impact anywhere from 40 to 25 fewer parcels of land, thus affecting fewer homeowners. Kelly Farr, CMS Energy spokesman, said these were the "best alternate

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## BY SUBAN TAUBER STAFF WRITER

Rehecce Olive recently earned the privilege of attending the Business Pro-fessionals of America National Leaders a ship Conference, Freedom to Excel, in Philadelphia April 22-27.

Philadeiphia April 22-27. If the goes, shell represent Oakland Technical Center (OTC) Northwest Campus' Business Professionals of America Glub (PAC) and the Clarkston Community Schools District as a contes-

tant in the Office Assistant Competition sponsored by Ford Motor Co. Rebecta (Becky) hopes her OTC teacher and club advisor Jo Anne Hutton will join her there to root her on when she competes against other stu-dents from across the country.

But before this becomes a reality, Hutton said they need some community support

support. That means money. "We're trying to raise money to help Rehecca pay for her trip and for me to go as well. There is so much for each of us to learn there." Hutton said. The 17 members of the Professionals of America Club raise funds by working.

at a Silverdome concessions stand. That money is gone, Hutton said. It paid for the members to participate in the recent regional and state PAC competitions. There's nothing left to help get Becky, 17, to the national competition. Hutton figures they need more than

\$2,500 to cover travel costs, lodging, food, registration, shuttles, taxi cabs back and forth to the conference center, the exams and more.

"Anyone interested in helping  $\rightarrow$  even in the form of frequent flyer miles for airplane tickets to Philadelphia — please call me or Principal Dan Manthei. OTC's phone number is (248) 625-5202," said the Independence Township

Becky became eligible to join the national competition after she placed second in that category at the state competition in March. She also came in

second for Office Assistant, first place in Business Math and sixth place in Business Knowledge at the regional contest in Flint.

Several other OTC Business Professionals of America club members placed

sionals of America cuto memoers placed in the local competitions. They are: Regional: Katle Varner —1st place Office Assistant and 6th place Prepared Verbal 1 (public speaking); Jerry Pena—1at place Entrepreneur; Kelly, Hocking—2nd place Document Format-

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ting; Eric Klemm--2nd place Entrepreneur; Amber Hardenburgh-7th place Application/Interview and Adriana Pichineru-7th place Prepared Verbal 1. State: Jerry Pena—7th place

Entrepreneur. "This is the first time our club has had students win at state," said Hutton, a four-year advisor along with Jana Thams, OTC school-to-work facilitator. "The students have learned the advantage of competing and winning. It's a wonderful experience, and we want to get Becky to the nationals. She's worked

really hard and deserves to go. As an example of how hard the tests are, Hutton said she and some other adults tried to answer the questions. Becky had in her Business Math compe-

tition. • "One of our OTC teachers is president. of a bank. She even had to research the answers. They were hard questions about stuff you don't do every day; but Becky came in first at the regionals." For her competitions, Becky had to show her competence in proofreading,

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alphabetic filing, prioritizing jobs, refor matting letters on the computer and more The junior at Clarkston High School is busy preparing for the competition in Philadelphia

"I'm practicing a lot. I'm learning how to use more features of Microsoft Word," she said. She also knows Excel and Lotus.

She puts these skills to work at her new job at Planned Financial Services in Clarkston.

"Becky is great. We love having her around here," said office manager Cor-nelia Maier. "She's very smart and hard working. It's a pleasure to teach her about financial planning. She's absorbing everything with such speed and accuracy.

Becky, a Springfield Township resi-dent, is a new student at OTC this school year. "I decided to go there because Clark-ston High School didn't offer the kinds

of business classes I wanted to take." She attends CHS for part of the day,

then goes to OTC for the remainder.

The experience has helped her deter-mine her future. "I want to be an administrative assis-tant. I'd like to go to school at either Johnson and Wales University or Northwood University. Both are busi-

ness colleges," she said. . She's glad she made the choice to attend OTC.

"I didn't really know what I wanted to do Now, I have confidence in knowing that I am good in something," she said. She's keeping an open mind on the national competition. "I'm not really planning on getting my

hopes up on winning anything there if I get to go, but if I do win, I will be thrilled."

"She's just excited to advance as far as the nationals. "My friends told me they knew even

before I won'at state that I would make it to nationals. I'm really excited." Jerry Pena, who lives in the Clark-ston area, is a senior at Our Lady of the

akes High School in Waterford Township. He began attending OTC last year

> plan. Twenty-five fewer homeowners would be affected. Cost. would increase \$2,109,000,

## Alternate B2

The pipeline would move southward, just east of Eagle Road, and follow eastward along Crosby Lake Road. This route would cut the affected wetland area almost in half, from 40.65 acres to 21.52 acres. Total pipeline length would increase by about one mile, Forty fewer parcels of land would be impacted. Cost would Increase by \$1,577,300.

### Alternate C.

The pipeline would be re-routed through Springfield Town-ship, following near White Lake road east to Crosby Lake Road, where it would connect to an existing pipeline; Total length would increase by one-tenth of one mile. Nine acres of wetland would be impacted. Sixty parcels of land would be affected. The cost would increase to



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organization Citizens Aware of Pipeline Destruction (CAP'D), said he was very encouraged when he saw the plans for different routes.

"The spirit of cooperation is now evident," said Marchbank, who considers the new proposal a "win-win situation" for all parties involved.

Consumers Energy will choose one specific route within the next month or two.

"We haven't picked a preferred alternative," said Farr. "We want to make sure we haven't missed anything so that we are satisfied and we've found any problems or hurdles that we might've missed."

Tamara Young-Allen, public affairs specialist for the commission, said that when the staff receives the document. it will be analyzed in preparation for an environmental impact statement which will help determine whether the pipeline is in the public interest and is necessity. Young-Allen said the staff members will look at the pro-

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STAFF PHOTO BY. BTEVE CANTRELL

along the same path as originally proposed. The 22-inch existing pipeline would be replaced the new 42-inch pipeline. It would cost \$3,506,000 more.

### Alternate B

The pipeline would follow / south at Shaffer and Hillsborough roads, then east along. Crosby Lake Road, hooking up to an existing pipeline. Total length would increase by one mile, Approximately eight acres. of wetlands would be protected. in comparison to the original route. Twenty-six fewer parcels of land, and the landowners, would be affected. Cost would Increase by \$348,500.

### Alternate B1

The pipeline would creep farther south, to White Lake Road, and follow the road northeast. Total length would increase by about two miles. About four more acres of wetlands would

that," he added. Alternate pipeline routes

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"I really like OTC. It's very beneficial to be a student there. It's like life — you have to take advantage of it. I wouldn't to be a student there. It's like life -

have any college ambitions right now if I hadn't gone there. "Now I know I want to attend Oak-land Community College for two years.

get my associate's degree in criminal justice, go to a four-year school to get my bachelor's and master's in criminal justice and then try to get in to the secret service."

After competing in the PAC regional and state competitions, Jerry also learned he doesn't want to own his own busines

"If I had the business, I would owe \$36,000 just to lease a building for a year," he said. "My liability insurance would have been really high because of the special effects. It's very beneficial to my future to know I don't want to do

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posed sites, alternate sites and surrounding areas, and this new information will help them do so. From an environmental standpoint, only one of the proposed alternates would benefit Spring-field Township, according to township officials. Nancy Strole, Springfield

Township clerk, said one of the alternatives in particular would allow for the protection of wet-lands, including the Buckhorn Lake and Huron Swamp com-

plex.

REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Springfield has received a request for Special Land Use from Aulgur Relisin Homes, 6160 Dixis Highway, Suite 260, Clarkston, MI 48346 for the following:

Development of a 19-unit one-family residential development on approximately 55 acres, utilizing the Cluster Housing provisions of the Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance.

The property is located south of Rattales Lake Rd., north of Davisburg Rd., west of Eaton Rd., and east of Eagle Rd. Pl. #07-07-200-008 and 07-08-151-012.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that oral and written comments on the Special Land Use request will be received at a PUBLIC HEARING to be held at the Regular Meeting of the Springfield Township Board on Thursday, April, 8, 1999, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, MI.

A copy of the concept plan and other information related to the re A copy of the concept plan and other information related to the velocity may be reviewed at the Township Clerk? Office, 650 Broedway, Davisburg, MI during regular business hours Monday through Friday. Written comments may be submitted to the Bpringfield Township Clerk, P.O. Box 1038, Davisburg, MI 49350 up until the time of the Public Hearing. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Township Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance of the Hearing, Tel. 248-625-4802 or 248-634-3111.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk Charter Township of Springfield

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be protected from the original \$480,500.

> "The A and B routes don't "The A and B routes don't accomplish what needs to be accomplished," sold Strole. "All of A and B would construct through the Buckhorn Lake com-plex — one of the key things to avoid in that area. Alternate C certainly looks like, potentially, a very valuable alternative. TriState's own documentation .... shows an alternate can be done. It would significantly minimize the impact on the environment, on high quality resource areas, and can even reduce the total number of parcels. They can accomplish all of this at virtually

accomplish all of this at virtually no additional cost." Alternate C, in which the pipeline would follow east and northeast along White Lake Road, then follow Crosby Lake Road, would connect with an existing Consumers Energy Pipeline near Indian Springs Metropark. According to Consumers Energy data a nipeline along route alterdata, a pipeline along route alter-nate C would reduce the acres of wetlands crossed by approximate-75 percent. In comparison to the original route, which affected 40.65 acres, route C would cross 9.89 acres. The total length would increase by about one-tenth of a mile.

Under alternate C. the total cost of the project would increase by \$480,500, about one-tenth of 1 percent of the original cost.

Strole said that alternate O would seem to support our calculations that the first way is not always the best way."

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Helping a helper: Teacher Al Craven assists fifth grade student Joi Bonot with her CPR skills at Sashabaw Elementary School.

STAFF PHOTOS BY STEVE CANTRELL

## Schools train youths in rescue techniques

here are going to be a lot of Clarkston kids ready to come to the rescue soon. Al Craven and Bill Gunther, health specialist teachers for the six Clarkston elementary schools, are teaching Basic Aid Training (BAT) to all fifth graders

in the district. Craven said BAT is a sevenweek training program designed by the Red Cross. It's offered to the Clarkston students as part of the school district's comprehensive health program.

The students get their train-ing weekly and at the end, if they've taken at least six of the seven sessions at school, they get their BAT certification. "It's a great program," Craven said: "This is the third year we've taught it."

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Basic ald: Elizabeth Hoekstra practices her new CPR skills. first-aid basics that are valuable Here she "listens" for a breath of for everyone to know. They. air from the practice dummy.

learn water and fire safety, safety while home alone, how to treat burns, electric shock, poisonings, animal bites, chokings, wounds and more. They're taught what to do after they dial the emergency number 911. They practice the Heimlich maneuver on Red Cross mannequins that the parent-teacher organizations from each

elementary school bought for the BAT program. The school district buys the BAT instruction book for each student.

age the students to take their BAT books home once the classes end<sup>1</sup>so they can review what they've learned from time to

what to do when there is a med-ical problem," Gunther said. "We also teach them how to help prevent things from hap-pening that might cause an accident or problem."

## Zoning board denies bakery parking variance

## BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

Eric and Siephanie Vo, owners of the Clarkston Village Bakeshop, may be upset enough to pack up leave and Olarkston.

Clarkston Village Bakesnov, inc. Clarkston Village Bakesnov, inc. The couple have been trying to rent this vacant space at 4 S. Main St., next-door to their bake shop for more than one year. Though they received an offer by Lombardo Building and Development Co., a decision by the Clarkston Zoning Board of Appeals Thursday has changed their plans. Thursday has changed their plans. Thursday has changed their plans. Clarkston Zoning Lombardo Thursday has changed their plans. Thursday has change their plans. Thursday has chan

Thursday has changed their plans, Dave Lombardo, representing Lombardo-Building and Development Co., went before the board seeking a variance for 16 parking spaces in downtown Clarkston. The spaces would've accommodated employees of their real estate and construction office. Lombardo said that, as in any downtown area, there is a lack of parking in Clarkston:

That means he can't open the office." said Eric Vo, in a telephone interview Fri-day. 'How can we open a business without parking? Any kind of business still needs parking

The Vos were unable to attend Thursday's meeting due to a family emergency. The board, Clarkston residents and local business owners raised concerns about the future vitality of Main Street if another real estate company were to open there. In a 6-0 vote, the board denied the request. Thomas Hunter, board member, made the motion to deny the parking variance.

the motion to deny the parking variance. "It's not in anybody's best interest for the building to sit vacant, but the owners made no showing of hardship," he said. Randy Lincoln, co-owner of the Clarkston Cafe, voiced his opposition to the request, and to the type of business that would fill the vacant space. He gave two reasons. "Number one, for the last five years; I. keen heaving from the city officials that

keep hearing from the city officials that they're trying to revitalize downtown Clarkston," said Lincoln. "I don't believe another real estate construction office adds. to at least my thought of downtown. Number two, we have a parking problem: We constantly have people parking in our lot who go into other businesses. There's just not any spaces. "I don't think it's for the betterment of

the community." Clarkston Police Chief Paul Ormiston

concurred that parking is sparse in the area

"Right now, we're pushing cars into the residential area," he said. "That's just going to be 16 more cars that are going be, I presume, out on East Washington."

Residents like Theo Papatheodeoropou-os, 51 E. Washington, attended the meet-ing to show how the variance might affect

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From a resident's point of view, I would

unifăir and all too personal. "This is a hard situation," said Stephanie ".

Vo. "The building's worthless (to us)."

She said business owners have to make Sins said ousiness owners have to make an informed decision as to whom they choose as tenants. The Vos said they trust-ed Lombardo and felt he would make a good tenant. They said there was no way to keep the building vacant until the right. person comes along, by the council's stan-a

Between the expense of taxes and the possibility that the building could remain vacant for another year or more, the Vos are even considering selling. "We are thinking of selling the building

and going away," said Stephanie Vo. City Council member David Savage" shared his strong views about revitalizing downtown Clarkston at the board meeting. Sayage has been working with business owners to create a more appealing downtown area which will attract more resi dents and fulfill their needs. He read from an ordinance which defined the city's business district as one that would meet the day-to-day needs of residents by offering more retail businesses.

But William Basinger, board member, said that while retail businesses require t less parking than office spaces do, it's not the responsibility of the zoning board to decide which use is more appropriate for the vacant space.

"All we can do is focus on the parking issue," he said.

Daniel Colombo, a council member and East Washington resident, said his street; was "exactly where 16 more cars will park." "That's gotta be at least 30 percent of the parking available," he said. "I don't know,", where the rest of the public would park."

"Eric Vo said to solve the problem, the City Council members need to considerbuilding a parking lot to meet the growing needs of the community.

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agen-cies in Independence Township and the city of Clarkston March 29-April 1.

## **Independence** Police

Vandalism On March 19, three tires were reported slashed at the Clarkston High School parking lot on Flemings Lake Road.

On March 29; office windows were reported damaged on Hub-

bard Road. On March 31, a mailbox on Pine Knob Lane was reported damaged.

**Darcy Jo Burleson** Darcy Jo Burleson of Water-

## POLICE NEWS Thefts

On March 29, the rear window of a vehicle parked on Rioview Drive was reported smashed and compact discs were stolen. On March 30, a radio, speakers and other stereo equipment were reported stolen from a vehicle on Frankwill Avenue.

**Independence** Fire

Between March 29-31, firefighters responded to 13 calls. Among them were six medical calls, two personal-injury accidents, three grass fires and one building fire.

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children. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; daughter, Lisa Win-ston (Greg Jamieson) of Clark-

On March 30, firefighters responded to a Lakeview Boulevard residence where a

the garage, and a neighbor's hoat.

ness parking lot to investigate a prowler.

Police apprehended a 14-yearold Clarkston youth. They are still questioning witnesses for the investigation.

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fire started in a garage. Heat damage was reported to

## **Clarkston Police**

Prowling On March 31, police were called to a Main Street busi-

Craven and Gunther encourtime. "We' don't just talk about

ford died March 30, 1999, at ag 30.

Miss Burleson taught kindergarten for Clarkston Community Schools at Springfield Plains Elementary School.

Miss Burleson also was a teacher with the Clarkston Community Education's Funshine Program.

Miss Burleson is survived by her parents, Arthur Burleson and Sandra March; brother, Brent Burleson; and grandparents, Lloyd and Bernice Fuller. She was preceded in death by a sister, Katherine Chung.

Miss Burleson was engaged to be married to fiance Jeffrey Johnson.

A member of the Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority, Miss Burleson graduated from Central Michigan University and Oakland

University. A funeral service was held Saturday at Donelson, Johns and Evans Funeral Home in Waterford. Memorials may be made to Clarkston Community Schools or to Central United Methodist Church.

## John Thomas Angus

John Thomas Angus of Davisburg died March 31, 1999, at age

56. Mr. Angus retired as an elecmr. Angus retret as an elec-trician from Pontiac Motor. He recently worked at Springfield Oaks Golf Course. He loved spending time with his grand-

ston; son, Michael (Jennifer) of Waterford; three grandchildren, Zachary, Aaron and Rachael; mother, Mary Louise (the late John) Angus of Florida; motherin-law, Dorothy (the late John) Coapman of Algonac; sisters, Pat (Richard) Murrish of Florida, Nancy (Andy) Anderal of Lansing, Susan (Paul) Hess of Grand Rapids, Melinda (Rick) Gorski of Rockford; and also by his brothers, Mark (Jean) of Ortonville and Rick (Anne) of Lapeer.

A memorial service was held Saturday at Calvary Lutheran Church, Clarkston. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston.

The family would appreciate memorials to Calvary Lutheran Church.

### **Dorothy L. Felt**

Dorothy L. Felt of Clarkston, formerly of Waterford, died March 31, 1999, at age 71.

Mrs. Felt taught upholstery classes at Waterford Adult Education.

Mrs. Felt loved to cook and garden and was a talented

garden and was a thented seamstress and crafter. She is survived by two sons, Martin Jr. of White Lake and Andy Stewart of Brandon Township; six brothers, Bob (Betty),

three sisters, Theresa (Jim) oyce, Eleanore Renee and Mary (Ed) Back.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Martin.

Chuck, Jim (Linda), Dick (Syble), John and Tom; and

A family memorial service will be held at a later date.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to Leader Dogs for the Blind or the Michigan Humane Society.

### Gayle T Watts

Gayle T. Watts of Clarkston died March 31, 1999, at the age of 53.

She is survived by two daughters, Kristin (Dean) Phillips of South Lyon and Kelley Wall of Clarkston; a son, Patrick Wall of Chicago; mother, Marion; four sisters, Linda (Bob) Critchfield of Fenton, Cindy (Andrew) Woomer of Ohio, Mary (Ken) Underwood of Traverse City, Susan (Ron) Sherrod of Nevada; and two brothers, Michael (Michelle) Watts of Troy and Tim (Edith) Watts of Troy.

She was preceded in death by her father, Dr. Joseph Watts of Birmingham.

A funeral service was held Saturday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston.

The family would appreciate memorials to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.



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# Pianist to perform at Clarkston church

Calvin Taylor, pianist and recording artist, will appear in concert presenting "Holy Scrip-ture — Alive with Sounds of Music" on Sunday, April 11, at **Clarkston United Methodist** Church.

Performance times are 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. A unique mirror and lighting system will allow the audience to see the entire keyboard.

Calvin Taylor has toured the - Calvin Taylor has toured the world, performing in North and South America, Europe and the Far East., Holding degrees in music from both Oberlin Con-servatory and the University of Michigan, Calvin has authored several music books, including "Spirituals for the Piano", and "The Patriotic Piano." With 10 "The Patriotic Piano." With 10 solo albums and a music video to his credit, Calvin Taylor records for Master Disc Records. His composition "Intermezzo" has been performed by several symphony orchestras

Awarded a full scholarship to Oberlin Conservatory, Calvin's ability to improvise led him to become the only student in Oberlin's more than 150-year history to improvise a graduate concert encore.



Calvin Taylor

With an unusually large hand span of more than 1% octaves, span or more than 1.a detayes, Oalvin Taylor presents sounds and colors which would normal-ly require four hands. Playing plano by ear at age 5, he began formal lessons on his seventh birthday. Calvin also studied other instruments and was serving as church organist at the age of 14. While in high school, Calvin was a member of both the Los Angeles Junior Philharmonic and the Southwest Youth Symphony. There is no charge for admis-

sion.

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McKenzie One-year-old Suarez and her 3-year-old brother, John Michael, couldn't wait to see the Easter Bunny. ""This is our first time," said their mother, Anglé Suarez, a Springfield Township resident. ""We just did the cupcakes," she said, "My daughter just loved doing the icing on the cupcakes. They're busy, busy." Suarez said the event was well organized.

"There's enough for kids to do before the hunt," she said. "All ages can enjoy it. The little ones can be involved. too." Kevin Daniels, senior maintenance employee for the depart-ment of parks and recreation, has been involved every year. The children make it worthwhile to participate in, he said. "It's the kids, really," he said

of why he returns each spring, to see the little ones smile." And smile they did. From the ring toss to the cakewalk, the clothespin drop to the egg hunt, children giggled and dashed from one activity to the next in

search of candy. Julia Groulx, recreation programmer, was part of a team of individuals who organized the event.

"It was definitely a group effort," she said. "I think it's more for the whole family. There are a lot of moms and dads here. It's definitely a fami-ly affair, a neat activity for evervone

Cathy Schrhe of Clarkston agreed.

I think they've done a really nice job," she said. "It's a nice way to get ready for Easter."

Y GARY WINKELMAN nhelman@oe.homecomm.net

At 20 years old, Jennifer Stire of Clarkston knows there's a great big world waiting for her, and she's itching to get out and

do some good in it. Her chance will come later this ear when she leaves Oakland bunty behind and joins Up With People, an international organization that takes young adults between the ages of 18 and 25 around the globe as both performers and public servants. Stife, a 1997 Lake Orion High School graduate, is excited about her upcoming shot at traveling North America and abroad and the opportunities to mingle with people from diverse backgrounds and do volunteer work in the

and do volunteer work in the-many stops along the way. Smiling and self-assured, Stire calls earning a spot in the highly competitive Up With People cast a dream come true. "It's an honor," she said. "I'm so happy that Lack in " that I got in

that 1 got m. About 7,000 people apply for spots in Up With People every year, but only 700 are accepted. Those who qualify are eventually divided into five casts which embark on year-long tours. In communities where they stop, the cast performs an elaborate musical stage show and performs some manner of community ser-vice project. In addition, money raised from ticket sales for shows is re-invested back in that com-

munity. Stire said she looks forward to the hectic schedule awaiting her, and meeting the up to 90 host families she'll live with during her tour. "We're in a different city every three or four days," she said. "We're constantly mov-ing. It's going to be incredible." Likewise, she's excited about

the chance at working side-by side with peers from as many as 50 countries. "The challenge will be ... you have to come together and find a common ground because you have a job to do?"



The suspect allegedly pulled lane, according to police reports, into several parking lots along Once he reached the parking lot Dixie Highway and proceeded to of Kurtis Kitchen and Bath Cendrive north in the southbound.

ters, 6460 Dixie Highway, he

said.

began to flee on foot, Cavalier

The suspect was arrested by Detective Dave Hendrick at Kur-

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uals who are willing to sponsor a single day of her trip. Sponsors, she said, can select a

ific day and make a donation. And on that one day I'll be sure to send them a postcard from wherever I'm at in the world (and) thank them and let them know what I'm doing," she said.

now what i m doing, sue said. Donations, no matter how small, will be deeply appreciated, Stire said, and contributors can feel good about helping her make

feel good about helping her make a difference around the world. Stire, who now divides her time between Lake Orion and Clarkston, attends Oakland, Community College. She spent her freshman year at Central Michigan University, but moved, back home after setting her ishte ar Ur With Pacole

DRCK nome atter setting her sights on Up With People. After her tour ends, she plans on finishing her education at either Western Michigan, the University of Michigan or De Paul University in Chicago. She hopes to find a career in the performing arts.

She's convinced the Up With People experience will help her "pinpoint" what she's best suited

There's just so many opportunities," she said. "There's busi-ness opportunities, there's leadership, there's performance, there's volunteer work. It's just such a wonderful program."

## Be a sponsor

Anyone interested in helping sponsor Jennifer's Up With Peo-ple tour can call her at (248) 620-3041 or (248) 693-1876, or write to 5561 Northcrest Ct., Clarkston, MI, 48346 or 933 Wildbrook, Lake Orion, MI, 48362. The May 15 golf outing is at Cherry Creek Country Club and costs \$150 per person. The event includes 18 holes of golf with a power cart, closest to the pin and long drive contests, barbecue-style lunch and soft drinks. RSVPs are requested by April 17.

tis Kitchen and Bath Centers, according to police reports.

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The victim of the robbery was transported to North Oakland Medical Center for treatment Wednesday

"She had abrasions, a possible fracture to her (right) wrist, and a possible mild concussion," said Cavalier.

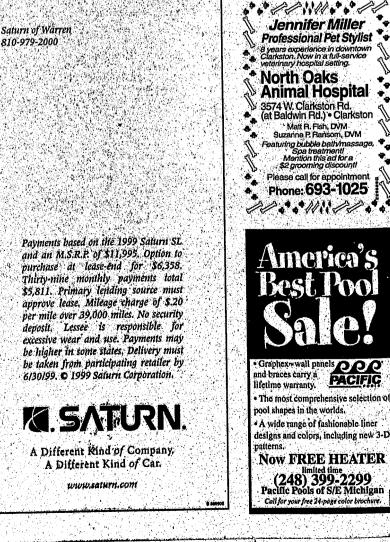
She was released from the hospital the same day.

Two sheriff's vehicles were damaged during the pursuit before the suspect was "forced off the road," according to a statement from Bouchard.

Detectives Dirk Feneley and Dave Hendrick are investigating the case.

Cavalier said "a significant amount of credit goes to all the witnesses.

A preliminary exam is set for 9:30 a.m. April 8.







Stire must cover the \$13,700 cost of joining the program. She has earned a \$4,200 scholarship from the organization to help defray People stands for appeals to her. "I love diversity, I love travel some of the expense, but now she's turning to the public for (and) I love to help others ... so it just completely spoke to my heart," she said. "When I heard help. It's very hard to do this with out the support of your communi-ty," said Stire, who's scheduled to

e's an Up With Reople' person

Globe-trotter:

of Clarkston

is joining the

With People in July. She'll spend the

traveling the

world, performing in

the group's

stage show and doing

community

service pro-

BY LAWRENCE R. MCKER

STAFF PHOTO

jects.

leave for a six-week orientation in Broomfield, Colo., on July 18.

So far, she's contacted local service groups like the Lions, Masons, Knights of Columbus

and American Association of

University Women, and though a

She has, however, arranged a

avenue Stire's pursuing is lining

up businesses, groups or individ-

cast of Up

mext year

Jennifer Stire

about it, it just clicked instantly. It was tailor-made for me. Although joining Up With People means taking a year off from school, Stire isn't worried. The world will be her classroom instead

"I think it's wonderful to take a year or two off in the middle of college to figure out what it is you really want to do," she said. "I'm hoping that after I see the "I'm hoping that after I see the world, and I work with all this diversity, I'm going to come back a totally different person, and hopefully I'll know exactly what I

much better person." Before her Up With People adventure can begin, however,

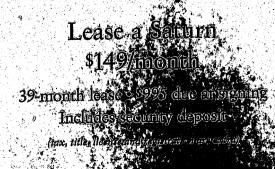
couple have responded to her request for assistance, "I haven't got anything nailed down yet," the said. May 15 golf outing that will ben-efit her and fellow Up With Peo-ple-bound student Zack Smith of Bloomfield, Another fund-raising



want to do.

## You know that new car you've been saving for? You probably saved too much.

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## Dietary supplement key to good health

Wonder drug: Dr. Kathryn J. Wimbish has been taking Microhydrin since February, and unabashedly says it's wonderful so wonderful she's thinking about running another marathon. something

done since

1986.



#### BY PAT MURPHY STAFF WRITER pmurphy@oe.h ecomm.net

The quest for good health and youthful vigor is nothing

new Any product with properties remotely akin to the fountain of youth will undoubtedly get close attention — particularly in a society where dietary supple-ments constitute a \$13-billion business

Into this atmosphere comes a Birmingham doctor who thinks a relatively new product she's been using for almost two months may be the ultimate super nutrient — so good, some people brush their teeth with it.

"I don't make any claims," said Dr. Kathryn J. Wimbish, the retired chief of the Breast Imaging Division of William Beaumont Hospital. "But it's worked for me, and it has promise

Wimbish has been taking Microhydrin since February, and unabashedly says it's wonderful - so wonderful she's thinking about running another marathon, something she hasn't done since 1986.

There have been no exhaustive studies to support her con-tention, admits Wimbish, who is on the board of trustees of the Karmanos Cancer Institute. But the U.S. Food and Drug Administration doesn't normally test over-the-counter supplements

"I don't need the FDA to study it to death," said Wimbish, who has a medical degree from the Medical College of Georgia and who did postgraduate training in diagnostic radiology at the University of Michigan

She's taking the supplement — and recommending it to others — on the basis of her

research and experience. "I don't have any financial interest," Wimbish said. "It's worked for me, and I recommend it to others because it might work for them."

The first time she used the supplement, on the recommen-dation of health conscious friends, Wimbish said she experienced an almost immediate hurst of energy. "I took it before a workout," the retired physi-cian said. "The results were amazing. I felt stronger, and I had more stamina."

The makers of the supplement, Royal BodyCare, Inc., of Dallas, claim the effectiveness of Microhydrin is possible because of the work on antioxi-dants done by noted researchers Patrick and Gael Flanagan.

The company claims Microhy-drin is the "most powerful antioxidant" available to neutralize the free radicals linked to degenerative diseases like cancer, heart disease, and Alzheimer's and is also effective against free radicals believed to

accelerate the aging process.

Microhydrin is more effective than other common antioxi-dants such as Vitamin C. Betac-arotene, Selenium or OPDsfrom grape seed or pine bark, the company claims.

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As a physician, Wimbish said she knows there are not miracle drugs or supplements that can cure disease or restore youth. But used in conjunction with a healthy diet and regular exercise, Microhydrin has great

promise, she said. "But I recommend it to my former patients," Wimbish said, "and I use it myself. It gives me a charge."

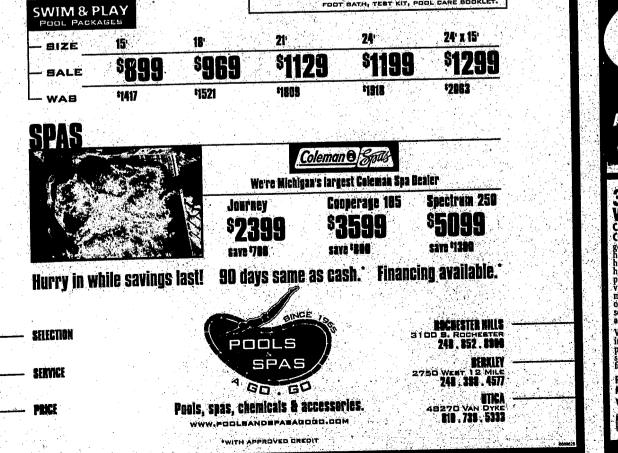
And a charge is something Wimbish, 50, appreciates. "I retired from Beaumont because I had accomplished everything in medicine I set out to do. But I retain my physician's license, and I am still very much involved in the community."

Wimbish, who recently took up in-line skating, says she enjoys the prospect of new challenges. "I thoroughly enjoy life, and I don't intend to grow old." any faster than I have to."





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ROUND DEPTH

## The Eccentric

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## **Other gems** can be a girl's best friend



Dear Jewelry Lady, How can you tell if a colored gemstone is treated? Are treated gemstones less valuable than untreated ones? Natural Beauty

Dear Natural. DENISE ple. You can't That's RODGERS, why we have trusted

jewelers. It takes years of training and experience to obtain the know-how to detect gemstone treatments, not to mention a stylish and suitable microscope and gem-test-

ing lab. Most of the colored gemstones and many diamonds — on the market today have been heated, irradiated, oiled, bleached, painted, or laserdrilled to remove internal imperfec-tions. Some treatments, such as oiling, have a temporary effect. Others, such as laser-drilling, make a permanent change. Honest, ethical jewelers will disclose all genstone enhancements when you make a purchase. It is safe to assume that any popularly priced, colored genetone has been treated to

enhance its beauty. And as far as value goes, my answer is simpler yet. No one would bother treating gems, if the process didn't enhance value: A natural gem that needs no treatment is more valuable than a treated gem of like quality. However, an enhanced gem is more valuable than an untreated counterpart that is flawed, lifeless or unat-tractive in color.

Dear Jewelry Lady, My fiance wants to know if he has to buy me an engagement diamond or, for that matter, any engagement ring? Money is pretty tight and our wedding is costing us a fortunel Frugal Fiancé

Dear Frugal, There is no rule etched in stone about engagement rings of, for that matter, even wedding bands. The Wedding Police have other more serious criminals to chase, if you catch the Jewelry Lady's drift. That said, an engagement token is awfully nice, even without a diamond, say, for example, Princess Diana's ill-fated, sapphire engagement ring from

Prince Charles. Depending on your birth month hopefully it isn't April (diamond is the month's birthstone) - an engagement ring set with your birthstone would be a beautiful, sentimental and inexpen-

sive choice. But, if you both decide that an engagement without the engagement ring suits you, that's just fine, and the Jewelry Lady will very politely and kindly nod in approval of your apparent selfless frugality.

Dear Jewelry Lady, How many bracelets can be worn at



Linen and style: From Fibres' spring collection of better casual sportswear, linen pants and jacket coupled with a T-shirt. Fibres opens in Birmingham in April.

## New Birmingham clothier features natural fabrics

BY NICOLE STAFFORD SPECIAL EDITOR

Poly-fiber fleece, micro-suede, triacetate choice is good, but so is the comfort and peace of mind that accompanies a cozy, all-cotton sweater or roomy pair of linen pants. Hoping to capitalize on the bliss that comes from slipping on all-natural fabrics is Fibres, a

small women's clothing retailer that specializes in apparel made of natural fibers:

and one in Chicago; plans to open a store in

downtown Birmingham in April. "We went through that Mother Earth. granola, all-natural, crunchy look," said Deborah Stanzak, who works with Fibres and presented the retailer's spring collec-tion at the 11th Annual Christ Child Society Benefit fashion show in March in Madison Heights

"But, it didn't work and a lot of people don't like the feel of synthetics," said Stanzak.

'Fibres seeks to fill that niche – offering apparel that is both made from natural fibers, such as cotton, silk and linen, and looks sophisticated, stylish and contempo-

The approximately 900-square-foot store. will sit between Jacobson's and the Mer-chant of Vine, at 270 West Maple, and open its doors with a summer collection of



Comfort clothes: Fibres co-owner Theresa Lloyd, Based in Cleveland, (left), and Debbie Stanzak, store support managthe retailer, which has er, look over a sweater from Fibres' spring collec-three locations in Ohio' tion of better sportswear.

apparel

About 75 percent of Fibres' clothing will be consist of natural fibers or natural blends, and the store will stock sizes two through 14. Designers that will be carried by the store include Joan Vaas, Eileen Fisher, Anibarrie, Mack and Kiko.

Operated by Toledo residents Theresa and Thomas Lloyd, the Birmingham store will offer some business and dress suiting. but devote most of its space to better casu-al sportswear and basic apparel pieces, like cotton sweaters and T-shirts in essential colors.

"I don't see that niche being addressed in Birmingham – the better casual look," said Theresa Lloyd, adding that she hoped the store would serve as a resource for women's basic wardrobe items. "I think of sweaters, lots of sweaters, just nice, cozy sweaters.

## Gentleman, lather up Old fashioned shave is new wave

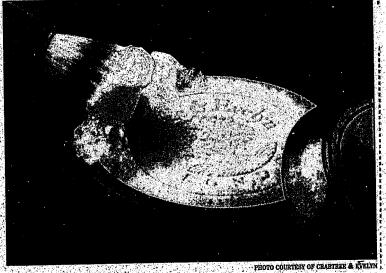
## BY NICOLE STAFFORD SPECIAL EDITOR nstafford@oe.homecomm.net

Bath and body stores like Crabtree & Evelyn and The Body Shop do sell all that smelly stuff that make women 'ooh" and "ahh,"

Their in-store displays smell liké overly ambitious flower, arrangements and bear the unmistakable mark of a

#### store currently has a waiting list for. the item. Available in a variety of types and styles with some accompanied by full shaving kits, Crabtree & Evelyn's

brushes run \$40-\$150. The retailer also offers several lines of scented shaving products. The "San-dalwood" collection – which includes shaving cream in a tube; bath and snaving cream in a tube, bath and shower gel, shaving cream in a pot, shaving scap in a bowl, triple-milled scap and spray cologne — is the compa-ny's most popular men's line. The Body Shop, which has locations in The Somerset Collection and Twelve. Oaks Mall in Novi, carries similar products, including a wooden shaving



## once? My sister told me that look like a gypsy. Flamboyant Sister

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Dear Flamboyant, What is your sister's problem with gypsies, who, after all, make their own fashion statement by virtue of those. colorful scarves and lovely drop earrings? Sisters often don't share a simi-lar taste in jewelry. The Jewelry Lady's sister, for example, likes to wear rings the size of Constantinople, while the Jewelry Lady prefers a more subdued – and in her opinion – infi-nitely more tasteful look. If your sister is the only person

making snide comments, the Jewelry Lady would advise continuing with your current bracelet selection. If other individuals, such as sales clerks or co-workers, are snickering behind your back, then consider wearing a few less. Another option - purchase Some colorful scarves, a pair of long, dangling earrings and a sturdy crystal ball. Then tell your sister about her future.

By the way, have you noticed that male models have been donning strands of black Tahitian cultured pearls in recent fashion magazines? The look is particularly appealing when accompanied by washboard abs. Don't laugh, it wasn't too long ago that many men could be found wear-ing both a business suit and an earming or two. If your significant other is aliceal fashion mover and shaker, pass along the information, or, better yet, make a gift purchase. This is a look that might become an everyday one.

woman's touch. But, take a closer look, and

sniff. These retailers are peddling products, for men.

Especially popular of late are oldfashioned shaving accessories - boar's hair brushes and mugs of shaving soap that you probably remember your.

grandfather using. "It's something that's coming back from before," said Tynille Walsh, assistant manager at Crabtree & Evelyn at The Somerset Collection in Troy,

"And, I can tell you why ... people come in and tell me everyday ... it's a better shave," Walsh added. "It's a moister shave. You're not left with stubble. It's just a real good, clean shave."

Believe or not, Crabtree & Evelyn's shaving brushes are so popular, the

brush with all-natural bristles that sells for \$2.50.

Also noteworthy are The Body Shop's "Of a Man" doe, vera and shea butter aftershave gel, \$15, and coconut oil and glycerin shaving cream, \$6. Of course, the soap is useless without the brush, an instrument that will improve any shaving regimen by its ability to boost lather and move soap closer to the root of facial hair.

The best shaving brushes have boar or badger hair bristles, said Paul Bauby, owner of the Shaver Shop, which has been repairing razors and selling shaving products for 30 years in downtown Pontiac.

The Shaver Shop even continues to carry straight razors - which men in. their 30s and 40s have been purchasing for novelty's sake of late, said Bauby But; the store's shaving soap

Soap and brush: Crabtree & Evelyn's shaving soap in a wooden bowl for men, \$15, has gained popularity recently, but the bath and body store's shaving brushes, which range in price from \$40 to \$150, have always sold well.

taken off, he said.

Unlike the large bath and body chains, the Shaver Shop carries Bay Rum shaving soap, a tried-and-true brand that comes in a variety of scents, including almond, lime and amber.

and natural bristle brushes have really. Bauby sells it in three and three-quarter-ounce tubes for \$3 to \$4. His shav-ing brushes are a bit more pricey and sell for between \$11 and \$45.

"It's gotta be a novelty," joked Bauby of the trend. "But it could be a closer shave.

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Main-streets, 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. THURSDAY, APRIL 8

## MODE MAGAZINE SHOW

Saks Fifth Avenue, Somerset Collection in Troy, and Mode Magazine Fashion and Style Director Michele. Weston view spring fashion for sizes 14-24, 11:30 a.m. reception and 12:30 p.m. fashion presentation, Salon Z, third floor. For reservations, call (248)/614-3323.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

#### FANTASIA JEWELRY

Neiman Marcus, Somerset Collection in Troy, presents a Fantasia trufik show; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. through



#### CHEROKEE SINGS

Hudson's, Northland Center in Southfield, presents singer and songwriter Cherokee in connection with Polo Jeans, 2 and 4 p.m., Main Floor, mall entrance,

## FAMOUS SLEEPWEAR

Karen Neuburger will make a personal appearance

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with her collection of sleepwear and bedding at Jacobson's, Laurel Park Place in Livonia, noon-4 p.m., Intimate Apparel Department. Neuburger's sleepwear has been shown on television shows Ally McBeal, The Oprah Winfrey Show and Dharma & Greg.

### DISCO AT THE MALL

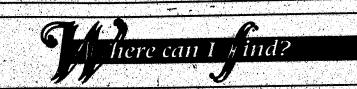
Wonderland Mall in Livonia presents Disco Inferno Night, a family music and dancing event, 5-9 p.m., Food Court.

#### ART OF TILE

Jacobson's, Laurel Park Place in Livonia, hosts an appearance by tile artist and art therapist Sandra Magsamen, who will present her collection of tiles, plates and other decorative accessories, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Store For the Home, Magsamen will appears at the same time on April 11 at Jacobson's in Rochester Hills. 

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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

Fravels (or basement), please call Where Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message. You

should see your input in a few weeks. Due to

the overwhelming response to this column, we only publish the requested item two or three

times. If you have not seen a response or heard from us, we were unable to locate the item. Thank You.

Woodhue cologne was not found in any stores, but a few people had some that they

For Michael, an old style English (red)

phone booth can be found at Saffron's Bil-

liards, 23622 Woodward, Pleasant Ridge,

542-8429, and through the Toscano Designs catalog, (800) 525-0733.

Alysss Ashley Musk Oll can be found at Meijer stores or F & M and on the internet at perfumeweb.com.

We also found: Alma the Trivial Pursuit Silver Screen edition and a darning egg. Kopecky's in Detroit, (313) 891-9034, will

Top fitted sheets can be found in the

Land's End catalog. Non-diastatic powder for making bagels is available in the Baker's catalog (item #3995, one pound for \$4.25), (800) 827-6836.

Judith is looking for Indian Earth Blush

Anne wants a 1953 Dearborn Fordson

Georgette is looking for a G.E. mist condi-

tioner or dry electric hair setter

Jennifer wants a three-volt Rayovac lithium battery (#BR2335).

Patricia wants Almay lipstick in

Barbara is looking for four-inch pair "Boy

Gloria wants the original Jungle Garde-

nia perfume and a Mary Harthing doll (in

a majorette outfit) by Mattel or Revion from

Root Company in Tempest scent terra-cotta color and Paragon's china "White Cliffs of

Kristy wants votive candles from the AI

and Girl Kissing Angels" white china

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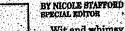
flavor hard candies.

School yearbook

cigarette butt bucket.

lipstick in "Festive Red #06."

## Wit defines decor pieces



Wit and whimsy are ready to come home, literally. World renowned architect Michael Graves, who is known for the humor he brings to his designs, has hatched a line of

clever and contemporary home decor products for Tar-

Not only are the some 200 pieces witty and downright artistic -Graves takes cues from classicism and modernism they're also reasonably priced. One piece, an alder wood picture frame that rests on

a tripod of what appears to be rocks, Egg and toast: A bright was inspired by an blue egg-shaped handle ancient Pompeian embellishes Michael artifact and sells for Graves two-slice, wide-slot

Graves' stainless toaster, \$39,99 at Target. steel tea kettle with a bright red spout in the shape of a coach's whistle has

stores in January, include gardening accessories, kitchen tools, outdoor furniture, picture frames, clocks and other home decor items with prices from \$3,99 to \$479.95.

## **RETAIL DETAILS**

artist William Abrens as part of the search. After each makeover, interested candidates will be photographed for the contest selection. The winner will travel to New York for the national promotion's photo shoot.

stores at: Oakland Mall in Troy, (248) 597-2341, The Somerset Collection in Troy, (248) 816-4125 Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi, (248) 344-6888 and Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights, (810) 566-2746

ROMA SPOSA CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY In celebration of its first anniversary, Roma Sposa,

an aluminum base and is priced at \$34.99. Other pieces in the collection, which debuted at Target

Birmingham retailer, at 722 N. Old Woodward that specializes in custom and handmade European bridal fashions is offering a 50 percent discount on selected sample gowns, head pieces and veils through the month of April.

## CAR TOUR "Car and Driver" magazine's 10 Best Tour Across America is visiting the Somerset Collection in Troy starting April 9 and ending April 18. The exhibit is

part of a 20-city four across the country The 10 Best award, initiated in 1983, is given to 10 car models based on value for the price, suitability for intended purpose and targeted customer satisfac-

The exhibit will include interactive displays with detailed information from manufacturers, "Car and Driver's" model test results and product specialists who will talk about each vehicle.

The BMW 3281, Dodge Intrepid, Chrysler 300M, Honda Accord and Chevrolet Corvette are five of the 10 featured vehicles.



Sound and sight: Available at Target stores, Michael Graves stainless steel tea kettle, \$34.99, not only produces a whistling sound but has a red coach whistle for a spout.

Denise is looking for Naturessence European elastin firming facial by Avanza. Carol from Westland is looking for TV plastic trays

Marian is looking for MAROC cologne by Ultima.

Zelda wants a 1951 Central High School

Florence is looking for a store in the Birm-

ingham area that carries six-ounce bars of

Dove dark chocolate. Joan wants a 1954 Mackenzie High

Tim needs a left-handed violin. Trish is looking for a wrought iron

Florence needs glass lids for her Guardian cookware.

Joan is still looking for the Johnny Pfeif-fer mascot for the Pfeiffer Brewing

Dearborn yearbook Angela is looking for Yardley's April Vio-

let soap, lotion, and accessories. Joan wants Estee Lauder feather-proof

Alma is looking for two items; an Interna-

tional Sterling pattern "Royal Danish" corkscrew and Neutrogena Solid Unique Shampoo that looks like a bar of seap.

Margaret is looking for square, breaded fish for making sandwiches. It looks like McDonald's, not Mrs. Paul's, fish:

Laurie is looking a large triangle hair

net that ties and wraps around brush rollers. Judy wants "Flatter;" a hardcover chil-

dren's book published by Parents Magazine

Jane is looking for a 1995-96 St. Bell of

Jeanette wants Bongo button fly jeans. Diane is looking for a plastic egg toy that contained characters from the Flintstones. Bob is looking for Trading Times issued before September 1998.

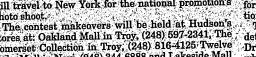
Margaret wants Lancaster perfume by Lancaster of Monaco in France. Mary is looking for a Clairol Slender

Twirl brush/curling iron. April is looking for the 1989 Plymouth, Canton & Salem yearbook.

Another reader is looking for a 1960 Wayne Memorial High yearbook. Pat is looking for Heywood-Wakefield early American/Colonial Hard Rock maple furniture.

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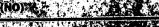
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Setion growt Jim Rogers and Xuan Liu. The densely worded report comes to few conclusions and lacks to few conclusions and lacks the expressions of horror at "urban spraw!" and loss of open space that have marked the seven-county agency's reports over the last decade "The expansion of developed land will continue in the future" is the closest thing to a

future" is the closest thing to a strong statement in the March 1999 report:

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square miles by dividing acres to 59 square miles by 2020. by 640;

give details on the loss of farm-land. It lumps "Cultivated. Land/Brushland/Grassland" into a single category, obscur-ing whether it's wheat or weeds that, are being devel-

1999 report. Some findings that emerge Detroit, the more lend is eaten. ■ Development will continue up by an individual housing at 1 percent more land per unit. In 1995, Hivingston continue to be had At 1 percent more find per year, twice as fast as populas tion growth 0.5 percent per year, between 1995 and 2020. That's a slower development rate than in 1965:95 when development of land increased

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2020. Bopulation growth led to development of 114 square milestrom 1965-1995; popula-tion growth will move to first place, leading to 161 square miles of development by 2020. Offices, commercial and

aores. For sage of reader industrial development has understanding, this newspaper consumed 116 square miles has converted the numbers to sfrom 1965-95; this will decline As of 1995, some 33 percent SEMCOG's report doesn't of the region's 4,607 square miles were developed. By 2020, development will be using 41

percent of the total. Total pop-ulation is 4.8 million. SEMCOG used grants from

the U.S. Department of Transportation and Michigan Department of Transportation along with local member contributions, Staff'studied 1995 aerial photos to monitor development.

The agency's web, site is www.semcog.org



HAVEN helpers: Heart of HAVEN award recipients for 1999 are (from left) Mary Vincenti, Mary Harrison, Debra Glendening Karmanos, Hedy Nuriel and Judge Edward Sosnick. They received their awards recently during an organizational meeting at the Somerset Inn in Troy.

## For HAVEN's sake Five honored for support of Oakland anti-abuse center

More than 275 supporters joined HAVEN -Oakland County's center for the treatment and prevention of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse — in "celebrating the exceptional among us," at the agency's recent annual meeting

at Troy's Somerset Inn. The event featured "The Heart of HAVEN" award recognizing outstanding leadership in fur-

People who know me know that I only support organizations I believe in and trust. HAVEN meets both those criteria.

> Debra Glendéning-Karmanos award recipient

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The event, also recognized another successful year for the center's work with survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse and their family members. Recognized by Crain's as the best managed non-

profit in 1998, HAVEN provided comprehensive intervention services to 14,000 individuals and families last year.

A sexual assault survivor shared with the annual meeting audience her own story and thanked HAVEN for the difference the agency made in her life.

## OU to honor 7 state nurses

information. The 1999 recipients are Sue

Mihalko of White Lake, adminis-tration award, William Beaumont Hospital; Michelle Glowala of Windsor, Ontario, Canada,

Oakland University on Thurs-day, May 6, will honor seven hurses who embody the spirit of Florence Nightingale, the Briton who in the mid-1800s made unursing a profession. Baroness Carpling Classics Florence Nightingale, the Briton Marie, home care, Chippeiwa Courty Health Department, the mid 1800s made Courty Health Department, Courty Health Departwith Health Health Health Health Department, Courty Health De

and a statue of Nightingale. Caroline Cox, Baroness of Queensbury, is a world renowned human rights activist and nurse, the deputy speaker at the United Kingdom's House of Larde miss preview. Lords, vice president, Royal College of Nursing, and chancellor?! ates,

pursued, by secret police in Poland and Russia. Her honors include affirmation

by Queen Elizabeth II; Poland's highest medal given to foreigners, and two honorary doctor-





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## FOCUS ON WINE

## RAY & ELEANOR HEALD Joseph Phelps Vineyards stars at WineFest

ving been in the wine business for over 25 years qualifies Joseph Phelps Vineyards owner Phelps as a member of the Senior Class of Napa Valley vintners. His wines are superstars at the head of

But Phelps isn't looking back nor resting on his laurels. He continues to enhance his vineyards and lock up premium grape sources for 21st cen-tury wines. He doesn't try to do it all. Company president and CEO Tom Shelton has ramped up the winery's image at home and abroad. Veteran winemaker Craig Williams has been with Joseph Phelps Vinevards since 1976 and in charge of red winemaking since 1980. Red wines at Phelps include the winery's flagship Insignia, No single Napa Valley wine is more apocryphal than Phelps Insignia. With release of the 1974 Insignia in. the spring of 1978, Joseph Phelps . Vineyards became the first California winery to produce and blend the traditional Bordeaux grape varieties of cabernet sauvignon, merlot and cabernet franc under a proprietary label. Considered innovative at the time (it was not until 1984 that another such blend, Opus One; was released), Insignia continues to represent the highest expression of wine-making available to Joseph Phelps in a given vintage/Today, a number of wineries fashion Bordeaux-style

blends under the term Meritage. Phelps is not only about Insignia. From superbly crafted varietal bot / tlings, to a Rhone-wine program, the Pastiche concept and on to luscious dessert wines, all Joseph Phelps Vine yard wines are stars. Phelps Chardonnay originates from its cool-climate vineyards in Carneros and Yountville resulting in wine with crisp forward flavors of pear, citrus and tropical fruit balanced by hints of

vanilla toașty oak. Estate-grown Sauvignon Blanc stems from Phelps Spring Valley Vineyards outside St. Helena, Mineral and grass-like aromas are complemented by melon/grapefruit flavors with a lively finish.

The majority of Phelps Cabernet Sauvignon comes from its Stags Leap District vineyard and is noted for its complex, spicy aromas and red fruit flavors culminating in a long, smooth finish.

### **Rhone Ranger**

Joseph Phelps became the first Rhone Ranger in 1974 with the inaugural California commercial release of true French syrah. In 1989, Phelps introduced a separate brand called Vin du Mistral which now includes

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Switzerland with a group of nary students from Schoolcraft

College. Schaeli loves what he does: Hisa Schaelt loves what he does this cooking philosophy is simple — "cook with care," show passion, show love" You have to love what you're doing. It comes from with in," he said. "Being a chef is a very "factor of the said." Being a chef is a very rewarding profession, but it strenuous, and there's a lot of hard work and hard labor. You have to be in excellent health, You're on your feet all day long and it's stressful. You climb walls for two hours while the orders come in like an avalanche at lunch and dinner. You have to prepare so you can deliver."

Customers asked for him by a name at the restaurants he worked at, and followed him when . he left one to go to another. Thercustomennicking He the bills - said Schaeli - You

## ofe velimit of hereined. Metro Detroit has been Schaely home since 1968 when he left an executive chef position at a luxury motor inn in Rochester, N.Y. to be manager and executive chef de

cuisine at Jim's Garage in Detroit. "I was working seven days a and this job was five," said. week Schaeli explaining why he made the move. But pretty soon he was working seven days a week doing? parties after his 40-hour shift. He didn't mind, as long as his staff was taken care of and got paid overtime. They did, and he never had trouble finding people to work for him.

Schaeli left Jim's Garage in 1973 to work at the Drawbrige Restaurant in Northville. In 1975 he started work at Machus Red Fox in Bloomfield Hills, and served as corporate executive chef for Harris O. Machus Enterprises Inc. until 1992. He was responsible for 10 restaurants, 650 employees, and three pastry retail

shops. "I opened 11 restaurants and "Nont 10 years out



Certified Master Chef Leopold K. Schaell

oassionate about food. It goes back to his childhood in Switzerland. The youngest of seven children, his father ran a dairy and made cheese. Schaeli was in first grade when his mother passed away. "I grew up with my brothers and

sisters, we managed ourselves," he said. "In my spare time I would go to the restaurant in town. It was fascinating to watch the pastry

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e job, seriously polite with your coibecause your co-will;respect you for it. réspect, you have give it to get it back.

Teach and train constantly. Don't teach your staff short-selves when things get busy.
Teach your staff the right way
to do things.

Get involved in professional organizations. Know what's going on in the food industry.

Do it right the first time.

🖬 You'll-make mistakes. The customer has to be compen sated if you want to keep them.

Always be on time.

🔳 Always be clean. Never have dirty shoes, uniform or nails.

A clean image makes it more appealing for customers. Keep your work station clean.

Above alla follow sanitary pro-

recompressions in the and colo foods cold, if you don't you'll get into hot water with food spoilage

First in first out. Do inventory.

🖬 Control food costs. Do the buying, or find out what things cost.

Control labor costs.

🖬 Hire a good staff. If you don't.

 have a good staff you'll be swimming upstream on your own. You need a good staff.

Learn how to write menus and how to translate them. French is kitchen language, know what the terms mean.

Educate staff so they can translate the menu and tell customers what it means,

Be proud of what you serve.

Learn the language of the place where you're working. If you're working in the Southwest it would help to know Spanish.

proprietary blend Le Mistral (a wine

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### Wine Picks

I Picks of the Pack: 1996 Stags' Leap Merlot, Napa Valley \$29. Merlot does Menot, kepa valipy \$29, Menot boosh n't get better than this! Delicious now, yet very ageable. 1997 St. Supery Mer-itage White \$21 gives enhanced mean-ing to the meritage category.

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week: ■ 2 Unique Main Dish Miracle

everything you've got, because you want it to be a success There's a reason Schaeli is so can eat all you want if you wash.

course we never had desserts at apprenticeship there, held man-home. One day he told me, you

of your life," he said. "You give it chef through the window. Of Switzerland, and after serving his

the pots and pans.' I went every

day after school, and he used to

Eating is one of the things

"You never go hungry," he said. If you are, it's your fault."

Over the years he's gotten really fussy about food — it's his pride

He studied culinary arts in

give me stuff I could take home.'

Schaeli likes about being a chef.

use the Internet and comput-

Please see KING, B2

## It's time to spill the beans about soy products

and joy.

April is National Soy Month. Since soybeans are Michigan's number one LIVING BETTER SENSIBLY crop, we have good reason to celebratel

Soy products are increasing in popularity. They are good for you, eco-nomical, and available at your neighborhood grocery store.

Soy products can form the foundation of a nutritious diet. Soy protein, the actual protein found in soy products, can help lower cholesterol,

improve diabetic control, relieve symptoms of menopause, prevent osteoporosis and help fight cancer.

There are many different soy products including soybeans, textured vegetable protein, soymilk and soy yogurt, tofu, tempeh, miso, and tamari,

BEVERLY

PRICE

Let's look at the different types of soy products and how you can use them:

🗰 Tofu — often referred to by its Chinese name, "bean curd," takes on the flavor and character of foods it is prepared with. Extremely versatile, tofu can be used in stir-fries, soups, sandwiches, salad dressings, dips or desserts.

Regular tofu is sold immersed in water in a plastic

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tub; silken tofu is available in vacuum packages that can be stored on your kitchen shelf without refrigeration until opened.

Silken tofu, such as the Mori-Nu brand comes in soft, firm and extra-firm consistencies.

Soft tofu is best used for dips, dressings, and sauces. Firm tofu is better for desserts and tofu salad. For stir-fries, cutlets, and kabobs, extra-firm tofu is the best choice.

Tempeh — is a fermented soyfood with a meaty texture. This staple of Indonesia is made from either whole soybeans or a soybean and grain combination.

APRIL: National Soy Month 

The soybeans are mixed with cultured mushroom spores and are bound together by the growing mush-room fibers. The result is a thin cake with a fresh. yeasty aroma that is firm enough to slice or grate. Marinate or season tempeh and add it to stir-fries and salads or use as a sandwich filling.

E Textured vegetable protein --- is a quick-cooking.soy food made from defatted soy flour. It is available in the form of granules or chunks. The granules can be used much like ground beef in recipes, while the chunks can be used for stews, strogenoff, soups or kabobs. Meat analogs - there are many convenience foods made from spy such as vegetarian burgers, hot dogs, chicken, sausage, bacon and other lunch meats. These are available frozen, canned, or in easy-tomake mixes. Morningstar Farms has an extensive line of frozen products.

Soymlik — can be used instead of cow's milk as a beverage or in cooking. It is available plain or flaored.

Many brands are fortified with calcium and vitamin B12. Soymilk is delicious on cereal or ns a base for smoothies. It also works great in cooking when preparing "cream" sauces.

■ Miso — is salty, fermented paste made from cooked, aged soybeans. Traditionally it is used as a soup base, and added at the end of cooking. Miso ranges in color from a rich, dark, brown, with an almost "beefy" flavor, to light and creamy, with a tanginess that resembles blue cheese.

■ Temen — the highly processed soy sauce that most of us are used to can't hold a candle to richly flavored tamari. Tamari also holds its flavor better during cooking than commercial soy sauce. Add tamari near the end of cooking, as long periods of heat will reduce

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# Enhance your meal plan with soy products

arelated Living Better Set ibly Story on Taste front, The Michigan International's 1/24/24 and 50000 (Root and 1000) and 1000 1. T. J. I. Par T. P. Land Elle. u/24 1/2N.Ecroconvinym) 20/2R.coroconcesticatiod -2.foopear(cor(coal), 1.foopear(cor(coal), day, May 2 at the Novi Expo Center. Stop by the Living Bet Jer Sensibly/Pharmalogics booth and register to win a gift.

Don't miss Chef Annabel Cohen's cooking demonstration: Spotlight on Soy" 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 29 and Beverly Price's seminars on "Natural Treatment Options for Menopause" 5:30 p.m. Friday, 3 April 30 and 6:30 p.m. Saturday May 1 at the show. Sample yummy dessert shown here, and other great soy dishes. Call (248) 539-9424 for more information

### MARLA'S VEGETABLE LASAGNA

1 small onlon 2 cups zucchini, spinach and/or mushrooms 2 cups Morningstar Farms Harvest Burger Recipe Crumbles 12 ounce can tomato paste 28 ounce can, crushed toma

Soy from page B1

the intensity of the flavor. Tamari is generally made from fermenting soybeans or wheat. If you have a wheat allergy, look for brands of tamari that are wheat-free.

But what about the fat? The soybean is probably the fattiest bean around, especially if you are dealing with soy cheese and soybutter.

However, many soy products come in "light" versions. There is really no need to be "fat phobic

The fat found in soy products are largely omega-3 fatty acids. These are essential fatty acids which not only help cells func-tion optimally, but also help reduce your risk of heart disease

and fight depression. So, celebrate National Soy Month with great tasting foods that are healthful to boot!



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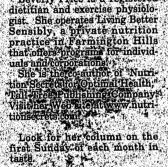
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Beverly Price is a registered dietitian and exercise physiolo



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When noodles are done, lay them flat on wax paper. Set in pan as follows: noodles, 1/3 tofiegg mixture, 1/3 mozzarella chéése, 1/3 ese, 1/3 sauce. Repeat 3 times but leave noodles off third time. Bake for 45 minutes at 375°F.

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## TEMPEH-MUSHROOM SAUCE 2 tablespoons sesame oll

- 8 ounces tempeh 2 1/2 cups vegetable stock 2 teaspoons tamari or soy
- sauce 4 teaspoons cornstarch or arrow root powder
- 1 large onion, finely sliced 4 cloves garlic, pressed or minced
- 1 pound fresh mushrooms, sliced

Freshiground black pepper to taste

1 teaspoon minced fresh thyme (1/2 teaspoon dried)

crafted in

Cotes du Rhone

dessert in a glass.

2 teaspoons minced fresh marjoram (1 tsp. dried) 3 tablespoons mellow barley

began in 1993 with the Pastiche

concept. Both the Pastiche White and Red emulate the

blending concepts of France's

## WineFest from page B1

the style of Wine and art auction Chateaunguf-du-Pape), Refine-(ment and evolution of Le Mistral

WineFest, an annual wine and art auction to support the pro-grams of the Ann Arbor Art Center, is honored to have Joseph Phelps Vineyards president and CEO Tom Shelton as this year's honorary chairman. WineFest and Auction will be held Saturday, April 24 at the Ypsilanti Marriott, Festivities start 5:30 p.m. with a sumptious strolling innergaccompanied by an array

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3 tablespoons finely chopped

Heat in skillet 1 tablespoon oil

over medium-high heat. Add tem-

peh; flip immediately to coat sec-

tamari or soy sauce. Cover tightly

and cook, turning once, until liquid

Cut tempeh into strips about 1/4

inch thick and 1 1/4 inches long;

In small bowl, combine corn-

starch or arrowroot, and 1 table-spoon cold stock. Set aside until

in skillet. Add onion; saute over

medium heat until onion is

trapslucent, about 5 minutes.

Heat remaining 1 tablespoon oil

Shir in garlic and mushrooms; online to saute until mushrooms rude mõisture. Add pepper, liyme and marjoram; saute rastly, Remove from heat;

Whisk miso with dissolved

thickener and several tablespoons

ond side with oil. Brown both

sides, Add 1/2 cup stock, and

is absorbed, about 5 minutes.

set aside.

dissolved.

of stock.

fresh parsley

Before leaving, attendees are, hosted to music, dancing and more a strolling through delectable dessert tables. Tick-

Aild remaining stock and tempeh strips to sauteed vegetables,

and bring to a simmer. Gradually add miso mixture, stirring constantly, until liquid thickens, Remove from heat and stir in 2 tablespoons parsley.

Serve immediately over whole wheat noodles or grains. Garnish with remaining parsley. Makes 4 generous servings,

Variation: Use dill and tarragon in place of thyme and marjoram.

CHOCOLATE RASPBERRY CAKE-

## LIVING

- Yield: 12-16 servings 1 package 2 layer size devil's
- food cake mix 2, 2-2 1/2 ounce packages
- Chocolate Mori-Nu Mates Low-fat Pudding Mix
- 2/3 cup cold soy milk 1/3 cup raspberry liqueur 1 (11 or 12 ounce) jar fudge
- topping or raspberry-fudge sauce Fresh raspberries

Chocolate curls

Grease and flour two 9 by 1 and 1/2-inch round baking pans; set aside.

Prepare, bake, and cool the cake mix in prepared pans according to package directions.

: (Prepare Mori-Nu Mates accord-ing to package directions, except use the 2/3000 cold milk and 1/3 cup raspberry liqueur instead of tofu.

Split each cake layer in half horizontally with a secrated knife, To assemble cake, place bottom of one split layer on a serving plate. Spread about 1/3 cup of the fudge topping over the bottom layer.

Spread about 1/2 cup of the pudding mixture over the fudge topping, Repeat layers two more time

Top with remaining cake layer. Frost top and sides with remaining pudding mixture. Decorate with fresh raspberries and chocolate curls. Store cake in refrigerator.

Recipe from Better Sensibly's Chef Anne Kohls.

(depending on desired table size) for this regularly sold-out blacktie optional event can be pur

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Beverage shopping at The Ambassador Duty Free Store on the Canadian plaza of the Ambassador Bridge could save you a lot of money. Here's a recent price comparison. Abso-lut Vodka \$22.95 Michigan. \$13.75 Canadian, which equals a \$9.55 savings in U.S. dollars. Each state in the U.S. sets their own liquor prices, that's why prices vary from state to state.

U.S. have a daily exemption of \$200 per person. Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Sunday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tane phone, mailbox 1864.

floating atop its dark coffee

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and accompany it with Belgian chocolates \$10.25. Rum will be

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agement positions in gourmet staurants around the world including Ireland and Turkey.

Throughout his career he's won numerous honors, and received his Master Chef Certifi-cation (the highest achievement attainable) from the American Culinary Federation in 1976.

In addition to teaching, he serves as the associate editor for "Cooking for Profit," Magazine, and writes a monthly column, "Ask the Master Chef."

He reads all the current food industry magazines, and is fascinated by computers and the Internet. A java script of food headlines he picked up from a Web site scrolls across the bottom of his computer.

"You have to know what's going on in the industry," he said. "If you don't, you're in the dark. How can you talk to students?"

enjoys. This is his last term at Schoolcraft College, he'll retire in May.

Teaching and training people is a never ending job," he said. "You think you have it, and you're done, then you start all over. There's new equipment, you have to know about trends."

As a nationally approved judge for culinary shows for the American Culinary Federation, Schaeli Teaching is a challenging job, "travels all over the country. He but it's something Schaeli also keeps busy consulting and

doing cooking demos "all over the place."

He and his wife, Margrit, make West Bloomfield, their home, and they enjoy exploring and discovering new things together.

"We travel a lot by car," he said: "I like surprises, it makes things interesting. I always love to go places I haven't been before

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Two easies Two ailent auctions run brough the evening and a spirit-citive auction at 7:45 p.m. caps hé excitement.

release in 1981, Phelp with its perfect balance of a and sugar, has been a favored

## Dessert wines are also made bessert which fire this made at Phelps. Most unusual is Eis-rebe that had its genesis in 1974 when a small portion of Phelps' Spring Valley acreage was bid ded to Scheurebe, alcreasing of sylvaner and riesling made in Germany in 1916. Since its first

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## BLACK BEAN SOUP

Yield 8 to 10 servings, 1 pound (2 cups) dry black beans 2 ounces tasso (spiced Calun

pork) or substitute 2 ounces smoked ham and 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper

4 nunces and oullie sausage diced, or substitute hot,

spicy smoked sausage 2 strips bacon

1/2 cup onlons, medium dice 1/3 cup carrots, medium dice 1/2 cup green peppers, medium dice

1/2 cup celery, medium dice 1 large Jalapeno pepper, seed-

ed, finely diced. 1 teaspoon garlic, minced 1/2 bay leaf 1/8 teaspoon thyme

flavor

lovers.

A ALALINY

10 cups chicken broth 4 cups water

1 teaspoon salt or to taste 1/2 cup port wine Salsa and sour cream for gar nish

Wash beans and remove any stones. Soak beans in water for at least one hour, preferably overnight,

Saute tasso, sausage and bacon in large pot until brown.

Add all vegetables and cook for 5 minutes.

Add garlic and continue cooking for 10 minutes.

Add herbs and cook for 5 more minutes.

Add beans, chicken broth and water. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer until beans are soft, approximately 1 hour. Add more chicken stock or water if needed. When beans are soft, remove soup from heat and skim grease.

Add port wine.

To serve divide hot soup into serving bowls and garnish with in fresh tomato salsa and sour cream.

## There's lots to know and like about garlic

Chef shares black bean soup recipe

AP - Botanists believe garlic vas among the first plants to be ultivated. Six heads of it were und in King Tut's tomb. Here are some fun facts about ganlic from "Garlic, Garlic, Gar-lic" by Linda and Fred Griffith (Houghton Mifflin 1998).

Eleanor Roosevelt ate three chocolate-covered garlic cloves each day in the belief it would keep het memory sharp. Garlio has the best flavor in the motore juncture duty and Autor when the have stellar

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In Gary, Ind., it's against the law to eat garlic before going to the movies.

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life. Hardneck garlic has a hard stem in the middle of the head. Minced into fine bits, garlic Hardnecks are more difficult to has a bright and lively flavor. grow but have a wider range of

If you smash the clove before They're the so-called designer garlies that have captured the you cut it or put it through a garlic press, the flavor will be fancy of chefs and other garlic more pungent, because crushing releases more of the sulfurous chemicals. c powder was first used during World War IIs It addo Ostations to make

Roasted garlic has a sweet, caramel taste. Cloves boiled for 20 minutes become soft and

mild,

To cure garlic breath; chew a coffee bean or drink some wine or whiskey.

To keep garlic from sticking to the knife, wet the knife before you begin to cut.

In Gary, Ind., it's against the law to eat garlic before going to the movies.

Will, Rogers 'once' said that Gilroy, Calif., the garlic-growing capital, is the only place in the world where you can marinate a steak just by hanging it on the clothesline.

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power of commitment to music education

n hour before rehearsal and Barb Verdugo is looking for an empty room to hold a meeting Varner Hall on the Oakland Uni-

versity campus. After several tries she finds an open door, and turns on the lights. As president of the Oakland Youth Orchestra, Verduge knows all too well the ways of a nonprofit, nomadic musical

group. It goes like this: Knock on a door. No answer, OK, next door. An unfavor able response? Keep moving. In the arts, perseverance is its own reward. And the orchestra can't be accused of staying still.

## The greatest gift

On the last Wednesday night in March — just like nearly every Wednesday evening — Verdugo of Bloomfield Hills and other parents behind the orchestra congregate in the Varner hallways where they discuss ways to sustain one of the area's finest examples of parental commit-ment to the arts.

"All the parents have found this opportunity for our children in differ-ent ways," said Verdugo.

The door to orchestra wasn't locked. On the contrary, the door swung wide open With high school members from 31. cities in the tri-counties and Lapeer County, the orchestra fills a void. caused by the lack of public funding



the melodic sounds from a 60-member strings orchestra and a 85member symphony orcheswww.oyoml.org The Oakland

Youth Orchestra has been around since 1975. This year, their three-concert season culminates in a May 5 performance of an ómposer James

## Regulars at the table For 20 years, a local writers' group has reserved Mondays for literature

BY FRANK PROVENZANO BY FURTHER STAFF WRITER Staff Warter Staff Warter

the analogy to the legendary Algonquin Round Table of writers and wits were properly extended, Mary Ann Verdi-Hus would be the Dorothy Parker of the local writers' group that has met every other Monday at her house since the days when Jimmy Carter sat in the Oval Office, and the Dow Jones

was barely one-tenth of what it is today. To carry on the analogy to that famously acerbic 1930s New York City group of writers, Verdi-Hus', fellow member, novelist Loren Estleman, seems well suited to reprise the role of playwright George S. Kaufman, And the loveable curmudgeon Thomas Sullivan, wearing his trademark navy cap, would fill-in nicely for the crusty former New York Times drama critic Alexander Woollcott.

The comparisons probably end there. After all, these are the late 1990s. Vaunted literary sensibilities have been supplanted by a culture shaped by a widespread attention deficit disorder. A writers group's influence can only extend so far.

Love of the written word

Don't expect the reincarnation of the Algonquin writers group when stepping into Verdi-Hus' expan-sive ranch-style home in Beverly Hills. You won't find a smoky room of restless wordsmiths. Indeed, smoking isn't even permitted at Verdi-Hus' immaculate home.

Whereas the writers who hung around the Algo-nquin Hotel spewed one-liners about "unenlightened" popular tastes, there's a striking lack of pre-tense at Verdi-Hus' suburban enclave of literary sensibilities. (Although one-liners and puns are indeed plentiful.)

"This is like the art scene in Paris during the 1920s without the lesbians and bullfights," deadpanned Estleman.

Obviously, the twice monthly meeting isn't conducted for fame, ego or to make proclamations about the state of American culture. It's not even to cri-

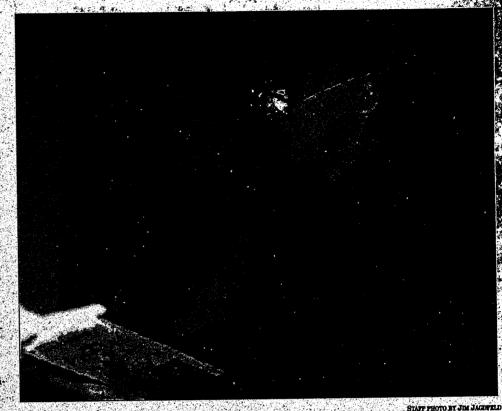
tique works-in-progress, Most of the work read is usually finished drafts. While there's an undisputed love of the written

word among the writers, there's also an explicit "social reason" for meeting.

"We all work basically alone," said Estleman. "This is our water cooler." in the second second

## Exchange ideas

For nearly two decades, the Verdi home has been the meeting locale for two groups of established and up-and-coming writers. A few years ago, however, the semi-professional writers' group meetings were



Well versed: Author Thomas Sullivan reads from his novel, "The Phases of Harry Moon," at the writers' group meeting.

disbanded. The meetings no longer fit into Verdi-Hus' busy schedule,

In addition to hosting a cable show on the arts that airs on Media One (Channel 11), Verdi-Hus also serves on the Beverly Hills zoning board of appeals. Since her father, Fred Verdi, started the group as a

way to exchange ideas and develop writers — includ-ing himself, a former engineer at Ford — the meet-ings have attracted some of the region's most accomplished writers.

For a while, novelists Elmore "Dutch" Leonard and William Kinzel were regulars. Among the most recognized authors attending current meetings are nov elists Estleman and Sullivan, poets Sarah Wolf and



Immelda Sullivan, and short story writers Jim O'Keefe and Frank Wydra.

Only Estleman of Whitmore Lake and Sullivan of Lathrup Village are the 9-to-5 writers in the group. Estleman, in his mid 40s, has written more than 40 novels.

One of his Amos Walker private-eye novels was named a notable book by The New York Times. Estle man has also received nominations for a Pulitzer Prize and an American Book Award.

### Talking to Hemingway

By half-past eight on Monday nights, the doorbell rings every several minutes with a monotonous pre-dictability. Verdi-Hus' husband, John Hus — an engineer and voracious reader of fiction — dutifully opens the door, then ushers visitors to a large room in the basement.

. There isn't the mustiness of old books, nor a darkpaneled study with leather reading chairs and a mahogany table. Actually, there's no table — round or otherwise.

The 19th-century drawing room has gone under-ground with a distinctively 1970s styled decor. A bar set in front of a wall of mirrors is the focal point. Estleman and Sullivan take positions on the stools. Around the room, each writer has settled into their regular spot.

Apparently, a comfortable routine is an essential part of the appeal. A reason, perhaps, that member-ship is by recruitment.

"At this point in our history (of meetings), it's about the friendship," said Verdi-Hus, who has had her poetry and short stories published. In the late 1970s, she also published a literary journal, "Concepts," which lasted for two issues. For Verdi-Hus, the mystery of the creative process

needs to be fed by curiosity – and compassion. Can you picture talking to Hemin

Hartway. But not a single note would be played if it weren't for parents coming together to write press releases, newsletters, and seek advertising and grants.

They come together for the expressed purpose of making music. But the parents of the orchestra have shown that the greatest gift to the children isn't necessarily music. It's their time.

### Myriad sounds

"Tonight is really special," said Verdugo

The long hours of practice by the student musicians, the endless behind-the scenes planning and the future of the orchestra is resoundingly clear in the cacophony emanating from the rehearsal room

The Oakland Youth Orchestra is rehearsing, "Car Trek," the original composition inspired by the natural bounds of auto manufacturing plants

by Hartway, a professor of music at Wayne State University. The piece — to be performed May 5 — has been commissioned by Daim-lerChrysler AGAs part of a \$20,000 two-year grant to the orchestra. If the young musicians are nervous about Hartway being in attendance, they don't show it. Then again, it's hard enough just to keep up with Hartway's complex composition that employs unconventional polychords and sudden changes of meter.

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Literary colony: Members of the Monday night writers group include Immelda Sulli-van, (left), Frank Wydra, John Hus, Mary Ann Verdi-Hus, Thomas Sullivan, Jim O'Keefe and Loren Estleman.

## BIAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAODFELD

writing, listening to him talk about why he wrote what he did," she said. "We all feel a part of each other's work."

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## EXHIBIT

## Baseball. . . just a game? Say it ain't so.

## BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER fprovenzano@oe.homecomm.net

Name the three greatest outfielders in the history of professional baseball in Detroit,

After Ty Cobb and Al Kaline, there'd

probably be a debate about which other Detroit Tigers player had the best bat, What: "Discove Greatness: An Illustrated His-tory of Negro strongest arm and greatest impact on the Leagues Baseball" When: Through gamé.

The discussion, however, shouldn't be lim-ited to talk about tal-

When: Through Sunday, May 18 Admission: \$5/adults: \$3/children (17 & under) Where: Charles H. Wright Muse-um of Africen American History, 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit, (313) 494-5800 ented Tigers. Norman "Turkey" Stearnes' Babe Ruthlike statistics certainly rate him among the best to play the game. The arm-flapping, home-run gobbling. Stearnes played with the Detroit Stars of the Negro baseball league in the 1920s and 1930s.

Unfortunately, because of the color of Stearnes' skin, not the potency of his bat nor fielding prowess, he has been relegated to the heap of baseball trivia. But the game of recognition for Stearnes and other black players has been pushed into extra innings due to the popular appeal of "Discover Greatness: An Illustrated History of Negro Leagues Baseball," a nationally touring exhibit currently at the Museum of African American History.

## **Before Jackie**

"Almost everyone can relate to base-ball," said David M. Egnen exhibitions coordinator at the museum, "The story of baseball is that it provided equal opportunity, the best players shine." That's certainly the story since Jack-

ie Robinson crossed the color line in 1947, when he became the first black player in the major leagues. Robinson,

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a perennial all-star, won rookie of the year, and two years later, was named the league's most valuable player.

But despite popular opinion, the con-tributions of black players in profes-sional baseball didn't begin with Robinson.

Before Robinson, Larry Doby, Hank Aaron, Ernie Banks, Willie Mays, Don Newcombe and Roy Campanella demonstrated the ludicrous notion of "separate but equal" on the diamond, there was a rich, entertaining history of prodigious feats, daffy nicknames and perseverance amid the ugly repression of racism.

In photos that document the rise and fall of the Negro Leagues, a bright light is cast on those who played in the shadows of the American pastime.

Many baseball devotees know of the legendary feats of Negro League players like Satchel Paige, Josh Gibson, Buck Leonard, Monte Irvin and Cool

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IOTO BY JIM JACOFELD Hallowed ground: A locker honoring Satchel Paige at the "Discover Greatness" exhibit is one of the 15 tributes to Negro League players who have been inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown.



## Cranbrook grad writes engaging baseball novel

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#### Battle Creek By Scott Lasser (William Morrow and Co., \$24)

SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 1999

Baseball season is just around the bend. What better way to welcome its return than to read Book-of-the-Month Club sports novel "Battle Creek" by former Cran-

brook and University of Michigan graduate Scott Lasser. It takes us back to baseball as it should be played; for the love of the game, without million-dollar contracts, artificial turf and pricey box seats. Work & Sons Class & Awstam

Koch & Sons Class A Amateur Baseball Club of Pontiac has made the finals four years in a row. A "dynasty" in its own right, it has spawned more bigleague players than any other amateur team. Yet each year, when the national championship is held in Battle Creek, the Michigan players lose. Coach Gil Davison swears it

Coach Gil Davison swears it won't happen again. This year he'll be hard. No more keeping "two-fifty hitters who play all positions adequately but none exceptionally," The normally soft-hearted coach is determined that his team will win, no matter

what the cost. And cost it does, although the price originally seems small. Gil Davison is encouraged to recruit Luke James, a rookie who spent five years in prison for a crime of passion. Cautious by nature, Davison is reluctant to meet the

young paroles, but "when Gil sees Luke James swing the bat he believes, believes in the game and a God who intends men to play it." Luke is a natural. With him on board, the team can't lose,

But there's another cost to winning - a financial one. Uniforms, travel expenses and equipment don't come cheap. And the team's sponsor isn't cohtributing much these days. So it's up to Gil to make up the difference from his modest income as a steel sales rep. Ironically, his aging Jewish immigrant father, who dislikes sports and made certain his son had a "proper" career, is inadvertently financing the team. With power of attorney, Gil can draw on his father's bank account, no questions usked. That's OK, provided the old man doesn't linger too loop.

The coach isn't the only one with a passion to win. There's also Ben Mercer, who "loves the game ... the dance of the infield practice and the pop of the ball in the catcher's mitt, the flicker of signals from the catcher with a man on second, and the lean of a ballplayer as he rounds third base."

In fact, Ben is even more enamored with the game than with Emily, an Ann Arbor history of art major whose front door sign, "Property is Theft," belies her willingness to spend the considerable commissions Ben earns as stockbroker. Once a player in the major leagues, Ben is the star pitcher for his team. But lately, his arm has been acting up. What will happen when ice packs and pain killers no longer

work? Does he have the guts to do whatever it takes to win, like throwing illegal spitters loaded with Vaseline?

Lasser's approach to story telling is like a summer breeze: soft and beguiling. We move easily from the conflict-ridden baseball diamond to the sterile order of a nursing home to a student ghetto described as "a magical place where bicycles hang from trees, refrigerators rest on porches... and paint chips float in the wind." Plot construction is seamless, as events seem to unfold naturally, effortlessly.

The same for Lasser's characters. They are sympathetic, and it's easy to identify with their goals and frustrations; the competitive spirit is, after all, universal. And like us, they are flawed. Rationalizing less thanacceptable behavior has become a way of life.

Literature that is judgmental or draws straight lines between cause and effect is not longer fashionable. Yet it's hard to read Lasser's first novel outside the context of a morality tale. "Battle Creek" shows us what the price of winning — at any cost can be. As the story suggests, all too often an innocent victim rather than the perpetrator pays the price.

"Battle Creek" will be available in local bookstores in May.

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## What if Castro had a curveball?

**Castro's Curveball** By Tim Wendel (Ballantine Books, \$23.95)

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER hgallagher@oe.homecomm.net

The game last weekend between the Cuban all-stars and the Baltimore Orioles b r o u g h t attention once again to one of baseball's most inter-

esting myths.

It is said by some that Fidel Castro was a gifted pitcher who was courted by the Washington Senators in the late 1940s while still a student in Havana, long before he received his doctorate at the University of Florida and long before he led a revolution against Fulgencio Batista.

As that old Cubaphile Ernest Hemingway might say, "Pretty to think so." Imagine if Fidel had

this is just a myth and there is no evidence that Castro was any kind of player at all, sports writer Tim Wendel has taken the myth and turned it into an entertaining, fast moving and colorful story. He combines a heady concoction of baseball,

romance and revolution. Former journeyman catcher. Billy Bryan returns to Cuba with his adult daughter, who wants him to come to terms with a long lost love and his peculiar relationship with the famous dictator.

The story is told by Billy, He tells how he first meets Castro when student rebels disrupt a Cuban winter league game in 1947. Castro shows off his pitching ability to the amazed Billy and the rest of the team. Castro is a young man with overwhelming charisma and arrogance.

But Billy is less interested in Castro than he is in a beautiful photographer-revolutionary, Malena, who is also attracted to him despite his political obtuseness.

Wendel's novel presents a g vivid picture of Havana in the late 1940s when it was Sin City S

and poor was vast and unbridgeable.

But Wendel Isn't a political writer and that isn't the appealer of his book. He's a sports writer and the sections on baseball games are informed, lively and often exciting:

His portrayal of Castro is even-handed. He shows a man of dedication, idealism and unwavering energy. But he also shows a man with an outsized and dangerous ego, with little concern for the safety of others and with a violent streak. Still, it's hard to miss the charm that made it possible for Castro to lead a revolution and maintain control over 40 years under the most trying circumstances.

The love story is a bit weak, though it provides motivation for a typically non-political ballplayer, one who is at that point in his mediocre career when his options are running out and even the minor leagues are questionable. For one brief moment Castro becomes his last ticket to the big show. But Castro has a bigger show to attend to,

Baltimore beat the Cuban All-Stars, but it took extra innings to do it. Cuba still loves its baseball and continues to create great baseball players like Yankee pitcher Orlando Hernandez. Too bad Fidel Castro wasn't one of them!

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Richard Bek signs his book "A Place for Summer," 6-8 p.m. Friday, April 9: David Lee Poremba signs his books "Detroit City Champions" and "Baseball in Detroit 1886-1968," 1-3 p.m. Saturday, April 10 at the store, 13667 Eureka, Southgate.

## 'Dutch' talks Hollywood

## BY KURT ANTHONY KRUG SPECIAL WRITER

New York Times best-selling writer and Bloomfield Hills-resident Elmore "Dutch" Leonard was not aware that his books had a deep, hidden meaning.

"One professor told me my (novels) are 'Indictments of civilization and its byproducts. They are? I'm just trying to make a living," Leonard said referring to an English professor who made his books required reading for his class.

"I wait for Scott Frank (screenwriter of "Get Shorty," and "Out of Sight," both are movies based on Leonard's novels of the same name, respectively) to tell me what themes my books are." Leonard read the most memo-

rable letters he ever received from readers at a presentation held recently at Wayne State University in Detroit. A 12-year old girl (no names were mentioned) wrote to say she aspires to be a successful author like him. As he continued reading, the girl stated that it's a general rule of thumb to write what you know and told Leonard he knows plenty of "sleazeballs and lowlifes.

A convict, wrote and wanted to know if Leonard had ever been in prison. Leonard was told his novels are gaining popularity with the heroin users but not with the cocaine users because "they aren't as educated."

My fans aren't that kind either," Leonard said, reading a

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## ART BEAT

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#### MEADOW BROOK THEATRE ANNOUNCES 1999-2000 SEASON

Meadow Brook Theatre will feature several familiar plays and perennial crowd pleasers in its 34th season.

#### The line-up includes: "The Odd Couple," by Neil

Simon, Sept. 15-Oct. 10 / 16/14 🖬 Tintypes," a musical set at the turn of the century, Oct. 20-Nov. 14

"A Christmas Carol," Nov. 20-Dec. 26

"Dangerous Obsession," a. psychological thriller, Jan. 5-30. All My Sons," the classic by

## The woman then used tives. profanity to criticize him, some-thing that turned her off from

his work in the first place. All these letters elicited laugh-ter from the audience of more than 100 people. Leonard said when writing for

Hollywood you can't take things personally if movie executives dramatically change your novel. He follows the advice of the late Raymond Chandler. "If you've had enough (of Hollywood), then it's time to say goodbye. Say it with a smile... You may go back. You may have to go back." Leonard, 73, is one of a select

few writers who has successfully switched genres — from West-erns to crime thrillers. He's also written screenplays during his prolific writing career, which has spanned 48 years. He is renowned for his realistic dia-

logue. Leonard graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy in 1950 with an undergraduate degree in English and philosophy. By 1961, he had written and sold 30 short stories, five novels, and two screenplays. A typical writing day for . Leonard begins at 9:30 a.m. and :

concludes at 6 p.m. Tt's a good day if I come away with 4-5 (pages)," he said. He spends the next day revising the . pages. His manuscripts are usually 360 pages long, with the break because he just exception of "Cuba Libre" (Dell filming "A Civil Action."

Arthur Miller, Feb. 9-March 5.

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letter from a woman who said Publishing, \$7.50), which was his novels have too many exple- 400 pages. He felt that since it was a historical novel, it needed

'more heft." "I have no idea where (a book is) going or how it'll end. I don't worry about the ending until (I write) 300 pages," he said. "I write to please me... I'm having an awfully good time."

Leonard never reads fiction when writing a novel because he doesn't want to confuse his plot with another plot. He has read books by Alex Garland, Robert B. Parker, and Ed McBain.

"No one does (police) procedurals better than (McBain),"-he said

His recent novel, "Be Cool" (Delacorte, \$24.95), is on the New York Times Best Selling list for the fifth consecutive week. In it, ex-hoodlum-turned- movieprodúcer Chili Palmer (who was played by John Travolta in the 1995 film, "Get Shorty,") tries to make another movie about a

singer named Linda Moon. Palmer has many pitfalls along the way, encountering record industry executives and Russian mobsters. Four songs by the rock band, the Stone Coyotes, are featured in the book. A new song, "Odessa," was written specifically for the book.

Leonard talked to Travolta about reprising his role as Chili Palmer should "Be Cool" be adapted for the big screen. Tra-volta told him that he needed a break because he just finished

## Baseball from page B3 Papa Bell, who was described as

so fast that he could steal two bases on one pitch. Often overlooked, however, is the accomplishments of lesser

known players. "This exhibit showcases the hidden chapter in baseball history," said Larry Lester, curator of the exhibit and a former research director at the Negro League Baseball Museum.

"Discover Greatness." set amid a makeshift baseball diamond, is divided into four sections: 1901-1919 — The Great Independents; 1920-1931 - A League of Their Own; 1932-1946 - Heyday; and, 1947 - The Color Barrier Falls.

The compelling story that emerges isn't necessarily confined to what happened between. the foul lines:

### A diamond reflection

What emerges in the retelling of the "hidden stories" is the parallel path of professional baseball and American society as each traveled from segregation to integration.

Dissecting the histories of the black and white baseball leagues is both a reflection and a precursor of social change.

"Baseball is a mirror image of life in America," said Lester. A point that filmmaker Ken Burns made in his exhaustive documentary, "Baseball."

Contrary to the images of an idyllic, leisurely game, there's a potent parable of the struggles of racial tolerance surrounding America's favorite pastime.

Until the U.S. Supreme Court decision. Plessy v. Ferguson in 1892, blacks and whites played on the same teams. With "separate but equal" written into law,

"gentleman's agreement"



Baseball memories: The 1895 Page Fence Giants are one of the teams featured in "Discover Greatness! An Illustrated History of Negro Leagues Baseball."

among baseball owners restricted blacks.

Consequently, black teams began to barnstorm towns, chal-lenging local semi-pro teams and eventually established their own

league. "People who've gone through the exhibit have said that they remember their grandparents talk about these players," said Lester, "They thought these players were just folk tales."

Indeed, there is a sense of the mythic and an enchanted folk history in the photos of old ball parks, buses with the sign of the team emblazoned the side and anecdotes of Herculean feats on the diamond.

There's plenty to talk about, from Satchel Paige's stamina to the Page Fence Giants winning 82 consecutive games to Josh Gibson hitting more than 1,000 home runs.

Yet there's no turning away from the most compelling part of the exhibit

Before Brown v. Board of Edu-

cation and the Civil Rights Act, there was the graceful Robinson establishing a new standard for both white and black players. While Michael Jordan might have reinvented the notion of "celebrity athlete," Robinson embodied "social justice" every time he took the field.

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"Baseball was breaking barriers before anyplace else," said Legter. "Americans saw white and blacks coming together for a common cause,

"When teammates hug each" other, they're not thinking about the color of their skin."

Ironically, the demise of the Negro Leagues commenced with the integration of the major leagues. By 1960, all that remained of the league were occasional scrimmages among old-timers.

whether black or white."

In that simple ideal is perhaps the lasting power and promise of America's game.

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## Art Center has expanded its spring class offerings. Writers from page B3

### **Ready for repartee**

There's little doubt that Verdi-Hus is not only the generous host for the twice monthly meet-ings, but its facilitator. She begins meetings by asking who's prepared to read.

Sullivan steps up. He reads chapter from his published novel, "The Phases of Harry Moon." His words strike a steady rhythm, and his wry sensibility turns and twists with the narration. After Sullivan is finished,

realized that humor balanced with perseverance is the only saving grace. The writer's ideal can never be realized, only approximated. That truth isn't lost on the

Monday night writers' group. difference from the Algo-

nguin Round Table is that eventually we know we're going to get some booze," said Wydra, a computer analyst by day and a short story writer by night. (The Algonquin Round Table's meetings were held during Prohibition.)

When the writers have read their work, reported on the progress of their latest literary

eral creative thinking classes. The irony of original music being played by a youth orchesand Cultural Affairs is available

New classes include beginning

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at www.cis.state.mi.us/arts. The guide provides basic infortra, rather than by professional musicians, isn't lost on Hartway. "Most (professional) orchestras. mation about Michigan's many visual arts and crafts fairs held throughout the state. worry about performing new works because it might not go over with an audience, who expects to hear music they've The Birmingham Bloomfield heard before.

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"Tom is the best liar I know," said Jim O'Keefe, oddly complimenting Sullivan's imaginative use of setting and dialogue.

Verdi-Hus encourages a discus-

sion about the work.

Sullivan isn't to be outdone. The two best things I like about Jim are his face.'

Ta-dum. Algonquin, eat your heart out.

On a more scholarly level, Estleman draws a comparison between the literary conceits employed by Jonathan Swift and Sullivan, Cerebral stuff. Everyone nods.

Perspective is at hand.

#### Into the dampness

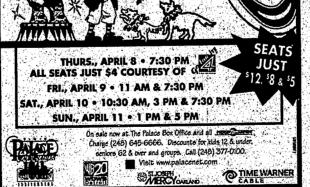
Any writer who has struggled over a phrase, or stumbled to make sense of a blank page has

endeavors, they move on. And out

On a rainy March evening, they head out into the damp-ness, Some head to a nearby bar. Others head home, back to their word processors and typewriters. Perhaps encouraged. And certainly feeling a bit warmer about an art that requires as much isolation as tenacity.

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## Wyniemko elected to football Hall of Fame

BY DANIEL STICKRADT

Throughout his prep football

Wynięmko, a resident of is really nice to be recognized Clarkston, will be one of 21 for all of the hard work that prep football coaches from you've done over the years<sup>n</sup>. around the state that will be inducted into the Michigan **High School Football Coaches** Hall of Fame, April 17, at Crisler, Arena in Ann Arbor. "This is quite an honor to be

Wyniemko began his high school coaching career in the Detroit. Catholic League, where he served as a varsity assistant at the now-defunct Detroit St. Mary's of Redford recognized by your peers in (1966-70), and has coached in this way," said Wyniemko. "It the Metro Detroit area ever

Wyniemko landed his first

varsity head coaching position at Madison Heights Bishop Foley, where led the Ventures to a 34-29 record (.539 winning percentage) from 1971-1978. His other varsity head coach-ing positions include Clarkston from 1979-86 (44-28, .611), and Waterford Mott

from 1989-96 (28-44).

Wyniemko also served as a varsity assistant at Rochester from 1987-88 and has served as junior-varsity assistant each of the past two year at Clarkston, where he also serves as a teacher and varsity boys track coach.

## Don't let the spring weather fool you; April can be bad for golf

With your car windows rolled down for the first time since the gales of November swept across the Great Lakes, you are beginning to allow yourselves to dwell on thoughts of spring and pleasantly mild weather. Perhaps you've taken inventory of your golf equipment, or even lovingly cleaned your clubs and polished your

noes. Alas, while visions of green grass and warm sunshine dance in your head, you must also remember that, as T.S. Eliot wrote, "April is the cruelest month.

Eliot was not specifically referring to Michigan weather conditions, but it is true that our weather can be a terrible tease: hopefully kind one day, then bleary, chilly, wet the next. That is cruel.

Therefore, in the midst of this La Nina spring, there is little doubt that you will be forced to spend days relegated to merely viewing golf on television inside the clubhouse or from the couch in your den. The prospect is not such a terrible consolation prize. After all, this spring we've been able to view the dramatic showdown at Bay Hill between PGA TOUR players Davis Love III, Tom Lehman, and eventual winner "lumpy" Tim Herron. The following week, it was again high drama at the Players Championship when the greatest players in the world were forced to hit perfect shots into the famous island green #17th hole, or face a watery grave. This week, you'll undoubtedly be settling in to view the Masters, the colorful and time-honored rite of spring that consistently draws the highest num-bers of golf television viewers each season:

Dave Williams, head golf professional at The Orchards, a Robert Trent Jones Jr. designed daily-fee golf course in Washington Township, advises that you can turn that television time into a quality learning experience that can help your game: \Posture: "Viewers should pay spe-

cial attention to the players posture," says Williams; "a good golf swing always begins with a strong, athletic

Viewers will notice that the touring pros have their knees slightly bent, and are not hunched over the ball."

Attitude: "Rarely will viewers see a touring pro stew over a shot that was--'t up to his or her ståndards," Williams notes. "They are very strong mentally and able to remain evenkeeled when they move on to the next shot.

Visualization: "Viewers should" learn to the shots on the goli

## **Clarkston juniors fuel track hopes BOYS TRACK**

#### BY DANIEL STICKRADT STAFF WRITER dstickradt@oe,ho mecomm,net' 🛌

while many coaches shy away from the opportunity to move up into the Oakland Activities Association Division I. veteran Clarkston boys track & field coach Walt Wyniemko is excited about his team's promotion. After the Wolves won the last two OAA Division II titles, as did their

female counterparts, Clarkston moved up to the league's premier division to compete against county powerhouses such as Pontiac North-ern, Pontiac Central, Rochester, Troy and Southfield.

"I'm actually looking forward to it," said Wyniemko: "I feel we have some talent on this team and I know that this will be a great challenge for. these kids"

With close to 75 athletes, Clark-ston boasts one of the county's largest teams and Wyniemko hopes those numbers will make some difference

"Depth will hopefully be a bonus,". he said. "Every school in this league has some premier athletes. But what will make the difference in the dual will make the difference in the dual meets is depth. I think we have some some the best: The Clarkston Wolves will trust their distance points this track season to its of that respectatly in the distances, spack of juniors, which includes Dave Sage Matr Haver, Kevin Breen, Brent Quantz, Daniel I'm not sure if all the schools in this Burke and Chris Weber. league have the numbers to win the dual meets: Some of these schools: may be more of the big-meet type of

teams. Last fall, Clarkston outlasted Lake Orion and Rochester for the OAA: Division I cross-country crown and the Wolves' top six runners from that team — all of whom are juniors lead Clarkston's distance crew.

David Sage, a state qualifier last spring in both the 1,600 and 3,200 meters, will once again lead the pack. Classmates Matt Haver, Kevin Breen, Brent Quantz, Daniel Burke and Chris Weber are also back for a third year. Both Breen and Quantz were members of the Wolves' school recordsetting 3,200-meter relay quartet that placed ninth at the Class A state meet.

One key loss to the middle distance pack, however, was Matt Baker, a member of that 3,200 relay who elected to forgo his senior campaign, Kutchey could soften that blow. In the middle distances, three others to watch will be senior Marc Wisniewski, junior Ryan Thomas and sophomore John Chenet. "Our distance guys should fare really well," said Wyniemko. "I think we may have the most depth in the distance events in our league. And we have guys in the middle distances that should help us out. The 400 on up is our strength.

The Wolves should also fare well in the hurdles, as senior Nick Holland, junior Paul Tinetti, and sophomores Cody Senkyr and Matt Evans all eturn. Holland placed in the 300 hurdles at last season's Oakland County meet

In the field events, Clarkston could also surprise as many of their key athletes return.

Senior captain Klinton Powell is ed to forgo his senior campaign, although sophomore newcomer Matt expected to be one of the county's pre-mier throwers in the discus, while

seniors . Ron Tolbert and David Shavers, and junior Brent Schermerhorn are solid prospects to clear 120-feet in the discus and 40-feet in the shot put. Wisniewski is also expected to do well in the discus.

Sophomore Rafael Fuzua could be one of the area's better high jumpers by year's end as his technique has improved from a year ago. The long jump, however, is a question mark where Wyniemko hopes some freshmen and sophomores can step up and make an impact,

"I think overall we're a little stronger in the field events," he said. "If we can find some quality long jumpers and some of these guys con-tinue to improve, we should be competitive

The Wolves' biggest concerns come in the 100- and 200-meter dashes, as well as in the two sprint relays. While league rivals Northern, Central, Rochester and Southfield boast not only some of the county's best sprinters, but in the state as well, Clarkston is still relatively young and . untested.

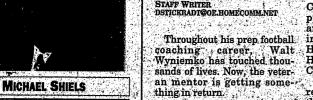
Junior Mike Renda is the Wolves' top returnee, while sophomores Adam Gebus and Rob Conley and freshman prospect Shane Bennett hope to contribute.

"If anything, these guys will: improve just because of who they will be up against," said Wyniemko. "But we are pretty young in the sprints. Hopefully, we'll have a couple of young surprise."

Overall, Wyniemko is hoping that his contingent can stay affort in the talent-laden OAA Division I.

"I'll think we'll be competitive, " he said. "I don't know if we'll have enough to win, but we like to think, that we'll be in the hunt to finish in one of the top places. It's going to be an exciting year to see how well we can do against the big guns."





course just as they see them on televi-sion. Golfers then should learn to imagine that perfect shot they saw on television before they hit their shots on the golf course," Williams explains. Compare "Viewers should compare themselves to touring pros of a simi-lar physical build and mental approach," Williams advises. "A heavier aggressive player might try to emulate John Daly or Craig Stadler. A thinner, more conservative player might follow Davis Love III, and a shorter player might pay closer atten-tion to the tenacity of Corey Pavin."

Williams warns against attempting to copy touring pros' technique on the to copy touring prosteering the are playing for greens. "Those guys are playing for thousands of dollars, and so they might read greens three times from both sides of the hole, and take an extreme amount of time over putts." Williams teaches his pupils at The Orchards not to spend too much time thinking about a shot, but rather to go with their instinct in a timely fash-ion. "It is easy to look out here on the yourse and see the guys who have been watching too much television," Williams laughs, Do your best to avoid slow play. The Orchards, on 29 Mile Road

west of Van Dyke, opened this weekend. While you won't have to worry about the prying eyes of a live, national television audience viewing your game and color commentators criticizing your swing, it is time to see if you can translate your golf action from the couch to the course.



Overcoming obstacles: Junior hurdler Brittani Brewer will be one runner the Clarkston Wolves will count on as they move up to the Oakland Activities Association Division I competition.

## Wolves' move could hamper unbeaten run

BY DANIEL STICKRADT STAFF WRITER dstickradt@oe.homecomm.net

Since 1985, Clarkston has been unbeatable in girls track & field

literally. In that time period, the Wolves have posted a 67-0-2 dual meet record with 12 league championships in either the old Greater Oakland Activities League or the Oakland Activities Association Division II under veteran Gordie Richardson, Clarkston's head coach since 1979. This season, however, the Wolves will be hard-pressed to keep their streak alive via their promotion to the OAA Division I. Waiting in the wings are league powers such as Southfield, Rochester Adams, Rochester, Pontiac Northern and Troy, which, along with Kensing-ton Valley Conference members Novi, South Lyon and Milford, make up this year's best teams in the county. "It's going to be awfully tough,"

admitted Richardson. "Overall, we are a fairly young team with a lot of holes to fill, question marks, We'll be competitive, .... Among the but I'm not sure if we'll be able to stack up with schools like Southfield or Adams. Those schools have a lot of tremendous talent and they cover a

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lot of bases."

Regardless of how the Wolves fare in dual meets in one of the state's pre-mier track and field conferences, Clarkston will still be one of the county's 10 best. The Wolves return two-thirds of their team from last year's squad that rolled away with the OAA Division II title and placed third at the Class A Holly Regional.

"We lost a handful of pretty good athletes to graduation," said Richard-son. "I'm not sure which of the young kids is going to step up. I guess we'll know the answer to that question during the next couple of months."

Clarkston's biggest question mark comes in the sprint events. Versatile junior Rachel Uchman is slated for another successful season, and sophomores Lindsay Brandt and Lindsay Vincent also return with high hopes, but after that Richardson has a lot of

Among the prospects are freshmen. Alyssa Bergkoetter and Allison Spindweber.

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## ves netters aim at division title

### Y MIKE SCOTT PECIAL WRITER

As Clarkston tennis embarks onsits 1999 season, the team is shooting for nothing less than a division championship.

The Wolves return most of their players from a 6-2-3 and third-place finish in OAA Division II. But although a seniordominated Berkley team may be a heavy favorite to repeat their title, Clarkston's depth could help them rise in the tennis ranks.

Head coach Kevin Ortwine is as confident this season as he ever has been entering a season: Clarkston begins its regular season about two weeks earlier than most area teams, taking on Troy Athens Monday at home.

"I think depth is definitely a team strength," said Ortwine. "Normally we're heavy at the top with very good singles players but I think we have strength at doubles this year and could sneak up on a few teams."

The biggest loss was the graduation of #1 singles player Jim Kyle which will result in a shift from the top down in Clarkston's lineup. But junior Patrick Heber is ready to take Kyle's spot after finishing with a 16/3 record at #2 singles in 1998.

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"It's quite a big jump from two to one and he knows that," said Ortwine. "But he's ready for the challenge and I think Patrick will do a great job."

Senior Lorne Deacon is also expected to move up one spot after competing at #3 singles a year ago. Three players, sophomore Scott Barnett (#4 singles last year), Brent Griffith and Jessé Roderick have been battling it out for the last singles spot in very competitive challenge matches in practice.

He pointed out that Roderick, a senior, has improved more than anyone else on the squad after an off-season of hard work and close attention to fundamentalà.

One pleasant surprise has been the play of freshman Michael Rashid who could also make a push for the final singles position.

"I don't think any of those guys are that far away from each other," said Ortwine. "They are playing matches in which every one is 7-5 or 7-6.

'Also returning is last year's #2 doubles team of Junior Dustin King and senior Nate Davidson

who likely will pair for the second year in a row.

Having that continuity in a doubles position will be a major benefit for the Wolves in close matches.

Ortwine said juniors Dave Wicklund and Derek Hool and sophomores Matt Poley and Paul O'Connor also will compete for starting spots in doubles.

Blake Coe. a membre of the #4 doubles team last year and freshman Grant Gilford will also he factors.

Not only is Ortwine impressed with his team's depth but he likes the athleticism they bring to the court

"We have a few guys who don't have a lot of tennis experience but are really good athletes and they are catching on real quick," he said.

Along with setting a goal of capturing Division II, Clarkston hopes to defeat an OAA Division I school for the first time in its history, With 1998 Division II co-champ Athens moving up to the top level this year, the Wolves will have that opportunity in their first match on Mon-

The team which moved down to Division II. Birmingham Groves, will also be a main fac-tor in the race this year. The Wolves have tied the Falcons 4-4 each of the past two years.

"We have a great rivalry with Athens so it would be nice to get that win," said Ortwine, "And in the division I think we can definitely hang with either of those teams.

The best player in the division is likely Peter Voelz from Auburn Hills Avondale but other than him the Yellow Jackets

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> Kevin Ortwine Clarkston tennis coach

This season allowed less preparation time for all spring sports because of an MHSAA rule change made in an attempt to cut down on the amount of overlap between the spring and winter seasons. As a result no spring team was able to practice before March 15.

With pockets of mild and cold weather, the Wolves have relied heavily on indoor practices where they can set up two courts in the new athletic facility. When practicing outside Clarkston can take advantage of four additional courts from what they enjoyed at the beginning of last season when the new high school's courts weren't yet ready. "It's incredible having eight courts because, it gives us so much room," said Ortwine. "You can really see how a lot of the guys are doing at once.

During the early weeks the Wolves have been focusing on situational drills and fundamental ground strokes. Ortwine said pre-season is a good opportunity for less experienced players to learn situational play which they will encounter in competitive matches,

The Wolves continue their season on Tuesday, April 13 and Wednesday April 14 against Brandon and Farmington in

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also scheduled for May 10. For more information, call (248) 391-

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## Girls track from page C1

With the uncertainties from the 400 meters on down and in the sprint relays, Richardson, knows his senior-laden distance crew will have to pick up the lack

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Eight seniors — Nicole Fisher, Lissa Lukens, Katie Bills, Jennifer Gifford, Kristen Orris, and the Rooding triplets: Jennifer, Christing and April -- give Richardson plenty of options in 800-, 1600- and 3200-meter runs and in the 1,600 and 3,200 relays.

Lukens, Jennifer Rooding and Fisher were all members of Fisher were all memoers of Clarkston's state-qualifying 3,200-meter relay unit last year, while Rooding was a member of the regional champion 1,600' relay quartet and was an individual qualifier in the 800

meters. "That group of girls are all hard-working and very competi-tive," said Richardson. "I know they'll be able to compete in the relays as well as the 800 and (1600), but we'll need for someone in this group to step up in the (3200) as well. That is kind

of a question mark right now." The Wolves feature two big guns in the hurdles events as junior Brittani Brewer, a regional champion in the 100 hurdles, and sophomore Amanda Chi-calas, a regional champion in the 300 hurdles, both return.

However, standout hurdler Michelle Wilson, who also was a respectable sprinter, high jumper and long jumper, decided to forgo her senior season, which

## We have some talent. in the field events. Our concern is depth.'

Gordie Richardson —Clarkston track coach

could hurt the Wolves in several events. In the field events, Brewer is a

potential 5-foot high jumper, Uchman is a bona fide threat to clear 16 feet in the long jump, and the trio of juniors Constance Webb and Megan Whipp, and

sophomore Katie Jurge, lead the contingent in the shot put and discus.

Another to watch in the throwing events is senior Svenja Geil-hof, an exchange student from Germany.

"We have some talent in the field events," said Richardson. "Our concern is depth. We'll need some of the kids to step up and grab the second- and third-place finishes. Those points will be key in the dual meets."

Overall. Clarkston's 55-member squad should remain a respected opponent, even if the Wolves don't lead the pack in the OAA Division I race.

"We'll still be a good team," said Richardson. "But I think it's going to be tough. Competing against better teams on a daily basis will help us out in terms of individual times and distances. Competing in this league will help us out when the regional. county and sate meet come around

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ing this class, which begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 7, at REI in Northville. Call (248) 847-

Get your bike ready for spring during this instructional clinic,

which begins at 11 a.m. Satur-day, April 10, at REI in Northville. Call (248) 347-2100

Metro-West Steelheaders will

present a free seminar on steel-head fishing beginning at 7:30

p.m. Tuesday, April 13, at Gar-den City High School. The semi-nar will include discussion on

river and lake fishing, trolling,

drift boats, planer boards and other offshore tactics. The semi-

nar is held as part of the regular

monthly meeting of the Metro-West Steelheaders fishing club

and the public is welcome to :

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ing the basics of fly fishing

including lessons in casting,

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#### APRIL FOOLS WALK A naturalist-led hike under the ight of the "Blue Moon" begins 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 1, sat Stony Creek.

#### SLOPPIN' THE HOGS

Children age five and older can help feed the farm animals during this program, which begins at 3 p.m. Saturday, April 3, at Kensington.

### NATURE PROGRAMS

The nature center at Stony Creek will offer the following programs beginning at 11 a.m ach day during spring break: Funny Frog Faces, Monday, April 5; Hot dogs -n-stories, Tuesday, April 6; Pickin' Pellets, Wednesday, April 7; Turtles and Tortoises, Thursday, April 8; Bluebirds for You, Friday, April

## 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. SPRING EQOCITEMENT Learn how nature decorates eggs

and enjoy some egg games and crafts during this program, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 3. at Independence Oaks. AMPHIBIAN AMBLE

Meet live frogs and take a walk to listen for amphibian antica. during this program, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 10, at Independence Oaks.

## 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 pro-grams at Maybury call (810) 349-8390, For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

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**Outdoor Calendar** 

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## 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 sunset Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays. On Mondays and Tuesdays only the sporting clay course is open, noon to sunset. 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

### 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

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## ACTIVITIES

CASS BENTON HIKE Take a 5-mile hike with mem-bers of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club during this program, which begins at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 11. Participants are asked to meet behind the Marathon Station at 12 Mile Road and Telegraph. Call John Kalem at (248) 681-9160 for more information.

## PROUD LAKE HIKE

Take a 5-mile hike over varied terrain with members of the Southeast Michigan Group, Sierra Club during this program, which begins at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 11. Participants are asked to meet behind the Marathon Station at 12 Mile Road and

Anglers must possess a 1999 Michigan Fishing license beginning April 1.

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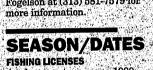
lessons in basic fly fishing techniques including casting, knot tying, reading the water, play-ing, landing and releasing fish,

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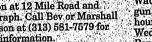
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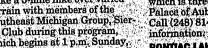
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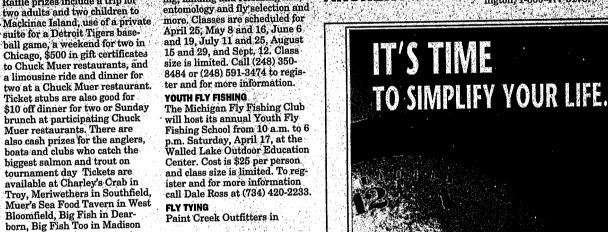
Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 12 -5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call

(248) 693-6767 for more information.



METROPARKS METROPARK REQUIREMENTS Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nomi nal 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; Kens-ington, 1-800-477-3178.



## SPORTS BRIEFS

## Get into the game 斗

The Bloomfield Hills Schools' Recreation and Community Services Department is currently offering co-rec slo-pitch softball and sand volleyball leagues.

The co-rec softball league encourages equal participation by all team members and is not intended for high levels of competition. The season begins in late May with games scheduled for Wednesday evenings at either 6:15 p.m. or 7:30 p.m

The team fee of \$250 (there is no individual player fee) covers bases and field use, maintenance, scoresheets, and approximately 10 games. There will be an additional \$25 non-resident fee for teams composed of more than 50 percent of people who do not live or work in the Bloomfield Hills school district and a refundable \$75 bond fee. A \$12 umpire fee must also be paid each week.

The entry fée is due Fri-day, April 30. A mandatory managers' meeting is also set for 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 5 at the Recreation Office, located at 4174 Dublin Drive in Bleomfield Hills.

To register or for more information, call (248) 433-0885.

Sand volleyball involves women's doubles (Thursday), men's doubles (Thursday) and co-yec quads (Tuesday) leagues. Seasons are nine weeks long with games beginning the week of June 1

A mandatory managers'/ meeting is set for 7/p.m. Wednesday, May 5 at the Recreation Office, located at 4174 Dublin Drive in **Bloomfield Hills. Sponsor** fees are due Saturday, May 22.

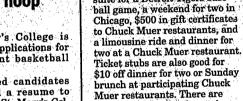
For specific fees and reg-istration details, call (248) 433-0885.

## College hoop coach

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Interested candidates 0443.

Tickets for Southfield's ice skating spectacular, Ice Company, are now on sale at the Southfield Parks and **Recreation Office (26000** (benS



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sould send a resume to Kris Daiek, St. Mary's College, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake, MI 48324 or call Daiek at (248) 683-

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(To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send informa-tion to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; faz information to (248) 644-1314 or E-mail send bparker@oe.homecomm.net)

## FUND-RAISERS

The Clarkston Chapter of White-

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5:30 p.m. Friday, April 9, at the Deer Lake Athletic Club in

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a buffet dinner, an auction, door prizes, sporting equipment, lim-

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information call Tom Bushong at

The Traverse Bay Chapter of the

Michigan Wild Turkey Hunters

Association will hold its annual spring workshop on Saturday,

April 10, at the Northland

Sportsman's Club in Gaylord.

The workshop will feature pre-

upland gamebird specialist, Al Stewart, local wildlife biologists

raffles, a kids calling contest and

more. Proceeds from the event

will be used exclusively for MWTHA's winter feeding pro-

information call Rick Riley at (616) 549-2179.

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The 21st annual River Crab

Salmon Stakes charity fishing

tournament and raffle will be

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Performances of this gala production, which feature more than 100 skaters, take place on the following dates: Thursday, May 13 at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, May 14 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, May 15 at 1:30 and 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, May 16 at 1:30 and 5:30 p.m.

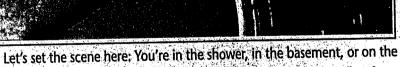
Tickets are \$9.50 for rinkside, \$9 loge and \$8.50 for upper rinkside. On Wednesday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m., there will be a special benefit performance starring guest skaters Mikhail Panin and Irina Grigorian.

Rinkside tables are \$200 per group of four or \$100 per couple (half table) and include an afterglow with the cast immediately fol-lowing the performance.

All performances will take place at the Southfield Sports Arena, Tickets also are available by phone using your MasterCard or Visa, and calling 354-9357. For further information, call 354-9357 or 354-9603.

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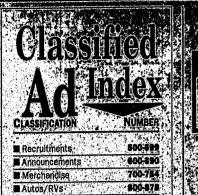
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The suspension features dual stabilizer bars, MacPherson struts in front and Mazda's own patented Twin-Trapezoidal Link design in the rear. The ventilated disc and drum brakes are standard on the LX and ES models, and 4-wheel discs are standard on the LX-V6 and ES-V6 models, Anti-lock brakes are available on all models.

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do a thorough inspection of your vehicle. Check all your fluids...oil, coolant, transmission, etc. Change is good, do it. You'll feel better knowing it's done and you can relax over the summer (unless you put on a lot of miles),

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don't want to do the work yourself, there are companies that do it for you. Detail shops can make your car look almost new again by doing under the hood (spotting those chipped and discolored areas) and the interior with a complete scrub, even the trunk, wheels and tires. Last time I checked the cost varies from about \$125 to \$200 for a complete refurbishing. The choice is yours.

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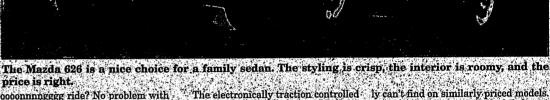
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A. My complaint about looking for a aconae job is the same one I HAYES have about fishing: It's always TOO Every time I decide to bait a hook. the weather is too stirred up. I've also struck out because of too much wind. A friend of mine won't go out if it's too humid. Certainly, it can be too late in the day. I often come home empty handed, just because fishing has been TOO.

Strangely, I continue to fish, After years of battling TOO, I've learned to consider the results of fishing philosophically. I even look forward to defining what TOO is on any given day and, once in a while, beating it. While I want to catch a fish, I don't need to catch one to have fun. It's possible to get some-thing positive out of the sport without achieving the primary objec-tive. Maybe if we identify some of the more distasteful aspects of looking for a job; we can beat them or, at least, keep them in perspective.

Now, some of you sharpies immediately recognized a weakness in our little parable. It is a lot easier to do without a fish than a job. But it is also true that operating from a position of extreme need lessens the possibility of landing either. We never perform at our best when convinced that we absolutely must have something. It's nerve-racking. I remember wanting one job so much that I literally became sick when I received the reject letter. Don't sabotage yourself by investing TOO much emotion in a single opportunity, You'll catch more fish and offers - with a slightly cavalier attitude.

You can also make your job search easier through preparation. One of the most common disappointments in job hunting is discovering, during an interview, that the position is size notches below your current level. Surprise! You should have grilled the recruiter on the specifics or at least asked the Per-sonnel Clerk about the duties. Researching a company will help generate important questions that should be answered before going TOO far in the hiring process. Why has the company lost money every year since 1962? What's being done about it?

Speaking of preparation, it is possible to anticipate interviewers' concerns, and develop answers to potentially damaging questions. Articulating explanations ahead of time can relieve some of the anxiety typically associated with interviewing. Some people are actually taken aback when asked about having sixteen jobs in the last eighteen months, reasons for leaving, long absences from the work place, titles that suggest backward movement, or other aberrations. Think. What might make interviewers or resume sorters TOO uncomfortable?

Improve the likelihood of getting an offer by pursuing a wide variety of leads. Avoid concentrating on one opportunity or exploring opportuni-ties sequentially. OK, I'll say it: Get several lines in the water. Even if you are only looking casually, the one-at-a-time approach can become exhausting. Also, be willing to look in unusual places or take a crazyin unusual places or take a crazy- to communicate with a Nean-sounding approach now and again. derthal like me. Still, I had to get Fishing the same hole, hour after rid of the old Gutenberg, so in I

hour without a bite. is a waste of time. If it's just not going to happen, move to another part of the lake - or even find a new lake.

Understand the odds. Get the proper mindset before you begin. Six interviews will, probably yield one good offer. It often requires, many responses to newspaper ads, several visits to recruiters and a jillion networking meetings to net one good interview. There are lots of jerks in the naked city and, if you do this correctly, you'll end up talking with most of them. Don't start kicking yourself if, three weeks out of the chute, you don't

have anything going. Finally, manage the time you invest in this odyssey very carefully. The old saw about a job search being a full time job in itself is just nonsense. If you spend eight hours a day talking on the phone, writing letters, setting up networking meetings, contacting headhunters, and interviewing, you will become, well, cranky. Preserve your sanity by spending half a day on your search and then working in the yard. Smile-and-dial for a few hours, walk the dog for a while, and then return to write a few thank you notes. By all means, try to have some fun. You'll certainly get a job it's just a matter of time.

How much do we really need to know about our tools to use them effectively? For that matter, how much do we really need to know about stuff in general to be success-

ful in our own disciplines? Last week I swallowed hard and decided to buy a new computer system. I drove over to the super duper store with dread. On a previous visit, I wound up with a technogeek salesperson who was unable

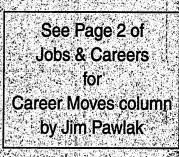
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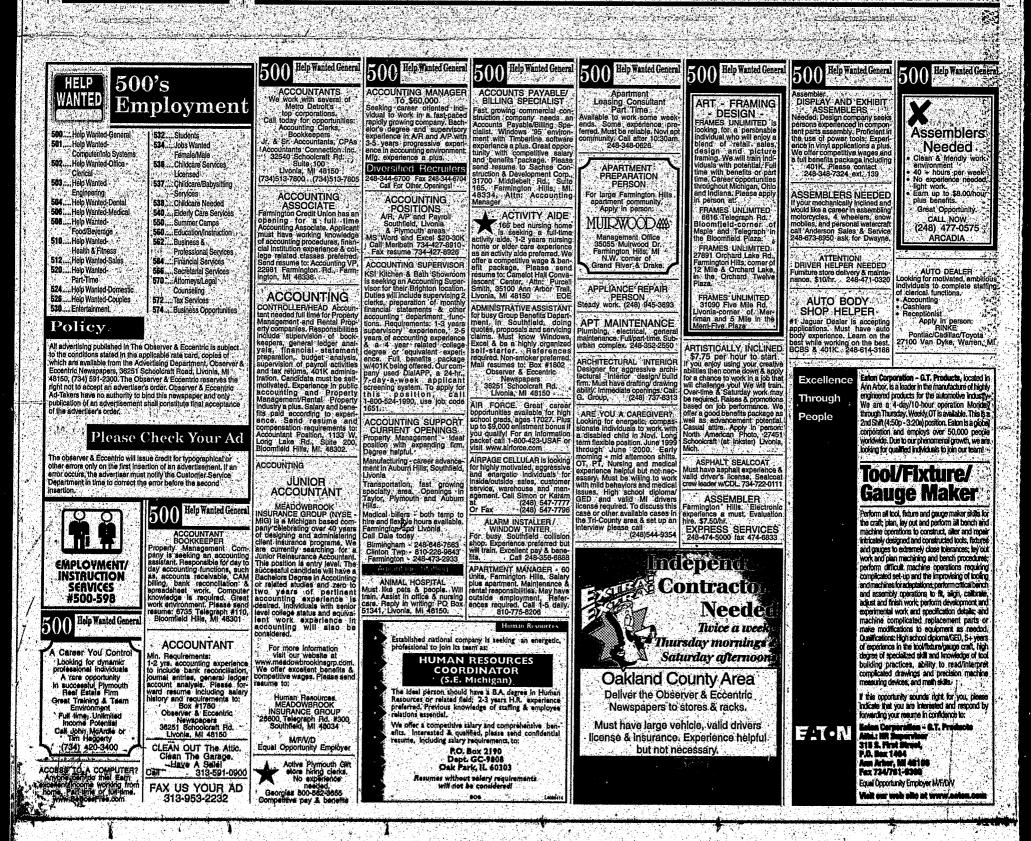
as I started apologizing for my ignorance, Mitch stopped me, "Do you really understand how your stereo works?" he asked. I admitted I'didn't. "Do you even care how your stereo works?" he persisted. I confessed I did not. "See," said Mitch.

A few days later I heard compos-er Randy Newman being inter-viewed on the radio. He said it was possible for a person to be a world class musician and have an IQ of about 92.

Isn't it amazing that employers insist upon such a wide variety of skills and give ridiculous weight to personal attributes having little or nothing to do with success on the job? On the other hand, the hald effect results in cretins being regarded as experts in every field imaginable. Let's get Sharon Stone's opinion on Yugoslavia, Hey Keith Richards! Wanna do brain surgery? #112

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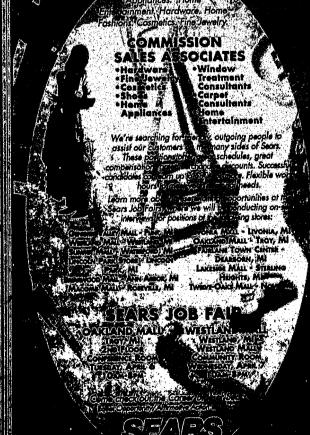
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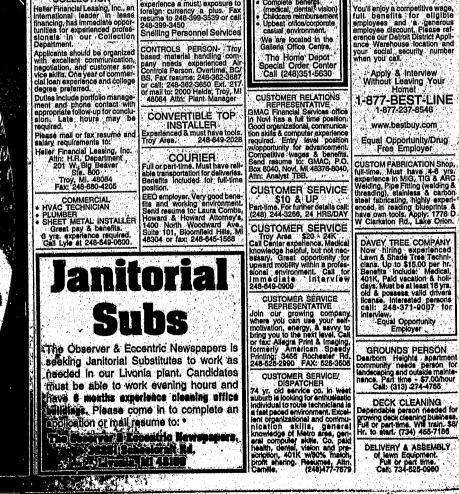
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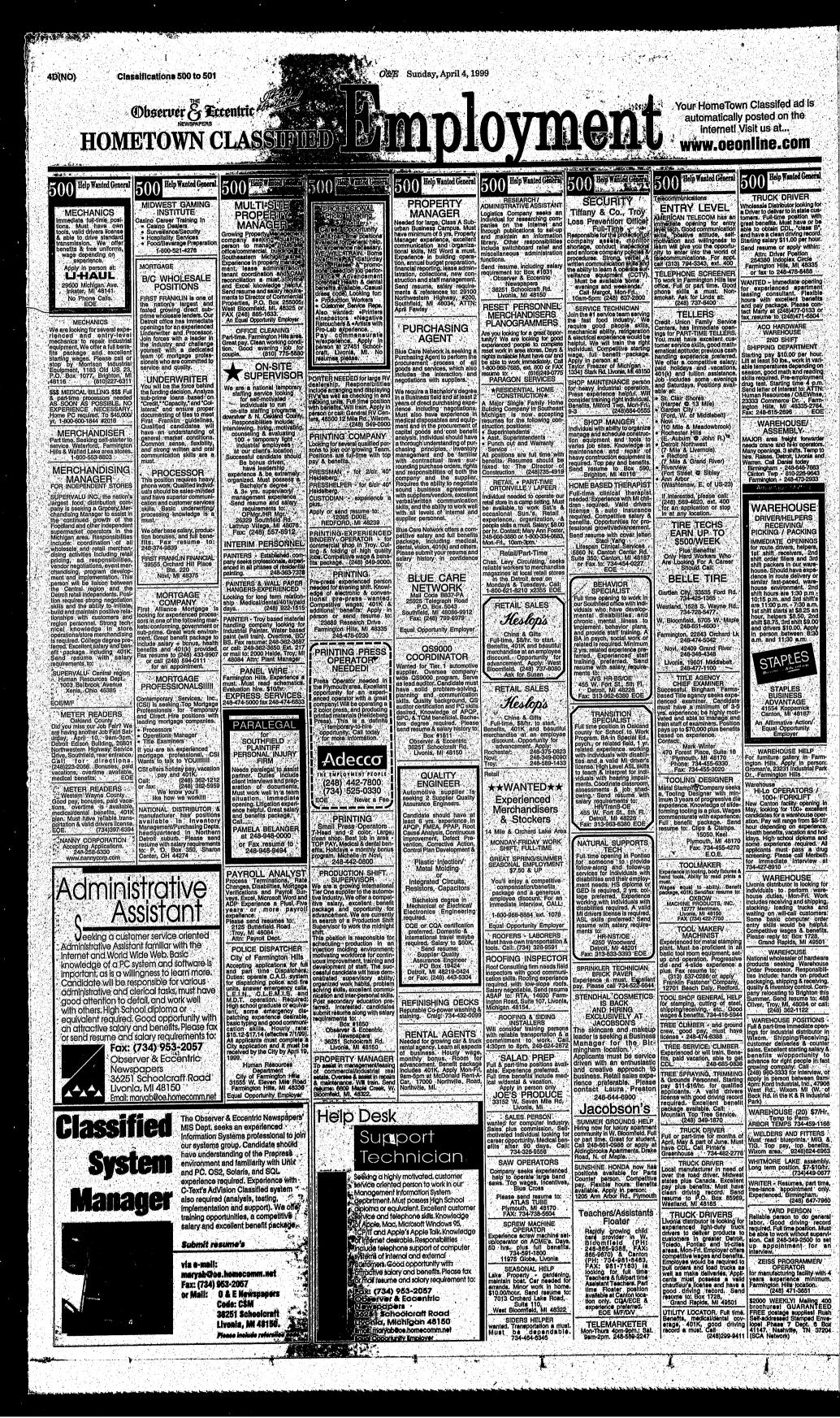
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scraping noise, which is transmitted through the piping and can be heard in some sections of the house. If the sounds are coming from the circulator bearings, replace the circulator.

Circulator pump bearings should be lubricated at least once a year with motor oil, typically sold at hardware stores. Newer circulator pump motors however, are usually permanently lubricated.

To submit a question, write to Popular Mechanics, Reader, Service Bureau, 224 W. 57th St., New York, N.Y. 10019. The most interesting questions will be answered in a

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## **Experts judged these homes the best**

Builders who went the extra mile in. design, architecture, special features and value for price recently took home blue ribbons during Parade of Homes.

Seven different builders won awards in various price categories after a panel of industry experts judged floor plans and pictures or renderings

The award-winning houses, located throughout the metro area, have been built or are under construction and may be toured. So are the other nominees.

"This scattered site showcase fea-tures 68 of the area's most beautiful and original new model homes," said Peter Burton, president of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan,

"Interest rates are still low, and it's a great time to buy," added Burton, presi-dent of Burton Katzman Development

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all participating Parade of Homes nom-inces is available on the Internet at www.builders.org Plan books also are available at Standard Federal Bank offices and at

the model homes. Here's a brief rundown on the winners: Condominiums up to \$225,000. The Berkshire; Moceri Cos.

This upper-level condo with private entrance and attached garage includes two bedrooms and two bathrooms with-

in 1,466 square feet of living space. The living room/ dining area contains a fireplace and cathedral ceiling. The home includes air conditioning, all kitchen appliances, washer and dryer in the laundry room and designer win-

dow treatments. Price is \$130,990 at Aberdeen Gardens in Sterling Heights.

The Berkshire model, (810) 677-0600, can be seen at Aberdeen Village, off 26 Mile between Mound and VanDyke in Shelby Township. Condominiums over \$225,000.

The Fairway; The Selective Group. This 2,400-square-foot home show

cases three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths. The condo features a jet tub in the master suite, gourmet kitchen, air con-ditioning and hardwood floors. Condos are clustered two together.

Price is \$332,425. The model, (248) 486-1900, is at Saw Condominiums at Tanglewood, 10 Mile between Chubb and Currie in

Getting projects done around the house can

definitely be a chore, and adding to the project

is the presence of children. Beverly DeJulio,

mother of four, knows what it's like to try to get things done around the house with kids

under foot. Many people feel they don't have

the time for home repairs because they want

These simple home repair activities are a

great way to spend quality time with your children and save you money. It also builds

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why not create one for your kids to use? They

great life skills.

DeJulio.

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South Lyon. **Houses, \$199,900-\$250,000.** Plan 2155 SL; American Heartland,

This home contains a dramatic, two story fover and bridge overlooking the great room. The split-level of 2,400 square feet has four bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths.

The kitchen/ nook features an island and the secondary bedrooms are described as generous in size.

Price is \$249,900. The model, (810) 598-1800, is in Brit-tany Parc, 22 Mile between Romeo Plank and Chard roads in Macomb Township.

**Houses, \$250,000-\$325,000.** . The Drake; Livonia Builders. This colonial, 2,587 square feet, fea-

tures four bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths and a loft.; The house also contains a great room with fireplace, formal dining room and den.

Price is \$269,900. The model, (734) 944-9888, is in Saline Ridge off Willis Road between Warner and Platt just west of U.S. 23 in York Township.

**Houses, \$325,000-\$400,000**. The Parkside; Ivanhoe-Huntley. This story-and-a-half of 2,800 square

feet situates the master on the main. floon two bedrooms and a loft upstairs. Outstanding features include two-

way fireplace between great room and hearth room, three-car garage, dimen-sional, decorative shingles and social membership in a country club. Price is \$383,900. The model, (248) 889-8820, is under

construction in Prestwick Village off M-59 (Highland Road) between Hickory Ridge and Milford roads.

Houses, \$400,000-\$505,000. The Waterford, Tri-Mount. The 3,217-square-foot colonial con-

tains four bedrooms, 3-1/2 baths plus living room, dining room, den and fami-ly room. The house also includes air. conditioning, fireplace and two-car garage. Price is \$439,900.

The model, (248) 348-4900, is in Cascades of Northville at Six Mile and Northville Road in Northville.

Houses, Over \$505,000. The Oakland; Twin Lakes Homes. The story-and-a-half, 3,850 square

feet, features four bedrooms, including first-floor master, three full baths and Ideas for including kids in home improvements

> very young, the plastic toy versions of your tools will give them hours of fun.

Extra or broken tile make a great mosaic project, or you can find small tiles (think the size of pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters) in your local home-improvement store. Sometimes these stores even give or sell broken pieces of larger tile that can be used. By using a thick, non-toxic glue, your young helpers can apply the small pieces of tile to wood to create fun, decorative trivets. This project should keep kids busy while you're concentrating on creating a beautiful new kitchen. And when they see their handiwork in the kitchen (you can hang the trivets or just lean them against a splash guard), they'll have a sense of pride that they helped, too.

Have your kids make great gifts for a

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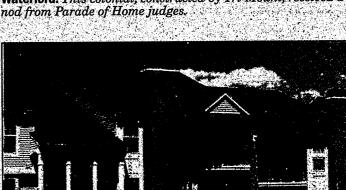
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time needed will vary with microwaves Start with one minute per cup of glycerin. Pour the liquid into molds, like the ones used for candy. As the glycerin begins to cool, the kids can add any number of things: lavender, orange peel, rose petals or perhaps oatmeal for a scrub. Let cool, pop out of the forms and tie with a ribbon.

■ Don't throw away those super-size powder laundry detergent boxes (the type that "hinge"; some have a handle on the top). Kids can paint, decorate, and use them to hold small toys or even their own dirty laundry.





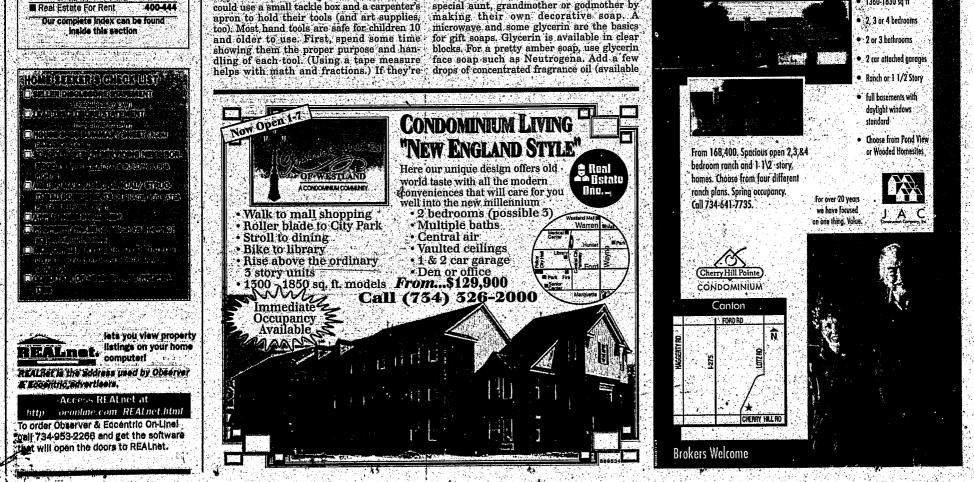


Waterford: This colonial, constructed by Tri-Mount, received a

Berkshire: The Moceri Cos, built this terrace-level home, which . won recognition in a condominium category.

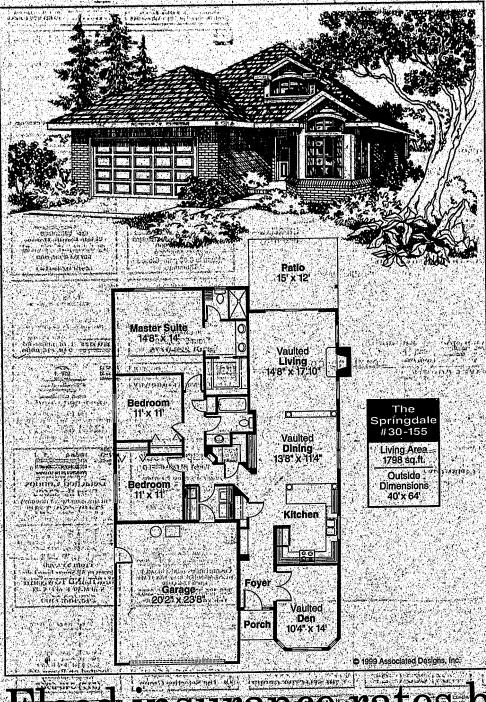
The model, (248) 608-9100, is in Twin two half baths. Ine money, (240) 000-2009, in the work of the two story foyer showcases a. Lakes off Rochester Road morth of grand circular staircase. Sinc house - Buell Road in Oakland Township. half baths Parade of Homes, produced annually also includes living room, dining room, for the Builders Home and Detroit

family room and private study. Hard-wood and limestone tile floors and a private courtyard are other amenities. Price is \$685,000.



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## Plan features several vaulted gathering area



both of the Springdale's front . as a hobby room, home office, gables, creating an open and or whatever suits. welcoming, front facade, Brick , Kitchen, dining room and liv-detailing adds a sense of per-ing room are visually open, yet manence. This plan's slender distinct living areas. A raised

The high-ceilinged foyer is naturally bright. Plants on an overhead shelf flourish in light spilling down from the gabled window above, while more light washes in through the transom and sidelight, Display shelves line the left wall.

Three vaulted gathering areas give the home a sense of spaciousness that belies its size. The front-facing den has a wide bay window that could be outfitted with a cozy window

Gently arched windows fill. seat, This room could also serve

footprint (40 feet) makes it eating bar, accented by suitable for construction on a narrow lot. a high plant shelf caps a second

set of columns that flank a pony wall separating the dining room and living room. Sliders at the rear open onto a partially covered patio. Counter space is generously supplied in the large kitchen, and storage capacity is more than ample, augmented by the

roomy walk-in pantry. The din-ing room boasts a built-in hutch, and yet more cabinetry \$12. For more i lines the walls in the pass- (800) 634-0123.

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## Stretch remodeling dollar

percent of homeowners have some type of home improvement planned, according to " Fannie Mae-monthly polls, but not all homeowners are prepared for the price tag that comes with remodeling projects. Mary Kelly Selover, author of "Gracious Interiors" and former senior editor at Home and Redbook, suggests three ways to cut expenses and time when remodeling: 1) Choose cabinet refacing for

kitchen and bath remodels. 2) Mix kitchen countertop materials.

3) Consider a four-season room instead of a traditional room addition.

The kitchen is the most likely room in the home to be remodeled

"When looking to save money. on kitchen renovations. I usually suggest choosing a cabinet refacing instead of a full kitchen remodel. An average kitchen remodeling costs \$20,000, but the average cabi-

(NAPSI) – Approximately 40 net refacing costs \$5,000-ercent of homeowners haves \$6,000," said Matt Cicero, presi-ome type of home improve dent for a Sears HomeCentral's.

cabinet refacing licensee. A cabinet refacing project involves removing the cabinet doors, installing new doors and stripping, sanding and refinish-ing other visible portions of the

cabinets to match. Cabinet refacing saves time. The average cabinet refacing less than five days, unlike take a full kitchen remodel which can take months. Selover says cabinet refacing is also a viable; option to revamp a bathroom. Instead of replacing a whole countertop, which can be very expensive, homeowners can mix countertop materials. Having a section that is granite or marble for rolling out dough adds a splashy touch that enhances the remaining laminate, stainless steel or wood counter and makes the kitchen more func-

els: Think twice before choosing cabinets with glass doors. Unless you're a neatnik, they

are hard to keep organized. ■ Install lighting under the top cabinets. Lighting can make your kitchen seem brighter and bigger.

Build cabinets to the ceiling – it adds space for those sel-dom-used items. It Pays Off

Updating a home's kitchen or bathroom pays off for the homeowner, Cicero says.

"For most homes, there can be a 98-percent return for the investment on a remodeling job for a kitchen or bath when the house is resold," he said. "The return is even greater on a refacing because the look is brand new but there isn't as much invested."

To add more space, install an insulated room or glass room, also known as a four-season room. These rooms can be installed for 60-70 percent of the cost of adding standard construction.



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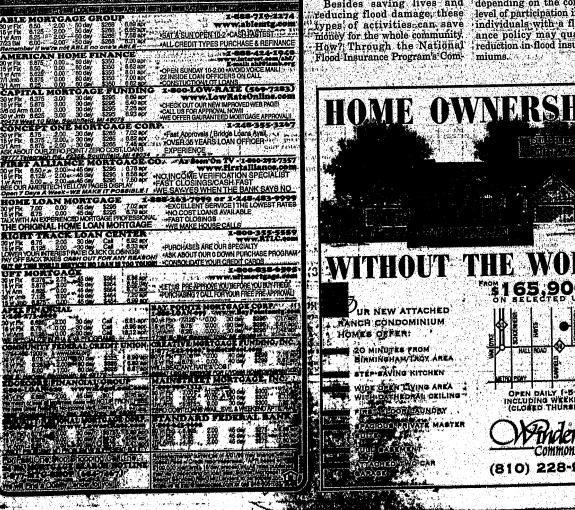
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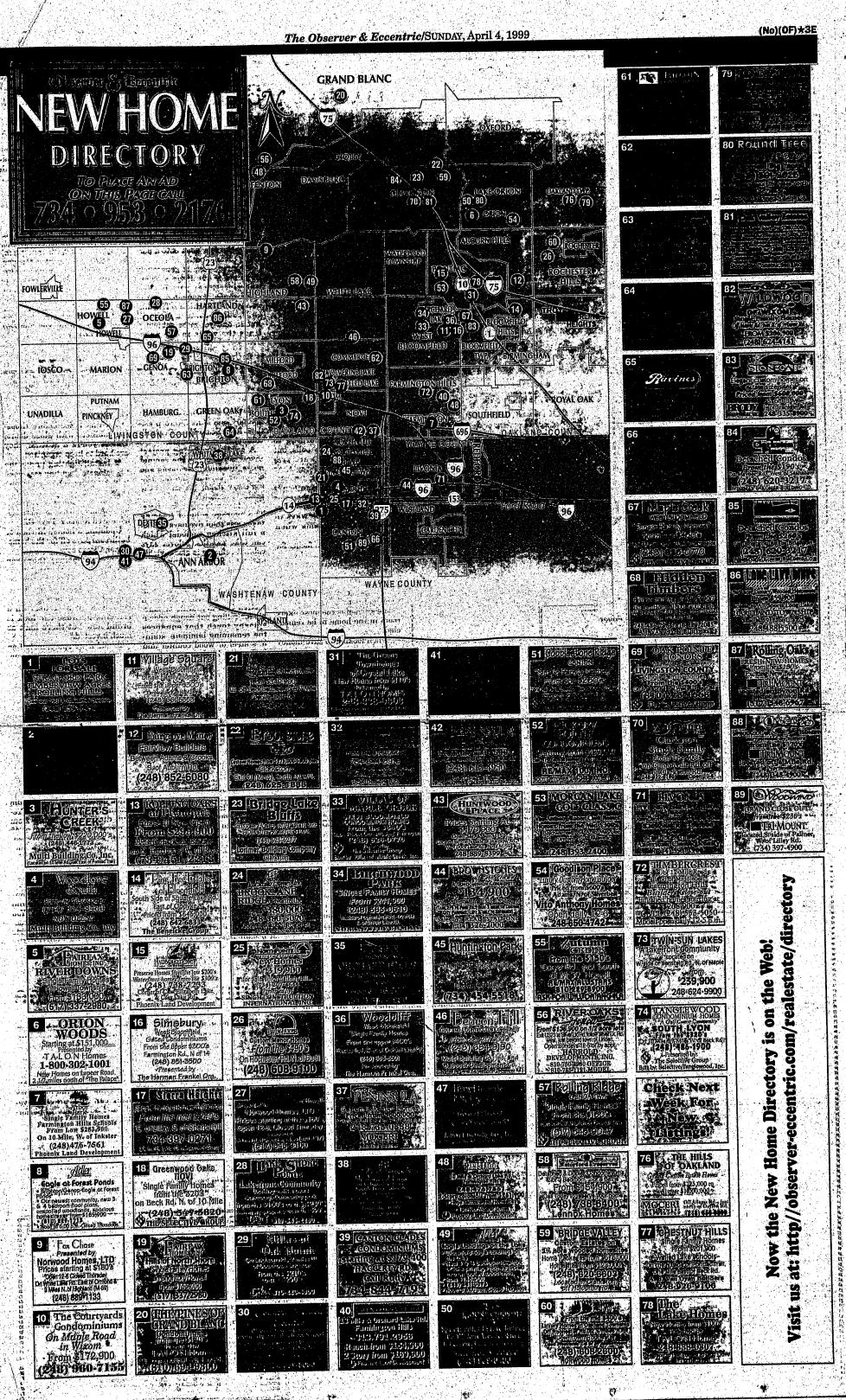
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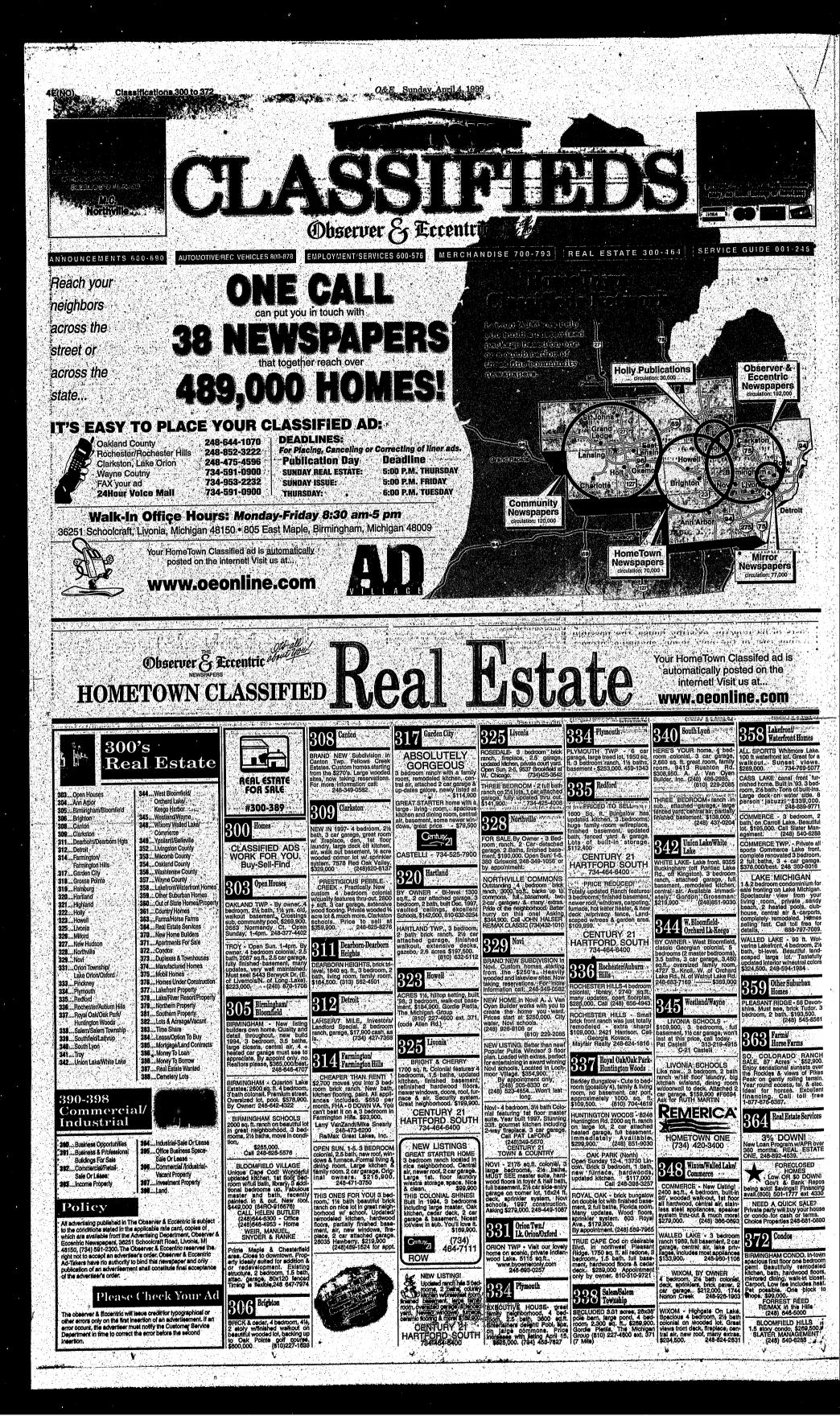
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