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## VINTAGE



CLARKSTON

Until now, Edgar Clark has escaped two years of Civil War service with no serious injury. Unfortunately, his luck is about to run out. He writes to his wife on June 20, 1864, from a temporary hospital in City Point, outside Richmond, Va.

"My dear wife, two days ago our division went on a charge about sundown and I was severely wounded in the left leg, shattering the bone in my knee joint. William was there close by. I got on his back and he carried me back over a slight rise of ground. Then another soldier was there to help him. I got astride of a gun and they both took me to where the ambulance was waiting to carry me back to the field hospital.

"After lying on the ground all night under a big tree, in the morning about 9 I was put on the table to be examined by the doctors and told if it was necessary they would have to take my leg off, which they did. So I was carried to a large brick house this same day and the next day I was taken to this place. You must not worry for I am getting along first rate.

"There are about 2,000 here under the U.S. Sanitary Commission and everything they can do to relieve the wound they will do. We expect to leave in a day or two for some general hospital. You need not answer until you hear from me. I can sit up about half the time. No more from your wounded husband, Edgar Clark."

Vintage Clarkston is written by Kim Huttenlocher, a member of the board of directors of the Clarkston Community Historical Society.



## Township OKs \$5.4 million budget



BY SALLY SLAUGHTER  
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The Independence Township Board of Trustees approved its year 2000 budget Tuesday, but also made it clear that certain capital projects, although budgeted, will not begin until the board has heard detailed presentations about them.

■ Independence Township's 2000 general fund budget, approved Tuesday, is \$5.4 million, 3 percent larger than last year's. Proposed purchases include \$100,000 in new books for the library.

Township boards must have balanced budgets approved by Nov. 1. The board OK'd the \$5.4 million general fund budget as well as budgets for all the other township funds. They are:

■ Fire fund, \$2.8 million  
 ■ Police fund, \$2.5 million in expenditures and \$2.8 million in revenue  
 ■ Parks and recreation, \$2.5 million  
 ■ Library, \$1.2 million

■ Community Development Block Grant, \$65,000  
 ■ Cable TV, \$40,000  
 ■ Safety path, \$459,862  
 ■ General debt, \$684,593 in revenues and \$681,150 in expenditures  
 ■ Capital projects, \$220,000  
 ■ Fire station remodeling fund, \$400,000

■ Sewer fund, \$2 million  
 ■ Water fund, revenues at \$1.8 million and expenditures at \$1.3 million  
 The general fund budget increased about 3 percent from last year's \$5.26 million budget. The township's unreserved fund balance is at \$1.68 million. One of the biggest areas of change in

the 2000 budget is in the election fund because of the 2000 presidential election. Costs will jump from \$75,395 in 1999 to \$173,140 next year.

The parks and recreation budget grew by 18 percent, chiefly from increased programming at the Clarkston High School pool.

A \$571,253 draw from the fund balance helped balance the 2000 budget. Supervisor Dale Stuart said that money will be used for extra projects and the township can afford it.

Some of those projects are what were alluded to in a discussion about not spending the money just because it was

Please see BUDGET, A8

## The E-pole gang



The gang: Tom Cuthrell and other members of the bus gang pose inside the refurbished bus Cuthrell located in northern Michigan.

## Lions' faithful are Dome regulars on game day

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
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Call Tom Cuthrell a "tailgater" and he'll probably just smile right back at you. Cuthrell's been a tailgater for two decades and he's darned proud of it — especially ever since he latched onto that old school bus.

"We've been tailgating for probably 20 years," he said



Cooking: Dave Cook grills chicken on a portable grill the gang carries on its bus.

recently from the comfort of the bus he and his nine cronies have decorated in honor of the Detroit Lions. "Ever since they (the Lions) came to the Silverdome."

"Tailgaters" is a popular term used for people who enjoy partying with food and drink from the back of automobiles and trucks and, apparently, buses. Cuthrell, who lives in Independence Township, shares ownership of the bus with his twin sons, Tom Jr. and Tim, his son-in-law Bill Barrow, and six of their friends, all of whom met as students at Waterford Kettering High School. Each of the men chipped in \$80 to purchase the used bus for \$800 about six years ago. They then cleaned and decorated it to suit their purposes, including a front license plate that reads "e-pole," referring to the parking lot designation where the group parks for each home game.

The men, who hail from Independence and Waterford townships, use the silver-over-blue, formerly brown and yellow 1979 GMC bus to host

Please see TAILGATERS, A6



STAFF PHOTOS BY GARY MALERDA

Cheers: Tom Cuthrell of Independence Township, who co-owns a bus with nine other men, cheers on the Detroit Lions at a recent home game at the Silverdome. Before the games, Cuthrell and his friends gather for food and drink, called "tailgating" inside their bus (above photo) in the parking lot, near the E pole parking lot sign.

## Dwarfs to stand tall at weekend conference

BY SUSAN B. TAUBER  
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The Slack family of Independence Township and the Bowmans of West Bloomfield are participating in a conference this weekend in Romulus.

They expect to attend workshops and special events with about 300 other people.

Sounds like a typical conference, until one learns that most of the people there — including Erin Slack and Kelsey Bowman — are dwarfs.

The conference is a regional gathering sponsored by the Motor City chapter of the international organization, Little People of America Inc. (LPA). It offers information and support to people

Please see DWARFS, A6



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Playtime: Kristi Slack and her daughter, Erin, 2-1/2, enjoy playing with Kelsey Bowman, 4, and her mom, Kathleen.





Patiently waiting: Therapy Dog Major watches and waits for Edna Graves to give him a treat.

# Four-footed therapists promote senior health

By SUSAN B. TAUBER  
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"Hi, Major." "Come here, Major. I have a biscuit for you." These greetings are heard repeatedly at Lourdes Nursing Home when Carolyn Place of Independence Township and her certified Therapy Dog, Major, make their way through the building.

With his tail wagging, Major jaunts down the hallways, stopping to let patients, staff and visitors give him a scratch behind the ears, a pat on the back and even a hug and a few dog biscuits.

Resident Virginia Harrison keeps biscuits with her all the time.

"Dance," she says to Major and he complies, going round and round in circles, mouth open, tongue hanging out in a giant dog smile.

"He's got his smile on," she says. "He's smiling with his tail, too."

"Major brings out the best in everybody when he comes to visit," said Carol Landry, director of admissions at the Waterford nursing home. She has her own supply of large, bone-shaped biscuits for him in her office.

Seven-year-old Major, a black

Labrador retriever, is one of several Therapy Dogs in the area. He and Place visit Place's mother, Edna Graves, several times a week at Lourdes, where Graves is a resident.

One of the reasons he's so welcome at that nursing home, and at others, is because he is certified through the non-profit organization, Therapy Dogs International.

Its goal is to provide free visits to institutions, facilities and any other place where Therapy Dogs, accompanied by qualified handlers, can help increase emotional well being, promote healing and improve the quality of life for the people being visited and the staff that cares for them, according to TDI information.

To become a Therapy Dog, Major had to pass a series of tests that verified he had the right temperament and was properly trained.

Judges tested to be sure he wouldn't jump on people or on furniture, that he didn't bark in certain situations, that he would remain sitting when other dogs walk by and other things. Place has to apply for Major to be recertified annually.

"Having a therapy dog can be very time-consuming," she added. "The training process,

maintaining the dog's discipline and making the visits take up a lot of time. But he's a blessed dog. He's brought so much joy into people's lives. It's an act of love on his part. It's wonderful to see the way people respond to him."

She likes to tell about the time her mother was almost comatose for several weeks.

"One day I brought Major in. She was in a chair where he could reach her and he put his face on her lap. She reached out and called to him by name. It was the first response we'd gotten out of her in several days, and I believe he brought that out of her," Place said.

At home, Major is treated as a regular dog. It's obvious he's at least the prince of the Place palace. There's a black Labrador flag waving in the breeze by the front door and a life-size black Labrador replica that greets school-age children Place tutors.

More information on Therapy Dogs International is available through its web site, [www.tdi-dog.org](http://www.tdi-dog.org), and through the Detroit office of the Michigan Humane Society.

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### Charter Township of Springfield

#### SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING October 14, 1999 SYNOPSIS

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M. by Supervisor Walls.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approved minutes for August 24, 1999 Workshop Meeting, September 9, 1999 Regular Meeting as submitted
- Accepted September reports; Building Dept., Fire, Litigation, Treasurer
- Authorized payment of bills
- Awarded Fire Dept. bids for Cascade System and two rescue suits.
- Authorized Clerk to publish for Second Reading: Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Section 16.20; Minimum Frontage on a Public Road
- Authorized license with Resource Information Associates
- Authorized execution of Annual Support Agreement with Resource Information Associates
- Approved budget amendments for Bridge Lake Road Fund
- Approved revision to Fire Dept. Recruiting and Employment policy regarding township residency
- Approved revision Employee Policy regarding medical insurance eligibility
- Received communications

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Green Lake Park, Special Land Use: Received verbal comments

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Springfield Investors Rezoning Request, Second Reading: Tabled pending Planning Commission recommendation to Township Board on rezoning to OS.
2. Colonial Acres Association, Beach Lighting: Declined to install light unless association wants to pay.
3. Adopted FY 2000 Budgets: Parks - \$298,460 Revenues and Expenses; Shiawassee Basin Preserve Budget - \$20,400 Revenues and \$18,785 Expenses.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Bordin Investment company Rezoning First Reading: Tabled pending completion of Dixie Hwy. Corridor study and Headwaters Grant Project.
2. Green Lake Park:
  - a) Approved Special Land Use
  - b) Commented on Concept Plan
3. Park Commission: Appointed Kathleen Rousseau to vacant position
4. Ordinance 16 A Amendment, Uniform Traffic Code, First Reading: Authorized Clerk to Publish for Second Reading.
5. Zoning Ordinance Amendment, Section 18.07; Continues First Reading to November Meeting
6. Copy Machine: Authorized purchase, \$4,275.00
7. Gypsy Moth Program: Authorized retaining Annette Zemon-Parker

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: 9:20 p.m.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk

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## OBITUARY

### Sandra June Humphrey

Sandra June Humphrey of Davisburg died October 16, 1999, at age 61.

Mrs. Humphrey is survived by

her husband, Edward. She is survived by four sons; David (Birgitt) of New York; Michael (Dawn) of Lapeer; Steven (Marilee) of Connecticut and Wayne (Tammy) of Florida; nine grandchildren; a sister, Kathy Monette of Brandon Twp., and brother, Jack Warren of Pontiac.

Funeral services were held, Wednesday, Oct. 20 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. The Rev. Richard C. Nelson officiated.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston.



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# Costume shops buzzing with Halloween sales

By PAUL R. PACE  
and CAROLYN WALKER

Expect to see lots of youngsters dressed as little yellow cartoon characters this Halloween.

According to Lolly Miller, manager of Jokers Costumes at 4500 Dixie Highway in Waterford, what's hot this Halloween season is:

"Poke'mon, Poke'mon, Poke'mon," she said of costumes of the popular Japanese cartoon characters.

"As soon as I can get them, they're gone," she said. "We've got 100 people on a waiting list. Adults want them too, but they only make them for children."

Also popular in costumes this year are the latest characters from the Star Wars prequel "Episode I — The Phantom Menace."

Clerks and store managers are going Halloween happy this year, even as they begin contemplating the Christmas rush.

Halloween happy is good for business, they say, as they watch customers enthusiastically — and sometimes even competitively — purchase everything from masks to lights to artificial

bones to novelties to candles to sound effects.

Halloween, according to these sales people, comes second only to the Christmas holiday in consumer enthusiasm.

"They go crazy," says Sandy Creason, store manager of Dollar Discount Stores of America on Dixie Highway in Waterford. "I can see the people in here, how nuts they are. They're buying (merchandise) faster than we can put it out. They can destroy a store, too. They just tell me it's their favorite time of the year now."

Creason says adults and children display equal enthusiasm for the holiday. Glow-in-the-dark items are especially popular, as are icicle lights and window clings, which the store has completely sold out of.

For Renee Gallo, assistant manager of Gags & Gifts/Halloween U.S.A., on M-59, the story is the same ... and just as scary.

"By the end, we sell out most all of our decorations," she says, adding that Halloween is the gag shop's busiest season of the year.

"Star Wars is really hot because of the new movie. Poke'mon you can't keep in. And wrestling costumes for kids ..." The list goes on.

At Gags & Gifts, Halloween items are available year-round, but they are stocked more heavily and displayed more prominently beginning in April or May.

Bones, says Gallo, have been big items. "Adults are just as much into it as kids."

Talking with sales clerk Tammie Moles, Gallo attempts to explain the popularity of the haunting season.

"I think it's the dress-up thing," she says to Moles' response of, "Every year I go through this for an hour or two: What do I want to be?"

"I think they like to see who they can scare or how much they can be



**Howling at the moon:** This frightening werewolf costume is one of many custom-made masks and makeup featured at Jokers.

scared," adds Gallo. "That's how I like to be: Scared."

If you want to dress up like the evil Darth Maul from the Star Wars movie, there are regular, deluxe and super deluxe versions at Jokers Costumes.

Miller said the store rents, sells and even makes custom costumes. A Darth Maul outfit could start at around \$80. But she noted the outfits can run from the typical to the elaborate. For instance, there are Darth Maul masks or you can have your face airbrushed by a make-up artist and even be fitted with prosthetics for the horns and insert special red contact lenses to top off a realistic look of the evil character.

The price of special contact lenses, which can make a person's eyes appear freakish, has come down significantly, Miller said.

A few years ago, a pair of scary contact lenses cost \$500 wholesale. Today a person — with an OK from an eye doctor's exam — can get a pair of spooky contact lenses for about \$120 retail.

Halloween isn't the store's

only big season, though. She said Jokers Costumes is already getting orders ready for Christmas outfits. After that it's Easter, she said.

Miller said people have been coming to Jokers to find unique outfits for theme parties for years as well.

And she noted some athletes from the Detroit Lions and the Detroit Red Wings depend on the store to come up with something that will stand out in a costume.

Even the local rap group Insane Clown Pose, whose two members dress up in ghoulish clown make up, have called up the store to get their wares, Miller said.

Hours for Jokers Costumes vary; call 673-2320.

At Dollar Discount, store hours are 9 a.m.-9 p.m. daily, except Sunday when they are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. At Gags & Gifts, hours are 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday through Saturday; and noon-5 p.m. Sundays.

Dollar Discount is at 5598 Dixie Highway and Gags & Gifts is at 4721 Highland Road.



**Spooky:** One of the many scary sights sold at Jokers Costumes.



**Decked out:** David Anthony, owner of Jokers Costumes, dons one of the wilder costumes available at his shop on Dixie Highway.

Staff photos by Steve Cantrell



**Cat's meow:** Paige Conwell of Clarkston tries on a cat mask at Jokers.

## POLICE NEWS

Following are some of the incidents recently reported to police and fire agencies in Independence and Springfield townships.

### Independence Township

**Burglary/home invasion**  
On Oct. 17, someone entered a residence in the 2500 block of Mann Road by cutting the screen of the kitchen window. The owner discovered the front door unlocked and the home burglarized when he returned. Cash and several women's and men's pieces of jewelry were taken.

**Operating under the influence of alcohol**

On Oct. 17, a 30-year-old Davisburg man was arrested for operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol. The man drove through the drive-in window lane at McDonald's on Dixie Highway after the restaurant was closed. An employee walked up to his car

and told him the restaurant was closed. As the man was pulling out of the parking lot, he hit the employee's parked vehicle and a second parked vehicle with two people in it. According to the police report, police noticed a strong smell of intoxicants coming from the man. The man refused to take a blood alcohol test. He had prior OUIL convictions from 1991 and 1995. Police confiscated the vehicle's license plate and issued the man a temporary license.

**Malicious destruction of property**

On Oct. 15, someone wrote on a 1999 Jeep Grand Cherokee with a permanent marker when the vehicle was parked at Burger King on Dixie Highway.

**Larceny**

On Oct. 15, someone broke the front window of a Plymouth Neon parked in the 4800 block of Clintonville Road. The owner discovered a black purse with papers and credit cards missing.

On Oct. 15, a 17-year-old Independence Township male was cited with an appearance ticket for attempted larceny and for underage consumption of alcohol after he attempted to remove a bottle of whiskey without paying for it from Rite Aid Pharmacy on Ortonville Road. The store manager, an employee and a customer restrained the youth as he tried to bolt from the store after the employee asked if he was going to pay for the bottle of whiskey in his pants. The youth had a blood alcohol level of .035, over the zero tolerance level for anyone younger than 21.

On Oct. 15, someone broke a door handle off a truck parked in the 1500 block of Pine Knob Road and removed a bow and bow equipment worth more than \$1,600 and tree stands worth \$520.

**Springfield Township**  
*Attempted Auto Theft*

On Oct. 17, someone attempted to steal a vehicle at the park and ride lot on Dixie Highway at I-75. When the owner returned to the lot to drive his 1993 GMC pick-up truck, he discovered a broken steering wheel and rear cab window.

**Malicious Destruction of Property**

On Oct. 15, someone smashed the mail box at a residence in the 8900 block of Knox

On Oct. 15, someone smashed the mail box at a residence in the 8000 block of Cotswell

### Independence Township Fire Department

**Fire calls**

Independence Township Fire Department responded to 14 calls from Oct. 15-17. These included 10 medical calls, one investigation call, one lock out, one for down wires and a building fire call.

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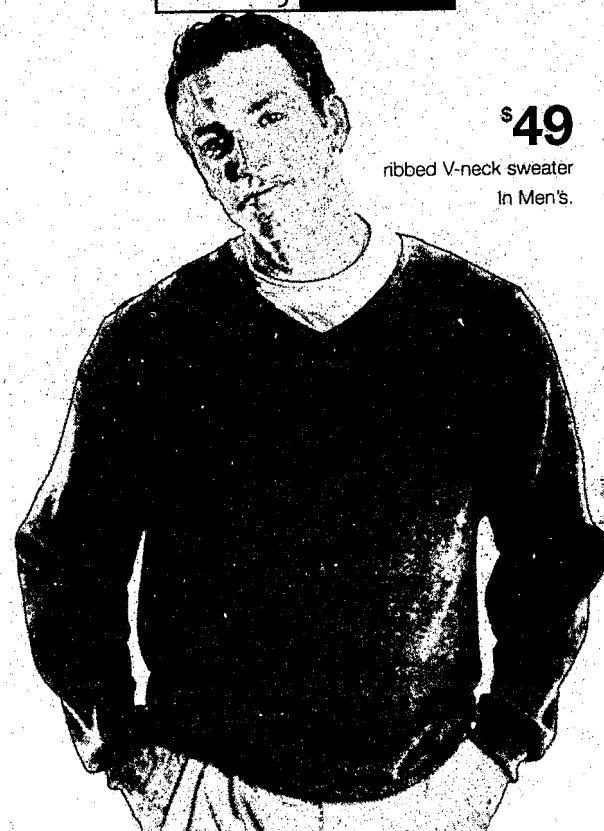


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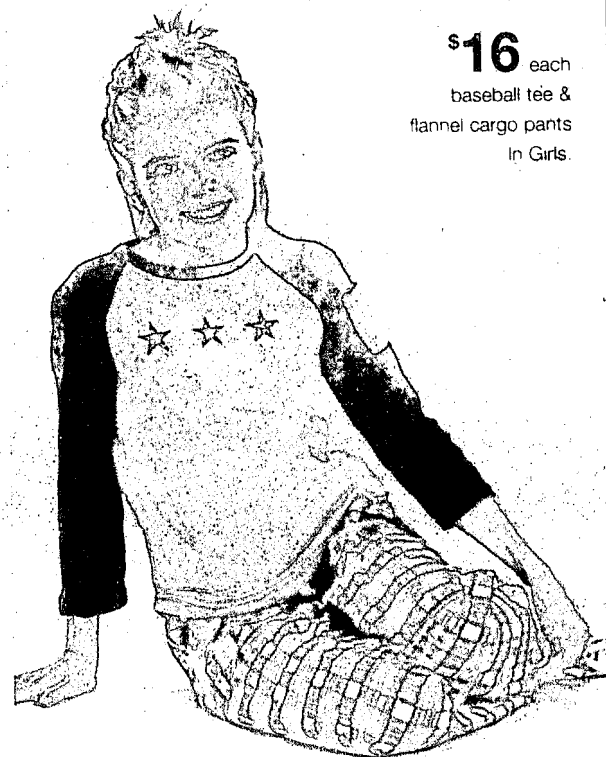


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## Wedding bells



PHOTO COURTESY OF DAVISBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**Happy couple:** Newlyweds Lisa and Ryan Snodsmith met at their teaching job at Davisburg Elementary. They stopped off at the school between their wedding and reception on Saturday where fellow teachers had refreshments waiting. (Center) Kindergartner Sarah DeWalsche, fourth-grader Eddie Hernandez-Cruz and third-grader Jasmine Hernandez-Cruz were among 75 students who helped celebrate the special day.

## Teachers visit students on Big Day

BY SALLY SLAUGHTER  
STAFF WRITER

"She looks just like a princess," whispered Lisa Bell's kindergarten students.

Wedding bells were ringing Saturday for the Davisburg Elementary teacher and her co-worker and now husband, Ryan Snodsmith. To celebrate, about 75 children filled the school's cafeteria to enjoy cider and cookies and wish the couple well, Davisburg Principal Barbara Bloom said.

The Snodsmiths had planned to stop by the school between their 1 p.m. wedding at St. Rita's Catholic Church in Holly and the 5 p.m. reception in Grand Blanc.

"They wanted to come between the wedding and reception for the kids," Bloom said.

When the teachers found out, they decided it would be nice to have refreshments.

"When they saw the whole cafeteria filled, I think they were overwhelmed," Bloom said of the bride and groom.

Bell is in her sixth year at the school and Snodsmith is in his fourth. She teaches kindergarten and he is a second-grade teacher. Not only has the couple worked together, but they both attended Davisburg as children, although they were in different grades. They didn't become really acquainted until they became co-workers.

"Slowly but surely they got to know each other. We've been coaching them for a couple of years," Bloom said.

The bride and groom brought the wedding photographer and the whole bridal party with them. Bloom said the bridal party's appearance was many of the children's first glimpse at a bride and groom. For the under age 10 set, teachers are a species

unto themselves, Bloom said. It's hard for children to understand they have a life outside of school.

On the day the couple got engaged, they announced it to their classes. Bloom said some of the children thought two teachers getting married was strange, but at Davisburg, professional and personal realms seemed to have come together beautifully for the newlyweds.

After 18 months of planning on the bridal party's part, the children seemed to have adjusted to the idea, Bloom said. The children were excited Saturday and couldn't wait for the teachers' arrival. Many of the kindergartners drew pictures and made cards for the couple.

"Some of them were in their party finest and others came straight from their soccer games," Bloom said. "It was so darling."

# Residents say improve park, but keep ball field

BY SALLY SLAUGHTER  
STAFF WRITER

## SPRINGFIELD

The Springfield Township Parks Commission may have to rethink a proposal to improve Green Lake Park.

Residents told the Township Board of Trustees at its meeting Oct. 14 they didn't want to sacrifice the ball field that is there for proposed basketball courts, sand volleyball courts and a swing set. "Is there a reason we have to give up the ball field to get these other things?" asked resident Jerry Francher.

Francher was one of a group of residents who wanted the park near North Bay Road and Foster improved. Parks and Recreation Director Jennifer Tucker said. Planning for more uses has been going on since February 1998, she added.

Tucker was before the township board to ask for a special land use permit and approval of the conceptual site plan.

"The more active ball field type (needs approval) and what triggers this is the basketball and volleyball," Supervisor Collin Walls said.

The special land use was approved by the board. But since residents spoke out at the meeting, it was suggested that the plan be revised.

The 2.5-acre park currently has a non-regulation baseball field. It has a backstop, but not much else in the way of improvements. But still, residents say

the whole neighborhood uses the ball field.

"I think we were looking for more activities, but not at the expense of the other. When you play ball, many, many people can play and enjoy it," Francher said.

The proposal had the half-court basketball area approximately where home plate is on the ball field. The sand volleyball courts are in the outfield.

Residents say they were not told the ball field would be used for other activities.

Tucker said she was surprised by the residents' feelings. The courts were proposed in those positions because of drainage and grading concerns. Residents said they thought the basketball courts could go on a flat area of the park to the north. Tucker said the Planning Commission indicated a nearby homeowner in that area might object to the noise.

She added although the ball field is mostly used by smaller children, she has to be concerned about anyone who would use it.

"You get a big league swinger and someone's got a ball through the windshield," Tucker said.

Walls added he isn't interested in protecting people from themselves, but Tucker said it is her job to worry about those things and her office will get the call from an angry motorist.

She added that Green Lake Park isn't big enough to keep the ball field and do everything else because of its topography.

Board members hesitated to approve the concept plan, however, after hearing resident's concerns.

"I thought it was a nice plan but when I hear the residents are dissatisfied, I wonder how we can compromise," board member Elaine Field-Smith said.

Tucker also said it appear the plan needs some revision because the township's job is to serve the public. Only \$5,800 has been budgeted to improve the park. The residents also offered to donate any labor required and some of the materials such as backboards and concrete for the new basketball courts as well as a new park sign.

One suggestion was to keep the baseball field intact and move the basketball courts to the other side of the backstop. Walls said it might be wise to hold off putting in the volleyball courts and Clerk Nancy Strole said the township could simply put the swing set on the northern portion of the property.

She said if that would have been the only change at the park the department could have just done it.

Tucker said she will have to take the information back to the Parks Commission. Before any improvements are made, a final site plan must be approved by the Planning Commission and the township board.

## Kids, seniors celebrate Halloween

Halloween is not just for the young.

Seniors at Pine Tree Assisted Living will join in the trick-or-treating spirit at 11 a.m. on Oct. 29. Preschoolers with the Clarkston Chapter of the MOMS Club will go from room to room looking for treats at the center located on 5480 Parview, in Independence Township.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for both the elderly resi-

dents and the pre-schoolers to interact. The residents just love having the little ones come for a visit," said Crystal Carrier, Director of Operations at Pine Place.

The MOMS Club is a group of mothers with pre-school children who get together for fun, companionship and support.

They organize play groups, field trips, Moms Night Out,

adult book groups and recipe exchanges.

The president of MOMS Club, Melanie Peterson, came up with the idea along with some suggestions from Crystal Carrier.

Melanie can be reached at (248) 620-3259 for additional information on the Clarkston Chapter of the MOMS Club.



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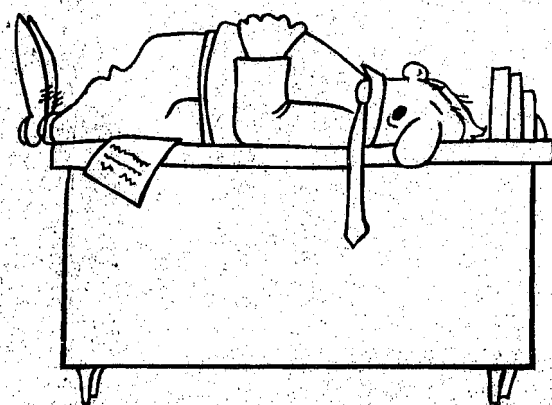
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## Bill would fine drivers who park in 'access' lanes

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RoAnne Chaney of East Lansing once spend two hours sitting in her wheelchair in a freezing rain because a driver had parked too close to her van to allow her to operate the lift she needed to get in.

Police who responded to her call couldn't back the van up for her, because they were unfamiliar with the special controls she uses to drive.

Still, the officers were reluctant to issue a ticket because, at present, state law does not specifically say it's illegal to park in the access aisle located next to handicapped parking spaces.

"If you ask most drivers what yellow strips on the pavement mean, most recognize that means 'no parking.' But if you ask them what the blue stripes mean, they don't have a clue," Dearborn resident Chris Mageli said, explaining he believes drivers need to be better educated about handicapped parking rules.

Some of the worst offenders, Mageli said, are drivers who have handicapped parking placards themselves but don't realize the purpose of the blue-striped access area.

Blue stripes designate wheelchair access aisles, intended to give wheelchair users the room they need to operate lifts to get in and out of their vans.

Legislation that would make it illegal to park in an access aisle, whether the driver holds a handicapped parking placard or not, was introduced last week by Michigan Rep. Laura Toy (R-Livonia).

The bill, which has so far received 54 co-sponsorships, would levy a fine up to \$100 for anyone who parks in those access aisles, or blocks a curb cut or a wheelchair ramp.

"My brother had cerebral palsy for 44 years, and my mother is also disabled," Toy said.

"Because of these personal experiences, I know the frustration disabled people face when ramps, access aisles and curb-cuts are blocked by inconsiderate drivers. There are currently no penalties in Michigan law for individuals who block or park in wheelchair access aisles. Likewise, no penalties exist for those who block a wheelchair curb-cut or ramp with their vehicle. Blocking these access areas has been a significant problem for disabled citizens who use these mobility enhancers on a daily basis."

Tom Masseau, Public Policy specialist for Michigan Protection and Advocacy Services, agrees the problem is a lack of education. He said that drivers who get temporary handicapped placards, needed because of an injury or illness from which they are expected to recover, currently are not even given a full set of handicapped parking rules.

Mageli, a member of the State Commission on Disability Concerns, said he believes the first step will be to clarify the rules in the law. After that, he hopes to convince the Secretary of State's office to include questions about handicapped parking in drivers license tests, to assure that all drivers will be informed of the rules surrounding handicapped parking areas.

Mageli, himself a wheelchair user as a result of a 1993 shooting that severed his spinal cord, tells a similar story of being stuck in the rain when a driver blocked in his van. He said police are reluctant to write tickets if the errant driver holds a handicapped placard.

Chaney, Operations Director for the Michigan Disability Rights Coalition, who also depends on a wheelchair to get around — the result of her struggle with juvenile arthritis — said that while the loophole in the law often leaves officers unwilling to act, she sees an increasing number of violations in access aisles. She comes across the problem herself regularly, she said, about twice a week.

Rep. Laura Toy,  
—R-Livonia

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## Senate approves 4-day Labor Day school break

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It didn't take long for Michigan Senators to reverse themselves and approve a controversial bill to mandate that school districts give their students a four-day weekend for the Labor Day holiday.

After the Michigan Senate rejected it in an 18-15 vote Wednesday, Oct. 6 — 20 votes are needed for passage — supporters found five additional "yeas" and reconsidered Tuesday, Oct. 12. This time, the measure passed 23-15.

Among those additional "yea" voters was Senator Bill Bullard (R-Highland), who had not voted in the first ballot.

"I was really torn on that," Bullard explained. "I was very opposed to the original bill, which would have given a whole week off. But the tourism industry made a very good case that it would help tourism. Because I'm the chairman of the Transportation and Tourism Committee, I thought maybe I should be voting with tourism. And I wanted to vote with school districts. We did adopt the school code a few years back that gave control of the calendars to local school boards."

"What we did, in the end, is we created a legal holiday for the school districts, and the worst that is going to happen is that the school districts will have to tack on one additional day at the end of the school year."

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Sen. Bill Bullard  
—R-Highland

All other local senators stayed with the positions they had taken on the bill the first time.

Already approved by Representatives, House Bill 4099, sponsored by Rep. Scott Shackleton (R-Sault Ste. Marie), now heads to Gov. John Engler, who has promised to give the bill a swift signature.

Because of the state-mandated longer school year, many districts now return to classes in August, before Labor Day. The tourism industry in Michigan argues that effectively shortens the summer vacation season.

But supporters say the four-day weekend will not only boost

tourism, it will give families one last long weekend of recreation before youngsters return to classrooms in the fall.

Opponents argue that local boards of education alone should set the calendars for their school districts.

Here's how area lawmakers voted:

Sens. Loren Bennett (R-Canton), Bill Bullard (R-Highland), Mat Dunaskiss (R-Lake Orion), Shirley Johnson (R-Royal Oak) and Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia) voted yes. Sens. John D. Cherry Jr. (D-Clio), George Z. Hart (D-Dearborn) and Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield) voted no.



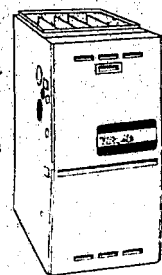
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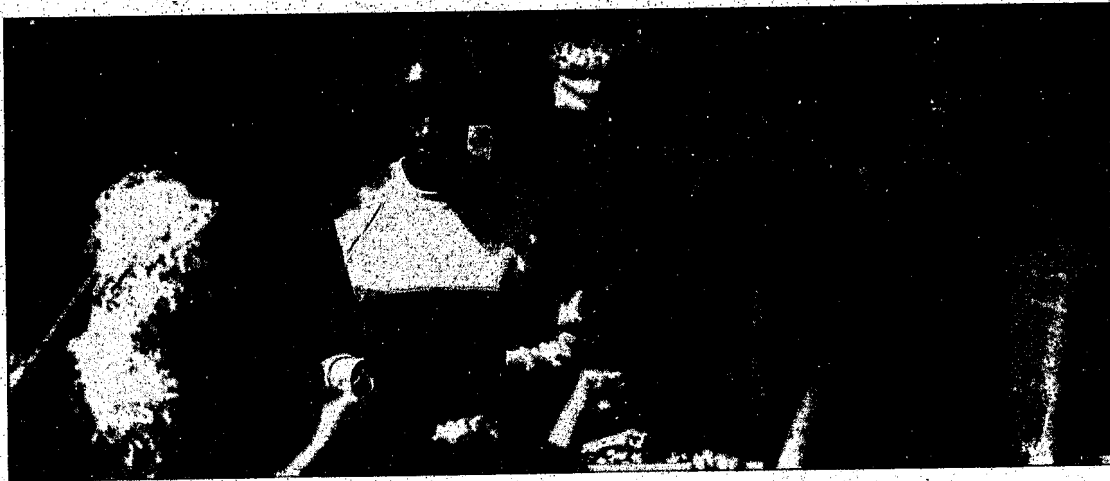
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## Tailgaters from page A1

parking lot or "tailgating" parties at the Silverdome whenever the Lions have a home game. (Eight times a year, according to Cuthrell.) Cuthrell drives the men — and sometimes a few game wives — to the football games and then one of them is made a "designated" driver to bring them home. The designated driver agrees not to drink alcoholic beverages during the game, Cuthrell said.

"The story is . . . every game that the Lions have, we get down there four hours early and we tailgate. We open the (Silverdome) gates! We all have fun with it and this thing didn't hardly cost anything. I'll do it the rest of my life. It's a regular ritual."

Cuthrell said he discovered the bus while on a fishing trip in Northern Michigan near Marquette. The original owner was asking \$1,000 for it and took only a short while to agree to a sale after Cuthrell made his \$800 offer.

The bus is driven only to Lions games, Cuthrell said, and every winter its battery is removed

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and the bus is put up on blocks in his backyard for preservation.

With 129,233 miles on it, Cuthrell said the men have agreed not to use it for hunting, which was once proposed. The trip to and from the Silverdome is 14 miles round-trip from his house, according to Cuthrell.

"If we want it to last a long time, we'll just take it to the Lions' games," he said.

Still on its original nylon, inner-tubed tires and using its original engine, the bus also boasts a small table, seats, cubby holes, a refrigerator and a grill, Lions' pennants, decals and old photographs.

"It's all self-contained. We have everything we need in here."

Everything has got its place," Cuthrell said, demonstrating the availability of 2,000 cups, paper plates, pain relievers, antacids and silverware. "Everybody gets together and talks. If the guys are real hungry, they cook."

Food fare for the 10 can include anything from grilled chicken to venison burgers.

"Every week is something different," Cuthrell said. "Each week they take turns. I'm the only one who doesn't have to bring food because I'm responsible for the maintenance of the bus."

He added, "We had a flat tire a couple weeks ago and it cost \$27 to fix it. Everybody gave me two bucks."

According to Cuthrell, the Lions' games attract a lot of tailgaters and he and his sons and friends have met hundreds of them. They have also met a few of the football players, as well.

"We intend to drive this to Detroit when they have the new stadium," he said, with a chuckle. "By then, we may have to have a new set of tires."

## Dwarfs from page A1

ple of short stature and their families.

The local event, scheduled to run Friday through Sunday at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Romulus, will have participants from Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and part of West Virginia.

Kristi Slack and Kathleen Bowman talked about how LPA has made a difference in their families' lives and their attitudes about raising a dwarf — the preferred term for a person who has one of more than 200 medical conditions that cause dwarfism.

The terms dwarf, little people or people of short stature are preferred over the word midget, which, according to the LPA, has derogatory connotations.

"The biggest thing we've learned from people through the LPA is that the big difference about little people is that there is no difference," said Slack. "They can lead long, healthy, productive lives, just like average-size people do."

Bowman said after attending a national conference for two days, she and her family left with a renewed spirit of optimism.

"We learned being a little person has no stigma. We learned dwarfism doesn't affect the mental capabilities of the person at all, that dwarfs represent the same slice of America — from doctors to artists to bikers with long hair — as the average-height population," she added.

The Slacks and Bowmans have become close friends after meeting each other through LPA.

The families each have a daughter with short stature caused by acondroplasia. That's

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a genetic condition resulting in disproportionately short arms and legs, caused by a gene mutation. It affects one out of every 14,000 births, according to information from Johns Hopkins Medical Center and Lee Kitchens, a past LPA president.

Erin Slack is 2-1/2 years old. She attends the SPICE preschool program in the Clarkston Community Schools district. Kelsey Bowman, 4, goes to Lakeland Cooperative in West Bloomfield.

Each mother has a story about how they and their families discovered their daughters are dwarfs.

Erin was diagnosed at birth. Kelsey wasn't diagnosed until she was almost 6 months old.

"Our pediatrician was suspicious because her lower extremities seemed out of proportion to the rest of her body," Bowman said. "Kelsey had a lot of classic characteristics we had noticed, such as flatness of the face and the nose bridge."

Kelsey's grandmother, a nurse, recommended Dr. David Aughton, a geneticist at William Beaumont Hospital.

A skeletal X-ray confirmed the diagnosis.

The mothers said they are glad they learned the diagnosis early in their children's lives. There are medical conditions they needed to be aware of such as sleep apnea, compression of the brain stem and hydrocephalus, which is excess fluid on the brain.

Also, motor skills develop dif-

ferently. While most children begin walking around 12 months of age, Erin didn't begin walking until she was 24 months old.

Erin's parents, Kristi and Chris Slack, are average-size people as is her sister, Michelle, 6. The same is true of the Bowman family — parents Kathleen and Robert and brothers Christopher, 10, and Matthew, 9.

Both admitted they worried about how to raise a dwarf-size person.

"How would she go grocery shopping, where will she buy clothes, how will we handle people staring at her," Slack said were some of her initial thoughts.

Questions got answered and worries have been eased through the support of people in LPA. The Bowmans and Slacks have dwarf friends from going to LPA conferences and the siblings are as proud of their sisters as any other siblings are.

"When my daughter Michelle sees people who don't know how to react to Erin, she tells them Erin is her sister and that her bones just don't grow the same as theirs do," Slack said proudly.

The parents of little people have the same dreams, hopes and fears for Erin and Kelsey as they have for their other children — that they become the best people they can be.

"We've learned to be their cheerleaders, just as we are for our other children," said Slack.

Anyone wanting more information on the LPA conference should contact Lydia Graber, one of the co-chairwomen, at (734) 461-0858 or show up at the hotel. The conference features a pizza party and registration on Friday evening. On Saturday there will be informational and medical workshops as well as a children's Halloween party, a euchre tournament and a dinner and dance that evening.

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# Bill targets adult entertainment business licensing

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In an effort to curtail pornography, and the crime that goes with it, Republican lawmakers have come up with a plan to license the "adult entertainment business."

Speaker of the Michigan House Chuck Perricone (R-Kalamazoo Township), unveiled a plan Wednesday for a series of bills which would create a statewide licensing system for regulating pornography businesses similar to those currently used to control liquor sales and casino operations.

Adult entertainment businesses would be required to renew their licenses annually, giving the state the opportunity to pull licenses for businesses at which violations have been detected. The package would also call for health department inspections, prohibit closed interior rooms that "may be used to facilitate sexual activity," and add penalties for selling pornography to minors.

The bills further would limit hours of operation to between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. Porn shops would be barred from staying open on Sundays or legal holidays.

And the package would allow area residents to sue the business and recover damages if it becomes a nuisance in the neighborhood.

Area lawmakers were quick to sign on to support the package.

"Finally, someone is doing something about it," Rep. Susan Tabor, R-Delta Township, said. "When one of these businesses moves into town, people in the neighborhood can't do anything about it. This is one of the things you want to defend your neighborhood from."

She noted attempts to control pornography businesses through zoning laws have often resulted in costly legal battles for the community, oftentimes unsuccessful.

And such businesses do often

have adverse impacts on the community, according to House Majority Legal Counsel Carmel Roberts. National statistics show sex-related crimes, including prostitution, occur in areas surrounding pornography businesses at a rate four times higher than in other areas, she said. She said property values declined 20 to 25 percent in the areas surrounding such business, according to those national figures.

"Pornography makes men look at every woman as a piece of meat," Rep. Paul DeWeese (R-Williamston) said, explaining why he plans to support the bills. "It awakens something in men."

A physician, DeWeese said he has often had to treat women in the emergency room for injuries they received from techniques their partners have learned through watching pornographic movies.

Likewise, Rep. Mike Bishop (R-Rochester) said he is likely to sign on as a co-sponsor, although he wants to see how the bills are written for introduction before he makes a final decision.

Although such businesses are not coming to his district, Bishop said they are proliferating elsewhere in the state. They escape regulation at present, he said, mainly by avoiding selling liquor. With no liquor license at risk, porn shops get away with "simulated sex acts," such as lap dances, which are illegal and would cause the loss of a liquor license. By adding a statewide licensing system for adult entertainment, the proposal would put those licenses at risk when such violations occur, Bishop explained.

Bishop said he does not anticipate much opposition when the bills come up for a vote in the legislature. Rather, he believes they'll be subjected to lawsuits, challenging the restrictions in court.

Perricone agrees. He said the package is being closely reviewed by legal counsel to assure it will withstand any constitutional challenges.

## OCC offers free financial planning seminar, Nov. 4

Financial planner Rick Bloom is the next speaker in Oakland Community College's Distinguished Speaker Series, Thursday, Nov. 4. The topic is "Planning Your Financial Future."

The program is free and open to the public. It begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Smith Theatre on OCC's Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, just south of I-696, Farmington Hills.

Bloom is an honors graduate of The University of Michigan School of Law, as well as Michigan State University where he received a degree in accounting. He is a licensed certified public accountant and a member of both the Michigan Association of

Certified Public Accountants and the Michigan State Bar.

Bloom hosts "Money Talk" on Radio Station WXYT, a question-and-answer program in which he answers listeners' inquiries regarding financial planning, taxes and other matters affecting money. Bloom is a currently a member of Bloom Asset Management, a financial planning firm. He is also a member of Bloom, Bloom & Associates, a law firm specializing in estate planning, business partnerships and corporate law.

For further information, call the series coordinator Professor Harvey Bronstein at (248) 471-7744.

## Police, fire training center to rise at OCC

Oakland Community College is ready to begin construction on its long awaited, sometimes controversial police and fire training center.

Known as the Combined Regional Emergency Services Training (CREST) Center, the facility will provide a simulated city where police and fire fighting agencies from throughout the region can go to practice their techniques and procedures.

OCC's Board of Trustees voted 5-0 Monday, Oct. 18, to allocate \$1.35 million to begin building phase one of the project on the Auburn Hills campus. The George Auch Co. will be given the contract.

Funding for the project comes from OCC's general fund millage. Earlier this year, police chiefs in Oakland County objected that the college had not yet started on the project, although CREST was a part of the mil-

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**Approval of phase one construction money allows work to begin on the site, roads and utilities, as well as the first training sites.**

lage campaign and the police chiefs had campaigned on its behalf.

Board members were seeking grant money to add to the allocation. State grants for the project are still pending and have not yet been approved. College officials anticipate word on a state grant could come as early as November.

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ities, as well as the first training sites. When completed, the CREST center will include facilities to allow emergency personnel to train for everything from house fires to hostage situations.

#### New phones

Oakland Community College will get a new telephone system come January. But the numbers of staff members and college

offices will not be changed. The addition of a Call Center, where operators will be able to handle 80 to 90 percent of student inquiries, is expected to be an improvement over the current system.

And all that while saving money. OCC administrators estimate the new system will produce a savings of almost half a million dollars over the next seven years.

The OCC Board of Trustees voted 5-0 Monday, Oct. 18, to contract with Fujitsu, one of six bidders to submit proposals for the new system. The new phones replace a Centrex system in place at the college for which the college's contract was set to expire Jan. 24.

The board approved a contract that will lease the phone system at a monthly cost of \$32,193.

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# Springfield waits on rezoning, accepts grant for natural preservation

By SALLY SLAUGHTER  
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A group of investors interested in building a gas station at the intersection of Davisburg Road and Dixie Highway will have to wait at least a couple more months before they know the fate of their project.

Springfield Investors wants to build a gas station, convenience store and car wash on two parcels totaling 1.08 acres. How-

ever, one parcel is zoned office service and the other is zoned residential. The developer wants the area zoned commercial.

The Planning Commission has already rejected one request by Springfield Investors to rezone the area to commercial.

On Oct. 14 the Springfield Township Board of Trustees tabled the investors' rezoning request because the Planning Commission had planned further action on one of the parcels at its Oct. 18 meeting. At the Oct. 18

meeting, the Planning Commission had intended to rezone the residential portion to office service. But on the township planner's recommendation, the Planning Commission also tabled that issue, Township Clerk Nancy Strole said.

The master plan calls for residential in that whole area, and a public hearing is needed to amend the master plan, Strole said. The Planning Commission will get more information at its November meeting and will like-

ly set up a public hearing at that time.

Any decision by the Planning Commission is a recommendation to the township board, which makes the final zoning decisions.

Also at Thursday's Township board meeting, members accepted a \$25,000 grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Great Lakes National Program Office.

"It's a very positive project," Strole said. "It's a logical follow-

up to our headwaters grant."

The headwaters project aims to inventory natural resources in six area municipalities. The new grant, which lasts two years, is a way for Springfield Township to encourage the use of native vegetation in new and existing developments.

The township will contribute approximately \$6,000, Strole said. The program is called the Native Vegetation Enhancement Project.

An advisory committee will be

formed and its members will include township officials and representatives of developers, builders, nurseries, land conservancies, landscapers and planners. The final goal is to update requirements for builders and landscapers when it comes to using native vegetation. According to the township's grant application, using native vegetation instead of exotic or other plants is important to preserving Springfield Township's unique character.

## Budget

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budgeted.

In a motion before the budget vote, board members agreed to look at certain proposed projects more in depth before actually spending the money.

For example, the Department of Public Works hopes to do a root infestation remediation project. Also, the board had earmarked \$250,000 to the library to buy books in 1999 and \$100,000 in 2000.

"I'd like to see a plan to convert that money into books on shelves," trustee Neil Wallace said.

Other projects that would fall into that category include fire contingencies and other non-recurring costs like furniture or computers for various departments.

Wallace said the board should have a better policy about how fund balance monies are allocated. He also said discussions about budgets should be ongoing throughout the year.

"I think that also will lead to more thoughtful discussions and decisions," he said.

Also at Tuesday's meeting, Steve Pitcher of the Road Commission for Oakland County discussed improvements to a section of Indianwood Road in the northeast corner of the township.

The improvements will be part of a Gravel Road Improvement Project. The county will supply the equipment and labor, and the township will pay for the materials, amounting to about \$14,000.

About one-half mile of Indianwood from Eston Road to Baldwin Road will be fixed. Stuart said the road is practically impassable in the spring and he has heard many complaints from residents.

"Indianwood is in severe need," Pitcher said. "It's been a trouble spot for the township, and it's our way to try and help."

The problem is water does not drain off the road and ends up underneath the base. To correct it, ditches and culverts will be put in. The road will be raised about 3 inches. To do the work, six large trees will have to be cut down.

Stuart said residents will be informed about the project before any trees come down.

Pitcher said it is too late in the year to put gravel down. He may be able to do some preliminary work like installing culverts, but suggested the bulk of the project wait until spring.

In other business, the board approved spending \$19,000 in unbudgeted funds for asbestos abatement in the town hall and annex.

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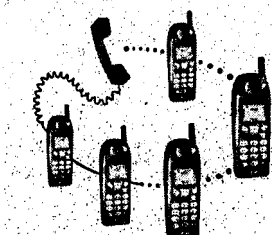
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# Oakland's luminaries keep Lighthouse shining

BY CORINNE ADATT  
SPECIAL WRITER

In surprising and wonderful ways, Lighthouse of Pontiac grows and flourishes because of family involvement.

The most recent example was at the groundbreaking last month for the new headquarters at Cottage and Woodward (formerly Wide Track) in Pontiac.

Among the spectators were Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Flint of Bloomfield Hills, who gave \$1 million dollars for the new 30,000 square foot building to be named the Lighthouse of Oakland County Robert H. and Mary G. Flint Campus of Caring.

With them was their daughter, Susan Cooper of Bloomfield Hills, chairperson of the Lighthouse board of trustees.

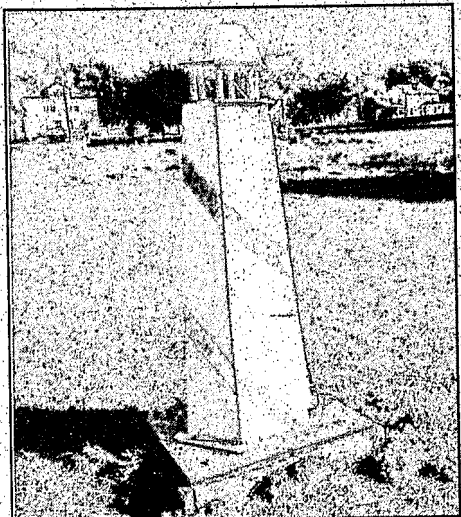
She spoke about her parents' gift. "The timing was perfect. It was very moving to see them at the groundbreaking. They have always cared deeply for the community. They planned to do something. I told them their gift was needed now for the building to be completed — and they were there to know they have made a difference."

The building will be the center for the multi-service agency serving Oakland County residents north of Maple Road.

Cooper added, "We expect to move into the new building next August. Over 50 percent of the money (the goal is \$6.5 million) has already been raised and we have a lot more pending. We've received over a million in goods and services."

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She said TV personality Tim Allen, who grew up and still lives in this area, and his wife, Laura, got plans for the building under way with a \$250,000 donation from the opening of "Jungle 2 Jungle." Another \$250,000 came from Comerica and \$100,000 from Bank One. Bloomfield Hills philanthropists



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACQUEL

Lighting the way: A miniature lighthouse stands where the new Lighthouse, an emergency service agency, will rise in Pontiac.

Bob and Maggie Allesee gave \$250,000. She, with Michael Hermanoff and Gary Carley, make up the fund-raising committee.

Cooper reminisced about her personal involvement. "It all began when mother delivered a turkey (for the Lighthouse Thanksgiving Basket program) 25 years ago. She always wants to be sure we say it was a stuffed turkey."

Several years ago when Barbara Van Dusen set up a \$1.2 million challenge grant in memory of her husband, Richard, Noreen Keating, Lighthouse CEO asked the Flints to chair the campaign. Mary Flint recommended her daughter for the job. "They set me up," said Cooper with a smile in her voice. After the challenge was met and the \$2.4 million raised, Cooper continued her affiliation.

Since Lighthouse started 27 years ago as a small ecumenical, non-profit in St. Frederick School, providing emergency services to people in need, it has grown dramatically. Today the broad-based programs offer a full

range of services, from aiding people in poverty and crisis to training sessions to help them become independent and self-sufficient — even actual housing and community development. Keating said last year's clients numbered some 66,000.

"People think of Oakland County as affluent, but Brooks Patterson (Oakland County executive) told us over 250,000 (residents) are low income."

As she described the new building, Keating said, "It is designed by the program needs of the agency." It will include Volunteer Place, a training and recruitment center operating in collaboration with other area institutions as well as ample space for offices, and training classes in life and job skills.

Keating continued, "One-third (of the space) will be leased to other entities which serve our clients. That will cover operational costs."

The \$6.5 million will go the new building, to programming and to the endowment to insure the future of the facility.

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## Truth hurts Substance abuse talk on target

**S**ometimes the truth hurts. Drug prevention expert Milton Creagh caused a bit of a controversy in Clarkston recently when he said parents' drinking and drug habits were the cause of their children's substance abuse problems.

Creagh talked to both parents and students in multiple presentations.

About 40 students walked out of one of his talks. Some parents called administrators, complaining that their children came home crying, and other parents who attended the evening presentation for parents appeared stunned as they listened to what he had to say.

We would like to congratulate the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth and Clarkston Community Schools for their courage in co-sponsoring the national speaker's presentations.

His is a message that needs to get out, even if it does offend some listeners.

While programs that instruct kids to just say no to drugs are well-intentioned, they don't work. Parents continue to be their children's best teachers. And the best way to

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teach is by example.

Citing research from the American Foundation for Drug Prevention in Fort Worth, Creagh says that one of the most important things parents can do to keep their kids drug-free is to be drug- and alcohol-free themselves. Kids don't buy the "Do as I say, not as I do" rhetoric.

We would also like to remind parents of Creagh's message. It is one that needs repeating. As parents fall back into the rhythm of everyday life, and the impact of an emotional presentation wears off, it's easy for them to rationalize and downplay their behavior.

Don't let that happen. Heed Creagh's advice. Do it for the sake of your children.

## Bills are political, not helpful

**L**egislative bills were recently introduced that would make opinions issued by the state attorney general nonbinding on state departments and prohibit the office from siding against the state in a court case.

One bill would limit opinions on law questions on an "advisory" basis — that is, not binding — on the executive branch of government unless the opinion had been requested by a state officer on behalf of a state department or agency, and the opinion related to that department or agency, its jurisdiction or enforcement authority. Another would prohibit the attorney general from taking, prosecuting or intervening in any action against the state.

Republicans who introduced the bills said the measures only sought to clarify separation of powers for the office of attorney general. One state senator was quoted in a published report as saying the idea that one opinion "trumps everybody else in state government... is ridiculous."

While the Republicans who introduced the bills insisted the issue is not political, it certainly appears that way. We wonder had John Smietanka or another Republican candidate won the 1998 election whether there would be such a furor surrounding the attorney general's office and opinions. (Of course, we wonder whether Smietanka would have defended consumer rights like the previous attorney general, Frank Kelley, did.)

Under a 1971 Michigan Supreme Court decision, an attorney general's opinion "is not binding interpretation of law which courts must follow but does command allegiance of state agencies." By law, the attorney general is required to give his or her opinion on all

**We have a few questions for the Republicans: Who oversees state government agencies and departments when attorney general opinions are considered 'advisory' only? How is the public protected from government? How are consumers protected if the attorney general is quieted and opinions?**

questions of law when asked by either branch of the Legislature, the governor, the auditor general, the treasurer or any other state officer.

At the request of the governor, secretary of state, treasurer or auditor general, the attorney general must prosecute and defend all lawsuits relating to matters connected to their departments.

Attorney general opinions often guide the conduct of state departments. Legal questions on the duties of these department officials are often raised and answered by the attorney general on what can and cannot be done.

We have a few questions for the Republicans: Who oversees state government agencies and departments when attorney general opinions are considered "advisory" only? How is the public protected from government? How are consumers protected if the attorney general is quieted and opinions rendered meaningless?

We doubt that this clarification on "separation of powers" really helps Michigan residents. We hope legislators wise up and let these bills die.

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"I just told them (inside Food Town) I'm not pleased."

**Amy Rosswurm**  
Clarkston



"I don't really have any strong feelings."

**Virginia Freeland**  
Waterford

*This question was asked at the Food Town on Sashabaw at Waldon in Independence Township.*

### LETTERS

*(Editor's note: Stuart is responding in the following letter to a recent Clarkston Eccentric editorial that supported the idea of a wage study for Independence Township employees. The study would have been conducted by the Michigan Municipal League at a cost of \$11,000.)*

#### Correct decision made

**T**he township board did not turn down an opportunity to save money. The township board did turn down an opportunity to spend money. The study would not have covered all 80 township employees since most of our employees are union members. The study would have been performed by an organization that primarily deals with cities, not townships. The study would have done what we already do annually and that is survey similar communities to evaluate wages. The township board made the correct decision.

**Dale A. Stuart**  
Independence Township Supervisor

#### One for the Gipper

**I** was disappointed and saddened, but I suppose not surprised, that former President Ronald Reagan's official biographer and many others cannot see, discern, grasp or comprehend the superb leadership, intellect and simple-single purpose that he pursued to restore our greatness and world leadership.

We faced an aggressive "evil empire" whose leadership was apparently devoid of Judeo-Christian values and on the march toward world domination. Ronald Reagan again proved that the pew, pulpit and moral ideals of a free people are mightier than even nuclear swords protected by an iron curtain. The Soviet Union crumbled.

I believe Ronald Reagan called upon his own deep spiritual values and his understanding of our founding fathers' intellects that we were one nation under God. Not separate from God. That separation of church and state did not mean the exclusion of God, religious symbols and values from governance. Armed with these values, and help from God, Ronald Reagan, Margaret Thatcher, our pope and many millions of humble, God-fearing people brought Russia to her knees in a spiritual and not military sense. Margaret Thatcher, Former President George Bush and President Ronald Reagan never took credit or gloated over the fall of the Soviet empire. They knew they were worldly hands and instruments for the Holy Spirit in a free world.

In the Bible, Matthew and many others speak of the moral blindness of our time, that they shall look but not see. They shall listen but cannot hear or comprehend truth, morality or wisdom. To those who thought Ronald Reagan was an air brain and simple man, I can only answer, they cannot hear, see or understand the spiritual grace and clarion call

that I believe Ronald Reagan heard and followed to proclaim to Gorbachev, "Tear down this wall." I believe Ronald Reagan was one of the greatest presidents to grace the Oval Office in every sense of the word.

He and Nancy gave great dignity, integrity and spiritual and social grace to the office and the sacred trust of we, the people. His simple and indomitable faith and trust in God and us made us all once again remember our faith that America is really that great moral city on the hill, the bastion of all men, women and children who live in fear and bondage.

Nancy's simple and profound message on drugs was just say no. She was maligned and chided by some intellectual elites because they listened but could not hear her as others did.

I believe the journey to world peace, equality and freedom is never ending, but it does take leaders like Dutch and Nancy and all of us to have simple child-like love, trust and inspiration so that when God speaks, we can hear; when he points, we can lead; and when he calls us to greatness, we follow. Unfortunately, we will again face a time of disaster, despair and self doubt, but us let us not fear. One of the greatest tributes we could ever pay to Nancy and Dutch will be to elect a similar person and he or she will renew us and say, "Let's win one for the Gipper!"

**Dr. James A. O'Neill**  
Clarkston

#### Don't restrict Granholm

**W**hy would our state legislators want to wipe out 164 years of an independent attorney general's opportunity from representing the people as opposed to just representing state government in lawsuits against the state?

Frank Kelly in 37 years was never confronted with this. Could the reason be that Jennifer Granholm is the highest-ranking Democrat in the state and they are fearful she might become too powerful?

This is happening unless we the people write our representatives and senators and tell them the legislation introduced recently should be voted down. If this goes through, the attorney general would no longer represent the people of Michigan, and it will indicate we the people don't care what goes on in our government.

**Zelda and Milton Rose**  
Farmington Hills

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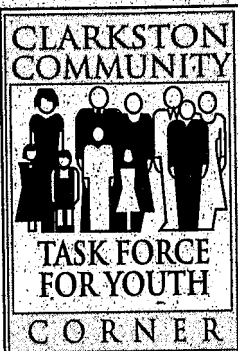
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## POINTS OF VIEW

## Together, Clarkstonites can change accepted norm for substance use



Remember the "thousand points of light" analogy mentioned in a presidential race a few years ago? The phrase referred to people across the nation making a positive difference in their communities. In the terminology of the community coalition movement, it could also mean bringing about a positive change in accepted community norms. We believe that change is beginning to happen in Clarkston.

During the recent "Shop to Stop Drugs" campaign, hundreds of shoppers at local grocery stores were asked, "Would you be willing to donate \$1 to help stop drug abuse in Clarkston?" Aside from the obvious fund-raising aspect, the question seemed to prompt another question — "Do we have a drug problem in Clarkston?"

Consider the following statement by the Think Tank for Action on Substance Abuse in Southeastern Michigan, 1990: "Drug dealing and alcohol abuse in suburbia are less likely to occur in plain view or contribute to neighborhood blight, but as a result, substance abuse may be more hidden and, in a sense, more insidious. Families with money and power may harbor secrets about drug abuse that contribute to shame and guilt — they may resist the intervention of schools, religious leaders and sometimes even the police."

Drug abuse in the suburbs does not happen on street corners; it happens behind closed doors.

Every community — urban, suburban, or rural — has a drug problem to one degree or another. Survey results continue to reveal above national averages in nearly every category of drug use by Clarkston youth. However, when we accept this fact as objective reality, an amazing thing happens. Instead of expending our energy in minimizing, excusing or denying, we are set free to begin to work on the problem! Rather than pointing fingers and looking for whom to blame, perhaps we need to look at this issue in a new way.

Milton Creagh travels around the nation

speaking to students at hundreds of schools every year. Many approach him after an assembly to share their personal stories. During his recent visit to Clarkston, Creagh asked more than 3,500 young people to consider the following: How many of you know someone (family or close friend) whose marriage ended in divorce because one of the marriage partners was using drugs or abusing alcohol? How many know someone (family or close friend) who has been raped or sexually abused by someone abusing alcohol? How many have lost someone close to you (family or close friend) when that person died because of an alcohol- or drug-related situation? Finally, how many know someone (family or close friend) who is in prison or has been arrested because of alcohol or other drug use?

These were not easy questions to hear, to answer, or to watch, as hundreds of kids in our community stood in somber silence, acknowledging the losses — sometimes painful losses — they have experienced because of substance abuse by other people in their lives. Creagh went on to emphasize the importance of lifestyle decisions our young people are making.

"It's not about choices you will be making 20 years from now," he said. "It is about choices you are making right now, choices which in many cases will determine what your life will be like 20 years from now."

And who are the "thousand points of light"? They are parents, school administrators, teachers, counselors, neighbors, pastors, peer listeners, youth leaders, coaches, Scout leaders, grandparents, physicians, school principals, PTA members, bus drivers, club advisors, mentors, business leaders and bank presidents. Even you.

To learn more about the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth, check out our website at [www.clarkstonyouth.org](http://www.clarkstonyouth.org) or call us at 394-0252.

This column, which normally runs the second Thursday of the month in the space below, was inadvertently not published last week.

## Here are some practical reasons for ending 'living wage' rules



PHIL POWER

Last November, voters in Detroit approved by a 4-1 margin a "living wage ordinance."

The measure requires all companies doing more than \$50,000 in business with the city or getting that much in tax breaks to pay their employees at a rate of 125 percent of the federal poverty level. As of now, that comes to \$8.23

per hour if workers get benefits or \$10.29 if they don't. (The current national minimum wage is \$5.15 per hour.)

Political wisdom at the time was that organized labor slipped the measure onto the ballot while Mayor Dennis Archer wasn't paying attention. Given the highly unionized electorate in the city, getting an ordinance entitled "living wage" onto the ballot was all it took.

Not surprisingly, business leaders went ballistic. They were joined by some Democrats who worried about the anti-growth consequences of local voters legislating wage levels. Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara, for example, called the ordinance "diabolical" and "the greatest deterrent to economic development that's out there."

Gov. John Engler and House Speaker Chuck Perricone agreed. And, surprise, State Rep. Robert Gosselin, a conservative Republican from Troy, duly introduced HB 4777, which he called "The Job Creation and Regulatory Responsibility Act."

The bill — also called the "Destruction of Local Government Act" by opponents, some from organized labor and some local officials — would block local government units from setting policy in areas already addressed by state government. Because there are a bunch of state and federal laws already on the books dealing with minimum wages, HB 4777 would effectively nullify attempts by cities to dictate wages.

There's no doubt about it. Living wage measures are popular with the voters. In Michigan, efforts are already under way to get similar measures on the ballot in Ypsilanti and Ypsilanti Township, and liberals in Ann Arbor, Kalamazoo, and Lansing are beginning to beat the drums. The movement has a national dimension, too, with a bunch of communities including Baltimore, Boston and San Jose already having adopted similar ordinances.

Although the debate over the bill looks on the surface like state versus local control, in actual fact it's about economics and the workings of the free market system.

Supporters of living wage measures argue morality, arguing that it's just not fair for employers in a given city to be allowed to pay workers less than the poverty level for raising a family. Opponents ask how economic development and job creation can possibly be encouraged when countless local governments are ceaselessly interfering with the workings of the labor market.

Aside from the ideology involved, I think there are compelling practical reasons to eliminate living wage ordinances.

First, pandering. Once you let one living wage ordinance on the books, local politicians will find themselves falling over each other to set higher and higher required wage levels.

Second, migration. Manufacturing companies have for years migrated their plants out of state to find lower wage levels in Alabama or Mexico. Imagine what would happen if gas stations, party stores or dry cleaners started moving their businesses from community to community in response to varying living wage levels.

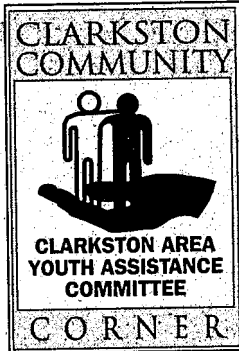
Mike Malott, the head of the statewide news service used by this newspaper, points out an interesting parallel to the living wage argument: tax abatements. In the 1970's and '80's, Malott writes, politicians got the bright idea that giving businesses 50 percent property tax breaks for 12 years was a neat way to lure new business and compete with other states. But smart business people started shopping for the best deal, pitting state against state and community against community.

The quarrel now going on between Troy and Warren over tax breaks for General Motors will look like a polite conversation in Sunday School if living wage ordinances are enacted in all manner of Michigan communities and bidding wars erupt between local politicians pandering for votes and between communities trying to attract jobs and economic development.

Local government officials who worry that Gosselin's bill would destroy home rule would be well advised to work with him to narrow the bill down just to living wage issues.

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## Youth Assistance video series teaches how to get kids to open up



For the past 20 years or so, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, under the direction of the Family Education Committee, has successfully sponsored parenting education speakers and classes. On Oct. 21, 28 and Nov. 4, they are hosting a three-part video series entitled "Parenting Puzzle: The Middle Years" 7-8:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. This parenting series was created expressly for parents of children just before and after puberty. Not only is this a period of rapid physical changes, it is also a time when young people are experiencing a new awareness of themselves and their peers and a need for greater autonomy and self-expression. The video series is especially relevant to this pivotal stage of growing up, but because it teaches basic parent-child communication skills, it is recommended without reservation to the parents of children of all ages.

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The series features the charismatic and insightful teaching of parenting expert and workshop leader Michael Brandwein. A keen observer of everyday parent-child relationships, Brandwein has developed some highly original strategies for building more open and effective two-way communication. He teaches practical skills that parents and other adults who work with young people can use immediately, and he presents them in easy-to-remember language backed up by memorable illustrations and stories.

"Tell Me More" is the topic of the Oct. 21 session, which is a mini-course on communicating with young people that revolves around listening better. Brandwein explains why listening is more important than talking; he describes his techniques for opening up a two-way conversation with a young person.

The Oct. 28 session, "Like the Blades of a

Scissors," demonstrates an interactive approach to solving problems and handling disagreements between parents and young people. Brandwein explains why simply telling a young person what to do is not as effective as working with the child and solving the problem together, and he provides a step-by-step description of the process.

On Nov. 4, the topic is "The Power of Example." This is a surprising lesson on setting an example for our children on what to do when they make mistakes and when they feel fear and other strong emotions. Brandwein stresses the importance of not concealing our mistakes and worries, but letting our children see them and then showing young people how we deal with them by making changes and adjustments.

Facilitating this video series, Janet Colbrunn will be available to answer questions and provide practice implementing the skills during each session. Colbrunn is a licensed professional counselor and works at the elementary level in the Romeo schools. She has facilitated other parenting classes for CAYA, including "Parenting with Love and Logic" and "Assertive Discipline." As a mother of three grown children, she has been active with CAYA for more than 10 years, serving as chairperson of the Family Education Committee and vice-chairperson of the board of directors.

This parenting series is offered to community parents at no cost. Participants are encouraged to register by calling the CAYA office at 625-9007 where Fred Morden, the CAYA case worker, is available to assist parents with more specific issues as well.

This column space is shared by local community groups. Up next week: North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy.



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## The end of the 1999 road construction season is nearing, but many projects are still in the works including the following:

Road Improvements could cause delays on the following Oakland County roads. Roads are open unless noted. Alternative routes are advised in all instances.

### NORTH OF M-59 ANDERSONVILLE ROAD

**From:** West of White Lake Road  
**Community:** Springfield Twp.  
**Details:** Road will be closed Oct. 22-25 so that workers can remove a culvert under the road in preparation for the paving and realigning of White Lake Road. Completion date is Oct. 25.

### BROWN ROAD

**From:** Joslyn Road to Baldwin Road  
**Community:** Orion Twp. and Auburn Hills  
**Details:** This section of gravel road is being paved and is currently closed. The detour route is Baldwin Road, Lake Angelus Road and Joslyn Road. Completion date is the end of November.  
**From:** Joslyn to Giddings  
**Community:** Auburn Hills and Orion Twp.  
**Details:** As part of the reconstruction of the Brown/Joslyn intersection, Brown Road is closed between Joslyn and Giddings so that the new approach to the intersection can be constructed. The road will be closed until the intersection reconstruction is completed. Detour is Harmon Road and Giddings Road. Completion date is unknown.

### DRAHNER ROAD

**From:** M-24  
**Community:** Oxford Twp.  
**Details:** Right-turn lane from eastbound Drahnar onto M-24 being added.

### HICKORY RIDGE ROAD

**From:** Clyde Road to Fenton Road  
**Community:** Rose Twp.  
**Details:** Road being pulverized and repaved. Completion by the end of October.

### JOSLYN ROAD

**From:** Brown Road  
**Community:** Auburn Hills and Orion Twp.  
**Details:** In conjunction with the paving of Brown Road, the

Joslyn/Brown intersection is being reconstructed and reconfigured. Work will continue until approximately Dec. 1, weather permitting. Through-out construction, one lane of Joslyn will be open in either direction, though Brown will be closed to the west for paving and to the east so that the new approach to the Joslyn intersection can be constructed. The developer of the Auburn Mile shopping center, being built on Brown west of the intersection, is paying for this work. Expect delays in the area. Completion date is Dec. 1 (work to resume in the spring).

### NORTH HOLLY ROAD

**From:** Grange Hall Road to north of Lahring Road  
**Community:** Holly Twp.  
**Details:** This road is being reconstructed. North Holly Road south of Lahring Road will be closed until mid-November for culvert replacement. Detour is Grange Hall Road, Dixie Highway and Belford Road. Completion date is mid-November.

### MCCLELLAND ROAD

**From:** Dixie Highway to Vassar Road  
**Community:** Holly Twp.  
**Details:** Road closed for

paving. Detour is Vassar Road, Groveland Road and Dixie Highway. Completion by the end of October.

### MILFORD ROAD

**From:** Davisburg to the rail-road tracks north of Rose Center Road  
**Community:** Rose Twp.  
**Details:** This section of road is closed for resurfacing. The detour route during the closure is M-59, Hickory Ridge and Fenton Road. Completion date is Nov. 10.

### MOST MILE AND COUNTY ROADS

**Community:** Groveland Twp.  
**Details:** Gas mains being installed throughout the township. This is a moving operation, location of installations could change daily. Lanes may be closed or reduced to one way traffic. This will be ongoing for several months.

### WILLIAMS LAKE ROAD/MACEDAY LAKE ROAD

**Community:** Waterford Twp.  
**Details:** Intersection will be reconstructed, weather permitting. Expect delays. Completion date is the end of November.

### SOUTH OF M-59

**From:** West of Big Beaver  
**Community:** Troy  
**Details:** Traffic is likely to be disrupted on eastbound Big Beaver west of Rochester Road as development begins on a new shopping center on Big Beaver. Expect delays, especially Sunday. Completion date is unknown.

### ORCHARD LAKE ROAD

**From:** Walnut Lake Road to Lone Pine Road  
**Community:** West Bloomfield Twp.  
**Details:** This section of road will be milled and repaved beginning in October. Completion date is not available.  
**From:** At Northwestern Highway  
**Community:** West Bloomfield Township  
**Details:** The developer of a nearby shopping center will be adding a northbound center left-turn lane to Orchard Lake. Completion date is November.  
**From:** Harris Lane to Wiloway

**Community:** West Bloomfield Twp.  
**Details:** Road is being repaved. Completion date is Nov. 15.

### PONTIAC TRAIL

**From:** Back to Wixom Road  
**Community:** Wixom  
**Details:** Wixom is installing a water main along this section of road, causing some delays. The city will also be widening the road from two to three lanes. Completion date is November.

### WALNUT LAKE ROAD

**From:** Haggerty Road to two-thirds of a mile east of Haggerty  
**Community:** West Bloomfield Twp.  
**Details:** Beginning in October, ROC will pave this section of road to provide access to the new elementary school. Completion date is in November.

### WOODWARD

**From:** Catalpa to 10 Mile  
**Community:** Royal Oak, Huntington Woods  
**Details:** Median being landscaped. Lanes may be blocked off in areas. Completion date is the end of October.

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## Real-life 'witch' sparks memories

I suppose the Witch of Warwick Street might have had a hidden, mild side. It's hard to know what really lurked under her green face, black demeanor and gnarly hands. Hard to know because we made our acquaintance when I was a little girl — still vulnerable to fears and frights and, especially, flights of the imagination.

The Witch had, of course, already grown into herself.

I ask myself these days, now that I have maturity on my side: Did she have a second persona that I never saw? One that came out during the day and was never really recognized?

Was she a teacher? Or a nurse? Or a mother, maybe?

(I know that a little girl can't understand the nature of a woman until she is fully grown. Wisdom comes with age and experience.)

(Another way to put that is to say that sometimes I get witchy feelings, myself. I can certainly understand this woman's need to exercise her urges once every year, if you know what I mean.)

As you can imagine, the Witch of Warwick Street used to show herself on Halloween. She was a sight to behold, indeed, leering out from against a backdrop of darkness, which seeped from inside her home. (She was a lights-out-at-night, in-the-dark kind of witch, to be sure.)

Two-hundred feet tall to my child's eye, she reached a big paw through a half-screened door and hunched over

Please see WITCH, B3

## Teen skaters take a spin to Europe



Taking their turn: Mike Adler and Terese Anselmi practice for the Junior Grand Prix skating competition being held this week in Slovenia, near the Italian border. The two have skated as a pairs team for three years.

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Mike Adler and Terese Anselmi personify beauty and power as they make their ways in perfect synchronization across the ice rink at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills. Holding one another with faith and confidence, the two command the ice and make it their own — even as they dream of what lies ahead in Europe.

This week, Adler, 18, who attended Clarkston High School, and Anselmi, 14, are representing the United States as a pairs-skating team at the international Junior Grand Prix competition in Slovenia, near the Italian border. Both live in Waterford.

As if to prove they are in synchronization off the ice as well as on, Anselmi and Adler say "It's exciting" in the same instant as they discuss the competition's possibilities. It will be their first in Europe.

"They're very good kids. They're very excited about this. They've got a lot of polish and poise, which the Europeans like," says one of their coaches, Johnny Johns, director of the Detroit Skating Club and a former pairs and dance champion himself. "It's a very big step when a kid gets invited to an international for the first time."

"We not only want them to skate well, but to get a chance to see what it's like in Europe. It's an eye-opening experience for these young adults. The first one's always the hardest."

According to Johns, the Junior Grand Prix is an age-restricted competition featuring young men up to age 20 or 21, and women through age 19. Twelve to 15 other countries will send skaters to the compe-

tion, which will be judged by European judges, and which will include free-style skaters, dance skaters and pairs skaters. Along with other pairs-skating teams, Adler and Anselmi will be judged on the difficulty of their moves and stunts — called "elements" — presentation and speed.

Pairs skaters do choreographed, complicated throws, lifts and jumps.

Adler and Anselmi were the United States Novice Pairs Champions for 1999, which helped them to qualify for the Grand Prix. Ultimately, they were chosen to represent the United States by the United States Figure Skating Association, based on that win and some other criteria.

They agree that skating together provides them opportunities they might not have

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Controlled nerve: Mike Adler, 18, and Terese Anselmi, 14, practice at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills.

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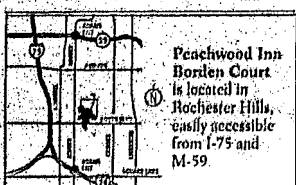
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# Being middle-aged has benefits too numerous to count

A couple weeks ago my column was about the downfalls of aging (my recent problems with forgetfulness, weight gain, etc.). While most of my middle-aged friends could totally relate to my observations, I do have one friend who felt I should give equal time to the benefits of getting older. At first I was sure she didn't understand that this column must be more than just a few sentences in length, but after thinking about it for awhile, I realized she is right. Actually, I'm quite happy being middle-aged.

Recently my son asked me what the perfect age is. Without much thought, I replied "29."

"So you want to be 29 again?" he concluded. "Oh, no. I thought you were asking generally." After a brief discussion of the pros and cons of going back in time, I advised that I am perfectly happy being 42. I have had a good life so far. If I were to go back, I might do something different and mess up the whole thing. No thanks, I'm perfectly happy right where I am.

Every stage of life has its benefits. You just have to put on your spectacles to see them clearly after a certain age. I once overheard a bald gentleman bragging that he never had a bad hair day and the time that



ROCHELLE SMITH

he saved by not using the blow dryer could be used to give his head a nice shiny buffing. Now that's the spirit. If I look hard enough, I'm sure I can find plenty of good things about being a

middle-aged wife and mother of two middle-school boys. Here goes:

■ I don't have to worry about finding a date for the Millennium New Year's Eve party. I recently heard on the radio that the fear of not having a date for this "biggy" is causing major stress for singles. My biggest concern for that evening is trying to stay awake until midnight.

■ I don't have to dig my driver's license out of my wallet when buying an occasional bottle of wine. (The last time I asked the cashier if she wanted to check my I.D. she said, "No one ever does that for me anymore, why should I do it for you?")

■ I rarely need a heavy winter coat. (Between the hot flashes and the extra pounds, I stay quite toasty, thank you.)

■ After decades of fighting acne, I am finally pimple-free. (Skin tags and old age spots seem to be increasing, but no more pimples.)

■ I no longer worry about embarrassing myself in front of a cute young hunk. (I assume they are no longer paying any

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attention to me anyway.)

■ I'm not bothered by any of those pesky, degrading whistles and hoots when I walk by a construction site.

■ I'm now part of the older and wiser group. There's a feeling of accomplishment that comes along with being able to answer questions about things that happened before some of my co-workers were even born.

■ It no longer takes a conscious effort to keep from giggling when I'm nervous.

■ I've successfully made it past the days of lugging diaper bags, car seats and big plastic toys everywhere I go. (Gameboys, C.D.'s and Pokemon cards are much lighter.)

■ In just a few years, I'll be eligible for the senior citizen's discount.

■ Although I seem to need my glasses more often for driving, I got myself some of those transition lenses that change to sunglasses when I go outside so I'll look like a "cool mama." Unfortunately, since they don't darken while behind the windshield of the car (U.V. ray protection) I have to stick my head out the window at every stoplight, but that only enhances that "cool mama/devil-may-care" persona I'm going for.

But seriously, I am very happy being middle-aged. After all, if this is the middle, I still have the best half left. Now that I'm older and wiser, I won't make half as many foolish mistakes as I made during the first half of my life. Who knows, with any luck at all, I'll keep my senses long enough to accomplish some intelligent and respectable things to make up for the stupid and tasteless things I did during my teen years.

Rochelle Smith is a free-lance columnist. She lives in Independence Township.

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## Skaters from page B1

had as single skaters.

"For me, it's an opportunity to do elements I could never do by myself," says Adler, who began ice skating as a 10-year-old in Wisconsin. Adler attended Waterford Kettering and Clarkston high schools, although he graduated from private education.

"We made it a lot farther in pairs than I would have ever made it in singles."

The shy and soft-spoken Anselmi, who is a ninth-grader at Lutheran High Northwest, agrees. "It's different than most of the people do here. It sets me aside."

Anselmi says she came to skating as a 5-year-old roller skater and later switched to ice skating. Learning to trust Adler with his throws and catches took time, she adds, smiling and noting of their first throw, "I was

scared. Really scared."

Years of practicing and competing together has provided them with a sense of comfort and mutual respect.

"I think we both are comfortable with what the other person is doing," says Adler, explaining how they came to be paired with one another. "One of the coaches here wanted us to try out together when I said I wanted to do pairs."

During the competition, Adler and Anselmi will perform what are called, in skating circles, "long" and "short" programs. A long program allows the skaters to include any elements they choose. During a short program they must perform required stunts.

In order to qualify for such a high level of skating competition the two must practice several times each week and do weight

training, they say. Each practices six days a week, with two hours each day devoted to pairs practice. They also practice and compete as individuals.

"I have four hours of skating (daily)," Anselmi says. "There's times when you want to do something else. Once in a while you can take a vacation. To get to a certain point, you have to keep on."

Thinking about this week, Adler reflected briefly during an interview about the first time he attended a national competition — and its accompanying crowd:

"The first time I went to nationals, I'd never skated in a rink with stadium seats. So I was kind of overwhelmed. But it is exciting when you're competing. You never stop improving or trying to. We're going to work hard ... and hopefully travel some more next year."



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## 3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

## NORTH OAKLAND COUNTY LYME DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP

7 p.m. Independence Township Library, Clarkston. There will be no December meeting. For information, call Carol 625-5275 or MLDA 1-888-784-LYME.

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10 a.m.-1 p.m., North Oakland Co-op Preschool, 5300 Maybee Road. Bring your children to see the school and meet the teacher. Spaces available for the fall in 3-year-old and 4-year-old preschool classes. For information call Ellen at (248) 623-6250.

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7-9 p.m. Wednesday evenings, North Oakland Counseling Associates, 6401 Citation Drive, Clarkston (248) 620-1019. This free 10-week educational group will focus on issues such as building self-esteem, developing communication and conflict management skills, learning about alcohol and other drugs and practical ways to develop a healthy, happy lifestyle. Enrollment is still open.

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## THURSDAY, OCT. 21

## CLARKSTON COMMUNITY WOMEN'S CLUB

7:30 p.m., Independence Township Library. Brief business meeting. Speaker Francine Zick presenting "Tea and Etiquette." She will talk about tea-past and present, tea types and hostess and guest duties at a tea. For more information call Kathy at 394-0406.

## THURSDAYS, OCT. 21, OCT. 28, NOV. 4

## "PARENTING PUZZLE: THE MIDDLE YEARS"

7-8:30 p.m., Independence Township Library. Clarkston Area Youth Assistance is sponsoring an education program for parents of children ages 9-13. Jan Colbrunn, L.P.C. is the facilitator for this series, which will provide tips and techniques to make life easier for children and parents alike. There is no charge to

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## FRIDAY, OCT. 22

## AUTUMN BIKE ADVENTURE

10 a.m. Bike from Independence Township Senior Center to Independence Oaks County Park where you will enjoy a naturalist's talk on autumn mysteries. Lunch will be served in the park boathouse. For information, call 625-8231. Reservations required. Deadline, Wednesday, Oct. 20. Cost: \$3.

## SATURDAY, OCT. 23

## MOM TO MOM SALE

1-4 p.m., St. Trinity Lutheran, 7925 Sashabaw Rd., Clarkston. Children's clothing, equipment and toys. Sponsored by MOPS (Mothers of preschoolers). Admission: \$1. No early sales.

## SATURDAY, OCT. 23 &amp; SATURDAY, OCT. 30

## CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER

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## TUESDAY, OCT. 26 AND THURSDAY, NOV. 4

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## MONDAY, OCT. 25 - TUESDAY, OCT. 26

## BABY-SITTING WORKSHOP

6:30-8:30 p.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston., Youth Activities Room. This two-session program offers information on emergency procedures (not including CPR), child development and entertaining young children. Attendance at both sessions is required and a certificate of completion will be awarded to all participants. Students ages 11 and up can sign up by calling the Library at 625-2212.

## Witch from page B1

the innocent.  
"Want a little piece of candy, boys and girls?" she asked, extending a basket full of goodies. Her offer to those of us who dared step onto her front porch while trick-or-treating presented the kind of quandary some adults have come to call "temptation."  
Her offer was the good and bad, the ugly and the beautiful together in one fleeting experience.  
It's funny the things that stay with you into adulthood. The Witch of Warwick Street has stayed with me. She left the kind of impression that gives new meaning to the term "grown woman."  
(It's anyone's guess what or who left a

childhood impression on her.)  
I think the Witch of Warwick Street must have had flights of the imagination of her own. A woman's desire to step out of her every day self. Out of the hum-drum. A woman's desire to put on the ridiculous — complemented with a hat — and to pass herself off as something different.  
A desire to — oh, horrors! (Not to mention the illicit thrill of it all.) — give little children a scare.  
I wonder if the Witch of Warwick Street was married? Could she have shared the non-Halloween days of her life as Mrs. Santa Claus?  
There was an affable red-faced and red-

suited, white-haired man who traversed Warwick at Christmas time. He ventured out when there was snow on the ground and a heavy chill hung in the air.  
He could capture a little girl's imagination too. Could show up, unannounced, on a front porch at dinnertime and want to know if you had been good.  
The answer to that pressing question eludes me still.  
Indeed, could a little girl be good only two months after she'd faced temptation?  
Carolyn Walker lives in the city of the Village of Clarkston. She is a staff writer for the Waterford Eccentric.

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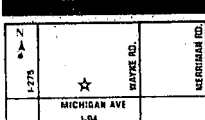
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# No school, no wheels

## Legislator has plan to keep kids in class

By MIKE MALOTT  
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"I would always marvel at it. We occasionally would have kids who would have a real truancy problem, but when it would come to drivers' training, they never missed a class," Gary Doyle, superintendent of Bloomfield Schools, said.

In fact, having a driver's license can encourage further truancy, because the youngster has transportation.

So it makes sense to Doyle to tie issuance of a driver's license to attendance in school, as proposed by Michigan Sen. Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield).

Peters recently introduced a four-bill package to give school officials new ways to enforce school attendance requirements. A key part of the package, in Senate Bill 759, would allow a court to delay issuance of a driver's license or suspend an existing license for a student who is not regularly attending school.

Senate Bills 758 through 761 would also require parental notification if a child is absent without an excuse twice in 30 days; require an "agreement for attendance" if a child is absent without an excuse five times in a month; allow court intervention if a child is absent seven times in a month; and increase penalties for parents who fail to send their children to school. Sentences for parents could include fines ranging from

### At present, truancy is seen by police and courts as a 'status crime'...

\$50 to \$500, or jail from two to 90 days.

Doyle said he would not want to see parents who are making an effort to get kids to school punished.

"I had one parent who would drive his daughter to school every day and walk her in the front door," he said. "As he was walking out the front door, she was headed out the back. Obviously, you don't want to see a parent like that punished."

Other parents, however, seem to encourage their youngster to skip school. Still others "cover" for them, he said.

"I saw one student across the parking lot and went in to call his parents. His mother said he had been home sick for the last week. I told her I had just seen him across the parking lot and there was nothing but silence on the phone. I don't understand why some parents do that," he said.

It would be up to the family court and Protective Services to determine which parents are making the effort and which should be subject to sanctions, and Doyle said he believes they would be well able to make that determination.

Peters sees the package as a way to intervene early in the lives of youngsters headed for trouble. Truancy is often an early sign a youth is headed toward delinquency, he said.

"A lot of folks say they want to get tough on juveniles who commit serious crimes. There's the case in Pontiac," Peters said, referring to the trial of Nathaniel Abraham, charged with first-degree murder at age 11. "He had a lot of contacts with police over the years and learned that nothing was going to happen to him. Then he commits a real serious crime, and that's when we get tough... There are losers all around in that case. He's facing jail for 70 years, but the big loser is the victim."

At present, truancy is seen by police and courts as a "status crime," that is a violation that only counts as an offense because the perpetrator is under age, Peters explained. So some officials do not take it seriously. Many school districts punish truancy by suspending the student from classes. "That makes no sense," Peters said.

The senator believes truancy is an early indicator of a developing delinquency problem, and by allowing intervention by the courts and Protective Services early, the youth will have the best opportunity of avoid more serious encounters with the law.

The package has been referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee, which will consider it for further action.

# Go around the world at OU's culture event

Oakland University invites the public on an abbreviated round-the-world trip during its Cultural Awareness Week, Nov. 1-5. The week offers the chance to explore various cultures and their language, history, politics, art and lifestyles.

This year's theme, "Cultural Diversity: Making the Puzzle Complete," focuses on looking at how diverse cultures and ethnicities contribute to world culture and impact societal structures.

All events are in Oakland Center unless noted otherwise. Center Stage is a food vendor in Oakland Center's Pioneer Court.

### Monday, Nov. 1:

■ Diversity Day Cultural Awareness Week Kickoff, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Gold Rooms. Taste the riches brought to us from other cultures as students share their heritage through food, music and traditional dress.

■ Dedication of the Center for American English, noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge. Oakland Coun-

ty residents and those affiliated with OU who need to strengthen their English language skills can now get help from the Center for American English.

■ Center Stage in Pioneer Court features Middle Eastern cuisine.

### Tuesday, Nov. 2:

■ "Stranger in Paradise," panel discussion, noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge. Listen as international students, faculty and staff share their stories of experiences in the United States.

■ Center Stage features Indian cuisine.

### Wednesday, Nov. 3:

■ "A History of the World, Part IV," lecture and discussion, noon-1 p.m., Oakland Room.

■ "Sounds of Germany," musical entertainment, noon-1 p.m., Pioneer Court.

■ Center Stage features Eastern European cuisine.

### Thursday, Nov. 4:

■ "Harmonies from the East," noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge. Enjoy a moment of relaxation as you watch the smooth motions of Tai Chi performed in harmony with the soothing sounds of the Japanese Koto.

■ Center Stage features Chinese and Japanese cuisine.

■ "Nurturing the Mind and Spirit," an evening of multicultural storytelling, 5:30-7 p.m., Educational Resources Lab, 216 O'Dowd Hall. Bring your favorite youngsters to an evening of stories from around the world. Spirited storytellers will share tales brought to life by puppets.

### Friday, Nov. 5:

■ "Images Beyond America," 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Gold Rooms B&C. Exhibits include framed artwork, sculptures, native clothing, and other treasures from around the world.

■ "Get Outta Here!" noon-1 p.m., Fireside Lounge. Learn more about traveling and studying abroad.

■ Center Stage features Mediterranean cuisine.

■ International Night, 6-9 p.m., Pioneer Room, Recreation Center, cost \$5.

# OCC series wants to create a 'stronger you'

The Womencenter at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus presents a seminar series on self-exploration for women beginning Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Entitled, "Creating a Stronger You," the three-week series costs \$30 and is open to the public. It meets in the campus J Building, Room 308, from 6:30-8 p.m.

The interactive programs, led by Pam McCall, will assist participants in maintaining a more balanced life, prioritizing and making choices, and learning and practicing stress management.

This seminar series is sponsored by the Womencenter, a college facility that provides educational and supportive resources for area women.

For further information on this seminar and other program offerings, call the Womencenter at (248) 471-7602.

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# Mini-vacations, with teeth, guarantee a good time

*I went to the woods because I wished to see if I could learn what life had to teach - and not, when I came to die, discover that I had not lived.*

- Henry David Thoreau  
1876

Not too many days ago cold wet leaves slapped my windows. At the time I was enjoying the scent of cherry wood back-drafting from my wood stove and watching a downy woodpecker tear into a hunk of suet. I was content. Then that darn little bug bit. That spontaneous travel bug that has infected my entire being, and now and then erupts without warning and sends me wandering in search of wildlife adventure.

Over the years I have had more than my share of adventure with creatures, only a few unwanted. There was the bat. Many years ago while a Cranbrook employee, I helped a Bloomfield Hills resident with a

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JONATHAN SCHECHTER

bat. Big mistake. The bat tested positive for rabies. Very shortly thereafter, I got to chat with the good folks at the Oakland County Health Department. Five shots later I was all smiles. I still play with bats. Carefully.

Most encounters are pleasures and I seek them out. Almost three years ago I had the supreme sensation of being belly down on the earth under the stars in the Serengeti Plains of Africa listening to the huffing of a pride of lions.

Before dust had time to settle on my passport, I was off again, trekking through the humid rainforests of northern Aus-

tralia. And what a pleasure it was to find a big old "salty" or salt water crocodile cruising about just daring sweaty old me to go for a cleansing dip. Man, that thing had a lot of teeth. I would have been a human G'Day McNugget.

And then there is the annual dawn spring encounter in West Bloomfield with great blue heron courtship rituals. And I am long overdue for a journey into northern Minnesota, where the howl of wolves under the northern lights makes my spine tingle.

But somehow, on that blustery day the bug bit, I started thinking about alligators. I ate one once; well, actually a little bit of one. Tasted like chewy chicken. And a couple years ago while exploring a South Carolina estuary with friends, we watched a small five-foot gator swimming slowly up a blackwater creek. But I have decided it is time to get a lot closer to some big toothy American alligators. Call it a mini-vacation with teeth.

With pumpkins frosted in the

patch, I stuffed a well-worn bag with my camera, bug goo, note pad, a couple of changes of clothes, a trusty knife, some rope which might be useful for who knows what, my never-used snake-bite kit and enough money to eat well at back-country out-of-the-way roadside eateries.

For in those eateries is where one finds out what one needs to know. Like where the big gators hang-out.

I am somewhere in southwest Florida as you read this. I do not know exactly where because I wrote this before departure. Most likely, I am sloshing near shallow mangrove, subtropical warm waters.

What better place to satisfy

my fetish for things with teeth and fast feet — yes, alligators can haul tail — then along Florida's Alligator Alley.

If all went to plan (not very much was planned) I should be in the good company of a nature guide who promised she would meet me at Ft. Meyers and lead me safely through hidden swamps and back to dry land. I think she said that. I hope she did.

I will also remember the parting words of wisdom of Independence Oaks County Park naturalist Tim Nowicki. When I told him of my alligator plans he offered a tidbit on counting gators at night. "Count the number of red glowing eyes and divide by two."

My editor will want me back soon. (I did not tell her my passport went with me — just in case.) Soon will get me back in time for the incessant scream of mechanical leaf blowers operated by folks who figure that leaves do not belong on the earth. I wonder what those folks would think about gators in the swamps. Go figure.

Jonathan Schechter is the park ranger and naturalist for West Bloomfield Parks and writes on nature's way for the Eccentric Newspapers when he is not out chasing things that bite, strike, crawl and sting. Go figure. E-mail him at oaknature@aol.com

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## With spots up for grabs, Week 9 features interesting games

Say it isn't so! No way! The ninth and final week of the prep football season is here—already? Heck, there have been no signs of snowflakes, yet.

It seems like just yesterday trying to figure out if teams like Troy, Orchard Lake St. Mary's, Walled Lake Western and Birmingham Groves could go through a brutal regular season undefeated or teams like Rochester, Troy Athens and West Bloomfield could achieve enough wins to be a part of the newly expanded postseason.

Well, Week 9 features several interesting matchups, highlighted by another classic confrontation between Birmingham Brother Rice and Detroit Catholic Central, and rivalries in five different cities. Other contests carry importance in terms of qualifying for next weekend's playoffs.

In all, 18 games involve Eccentric-area teams during the final week of the '99 campaign.

(Last week's picks: 17 right, 3 wrong. Season's mark: 129 right, 32 wrong.)

**Allen Park Cabrini at Cranbrook (3:30 p.m. Friday):** Sloan Eddleston and the rest of the Cranes put up big numbers for the second straight week.

### PICK: CRANBROOK

**Clawson vs. Auburn Hills Avondale at Silverdome (5 p.m. Friday):** Well, the six wins say they're a playoff team, but the Yellow Jackets have played like anything but a team ready for the playoffs. The slide continues.

### PICK: CLAWSON

**Southfield-Lathrup at Southfield (7 p.m. Friday):** Always an interesting game, but unfortunately, this time, not much on the line. The Chargers have a little too much offense for the Blue Jays to handle.

### PICK: LATHRUP

**Rochester at Adams (7 p.m. Friday):** The Highlanders have gotten the best of their city rivals the last two times. Rochester's backfield duo of Ricardo Brewster and Ed Hillery make sure it doesn't happen a third.

### PICK: ROCHESTER

**Clarkston at Lake Orion (7 p.m. Friday):** Something has to give between these two heavyweights. The Dragons will need a healthy Chad Day to pull out the win. The play of talented Derek Lindamood always helps.

### PICK: LAKE ORION

**West Bloomfield at Ortonville-Brandon (7 p.m. Friday):** Not a bad season for the Lakers. They open the season with a win and end it the same way.

### PICK: WEST BLOOMFIELD

**Birmingham Groves at Madison Heights Lamphere (7 p.m. Friday):** A good spot here for the Falcons to fine-tune their playoff run.

### PICK: GROVES

**Birmingham Seaholm at Waterford Kettering (7 p.m. Friday):** More was expected from both of these teams. Even though they failed to live up to them, both teams will play hard and play to the wire. The Maples win a squeaker.

### PICK: SEAHOLM

**Troy at Troy Athens (7 p.m. Friday):** This one is never easy and it won't be once again. Look for both teams to put quite a few points on the board with the Colts stopping the Red Hawks one win shy of the necessary six.

### PICK: TROY

**Waterford Mott at Madison (7 p.m. Friday):** The Corsairs couldn't have asked for a better opponent to finish the regular season. A victory here and it's on to the playoffs.

### PICK: MOTT

**Orchard Lake St. Mary's vs. Saginaw Buena Vista (7 p.m. Friday):** Who thinks the Eagles will bounce back from last weekend's 63-44 loss to Brother Rice? I do.

### PICK: ST. MARY'S

**Walled Lake Central at Walled Lake Western (7:30 p.m. Friday):** In past seasons this was a game. Now, the Vikings just hope to give the Warriors a game.

### PICK: WL WESTERN

**Mt. Morris at Oxford (7:30 p.m. Friday):** One more win and a perfect

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## Wolves, Dragons for all the marbles

Any game between Clarkston and Lake Orion is a biggie, but Friday's contest serves as motivation for the Wolves, who will try to earn a share of the OAA Division I crown and get a little payback on the Dragons.

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The entire ball of wax. The grande enchilada. The whole nine yards. The game means everything. There's a lot on the line.

Pick a cliché, and it probably applies to the Oakland Activities Association Division I football game Friday between Lake Orion and Clarkston.

At least a share of the OAA I title will be on the line, thanks to Troy's victories over both Clarkston and Lake Orion and the Colts' loss to Rochester two weeks ago. The three league leaders enter Friday's action at 3-1 in the league (Troy is at cross-town rival Troy Athens). It's the biggest game for the Wolves (7-1 overall) in at least a couple of seasons, and could provide the Dragons (7-1 overall) with a share of

their second straight OAA I championship.

"It's going to be a great game," predicted second-year Dragons coach Chris Bell. "A, Clarkston was the favorite going into the league, and B, it's for the league championship. We've got nothing to lose."

That's at least partially true for both teams, from a big-picture perspective. Both teams have already qualified for the state playoffs under the new system. There's still the matter of home-field advantage in the playoffs (at 8-1, the winner is almost certain to host a playoff game or two), and a potential playoff meeting between the two.

But none of that really matters. The

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fact it's Clarkston-Lake Orion is enough.

"You can throw out all the records whenever we play Lake Orion, no matter what we're playing for," said Clarkston coach Kurt Richardson. "I expect a dogfight as always."

The game features a contrast in styles. Although junior quarterback Ryan Kaul has shown he can fling the ball, Clarkston still relies heavily on its ground game, with senior Chris Mitchell leading the rush behind a

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## Clarkston's Sage wins Oxford Invite

### Boys continue hot pace as league meet nears

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With the Oakland Activities Association Division I cross-country league meet around the corner, Friday's annual Oxford Invitational was the perfect warm-up for several area teams, especially Clarkston.

The Wolves' boys team continued its torrid pace this season by capturing the meet title with 41 points, topping runner-up Lake Orion by 32 points.

"I thought that after we won the county meet that we would have a big target on our backs, but this senior class has not had a letdown. They are very focused," said Clarkston coach Mike Taylor, whose squad placed three runners inside the top six and had all five point scorers inside the Top 17 finishers. "They are all running very well."

Clarkston senior David Sage posted the fastest time of the day, topping the field with a 16:27 clocking, which was 20 seconds faster than White Lake Lakeland senior Pat Klein's runner-up finish.

Clarkston's Matt Haver was third (15:56), Lakeland's Brian Theut placed fourth (16:58) and Rochester's Chris Gumz was fifth (17:00).

It was Lakeland that grabbed third place in the boys' meet, collecting 78 points, while Rochester (135), Grosse Pointe South (162), Oxford (165), Rochester Adams (174), Waterford Mott (198), Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook (211), Pontiac Northern (244), Troy Athens (295), West Bloomfield (311) and Waterford Kettering (351) rounded out the scoring.

Perhaps nobody was more pleased about his team's finish than Lake Orion coach Stan Ford.

"At first it didn't look like we did very good, but we had four guys inside the Top 20. Our pack is what did it," said Ford of his team's runner-up finish. "It was nice that we beat Lakeland because that doesn't happen every day and Lakeland is in our region. We need to believe that we can beat teams like them."

Rochester Adams junior Katie Boyles, the two-time defending Class A state champion, and Rochester sophomore all-stater Courtney Meeker, sat out the race, leaving the door open for Grosse Pointe South, which placed four runners inside the Top 10 and grabbed the team title in the girls meet with just 37 points.

Adams finished second with 72 points, while Rochester (91), Lake Orion (92), Lakeland (171), Oxford (190), Athens (195), Mott (218), Bloomfield Hills Kingswood (225), Kettering (297) and Pontiac Northern (334) followed suit. West Bloomfield did not compile a team score.

"We ran pretty good, considering we didn't have Katie (Boyles)," said Adams coach Budd Ciccerelli. "Our freshman, Shannon Stanley, ran one her best races. She was right up there and led the team."



PHOTO BY SUSAN SODER

Quick draw: Clarkston's David Sage posted the fastest time of the day, helping his Wolves win the Oxford Invitational Friday at Oxford Hills Golf and Country Club.

## '99 golf season had its moments to remember

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The Clarkston boys varsity golf team had its ups and downs in 1999 but a few lasting moments will stand out for the five graduating seniors.

Clarkston placed third in the Oakland County meet paced by senior captain Mark Churay, a potential All-County performer and the 1999 Most Valuable Golfer for the Wolves. He averaged just under 80 for his tournaments and fought through a late-season slump to post his best tournament score of his four-year varsity career.

The four other seniors also contributed to the success of the team, which finished with a winning dual meet record in the tough OAA.

"We'll miss these guys and have a lot to replace," said head coach Tim Kaul. Dave Benner struggled at the end of

the year but finished with the team's lowest dual meet score of the season, a 35 at Clarkston Creek midway through the season in a match against Troy Athens. Benner also backed Churay with a solid 75 in the county meet and started the majority of matches this season for the Wolves.

Kaul gave fellow senior Jeff Walters the Coach's Award, which signifies an unsung hero team award. Walters showed character and leadership throughout the season. He was nominated by Kaul for an Academic All-State award and currently has a 3.95 GPA.

Walters had his best round in the

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## Eagles continue roll

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Every coach likes to see their team peak come state tournament time. That could be the reason why Springfield Christian boys soccer coach Tigg Vanaman is sporting some pretty big smiles these days.

Vanaman's Eagles won for the sixth time in their past seven games Saturday as they rolled past Rochester Hills Christian 6-1 in the finals of the seventh-annual Fundamental Baptist Athletic Conference post-season tournament at Oxford's Seymour Lake Park.

"We are playing very well, some of our best soccer this season," said Vanaman, whose squad captured the school's first-ever FBAC Red Division title just two weeks ago with a win over Rochester Hills. "We are playing hard. The guys are going

out and executing very well, carrying out the X's and O's on the field."

Against Rochester Hills Christian (8-5-1), the Eagles scored three first half goals and never looked back. Sophomore midfielder Kneea Knapper, who was the league's top vote-getter on the all-conference team, led Springfield 12-5-0, with two goals and an assist. Junior midfielder Josh Cole contributed two goals, while senior sweeper Greg Irish and junior forward Roger Vandewer had one goal and one assist for the Eagles.

Senior goalkeeper Adam Armstrong had nine saves in net for the win as he allowed just one goal, with seven minutes remaining on a penalty kick by Rochester Hills senior Chad Hulcy.

Knapper and Irish have been two of the main reasons for the Eagles'

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second OAA meet with a 79.

The team's two other seniors were Derek Hool and Trae Moreen who each had problems with their game. Despite Hool's swing difficulties and Moreen's struggles on the putting green, they each posted some good scores during the regular season and provided good depth for a Clarkston team that always seemed to have a different player step up every meet.

Kaul said struggles on a golf course can quickly multiply and take a player's confidence away.

"If you're putting goes sour on you it can really affect the rest of your game," he said.

Next year's varsity team is shaping up to be dominated by senior leadership once again. Matt Harrison, a junior this year, fired a 78 during both league meets. He likely will receive All-League honors and was given the team's Most Improved Player Award by Kaul. Harrison will be one of the returning leaders counted on by Kaul to continue Clarkston's gold progress in 2000.

Harrison is just one of the many Clarkston players who spent a great deal of time on the course this summer and similar offseason could allow him to be the leader of the team.

"That playing in the summer made a difference in his ball striking," said Kaul, who works part-time at Clarkston Creek in the summer.

Other returnees who hope to make a difference next year include Dan Holoday, Matt Getty and freshman Dustin McMillan, all of whom broke 85 in the second league meet just two weeks ago.

Those four will provide the foundation but Clarkston will need other individuals to contribute because depth is an important characteristic for a golf team. Junior Aaron Giroux

competed in a few varsity matches this season but did get good experience competing every day on JV. He needs to refine his game and get a little stronger during the offseason.

Ollie Olinger is another potential varsity player who could become a frequent starter. Kaul likes his golf swing and saw significant improvement at the end of the regular season.

The key to improving, just as in any sport, is practice but Kaul encourages his players to frequently visit the driving range or "boneyard" as he calls it, to help refine individual swings.

Another key is concentrating on the short game, which means players should have a shag bag and be patient enough to chip 100 or more balls for 30-45 minutes then putt for the same amount of time. In golf, a great short game is often the key to shooting consistent scores.

"Most kids would rather practice on the golf course by just going out and playing 9 or 18 holes than go to the range," said Kaul. "They need to do discipline their game."

Visiting different courses and competing in various summer tournaments is also a way to improve an individual game, according to Kaul. Many of the area's varsity golf players compete in the MPGA Junior events, run by the Michigan Pub-Links Golf Association. These events are held at such courses as Clarkston Creek, Heather Highlands and Hartland Glen.

Others will compete in tournaments sponsored by the Independent Insurance Agency and Power-Bilt.

"It's good to get them to play different courses and different types of conditions," Kaul said. "But it's up to them to see how much they will improve."



Ground attack: The Clarkston Wolves will depend on their rushing game in Friday's title game against Lake Orion.

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mammoth offensive line.

The Dragons, on the other hand, are more of a passing team, with receivers Mike Crawford and Jon Garcia providing the play-making for quarterback Chad Day all season.

Unfortunately for the Dragons, Day injured his hand in last week's Homecoming win over Troy Athens. His status is uncertain for Friday's title clash.

"Both teams have great defenses," said Bell, whose team was a state semifinalist last season. "We have different styles on offense, but both teams have weapons. They've got the size advantage up front with their offensive line, but me might have a little more speed."

Though the Wolves focus heavily on the run, they can also throw the ball.

Kaul has become fond of the lanky Steve Schornack, whose hands and height make him a great target. Lake Orion likes to pass, but fullback Zak Keasey might be, pound-for-pound, the best player in the league, and

running back Derek Lindamood has had a fine season.

Still, Richardson expects the Dragons to stick with their game plan.

"We know they're going to throw the ball on us, so it'll be a good test for our defense," he said. "We're going to have to play tough."

The intangibles balance out, as well. Lake Orion has the home-field advantage, playing for the third time in four weeks on its new stadium turf.

But Clarkston is still stinging from the final-week defeat the Dragons laid on them on their own field a year ago, a loss that kept Clarkston out of the playoffs.

No matter how it turns out, both coaches expect a barn-burner.

"It's going to be great," Bell said. "It will come down to field position and turnovers, because games like this always do." Game time is 7 p.m. Celebration time — for one team — will start around 9:30.

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success.

"You can't say enough about kids like Greg Irish," praised Vanaman. "Greg played forward for us last year, but our sweeper graduated and I needed to stick someone back there. He's done a great job. He's very patient and he can control the ball. He knocks it out to the fullbacks and outside midfielders instead of just clearing the ball long every time."

"As for Knoa, he's just been very consistent all season," he continued. "He controls the tempo of the game and he can just dominate at times. He's been a great leader for us this

year."

With the FBAC Red Division and league tournament titles in hand, Vanaman knows his team can't sit back and enjoy their prizes for too long. The Eagles must prepare for this Friday's Michigan Association of Christian Schools Division I regional game at top-ranked Midland Calvary Baptist.

"That's the luck of the draw," said Vanaman. "We didn't get a seed because of some earlier losses. But we have been playing very well the past couple weeks. We hope to give them a good showing up there."

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season is in the books for the Wildcats.

**PICK: OXFORD**  
Bloomfield Hills Andover vs. Bloomfield Hills Lahser at Silverdome (9 p.m. Friday): The Barons smell the playoffs and there is nothing the Knights can do about it.

**PICK: ANDOVER**  
Waterford Lady of Lakes at Dearborn Heights Robichaud (3 p.m. Friday at Annapolis

High School): The Lakers would like nothing better than hitting the playoffs coming off a win.

**PICK: LAKES**  
Farmington Harrison at Detroit Country Day (1 p.m. Saturday): Matt Collins to Jeremy Battier spells trouble for the Hawks.

**PICK: COUNTRY DAY.**

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Ritzema commits

Clarkston's Pete Ritzema has committed to play basketball at Cleveland State University.

Ritzema, a 7-foot-2 center, starts his senior season at Clarkston next month.

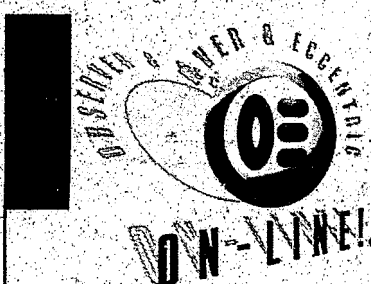
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WEEK 9	Jim Toth	Marty Budner	Bill Parker	Brad Kadrach	Duncan White	Chris Mayer	Dan Stickrad
<b>FRIDAY</b>							
Clawson vs. Avondale	Clawson	Clawson	Clawson	Avondale	Avondale	Clawson	Avondale
Lathrup at Southfield	Lathrup	Lathrup	Lathrup	Lathrup	Lathrup	Lathrup	Lathrup
Rochester at Adams	Rochester	Adams	Rochester	Adams	Rochester	Rochester	Rochester
Clarkston at Lake Orion	Lake Orion	Clarkston	Lake Orion	Lake Orion	Lake Orion	Clarkston	Clarkston
West Bloomfield at Brandon	West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield	West Bloomfield	Brandon
Groves at Lamphere	Groves	Groves	Groves	Groves	Groves	Groves	Groves
Seaholm at Kettering	Seaholm	Seaholm	Kettering	Kettering	Kettering	Seaholm	Kettering
Troy at Athens	Troy	Troy	Troy	Athens	Troy	Troy	Troy
Mott at Madison	Mott	Mott	Mott	Mott	Mott	Mott	Mott
WL Central at WL Western	WL Western	WL Western	WL Western	WL Western	WL Western	WL Western	WL Western
Mount Morris at Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford	Oxford
Andover vs. Lahser	Andover	Andover	Andover	Andover	Andover	Andover	Andover
Cabrini at Cranbrook	Cranbrook	Cranbrook	Cranbrook	Cranbrook	Cranbrook	Cranbrook	Cranbrook
St. Mary's at Saginaw Buena Vista	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	St. Mary's
WOLL at Dearborn Heights Robichaud	WOLL	WOLL	WOLL	WOLL	WOLL	WOLL	WOLL
<b>SATURDAY</b>							
Farmlington Harrison at Country Day	Country Day	Country Day	Harrison	Country Day	Country Day	Harrison	Country Day
Brother Rice vs. Catholic Central	Brother Rice	Catholic Central	Catholic Central	Catholic Central	Catholic Central	Catholic Central	Catholic Central
Lutheran Northwest at Liggett	Liggett	Liggett	Liggett	Northwest	Northwest	Northwest	Northwest
<b>LAST WEEK</b>	17-3 (.850)	17-3 (.850)	16-4 (.800)	15-5 (.750)	15-5 (.750)	19-1 (.950)	15-5 (.750)
<b>SEASON TOTAL</b>	129-32 (.801)	126-35 (.783)	129-32 (.801)	131-30 (.814)	124-37 (.770)	135-26 (.839)	127-34 (.789)

## CROSS COUNTRY

### BOYS CROSS-COUNTRY

**OXFORD INVITATIONAL** (10-16 at Oxford Hills)  
**TEAM SCORES** — 1. Clarkston, 41; 2. Lake Orion, 73; 3. White Lake Lakeland, 78; 4. Rochester, 135; 5. Grosse Pointe South, 161; 6. Oxford, 165; 7. Rochester Adams, 174; 8. Waterford Mott, 198; 9. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, 211; 10. Pontiac Northern, 244; 11. Troy Athens, 295; 12. West Bloomfield, 311; 13. Waterford Kettering, 351.  
**TOP 10 INDIVIDUALS** — 1. David Sage (Clarkston) 16:27; 2. Pat Klein (Lakeland) 16:46; 3. Matt Haver (Clarkston) 16:56; 4. Brian Theut (Lakeland) 16:58; 5. Chris Gumz (Rochester) 17:00; 6. Kevin Brien (Clarkston) 17:01; 7. Michael Colt (Lake Orion) 17:02; 8. Adam Frezza (Lake Orion) 17:03; 9. Ben Salvette (Cranbrook) 17:05; 10. Craig Frankland (Adams) 17:11.

### AREA PERFORMERS

(Only Top 20 times are available)

**CLARKSTON (41)** — 1. David Sage, 16:26; 3. Matt Haver, 16:55; 6. Kevin Brien, 17:01; 14. Brett Quantz, 17:29; 17. Dan Burke, 17:35; 28. Chris Weber; 62. Derek Coe.  
**LAKE ORION (78)** — 7. Michael Colt, 17:02; 8. Adam Frezza, 17:03; 15. Andrew Fons, 17:32; 18. Chris Miorhead, 17:36; 25. Spencer Aston; 36. Brandon Keie; 44. Justin Dew.  
**ROCHESTER (135)** — 5. Chris Gumz, 17:00; 11. Mike Duke, 17:15; 33. Ryan Linden; 41. Jason Hammond; 43. Ryan Jackson; 51. Brandon Dumire; 52. Charlie Striker.  
**OXFORD (165)** — 19. Dan Nelder, 17:37; 29. Matt Anderson; 32. John Stein; 39. Jon Zmikle; 46. Mike Banachowski; 57. Sam Slown; 60. Wayne Bulinda.  
**ROCHESTER ADAMS (174)** — 10. Craig Frankland, 17:12; 20.

Pat Foley, 17:38; 23. Dave deSteiger; 58. Jake Lindsay; 63. Tom Yax; 65. Jordan Krowsek.  
**WATERFORD MOTT (198)** — 12. Dave Clingan, 17:21; 30. Jeff Hagen; 38. Donald Hyde; 47. Chris Wisniewski; 71. Brandon Hune; 80. Chris Avery; 83. Nate Basten.  
**BLOOMFIELD HILLS CRANBROOK (211)** — 9. Ben Salvette, 17:05; 16. Sam Hyde; 40. Chris Bergfield; 68. Matt Kaiser; 78. Ben Edmunds; 82. John Davis.  
**TROY ATHENS (295)** — 48. Thomas Ferri; 55. Victor Arena; 56. Dan Carter; 67. Brandon Haney; 69. Matt Griffen.  
**WEST BLOOMFIELD (311)** — 35. Adam Meeter; 54. Nareg Sheherian; 73. Zack Foster; 74. Kirk Bennett; 75. Jeff Albert; 85. Justin Hakala; 88. Josh Kennedy.  
**WATERFORD KETTERING (351)** — 57. Kellen Rafferty; 71. Chris Sebastian; 72. Jaguar Davis; 73. Name not available; 84. Marty Graham; 86. Justin Burt; 87. Jake Sirich.

### GIRLS CROSS-COUNTRY

**OXFORD INVITATIONAL** (10-16 at Oxford Hills)  
**TEAM SCORES** — 1. Grose Pointe South, 37; 2. Rochester Adams, 72; 3. Rochester, 91; 4. Lake Orion, 92; 5. White Lake Lakeland, 171; 6. Oxford, 190; 7. Troy Athens, 195; 8. Waterford Mott, 218; 9. Bloomfield Hills Kingswood, 225; 10. Waterford Kettering, 297; 11. Pontiac Northern, 334; 12. West Bloomfield, no team score.  
**TOP 10 INDIVIDUALS** — 1. Karen LeRoy (Oxford) 19:39; 2. Heidi Crowley (GP South) 19:56; 3. Shannon Stanley (Adams) 20:17; 4. Bridget Scallen (GP South) 20:28; 5. Leigha Christian (Rochester) 20:32; 6. Chelsea Gotshall (Adams) 20:37; 7. Andrea Moreland (Adams) 20:45; 8. Mary Gibson (GP South) 20:48; 9. Rebecca Lewis (West Bloomfield) 20:49;

10. Kate Finkenstaedt (GP South) 20:49.

### AREA PERFORMERS

(Only Top 20 times are available)

**ROCHESTER ADAMS (72)** — 3. Shannon Stanley, 20:17; 6. Chelsea Gotshall, 20:37; 7. Andrea Moreland, 20:45; 15. Kelly Byrne, 21:14; 41. Denitra Robinson; 44. Meghan Bradke; 52. Emily Guernsey.  
**ROCHESTER (91)** — 5. Leigha Christian, 20:32; 17. Julie Austin, 21:29; 22. Jill Pfeffer; 23. Julie Donoghue; 24. Meghan Matuzsak; 25. Audrey Reed; 31. Becky Pfeffer.  
**LAKE ORION (92)** — 12. Cindy Kus, 20:59; 14. Julia Cummings, 21:11; 18. Sarah Penn, 21:30; 21. Amy Penn; 27. Jenny Sutter; 29. Melissa Ehrecke; 30. Sarah Drouillard.  
**OXFORD (190)** — 1. Karen LeRoy, 19:39; 33. Stacy Nyland; 38. Katie Bowden; 58. Tory Albertson; 60. Liz Banachowski; 66. Andrea Bungart; 68. Francis Kabai.  
**TROY ATHENS (195)** — 32. Parrot Chandra; 34. Lauren Wisniewski; 37. Jessica Marton; 43. Brittnat Velover; 49. Cathy Rein; 51. Annie Wilson; 54. Mary Gabriels.  
**WATERFORD MOTT (218)** — 16. Megan Coughlin, 21:16; 19. Nikki Haxter, 21:31; 57. Lauren Madigral; 62. Rebecca Dickerson; 64. Wendy Hayes; 69. Suzy Gurdach; 77. Cassie Tottingham.  
**BLOOMFIELD HILLS KINGSWOOD (225)** — 36. Shannon Freehan; 42. Laurel Wamsley; 45. Sara Bottoms; 47. Name not available; 55. Leanne Degraene; 56. Erika Frieman; 65. Joy Lee.  
**WATERFORD KETTERING (297)** — Names and times not available.  
**WEST BLOOMFIELD (NTS)** — 9. Rebecca Lewis, 20:49; 59. Amanda Okolli; 67. Lesley Gerri; 74. Valerie Kowluri.

## CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

Below are the 1999 Michigan Association of Christian Schools Boys Soccer and Girls Basketball Regional Finals Pairings. All games are played October 22.

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**DIVISION I**  
**MIDLAND CALVARY BAPTIST No. 1**  
 Fri. Oct. 22 — Clarkston Springfield Christian at Midland Calvary Baptist (4 p.m.).  
 (Winner advances to the MACS state semifinals Oct. 26 at Clarkston Springfield Christian against the Rochester Hills Christian Regional winner.)  
**ROCHESTER HILLS**

### CHRISTIAN No. 2

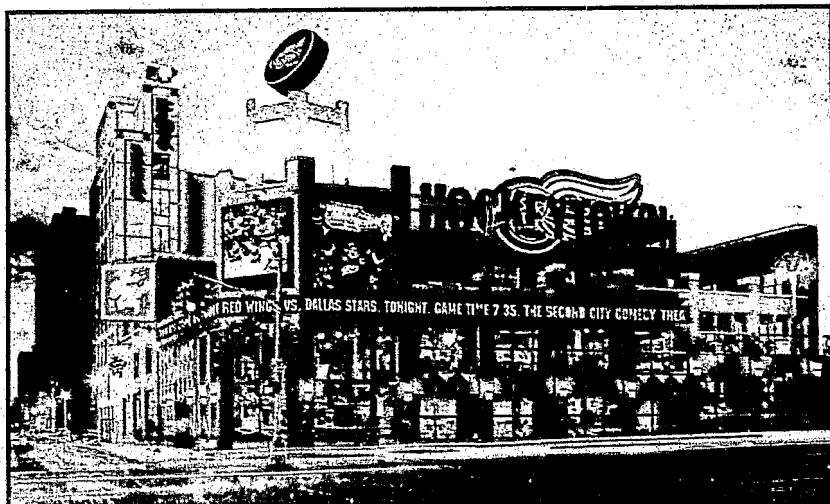
Fri. Oct. 22 — Ypsilanti Calvary Christian at Rochester Hills Christian (TBD).  
 (Winner advances to the MACS state semifinals Oct. 26 at Clarkston Springfield Christian against the Midland Calvary Baptist winner.)  
**DAVISON FAITH BAPTIST REGIONAL No. 4**  
 Fri. Oct. 22 — Troy Bethany Christian at Davison Faith Baptist (4 p.m.).  
 (Winner advances to the MACS state semifinals Oct. 26 at Clarkston Springfield Christian against the Vassar Juniata Christian Regional winner.)

### GIRLS BASKETBALL REGION II

Fri. Oct. 22 — Carson City Fellowship Baptist at Rochester Hills Christian (4 p.m.).  
 (Winner advances to the MACS state semifinals Oct. 26 at Clarkston Springfield Christian at 4 p.m. against the Region I winner.)  
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She is a friendly, attractive SWF, 52, 5'7", 125lbs., with auburn hair and hazel eyes, whose interests include hiking, biking, and boating. She's looking for a handsome, intelligent SWM, 52-62, who lives life to the fullest. Ad#6262

#### CAPTURE MY ATTENTION NOW

This outgoing SWF, 30, 5'2", 110lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys jogging, reading and working out, is seeking an open-minded, honest SWM, 28-38, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad#2469

#### CHARISMATIC CHRISTIAN

Spirit-filled, warm-hearted and employed DWCF mother, 35, 5'5", is seeking a companionable, commitment-minded SWCM, 25-48, who shares her dedication to church and enjoys family activities. Ad#7764

#### FAITH & HOPE

An educated SWPF, 50, who likes cultural events, listening to music, and reading, is seeking an intelligent, mature SWPM, for a possible relationship. Ad#1998

#### MEET YOU HALFWAY

She's an outgoing, attractive SWF, 51, 5'4", medium build, blond hair, brown eyes, who enjoys music, dancing, long walks, and the theater. Her heart is open to share happiness and romance with a thoughtful, considerate SWM, 46-56, Ad#5614

#### IS IT FATE?

This friendly SWF, 52, 5'3", who enjoys dining out, concerts and quiet nights at home, is seeking a SWM, 46-57, who has a good sense of humor. Ad#2345

#### REBUILDING HER LIFE

Catholic DWCF, 45, 5'2", 118lbs., with dark brown curly hair, a N/S, is looking for the right person, a considerate, respectful Catholic SWM, 40-50, who values his faith and family. She enjoys bowling, movies and a lot of friends. Ad#5642

#### CIRCLE THIS AD

Employed, family-oriented SBF, 26, who likes long walks, outdoor activities, movies and is seeking a SBM, for a long-term relationship. Ad#2218

#### CIRCLE THIS

Adventurous SWF, 35, 5'5", is seeking an honest, marriage-minded SWM, 30-38, who enjoys golf, fishing and dining out. Ad#4528

#### KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS

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#### BORN-AGAIN

This vibrant DWCF, 55, 5'7", a blue-eyed blonde, is a member of the choir who enjoys praise and worship, youth ministry, church activities, and seeks fellowship with a similar SWCM, 56-62. Ad#5144

#### A RARE FIND

Compassionate DWCF mom of one, 47, 5'3", with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, concerts, walking, biking, travel, dancing and dining out, wants to meet a family-oriented SWCM, 42-52. Ad#8317

#### VIVACIOUS

Active, energetic DWCF, 58, 5'4", is seeking a childless, healthy SBGM, 58-69, for a possible LTR. Her interests include church, movies, and more. Ad#1103

#### TO THE POINT

SWCF, 39, 5'5", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys horseback riding, swimming, and more, is looking for a sweet, sincere SWM, over 30. Ad#2220

#### LOVES THE LORD

Outgoing, Born-Again SWCF, 43, full-figured, who enjoys music, swimming, singing, bible study, and more, is seeking a SWCM, 40-50, N/S, without dependents. Ad#1956

#### A RARE FIND

Sincere, compassionate SWF, 58, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys music, bible studies, traveling, movies, long walks, and more, is looking for a caring, compassionate SWM, 54-62. Ad#7141

#### LIFE GOES ON

This friendly, sincere SWF, 47, 5'4", who enjoys meeting new people, dancing, and walks in the park, is looking forward to meeting an upbeat SWM, 44-50, who shares similar interests. Ad#2852

#### HERE SHE IS...

This caring DWCF, 51, 5'1", is a lady who enjoys church activities, her work, and would like to meet a similar SWCM, 49-62. Ad#1665

#### IS IT YOU?

This friendly SBF, 39, 5'6", who enjoys movies, dining out, theater and travel, is hoping to meet a loving, family-oriented SM, 33-50, who shares similar interests and has a good sense of humor. Ad#4581

#### WORKS & PLAYS HARD

Attractive, ambitious, secure DWCF mom, 36, 5'5", with blonde hair and green eyes, loves working out, outdoor activities and reading. She's looking for a SCM physician, 36-48, who will treat her well. Ad#8888

#### JUST ONE CALL

Picnic with this educated, churchgoing SBF, 35, who enjoys walks in the park, movies, and spending time with her son. If you're a sociable, humorous SBM, pack your basket and give her a call. Ad#1234

#### HEAVEN SENT

This friendly SWF, 47, 5'9", whose interests include gardening, travel, taking walks in the park and camping, is looking to meet an honest, gentle SWM, 35-50, who likes children. Ad#6561

#### ARE YOU THE ONE?

Upbeat, Catholic DWCF mom, 47, 5'9", is seeking a Catholic SWM, 38-50, who likes children, for friendship first. Her interests include camping, water sports, hiking, the theater and much more. Ad#6666

#### TIME TO GET TOGETHER

Her dream is sharing a romantic, long-term relationship with an outgoing, sincere, handsome SWM, 40-55 who enjoys biking, taking walks, music, and dancing. Be sure to let this very lovely, quite charming SWF, 43, know you're interested! Ad#8915

#### SHARE MY FAITH

This churchgoing SWCF, 57, 5'7", wants to meet a tall, caring, sincere SWCM, 57-69, who enjoys hiking and the outdoors. Ad#7575

#### THE BEST THERE IS

Never-married, attractive SWF, 36, 5'2", with red hair and green eyes, who enjoys sports, music, traveling and playing cards, is ISO a kind-hearted SWM, 30-45, with similar interests. Ad#6354

#### FAMILY & FRIENDS

Catholic DWCF, 34, 5'2", with brown hair and blue eyes, loves nature, water activities, biking, sports, concerts and more. She's ISO a Catholic SWM, 30-45, N/S, without children at home. Ad#6440

#### END MY SEARCH

Creative, educated and Jewish, I am a DWCF, 55, 5'6", slender, with blonde hair and light blue eyes, who enjoys cooking and movies. I am looking for a communicative SWM, over 46, who knows what he wants. Ad#2525

#### SIMPLY PUT

Romantic SWF, 60, 5'2", 118lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, travel, the theater, long walks and more, would like to meet a trustworthy SWM, 55-65, with similar interests. Ad#5555

#### IS IT FATE?

Say hello to this personable SWCF, 38, 5'7", who enjoys cooking, jazz music and traveling. Her heart is set on sharing a long-term relationship with a responsible, handsome SWM, 36-47. Ad#9455

#### INTRODUCE YOURSELF

Versatile, active and outgoing, she's an attractive SWP mom, 34, 5'8", a blue-eyed blond, interested in meeting a handsome SWPM, 28-42, with a strong sense of home and family. Ad#1212

#### SO MUCH FUN TO BE HAD

This SWF, 21, 5'7", would like to spend time with a fun-loving SWM, 21-30, who likes children and sports. Ad#1098

#### HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

Fun-loving DWCF, 47, 5'5", who enjoys sports, the outdoors and gardening, is seeking a sincere, dependable SWCM, 43-51, for companionship. Ad#4488

#### LET'S CUDDLE

Catholic DWCF, 59, 5'2", 125lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys family barbecues, picnics and more, seeks a Catholic, Italian SWM, 51-61. Ad#1992

#### COMPANIONSHIP

Outgoing, honest and fun-loving, describes this Catholic DWCF, 50, 5'9", looking for friendship with a Catholic SWM, 45-55. Ad#4536

#### FRESH START

Hardworking, Catholic DWCF, 48, 5'3", who enjoys walking, movies and going to church, is looking for a compatible, caring, Catholic WWMW, 48-52, without children at home, for friendship first. Ad#3907

#### NEW TO THE AREA

Sweet DWCF, 27, 5'9", is seeking an honest, caring SWCM, 48 or under, who is interested in a long-term relationship. Ad#1531

#### LOVE'S IN THE AIR

Sensitive, caring DWCF, 52, 5'5", with auburn hair and green eyes, whose interests include travel, cooking, movies, nature walks and dining out, is hoping to meet a SWM, 51-58. Ad#1203

#### IRRESTIBLE

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SWCF, 56, 5'4", with blondish-red hair and blue eyes, full-figured, who enjoys reading and movies, is seeking a SWM, 55-62. Ad#2433

#### VALUES HUMOR

Catholic DWCF, 57, 5'3", 125lbs., with long blonde hair, who enjoys crafts, dining out and reading, is ISO a humorous, Catholic SWM, 50-60. Ad#2041

#### DEDICATED

She's a never-married SBF, 33, 5'9", N/S, non-drinker, who is looking for a sweet, sincere SWM, over 34. Ad#1980

#### LET'S TALK

Settle down with this SWCF, 47, 5'2", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys cooking, travel and church activities. She's seeking a nice, Born-Again SWCM, 45-55, for a possible relationship. Ad#3333

#### IF YOU'RE A POLISHED...

Gentleman, call this humorous, Catholic DWCF, 63, 5'6", N/S. She's seeking a Catholic SWM, 55-66, a good conversationalist, who enjoys travel, fine dining, shopping and more. Ad#5454

#### START AS FRIENDS

Catholic SW mom, 40, 5'8", a brunette, who enjoys hockey, reading, bowling, baseball, long walks, dining out and romantic evenings, is looking for a Catholic SWM, 30-50. Ad#2828

#### SIMPLY YOURS

SWF, 50, 5'5", who enjoys music, the arts and more, is seeking a warm-hearted SWM, 40-60. Ad#9114

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#### DOWN-TO-EARTH

He's a friendly Catholic DWCF dad of two, 46, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair, green eyes, and glasses, a smoker, who enjoys bowling, golfing, movies, and much more. He is seeking a SWF, 35-47, for a special, one-on-one, romantic relationship. Ad#5569



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#### HONESTY COUNTS

SWC mom of one, 25, 5'9", enjoys the outdoors, drama movies and quiet times at home. She seeks an honest, compassionate SWCM, 27-34, without children at home. Ad#8498

#### POSITIVE VIBES HERE

Leave a message for this personable DWCF, 50, 5'4", who enjoys rollerblading, bicycling and keeping active. She wants to meet an outgoing SWCM, over 47, for friendship first. Ad#1199

#### CHILD OF GOD

Outgoing, friendly DWCF, 49, 5'4", who resides in the Redford area, enjoys sewing, antiques and movies. She's seeking a secure, independent DWCM, under 56, for friendship first. Ad#5321

#### WALKS WITH THE LORD

Get to know this vibrant, classy DWCF, 47, 5'6", with dark hair/eyes, if you're a SWCM who enjoys meeting new friends, dancing, dining out, movies and great conversation. Ad#1236

#### MAKE THE CONNECTION

Looking for a long-term relationship? Make it happen with this DWCF, 33, 5'5", because she is searching for a Born-Again SWCM, 34-40, N/S. Ad#8565

#### GOD IS FIRST

Devoted SBC mom, 25, 5'9", who enjoys romantic dinners, movies, dancing and singing, wants to meet a family-oriented SBGM, 25-36. Ad#6623

#### GREAT TIMES AHEAD

She's an outgoing and friendly DWCF mom, 42, 5'3", who's looking to share life and great times with a SWCM, 37-48. Her interests include the outdoors, traveling, Bible study and hopes that yours do too. Ad#1122

#### LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

Self-employed SWF, 33, who enjoys walking her dog, the outdoors and more, is looking for an educated, hardworking SWM. Ad#4734

#### INTERESTED

Here's a friendly SWCM, 48, 5'7", who likes quiet evenings at home, trying new things and traveling. He's seeking a SWF, under 52, to share life and interests with. Ad#4374

#### ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Handsome SWPM, 36, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an attractive SWCF who enjoys sports, movies, dining out and more. Ad#1534

#### JOYS OF LIFE

He's a friendly SWPM, 58, 6'3", who enjoys renovating houses, dining out and more. He is in search of a caring, sincere SWF, 45-55, who shares his type of lifestyle. Ad#1939

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#### CALL ME SOON

This friendly DWCM, 52, who enjoys the outdoors, movies and bowling, would like to share companionship and good times with a SWF, who can appreciate a wonderful guy who knows how to treat a lady. Ad#8267

#### SOMEONE SPECIAL FOR ME

Shy and reserved, this never-married, college-educated SBPCM, 36, 5'5", 150lbs., 5'5", is ISO a never-married SCF, 25-39, with no children, who loves the Lord, to have a great time. Ad#4949

#### WALK DOWN THE AISLE

Romantic, Catholic SWPM, 40, 6'1", who enjoys a wide range of interests, is seeking a marriage-minded, family-oriented, slender SWF who is athletically inclined. Ad#1515

#### JUST YOU AND ME

Meet this pleasant, sincere DWCF dad, 38, 6', who enjoys the outdoors. His choice to share weekend getaways, family activities, and a lasting friendship will be a petite, slender, romantic, marriage-minded SWF, 30-45. Ad#6683

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#### COMMON BOND

This outgoing SWM, 26, 5'10", 170lbs., who enjoys martial arts, movies and more, is interested in meeting a SF, to spend quality time with. Ad#1580

#### YOUR MOVE

Friendly, self-employed DWCF dad, 47, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, dining out and quiet evenings, is seeking a compatible SWCF, 37-47, N/S, with similar interests. Ad#7561

#### MIXED BLESSING

He's an outgoing, employed DWJM, 44, 5', who enjoys sports, bowling and movies, ISO a commitment-minded Catholic SWF, 39-49. Ad#2251

#### HAVE YOU SEEN...

My best friend? This shy SWCM, 28, 5'11", 160lbs., who enjoys boating, working out and the outdoors, is seeking a SCF, 20-35, who shares similar interests. Ad#2727

#### LISTEN TO ME

Outdoor activities and bowling are interests of this friendly, outgoing, educated SBPM, 36. He is looking to meet a sincere, loving, tall, attractive SBF, beautiful inside and outside, with a great smile. Ad#8989

#### ALWAYS & FOREVER

This friendly, attractive SBGM, 36, 5'5", 150lbs., who enjoys a variety of interests, is looking for a fun-loving SCF, 25-37, to go out and have a good time with. Ad#8787

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SWCM, 26, 6', 165lbs., blond with blue eyes, a N/S, non-drinker, seeks a petite, smart SWCF, 19-26, who has good morals, long hair and likes candlelit dinners, movies and time together. Ad#1777

#### SEARCHING

Outgoing, friendly DWCM, 48, 5'7", with long brown hair, who enjoys street rods, the outdoors and concerts, is seeking a sweet, kind-hearted SWCF, 40-50. Ad#6900

#### WANT TO HEAR MORE? CALL

Friendly, laid-back SWCM, 27, 5'8", who likes beach walks, movies and having fun, seeks a SWCF, 18-35, without children at home. Ad#4523

#### A REAL TRUE HEART

This friendly SW dad, 35, 5'8", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys singing, horseback riding and swimming, is looking for a SWF, 25-40, who has a good sense of humor. Ad#1514

#### HEAVEN SENT

Delightful, handsome Catholic DWCF dad of one, 38, 6'4", 215lbs., who enjoys boating, family activities, baseball, music, movies and travel, is seeking a similar Catholic SWF, 30-40, height/weight proportionate. Ad#4324

#### HIGH MORAL STANDARDS

Athletic, Catholic SWM, 24, 6'3", 250lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who plays a variety of sports and coaches Little League, is seeking a romantic, Catholic SWF, 21-30, who likes movies, quiet evenings, dining out and more. Ad#5150

#### LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

Outgoing, friendly, caring, honest DWCM, 59, 6', 195lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, is ISO a slender-to-medium-built SWCF, 55-65, to get to know. Ad#6211

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## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



The Rising Stars present "Tales from the Brothers Grimm" 7:30 p.m. at the Andover High School auditorium in Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$3. Call (248) 433-0885.

### SATURDAY



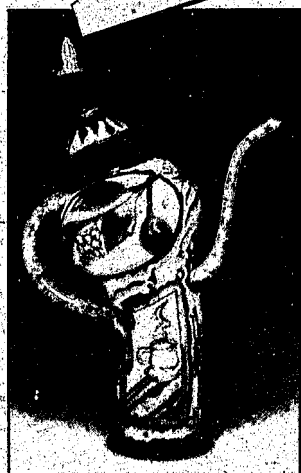
Kid Rock performs with Twisted Brown Truck, Powerman 5000, DDT and a special surprise guest, 8 p.m. at The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets are \$22.50 in advance, \$25 the day of show. Call (248) 377-0100.

### SUNDAY



At 3 p.m. the Imperial Swing Orchestra takes the stage at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, to kick off the 20th season of the Concerts-at-the-Centre music series. Tickets are \$8 per person. Call (248) 424-9022.

### TICKET



**Hot Tix:** The fifth annual Fall Sugarloaf Art Fair 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Oct. 22-24, at the Novi Expo Center, features 325 craft designers and fine artists from throughout the U.S. and Canada including Ohio potter Elaine Lamb. There will be craft demonstrations and entertainment. Admission is \$6, children under 12 and parking are free. Call (800) 210-9900 for more information.



**Break:** "The Heidi Chronicles" cast takes a break from rehearsal. Pictured (left to right, standing) are Scott MacDonald, Linda Parker Watson, Marnie H. Diehm, Jill Ross, and Nicole Stacey. In the (front row, left to right) are Chris Steinmayer, Amy Smith, and Joshua S. Dawson.

## THE Heidi CHRONICLES

### St. Dunstan's presents an insightful dramedy

BY JULIE YOLLES  
SPECIAL WRITER

Ten years after playwright Wendy Wasserstein won a Pulitzer Prize for "The Heidi Chronicles," St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook is opening its 1999/2000 season Friday, Oct. 29, with the insightful dramedy.

"I heard a lot of feminists saying they were not happy, and that was the impetus for this play," Wasserstein once said. "I wanted to parallel a political life with a personal life, to show how movements can influence a person's life."

Wasserstein does exactly that with Heidi Holland's odyssey over a quarter of a century, from 1965 through 1989. We meet Heidi, a very successful art historian, in 1989 at the opening of the play. Through a flashback, Heidi takes us through the '60s idealism, the McCarthy campaign and her feminist affirmation at an Ann Arbor consciousness-raising rap group to the career-minded, have-it-all "Me Decade" and on to the rise of the yuppie in the '80s.

As in all of Wasserstein's plays — "Uncommon Women and Others," "Isn't it Romantic," "The Heidi

Chronicles," "The Sisters Rosensweig" and "An American Daughter" — it's all about choices.

And for Amy Lynn Smith of Birmingham, who takes on the title role in St. Dunstan's production, it was the easiest choice of all.

"Without a doubt, the first time that I saw this play, I wanted to play the part," said Smith, who's a writer by day, just like her alter ego Heidi.

"No one articulates the challenges of women better than Wasserstein, because she does it with insight and humor at the same time so it's never too heavy. Many of the experiences that Heidi had rang very true for me. There were things that I could specifically relate to in my life, whether it's been career or relationships. Certainly there are things about her that are different from me, and that's part of the challenge of acting."

With more than 20 roles on her resume, including her days at Cranbrook Theater School and Kingswood, Smith's getting the challenge down pat. When she's not acting at St. Dunstan's, she's directing plays there, including Wasserstein's "The Sisters Rosensweig," which was successfully mounted in March of 1996.

"There are a lot of similarities in the two plays and their messages," Smith said. "Having directed 'Sisters,' it gave me a really good foundation to start with of understanding Wasserstein's work and her point of view. A lot of critics consider 'The Sisters Rosensweig'

Please see **HEIDI, E2**

**What:** St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook presents "The Heidi Chronicles" by Wendy Wasserstein.

**When:** 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 29-30; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31; 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 4-6.

**Where:** St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook, 400 Lone Pine Road, between Cranbrook and Lahser roads, Bloomfield Hills. Shuttle service available from Christ Church parking lot across from the theater.

**Tickets:** Adults \$12, seniors and students \$10, call (248) 644-0527 for information.

## THEATER

### 'Tintypes,' a musical recollection of innocent past

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
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After the Civil War, and before the agony of two world wars and the Great Depression, the steady influx of immigrants into America gave heat to the term "cultural melting pot."

The story of early 20th century America is a tale whereby immigrants were both transformed upon arriving in the new world, and, in turn, transformed the cultural path of the country.

It's the spirit of high adventure, novelty and boundless patriotic pride that

resounds through the period musical, "Tintypes," which previews tonight and Friday at Meadow Brook Theatre.

On Saturday, the play opens a three-week run.

"Tintypes," a musical with star-spangled fervor and plenty of cheerful nostalgia about the country's ragtime past, is set in America from 1890-1917.

The musical, described as "unadulterated fun from the age of the nation's innocence," is an endless unfolding of songs, costumes and action.

Among the 50 songs are some standards, including "Meet Me In St. Louis, Louie," "The Wabash Cannonball," "Bill Bailey, Won't You Please Come Home?" And, of course, there's the patriotic standbys, "The Yankee Doodle Boy" and "Stars and Stripes Forever."

The play centers on five characters: President Teddy Roosevelt; a descendant of slaves; a prominent social activist; a musical hall star; and, a vaudevillian performer named Charlie.

Through each character's perspective, an amalgamated view of America as the slumbering giant emerges. Through song and patriotic posturing, "Tintypes" conjures the shimmering, idealistic America of folklore and legend.

Like most nostalgic-laden endeavors, however, the broad theme often



**Star-spangled musical:** From left, Leisa Way (Anna), Stacy White (Emma), Bart Philip Williams (Charley), Christopher Howe (T.R.) and Lea Charisse Woods (Susannah) in a scene from "Tintypes."

obscure stark realities.

While the late 19th century might have been a time of "industrial innocence," the country was still reeling from the political divisiveness of the Civil War.

The days before mass media, sprawling urban centers and weapons of mass destruction are often inspirational because of their perceived simplicity and innocence. It's worth noting that the post Civil War days also saw some of the most heinous cases of raw racism

and economic inequities.

In "Tintypes," the African-America domestic servant, Susannah, is apparently a symbolic device to remind audiences that all that shines isn't stained.

But all in all, "Tintypes" is intended to be a smooth musical ride. A time to appreciate the boundless promise of the land of the free.

At the turn of the 21st century, Meadow Brook hopes the timing couldn't be better.

## Happy Halloween haunts



BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
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Are you seeking a spine-tingling way to celebrate the most frightful holiday of the year? Here's the guide to Halloween haunts, for both the squeamish and brave:

### The Tunnel of Terror

The Rochester Area Jaycees host this haunted house 7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday in October. It is at North Pine Street, one block west of University in downtown Rochester. Admission \$6, call (248) 852-7777.

### Downtown Farmington Halloween Fun Fest

The Farmington Downtown Development Authority hosts this event 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, in downtown Farmington area. Trick-or-treating, live entertainment and a costume contest are highlights, (248) 473-7276.

### Halloween Magic

Hosted by Madonna University in Livonia, this event begins at noon Sunday, Oct. 24, in the Activities Center on campus. Free admission. Look out for games, prizes and refreshments that ensure safe, spooky fun. Call (734) 432-5425.

### Halloween Concert

Featuring the music of Broadway, Hollywood, the movies and the '50s and '60s, dress up because the musicians will be in costume; also a children's costume parade, 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, in the Community Room, Radcliff Center, 1751 Radcliff, south of Ford Road, between Wayne and Merriman roads, Garden City. No charge, but donations will be accepted. (734) 462-4770.

### Halloween Musical Fun

A celebration of songs and puppets by Rita Kirsch, for ages 2-7 with a parent, wear a costume, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. \$4. Call (248) 644-5832 for reservations.

### Hayrides/Storytelling

7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday in October, at Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill. \$12, \$7 ages 4-12, and \$3 under age 3, (734) 451-1128.

### The Farmington Community Band

Will present its 14th annual "Spooktacular" Halloween concert 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Costick Activity Center on 11 Mile Road, east of Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. Admission is free, and everyone is welcome. Call (734) 261-2202 or (248) 489-3412 or visit the Web site [www.mystery.com/fcb](http://www.mystery.com/fcb) for more information.

This year's concert will include a parade of children in costume. Treats will be given to every child who attends.

Please see **HALLOWEEN, E2**

# Hilberry stages comedy about Golden Age of TV

The Hilberry, Wayne State University's graduate theater company, presents the Neil Simon comedy, "Laughter on the 23rd Floor" in rotating repertory through Saturday, Dec. 11. Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, with selected 2 p.m. matinees Wednesday and Saturday. The Hilberry Theatre is at 4743 Cass, at Hancock, on the campus of Wayne State University in Detroit. The play contains adult situations and language. For more information or to order tickets by phone, call (313) 577-2972.

BY SUE SUCHYTA  
SPECIAL WRITER

"Laughter on the 23rd Floor" is a semi-autobiographical comic romp through Neil Simon's early days as a writer on Sid Caesar's "Your Show of Shows." Mix seven high strung but talented writers, throw in uncertain ratings, the Cold War and McCarthyism, and

season with Jewish humor, and the once liners come fast and furious.

A step above vaudeville, and the predecessors of Seinfeld and Billy Crystal, the humor is cerebral and somewhat dated, yet engaging and human.

Dallas Henry plays Lucas, Neil Simon's alter-ego, a newcomer to the writing team and the story's occasional narrator. Henry captured an interesting blend of insecurity and emerging confidence of a young man on the verge of making a mark for himself as a comedy writer. As the story progressed, the character Lucas became less of an observer and more of a co-conspirator in the pranks and subterfuges which were a byproduct of the tension of creating a consistently funny show week after week.

Milt, played by Christopher Yoder, is a high-strung, philan-

dering rake who unwittingly wears his insecurities as visibly as the loud clothing he adopts to capture attention. He alternates between being arrogant and needy. His berets and suits become jokes in of themselves. Vocally he captures his character's tension with an edgy, staccato delivery.

Chad Smith portrays Val, the senior writer and supervisor, with a fatherly air, and captures the expatriate spirit of resignation, humor and outrage in a frumpy but self-possessed character. Likewise, Sean Ramey's tobacco addicted Brian, the only Christian in the bunch, is a feisty yet intellectually sharp Irishman with an ability to hold his own with his wit despite his unimposing physique.

Christopher Gilbert's portrayal of Kenny comes across as a politically smooth golden boy, the one who smoothes things over with

the boss and tries to keep the other powder keg personalities from exploding. He carried himself with the conservative air of a secret service agent. Carol, played by Trisha Miller, portrays the lone woman writer with an interesting blend of ladylike behavior and pre-feminism moxy. She held her own with the fellows without being strident, and managed to keep up with the fast and further bapier and verbal volleys.

In contrast, understudy Heidi Olson had fun with the role of the flighty secretary, Helen.

Fred Shahadi met the challenge of the intense and high strung Max Prince well.

He integrated the character's abuse of alcohol and prescription pills into the storyline with losing the character's inherent dignity. Instead, the character's pain and anguish come across

with the desperate dignity of a man struggling to hold his show together in the face of demands to compromise its style and finesse.

Ira, played by Gavin Lewis, provides comic relief as the demonstrative hypochondriac who regularly regales his irritated colleagues with his disease of the day. His rabid insecurities add to his charm in a convoluted way, redeemed by his surprising clear and startlingly good comedic brilliance.

Ethnic humor was a major player, and thrown back and forth with an ease that would wreck havoc in a nineties office. Political correctness was reserved for any reference to McCarthy or communism, whose very mention sent the fear of black lists into the hearts of the entertainment community.

The set is the quintessential

fifties office: vinyl furniture, battered wood desks, and rotary phones, which — unfortunately — rang offstage and ruined the illusion. The New York skyline visible from the 23rd floor had a realistic three-dimensional look, but the sky was frozen in a permanent sunrise/sunset.

The women's costumes are much more fun visually than the men's, whose clothing really hasn't changed that much in fifty years other than to go casual. Lucas' character had the trademark bow tie, and Max Prince's Semitic Santa was metaphorical for his parting generosity to his cadre of writers.

"Laughter on the 23rd Floor" has the appeal of its time period: its humor is both cutting and cerebral, and it steers clear of the earthy and everyday jokes of today's half-hour situation comedy. It's humor with a human touch and an aura of class.

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All 60 band members will be wearing Halloween costumes. The concert, led by conductor Paul Barber, includes spine tingling and haunting music for the occasion.

### Hayride Through Valley of Death

7 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 21-24, at Parkland Park, on Ann Arbor Trail, east of Telegraph in Dearborn Heights. Admission \$6, \$4 ages 12 and under, group rates available, call (313) 730-2080.

### Wiard's Orchards Haunted Forest Rides

If your appetite calls for adventure, hop on a hay wagon Friday-Saturday through Sunday, Oct. 31. Rides depart from dusk to 11 p.m. Admission \$6 adults, \$4 under 10 years old. A "Child-friendly" Haunted ride will depart 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, and costs \$1.50 per person. Take I-94 West to exit 183 South, and follow signs to Wiard's, 5565

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### Reaper's Dungeon

Haunted House, Oct. 14-17 and Oct. 20-31, 7:30 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, and until 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Wal-Mart Parking Lot, Middlebelt and I-96, Livonia. The cost is \$7, \$4 children under age 12, (734) 524-0514.

### Children's Safe Halloween Party

Schoolcraft College welcomes this kid's event 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the Waterman Campus Center, 18600 Haggerty Road in Livonia. Games, prizes and magic show will keep the kiddies' attention. Advance tickets only, \$6 for one child and two adults, \$3 for additional adults. Call (734) 462-4422.

### House of Horrors

Orchard Grove Community Church will show real-life horrors like the Columbine shooting, domestic violence, drunken driving at this House of Horrors, open 6:30-11 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays in October. Located at the Old Orchard Theatre on Orchard Lake Road, north of 12 Mile Road. Admission \$7, call (248) 324-1700.

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Stay seated during this 35-minute show of sound, lighting

and pyrotechnics, located inside Wonderland Mall in Livonia. Tickets \$13. Children under 13 not admitted. Discounts available at Harmony House. Call (734) 524-DOOM.

### Halloween for the little ones at area Metroparks:

**Kensington:** "Animal Myths and Superstitions" — 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the Nature Center. Learn about bats, wolves, spiders and other Halloween creatures. Call for more information or register at (800) 477-3178 or locally (248) 695-0603. Kensington is near Brighton.

**Stoney Creek:** Ms. Halloween welcomes friends to celebrate with symbols, songs, games and treats at this year's "Tots-n-Halloween" — 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31. Children 3-7 years old are invited and must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets \$2 per person. Call (810) 781-4621 for more information. The park is near Rochester.

as almost a continuation, even though they're different characters. It's sort of the next step after 'Heidi.' There's a thematic connection between the two and I think it's true. They're the same kinds of issues of women trying to find where they belong.

"Something that I've noticed in both of these productions, and maybe it has to do with the nature of St. Dunstan's too, but Wasserstein really forces you — whether it's as a director or as an actor with her work — to really dig deep into yourself. I think you learn a lot about yourself as a person. I saw it with 'Sisters' and I see it in this show as well. And I think it speaks to her amazing talent. If the actors are discovering those things, hopefully the audience will take away some of that as well. It's a pretty wonderful experience to have."

To complete her roster at St. Dunstan's, Smith has just begun her first term as president. "We always welcome new members," she said.

Rounding out the cast is

Marnie H. Diehm of Huntington Woods, Scott MacDonald of Waterford, Chris Steinmayer of Waterford, Jill Ross of Huntington Woods, Linda Parker Watson of West Bloomfield, Nicole Stacey of Royal Oak and Joshua S. Dawson of Madison Heights. Mark Nathanson directs the ensemble and Nancy Tegarden Wegienek is the assistant director.

Following "The Heidi Chronicles," St. Dunstan's will present its Children's Theater Production of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" Nov. 19-21.

Kicking off 2000 is Larry Shue's comedy "The Foreigner" Jan. 21-22, and Jan. 27-29. "Foxfire" captures the essence of life in the Appalachians, a loving tribute to the power of love, family and the human spirit, March 17-19 and March 23-25.

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## MUSIC

## Constructing Success: Canton band signs on Indie label

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
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If Jesse Young could have anything he wanted, he'd ask for the ability to write lyrics like John Popper and play guitar like Dave Matthews.

The Canton resident may not be a Blues Traveler, but as a singer-songwriter for the five-piece band Under Construction he seems to be doing fine on his own terms. Young, along with Canton cohorts Adam Kasten (latin drums), Eric Schuetzler (drums), Chad Stidham (guitar) and Ryan Ruiz (bass) formed the band in 1998 while still attending high school. Without skipping a beat, Under Construction signed with the independent label Statue Records in Santa Monica, Calif., in April.

When the band got its first gig, a variety show at Plymouth-Salem High School, the guys weren't quite ready to present themselves to an audience. In fact, they had spent all their time writing and rehearsing music and hadn't yet decided on a name. When asked what the name of the band was, 20-year-old Jesse Young replied "Just tell them the name's under construction." That statement sealed the band's fate; the name stuck.

As if moving fast-forward, Under Construction recorded a disc of six songs, titled "Dream Vision" within one month of com-

ing together as a band. "Some of those songs are still around," said Young. Another demo followed.

The band sent its music to Talent 2000, a company that shopped Under Construction around to various record labels. As a result, the band was hired to play in a showcase for emerging musicians in New York City. Not long after the show, Statue Records expressed interest in signing them.

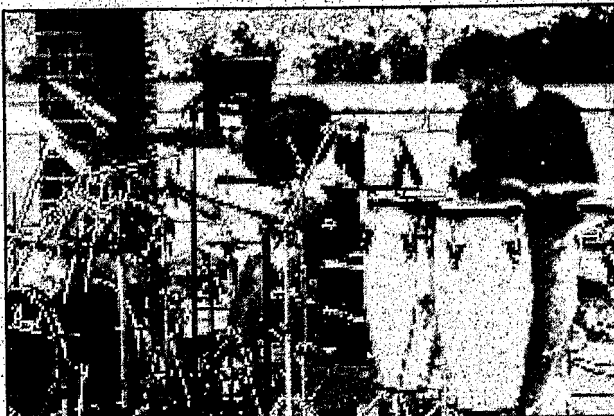
Though it has only been two short years, Young said it took a lot of patience on the band's part. "A lot of us expected everything to happen right away."

David Sutherland, A Saline resident and fan, recalled seeing Under Construction perform at the former Library Pub in Westland about a year ago. He was most impressed by the band's talent.

"A lot of groups you hear, they don't sound that good," he said. "Under Construction is really polished and consistent."

Sutherland is anxiously awaiting the release of the debut album on Statue Records. "They're much different than your typical band."

Young compares Under Construction's style to Florida's alterna-pop sensation Matchbox 20. He names Dave Matthews Band as a major influence. But the band is not limited to the modern rock genre. On its indie



Latin drums: (left to right) Eric Schuetzler and Adam Kasten pound away as Under Construction's drum section

debut, titled "Short Street," Young said listeners might detect New Orleans-flavored jazz.

The album was named for a street in East Lansing. Since three of the members are currently attending Michigan State University, several of the band's gigs have been college parties. Under Construction's first real gig was performed at a house party on Short Street, in some ways a place where the band got its start.

Young picked up the guitar his freshman year of high school, but didn't become serious about the

instrument until the band came together. Stidham also plays guitar and sings.

Schuetzler, Kasten and Young all played percussion in their high school marching band. But Stidham focused more football than music. He picked up the guitar just a few years ago and taught himself how to play. "He amazes me, how he figures out songs," said Young.

In the beginning, Under Construction was a band without a bassist. Two weeks after the band nabbed its record deal, that changed. Enter Ryan Ruiz, Eric's roommate at Michigan State. He

switched from guitar to bass and filled in the band's sound. "Ryan impresses me," said Young. "He's not been playing bass for long. He's so good."

One month later, Under Construction headed to Hollywood to spend some long days in the studio. Ten tracks and one hidden song later, Young and the boys are anxiously awaiting the release of "Short Street," the tangible result of their musical collaboration.

The trip wasn't all the band dreamt it would be. Their studio time was cut in half, due to sharing the studio with other performers. And the band was asked to cut its CD down to only 10 tracks.

Young's favorite track is "Cover Story." It conveys pieces of certain moments in his life and has no complete, or overall meaning. "When we play it really gets me going," he said. "It's about a bunch of things, whatever comes to my mind. It's not necessarily about any one thing."

"Chad and I write the lyrics for all the songs," said Young, admitting it's one of the most difficult aspects of his work. "We all write the music. I listen to as much music as I can, from Limp Bizkit to Fuel — that's different from the type of music we play — to Johnny Cash and John Prine, Ani DiFranco. I can draw from all these different styles."

Young named Garth Brooks,



Jesse Young

Godsmack and Days of the New as other favorites in popular music. "I listen to everything," he said.

Under Construction fans are bound to recognize at least one track on the soon-to-be released CD. "She's the One" may have been the first song the band wrote, but it remains the most requested at Under Construction shows, said Young. "As a band, it's just so technically simple," he said. "As a band, we're just sort of past that." It appears on the disc regardless, to appease those fans who've been with the band since its start. Look for "Short Street" around Nov. 6. Check out the band's Web site at <http://listen.to/underconstruction> or e-mail them at [u-construction@yahoo.com](mailto:u-construction@yahoo.com).

Check out local boys Under Construction Saturday, Oct. 23 at Espresso Royale Caffe, 322 S. State Street, Ann Arbor.

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It occurs to me that many of the greatest musicians of our time, such as Wynton Marsalis, have a passion for passing along what they've learned to young musicians. Kowalewski's credits include work with legends like Marsalis and Billy Eckstine, along with local standouts such as Larry Nozero and Sheila Landis. His frequent collaborations with guitarist Robert Tye have produced dynamic sounds for over two decades.

Given his impressive back-

ground, one might think that

teaching would take a back seat to Kowalewski's next recording project or performance. It's clear, however, that his commitment to education is deep. In addition to serving as the instructor of a bass master class at Oakland University, he has his own studio and system of string bass and six-string bass guitar instruction. A book and accompanying CD are also being prepared to enhance the development of acoustic and electric players.

"I have always been eager to talk about music when anybody approaches me. Teaching is hard work, but I love the experience of working with a young student who is as enthusiastic about music as I am," said Kowalewski.

There's another benefit for the

musician whose work encom-

passes contemporary jazz, Latin, classical and other styles.

"I make a point of finding out what my students are listening to and, though there are times that I don't particularly care for the sounds, it's a good way to keep my music fresh."

Kowalewski's current focus is an acoustic Brazilian sound, which is featured on a recently-released CD and in a BACK-

STAGE PASS performance to air on Detroit Public TV 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24.

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ized about 25-30 years ago by Stan Getz and seem to have a resurgence about every 10 years. Pop music artists like David Byrne and Sting have embraced the sound, and it's proven to be an excellent improvisational vehicle for jazz musicians."

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Rich Kowalewski performs Nov. 10 at the opening event of world-renowned glass artist Jim Kahle's exhibit at Pangborn Design Gallery. For information about the Detroit Public TV benefit, call (313) 259-3400.

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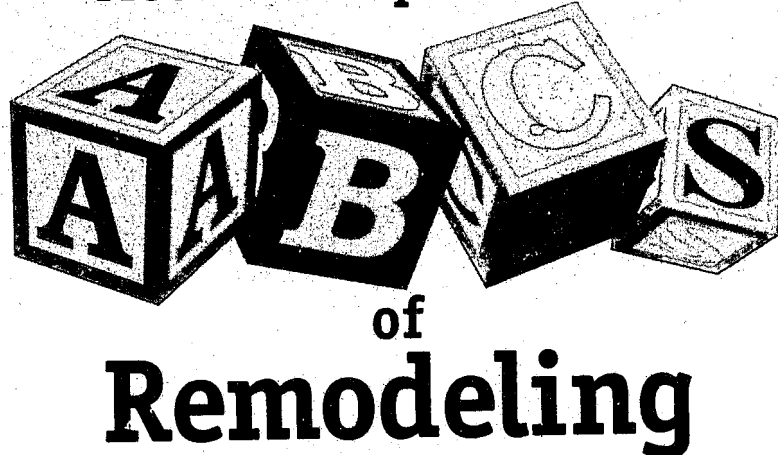
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#### GEM THEATRE

"Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy by Jeff Daniels, through Feb. 13, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays, at the theater, 33 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800

#### MICHIGAN THEATRE

Not Just For Kids series opens with "Les Misérables," adapted especially for young people, presented by Theatreworks/USA of New York City, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, at the Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$10. (734) 763-TKTS

#### JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

"The Immigrant" by Mark Harelik, Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 21-24; Wednesday-Sunday, Oct. 27-31 and Nov. 3-7. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday; Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Tickets \$15-\$25, (248) 788-2900.

### OPERA

#### SAN FRANCISCO OPERA

"Don Giovanni," 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield, Clinton Township. \$30, \$26 seniors/students. (810) 286-2222

### COLLEGE

#### EMU THEATRE

"Dancing at Lughnasa," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 21-23, in the Quirk Theatre, Ypsilanti. \$8 Thursday, \$13 Friday-Saturday, \$11 Sunday. (734) 487-1221

#### OAKLAND UNIVERSITY THEATRE

"Shivaree" by William Mastrosimone, 8 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, Oct. 20-22, and 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, in the Varner Lab Theatre, Oakland University, Rochester. \$10, \$8 seniors, \$5 students. (248) 370-3013

#### SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

William Shakespeare's comedy "The Merchant of Venice," Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 29-30 and Nov. 5-6 for dinner theater (\$19), and Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13 for theater performance only (\$8). In the Liberal Arts Theatre on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (734) 462-4596

### COMMUNITY THEATER

#### SRO PRODUCTIONS

"Dracula," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday through Oct. 24, at The Burgh, corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, east of Telegraph, Southfield. \$8, \$7 seniors/children under age 12. (248) 827-0701

#### STAGECRAFTERS 2ND STAGE

"As Bees in Honey Drown," comedy by Douglas Carter Beane, Oct. 22-31, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. Tickets \$7, all seats reserved. Play contains adult language/content. (248) 541-6430

#### AVON PLAYERS

"Wait Until Dark," opens 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 at the playhouse, 1185 Tlenken Road, Rochester Hills. Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Show dates Oct. 30-31; Nov. 5-7, and Nov. 11-13. Tickets \$13. (248) 608-9077

#### FIRST THEATRE GUILD

"Brigadoon," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5; 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 30-31, and Sunday Nov. 7; and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Knox Auditorium, 1669 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Tickets \$8 adults, \$5 students and seniors. (248) 644-2087, Ext. 151. Seniors admitted free 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30.

#### ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

"Three Murders and It's Only Monday," by Pat Cook, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, Nov. 12-13, and Nov. 19-20; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, Upstage Theatre. Tickets \$10, reserved. (313) 537-7716

#### THEATRE GUILD

Is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical comedy theater. Call (313) 531-0554 for information, or deliver resumes and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 15138 Beech Daly, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

### DINNER THEATER

#### BACI THEATRE

"Flanagan's Wake," 8 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays (\$25 Thursdays and Sundays, and \$30 Fridays-Saturdays), and "Tony n' Tina's Wedding," at 40 W. Pike, Pontiac.



**Art fair:** Get started on your holiday shopping at the fifth annual Sugarloaf Art Fair, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Oct. 22-24 at the Novi Expo Center, I-96 to Exit 162, south on Novi Road, right on Expo Center Drive. Expo Center is one block on the right. The fair features 325 artists from 36 states and Canada, including Peter and Alexa Smarsh of Florida who created this one-of-a-kind pin, craft demonstrations, and entertainment. Admission \$6 adults, children under 12 and parking free. Call (800) 210-9900 for more information.

(248) 745-8668/(248) 645-6666

#### DAVE & BUSTER'S

"A Gift of Murder" continues Saturdays through Nov. 20, at the restaurant, M-59 and M-53, Utica. \$32.95. (810) 930-1515

#### GENITTI'S

"Murder at Sea," 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at the restaurant, 108 E. Main, Northville. \$28. (248) 349-0522

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

#### RISEING STARS

"Tales from the Brothers Grimm," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Oct. 21-22, Andover High School on Andover Road in Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$3, (248) 433-0885. The production features 29 actors from Bloomfield Hills, Pontiac, Sylvan Lake, Waterford and Clarkston. Rising Stars is a repertory theater for young people in grades 6 through 9 in Oakland County.

#### DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE

"Kolobok," a Russian version of the well known Gingerbread Man story, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday Oct. 23-24 and 30-31, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777

#### GENITTI'S

"The Mystery in Fable's Forest," Saturdays Oct. 16, 23 and 30, at the restaurant, 108 E. Main, Northville. \$11.65, \$9.65 children includes luncheon. (248) 349-0522

#### PANDORA'S PUPPETS

For children ages 4-10, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. Tickets \$3.25, (248) 424-9022

#### MARQUIS THEATRE

"Halloween Soup" comical melodrama, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22 and Oct. 29; 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23 and Oct. 30; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24 and Oct. 31, Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main St., downtown Northville. Tickets \$6, no children under age 3. (248) 349-8110

#### LUNCH WITH THE GREAT PUMPKIN

At the Southfield Civic Center Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen Road, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30. For Southfield residents, fourth grade and younger, and non-residents with children attending Southfield Schools. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Games, treats, Spooky Monster Magic Show, lunch served 11 a.m. The cost is \$8 children, \$4 accompanying adults; \$10 for each non-resident child, and \$6 for accompanying non-resident adult. Register in person at the Southfield Parks and Recreation office by Oct. 27.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### THE FRIEND OF ALYCE BENEFIT

Detroit comedians are pulling together for two fundraising events for fellow comedian Alyce Faye. Join The Friends of Alyce at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, 269 E. Fourth Street in Royal Oak (248) 542-9900; 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27 at Joys Comedy Club in Livonia (734) 261-0555. Cover is \$10. Additional donations accepted. Shows are 21 and over. Donations will go to three funds: The Providence Hospital Foundation; The American Cancer Society; and Gilda's Club.

### COLOR THEORY EXHIBIT

An exhibit featuring the color theories of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, best known in the English-speaking world as the author of "Faust," opens Monday, Oct. 18 at Wonderland Mall, 29859 Plymouth Road at Middlebelt, Livonia. (734) 522-4100/(734) 996-8600

#### DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE

María Mihayken singing Russian Romance Songs, 8 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 19, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-7777

#### NIGHT AT THE TRACK

Buffet dinner and admittance to the track, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at Northville Downs, Northville. \$20. (734) 464-1352/(734) 422-3415

#### OKTOBERFEST

7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at the Rochester Community House, Rochester. \$12.50, \$6.50 under age 12. (248) 651-0622

#### RACING COLLECTIBLES SHOW

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at the Harris-Kehler VW Post, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland. \$2, children under age 12 free, proceeds go to Michigan Vietnam Monument. (517) 467-2376

#### RICK THUM

Performs traditional music on hammered dulcimer, 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at Good Hope Lutheran Church, 2860 Cherry Hill, between Middlebelt and Inkster, Garden City. \$10. (313) 562-0574/(734) 283-9252

### BENEFITS

#### FALL FESTIVAL OF FASHION '99

The Redford Suburban League hosts this day of frosts, a luncheon and a fashion showcase by Parisian, featuring local celebrity models, 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 21 at Burton Manor, Schoolcraft and Inkster, Livonia. \$40, proceeds benefit physically challenged children. (734) 981-6003

#### FARMINGTON PLAYERS

"The Women," by Clare Boothe Luce, benefit performance for the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5 at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Tickets \$50, includes admission to play and afterglow reception and \$100, includes priority seating, admission to afterglow reception, recognition in program and a breast cancer awareness pin. Call (313) 876-9259. Farmington Players continues its season with "The Women," weekends through Nov. 27. Call (248) 553-2955 for ticket information.

#### OKTOBERFEST JAZZ BRUNCH

Noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, World's Oldest Saxophone Quintet, led by jazz veteran Larry Teal, will provide the music to go with the German delicacies such as potato pancakes and bratwurst in the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. \$25, no tickets will be sold at the door. (248) 474-2720/(734) 459-2454. Proceeds go the admission-free Michigan Jazz Festival.

#### SOUPCITY

30 area restaurants prepare signature soups and other finger foods for an all-

you-can-eat event, 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, music by Mud Puppy, at the State Theater, Detroit. \$15 advance, \$20 at door, to benefit the Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS). (248) 645-6666

### FAMILY EVENT

#### EDUCATION EXPO

At the Southfield Civic Center on Evergreen Road between 10 and 11 Mile Roads, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, Parents can browse the booths of more than 80 vendors and meet representatives from local private and public schools, tutoring services, toy and book sellers. Bear in the Big Blue House from Jim Henson TV is guest host. Bear will make a special appearance at "Snack Time," one of many attractions at this annual educational fair for parents and children. There is no admission charge. (248) 352-0990.

### HALLOWEEN

#### HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN RUN

A 5K Run/Walk for adults and older kids begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, a one-mile run for younger kids starts at 9:45 a.m., prizes for best costumes, at Domino's Farms, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor. \$15, \$5 child, \$30 family, proceeds benefit the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. (734) 995-5439

#### HALLOWEEN CONCERT

Featuring the music of Broadway, Hollywood, the movies and the 50's and 60's, dress up because the musicians will be in costume, also a children's costume parade, 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, in the Community Room, Radcliff Center, 1751 Radcliff, south of Ford Road, between Wayne and Merriman roads, Garden City. Free but donations will be accepted. (734) 462-4770

#### HALLOWEEN MUSICAL FUN

A celebration of songs puppets by Rita Kirsch, for ages 2-7 with a parent, wear a costume, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. \$4. (248) 644-5832 for reservations.

#### HAYRIDES/STORYTELLING

7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturdays in October, at Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill. \$12, \$7 ages 4-12, and \$3 under age 3. (734) 451-1128

#### HAYRIDE THROUGH VALLEY OF DEATH

7 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 21-24, at Parkland Park, on Ann Arbor Trail, east of Telegraph, \$6, \$4 ages 12 and under, group rates call (313) 730-2080

#### PUMPKIN HOLLOW HAUNTED FOREST

Ride through Haunted Forest, Fridays-Saturdays (nights), Oct. 22-23 and 29-30; also pumpkin pick, animal petting farm and entertainment showcase, at Bunyea Farms, 7300 E. Joy Road, west of Curtis Road, Ann Arbor. \$6, \$4 under age 10, Friendly Haunting Days Rides for very young children and families, 2-5 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 24 (\$1.50 per person). (734) 332-1971

#### REAPER'S DUNGEON

Haunted house, Oct. 20-31, 7:30 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, and until 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Wal-Mart Parking Lot, Middlebelt and I-96, Livonia. \$7, \$4 under age 12. (734) 524-0514

### CLASSICAL

#### SOUTHFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Fall Celebration Concert 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, Southfield Center for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, between 9 and 10 Mile Roads. Program of orchestral music will include Schubert's Symphony No. 5, Tchaikovsky's Waltz and Polonaise from the opera "Eugene Onegin," Elgar's "Three Bavarian Dances," and Nicolai's "Merry Wives of Windsor Overture." Tickets \$12 general admission, \$9 students and seniors, available at the door. Call (248) 851-7408.

#### "A TRIBUTE TO CHOPIN"

Features pianist Joseph Gurt, also lyric soprano Ewa Slarkowka Depa, 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, at Hammill Music Auditorium, 4110 Telegraph, Bloomfield Township. \$20. (248) 625-1047

#### SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Soprano Elizabeth Parcells sings an all-German program consisting of the music of Schumann, Schubert and Strauss noon Wednesday, Oct. 27, in the Recital Hall of the Forum Building on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. Free.

### POPS/SWING

#### IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA

3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, south of 10 Mile Road. \$8. (248) 424-9022

#### JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY

"Frank Sinatra Tribute," 8:30 p.m. to midnight, Fridays-Saturdays through October, at Andiamo Italia West, 6676 Telegraph Road at Maple, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 865-9300

### AUDITIONS

#### MEN'S BARBERSHOP CHORUS

Looking for singers, auditions not required but ability to sing on key is understood. (313) 278-1078

#### YOUTH COMPETITION

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking for contestants for its Youth Competition to be held in December at Evola Music of Canton, in addition to orchestral instruments, piano contestants are also being sought, winners will perform on the youth concerts in February of 2000. (734) 451-2112

#### STAGECRAFTERS

"Cinderella," by Rodgers & Hammerstein, 10:30 a.m. registration; 11 a.m. auditions, Sunday, Oct. 24, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, downtown Royal Oak. Bring nonreturnable photo, or one can be taken for a small fee. Call (248) 541-4832 for character description, more information.

### JAZZ

#### AUTUMN JAZZ CONCERT

Features Henry Ford Community College Big Band, Blue Fusion, Evergreen Blues, and Studio 110 Jazz Orchestra, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, in Adray Auditorium, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center on campus, 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. \$9, \$6 students/seniors. (313) 317-6566

#### JAZZ IN THE STREETS

Larry Nozero Quartet, 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24, at the Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward, corner of Kirby. \$20. (313) 833-1921

#### RICH K. AND KID BROTH

8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, at Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150 (guitar/bass/drums)

#### MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With saxophonist George Benson 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren, east of Middlebelt Road, Garden City. \$5 cover. (734) 762-7756

#### MARK MOULTRUP

9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150 (piano/bass/drums)

#### JANET TENAJ TRIO

Featuring Sven Anderson, piano and Kurt Krahne, bass, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Restaurant, 29244 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield. (248) 351-2925

#### URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON

With Dan Kolton, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

#### PAMELA WISE & THE AFRO-CUBAN ALLSTARS

8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

#### JAZZ EXPLOSION

Featuring Will Downing, Gerald Albright, Vesta & Paul Perry, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, Fox Theatre, Detroit. (248) 433-1515

### FOLK/BLUEGRASS

#### JAMES KEELAGHAN

Small Potatoes opens, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, at The Ark, 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. \$12.50. (734) 763 TKTS.

### DANCE

#### EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE

With Aerial Dance Company, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 370-3013

### POLISH ALLIANCE DANCERS OF DEARBORN

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7:30 p.m. Saturday—Monday, Nov. 6—8, The Palace, Auburn Hills. Sold Out! Quiet room available.

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10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Sisko's, 5855 Monroe Blvd., Taylor. (313) 278-5340

### BIG 80S FLASHBACK BASH

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ABBA tribute, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. \$15 advance, \$18 day of show. 18 and over. (248) 645-6666

### THE BLUE RAYS

9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, Ann Arbor Brewing Co., 114 East Washington, Ann Arbor, one block East of Main Street. No cover. All ages. (734) 213-1393 (blues)

### BLUE RODEO

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Majestic Theatre,

Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$15.

18 and over. (313) 833-9700

### THE BOMBORAS

With Forty Fives, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$9. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

### BUGS BEDDOW BAND

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 22-23, Bachelor's One, 1967 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. (248) 682-2295; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 (costume party), Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. (248) 360-7450. www.bugsbeddow.com (blues)

### BUZZCOCKS

With Down By Law, Lunachicks and Plan a Project, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$15. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

### CHAIN REACTION

10 p.m. Sat. Oct. 30, Scallisi's Lounge, Allen Park. \$3 cover. 21 and over. (313) 382-5844 (local rock)

### CONNIPTION

With Wake Up Andy, Friday, Oct. 22, Griff's Grill, downtown Pontiac.

### CROSBY, STILLS, NASH AND

### YOUNG

8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$76, \$51, and \$40.50 reserved. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

### SHANNON CURFMAN

7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. Tickets \$8. (248) 645-6666

### CYCLEFLY

With The Watchmen, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$6. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

### DEAD MOON

With Rocket 455 and Bantam Rooster, 9 p.m. Thursday, November 4, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8 in advance. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700 (garage punk)

### DOUG DEMING AND THE BLUE

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9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, Fishbones—East, 23722 Jefferson Ave., St. Clair Shores. No cover. (810) 498-3000 (swingin' blues)

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### DISCOUNT

With Sarge and Telegraph, 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$7. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

### EASY ACTION

9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7 cover. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700

### EKOOSTIC HOOKAH

8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$16.50 in advance. (734) 668-8397

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9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Karl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd., Plymouth (734) 455-8450

### FLETCHER PRAIT

With the Neptunes. 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacobys, 624 Brush St., Detroit. 18 and over. \$5 cover. (313) 962-7067 (pop)

### LESLIE FREDERICKS

2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-0558

### ROBBEN FORD & THE BLUE LINE

With Soulive, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. \$15 tickets. (248) 335-3540

### THE FUNKY METERS

8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets \$22 in advance. (248) 544-3030 (funk)

### GET UP KIDS

With At The Drive-In and Ultimate Fakebook, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7 advance. All ages. (313) 833-9700

### GIVE

With Radium, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Lili's 21, 2930 Jacob, three blocks south of Holbrook in Hamtramck. \$5 cover. 21 and over. (313) 875-6555.

### GODSMACK

6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$18.50. All ages. (248) 645-6666

### HARRINGTON BROTHERS

7 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 26, 28, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

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### CRIMINALS

Time to be determined. Wednesday, Oct. 27, Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. Tickets on sale \$20 and \$24.50. Call (248) 645-6666

### HIDDIOUS BUNNY

10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 22-23, Boulders, 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. 21 and over. (734) 459-4190 (top 40)

### ROBYN HITCHCOCK

8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$15 cover. (248) 544-3030

### INSANE CLOWN POSSE'S

### HOLLOWICKED CLOWN PARTY

With Twiztid, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Majestic Theatre, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$17. All ages. (313) 833-9700

### IONESCO

With Double Brown and Under the Ladder, 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, 313.jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush Street, Detroit. \$5 cover. 18 and over. (313) 962-7067

### RICKY LEE JONES

8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, The Ark, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$30 on sale. (248) 645-6666

### JUNIOR BROWN

7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$22.50 on sale. (248) 544-3030

### JUVINILE AND CASH MONEY

### MILLIONAIRES

With BG, Hot Boys, Big Tymers, Lil Wayne, Eve, Lil Troy, MJG and Eight Ball, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, Cobo Hall, Detroit. Tickets \$35 and \$25 on sale. Call (248) 645-6666 (hip hop)

### KANSAS

accompanied by the Eastern Michigan University Orchestra, Saturday, Oct. 23, EMU Convocation Center. Tickets \$20 or \$45 for Gold Circle seating. Available at the EMU box office or Ticketmaster. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

### K-CI AND JO JO

With Destiny's Child, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets \$35. 18 and over. (248) 645-6666

### KID ROCK

With Twisted Brown Trucker, Powerman 5000, DDT, and a special surprise guest, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale \$22.50 in advance, \$25 day of show. (248) 377-0100

### LIVE

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, State Theatre, Detroit. Sold Out.

### LIVE LYRICS II

With Funktelligence, Prime Numbers, MC Sun, MC Paradime, MC Telepath Math and more, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. \$6 cover. (734) 996-8555

### THE LUDDITES

9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Fishbones—East, 23722 Jefferson Ave., St. Clair Shores. No cover. (810) 498-3000

### LUNA

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$12 in advance. 18 and over. (313) 996-9700

### MICHAEL KRIEGER

6:30 p.m. Sundays in October, Angel's Garage Cafe, 214 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. (248) 541-0888 (folk)

### MACY GRAY

8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$12.50. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

### KY-MANI MARLEY

9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$10 advance. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

### RICKY MARTIN

With Jessica Simpson. The Nov. 1 show at The Palace is sold out.

### SARAH MASON

8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets \$10, \$8 for members. (734) 464-6302 (singer-songwriter)

### J. MASCIS

of Dinosaur Jr., 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$15. (248) 544-3030

### NEIL MCCOY

With Ricochet, Friday, Nov. 5, Compuware Sports Arena, 14900 Beck Road, Plymouth. Tickets \$30. (734) 453-6400 (country)

### MEDESKI, MARTIN AND WOOD

With Project Logic, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$20 reserved seats. (734) 668-8397

### MEGADEATH

6:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$24.50 general admission. All ages. (248) 645-6666 (thrash metal)

### BETTE MIDLER

8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale. \$49.50, \$80.50, \$150.50 at Ticketmaster. Call (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

### MR. BUNGLE

9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$15 advance, \$18 week of show. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

### KATY MOFFATT

7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, Mott Memorial Auditorium, 1501 E. Court Street, Flint. Tickets \$10 adults, \$5 children under 12, \$7 Mott College students and staff. (810) 812-3003 (folk)

**DAVID MURRAY'S FO DEUX REVUE**  
7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$20 in advance. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

### MUDPUDDY

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### MY LIFE WITH THE THRILL KILL

### CULT

9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$15. All Ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

### NEW GIRL ORDER

With The Ruiners, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7. 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

### OCTOBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

With Eugene Mann, Sheila Landis Trio, George and Me, danleis crossing, Robert Geficks, Barbara Berrett, 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester. Free. All ages (248) 652-0558

### ORIGINAL HITS

7 p.m. Monday Oct. 25, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800

### ANDREA PARKER

With Adult, Carlos Souffrant. 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, 7th House, & N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. \$10 advance, \$12 day of show. 18 and over. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

### DANILO PEREZ TRIO

7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Oct. 20-21, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor (734) 662-8310 (Jazz)

### PET SHOP BOYS

6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. Tickets on sale \$35 general admission. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

### PHUNKIN PUNKIN HALLOWEEN

With Electric Boogaloo and Baked Potato, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, Karl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd., Plymouth (734) 455-8450



## MOVIES

## 'Bats' star talks about fear, filming the latest thriller

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
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Alfred Hitchcock had a knack for spooking his audience.

In 1963 he unveiled "The Birds," giving audiences a fright as our feathered friends sought a more substantial prey than just insects and berries.

The film remains just one among a dozen classic tales portraying humans as vulnerable prey for animals. Perhaps it strikes some innate fear. Perhaps it just makes for good film-making — especially around the spookiest time of year. Whatever the case, Director John Morneau aims for that same natural reaction with "Bats." Scheduled for release Friday, Oct. 22, the story,

written by John Logan, is set in a sleepy Texas town where unexplained bat attacks have caused several grisly deaths. At nightfall, the bats transform the town into a place where no one is safe, and there is no where to hide.

"Bats" stars Lou Diamond Phillips as Sheriff Emmett Kimsey, Dina Meyer as Zoologist Sheila Casper, and Leon as her assistant, Leon, a New York City native, recently received acclaim for his role as David Ruffin in "The Temptations." Audiences may remember Leon as the saint who comes to life in Madonna's video for "Like a Prayer."

His big screen credits include the leading role in "Cool Runnings" and supporting characters in "Above the Rim," "Waiting to Exhale," and "Cliffhanger." On

Friday, Oct. 15, Leon spoke to Observer & Eccentric newspapers about his experience with "Bats" during a telephone interview.

**Observer & Eccentric: How did you get involved with the film?**

Leon: "When my manager gave me the script I really didn't think I would necessarily do the film. My manager thought the character would show off my acting ability. I thought it would be a crowd-pleaser."

**O&E: Tell me about your character.**

Leon: "I play Jimmy, a computer expert who works with Sheila, an expert on bats. Basically we're doing our thing when a helicopter comes and the (Centers for Disease Control) informed us they needed us in Texas to investigate

why animals as well as humans are being attacked by bats. It sounds very strange since bats don't attack. We got caught up in this and do our best to rectify a government experiment gone awry."

**O&E: Are you a fan of scary movies?**

Leon: "If it's really scary. Usually it's hard to find movies that are really scary. Today you have "Stigmata" and "The Sixth Sense." They're good movies, but they're more thought-provoking (than scary)."

**O&E: Do you have a favorite horror movie?**

Leon: "I don't really watch horror (on video). That's something that really should be a big-screen experience. We have a sound system and a screen that's so much

better. That can make a scene scare the hell out of you."

**O&E: What was most difficult or challenging about filming "Bats"?**

Leon: "It was all difficult. We shot pretty much all night in very remote locations, mountains, fields in Utah. It wasn't a lot of fun."

**O&E: Do you think people have an inherent fear of bats and other such animals, particularly around Halloween?**

Leon: "Bats are scary for some people. I don't think we know much about bats. We always fear the unknown."

**O&E: Did you learn a lot about bats while making the film?**

Leon: "Yes. People just don't realize how harmless they are.

They serve a great purpose in this world, as far as controlling insects."

**O&E: What did you like most about your character?**

Leon: "I'm pretty much the voice of the audience. If the audience says 'run,' I'm already running. I'm the one that says let's get out of here."

**O&E: You're character must provide some comic relief as well?**

Leon: "Most definitely. You'll definitely get a few chuckles."

Look for Leon in "Bats," opening this weekend, and his future projects like NBC's upcoming drama about the early years of rock 'n' roll "The Big Beat Heat." He'll portray the role of Jackie Wilson.

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## STREET SCENE

## Radium is ready to make audiences 'shake it'



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

The want ads have been very good to Tabatha Predovich. It was an advertisement that eventually lured her from her hometown, Minneapolis, Minn., to Brighton, England to pursue music. And it was a "singer-wanted" ad that later linked her to three Detroit area musicians to form a combination now known as Radium.

## Radiating

While her story in modern music history may sound familiar, Tabatha Predovich is anything but ordinary. The Ferndale resident lends the voice and emotion that drives Radium. She joined me at a Royal Oak coffee shop to talk about life, music, and green tea.

With her vibrant bubblegum-red locks tied into stiff braids, and a warm smile across her face, the statuesque singer purred: "They were looking for a singer, and I was a vocalist," she said of Radium's beginnings last August. "We worked on a bunch of songs right away."

Radium's first gig was playing Woodward Avenue Brewery in Ferndale on Halloween last year. The show was followed by other appearances at area haunts like

Griff's Grill in Pontiac and The Shelter in Detroit. If the band gets its way, Radium will soon reverberate through the corridors of Saint Andrews Hall, Blind Pig and Detroit's Motor Lounge.

## Spacey rock

Radium's is described by the band's lyricist as a "kind of spacey rock." "Most of my songs are about old betrayals," said Tabatha. "It's good therapy. I don't know what I would be able to do if I couldn't write." Radium's musical influences include Love and Rockets, Stone Roses and Bauhaus — showing an overwhelmingly British thread. Tabatha's personal favorites — which can be detected in her own style — are Kate Bush, Siouxsie and the Banshees, and Curve. She attributes her strong voice to the Opera training she received at age 17 in Minneapolis.

Though still tied to a musical project in England, Tabatha's focus is now fully on Radium, which includes Oliver on guitar, Bill Zech on bass and newest edition, John Dritsas on drums. "We really want to go all out and I'm ready," she said.

She's been sending out CD's. Radium's demo "Burn" was recorded last Spring.

## Strength

The band's plans were put on hold when Tabatha learned she

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Tabatha Predovich  
Radium

needed a kidney transplant. Of the experience she said: "It makes you a stronger person. It makes you appreciate good health." Now recovered, she's concentrating on getting the music out — even if it means burning the CD's, putting them together and distributing them by hand. She dedicates the music to her father.

Tabatha clearly draws strength from the music in her life.

As the only female member of Radium, Tabatha said the band is emerging at an appropriate time in modern music. "Right now is the time for women rock singers."

As for songwriting, she works mostly with the band's guitarist, Oliver.

"Oliver comes up with guitar ideas and makes a tape," said Tabatha. "I'll take it home and write words, lyrics, emotional stuff. I try to structure it out."

Oliver, a Warren resident and native of Germany, remembered auditioning Tabatha: "She started singing and it was there." That coupled with her stage

presence and ability to write good songs cinched her position in the band, as far as he was concerned.

## No comparison

Oliver said he'd like the band to stay away from comparisons to bands like Garbage or Joy-Drop: "A lot of (local) bands latch onto what is popular." He hopes Radium adopts a separate identity, like some of his favorite bands successfully acquired. "A lot of my favorite bands, you know them from a mile away. You can tell Robert Smith — you can't reproduce that kind of Depression."

As a songwriter, he writes his best music when severely sleep-deprived. "I keep my acoustic next to my bed." When something pops in his head, he can flick the light switch and get to work. Oliver said he prefers writing music to lyrics because music "doesn't necessarily have to make sense."

## Without rapping

While Oliver agreed the music spotlight is finally shining on Detroit, he wasn't too sure that the attention gained by local boys like Kid Rock and Eminem would open doors for other genres. "I don't know if a band can make it here without rapping," he said. "We should be proud because white rappers used to be laughed at, like Vanilla Ice. They're pretty valued now...A lot



See Radium play: (left to right) Tabatha Predovich, Oliver and Bill Zech are Radium.

of good bands don't get noticed." He mentioned a few of his local favorites: Atomic Numbers, Deathgirl.com, Queen Bee. "I just want to do my thing and see if people dig it."

Radium will be doing its thing to celebrate Halloween at a live show complete with classic horror flicks. "It's a big costume party," said Tabatha. "It will be a pretty dramatic show, kinda spooky and scary. Expect to be entertained."

See Radium this month. The band opens for Give, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Lili's 21, 2930

Jacob, three blocks south of Holbrook in Hamtramck. \$5, cover 21 and over. Call (313) 875-6555. Or grab a costume and head out before 10 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30 to the Woodward Avenue Brewery, 22646 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. This free is 21 and over. Call (248) 546-3696 for more information.

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## CD REVIEW

## High 'Flying' for this folk artist

## "Flying" — Lisa Hunter

One Man Clapping Records  
It must say something about Lisa Hunter's album "Flying" that, when listening to it at the same time as Lucinda Williams' undisputed masterpiece "Car Wheels on a Gravel Road," it's Hunter's tunes I'm humming at the office.

The immediate comparison is not without merit: both singers have rich, expressive voices and draw on blues, folk, country and rock. But while the Louisiana-born Williams reaches to the very depths of the weary world for inspiration, Hunter toys with love's subtle tension and amiable soul-searching.

The second release for this Ann Arbor resident, "Flying" delivers a dozen songs of warm introspection.

The title track offers a folk-rock response to this wistful musing: You're stuck in a cabin in a snowstorm with someone you've had a crush on for a really long time.

On "Faith," Hunter's voice caresses with melodic joy as she and her backup vocalists harmonize the mantra, "Have a little faith in me/if you give it some time, you will find it's easier to let your mind run free/if you have a little faith in me."

"Water Under the Bridge," a country-rock song about "my two grandmothers and maybe me someday" offers the album's most contemplative lyrics.

In a production-style favored by Alanis Morissette, Hunter's voice and acoustic guitar are out-in-front and in command. But that doesn't mask the tight group of musicians that form her backup.

Hunter embarked on a career in singing/songwriting just three years ago, and already has plans to release a live album of performances recorded at the Gypsy Café and The Ark in Ann Arbor.

"Flying" is certainly a crisp and thoughtful essay by this emerging artist.

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No kidding,  
Joseph Koolisky's opens in 'DE-Troy-It'BY KEELY WYGNOK  
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Bring your sense of humor and appetite to the newly opened Joseph Koolisky's "Joe Kool's" Bar & Grill in Troy where the emphasis is on fun.

"The menu cover and shell is a spoof of the National Inquirer and called 'Irrational Perspire,'" said David Steinke, general manager/owner. "The staff is encouraged to have fun with customers."

Children are welcome. "We have a special menu for them," said Steinke. Choices include chicken fingers, hot dog, hamburger, or popcorn shrimp served with soft drink and fries for \$4.99. The meal is served in a cardboard box that looks like an old car or truck.

Adults who like to feel like kids again will enjoy Koolisky's. The interior resembles an old Detroit warehouse. "Our decor and theme is dedicated to Detroit's industrial heritage," explained Steinke who grew up in Livonia.

The "DE-Troy-IT" backdrop includes a 45-foot handmade mahogany bar, large commercial fans, factory-sized pipes and duct work and brick walls with painted slogans such as "Joseph Koolisky's where quality is Job 5." The walls are decorated with old Detroit post cards and other

## Joseph Koolisky's Bar &amp; Grill

Where: 1835 E. Big Beaver, Troy, (248) 526-5665

Open: 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to midnight Sunday, for lunch and dinner

Menu: American-style fare including burgers and sandwiches, pizza, pasta, chicken, steaks and prime rib. Children's menu available. Vegetarians won't be disappointed; choices include grilled vegetable sandwich, black bean and grilled vegetable burrito.

Cost: Burgers and sandwiches \$4.99-\$8.99; pizza \$5.99-\$11.99; pasta \$6.99-\$8.99; main courses \$8.99 to \$16.99.

Reservations: Accepted

Credit cards: All majors accepted

Carryout: Available

Private parties: Room for up to 60 people

Restaurant seats: 275 people; smoking at the bar

memorabilia.

If the name "Koolisky" sounds familiar, it could be because you've visited the original Joe "Kool's" in London, Ontario.

"I heard of his bar, and I had been there," said Steinke who met owner Mike Smith while going to Detroit Tigers games. "We maintained a friendship and talked about opening a Koolisky's here," said Steinke.

They found a good spot, near the new Hockey Town store and Troy Sports Center.

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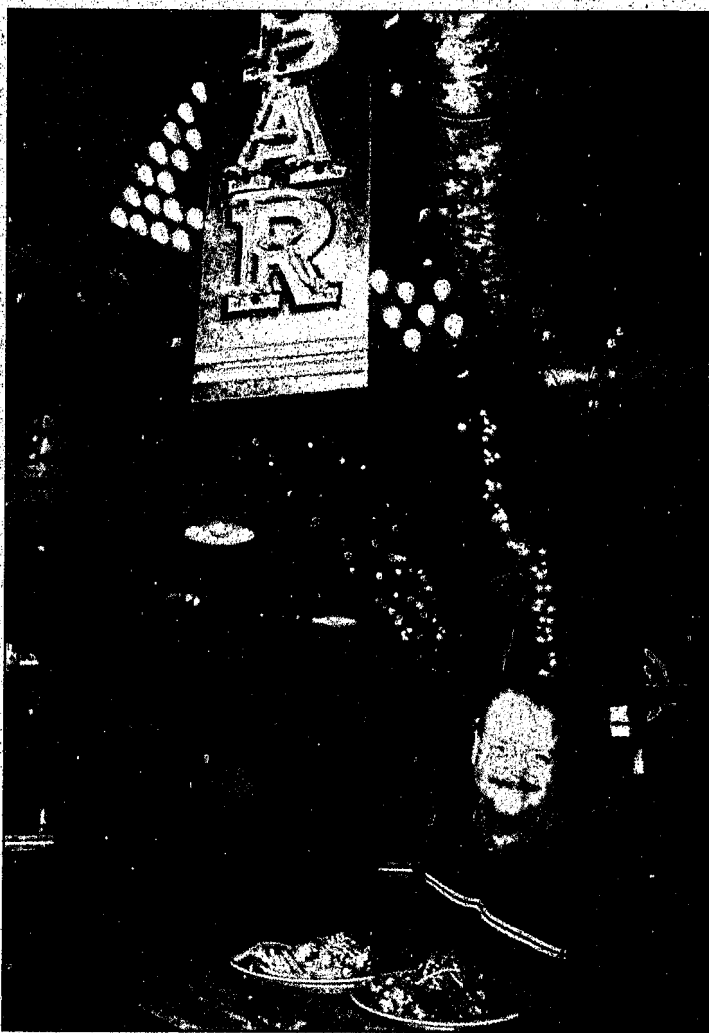
Start with an appetizer such as chicken wings, skillet roasted mussels, or grilled Italian flatbread.

The menu features classic

American tavern fare — pizza, deep dish or thin crust gourmet — burgers, sandwiches, and some items you wouldn't expect such as a Mixed Michigan Salad, Lemon Garlic Chicken, Penne, Grilled Vegetable Sandwich, steak, roasted chicken, grilled salmon, and prime rib. All main courses are served with fresh vegetable and choice of potato, except burritos which are served with fresh vegetable.

For dessert, try the Detroit Sundaes — chocolate brownie, Stroh's ice cream and Sander's hot fudge. Vernor's is on the menu, too.

There are 12 beers on tap including ones from local breweries such as Local Color in Novi and Atwater Brewery in Detroit. Joseph Koolisky's also offers 30 bottled beers and 20 tequilas.



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"Kool" restaurant: David Steinke, general manager/owner of Joseph Koolisky's Bar & Grill presents a few of the items you'll find on the menu, Cracker Crusted Whitefish, Thai Chicken Salad, and Italian Flatbread topped with vegetables.

## WHAT'S COOKING

## ■ Epoch Restaurant

## Group's Millennium Celebration

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## Keep minutes close to vest

### REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

In a recent question you indicated that certain aspects of the minutes would be "privileged." Is some information privileged? For example, I understand that out of courtesy you would not want to reveal the names of co-owners who are in arrears in paying their assessments or fines. If the records can be examined by the co-owners, wouldn't all that information be in those records? Can certain records be changed for examination?

The minutes of the association often contain a number of directives and/or resolutions of the board of directors, which, if discovered by an adversary of the association, could be damaging to the best interest of the association.

For example, decisions by the board to settle a case that is in litigation, while recorded in the minutes, should not be open for inspection since that would undermine the ability of the association's attorney to negotiate a favorable settlement.

While delinquent co-owner's names do not necessarily have to be published, I do not believe that that is necessarily a privileged portion of the minutes, as opposed to information which, if disclosed, would undermine the interests of the association such as employment issues and/or other potentially disparaging comments concerning the association and/or its members.

This is an unsettled area of the law, and each association should use discretion in terms of making its minutes available to its members so as to preserve the attorney/client privilege and other privileges that the association has available to it.

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Great crew: Some of the volunteers who worked at Walker-Winter Elementary School break for a group photo.

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HIRSCHMANN

## Real estate workers pitch in

They came through again. Realtors and affiliate members of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors rolled up their sleeves and spent a day recently working on what has become an annual community service project.

The kids at Walker-Winter Elementary School in the Wayne/Westland district were the big beneficiaries this time around.

The volunteers refurbished a swing set, planted trees, shrubs and flowers and showered the students with classroom enhancements such as a rhythm band set, play mats and easels.

School officials also worked. A second swing set is to be repainted. Soccer goal posts and a baseball/softball backstop donated by the Realtors and their friends will be installed later.

"It was really fun and rewarding. I really enjoyed it," said Sandie Baker, a Realtor with Century 21 Today in Redford and chairwoman of the association's public relations committee.

"The kids were just so excited," Baker added. "We opened packages in front of them and let them help, be part of it. It was just like Christmas."

Jim Edwards, principal at the school, graciously accepted the Realtors' generosity, especially the backstop and soccer goals.

"You're looking at safety and giving kids something to do," he said of moving playground apparatus around due to major construction at the school. "A lot of our kids live in apartments and mobile home parks. There's just no place for them to go."

"Even in the summer, there's not a day where someone isn't out here playing, usually with a parent," Edwards added. "It helps us tremendously."

Meriem Kadi, a Realtor with Remerica Family in Westland, took part in the service project and helped set it up as vice chairwoman of the association's public relations committee.

"That's why we try to do projects like this - how many people it touches," she said. "I think we should give back to the communities we work in."

"Overall, I was just very pleased with

who came to help and how vigorous they worked," Kadi said.

Belinda Lopez, branch manager for Countrywide Home Loans in Canton and an affiliate member of the association, painted and planted at Walker-Winter. This was the third year she participated in the community service project.

"The children speak with you when they come out, and they are really grateful," she said. "They said, 'Oh, look how nice!'"

"It's a great community service involvement, being involved in an area where you have your business and live," Lopez said. "It makes you feel good when you go home at the end of the day knowing you made a difference in the lives of children."

Joann Groeneveld, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in Commerce, planted and landscaped at the school.

"Just to be able to see the kids and how excited they were about the new equipment, the interest they had in the landscaping we did, it was just personal gratification," Groeneveld said.

"I think it's the right thing to do," she added. "I like helping people. It's just very rewarding to be able to help the kids."

Claire Williams, manager of Remerica Hometown One in Canton, described herself as an inveterate volunteer.

"It's a chance to give back to the community," she said of her landscaping involvement. "It's hard to put into words, really. It's a feeling of self-satisfaction. It's nice to get out and do a little extra. It's great to have an opportunity to help others."

Amy C. Minch, a consultant with Ross Mortgage in Livonia, also planted and painted.

"They needed volunteers. I had time to help and thought I was doing a good thing," she said. "It's something kids can look forward to and know that if you do hard work, things pay off."

In years past, the association has renovated/updated several houses for single moms and their children. The Realtors also donated and installed a playscape at Jefferson-Barns Elementary School in Westland.

## Those who helped

Here's a listing of contributors and participants in the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors playground community service project at Walker-Winter Elementary School.

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### HOME PRICES

Here's the median (half above, half below) price for existing homes in selected metro areas as of the 2nd quarter of this year.

Area	Median Price	Percent Increase
Indianapolis	\$111,400	3.5
Cincinnati	119,100	6.8
Kansas City	120,500	6.3
Cleveland	124,000	2.1
Milwaukee	137,200	2.5
Minneapolis	138,300	8.8
Detroit	141,300	6.2
Chicago	174,300	3.1

Source: U.S. Housing Markets

## Finding the best mortgage

### MORTGAGE SEARCH



DAVID C. MULLY

#### Part 2 of 2

Ask lenders if they'll lock the interest rate so that if the interest rate goes up, your rate will be the same one they quoted you. Many of them have a fee for Freezing (locking) the interest rate. Find out if their lock is for 30 days, 45 days, 60 days, or longer. Ask what happens if the interest rate goes down. Do they have a float-down

provision so you can get the loan at the lower rate, or would you be stuck at the higher rate?

Ask everything you can think of about the loan. Your deal will be spelled out in a contract, which is your loan agreement. If it isn't in the contract, it is not part of your deal. So ask lots of questions.

The mortgage business has its own language, and unless you work with the terms every day, they can be confusing. While the term "point" might not be confusing, the ways it is used can be. A point is one percent of the total amount of the loan. A point on a \$50,000 mortgage, for example, would be \$500. On a \$100,000 mortgage, it would be \$1,000.

Sometimes mortgage brokers or lenders will state their fees in terms of points. You can often use points to buy down the interest rate on a mortgage. Some lenders will offer you a low rate and then add a few points to the deal to make up for it. These are usually known as discount points.

For example, a lender might offer an 8-percent mortgage at zero points. However, if you pay a point, the lender could reduce the rate to 7.75 percent. On a \$75,000 loan that point would be \$750. Thus, paying \$750 up front will reduce your interest rate - and your payment - for as long as you have the loan. The lender is willing to do this because it is getting money up front to compensate for lost interest in the future.

The difference in payments in this example is \$13.01 per month. Whether this is a good deal depends mostly on how long you plan to stay in that house. For the rest of your life? For five to seven years? For two years? Then decide what makes the most sense for you.

Buying a home is a personal decision. No matter what you're looking for or looking at, the odds are that you will know when you've found the right place. Let those same instincts tell you when you have found a good deal. If you are nervous or edgy, ask more questions, ask more lenders.

While there might be only one right house for you, there are more lenders than you can imagine. After all, when you're shopping for a house, you're looking for a home. However, when you're shopping for a mortgage, you're just looking for a loan.

Mully's company, Mortgage Search Services, surveys lenders and provides updates on mortgage rates for homeowners. His survey and weekly column can be accessed online at [www.RateUpdate.com](http://www.RateUpdate.com). The survey report appears inside Thursday's Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. The company provides consumers with a Mortgage Search Hot line at (877) MTG-SHOP (684-7467). You can contact Mully at (248) 305-7337 or e-mail [info@Rateupdate.com](mailto:info@Rateupdate.com).

## Griffin commercial Realtor of the Year

Scott Griffin, current president of the Detroit Area Commercial Board of Realtors, has been selected as the association's Realtor of the Year.

The honor was based on service to the industry, community service and professional accomplishment.

Griffin, 45, is president of his own commercial brokerage, Griffin Properties, in Southfield.

The firm has been involved in most phases of commercial real estate including site selection, land acquisition, site master planning and engineering, construction, tenant improvements, property management and sales.

"I started off in residential real estate - not brokerage - but buying (investment) property. That didn't hold a challenge very long," he said.

"Commercial real estate players are sophisticated," Griffin said. "Transac-

tions are more complicated. It's more challenging. When you can overcome the challenge, the gratification both personal and financial are much higher."

It takes money to start out cold in commercial real estate, much like buying into a business franchise, Griffin said.

"You have to be able to pay for living expenses for the first 18 months," he said. "You have to have kind of a nest egg or some other ways to pay bills. Like anything else, smarter is better, but you don't get much without hard work."

Griffin has been active with youth groups at Highland Park Baptist Church in Southfield and as a baseball, soccer, basketball and softball coach.

He's been honored as Optimist of the Year by the Michigan Optimist Foundation, Distinguished Volunteer Award

and National Fundraising Award from the Boys and Girls Clubs of America and Entrepreneurship Award from the Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation.

Griffin, a Southfield resident, is married to Connie and dad to Michael, Julie and Joshua. He enjoys most sports and riding motorcycles.

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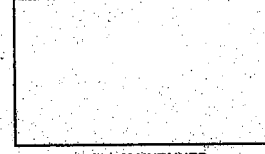
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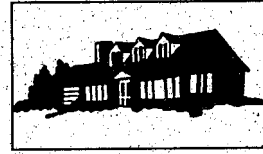
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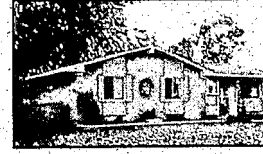
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\$126,999 Tri-level, 3 br., \$3,850 down 4853 Sylvanview Clarkston  
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\$82,900 Alum bungalow, updated kit & roof 25630 Stanford Dearborn Hts.  
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\$59,900 2 br. alum. ranch, basement 7376 Grandville Detroit  
\$99,900 2 br. alum. ranch, updates 2845 Bennet Dearborn  
\$85,000 3 br., 1 1/2 bath brick bung. 759 Farnham Lincoln Park  
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\$264,990 3 br., custom ranch 26170 Steele Farmington Hills  
\$308,990 Custom Glangary Colonial 15191 Lothrop Canton  
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\$349,900 Nice sub. 4 br. colonial, 2960 sq. ft. 4717 Hawkview Brighton  
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\$104,900 3 br. ranch, comp. remodeled 920 E. Harwood Madison Hts.  
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\$78,988 2 br. ranch, 2 car. all appl. 2924 Paxton Ferndale  
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\$109,900 Great opp., updates throughout 26253 Southwestern Hwy. Redford  
\$354,000 4 br. 2.5 bath brick ranch 13290 Beacon Hill Dr. Plymouth  
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**BLOOMFIELD HILLS.** 2 bedroom, 2½ bath Ranch condo with living room, dining room and library with hardwood floors. White marble foyer, large master bedroom and bath. Generous closets and full basement. Light & bright! \$299,900 (04GOL) 248-642-8100



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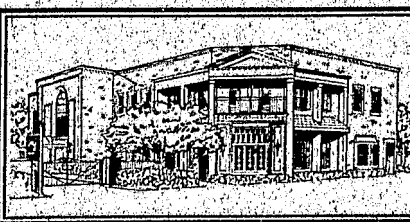
**ROYAL OAK.** Charming 4 bedroom, 2 bath Colonial within walking distance of downtown. Updated kitchen, plumbing & electrical. Living room with fireplace. 2 car detached garage. Great location! \$184,900 (01CAT) 248-524-1600



**TROY.** 3 bedroom Colonial in great sub. with Troy schools. Fresh paint and neutral carpet. Updated kitchen and baths. Newer A/C, furnace, hot water heater and shingles. Partly finished basement. Home Warranty. \$194,900 (75BRI) 248-524-1600



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**TROY.** Elegant 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial in beautiful Heatherwood Estates. White kitchen with Corian countertops. Hardwood foyer, family room with fireplace. Master suite with separate shower & Jacuzzi. Cul-de-sac location. \$424,900 (21WYN) 248-524-1600



**TROY.** 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial on large cul-de-sac lot in Northwest Troy. Updated and well maintained home. Formal dining room, large family room, huge deck. Partly finished basement. \$314,900 (39SUG) 248-524-1600



**SHELBY.** Stunning Shelby Colonial. Former model loaded with quality extras. 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths. Great Room with stone fireplace and skylights. Beautiful wooded lot. \$298,000 (29SHE) 248-524-1600



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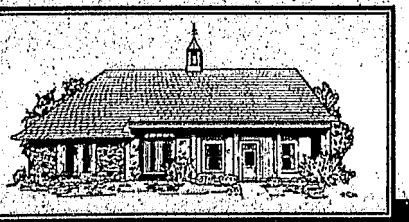
**RANCH WITH FINISHED BASEMENT.** 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, large fenced in yard, 3 car garage, fireplace in family room, island kitchen. \$185,900 (44APP) 248-363-1200



**NEW CONSTRUCTION.** Building one just like this one. Open floor plan, 2 story, great room with fireplace, 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, central air, 1st floor laundry, 2 car attached garage, maintenance free overhangs, gutters, expanded island kitchen. Available approx. 10/15/99. \$182,900 (98REF) 248-363-1200



**SHARP ROCHESTER HILLS COLONIAL.** 4 bedrooms, 3½ baths, treed lot, large deck, alarm, speaker for surround sound, air cleaner, warranty. Master with garden tub, shower & large closet. Finished basement with wet bar and full bath. \$375,000 (13OLY) 248-652-8000



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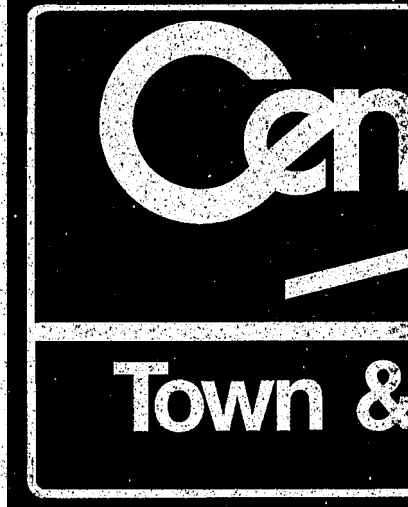
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**TROY.** 5 bedroom, 3½ bath Colonial with professionally finished walk-out. Large deck overlooking private setting. Library. Side entry garage. Home Warranty included. \$569,900 (18DEA) 248-524-1600



**BIRMINGHAM.** Distinctive brick pillared covered front porch Colonial. Soaring living room, knockout granite kitchen w/stainless steel appliances. Step down family room w/ granite FP. Super MBR suite w/Jacuzzi & 2 person shower. \$529,900 (63BAT) 248-642-8100



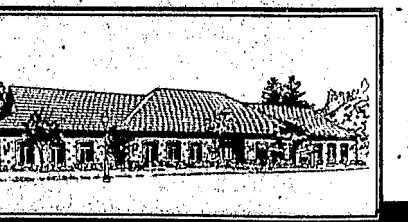
**FIRST FLOOR MASTER.** Elegant Great Room, quality appointments & professionally decorated. Open floor plan, kitchen with Jenn-Air range in island, Euro cabinets. Large rooms & closets, huge private deck, 2nd floor balcony. \$314,999 (84CHA) 248-652-8000



**UNSURPASSED SETTING** backing to Great Oaks golf course. Wooded lot, 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial. Many upgrades, hardwood flooring, leaded glass doors, fieldstone fireplace, lots of crown molding, professional landscaping. \$274,900 (93HIC) 248-652-8000



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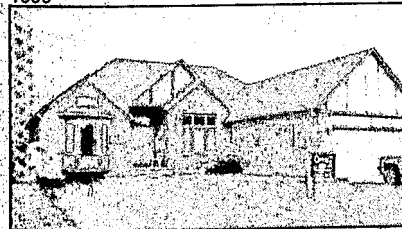
**GREAT BUY** for this beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 full and 2 half bath Colonial. Kitchen with island. Finished basement. Magnificent great room. Professionally landscaped, 2 car garage and first floor laundry. \$319,900 (74TIM) (248) 626-8800

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**ROYAL OAK.** Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2½ bath home in desirable Beverly Hills sub. Contemporary decor. Large master bedroom with private bath and WIC. Light oak hardwood floors. Newer roof, 2 car side turned garage. \$249,900 (02ARD) 248-524-1600



**MACOMB TOWNSHIP.** Better than new! 3 bedroom Great Room ranch with den. Finished lower level with fourth bedroom and full bath. Gorgeous newer sub with beautiful interior location. \$219,900 (97HIL) 248-524-1600



**TERRIFIC.** West Bloomfield. Colonial. Beautifully updated home in prime location on great corner lot. 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths. Incredible newer kitchen, finished basement with wet bar and loads of storage. \$269,888 (31HUN) 248-626-8800



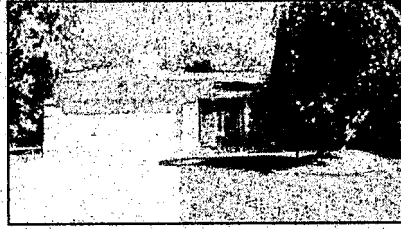
**4-BEDROOM** split level, 2 master bedrooms both with Jacuzzi and separate shower. 3½ car garage with side entry. Newer central air & landscaping. Beautiful cherry wood kitchen. Natural fireplace. \$289,900 (34FLO) 248-626-8800



**NORTH FARMINGTON HILLS.** 4 bedroom, 2½ bath Colonial with walk-out basement, 2 decks with an awesome view of towering trees. Perfect home for entertaining. A true must see! \$290,000 (30OAK) 248-626-8800



**BIRMINGHAM.** Wonderful brick Cape Cod with cove ceilings, hardwood floors and beautiful mirrors. 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, spacious FR, LR w/FR, skylight in dining room. Nice size MBR with full bath. Two bonus rooms in LL with full bath, hot tub and sauna. \$278,000 (62MAR) 248-642-8100



**BEVERLY HILLS.** Wonderful updated brick Ranch with lite island kitchen, newer furnace and C/A, windows, doors, finished basement and rec room and bar. Full bath and half bath updated, nice pool in private treed yard and brick pavers. \$259,900 (72ALL) 248-642-8100



**BIRMINGHAM.** Pembroke bungalow across from the park. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths plus basement shower. Living room with natural fireplace, newer roof and 2½ car garage. Home Warranty. \$214,900 (09WIN) 248-642-8100



**WEST BLOOMFIELD.** Stunning condo! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths with updated kitchen and all appliances. Newer furnace and C/A, finished private basement and 2 car attached garage. All neutral decor. \$152,000 (28PEP) 248-642-8100



**GOING FAST!** Seller is in the process of updating. There's 3 bedrooms and 1½ baths in this Colonial with attached 2 car garage, hardwood floors, cathedral ceilings in family room. Award winning Walled Lake Schools. \$169,900 (17BUC) 248-363-1200



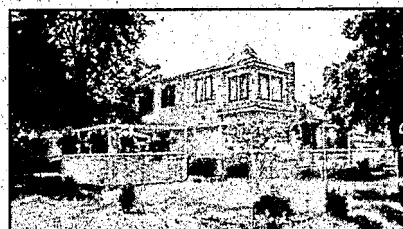
**WATERFORD'S FINEST!** Clean and well maintained home in one of Waterford's finest neighborhoods. 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, basement, fireplace, air, deck, shed, walk-in closets and more! \$165,000 (38BAH) 248-363-1200



**SHARP CONTEMPORARY!** Great room with fireplace, vaulted ceiling, 2 baths, 3 bedrooms. Office/study. Lake privileges on Elizabeth/Crescent Lakes. \$164,900 (21LIB) 248-363-1200



**BEST DEAL AROUND!** Updated ranch. Large lot, 3-4 bedrooms, and 1½ baths. Central air, 2 car garage, hardwood floors under carpet. cove plaster ceiling. \$159,900 (75MON) 248-363-1200



**TAKE TIME TO LIVE.** This classic 2 story home has lake privileges on Commerce Lake. Large great room with fireplace, 1st floor laundry. Exterior updates, 2 car garage, 3 bedrooms, 1 year home warranty, fenced yard. Large enclosed porch. Newer hardwood floors. \$134,900 (03OAK) 248-363-1200



**BIRMINGHAM.** Sharp 2 bedroom townhouse with newer Millspride kitchen, bath and carpet. Master bedroom has 2 closets. Hardwood floors, newer roof and windows. Pets allowed. \$145,900 (58GRA) 248-642-8100



**BIRMINGHAM.** Great opportunity at a nice price. Classic 3 bedroom bungalow. Needs only an interior decorator's touch! \$145,000 (35WEB) 248-642-8100



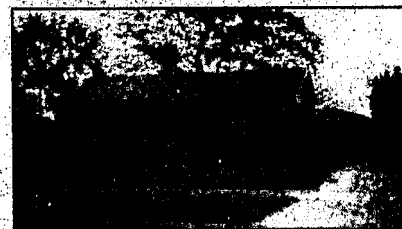
**DESIRABLE ROCHESTER RANCH.** Low maintenance brick ranch. Full basement, 2 car garage, newer windows, family room with fireplace. Close to town. \$172,500 (76CAT) 248-652-8000



**1994 NEW BRICK RANCH.** Open concept, vaulted ceiling, Great Room, French doors to brick patio. Large kitchen, honey ash cabinets. Full high ceiling basement. Rochester schools. \$169,900 (25FRA) 248-652-8000



**WHATCHU WAITIN'?** Super sharp brick ranch with finished basement plus family room with natural fireplace. Nice kitchen, central air, hardwood floors, fenced yard, detached garage. Easy access to I-75. \$164,900 (41CAS) 248-652-8000



**BEAUTIFUL IN TOWN** Ranch, newer kitchen, baths, roof (3 years), doors, windows, exterior trim, furnace (2 years). Newer circuit breaker, finished basement, 2 car garage, screened in porch in back. A must see! \$153,000 (32MEA) 248-652-8000



**UPDATED RANCH HOME.** Large lot, 2 car garage, deck, updates: furnace (94), roof (94), windows & living room carpet (99), kitchen countertops (99). Updated electric and plumbing. 1 Year Home Warranty. \$142,500 (99DIV) 248-652-8000



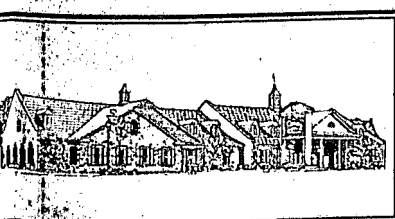
**GEORGETOWN COLONIAL** - Rochester. 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, 4 seasons room, large private treed lot, air, sprinklers, 2 decks. Roof 6 years, full basement, side entry garage. Updated bathrooms. Home Warranty. \$249,500 (72RAN) 248-652-8000



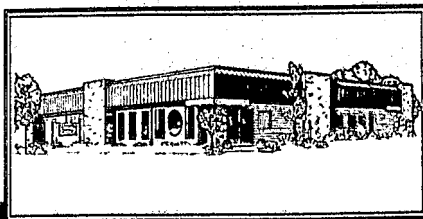
**COUNTRY LIVING IN OAKLAND TWP.** Contemporary Colonial in Oakland Twp. Backs to wooded area, walk-out basement, large lot, 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, open and bright, close to city. \$234,000 (50EAG) 248-652-8000



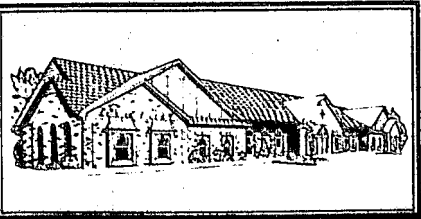
**CHARMING COUNTRY RANCH!** 3 bedroom ranch with an outstanding wooded ½ acre lot (approx.). Beamed ceiling hearth room with full wall brick fireplace. Hardwood floors, oak kitchen, updated bath, huge sunroom. \$214,900 (40HIL) 248-652-8000



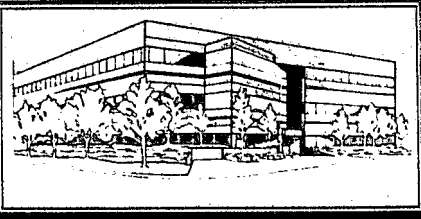
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Century 21 Hartford North

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**BEAUTIFUL** 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath colonial: 2 story foyer, large kitchen with hardwood floors, full finished basement, oversized lot with many trees. \$441,000. \$410,000. 248-651-7923

**ROCHESTER HILLS** - For sale By Owner: 3 bedroom ranch, 1600 sq. ft., 2 full baths, 2 half baths, finished basement, built in 1990, many extras. \$249,900. 248-658-6513

**OAK PARK**  
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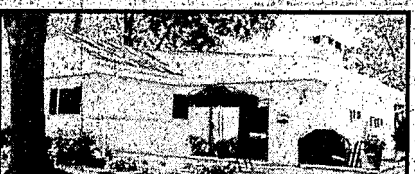
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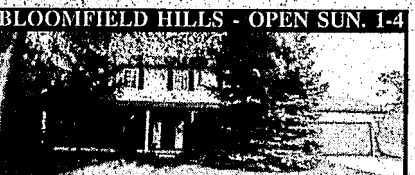
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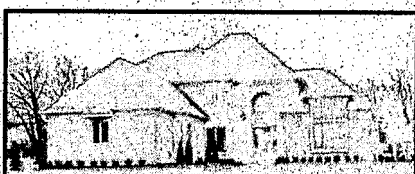
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• Breathtaking estate with only the best of amenities!  
• Vaulted ceilings, Pella windows, four full baths  
• Numerous extras. Built in 1997. (HA500)  
\$544,900 • Geoff Leach/Phyllis Hardy • 248 625-8151



**SOUTHFIELD - FABULOUS HOME**  
• Lovely 2 story brick Colonial in great subdivision  
• State of the art kitchen, wine cooler, indoor grill  
• Dry sauna, steam bath, wet bar, and outstanding recreation room. Must see to believe! (WO293)  
\$376,900 • 248 851-4400



**TROY - LIKE-NEW HOME!**  
• Fabulous 1992 built Colonial offers 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths  
• Library, spacious kitchen with oak cabinets  
• Large family room with tall, arched windows & 11 ft. ceiling  
• Full finished basement & beautifully landscaped yard. (V1302)  
\$244,900 • 248 651-8850



**ROCHESTER HILLS - OPEN SUN. 1-4**  
620 Lake Forest • Off Old Perch, on Campus to L. on Lake Forest to CL  
• Charming four bedroom ranch offers finished lower level walkout to decking with water garden and large yard  
• Canopied porch off living room, island kitchen  
• Great location within walking distance to schools. (LA620)  
\$244,900 • 248 651-8850



**TROY - WONDERFUL SETTING AND HOME!**  
• Great updates include: all new oak kitchen, windows, roof, carpet and paint, many more  
• Superb treed site on court, deep into subdivision  
• Four bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial, Troy schools. (M1222)  
\$236,500 • 248 641-1660



**MILFORD - SPRAWLING RANCH**  
• Beautiful trees and landscaping, fenced yard, 2.31 acres  
• New carpet, paint, decking, master bath w/ ceramic tile  
• Natural fireplace in living room, glass french doors from hall to living/dining area, full basement. (LO134)  
\$219,900 • Robyn Lewis • 248 620-4373



**SOUTHFIELD - LOVELY & VERY SPACIOUS**  
• Four bedroom Colonial offers first floor library and large family room with full fireplace, updated kitchen  
• 1st floor laundry, master bedroom with walk-in closet, partially finished basement, garden and play area. (V1214)  
\$210,000 • 248 647-6400



**HUNTINGTON WOODS - MOTIVATED SELLER!**  
• 3,200 sq. ft. custom contemporary on Hendrie Blvd.  
• Open floor plan, great kitchen, & large family room  
• Four bedrooms, master with walk-in closet & spa, decks  
• Florida room, perennial gardens, in-ground pool. (HE841)  
\$530,000 • 248 647-6400



**WATERFORD**  
• Beautiful contemporary lakefront home on all sports lake!  
• Great room with wall to wall windows overlooking lake  
• First floor master suite, three additional bedrooms  
• Tiered decking w/ hot tub, step down to sandy beach. (OR281)  
\$349,000 • 248 851-4400



**WEST BLOOMFIELD - DETACHED CONDO**  
• Dynamic two story! Great room, first floor master with designer built-ins  
• Beautiful detailing throughout - two bedrooms plus den  
• Dream kitchen, walkout basement, two car garage. (NO637)  
\$283,900 • 248 851-4400



**WHITE LAKE TWP. - OPEN SUN. 1-4**  
287 Horizon • W. of Williams Lk., bet. M-59 & Elizabeth Lk. Rd.  
• Four bedroom, 2.5 bath, 1st floor laundry home has been totally updated since 1997. Walk to beach or lake!  
• New roof, furnace, C/A, carpet, painted interior & exterior. Fireplace in family room. Large multilevel deck. (HO287)  
\$245,000 • 248 624-3015



**OAKLAND**  
• California style four bedroom Contemporary home  
• Great open floor plan with vaulted ceilings  
• Two way fireplace separates dining and living rooms  
• Lots of privacy, decking and doorways. (AD367)  
\$219,900 • 248 651-8850



**SHELBY TWP. COLONIAL**  
• Beautiful four bedroom, 2.5 bath home  
• Park-like yard with plenty of mature trees  
• Ready to move into, neutral decor throughout  
• Utica schools. (SO854)  
\$219,900 • 248 641-1660



**NORTH ROYAL OAK!**  
• Great 4 bedroom, 2 story Colonial with many updates  
• Large living room with fireplace and bay window  
• Kitchen and formal dining room, large finished rec room  
• Door wall leads to beautiful landscape with deck & gazebo. (WE323)  
\$199,500 • 248 647-6400



**BLOOMFIELD HILLS LUXURY CONDOMINIUM**  
• Mint condition in private serene setting  
• Finest appointments throughout, brick driveway  
• Circular staircase, marble & hardwood floors  
• First floor master. (SC30)  
\$1,290,000 • Gwen Williamson • 248 646-6089



**PREMIUM WATERFRONT TO UPPER LONG LAKE**  
• Outstanding classic, custom Colonial on the lake  
• Deguillo kitchen, Villeroy & Boch master bath  
• Finished lower level walkout, game room, bar  
• Award winning landscaped treed yard, private dock. (BA205)  
\$675,000 • Irene Korp/Ann Greene • 248 646-3534



**BIRMINGHAM**  
• Vintage four bedroom, 3 bath brick home on premier street in the "Heart of Birmingham"  
• This unique home is well maintained  
• Large lot offers potential to expand. (GL690)  
\$699,900 • Jane Jacobson • 248 591-2020



**ADDISON - 2.6 COUNTRY ACRES**  
• Beautiful five bedroom, two story Colonial - all brick  
• Finished basement & walkout with kitchen, bath & bedroom  
• 4.5 baths, 7 sided solarium, hot tub/spa  
• Wooded area, security alarm, pond, two pole barns. (PI432)  
\$439,900 • 248 651-8850



**BEVERLY HILLS**  
• Stunning three bedroom brick Colonial  
• Dramatic 2 story entry opens to fabulous great room  
• Master suite with Jacuzzi tub, plus 7 skylights  
• Built in 1991, finished basement. (AC322)  
\$324,900 • 248 646-6000



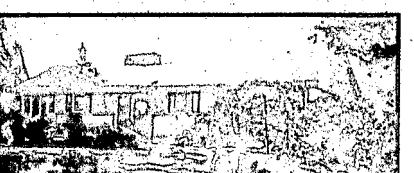
**HARTLAND SCHOOLS - BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY SETTING**  
• Spectacular sprawling ranch with recent updates!  
• Fireplace in family room & formal dining room  
• Spacious kitchen, breakfast room, three bedrooms  
• Partially finished basement, 10.86 acres. (BR810)  
\$244,000 • Karen Esker • 810 629-9636



**EXQUISITE GOLF COURSE & WATER VIEWS**  
• Almost new four bedroom almost new contemporary 1.5 story  
• Frusted maple kitchen, ceramic tile, dining room, great room, gas fireplace, 1st floor laundry  
• Central air, appliances, full basement, alarm. (OA13)  
\$227,500 • Robyn Lewis • 248 620-4373



**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
• Quad-level with four bedrooms, and 2.5 bathrooms  
• Some new carpeting, air conditioned, & new shingles  
• Great neighborhood with ponds & commons. (SH1283)  
\$214,900 • 248 324-3800



**ROCHESTER HILLS**  
• Beautiful brick ranch on secluded 1+ acre lot  
• Combination great room / dining room with fireplace  
• Hardwood floors, four bedrooms, 2.5 baths  
• Finished walkout, two car garage, patio & pool. (CH177)  
\$279,900 • 248 651-8850

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