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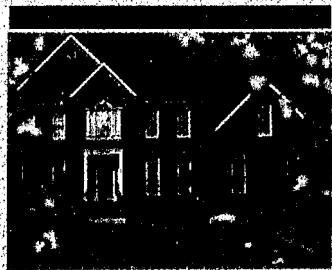
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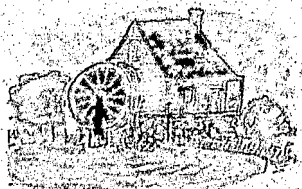
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## AROUND



## THE MILL POND

### Caught cleaning

Things were pretty calm from a police perspective in Clarkston Friday morning. While much of the world was out cashing in on day after Thanksgiving sales, Chief Paul Ormiston took advantage of the lull to get some cleaning done around the office. He had the place torn apart but was as smartly dressed as ever in uniform and tie.

He said he and his officers are looking forward to having a little more space once the city office addition is put on next year.

### Three-legged dog

A three-legged dog caught the attention of passersby Saturday as the dog took a walk with its family in the area of Sashabaw and Clarkston roads. The dog, which had a missing hind leg, kept right up with its owners and another dog, which had all four legs. The three-legged dog appeared to have adjusted well to its disability, walking forward with its front two legs and then hopping on its back leg. From what the passersby could determine, the three-legged dog wasn't going to get a disability get in the way of enjoying life.



## Potential civic site part of golf course plan



■ Township-owned Sashabaw Road property is a key part of a proposed deal that could save Clarkston Creek Golf Course. It also is a potential site for a new town hall and that fact could lead to interesting bargaining.

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It was one quick comment at a lengthy meeting on a complex subject.

In the swirl of discussion about the validity of Independence Township buying Clarkston Creek Golf Course and swapping a 14-acre parcel it owns on Sashabaw Road as part of the deal,

someone asked how that would affect future township hall construction.

It's a good question, said Supervisor Dale Stuart and other trustees.

The property owned by the township is worth at least \$1 million, Stuart said. It also is a key component in developer and township resident Joe Locricchio's plan to build townhomes, along with commercial, office and retail buildings. It allows access to the rest of

the site off Sashabaw near Maybee Road.

Independence recently approved a facility-needs study for a new township hall. After that is complete, the site selection process for a new township hall will begin in earnest. The current structure on Main Street in Clarkston was built in the beginning of the century by Henry Ford.

The Sashabaw property is one site that has been considered for a new township hall.

"It's not out of the realm of possibility to have a town hall there," trustee Larry Rosso said.

He added that even considering such

a use would "change the complexion" of negotiations with developer Locricchio.

The township board is set to further discuss the concept proposed by Locricchio at its regular meeting Dec. 7. If it decides to go forward with the concept, then more intense negotiations would take place.

Independence Township's 2020 Strategic Plan sets Sashabaw Road apart as an area for economic development and a town center atmosphere. Included in that vision was the possibility of a civic center mixed with commercial and multiple family residential

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STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Hats off: North Sashabaw students (front row, from left) Elizabeth Osmak, Jamie Towns and Amanda Choi don hats during a fund-raiser to benefit the Nanney Family whose members include (back row, from left) Jillian, Jacquelyn, Jessica, Lauren and Jake.

## North Sashabaw students use their heads to help grieving family

BY JAN BAKER  
SPECIAL WRITER

The holiday season has only just begun, but some Clarkston's school children are already leading the way in emphasizing its true spirit.

Students at Clarkston's North Sashabaw Elementary put on their thinking caps — brimmed bonnets, striped toppers, inflatable helmets and wool fedoras — for the price of \$1 Nov. 19 to help the family of two classmates at that school.

Each child handed over his or her George Washington bill to wear a hat to school that day in support of students Jake and Jillian Nanney, their mom —

Lauren — and their four older siblings: Jason, Justin, Jessica and Jacquelyn. Tragedy struck the Clarkston family one week earlier when Gregory Nanney, Lauren's husband and the father of the six children, suffered a fatal heart attack hours after attending the Clarkston High School football game against Macomb Dakota.

Nanney was 42. Lauren Nanney, who visited the school briefly with four of her children on "Hat Day," said that her husband had no prior history of heart problems. He was the family's sole breadwinner.

"We're just taking it one day at a time," she said,

■ 'Here is a family that has been emotionally — and financially — devastated. This is just a bad situation ... We're trying to do everything we can.'

Terri Bendes

North Sashabaw Student Council parent representative

visibly shaken. "He didn't have any life insurance."

The Clarkston mother expressed gratitude to the students and staff of North Sashabaw — and to everyone else who had come forward to help her family in the past week.

"The support has been amazing," she said. "People have been there, asking if there is anything they

can do ... it's just been amazing."

Terri Bendes, parent representative for North Sashabaw's student council, pointed out that the 35-member council spearheaded the fund-raising event. The group expected to raise about \$300, and all proceeds would be donated to the Nanney family.

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## Harley riders, Marines unite for toy drive

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They may look like tough guys — and gals — with their uniforms, leathers and helmets, but underneath all that gear the members of the Waterford Harley Owners Group (commonly known as HOGs) and the U. S. Marines really have soft hearts.

On Dec. 4 and 5 they will take those hearts to the streets.

The two groups, together, hope to gather plentiful amounts of new toys for the Toys For Tots program this season by soliciting donations of toys and money in and around the ABC Harley Davidson shop on Highland Road

in Waterford Township.

According to Gary Morello, a HOG member and Independence Township resident, motorcyclists and Marine personnel will be available to receive donations 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 4 and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 5 near Pontiac Lake and Highland roads.

The HOG organization, featuring some 400 members, is a club of Harley motorcycle enthusiasts who enjoy riding and promoting motorcycle safety and charitable events together.

At the same time as the collection, ABC Harley will host an open house with food, beverages and visits from Santa Claus.

Please see TOYS FOR TOTS, A2



STAFF PHOTO BY GARY MALEJKA

Good deed: Biker and Waterford HOG member Gary Morello of Independence Township (left) poses with U.S. Marine Gunnery Sgt. Jon Gunnerson at the ABC Harley Davidson shop on Highland Road.



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# Sashabaw still in line for widening

Township officials have labeled Sashabaw Road between Maybee and I-75 as a commercial and community center area and to go with that future development, the road is set to be widened in 2002.

Township trustee Larry Rosso said the road was originally supposed to be widened by now or at least within the next year, but it got bumped down on the priority list by the Road Commission for Oakland County.

RCOC spokesperson Craig Bryson said the project is planned for 2002 and the budget is \$5.6 million. It will involve reconstruction of the road. Federal funds will

pay for 80 percent of the project, or \$4.48 million. The remaining \$1.12 million will be split between the county and the township, Bryson said. That means Independence will have to find \$560,000 to pay for its portion.

Bryson said the cost estimates could be revised as the project start date draws nearer. Township Supervisor Dale Stuart said a special assessment district is possible. However, that is something that would be discussed closer to when the project is actually going to start.

Stuart said the area closer to Maybee Road will likely be a boulevard with the

portion of the road closer to the freeway a five-lane road.

"It certainly is going to make (traffic) flow better," Stuart said.

Putting in a boulevard will soften the effects of more commercial build-up, too, he said.

Rosso added that while a special assessment district would be costly for properly owners, it is too soon to tell how they would react to the idea. Improving the road could enhance the value of the land.

— By Sally Slaughter

## Town hall from page A1

uses.

The plan talks specifically about a civic center: "Civic uses should be considered for the township center area. Civic uses provide an anchor for a town center and can be designed in ways to both promote the image of the community and serve as a gateway. For example, a town hall with a clock tower could serve as a landmark identifying the community. In addition, civic uses often have substantial numbers of employees who can patronize the adjacent business on lunch hours and breaks via a short walk."

Rosso said there are many possible locations for a township hall. The Sashabaw site is more preferable than the Flemings Lake Road property, for example. Some neighbors had opposed that area for a new township hall because they feared it would generate too much extra traffic.

Rosso added an arrangement for a town-

ship hall on Sashabaw Road could take many forms.

Supervisor Stuart also alluded to the many forms an agreement could take. For example, the township could let the developer build the structure and lease it.

"I don't know that we're seriously thinking about it, but it's an option we can look at," he said.

But Stuart is not completely taken with the idea of a township hall on Sashabaw Road. He said if a commercial development could attract new office tenants, that would be better.

"There is other vacant land we could buy in the township for that purpose," he said. "I'd rather have them renting office space," he said.

If residents could rent office space nearby and avoid a long commute to other suburbs, he said that would increase their quality of life.

He said the township hall does not have to take up premium office or commercial space.

"People will find us," he said. "This isn't a donut shop where you have to be on the main street so people see you as they drive by."

Trustee Neil Wallace agrees putting the township hall at that site would change negotiations surrounding the Loeicchio project.

"It means we would be paying the developer more (cash)," Wallace said. "If we're going to keep that property, we have to get another \$1 million (cash for the developer). We have even more risk."

But he said the site is a good one for a township hall because it's on a main street and is centrally located.

"That site certainly has it all over the Flemings Lake site," he said.

## Toys For Tots from page A1

ABC Harley is at 4405 Highland Road.

Waterford's "Meijer has given us \$10,000 up front and then they're giving us a discount for toys," Morello said, noting that financial donations will be used at the store for the purchase of toys.

"(Donors) can either drop off toys or we're going to be out in the streets taking donations," Morello added. "If you know anybody that's going by, tell them to

stop in."

Toys For Tots is sponsored by the U.S. Marine Corps on a national basis, according to Gunner Sgt. Jon Johnson, who has spent 16 years in the Marines. Johnson is currently in the reserves and lives in Waterford.

"It's a very big thing with the Marine Corp," he said, recently. "The entire Marine Corp supports it. It's a good time. It's easy to volunteer Marines to do this kind of function because we do

enjoy doing it."

"This is a fun event for us (because of) the end result. We know we're putting a lot of smiles on a lot of faces. It's unbelievable. It's happening all over the United States."

Morello said HOG members decided to participate in Toys For Tots about seven years ago following a casual conversation.

"We were standing around ABC, like we usually do, and it was before Christmas and we said, 'What can we do to help kids?' We got into the subject that a lot of kids don't have a good Christmas."

Five HOG members went out that same day, he said, and stood at the corner of Highland and Pontiac Lake roads, where they received about \$1,800 in impromptu donations.

"We didn't have any signs. Nothing to identify ourselves," Morello said, noting that they then gave the money to the Marine's Toys For Tots program, beginning a new tradition. "Then after that we got a bit more organized."

Morello, an Independence Township resident, suggested that potential donors should keep in mind that older children need gifts as much as younger

children do, and that they are sometimes overlooked.

"I get the satisfaction of knowing that kids will have a Christmas," he said of his reasons for participating in the quest for toys. "This is our way of helping. Our organization, for the last three or four years, has been the single biggest contributor to Toys For Tots."

"Do you know what a five-ton Army vehicle looks like?" he continued. "Last year we filled up six of those (plus trailers) and we had to come back the following week. We couldn't fit (all the toys) in there."

All donated toys go to a central warehouse in Chesterfield Township, where members of a Lion's Club help sort and distribute them. The toys are then dispensed from there to families and organizations that apply, Morello said.

The HOG organization also assists other charitable groups such as Lighthouse Emergency Services-Clarkston, Sanctuary, HAVEN and the Pontiac Rescue Mission.

"We try. And we try to keep it local," Morello said.

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# Clarkston mailbox business delivers customer service

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The owners of Mailboxes Etc. have two words of advice for people sending holiday cheer to far-away places: Mail early.

Independence Township franchise owner Dave Drapinski said even though it's an obvious caution, it's still important. It's especially relevant if getting the best bargain is the goal.

For example, he said if someone wants to send a bathrobe to Aunt Millie in California, he or she had better send it off by Dec. 15 at the latest. Drapinski said senders should allow for five working days plus two because of the holiday rush. If the fuzzy robe isn't sent out in plenty of time, that means a bigger bill.

"What happens is they will come in here and they'll have to send second-day air or next-day air," Drapinski said.

He said he doesn't like to see people pay more than they need to.

A customer service-based business is a big change for Drapinski and his wife, Karen. They met while working at a McDonald's. He hired her, and they've been a team ever since. After operating McDonald's restaurants, the couple got into 7-Elevens. They owned two until Karen Drapinski and her brother, Shawn Cavanaugh, started looking into other lines of business.

"As she looked at it she said the kids are grown up, this would be a nice thing to do," Dave Drapinski said.

The business started with Karen Drapinski and her brother. Shawn Cavanaugh's wife, Judi, also is an owner. The four run the business together, although the Cavanaugh children are younger.

■ 'A lot of people don't know we do most of the things a Post Office does.'

David Drapinski  
owner of Mailboxes Etc.

Although none of them live in the area — the Drapinskis live in Royal Oak and the Cavanaughs in Clawson — Drapinski said he loves the Clarkston area. He added the thought of a move had crossed their minds and a five-minute commute is tempting. He said he finds the people charming.

Mailboxes Etc., 7111 Dixie, opened Dec. 1, 1998, in the Farmer Jack shopping center at White Lake Road. Drapinski said opening at the busiest time of the year was interesting.

"We were kind of a secret," he said.

But business is good, and the group plans to open a Novi location soon. Eventually they hope to build the business so they can hire others to help out.

"It's a family-oriented business, and we're new," he said.

Going from 1,400 customers a day to 40 has been a nice change of pace for the Drapinskis. Being able to close for holidays is another plus.

Drapinski said Mailboxes Etc. offers mailboxes for rent, copying service, fax service and, of course, mailing service.

"A lot of people don't know we do most of the things a Post Office does," he said.

The store also has notary service and does passport photos and laminating. It's also their job to package whatever people want to send so it gets there in one piece. Christmas gifts should be wrapped in festive paper



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

**Mailing boxes and more:** Karen Drapinski (left) and Judi Cavanaugh co-own Mailboxes Etc. with their husbands, David Drapinski and Shawn Cavanaugh. The Independence Township store in the plaza on Dixie at White Lake Road offers mailing and other services.

already, but the store staff will wrap it in a shipping box and the appropriate wrapping.

Store hours are 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Friday.

The hours have been expanded on the weekends to 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday, beginning Dec. 1.

# Police to open resource center at Summit mall

BY PAUL R. PACE  
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You can shop for gifts at Summit Place mall in Waterford this holiday. You can even grab a bite to eat there.

And soon you'll be able to make out a police report while you're there.

Or, you could get booked if you happen to commit a crime.

The Waterford Township Police Department is opening a community resource center in the mall, tentatively set to open in about a month.

A grand opening is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 13.

But handling police work will only be a part of the community center that is taking up a retail space at the mall on Telegraph Road.

It will be located off the "D" entrance to the mall across from Kerby's Koney Island restaurant.

Police Chief Paul Vallad said the center will not only have an officer on duty during mall hours, but it will serve as a place for community organizations to hold meetings and set up displays.

"It will allow officers to take care of details without having to go back to the main office," Vallad said. "It's a benefit to the community. And for the cost, we can't beat it."

The township is leasing the space for \$1 a year.

Troy Estes, community policing officer for the township, said the department has been thinking about opening up an office at the mall for about a year.

"It's in a prime area," he said. "It's closer to the (Oakland County) jail and it's near two main arteries."

He said the center, at 1,200 square feet, will have a main lobby, an office area for police personnel, a change room and a booking facility for people charged with a crime.

The project is being done on a volunteer effort, Estes noted.

At least one Waterford officer is expected to oversee the station during mall hours. The center will also have a separate entrance for police to enter during times the mall is closed. The non-public entrance will also be used to bring in people who have been arrested.

"It's not a police mini station — it's a resource for the community to give presentations — there will be a variety of things we'll do there."

Estes noted Tom Morgan, father of Waterford officer Mike Morgan, who is recovering from a bull-riding accident he suffered in August, is building the facility.

Estes, along with community officer Scott Good, is overseeing the project.

The center's computers will be wired to the main police department on Crescent Lake Road.

"It will be like literally sitting in the main office," Estes said.

He said there will even be a Harley-Davidson police motorcycle displayed in the lobby.

Estes noted that the public will still get copies of police reports and fill out gun registrations in the main office.

But within one to two years, the department hopes to have all its paperwork in a computer format, which will make it possible to retrieve reports at the center.

Township Supervisor Katherine Innes said Monday that she wanted to thank the owners of the mall for making the center possible.



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

**Ready to roll:** Independence Township Fire Chief Gar Wilson stands before three of the seven new fire trucks his department received.

# Fire department gets new trucks

Thanks to some creative financing, the Independence Township Fire Department has seven new trucks. Five of them arrived last week.

Chief Gar Wilson said he was able to get seven trucks through a lease of \$210,000 for 10 years. Originally he was looking at purchasing two new

trucks for \$800,000.

"The other plan made so much more sense," Wilson said. "Mr. (Jim) Wenger, the township treasurer, got some information from the Firststar Bank for us to get the money at a very low interest rate. He passed that information on to Supervisor Dale Stuart, who

approached me. This way we didn't have to raise taxes for the new equipment."

The trucks that arrived last week include three pumpers and two tankers. The department received its new ladder and rescue trucks last spring.

— Susan B. Tauber

# City council dispenses \$7,000 in grants

Several local organizations and programs will benefit from monies appropriated by Clarkston City Council.

The Council dispersed its federal Community Development Block Grant funds for 2000-2001 at its regular meeting Nov. 22.

City Manager Art Pappas said \$4,000 will be given to the Independence Township Senior Center, which Clarkston residents use. The money will be used for the kitchen.

Clarkston Youth Assistance will receive \$1,400 and Light-house and Meals on Wheels will each receive \$1,000. The Inde-

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pendence Township Library will get \$600 toward the purchase of large-print books.

A public hearing on what to do with leftover CDBG funds from 1995 and 1996 also took place at that meeting. Pappas said the recommendation is to transfer the money to the county to use for its home improvement program.

"We only have a certain amount of time to use it. If we don't use it, it reverts back to

the federal government," he said.

Clarkston would give the county \$5,318. A vote on the recommendation is expected at the Council's next meeting at 7 p.m. Dec. 13.

Pappas also said residents should remember to attend a meeting with planning firm HyettPalma at 7 p.m. Dec. 7 at Fire Hall No. 1. The firm was hired by the city to research ways to revitalize downtown Clarkston. It will give its recommendations to the public and city officials on Dec. 7.

— By Sally Slaughter

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## Subcontractor from page A1

tractor's background. Wilson sent letters to the public after the subcontractor was awarded a \$1.8 million contract. He said companies should not be hired just because they are the lowest bidder.

But Kahler said after the district received the first letter it looked into the allegations against the subcontractor. He said the OSHA violations were

minor and the unfair wage allegation was basically an accounting mistake that was fixed immediately.

"Frankly, I can't find a contractor who hasn't violated OSHA (at least in a minor way)," Kahler said.

He said in checks with the general contractor, A.J. Etkin, and with other places the subcontractor had done work, every-

thing was positive.

"Without exception, (the subcontractor) was complemented for quality, timeliness and reliability," Kahler said. "With the construction market stretched to the limits, these are invaluable qualities to realize in a contractor."

Representatives for the subcontractor involved could not be reached for comment Friday.

Kahler said Laser's union backing might have something to do with its criticism of the subcontractor.

"(The subcontractor) is non-union. That's why this is going on," Kahler said.

Wilson denies that's the case and said he has investigated

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**Craig Kahler**

Clarkston school district business service director

both union and non-union contractors.

Kahler added the fliers from Laser were one-sided and that a California company has no business telling Clarkston whom to hire.

"We are here to judge the qualifications of every contractor hired. A California company is poorly equipped to do the same."

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## Family from page A1

"What do you say when something like this happens?" a somber-faced Bendes said, shaking her head. "Here is a family that has been emotionally — and financially — devastated. This is just a bad situation ... We're trying to do everything we can."

Bendes pointed out that the North Sashabaw staff was taking up a collection for the family. Other Clarkston schools were also responding to the family's plight. The Nanney children attend North Sashabaw Elementary, Sashabaw Middle and Clarkston High schools.

Bendes admitted it's probably going to take a lot of support from many places to help the family of seven through this tough time. However, she's gratified by the spirit of giving that

she's witnessed at North Sashabaw.

"The council is a marvelous group of kids," she said. "They do so much for the community ... They're going to adopt the (Nanney) family at Christmas time to make sure that each child gets a few gifts."

Sherri Summers, secretary at North Sashabaw, said Friday that the school will forward community contributions to the Nanney family. Checks should be made payable to Lauren Nanney and addressed to: Nanney Family Donation, North Sashabaw Elementary, 5290 Maybee Road, Clarkston, MI 48346.

Summers can be contacted at 674-3139 to answer any questions about contributions.

## ACHIEVERS

### Misty Hensley

Albion College sophomore Misty Hensley of Clarkston was recently featured on the Albion College SportsNet, a radio consortium that broadcasts Albion Britons football games from the Upper Peninsula down to Northern Indiana and around the world via the Internet.

Misty Hensley is the daughter of Charles W. and Pamela J. Hensley of Clarkston. She is a member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service, the Honors Institute, several diversity-related groups and a campus safety officer.

### Jason McIntyre

Jason McIntyre will present a project at the 25th Conference on Senior Engineering Design Projects at Western Michigan University Nov. 30.

Jason is a 1994 graduate of Clarkston High School and is the son of James and Carol McIntyre, Clarkston.

Jason plans to receive a bachelor's degree in materials engineering in December 1999. His project is: "Improving the Processing Parameters of an Aluminum Cast Metal Matrix Composite."

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## College Potters Market coming up

Hand-crafted ceramic sculptures, teapots, birdhouses, soap dispensers, jewelry, ornaments and much more will be on sale at the 24th-annual Oakland Community College Royal Oak Campus Potters Market.

More than 130 potters will sell their wares at the market Friday-Sunday, Dec. 3-5. Admission is free.

The sale fills every nook and cranny of the 12,000-square-foot United Food & Commercial Worker's Union Hall, 876 Horace Brown Drive, two blocks south of 13 Mile Road, between Stephenson Highway and John R, Madison Heights.

The main floor displays include contemporary and realistic sculptures, functional porcelain and stoneware pottery. A basket area will contain smaller items such as mugs, candleholders and decorative tiles ideal as holidays stocking-stuffers — all priced under \$20. A jewelry department, including holiday ornaments, will also be open.

### Continuous restocking

Each area will be restocked continually so that the selection is as complete on the last day of the show as the first.



**All for sale:** Shown above are examples of items at the OCC Potters Market Dec. 3-5 in Madison Heights.

Sale hours are: Friday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Potters Market allows advanced and former students of OCC's Ceramic Technology program to become involved in all aspects of planning, organizing, staffing, publicity, setup, sales and record keeping for one of the largest pottery sales in the country. This year 10 guest potters have been invited to participate. Their work will further expand the variety of clay products available to visitors.

A benefit preview and advance sale will be held 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2. Admission to the preview is \$10 at the door.

For more information, call (248) 544-4974.

## State legislation would mandate safety needles

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Working for a doctor or in a dentist's office might not sound like a dangerous occupation, but health care employees may be putting their lives at risk every time they break out a hypodermic to give an injection or draw blood.

A mere prick to the finger from that needle, after being used on a patient, could transmit diseases like HIV or Hepatitis B or C.

According to state Rep. David Woodward (D-Madison Heights), there are 20 incurable "blood-borne pathogens" that could be transmitted to a doctor, nurse or dentist through a needle-stick injury.

The Center for Disease Control estimates that some 600,000 needle-stick injuries occur across the nation each year, yet less than 15 percent of hospitals and medical facilities use safety needles, designed to reduce the risk of stick injuries and already available on the market today.

Woodward and Rep. Paul DeWeese (R-Williamston) are proposing legislation to mandate that medical offices in Michigan switch to safety needles. Woodward explained that the cheapest of these devices simply have a retractable guard that moves to cover the needle after the injection is finished.

Rather than mandate which

device be used, DeWeese said the bills would create a panel under the state Department of Community Health to review safety needles available on the market and list those acceptable for use in Michigan. The bills require that half of that panel would have to consist of frontline health care workers employed in Michigan.

### Nurses advocate switch

The bills are sure to be popular with hospital nurses, whose unions and associations have been advocating the switch to the safer needles. But hospital administrators are concerned with the cost of the new regulation, DeWeese explained.

"Obviously, there is a cost versus benefit factor to everything," said Donald Potter, president of the Southeast Michigan Hospital Council. "If we are going to have a risk-free world, that does not come without a cost. Right now, nobody is happy with the cost of health care."

According to Woodward, the cost of safety needles comes to about 20 cents per needle. While that may not sound like much, DeWeese pointed out that hospitals use needles in very high volumes.

Still, Woodward said that the costs of treating a health care employee who has suffered a needle-stick injury is very high as well. Once stuck, the worker must be monitored through the

use of blood tests every six months for several years to determine if some disease has been passed. Each blood test costs \$500, he said. And then there is the cost of treating and caring for those who do get sick.

Nurses associations have estimated the cost of monitoring and blood tests can run to \$3,000.

DeWeese explained the bills, House Bills 4621 and 4780, would grandfather existing inventories of hypodermic needles, as a cost savings for medical facilities.

Dentists are concerned that safety needles are not available for all the procedures they do. But DeWeese said the bills exempt those types of needles, used in specific procedures, for which safer versions are not available.

He noted that medical facilities do already make some efforts to avoid such accidents, known as "universal precautions." These include the use of rubber gloves, goggles and specially marked red disposal containers, all designed to reduce accidental pricks. But the representative also said he does not believe they are sufficient, because rubber gloves will not protect an employee if an accident occurs during an injection.

Both bills have been referred to the House Committee on Health Policy. DeWeese said the bills will likely come up for a vote early next year.

## OCC opens writers contest to high schools

Oakland Community College invites OCC students and the general public to submit poetry and short fiction to the fourth annual Writers at Work contest. This year's competition includes a new category for high school students, grades 9-12.

Entries must be unpublished, typewritten (or computer-printed) and include name, address and a daytime telephone number. High school contributors should indicate grade level, as well as their high school and the city where it is located.

The entry fee is \$7 for each short fiction piece (500 words or less) or three poems. Please make checks payable to Oakland Community College.

Each first place winner will receive a \$50 cash prize and an invitation to appear on the WPON radio program, "Art in the Air." The deadline for submissions is Feb. 1; winners will be notified by March 6.

Mail entries to: Conne Hollander, Oakland Community College, Highland Lakes Campus, 7350 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford 48327.

## Grants go to 5 OU researchers

Five researchers at Oakland University's School of Engineering and Computer Science (SECS) have each won grants.

■ Professor Patrick Dessert received a \$2,285,000 award from the U.S. Army, (the largest grant ever awarded to an OU faculty member) for his research on "Next Generation Electrical Architecture Technical Proposal."

■ Professor Viviana Sandor received a \$10,000 award from the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, for "Wavelet-Based Vision Model for Non-Intrusive Quality Inspection."

■ Professor Barbara A. Oakley received \$10,000 from the National Science Foundation for "SGER: Toward a Non-Invasive Cardiac Pressure Monitor: Characterization of the Electrical Permittivity of Blood as a Function of Pressure."

□ Professor Suresh A. Rama received a \$30,000 award from DaimlerChrysler for his research on "A Study on the Effects of Stimulation Parameters on Springback Prediction Using Explicit Dynamic FEA Codes."

■ Professor Ishwar Sethi has received a \$24,999 award from the DCS Corporation for research on "Recognition of Movement Patterns."

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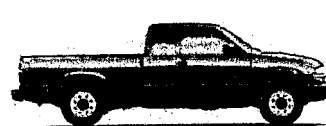
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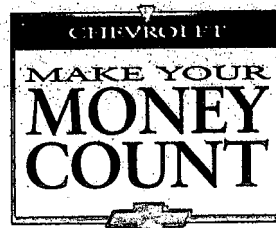
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## Don't buy into the madness of the holidays

### SHOP TALK



NICOLE STAFFORD

Yes, the madness, holiday shopping, has begun. And, it is madness. Even if you, unlike myself, bubble over with the spirit and magic of the season every year and wouldn't think of giving up the holidays for anything, it still is madness.

That's because the joyful, giving and celebratory spirit of the holidays never fails to mutate into a wraith of "I ought, I should, I have to, I better, I need..." and so forth.

I think you know what I'm talking about. That moment in December when gold-colored cocktail napkins won't do because you need cocktail napkins with gold wreaths. Otherwise, your holiday napkins won't match your holiday china.

You've also decided you ought to purchase a dozen or so holiday-scented candles. They, too, should be gold.

While you're out shopping, which you seem to be doing every day, you realize you ought to buy your boss' dog a Christmas present. Everybody else in the office does.

Hey, maybe you should buy the next-door neighbor's kid's dog, a pet toy, too.

Another should-do is the holiday newsletter. All your friends are keeping you up-to-date on their lives, thus you should, too. At the very least, you should write something more than "Season's Greetings" on the 150 cards you have to buy, address and send in the next few weeks.

Other common "ought-to's" include: baking and decorating cookies for Santa (even though the kids are grown and don't believe anymore); buying co-workers token holiday gifts; impulsively getting into the spirit by purchasing a red sweater to wear to the annual Christmas Eve party down the street; making jars of relish to give to each and every host at each and every party you attend; and endeavoring on projects inspired by Martha Stewart.

Before you know it, your to-do list is impossibly long, painful to consider, a constant reminder of your inadequacy as a cheerful, holiday giver.

And, as a proponent of having fun whenever you can, this saddens me.

### Before you know it, your to-do list is impossibly long... a constant reminder of your inadequacy as a cheerful, holiday giver.

There are many "ought-to's" in this world. That the holidays ought to be fun is one of the few I support.

However, unless you're willing give up your list of "ought-to's" in favor of a list of "I-can's" or "I'll-try's," you'll feel like you're on the clock during the next month, rather than doing nice, thoughtful things for family and friends on your own time.

I'm certainly not recommending you rebel against the holidays by refusing to buy gifts or decorate the house. Hey, you even can bake a few cookies and buy holiday candles, if you'd like. Go ahead, buy a bone for the boss' dog.

The point is: do whatever you want, but do what you can and want to do, as opposed to what you should and ought to do.

If you reasonably can and sincerely want to spend an entire afternoon driving all over town to find cocktail napkins with gold wreaths, by all means, do it. Otherwise, buy a set that will suffice. Pick them up at the Hallmark store when you're buying cards and wrapping paper. It's called one-stop shopping.

Another thing: there's no such thing as the perfect gift. The perfect gift is a myth. Besides, family members and friends who are worthy of elevated stress levels induced by shopping actually care about you and your well-being, thus, would prefer you didn't work so hard on their behalf.

One more thing, keep in mind you probably don't need any particular piece of merchandise to make your holiday celebration a good one. On the other hand, retailers measure the success of their holiday season based on how much you and I buy. They need, not you. Happy shopping.

## It's a tradition

### Shoppers flock to malls after Thanksgiving feast



STAFF PHOTO BY DONNA MCLAUGHLIN

Always and forever: Sisters Tina and Jackie Lock, at left, with their aunt, Linda Innes from Indiana, have a tradition of coming to Oakland Mall in Troy after Thanksgiving dinner at grandma's house. The trio rose from bed at 4 a.m. Friday morning, so they could stop by a few other stores before heading to the mall for bargains, giveaways and people watching.

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Holiday giveaways.

Merchandise discounts.

An opportunity to finish holiday shopping early.

There's a plethora of reasons so many shoppers head to local malls and downtown retail districts to shop the day after Thanksgiving.

But abiding tradition is probably their strongest motivation.

In a day of rampant commercialism, a sea of merchandise to choose from and long waits at computer registers, shopping rituals and mere tradition help keep shopping enjoyable.

"It's the religious shopping day of the year," said Troy resident Debbie

Jakubowski, who, along with daughter Nicole, woke at 6 a.m. Friday morning to join hundreds of other shoppers at Oakland Mall in Troy.

"You take off work and just shop. It kind of sets the mood for the holidays," said Jakubowski.

But Jakubowski and other shoppers' post-Thanksgiving shopping traditions are more elaborate than just hopping in the car and heading to the mall.

The day before, Jakubowski scans newspaper ads for merchandise bargains and giveaways, makes a list of items she'd like to purchase and jots down a shopping itinerary and ranks her tasks by importance.

Disney's annual Christmas Winnie the Pooh stuffed animal, which Jakubowski purchases

every year, topped her list.

Like Jakubowski, Tina and Jackie Lock, of Utica and their aunt Linda Innes from Indiana, "cruise" newspaper ads on Thanksgiving Day in search of bargains, then develop a shopping plan of action.

The group dragged themselves out of bed at 4 a.m. Friday because, according to tradition, the needed to stop by Target and Meijer before making their way to Oakland Mall.

Once there, they make a beeline to Hudson's where yet another ritual is enacted — a wait in line to purchase a Hudson's holiday Santa Bear.

"We have like a master plan," said

Jackie.

In addition to getting a start on their holiday shopping, taking advantage of bargains and going home with a few freebies, the Lock sisters enjoy paying witness to the frenzy.

"We'll have stories to tell all year long," Tina said of shoppers' behavior, charging store entrances, fighting for merchandise and running down department store aisle ways.

"I think for me it's the tradition of coming and watching these crazy people, and knowing we're one of those crazy people, too," said Jackie, adding, "It's fun. ... Not shopping today would be weird. I don't know what I'd do."



PHOTO BY BRIAN MITCHELL

Search: Diane and Mary Bilek search Westland Shopping Center.

## HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

### LAGNIAPPE FESTIVAL

Celebrate Lagniappe, "a little something extra" on Monday, Nov. 29 in downtown Rochester. Activities include horse-drawn carriage rides, tree-lighting ceremony, caroling and a visit from Santa and real reindeer. Also, merchants will give small gifts to their customers, 6-9:30 p.m. For more information, call (248) 666-0066.

### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Santa comes to The Community House, 380 South

Bates in downtown Birmingham, to visit with children over breakfast, 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4. Photos with Santa are available. For additional information, call (248) 644-5832.

### HOLIDAY MAGIC

Absolutely Baffling Magic presents Rudolph the Reindeer and 35 minutes of magic tricks for children of all ages on Saturday, Dec. 4 at the Westland Shopping Center. Show starts at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., West Court near the J.C. Penny entrance.

### ROCHESTER'S MOONLIGHT MADNESS

Merchants in downtown Rochester hold a moonlight madness sale for the holidays, 7-11 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, with a variety of sales and discounts from participating retailers. Charity gift wrapping services and downtown Rochester gift certificates will be available in the Third Street Atrium.

### SANTA ARRIVES AT NORTHLAND CENTER

Santa sets up shop at Southfield's Northland Center to visit with children for photographs during the mall's extended holiday hours through Dec. 24. For a mall schedule, call (248) 569-6272.

### SANTA COMES TO PLYMOUTH

Santa visits with children in downtown Plymouth every weekend through Christmas, 5-8 p.m. on Friday and noon-5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Kellogg Park band shell.

### TREE OF LIFE

Volunteers from the Livonia Angela Hospice accept donations for their Tree of Life through Dec. 31 at Laurel Park Place in Livonia. Hang a paper ornament on the tree as a tribute to a loved one, in Jacobson's Court. For additional information, call (248) 464-7810.

### HOLIDAY KINGDOM & BREAKFASTS

A majestic three-story castle comes to life for children waiting to visit Santa at the Somerset Collection through Dec. 24. The Children's Theatre of Michigan acts as the castle's royal family, jesters and jugglers and will continuously entertain Santa's guests in the North Grand Court area. Also, private breakfasts with the royal family and Santa Claus are scheduled at 8:30 a.m. on both December 4 and 11. Tickets are priced at \$10 per person. For information, call (248) 648-6360.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

#### SPRING DESIGNER SNEAK PEAK

Lynn Portnoy women's clothier, 29260 Franklin Road in Southfield, offers a sneak peak of New York designers' Spring 2000 collections, including pieces by Yeohlee. Shop for holiday gifts, millennium attire or sign up for a chance to win two tickets to New York City, 6-8 p.m. Call to make a reservation, (248) 353-2900.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

#### STEPHEN DWECK APPEARANCE

Meet jewelry designer Stephen Dweck and view his

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

latest pieces at Neiman Marcus, the Somerset Collection in Troy, 1-4 p.m., Designer Jewelry, first floor.

### LAGOS JEWELRY SHOW

View a collection of Lagos jewelry at Jacobson's at Laurel Park Place in Livonia, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Fine Jewelry department.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

#### SPRING & HOLIDAY ATTIRE

View the spring collection of Joan Vass, USA or purchase pre-spring and holiday attire at Sally's Design women's clothing store, the Orchard Mall in West Bloomfield through Dec. 5. For store hours, call (248) 626-0886

### ART & JEWELRY FESTIVAL

Native West, 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth, holds its 10th annual Holiday Art and Jewelry Festival featuring pieces by some of the finest Native American artists in the nation through Dec. 5. For store hours, call (734) 455-8838.

### BIEDERMANN ORNAMENT SHOW

Jacobson's hosts Carl Biedermann and a show of his collectible, limited-edition ornaments at their Birmingham store. Biedermann and his ornament collection also visit Jacobson's Laurel Park Place store in Livonia on Dec. 3. Both events, 3-7 p.m., Stationary department.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

#### ANTIQUITY JEWELRY SHOW

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# WHERE CAN I FIND?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it. When we find an item from another reader, rather than a store, we will call you. But, please be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests each week.

## WHAT WE FOUND:

- The game "Catch Phrase" is sold at Target and Kay-Bee Toy stores.
- Buster Brown children's clothing is available at Parisian, Laurel Park Place in Livonia, and at the Kensington outlet mall in Howell.
- Red Cross shoes can be bought at the Red Cross Shoe store on Ford Road, west of Lilly, in Canton.
- Personalized children's books are sold at the Livonia Civic Center Library gift shop.
- Personalized children's book are made at Genesis Books, a home-based business, (248) 360-9677.
- Leather jackets repairs are done at Hands-on Leather, (734) 459-6560.
- Dream Catchers can be found at the following locations: Woodland Indian Trading Company on Six Mile in Redford; Scott Coburn Western Wear on Farmington Road; Fred Rocks on Dixie Highway in Waterford; Southeastern Michigan Indians' Detroit American Indian Center, (313) 535-2966; Hands-on Leather, (734) 459-6560; Native West in down-

- town Plymouth; and Home Spun Gifts in Westland Mall.
- An under-the-cabinet knife holder can be bought through the Home Center catalog; (800) 303-5114, and at Kitchen Glamour stores.
- One six-inch Revere frying pan is available from a reader.
- Walled Lake Shoe Repair on Pontiac Trail repairs leather jackets, sells wall-hanging shoe shine kits, and plastic rain boots.
- Replacement parts for antique oil lamps can be purchased at Great Midwestern Antique Emporium on Dixie Highway in Drayton Plains.
- A pattern for making quilts from T-shirts can be found in the Clotilde catalog, (800) 772-2891 or www.clotilde.com
- Yardley lavender talc powder can be bought at F&M stores and through the Beauty Boutique catalog, (440) 826-3008.
- One 1948 Royal Copenhagen Christmas plate is available from a reader.
- Sander's products are available at The Chocolate Shop in Farmington. The original Sander's bumpy cake recipe is available at Hagelstein's Bakery stores, 800 S. Washington in Royal Oak, (248) 541-0566, and 14 Mile Road in Clawson.
- The game Mille Bourne can be found at Noodle Kidoodle stores in Rochester and Farmington.
- A female mannequin can be purchased through the Celebration Fantastic catalog, (800) 235-3272.
- A laptop desk with formica top and bean bag base is available at Gail's Office Supply stores in

- Birmingham, (248) 642-6330, and Bloomfield Township, (248) 626-4700, and at Big Lots on Livermore in Troy and the Meijer store in Westland.
- White shelf paper is sold at Damman's Hardware in Farmington.
- One Quiet Village album by Martin Denny and Roger Williams with the song "Yellow Bird" is available from a reader.
- One American-Indian Barbie is available from a reader.
- Used bridal dresses are sold at Melinda's Custom Dressmaking in Southfield, (248) 352-0993.
- A reader called to say she knows the lyrics to "Little Buckaroo."

## FIND & SEARCH NOTES

- We found Hudson's Santa Bears for our readers.
- A reader has 200 Campbell's soup labels to donate to an organization.
- A reader tells us Kathy's Cheesecakes went out of business three years ago.
- Another reader tells us there was only one copy of the St. Agatha 1984 High School yearbook.
- We need the Birch Run Vanity Fair store's telephone number.
- A reader has St. Theresa High School yearbooks from 1925, 1927 and 1928, if anyone is interested in having them.
- A video tape of the Gem Theatre being moved might be available through the Gem Theatre.

## WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- A Mackintosh of New England jacket for Angie.
- Dishes sold at A&P in 1977-78 in the pattern "Diane" for Dell.
- The "Jesse" doll from the Babysitter Club for Gloria.
- Farm-

- ington High School yearbooks from 1998 and 1999 for Melissa.

- A doll that moves its arms and head when you pull a string from its back (8-12-inches) for Sandy.
- A "Helix" plastic spinning spiral for Barb.
- A store where Arpege perfume is sold for Martha.
- A Waterford crystal 1980 Christmas ornament for Mike.
- The video movie "Uncle Remus and Brer Rabbit" for Delores.
- A 1984 Benedictine High School yearbook for Corinne.
- A "Little Tyke" Mountain Raceway for hot wheel cars for Olivia.
- A Roy Rodgers lunch box for Cleo.
- A Churchill High School varsity jacket for Anne.
- A Bentley High School varsity jacket for Ann.
- A 1954-55 University of Detroit High School yearbook for Linda.
- The Halloween game (in a poem form) "Once There Lived a Man Named Smith" for Ruth.
- A musical birthday cake plate for a child for Barbara.
- A 1969 Cooley High School yearbook for John.
- A full-size, female mannequin on a stand that is in good condition for Carol.
- A store where Coty dry lipstick or a similar product is sold for Lynn.
- A Big Ben wind-up clock with two bells (not battery-operated) for Charlene of Canton.
- Oneida's deluxe stainless silverware in "Village Pfaltzgraf" pattern for Pat.

- Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

## Mistletoe Madness

### Annual retail event raises over \$100,000 for kids

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
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They shopped.

They dined and danced.

They helped school children.

And they did it all prior to the actual madness of the holiday shopping season.

More than 700 people attended the 14th Annual Mistletoe Madness event, held Saturday, Nov. 20 for the first time at Nordstrom in Troy at the Somerset Collection.

The annual event serves the Junior League of Birmingham and the group's signature charity project, Families Involved Together.

The benefit, which weds fine dining, live music, a silent auction and dancing with shopping in an elegant atmosphere, not only is a pleasant way for local shoppers to make a dent in their holiday gift lists, but also enables the Junior League to make a significant contribution to Frost Elementary School.

Located in Pontiac, the school is currently developing a parent resource center, said Jennifer Klintworth, the league's co-chair of the event, which this year raised over \$100,000.

Mistletoe Madness also helps local retailers drum up business and create an excitement in the community about their offerings, services and merchandise, said Klintworth. The Golden Mushroom, for example, provided food and beverages, and



Holiday attire: Mary Jelinek, of West Bloomfield, considers purchasing a red dress at Nordstrom, the Somerset Collection in Troy, during Mistletoe Madness.

more than 65 Oakland County businesses donated merchandise and services for the event's silent auction.

Nordstrom, which held their annual shopping night in conjunction with Mistletoe Madness, proved to be an excellent partner, added Klintworth.

"They (Nordstrom) were just a delight to work with. They were very accommodating to our needs and our focus," said Klintworth. "They helped us raise money and we helped them target the community."

In the past, the event has been held at Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham and the Somerset Collection's Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue stores.

"We started this event, called the Holiday Benefit at Jacobson's, and we outgrew Birmingham," said Klintworth. "This just shows you that the event grows and grows each year."



Up for bid: Local shoppers eye silent auction items at the event.

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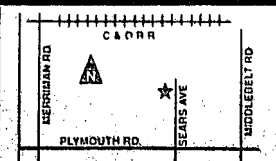
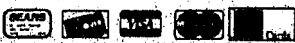
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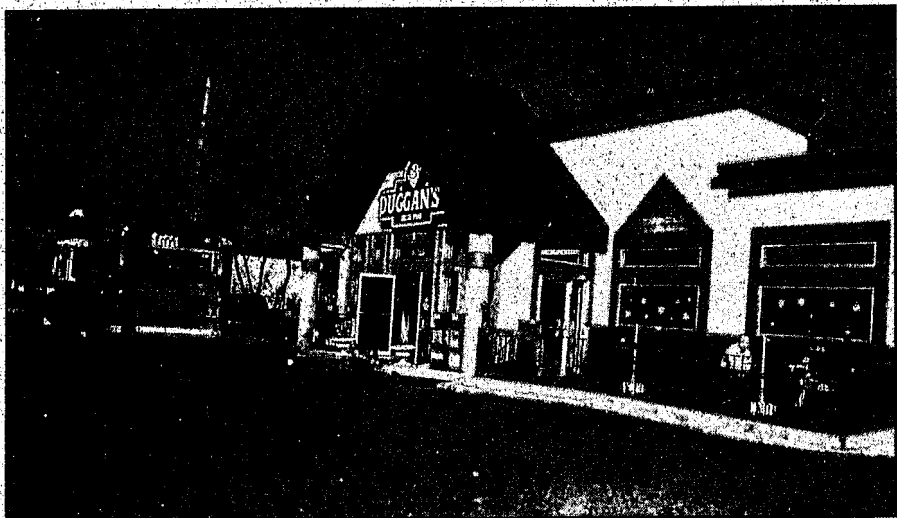
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### Fire does little damage at Duggan's



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**Non-smoking section:** A smoldering fire in the kitchen filled the attic of Duggan's Irish Pub West with smoke Monday, but did little damage. Eating on the patio, Steve VanLoon and Lisa Yderstad weren't bothered by the fire's smoke or firefighters' efforts to clear it. Duggan's is at 6722 Dixie Highway in Independence Township.



**Outdoor meal:** Steve Jidas, Mike McLeod and Kirk Lindahl relocated outdoors while the restaurant was cleared of smoke.

### Parks seek volunteers for ski patrol

The Oakland County Parks Nordic Ski Patrol needs volunteers who like to ski.

An informational meeting is set for 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at the Lewis E. Wint Nature Center at Independence Oaks County Park.

"We'll explain the duties of the ski patrol. Potential volunteers can meet experienced patrollers and see the park," Jim Meloche, a 19-year patrol veteran, said. The minimum age to apply is 16. There are two levels of partici-

pation. Associate patrollers are put to work as "eyes and ears" and look for skiers in distress. With further training, they can become National Ski Patrollers.

Ski equipment will be provided for those without it and training sessions are offered to learn first aid and search and rescue skills.

Volunteers will patrol Independence Oaks near Clarkston on more than 10 miles of trails. If enough volunteers apply, a patrol will also be assigned to Addison Oaks County Park near

Oxford.

In exchange for 40 hours of service, volunteers will receive a 2000 Oakland County Parks annual vehicle permit good for unlimited entry to six parks, Fourth of July fireworks and free entry to "Oakland County Parks Day" at the Oakland County 4-H Fair.

For more information, call Meloche at (248) 641-0044 or (248) 625-8205.

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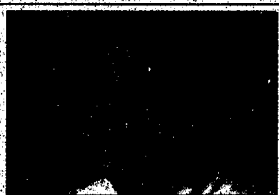


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### COOKING CONQUESTS



CHEF CAROL HASKINS

## Greet guests with Southern hospitality

The van is washed, oil changed, tires checked — we're off to the beautiful state of Kentucky. Our destination is Berea, a small college town on I-75 south of Lexington.

Berea is known as the Folk Art Capital of the state. Nestled among the Appalachian foothills is Berea College, a liberal arts college where students receive tuition-free education in return for working in one of their many departments.

Students produce exquisite furniture reproductions, woven items, rag rugs, brooms of all shapes and sizes, metal work, pottery, photographic essays of mountain people and much more. Berea is also the home of Boone Tavern Hotel, a popular Southern inn built in 1909. Students from the college's hotel management and culinary arts programs operate the inn. The servers are enthusiastic and friendly. Crisp white table linens, sparkling glasses and fresh flowers on tables create an atmosphere of Southern hospitality at its best.

### Regional flavor

The dinner menu is prix fixe, but you are sure to find new and different menu offerings with regional flavor. The real reason I keep going back to Boone Tavern is their southern spoon bread. For those of you who haven't tried — or even heard of — spoon bread, it is the most elegant preparation of cornmeal in all of Southern cooking. I find white stone-ground cornmeal makes the best spoon bread and the tastiest, but the white cornmeal found in supermarkets will also produce a fine product. Spoon bread should be moist and soufflé-like with the consistency of baked custard.

Spoon bread is best served throughout your meal in a simple stainless steel bowl straight from the oven — just scoop it out with a large spoon, top with butter and enjoy.

The following recipes can produce a delicious meal just in time for holiday entertaining that show Southern hospitality at its finest!

### SPOON BREAD

- 1 1/4 cups cornmeal (white)
- 3 cups milk
- 1 teaspoon sugar (optional; the recipe the Tavern Hotel uses does not include sugar)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3 eggs (well beaten)
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 1 3/4 teaspoons baking powder

Bring milk to a boil, add cornmeal gradually and stir constantly for 10 minutes until thick.

Remove from heat — allow to cool for 5 to 10 minutes. The mixture will be very stiff.

Combine eggs, salt, baking powder and melted butter in the bowl of a mixer. Use whip attachment and gradually add cornmeal until well combined. Beat for 15 minutes. Pour into a well-greased, large skillet or two well-greased baking dishes. Bake at 375°F in a pre-heated oven for 30-35 minutes until puffed and lightly browned. Serve immediately.

### FRUIT PUNCH

- Juice of 3 lemons
- Juice of 3 oranges
- 1 1/2 to 2 cups of sugar
- 1 cup crushed pineapple
- 1 quart chilled iced tea
- 1/2 cup maraschino cherries, chopped
- 1/2 cup maraschino cherry juice
- 1/2 pint grape juice
- 1 quart ginger ale
- 1 1/2 cups water

Boil the pineapple, water and sugar for 15 minutes. Cool. Add lemon.

Please see CONQUESTS, B2

### LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Focus on Wine
- Living Better Sensibly

# AWREY Bakeries

## A sweet wonderland

STORY BY RENEE SKOGLUND PHOTOS BY BRYAN MITCHELL



Beautiful, big blocks of butter making their way up the conveyor belt toward a huge vat of sticky croissant dough.

Such was my introduction to Awrey Bakeries the day they were making croissants, biscuits, Danish and chocolate cake. Mmmm, the aromas coming from those cavernous baking facilities... like mom's kitchen on steroids!

"It's a precision mom's kitchen. We're trying to define what all those moms do instinctively," said John Curtin, Awrey's president.

The croissant dough — all 1,000 glorious pounds — soon would be layered with the butter, rolled to just the right thickness, cut and trimmed to just the right shape, and, finally, baked to perfection. Depending upon the customer's order, Awrey's uses either butter or margarine, but always the meticulous process is the same.

"We'll end up with 32 layers, and that's what make croissants flaky," said Larry Whitucki, director of quality assurance.

The bakery was founded in 1910 in the Detroit kitchen of Mrs. Fletcher Awrey. As her reputation grew, the company opened a succession of neighborhood baked goods stores, supplied from the family's first "volume baking" facility on Tireman. The three Awrey boys — Elton, Wilbur and Thomas — often made deliveries in a horse-drawn wagon and later in a Model-T truck.

The company moved to its present 25-acre site on Farmington Road in Livonia in 1967. It now has 477 employees with nine family members at the helm. A \$20 million renovation is planned over the next two years. According to Curtin, Awrey's is the largest family-owned bakery in Michigan, probably in the country.

The entire operation is based on blend of technology and taste buds. Every product is tested for height, diameter, weight, appearance and, of course, taste. Working at Awrey's requires self-discipline. I was amazed there weren't a ton of chubby employees. The bakery definitely wouldn't be a stop on a Weight Watcher's tour.

After cooling, the baked goods head to a freezer area the size of the North Pole, where they're held before being shipped out. "Once it's thawed, it tastes homemade," said Curtin, who seldom leaves the office without an armful of goodies.

If the intoxicating smells of almond and chocolate permeate the air at Awrey's, then it's a dusting of flour that covers the floor. It takes a lot of ingredients to produce the 90,000 cases of sweet stuff that's shipped across the nation and to Canada every week. Flour is shipped in by rail car.



Rolling in dough: (Top photo) Chuck Goldston keeps a watchful eye as a load of croissant dough gets poured into a trough. (Above) Kim Oatneal uses a deft stroke to smooth out the icing on an Awrey's Tropical Chocolate Cake. Care to lick the spoon? (Below) Reese Gordon loads trays of unbaked Danish.

Whitucki provided the statistics: 15 million pounds of flour a year, 8 million pounds of sugar a year, and 700 pounds of butter an hour. That's right, an hour!

From croissants, our entourage headed to the Danish department, where the dough is funneled into a cone-shaped twister, precision cut by a culinary guillotine and plopped into a well-greased pan. After they're baked, the Danish are plucked up, a dozen at a time, by a robotic arm and sent on their way to be iced.

Take your pick — raspberry, apple, strawberry or cheese. Whitucki prefers strawberry, while Curtin loves the cheese, but employee Darryl Junior, who loads and unloads trays of Danish all day, doesn't like Danish at all.

"I don't eat sweets. That's not



bad, is it?" he asked. "When I look at the fat calories in our Danish Grande, it stops me in my tracks," said Curtin, shaking his head.

As if anything could top croissants and Danish, our next stop was the cakes. A zillion layers of Awrey's Tropical Chocolate Cake passed before me on a winding conveyor belt. Employees in white suits and hair nets put the layers together, first slathering them with a coconut filling, then frosting the tops and sides with chocolate.

"It's supposed to taste like an Almond Joy candy bar. That's what we went after," said Rick Krolicki, director of research and development.

Our last stop was the taste-test room. Krolicki had formulated a new chocolate cake recipe, and two

### Outlet store

For many metro Detroiters, the holidays wouldn't be the holidays without a stop at the Awrey Bakeries Outlet Store.

**WHERE:** 12301 Farmington Road, Livonia.

**STORE HOURS:** Open 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

**CREDIT CARDS:** All majors, except American Express.

The outlet store, which Awrey's has expanded four times, offers thrift in prices, not quality. There are no returns from supermarkets. Perhaps the icing on a Danish will be missing a squiggle or two, but all items are fresh.

"If we don't have enough runner-ups, it's front-line products," said John Curtin, Awrey's president.

Awrey's also supplies the outlet with products not available in supermarkets. When it comes to cakes, the outlet sells Peanut Fantasy, Raspberries and Cream, Cherry Cordial, Death by Chocolate, Raspberry Nut, and Cream Cheese Carrot.

"We're kind of the test market," said Betty Jean Awrey, vice president.

Awrey's doesn't bake pies, but the outlet carries Grand Traverse pies. They're delicious, said Awrey.

Best of all, said Awrey, everything sells at a reduced price. "We take off the rent we pay in a supermarket."

Would you like to see the face of a loved one on a cake? No problem. That's a piece of cake at Awrey's. Thanks to great-granddaughter Kelly Jean Awrey, the bakery now does "Photo Cakes." A quarter sheet cake sells for \$15, and a half sheet cake sells for \$25.

For more information about the outlet store and Photo Cakes, call (734) 522-1100 or fax (734) 522-1453.

recently baked layers awaited us. The suspense mounted as he inverted the layers onto the counter and sliced off small pieces.

The morsels received more scrutiny than a glass of Chablis at a wine-tasting festival. Good texture, fine but dense. Not too crumbly. Will stand up to frosting. Nice color. Great taste.

"I'd give it a 100 percent," said Betty Jean Awrey, vice president. "I love it."

"I'm the quality control guy. I'd give it a 99," said Whitucki.

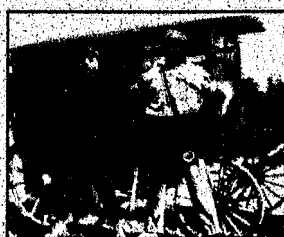
"Ninety-nine percent," said Curtin.

As for me? I knew I was participating in an Awrey's milestone: the birth of a new recipe. I gave it a 99.9. After all, I make a pretty good chocolate cake myself.

### A little taste of history



**Making deliveries:** Thomas Awrey "peddles" baskets of freshly made pastries and other goodies in a Detroit neighborhood in the bakery's early days.



**Those were the days:** Two of the Awrey boys, Tom (left) and Wilbur, stand in front of one of the company's first delivery vehicles, a horse-drawn wagon.



**Sweet delivery:** A Model-T truck pulls out of Awrey's first "volume baking" facility on Tireman Street in Detroit.

### An Awrey's memory

Margaret Cartier, 81, of Redford Township remembers when the Awrey's delivery truck would come through her neighborhood twice a week in the late '50s and early '60s.

Her children were young, and she was a stay-at-home mom who didn't know how to drive a car. She counted on the milkman at her back door and the Awrey's men at her front door.

"There were two brothers, Ralph and Bob, I think. They'd come to the door with big baskets full of goodies. I'd buy the lunch sticks with white frosting, the cupcakes piled high with chocolate frosting and nuts, and I'd buy the Long John coffee cake."

The two brothers often let Cartier come into their truck. "I remember that truck smelling so good. They'd pull out the shelves, and I'd say, 'I'll take this. I'll take that.'"

Sometimes, if I didn't have enough money, they would charge it. They kept track in a little brown book. I'd pay them at the end of the week. They were so nice."

Cartier longs to stop inside that truck one more time. "I'd give anything to have a Long John coffee cake. I wish they still made deliveries."



# Recipes inspired by Awrey Bakeries sound sweet

See related story on Taste front.

## AWREY STYLE STUFFING MIX

8 cups dry cubed bread (a 20-ounce loaf of Awrey Stuffing Bread, trimmed of crust)  
1 tablespoon rubbed sage  
1 teaspoon dry minced

oregano leaf  
1 teaspoon onion powder  
1 teaspoon garlic powder  
1/2 teaspoon black pepper  
1/2 teaspoon dry minced parsley  
1/2 teaspoon celery salt  
Mix all ingredients together as listed, thoroughly coating cubes of

dry bread in the seasoning ingredients. Store in an air-tight container at room temperature to use within 30 days.

To use mix—Melt 1/4 pound butter in Dutch oven over medium heat. Add 1 1/2 cups prepared chicken bouillon or canned chicken broth to the melted butter and stir in stuffing mix to moisten well, keeping the mixture on medium heat until all dry pieces have been moistened in the butter-soup mixture.

Cool, cover and refrigerate until completely cold before applying to the cavities of a 10 to 16 pound turkey prior to oven roasting the bird. Remove stuffing from roasted bird before serving.

Recipe from Betty Jean Awrey, Awrey Bakeries, Inc.

Remember when the Fuzzy Navel cocktail was introduced? An Awrey Bakeries employee, who has

since retired, invented a recipe for Fuzzy Navel Cake. The cake is no longer offered by Awrey Bakeries, but you can make it home. Betty Jean Awrey prepared this recipe for publication in "Traditions America's Thanksgiving Parade Cookbook" printed a couple of years ago by the Parade Company. "It's delicious," said Awrey. And you'll discover it's easy to make too.

## FUZZY NAVAL CAKE

1 box orange cake mix  
1/2 cup orange juice  
3/4 cup peach jam  
Peach Buttercream Frosting—recipe follows

Using an orange cake mix, prepare the cake according to directions for two 8-inch round cakes. After the cakes are baked and cooled, pour 1/4 cup orange juice

over each layer.

Spread one cake layer with peach jam. Place the other cake on top of the jam layer. Finish the cake by frosting it with peach butter frosting. Serves 8-10.

## PEACH BUTTERCREAM FROSTING

2 cups butter, softened  
2 cups plus 1/2 cup, plus another 1/2 cup sifted confectioners (powdered) sugar  
2/3 cup sweetened condensed milk (not evaporated milk)  
2 large eggs—whites only  
1/8 teaspoon cream of tartar  
2 teaspoons water  
1/2 cup peach jam  
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract  
Place butter and 2 cups confec-

tioners sugar in a large bowl. Mix at low speed until mixture is smooth. Mix at a higher speed while slowly adding the sweetened condensed milk. Continue to mix until fluffy. Set aside.

In a double boiler, stir together 2 egg whites, 1/2 cup confectioners sugar, 2 teaspoons water and 1/8 teaspoon cream of tartar. Cook over low heat, mixing with a portable mixer at low speed until egg whites reach 160°F. Whip the egg whites until stiff.

Add this meringue slowly to the butter mixture. Add the vanilla and remaining 1/2 cup confectioners sugar. If stiffer frosting is desired, add another 1/2 cup of confectioners sugar. Slowly stir in the peach jam and spread over the entire cake.

Note: You can substitute your favorite buttercream frosting. Add a splash of vanilla and peach jam for flavor.

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orange, cherry juice, cherries and tea. Just before serving, add the ginger ale and grape juice. Pour over ice in a punch bowl to serve or make a smaller quantity and serve as an appetizer.

## ROAST LEG OF LAMB

6-7 pound leg of lamb (trimmed of all excess fat)  
2 tablespoons butter  
8 sprigs of fresh rosemary  
2 cloves of garlic, thinly sliced  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon flour

Wipe meat well. Place in roasting pan and cut shallow slices across leg. Make small cuts with the point of a knife and insert garlic slices. Melt butter—tie the sprigs of rosemary together and dip it in the hot butter. Brush the meat thoroughly with it. Sprinkle the meat with salt and pepper and dredge lightly with flour. Roast in a slow oven (250°F) for about 3 hours; basting frequently with your rosemary bundle.

You will find that slow cooking is hard to resist. The result is tender, evenly cooked meat with an intense depth of flavor. Use a meat thermometer to reach your desired temperature. Cooking at

200-250°F is perfectly safe for almost any cut of meat.

## CAPER GRAVY

2 tablespoons butter  
3 tablespoons flour  
1/2 cup drippings from lamb (skim off melted fat)  
Pepper to taste  
1/2 cup heavy cream  
1/2 cup drained capers

Make a roux (a light sauce made of butter and flour) in roasting pan and cook for 2 minutes. Pour the drippings into the roux and stir to mix well and prevent lumps. Cook 5 minutes. Add pepper and cream. Add capers. Cook for an additional 2 minutes.

Chef's note: The reason for making a butter roux and not using the lamb fat is to achieve a mild lamb flavor. The lamb fat is often too overpowering. If you don't have enough pan juices for the gravy, add warm water to the right quantity. Finally use a whisk in making sauces and gravies.

Chef Carol Haskins is the pastry and consulting chef at Big Rock Chop & Brew House in Birmingham. Haskins was the first certified female executive chef in Michigan.

## A RECIPE TO SHARE

# Cookbook benefits children with arthritis

submitted by Executive Chef Jeff Baldwin of Mac and Ray's Restaurant in Harrison Township.

## ROASTED GARLIC MASHED POTATOES

4 pounds red skin potatoes, washed well (unpeeled)  
3 whole garlic bulbs, peeled into individual cloves  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
1/2 cup heavy cream  
3 tablespoons whole butter, softened  
1 cup julienne cut fresh spinach leaves  
Salt and white pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 400°F. Coat garlic cloves with olive oil and roast in oven until golden brown, about 10 minutes. Remove from oven and reserve. Boil red skin potatoes until fork-tender and thoroughly drain.

While red skins are cooking, heat cream in a pot on a stove top until simmering. Add roasted garlic cloves to cream. Continue to simmer on low heat to thoroughly combine flavors. Mashed cooked red skins with a fork or potato press. Add butter, roasted garlic, cream, salt, pepper and spinach. Keep warm. Serves 5.

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# Go to the Web for latke recipes

MAGGIE BOLEYN  
SPECIAL WRITER

Hanukkah, the Festival of Lights, celebrates the victory of the Maccabees against the ancient Greeks, and the rededication of the Jerusalem Temple. It honors the miracle of a small flask of oil, which lasted eight days.

The Hebrew word "Hanukkah" comes from the same root as the word for education, "chinuch." The first night of Hanukkah 5760 (1999) is Friday, Dec. 3, and the last night of candle lighting is Friday, Dec. 10. The candles are lit starting at nightfall, and they should burn for at least half an hour.

It is traditional to give Hanukkah gelt (chocolate coins, or other presents) to children after testing them on Jewish subjects.

Typical fare for the holiday includes dishes prepared in oil, such as latkes (potato pancakes), or sufganiot (doughnuts) to recall the miracle of the oil.

If you are looking for Hanukkah on the Net, you can find such things as a virtual dreidel, and a cantor to sing for you in real audio at [www.jcn18.com/scripts/jcn18/paper/Article.asp?ArticleID=703](http://www.jcn18.com/scripts/jcn18/paper/Article.asp?ArticleID=703).

There's even an on-line menorah, with daily candle lightings at [www.torah.org/chanukah.html](http://www.torah.org/chanukah.html).

And, of course, there are

**■ It is traditional to give Hanukkah gelt (chocolate coins, or other presents) to children after testing them on Jewish subjects ... Typical fare for the holiday includes dishes prepared in oil, such as latkes (potato pancakes), or sufganiot (doughnuts) to recall the miracle of the oil.**

recipes! So, fire up your computer and visit any of these eight sites:

An easy recipe for perfect potato latkes can be found at the Hagshama Department of the World Zionist Organization Web site. The page is entitled, "A byte of Hanukkah." A recipe for sufganiot (doughnuts) is also available on the website at [www.wzo.org.il/encount/recipes.htm](http://www.wzo.org.il/encount/recipes.htm).

Lots more latkes, as well as Italian or Parisian Hanukkah dinners for eight and more, can be found at [http://food.epicurious.com/ba/b02\\_menus/hanukkah.html](http://food.epicurious.com/ba/b02_menus/hanukkah.html). The site includes wine recommendations, and offers different recipes for each night of Hanukkah. Visitors may post reviews and cooking tips for individual recipes on the site.

Suggestions for putting variety in the holiday, while deepening your understanding of the celebration, can be found at [www.jcn18.com/scripts/jcn18/paper/Article.asp?ArticleID=1863](http://www.jcn18.com/scripts/jcn18/paper/Article.asp?ArticleID=1863).

Follow the link to the JCN House of Latkes for some interesting twists, such as jalapeno latkes served with salsa. Note: This site may include far too much variety for some. One of these recipes was not kosher, as it called for crab meat. Perhaps you may want to try adding leeks, parsnips, zucchini, or carrots to a favorite recipe, instead.

While there are as many latke recipes as there are grandmothers who made them, "crispy" is the word from friends that identifies some of the best latke fare. But, since "crisp" and "fried in oil" generally mean "fattening," I went surfing for some lighter latkes.

If you're not supposed to have so much oil, [www.jfood.com](http://www.jfood.com) offers the following solution: Spray a cookie sheet with vegetable oil spray or Pam and put your latkes in a hot (450 degree F) oven for about 5-8 minutes on each side.

A holiday menu that is healthy yet traditional stars lightened sweet potato latkes topped with golden cinnamon

applesauce, and a slimmed-down rice pudding. These recipes can be found at [www.womensedge.com/holiday/recipes/hanukkah/](http://www.womensedge.com/holiday/recipes/hanukkah/)

Healthy holiday recipes are showcased at [www.maven.co.il/r.asp?ID=10431](http://www.maven.co.il/r.asp?ID=10431).

"Oil is for menorahs" says the site, which provides a collection of hearty, yet low-fat fare. Web site author, Rosalyn F. Manesse, has published a cookbook, "Easy Kosher Cooking." You'll also find links to other Jewish holiday menus are at her Web site.

Links to seven different recipe sites can be found at [www.4hanukkah.com/oil.shtml](http://www.4hanukkah.com/oil.shtml).

Following the link to Hanukkah recipes at [www.ourdaily-bread.com/recipes/category/hanukkah.htm](http://www.ourdaily-bread.com/recipes/category/hanukkah.htm) yielded 11 holiday selections, with links to other recipes covering more than 30 categories, such as bagels and dairy-free fare.

The vegan section includes 45 vegetarian recipes. An easy five-ingredient applesauce recipe and directions for a delicious sweet and sour brisket were taken from the site. The brisket can be cooked on top of the stove, or in a Crock pot.

Maggie Boleyn is a registered nurse at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak and enjoys surfing the Internet for food and nutrition information. See recipes inside.

## Please pass the latkes, brisket

See related Hanukkah sites story

### PERFECT POTATO LATKES

6 large potatoes  
1 medium onion  
2 eggs  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/4 teaspoon pepper  
1/2 cup flour

Grate potatoes and onion (preferably by hand). Remove excess liquid. Mix in other ingredients. Fry small spoonfuls until golden brown. Drain and serve hot.

Recipe from [www.wzo.org.il/encount/recipes.htm](http://www.wzo.org.il/encount/recipes.htm)

### HANUKKAH SWEET-AND-SOUR BRISKET

Yield: 8 Servings

6 pound beef brisket  
1/4 cup water  
2 large yellow onions: cut in 1/2-inch slices  
4 large celery stalks and leaves cut in 1/2-inch slices

8 ounces chili sauce or spicy ketchup  
4 large cloves garlic: minced  
2 bay leaves  
1/2 cup dark brown sugar; firm pack

1/3 cup Dijon mustard  
1/4 cup soy sauce  
1/4 cup red wine vinegar  
3 tablespoons molasses  
12 ounces beer  
1/2 teaspoon paprika

4 large baking potatoes: cut in 1/2-inch slices  
Salt/pepper to taste  
This dish may be simmered

on top of the stove, or cooked in a Crockpot. You may make it in advance and chill in refrigerator up to 3 days or freeze it for up to six months. Wrap before freezing.

Sear meat, fat side down for from five to ten minutes. When brown, turn and brown on the other side. Remove brisket. Skim off any fat and discard, leaving drippings in pan. Add water, onions, celery, chili sauce, vinegar and molasses to pan and mix well. Return meat to pan, cover and cook over medium-low heat for 3 hours.

Add beer, paprika and potatoes. Re-cover and cook for an hour longer, adding water, if needed, to keep moist. Serve on warmed platter surrounded by potatoes and cooking liquid.

Crockpot directions:

Sear meat as directed, then place all ingredients except salt and pepper in a large crockpot set on high heat. Cover and cook for 6 to 8 hours or until tender. Let brisket cool in liquid for 30 minutes, then transfer to a container. Pour the cooking liquid and potatoes in a bowl. Discard bay leaves. Let cool for at least 2 hours, then skim off fat. Return liquid and potatoes to pot with a lid. Cut meat across grain into 1/4-inch slices; add to the liquid. Cover and reheat over low heat in Crockpot or heat in the microwave. Adjust seasonings. Serve on warmed platter surrounded by potatoes and cooking liquid.

Recipe from: [www.ourdaily-bread.com/recipes/hanukkah.htm](http://www.ourdaily-bread.com/recipes/hanukkah.htm)

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orating to create delicious treats, 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Dec. 4, Seaholm High School, 2436 W. Lincoln, Birmingham, Room C103. The cost is \$13, call (248) 203-3800 to register.

### CHOCOLATE CANDYMAKING

Learn to make delicious chocolates, create delectable assortments such as dips, molds and creams, and experiment with a variety of flavors. Great ideas for parties and gifts, 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7 at Berkshire Middle School, 21707 W. 14 Mile Road, Beverly Hills, Room 108. The cost is \$16. Call

(248) 203-3800 to register.

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Two-session workshop about the culture and culinary traditions of Poland's Christmas celebration includes visit to Hamtramck for traditional Polish Christmas dinner. First session 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30; second session 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4. Offered by Henry Ford Community College's Center For Lifelong Learning, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights. The cost is \$39, call (313) 317-1500.

### HOLIDAY BAKING

Learn how to make a variety

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## The season of giving

Let's seize the spirit—and the challenge

For most children in Michigan, life is pretty good.

Their moms and dads have jobs. They're protected from the worst childhood diseases. They're attending neighborhood public schools that are graduating more—and better-prepared—students than ever.

For most of our children, society is doing a good job meeting their needs. But what about the rest?

### Child poverty is rising

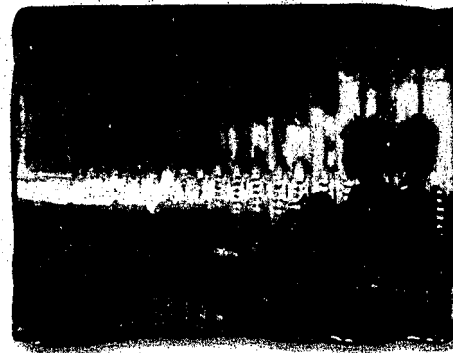
A robust economy does not on its own take care of all families. Unemployment has been low in Michigan through much of this decade and yet the child poverty rate has increased.

Teachers and support staff meet those poor children face-to-face every day in our schools. We see many of them struggling to meet even their basic needs.

So, we feed them. We buy them winter coats and boots. And we teach them.

Still, too many children who grow up in poverty do poorly in school and are less likely to graduate from high school, let alone go to college.

Clearly, the problem of child poverty is bigger than any one institution can handle. Those who don't see it every day may be persuaded by the following figures from



"Kids Count in Michigan, 1999 Data Book: County Profiles of Child Well-Being," Michigan League for Human Services.

In Michigan during the late 1990s:

- One child out of every five lived in poverty—that's

517,850 children under age 18.

- Child poverty worsened in 59 of the 83 counties.

- Michigan had more poor children than 29 other states.

- Almost 40 percent of our elementary-age children received free or reduced price lunches—a primary indicator of poverty.

### Put our heads—and hearts—together

We don't have any simple solutions. But we know that solving the problem of child poverty will take partnerships that cut across political party lines—partnerships that bring schools and entire communities together. In the coming months, the Michigan Education Association (MEA) will use this column to explore promising programs.

Today's strong economy gives us a rare opportunity to put our heads—and our hearts—together and come up with solutions that give all of Michigan's children a bright future.

Let's embrace the spirit of giving this season and seize the opportunity.

Lu Battaglieri  
MEA president



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## CONVERSATIONS



FRANK PROVENZANO

### DIA controversy reveals shocking, edgy reality

Somewhere between the Warholian 15-minutes of fame and sociologist Neil Postman's premonition of a society amusing itself to death fits the absurd controversy at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

But perhaps the controversy is no more absurd than the times in which we live.

The raging controversy between an installation artist crying censorship and a museum defending its right to select the work it exhibits is densely packed with allegations, presumptions, hurt feelings and plenty of misunderstandings.

In the final analysis, it's a controversy that should have been easily avoided. Why wasn't it? Who has been hurt by the subsequent reactionary debate? And what, if anything, can be learned?

#### Controversy revisited

The ping-pong debate began 10 days ago when DIA Director Graham Beal closed installation artist Jeff Bourgeois's exhibit "Van Gogh's Ear," the first of the artist's 12 one-week exhibits. Bourgeois intended to document and offer a derivative interpretation of "shock art" of the 20th century.

Several pieces in Bourgeois's exhibit were deemed highly inappropriate and potentially offensive to museum visitors. While Bourgeois had been discussing the exhibit for the last two years with the DIA, apparently curator Maryanne Wilkinson was surprised by several elements when they showed up at the museum.

Specifically, the DIA was concerned with Bourgeois's reference to a Brazilian nut using an inflammatory racial slur (the "n word"), a condom placed on a plastic doll called "Bathtub Jesus," a jar of urine (allegedly the same used by Andres Serrano without a submerged crucifix) and a video of a woman taking a shower in which the blood-tinged water simulated menstruation.

In his defense, Bourgeois claims he was prepared to be in the gallery to respond to visitors as they were hit in the face with their own preconceptions and prejudices about race, religion, sex and gender.

#### Guerilla campaign

While the earnest and soft-spoken Bourgeois has been called a conceptual artist, his work over the years has more of an absurdist tone. Three years ago, he established his own museum, called the Museum of Contemporary Art in Pontiac.

The museum is an 8-by-10 partitioned space inside Galerie Blue. The "museum" has exhibited Bourgeois's pieces and other provocative work.

Bourgeois's canvas is somewhere in the amorphous public mind. For instance, the "museum" is run by a fictitious director after the equally fictitious founder mysteriously drowned. Bourgeois's point: Museums are stodgy repositories and must be prodded to show the works of contemporary artists. From his small closet of a museum Bourgeois is waging a guerilla campaign to force a rethinking of the role and responsibilities of museums.

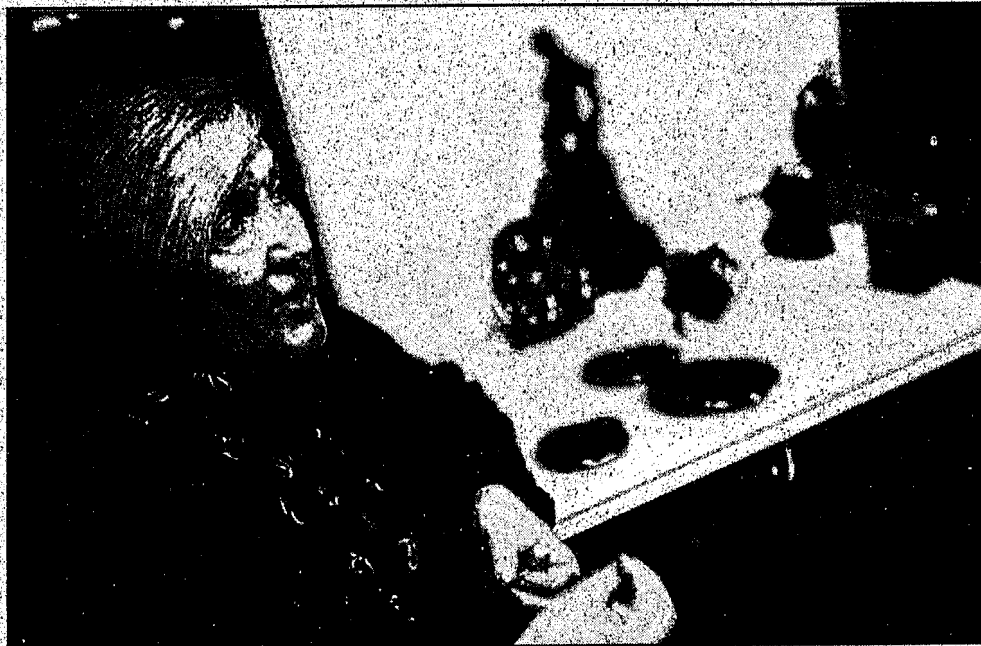
Considering Bourgeois's perspective, it's difficult to discern the line

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STAFF PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLINSKY

**Shocking? Through his provocative and edgy work, installation artist Jeff Bourgeois of Rochester continues to challenge the notion of what is art.**



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

**Recognition:** Sylvia Perle's small- and large-scale sculptures symbolize extraordinary accomplishments and commemorate unforgettable occasions.

## DESERVING MEDALIST

Her small-scale sculptures are on display throughout the world

BY CORINNE ABATT, SPECIAL WRITER

Sylvia Perle of West Bloomfield is perhaps best known as a medalist, in the world of art. No, that doesn't mean she's won prizes (which she has), rather that she makes medals.

It's an art form long recognized in Europe, less so in the United States.

"In Europe, a big company will often commission a medal for a commemorative gift for a retirement, a wedding, a renaissance," she said.

Perle's metal hand-held sculptures are created in two ways. Either the medals are an intricate assemblage of various metals which she designs, cuts, polishes and attaches, or they are cast bronzes done by the lost-wax process.

Ironically, recognition of her work has been slow in coming in her home area. But gradually, that's changing.

Two years ago the Cultural Council of Birmingham Bloomfield commissioned Perle to create the bronze medal (about the size of a butter plate) for its annual Cultural

Arts award. (This year's award went to Maggie Allesee of Bloomfield Hills.)

Currently, Perle has three works on public display and another slated for next year.

Her bronze pedestal piece, "Dancers," was recently installed at the corner of Pierce and Merrill in downtown Birmingham. The installation is part of the Cityscapes program sponsored by the Cultural Council.

Another of Perle's small-scale sculpture entitled, "Mad Cow," will be on display as part of the "Handheld Sculptures of the 1990s" exhibit, which opens at the British Museum in London in December. Perle is only one of five American artists in the show.

The British Museum bought Perle's piece for its collection when it was shown last year at a juried show at The Hague.

Another of Perle's hand-held sculptures, "Auschwitz," won honorable mention in the Helen DeRoy competition at Oakland Community College this fall.

The piece is from Perle's genocide series. Along with the shocking images of the Nazi concentration camp are the mocking words that were at the entrance, "Arbeit

macht fret," (tr. "Work makes you free").

An earlier sculpture from her series is on the wall in the entry to her home. The piece commemorates the Armenian genocide at the hands of the Turks. On this tragic reminder, Perle used a 1939 quote from Hitler, "Who now remembers the Armenians?"

"I'm going to do more of these," she said. "But if I tried to do them all, I'd be busy forever."

A recent work about land mines titled, "The Gator," was recently accepted for an international exhibition in Weimar, Germany next year.

Perle has done extensive research on land mines. This particular one is the American-made BLU 92 B. "It's called an anti-personnel mine," she said. "It is dropped (like a bomb), but doesn't explode on impact. It has delayed detonation."

Her hinged, four-section piece is as beautifully wrought and assembled as fine jewelry and as haunting as a fresh battleground.

Still, many of her hand-held works carry a lighter tone. Recently she completed a millennium medal, a Detroit medal and several celebrating golf, intended as awards for major golf events.

Perle's road to becoming a medalist was circuitous.

"I always wanted to be an artist — a sculptor. My grandfather was a well-know sculptor in Frankfurt (Germany) between the wars. My dad's a surgeon and he said, I needed something I could fall back on."

While she was completing a master's degree in economic geography at University of Chicago, Perle met her husband, Eugene. She never did use that degree.

After they moved to Detroit where Eugene subsequently joined the Wayne State faculty, she studied art and sculpture at Center for Creative Studies. After attending a two-week workshop at Penn State on small medall sculpture taught by some of the most prestigious artists in that field, her personal die was cast.

Perle's statement which accompanies her small pieces on exhibit, reads: "When accomplishment demands recognition, when life is exceptional, the idea extraordinary, let a small free standing solid bronze art medal commemorate this success."

"This sculpture may also celebrate a marriage, a divorce, retirement, happy or sad occasions, public and political events, and many other accomplishments..."



### AN EXHIBIT TO SEE

## Works of masterful painter resonate

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
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The wait is over to observe, contemplate and appreciate the grand teacher's latest work.

In an exhibit at the Susanne Hilberry Gallery in Birmingham, students, collectors and appreciators of finely crafted paintings can view the most recent oil paintings of Robert Wilbert, whose technical mastery and tutelage has inspired hundreds of fledgling and established artists for more than four decades.

Wilbert, who taught painting at Wayne State for 38 years, might be retired from university teaching, but his current work demonstrates that his skills of observation have never been sharper.

"He's at the peak of his powers," said Susanne Hilberry, owner/director of the gallery that carries her name. "Robert's work has a certainty, assuredness and vibrancy."

While a retrospective of Wilbert's work from 1956-1995 was exhibited at Wayne State in the fall of 1995, it's been 10 years since the former Donald

**WHAT:** New Paintings of Robert Wilbert  
**WHEN:** Through Jan. 8  
**WHERE:** Susanne Hilberry Gallery, 555 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham  
**HOURS:** 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; (248) 642-8250

Morris Gallery exhibited his most recent oil paintings.

In Wilbert's most-engaging paintings at the Hilberry Gallery, there's an indelible mood of contemplation. He may reference somewhat-cliché subjects such as a vase of flowers or musical instruments, but the likeness and composition are far from mundane. Wilbert's elegant strokes resonant with a sense of purpose and patience.

And his compositions invariably offer something slightly off-beat or unexpected. For instance, he finds a fascinating juxtaposition among a flute, an electric fan, a billiards rack

and a model of a silver human head placed on its side.

Meanwhile, his depictions of floral arrangements are infused with a subtle movement, as if he's captured them at the moment of bloom or as they begin to wilt.

As a young painter in the 1950s, Wilbert experimented with abstract expressionism. But while his colleagues followed the course of de Kooning and abstract painters, Wilbert focused on composition and his brand of realism.

For years during his stay at his home along the shore of Lake Huron, Wilbert has painted sunrises. He once noted that it was by painting the same subject that he learned to observe the subtle changes from day to day.

**■ Wilbert finds a fascinating juxtaposition among a flute, an electric fan, a billiards rack and a model of a silver human head placed on its side.**

In his recent paintings, Wilbert demonstrates that a painting that communicates the representations of flowers, chairs and musical instruments can evoke something more than a mere likeness.



**Juxtapose:** Robert Wilbert's still life paintings offer a subtle elegance and sometimes unexpected compositions.

As many of his students at Wayne State and the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center have realized, Wilbert's indelible contribution is his ability to engage viewers to look deeper at a subject. In Wilbert's finest work, it's not just a meditative quality but a willingness to take a new perspective.

The teacher's subject and influences obviously go well beyond the canvas.



# 'Some Americans Abroad' falls short for audience

Wayne State University presents Richard Nelson's satiric comedy "Some Americans Abroad" through Feb. 5 at the Hilberry Theatre, 4743 Cass at Hancock on WSU campus, Detroit. Tickets \$11-\$18; Group discounts are available. For tickets or more information, call (313) 577-2972.

BY SUE SUCHYTA  
SPECIAL WRITER

The Hilberry graduate theater company takes us to England with a group of American University professors in "Some Americans Abroad."

The comedy of manners shows how the worst comes out in some people when they are in a foreign environment and how they confront those flaws. Nelson, an American dramatist, was commissioned by the Royal Shakespeare Company to write the

play.

Joe Taylor, the new head of the English Department, is at the center of the story. He covers his nervousness and inexperience with his charm and uncompromising liberal politics. Throughout the play Taylor must find a way to inform one of his staff that he will not receive tenure or a renewed contract, a decision he is uncomfortable with because it bypasses the teacher's talent and focuses on his lack of prestigious credentials. Along the way he has to deal with an AWOL student and a professor accused of unwanted sexual advances by a student.

The play itself is dialogue intensive. Professors and students who have actually been on a college-sponsored trip abroad will experience a somewhat-amusing sense of déjà vu, but

most of the play is weighed down by ponderous dialogue.

The opening scene, set in a restaurant, is a prolonged discussion of 1989 cold war politics. Undoubtedly boring 10 years ago, the topic inspires even more yawns today. The mealtime banter merely serves to establish the intellectual snobbery and political shallowness of the professors on the tour, a premise that could have been accomplished in less time with a livelier conversation.

Taylor, the new department head, is played with calm and plodding efficiency by Erik Gratton. The character is a nice snob — a pleasant fellow, but a snob none the less — and spineless, as demonstrated by the character's unwillingness to tell Henry McNeil of his impending unemployment. Gratton keeps the

character unflinchingly cheerful with a stiff smile, never allows a loss of temper, and rarely raises his voice. It's an interesting character study for a student actor but hardly a compelling protagonist for audiences to like.

Mike Schraeder plays Henry McNeil, the young professor all but groveling to keep his position. Schraeder plays the part with unabashed brown-nose enthusiasm, with enough desperation to make the audience squirm in uncomfortable recognition.

His wife Betty, played by Emily Miller, chafes at the hypocrisy of the situation. She's already accepted the inevitable loss of her husband's job and can barely maintain her civility toward the group.

One wishes for her to lose her composure, if only to liven up

one of the tedious scenes.

Gavin Lewis portrays Orson Baldwin, the retired English chairman who gives a voice to the outrageous thoughts that his successor, Joe Taylor, keeps in check. His rude pronouncements add some life to the scenes and occasionally jar his stuffy former colleagues. Even though his character is unpleasant, it's refreshing to hear his breaks with the arcane conversion and his irreverent pronouncements.

Sexual harassment is a side plot and dates the play. Today, a professor accused of inappropriate sexual conduct toward a student would be subject to extensive scrutiny at the very least. The play's willingness to sweep the whole incident under the carpet emphasizes the characters' shallowness, but it also dates them.

The play is an interesting exercise for actors but not an interesting evening of theater.

The changing locations — usually restaurants or public places — were announced with an overhead slide at the start of the scene, a slight shifting of neutral backdrops, screens, and the arrival and departure of furniture and props. A Union Jack hung from the back of the set, partially hidden by the screens. The set was very neutral and bland — it did nothing to give the play a British flavor.

The rearrangement of the screens served little purpose beyond changing the entrance and exit locations; their rearrangement added work to the scene changes. Perhaps some scenes of London or Stratford might have added some color to an otherwise-dry show.

## Hilberry Theatre's 'Merchant of Venice' a treat to watch

Wayne State University's Hilberry Theatre presents William Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice" through Dec. 9 in rotating repertory. The Hilberry is on Cass near Forest on the campus of Wayne State University in Detroit. For ticket information, call (313) 577-2972.

BY SUE SUCHYTA  
SPECIAL WRITER

The Hilberry Theatre's production of "The Merchant of Venice" is a quick paced, easily understood and well-acted rendition of one of the immortal bard's better-known works.

Directed by Gillian Eaton, the play is a treat to watch. The undercurrent of anti-Semitism, with which the play is generally associated, is used to highlight intolerance between cultures, not to indict Shakespeare for holding similar beliefs.

Despite its serious moments, "The Merchant of Venice" is a comedy of attitudes that explores the lifestyles of the merchant ruling class in Venice 500 years ago. Antonio, a merchant, borrows money from Shylock, a Jewish moneylender, to help his friend Bassanio win the hand of the beautiful and noble Portia.

Shylock, who had been treated

like an outcast for much of his life, grants the loan with a notarized condition that he receive a pound of flesh if the bond is forfeited. Antonio, whose fortunes depend on a fleet of his ships traversing the globe, carelessly assumes his fortune is assured.

Romantic escapades enliven the plot. Portia's potential suitors attempt to solve the riddle of her late father's will, which would grant them Portia's hand in marriage, while Shylock's daughter Jessica elopes under cover of darkness with a Christian, lining her pockets with much of her father's wealth.

Gavin Lewis is a convincing mixture of wounded pride and burning revenge as the bitter Shylock. Scorned by the same society that grovels for his loans, his sudden obsessive quest for revenge seems more aimed at his tormentors at large than Antonio alone. Shylock refuses to accept the cash of others and prefers to exact the vengeance of the bond. It is through Portia's wisdom that Shylock learns that cruelty can not be repaid in kind.

Sara Wolf performs the role of Portia with polish and finesse. A third year student, she delighted audiences as Ophelia in the com-

pany's 1998-1999 season production of "Hamlet." With a talent equal to the bard's great female role, she captures the spirited nature of Portia while cloaking the character with the sophistication of her station and a well-spring of intelligence and insight. The scenes with her lady-in-waiting Nerissa, played by Trisha Miller, were light-hearted yet key to the plot. They show a strong-willed woman in a positive light, unusual in this male-dominated era. Miller, a first year student appearing in her second show of the season, exudes talent and charisma on stage.

Christopher Gilbert portrays Antonio, the merchant whose pound of flesh lies in the balance of the scales of justice, with stubborn pride and quiet dignity. More passionate than practical, Antonio's heroism is dimmed only by his anti-Semitic attitude, which was as acceptable in that era as it is disturbing today in a century scarred by the Holocaust.

Erik Gratton is a charming, sincere and moony-eyed successful suitor to Portia. Jessica, the eloping daughter of Shylock, is played with lusty enthusiasm by

Cat Shoemaker.

Dallas Henry played Launcelot Gobbo, the comic relief and lower class clown, with a cavalcade of amusing accents, the most disconcerting of which was a red-neck twang. Though funny, it broke the otherwise historical continuity of the production.

The entire cast poured enthusiasm into the production, making the most of even minor characters, who compensated with movement and expression what they lacked in lines. Costumes, designed by John D. Woodland, and created by Mary Leyendecker, were elegant and superb, with bright splashes of iridescent color to intensify the comedic elements where appropriate. They also managed to mask the gender of the female cast playing male roles with a reasonable

degree of deception. Scenic designer Charles Moser's multi-level set, replete with stonework

and rich tapestry, accomplished the numerous shifts in scene easily.

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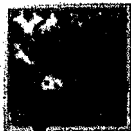
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Through Nov. 29 - An exhibit of Chinese brush paintings. 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

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Through Dec. 12 - The Marriage, a solo exhibition of Rx. Harrington. 212 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8224.

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Ducts Colby's Decorating Center.....Livonia 10% Off In Stock Borders &amp; Wallpaper Horton Plumbing.....Plymouth Free Laundry Tub &amp; Faucet with Repipe I Do Windows 313-927-4990.....Redford First Clean Free with Pre-Paid Service KTP Designs Inc.....Berkley One Hour Free Interior Design Consultation New Beginnings LLC 734-513-9755.....Livonia 10% Off Painting Two or More Rooms Sumter Plumbing &amp; Sewer.....Royal Oak \$15 Off Service or SRS \$20 Off United Temperature.....Livonia Furnace Cleaning &amp; Inspection \$57.00</p> <p><b>\$ Jewelers</b></p> <p>Bright Jewelers 44344 Cherry Hill 734-844-2404.....Canton 60% Off 14K Gold Chains Chinn Jewelry.....Royal Oak We Will Pay Your Sales Tax Excluding Loose Diamonds Doble Jewelers.....Berkley/Farmington Hills/Hunt Woods/Ridge/Royal Oak 1/2 Off Ring Sizing (excluding platinum) Miners Den.....Royal Oak Free Watch Battery (One Per Customer) O &amp; D Bush Jewelers 734-455-3030.....Plymouth 60% Off All Silver Jewelry Woods.....Pleasant Ridge/Royal Oak 1/2 Off Ring Sizing (excluding Platinum)</p>	<p><b>\$ Landscape &amp; Maintenance</b></p> <p>Bill's Outdoor Care.....Canton Commercial Snowplowing Contract 10% Off D.A. Alexander &amp; Co.....Livonia 10% Discount Saxton's Garden Center.....Plymouth 10% Off All Hand Garden Tools</p> <p><b>\$ Pizza</b></p> <p>Cottage Inn Pizzeria.....Birmingham 2 Large Pizzas W/One Item \$12.99 Maria's Deli &amp; Pizzeria 734-951-1200.....Canton 10% off 3 - 6 Foot Party Subs Papa Romanos/Ferndale \$1.00 Off Bambino Bread with any purchase Pizza One.....Ferndale 2 Small Pizzas for \$8.99 + tax Rallo's Pizzeria.....Royal Oak \$1.50 Off Large Square Pizza</p> <p><b>\$ Restaurants</b></p> <p>Alexander The Great.....Westland 10% Off Entrees - Not Valid on Specials Barb's Pasties.....Livonia 10% Off When You Buy 4 Pasties Beehive Family Dining.....Wayne 20% Off Any Order Christine's Cuisine.....Ferndale 10% Off Any Dinner Entree (Carry Out Only) Clubhouse BBQ.....Ferndale Free 2 Liter of Fayo with Any Purchase (\$7 Min.) 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20% Off Storewide  
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10% Off Entire Store Including Holiday Items  
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Free Lighter W/Purchase of Carton of Cigarettes  
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Thomas Brothers Carpet.....Clawson  
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Training Effect Fitness Store.....Birmingham  
10% Off Equipment Purchase 25% Off All Accessories  
Unlimited Cellular.....Clawson  
10% Off Cell Phone Accessories  
Village Peddler.....Plymouth  
10% Off Storewide

**\$ Services**

All Service Mechanical.....Berkley  
\$20 Off Any Repair  
American Estate Sales.....Berkley  
Free Household Liquidation Consultation  
Bill & Rod's Appliance 734-425-2504.....Livonia  
\$10 Off In-Home Appliance Repairs  
Buttons Rent It.....Royal Oak  
\$5.00 Off Total Rental Price (Mon-Fri)  
Carmack Appliance.....Garden City  
10% Off In-Home Service  
Chgo.....Birmingham/Ferndale  
6 Lighters for \$1.00  
Community Federal -.....Plymouth, Canton, Northville  
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Free Market Consultation  
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## BOOKS

# Collection of mystery stories makes an ideal holiday gift

"Irreconcilable Differences: 20 Mystery Stories," edited by Lia Matera (HarperCollins, \$24).

BY VICTORIA DIAZ  
SPECIAL WRITER

Not long ago, editor and writer Lia Matera approached a number of award-winning writers with an idea for a new anthology, and a request that they each create a short mystery tale for inclusion in the collection. Matera's only stipulation was that the story be structured around the theme of irreconcilable differences.

In addition to her work as an editor and writer, Matera is a veteran attorney, and when she made her request to the writers, she expected them to define the term in the same legalistic way that she did.

"I was... delighted to see how much more broadly they interpreted it," she writes in her introduction. "My years as a lawyer had... limited the words for me, narrowing them to diminished potency. Appropriated by divorce statutes, irreconcilable differences had lost some of the vigor... of its earlier, less specific usage."

The stories in this collection are not just about irreparable marital relationships (although those are here); they also focus on myriad types of personal relationships that have reached a kind of impasse, or gone awry in some terrible way that cannot be "fixed" by any court of law.

After all, adds Matera, "judging from crime statistics, a great

many conflicts continue to cry out for vengeance, either in blood or money or tears."

Come along on this diverse and spine-tingling journey that opens with "Tusk," Joyce Carol Oates' dark account of adolescent anguish, and closes with Matera's own eerie tale, "It Can't Be True," which also deals with childhood's indelible brand of emotional pain.

In between, mystery mavens can delve into this collection as if it were Gump's box of chocolates. Some surprises can be found along the way, and some may really hit the spot.

If sepulchral humor is to your taste, Eileen Dreyer's "Fun With Forensics" will tickle your funny bone. In it, "the new Forensic Sciences Association... struggling to claim its place in the pantheon of professional organizations" finds, to its horror, that it is "saddled with a member who (is) not only completely unqualified, but a full-fledged psycho to boot." What the highly image-conscious group does to finally rid itself of misfit Wanda Mummerson is, shall we say, extremely bone-chilling.

Extremes of temperatures play a role in a number of other stories. Edna Buchanan's "Miami Heat" shows us a man on a sultry night in the crime-ridden Florida city, losing his family and perhaps his life because he insists that his dreamy past has not evolved into the violent present. Bill Pronzini's "Wishful Thinking" also takes place during a relentless heat wave. In it, we meet Jerry, an odd bird who lets off steam by pretending that he has murdered his nagging wife, Verna, in various ways. As part of his pretense, he announces his "crime" to his next-door

neighbor. In the colorful and inventive "Paleta Man," by Laurie R. King, an ice-cream vendor who commits a deadly deed possesses just the right stuff for disposing of his victim's remains.

Former Michigan author Marcia Muller, in "Up at the Riverside," writes of an aging, gay couple who, on inheriting a decrepit hotel, come up against irreconcilable differences regarding its fate. Despite the darkness at the heart of the tale, this Sharon McCone mystery that examines the past and the future actually ends on an up-note.

Also looking at the interconnectedness of past, present, and future is Jeremiah Healy's well-wrought story, "Legacy," in which his popular private eye, John Francis Cuddy, encounters a dying woman who feels she must break the law in order to preserve her beloved family.

"The Perfect Revenge" (Amanda Cross), "Buried Treasure" (Sarah Lovett), "Just Desserts" (Judith Kellman), "Heart Break" (Gillian Roberts), and Jan Burke's "An Unsuspected Condition of the Heart" (the only story not set in the present) are some of the additional tales examining the common theme.

Naming the strongest story in "Irreconcilable Differences" is a little like picking apples over oranges.

Though some pack more punch than others, there's not a really bad one in the bunch. If you're seeking out the ideal holiday gift for those on your list who love a mystery, you've found it with "Irreconcilable Differences."

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia resident who writes book, movie and theater reviews for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

## Here's a holiday sampler of books that deserve a place under the tree

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

You know what is is even before you tear off the rectangular wrapping, but a book still is one of the most rewarding gifts to receive, and to give:

### For grown-up minds

■ Photographer Fred Maroon had no inkling of its dramatic end when he began a project to photograph the Nixon presidency. "The Nixon Years: 1969-1974" (Abbeville Press, \$29.95 hardcover) portrays the period, from Richard M. Nixon's election to the end of his presidency with the Watergate scandal, with many photographs that have not been previously published. Text is by former New York Times columnist Tom Wicker.

■ Norman Rockwell used to be dismissed by critics as a mere illustrator. Nobody liked him except, it seems, the millions of readers who enjoyed his Saturday Evening Post covers. In "Norman Rockwell: Pictures for the American People" (Abrams, \$35 hardcover), curators Maureen

Hart Hennessey and Anne Knutson compile new critical acclaim from modern critics, who appreciate Rockwell's contribution to American 20th century culture.

■ Aerial photography reveals the earth in fascinating patterns and perspectives. "Earth from Above" (Abrams, \$65 hardcover), by Yann Arthus-Bertrand, distills his five years of airborne photography across five continents and 60 countries.

### For the young in age, outlook

■ "Stormy Night" (Kids Can Press, \$18.95 hardcover), by Michele Lemieux, is a serious, philosophical book for children, approaching their fears and questions about God, life, death, abandonment, chance, happiness, sadness, and what happens-if. Lemieux, with simple text and drawings, enables youngsters to grasp these abstracts. The book, first published in Germany and subsequently translated into nine languages, is winner of the Ragazzi Prize awarded at the Bologna Book Fair.

## BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features events at suburban bookstores, libraries and literary gatherings. Send news leads to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279 or e-mail to [kwygonik@oe.homedomain.net](mailto:kwygonik@oe.homedomain.net)

### LOCAL INTEREST

Northville resident James E. Person Jr. will discuss and sign copies of his book, "Russell Kirk, A Critical Biography of a Conservative Mind," noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, at the Little Book Shoppe on the Park in Plymouth. Person is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and his book is an account of the noted thinker Russell Kirk, who also lived in Plymouth as a youth. Kirk developed a unique philosophy of conservative values and perspectives. The Little Book Shoppe is located at 308 S. Main.

■ Author David Carson, who wrote "Rockin' Down the Dial: The Detroit Sound of Radio from Jack the Bellboy," will sign copies of his book at the Detroit Historical Museum. The signing is scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, in the Louise C. Booth auditorium of the museum. Carson, whose book was recently published by Troy-based Momentum Books, will be joined by a few of the radio personalities featured, including current WOMC-FM morning man and Detroit

radio institution Dick Purtan, former WXYZ and WJLB radio personality Jack Surrel and veteran WJR and WJBK radio personality Clark Reid.

The program is presented in conjunction with the Museum's new "On the Air!" exhibit, which allows museum-goers to take a walk through time and the area's radio and television broadcast history. The program is free with regular museum admission. The "On the Air!" exhibit continues at the Detroit Historical Museum through April 30. The museum, located at Woodward and Kirby in Detroit's Cultural Center, is open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$4.50 for adults, \$2.25 for seniors and children ages 12-18 and free for children 12 and younger. Call (313) 833-1805 for more information.

### OTHER BOOK SIGNINGS

TV talk show host Mike Douglas will sign copies of his new book, "I'll Be Right Back," at the Barnes and Noble store in Northville, 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4. In "I'll Be Right Back," Douglas writes about his more than 50 years of involvement in television, including his popular late afternoon programs from the 1970s. For more information, call (248) 348-0696. The store is located off of Haggerty and Six Mile. ■ Farmington Observer reporter

and Livonia resident Tim Smith will sign copies of his new book, "Miracle Birth Stories of Very Pre-mature Babies - Little Thumbs Up!" Saturday, Dec. 11, 1 p.m., Walden Books, Lakeside Mall, Hall Road, Sterling Heights, (810) 247-0420, and Thursday, Jan. 6, 7 p.m. Borders Books and Music, Oakland Mall, 14 Mile Road, Troy. Smith can be contacted directly at (248) 477-5450.

■ Author Sandi Brewer will read from and sign copies of her novel, "Murder for Beltene," 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30, at Borders Ann Arbor, 612 E. Liberty. The book is set in Brennan County, Mich., and tells the story of the Beltene, a family like none you've ever encountered before. Considering that Rhiannon Beltene is a vampire novelist and loves going out for ice cream late at night, it's no surprise that someone leaves a bloodless, embalmed body in her path one evening, especially for her to find.

### BORDERS ROCHESTER HILLS

■ Four Seasons: A Romance Reading Group will discuss "Bayou Magic" by Elizabeth Turner. The discussion will be led by romance authors Marie Allen and Jeanne Savery, both members of the Greater Detroit Romance Writers Association. The session starts at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29. Call (248) 652-0558 for information.

## GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

National Amusements  
Showcase Cinemas

**Showcase**  
Auburn Hills 1-4  
2150 N. Oakley Rd.  
Between University & Weston Blvd  
248-373-2660  
Bargain Matinees Daily  
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Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Fri. Sat.  
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THE SIXTH SENSE (PG-13)  
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**Showcase Dearborn 1-8**  
Michigan & Telegraph  
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**Showcase Pontiac 1-5**  
Telegraph & Lake Rd. W. Side of  
Telegraph  
248-332-0241  
Bargain Matinees Daily  
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**Showcase Pontiac 6-12**  
2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of  
Telegraph  
248-334-6777  
Bargain Matinees Daily  
All Shows until 6 p.m.  
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**Showcase**  
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# Spunky 'senior' doesn't miss much in New Mexico

BY BEVERLY A. LEN  
SPECIAL WRITER

The group cheered as Mom declined help, then charged down the face of a 35-foot sand dune. I scrambled after her, gave her a pat on the back and wheezed, "Not bad for 80." Twenty sets of eyes widened and 20 jaws dropped in unison.

Traveling with my spunky "senior" Mom is never dull.

Scorching daytime temperatures at White Sands, N.M., convinced us that an early evening dunes tour would allow us to live to enjoy other parts of America's 47th state. During the day, temperatures often reach 115 degrees with a humidity of 4 percent. Under these conditions, a glass of ice water did not sweat.

Mom and I did. At night, however, temperatures can reach freezing.

So at 7:30 p.m., we stood at the base of a gleaming, white gypsum dune. Most of the area appears barren, but a few plants, animals and insects have adapted to the harsh environment.

We watched a beetle-sized "stink bug" tiptoe across the sand. The bug is the equivalent of a skunk and nearly as potent. "Give the bug plenty of space," a ranger advised, as he led us to a tall dune to watch the sunset.

By 8:30, the sun winked behind the San Andres mountains. We put on sweaters and walked back to the car in respectful silence of nature's awesome performance.

Nature performed another spectacular feat at our next-day destination, Carlsbad Caverns.

This time, we beat the heat by taking an elevator to the "Big Room," 850 feet below ground. The temperature is a constant 56 degrees.

There is also a mile-long natural entrance, from which thousands of Mexican freetail bats fly at sunset. We opted for the ride down because we faced a 1.5-mile trail within the chamber.

The 60 million-year-old Big Room chamber is 1,800 feet by 1,100 feet. The ceiling rises to 255 feet in one area. Throughout the Big Room, huge stalagmites grow from the floor, reaching toward equally huge stalactites hanging from the ceiling. In the dimly lit chamber, we walked slowly along the path, holding on to a railing.

On our self-guided tour, we listened to commentary through headphones. The commentary was triggered by electronic signals at points of particular interest. There were long stretches of silence, allowing us to gawk at the ghostly displays.

Suddenly, two thin hands grabbed my arm; I heard a muffled scream. I yelped and turned. Mom was holding onto my arm for dear life. Seems the volume on her headphone had been bumped up. When the commentary was triggered, it scared the daylight out of her. Now, we held on to the railing, weak from laughter.

We had had a lot of laughs since leaving home two weeks earlier. Mom had packed a "goodie box" of low-calorie snacks, utensils, plates and Lysol spray. At each motel, Mom sprayed and wiped until the room was shrouded in a Lysol mist. We left a trail of surgically sterile rooms through seven states.

Everything was so antiseptic, I had to eat a spoonful of dirt just to keep my immune system going.

By the time we left Santa Fe, heading for Albuquerque, Mom needed a rest (all that cleaning, you know.) She didn't want to miss having dinner at Sandia Peak, so she stayed at the motel while I toured Old Town Albuquerque.

Since 1706, Old Town's Plaza has been the focal point of the community. More than 100 shops offer everything from Indian jewelry to modern art. The 1700s adobe Church Street Café serves authentic New Mexican fare, either inside or on the patio.

If New Mexican food is not to your palate, everything from American hamburgers to French crepes can be found. I think I walked every inch of Old Town. By the time I returned to the motel, I was exhausted; Mom was ready to tackle all 10,378 feet of Sandia Peak.

We took the 2.7-mile tramway. From the tram, we had an incredible view of 11,000 square miles. At the peak, we had dinner, then shivered in the moun-

tain air to watch the sunset. The performance, with heat-lightning flashes, was out of this world.

Even farther out of this world is Roswell; at least some of its visitors have been otherworldly. Although Roswell's economy is based on agriculture and oil production, it is best known for the purported 1947 crash landing of an alien spacecraft, with occu-

pants. The International UFO Museum and Research Center on Main Street, houses tacky displays, recreations and "art" focusing on sightings. A tour to the crash site is also available. I had to drag Mom to the museum. The crash site wasn't even suggested.

Mom wanted to go to the new Tinnie Mercantile where, unlike

Main Street stores, there are no references to space aliens. Then, she wanted to be on the road again.

Less than two hours west of Roswell is the late 1800s town of Lincoln. Here, Billy the Kid was to hang, but he killed his guards and escaped. Lincoln's sheriff, Pat Garrett, eventually tracked Billy down and shot him.

The courthouse, jail and other buildings are all open to the public. One home of special interest is that of Dr. Earl L. Woods, who reportedly graduated from the University of Michigan.

Twenty miles past Lincoln is Capitan, "Birthplace of Smokey the Bear." In 1950 the cub was found clinging to a burned tree after the Capitan Gap wildfire.

His fur was singed and his paws charred. He was nursed back to health, became the symbol of forest fire prevention and lived out his days at the National Zoo in Washington, D.C.

We had been galloping around New Mexico for almost a month. It was time to head for home. Mom had just enough Lysol left to make the trip.

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MICHAEL SHIELS

## Include golf-related items on your Christmas gift-giving list

By the time you are reading this article, we are right in the middle of the biggest shopping weekend of the year, and the kickoff of the holiday gift-giving season. Downtown Birmingham is alight with activity, the Somerset Collection and Summit Place Mall are bustling with buyers, and Great Lakes Crossing and Twelve Mall all systems are go. Everyone has begun the search for the perfect gift.

Here in Oakland County, we've enjoyed an unseasonably warm autumn, but the popularity of golf in Michigan and the dedication of its players have really made the sport a year-round activity. This week, television viewers enjoyed the PGA Grand Slam Tournament, and the Skins Game. Many of those viewers headed for the golf course, while the rest headed for the shopping centers.

Golf makes holiday shopping very easy if you know someone who loves the game.

Golf gifts abound. Each season there are new clubs, apparel, gadgets, instructional videos, books, and balls available to consumers. Interactive computer golf games and golf trips are also thoughtful options for the golfer in your life.

Frank Tomasik, a sales associate and club-fitter at Carl's Golfland, says that the Bloomfield Hills super store does everything it can to provide help to shoppers.

"We try to make sure that the item being purchased really suits the golfer," said Tomasik, who sees many uncertain gift-buyers come through the door with good intentions. "I spend as much time as necessary to make the shopper comfortable and happy. I want them to leave the store with the perfect gift."

Carl's Golfland is even offering gift-wrapping during the holiday season.

There are two important keys to remember when shopping for a golf enthusiast.

First, golf is a thoughtful game. Therefore, you want to make your gift a thoughtful one. Naked lady tees or an "I'd rather be golfing" apron don't cut it anymore. Secondly, the modern golfer insists on quality. The style of the game really allows for nothing less than dignified quality.

Just in time for the holidays, locally-based golf publisher Sleeping Bear Press seems to have tried to help do the work for you with two thoughtful new quality offerings. The year 2000 will provide a landmark season in the game of golf. Jack Nicklaus, voted "Golfer of the Century," will be making his final entry into golf's major championships at two venues that are very near to his heart: the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach and the British Open at St. Andrews. In a timely and dashing coup, Sleeping Bear Press has secured the rights and published the official histories of both Pebble Beach and St. Andrews. I think it is terrific and somewhat amazing that these two "official histories" are coming to the golf world from right here in Michigan.

These are two coffee table books that actually can be judged by their covers.

One can easily and immediately see why the green fees at Pebble Beach have topped \$300 when one gazes at the cover of "Pebble Beach Golf Links: the Official History." The signature, solitary Cypress tree with the waves smashing alongside are as dramatic as the competition in the U.S. Open and Amateur Championships what have been held on the site. Pebble Beach historian Neal Hotelling also provides the details of the famed "Crosby Clambakes" staged by Bing over the years. This playground on the Pacific, photographed by Ansel Adams protégé Joann Dost was host to the Hollywood hi-jinks of Clark Gable, Rita Hayworth, Sean Connery, Clint Eastwood, Jack Lemmon and Clint Eastwood, to name a few. Impossibly, the book actually contains a photograph of Elizabeth Taylor at

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## Springfield snaps Stateline's streak



Springfield Christian lost to Temperance Stateline Christian by 39 points a year ago, but turned the tables on the Patriots this time around with a 50-44 triumph, which ended Stateline's 50-game home winning streak.

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With the opposition down, Clarkston Springfield Christian figured out how to deliver the knockout punch.

Springfield opened up the 1999-2000 boys basketball season last Monday in the worst possible surroundings: at state powerhouse Temperance State-

line Christian.

Stateline came in as the four-time defending Michigan Association of Christian Schools Division I state champions and had won an amazing 50 straight home games. And add to that resume the fact that the Patriots had only lost one game to a Michigan opponent over the past four seasons, it can create a very intimidating factor.

Despite the tradition and streaks,

Stateline, which graduated three starters and eight players total, found itself in quite an unusual predicament after 32 minutes of play, falling 50-44 to Springfield in front of a boisterous crowd.

"Well, it was nice to finally beat them," said third-year Springfield coach Dennis Hopkins, whose squad dropped a 70-31 decision to the Patriots in the season opener last year in Clarkston. "For a season opener, we did all right. I saw some things that I liked."

Springfield, which only lost two players from last season's team, showed tremendous poise throughout, rolling out to a 12-4 first-quarter lead before

staving off a 19-12 Stateline run over the final eight minutes.

Springfield held a 24-18 advantage at halftime and posted its biggest lead of the game at 36-25 after three quarters of play before Stateline started launching three pointers, which trimmed the final margin back down to six points.

"They started shooting the threes in the second half. In fact, twice they had guys launch one from 4-5 feet from beyond the three-point arc," Hopkins said. "And I'll give them that because high school kids aren't going to make those types of shots very often. But

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## Finishing first

### Lake Orion freshman Lauren Lebrun concluded fine debut campaign as school's first-ever state swim qualifier

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Throughout her freshman campaign at Lake Orion, Lauren Lebrun shattered several school swimming records. In fact, she even set a league record in one event.

Perhaps sometime in the near and far future, someone else will come in and break some or all of Lebrun's new school records. However, there is one standard that will never be touched.

Lebrun recently became the first-ever Lake Orion athlete to qualify for the Lower Peninsula Class A State Swimming & Diving Championships when she participated in the 100 butterfly on November 19-20 at Oakland University.

Lebrun was clocked at 1:00.32 in the preliminaries, which was just two positions away from the top 12 individual finals round — just .23 of a second shy to be exact. But that doesn't bother the outgoing, but modest, 14-year-old standout.

"I was excited to be able to compete with the best," said Lebrun, who holds Lake Orion's records in every event except for the 100 backstroke and the one-meter diving event. "I was a little intimidated at first — there were so many great swimmers there. But I was just glad that I was able to swim my best time at state and was happy to represent Lake Orion High School."

The fall of 1999 was just the second season for Lake Orion in the pool, but that didn't prevent Lebrun from setting high individual goals at the beginning of the season.

"Qualifying for (the state meet) was one of my goals," said Lebrun, who also missed qualifying in the 200 IM by less than three seconds. "But as a team we really wanted to do well. We came together and had a great season."

Great season indeed. The 42-member Dragons only lost one league dual meet all season long to Southfield Unified, but Lake Orion bounced back to edge Southfield at the Oakland Activities Association Division III league meet, which gained the Dragons a share of the overall league title. Not bad, considering the Lake Orion is a second-year program still in its infant

stages.

"Winning the league was one of the coolest things," said Lebrun, who set the league record in the 100 fly in 1:00.82 and was also league champ in the 200 IM. "We all worked very hard and came together as a team to do it. It was amazing how much we improved as a team over just three months."

Lebrun began swimming at the age of 6 and has steadily improved her marks as a member of the well-known Oakland Live Yers swim club based at Oakland University.

Lake Orion girls swimming coach Darin Abbasse, a former Oakland University standout himself, first heard of Lebrun around four years ago.

"I remember when I was the (Lake Orion) athletic director about four years ago, her father kept mentioning Lauren," said Abbasse, who began coaching in the area at Birmingham Groves in 1987. "It was back when we first drew up the plans to add a pool onto the new high school. Her father kept saying, 'My daughter will be swimming for you' in a few years and she's pretty good for her age.' At the time, I didn't think much of it."

Abbasse admits that it didn't take him very long to spot Lebrun during pre-season workouts back in August.

"I noticed her right away," he said. "She knew all of the techniques very well and her times were a lot faster than the rest of the team."

And Abbasse knows a talented swimmer when he sees one.

"When I coached at Groves, I was used to seeing freshmen like Lauren," he recalled. "Groves had a very strong program and it was common that girls came in as ninth-graders with high goals; girls that had strength and drive, great work ethics, and the desire to succeed. I could see in only a few short days that Lauren was that type of kid."

Although Lebrun was lengths ahead of her teammates, Abbasse said Lebrun showed no signs of being arrogant and obnoxious. In fact, Abbasse saw Lebrun as a tremendous leader, which is a quite uncommon characteristic for a high school

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FILE PHOTO BY LARRY MCKEE

Reaching high: Lake Orion freshman Lauren Lebrun set seven open-event school records and swam on three record-setting relay units this fall for the Dragons. Lebrun also finished 14th in the 100 butterfly at the Class A state finals.

## Clarkston ready to ice opponents

BY MIKE SCOTT  
SPECIAL WRITER

The 1999-2000 season will bring a new level of expectations for the Clarkston boys ice hockey team.

The Wolves proved they belong among the elite programs in the state following a successful season last winter in only its third year of existence. But no longer will Clarkston sneak up on opposing teams, especially with one of the toughest non-conference schedules in the state.

A total of 15 varsity players return for second-year head coach Bryan

Krygier, including virtually every player from the top four forward lines from a year ago. The ability to score goals and solid goaltending should be key strength, but Krygier acknowledges his defensive corps will be very inexperienced.

"Right now we're trying to mix and match our returning players and our freshmen," said Krygier, who plans to use all three of his freshmen prospects on the blue line. "We'll need to be a very disciplined team because with our schedule we'll get blown out if we aren't."

Senior forwards Bill Kalush and Anthony Facione return to comprise two-thirds of Clarkston's top forward line from last season. The two

complement each other with Kalush possessing tremendous speed and Facione exerting a physical presence. The two combined to record over 40 points a year ago.

Other forwards expected to contribute include Derek Hool, Jason Stoecker and juniors Jon Bemis and Steve Janowiak. They also spent most of last season on the top three forward lines.

Senior goalie Steve Badger was one of the best in the area in last winter and he may have to be better. Krygier expects Badger to see a higher number of shots during the first month as some members of the defensive unit learn on the job.

"I think that's a real strength for us because Steve came into his own last season," said Krygier. "He may have to win some games for us."

Defensively, look for brothers Tom and Dan Newman to receive a large amount of ice time. Tom, a senior, may be on the ice for 20 or more minutes on average. He is a solid defenseman who isn't afraid to use his body.

Because of the depth at forward, junior Jeremy

Gabriel will move back on defense where his puck-handling skills should come in handy.

In an effort to cut down on opponents' scoring chances, the Wolves will concentrate on bringing a forward back into their own zone when needed. Krygier said his forwards are learning how to recognize when further support is needed at the blue line.

The Wolves also want to improve their power play attack, which struggled at times last season. That is one area Krygier has been focusing on with his team during preseason practices, which started November 1.

Clarkston scrimmaged with Flint Powers Catholic and Ann Arbor Pioneer over the past couple of weeks, which gave them a good barometer of their impending schedule. Krygier admits his team was a bit rusty, but that he witnessed improvements from the first to the second scrimmage.

"Scrimmages are played so you can find out what you have as a team," he said. "We're still looking at different line combinations and who plays well with each other."

The upgraded schedule will give the Wolves a close glimpse at how they stack up against the state's

Please See HOCKEY, C2



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Both Oxford and Waterford Kettering played tentative basketball for a half in Wednesday's Class A regional final at Port Huron Northern.

Fortunately for the Captains, their sluggishness came after they'd already built a 13-point halftime lead, and Kettering was able to hang on for a 48-42 win over the Wildcats that propelled the Captains into the state quarterfinals.

The Captains (22-2) held Oxford 6-foot-1 senior center Liz Holbrook to just five first-half points while building a 30-17 lead at the intermission, then withstood a fierce Wildcats rally in the second half to oust Oxford for the second straight season. Kettering beat the Wildcats in the regional semifinal a year ago.

The win earns Kettering its second straight trip to the state quarterfinals, where the Captains will play Birmingham Marian, a 48-36 winner Wednesday over West Bloomfield, Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Berkley High School.

The Captains consistently beat Oxford's pressure in the first half, doubling up the Wildcats 16-8 over the first eight minutes and building a 30-17 lead by halftime.

Holbrook drew two quick fouls and scored just five

points before intermission, while Kettering's Andrea Hillsey tossed in 11 of her 15 points in the first 16 minutes.

"(Kettering's) defense was just outstanding," Oxford coach Ian Smith said. "We got caught back on our heels a little bit."

Then the fun began.

Kettering's Amanda Batcha hit a baseline jumper, then converted a three-point play to put the Captains up 35-17. Kettering stretched their biggest lead of the game to 20 points, 39-19, on a drive along the baseline by Batcha with 3:50 remaining in the third quarter. Then the Captains got careful, and Oxford started its comeback.

Holbrook got Oxford's run started with a pair of free throws and a baseline jumper sandwiched around a 3-pointer from junior guard Dana Millard. Senior point guard Beth Drake got a steal and freshman Caryn Inman followed with a 3-pointer, cutting the lead to 10.

Hillsey was whistled for an offensive foul and Millard followed with a drive with 45 seconds left in the third. After junior guard Jill Frazier hit two free throws for Kettering, Inman finished the period with a 3-pointer that cut the Captains' lead to 41-34.

Holbrook stole the ball from Batcha and scored to open the fourth, and the teams traded possessions without scoring until Holbrook hit two free throws with 5:48 left in the game to pull Oxford

within 41-38.

But Becky Stepp hit a 15-foot jumper, then tied up Drake and gave Kettering possession on the jump ball. Hillsey followed with a three-point play with 4:38 left to put the Captains up 46-38. Oxford sophomore forward Payge Salquist hit four free throws, the last two coming with 3:44 left, which pulled Oxford to within 46-42.

"We got a little tentative and missed some shots," said Kettering coach Scott Woodhull, who was ecstatic about his team's first-half performance. "(In the first half) they put so much pressure up (on the ball), I felt if we could handle the ball we could put them in some bad spots. We were able to do that."

Hillsey was fouled on a questionable call on Holbrook with 1:53 left and hit 1-of-2 at the line, and Batcha hit a free throw in the waning seconds for the game's final points.

Hillsey wasn't surprised the Wildcats put together such a spirited comeback in the second half.

"When you play a team that's (23-0), you know they're going to make some kind of run," the Captains senior said. "We just remembered to stick with what we were doing at the start of the third quarter."

Hillsey led the Captains with 15 points, while Batcha had 14 and Devon Hillstrom scored nine.

Holbrook was Oxford's leading scorer with 15 points, and she pulled down 11 rebounds. Millard chipped in 11, while Drake and Inman scored six apiece. Salquist finished with four points, three steals and five rebounds for the Wildcats.

## Marian rolls to another Class A regional crown

When its state tournament time, never count out Birmingham Marian as a possible Final 4 team — regardless of what the Mustangs' record is at the end of the regular season.

West Bloomfield found that out Wednesday night in the Class A regional finals.

The Mustangs, the defending state champions who posted just a 11-9 regular-season record, posted a familiar roadblock and derailed West Bloomfield's journey in the state tournament 48-36 at Birmingham Groves.

Senior Crystal Andrews scored 15 points to lead Marian (16-9), while Renee Demres added 11 points and Katherine Solner eight points for the Mustangs, who sealed the win with a 14-8 scoring edge down the stretch.

## Springfield from page C1

Stateline always has a good team and you have to be weary of them. They didn't shoot the three as much as they did in the past, but they have a lot of guards and they are quick driving the lane."

Springfield only had two players score in double figures, but a balanced attack and a commanding edge on the boards proved to be the difference.

"We rebounded fairly well," said Hopkins. "For a school our size, we have pretty good height."

And we were able to used that to our advantage."

Jon Vanaman, a 6-foot-2 senior forward, scored a game-high 20 points on 10 of 15 shooting to go along with four rebounds, three steals and two blocked shots to lead Springfield. Senior forward Adam Armstrong added 10 points and 14 rebounds, and 6-3 sophomore center Knoa Knapper collected four points, five rebounds and two blocks for the Eagles.

Senior guard Aaron Allen and

junior guard Mike Ringle scored 11 points apiece to lead Stateline, while freshman guard John Dalton chipped in eight points for the Patriots.

"We still have a lot of room for improvement; we didn't peak in our first game," said Hopkins, whose squad hosts the annual eight-school Springfield Tip-Off Classic Dec. 2-4. "But overall I'm pleased. Any time you open the season with a win, especially against Stateline, you have to be pleased."

## Shiels from page C1

Pebble Beach, enjoying her first honeymoon!

The photographs of winners like Nicklaus, Mark O'Meara, Tom Kite and Johnny Miller are as enjoyable as the rare maps and the shot of a 200-foot wave cascading over the rocky break wall. You might consider skipping the \$300 green fee and investing in this book instead.

The stunning photography of Iain Macfarlane Lowe graces the giant cover of "St. Andrews and the Open Championship: the Official History," which is bursting with historic detail and drama. St. Andrews native David Joy has written the accompanying text, which leaves no stone unturned in the "Royal and Ancient" history of the course and its championships. Impossibly again, this book actually contains the first ever photograph taken of the "birthplace of golf."

Having visited St. Andrews for the 1996 Dunhill Cup Matches, I can tell you that there is no other souvenir better suited for someone who has played the Old Course or plans to make the pilgrimage to do so. You may also consider this book a virtual trip for those who cannot get there, it is that detailed and overwhelming to the senses.

Sleeping Bear Press offers a 30% discount to local shoppers who buy both books. Call 800-487-2923 for more information.

Good hunting, good shopping, and good golfing this holiday season, and be sure to find a gift that, like golf, keeps on giving.

(Michael Patrick Shiels, Observer & Eccentric Golf Writer, can be reached at Mshiels@aol.com)

## Lebrun from page C1

freshman.

"She came in this year and was one of our leaders," he said. "She didn't try to flaunt her talents or show off. She helped a lot of the other kids and she was always on the pool deck cheering on her teammates. She made her teammates better."

Now that her first high school season has come to an end, Lebrun is continuing her daily workouts, which often start before sunrise. But even those early-bird practices don't distract her mind-set.

"I don't really care for those morning practices; I'm kind of cranky in the morning," she laughed.

"But that's just part of swimming and I want to get better."

Lebrun says she has set her sights on some pretty lofty goals and must continue to train year-round in order to accomplish them.

"I would love to someday be a state champion in an event and to earn a college scholarship by the time I'm a senior," said Lebrun, who also plans to try out for Lake Orion's freshmen softball team in March. "I love swimming very much and I want to succeed more than anything."

So far, so good.

## Hockey from page C1

elite. Clarkston will face Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, Redford Catholic Central, Livonia Churchill, Port Huron Northern and Trenton — all teams expected to be ranked in the Top 10 in their respective classes.

The Oakland Activities Association Division I schedule isn't much easier. The Troy Unified, Royal Oak Unified and Birmingham Unified teams each combine their city's two high schools, and are expected to and form Clarkston's top opposition for the

league championship. West Bloomfield, the other OAA Division I team, split with the Wolves once in two matchups last season. However, Clarkston returned the favor last week with a season-opening 6-0 triumph over the Lakers.

Krygier wants to limit opponents to less than three goals per game and feels with defensive improvement and the play of Badger, that goal is possible.

"I think we should be able to score three or four goals and

win, that's what we're looking for," Krygier said. "This (year) is our opportunity to prove we belong with some of the top teams."

Clarkston competed in Cranbrook's Thanksgiving Invitational.

Tournament over the weekend, where they faced Buffalo (N.Y.) St. Joe's in the opener. Depending on that result, the Wolves faced Cranbrook or Birmingham in either the championship or consolation match.

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## NORTH OAKLAND SPORTS BRIEFS

### Reporting Scores

With the winter sports season already in full swing for some area teams, the Eccentric would like to remind all varsity coaches to please send in their results by one of the following methods:

- Schools in Clarkston, Lake Orion and Oxford may call (248) 69-34900 or fax to (248) 693-9716.

- Schools in Waterford may call (248) 625-1900 or fax to (248) 625-5712.

- Schools in Auburn Hills, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Orchard Lake, Rochester, Southfield, Troy, Walled Lake and West Bloomfield may call (248) 901-2560.

Deadline for publication are 11:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays.

### Athletes for work event needed

Central Parking/National Garages at the Pontiac Silverdome is searching for groups of student-athletes, coaches and parents to work in the parking division as cashiers or parking lot attendants for upcoming events at the Silverdome, including Lions games, concerts, truck polls, etc.

All workers must be at least 16 years of age, and can work in groups of 5-50 people. Groups can combine their hours and can raise money for their respective athletic department, booster club, or individual scholastic program.

Many schools from around the Detroit Metropolitan area have been involved in this program for many years, and positions are limited.

Please call Shawn Rhodes or Sharon Little (248) 338-9690 for further details.

### Christmas Hockey Clinics

Suburban Hockey Schools, based in Farmington Hills, will conduct its popular four-day Christmas clinics for ages 6-14 during the Christmas break in two different sessions, beginning Dec. 20 and Dec. 27, at six different locations throughout the Detroit area. Cost for the clinics are \$130.00 an individual. Class size is limited and pre-registration is required.

For further information, please call (248) 478-1600.

### AAU Try-outs

Anyone interested in AAU girls basketball tryouts must note the following information:

- Dec. 5 at Orchard Lake St. Mary's: Shock/Pistons for ages 10-13 will try out between 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For additional information call John Ciszewski at (248) 693-8943 or Stephen Rivette at (810) 750-9421; ages 14-16 will try out from 1-4 p.m.. For additional information, contact Mike Flood (248) 693-6653, or Larry Neill at (248) 620-0238.

- Dec. 5 at the Lake Orion Cerc Building (former high school): Vipers for ages 12-and-under from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Please call Cyndie Sloan at (810) 243-2891; ages 13-and-under from 2-4 p.m. For additional information, call Rick Campbell at (248) 693-2993; Ages 15-and-under from 12-2 p.m. For additional information, call Brad Ross at (248) 391-1582 or Mark Noll at (248) 391-9862.

There will be a \$5.00 tryout fee for each individual and athletes must have a parent present at the beginning of each respective tryout session.

### Lahser cheerleading clinic

The third annual Lahser Cheer/Dance Clinic will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11 at Bloomfield Hills Lahser High School. There is a \$35 registration fee and registration deadline is Nov. 29. All camp participants must register in advance.

The future cheerleaders will learn one cheer and dance to perform during half-time of a Lahser varsity boys basketball game. Campers should dress in loose clothing and wear tennis shoes.

Besides one day of instruction from the Lahser High School

cheerleaders, campers will receive a T-shirt, shorts and poms.

For more information, call Lahser coach Perzmella Harris at (248) 339-3200.

### Tennis mixers slated

Franklin Fitness and Racquet Club is hosting a Saturday night tennis mixer for \$16 a night. The tennis nights will be Jan. 8, Jan. 22, Feb. 12 and March 11. You can also buy four nights for \$59 or a six-night package for \$87. For information call Marilyn at (248) 879-1673 or Al at (248) 646-4277.

### Lieberman-Cline hoop camp

A two-day interactive Nancy Lieberman-Cline Basketball Camp will be held Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 11-12, at West Bloomfield High School. The camp will be presented by Lieberman-Cline, Shock staff members, coaches, and Michigan college and high school coaches.

The morning session will run 8:30 a.m.-noon and is for players in grades 1-6. An afternoon session will run 12:30-4 p.m. and is for players in grades 7-12.

Cost is \$75 per person and includes contests, trophies, games and one ticket to an upcoming Shock game.

For more information and to register call Eve Claar at (248) 377-8662.

### All-Area Basketball Meeting

The 1999 All-Eccentric Area girls Basketball Meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Monday, December 6, in the second-floor conference room at Birmingham Corporate Office, located at 805 E. Maple.

Schools included are Auburn Hills Avondale, Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, Birmingham-Detroit Country Day, Birmingham Groves, Birmingham Marian, Birmingham Seaholm, Bloomfield Hills Andover, Bloomfield Hills Kingswood, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Bloomfield Hills Roeper, Bloomfield Hills Sacred Heart, Clarkston, Clarkston Springfield Christian, Lake Orion, Oxford,

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For more details, please contact Rochester/Troy sports editor Jim Toth at (248) 901-2578.

### Schedule Call

The North Oakland Eccentric Sports Department is collecting winter sports schedules for Clarkston, Clarkston Springfield Christian, Lake Orion, Lake Orion Shalom Baptist, Oxford and Oxford Christian.

Athletic Directors or varsity coach may fax them to (248) 693-9716, or mail to: The Eccentric Sports Department, 790 S. Lapeer, Lake Orion, Michigan, 48362.

### Raiders Tryouts

The Michigan Raiders AAU girls basketball program will be conducting tryouts on Saturday, Dec. 5, at Oakland University's Sports and Recreation Center.

The tryout times are as follows: 10-and-under (3-5 p.m.); 11-and-under (9-11 a.m.); 12-and-under (9-11 a.m.); 13-and-under (11 a.m.-1 p.m.); 14-and-under (1-3 p.m.); 14-and-under (1-3 p.m.); 15-and-under (11 a.m.-1 p.m.); 16-and-under (3-5 p.m.); and 17-and-under (1-3 p.m.).

Cost is \$10.00 for each athlete. For further information, consult the Raiders' web page at [www.michiganraiders.com](http://www.michiganraiders.com) or call (248) 922-9723.

### Frankhouse signs with Western

Frankhouse signs with WMU  
Tim Frankhouse, a 1998 graduate of Rochester High School, has signed a national letter-of-intent to play baseball at Western

Michigan University.

Frankhouse, who played on the Falcons' Class A state championship team in 1997, is currently at Mott Community College in Flint, where he garnered honorable-mention Junior College All-America last June after batting .375 with a school record 66 hits, five home runs, 15 doubles, five triples and 47 RBI.

Frankhouse is also a former player of the Oakland-County-based North Oakland Starts and currently plays summer ball with JetBox.

### Elks National Hoop Shoot

Clarkston-area boys and girls, ages 8-13, are eligible to enter the annual Elks National "Hoop Shoot" Free Throw Contest, hosted by the Pontiac-Waterford Elks #10 post.

This event, which is scheduled for Dec. 4 at Mason Middle School in Waterford Township, will have boys and girls placed in separate age groups determined by age as of April 1, 2000.

Ages 8-9 will begin at 1:30 p.m.; ages 10-11 will begin at 3 p.m.; and ages 12-13 will begin at 4:30 p.m. All contestants must arrive one half-hour before starting time.

For further information, call (248) 674-5441.

### Woods inducted into MMSHF

Michigan resident Della Woods has been inducted into the Michigan Motor Sports Hall of Fame.

Woods, who was inducted into the Grand Rapids-based Hall on Nov. 7, was the first woman driver to exceed 200 mp; the first woman to run in the five-second bracket; and was the first woman driver to reach the semifinals in a National Hot Rod Association national event in a Top Fuel Funny Car Class. Woods also was the fastest woman to drive a full-bodied car in a drag racing history with a career record of 5.79/244.

## TEAM TRYOUTS

### BASKETBALL

■ Officials from the Knights AAU Girls Basketball program is holding a preseason information meeting for all new, returning or prospective players and parents for all age groups 10-under to 17-under. The meeting takes place from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Nov. 18 at Bloomfield Hills Andover High School. For more information, call William Jones (248) 373-8655 or Jeff Gruca at (248) 356-4088.

■ Knights AAU basketball tryouts for the 2000 season for girls in all age groups from 10-under to 17-under takes place Dec. 5 at Bloomfield Hills Andover High School. For specific tryout times and an information brochure, call William Jones (248) 373-8655 or Jeff Gruca at (248) 356-4088.

■ The Michigan Spartans Girls Basketball AAU tryouts, ages 10-13, will be held from 4-7 p.m. Nov. 21 at Franklin Fitness & Racquet Club. Following are the try out times: 10-under and 11-under, 4 p.m.; 12-under, 5 p.m.; and 13-under, 6 p.m. There is a \$10 registration fee. Franklin is located at 29350 Northwestern Highway in Southfield, one-quarter north of 12 Mile Road. For more information, call (248) 557-3784.

### BASEBALL

■ The Birmingham/Troy Red Sox 12-year-old baseball team is having indoor tryouts for individuals interested in federation baseball. Anyone wishing to try out should contact Joe Matos at (248) 740-8687 or e-mail Mark Sackett at [redsox@bignet.net](mailto:redsox@bignet.net).

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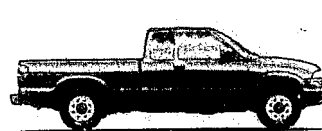
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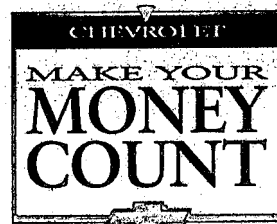
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**200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY** — 1. Farmington Hills Mercy (Erin Downs, Amy McCullough, Elizabeth Garlow, Elizabeth Posvar), 1:46.95, new Class A and all-class finals meet record, old record, 1:47.23, Birmingham Seaholm, 1992; 2. Grosse Pointe North, 1:48.78; 3. Zeeland, 1:49.28; 3. (tie) Livonia Stevenson, 1:49.28; 5. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 1:50.00; 6. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 1:50.36; 7. Portage Central, 1:51.28; 8. Ann Arbor Huron, 1:51.97; 9. Rockford, 1:52.19; 10. Novi, 1:52.28; 11. Holt, 1:52.49; 12. Forest Hills Central, 1:53.53.

**200 FREESTYLE** — 1. Carly Piper, Grosse Pointe North, 1:50.68; 2. Krissy Tinney, Ann Arbor Huron, 1:51.26; 3. Clinique Brundidge, Southfield Lathrup, 1:54.75; 4. Katie Ladewski, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 1:55.08; 5. Lindsay Rodin, Grosse Pointe South, 1:55.86; 6. Abby Johnson, Grand Haven, 1:56.40; 7. Kelly Carlin, Farmington Hills Mercy, 1:55.27; 8. Elizabeth MacDonald, Farmington Hills Mercy, 1:55.55; 9. Jenna Perry, Howell, 1:55.95; 10. Kristin Loridas, Farmington Hills Mercy, 1:56.54; 11. Kim Beals, Bloomfield Hills Marian, 1:57.09; 12. Kris Utley, 1:57.87.

**200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY** — 1. Sara Johnson, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 2:03.48; 2. Katie Winkelhaus, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 2:07.10; 3. Drue Orwig, Zeeland, 2:09.06; 4. Lindsay Fetters, Farmington Harrison, 2:09.54; 5. Lindsay McErean, North Farmington, 2:09.78; 6. Andrea Hurn, Livonia Stevenson, 2:10.60; 7. Marcia Keat, Grosse Pointe North, 2:09.87; 8. Larisa Graham, Forest Hills Central, 2:11.37;

9. Andrea Yocum, Novi, 2:11.51; 10. Jennifer Merte, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 2:11.57; 11. Erin Spiro, Bloomfield Hills Marian, 2:12.99; 12. Amy Hartland, Novi, 2:12.29.

**50 FREESTYLE** — 1. Abby Seskevics, Grand Haven, 23.64; 2. Amy McCullough, Farmington Hills Mercy, 24.01; 3. Melissa Jamerino, Grosse Pointe North, 24.09; 4. Jenna DeJonge, Zeeland, 24.22; 5. Elizabeth Posvar, Farmington Hills Mercy, 24.37; 6. Lindsey Bedolla, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 24.59; 7. Melissa Pietras, Jenison, 24.64; 8. Saree Hopdill, Monroe, 24.72; 9. Rebecca Godek, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 24.76; 10. Steph Buckner, Battle Creek Lakeview, 24.93; 11. Liz Hipp, Troy, 25.15; 12. Courtney Greening, Traverse City Central, 25.18.

**ONE-METER DIVING** — 1. Allison Riccobono, Ypsilanti, 431.95; 2. Emmy Miller, Okemos, 387.40; 3. Tonya McCarty, Walled Lake Western, 364.50; 4. Kristen Lorentz, Harper Woods Regline, 362.25; 5. Ellen Van Cleave, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 361.70; 6. Cara Ajcini, Grand Blanc, 354.15; 7. Megan Dankovich, Bloomfield Hills Marian, 351.50; 8. Katy Ballentine, Livonia Stevenson, 349.60; 9. Jan Altar, East Kentwood, 345.95; 10. Adrienne Ardis, East Kentwood, 343.90; 11. Rochelle Wells, Jenison, 325.75; 12. Dianna Anderson, Grosse Pointe North, 324.60.

**100 BUTTERFLY** — 1. Kammy Miller, Grosse Pointe North, 57.52; 2. Michelle Lane, East Kentwood, 58.19; 3. Amy Hartland, Novi, 58.35; 4. Erin Downs, Farmington Hills Mercy, 58.46; 5. Katie Clark, Livonia Stevenson, 58.51; 6. Katie Ladewski, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 59.00; 7. Amanda Johnson, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 58.55; 8. Erin Spiro, Bloomfield Hills Marian, 59.54; 9. Amy Ingersoll, 59.64; 10. Larisa Graham, Forest Hills Central, 59.68; 11. Tori Throckmorton, Ann Arbor Huron, 1:00.22; 12. Jesse Levknecht, Forest Hills Central, 1:00.22.

**100 FREESTYLE** — 1. Abby Seskevics, Grand Haven, 51.47; 2. Elizabeth Posvar, Farmington Hills Mercy, 52.82; 3. Clinique Brundidge, Southfield Lathrup, 52.96; 4. Jennifer Thompson, 53.11; 5. Kelly Carlin, Farmington Hills Mercy, 53.11; 6. Melissa Pietras, Jenison, 53.38; 7. Betsy Armstrong, Ann Arbor Huron, 53.97; 8. Julie Kramb, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 54.05; 9. Karyn Schabinger, Utica Eisenhower, 54.07; 10. Erika Steele, Portage Northern, 54.13; 11. Casey Nicholson, Ann Arbor Huron, 54.26; 12. Rachel Ward, Brighton, 54.60.

**500 FREESTYLE** — 1. Carly Piper, Grosse Pointe North, 4:55.56; 2. Krissy Tinney, Ann Arbor Huron, 4:58.56; 3. Amy McCullough, Farmington Hills Mercy, 5:04.55; 4. Elizabeth MacDonald, Farmington Hills Mercy, 5:07.24; 5. Jenna Perry, Howell, 5:07.31; 6. Lindsay

Rodin, Grosse Pointe South, 5:08.48; 7. Rachel Curoi, Dakota, 5:07.34; 8. Angela Simetkosky, Livonia Churchill, 5:07.65; 9. Meghan Mocer, Livonia Stevenson, 5:08.37; 10. Stephanie Leaman, Grosse Pointe North, 5:09.98; 11. Kristin Loridas, Farmington Hills Mercy, 5:15.43; 12. Kris Utley, 5:15.57.

**200 FREESTYLE RELAY** — 1. Grosse Pointe North (Kammy Miller, Melissa Jamerino, Mary Cornille, Carly Piper), 1:37.10; 2. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 1:38.43; 3. Grand Haven, 1:38.54; 4. Grosse Pointe South, 1:39.01; 5. Zeeland, 1:39.18; 6. Farmington Hills Mercy, 1:39.47; 7. Bloomfield Hills Marian, 1:39.30; 8. Ann Arbor Huron, 1:40.15; 9. Brighton, 1:40.89; 10. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 1:40.91; 11. Portage Central, 1:41.29; 12. Battle Creek Lakeview, 1:41.85.

**100 BACKSTROKE** — 1. Sara Johnson, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 56.58; 2. Drue Orwig, Zeeland, 58.42; 3. Katie Winkelhaus, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 59.57; 4. Marcia Keat, Grosse Pointe North, 59.16; 5. Lindsay McErean, North Farmington, 59.55; 6. Jennifer Thompson, 1:00.87; 7. Tori Throckmorton, Ann Arbor Huron, 1:00.45; 8. Jessica Gracon, Ann Arbor Pioneer, 1:00.45; 9. Abby Johnson, Grand Haven, 1:00.88; 10. Kathryn Garrison, Portage Northern, 1:00.94; 11. Rensie Green, Dearborn, 1:01.28; 12. Amanda Hulzenga, 1:01.59.

**100 BREASTSTROKE** — 1. Kammy Miller, Grosse Pointe North, 1:04.71; 2. Andrea Hurn, Livonia Stevenson, 1:06.10; 3. Michelle Lane, East Kentwood, 1:06.22; 4. Crystal Spaulding, Grand Blanc, 1:06.41; 5. Lindsay Fetters, Farmington Hills Harrison, 1:06.75; 6. Elizabeth Garlow, Farmington Hills Mercy, 1:08.24; 7. Andrea Yocum, Novi, 1:07.84; 8. Stephanie Petty, Zeeland, 1:08.26; 9. Erin Hall, Holt, 1:08.30; 10. Chelsea Peterson, Portage Central, 1:08.46; 11. Hilary Slaght, Zeeland, 1:08.10; 12. Courtney Greening, Traverse City Central, 1:09.14.

**400 FREESTYLE** — 1. Grosse Pointe North (Melissa Jamerino, Mary Cornille, Carly Piper, Kammy Miller), 3:29.37, new Class A and all-class finals meet record, old record, 3:31.25, Farmington Hills Mercy, 1998; 2. Farmington Hills Mercy, 3:30.44; 3. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 3:34.95; 4. Zeeland, 3:37.00; 5. Ann Arbor Huron, 3:38.40; 6. Birmingham Seaholm, 3:40.25; 7. Grand Haven, 3:35.95; 8. Bloomfield Hills Marian, 3:38.50; 9. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 3:39.77; 10. Novi, 3:40.26; 11. Brighton, 3:40.57; 12. Livonia Stevenson, 3:44.03.

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## Outdoor Calendar

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## SEASON/DATES

## DEER

The firearms deer season runs through Nov. 30. The late archery season runs Dec. 1-Jan. 2 statewide. A late antlerless-only firearms season will be held Dec. 18-Jan. 2 on private and public land in DMU 452. A late antlerless-only firearms season will also be held Dec. 18-Jan. 2 on most private land in the Lower Peninsula. Muzzleloading season runs Dec. 3-12 in the Upper Peninsula and Dec. 10-19 in the Lower Peninsula.

## DUCK

Duck season runs through Nov. 30 in the North and Middle zones and through Dec. 7 in the South Zone.

## ELK

Late elk season runs Dec. 7-14 by special permit in limited areas of the northern Lower Peninsula.

## GROUSE

A special late grouse season runs Dec. 1-Jan. 1 in the Lower Peninsula.

## PHEASANT

A special late pheasant season runs Dec. 1-15 in much of the southeastern part of the state.

## RABBIT

Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

## SQUIRREL

Squirrel season runs through Jan. 1 statewide.

CLASSES/  
CLINICS

## FLY TYING

Hook Line & Sinkers bait shop in Lake Orion will hold fly tying classes every Wednesday and Thursday until the beginning of ice fishing season. Call (248) 814-9216 for more information.

## ROD BUILDING

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## FLY TYING

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

## MORE FLY TYING

River Bend Sport Shop in Southfield offers fly tying classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced tyers. Classes will be held at various times. For more information and to register call (248) 350-8484 or (248) 591-3474.

## CLIMBING CLASS

An introductory climbing course for the novice and first-time climber is offered at various times at REI in Northville. The class covers basic indoor climbing safety, technique, equipment and terminology. The course is free and available to adults and children. Call (248) 347-2100 for current schedules and additional information.

## ARCHERY

## LIVONIA RANGE

The newly renovated Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The range is also open Tuesday's and Thursday's by appointment only through the end of November. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Ave., east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410 for more information.

## JUNIOR OLYMPICS

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

## JUNIOR ARCHERS

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

SHOOTING  
SPORTS

## SPORTING CLAYS

Wings & Clays will host a sporting clays shoot on Sunday, Dec. 19, at the Bald Mountain Range in Lake Orion. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

## CLUBS

## CLINTON VALLEY BASS

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

## METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

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

## MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight mile roads. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

## FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Visitors are invited and refreshments will be served. Visitors are invited and refreshments will be served. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for information.

## FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Hills. Meetings are open to all anglers (boaters and non-boaters). Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

## HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS

The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Rd., Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

## BASS ASSOCIATION

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

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**MEET YOU HALFWAY**

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**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

**SEEKING A SOUL MATE**

This outgoing and friendly DBF, 42, 5'4", who enjoys music, reading and walks in the park, is ISO a serious and sincere SBM, 42-62, with similar interests, for a pleasant relationship. Ad# 7775

**FOCUS HERE**

This friendly SWF, 31, 5'6", who enjoys going to the movies, the outdoors and taking long walks, is seeking a fun-loving SWM, 30-36, who shares similar interests. Ad# 1706

**JUST US**

SWF, 35, 5'4", who enjoys fishing, sports and going to church, is looking forward to meeting a SWM, 29-41, for a possible relationship. Ad# 2814

**DON'T HESITATE**

Meet this pleasant SWCF, 48, a full-figured, blue-eyed, blonde cutie who enjoys travel, movies, music, and family times. Her heart is set on sharing a meaningful relationship with you, a kind, caring, SWCM, 45-58, Ad# 6594

**HEART OF GOLD**

Outgoing SWF, 59, 5'4", 125lbs., with auburn hair and green eyes, who enjoys antiques, home renovation and more, is looking for a SWM, over 55, for companionship. Ad# 1237

**FOR KEEPS**

This friendly, honest SWF, 45, 5'4", 149lbs., who enjoys bike riding, dining out and dancing, is interested in meeting up with a caring, sincere SWM, 38-55, who shares similar interests. Ad# 4240

**BIG-HEARTED**

This friendly SWF, 37, 5'9", with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys gardening, dining out and traveling, is looking for a SM, 35-45, to spend quality time with. Ad# 1361

**A SIMPLE REQUEST**

Make a new friend by calling this DWCM mom, 40, 5'8", who's looking for someone to share her interests with. If you're an outgoing SWCM, 35-45, who enjoys walking, camping, bicycling and watching movies, then you could be a perfect match for each other. Ad# 8191

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Semi-retired, spontaneous DWCF, 65, 5'7", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys photography, traveling, cooking and baking, is in search of an honest SWCM, 60-69, who loves the Lord. Ad# 4444

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**REBUILDING HER LIFE**

Catholic DWF, 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

**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

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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**

Pretty DWCM mom, 44, 5'4", 145lbs., with light brown hair and hazel eyes, a N/S, non-drinker, is seeking happiness with an easygoing, family-oriented DWCM, under 54. She enjoys swimming, movies, bowling, and reading. Ad# 4108

**ONCE IN A LIFETIME**

Attractive, personable Catholic SWF, 38, 5'4", with brown hair/eyes, is seeking an outgoing, sincere and handsome Catholic SWM, 33-44, who enjoys tennis, sporting events, reading and horseback riding. Ad# 6684

**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

**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

**VIVACIOUS**

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

**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

**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# 2652

**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

**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

**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

**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# 9915

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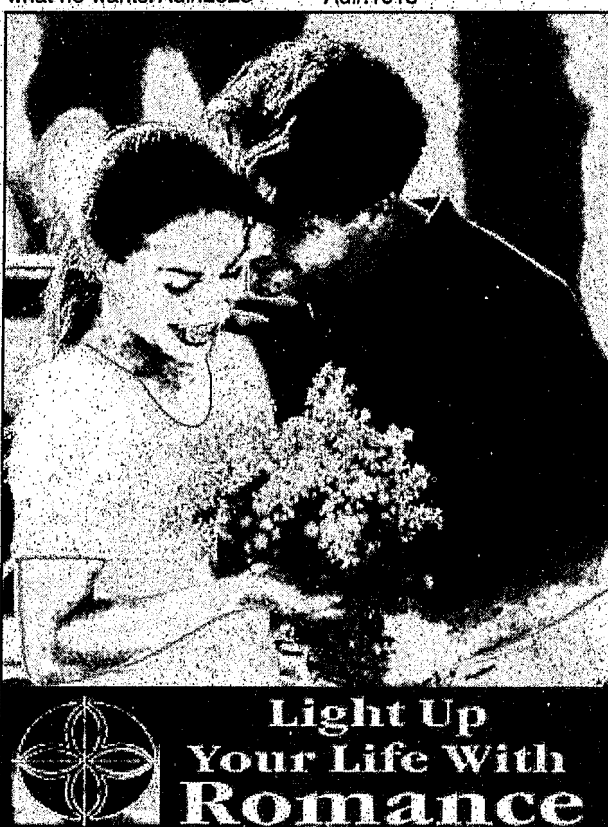
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Never-married, attractive SWF, 36, 5'2", with red hair and green eyes, who enjoys sports, music, traveling and playing cards, is ISO a kind-hearted SWM, 30-45, with similar interests. Ad# 6354

**END MY SEARCH**

Creative, educated and Jewish, I am a DWF, 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



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**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

**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

**FRESH START**

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

**LET'S CUDDLE**

Catholic DWF, 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

**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

**A RARE FIND**

Compassionate DWPC 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

**Seeking Females****AWAITING YOUR RESPONSE**

Outgoing, friendly, attractive Catholic WWWPM, 31, 6'1", who enjoys sports, ball games and a variety of other activities, is seeking a WWA/WBCF, 18-55, with no children. Ad# 1965

**LEAVE A MESSAGE**

Professional SWM, 40, 6', 190lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys camping, the theater and going for long walks, is seeking a SWCF, 26-38. Ad# 6789

**CELEBRATE LIFE**

Shy SWM, 31, 5'10", 220lbs., who enjoys camping, hiking, long walks and movies, is seeking a fun-loving, family-oriented SF, 25-35, who has old-fashioned values. Ad# 1018

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**MARRIAGE ON HIS MIND**

Take a minute to read about this wonderful DWM, 60. If you're a DWCF, 45-55, who enjoys family times, picnics, country music and more, you're just one step away from meeting him. Ad# 1445

**JUST YOU AND I**

Athletic SWM, 40, 6'1", enjoys jogging, biking, and playing golf, is seeking that one special, goal-oriented, compassionate, slender SWF, for a long-term monogamous relationship leading to marriage. Ad# 2739

**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

**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

**NEVER-MARRIED**

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 PEACEFUL MAN**

Never-married, caring, handsome SBM, 28, 6', is in search of a down-to-earth, true SWF, 40-50, who has God in their life. Ad# 4278

**SHORT BUT SWEET**

Friendly, never-married SBM, 38, 6'1", who is seeking a slender, outgoing, degreed SF, under 44, for dating first. Ad# 9317

**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 DWP 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**

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## Say it ain't so, Camaro

BY KEN VAN STEENKISTE  
STAFF WRITER

To some people a car is just a car — a way to get from point A to point B. But for stalwart enthusiasts, a car is like a best friend. And losing a car can be just as painful as losing a living, breathing best friend.

For example, consider the Eastern Michigan Camaro Club. Its members have been reacting to news that General Motors may cancel production of the once-popular Camaro and Firebird lines, and it hasn't been pretty.

"If it is truly the end of the line, I will definitely cry a little," said Barry Hensel, a Canton resident who is vice-president of the Camaro club.

Hensel bought his first Camaro at the tender age of 19 with money he earned working at a local tire manufacturer. It was two years old when he snagged it in 1973.

"It was in pretty good shape, but I eventually sold

it so I could buy a brand new one. I considered fixing it up but I decided starting from scratch was the best way to go," he said.

Ernie Honkel, president of the Camaro club, also spent his teen years scrimping and saving to get his first taste of the classic muscle car.

"I worked in a supermarket when I was 16 as a stockboy to buy my first 1970 Camaro, it was a year old," he said.

## Despite industry rumors, newspaper and television reports, Camaro club members like Hensel and Honkel are hoping that news of the car's death has been greatly exaggerated

Honkel, who's now a postal carrier, owns two Camaros today — a 1978 and a 1984. He's spent about \$20,000 restoring the cars.

"It helps when you know a bunch of people that work on them and can get parts, you tend to trade services," Honkel explained.

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSELMANN

Hot wheels: Camaro club vice-president Barry Hensel of Canton Township shows off with his classic hot rod. Club members lament the car's possible demise.

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"This could very well shoot the value of the older cars up, but members of our club would still rather see (the line) continued. It's nice to own a classic car with a long heritage," Hensel said.

Hensel is fairly well connected at GM. Besides being a designer at GM's Ypsilanti powertrain facility, Hensel said he's made "some pretty good friends at GM over the years" through the club.

Keeping an ear to the ground, he's collected information that leads him to believe the Camaro may only be taking a vacation, not retiring.

"You've got to read between the lines when people are talking about this, (GM executives) say 2002 may be the last model year, but when they say it there's a smile on their faces," he said.

Hensel reminds skeptics that GM opted not to produce a 1983 model year Corvette, giving 'vette nuts a good scare before picking up production with the '84 model. He hopes this is a similar situation.

"It's up in the air — we've also heard that 2002 will be the end of the line, because they want to end

Please see CAMARO, C7

## New windshield wiper blades make everything clear

Did you know that 90 percent of the choices you make while you're driving are based on what you can see? Did you also know that a surprising number of drivers can't see where they're going during a rainstorm thanks to old or worn windshield wipers?

Some surveys indicate that one in five vehicles have windshield wipers and/or washer systems in such bad shape that they're barely functional. Other data suggests that one in three drivers never change their wiper blades. Their blades are an average of seven and one-half years old.

"Wiper blades have an expected useful life of about six months to one year," Martin E. Kashnowski, director, product management, consumer products for Bosch said. "It's amazing that those drivers can see at all."

The drivers who do change their wiper blades regularly usually do it themselves. Seven out of ten blade replacements are done by the vehicle owner. But, most of the seven people who are changing their own wiper

blades are men. A recent study found men bought wiper blades more often than women did by a ratio of almost two to one. And surprisingly, only two percent of those surveyed reported safety as a reason why they purchased new blades, and they were men.

"Perhaps one reason that women don't buy wiper blades is that they are uncomfortable going into auto parts stores," Kashnowski continued. "That has changed. The retail outlets where our Bosch branded products are sold are well merchandised and customer friendly. Most retail outlets today actually perform wiper blade installation as a customer service. And, because we use only nine part numbers to cover the market, it's easy to choose the correct wiper blade for your vehicle."

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Edge Excel," Kashnowski continued.

The Micro Edge Excel's new pre-installed universal adapter virtually eliminates the need for other adapters. Eighty percent of Excel's applications fit the pre-installed adapter directly. Should you have one of the 19 percent of vehicles that require an additional adapter, it requires only an easy click-in-place installation.

Not only is the Micro Edge Excel easy to install; its performance is unsurpassed. Excel uses an exclusive dual rubber technology, that is one Bosch-blended rubber formulation for the body of the wiper element to keep it flexible, and a second rubber for the wiping edge for optimum cleaning and a longer performance life in all types of climate extremes.

In general, exposure to the harsh elements of sun, salt, cold, ozone and ultra violet rays limit the life of a wiper blade. The new Micro Edge Excel has been specially formulated to withstand extreme environmental conditions. Over a six month testing schedule, it demon-

strated little, if any decline in wiping performance.

Wiper blades are constructed with a tension spring to help keep the blade surface in contact with the windshield. During inclement conditions, snow and moisture, caught by an exposed tension spring, can freeze and reduce the wiper blade's flexibility. Bosch addressed this problem by insulating the metal tension spring by fully enclosing it in the rubber wiping element, helping to prevent the buildup of snow, ice and moisture, thereby ensuring superior all-weather performance.

Another problem that drivers can encounter with today's aerodynamically designed cars is that the wrong windshield wipers may lift away from the windshield at highway speeds. The Micro Edge Excel is built on an aerodynamic all-steel frame to work with the wind, keeping it in contact with the windshield at all speeds. The frame is coated with a zinc dichromate primer for corrosion resistance and extended service life.

## Camaro from page H1

on an even anniversary year," he said. The Camaro will be 35 in 2002.

Ron Chaudoin, General Manager at Lou LaRiche Chevrolet, said dealers won't feel a terrible sting from losing the models because they're "low-volume selling vehicles."

LaRiche sponsors the Camaro club, providing a facility for meetings and supporting the cruises and activities.

Like many others, Chaudoin feels GM's marketing strategy (or lack thereof) have driven the once revered Camaro and Firebird lines down a road to nowhere.

"Someone at GM is missing the boat on these cars. If they could just figure out how to sell the vehicles we'd be in good shape," he said.

According to Chaudoin, sales of the cars have been sluggish in recent years, far outpaced by competing brands.

"The Mustang outsells the Camaro three to one, that just doesn't make sense. The Camaro is three times the car in terms of its technology," Chaudoin said.

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## Help Wanted

### Job market overly abundant

By MARGO DEWEY  
SPECIAL WRITER

Need a job? Get one today! It's as easy as that.

Gone are the days when there were at least 20 applicants waiting for that one job which paid minimum wage or just a few bucks more. In fact, the Help Wanted signs have become a permanent fixture in some business windows. Some are situated right next to the store hours on the front door. Now it's business owners waiting and waiting for employees to fill out an application.

Is the job market really that good? Bruce Weaver, economic analyst for the Michigan Department of Career Development, said yes.

In 1998, people employed just part time in Michigan accounted for 899,000 jobs, he said. Females made up 71 percent of the part-time work force and 46 percent of the total employment in the state.

Retailing is the primary industry that utilizes part-time workers, with service oriented businesses next in line. But, Weaver said all businesses are having a tough time filling job vacancies due to a very healthy economy.

It's very difficult to fill the vacancies and find employees right now, he said. Because there are enough job opportunities out there, and with the unemployment rate very low, businesses will continue to have a hard time, especially now during the holidays when there is a need for seasonal workers.

In fact, the unemployment rate in Michigan as of last September appeared to be at an all-time low of 3.4 percent. In Oakland County the unemployment rate



Good job market: Barbara Cumming says there's strong competition for good employees and sees a bright future for placement companies like her Express Personnel Services.

is currently 2.1 percent. Wayne County has an unemployment rate of 3.5 percent. Other communities reported the following jobless levels: Birmingham 1.2 percent; Bloomfield 0.7 percent; Livonia 1.2 percent; and Westland 1.7 percent.

Barbara Cumming, owner of Express Personnel Services in Farmington Hills and Wayne, definitely feels the job market crunch. Her business places workers in temporary work situations where the majority of the jobs are 40 hours a week and the pay is very good. But, just within the last year or two, she has noticed a dramatic decline in applicants looking for jobs due to the plump economy.

"We have the jobs ready and waiting for people, but we just can't get the people in here like we use to," she said. "We have positions in light industrial, manual labor, clerical and even management. These are great jobs for people, but today there are very few people who don't currently have a job."

The job market is so good that businesses are often increasing the hourly wage or annual salary to remain competitive. This is creating a roulette wheel for employees. They see all the job opportunities that are available, and once they are trained for a specific job, they often

leave after a year or two for more money.

"We place between 30 to 50 people in jobs a week," Cumming said. "What we see most of now are people between jobs or are new to the community in need of a job. Some are looking for short-term labor, but most want full time."

Express Personnel Services provides job training and placement at no cost to the individual seeking a position. There is a procedure an individual must follow, however, to benefit from the job service.

They have to fill out paperwork and go through testing, she said.

"We interview them to find out their background and what they really want to do. They are drug screened," Cumming said. "We check their references, and then we train them as best we can for the jobs they most qualify for at the time."

Cumming has owned Express Personnel Services since 1995. She sees the future for job placement expanding.

"I think we will be the true partner for human resource departments," she said.

"There will always be a need out there for a job, but, as always, the economy will dictate the strength of the work force."

Right now, money talks for businesses

Please see HELP, D2

## When employers are reluctant, emphasize skills

Q. Many employers and recruiters are reluctant to consider people who have not worked in a particular industry. Certain sectors, notably automotive, are loath to consider applicants who come from the financial, service or public sectors. Not only are these employers restricting their applicant pool, but they are often screening on the basis of factors which are not bona fide requirements for successful job performance. Any thoughts or suggestions you could offer would be most appreciated.

### JOB SEARCH



GEORGE HAYES

Q. Having been in a purchasing role for a number of government agencies, I find that nobody in the private sector is interested in hiring me. Is there a stigma attached to government employees? I am very dynamic and well educated, but I can't get my foot in the door and find it frustrating.

- Geoff C.

A. First, let's exonerate the recruiters. Since most headhunters earn commissions only by making successful placements, assessing a candidate's marketability is elemental. If an applicant's background can be described in terms highly related to a potential employer's industry or discipline, the greater the odds that the recruiter will be able to arrange an interview. However, most employers would blow off a recruiter who tried to pitch an accountant for an engineering position, or even an accountant with retail background for an accounting

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needing employment. Gary Demirjian, owner of Anthony's Jewelry in Livonia, understands that message. In less than a year he had to replace nearly his entire staff.

"Within one year I had four people leave for better jobs," he said. "It's frustrating. You spend so much time and effort training people, and then they leave. It's so hard to find quality people these days."

Demirjian still is not fully staffed. He said his pay scale is very competitive, but when you have so many other businesses that also need help and are larger in size offering more money, it becomes a battle of the pocketbook.

Besides the newspapers, cable and trade magazines, one of the main networks for finding a job is on the Internet. Hot Web sites to find a job are:

- [www.monster.com/](http://www.monster.com/)
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job in automotive. Private recruiters are simply not in the business of facilitating career transitions, even when they know an outsider could do the job.

But why the square peg/round hole mentality among most company hiring authorities? Why the often nifty bias against people from only slightly different industries and almost all candidates coming out of the public sector?

First, employers tend to overestimate the complexity of their work and, consequently, the lead-time required for an outsider to get up to snuff. A Martian making a study of U.S. manufacturing would see no fundamental difference in the activities of a plant manager in a stamping facility and a plant manager in a molding shop.

But employers are likely to see major differences. Twenty years of stamping out parts almost guarantees that an employee won't be pressing plastic in this lifetime.

Basically, it's an ego thing. What if I admitted that most moderately bright people could write a column every bit as good as this one? It might dent my self-esteem.

Therefore, I'll ascribe to the view that writing about employment requires in-depth experience and a tremendous, esoteric body of knowledge. Yes, sir, it would take years for a person to get up to this level and produce a quality column week after week. — Right

I'll say it again: Most intelligent workers with good attitudes could do most jobs successfully when given appropriate resources, including time and training.

Now, employers have a very real need to reject candidates who are not direct hits when such resources are not available. And the ability to execute job tasks, even after a break-in period, doesn't mean that an outsider can adapt to the pace and pressures of a new situation. But that's true in intra-discipline and intra-industry cases, too. There will always be new challenges, even for a person going from Burger King to McDonald's. But no one would totally dismiss Whopper building experience because Big Macs are different.

So, you face a market that seems bent on preventing you from making a major

career or industry change. What can you do about it?

Know your audience and use its language. Many people write resumes in terms that are unique to their current industries. They seem to expect employers to understand product, process and service terminology that has nothing to do with their businesses. A manager who can't figure out your background certainly won't be able to relate it to a job opportunity her organization. Before approaching a company, get a feel for how they do things. Do some research. Use labels and descriptions that are meaningful in the target industry. Almost any skill, experience or achievement can be rephrased to make sense to a prospective buyer. With word processing, tailor making a resume or cover letter isn't that difficult.

Emphasize adaptability. One valid concern that an employer in one industry might have with a candidate coming from a completely different industry is the length of the learning curve. Be prepared with real life mini-stories about your suc-

cesses in mastering and applying new information. Talk about the time you went from knowing nothing to being the resident expert in the department. Show how you can zig and zag, hop and weave.

Focus on networking. If you intend to make a radical change, you will probably need a little help from your friends. Unless you find a headhunter who does pro bono work or has been sentenced to several hours of community service, agencies will not be your best resources. Don't ignore employment advertising, but if you are seeking a senior level position you will be competing with candidates who have directly related experience. Your best bet is to become educated by talking with employees in your target market and using your contacts to get introductions and uncover opportunities.

Send questions or comments to George Hayes, Job Search, P.O. Box 2497, Southfield, MI 48037 or email [jobsearch@emplex.com](mailto:jobsearch@emplex.com). Hayes is president of Emplex, a search and pre-employment testing firm, and a regular columnist.

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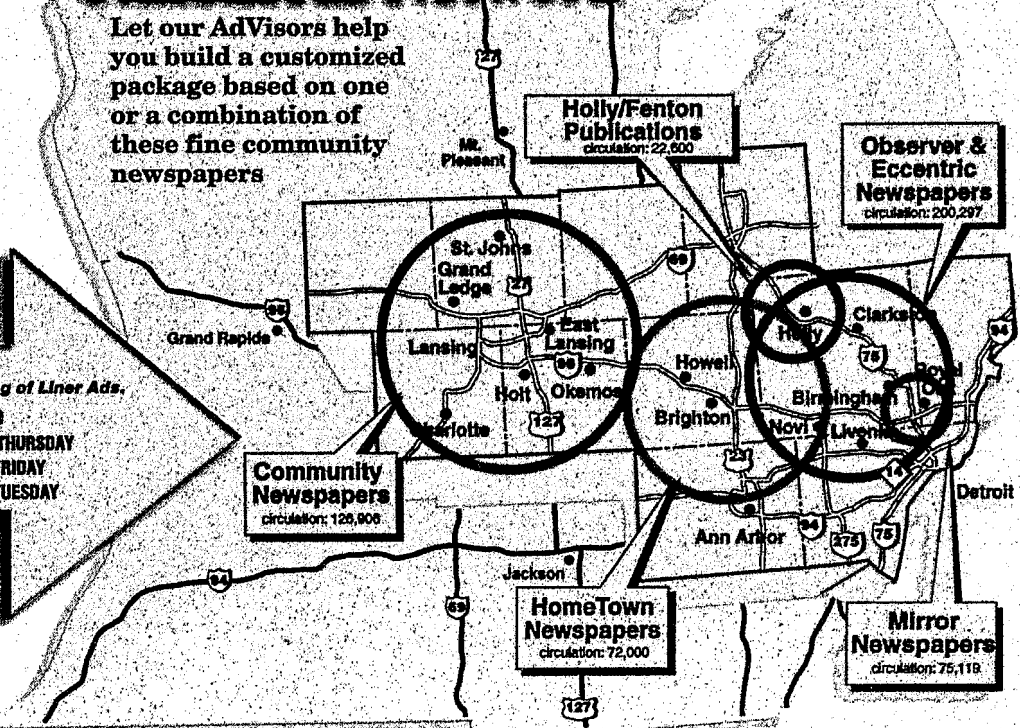
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Don (248)684-4336</p>	<p><b>500 Help Wanted General</b></p> <p><b>LOGISTICS/DISTRIBUTION</b></p> <p>Production Tool Supply Company, one of the largest industrial distributors in the country, seeks experienced Logistics/Distribution associates for its 200,000+ square foot, 190,000+ SKU warehouse/distribution operation. Full and part-time positions available.</p> <p>The successful candidates will possess at least 1 year warehouse/distribution experience. Knowledge of RF (radio frequency)/WMS (Electronic Warehouse Management Systems) required. Pay commensurate with experience.</p> <p>If you would like a challenging position with a growing company combined with a comprehensive benefits package including company paid medical, dental, life and disability insurance and company matched 401K, please submit your resume and salary history/requirements to, or stop by to complete an application between 8am-4pm, Mon-Fri., at:</p> <p><b>PRODUCTION TOOL SUPPLY</b> 8655 E. 8 Mile Rd. Warren, Michigan 48089 ATTN: Human Resources-LD Visit our website at <a href="http://pts-tools.com">pts-tools.com</a> Equal Opportunity Employer</p> <p><b>MACHINE OPERATORS</b></p> <p>A growing precision machining company with revenues of over \$200 million dollars has immediate openings. 1st &amp; 2nd shifts. Must be dependable. Experience turning Broach Machines a MUST. Competitive wages &amp; excellent benefits. Apply at Galaxy Industries, 41150 Joy Road, Plymouth:</p> <p><b>MAINTENANCE</b></p> <p>General maintenance for apartments. Full or part time position available. Call 248-549-5500.</p> <p><b>MAINTENANCE PERSON</b></p> <p>Full time for large apartment community in Rochester Area. Must have general maintenance experience, own transportation &amp; tools. Call (248) 652-9598 or fax resume (248) 652-8115</p>	<p><b>500 Help Wanted General</b></p> <p><b>MAIL ROOM CLERK/ MESSENGER</b></p> <p>HMHF Fun Vacations is looking for a full-time mail room clerk. 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Box 9053 Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9053. Attn: Brian. Fax 248-488-5538. Equal Opportunity Employer.</p> <p><b>Maintenance Supervisor</b></p> <p>Minimum 3-5 years experience for large mid-rise apartment. Immediate opening. Must have HVAC, plumbing &amp; electrical experience. Must be a motivated team-player to oversee 9 employees &amp; outside contractors. Competitive salary with full benefit package including 401K &amp; dental. Please send resume to: Town Apartments, 1151 First Street, Detroit, MI 48226 or fax resume to: 313-962-2724</p> <p><b>MAINTENANCE TECH On-Site</b></p> <p>Singh Management Co., Inc. is seeking maintenance tech for Rivergreen apartment community in Riverview. Ideal candidate will live on-site. MUST HAVE EXPERIENCE in apartment community maintenance and have tools. Competitive salary and benefit packages. FAX resume to TSG 248-865-1630 Or Call 248-865-1600</p> <p><b>MANAGER GROCERY STORE</b></p> <p>Tired of working weekends and nights? Local computer software company seeking a support and installer of grocery store computer software. Computer and grocery store experience a plus. Fax resume: 248-356-0106 Email: <a href="mailto:sales@flash.net">sales@flash.net</a> phone: (248) 356-0700</p>	<p><b>500 Help Wanted General</b></p> <p><b>MANAGER/DISPATCHER IMMEDIATE OPENING</b></p> <p>Downriver GS 8000 brake testing company seeks Manager/Dispatcher to oversee driving operation. This position requires a person with strong leadership abilities. Individual must have ability to handle multiple tasks and possess excellent organizational skills. Duties would include: Scheduling drivers and dispatching vehicles; Working with customers and engineers; Hiring driving staff and enforcement of company policies and procedures. A good driving record is absolutely necessary. Drug and hearing test required. Will train the right individual. Competitive pay and benefits available. 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 Birmingham Commercial Real Estate Company looking for an experienced Accounting/Bookkeeper. MUST have previous experience in Commercial Real Estate & Word/Excel as well as some type of property management software. Responsibilities include: supervising receivables, payables and collections; CAM billings, lease administration; Bank Fees, a complete understanding of general ledger/balance sheets, journal entries, budgets and building F/S's. Must be responsible & well organized. Please offer aggressive salary and benefits. Send resumes to:  
 Laurence & Associates  
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**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK**  
 Minimum of 2 years experience is required for this permanent full time position. Self-motivated and reliable individual needed immediately. Benefits. Send resume to: Accts. Payable Clerk, 41000 7 Mile Road, Suite 200, Northville, MI 48167 or fax resume to: (248) 449-4782

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**  
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**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**  
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**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
 for environmental consulting firm in Wixom. Computer knowledgeable. Blue Cross/Blue Shield, retirement plan. Salary commensurate with ability. Fax resume: (248) 624-3963 or mail 30366 Beck Rd. Wixom, MI 48393

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 to \$40,000 - Major Ren-Cen consulting firm needs 5 years executive level experience, Microsoft Office a must. Great benefits. Call Barbara 810-772-6760. Snelling Personnel Services

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 to \$30,000 - International automotive supplier seeks top-notch secretary with 5 years experience. Microsoft Office. Positions available in Auburn Hills & Farmington Hills. Fax resume to: (248) 474-5000 or fax 810-772-6760. Snelling Personnel Services

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 50 POSITIONS AVAILABLE  
 Check in inventory data. Strong math aptitude and computer skills. Must be able to commit to a 4 day work week & 10 hr. shifts. Training provided. **POSITION IN INVOICES REGR.**  
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**AUTOMOTIVE MERCHANDISING**  
 Merchandising/Customer follow up. PC skills. Salary negotiable. Full benefit. Fax resume to: (734) 782-5285

**BOOKKEEPER**  
 Headquarters for drug store chain seeking entry level person to perform A/R, A/P and general office duties. Opportunity for advancement. Excellent benefit package. Full/Part-time positions available. Send resume & salary requirements to:  
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 30 to 40 hrs. per week. Experience preferred. Walled Lake area. 248-669-9696

**BOOKKEEPER-PART-TIME**  
 Farmington Hills company is seeking a part-time bookkeeper. Must have full-charge bookkeeping experience through financial statements, including accounts payable and receivable. Please send your resume, in confidence, to: PO Box 250125 West Bloomfield, MI 48325

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 Join one of Michigan's Best Home Bank part-time position (approx. 5 hrs/day) in business office. Must have typing ability, basic math & computer knowledge essential. Call Martha: (248) 860-4443 E.O.E.

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 Pleasant, firm, persuasive person needed to pursue financial accounts for a non-profit organization. Flexible schedule. Some late afternoon and evening hours required. Send resume to: Box #2262 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

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 Service oriented individual to assist customers & sales personnel. Familiar with computer supplies & equipment preferred. Must have good keyboard skills & ability to learn & retain information about many items & part numbers. Good benefits. Send resume & wage history to: Michigan Data Supply; 3178 Old Farm Lane; Walled Lake, MI 48390; Attn: Resumes

**CUSTOMER SERVICE FULL TIME**  
 Responsible, organized person to perform diverse office duties. Must have good communication and customer relations skills. Mail resumes to: Star Systems 3700 Grand River, Suite 100 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 Attention: Personnel

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 Plymouth CPA is seeking part-time non-smoking CPA firm in a non-smoking office. Full or part time experience needed. Skills must include Payroll, Taxes, General Ledger, Heavy Bookkeeping, Credit/Debit, Only solid, organized individuals need apply. (734) 455-1040

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 Want to work with great people and interesting clients. Join growing Southfield CPA firm if you're detailed, team-oriented, and experienced with computer. Responsibilities: Bookkeeping, payroll taxes, etc. Excellent benefits and salary. Flexible schedule. Only solid, organized individuals need apply. Send resume: Culler & O'Keefe, 28384 Franklin Rd., Southfield, MI 48034-5503

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 Precision Machining Company has immediate openings. 2 or more years of experience running boring mills. Excellent starting wages. Excellent benefits. Apply at Galaxy Industries, 41150 Joy Road, Plymouth.

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 Outgoing person who enjoys people and challenges. Help coordinate patient care, dental specialty. Dental or medical background not a requirement. Will train an individual with strong verbal skills. Full time, days, Monday, 401-K and more. FAX resume to (734) 981-0339 or call Mike at (734) 981-7477

**BUSY BODY-SHOP**  
 needs experienced ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CLERK  
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 For Southfield P.I. & malpractice law firm. Minimum 3 years experience. Windows/MS Word knowledge a must. Send resume to: 24472 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI 48075

**LEGAL SECRETARY**  
 Needed for suburban intellectual property law firm. MS Word, comprehensive benefit package. Send resume: Box #2319 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

**LEGAL SECRETARY**  
 \$40,000 - 5 years corporate, real estate or litigation experience. Good computer skills. Work for partner, Donna 810-772-6760. Snelling Personnel Services

**LEGAL SECRETARY**  
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**DATA ENTRY CLERK**  
 For a tier one automotive supplier in Canton. Will update and maintain data for machine maintenance and tool departments. Must be computer literate with experience in WordPerfect, Lotus and/or MP or Windows. Fax resume to: (248) 353-2600 or Fax Resume: 248-344-9584

**OFFICE MANAGER/BOOKKEEPER**  
 Small marketing and design firm. Immediate position available. Experience required. Job sharing and some profeering. Full-time, weekends, flexible hours. Send resume to: Box #2278 Observer & Eccentric News 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

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 \$9.50/hr., minimum. Full medical, dental & life insurance. Mon-Fri, days. Full-time. General office duties & scheduling incoming calls. Pay increases every month. Ventcorp Air Duct Cleaning, Novi. 248-347-9300

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**PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR**  
 to \$32k - Prepare and process payroll for over 500 employees. ADP experience a plus. Good computer skills. Friendly Bloomfield Hills firm. 810-772-6760. Snelling Personnel Services

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 Professional Firm seeks motivated individual that can work independently or as part of a team. Must be proficient in Microsoft Word and Excel. Full-time, great benefits package. Reply to:  
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 Want to join a great place to work with lots of upward potential? Winning CPA firm in Southfield seeks individual with strong telephone, people, typing and computer skills. Join our great team and meet lots of interesting people. Flex hours and Part time is possible. Excellent benefits and salary commensurate with experience. Call Mary Lee at: 248-350-2600 or Fax Resume to: 248-344-9584

**RECEPTIONIST**  
 Fast paced real estate office needs mature Receptionist for part time evenings, one weekend day. Some computer knowledge necessary. Call Elisa 248-626-6700.

**RECEPTIONIST**  
 front desk, for growing physical therapy clinic.  
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**RECEPTIONIST**  
 Full time, benefits. W. Bloomfield mortgage lender. Apply in person. 248-622-3040

**RECEPTIONIST**  
 Full & Part-time positions for a mental health clinic. Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays. Experienced applicants preferred. Send resume to: PCC, 28511 Orchard Rd, Ste. A, Farmington Hills, 48334 or fax: (248) 489-9767.

**RECEPTIONIST**  
 Must be professional and dependable. Full time. Fax resume to: (248) 362-4509

**RECEPTIONIST**  
 Receptionist needed for busy Farmington Hills based Marketing & Public Relations Agency. Experience with multi-line phone system required. Full-time with benefits after 90 days. Hours Mon-Thurs. 9am-5pm, Fri. 9am-5pm. Fax resume to: K. Thomas, (248) 855-6719.

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**RECEPTIONIST**  
 Seeking a responsible individual with strong people skills to work in a fast growing dynamic organization. Responsibilities include operation of the phone system, some word processing and office upkeep, document filing, and customer interaction. If your skills and interests match these requirements, please submit your resume and salary requirements to: FDC, 1965 Research Drive, Suite 150, Troy, MI 48063. Faxes welcome! (248) 689-8603

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 Wanted. Vibrant, expanding company. 40hrs/wk. Salary adjustable with experience. (248) 827-7878

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 Immediate opening. Full time. To run real estate management company. Must have Windows 98 experience. Non-smoker. BS degree w/2+ years automotive & AB PLC experience preferred. Please mail resume w/salary requirements to: H5 Dept., 2925 Waterfront Dr., Rochester Hills, MI 48309. Fax 248-644-0777 / Fax 248-644-0778 Email: personnel@raanel.com

**QUALITY ENGINEER**  
 For a tier one automotive supplier located in Detroit. Must have automotive background with experience in automotive machining/assembly field. Strong analytical and problem-solving skills a plus. Must have working knowledge of manufacturing processes and quality assurance techniques with special emphasis on SPC. Fax resume to: Laura at (517) 418-1336 or mail PO Box 741, QE, Howell, MI 48844.

**QUALITY ENGINEER**  
 Kostal of America, Inc., a Tier One Automotive Electronics supplier has positions for qualified Quality Engineers. The ideal candidate shall have excellent communications skills in order to handle both internal and external customer requirements. Knowledge of APQP, PMP, SPC, PPAP, Warranty and QS9000 a must. Prior work experience in production or product related areas is also desired. Ability to read and speak German or Spanish is a plus. Send resume and salary requirements to: Human Resources, Kostal of America, 23684 Research Dr., Farmington Hills, MI 48335.

**SECRETARY**  
 Needed to work in dynamic office. Duties include phones, customer service, word processing and light accounting work. Positive attitude and good work ethic a must. Competitive salary and great benefits will be offered to the right candidate. Please submit your resume by fax to Laurie at 734-769-0035

**SECRETARY**  
 Must have knowledge of MS Word & Excel, type 45 wpm, able to handle multi-line phones & multi-tasks, be dependable. Construction billing experience helpful. Full-time position with benefits.  
 Fax resume to Betsy at: (248) 373-0398  
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**DENTAL ASSISTANT**  
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**Dental Assistants - Hygienists**  
Recruited for various Wayne & Oakland county offices.  
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**DENTAL ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST**  
Part-time. Experienced or new. Troy. (248) 740-5905

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**  
Periodontal Office in Livonia is seeking enthusiastic and energetic assistant for full-time position. Minimum 1 year's chairside experience. 1 evening, no weekends. Benefits available. Please call: (248) 422-7313

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**  
Must love people & love to smile! 1-2 yrs. experience preferred. Computer knowledge helpful. State-of-the-art. Southfield office. 248-632-2656

**DENTAL HYGIENIST**  
\$50,000 - \$70,000 Annually. Are you an experienced hygienist looking for an opportunity to advance professionally and monetarily? A high quality specialty practice in the Southfield/Birmingham area has the opening you've been watching for. Call: (248) 357-3100

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Our fun, friendly & professional practice in Wayne is looking for a people oriented person. Dental code and computer knowledge necessary. If you would like to join our team call: (734) 722-1617

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Call a chimney sweep to check your fireplace



**HOUSE DETECTIVE**  
Our home is only one year old. Now that we're selling it, the buyer's home inspector noticed that the wood mantle over the fireplace is blackened from heat exposure. How could this be happening in a house that is nearly brand new?

A common misconception among homebuyers is that newly constructed buildings, by definition, are completely free of significant defects. The consequences of this widespread fallacy are often costly and sometimes quite dangerous.

An essential point to remember is that new buildings are constructed by human beings, widely reputed to be an imperfect species.

Even building inspectors, generally of that same generic classification, are known to commit occasional errors in the course of their professional duties.

The mantle in your home is probably too close to the firebox. To comply with fire safety requirements, it should be at least 12 inches above the top of the firebox opening.

If it is becoming hot and is discolored, you apparently have a serious fire hazard and should cease to use the fireplace until it is evaluated by a certified chimney sweep.

Barry Stone is a certified building inspector. E-mail your questions to Barry@housedetective.com

## Apartments are part of la dolce vita

Village Green of Rochester, 300 upscale apartments under construction in Rochester, will offer luxury residential living and all kinds of amenities in a resort-like community.

Those will include a 6,000-square-foot clubhouse with indoor hot tub, racquetball court, fitness room, sauna, showers, business conference center, billiards room and gathering room.

Concierge service will be provided. The community also will include an outdoor swimming pool with waterfall, tennis court, tot lot and self-service car wash.

The residences, themselves, include 9-foot-high ceilings throughout, range, refrigerator and dishwasher, air conditioning, laundries in individual units, lots of windows and balcony or patio.

All have private entrances. "In the 1980s, you could give a washer/dryer, fireplace, big ceiling and knock 'em out," said Jonathan Holtzman, chairman and chief executive officer of the Village Green Cos. "Now, people are much smarter, sophisticated, knowledgeable, demanding."

"Village Greens today encompass a few things different," he said. "Number one, a desire to move back to a city with a downtown - Detroit, Chicago, Rochester, Royal Oak. It's an attitudinal issue ... New Urbanism. We wanted to be in downtown Rochester. It's a wonderful city - shopping, library, bicycling."

"Number two, it can't look like an apartment building. Look at this development. There's not one straight road. We've probably done more with landscaping and ponds here than we've ever done," Holtzman said.

"I think you're talking about freedom of time," he said. "We need to give renters more time to do what they want to do."

Tenants, according to Village Green projections, will include middle-aged, empty-nesters who want lifestyle changes, and younger people just starting out who want an upscale place to live while saving for a luxury home.

They will have good jobs and money. "They actually have an income of buy but choose to rent," Holtzman said. "When you look at this product, you see it as a condo for rent."

Thirteen floor plans are available. Rents start at \$850 per month for a



Luxury apartments: Developers refer to Village Green of Rochester, an apartment community under construction, as condominiums for rent.

one-bedroom, one-bath with 800 square feet, \$1,120 for two-bedrooms, two-baths with 1,175 square feet and \$1,720 for three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths with 1,425 square feet.

Carport space, \$25 per month additional or garage, \$80 monthly, will be available. Some residences will have a garage with direct access to the unit built into the rent.

The three-bedroom, 2-1/2 bath built as a model will feature: a living room, dining area, master with combination tub/shower and walk-in closet, secondary bedroom with shower and walk-in closet and a third bedroom or den/office option.

"Our apartment communities have been the highest rent and the highest occupancy. I think it's because we give the highest value," said Christina Steeg, regional marketing director for Village Green.

"A big attraction is windows, six-foot windows. There's lots of light coming

in," said Jessica Darnall, leasing manager. "Internal features are very upscale: white raised-panel, wood cabinets, crown moldings throughout."

Perhaps one of the biggest enticements to leasing in Village Green of Rochester is that original tenants may order better carpeting and appliances plus additional cable TV and telephone jacks.

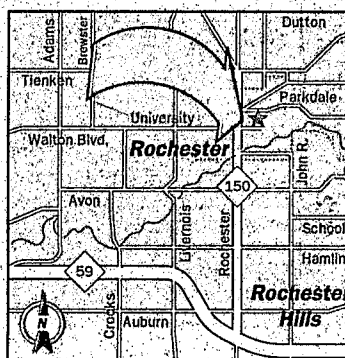
"We're not saying take it or leave it," Holtzman said. "Typically, renters stay two years. We see them here three, four, five years."

All utilities, including water, will be metered to individual units.

Cats and dogs weighing less than 25 pounds will be allowed, dogs limited to certain buildings. Tenants with pets will be charged an additional \$25 per month.

Village Green of Rochester is within the Rochester school boundaries. The first tenants are expected to arrive in December.

### Village Green of Rochester



A leasing trailer at Village Green of Rochester, (248) 656-8227, is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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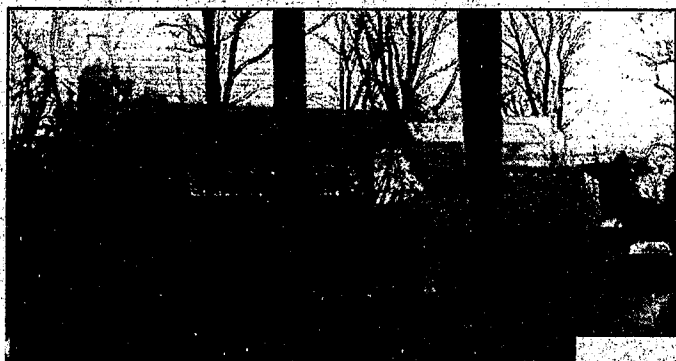
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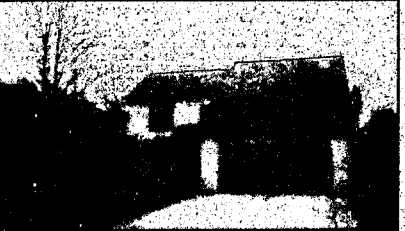
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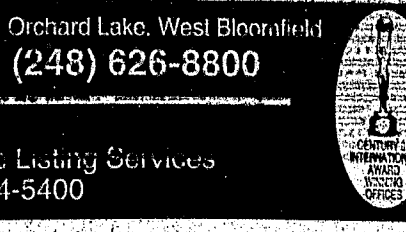
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A wide window bay expands the dining room, and a similar bay brightens the study. Linked to the master suite as well as the foyer, this room could be used as a home office.

Two work islands, one with a raised eating bar, add to the counter and cupboard space in the huge, fully equipped kitchen. Both islands have sinks. Two or more cooks can easily combine culinary efforts here without getting in each other's way.

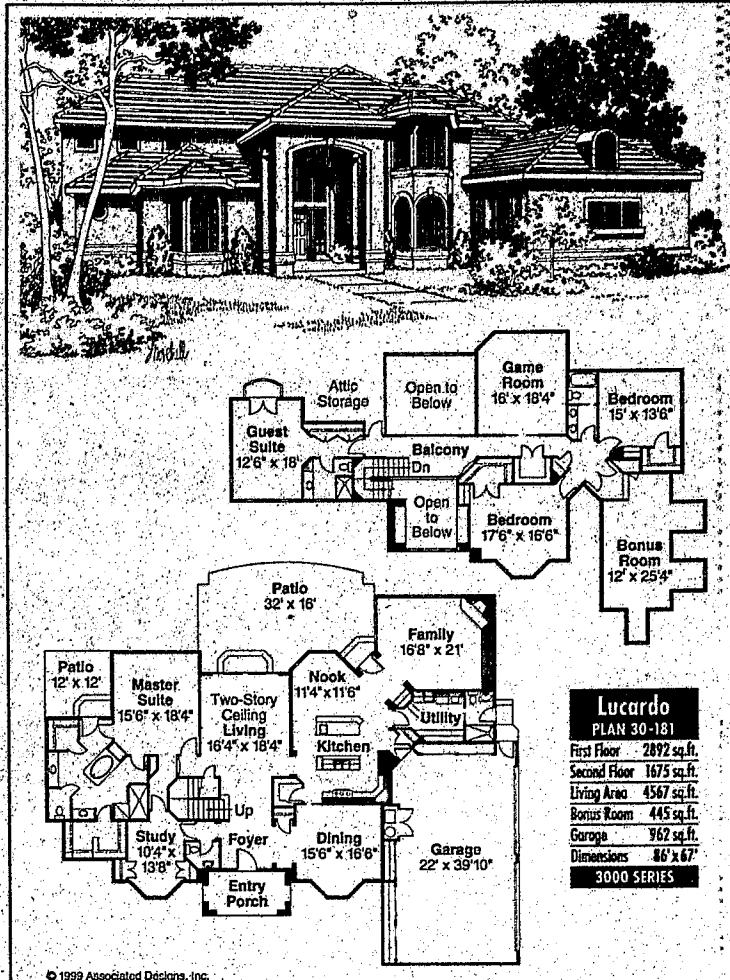
Bay windows expand the sunny nook, and glass lines two walls in the family room. Both spaces are exceptionally bright. Utilities and a small bathroom are nearby, in a pass-through space with exterior access.

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- Install weather-stripping and caulk around doors and windows and replace all screens with storm windows.

- Clean out the garage or shed and remove anything that might freeze, such as paint, caulks and adhesives.

- Take out any window air conditioners and cover the central air conditioner.

- Maintain and reset the programmable thermostat. Change the batteries and reset the unit for your winter heating schedule.

- Have a professional clean your chimney. Clean the ash dump and make sure the damper closes tightly.

- Paint high traffic areas like hallways or bathrooms. Begin by washing the scuff marks with a detergent solution so the surface is clean.

- Choose a paint designed for washability for previously painted walls in high traffic areas. An eggshell finish withstands repeated washings without fading and is ideal for walls and trim.

- Gather twigs and branches and cut for kindling. Use a pruning saw for thick branches and break thin pieces by hand. Stack them in a sheltered area so they'll be dry and accessible.

- Protect water pipes inside the house from freezing by insulating any that are exposed or susceptible to

north winds. Use either insulating aluminum backed foam or fiberglass pipe glass wrap, or flexible, closed-cell polyethylene foam insulation that is pre-slit to snap around the pipe.

- Avoid having frozen exterior pipes by draining the water out of the exterior spigot. A newer house may have a freeze-proof spigot but most older homes have a shut-off valve located inside the house.

To winterize the spigot, turn off water at the inside valve and then open the outside spigot to allow water to drain out of the pipe.

- Bring in a supply of sand, ashes or ground salt for icy sidewalks.

For more useful advice from the Hamiltons, visit HouseNet on the Internet at <http://www.house.net> or on America Online at keyword: HouseNet.

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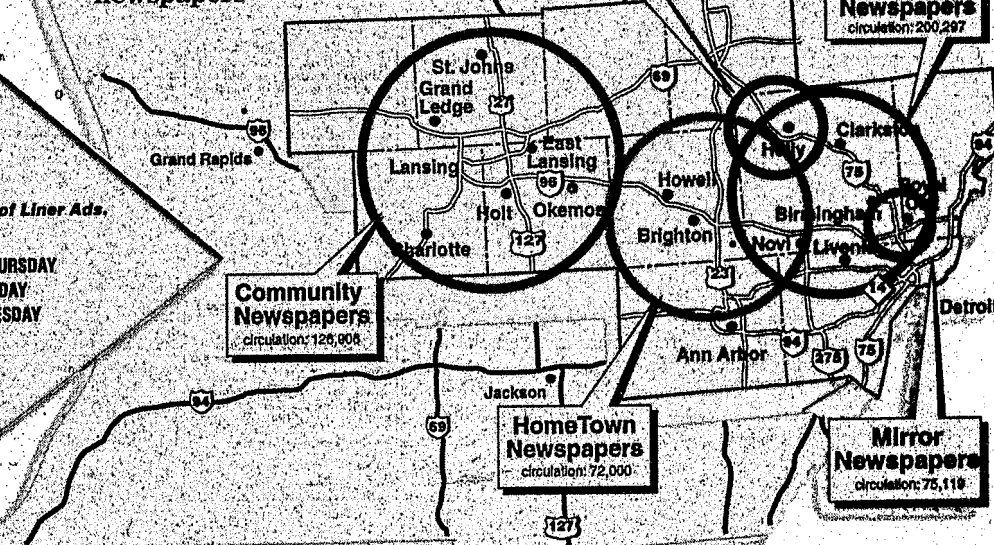


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**4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 1998 Colonial,** lovely 2 story oak foyer, spacious island kitchen, master w/whirlpool tub & shower, basement, garage & more. Extra! \$269,900.

## LOVELY

**4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, family room w/fireplace, dining room, finished basement w/bedroom, office & lots of storage, updates, newer roof, garage & more.** \$172,900.

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## CANTON COLONIAL

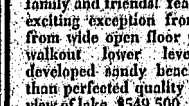
This 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Colonial has much to offer. Including newer or updated kitchen, windows, carpet, dock, partially finished basement and a 2 car attached garage and more. \$159,900 (ATCHO)

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**COUNTRY FEEL**  
Get the feel of country with this cute 2 bedroom starter home with Crestwood Schools. Updated kitchen, vinyl windows, hardwood floors, large garage and home warranty. \$89,900.

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Over 2,000 sq. ft. in this lovely 2 story cape cod. Finished basement, 3 car garage, 3 bedrooms and 3 1/2 baths. Family room with full wall fireplace, updated kitchen, bar, carpeting, decorative moldings and more. \$169,900.

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**NW DETROIT - 3 bedroom colonial,** 1 full & 2 half baths, new carpet throughout, updated kitchen & bath, 2 car garage. \$10,000-\$15,000 down LAND CONTRACT terms/negotiable. Immediate. Pgr: 313-210-4624

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**BUILDER'S SPEC**  
4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, gourmet size kitchen, family room w/fireplace, 2 car side entry garage, 100x135 lot. Priced at \$309,935. Call 248-478-7561

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One of the most sensitive topics to discuss with any homeowner is the state of cleanliness of his or her home. One person's opinion of cleanliness may be much different than that of another person. There is one fact, however, that is indisputable. A clean house sells faster and at a higher price than a similar home that is not as well kept.

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Another factor to keep in mind is the importance of the perception of the real estate community. A motivated Realtor® is your key to selling success. Realtors® have feelings like everyone else. If Realtors® see that your home is clean and well kept, they will be much more enthusiastic when describing your home to their customers.

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**ANDY SZYMANSKI**  
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