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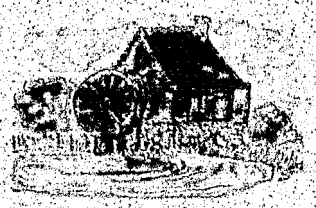

THE MILL POND

Thanks for service

Parks and Recreation Department secretary Beverly Robb retired March 31 after 24 years of service. Department director Ann Conklin publicly thanked Robb and wished her well at Tuesday's Independence Township board meeting.

Replacing Robb is Denise King, who had been a van driver for the department.

No washing dishes by hand

The Independence Township Senior Center is getting a present from the City of the Village of Clarkston. The city is reallocating its block grant funds from 1997-98 to the center to help it purchase a commercial-grade refrigerator, freezer and dishwasher, valued at $10,000 combined, for its kitchen.

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Ambulance service getting a look



■ Independence Township officials are considering asking voters to approve a tax increase so the fire department can provide ambulance service. Currently the township relies on a private ambulance company.

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Funding for in-house ambulance service could be a part of the Independence Township Fire Department's millage renewal request.

Some township officials are concerned about continuing to rely on a private company for ambulance service in the township.

The Fire Department is primarily funded by a 3-mill tax that needs to be renewed every four years. The millage is up for renewal this year. While the tax was voted in at 3 mills in 1983, it has been rolled back over the years because of the Headlee Amendment. Currently the tax rate is 2.53 mills.

Voters would be asked to approve levying the entire 3 mills and any additional millage in either the Aug. 8 primary election or Nov. 7 general election. Ballot language was to come before the township board on April 4, but the item was pulled from the agenda.

"We'd already come to that conclusion that we should put a whole package together," said Fire Chief Gar Wilson, who had initially approached the board about getting voter approval to levy the entire 3 mills.

He stressed that no details of a plan regarding township ambulance service are ready. Fire personnel are getting numbers and other details ready and hope to have a package to put before the board at its next meeting on April 18.

Something needs to be done about ambulance service, trustee Neil Wallace said at the April 4 board meeting.

"What I have found is the private ambulance service we have could be lost to us," Wallace said.

He thinks voters, if well-educated, would approve a millage for ambulance service. He thinks it is smarter to bundle the renewal and any increase together.

"I think it can be done," Wallace said.

Wilson said the department has been

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Looking glass: *Second-grader Allie Willis peers into a plastic case at old record books and textbooks at the Clarkston Heritage Museum.*

Lessons from long ago

Museum tour teaches kids about past



Sharing her knowledge: *Toni Smith, director of Clarkston Heritage Museum, talks to students about the Clarkston of yesterday.*

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It wasn't a branding iron, a big cookie cutter, a utensil to take pizza out of the oven or a giant bubble-blowing wand.

It was a teaching tool Monday, but 100 years ago it was a rug beater.

"This would have been your job," Clarkston Heritage Museum Director Toni Smith told 21 second graders.

That news was greeted by happy shrieks from the Bailey Lake Elementary students who had tried to guess what the metal object that did kind of look like a big cookie cutter was. They were at the Independence Township Library, which houses the museum.

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Block exercise: *David Rosales works with his group to choose blocks for a short history project.*

Local lake levels dropping from lack of rain

BY SALLY SLAUGHTER
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Lakefront residents are extending their docks in anticipation of another dry summer.

"I just put my dock out, and I extended it 10 feet," said Skip Wendt, who lives on Big Lake in Springfield Township.

Although water levels are down from a lack of rain last year and snow this past winter, Wendt put things into perspective.

"It's not as bad now as it was in the early 1960s when you didn't have the lake control board," said Wendt, who also is on the Springfield Township Zoning Board of Appeals. "This is of concern, but it isn't the catastrophe it was in 1961."

That year, the 6-foot-deep lake was down to 3 feet. Right now the water is down about 3 inches, but Wendt said it could drop 18 inches by the middle of summer and that is cause for worry. Big Lake is an all-sports lake and home to the Spraymasters Water Ski Club, he

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STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Annual rite: *Naturalist Tim Nowicki looks for signs of the first pond creatures of spring near the edge of Crooked Lake at Independence Oaks County Park.*

OBITUARY

OSCAR B. WENZLAFF

Oscar B. Wenzlaff of Clarkston, formerly of Kingston, died April 4, 2000, at age 89.

Mr. Wenzlaff retired from Twist Drill in Rochester and enjoyed gardening.

Mr. Wenzlaff is survived by his wife, Louise; daughter, Kathleen Boufford of Clarkston; and son, Don (Liz) Jones of Oxford. He is also survived by eight grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and seven great- great- grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral Mass was held Friday in St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston. Rite of Committal was at All Saints Cemetery, Waterford.

Memorials may be made to St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston.

Funeral arrangements were made by Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston.

String ensemble, fiddlers join in concert

■ The Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center.

The Clarkston Middle School string ensemble will have a chance to perform with members of the Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic this week.

The Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic will present an evening of musical family entertainment at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center.

Members of the Clarkston Middle School string ensemble will perform a few selections with the philharmonic.

Proud parents and others interested in going to the high-energy performance can get tickets in the main offices of Clarkston Community Schools buildings and at its administrative offices at 6389 Clarkston Road. Tickets are also available through the Clarkston Area Optimist Club by calling Ann Dutton at 625-6549 or Diane Midgley at 625-6869. Remaining tickets will be sold at the door.

The Clarkston Area Optimist Club is sponsoring the performance by the Saline Fiddlers Philharmonic. The group has performed in 10 states and three foreign countries. It has played twice at the White House.

READER REFERENCE

Clarkston school events

April 10: CHS sports—girls golf, baseball, softball, tennis and varsity girls soccer.

April 11: CE PTO general meeting. IND skate night. SP PTO general meeting. PK arts informance. CHS sports—baseball, softball, track, tennis.

April 12: BL PTA board meeting. PK, CE Skate Night. CHS sports—girls golf, baseball.

April 13: BL Arts Informance. CHS sports—baseball, softball, tennis, soccer.

April 14: PK Family Fun. CHS sports—soccer, baseball, softball, track.

April 15: State Jazz festival. NS School Fair. CHS sports—softball, track, baseball, tennis.

AE = Andersonville Elementary, BL = Bailey Lake Elementary, CE = Clarkston Elementary, CHS = Clarkston High School, CMS = Clarkston Middle School, IND = Independence Elementary, NS = North Sashabaw Elementary, OTC = Oakland Technical Center Northwest, PK = Pine Knob Elementary, SMS = Sashabaw Middle School, SP = Springfield Plains Elementary.

Clarkston Community Schools Elementary Lunch Menu

April 10: Nachos with meat and cheese and soft pretzel, hot dog on a bun, carrot coins, diced pears.

April 11: (Tiger's Opening Day) Double play burger on bun, hot dog on a bun, bullpen buttered corn, grand slam sliced peaches and ice cream sandwich.

April 12: Chuck E. Cheese personal buddy pizza, hot dog on a bun, tossed salad with dressing, fresh apple.

April 13: Chicken patty on a bun, hot dog on a bun, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail.

April 14: Crunchy fish and chips basket with roll, hot dog on a bun, waffle oven fries, applesauce, chocolate chip cookie.

Clarkston Middle School Lunch Menu

April 10: Fiestada, chicken patty on a bun, hot pockets, tator tots, pineapple, salad bar.

April 11: Cheese-stuffed breadsticks, toasted cheese sandwich, tator tots, apple, salad bar.

April 12: Nachos with breadstick, ham and cheese submarine sandwich, tossed salad, peaches, salad bar.

April 13: Little Caesar's pizza, tuna on a bun, carrot sticks, mixed fruit.

April 14: Chicken nuggets with roll, fish on a bun, mashed potatoes, applesauce, salad bar.

Sashabaw Middle School Main Course Lunch Menu

April 10: Little Caesar's pizza, taco boat with churro, turkey on a bun.

April 11: Chicken nuggets with roll, roast beef on a roll, salami and cheese sandwich.

April 12: Little Charlie pizza, cheese-stuffed breadsticks, chicken salad in a roll-up.

April 13: Nachos with a roll, chicken patty on a bun, tuna in a pita.

April 14: 4x5 pizza, fish and chips in a basket, toasted cheese with tomato soup.

Independence Township Library

April 11: Evening Book Discussion—*Do the Windows Open* by Julie Hecht.

April 12: Storytime—10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

April 13: Are You Listening? program for adults—6:30-8:30 p.m.

Independence Township Recreation

In-line hockey league registration begins April 17. The league plays at Clintonwood Park. Call the Recreation Department for a registration form.

Summer swim lesson registration begins May 20.

A "Bunny Poolooza" splash party is planned for 7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, in the Clarkston High School pool. Tickets are $3 per person and must be purchased by April 12.

Summer youth baseball/softball camp registration is going on now. There are three camps for ages 4-14.

Information is available at the Parks and Recreation office for adult sand volleyball.

Tickets are on sale now for the Marshmallow Drop at 11 a.m. April 15 in Clintonwood Park. Children ages 12 and younger may participate. Tickets are $4 per child for residents and $6 for non-residents.

A Holiday Extravaganza is planned for 10:30 a.m. until noon April 18. The party is for 2- to 5-year-olds and is a celebration of the season. Tickets are $4 for residents and $6 for non-residents.

Independence Township Senior Center Lunch Menu

Monday: Chicken cordon blue
Tuesday: Low-sodium ham
Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce
Thursday: Roast beef with gravy
Friday: Tuna melt

To reserve a meal, call Joan at 625-8231 by 10 a.m. the day before the lunch you want.

Two trips have been planned for April. The first is to see *Fantasia* at the IMAX theater in Dearborn on April 12. The trip also includes a visit to the Spirit of Ford and lunch. The second trip is to see Champions on Ice on April 22. For more details, call the senior center.

Ask the Eye Doctor is planned for 11 a.m. April 13. Dr. Thomas Biggs of Oakland Eye Care will discuss proper care for aging eyes and some common eye problems. The first 25 people to sign up will receive a complimentary lunch in the dining room after the talk.

A Spring Fling Party is set for 11:30 a.m. April 19. The cost is $4 and includes a ham dinner with all the trimmings. The Clarkston High School Chorus will perform. Participants need to register ahead of time.

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Department of Public Works — 625-8222
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Township Hall — 625-4802
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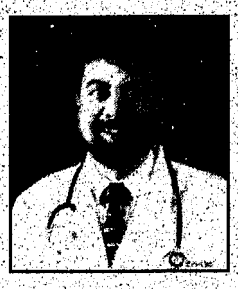
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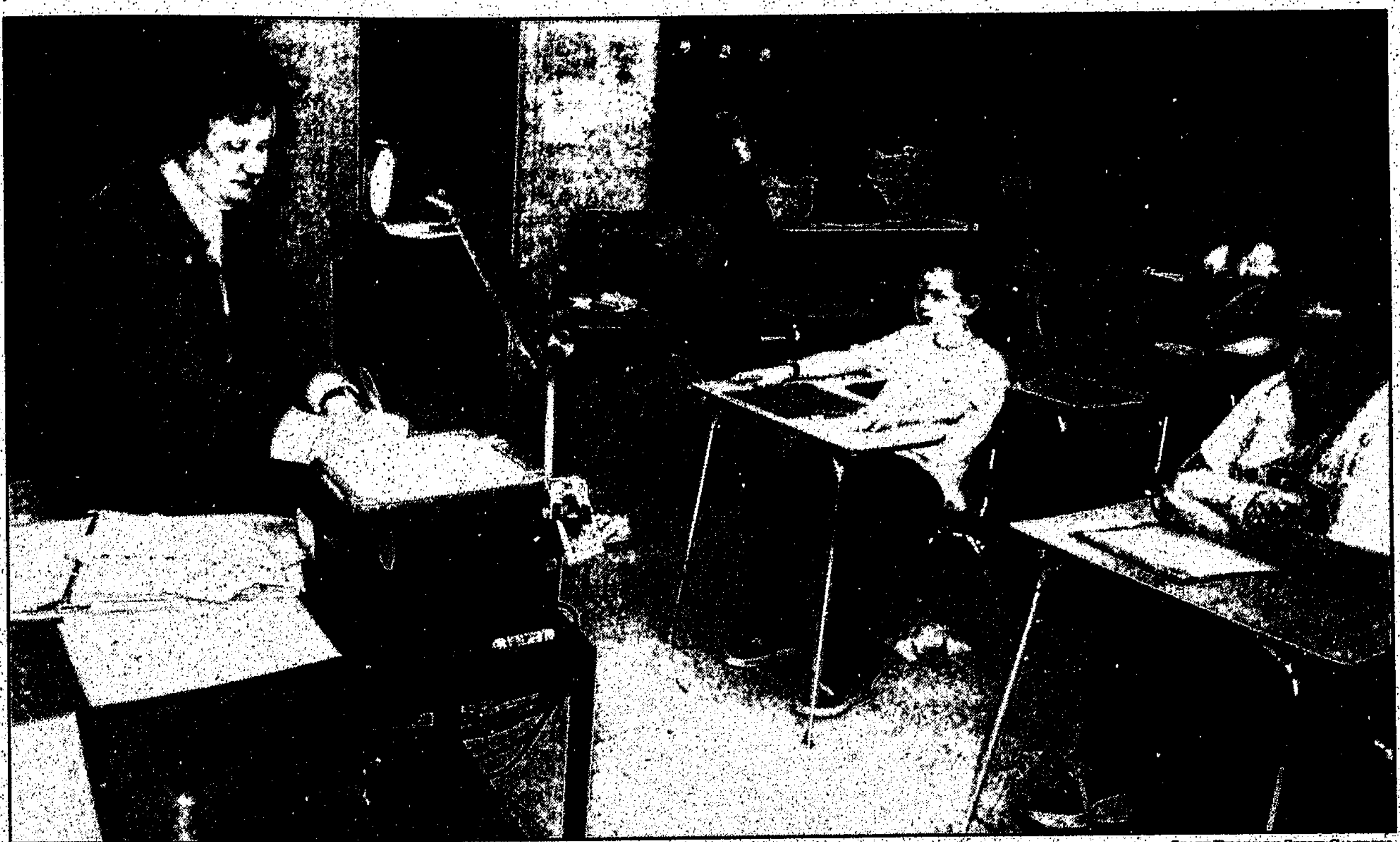

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Future non-smokers: *Parent volunteer Jeanne Santala-Rose uses an overhead projector during a question and answer period of the Hazards of Tobacco anti-smoking program presented at both Clarkston and Sashabaw middle schools.*

HOT

Middle schoolers learn about hazards of tobacco

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Telling children not to do something doesn't always work. Showing them the reasons seems to have more impact.

Keeping that in mind, several volunteers just completed teaching a six-week tobacco prevention program to sixth-grade students in health classes during the third marking period at Clarkston and Sashabaw middle schools.

The program, called HOT, stands for Hazards of Tobacco. It comes from the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, according to Julie Benson with the Karmanos community outreach division.

"This was a pilot for the Clarkston Community Schools District," she said.

Carla Teare, health and physical education curriculum coordinator for grades kindergarten through 12, said the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth and the Sashabaw Middle School parent teacher organizations helped bring HOT to the sixth graders.

A grant from the Karmanos institute covered the $3,600 cost of the program and $700 expense for training the volunteers.

Results of a student profile survey conducted in April and May 1997 of seventh-, ninth- and 11th-grade students by the Search Institute showed that local teens are at high risk of becoming tobacco users. Teens in the Clarkston area, according to studies, use tobacco at a rate higher than the national average.

"Because that study showed an increase in smoking among young teens, we decided to try HOT here to see if it will make any difference," Teare explained.

HOT's purpose is to teach students why they should avoid all tobacco products. An interactive program, it gives them skills and practice sessions in saying no to peer pressure to use tobacco and the facts about why they should avoid it.

HOT teaching partners Muriel Shelswell and Jeanne Santala-Rose went to Sashabaw Middle School where they volunteered for an hour a week for six weeks. Bonnie Motto, Michelle Throats and Ken Forbes taught HOT at Clarkston Middle School.

Forbes, who lives in Clarkston, was already familiar with HOT before he volunteered for the Clarkston school district. He's been teaching the program in Waterford schools for four years.

"I think the biggest thing about HOT is that it gives the students information they didn't have before," he said. "I really enjoy working with these students. They are very inquisitive learners. They ask questions; they talk about what they've heard."

Santala-Rose also loved working with the students.

"I enjoyed watching their expressions when they learned something new, but it's sad that we had to bring in the HOT program because we have more kids smoking in the Clarkston area than the national average."

The HOT teaching partners talked to the students about many things concerning tobacco, including the different ways tobacco advertisers try to convince people to use their products. The students interviewed a tobacco user and a tobacco-free person and at the end of session six, they were asked to sign an anti-tobacco certificate.

"The HOT program is very well-designed and presented," said Sashabaw Middle School health teacher Julia Renaker. "It provided good information and worked very well with the information I already present."

"We had wonderful volunteers," Teare added. She's considering having the HOT program presented again before they decide whether to make it a permanent part of the health curriculum.

"I think we need to pilot HOT one more time. Then we'll determine if we should continue it or not. We need to see if we think it's better than what we already present to the students," she said.

"We're hopeful this program is going to have a positive effect," said Cindy Dixon, administrative coordinator for Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth. "Karmanos approached the task force to ask if we were interested in providing the HOT program in Clarkston. In hearing about the program, we immediately thought of our health educators. We're glad we were able to serve as the catalyst, a connecting link."

Anyone wanting to be a future HOT teaching partner should contact Teare at 674-0771.

"We hope to be able to have our high school students teaching HOT in the middle schools if we decide to continue with it like they do in other districts," Teare said.

HOT also has a one-session program for all grades.

Independence OKs new stretch of safety path

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■ The Independence Township Board approved an approximate half-mile route from Bay Court along Andersonville Road to Clement Road.

Runners, bicyclists and even wee ones in strollers may enjoy a new length of safety path on Clarkston Road in a few months and possibly a new route from Bay Court Park next year, too.

The Independence Township Board approved an approximate half-mile route from Bay Court along Andersonville Road to Clement Road at its meeting Tuesday. The authorization is for the engineering work to begin. The cost for the entire project is estimated at $504,000. Actual construction would be in summer 2001, said Ann Conklin, parks and recreation director.

"There will be some engineering challenges because many of the houses in that area are close to the road," she added.

Approval for the project means Conklin can move forward with engineering work, bidding and acquiring any necessary easements. The actual path would run along Andersonville Road. It would connect to Clement, a scarcely traveled dirt road. People would ride or walk along Clement to connect with White Lake Road.

Some board members had safety concerns about children and others going on such a lonely road. Trustee Neil Wallace said it might not be a good idea for children to travel a road where there are few people to even informally "look out" for them. Clerk Joan McCrary echoed his safety concerns, saying there is a lot of vegetation and no lighting. She said dusk would be a particularly dangerous time for children or lone people to be taking that connection.

The board OK'd the route with the understanding that those safety issues would be taken into consideration.

The Bay Court recommendation came from the Safety Path Committee. Other projects that had been considered by the committee were routes on Maybee Road from Sashabaw to the cemetery, Greenview Road from Clarkston Road to Pine Knob, Clarkston Road to the Orion Township line, Maybee Road from Pine Knob to Clintonville Road and Andersonville Road from White Lake Court to the township line.

Conklin hopes the Clarkston Road project that was authorized last year will be constructed this summer. She said they are close to getting all the easements in place. That large project would put a path along Clarkston Road from North Eston Road to Low Meadow. Then, using Low Meadow as a connector route, the path would connect to Greenview.

Other projects that will go forward this summer include path construction along Clarkston Road from Flemings Lake Road to Snow Apple. The Perry Lake Road pathway will be finished and some repair work will be done along Sashabaw Road near Independence Oaks County Park.

Funding for the safety paths comes from a special 0.5 mill tax approved by voters in 1998 for 10 years beginning in 1999.

POLICE NEWS

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

Independence Police

Counterfeit currency

On April 5, a waiter at Mesquite Creek Steakhouse, 7210 Ortonville Road, found what he thought was a counterfeit $100 bill. A customer paid for lunch with the bill. The customer told police she had gotten four $100 bills from her bank. The bank was notified of the problem.

Larceny from vehicle-force

On April 5, someone damaged the locks on the driver's side door and the rear hatch of a vehicle parked in front of an apartment in the 5900 block of **Briarwood Court.**

Larceny—all other

On April 4, someone removed an outboard motor from the storage facility at Baycourt Park, 6970 **Andersonville Road.**

Minor in Possession

On April 3, a 15-year-old youth was sent home from Clarkston High School, 6093 **Flemings Lake Road**, after school officials found two unopened cans of beer in his backpack. The boy got sick at school and told officials he had drunk five cans of beer before entering the school building.

OUIL, third offense

On April 3, police stopped a 40-year-old Waterford man for erratic driving on **Waterford Road** at northbound Dixie Highway. The man smelled of strong intoxicants. The result of his preliminary breathalyzer test was 0.22, more than twice the legal limit for driving. The man had two prior convictions for driving under the influence of liquor. They are dated December 1991 and March 1994.

Springfield Township

No major reports.

Clarkston Police

No major reports.

Independence Fire

Fire calls

Independence Township Fire Department responded to 14 calls from April 3-5. These included eight medical calls, one lock-out call and one call for assistance.

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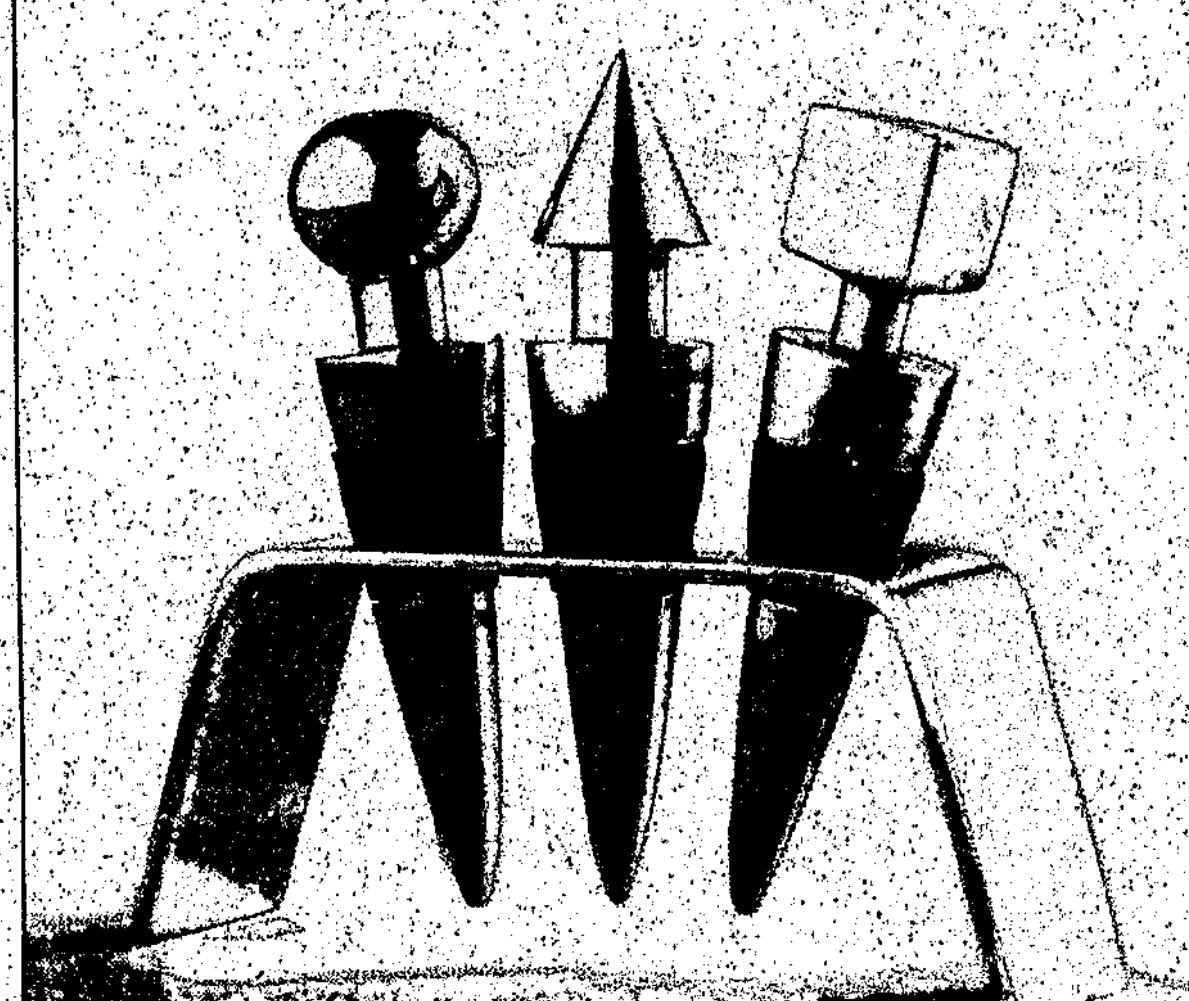

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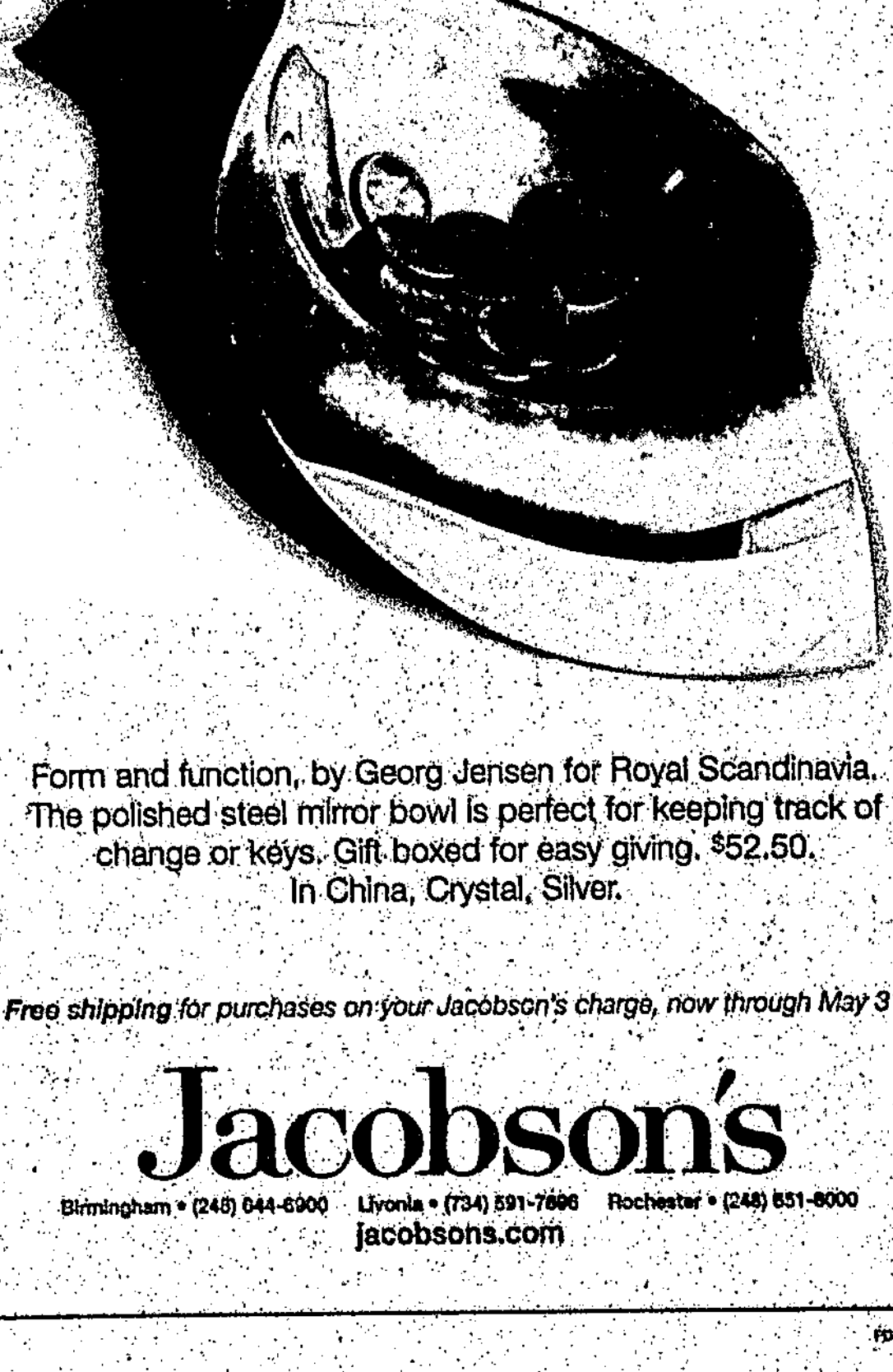

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Lake levels *from page A1*

added.

The lake also is the beginning of the Huron River. Wendt has lived on it for 26 years, he said.

Tom Gregory is a long-time resident of Walters Lake in Independence Township. He moved to the lake in 1969 and said this is the lowest he's seen it.

"In fact, we don't even have water running over the dam to feed Heather Lake. I can't remember when we haven't had any water running over at least a little," said Gregory, who sits on the lake board for Walters Lake.

He's concerned, he said, because Walters Lake isn't emptying into Heather Lake.

"So we're not feeding any down the line," he said.

Another lake resident, John Lutz, said the lake is the headwaters of Paint Creek.

Gregory said the average depth of the lake is 10 feet. There are a couple of holes that plunge to 30 feet. Walters Lake is an all-sports lake, too, that has about 80 families that live right on it. Added to that are several subdivisions whose residents have lake access.

"As the summer goes on, we have a sand bar that has a rocky bottom," he said.

He said the lake board will probably have to put some buoys out to steer people clear of it.

Although the past couple of years seem to have been more severe, Gregory said every seven years or so a dry spell hits.

What the Clarkston and Springfield area and all of southeastern Michigan needs is several hours-long, stay in the house with a good book, rainy days, said Dennis Dixon, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in White Lake.

He added this dry spell is all part of nature's cycle.

"It will get worse before it gets better," he said.

Drought conditions that plagued states just south of Michigan last summer are probably headed this way, he said.

"The general tenor of the long-range forecast is there's a better than even chance of having a dry summer," Dixon said.

A few scattered rains that might look like a lot because a few puddles form won't do the trick. Neither will a couple of heavy downpours, Dixon said. The short showers don't really add up to much and he said the heavy rain tends to drain away so fast the water isn't absorbed.

The Great Lakes water levels are at their lowest in 30 years, but Dixon said they are not at all-time lows. People who want to keep their grass and gardens alive probably will have many dates with the hose and sprinkler this summer.

But wetland areas don't have the benefit of sprinklers, and that spells trouble for some animals, said Lori Sargent, wildlife nature heritage specialist for the DNR.

"Amphibians would be affected because they have to lay their eggs in water," Sargent said.

If the temporary shallow pools where those eggs are often laid don't form, the eggs simply are not laid. That could mean fewer frogs and other marsh critters. It also impacts animals that feed on those creatures such as blue herons, raccoons, other shore birds and small hawks.

Frogs, in turn, eat bugs so fewer frogs could mean more bugs. But on the positive side, mosquitos also lay eggs in the shallow pools. Few people would lament a shortage of those pesky insects.

Museum *from page A1*

Newly opened in November, the museum and its volunteers have given tours to Scouting and other groups. It began offering educational programs to local schools about three weeks ago, Smith said.

She and Kim Huttenlocher, a board member of the Clarkston Community Historical Society, teamed up to teach the children a little bit about the history of their town.

"We're taken with how the kids are responding," Huttenlocher said.

Smith, who also is president of the Clarkston Historical Society this year, said it appears word is getting around at the schools because requests for the program keep coming from teachers.

Smith opened the session by showing the children enlarged historic photographs and describing things like the general store, the train depot and a house with a corral out back.

"You can see people are shopping (in downtown Clarkston), but there are no cars; they had horses," she told the children.

She told them how people shopped at the general store. They told the proprietor what they wanted and sat down on a stool to wait while he gathered the items.

"The ladies would go in and choose a pattern and choose a fabric for their dresses," Smith added.

The children saw a variety of items that look different from what they use now. A wooden lunch box was one of them.

"No plastic bags?" one boy quipped.

They also saw a telegraph machine, a wire egg basket and a wallpaper/fabric stamper. The wooden stamper was inked and a pattern was transferred to make decorative wallpaper.

After the initial presentation, the class broke up into two groups. One group headed to the museum to look at the current exhibit on education. The students learned about mental arithmetic and the importance of nice handwriting before computers or even typewriters came on the scene.

The other group inaugurated an exercise Huttenlocher and Smith spent time putting together. Wooden blocks have pictures of businesses, services and even homes on them. The children were split in two again, and one group picked out what a city today would need from its set of blocks. The other group had a set of the same blocks and had to choose what a city 100 years ago might have needed. Then the groups got together to talk about what they had "built."

For example, there were two kinds of veterinarians pictured. One had a dog on it and one had a cow. There were two types of doctors pictured and different types of houses.

Some categories, like churches, were appropriate for both time frames.

Teacher Leah Storto accompanied her class on the field trip and said the children will soon begin their unit on Clarkston history. The Historical Society put a curriculum together for the schools to use about six years ago and it's taught in second grade. The museum trip will reinforce what they learn.

"They don't get a chance to see things like this," Storto said. "I think they have more of an appreciation of Clarkston."

Fire millage *from page A1*

working on the ambulance dilemma. The township contracts on a day-to-day basis with a private ambulance company. The company and Independence Township do not have a contract, Wilson said.

Response times have not always been consistent, he added. The company has a set number of rigs assigned to a geographic area.

"That's the problem," he said. "They don't have rigs every two miles."

Trying a different service is not a good option, he said, because there are few companies out there.

Township firefighters are trained as Emergency Medical Technicians, Defibrillator, Wilson said. That means they are a higher-level EMT. In addition to being able to use a defibrillator, they also can put in a tracheotomy tube. They cannot start medications.

For the township to provide its own advanced life support and transport service would mean more training, equipment and vehicles, Wilson said.

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Complex minds: *Gakushi Fukuda (left) paints some of the pieces yet to be installed. Bernard Theisen fiddles with one of the spring traps used in the project.*

STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Minds over matter

OU students develop their own Rube Goldberg contraption

BY PAT MURPHY,
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If Bernie Theisen has his way, he and his colleagues at Oakland University will bask in glory this week for a dubious accomplishment: Making a simple task complicated — in the name of engineering.

It's all in fun, of course. Theisen, a senior in mechanical engineering, is one of a dozen or so OU engineering students participating in the 12th Annual National Rube Goldberg competition — named after the late cartoonist who delighted millions with drawings of complicated machines to do simple tasks — at Purdue University.

"It's been fun building our contraption," said Steve Roberts, who lives in Rochester Hills. "We took something small and made it bigger and bigger. Then we made it work."

After 10 weeks and hours of planning and tinkering, they obviously looked upon their contraption as a work of art.

Theisen, Roberts and others were putting the final touches on their contraption Thursday afternoon. If everything went as planned, it would be finished late Friday, just in time to take it to West Lafayette, Ind., to compete against students from Marquette University, the University of Texas, Northwestern, Purdue and other universities.

■ 'A lot of things didn't work initially, but it was fun finding out what was wrong, and then correcting it to make it work.'

Mike Price
OU student from Lake Orion

Gakushi Fukuda, a 1999 graduate of Athens High School in Troy, said he enjoyed seeing ideas take shape . . . and then work. "I also enjoyed using hand tools," he said.

Mike Price, a 1997 graduate of Lake Orion High School, said he enjoyed the challenge of making something work. "A lot of things didn't work initially," he said, "but it was fun finding out what was wrong, and then correcting it to make it work."

This year's task is to place in a time capsule at least seven items representing the best inventions and discoveries of the last century. Each contraption has to perform once — without human interaction — be reset, then perform again within 10 minutes.

OU's capsule is mounted on a model railroad car that, hopefully on command, will roll down a spiral of railroad tracks — stopping periodically to load. The contraption features a dozen mouse traps, a steam engine adopted for compressed air and a water wheel converted to use sand.

At each stop, the capsule would take on one or two of the items students deemed the best of the 20th Century.

"We stayed away from guns or bombs," explained Theisen. "We went for things like a light bulb, a microchip, a model car and other inventions. When we get back from Purdue, we'll show our contraption to students in middle schools."

The competition is sponsored by Theta Tau, a national professional engineering fraternity. When the OU students are at Purdue, they will stay at the fraternity house as guests of their brothers from Indiana.

OU has competed in four other national Rube Goldberg contests. Their best showing was in 1997, when they finished third.

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Let your personal style guide fashion decisions

SHOP TALK



NICOLE STAFFORD

Enough now. We've all heard the fashion reports for spring and summer.

And, since the season has officially arrived, we're probably ready to make a few purchases. Yes, that's I what I said – a few purchases.

Though retailers and designers would like to think differently, most of us have a limit on the number of times we'll turn over our credit cards for an addition to the wardrobe, especially when the new piece falls under the category "trendy." In my opinion, that's particularly the case in the Midwest. We don't necessarily salivate over the so-called hottest and latest fashion.

We're more conservative than that. We sit back and wait like scientists. How long will the trend survive? If I wait a few months, will I be able to take advantage of the trend more inexpensively? Is that trend really for me?

Besides, most of us don't spend thousands of dollars overhauling our wardrobes simply because they're not brimming with certain colors, fabrics and patterns. We take stock of our choices and make purchases in light of our needs and budget.

With that in mind, I decided to weigh in on some of the trends we've been hearing so much about.

COLORS

While vibrant, bright colors like hot pink, turquoise and orange are being toted as the shades of the season, neutral tones like black, Navy, white and tan are being ignored.

On the one hand, I do believe beautiful colors should be cherished and experienced, especially when they positively affect our mood and appearance. However, I don't believe we should abandon our black separates in favor of an all-color wardrobe. Not only does that fly in the face of building a wardrobe, but also many of us simply don't feel comfortable and at our best in such bold colors.

More importantly, not every color complements every person. In other words, don't feel pressured to inject loads of color into your wardrobe. Buy a few pieces – a top and a skirt – in your favorite bright tone and wear it with the neutral items you already have. Or, purchase an inexpensive hat, pair of shoes or handbag in a bright tone that you know you'll wear.

REPTILE PATTERNS

If you especially like reptile patterns, and they suit you to a tee, by all means buy as much as you'd like. You'll probably wear your purchases next year, whether they're still in style or not. But, that's because they suit you.

Otherwise, I'd cross reptile, both faux and real, off your shopping list. Obviously, the real deal can be expensive. More importantly, reptile prints have a very particular sensibility. They're sexy, yes, but they're tough and bold, too. And, if that isn't your style, why dilute the look you have.

While a pair of shoes or a handbag in a reptile pattern wouldn't strain the budget, I'm not convinced a small dose would have much impact, not anymore than, for example, a high-quality, leather bag you'll use for years to come.

LOGOS

Personally, I detest logos and, except for jeans, won't purchase clothing embellished by them. To me, they are the antithesis of style, a substitute for interesting details and good design.

Once more, they seem to suggest the wearer lacks his or her own sense of style and must rely on others for guidance.

POLKA DOTS AND GINGHAM

Like plaid, these prints don't really go out of style. Gingham, in particular, always looks appealing and comfortable in the summer. And, a small polka dot print on a lightweight skirt or dress is a classic summer look.

As with all prints, the issues are personal preference, size and proportion. If you like either of these prints, find one that works for you.

CHIFFON

I think the chiffon dresses we're seeing are beautiful. My only recommendation – find one that you can wear in both casual and formal settings. Look for a chiffon dress you could wear to a wedding with fine jewelry *and* slip on with a pair of sandals for an afternoon picnic.

All in the family

Retailer offers way to celebrate puppy love during Easter



PHOTO COURTESY OF RICK DUPLER

Easter puppy: *We take our children for Easter and other holiday portraits, so it only makes sense we want to do the same for the canine members of the family.*

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A bag of gourmet dog bones from a bakery.

A cozy set of knit booties to protect the paws.

A leather collar in pooch's favorite color.

Dogs have long been members of the family. It's how we're confirming their status that's changed, making for big business in retail.

Indeed, anything we might purchase or do for our children, we want for Spot, too, especially if we have the disposable income.

That's why the owners of Three Dog Bakery, one at 223 E. Maple in downtown Birmingham and the other at 413 Main Street in downtown Rochester, decided to hire a pet photographer, arm an actor in a bunny suit with a load of dog treats and offer Easter portrait sittings in April.

"It was kind of a supply and demand thing," said Nora Potthoff, co-owner of the two specialty stores, part of a chain that started 10 years ago as one bakery in Kansas. The local stores, which primarily sell freshly baked, nutritious dog treats, offered photos with Santa Claus during the Christmas season and as a result received numerous requests for similar photo opportunities from customers.

Slated noon-4 p.m. Sunday, April 16 at the Rochester store and 5-9 p.m. Thursday, April 20 at the Birmingham store, the sittings will be similar to those held by the retailer in December.

While walk-ins will be accepted, appointments are encouraged. The cost, $12 per sheet of photos, will benefit local animal welfare efforts.

Rick Dupler, the photographer hired by Potthoff and her business partner for the sittings, will use a digital camera, so customers can view images of their dog before making a selection for print. He'll also offer a variety of photo sizes, including the kind that fits into your wallet, and several holiday borders commemorating Easter.

"We treat animals much like we treat our children," said Potthoff of the current demand for pet products and services.

While many shoppers scoff at the sight of some of Three Dog Bakery's merchandise – decorated birthday cakes for dogs, baby books for puppies and an assortment of freshly prepared dog treats, from "Pet-It Fours" to "Pawlines" – most end up making a purchase.

"Something just clicks, and it makes them laugh and feel good. ... And, there's not a lot out there that makes us feel good," said Potthoff, adding that her stores will begin selling cat treats similar to what they have for dogs this month.

For those couples and individuals who don't have children, patronizing Three Dog Bakery is an outlet for maternal and paternal feelings, said Potthoff. "And, there are a lot of couples who are choosing not to have children."

Besides, pets, especially dogs, are more amenable than children when it comes to acts of bonding and association.

"We give (children) toys, we dress them, but dogs tend to be much more compliant," Potthoff joked, explaining that pets almost always serve as an extension for our personalities.

That's why, in truth, most of the merchandise and services we purchase for our pets we're actually buying for ourselves, she said.

So, though Spot may seem overjoyed when you walk in the door with a new box of dog treats, that's probably your perception. After all, until he tastes his new treats, he can't really appreciate them. Not to mention, only dogs know how they feel about collar scarves, winter booties and portrait sittings.

"It just makes you feel good," said Potthoff. "And, you want to indulge (your pets) as much as you can because they give you so much."

Pooch portraits

What: Photos of your dog with the Easter Bunny

Where: Three Dog Bakery stores at 413 Main Street in downtown Rochester and 223 E. Maple in downtown Birmingham

When: Noon-4 p.m. Sunday, April 16 in Rochester and 5-9 p.m. Thursday, April 20 in Birmingham

Cost: $12 per sheet of photos with portion of proceeds benefiting local animal welfare efforts.

Appointments: Call (248) 608-8877 or (248) 723-1582



STAFF PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

Dog days: *Nora Potthoff (left), co-owner of Three Dog Bakery in Birmingham and Rochester where Easter dog portraits will be offered later this month, and store associate Audrey Metro tempt Rowdy, the Birmingham store's resident dog, with a homemade treat.*



PHOTO COURTESY OF RICK DUPLER

Tricks and toys: *Photographer Rick Dupler will offer several photo sizes and different holiday borders to customers who bring their dogs to Three Dog Bakery for Easter portraits. And, he'll have a supply of dog treats and toys on hand to coax his subjects. Cost of the photos, $12 per sheet, will benefit local animal welfare efforts.*

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.*

MONDAY, APRIL 10

KNITTING TRUNK SHOW
The Knitting Room, 251 Merrill Street in Birmingham, hosts a Berroco Yarns trunk show through April 11, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, call (248) 540-3623.

HEALTH SERVICES
Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield hosts Health-O-Rama, free and low-cost health screening and services sponsored by the United Health Organization through April 11, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. For details, call (248) 353-4111.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

ELLEN TRACY ON RUNWAY
Ellen Tracy's spring collection comes down the runway and the Matilda R. Wilson Award is presented at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy to benefit the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan, 11 a.m., Ellen Tracy Boutique, second floor. Tickets are $35, include brunch and require reservation by April 10. To attend, call (248) 203-1260.

HEALTH EVENT
Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts a Project Healthy

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Living event through April 13, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Food Court. For more information, call (734) 522-4100.

CHANEL MAKEOVERS
Receive a makeover by a Chanel national makeup artist at Jacobson's, Laurel Park Place in Livonia through April 12, noon-7 p.m., Cosmetics department. To make an appointment, call (734)591-7696.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

JONES NEW YORK EVENT
Hudson's, Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi, hosts a wardrobe seminar featuring spring pieces by Jones New York, 7 p.m. To make a reservation, call (248) 344-6800.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

AUSTIN REED WORKSHOP
Jacobson's stores offers wardrobe seminars featuring clothing by Austin Reed through April 15, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Dates and locations are as follows: April 13 at Rochester Hills store; April 14 at Birmingham store and April 15 at Laurel Park Place store in Livonia. For more information, call (800) 837-5227.

USED BOOK SALE
The League of Women Voters holds a used book sale at Wonderland Mall in Livonia through April 16, near Dunham's. For details, call (734) 522-4100.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

MOONLIGHT MADNESS SALE
The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce sponsors Moonlight Madness in downtown Plymouth, 7-11 p.m. For details, call (734) 453-1540.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

PROM DAY
Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, presents Prom 2000 Focus Day a showcase of evening wear, complimentary makeovers by Stila and a drawing for prom services and merchandise, Evening Collections, second floor. For details, call (248) 614-3385.

FASHION DAY AT HUDSON'S
Hudson's, Somerset Collection in Troy, presents three fashion shows: looks from the Women's Way Department at 11 a.m., a rundown of spring trends at 2 p.m. and the Ralph Lauren collection for juniors at 4 p.m. Reservations are required. Please call (248)816-4605.

HANDBAG DESIGNER VISITS
Handbag designer Maya Evangelista and a trunk show of her collection come to Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Handbags department. For more information, call (248) 644-6900.

SWING THE NIGHT AWAY
Wonderland Mall in Livonia offers free swing dance lessons, 6-9 p.m., Food Court. For additional information, call (734) 522-4100.

WHERE CAN I FIND?

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback. 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 owned by another reader, rather than for sale at a store, we will call you. But, please, be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests each week.

WHAT WE FOUND:

– **Wicked Wahini perfume** can be purchased for $9.99 (item BVK) by **calling (808) 676-2772.**

– To recycle plastic bags, call the **Enviro Bag Company,** (800) 866-3954. The company can give you a list of schools in your area that accept plastic bags for fund-raising events.

– For the reader looking for a **small piano for a child,** another reader **suggested buying an inexpensive keyboard.**

– For a **pet portrait,** readers suggested **Jill Andra-Young** in Plymouth, (734) 455-7787, and **Portraits by Sayles** in Birmingham.

– **Miniature Red Wings pennants** may be available at **The Sports Gallery** on Woodward Avenue in Birmingham. The store carries Red Wings memorabilia.

– For the reader looking for copies of "Life" magazine, a reader suggested calling **Hitching Post Antiques Mall,** (517) 423-8277.

– For readers looking for **various brands of designer perfume, try www.eve.com on the Internet.**

– **Pete and Hank's in Windsor offers fish dinners like Sutherland's.**

– **Tea bag tags can be donated to the Redford Suburban League.** The group meets 11 a.m.-2 p.m every second Wednesday at the Antiochtian Orthodox Church on Merriman.

– **Memorabilia for a 50th anniversary of Stuckey Elementary School** in Redford.

FIND & SEARCH NOTES:

– We had many responses to requests for Party Lite consultants and Amway Distributors and no longer need additional information.

– "Life" magazine did not publish an August 8, 1955 issue.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

– **Noritake china serving pieces and place settings in the Polonaise pattern** (#2045) for Peggy.

– **A store that sells Faygo "Diet Sensation" soda pop.**

– **A porcelain doll set called "Rosie & Rags,"** by Marie Osmond, for Carole of Livonia.

– An item from **Paintings by Peg called "A Special Event for Baby's 1st Year"** for Tina.

– The **book "Proud Breed,"** by Celeste DeBlassis.

– **A store in the Livonia/Northville/Novi area that sells extra backings for pierced earrings** for Sally.

– **My Sin perfume made by Lanvin,** either new or used, for Karen.

– **A store that sells Little Tyke's outdoor houses** for Catherine.

– **A store that sells soft-sole house slippers in a size 12** for Mrs. Amato.

– **A Polly Pockets toy in a bag** for Barbara, who lives in Livonia.

– **A business or craftsperson who will make a quilt that is already designed** for Stephanie.

– **A store where Howard Johnson's frozen clam strips can be bought** for Donna of Redford.

– The **children's book "Flipity Jebbit"** for Winifred.

– **A store that sells 100-percent petroleum jelly lip treatment** for Anne of Redford.

– **A store where Chicklets chewing gum is sold** for Ron of Troy.

– **A videocassette tape of "Mickey Goes to a Circus"** for Dee.

– **A store in the Canton area that sells mother-of-the-bride dresses.**

– **A store where a cover for an ironrite mangle can be bought** for Eleanor.

– **A store where a silver shower curtain can be bought** for Naomi.

– **An arts and crafts store that sells 14-inch, flat, round wicker circles with a lace design** for Ethel of Redford.

– **A craft store that sells directions for making copper sprinklers** for Karen of Garden City.

– **A store that sells the birthstone "Baby Bleeze"** for Lou.

– **A grocery store where Pillsbury Grand Sweet caramel sweet rolls can be bought** for Jean.

– **Videocassette tapes of the television show "My Little Margie"** for Kertia of Southfield.

– **A store where potato chips that are sliced and made in the microwave at home are sold** for Gail.

– **A large poster from the musical "Showboat"** for Dolores of Livonia.

– The **game "Bubble & Squeak"** for Nancy of Commerce.

– The **Henry Mancini Orchestra's romantic piano CD, formerly sold by "Reader's Digest."**

– **A store where a calf-length, beach cover-up in white cotton can be bought** for Virginia of Waterford.

– **A 1977 Mumford High School yearbook** for Pamela of Canton.

– **A 1966 Cooley High School jacket and letter sweater** for Roger of Redford.

– Compiled by Sandi Jarackas



Easter Events will keep you informed about Easter Bunny appearances and other activities for children and families being offered by local retailers and shopping malls in April.

EASTER MUSICAL AT TEL-TWELVE

"Wake Up Spring," a family musical to commemorate the season is presented at **1 p.m. Saturday, April 15** on the center court stage at Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield. For more information, call (248) 353-4111.

EASTER PARTY AT WONDERLAND

Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts an Easter party featuring an egg hunt, bonnet parade, magic shows, crafts and other entertainment for kids, **2-6 p.m. Saturday, April 15** in the center's food court. For additional information, call (734) 522-4100.

LIVONIA MALL'S BUNNY

The Easter Bunny has taken residence in Value City Court at the Livonia Mall to visit with children and sit for photos, **11 a.m.-8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, now through Easter.** For more information, call (248) 476-1160.

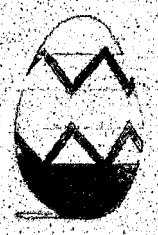
PETER RABBIT AT TWELVE OAKS

Peter Rabbit and Mr. McGregor's Storybook Garden, as well as, other displays of Beatrix Potter characters await young visitors at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi. Dozens of spring flowers are on display for shoppers of all ages. More importantly, Peter Rabbit visits with children and sits for portraits during the event, which runs **10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, now through April 22,** in the mall's Center Court. For details, call (248) 348-9411.

BREAKFAST WITH THE BUNNY

Hudson's popular Easter Bunny breakfasts for children returns. All breakfasts start at **9:15 a.m.** and are held in the retailer's store restaurants. Tickets are $10. Please call ahead for reservations, (800) 246-6648. Breakfast dates and locations are as follows: **Saturday, April 15 at Oakland Mall in Troy, Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights and Westland Shopping Center in Westland; April 16 at the Somerset Collection in Troy and Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi.**

EASTER BUNNY AT TEL-TWELVE



The Easter Bunny sits for photos and visits with children at Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield. The bunny will wait for visitors in the mall's Center Court **noon-8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday, now through April 22.** Photo packages and a free gift for children are available. Also, shoppers can enter to win a giant Easter basket filled with toys and candy. For details, call (248) 353-4111.

PETER RABBIT AT FAIRLANE

Peter Rabbit springs into Dearborn's Fairlane Town Center to visit with children, sit for portraits and pass out small Easter gifts **10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday, now through April 22.** Peter Rabbit will inhabit a recreated version of Beatrix Potter's garden complete with oversized flowers and vegetables and giant pop-up storybooks in the mall's Fountain Court. Several photo packages are available. For details, call (313) 593-1370.

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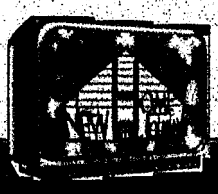

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Sunday, April 9, 2000

MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL WAGNER

Tofu soaks up flavors in stir-fry

Tofu (bean curd) was always something I'd rather not eat, until my friend on the next treadmill at the gym suggested marinating it in black bean sauce with dry sherry. Tofu is bland but chameleon-like, taking up the flavor of its surroundings.

It's perishable and should be kept refrigerated. I bought mine in a sealed package with an expiration date. After opening I discarded the water. (It will stay fresh for a week after opening with a daily change of water.) I found the black bean sauce on the supermarket shelf.

■ Tofu is bland but chameleon-like, taking up the flavor of its surroundings

The stir-fry vegetables in this recipe are most delicious and best in the spring – asparagus and sugar snap peas. After tasting the recipe, I not only became an ex-tofu avoider, but a charter member of the tofu booster club as well.

TOFU-VEGETABLE STIR-FRY

- 1 tablespoon black bean sauce
- 1 tablespoon dry sherry
- 1/4 teaspoon sugar
- 1 pound firm tofu, cubed
- 2 teaspoons, canola oil
- 1/2 cup, sodium-reduced nonfat chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons, sodium-reduced soy sauce
- 2 teaspoons, minced ginger
- 1 teaspoon, minced garlic
- 1 red bell pepper, washed and cut into strips
- 1/2 pound, fresh asparagus, washed and broken into 2-inch pieces
- 1/2 pound, sugar snap peas, washed
- 2 cups bok choy, washed and sliced
- 4 green onions, peeled and slivered
- 2 plum tomatoes, washed and quartered
- 2 cups cooked rice or Chinese noodles

Mix the black bean sauce, sherry and sugar. Add the cubed tofu. Toss. Set aside to marinate for 15 minutes.

Heat the oil in a heavy nonstick skillet or wok. Add the soy sauce, ginger and garlic. Stir to combine. Add all the vegetables except the tomatoes. Stir-fry until tender crisp, adding broth as needed. Add tomatoes. Stir-fry for one minute. Add tofu and marinade. Toss the ingredients to heat through. Serve with cooked rice or noodles. Serves 4.

Nutritional information per serving *with 1/2 cup rice:*

- Calories, 205
- Total fat, 2.5 grams
- Saturated fat, 1.8 grams
- Cholesterol, 0
- Sodium, 600 mg

Food exchanges:

- 1 medium fat meat
- 1 bread
- 2 vegetables

Look for Main Dish Miracle on the second Sunday of the month in Taste. Muriel G. Wagner is a registered dietitian and nutrition therapist with an office in Southfield. She publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter with recipes and nutrition tips. To subscribe, send a check for $13.50 to "Eating Younger," P.O. Box 69021, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Spring holiday food traditions
- Focus on Wine

STADIUM FARE

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TASTE BUDS

Comerica PARK

Four reporters who never met before gathered around a table in the Big Cat Court and rated the food. (It was a difficult task, but somebody had to do it.)

Here are our comments and ratings (from one to four tiger heads, with four being best):

■ Chicago-style hot dog
- "Tasty, but cold"
- "Nicely grilled, not boiled"
- "Too much bread"
- "Loved the dill pickle"

■ Marinated chicken breast sandwich
- "Needs something"
- "Too bland – needs some kicky mustard"
- "Nice size"
- "Good taste, but where's the sauce? Could've been warmer"

■ Philly-style steak sandwich
- "Bland – no seasoning"
- "Ditto"
- "Needs something"
- "It's just beefy, you know what I mean?"

■ Gyro
- "Tasty"
- "Better than the Philly"
- "Good whatever-kind-of sauce"
- "It's OK"

■ Hand-rolled pretzels
- "To die for"
- "Oh, my God!"
- "Mmmm, mmmm"
- "I wish I could take a bunch home"

■ Elephant ears
- "Very good"
- "Fluffy, light, delicate"
- "Big!"
- "Not too greasy"

■ Dippin' Dots
- "Unique"
- "The pink, white and brown ones are the best"
- "I like the banana split flavor"
- "Kids will love it"

■ Stuffed baked potato
- "Ooh, this is good"
- "Fun to eat"
- "Not dry"
- "Nice meal"

■ Catfish sandwich
- "Too much bread"
- "Doesn't taste like anything"
- "The only way it was Cajun is if the catfish could spell Louisiana"
- "Needs spices"

■ Corn dog
- "Big"
- "This is my first corn dog – not bad"
- "Corn bread and a hot dog?"
- "Nice taste, but could've been hotter"

■ Ball Park Frank
- "Good, as usual"
- "Can't screw up a Ball Park Frank"
- "Got to have a real ballpark hot dog"
- "I love these things"

A little hotdog trivia:

Fans attending Los Angeles Dodgers games hold the record for hot dog consumption among the major league teams. An estimated 2.2 million are consumed each year. Overall, Americans will eat 26 million hot dogs in major league ballparks throughout the country, enough to stretch from Yankee Stadium in New York to Dodgers Stadium in Los Angeles.

Source: National Hot Dog & Sausage Council, www.hot-dog.org

Take me out to the ball game. Take me out to the crowd. Buy me some peanuts and ... gyros, corn dogs, corned beef, barbecued pork, Cajun catfish, Caesar salads, and lots of luscious golden fries.

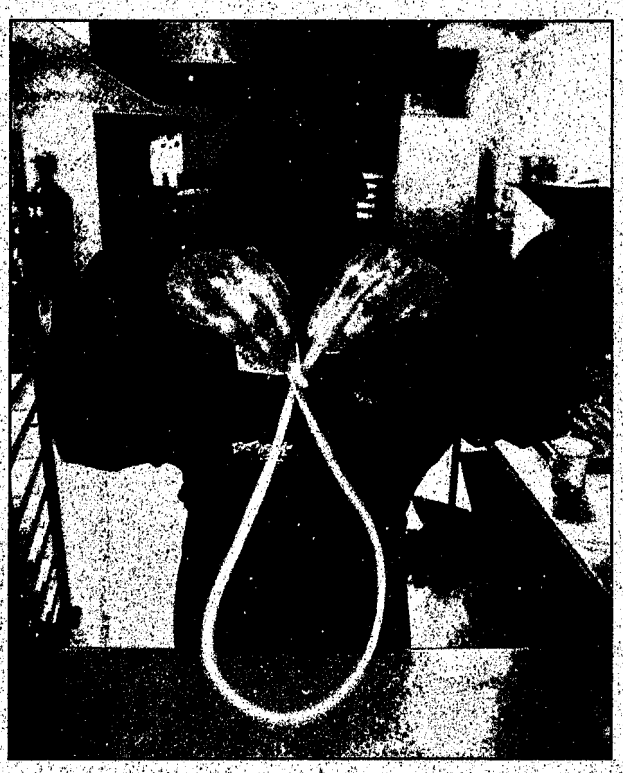
Whew! Did I miss anything? Of course, hot dogs! Comerica Park serves them Chicago-style with tomatoes, onions and a dill pickle; Coney-style with chili; and your basic, no-nonsense, got-to-have-one Ball Park Frank.

Press Day at Comerica Park earlier this week was a grand-slam assignment for any reporter. Not only did we tour the new ballpark, we sampled all the food, from frozen yogurt pellets to sugar-dusted elephant ears big as a catcher's mitt.

"We added lots of new items, new to the baseball market in Detroit," said Steve Facione of Clarkston, group vice president for Olympia Entertainment Inc. "But we have the same hot dog, the same great ballpark hot-dog."

Foodwise, attending a ball game at Comerica Park is like a day at the state fair. Walk into the Big Cat Court and your eyes sweep a semi-circle of eight eateries, including Lots O' Knots, which makes wonderfully tender and buttery hand-rolled pretzels for $2.75. Add a side of hot cheese for 75 cents and you've reached pretzel perfection.

"That pretzel is to die for," said Connie Kline, executive assistant and office manger for WDWB-TV (Channel 20) in Southfield. "Simply to die for."



All tied up: *Blair Woods hand-rolls a pretzel at Lots O' Knots in the new Comerica Park. A Chicago-style hot dog is pictured below.*

'Something different'

Measuring 100 feet in diameter, Big Cat Court is behind Section 119 on the first-base side of the main concourse. After you've polished off the pretzel, you might try a stuffed baked potato and some chicken fingers from Side Kicks. Or a Philly-style steak hoagie with mushrooms, cheese and sweet peppers from Subs & Hoagies. Or a bat-sized corn dog never to be served at a cardiology convention.

In other words, come hungry and bring money. Leave your will power at home.

"We wanted to do something different," said John Baaki of Farmington Hills, director of concessions for Olympia Entertainment, Inc. "We wanted to create two concepts in the court: the sandwich foods and the state fair type of food – the corn dogs, elephant ears and pretzels. It's a very family-oriented area with the carousel."



Carousel?

Yup, and it's a beauty. Said to be the pride of Tigers owner Mike Ilitch, the carousel is the focal point of Big Cat Court. Riders can take a spin on one of 30 brightly painted, handcrafted tigers or ride in one of two carousels, one of which is wheelchair accessible. Suggestion: Don't eat before you ride.

If you're in the mood for some grilled goodies, head to the Brushfire Grill, a 16,000-square-foot open-air garden area with wood picnic tables and a fountain with a giant floating baseball. The barbecued sandwiches – roast beef, smoked turkey and pulled pork – are the size of first base. Well, maybe I exaggerate ... but they are baseball big.

A regular-size sandwich at the Brushfire Grill sells for $7.50, while the deluxe version (why not, your diet already struck out!) goes for $8.50 and comes with cole slaw and baked beans. And if you feel like "vegging out," try the grilled portabello mushroom sandwich with roasted red peppers and pesto mayonnaise at $7.50.

Belly up to this bar

We all know rooting for the Tigers is hard work. So why not

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FAMILY FEED

Comerica PARK

Going to Comerica Park with some family or friends? Bring your wallet and you can try the variety of foods the stadium offers. For a family of four, you can expect to pay about $28 for four hot dogs, four bags of potato chips and four medium soft drinks.*

A sampling of food and beverage prices:
- Hot dogs - *$2.75*
- Kielbasa and smoked sausage - *$3.75*
- Large popcorn - *$3.25*
- Peanuts - *$3.50*
- Pizza slice - *$2.50*
- Corned beef, turkey or steak sandwich - *$6*
- Chicken Caesar salad - *$6*
- Chicken fingers - *$3.25*
- Super pretzel - *$2.50*
- Nacho grande - *$6*
- Large french fry - *$3*
- Ice cream sandwich - *$1.50*
- Pop - *$2 – $3.75*
- Beer - *$4.50 – $7.25*
- Bottled water - *$2.75*

* You may want to check on ticket packages for the Pepsi Family Section in right field. For $8 a ticket, you can also get a hot dog or a pizza slice and a small soft drink.

TAKE ME OUT...

Comerica PARK

Supposedly Jack Norworth, who wrote the words to "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" in 1908, had never seen a major league baseball game until after his song was published. Maybe he was too busy getting married five times. Albert Von Tilzer wrote the music. Tiger fans have long substituted "peanuts" for "popcorn" in the original lyrics, and it has become the official Michigan version. In case you want to sing along on opening day, here's it is:

Take me out to the ballgame,
take me out to the crowd.

Buy me some popcorn and Cracker Jack,
I don't care if we never get back.

So it's root, root, root for the home team.
If they don't win it's a shame.

For it's one, two, three strikes you're out
at the old ball game!

Contest promotes fruits and vegetables

Consumers can celebrate the season of healthy eating by entering the fresh fruit and vegetable recipe contest at Kroger.

One grand prize winner will receive $750 in Kroger gift certificates and three runner-up contestants will each receive $250 in Kroger gift certificates. The contest emphasizes the use of fresh vegetables and fruits in entree, dessert or side dish recipe.

Contest organizers want to encourage Michigan residents to get back into the kitchen and be creative and promote consumption of vegetables and fruit. The average adult Michigan resident consumes 3.7 servings of vegetables and fruits each day, which falls far below the recommended five to nine servings.

Recipes must feature fresh fruits and vegetables. Canned fruits, frozen, dried and juice fruit and vegetable products may be present in the recipe as minor ingredients.

Recipes for appetizers, entrees, side dishes, soups and desserts are acceptable. Vegetables and fruits can be combined with other food groups such as grains/pasta, eggs or meat. All entree recipes must provide two servings (1 cup cooked) of vegetables or fruits. For example, a serving from a recipe may contain 1/2 cup of fresh sugar snap peas and 1/2 cup fresh raspberries or an entree recipe may provide 1 cup cooked broccoli per serving (1/2 cup cooked) vegetable or fruit.

Recipes must contain no more than 30 percent of the total calories from fat, as determined by recipe analysis. Recipes will be judged based on creativity, presentation, nutritional value, taste and overall appeal. All recipes become the property of the Kroger Company of Michigan.

Finalists will be required to bring one prepared dish of their submitted recipe to the Orion Township Kroger, 3097 Baldwin Road at 10 a.m. Sunday, May 21, for judging. A panel of judges will sample the prepared recipes and select one grand prize winner.

Send your favorite, original fresh fruit or vegetable recipe to: Kroger Nutrition Center, Make Mine Fresh Recipe Contest, The Kroger Company of Michigan, P.O. Box 4444, Livonia, MI, 48151-3084. Recipes must be postmarked by Saturday, April 15.

Anyone with questions can call Kroger's registered dietitians Diane Reynolds and Tina Miller at 1-800-KROGERS (select 3 twice on the automated phone menu) or e-mail them at mnutritionist@kroger.com

Apple-cranberry sauce sweetens baked German puffed pancake

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

German pancakes should be served directly from the oven or, like souffles, they will fall. But this Puffed Pancake With Apple-Cranberry Sauce is worth the risk. It is low in calories, fat and cholesterol and can be put high on the list for a healthy brunch.

The recipe is in the newly released "American Heart Association Around the World Cookbook" (Times Books, $17). According to the authors, among the best cooking apples are Rome Beauty, Golden Delicious, Granny Smith, Jonathan and Winesap.

The apple-cranberry sauce can be made ahead and refrigerated. Reheat it in a small saucepan over low heat, stirring occasionally. Or place it in a microwave-safe cup or bowl, cover loosely with plastic wrap or waxed paper and put it in the microwave on 100 percent power (HIGH) for 1 to 2 minutes, stirring twice.

PUFFED PANCAKE WITH APPLE-CRANBERRY SAUCE

Vegetable oil spray
2 teaspoons margarine
Egg substitute equivalent to 3 eggs
1/2 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 cup skim milk
1/8 teaspoon salt
2 large cooking apples, peeled, cored, and thinly sliced
3/4 cup unsweetened apple juice
1/2 cup fresh or frozen cranberries
1/4 cup sugar
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1 tablespoon cornstarch
2 tablespoons unsweetened apple juice or water
Sifted powdered sugar

Preheat oven to 400 F.

Spray a 10-inch ovenproof skillet with vegetable oil spray. Add margarine. Place skillet in oven for 3 minutes, or until margarine is melted.

In a medium mixing bowl, combine egg substitute, flour, milk and salt. Beat with an electric mixer or wire whisk until smooth. Immediately pour egg mixture into the hot skillet and bake, uncovered, for about 25 minutes, or until puffed and well browned.

Meanwhile, in a medium skillet, combine apples, 3/4 cup apple juice, berries, sugar and cinnamon. Bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat, cover and simmer, stirring occasionally, for about 10 minutes, or until fruit is tender. Place cornstarch in a small bowl. Stir in 2 tablespoons apple juice or water. Add to the apple-cranberry mixture. Cook for about 2 minutes, until thickened and bubbly, stirring often.

To serve, sprinkle pancake with powdered sugar, cut it into wedges and spoon warm sauce over each serving.

Nutrition information per serving: 166 cal, 5 g pro, 34 g carbo, 0 mg chol, 119 mg sodium, 2 g fat (1 g polyunsaturated, 1 g monounsaturated).

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quench your thirst and fill your belly at the same time? The Downtown Detroit Beer Hall, located across from the Brushfire Grill, sports an impressive 70-foot bar and offers a variety of beers and mixed drinks. It also has a buffet featuring Italian sausage, corn-on-the-cob, honey-mustard chicken, fish and chips and more.

If you're worried about missing the game while you're doing a little elbow bending at the Beer Hall, forget it. A built-in radio broadcast booth will keep you on top of the action.

Speaking of action, hold the brew and bratwurst until after your ride on the 50-foot-high Fly Ball Ferris Wheel, which is near the third-base side of the main concourse (near both the Brushfire Grill and the Beer Hall). The 12 wheelchair-accessible cars shaped are shaped like – what else? – baseballs.

The new food concepts and restaurants at Comerica Park are great, but what about a bag of peanuts, a plain hot dog or an ice cream bar? They're still available. "Even though we have added a lot of exciting new concessions, we've kept the old favorites around," assured Facione.

The main concourse boasts 11 Big League Grill stands that offer hot dogs, peanuts, smoked kielbasa, bottled water, beer, and ice-cream bars. The upper concourse has six Big League Grills and the lower concourse has five. Like they say, don't mess with tradition. At least not too much.

See hot dog recipes inside Taste.

Read our Sports Section

WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in Cooking Class Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

■ **Vegetarian Cooking** – Lenore Yallsove Baum, author of "Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Your Essential Guide to Wholesome Vegetarian Cooking," conducts vegetarian cooking classes at Lenore's Natural Cuisine, 22899 Inkster, Farmington Hills. Baum has scheduled a session on tofu, Wednesday, April 12, 6-9 p.m., and pressure cooking, 6-9 p.m. Monday, April 17. Baum also teaches a beginning cooking series each week from 6-9 p.m. on Wednesdays in May, starting May 3. Call (248) 478-4455.

■ **Wines of Livermore** — The Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn will host a wine-maker dinner featuring the wines of Livermore Valley in central California on Wednesday, April 12. A reception begins at 6:30 p.m. featuring hors d'oeuvres and wines. A three-course dinner begins at 7 p.m. The cost is $89 per person inclusive of tax and gratuity. Call (313) 441-2120.

■ **Live Longer** — The Tree House, 22906 Mooney St., in Farmington, currently has Wednesday classes at 7-9 p.m. about how to live longer and get well through nutrition and exercise. Call (248) 473-0624 for information.

■ **Easter Eggs** – Learn how to make panoramic Easter eggs with sugar, royal icing and an egg mold with Audrey Edwards at a three-hour class set for 11 a.m. Saturday, April 15, at Kitchen Glamor in Great Oaks Mall at Walton and Livernois in Rochester. Call (800) 641-1252 for information.

■ **Appetizers** — Mary Spencer will instruct a session on how to prepare a wild mushroom enchilada, curried pates and Thai spring rolls. Sessions at Kitchen Glamor stores are 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, at the Novi Town Center; and Thursday, May 4, at the Great Oaks Mall, Walton and Livernois in Rochester. Call 1-800-641-1252.

■ **Rich Brioche Desserts** — Dolly Matoian will teach the techniques of creating light French brioche, including pecan sticky buns, a brioche chocolate bread pudding and an almond-brown sugar coffee cake. Sessions at Kitchen Glamor stores are 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 9, at the Novi Town Center; Thursday, May 11, at the Great Oaks Mall, Walton and Livernois in Rochester.

■ **Herbs and Spices**—Peter Stark of Renaissance Acres and the M-Fit Culinary Team will show quick and easy recipes to incorporate herbs and spices into favorite foods 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, at the East Ann Arbor Health Center, 4260 Plymouth Road in Ann Arbor. Call Nicole Goyarts at (734) 975-4387, Ext. 236, to pre-register.

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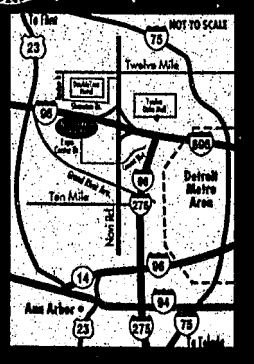

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CHEESY HOT DOG POCKETS

1/2 pound hot dogs, cubed
1/2 pound sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
2-ounce jar stuffed green olives, chopped
1/2 cup frozen diced onions
1/2 cup chili sauce
1 teaspoon mustard
2 hard boiled eggs, chopped
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
4 pita rounds
Heavy duty aluminum foil

Cut hot dogs into fourths lengthwise, then slice into 1/4-inch cubes. Combine with olives, eggs, mustard, mayonnaise, chili sauce and cheese, mixing well. Cut pita rounds in half. Open pocket and fill with approximately 1/3 cup filling – be generous. Wrap individually in foil and refrigerate.

When grill is hot, place foil-wrapped sandwiches on grill and heat for 10 minutes. Uncover and continue heating until pita bread is crisp and filling is hot — 10-15 minutes more, depending on desired crispness.

POLYNESIAN KABOBS ON RICE

2 Polish sausages (or any other pre-cooked sausage)
4 green peppers
2 cups pineapple, cubed
1 cup sweet and sour sauce
4 servings rice

Cut sausages into eighths. On a skewer alternate chunks of pineapple and green peppers with the sausage. Place on grill four to six inches from coals from flame until heated thoroughly. Baste with the sweet and sour sauce. Serve over rice. Serves 4.

SAUSAGE STIR FRY

1/2 pound Polish sausage or your favorite type
2 cups broccoli, chopped
2 cups carrots (sliced)
3 cups cooked rice

Slice sausage, carrots and broccoli. Cook rice according to package, making enough for three cups. Spray pan with cooking spray, add sausage and saute. Add vegetables, stir and cover to let simmer for five to seven minutes until vegetables are tender. Serve over a generous portion of cooked rice and enjoy.

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1 1/2 tablespoons, yellow mustard
1/3 cup ketchup (For spicier beans, use barbecue sauce.)
1/4 cup dark brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon, onion powder
2 (16 ounce) cans of baked beans (dark brown, small beans work best)
1 package hot dogs

Mix all ingredients together in an oven-proof, 2 quart casserole dish. Bake at 350° F for 20-25 minutes. Serves 8-10.

SAUSAGE AND BLACK BEAN TAMALE PIE WITH CHEDDAR CRUST

1 pound pork sausage links, casings removed
2/3 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
1 15-ounce can black beans, drained
1 1/2 cups medium hot picante sauce
1 8 1/2 ounce package corn muffin mix
2 cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese, divided
1/4 cup half and half
1 large egg
1/2 pint sour cream
1/4 cup finely chopped fresh cilantro
1/4 cup sliced black olives

Heat oven to 375° F. Grease 10-inch glass pie plate. In a large, 12-inch skillet, crumble the pork sausage and brown. Drain excess fat. Add onions and green pepper and continue cooking until vegetables are crisp-tender. Stir in drained black beans and the picante sauce. Set aside.In a medium bowl, combine corn muffin mix, one cup of the cheddar cheese, the half and half and the egg. Stir just until moistened. Press mixture on bottom and up sides of the greased pie plate. Spoon sausage mixture into crust. Bake 25 minutes or until mixture is set.

Remove from oven; sprinkle with remaining cup of cheddar cheese. Bake five minutes or until cheese is melted. Allow to stand five minutes. Cut into six wedges and serve with a dollop of sour cream and a sprinkle of fresh cilantro and black olives. Makes six servings.

Council hint: Recipe also would work well with cajun style bratwurst and chorizo.

This recipe from Eleanor Froelich of Rochester won third place in the 1996 National Sausage Month Award-Winning Recipes.



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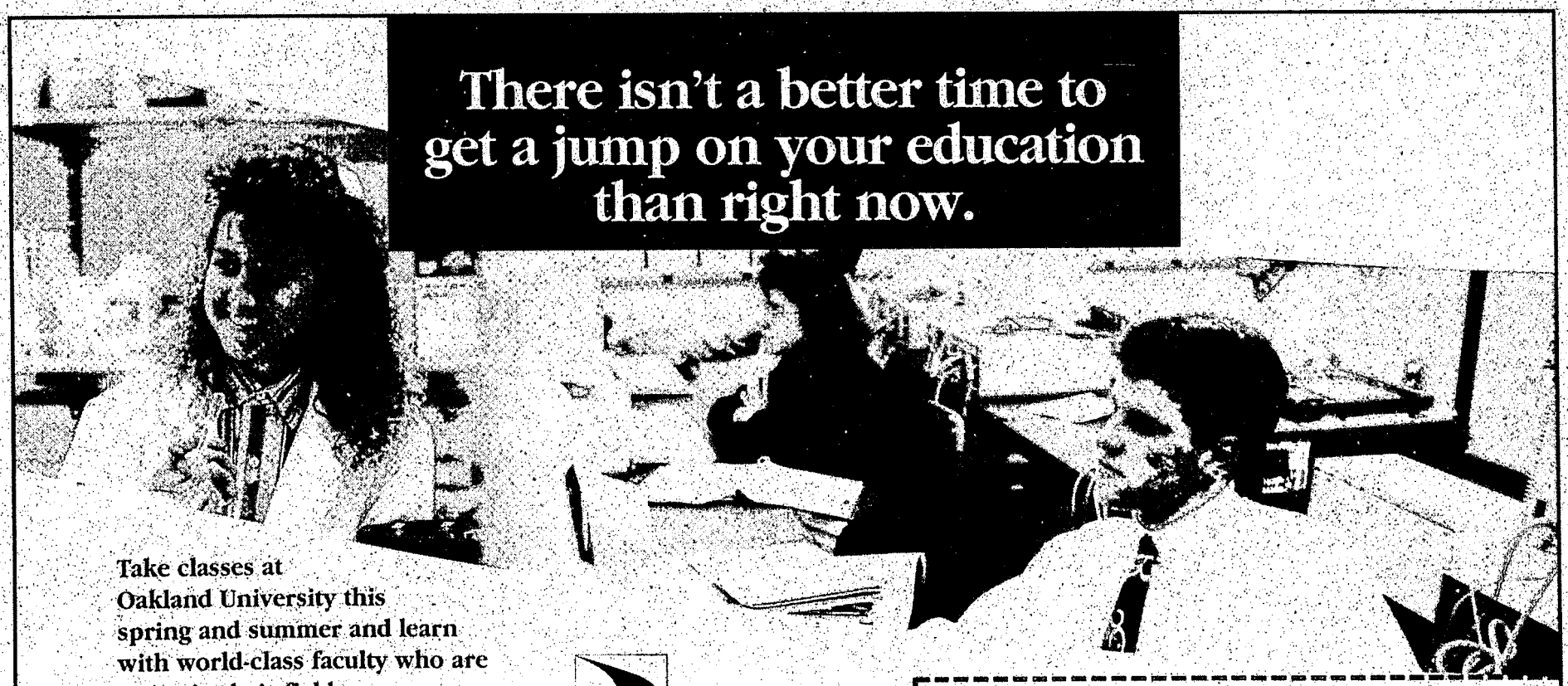

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CONVERSATIONS



FRANK PROVENZANO

Honoring the tragedy, faith of a culture

In two weeks, Armenians from around the world will gather to recall an ominous day 85 years ago. A day when intellectuals and clergy living in Istanbul were arrested and never heard from again.

"We gather to remember the pain," said Rev. Father Garabed Kochakian, pastor at St. John's Armenian Church in Southfield, whose 5,000 parishioners make it the largest parish in the diocese.

The pain, of course, is in reliving the memories of a genocide that took the lives of 1.5 million and forced another 1 million to flee their homeland.

"There isn't one Armenian family that hasn't been touched by the genocide."

The genocide perpetuated by the Turks on the Armenians from 1915 to 1919 is barely a footnote in the history of the 20th century. The same century of great technological innovation allowed the most horrific slaughters in the all of the previous centuries combined.

What: Tour of the Alex and Marie Manoogian Museum, sponsored by the Cultural Council of Birmingham/Bloomfield
When: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 26
Where: Cultural Center adjacent to St. John's Armenian Church, 22001 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield
For information, call (248) 647-0386

Progress? Talk to a survivor of the Turks, Nazis and Khmer Rouge.

Coming to grips with history must seem like trying to scale a rocky mountain with hands of grease.

Every year on April 24, Armenians gather to remember the day when intellectuals and clergy were arrested – the day that marked the beginning of the holocaust.

They pledge to never forget.

"We seem to go back to the wound because it hasn't been resolved," said Kochakian.

Fostering identity

In a history filled with suffering and subjugation, Armenians have persevered for two reasons: Faith and love of culture.

"Honoring the history of Armenia is our roots," said Kochakian, who studied in Armenia and Jerusalem before assuming his duties at St. John's 18 months ago.

Current-day Armenia exists in central Asia amid a sea of Muslim states.

But another type of Armenia exists in the metro region, where more than 45,000 Armenians live.

It's a community as diverse as American culture. In addition to first- and second-generation Armenians, there are immigrants from Beirut, Baghdad, Iran and Egypt.

Lessons of history

Not far from St. John's — the basilica-styled church modeled after a 6th-century church in Armenia — is a repository of artifacts from a culture that has subsisted in the crevices of history.

Eight years ago, the Alex and Marie Manoogian Museum opened in the cultural center.

In eight galleries, the museum displays paintings, textiles, rugs, religious objects and manuscripts that depict the evolution of the Armenian people to pre-Christian times.

The museum is the culmination of a 20-year effort by Rev. Fr. Paren Avedikian, who left St. John's to direct four museums in Armenia.

In a few weeks, the Cultural Council of Birmingham/Bloomfield will sponsor a tour of the Manoogian museum.

Perhaps the first step in learning the lessons of history is appreciating the rich tapestry of Armenian culture.

Learning about the depth and beauty of a culture that has survived despite centuries of persecution and natural disasters is realizing the eternal qualities of faith and perseverance.

Remembering the past shouldn't be so painful.

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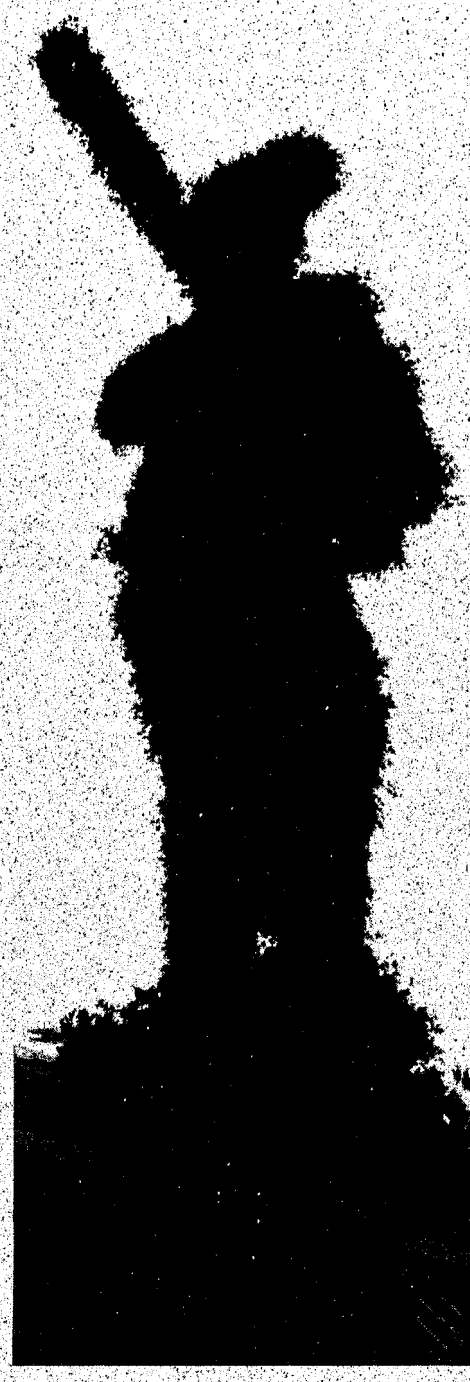

Bigger than Life

LOCAL ARTIST CREATES LARGE-SCALE SCULPTURES INSIDE COMERICA PARK

STORIES BY FRANK PROVENZANO • STAFF WRITER

A week before opening day at Comerica Park, and the pace is frenetic.

Traffic cops are needed just to unclog the back-up of construction crews and the horde of reporters. Workers look weary, and more than a few are short on sleep — and patience.

The orchestrated media tour of the park has been severely restricted because city inspectors haven't approved areas of the facility. Completing the park has become a game within a game.

Amid the craziness, sculptor Joseph Wesner appears amazingly calm.

Wearing a blazing yellow hard hat and looking as a stubble-faced construction worker, Wesner stands amid what will be referred to as the Brushfire Grill, an area between the Brush Street entrance and third-base line.

The 16,000 square-foot garden will have picnic tables, international beer and daiquiri bars, and offerings of barbecued turkey and ribs.

Oh, yes. And the garden also includes two monumentally tall baseball figures standing above a giant floating baseball in a fountain, which Wesner, a Birmingham resident, sculpted from metal and ivy.

From his worn leather brief case, Wesner pulls out blueprints of the site surrounding his sculptures. He points out where canopies will hang over trusses and where the fountain will be installed in the next few days.

For the moment, he's eagerly awaiting to use the hydraulic lift where he'll rise beyond the 14-foot pedestal to trim the unkempt vestiges of ivy from the two 35-foot baseball figures erected nearest to the corridors leading into the park.

Sculpting the baseball figures is a stark contrast from Wesner's other sculptures. Typically, Wesner works with metal or bronze and deals in the abstract. His large-scale sculptures have been installed at Delphi International Headquarters in Troy, and most recently at the Walter P. Chrysler Museum in Rochester Hills.

"Before high modernism, artists did a range of art, from painting to public sculptures," said Wesner, who lectures on the role of public sculpture in creating a sense of community.

"This (sculpture) is a case of collaboration. It's involved an architect, designers and a sculptor," he said.

Unlike the circular forms found in many of his abstract sculptures, the baseball figure is easily identifiable and literal. Whereas Wesner's sculptural work typically engages viewers to consider what lies beyond the abstract form, his work at Comerica Park is mostly decorative to fit within a theme.

Wesner was hired by Little Caesars Enterprises as an art consultant. His role was to interpret and install a design of the baseball players created by JPR&A Design of Southfield. The artificial ivy is woven into a wire mesh modeled around steel beams.

The sculptural process, which Wesner compares to making a hooked rug, was a collaboration with 13 of his current and former students at the Center for Creative Studies where he teaches. Oakland Welding Industries fabricated the metal for the project.

In addition, Wesner also contributed to the kiosk-like sculptures in the park's corridors. Beginning with 1900, each of the sculptures depicts 20 years in the history of the Tigers, featuring images of the era's most famous players.



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Standing tall: *Sculptor Joseph Wesner in the corridor at Comerica Park where his two sculptures have been installed.*

Grand ol' game makes room for 21st-century hype

If baseball has three speeds – slow, slower and slumbering, then the distractions that line the corridors and entrances of Comerica Park offer a tantalizing diversion rushing by at hyper speed.

The contrast between a timeless game played on a diamond-shaped green pasture, and the flash and gimmickry of a carnival hardly could be starker.

Of all sports, baseball is perhaps the one where even minor changes unsettle the balance of its precarious universe. On Tuesday, the delicate fissures of the grand ol' game will be rattled when the gates open and the home-plate umpire yells, "Play Ball!" for the first time in a century at a site other than Michigan and Trumbull.

Students of the game, be prepared. Comerica Park is far from a replica of the nostalgia-laded stadium located a few miles away.

Nostalgia at Comerica Park comes with a heavy dose of commercialism and consumers' utopia of choices. Like a fast-food menu, the options at Comerica Park have been designed for short-attention spans and trendy tastes – daiquiri bars, cigar lounges, Ferris wheels, carousels, international beer and pricey retail stores.

And obviously, with ticket prices as high as $75 per seat, attending a game isn't a simple decision for most families. It might be more like enrolling in a payment plan.

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Diamond view: *The open design of Comerica Park is a stark contrast to the enclosed structure of Tiger Stadium.*

EXHIBIT/OPERA

Chagall's works celebrate the human spirit

BY LANA MINI
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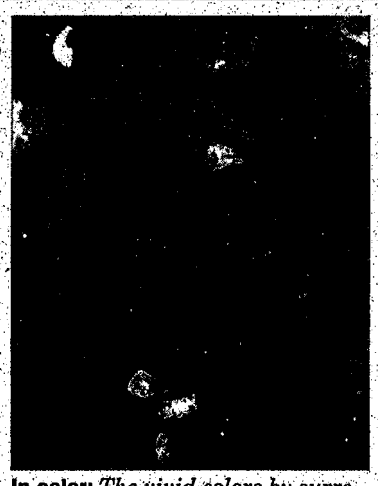
The glorious works of Marc Chagall, one of the 20th-century's most influential and innovative artists, carry a richly evocative theme of peasant life as pleasant life.

Chagall's work was influenced by Cubism and the Fauvists. His work is infused with inspirations from Jewish life and folklore featuring rich color, flowers and floating humans and animals in states of utter jubilation.

The masterpiece etchings and lithographs by Chagall included in "The World of Marc Chagall" are on exhibit through April at Park West Gallery in Southfield.

"Every fan of great modern art should be here," Park West Gallery Director Morris Shapiro said.

"It's quite a rare opportunity to view a collection like this in its entirety — usually collections with such masterpieces are only visible at museums."



In color: *The vivid colors by surrealist Marc Chagall are portrayed here in his popular piece Cirque — Frontispiece. The work is signed in pencil and is on exhibit at Park West Galley in Southfield.*

The collection contains work that was initially considered unusual, and even boring, at the time.

La Bible is part of Chagall's series of Biblical images considered passé and overdone when he created them in the

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MOT proudly waltzes to Strauss' famous opera

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
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Don't expect David DiChiera to gloat. It's not his style.

But forgive him, if he manages even the slightest smug expression.

This Saturday, DiChiera will once again stretch the notion of what is possible when the Michigan Opera Theatre presents *Der Rosenkavalier*, a lushly orchestrated opera by Richard Strauss. It is the first-ever performance of the early 20th-century opera at the acoustical gem located in downtown Detroit's theater district.

Since it was first performed in 1911, *Der Rosenkavalier* is considered one of the most performed German operas written in the 20th century. Among Strauss other popular operas are *Salome* and *Electra*.

Der Rosenkavalier is filled with waltz rhythms that require an enormous orchestra. More than 100 instruments are used. In addition to traditional instruments, the orchestra requires harps, Glockenspiel, tenor drum, bells and castanets.

"With the Opera House, we can now perform all the magnificent works," said DiChiera, founder and general director of MOT.

What: *Der Rosenkavalier*, an opera by Richard Strauss
When: Opening — 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15; performance times — 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16, 30; 8 p.m. Saturday, April 16, 22
Where: Detroit Opera House, at the corner of Madison Avenue and Broadway, Detroit
Tickets: $18-$98; call (313) 237-3429 or (248) 645-6666.

While Strauss' poem works portrayed emotion with a thorough orchestration, his palette is much broader with the characterizations and melodrama of opera, said DiChiera.

"With Strauss, the orchestration is an equal partner with the operatic singing and story," he said. "The eroticism of the sound is overwhelming."

While the waltz was a 19th-century development, *Der Rosenkavalier*

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Even at $30 a ticket, a family of four could spend $200 for a day at the park. Just a game? Try a big business.

"Look around, you're in the entertainment district," said Steve Facione, vice president of Olympian Enterprise Inc.

"We set out to create a festival atmosphere. Mr. (Mike) Ilitch's vision is to make coming to the park an event. He wants people to come early and stay longer."

Obviously, "staying at the park" won't come without spending plenty of greenbacks at a playground where adults and kids can find their own delights. Sound familiar?

The inflated aesthetic at the park includes bright lights, colorful canopies, dancing water fountains, carnival rides and more life-size tigers than live on the Serengeti Planes.

It's no surprise that Comerica Park offers the latest variation of how a Disney World motif can mesmerize and transform the mundane. There are many, however, who bristle at the notion that baseball needs to be jazzed-up.

To their credit, Little Caesar Enterprises Inc., which designed the park, didn't forget what is most important.

The statues of great Tigers' ballplayers and other sculptures around the park pay homage to the game and the proud 100-year history of the team that wears the Old English "D."

And the view of the downtown skyline (*Yes, there is a skyline...*) is a compelling image, a sign that the stadium could be a catalyst in bringing what's desperately needed to the region's cultural hub – pedestrians walking the streets.

Few other recent developments symbolize the region's cultural transformation as Comerica Park.

Yet change seldom comes easily.

Cynics be damned. Baseball isn't just a game. For anyone living in metro Detroit who can recall the championship seasons of 1968 and 1984, the Tigers are a symbol. For anyone who follows the team, the future must seem unsettling when looking back at the shadows of a stadium where Cobb, Ruth, DiMaggio, Williams and Kaline left their indelible marks on the game.

But it's time to move on. A new perspective of the game and the future is at hand.

Unlike the enclosed design of Tiger Stadium, the new park draws visual connections to the landscape of landmarks. Despite the entertainment distractions, Comerica Park's open design, where views of the field can be seen from the street, is as good as any metaphor for the area's future. It's a setting where the new meets the old, where tradition finds grounding in the changing physical landscape.

This season, while the Tigers struggle to win as many games as they lose, baseball fans will likely come to grips with what promises to be a year of transition. To many, this season is the next step of letting go and moving on.

This Tuesday, the past meets the future in one hell of a pitch.

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What: "The World of Marc Chagall," an exhibition and sale
Where: Park West Gallery 29469 Northwestern Highway, Southfield
When: Thru April 27; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thurs. & Fri.; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday & Sunday.
For information, call (248) 354-2343



Etched in stone: *"Le Buisson" (The Burning Bush) is one of 105 etchings comprising "La Bible" by Marc Chagall.*

Shapiro describes the images in *La Bible* — and especially in his poetic series *Cirque* – as tranquil and joyous celebrations of the human spirit. The images depict acrobats, animals and trapeze artists surrounded by intense colors of blues, reds, greens and pinks.

A masterful graphic artist, Chagall began creating his lithographs and etchings early in his career, which spanned eight decades and consisted of more than 1,000 fine art prints. Chagall died in 1985.

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blends the social sensibilities of the 18th century with the romantic music inspired by Mozart. In opera, anachronisms are hardly a concern.

The MOT production features one of the few family acts in opera. Helen Donath will sing the role of Marschallin. Meanwhile, her husband, Klaus Donath conducts the orchestra and her son, Alexander Donath directs the production.

While *Der Rosenkavalier* is a fairy story about a woman who faces the middle-age realities of being stuck in an arranged marriage, the theme of longing for passionate love is unmistakably universal.

In the melodramatic tradition, the opera follows the 32-year old Princess Marschallin, who fears growing old, and the lover's triangle among her, her 17-year old lover and the young girl who falls in love with him.

Long before the Detroit Opera House opened at the corner of Madison and Broadway in 1996, DiChiera was considered either a visionary for his promising talk about the future of the downtown theater district.

Then again, to some DiChiera was thought to be a modern-day Don Quixote.

Several months after last fall's sold-out performances for Andrea Bocelli's operatic debut in *Werther* at the Detroit Opera House, DiChiera's vision is an unquestionable reality.

Perhaps the best indication of the fledgling cultural area and MOT's success are increased ticket sales and the lack of parking.

The two Sunday matinee performances fall on the same dates as Detroit Tigers' afternoon home games. With Comerica Park located across from the Opera House, patrons and baseball fans will compete for parking.

All in all, an enviable problem. And maybe a reason to gloat.

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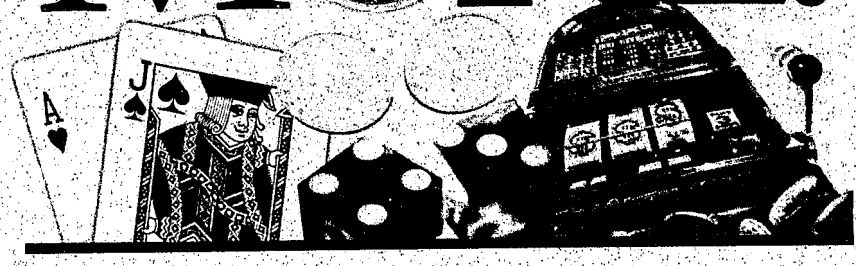
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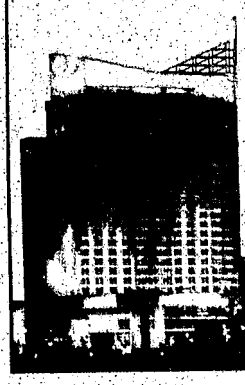
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GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

National Amusements Showcase Cinemas

Showcase Auburn Hills 1-14
2150 N. Opdyke Rd.
Between University & Walton Blvd
248-373-2660
Bargain Matinees Daily.
All Shows until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
Late Shows Fri. Sat.
THRU THURSDAY
NP DENOTES NO PASS

NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:15, 1:45, 4:00, 4:30, 7:10, 7:40, 9:50, 10:20
NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)
12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 10:00
NP RETURN TO ME (PG)
1:30, 4:20, 7:15, 9:50
NP BLACK AND WHITE (R)
12:30, 2:40, 4:50,7:00,9:10
NP SKULLS (PG13)
12:45, 3:05, 5:25, 7:45, 10:10
NP HIGH FIDELITY (R)
1:40, 4:25, 7:05, 9:30
NP THE ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
12:30, 1:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:30, 5:00, 6:30,7:00, 8:30, 9:15
NP PRICE OF GLORY (PG13)
2:25
NP AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
1:20, 3:55 ,6:40, 9:20
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
1:15, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
1:00, 3:05, 5:10, 7:40, 9:55
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
1:10, 3:50, 6:50, 9:35
MISSION TO MARS (R)
4:55, 7:20, 9:45
MY DOG SKIP (PG)
12:30

Showcase Dearborn 1-8
Michigan & Telegraph
313-561-3449
Bargain Matinees Daily.
All Shows until 6 pm.
Continuous Shows Daily
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.
THRU THURSDAY
NP DENOTES NO PASS

NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:30, 4:15, 7:20, 10:00
NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)
1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00
NP BLACK AND WHITE (R)
12:45, 2:55, 5:10, 7:30, 9:55
NP SKULLS (PG13)
12:40, 2:50, 5:15, 7:35, 9:50
NP THE ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
12:30, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:30
NP THE PRICE OF GLORY (PG13)
12:30
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
1:20, 4:00, 7:10, 9:35,
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:45
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
12:50, 3:10, 5:20,7:25, 9:40

Showcase Pontiac 1-5
Telegraph-Sq. Lake Rd. W Side of Telegraph
248-332- 0241
Bargain Matinees Daily
• All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
Late Shows Thurs. Fri. & Sat.
THRU THURSDAY
NP DENOTES NO PASS

NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:15, 1:45, 4:00, 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, 9:40, 10:10
NP SKULLS (PG13)
12:45, 2:55, 5:05, 7:25, 9:55
NP AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
1:30, 4:15, 6:50, 9:30
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
1:00, 3:50, 6:40, 9:20

Showcase Pontiac 6-12
2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of Telegraph
248-334-6777
Bargain Matinees Daily
• All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
Late Shows Thurs. Fri. & Sat.
THRU THURSDAY
NP DENOTES NO PASS

NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13) •
12:25, 2:45, 5:05, 7:25, 9:40
NP RETURN TO ME (PG)
1:10, 4:10, 7:15, 9:50
NP BLACK AND WHITE (R)
12:50, 3:00, 5:10, 7:30, 10:00
NP HIGH FIDELITY (R)
1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:45
NP THE ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:10
NP THE PRICE OF GLORY (PG13)
12:30
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
1:30, 4:00, 6:50, 9:35
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
2:40, 4:50,7:10, 9:20

Quo Vadis
Warren & Wayne Rds
313-425-7700
Bargain Matinees Daily
All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
LATE SHOWS FRIDAY & SATURDAY
THRU THURSDAY
NP DENOTES NO PASS

NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)
12:40, 2:55, 5:25, 7:50, 10:05
NP BLACK AND WHITE (R)
12:45, 3:00, 5:10, 7:30, 9:55
NP SKULLS (PG13)
12:50, 3:05, 5:15, 7:35, 10:00
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
1:30, 4:00, 7:10, 9:35,
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
12:55, 3:10, 5:20, 7:45, 9:50
MY DOG SKIP (PG)
1:00, 2:55
MISSION TO MARS (PG
4:50, 7:20, 9:40

Showcase Westland 1-8
6800 Wayne Rd.,
One blk S. of Warren Rd.
313-729-1060
Bargain Matinees Daily
All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.
THRU THURSDAY
NP DENOTES NO PASS

NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:15, 1:45,4:00, 4:30, 7:10, 7:40, 9:50, 10:20, 12:30
NP RETURN TO ME (PG)
1:30, 4:15, 7:30, 10:00
NP HIGH FIDELITY (R)
12:45 3:05, 5:25, 8:00, 10:20
NP THE ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
12:50, 1:20, 2:50, 3:20, 4:50, 5:20, 6:50, 7:20,8:50, 9:20
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
1:00, 3:40, 6:40, 9:20
NP AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
1:40, 4: 20, 7:00, 9:30

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NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
12:00, 12:40, 1:20, 2:00, 2:40, 3:20, 4:00, 4:40, 5:20, 6:00, 6:40, 7:20, 8:00, 8:40, 9:20, 10:00
NP RETURN TO ME (PG)
12:20, 1:40, 3:00, 4:20, 5:40, 7:00, 8:20, 9:30
NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)
12:05, 2:25, 5:00, 7:25, 9:45
NP SOUTHPAW (NR)
12:35, 2:35, 4:35, 6:45, 8:45
NP BLACK AND WHITE (R)
11:55, 2:10, 4:45, 7:05, 9:15
NP THE SKULLS (PG13)
12:50, 2:15, 3:40, 4:50 6:15, 7:40, 8:50, 10:00
NP THE ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG)
11:50, 12:30, 1:10, 1:50, 2:30, 3:10, 3:50, 4:30, 5:10, 5:10, 6:30, 7:10, 7:50, 6:30, 9:10
HIGH FIDELITY (R)
1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55
THE PRICE OF GLORY (PG13)
9:50PM ONLY
HERE ON EARTH (PG13)
8:05 PM ONLY
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
11:45, 12:25, 1:00, 2:50, 3:30, 4L10, 6:10, 6:50, 7:30, 9:00, 9:40
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
6:55, 9:35
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
1:55, 4:25, 6:35, 9:05
BOYS DON'T CRY (R)
12:10, 2:45, 5:15 ,7:45
MISSION TO MARS (PG)
12:15,2:55, 5:25, 7:55
MY DOG SKIP (PG)
11:55, 2:05, 4:10
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
11:45, 2:20, 5:05, 7:35
THE CIDER HOUSE RULES (R)
1:05, 3:45, 6:25 9:25

KIDS FILM SERIES
MUPPETS FROM SPACE (G)
1:25, 3:25, 5:30
CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER FREE ADULTS $1.00

Star John-R at 14 Mile
32289 John R. Road
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CALL FOR SATURDAY SHOWTIMES
No one under age 6 admitted for PG13 & R rated films after 6 pm

NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
12:10, 1:10, 2:10, 3:10, 4:10, 5:10, 6:20, 7:10, 8:10, 9:10
NP RETURN TO ME (PG)
12:20, 1:50, 3:30, 4:40, 6:00, 7:20, 8:40, 10:00
NP THE ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
12:00, 12:45, 1:30, 2:15, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15, 6:00, 6:45,7:30, 8:20, 8:50, 9:50
NO VIP TICKETS
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
1:00, 3:50, 7:00, 8:20, 9:30
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
12:30, 2:00,3:20,4:50,6:10, 7:40, 9:00
MISSION TO MARS (PG)
1:20, 4:00, 6:50, 9:20
THE NINTH GATE (R)
6:30, 9:35
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
11:55, 2:50, 5:30, 8:00
CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG13)
12:55, 3:40, 6:40, 9:40

KIDS FILM SERIES
CHILDREN 12 AND YOUNGER ARE FREE, ADULTS ARE $1:00
MUPPETS FROM SPACE (G)
11:50, 2:25, 4:20

Star Rochester Hills
200 Barclay Circle
248-853-2260
SUNDAY THRU THURSDAY
No one under age 6 admitted for PG 13 & R rated films after 6 pm

NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 10:00
NO VIP TICKETS
NP RETURN TO ME (PG)
11:55, 2:20, 4:50 7:20, 9:50
NO VIP TICKETS
NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)
1:00, 3:20, 6:00, 8:45
NO VIP TICKETS
NP BLACK & WHITE (R)
12:00,2:10, 4:20, 7:00, 9:20
NO VIP TICKETS
NP THE ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG)
12:20, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30
NO VIP TICKETS

NP SKULLS (PG13)
12:10, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:50
NP HIGH FIDELITY (R)
12:00, 2:40, 5:20, 7:50, 10:40
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
11:40, 2:15, 5:00, 7:40, 10:15
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
3:50, 6:40, 9:10
CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG13)
3:40, 6:20, 9:00
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
12:40 PM ONLY

SPECIAL KIDS SERIES
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MUPPETS FROM SPACE (G)
11:50, 1:50

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NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
SUN. 11:00, 12:00, 12:50, 1:20, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 4:40, 5:00, 6:00,7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 10:30; MON-THURS: 12:00, 12:50, 1:20, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 4:40, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 10:30
NP RETURN TO ME (PG)
SUN: 11:10, 1:40, 4:30, 7:40, 10:30; MON-THURS 1:40, 4:30, 7:40, 10:30
NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)
SUN. 11:00, 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20; MON-THURS 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20
NP BLACK AND WHITE (R)
SUN. 11:10, 12:45, 1:40, 3:20, 4:20, 5:45, 6:40, 8:30, 9:20; MON-THURS 12:45, 1:40, 3:20, 4:20, 5:45, 6:40, 8:30, 9:20
NP THE ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG)
SUN. 11:00, 11:40, 12:30, 1:10, 2:10, 2:40, 3:40, 4:30, 5:20, 6:00, 7:00, 7:45, 8:15, 9:15 -
MON-THURS 12:20,1:10,2:10, 2:40, 3:40, 4:30 5:20,6:00, 7:00, 7:45, 8:15, 9:15
NP THE SKULLS (PG13)
12:00, 1:10, 2:45, 4:10, 5:30, 7:20, 8:15, 10:15; NO 4:10 & 7:20 ON TUE & WED 4/11 & 12
OPEN CAPTIONED SHOWS ON TUES & WED 4/11 & 4/12
THE HURRICANE (R)
3:40 & 7:00
NP HIGH FIDELITY (R)
SUN 11:00, 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 10:30 - MON-THURS 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 10:30
NP PRICE OF GLORY (PG13)
10:15 PM ONLY
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
SUN. 11:30, 2:30, 3:30, 5:30, 6:30, 8:45, 9:40, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:45; MON-THURS 2:30, 3:30, 5:30, 6:30, 8:45, 9:40
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
1:20, 4:20, 6:15, 7:20, 9:15, 10:20
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
SUN. 11:15, 1:40, 4:20, 7:20, 9:50; MON-THURS. 1:40, 4:20, 7:20, 9:50
MISSION TO MARS (PG)
12:30 PM ONLY
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

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MUPPETS FROM SPACE (G)
SUN. 11:30, 1:45, 4:00; MON-THURS 1:45 & 4:00

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ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

PRICE OF GLORY (PG13)
SUN. 1:00, 7:40
MON-THURS 2:50, 8:00
WHATEVER IT TAKES (PG13)
SUN. 3:30, 5:10, 10:00
MON-THURS 5:30 PM ONLY
HERE ON EARTH (PG13)
SUN. 12:30, 2:40, 5:15, 7:50
MON-THURS. 3:10, 5:45, 7:50
WONDERBOYS (R) NV
SUN. 12:40, 3:00, 7:30, 9:50
MON-THURS 3:00, 5:40, 8:10
BOY'S DON'T CRY (R)
SUN. 1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40
MON-THURS 2:40, 5:10, 7:40
THE WHOLE NINE YARDS (R)
SUN. 12:50, 2:50, 5:20, 7:10, 9:20
MON-THURS 3:20, 5:20, 8:10

United Artists 12 Oaks
Inside Twelve Oaks Mall
248-349-4311
ALL TIMES SUN-THURS.

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (PG)
SUN. 12:40, 3:45, 7:10, 9:50
MON-THURS 5:00,7:35
RETURN TO ME (PG13)
SUN. 12:50, 4:05, 7:20, 9:55
MON-THURS 5:05, 7:40
BLACK AND WHITE (R)
SUN. 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
MON-THURS. 5:15, 7:30
ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG)
SUN. 12:10, 2:20, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20
MON-THURS 5:10, 7:20
BOYS DON'T CRY (R)
SUN. 1:00, 4:00, 6:50, 9:30
MON-THURS 5:20, 7:50

United Artists West River
9 Mile,
One Block West of Middlebelt
248-788-6572
ALL TIMES SUN-THURS

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (PG13) NV
12:50, 3:50 ,6:50, 9:50
RETURN TO ME (PG) NV
1:20, 4:15, 7:05, 9:40
READY TO RUMBLE (R)NV
12:05, 2:35, 5:05, 7:30, 10:00
BLACK AND WHITE (PG) NV
12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:25, 9:45
ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG) NV
12:25, 2:30, 4:40, 7:00, 9:20
SKULLS (PG13)NV
12:15, 2:45, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
1:15, 4:10, 6:55, 9:30
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:55
ERIN BROKOVICH (R) NV
1:00, 4:00, 6:45, 9:35
FINAL DESTINATION (R) NV
12:05, 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:35
MISSION TO MARS (PG)
12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:50
MY DOG SKIP (PG) NV
12:10, 2:30, 4:45

United Artists-Commerce-14
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RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)NV
10:30, 12:20, 1:15, 3:25, 4:30, 6:40, 7:30, 9:35, 10:25
RETURN TO ME (R)NV
11:05, 1:35, 4:10, 6:50, 9:40
READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)NV
12:00, 2:30, 4:55, 7:10, 9:45
BLACK AND WHITE (R) NV
11:40, 2:10,4:40, 7:25, 9:55
ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG)NV
10:40, 11:45, 12:45, 1:50, 2:45, 4:00, 4:50, 6:15, 7:00, 8:25, 9:05, 10:25
SKULLS (PG13) NV
12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10
HIGH FIDELITY (R) NV
11:30, 2:20, 5:05 ,7:45, 10:20
WHATEVER IT TAKES (PG13) NV
10:50, 3:55, 8:20
HERE ON EARTH (PG13) NV
1:10, 6:10, 10:35
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
5:00, 7:30, 9:55
ERIN BROKOVICH (R)
10:30, 1:20, 4:15, 7:20, 10:15
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
11:10, 1:25, 3:40, 6:05, 8:15, 10:30
MY DOG SKIP (PG)
10:45, 12:55, 2:50
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
11:20 2:00, 4:45, 7:35, 10:05

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NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:30, 4:10, 6:45, 9:15
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
1:30, 4:10, 6:30, 7:00, 9:05, 9:35
NP THE SKULLS (PG13)
12:45, 2:50, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40
NP HIGH FIDELITY (R)
12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40
WHATEVER IT TAKES (R)
12:35, 2:30, 4:30
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
12:40, 2:40, 4:40, 6:40, 8:40
BOILER ROOM (R)
12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30
CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG13)
1:00, 3:45, 6:30, 9:15

MJR Theatres

Brighton - Cinemas 9
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NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)
12:30, 2:40 (5:10 @ $4.00) 7:30, 9:45
NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:10 (4:15 @ $4.00) 7:10, 9:55
NP RETURN TO ME (PG)
1:40 (4:20 @ $4.00) 6:50, 9:15
NP ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
12:40, 2:45 (5:00 @ $4.00) 7:15, 9:20
NP SKULLS (PG13)
1:30 (4:30 @ $4.00) 7:30, 9:45
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
1:00, (4:00 @ $4.00) 7:00, 9:50
NP WHATEVER IT TAKES (PG13)
12:45
NP ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
9:55
NP ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
1:15, (4:10 @ $4.00) 7:00, 9:50
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
1:20-(4:50 @ $4.00) 7:45, 10:00
MISSION TO MARS (PG)
7:20
MY DOG SKIP (PG)
2:50 (5:00 @ $4.00)

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NP READY TO RUMBLE (PG13)
12:30, 2:40, (5:00 @ $4.00) 7:20, 9:40
NP RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
12:50 (4:10 @ $4.00) 7:00, 9:45
NP RETURN TO ME (R)
12:50, (4:10 @ $4.00) 6:50, 9:20
NP BLACK & WHITE (R)
1:00 (4:00 @ $4.00) 6:30, 9:00
NP ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
12:30, 1:20, 2:30, 3:30, (4:30, 5:30 @ $4.00) 6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:40
NP SKULLS (PG13)
1:15, (4:45 @ $4.00) 7:10, 9:45
NP HIGH FIDELITY (R)
1:50, (4:50 @ $4.00) 7:20, 9:50
PRICE OF GLORY (PG13)
9:30
NP HERE ON EARTH (PG13)
1:10, (4:15 @ $4.00) 7:00, 9:20
WHATEVER IT TAKES (PG13)
1:30, 9:55
ROMEO MUST DIE (R)
1:40 (5:00 @ $4.00) 7:30, 10:00
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
12:45, 1:30, (4:00, 4:30 @ $4.00) 6:50, 7:15, 9:30, 9:55
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
1:45, (4:50 @ $4.00) 7:40, 9:50
MISSION TO MARS (PG)
(4:40 @ $4.00), 7:15
MY DOG SKIP (PG)
12:45, 3:00, (5:10 @ $4.00) 7:30,
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
1:00 (4:10 @ $4:00) 6:45, 9:15

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HIGH FIDELITY (R)
(1:45 4:15) 7:15, 9:45
GHOST DOG (R)
(2:00 4:30) 7:00, 9:30
TUES. (1:45, 4:30) 9:45
THE CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG13)
(1:30 4:45) 8:00

Maple Art Theatre III
4135 W. Maple, West of Telegraph
Bloomfield Hills
248-855-9090
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THE LIFE & TIMES OF HANK GREENBERG (UNR)
(2:15 4:30) 6:45, 9:00
(4:30) 6:45, 9:00
BOYS DON'T CRY(R)
SUN. (2:00 4:30) 7:00, 9:30
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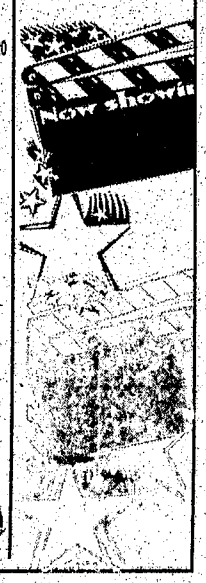

Elvis experience nothing to get *All Shook Up* about

Another Song About the King, **by Kathryn Stern (Random House, $23.95)**



VICTORIA DIAZ

One sweltering summer afternoon when I was all of 14 years old, Elvis Presley deigned to look my way, wanting to know if he could buy me something cold to drink.

Yes, that Elvis Presley.

On this particular afternoon, he had not yet dyed his hair that unlikely shade of shoe-polish black, had not yet costumed himself in even one bejeweled cape, and it was long before any of us had saddled him with that burdensome label, "the King."

He was just a flirty, brown-haired guy with a mild case of adolescent acne, and a drawl thick as country cream. Not a heavyweight in any sense of the word.

Anyway, we whiled away some time over two Dr. Peppers, and Elvis was soon on his way, out of my life. In the flesh, I never saw him again. To tell you the truth, the event didn't mean a lot to me at the time. In retrospect, of course, it has come to mean much, much more.

Now comes a novel in which its linchpin character, Simone, shares some time alone with Elvis, after which he walks out the door, never to return. It's an experience Simone never gets past, and it colors not just the remainder of her life, but the lives of those around her as well.

For obvious reasons, I looked forward to reading this novel with a healthy amount of anticipation. Unfortunately, I found it ultimately disappointing, mostly because I found Simone a difficult character with which to identify.

Narrating this fictional "journey" is Simone's daughter, Sylvie (note that her name is a scrambled version of Elvis' name). The story opens on the eve of Sylvie's wedding, then flashes back and forth throughout, coming full circle and finally ending where it begins.

As Sylvie looks back on her life, we become, in a sense, her time-travel companions. On occasion, the trip feels a little like we're circling Oz, as literary references to L. Frank Baum's story are scattered about on the pages (we're not always sure why).

Some New York types refer to Sylvie as "Dorothy," or to her Michigan home as "Kansas." A kind of magic is often attached to shoes.

Simone can "pick you up like the wind picked up Dorothy's house. . .and set you back down. . .in a different part of the night." An ophthalmologist is named Dr. Baum.

Sylvie's desires to escape her mother are "powerful. . .like a strong gust of wind."

From early childhood, Sylvie has not trusted her mother, nor liked her much, and sometimes she wishes she would just go away. But, at the same time, she has a kind of love for her that prompts her to do almost anything to please her difficult mother, including a purposeful "giving in" to her when it comes to any form of competition between the two.

If mothers and daughters can be said to be star-crossed, these two most definitely are.

Simone harbors a deep-seated, almost frantic need to be "somebody," apparently the result of her parents' own deep-seated needs.

And, in her own mind, the closest she's come to attaining this goal is the time spent with Elvis in her hometown of Biloxi, Miss. in 1956. In itself, it didn't amount to much — but Simone, being Simone, has blown it up out of all proportion.

She trots out the story to bolster her dreams, to relieve the monotony of 60's domesticity, even to further her husband's career.

One of the problems with this novel is that we really don't have much of an opportunity to hear Simone's side of the story. As presented here, she comes off as immature, silly, self-centered, obsessed, even downright hurtful.

In any event, she's very hard to like, and, at times, you'd like to give her a smack hard enough to send her and her perky jingle ball fringe into next Tuesday.

(Though an ultimate, desperate change of sorts occurs, it seems too little, too late, and also overly-contrived.)

We have to keep reminding ourselves that this portrait of her is painted by a daughter who sees her from a restricted viewpoint, the way we all see our mothers, the way we all see each other. Perhaps it would have made for a deeper, more textured story if we could have heard more of Simone's version of the same "Song."

Though most of *Another Song About The King* is set in Michigan, don't look for plentiful specific references to this particular setting. The novel could have been set almost anyplace, really, where the winters are appropriately cold, gray, and lengthy.

Stern really vivifies the 60's and 70's, though, etching them clearly, taking us back to a time when not just our individual lives changed, but our society as well.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia resident who writes about books, movies and theater for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

BOOKS HAPPENINGS

Upcoming events at Borders Books, Music, Video and a Cafe, 1122 S. Rochester, Rochester Hills, 48308, (248) 652-0558:

■ Borders celebrates National Library Week with a 10-percent discount on purchases to anyone presenting a library card between April 9-15.

■ Library Appreciation Day is recognized on Saturday, April 15 when all library employees are given 20-percent discounts on purchases. Proof of current employment is required.

■ Session 5 of the Pokemon Trading Card Game League is held from 5-6 p.m. Sunday, April 16. Sign-up is no longer required so bring a friend and play along.

■ Sixty students from West Middle School will present their school history projects, which made up their Student Wax Museum, at Borders from 7 to 8 p.m. Monday, April 17.

■ Detroit Women Writers, a non-profit organization that formed in 1900, will have an author reading and open microphone at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 18.

■ Earth Day celebration, featuring *Earth Rhythms and Songs: Drums & Chants from Around the World*, is held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 19. Judy Piazza, a singer/songwriter who has performed in coffeehouses, festivals and events on both coasts and in the Midwest, is featured.

■ Toddler Time with Ms. Julie, providing stories and games and lots of wiggle room for children 4 and younger, is 10 a.m. Friday, April 21 and 10 a.m. Friday, April 28.

■ Mary Madill plays the violin and hart in a classical music presentation during Friday Night Music at 8 p.m. Friday, April 21.

■ All Weather Investing, featuring a financial workshop with Mike Norris from Edward Jones, is 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 24.

■ Borders Roundtable, a fiction reading group, features *Weight of Water* by Anita Shreve, at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 25.

■ Senior Enrichment Day, highlighted by the appearance of the Rochester Older Persons Community (OPC), celebrates golden years with special events throughout the day Friday, April 28.

■ Certified massage therapist Amy Pearson will be in the store to offer a little relaxation with a chair massage from 9 a.m. to noon, Friday, April 28. It's $1 per minute and 50 cents of each dollar is donated to the OPC.

■ *Express Your Purpose for Seniors: An Art & Journal Workshop with Iris Underwood and Marilyn Secatch* is held 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 29.

■ OPC Tai Chi Demonstration at noon, Friday, April 28. T'ai Chi is known for its meditative effects and has been proven to help increase a person's flexibility and balance while decreasing muscle tension and stress.

■ Senior's Companion Gardening Workshop with Master Gardener, Peggy Malnatti, helps seniors plan their garden at 1 p.m. Friday, April 28.

■ Joe Grande Trio play their four forms of jazz — classic, modern and improv at Classical Friday Night Music at 8 p.m. Friday, April 28.

Border's Books & Music in downtown Birmingham has the upcoming events:

■ Monthly review and discussion of current titles in religion, philosophy and biblical studies with Harry T. Cook, author, journalist and priest at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 9. The discussion is about *When Jesus Became God: The Epic Fight Over Christ's Divinity in the Last Days of Rome.*

■ Birmingham Borders Amateur Detectives (BBAD) will share their thoughts on two Agatha Christie classics, *Murder at the Vicarage* and *The Mysterious Affair at Styles*, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 11.

■ Henry Ford Health Centers presents Dr. Leslie Bricker's discussion on Cancer Pain Management at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 12.

■ The French Club meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month, this month being April 13 and 27. Beginners and fluent French speakers are welcomed.

■ A contemporary literary discussion group meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20.

■ Music performances include: Henry Feinbert, 12-2 p.m. Sunday, April 16; Charley Gehringer, 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 26; The Jon Fox Trio, Saturday, April 15; David Nefish, Saturday, April 22; Tracey Francione, Saturday, April 29; All Saturday shows are 8-10 p.m.

■ Children's events include: Hot Tots Ken, who tells stores and leads singalongs, including the Chicken Dance, stops by Monday, April 10; Miss Beth tells her tale of the Baker Man and Easter Treats, Monday, April 17; Storyteller and singer Will Danforth presents an hour of traditional songs and tales, Monday, April 24; All Monday shows are 11 a.m.

Bear and the Big Blue House go from the television to Borders, Thursday, April 13; Easter stories and an Easter Egg hunt are held Thursday, April 20; Time for Thursday shows is 11 a.m.

BOOK SIGNINGS

Denise Brennan-Nelson, author of the children's book, *Buzzy the Bumblebee*, will sign books for free at the following locations:

■ 1:30 to 3 p.m. Monday, April 10 at Waldenbooks, 30200 Plymouth, Livonia.

■ 3:30 to 5 p.m. Monday, April 10 at Coopersmiths/Waldenbooks, 37560 Six Mile, Livonia.

Ron Gries will sign copies of his book *Through Death to Life* at the following locations and times:

■ 7 p.m. Thursday, April 13 at borders, 6800 Orchard Lake in West Bloomfield.

■ 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 18 at Borders, 34300 Woodward, Birmingham.

PSYCHIC TALK

Olympia Entertainment presents "An Evening with Sylvia," part of Sylvia Browne's book tour and psychic lecture series. Included will be a discussion of the author's third book, "Life on the Other Side." Tickets are on sale now for the event, set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Cobo Arena. Tickets are $25 and $40. For more information, call the Olympia Entertainment event hotline at (313) 983-6611 or Joe Louis Arena, (313) 983-6606. For tickets, call (248) 645-6666.

Bach's work replayed

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Conductor Thomas Sheets believes that if not for Felix Mendelssohn, the University Musical Society Choral Union might not be performing Bach's "St. Matthew Passion" on Palm Sunday.

By the time Mendelssohn rediscovered the masterwork a little more than 100 years after it was written, the Passion and its composer had fallen out of favor and nearly been forgotten. Mendelssohn revived the large-scale oratorio in 1829. In so doing, the young composer initiated the modern era of Bach scholarship and helped bring his music into the mainstream of performance repertoire.


Thomas Sheets
St. Matthew Passion conductor

Soloists

Sheets and the Choral Union together with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra and Ann Arbor Youth Chorale will perform Bach's masterwork with soloists on Sunday, April 16. Thanks to the generosity of Carl and Isabelle Brauer, the University Musical Society was able to engage soloists with international reputations to sing the elaborate and lengthy production requiring an adult attention span. Joining them will be Russell Braun, a baritone regularly appearing with the Metropolitan Opera, singing the role of Jesus; soprano Maya Boog, alto Susan Platts, tenor Steven Tharp, and bass-baritone Clayton Brainerd with Edward Parmentier on harpsichord/organ. Tenor Hans Peter Blochwitz is the Evangelist, a narrative character complemented by arias, choruses and chorales.

"Mendelssohn at the tender age of 19 came across the score of this work and was fascinated," said Sheets. "He single-handedly wrote out the parts and score. He had turned 20 by the time it was performed.

"Bach's 'St. Matthew Passion' is the sublime choral work of all time, a marathon work, the apex of choral music in intellectual and musical content. At every level there's nothing on the same plane."

The Passion

The Passion uses Biblical text from the Gospel according to St. Matthew to relay the story of Christ's crucifixion. To supplement the account of Matthew, one of Christ's 12 apostles, Bach enlisted the help of librettist C.F. Henrici. The Leipzig poet, who used the pseudonym Picander, wrote several poetic passages to accompany the text traditionally read in churches on Palm Sunday. First performed on Good Friday in 1727, the large scale oratorio features soloists, choruses and instrumental interludes by weeping violins.

"I have taken to thinking of this piece as the opera that Bach never wrote," said Sheets. "The drama is at the same level although it's a sacred work but that same character breadth. His style was influenced by Baroque opera. He incorporated elements of Baroque opera and used them in novel ways in this piece."

This is first time the Choral Union is performing Bach's "St Matthew Passion" although Sheets has conducted it once before and sung it many times. Now in his seventh year of leading the 150-voice Choral Union, Sheets is well-versed when it comes to Bach. He teaches graduate choral music studies at Wayne State University.

"The thing about Bach is he was very much a perfector of many of the different styles," said Sheets. "Passions had been written for 150 years before this but he took it to the greatest heights. 'St. Matthew' represents the summit."

The performance marks the end of the University Musical Society's celebration of Bach on the 250th anniversary of his death. To mark the occasion the audience is being invited to sing along on 11 of the 12 chorales. Text and music will be provided.

"This is not a marketing ploy," said Sheets, who also conducts the Oakland Community College Choir in Farmington Hills. "In Bach's time, the congregation would have known all these tunes and words from memory so he incorporated them into the chorales that serves the function of a Greek chorus and comments on the drama of the arias."

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Most importantly, the wilds of Alaska are within a short drive. In an hour or less (and in some cases, just minutes), you can reach breathtaking places that will leave you grappling for your camera.

Wildlife in the city

Forget the scenery, some people just want to see animals.

There's no guarantee, of course, but you have a good chance of sighting bald eagles, moose and whales in southcentral. In fact, you could observe all three species without even leaving Anchorage.

Those willing to road-trip will most likely see Dall sheep, mountain goats, sea lions and sea otters. Bears, lynx and wolves are shy of humans, and you can count yourself lucky if you spot one in the wild.

Here's where to start

Fly into the Anchorage International Airport and head for your hotel. You can begin your sightseeing right in the city at the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail, an 11-mile paved path that starts downtown and traces the Cook Inlet.

Walk or rent bicycles from one of several outfitters. You'll see Mt. Susitna, also known as Sleeping Lady, across the inlet and the sharp, glacier-crusted Chigmit Mountains in the distance. On a clear day, Mt. McKinley and Mt. Foraker are visible to the north. You'll know these giants if you see them.

The inlet itself is a swirling, hazardous body of water not suitable for leisure boating because of its strong tides. Its shores are not sandy, but rather mud flats that act like quicksand.

Locals can tell you tragic stories of unwary people who walked onto the mud flats and got stuck and stranded as the tide came in. Needless to say, it's safest to stay on the trail.



Kayakers: *Kate Ballow (left), Chris Lundgren, Becky Gerik and Gena Hornsby paddle the western edge of Prince William Sound. Billings Glacier is in the background.*

Beluga whales are spotted in the inlet with surprising regularity. Ask around to learn of sightings and keep your eyes open.

The Coastal Trail (which connects to a whole system of inland trails) ends at Kincaid Park, a great place to see moose. The park is a large, hilly combination of forest and open spaces. Moose roam mostly in the morning and evening, and they'll wander right onto the path.

And, yes, they're as huge as you've heard. Give them lots of space; a spooked moose will rear up and stomp.

If you're someone who feels you haven't seen Alaska until you've seen Mt. McKinley (known locally as "Denali"), try a flight. Dozens of operators leave from Merrill Field, the airport just outside of downtown and within the city limit.

Oh, the places you'll go

Willing to venture farther? Within an hour's drive north and an hour's drive south, you'll find some of the region's most dramatic settings. Motor south on the Seward Highway, the only road leading out of Anchorage in that direction, and see the Cook Inlet narrow into Turnagain Arm.

It's hard to keep your eyes on the road on this stretch of highway. To your left are the steep walls of the Chugach Mountains, which in places jut up right next to the road. Dall sheep and mountain goats balance on the higher rocks.

Farther down, slender waterfalls cascade into ponds next to the road. Eagles are common. To the right is Turnagain Arm, which looks different in high tide and low.

During low tide, mud flats stretch out almost as far as you can see and the water ripples in the distance. During high tide, the water reflects the mountains encircling it. This is a very good spot for whale sightings.

South of Anchorage

The tiny town of Girdwood is about 37 miles from Anchorage. The Girdwood area is lush and green with a variety of activities for travelers. It's home to the state's largest ski area, called Alyeska.

In summer, you can ride a tram to the top of Mt. Alyeska for a heart-stopping view of Turnagain Arm and the Chugach Mountains. A high-end restaurant and a coffee shop provide excuses to stick around for a while.

Near Girdwood are two popular hiking trails. The Winner Creek Gorge trail starts at the base of Mt. Alyeska and runs a couple miles through the forest to the gorge.

This is bear country, so hikers should wear bells or talk loudly along the way. The Crow Pass trail is a fairly difficult mountain hike that passes ruins of a gold mine, an alpine lake and a glacier. If you're in shape, it's not to be missed.

From the Seward Highway, you can get to the westernmost edge of Prince William Sound via a new road to the town of Whittier.

From Whittier, you can take a daylong kayaking trip into the Sound or hop on a tourist boat and cruise past massive glaciers.

The sheltered waters of Prince William Sound are almost always calm. The water is clear enough to see at least 10 feet down. Seal, otter and eagle sightings are prevalent, and if you're in a kayak and it's salmon season, you can paddle into coves and watch the fish swimming frantically upstream.

Kayakers may also see bear tracks along the shore. If you spot one, stay your distance and don't forget they can swim.

Back on the Seward Highway, a mile past the Whittier junction, is a left-hand turn onto Portage Glacier Access Road. Five and a half miles down this road are a dock and gift shop on the shore of Portage Lake.

Every hour and a half, a tour boat begins the trip across the lake and gets up-close-and-personal with the mile-wide glacier.

The tour boat on Portage Lake is specially reinforced and can safely bump even the biggest icebergs. Dall sheep sometimes hang out on the rocks above the lake.

When driving back to the highway on the access road, stop at the trailhead for Byron Glacier. An easy one-mile hike gets you to the glacier's base, where you can stand and admire the bluish ice.

End of the road

Keep going on the Seward Highway, and eventually you hit Seward, the end of the road.

A three-hour drive from Anchorage, Seward should be on every traveler's must-do list. It lies on the eastern edge of the Kenai Peninsula, in the Kenai Fjords National Park.

Its greatest feature is Resurrection Bay, a clear, emerald colored body of water chock full of wildlife. Animals commonly sighted in this section of the Gulf of Alaska are sea otters, Stellar sea lions, eagles, whales (beluga, killer and gray), porpoises and puffins.

There's no shortage of tour agencies with comfortable boats to shuttle you around the bay.

Generally it's 10 to 20 degrees colder in southcentral Alaska than in Detroit.

Plan for temperatures in the high 50s to about 70, with possible spikes in either direction. The weather varies, and rain and sun often take turns appearing on the same day.

You can leave the evening attire at home. Even in the finest restaurants, appropriate clothing is whatever keeps you comfortable as you take in the sights.

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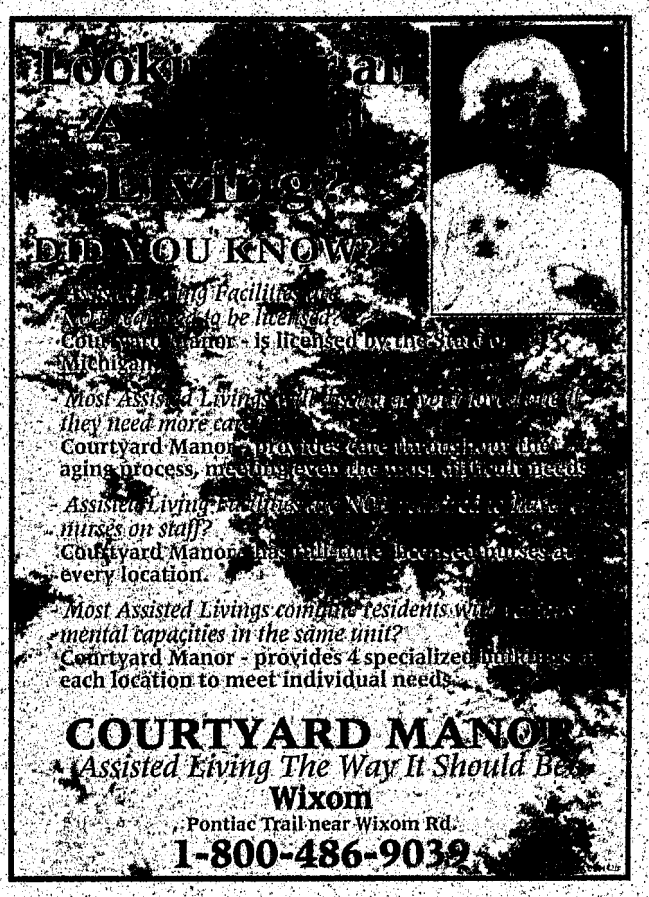

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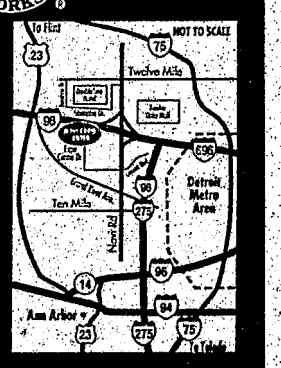

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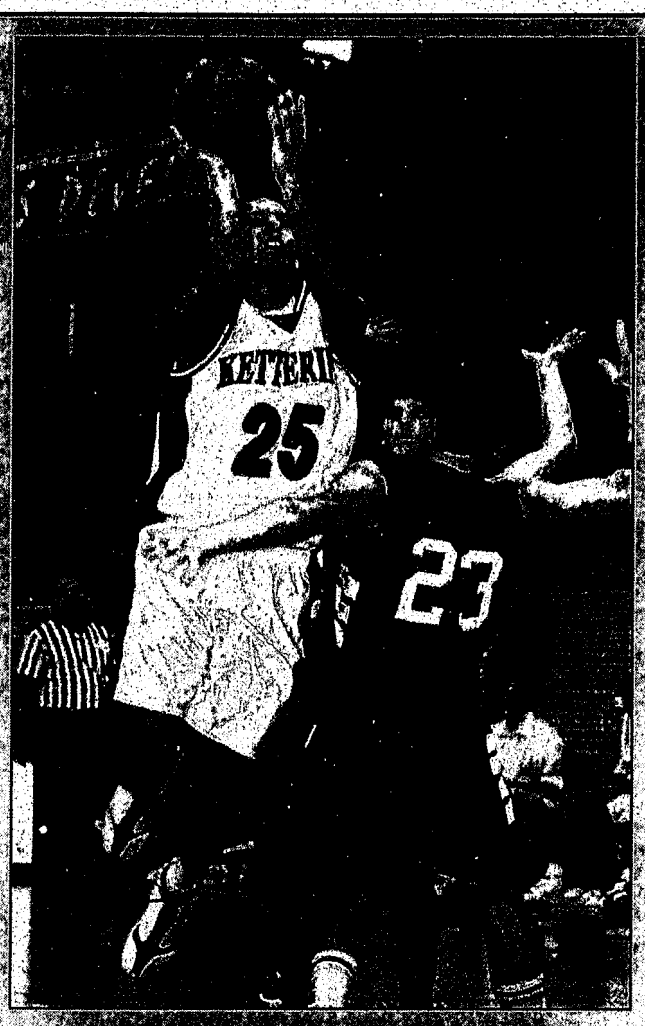

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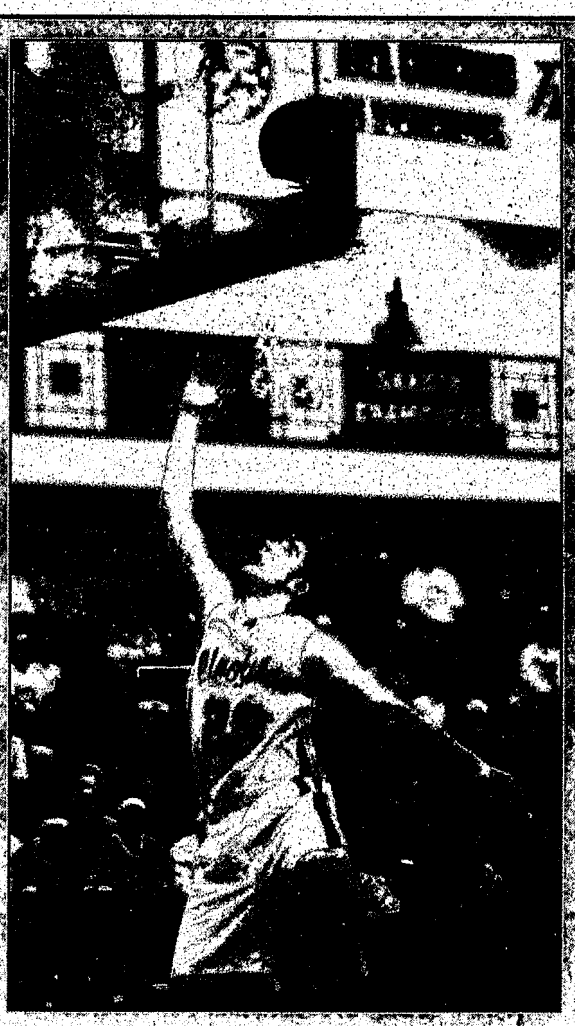

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2000 All-Area Basketball

St. Mary's duo paces All-Area selections

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Looking for the spark of a long-range three, or how about the intensity of a rim-rattling slam? Need that stop on 'D,' or even a steal and a quick two?

Well, look no further than the 2000 Eccentric All-Area First Team, which is comprised of highly-seasoned and extremely talented high school stars.

Leading the six-member contingent is the Orchard Lake St. Mary's duo of Jermaine Gonzales and Maurice Searight, two key components in the Eaglets' undefeated season and run to the Class B state championship.

One of Oakland County's top offensive threats, Paris Bernard of Rochester Adams, joins Gonzales and Searight as does Joe Finland of Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Ryan Marino of Clarkston and Jason Rennie of Waterford Kettering.

Those players name to the second team include Scott Bridgewater (Birmingham Groves), Jamaro Dawood (Walled Lake Western), Jonte Jones (St. Mary's), Jason Miller (Lake Orion), Walker Russell (Rochester) and Ben Walker (Rochester Adams).

The third team consists of Marlon Burt (Groves), Paul Davis (Rochester), Jamie Glinz (Southfield), Hayes Grooms (Birmingham Brother Rice), Steve Horn (Walled Lake Central) and Kelvin Meaght (West Bloomfield).

Honorable mention players included Chris Agnew (Clarkston), Charles Davis (St. Mary's), Dwayne Dillon (Southfield), Robert Ferns (Troy Athens), Justin Fuller (Troy), James Mathis (Oxford) and Desmond Martin (Southfield).

Following is a brief profile of each player listed on the first five teams.

FIRST TEAM

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Jermaine Gonzales – St. Mary's

Clarkston diamond queens blank Birmingham Groves

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
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Wednesday's softball season opener between Clarkston and Birmingham Groves was a study in contrasts.

The Wolves return seven of nine starting position players, including both pitchers and the entire outfield, while the Falcons return just two players from last year, and lost one of the county's premier pitchers in Jenny Warren.

The difference showed on the field as the host Wolves mowed down Groves 4-0 in an Oakland Activities Association Division crossover match.

Clarkston's Candace Morgan and Lisa Ferguson combined to throw a three-hitter, holding the young Falcons to one scoring threat in the game.

"We've been working on keeping the ball down and bringing it up at the end, and I think we did that," said Clarkston coach Al Land, "I still like calling the change-up, and the girls were getting that pitch over, which kept them off balance."

Morgan started the game and tossed five innings of shutout work, striking out six. Ferguson came in the game in the sixth inning and looked excellent. She struck out four in her two innings of work, and retired the side on strikeouts in the sixth.

Offensively, Clarkston took a couple innings to adjust to the pitching of Groves' Joanna Wayburn, but hit the ball better as the game went along. The game was scoreless until the fourth, when the Wolves got the bats cooking.

Junior catcher Tracey Honey sent a single to left, followed by a bunt single by senior second baseman Jennie Winn. The Wolves' youngest player, freshman Missy Parsons, then

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Clarkston netters ready for breakthrough season

BY MIKE SCOTT
SPECIAL WRITER

This could very well be the banner year Clarkston's boys tennis team has been wishing for all of those years.

The Wolves graduated only three starters from a squad that nearly won Oakland Activities Association Division II title in 1999 and they boast one of the top freshman classes in Oakland County this season. And on top of that, Clarkston's top returning player is on pace to set a school record for career wins.

All the ingredients are there for Clarkston coach Kevin Ortwine's team and in response he realizes that the Wolves should set their goals higher in 2000.

"We've had improvements across the board with our freshmen and some of our returning players have significantly improved their game," said Ortwine. "There has been some great competition during challenge matches (for starting) singles positions in practice."

Senior Patrick Heber, nearing 50 wins for his career, will play either No. 1 or No. 2 singles and will start for the fourth consecutive season. After playing at the No. 1 singles slot in 1999, Heber has been pushed by talented freshman Andrew Brown. No matter what position each player starts at, Ortwine is convinced he will have one of the top 1-2 combinations in the state.

"Patrick is a scrappy, smart player who really does get the maximum out of his ability," said Ortwine. "Andrew has all the shots which is remarkable for his age, and is a terrific player. We'll see how he handles varsity competition."

Junior Scott Barnett is expected to start at singles as well after posting a 17-8 mark competing at No. 3 singles last season. Sophomore Mike Rashid is expected to secure the other singles slot and has significantly upgraded his power game, particularly with a more effective serve, during the off-season. Rashid and Barnett have engaged in some close, competitive challenge matches the past couple of weeks.

The doubles teams are still being tangled with but Ortwine is confident he has his deepest team at Clarkston. Senior Dustin Kring, who played at No. 1 doubles a year ago, and senior Eric Herzog, a transfer from Ortonville-Brandon, will start along with fellow senior Brent Griffith, who actually captured an OAA II championship at No. 4 singles last year. Junior Paul O'Connor and freshmen Jon Szilvagi and Bharath Surapaneni also have been impressive since practices began in mid-March.

"It will be tough for me to pick only four doubles teams out of the group of players we have," said Ortwine. "We are going to have some very good No. 3 and No. 4 doubles teams because I think the talent level is there."

While challenge matches have been intense, Ortwine said it also has been a positive experience, with players pulling for each other and showing a tremendous amount of pride.

Clarkston begins its the league schedule Tuesday, April 11 against Auburn Hills Avondale, and Ortwine wants to solidify his doubles lineup and have his singles players gain confidence the first couple of weeks.

Clarkston competed in a four-team tournament hosted by Birmingham Seaholm, which included North Farmington, which placed second in the state in Division II in 1999 and Detroit U-D Jesuit. The Maples themselves also placed among Michigan's top 10 teams in Division II.

"That's going to show how good we really are," Ortwine said.

Clarkston may have to battle Birmingham Groves for the OAA II title as both teams return the majority of their starters. Other clubs such as defending champion Berkley and Waterford Kettering were decimated by graduation but may also remain competitive.

Clarkston will host an invitational event on May 6 about a week before hosting the OAA II league meet.

Clarkston, Orion post 1-1 draw

Lake Orion controlled play, but Clarkston was up to the task on defense as the two Oakland Activities Association Division II rivals kissed their sisters Thursday in a 1-1 tie at Clarkston Soccer Stadium.

Senior midfielder Katie Kennedy scored for Clarkston (2-1-2, 0-0-2) in the first half, while junior goalkeeper Sarah Morgan recorded 16 saves for the Wolves.

Senior midfielder Erica Whatley scored for Lake Orion (1-1-2, 1-0-1).

Clarkston 4, West Bloomfield 4 —Excitement was not lacking in this OAA Division II tie Wednesday in West Bloomfield.

Erin Konheim registered two goals and an assist for the Lakers. Geneva Hulslander and Michelle Lambdin tallied the other WB goals.

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Deer management meeting set for Livonia; turkey season right around the corner starting on April 17

OK hunters, here's your chance. It's time to stand up or shut up!

Hunters across the state have been disgruntled, at the very least, as to recent deer management practices of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

The state's Natural Resource Commission has the final say on wildlife management regulations. Monthly NRC meetings are open to the public and provide time for citizens to voice their opinions. However, many hunters choose not to participate in NRC meetings but are the first to gripe and complain about management practices.

In an effort to bring a hot issue to the public, Michigan United Conservation Clubs, in cooperation with the DNR and Michigan State University Extension, is sponsoring a series of eight regional meetings to provide hunters with another opportunity to voice their opinions about how Michigan's deer herd should be managed.

The meetings, which includes a stop 7-10 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, at Laurel Manor in Livonia (3900 Schoolcraft Road) will all be held between now and Thursday, April 27.

"After hearing from our members and the general public, we decided that we would give them another chance to voice their opinions about what's happening with our deer herd now and what they would like to see in the future," explained MUCC wildlife specialist Adam Bump.

"We're supportive of the NRC and feel it (public input at NRC meetings) is a good option. We just wanted to give them another opportunity to voice their opinion."

The other meetings will be conducted on the following dates:

- April 10 in the Kalamazoo Valley Community College auditorium, 6767 W. O Street, Kalamazoo.
- April 13 at Chippewa Middle School, 4000 Okemos Road, Okemos.
- April 17 in the Morley Stanwood School cafetorium, 4808 Northland Drive, Big Rapids.
- April 18 at the Horizons Conference Center, 6200 State Street, Saginaw.
- April 25 in the Tahquamenon High School auditorium, 700 Newberry Avenue, Newberry.
- April 26 in the Forest Park School auditorium, 801 Forest Parkway, Crystal Falls.
- April 27 at the Treetops Sylvan Resort and Convention Center, 3962 Wilkinson Road, Gaylord. Call (517) 731-0272 for a map.

MSU Extension has been asked to prepare a report summarizing the results of the eight meetings. The report will be given to the DNR and the NRC for consideration before setting deer hunting regulations for the 2000 season.

The NRC is scheduled to hear proposals on deer management at its May meeting in Cheboygan and to act on the regulations at its June meeting in Lansing.

Come on hunters. Let's have a huge turnout at the Laurel Manor meeting. Now is your chance to express your views and say what's on your mind, and to be certain that what you say will be heard.

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



BILL PARKER

Be safe during turkey season

With the opening of the 2000 spring wild turkey season just around the corner (April 17), hunters are reminded to be safe. Michigan's 130,000 turkey hunters were some of the safest hunters in the nation last year, as there were no reported accidents during the 43-day season.

That wasn't a fluke. Mandatory hunter safety classes for new hunters and an awareness by all hunters about safe hunting practices are the reasons for the safe season.

The 2000 Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Guide includes something new this year – an orange "Be Safe" sticker. The DNR included this sticker for hunters to place on the receiver of their shotguns to act as a constant reminder to hunt safely.

In addition to this reminder, hunters should also keep in mind the following safety practices:

- Always be sure of your target and what is beyond your target before taking a shot.
- Never wear or use anything red, white, blue or black since these are the natural colors of a turkey.
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- Do not move if you see another hunter – always speak to other hunters first and do not move until absolutely sure the hunter knows you are there.
- Never stalk turkeys. You may be stalking the calls of another hunter and if you go running in you may be mistaken for an incoming gobbler.

Have fun. Good luck. Be safe!

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stepped up by slamming a shot into left field, which was misplayed, leading to the game's first run.

Groves responded with its biggest threat in the top of the fifth. Meghan Vanslager opened the inning with a single, stole second and advanced to third on a wild pitch with no outs. Amanda Webster followed with what could have been an RBI single, but Vanslager thought the ball was caught, and returned to third base after getting more than halfway to home plate.

In keeping with the Falcons' fortunes that day, the next three batters all were out, unable to bring a run home, and the Wolves escaped with their 1-0 lead intact.

Clarkston showed its killer instinct by taking advantage of its luck. Sophomore Stacey Giroux led off the bottom of the fifth with a double to left, and scored on a successful steal of home two batters later. Junior Mary Warchuck scored Clarkston's third run on a wild pitch after beating out an infield single.

Junior shortstop Lindsay Simko recorded Clarkston's only RBI of the game in the sixth, when her single to center brought home junior Tricia Brewer.

"We knew coming in we would probably be overmatched by Clarkston," said Groves first-year coach Greg Kolb. "It's going to take some time for us to adjust, because we only have two kids back from last year. But our team will get better as the year goes on."

Parsons reached base in both of her at bats, while Winn slapped two singles for the Wolves.

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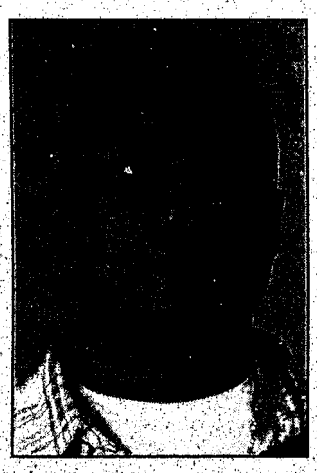

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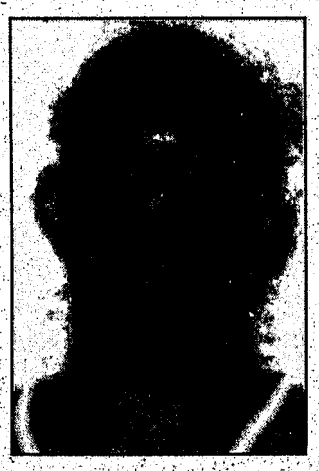

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St. Mary's



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Lake Orion



Walker Russell
Rochester

2000 All-Area Boys Second Team

All-Area *from page C1*

became a pretty good defender, too," Adams coach John Hall said. "He proved to be our go-to guy and also a solid rebounder."

JOE FINLAND, Bloomfield Hills Lahser — One of the leaders in the Knights' lineup the past three seasons, the 6-7 Finland culminated a stellar prep career by holding eight school records, including most career points (1,052) and most career rebounds (946). A greater ability to hit perimeter shots enabled Finland to average 15 points per game and his aggressiveness down low led to grabbing 12.7 rebounds per contest.

"Joe became a better outside shooter and made people cover him differently than before," Lahser coach Chris Drogosch said. "I can't say enough good things about what Joe did for the team."

JERMAINE GONZALES, Orchard Lake St. Mary's — Earning his second straight first-team honor, the 6-3 senior guard/forward excelled in all phases of the game during his fourth season of varsity play. Gonzales combined great speed and jumping ability to contribute 16 points, six rebounds and three steals per game for the Class B state champions.

"Jermaine prides himself on being a complete player," St. Mary's coach George Porritt said. "He plays both ends of the court very well. His defense improved and also the way he attacked the basket."

RYAN MARINO, Clarkston —Information not available at this time.

JASON RENNIE, Waterford Kettering — A three-year starter in the Captains' lineup, Rennie didn't come across many shots he didn't like as the 6-2 senior poured in 20 points per game, including a season-best 49-point explosion against Groves. Rennie also stood tall under the boards, hauling down 11 rebounds per contest for the 18-4 Captains.

"Even though he stands only 6-2, he played forward and did a great job of rebounding," Kettering coach Gerry Wood said. "He has great strength inside. He could take a guy, post him up and score."

MAURICE SEARIGHT, Orchard Lake St. Mary's — The highlight reel was rolling each and every game this Eaglets senior took the court. Combining great athletic talent and tremendous floor leadership, Searight led his teammates to a perfect 28-0 ledger by tossing in 16 points, grabbing seven rebounds and dishing off eight assists per game.

"Maurice was a true point guard in that he was a great floor leader and very unselfish," Porritt said. "He became more patient running the point and could really attack the basket."

SECOND TEAM

SCOTT BRIDGEWATER, Birmingham Groves — This 6-2 senior used great determination to average 20 points and haul down 11 rebounds per game during his third year of varsity competition. Selected as team MVP, Bridgewater had a season-high 39-point outburst against Oak Park.

"Scott is an undersized guy who held his own," Groves coach Bill Norton said. "He has great fight and great determination and set the tone for the rest of the team."

JENERO DAWOOD, Walled Lake Western — The catalyst behind the Warriors offensive prowess, the 6-1 senior backcourt star led his teammates to 42 victories over the past two seasons. A two-year starter, the Warrior senior averaged 19.6 points per game this season, highlighted by 70 3-pointers, and collected a team-leading 60 steals.

"He became the focal point of our offense," Western coach Rex Stanczak said of Dawood. "He really improved his defense, too."

JONTE JONES, Orchard Lake St. Mary's — One of Oakland County's great clutch performers, the 5-11 senior guard earned the title of hero several times with key baskets in key situations. Competing in his second varsity campaign, Jones netted 15 points, snared five rebounds and collected two steals per outing.

"He was definitely one of the greatest clutch players I have ever coached," Porritt said. "He always comes to play. If there were three or four minutes to go in the game, you could always count on him hitting big shots."

JASON MILLER, Lake Orion — Miller, a 6-2 junior, improved his overall skills to net 22 points per game in his second varsity campaign. Miller connected on 36 percent of his 3-point attempts and 81 percent of his free throws. On three different occasions he topped the 30-point mark, including a season-best 32-point effort against Waterford Kettering.

"Jason has a scorer's mentality," Dragons coach Jim Manzo said. "He was one-dimensional at the beginning of the season, but worked hard going to the basket and became a big-time scorer."

WALKER RUSSELL, Rochester — Russell, a 6-0 junior point guard, was the spark igniting the Falcons offense. Competing in his third year of varsity play, Russell tossed in 17.7 points, dished off six assists and collected five steals per game in leading his teammates to a 13-9 ledger overall.

"He makes us go," Rochester coach Hal Commerson said of Russell. "He was our main guy who became a real leader. The kid is a winner."

BEN WALKER, Rochester Adams — The mainstay in the Highlanders' lineup for four years – the first Adams player to do so – Walker took over point guard duties and excelled by netting 10 points and dishing off seven assists per outing. The 6-3 senior captain, in his third year as a starter, helped his teammates to a 17-4 overall record.

"Ben was phenomenal all year," Hall said. "He sacrificed some points for the success of the team. He was our floor leader. He made all the calls offensively and defensively."

THIRD TEAM

MARLON BURT, Birmingham Groves — Standing only 5-11, Burt proved to be a big-time scorer in the Falcons' offense. A three-year varsity performer, Burt finished as one of Oakland County's top scorers, highlighted by a 44-point performance against Oak Park.

"He has that Mateen Cleaves leadership potential," Norton said. "He improved his basketball skills and his awareness on the court and became an effective leader."

PAUL DAVIS, Rochester — Only a sophomore, Davis finds the 'Can't miss' label applied to him in more ways than one. Size-wise it's hard to overlook the 6-10 Falcon, while talent-wise it's hard not to notice his contributions of 15.5 points, 10 rebounds and four blocks per game.

"Paul really improved on his way to being a big-time player," Commerson said. "He works hard and loves the game. He's very agile for his size. He can catch it and really throw it down."

JAMIE GLINZ, Southfield — Steady play the past two seasons earned Glinz, a 6-6 senior forward, team MVP honors in each. This past year, the Blue Jay captain contributed in several areas by averaging 10 points, 11 rebounds and seven assists per game.

"He plays more sports than any kid I know," Southfield coach Ben Kelso. "He improved his ball-handling and passing and was responsible for us winning a lot of games."

HAYES GROOMS, Birmingham Brother Rice — Information not available at this time.

STEVE HORN, Walled Lake Central — A 6-3 junior, Horn emerged onto the varsity scene and became a solid force in the backcourt by connecting on 47 percent of his 3-point opportunities and netting 19.6 points per game.

"He loves the game and works very hard," Central coach Bob Shoemaker. "He improved going to the basket and finding more ways to score."

JOHN MERRITT, West Bloomfield — The Lakers' 6-7 junior center proved to be a force in the paint by throwing down 14 points, grabbing 15 rebounds and blocking seven shots per contest.

"John runs the court very well," Stanczak said. "He got a taste of it (varsity play) last year and got better with each game this year. He really came into his own."

FOURTH TEAM

CHRIS AGUWA, Birmingham Brother Rice —Information not available at this time.

CHARLES DAVIS, Orchard Lake St. Mary's — The Eaglets' ability to score from the perimeter was made possible by the contributions in the paint by Davis. A 6-7 junior, Davis was an imposing figure down low and difficult to defend. Competing in his second varsity season, Davis averaged 14 points and 14 rebounds per game.

"He continues to get better in the post," Porritt said. "He runs the floor well and is a very intelligent player."

JAVIER DIAZ, Auburn Hills Avondale — A 6-1 senior, Diaz was a force offensively for the 15-8 Yellow Jackets, averaging 12 points per game on the strength of connecting on 48 percent of his shots from the floor and 70 percent from the free throw line.

"Javier really improved his ball-handling," Avondale coach Tim Morton said. "He could really take it the hole or back off and hit the three."

ROBERT FERNS, Troy Athens — The success enjoyed by the Red Hawks over the past four years stems from the consistent play turned in by Ferns. A 6-4 senior in his third season as a starter, Ferns bagged 16 points and snared 10 rebounds as the Red Hawks finished with a fourth consecutive winning season (14-10) and earned back-to-back district titles.

"His play was real consistent," Athens coach Bill Gerbe said. "He had a couple of dynamite weeks at the end of the season."

JUSTIN FULLER, Troy — A 5-10 senior guard, Fuller provided the threat from 3-point range in his second season of varsity play. Fuller averaged 17.5 points, connecting on 42 percent from the 3-point line and 77 percent from the free-throw line, and 4.5 assists per game.

"He was our go-to guy and a great perimeter player," Troy coach Gary Fralick said. "He really had some great games for us."

JAMES MATHIS, Bloomfield Hills Lahser — A three-year varsity player, Mathis, a 6-1 junior, proved to be a force on both ends of the court by tossing in 13.8 points per game and hauling down 10.5 rebounds.

"He is an inspiration all over the court," Drogosch said. "James is a very exciting player. He really works hard at his game."

DESMOND MARTIN, Southfield — Part of the varsity scene the past four seasons for the Blue Jays, Martin did a solid job of distributing the basketball from his point guard spot and also found time to average 10 points per contest.

"He learned a different system and it took a little time, but he did a very good job," Kelso said.

2000 ECCENTRIC ALL-AREA BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

FIRST TEAM

PLAYER	SCHOOL	YEAR	HEIGHT	POSITION
Paris Bernard	Rochester Adams	Senior	6-3	Guard
Joe Finland	BH Lahser	Senior	6-7	Center
Jermaine Gonzales	OL St. Mary's	Senior	6-3	Guard/Fwd
Ryan Marino	Clarkston	Senior	6-1	Guard
Jason Rennie	W. Kettering	Senior	6-2	Guard
Maurice Searight	OL St. Mary's	Senior	6-2	Guard

COACH OF THE YEAR

Chris Drogosch — BH Lahser — 9th Season

SECOND TEAM

Rochester Adams – Ben Walker, 6-2 sr. F; **Birmingham Groves** – Scott Bridgewater, 6-2 sr. F; **Lake Orion** – Jason Miller, 6-2 jr. G; **Rochester** – Walker Russell, 6-0 jr. G; **Orchard Lake St. Mary's** – Jonte Jones, 5-11 sr. G; **Walled Lake Western** – Jenero Dawood, 6-1 sr. G.

THIRD TEAM

Birmingham Brother Rice – Hayes Grooms, 6-0 jr. G; **Birmingham Groves** – Marlon Burt, 5-11 jr. G; **Rochester** – Paul Davis; **Southfield** – Jamie Glinz, 6-6 sr. F; **WL Central** – Steve Horn, 6-3 jr. G; **West Bloomfield** – John Merritt, 6-7 jr. C.

FOURTH TEAM

Troy Athens – Robert Ferns, 6-4 sr. F; **Auburn Hills Avondale** – Javier Diaz, 6-1 sr. F; **Birmingham Brother Rice** – Chris Aguwa, 6-6 jr. C; **Bloomfield Hills Lahser** – James Mathis, 6-1 jr. G; **Southfield** – Desmond Martin, 6-0 sr. G; **Orchard Lake St. Mary's** – Charles Davis; **Troy** – Justin Fuller, 5-10 sr. G.

HONORABLE MENTION

Auburn Hills Avondale – Matt Bartkowiak, Adam Collins, Corey Gonzales; **Auburn Hills OAKland Christian** – Jimmy Mehlberg; **Birmingham Brother Rice** – Josh Hummel; **Birmingham-Detroit Country Day** – Jeremy Battier, Ray Guthrie; **Birmingham Groves** – Askia Blackmond, Mike Gillikin, Nate Kunzman, Lewis Scott, Jordan Wiener; **Clarkston** – Adam Schapman, Rocky Lund, Ryan Kaul, Andy North; **Clarkston Springfield Christian** – Greg Irish, John Vanaman; **BH Lahser** – Brandon Cassar; **BH Andover** – Not available; **BH Cranbrook** – Not available; **Lake Orion** – Ryan Bailey, Odal Baylor, Luke Denver; **Orchard Lake St. Mary's** – Dan Clothier, Grant Mason; **Oxford** – Frank Boni, Joel Gallo, Dave Inman, Mike Spencer; **Rochester** – Eddie Hillery, Brian Taylor; **Rochester Adams** – Andy Bolton, Ricky Strong; **Rochester Hills Christian** – Jason Hover; **Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest** – Not available; **Birmingham Seaholm** – Mike Billingsley, Jared Bundgaard; **Southfield** – Antienne Davis, Marcus Davis, Jason Lige; **Southfield Franklin Road Christian** – David Damesworth, Josh Molnar; **Southfield-Lathrup** – Kenny Moore, Jamal Joseph; **Troy** – Kevin Cooper, Mitch Harris, Chris Leader, B.J. McPherson; **Troy Bethany Christian** – Steve HErnandez; **Walled Lake Central** – Scott Keeler, Paul Pavelich; **Walled Lake Western** – John Eagle, Ethan Farkas, Chris Howder, Brandon Routhier; **Waterford Kettering** – Brian Barton, Chad Woodhull; **Waterford Mott** – Brett Myers, Chad Tsurul; **Waterford Our Lady of Lakes** – Nick Body; **West Bloomfield** – Luke Filar, Jason Mercer, Dani Wohl.

Lahser's Chris Drogosch earns coach of the year honors

Time does indeed fly when you're having fun. Just ask Bloomfield Hills Lahser boys basketball coach Chris Drogosch.

In his ninth season at the helm of the boys program, Drogosch guided his troops to an 18-6 overall ledger, including a 9-3 standing in OAA Division III play and share of the league championship (with Royal Oak Kimball).

"The season just seemed to fly by," said Drogosch, whose squad also won a district title to mark the third time in school history a Lahser team has captured league and district crowns in the same season. "It was a fun team to coach. The kids did a great job executing what we wanted them to."

Following last year, Drogosch said his Knights displayed the hunger this season to be successful.

A key victory over Birmingham Seaholm late during the regular season provided the momentum needed to win three games in tournament play.

"It's so hard to win league and district titles the same year, but these guys fought hard and did it," Drogosch said. "We had some great leadership."



Chris Drogosch
BH Lahser coach

PREP RANKINGS

Girls Soccer

GIRLS SOCCER RANKINGS (as of 4-3 by MHSSCA)

Division I — Troy Athens; 2. Livonia Stevenson; 3. Brighton; **4. Troy;** 5. Plymouth Salem; 6. Plymouth Canton; 7. Grand Haven; 8. Saginaw Heritage; **9. Rochester;** 10. Utica Eisenhower.

Honorable Mention — Ann Arbor Pioneer, **Birmingham Seaholm, Rochester Adams,** Utica, Kalamazoo Central.

Division II — 1. Madison Heights Bishop Foley; 2. Portage Central; **3. Bloomfield Hills Lahser;** 4. Midland Dow; 5. East Lansing; **6. Birmingham Groves; 7. Birmingham Marian;** 8. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central; 9. Trenton 10. Grosse Pointe North.

Honorable Mention — Portage Northern, Okemos, Mason, Lapeer East.

Division III — 1. Auburn Hills Avondale; 2. Richland-Gull Lake; 3. Flont Powers Catholic; 4. Holland Christian; 5. Calendonia; 6. St. Clair Shores South Lake; 7. Royal Oak Dondero; 8. Mattawan; 9. Hudsonville Unity Christian; **10. Bloomfield Hills Andover.**

Honorable Mention — Petoskey, Vicksburg, **Bloomfield Hills Kingswood,** DeWitt.

Division IV — 1. Birmingham-Detroit Country Day; 2. Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic; 3. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett; 4. Saginaw Nouvel Catholic; 5. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep; 6. Frankenmuth; 7. Jackson Lumen Christi; 8. Parma Jackson County Western; 9. Clawson; 10. Lansing Catholic Central.

Honorable Mention — Royal Oak Shrine, Elk Rapids, **Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.**

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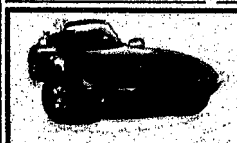

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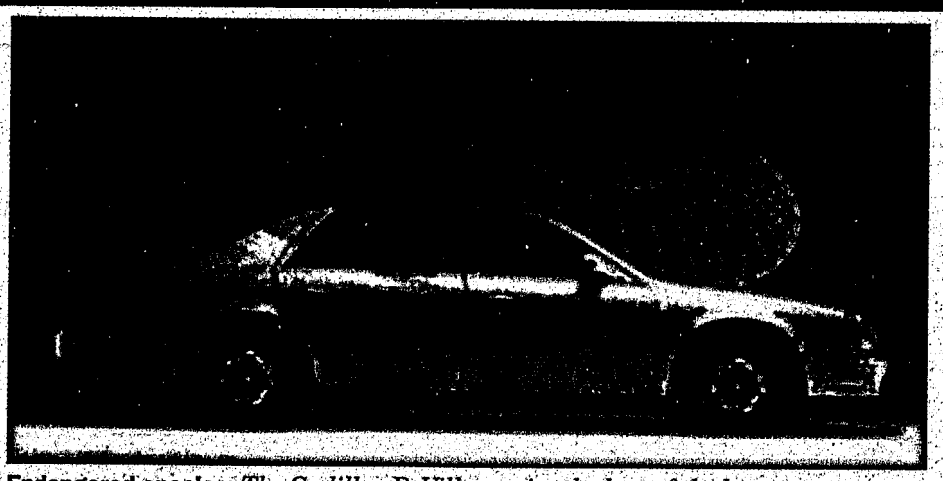

Endangered species: *The Cadillac DeVille carries the last of the luxury nameplates we remember over the last 50 fifty years.*

Up-to-date technology enhances DeVille's traditional luxury

BY BILL SIURU
AUTOWIRE.NET

Cadillac DeVille is the last of the luxury nameplates many of us remember now that the Chrysler New Yorker, Oldsmobile 88 and Buick Roadmaster are gone.

The title DeVille dates back to 1949 when it was attached to Cadillac's first hardtop, the Coupe de Ville. And while the name itself may be a half century old, the 2000 DeVille is definitely all new and incorporates the latest automotive technology. The DeVille now comes in three versions - DeVille, the DeVille High Luxury Sedan and DeVille Touring Sedan.

The completely restyled 2000 DeVille has a smaller, leaner look even though the new model is only a couple of inches shorter and narrower than the previous DeVille and Concours.

The styling, which bears a close family resemblance to the handsome Cadillac Seville's, is quite successful in helping the DeVille shake its "old folks" image. There has been no compromise in the DeVille's very roomy and extremely comfortable interior. The base and DHS comes with a standard split bench front seat and a column mounted transmission selector that allows for six passengers seating, one of the few cars that can still do this.

The performance-oriented DTS features front bucket seats and a console mounted shifter, so it will carry one less person.

All Cadillac's come with the world-class Northstar, 4.6 liter, 32-valve, dual-overhead-camshaft (DOHC), 32-valve V8 engine.

When used in the DeVille and DHS models the engine is rated at 275-horsepower at 5600 rpm with 300 ft-lb of torque at 4000 rpm.

In the performance-oriented DTS, the engine is tuned to produce 300-horsepower at 6000 rpm and 295 ft-lb of torque at 4400 rpm. The engine is mated to General Motor's smooth shifting Hydra-matic 4T80-E, electronic four-speed, overdrive transaxle.

The DeVilles are all front-wheel-drive cars. While performance in the two-ton DeVilles is not neck snapping, it is more than adequate and definitely smooth.

The base model has a list price of $40,170 while both the DHS and DTS list for $45,370. As expected in a car at this price level, standard features abound. Anti-lock braking and traction control are standard. Cadillac's StabiliTrak stability control system is standard on the DTS and optional for the other two DeVille models.

Leather upholstery is standard on

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America's love affair with autos includes the fads



Anthony Malta

Automotive fads come and go. In the 1950s, it was bumper guard mania. The factory didn't install them, but dealers did. These extra bumpers prevented the regular bumpers from getting dinged when you "bumped."

In the 1960s and '70s, factories even had rubber-faced bumper guards instead of the plainer chrome ones (a bumper guard for the bumper guards). Alas, even those thick rubber strips on the bumper guards became unsightly after a few good bumps.

Now the latest auto styling trend is to inlay chrome strips into those molded plastic bumper fascias which stylistically cover the real steel inner bumpers on today's cars. But that's only on the deluxe model, of course.

Hub caps are one of automobiledom's favorite extra-cost insanities. I've seen them go from simple partial covers (to prevent the weather and road salts from corroding lug nuts) to full chromed wheel covers, to "spinners" which simulated the old "knock-off" racing wheels, to artificial wire wheels, to today's plastic molded hub caps — which fly off at the slightest pot-hole. The oldest ones even had their own bolts to hold them on. The newer ones are held on by wire pressure clips and prayer.

Of course, if you don't want hub caps, you can always get the step-up option of styled aluminum road wheels, usually with larger tires. Once they featured fully chrome-plated, stylish lug nuts to match the design. Of course, these days, the lug nuts are no longer visible — even the styled road wheels have a small aluminum cap covering the lug nuts; a smaller hub cap which usually flies off at even a shallow pot-hole. We're right back where we started.

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I have no doubt that before the millennium is much older, somebody is going to offer (as an extra-cost option, of course) a styled aluminum wheel which simulates the old wire spokes of a Model T, with a built-in lug nut cover featuring wind-driven counter-rotating propellor blades.

While we're still down there where the rubber meets the road — what's happening with whitewall tires these days? Back in the '20s, pure white rubber tires were on all of the luxury chauffer-driven town sedans. That's because they cost a lot and took a lot of care — from the chauffeur, usually.

Then somebody came up with black rubber for tires and the wide white sidewall became a status symbol of sorts. Many kids in the 1940s and 1950s got handed the chore of removing curb scuffs from those wide whitewalls as a penance for misdeeds. Of course, during the war years, tires of any kind were unavailable, but for a few years thereafter only the black variety could be had. All the cars looked like Army jeeps with them.

One fad in the late 1940s was artificial whitewalls — circular white rubber rings — which could mounted on a standard black sidewall tire and held with it to the tire rim. It was available at a somewhat unreasonable fee for all those who missed scrubbing off scuff marks.

Today, blackwalls are in. Some folks even buy the standard narrow stripe whitewall tires, then have them re-mounted with the whitewalls on the inside side, so the trendy Euro-style blackwall side is facing out. Be advised that tiremakers counter this trend by using raised white letters on both sides of the tire, so drivers will have something to scrub scuff marks off of, no matter which way the tire is mounted.

The current automotive rage is SUVs and they are changing the face of automotive fads.

Built for four-wheel drive and off-road capabilities, they are usually loaded up with optional side-mounted running boards — which look good, but reduce road clearance and get ripped off by undersized boulders if one attempts to drive them off-road.

Of course one should buy the protective chromed roll bars on any of the open SUV models. They not only hold an extra four or six chrome-covered road lights, they also feature a warning that they really don't protect anything in case of a rollover — they're just up there to hold the lamps.

Oh dear — I haven't even gotten around to blue dot tail lights too dim to see, fender skirts that made changing rear tires impossible, air-conditioned convertibles, smoked glass rear windows or interior trunk carpet mat protectors — and I'm already running out of space.

One thing about all of these automobile fads — at sometimes great extra cost, they did nothing to enhance the actual performance or utility of the standard family sedan. And like you, I've actually spent money on many of them.

If America's love affair with the auto is still going on, then like most love affairs it just proves that love is blind indeed.

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the DHS and DTS along with lumbar-massaging seats which can be replaced with optional adaptive seating featuring optional body-contour air-cell cushions that use technology originally developed for hospital burn units. While the base DeVille uses digital instrumentation, which is still popular with many older drivers, the DHS and DTS feature backlit analog gauges. All controls are nicely placed, operate smoothly, are easy to use and have a high quality feel.

Handling and ride is excellent with the revised all-independent suspension shared with the Cadillac Seville and other upscale GM cars. The new platform allows the suspension to work better and gives the DeVille a more solid feel.

Cadillac has always been a pioneer in new ideas. It introduced the electric starter in 1912 and tail fins in 1948. This year, the DeVilles have light-emitting-diode stoplights that illuminate faster for better visibility. An on-board navigation system can be ordered on DHS and DTS and OnStar can be ordered for all three.

Also available is the Ultrasonic Rear Parking Assist option that gives both audio and visual warnings before you hit any unseen objects when backing up.

However, the big news is the Night Vision System, a first for the automotive industry. The $1,995 option uses thermal imaging, that is heat-seeking infrared technology, to "see" heat producing objects such as people, animals and vehicles that are beyond the range of the headlights. A small image that looks like a black-and-white photographic negative is projected on the windshield in front of the driver.

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That fulfillment includes excellent pay. Prior to completion of an intensive 16-week training period at the FBI Academy at Quantico, Va., new Special Agents make $35,498. After graduation, their salary jumps 25 percent to approximately $44,000.

Special Agent Jennie Emmons, 30, who has a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in forensic science, said the FBI Academy is nothing like college. "In college you didn't have the sense you would have to walk out the door and apply this knowledge and training."

For Emmons, an excellent marksman, the academy meant becoming proficient at firearms and understanding the law. The academy molds an agent, rather than makes one, she said. "You can't make someone into an agent that wasn't meant to be."

Special Agent Brian Young, 32, a former Army infantry officer with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, brought eight years of police experience into the bureau. However, the FBI conducts investigations at a different level, he said. "We work on some of the most challenging cases in the world. ... They're cases that will go on for years."

FBI activities include investigations into organized crime, white-collar crime, public corruption, financial crime, fraud against the government, bribery, copy-right matters, civil rights violations, bank robbery, extortion, kidnapping, air piracy, terrorism, foreign counterintelligence, interstate criminal activity, fugitive and drug trafficking matters.

"I think the job has the most variety at the federal level for criminal investigation," said Wynn.

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Because of the physical demands of the job, the FBI is exempt from hand-

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Some blunders can be overcome

JOB SEARCH



GEORGE HAYES

■ ***Q. Since I made a blunder last year, my boss has become kind of distant and I haven't been included in some major decisions. Can something like this be turned around, or should I start looking?***

■ **A.** It depends upon your supervisor's personality, the culture of your company and the nature of your crime.

Case Study A: Several years ago a friend of mine misspoke when he told a vice president what had happened in an incident with a major customer. OK, he lied. This was understandable in that the vice president was an intimidating fellow who demanded excellence. Still, it wasn't excusable. When the lie was uncovered, my friend went from golden boy to goat. The VP explained how dearly he held the concepts of honesty and trust. He came close to firing the violator, but settled for a candid discussion and a warning that it would take years if not centuries to repair the damage.

I've never seen anyone so embarrassed (except for the time I fell asleep on an airplane and drooled on the lady next to me). From a practical standpoint, it put the employee in a quandary: Should he attempt to redeem himself and stay, or should he acknowledge that it is nearly impossible to restore a tarnished reputation to its original luster and leave?

Case Study B: My other friend (I've only two) disagreed heartily with a pet program that had been initiated by his supervisor. Later, he became downright vocal about flaws in the project's design and the probability of failure. He was told to – how was it phrased? – "Shut up."

Weeks later, the program flopped and the mistaken assumptions in the supervisor's original plan became obvious to all. Was my pal hailed for his foresight? Of course not. His boss now takes every opportunity to make him look stupid. He has been told that he will never go anywhere within the company. Now, should he stay and try to mend the political fence that he so blatantly damaged, or take his supervisor at his word and move on?

In the first case, the employee decid-

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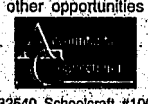

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Job Search *from page 1*

ed to stay. He correctly determined the door had been left open just a crack. The boss was a difficult but reasonable person. The work culture was one that valued success and good people were discarded with reluctance. My friend thought that it was important, for his own sake, to regain his integrity. He made a focused effort to communicate clearly, candidly and often. Two years after the incident, he was largely (maybe not entirely) resurrected.

In the second case, the employee also decided to stay and is still there. He is perplexed that his money making and money saving good deeds have not resulted in a serious reconsideration of his worth. He cannot see that the door is hermetically sealed. He doesn't understand about the list.

Every company and every manager has a list. Oh, it's probably not an actual document, but it exists nonetheless. Of course, when your name is on it, you're in trouble. That such a list is kept might seem odious.

■ I've never seen anyone so embarrassed (except for the time I fell asleep on an airplane and drooled on the lady next to me).

It isn't necessarily. How the list is constructed and used makes it good or bad.

Management needs to identify employees who are ill suited to their jobs, not fitting into the culture or not realizing their full potential. In the abstract, the list can be the first step in fixing runs and snags in the organization's fabric. Who needs more technical training? Who might benefit from management coaching? Who should be counseled about personal style, attitude or values issues? The list can be used to achieve positive ends. The best lists are written in number 3 pencil.

That is, it is actually possible for employees to erase their names from the list.

Unfortunately, many lists are written in ink. Getting off is almost impossible. Getting put on such a list often has more to do with the personal style or political motivations of the list keeper than any shortcoming of an honoree. The purpose of this kind of list is not to identify and fix problems, but to target and eliminate employees. A manager need only wait for or set up an incident to rationalize the termination of a listed subordinate.

Should you stay or go? Figure out why and how your company makes its list, and then decide.

A note about management coaching ... I'm usually skeptical about the consulting program du jour. Programs that suddenly come into vogue are usually just variations on old themes, repackaged for owners and presidents who are willing to try almost anything to relieve their pain. Not so management coaching. In fact, a structured coaching effort appeals more to the left brain than the right.

Particularly in a tight labor market, doesn't an attempt to salvage and support struggling employees make more sense than starting a long and expensive search to replace them? A good coach can define differences in how a boss and subordinate see a job and work with an employee to achieve specific, practical changes in overt behavior, attitude and focus. The results: lower turnover, lower cost, more harmony. I'm speaking directly to those Detroit area manufacturers whose only method of handling difficult or sub par employees has been to can them (after a good talking to, of course).

Send comments or questions to George Hayes, Job Search, P.O. Box 2497, Southfield, MI 48037. Hayes is president of Emplex Corp., a human resources consulting firm and a regular columnist.

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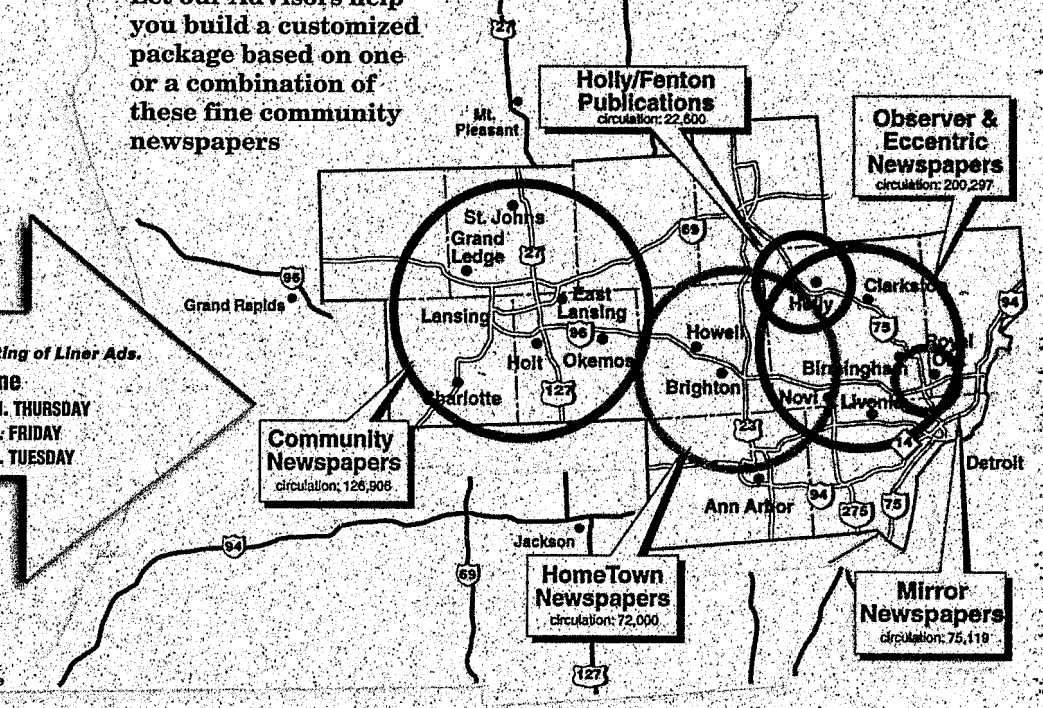

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Design office to fit work force



JANICE LEGG

High-tech firms often use work place designs that emphasize small work stations and big "play" (casual meeting) areas, "scream" rooms, gourmet cafeterias, fitness centers, day care, lots of daylight and environmental comfort.

Most "non-tech" companies say, "Not us. We've been in business for X-ty years and are more traditional." Guess what? That office will soon be you, your competitor – or your replacement.

The workplace should be the physical expression of the business and its mission, values and image. If there is a disparity, most likely there is dysfunction, a symptom of a company on the path to being replaced.

About the time of the fall of the Berlin Wall, companies began to see the fall of both the corner office and the perimeter office. As work processes and tools began to shift, so did work place design. The corner office was moved to the center of the building. The prime daylit perimeter wall was left for all to enjoy and is typically occupied by the rank and file.

Square footage usually stays the same, it's simply reallocated. But the new design helps attract and retain the best and the brightest workers, particularly those in Generation X and Generation Y.

With the shift to a flatter organizational chart and the emphasis moving from the individual to the team, work places need to reflect those changes and nurture an environment that promotes creativity. It's a new generation and a new way of working, and it demands a workplace design that support it.

Registered Architect Janice Legg is a member of Commercial Real Estate Women of Detroit and is a senior associate with Gensler, where she specializes in strategic facilities planning and workplace design.

Winning homes are on parade

Design, architecture, special features and value for price.

That's what judges zeroed in on when evaluating nominees in various price categories for the 10th annual Parade of Homes competition.

Some 100 homes were entered, seven blue ribbons awarded in conjunction with the recently completed GMC Builders Home & Detroit Flower Show.

"BIA Master Builders have built homes that will appeal to young families just starting out to truly grand homes that feature some of today's newest and most innovative products and materials," said Dave Kellett Sr. He's BIA president and president of Kellett Construction in Bloomfield Hills.

Detailed illustrations of all the nominated homes are in a plan book available at Standard Federal Bank branches and the model homes. The homes are scattered throughout the metro area.

Following is a brief description of the winners. Several are within golf course communities:

■ **Homes priced up to $230,000.** The Kensington, Steuer & Canvasser.

This two story of 2,372 square feet contains four bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths. Special features include country kitchen with island, computer loft overlooking the family room and foyer, separate tub and shower in the master and three-car garage.

Price is $219,800.

The Kensington, (734) 697-2700, is in Andover Farms off Tyler between Haggerty and Morton Taylor roads in Van Buren Township.

■ **Homes Over $230,000-$320,000 (joint award).** Breakers IV, Ivanhoe-Huntley/ MJC.

This two story includes four bedrooms and 2-1/2 over 2,438 square feet. The home features a step-up master with sloped ceiling and glamour bath suite, library/ office and a large front porch.

Price is $264,000.

The home is part of a golf-course, recreation community within walking distance of quaint downtown Oxford.

Breakers IV, (248) 628-0500, is in Lakeridge at Waterstone off Seymour Lake/ Burdick Road west of Lapeer Road in Oxford Township.

Also, Christina II, Dynacraft Custom Builders.

This story-and-a-half of 2,850 square feet, features four bedrooms and three baths. The home contains a gourmet kitchen with walk-in pantry, whirlpool tub and his-and-hers walk-in closets in the master, library and computer room.

Price is $309,999.

Christina II, (810) 786-6552, is in the Rivers community off 25 Mile Road just west of Romeo Plank Road in Macomb Township.

■ **Homes Over $320,000-$450,000.** The Greenbrooke Deluxe, Ivanhoe-Huntley.

This two story showcases four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths in 3,090 square feet of living space. The home features hardwood floors in the foyer, kitchen and nook, step ceiling in the dining room, bay windows and premium exterior styling included rounded windows.

Base price is $420,000.

The Greenbrooke Deluxe, (248) 393-2600, is in Oakhurst off Clintonville Road between Clarkston and Waldon roads in Independence Township.

■ **Homes Over $450,000-$700,000.** The Terra, Cohen & Associates.

This story-and-a-half of 3,355 square feet includes four bedrooms, a loft and 2-1/2 baths. This home features gourmet kitchen, elegant master with jet tub, dual-zone heating and cooling and an unusual cobblestone, fieldstone, and brick exterior.

Price is $513,500.

The Terra is under construction in Northville Hills Golf Club, off Sheldon Road between Five and Six Mile roads in Northville Township. A finished model, (734) 420-1147, is at Brooklane Ridge at the southeast corner of Sheldon and Six Mile.

■ **Homes Over $700,000.** The Devonshire, Arcadia Corp.

This story-and-a-half of 4,000 square feet contains four bedrooms and 3-1/2 baths on the Orchard Golf Club. This home features a dramatic great room, gourmet kitchen, formal dining room, formal study and luxury master with many upgrades and extras.



Kensington: *This two story includes a computer loft and three-car garage.*



Greenbrooke Deluxe: *This two story features lots of hardwood flooring and an upgraded exterior styling.*

Price is $719,900.

The Devonshire, (810) 786-6132, in the Pinehurst Collection off 28 Mile Road between Campground and Van Dyke roads in Washington Township.

■ **Condominium.** The Charleston, Park Center Development.

This attached townhome condo unit features two bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths and 1,419 square feet of living space. Residences have private entry, balcony, two-car garage and air conditioning.

Price is $169,900.

The Charleston, (248) 213-4700, is in Park Place at Town Center off Evergreen between Civic Center Drive and 10 Mile, Southfield.

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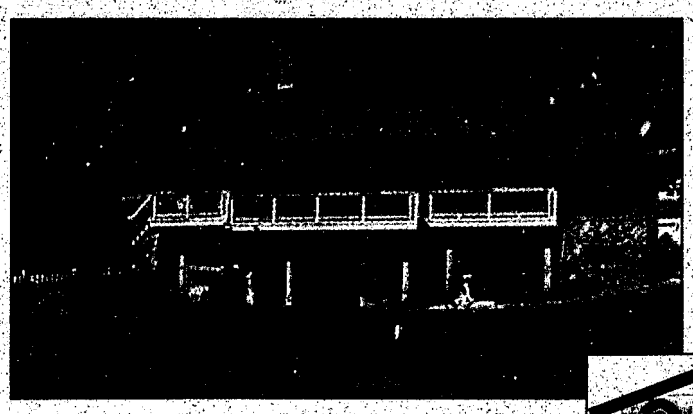



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Recently renovated, you'll find many extras here. There is a second fireplace for cozying. The newer kitchen is lovely with cherry cabinets, granite, and tile. Storage is no problem with the pantry. The lower level has a great entertainment area...perfect for your lakeside and poolside parties.

Mechanically, the house is in very good shape. The inground pool equipment is housed inside to avoid damage. The furnace is only two years old, and with central air conditioning, two ceiling fans, and a satellite dish you'll be very comfortable...and very happy.

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On a beautiful wooded lot, smashing 2,345 sq. ft. classic colonial has so much to offer! A lovely living room with bay window. A formal dining room with large picture window and hardwood floor. A spacious family room with natural fireplace and French doors that open to a beautifully landscaped yard. Kitchen has large eating area, hardwood floor and a greenhouse window. There are four bedrooms in the home including a master suite with full bath. In addition, there is another full upstairs bath and a half bath on the main floor. The laundry room is located on the first floor and the basement offers an abundance of storage. For your comfort, the home has central air. For your convenience, there is a two car attached garage.

This lovely residence offers numerous updates including a newer roof and gutters (1997), new patio and driveway (1996), and vinyl windows throughout the upstairs.

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Bob Vila, Sears to hatch new home improvement Web site

(PRNewswire) – Sears, Roebuck and home improvement guru Bob Vila have announced that they will create an online joint venture, called BobVila.com, to develop a Web site for home improvement solutions.

The new BobVila.com Web site, which initially will be majority owned by Sears, is expected to be operational in the third quarter of this year.

The new online company intends to leverage the assets and expertise of Bob Vila and Sears, while pursuing other authoritative partners, to provide the full-range and depth of home improvement solutions sought by consumers.

"The BobVila.com joint venture is the latest in a series of alliances," said Arthur C. Martinez, Chairman and CEO of Sears, Roebuck and Co.

"This venture is a key element in our plans to deliver Internet-based solutions to America's consumers – solutions for the home that leverage the great brands and assets of Sears and our partners," Martinez said.

"We expect that homeowners will find BobVila.com to be the most necessary and convenient home-improvement site ever created. We are thrilled about the opportunity to expand our relationship with Bob," Martinez said.

"We'll provide complete solutions for do-it-yourselfers, wannabes and do-it-for-me homeowners," Bob Vila said. "We intend to develop the ultimate home improvement resource for consumers, providing everything they need, from ideas and inspiration, to finding the right contractors, tools or materials – to managing the entire project.

"Emerging broadband technology will allow us to instruct through streaming video and animation, providing robust and meaningful experiences through the latest technology," Vila said.

"The new venture has a great foundation for success in the online world," said Alan Lacy, Sears president of Services. "With Bob Vila and Sears, we are starting with some of the most widely recognized and trusted brands and authoritative expertise in America."

Home again

To differentiate the online business, a key initial strategy of the venture will be to utilize Vila's media assets, including insights from his many books and 20 years on television, while continually creating new content and solutions.

The site will continue to promote and enhance his television program, "Bob Vila's Home Again," which airs nationally in syndication as well as on The Learning Channel.

Vila, who is celebrating his 20th year as an authority on home renovation and remodeling, will be personally involved in providing guidance on the direction of the BobVila.com business.

Vila's current Internet site will remain online until later this year, when the new site is introduced.

BobVila.com plans to include everything a consumer needs for major home improvements, down to small repair and fix-it jobs.

Vila will guide do-it-yourselfers through the detailed steps of a wide range of projects and home maintenance solutions. Do-it-for-me homeowners using contractors will find project planning, contractor screening and selection tools.

Online e-commerce opportunities are expected to include tools, hardware, building materials, project plans, videos and books.

BobVila.com will directly link to Tool Territory on sears.com, which will be the joint venture's exclusive e-commerce provider of tools. Tool Territory on sears.com, introduced in November of 1999, features more than 120 brands.

About Vila and Sears

Bob Vila has been an official Sears and Craftsman Tools spokesperson since 1989, a relationship that will remain in place after the formation of BobVila.com. Also since 1989, Sears has sponsored "Bob Vila's Home Again," now in its 10th year.

As a home improvement expert for more than 20 years, Bob Vila continues to be a trusted and widely recognized authority in the field.

In addition to his presence on television, where he can be seen an average of 24 hours a week on various programs in syndication and on cable, Bob Vila has authored 11 books, most recently "Bob Vila's Guide to Remodeling Your Home," published in the fall of 1999.

Sears, Roebuck and Co. is a leading U.S. retailer of apparel, home and automotive products and services, with annual revenue of more than $41 billion.

Through its network of more than 850 full-line stores and 2,100 specialty stores, Sears provides apparel, home and automotive products and related services.

Sears is the world's largest product service provider, with 15,000 technicians nationwide.

Sears Online introduced in 1999 an appliance site and parts site for consumers, and expanded its tool brands from one to 120 brands. Sears.com site expansions planned for 2000 include lawn and garden equipment and home electronics.

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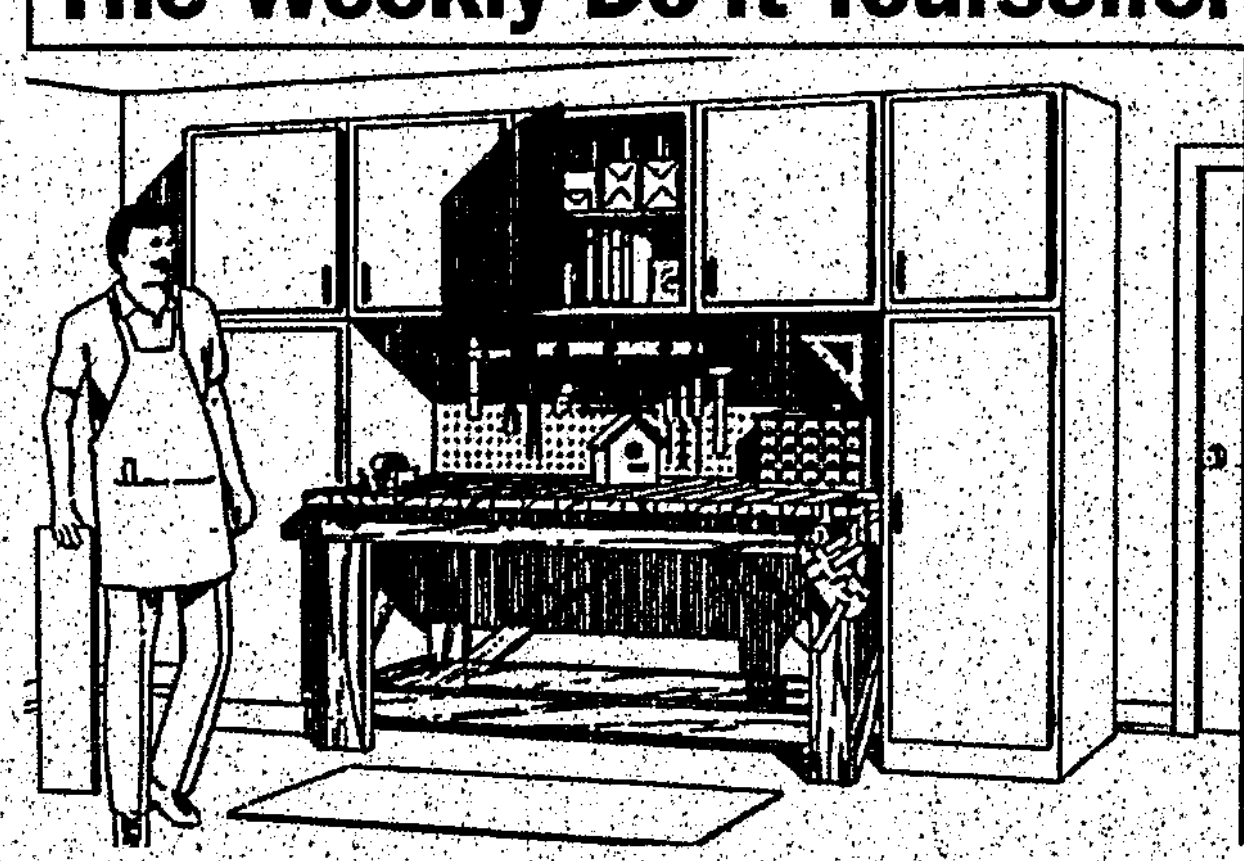

Workbench

Need to organize your workspace and your tools? This week's home improvement feature workbench with cabinets may be just the ticket. This project is easy to build, and there are three sizes to choose from. A peg board tool holder is featured in the design to help organize your tools yet keep them handy. The plans include a comprehensive materials list. Two complete sets of the plans are included.

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Who's watching your deposit cash?

It's a sad story that doesn't happen every day but when a homebuilder goes out of business, it can make the news.

"Although the homebuilding industry is healthy overall, consumers need to take precautions," says Richard Roll, president of American Homeowners Association. "Check out the builder's reputation before signing the contract."

Before you even sign a deposit check, handle the other check – the background check. Carefully research a builder's background before signing a contract.

Call the Better Business Bureau, (248) 644-9100, or state department of consumer affairs, (900) 555-8374, to see if any complaints exist against your builder.

That (900) number also provides information on licensing status in Michigan.

Does your builder belong to the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan? Call (248) 737-4477.

You'll also need to know what happens to your deposit money in case of a fall-through or default on the contract. The law varies by state.

If the law doesn't require it, you might get the builder to agree to put the money into escrow voluntarily. Your builder will take some convincing before they'll take the trouble, and some might not agree at all. But many will, rather than lose a sale.

Unfortunately, new-construction home sales represent one of the larger loopholes in consumer protection. Thoroughly researching the reputation, financial solvency and character of the builder, before signing a contract, is the best protection any consumer can get.

For more information, go to www.ahahome.com, the Web site for American Homeowners Association.

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Edison crews continue to trim trees near lines

Detroit Edison line-clearance crews continue their year-round tree trimming work in more than 40 communities.

In April, line-clearance crews will work in Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Township, Farmington Hills, Franklin, Garden City, Lake Orion, Plymouth Township, Redford Township, Rochester Hills and Westland.

"We can't impress upon our customers enough that there is a definite correlation between power outages and tree interference," said Ron May, vice president, Energy Delivery and Service.

"Although outages will occur when strong winds uproot entire trees that fall on our lines, our work will prevent many more outages from occurring from typical Michigan weather."

May said that line-clearance work also helps avoid low voltage or outages caused by trees in contact with power lines during normal weather.

Detroit Edison will spend $46 million this year to trim tree branches away from its power lines in Southeastern Michigan. The utility trims an average of 800,000 trees each year to reduce the potential for power outages and help ensure safe, reliable electric service for customers.

To that end, line-clearance crews maintain a 10-foot clearance between tree branches and power lines.

Detroit Edison removes from customer property the branches and debris that result from its line-clearance program. In addition, the utility's crews cut larger tree limbs for use as firewood.

During a storm restoration process, however, unscheduled emergency tree trimming sometimes is required to facilitate the safe restoration of electric service.

When trees have been uprooted or large limbs have fallen and interrupted electrical service, customers have the responsibility to remove tree debris resulting from emergency restoration activity.

Detroit Edison's tree trimming crews follow International Society of Arboriculture standards, which are designed to maintain the health of trees.

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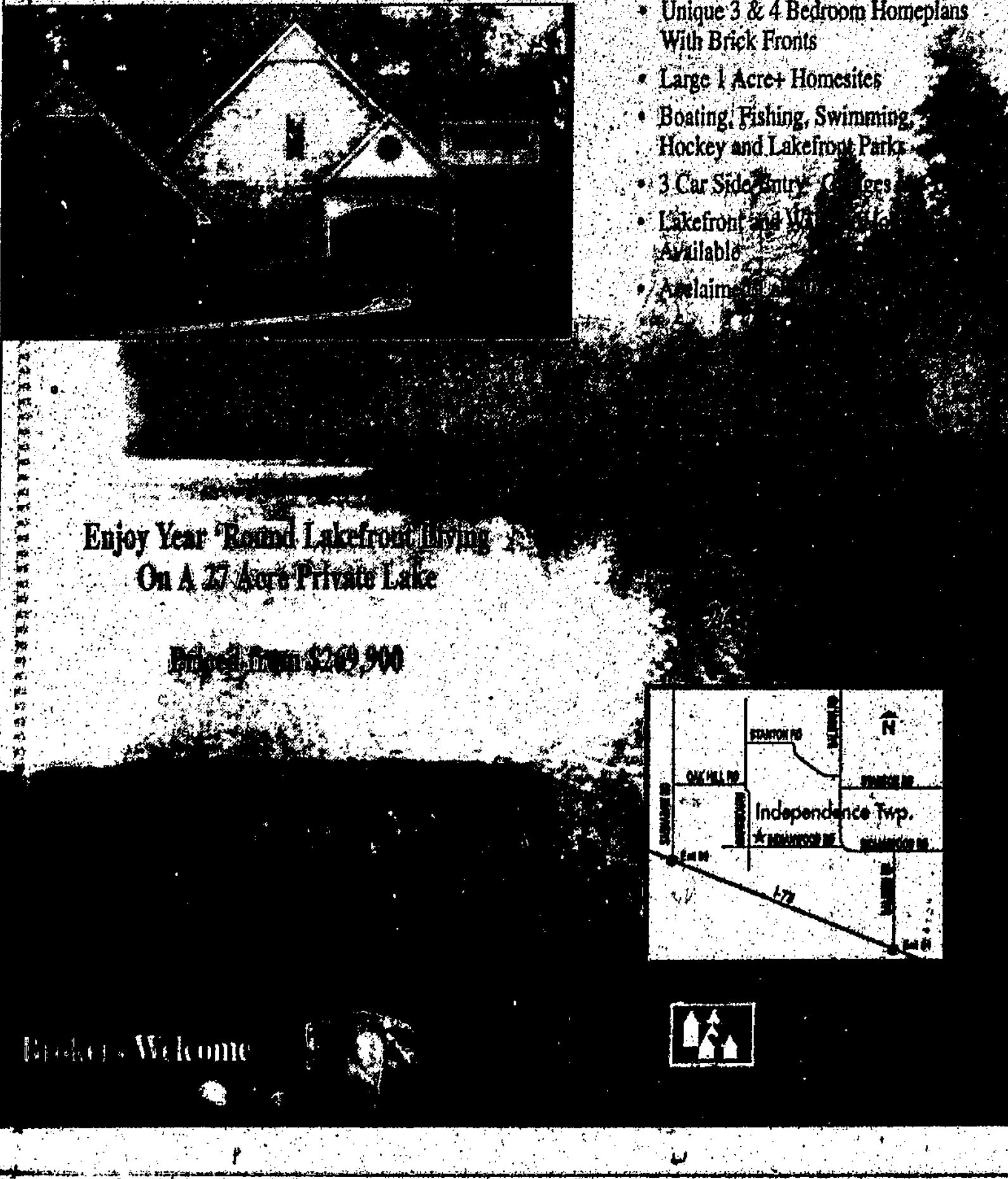

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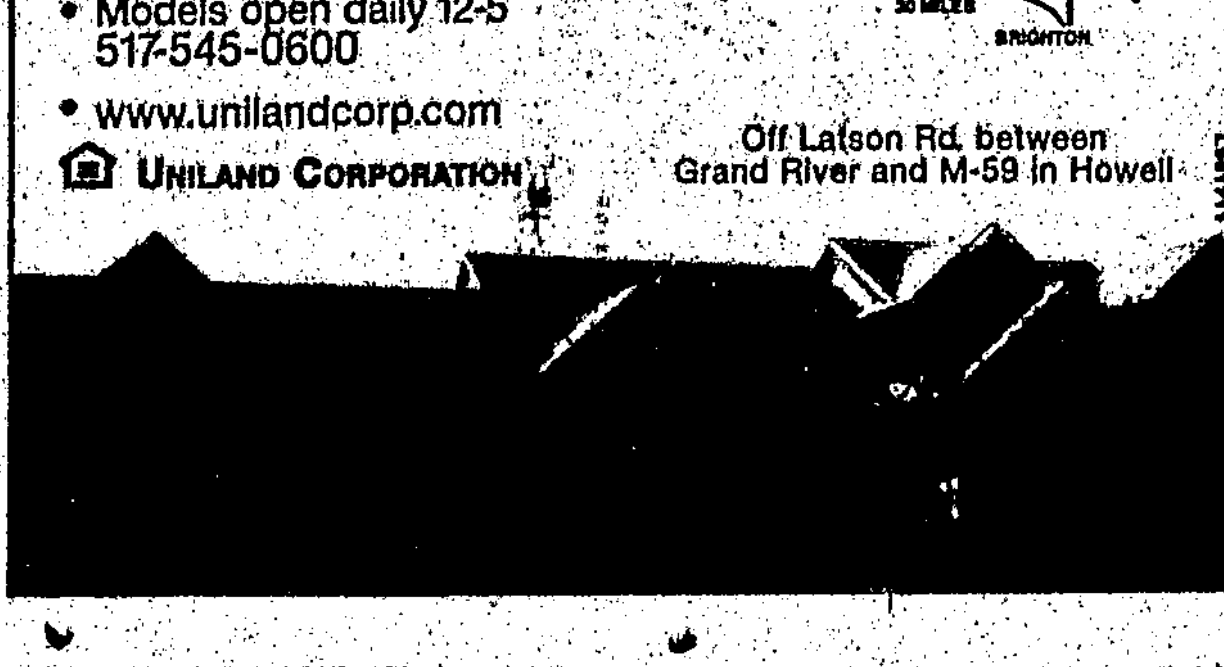


Bedrooms surround central living commons

Four gables, each accented by a decorative corbel, give an open, friendly look to the Ellington.

Gentle arches, Craftsman-style windows and stone veneer wainscoting all add to the exterior appeal. With the exception of the bonus room (or bedroom) over the garage, this is a single level plan.

A bright and spacious vaulted living area fills the entire center of this home.

Sunlight spills into the living room from the rear through two windows and atrium glass doors, and when skies darken, the gas fireplace serves as a warm, colorful focal point. The doors access a patio or deck, and provide plenty of air circulation when needed.

Dining room and kitchen are next to each other, partially separated by a raised eating bar. Family and friends will enjoy sitting here, especially while food is being prepared.

Standing at the sink, you've got a panoramic view of the gathering spaces as well as the patio and landscape outside.

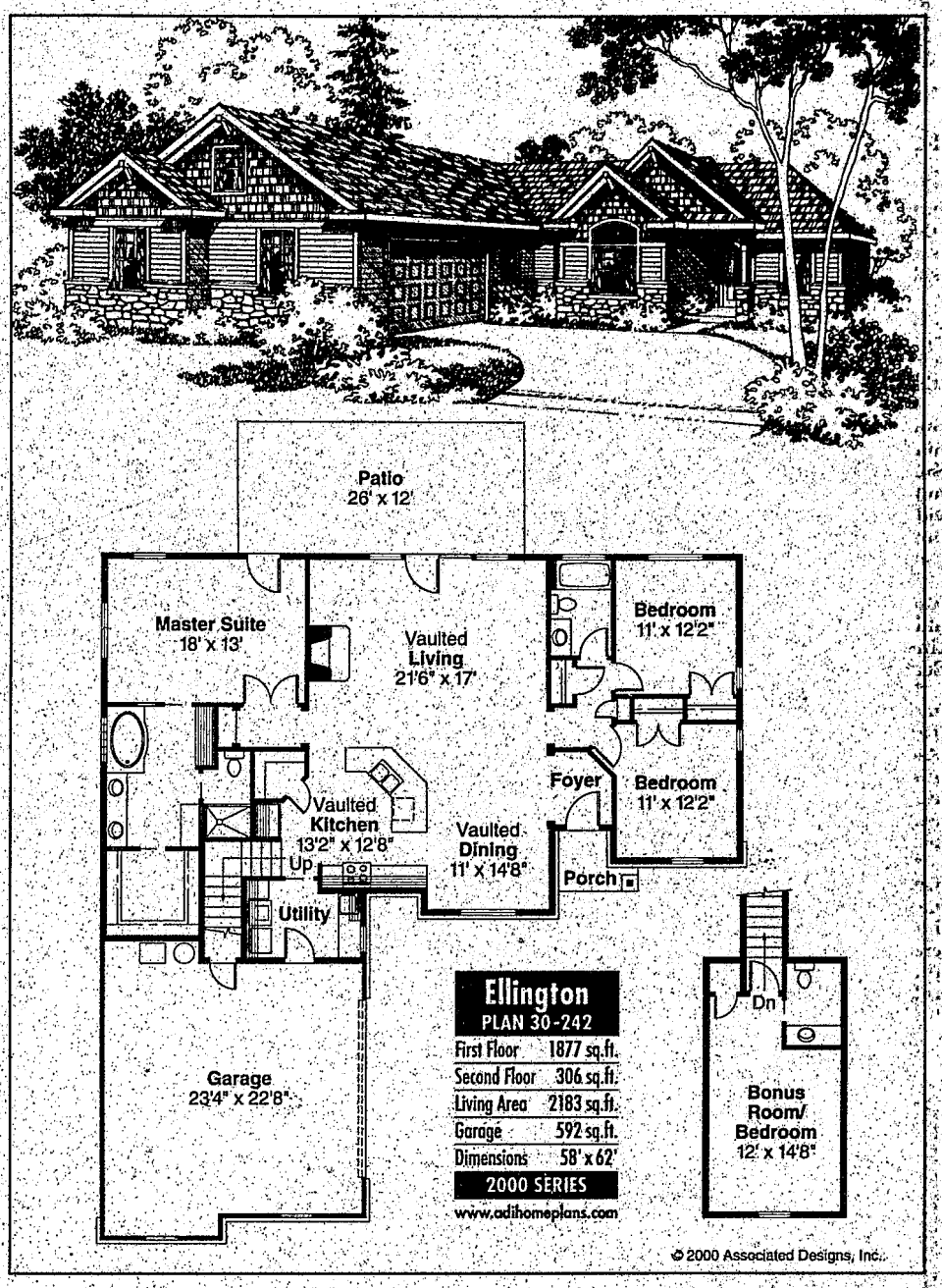
Utilities are nearby, hidden behind a pocket door. Because this large space connects to the garage, it also doubles as a mudroom and is handy for unloading groceries in safety, out of the rain, snow, or what have you. Families with muddy-pawed dogs will particularly appreciate this space.

Double doors next to a charming arched-display cove open into the Ellington's luxurious master suite.

In addition to direct patio access, notable features include a huge walk-in closet, twin vanity, a spa tub awash in the soft light filtered through glass blocks and separately enclosed shower and toilet.

Stairs from the kitchen lead up to a skylit bonus room with a half bath.

For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send $20 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Dr., Eugene, Ore. 97402. Please specify the Ellington 30-242 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring 300 home plans is available for $12. For more information call (800) 634-0123.



Products wow editors

BY TODAY'S HOMEOWNER MAGAZINE
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Following is the second half of our selections of most impressive new appliances and products for the home now available to consumers.

We chose based on quality, innovation, value, style, ease of installation and use, and long-term reliability.

Although we didn't test them all extensively, we did talk to product engineers, tradespeople and retailers before we arrived at our winners.

Safer Water Heaters

The burners and pilot lights on gas-fired water heaters have the nasty habit of igniting flammable vapors from gasoline or solvents used around the house, resulting in about 2,000 serious house fires a year, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

To contain those fires, American Water Heater Company has developed the Flame Guard System.

The combustion chamber is sealed so the amount of air entering the chamber is controlled. If a fire does break out, it will be contained in the chamber and won't spread back into the room.

Finally, a thermal switch shuts down the gas supply during a flame-up. The system is available for 30- and 40-gallon heaters marketed under the Envi-ro-temp, U.S. Craftmaster and American Proline brands.

An average 30-gallon heater with the system costs about $230. American Water Heater Company, www.american-waterheater.com; (800) 937-1037.

Killer With a Gentler Side

Watch out ants, flies, hornets, cockroaches, fleas and spiders. EcoSMART'S natural Bioganic pesticides kill common yard and household insect pests as fast – if not faster – than chemical pesticides.

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The products list for $3.99 each. EcoSMART Technologies, www.bioganic.com; (877) 723-3545

Cutting-Edge Lopper

Even with a top-quality lopper, it's a hassle to cut branches in tight, hard-to-reach spaces. That's not the case with the Fiskars Gooseneck Swivel Lopper (list: $49.99), which features a unique 15-inch-long cutting shaft.

Now you can reach in and cut dense growth without interference from the handles. And, because the shaft rotates 360 degrees, you can cut branches from your strongest, most comfortable working position.

The extended shaft also lets you reach higher or cut at ground level with less bending. Additional comfort features include an internal shock-absorbing bumper and oval-shaped steel handles with padded grips.

The replaceable bypass blade, coated with Teflon to reduce cutting friction and resist rust, cuts branches up to 1-1/2 inches in diameter. The tool is backed by a lifetime warranty, Fiskars Lawn & Garden, www. fiskars.com; (800) 500-4849.

Easy-Squeeze Caulks

It's easy to select one of Red Devil's new House & Home Restore Caulks – the label tells you in which situation you should use each of the eight different caulks (for example, driveway crack repair, tile grout, spackling paste, window and door).

But what really sets these caulks apart is the E-Z Squeeze applicator, a dial-type dispenser that pushes the caulk toward the tip, maintaining pressure and minimizing waste.

The list price for a 5-ounce tube ranges from $2.99 to $3.49. RedDevil Inc., www. reddevil.com; (800) 423-3845.

Resourceful washer

The Resource Saver Washer from Whirlpool is one of the most aptly named products we've seen. The full-size clothes washer uses only 17 to 28 gallons per load (most comparably sized washers of this type consume 25 to 45 gallons per load).

It's also an energy miser, using about 56 percent less electricity than other models.

And at $599, it costs hundreds of dollars less than most other energy-efficient, water-saving washers. Whirlpool, www. whirlpool.com; (800) 253-1301.

Local mortgage rates unchanged

Mortgage rates were flat in the Detroit area last week, according to a survey of local lenders by www. HomeLoanUpdate. com:

■ 30-year fixed mortgage loans averaged 8.26 percent with 0.9 fees and points last week, up from 8.24 percent with 0.9 fees and points the previous week.

■ 15-year fixed mortgage loans averaged 7.88 percent with 0.9 fees and points last week, up from 7.86 percent with 0.9 fees and points the previous week.

■ One-year adjustable-rate mortgage loans averaged 6.76 percent with 0.9 fees and points last week, same as 6.76 percent with 0.9 fees and points the previous week.

One Year Ago the average 30-year was at 6.98 and 0.9 points and fees, 15-year 6.58 and 0.9 points and fees and 1-year ARM 5.65 and 1.0 points and fees.

Existing home sales for February gained some momentum, rising 6.7 percent from January's two-year record low and moved closer to five million sales (4.75 million annually), according to Freddie Mac's chief economist, Robert Van Order.

"Although we are forecasting a gradual slow down in overall home sales this year, housing still remains a viable investment," added Van Order. "Mortgage rates seem to have stabilized at just over 8 percent, and, while interest rates are higher than the previous years, personal incomes still continue to increase. Strong house price appreciation coupled with the tax deduction of a mortgage more than offset the increase in mortgage rates."

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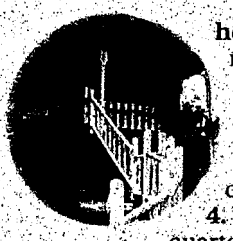

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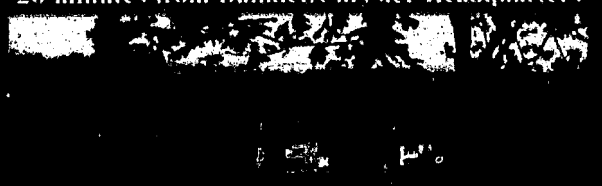

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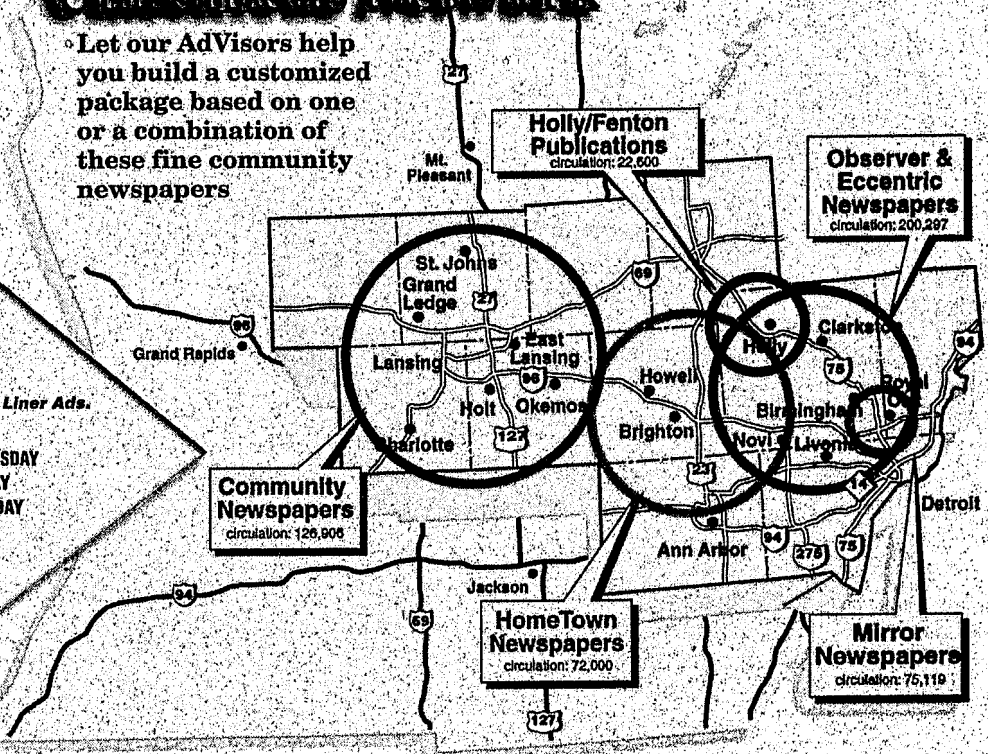

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Ask for Kevin Conway
HALL & HUNTER REALTORS
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Birmingham
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BLOOMFIELD - Open Sun. 1-4. 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch, 1600 sq.ft., $250,000. 90 Eileen, N. off Square Lake, W. of Woodward. 248-505-4409

CANTON - Open Sundays, April 9, 16 & 22, 1-5pm. 3 bedroom, 1½ bath colonial w/fireplace, huge master, pool w/deck. New windows, carpeting & C/A; large fenced lot, Canton schools. 241 Meadowlake, off Cherry Hill btwn Lotz & John Hix, Brookside Village $185,900. 734-397-3466

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N. of Wise Rd.,
E. of Carroll Lake Rd.
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LIVONIA - Kimberly Oaks. Open Sun. 1-5. 32521 Lyndon, S of 5 Mile/E of Farmington Rd. 4 bedroom, 2000 sq.ft colonial, central air, $207,000. (734) 421-3563

Livonia
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HOMETOWN I
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303 Open Houses



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Macomb OPEN SUN. 1-5 52278 MAURICE S. of 24 Mile, E. of Hayes 2200 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 2½ bath colonial, 2½ car garage, central air, large deck, sprinklers, finished basement. $264,000. (810) 786-1949

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305 Birmingham/ Bloomfield

Beverly Hills - 3 bedroom brick ranch, family room/fireplace, updated kitchen. Open Sun 1-4. $197,900. 248-258-3204.

BIRMINGHAM - By Owner, 1 Bedroom bungalow w/basement & garage. Lot 40x115. 1187 Webster. $110,000. Open Sun. 1-3 or by appt. (248) 594-0007

BIRMINGHAM CAPE Cod, by owner, 3 bedroom, 2 bath desirable location, 2200 sq. ft., move-in condition, major updates $449,000. (248) 645-9121

BIRMINGHAM - Charming bungalow near Pembroke Park. 3 bedroom, 2½ bath. 1350 sq.ft. lot's of updates. MUST SEE! $239,900. 2124 Pembroke. Open Sun.12-4. 248-643-7017

BIRMINGHAM - Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch backing to park. Beautiful hardwood floors & updates galore - kitchen, roof, windows, furnace & air. $215,000. 248-723-1216.

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305 Birmingham/ Bloomfield

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Mary Ann McBroom-CRS
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306 Brighton

BRICK 4 bedroom ranch in nice sub. Open plan, fireplace, finished walk-out, backs to wetlands. $212,500. 810-231-5916.

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308 Canton

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Prudential, Chamberlain, Stiehl Realtors

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308 Canton

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45500 FORD RD. - CANTON

ROYAL POINTE SUB
Open Sun., 1-5. 47724 Royal Pointe Dr. (S of Warren, W of Beck). 3400 sq.ft. of Living space, 4 bedroom colonial, 3½ baths, 2.5 car garage, professionally finished basement, tons of extras! A gorgeous must see home. Neutral decor. Plymouth/Canton Schools. $379,000. By owner. 734-453-1437

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309 Clarkston

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311 Dearborn-Dearborn Heights

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312 Detroit

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314 Farmington/Farmington Hills

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Contact ROBERT WOLF
248-473-6200
Re/Max Great Lakes, Inc.

317 Garden City

CLEAN 3 bedroom ranch, semi-finished basement, central air, 1.5 baths, 2 car garage, fenced yard. 734-459-8268

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OPEN SUN. 1-3
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Century 21
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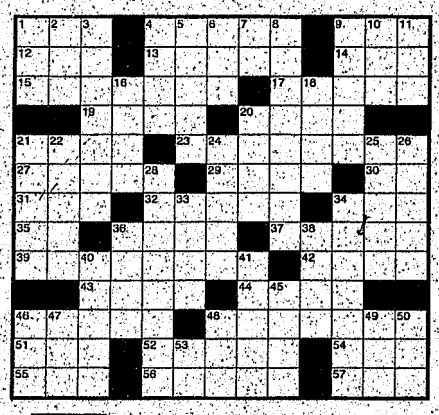

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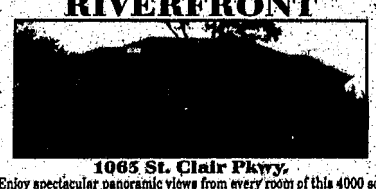

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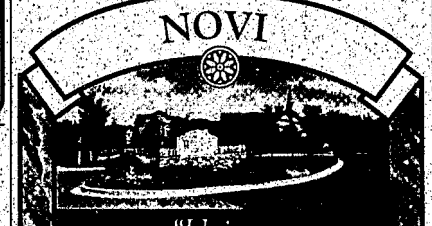
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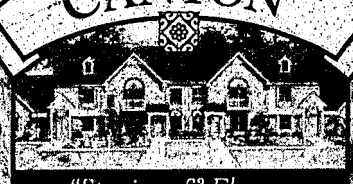
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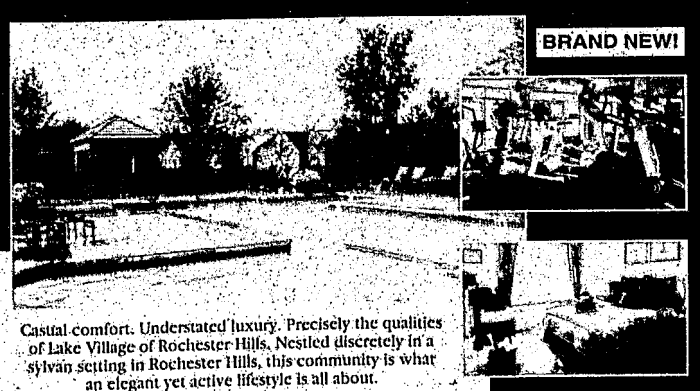

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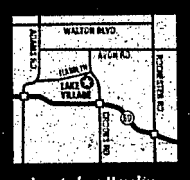

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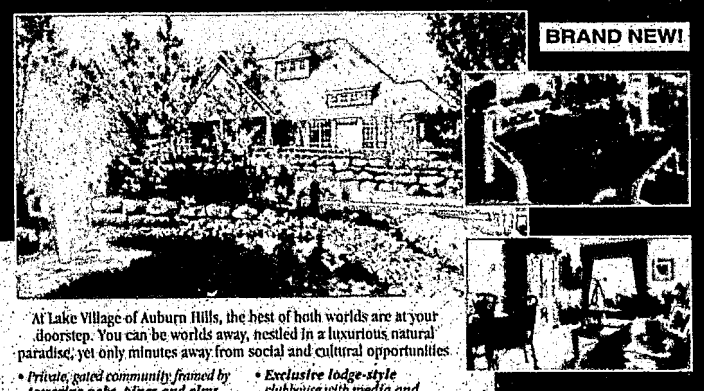

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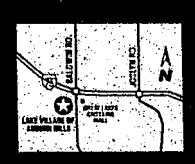

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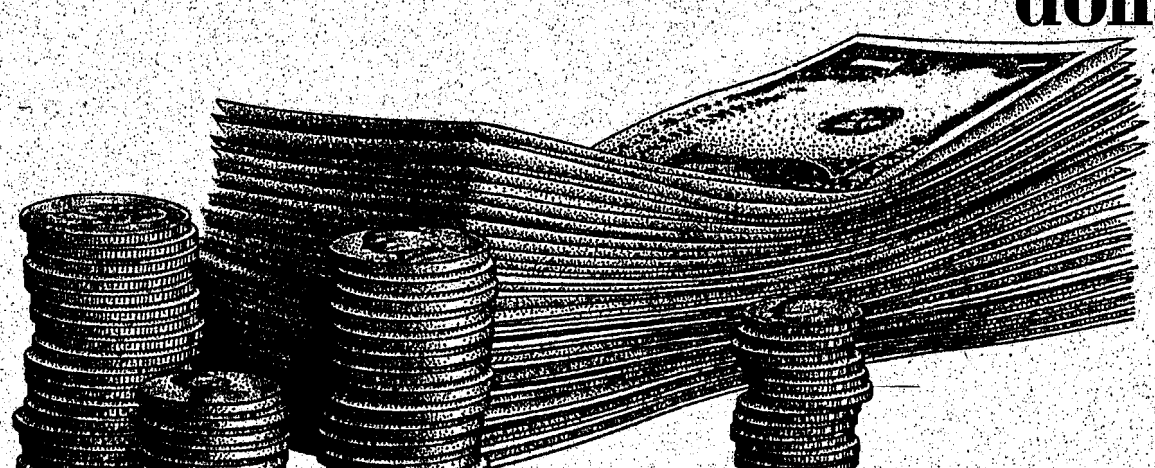

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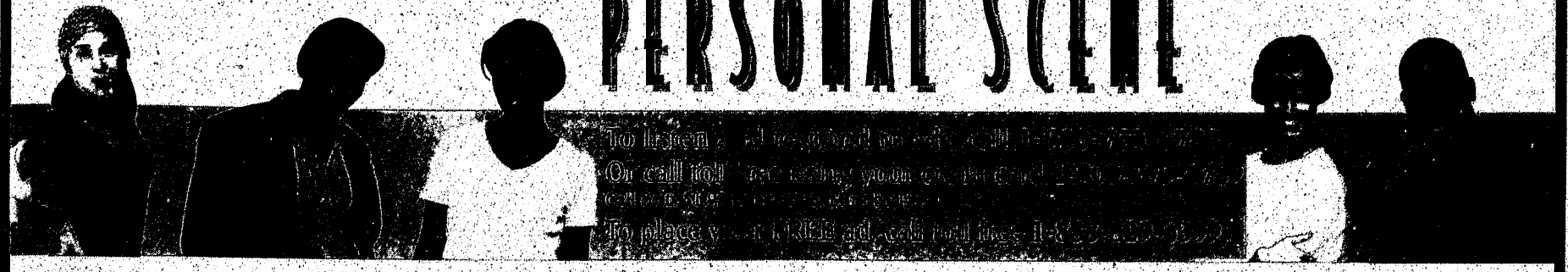



GOOD GIRLS LOVE BAD BOYS
SF, 43, blonde/blue, seeks attractive SM, 35-45, who's ready for LTR. Truck owner a plus. Let me rock your world! ☎2012

DARE TO HOPE DARE TO DREAM
Feminine, attractive, young-looking DWPF, 52, 5'10", blonde/blue, N/S, singe mom, independent, creative, sincere, loves adventure, travel, outdoors, family, entertaining, intelligent conversation. Seeking tall, attractive SWPM, single dad, similar in age/interests. ☎2024

HOPEFULLY WE CAN MEET
Sweet, sincere, honest, hard-working SWF, 37, 5'4", blonde/green, enjoys camping, walks, candlelight dinners, cuddling, movies, and sports. Looking for SM, 33-56, to share good times and romance. ☎1992

LOVE IS ALIVE
Sweet, lovable, innocent SF, 20, looking for a loving guy for friendship, dating, and more. ☎2011

SEEKS TOMATO GROWER
Good-looking, down-to-earth, caring, compassionate SWF, 51, seeks gentleman, 50-60, who likes sunsets and gentle rain, for committed relationship. ☎1998

GREEK GODDESS
Attractive DPCF, 42, mother of two, enjoys cooking, the outdoors, and more. Seeking a mature, loving, moral SCM, 35-50, for LTR/possible marriage. Sense of humor a +. ☎1999

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT
Easygoing and honest SWF, 6', blonde/blue, H/W proportionate, two children, N/S, social-drinker. Seeking S/DWM, 28-38, for possible LTR. ☎1756

ATTRACTIVE, SLIM PERFECTIONIST
Catholic SWPF, 35, 5'7", 135lbs, blonde/blue, N/S, never-married, seeks attractive, educated, romantic, physically fit, successful Catholic SWPM, 32-38, N/S, never-married, for friendship first, possible LTR. ☎1750

BLUE-EYED BEAUTY...
so I've been told. Down-to-earth, not materialistic, slim, pretty SWF, 25, 5'5", 115lbs, seeks tall, short, rich, poor SM for friendship and possibly more. Oakland County. ☎1876

HORSEMAN WANTED
SWF, 35, 5'1", blonde/green, full-figured, one 13 year-old son, enjoys horseback riding, horse shows, music, family time, seeks "horseman" SWM, 30-40, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. Kids ok. ☎1421

ADVENTURESOME
SWF, 28, enjoys reading, traveling, dancing, family times. Seeking family-oriented, outgoing, commitment-minded SWM, for romance and monogamous LTR. ☎1778

LOVES TO DANCE
Light-skinned SBF, 5'5", 145lbs, no kids, loves dancing, skating, reading, working with people. Seeking SM with similar interests for dating, possible LTR. ☎1976

ATTRACTIVE/ PASSIONATE DR.
Brunette 30s, never married, N/S, with great smile, and zest for life, likes to travel. Seeks sincere, intelligent, successful, financially secure, gentleman, SWM, 37-43, with a graduate degree. ☎1696

ROMANTIC & PASSIONATE
Attractive, plus-sized SWF, 35, enjoys long walks, comedy, reading and animals. Seeking honest, communicative SWM to enjoy time with. ☎1911

GENTLEMAN BIKER
SF, 33, H/W proportionate, long reddish-brown/blue-green-gray, enjoys Harleys, outdoors, fishing, travel. Seeking gentleman with similar interests. ☎1859

SEEKING THAT SPECIAL YOU
SWF, 36, seeks WM, 32-39, 6'6"+, who's tired of the bar scene, likes sports, for special committed relationship. ☎6304

SECOND TIME AROUND
Fun-loving, attractive, widowed WF, 60, 5'3", 120lbs, blonde/blue, loves dogs, dancing, camping, long dives, good books, PBS specials, and more. Seeking outgoing, family-oriented SM, 60+, N/D, drug-free, with similar interests. ☎1929

SEEKING
Ultra-feminine, petite, slim, European blonde, with very sophisticated tastes, seeks highly successful SWM, 50-60, for possible LTR. ☎1800

A NEW YEAR, A NEW START
Cute, honest, caring, secure, old-fashioned SWPF, 49, 5', 112lbs, blonde, loves holding hands, laughing, walks, boating, dining, travel. Seeking nice-looking, slim SWPM, 50-60, N/S, N/D; short in stature/big in heart. ☎1989

LET ME BE YOUR SUNSHINE
Intelligent, easygoing, widowed WF, 61, 5'1", blonde/blue, N/S, social drinker, financially/emotionally secure, enjoys playing cards, movies, dining, long walks, and fireplaces. Seeking SWM, 58-65, for companionship. ☎1928

SOPHISTICATED HAPPY
Fit, bubbly, outgoing SF, 5'6", blonde/brown, zest for life, enjoys golf, biking, travel, theater. Seeking tall, financially/emotionally secure gentleman, 48-55, who exhibits qualities of a true friend. ☎1709

SEEKING MY SOULMATE
Energetic DWPF, young 46, 5'2", blonde/blue, likes nature, waterfalls, baseball, tennis, alternative medicine. Seeking SWPM, 38-49, N/S. ☎1860

FOXY SENIOR
Youthful, fit SWF, 60, 5'2", 135lbs, blonde/brown, loves traveling, reading, political awareness, all aspects of entertainment. Seeking an outgoing, lively, honest, healthy, financially secure, good-looking, youthful SWM with high morals, for monogamous LTR. ☎1770

LET'S GET TOGETHER
Attractive, energetic, friendly, honest SWPF, 40, 5'3", 110lbs, blonde/blue, enjoys art fairs, long walks, gardening, biking, nature, some sports. Seeking an open, communicative, caring SWM with similar interests, for friendship first. ☎1222

THIS IS ME
SF, 5'1", 110lbs, long blonde/blue, has children, loves bowling, concerts, movies, dining, boating. Seeking SM with similar interests, for LTR. ☎1504

GROWN-UP BOY
Classy, very attractive, down-to-earth, slim SWF seeks intelligent, financially secure SWM, 48-54, brown or dark hair, who likes to have fun. ☎1339

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?
Good-looking, slim SF, 40, 5'3", brown/brown, good sense of humor, one daughter, likes movies, dancing, comedy clubs, dining out, reading, plays, fishing, animals. Seeking S/DWM with time for a relationship. ☎1939

ABC'S
Attractive, bubbly, curvaceous DWF, 46, blue-eyed blonde, professional musician with passion for life, seeks intelligent, romantic, emotionally/financially secure SWM, 40-55, 5'10"+, N/S, for possible LTR. ☎1878

WANTED: ONE ROMANTIC SOULMATE
Tall, attractive DWPF, 5'10", blonde/brown, passionate about life, is searching for that one special man, 48-58, financially/emotionally secure, who loves life, sports, fun and romance. ☎1879

HONEYSUCKLE ROSE
SF, my age is vintage wine, 5'6", slender, blue eyes, Jewish and a coal-miner's daughter too, enjoys cooking, baking—how about a sample? Seeking best friend, real and fun conversation. ☎5602

ATTRACTIVE WIDOW
Intelligent, slender, tall WF, 53, ladylike, warm-hearted, smoker, seeks tall gentleman, 53-65, with traditional manners, who's intelligent, interested in sharing romantic dinners, conversation, and laughter with me. ☎6061

COMPANION & BEST FRIEND
SWF, 5'4", 138lbs, blonde, N/S, seeks SWM, 45-58, who's young-looking and energetic like myself. A little bit country, a little bit rock-n-roll; can be humorous as well as serious. ☎1695

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT
SWF, 35, 5'7", H/W proportionate, blonde/hazel, likes biking, tennis, camping, outdoors, dancing, and animals. Seeking an honest, considerate, family-oriented man for possible LTR/marriage. ☎1887

SEXY REDHEAD
Easygoing, fun-loving DWPF, 49, 5'6", 139lbs, great legs, no kids, Belleville homeowner, animal lover, enjoys gardening and nature. Seeking DWPM, 50-60, 6'+, N/S, social drinker, for LTR. ☎4997

A RARE FIND
Attractive lady seeks companionship of professional gentleman, 60+, who enjoys theater, concerts, museums, exhibits, excursions. Lost messages 1/10-1/11, please call again. ☎1257

HOCKEYTOWN GIRL
SWPF, 5'7", brown/brown, never married, Catholic, loves hockey, movies, concerts, dining, dancing. Seeking SWPM, 39-45, similar interests, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. ☎1977

THE ICON IS LOVE...
Very pretty, curvaceous, professional SBCF, 38, varies interests, seeks handsome, loyal, passionate, fit SBCM of integrity, 30-40, N/S, for one-on-one dancing and romancing. Serious only. ☎1985

SEEKING HONEST GUY
SF, 5'9", 135lbs, light brown hair, student, no kids, loves basketball, swimming, gymnastics, reading, cooking, walks. Seeking sweet, honest, romantic, laid-back guy for serious relationship. ☎1951

SEXY SINGLE
SBF, 40, 5'10", 165lbs, black/brown, light caramel complexion, self-employed, 2 kids, loves singing, dancing, jazz, cooking, having fun. Seeking dark, handsome, spirit-filled SM, 40+, 6'+ for friendship first, possible LTR. ☎1968

BRIGHT & CHARMING
Intelligent, inquisitive SF loves movies, dancing, singing, writing poetry, meeting new people. Seeking open-minded man who wants to be with a nice person, for friendship. ☎1971

FIRST TIME AD/WESTLAND AREA
Attractive DWF, 40, 5'2", 115lbs, blond/green, college-educated, enjoys movies, reading, beaches, traveling. Seeking honest, caring SWM, 40+, 5'10"+, for friendship first. ☎1960

FRIENDSHIP/ COMPANIONSHIP
Friendly, kind-hearted SBF, 48, 5'5", 200lbs, enjoys simple things in life: picnics, walks in the park, movies, television, seeks S/DM, 35-60, for friendship possible LTR. N/S, N/D. ☎1974

ENJOY LIFE WITH ME
Fun-loving SBF, 41, no dependents, seeks fun-loving, affectionate gentleman, N/S, over 40, to share interests. Race open. ☎1959

LIFE IS GRAND
Pretty SWJF, 5'7", 130lbs, spiritual, non-religious, degreed, energetic, very youthful 40ish, child-like delight. Seeking similar SM, to share pleasures of emotional intimacy, joy, hiking, meditation, yoga, open/honest communication, mutual trust, LTR. ☎1213

STARTING OVER WITH YOU
Easygoing, overweight DWF, 44, 5'10", N/S, N/Drugs, enjoys outdoors, walking, bowling, cards, pets, traveling. Seeking honest, loyal SWM, N/S, N/Drugs, for relationship leading to marriage. ☎5780

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR LOVE
SWF, 52, 5'6", medium build, brown hair, enjoys fine dining, reading, jazz music, family gatherings, walks in the park. Seeking degreed SWPM with similar interests, for monogamous LTR. ☎1205

SINCERE AND CURVY
DWPF, 5'6", blondish, two grown children, seeks romantic white gentleman; 49-60, fairly sophisticated, financially/emotionally secure, interested in fun times and sports. ☎1112

STILL SEARCHING
Attractive DWF, 5'8", brown/brown, thin, fun to be with, enjoys movies, dining out, the outdoors, and Redwing games. Seeking attractive, tall SWM, 33-40, with similar interests, for friendship, maybe more. ☎1476

SEEKING FRIENDS
Independent DW mom of 2, 40, 5'10", brown/hazel, enjoys movies, sports, hiking, camping. Seeking committed LTR with a man who can cook and is not into playing games. ☎1866

BEAUTIFUL SMILE
Athletic, attractive, young-looking DWF, 51, 5'7", H/W proportionate, brown/brown, college-educated, great sense of humor, enjoys sports, dining out, concerts, movies, travel, quiet evenings. Seeking tall, healthy, family-oriented SWM, 50-56, N/S. ☎1889

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
Energetic, beautiful SBCRF, 5'5", 145lbs, honey brown complexion, enjoys exercising, traveling, entertaining, movies. Seeking prosperous Christian gentlemen with similar interests, N/S, H/W proportionate for friendship. Southfield area. ☎1874

YOUNG ATTITUDE
SWF, pretty, sensuous, and compassionate, enjoys arts, music, dancing, and shopping, seeks loyal sensitive, good looking, classy SWM, 50-60. Let's enjoy the finer things in life together. ☎1872

TOO CHARMING
Hard-working, intelligent DWF, 40, 5'6", H/W proportionate, curvy, enjoys music, dancing, physical activities. Seeking an honest, sincere, affectionate SWM, 37-55, for friendship first. ☎1873

SENSUAL SPIRITED SWEET
Petite DWF, 60s, 5'2", looking for love again with romantic, trustworthy, very fit, emotionally/financially secure, non-smoking SWM, 55-65. Let's enjoy dancing, dining, movies, travel, theater, weekend getaways. ☎1831

ARE YOU READY FOR...
an attractive charmer? Active, open-minded, pleasingly plump widowed WPF, 58, red/blue, enjoys concerts, plays, talk, movies. Seeking tall, passionate, humorous WM, 45-60, for dating. LTR. ☎1835

SEEKING TALL TEDDY BEAR
SWF, 44, smoker, social drinker, seeks financially secure, gentleman, 48-55, who knows how to treat a lady, for one-on-one relationship. Garden City area. ☎1808

ARE THERE ANY GOOD ONES LEFT?
Seeking romantic, affectionate, honest SWM, 39-45, who would like to meet a good woman, 39, for a possible LTR. ☎1783

A RARE FIND
Pretty, curvy SWF, 53, 5'4", entrepreneur, lots of fun, enjoys movies, plays, concerts, traveling. Looking for sincere, successful WM, 45-75. Float your boat, make your day, answer my ad today. ☎3738

LOVELY, PASSIONATE, LADY
Bright, european, 55, seeks tall gentleman for fun and conversation. Travel, adventure, nature, honesty, are some of my pleasures. If you are a like person, let me pleasantly surprise you. ☎1792

TOUCH OF CLASS
Soar into a LTR with classy, attractive DWF, 5'5", 130lbs, sexy eyes, for fun, romance, and adventure. Seeking SWM, tall and 45+. Sincere replies a plus. ☎1789

CUTE, CLASSY, BLONDE
DWF, late 50s, seeking companionship of professional gentleman, for romantic dining, dancing and theater. Possible LTR. ☎1788

THE EYES HAVE IT
SWF, 40+, 5'6", attractive, hard-working, independent, seeks SWM who's handsome, tall, employed. Must have a great sense of humor and love animals, for friendship first. ☎6128

DANCING THROUGH LIFE
Energetic, fun, passionate, secure DWF, 48, seeks SM with similar attributes, for friendship and romance. ☎1759

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Attractive, emotionally/financially secure, honest, caring DWF, young 50, 5'4", brown/blue, N/S, looking to love again. Seeking SWM for concerts, dining, movies, sports, travel, togetherness, for friendship leading to LTR. ☎1755

SHARING TIME
Attractive SWPF, 5'2", 110lbs, brown/brown, N/S, down-to-earth, with great humor, enjoys golfing, dining, theater, seeking Handsome, SM, 45-52, to spoil and pamper me, North Oakland area. ☎1746

BE MY VALENTINE
Cute DWF, 41, full-figured, smoker, financially secure, seeks SB/WM, 43-53, who likes beaches, Vegas, traveling, for LTR. Serious only. ☎1711

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Plus-sized woman, 51, brown/hazel, enjoys movies, long walks. Seeking kind, friendly, good-hearted man to share laughs and life with. ☎1721

COULD IT BE YOU?
SWPF, seeks Mr. Right, 45-55, who likes golfing, movies, dancing, quiet dinners at home or on the town, and has a flair for spontaneity. Could it be you? ☎1700

HONEST, FUN, CARING
Widowed SF, 56, 5'2", light brown/hazel, H/W proportionate, likes doing just about anything, music, books, dining, movies, theater, sports. Seeking a SM for companionship, possible LTR. ☎1487



COUNTRY GIRL DESIRED...
for LTR, possible marriage. DWM, 35, 5'8", 150lbs, single father of eight-year-old son, enjoys rodeos, horse shows, family time. Seeking S/DWF, 28-42, with similar interests. Children ok. ☎1325

ATHLETIC JOCK TYPE
Rugged, athletic, tall, muscular SWM, 40, 6'3", 235lbs, brown/blue, clean-cut, degreed, enjoys Las Vegas, road trips, outdoors, good sense of humor. Seeking friendly SF for companionship. Age/area open. ☎4018

SEEKING NEW SPECIAL GAL
Clean-cut, down-to earth DW dad, 46, 6', 180lbs, brown/green, smoker, automotive professional, wears glasses, enjoys golf, bowling, movies, walks, romance. Seeking new best friend, 37-48, for loving, caring, sharing relationship. ☎1757

STARTING OVER
Affectionate retired SM, 49, 5'5", blonde/blue, likes dining out, movies, walks in parks, television, and evenings in. Seeking nice lady to have some fun with. ☎2021

YEAH, BABY!
Easygoing, honest, enjoyable SWM, 38, 5'8", 165lbs, brown/brown, no dependents, happy homeowner, likes sports, dining, pool, bowling, and having fun. Seeking pretty SF, 25-45, slim-medium, no dependents, for possible LTR. ☎1980

IN OR OUTGOING
Retired male, 37, father of 3, independent, financially secure, likes movies, fun, dancing, going out, sports. Seeking beautiful, nice, compassionate woman who likes to have fun. Pocahontas, please call back. ☎1066

NO GAMES, NO LUGGAGE
100% nice guy; 0% loser. SWM, 30, 5'10", fit, engineer with simple tastes, has everything in life he needs except you to share it with. No pressure, will call all. ☎1991

ITALIAN STALLION...
47, attractive, muscular, versatile, romantic, seeks classy, slim, very attractive, selective SW/AF, under 45, for friendship, possible relationship. ☎6155

SEEKING LATINA
SWM, 35, 6'3", dark/blue, great sense of humor, enjoys sports, movies, and concerts. Seeking Attractive SHF with no children, for dating and possibly more. ☎1944

PROFESSIONAL & REAL
Charming, down-to-earth SWPM, 32, enjoys movies/theater, travel, candlelight, fun. Seeking an attractive woman who enjoys life! ☎1327

TALL, HANDSOME KNIGHT
Adorable, sensitive, DWM, 43, 6'3", 190lbs, very fit, seeks pretty female, 30-50, who desires partner, not provider. I am affectionate (loves to snuggle), attentive, caring, communicative, sincere! Seeks friend/lover. ☎1919

A REAL MAN
DBM, 52, 6'1", 215lbs, professionally employed, enjoys outdoor activities, quiet walks, dinner, movies, and antiques. Seeking special, trustworthy S/DF, 35-55. Kids ok, race unimportant, for friendship/dating. ☎1493

COMPANION WANTED
Outgoing, educated, affectionate, honest, sincere DWPM, 54, 5'11", 180lbs, N/S, social drinker, sense of humor, enjoys movies, theater, travel, buying and selling antiques. Seeking spontaneous, warm, caring, one-man woman. ☎1966

EDUCATED ATHLETE
SWPM, 44, 6'1", 180lbs, red/blue, N/S, athletic build, likes golfing, skiing, tennis, biking, movies, dining. Seeking PF, 35-45, 5'6"+, H/W proportionate, N/S, to share interests, for mutual enjoyment of each other's company. ☎1669

OLD-FASHIONED ROMANTIC GUY
DWM, 35, extremely fit, very giving, honest and sincere, loves animals and kids. Seeking slim, W/H/AF, soft, feminine, sweet-hearted soulmate, for LTR. ☎1913

FORTHRIGHT AND FAITHFUL!
Handsome professional DWCM, 39, 5'10", 180lbs, with brown/dark brown, enjoys travel, skiing, golfing and dining out. This gentlemen seeks an attractive, fun-loving and family oriented SWCF, 29-38, for dating. Potential LTR. ☎1870

LOYAL, HONEST, NICE GUY
College-educated, spontaneous, handsome, fun-loving DWM, 53, 6'1", 190lbs, believes in loyalty, integrity, honesty. Seeking attractive S/DWF, 35-49, physically fit, slim, for LTR. West side preferred. Kids ok. ☎1834

LEVEL-HEADED
College-educated, athletic, attractive SWM, young 47, 6'1", modest/conservative interests. Seeks fit, intelligent, witty SWF, 20-40, for possible relationship. ☎1692

FREE TO A GOOD HOME
Financially/emotionally stable, humorous, honest, loyal, romantic SWPM, 55, 5'11", N/S, social drinker, enjoys the simple things in life, nature, laughter, variations, love. Seeking SF, for monogamous LTR. ☎1308

LOOKING FOR SOULMATE
SWM, 55, enjoys singing, walking, card games, board games. Seeking SF, 40-55, for LTR, possibly marriage. ☎1050

LET ME LOVE YOU
Friendly, caring, funny, goal oriented SWPM, 6'2", 245lbs, dark/hazel, N/D, N/S, no kids, enjoys meeting new people, spending time with friends. Seeking humorous, caring, communicative SWPF for friendship first. ☎1197

EARTH, WIND & FIRE
Earthy, honest, widowed WM, 49, 6', 205lbs, N/D, N/S, seeks SWF, 40-50, active, secure, proportionate, to conjure up warm wind, and eternal fire, possible LTR. Redford ☎5696

LOOKING FOR NEW BEGINNING
Affectionate, honest, easygoing, hard-working DWM, 45, 5'6", 160lbs, brown/blue, N/D, N/Drugs, smoker, who likes camping, fishing, swimming, is looking for a new relationship, starting as friends, possible LTR. ☎5840

SUNSHINE OF YOUR LIFE?
Warm weather, successful, spiritual SJM, 48, seeks a warm weather girl. Seeking relationship-oriented SF, 28-45, to enjoy Aruba, Cancun, Bahamas, and, of course, movies, dancing, book stores, spectator sports. ☎3923

MAKE IT HAPPEN
Humorous DWM, young 52, 6'1", handy man, independent individual, no dependents, seeks earthy, active S/DF, age: surprise me, for combining interests, fun, possible LTR. All calls answered. ☎1689

YOUR SMILE WOULD...
start my days and fill my nights. SWPM, 38, seeks active, in shape SF, 30ish, to share laughter and friendship. Must be honest, warm-hearted and love children...Novi area. ☎1420

CALL ME SOON
Hard-working SWM, 49, 5'6", 175lbs, well-built, seeks fun-loving, easygoing, intelligent pretty, commitment-minded SF, for friendship, companionship and a LTR. ☎1767

LOOKING AT YOU
Attractive, very caring, outgoing, giving SWM, 46, with a variety of interests, loves to be romantic and cook. Seeking same in petite SWF, for friendship, maybe more. ☎9363

UNION LAKE AREA
Adventurous, honest, slim, romantic DWM, 46, N/S, light drinker, Catholic, enjoys boating, amateur theater, bowling, travel, outdoors, dancing, etc. Seeking lady for friendship leading to LTR. ☎1384

WAITING IN WESTLAND
Hard-working, financially secure SWM, 28, seeks sister SWF, 22-30, with great personality, who enjoys dinners, dancing, movies, quiet nights at home, for LTR. Hurry up and call. I'm waiting! ☎1469

WHY BE ALONE?
Caring, affectionate, loving DWM, 53, 5'7", loves lake activities, skiing, movies, and quality times together. Seeking petite-medium SF, 40-50, for friendship, possible long-term, monogamous relationship. Race unimportant. ☎4968

ROMANTIC-AT-HEART
Easygoing, good-looking, kind hearted DWM, 44, N/S, who enjoys movies, concerts, sporting events, dancing, and candle lit dinners, looking for relationship. ☎1845

SUCCESSFUL
DWM, 45, 5'9", 150lbs, told to look much younger, many interests, plays guitar and other instruments, loves doing anything outside, exercises continually. Seeking good-hearted, relatively slim and attractive SWF, children ok. ☎1393

MEET FOR COFFEE
A new home but no one to greet me. DWM, 40, good job, big heart, is tired of being alone. Seeking special woman, 30+, for LTR. Serious replies only. ☎1959

SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY...
a plus. Not mandatory. Youthful, humorous DWM, 47, 5'11", 167lbs, entrepreneur, enjoys Tennessee, Florida, dancing, conversation, dining. I am spontaneous, communicative, fit and seeking a LTR. Are you? ☎1748

COUNTRY HOME WAITING!
Devoted gent, SWM, 43, ready for relationship and marriage, able to provide love, affection, financial security to a romantic SWF who is ready to settle down. ☎1955

A NICE GUY
Sincere DWM, 53, 5'10", seeks honest S/DWF with sense of humor, to share dining out, flowers, concerts, dancing, cuddling by the fire, outdoors, and weekend getaways, for LTR. ☎1062

LOOKING FOR ADVENTURE
Down-to-earth, private, homebody type SBM, 6'1", 265lbs, enjoys sports, concerts, romance, etc. Seeking decent, understanding, attractive woman who knows what she wants out of life, for friendship, possible relationship. ☎1277

TOGETHERNESS
SWM, 48, 6'1", 200lbs, brown/hazel, likes warm weather, motorcycles, sports, car shows, family, pets, concerts, and trying new things. Seeking easygoing, positive woman who enjoys life. Friendship first, possible LTR. ☎1933

MR. SUNSHINE
Easygoing DWM, 44, loves children, seeks a S/DWF, 39-59, who enjoys going to movies, walks in the park, holding hands, for possible relationship. ☎1295

HAPPY-GO-LUCKY
Handsome, witty, sweet SHM, 47, seeks SW/HF, 40-50, N/S, for dating, dining, dancing, friendship, possible LTR. ☎5970

CHRISTIAN TO CHRISTIAN
6'1", 165lbs, 42, devoted, playful father, believes in top ten, bible study, enjoys golf, walks, clean tv. Seeks gentle, kind, playful woman, H/W proportionate, 30-45, for marriage, all replies answered. ☎1699

INTELLECTUAL CONVERSATION
Intellectual, yet humorous, active, outgoing SWM, 40, 5'10", 190lbs, enjoys reading, writing, outdoor activities, theater, movies. Seeking friendly, outgoing S/DWF, 34-48, N/S, small/petite build, for possible relationship. ☎5519

LET'S GO CAMPING
DW dad, 41, 5'9", brown/hazel, custodial parent, homeowner, loves camping, barbecuing, cedar lakes, carnations, motorcycles, movies, everything. Seeking DW mom with same interests, for monogamous relationship. Novi area. ☎1786

ROCK N' ROLL HOOTCHIE COO
Down-to-earth SWM, 43, 6', has a wide variety of interests. Seeking honest, very affectionate, fun-loving WF, for friendship, possible relationship. ☎1909

EDUCATED/ HANDSOME SWM, 44
Enjoys sports, travel, family and friends, longs for hugs and kisses, love and marriage, seeks relationship-minded, attractive SWF. ☎1910

HERE TODAY, GONE TO MAUI
DWPM, 56, 5'9", 180lbs, semi-retired, N/S, no dependents, enjoys travel, dining out, movies, theater, boating, quiet evenings. Seeking attractive, affectionate woman with sense of humor, for travel, LTR. Western suburbs. ☎2421

ROMANTIC MAN
Very romantic SWM, 49, enjoys bowling, travel, dining. Seeking romantic woman for friendship, dating, possibly more. Race/age unimportant. All calls answered. ☎5454

SEEKING THE FINER THINGS
SWM, 45, average height/weight, enjoys long walks, theater, fine dining. Seeking attractive, slender SWF, 35-45, to share the finer things in life with. ☎1242

CASINO COMPANION WANTED!
Pick a winner! Soft-spoken gent, SWM, 45, enjoys attending the new casinos, and nearby attractions. Looking for Lady Luck to join in the fun! Seeking adventuresome SWF, age open. ☎1869

MAKE ONE MORE CALL...
don't give up now. Have and want honesty, trust, friendship, laughter and love. I like sports, music, dance, animals, tons more! I'm tall, thin, 60, secure. ☎1747

HERE'S MY PLAN
Meet someone special, enjoy our times together, give her loyalty, liberty, laughs, and love. A simple plan really, but I want the same. I'm sharp, witty, talented, tall, N/S, 64. ☎1749

BRIGHTON AREA
SWM, 42, 5'10", slim, N/S, never-married, with traditional values, seeks SWF, 30-45, to be my friend, lover, partner for LTR. You must be a slim, healthy non-smoker. For more details please call. ☎1868

WESTLAND AREA
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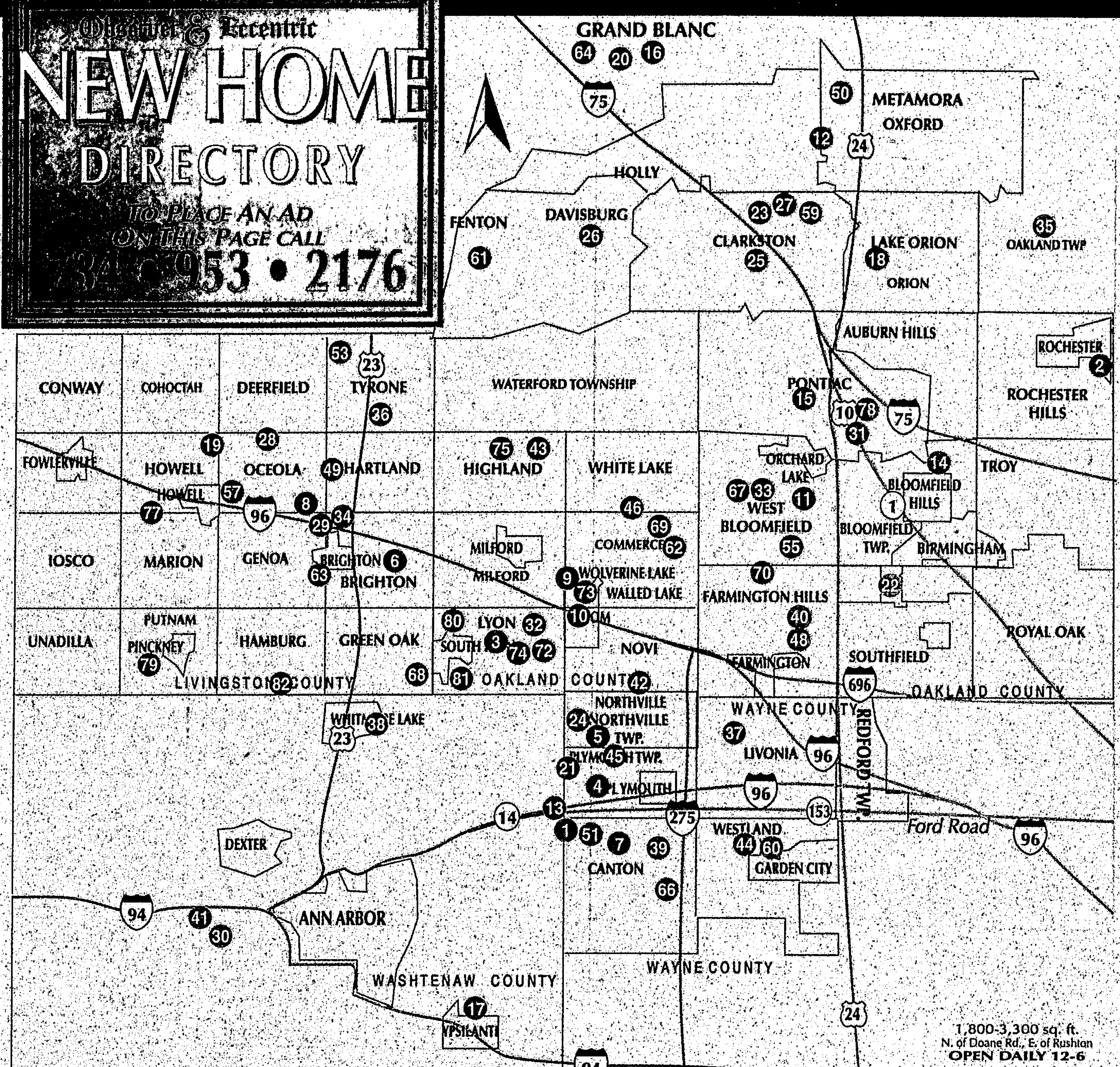

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