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With the feet: Clarkston found a going a little tough Thursday in an Oakland Activities Association Division II girls soccer match against Waterford Kettering.

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Civic center plans up for review

Extra square footage and rising construction costs increase the cost of Springfield Township's proposed new civic center by more than $700,000.

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Plans for Springfield Township's new civic center are rolling along with the conceptual site plan coming before the Planning Commission Monday.

Township Clerk Nancy Strole said the building design has remained mostly unchanged since its inception. One big exception is the addition of 4,000 square feet, raising the total square footage of the two-story building to 30,000 square feet.

The cost also has risen by $712,000. The township board on Thursday approved an amendment to the civic center budget. It transferred $1.02 million from its fund balance to cover the extra expense.

"It's primarily due to construction costs," Strole said. "Construction activity has escalated," she explained, which has driven the cost up.

Voters approved the sale of $4.5 million in bonds back in November 1998 and costs have risen a lot since then, she said.

Total revenues for the project for this year are estimated at $5.6 million. Expenses are estimated at $4.9 million with the largest portions of that going toward land acquisition at $350,000, site development at $700,000 and building construction at $3 million.

The civic center plans must go through the normal approval process that any development would.

Once the Planning Commission gives conceptual approval, the township board will have to approve the plans because it is a special land use. The civic center will be on 7.5 acres of the front portion of the Shiawassee River Basin Preserve, which was zoned recreational. The board has already approved the special land use, but must make sure the plans jive with that designation.

After that, final site plan approval will take place. Trustee Dennis Vallad

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AROUND THE MILL POND

Far-reaching effects

A loud explosion caused Nancy Kilgore and others at Saint Daniel Church to look out a window for the cause of noise late Thursday afternoon. They saw a down wire from the transformer on the corner of Valley Park and Holcomb roads. "It look like it started a brush fire," said Kilgore, the parish secretary. What it also did was cause a loss of power for several hours to different parts of the community, including the Farmer Jack's supermarket and CVS Pharmacy at Dixie Highway and White Lake Road. Oddly enough, the church's power came back on instantly. Think there could have been some divine intervention?

Futuristic voting

Clarkston city voters had a chance to do a test run on new voting equipment for the Department of State, Bureau of Elections once they voted in Tuesday's special election. Sue McRill from the state bureau explained that before any new voting system is purchased, the department has to test it. It picked Clarkston for that purpose for the touch screen voting system, EV 2000. The lap-top-like computer let people make selections and change their mind before hitting the final button that cast their vote.

Award winner

Kyle Hughes of Independence Township is one of four Michigan teachers honored with the 1999 Presidential Award in Mathematics and Science Teaching Excellence. Hughes teaches secondary math at Oakland Science, Math and Technology Academy. She was one of 200 teachers nationwide selected for this award by a panel of scientists, mathematicians and educators. She will receive a $7,500 educational grant for her school as well as a presidential citation and a trip to Washington, D.C., for a series of events and programs. Hughes will be honored at a recognition ceremony May 19 at the state capital.

PHOTOS BY STEVE CANTRELL

Framed by flowers: *State Rep. Ruth Johnson would walk around this raised flower garden to try to get Emily to sleep when the 11-month-old was a newborn.*

Mother's Day is especially sweet this year for state legislator

Sneaking a smooch: *Johnson is glad daughter Emily's digestive troubles are subsiding.*

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Emily Ann Johnson Nanney is a giggly, blond baby whose favorite place is on her dad's shoulders.

For her mom, state Rep. Ruth Johnson, (R-Holly), the first year of motherhood has opened a new world of appreciation, wonder and predictably, exhaustion.

Johnson, a former Oakland County Commissioner who is serving her first term as a state legislator, also became a mom for the first time on June 27, 1999. Their first child was born on her and her husband Don Nanney's 20th wedding anniversary.

Although Johnson worked for years at Children's Village, she said having her own child gives her the first-hand perspective that is irreplaceable. She said all the book knowledge and even dealing with other people's children is not the same as holding your own baby and watching her grow.

"I have a new outlook on

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Swing time: *One of Emily's favorite pastimes is swinging next to mom Ruth Johnson.*

Feneley earns county's top officer award

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After 23 years in police work, Dirk Feneley still finds it a fascinating field.

Feneley is a detective with the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. He's assigned to the Independence Township substation.

His dedication and continued interest in the job of protecting citizens and solving crimes has earned him the Officer of the Year award, presented annually by the OCSD.

Feneley will receive his award at the OCSD Annual Awards Ceremony Monday morning.

Deputies Scott A. Patterson and Todd M. Vanderver from the IT substation also will be honored with commendation citations for their efforts in saving a man's life in November.

"There was a despondent man who threatened to kill himself," explained IT substation Lt. Dale LaBair. "The man was armed with a shot gun. Patterson and Vanderver talked to the man for several hours and talked him into safely surrendering."

Deputy Guy Hubble from the Orion Township substation is receiving the Life-saving Citation for his work on the same case.

Three local residents also are being recognized for their efforts on behalf of law enforcement. They are Roxanne Tripi and Christopher Morin of Independence Township and Gregory Foster of Davisburg.

Tripi is honored for her quick thinking in notifying someone about a house on fire on

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Dirk Feneley

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moms. I'm so impressed with moms," she said as she swings beside Emily on the little swing set in her yard.

A first-time mom at age 44, Johnson had a rough pregnancy. Emily was born with a digestive disorder that is now about 90 percent cleared up.

"She still gets up every two hours (to eat)," Johnson said.

For any parent, such a schedule for 10 months would take its toll. For a person who has thousands of bosses — the public — it is a supreme juggling act to keep up high standards at work while caring for an infant.

Johnson's pregnancy was a pleasant surprise, but a risky situation, she said. Frequently ill and fighting high blood pressure, Johnson was only months into her new job as state representative.

"Working was really good for me," she said. "It kept my mind occupied."

But the precarious nature of her and Emily's health was draining for her and her husband, whose dental practice is in Clarkston. They got through the exhaustion and apprehension with the help of lots of family and friends.

"I have some of the best friends," Johnson said.

They brought meals; they cleaned her house. One legislative colleague even offered to drive her to work. They offered endless moral support even though she was a newcomer to Congress.

"My colleagues, bipartisan, have been so supportive," she said.

There was a shower for her, which she couldn't attend.

She was too ill.

When Emily's birth date finally came, it was a joyous event, Johnson said. However, a sign on the front door that says "Shhhh, baby sleeping, please knock" says a lot.

Emily started out crying 15 hours a day because her esophagus was not pushing food down properly into her stomach. Emily was in pain and uncomfortable.

"You can only hold a crying baby for so long and then I would hand her off to my mom and she would hand her off to my husband," Johnson said.

Indeed, Johnson's mom, Virginia Johnson of Waterford, has been a Godsend to Nanney and Johnson. Virginia was widowed when Ruth was 13 years old.

Ruth said she had a great example in her mom both before and after her father's death. Even though the family had little money after he died, Ruth and her sister never felt poor and also learned the value of hard work. Johnson said her mother never missed a program or game the children were involved with.

"If there's a super mom, that's my mom," Johnson said.

These days Johnson's mom stays at her home four days a week. Johnson makes the 75-minute one-way commute to Lansing on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays to be on the floor for votes and attend committee meetings. Her mom is at her house Thursday evenings through Monday mornings so Johnson can answer constituent communications and get other work done.

Johnson said technology and a stellar staff have made the transition to working mom easier.

"I can do almost all my calls in the car," she said. "It's a good use of time. What do they call it? Multi-tasking. I'm learning to multi-task."

Johnson's favorite thing these days is to watch with wonder everything her daughter does. Emily is a happy baby, she said, and is curious about everything. Johnson admits that her daughter's favorite person might be her dad.

"She likes her daddy an awful lot," she said.

Although Johnson said she gets "chronically teased" about her age as a first-time mom, she isn't too worried about the future. She said being older has many advantages over being a young couple, including more financial stability.

"I think there's a trade-off. I think I'm wiser. I have more patience and I have more life experiences," she said.

And like every other working mom knows, Johnson is learning a delicate balancing act that gives everything in life its rightful place.

"What I've learned is to prioritize," she said.

Nothing is as sweet, however, as a hug from Emily.

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Pine Knob Road. She went to a friend's house next to the burning house so they could notify the neighbor about the fire.

"If it hadn't been for Miss Tripi's quick thinking, the damage to the house may have been more severe," said Deputy James Willyard, who nominated her for the award.

Morin witnessed a car jacking and attempted to stop the suspect from leaving the parking lot. Although he didn't stop the man, Morin gave investigators a description of the suspect. This led to a composite drawing. He also picked the suspect out of a photo line up.

"His efforts led to the arrest of the responsible (party)," said Detective Dave Hendrick, who nominated Morin.

Sgt. Matt Norman from Highland Township substation nominated Foster for his assistance in saving a man's life.

A customer collapsed of a heart attack where Foster works. Foster called 911. When the first deputy arrived, the man wasn't breathing and didn't have a pulse. Foster assisted in administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation until emergency medical personnel arrived.

"The CPR revived the victim," Norman said.

Detective Chuck Young nominated Feneley for his award.

He wrote that Feneley "has earned the respect of his fellow officers."

"I have worked with Detective Feneley for the past seven years and during those years he has consistently demonstrated professionalism, dedication and initiative in all aspects of his job," Young said. "Because of his knowledge and experience, he is not only able to train newcomers on the road patrol positions, but also, to work with the patrol investigators and the specially units with the department."

And what does Feneley have to say about all this praise?

Just a shrug of his shoulders, a small smile, a glance down at his papers and then he says, "I don't know what I did that was so special. I just love this job."

He's worked for the sheriff's department since 1980, starting in the township. He was also a patrol officer in 1977 when the township had a police department.

"I've worked just about every township the sheriff's department has a contract with," Feneley said. "I love the detective bureau. I like doing the investigations, the interviews, seeing the case through the court system. It's fascinating; it's always something new."

The best part, he continued, is helping younger officers.

"I enjoy helping road officers, who handle complaints, learn what information the detective bureau needs, how to put it in words in their reports and how to pass that information on to us," he said. "We have to have enough pieces before we can take a case before a jury."

"Feneley is a steady influence," added LaBair. "He's developed a lot of skills over the years and he's willing to pass those on."

Feneley graduated from Clarkston High School in 1974. He and his wife, Cathe, have one son, Matthew, 19, who attends Michigan State University.

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wouldn't venture a solid construction start date.

"We're hoping for the beginning of August," he said.

Strole said the township can afford the extra construction costs because of its strong fund balance, but that they are also constantly looking for ways to decrease the price of the building. She added the extra square footage was not a huge cost and that they have found cutting the size is not a wise way to cut costs.

The civic center will house township offices, the board's meeting room, parks and recreation offices and include storage space. The township library also will be in the building and will enjoy significantly more space than it has currently.

In a memo, Supervisor Collin Walls indicated that in 2001, revenues will likely include $350,000 from the sale of the current township hall, $67,000 from cable and at least $360,000 from the fund balance. Expenses for 2001 are estimated at $100,000 in site development, $1 million in construction costs and $325,000 in furniture, fixtures, computers and other equipment.

The total two-year budget comes to $6.4 million.

Filing deadline nearing for township elected offices

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Citizens interested in running for elected office in Independence and Springfield townships have until 4 p.m. Tuesday to submit their nominating petitions to their township clerk's office.

All the township board of trustees positions, including the full-time positions of supervisor, clerk and secretary, are up for re-election this year. There is still time to get in the race. Petitions and affidavits of identity are available in the clerks' offices.

In Independence Township, residents must get between 20 and 50 valid signatures from township residents to get their names on the Aug. 8 primary ballot for any township office, said deputy clerk Cari Polidan.

The winners from each party will face off in the Nov. 7 general election.

So far in Independence Township, several candidates have turned in their materials including incumbent Dale Stuart and challenger Gary Stonerock for supervisor and incumbent Joan McCrary and challenger George White for clerk. So far Treasurer Jim Wenger is the only person who has turned in petitions for that office. People seeking one of the five trustee positions are David Wagner, Robert Aranosian, Mel Vaara and incumbents Larry Rosso and Dan Travis.

In Springfield Township, not only are the board of trustees up for election, so are the seven-member Parks and Recreation Commission and the six-member Library Board.

People who want to run for trustee must get at least three valid signatures. To run for the library board, 41 signatures are needed for the library board petitions.

Clerk Nancy Strole said so far she, Supervisor Collin Walls and trustees Richard Miller and Dennis Vallad have turned in petitions. All incumbents have pulled petitions, she said.

Reader reference

Clarkston School Events

May 15: Fall Kids Connection registration. PK Skate Night. SMS PTA. CHS JV baseball, varsity baseball and boys tennis. SMS track.

May 16: CMS Vocal Concert. NS PTO meeting. SP PTA Board. CE Skate Night. CHS freshman baseball and softball, JV baseball and softball, track, varsity girls golf, varsity baseball and softball, varsity girls soccer.

May 17: IND Skate Night. SP Market Day, Funshine Sing. CHS Spring Music Collage. CMS and SMS track. CHS freshman girls soccer, varsity girls golf, JV baseball and softball, varsity baseball and softball.

May 18: CMS, SMS Fifth Grade Parent Orientation. CHS Spring Music Collage. CHS freshman baseball and softball, track, JV soccer.

May 19: CMS, SMS Fifth Grade Visitations. CE Volunteer Appreciation. CHS freshman girls soccer, JV softball, track, varsity softball.

May 20: CHS freshman baseball, junior varsity baseball and softball, varsity baseball and softball, track, varsity girls golf.

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.

Independence Township Recreation

Summer swim lesson registration begins May 20.

Children ages 6-14 can compete in the Major League Soccer New York Life Dribble, Pass and Shoot program from 3-6 p.m., May 20. The contest is at Clintonwood Park Field No. 7. Local winners in this skills competition can advance all the up to a national competition. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 625-8223.

Independence Township Senior Center Lunch Menu

Monday: Barbecue chicken sandwich.

Tuesday: Veal supreme.

Wednesday: Healthy Choice pepper steak.

Thursday: Vegetable lasagna.

Friday: Baked chicken parmesan.

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

A steak roast is planned for 6 p.m., Friday at the Senior Center. Cost is $7 per person. Steak and all the trimmings plus good music. Make reservations by Wednesday by calling the Senior Center.

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Tail Wagger to raise funds for homeless dogs, cats

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Peggy's story is a perfect one to describe the Michigan Animal Rescue League.

Six years ago, someone brought a three-legged pit bull terrier to the non-profit animal shelter at 790 Featherstone, near the Silverdome. She had been a stray, living on the streets of Pontiac.

After some time passed, it became clear to the MARL staff and volunteers that Peggy may not ever be adopted.

She wasn't euthanized, as other shelters may have done. Instead, MARL's manager Kayla Allen and assistant manager Pam Porteous let her join the other dogs who are allowed to live permanently in their office.

Peggy had a good life there for six years, until she became so ridden with cancer that a veterinarian came to the shelter to euthanize her with her friends by her side. This happened in December. The MARL staff and volunteers still miss this special dog, and have a poster of pictures in her memory.

Michigan Animal Rescue League has maintained its philosophy of providing homes for homeless animals for 50 years. Its $300,000 annual budget comes primarily from donations. It depends on volunteers to help keep the 120 cats, kittens, dogs and puppies that fill its kennels and cages fed, bathed, exercised and loved.

It doesn't wait just for dogs and cats to be brought to it. Its outreach workers go out on the streets, searching for homeless and neglected animals in need of food and shelter.

To continue its mission, MARL sponsors fundraisers during the year.

The ever-popular Tail Wagger Two-Step Walk for Animals is Sunday, May 21, at Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road in Clarkston. For more information, call MARL at (248) 335-9290.

The walk begins with registration at 9 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m. There will be refreshments, including pizza from Hungry Howie's in Independence Township. It's owned by Karen and Doug Doyle, who adopted their dogs, Kayla (named for the MARL manager) and Shep from the shelter.

Last year more than 200 dog, cat and owner teams raised $22,000 for the shelter by getting pledges for the five-mile walk. Those whose animals are too feeble to walk just bring in their pledges and enjoy the scenery.

Lynn Vittetoe of Springfield Township, Carol Ebner of Orion Township, Heidi Cook of Farmington, Denise Figiel of Troy, Carol Swayze of Lathrup Village and Lisa McDougall of Rochester Hills are among the dozens who plan on attending the walk.

Lynn and her husband, Tom Vittetoe, have two dogs, Nikki and Roscoe, whom they adopted from MARL.

First came Nikki, a beagle mix, who was originally too sick for adoption when she was rescued. The Vittetoes brought her home once she regained her health.

It wasn't too long before Roscoe was at the shelter. He was a skinny, big dog, who had been running loose with a rope embedded in his neck and a cut on his back.

"I fell in love with him," said Lynn about Roscoe, who now weighs 85 pounds. "The two dogs are best friends and are part of our family."

The Vittetoes are as dedicated to helping MARL as the organization is to helping homeless animals.

"They take such good care of animals there," Lynn added. "They give them such good attention and try to work with any behavioral problems they may have so they can get adopted and have a loving home."

They also support MARL's philosophy of not euthanizing animals except for severe injuries, diseases or aggressive temperament.

That philosophy is what brought Pat and Carol Ebner to MARL for their dogs, Annie and Max. Ebner said she's getting as many pledges as she can for next Sunday's walk.

Cook discovered MARL through its website, ddc.com./rescue/marl.

"I was looking for a small dog and found one on the shelter's website," she said.

That's how she got Gizmo, a Jack Russell-black labrador mix.

"They told me she was living at a home where the owner was going to put her to sleep because he didn't want her anymore," Cook said. "She's the best little dog there is."

Figiel found MARL's in the telephone book. Now she's on the "poop and scoop" patrol every Wednesday morning, cleaning cages and dog runs.

She adopted Tawny, a 110-pound Rodegian ridgeback mix, who was dropped off at the shelter by someone and Shelby, a North American fox hound mix.

"Shelby was found running the streets of Pontiac. She was really skittish when we adopted her," Figiel said. "We had to work with her to get her used to things like loud cars and bicycles. She's really come a long way."

Swayze drove to MARL from Lathrup Village because she heard it didn't euthanize animals.

"That was the selling point to me," she said. "I adopted Twiggy, who was an older German shepherd. She was ugly and scrawny with big ears. But she's the best thing — she's so full of love. She sure doesn't look like a Twiggy anymore."

McDougall found room in her heart for Lulu, a 7-year-old dog when she adopted her in 1997.

Lulu was like Peggy, content to live in the MARL office because no one seemed to want to take her home — not until McDougall came along.

"I feel it's my responsibility in life to adopt older dogs," McDougall said. "Lulu still has a lot of spunk left in her."

Animal lovers who can't make it to the Tail Wagger can make contributions to MARL or they can attend the next fundraiser. It's June 16 at the Bloomfield Hills Open Hunt Club.

STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Extended family: *Lynn and Tom Vittetoe adopted Roscoe and Nikki from the Michigan Animal Rescue League.*

Drivers get another chance to discuss traffic congestion

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Navigating around too many cars on too few lanes has become a daily ritual for thousands of Oakland County commuters.

The public is invited to a meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Colombiere Conference Center, 9075 Big Lake Road, to hear updated information on the I-75 Corridor Study being prepared by the consulting firm The Corradino Group.

"They will present to the public the draft transportation plan coming out of the study," said Andrew Zeigler, regional planner for the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The study was commissioned by MDOT, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, the Road Commission for Oakland County and the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County.

At a January meeting, Joe Corradino outlined the most likely solutions to traffic congestion through Oakland County, including the Clarkston area. Among the possibilities are adding a fourth lane to portions of I-75, building an interchange at Clintonville Road, reconfiguring some existing interchanges and selectively widening arterial roads.

■ 'This traffic is just not fitting into our rural lifestyles.'

Kathy Anstandig—
—Independence resident

Comments from the public are encouraged and another meeting will take place in August. The plan is to have a completed plan by fall.

At the last public meeting in January, some people advocated a Clintonville interchange, but Kathy Anstandig lives near the corner of Clintonville and Eston roads and says traffic is already horrendous in that area. She said an interchange will only make things worse for residents.

She said traffic has consistently become worse. Paving and increasing the speed limit from 35 mph to 45 mph three years ago has not helped matters.

"This traffic is just not fitting into our rural lifestyles," she said. "We can't use our front yards, and we've put hundreds of thousands of dollars into our homes," she said.

Anstandig said she is rallying her neighbors to attend the Wednesday meeting. A Clintonville interchange could make her street even more dangerous, she said, as well as potentially displace homes depending on where it's located.

"It's scary stuff," she said.

She doesn't think a residential neighborhood like hers should be disrupted to make the rush-hour commute easier.

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

Larceny

On May 10, someone removed a gas leaf blower and a five-gallon gas can from the back of an Independence Township Department of Public Works pick-up truck parked on the DPW grounds at 6050 **Flemings Lake Road**.

On May 8, someone broke a right rear window of a vehicle parked in the 4800 block of **Foxcreek East**. The subject removed a compact disc player and 20 CDs from the vehicle.

Springfield Township

Attempted home invasion

On May 10, someone attempted to enter a home in the 10,000 block of **Leslie**. A resident was in another room and heard glass breaking in the living room area. The person observed a subject running from the home's enclosed porch area. Nothing appeared to be removed.

Larceny

On May 9, someone entered an unlocked car parked in the 9500 block of **Bart Avenue** and removed a cell phone in a leather case and a purse.

Clarkston Police

No major reports.

Independence Fire

Fire calls

Independence Township Fire Department responded to 18 calls from May 8-10. These included eight medical calls, two automatic alarm calls, two personal injury calls, and one call each for a grass fire, a personal injury accident call, a vehicle fire, a carbon monoxide investigation, a building fire and a wires down call.

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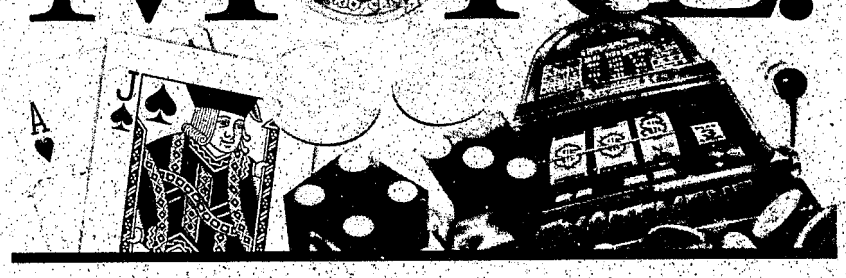

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Kids get a glimpse of Clarkston history

Special visitors: *Clarkston Police Chief Paul Ormiston shows Ben Rogers, left to right, Lindsay Kadlec and Chris Hyde how hand cuffs work.* STAFF PHOTOS BY STEVE CANTRELL

There's no better way to learn about history than getting a first-hand look.

Clarkston Elementary teachers Kristine Oke, Radhika Patel and Kimberly Minton took 76 second grade students on a day-long tour of Clarkston Tuesday to study the city's history.

They walked through many local buildings and homes, including Millpond Inn, Rudy's Quality Market and Independence Township Hall. They observed the different dates on buildings, how many places were constructed of stone and discussed the purpose of horse hitches.

One of the students' favorite stories came from Dick Morgan, owner of Morgan's Service. He told them how he witnessed a bank robbery in town back in 1932.

"They were tired after the tour was over, but they sure had a good time," said Oke.

Historic tour: *Gini Schultz, owner of Main Street Antiques Country Store, shows Clarkston Elementary students items from the past.*

School Notes

The following are agenda items from the Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education meeting on May 8.

Adventures abound

North Sashabaw Elementary School students and teachers will travel to Chicago for a cultural experience. Sixty-four youths will go to the Field Museum of Natural History, the Shedd Aquarium and the Museum of Science and Industry May 25-26.

Thirty-three Oakland Science, Mathematics and Technology Academy students, including three from Clarkston, will participate in a number of activities May 23-27. They will sleep in tents while they explore Mammoth Caves National Park and Cumberland Falls State Park, both in Kentucky. They'll even go white water rafting. OSMTech teacher Michael Olsen arranged the trip.

Olsen is taking another group of OSMTech Academy students to Holly State Park for a field trip June 9-10. They will build a telescope, use it for astronomy lessons, camp out for a night and study water quality and ecology.

Top 10

The Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education gave a standing ovation to the top 10 seniors in the Clarkston High School 2000 graduating class. The top 10 are Thomas Wisniewski, Brent Griffith, Carly Fuller, Geoffrey Denstaedt, Adam Sloan, William Freed, Heather Jones, Rachel Uchman, Karen Zynda and Kathryn Zarzycki.

Congratulations

Three teachers were nominated to represent Clarkston schools in the Employee Recognition Award competition sponsored by WDIV and Newsweek. The teachers nominated for demonstrating exemplary skills and a strong commitment to the education of students are Barbara Rice from Clarkston High School, Claudia Keglovitz from Clarkston Middle School and Phyllis Ness from Pine Knob Elementary School.

Jerry Inman was recognized for his selection as a nominee for the Betty Campion Distinguished Support Service Award. The head custodian at Independence Elementary School was described as a top-notch employee whose work doesn't end until work is done and who shows his devotion to the students on a daily basis.

Six employees were honored by the school board with the Employee Recognition Award for May. They are Denise Casper, secretary at Bailey Lake Elementary; Karen Gonzales, teacher at North Sashabaw Elementary; Beth Hermes, aide at Andersonville Elementary; Timothy Kaul, teacher at Sashabaw Middle School; Lori Kokones, media specialist at North Sashabaw Elementary; and Ellen Luke, secretary at the administration office.

Residents only

The school board chose not to be part of the schools of choice program, which permits students from other school districts to attend a Clarkston school if there is room. With the growing numbers in the local student count, the board decided it was best not to participate in the program for the 2000-2001 school year.

Friendly demonstration

Clarkston High School students Tom Forst and Tom Steed from the Career Technology Education Program demonstrated mechanical drawing and architectural design using the latest technology methods. Teachers Mike LaMagna, Ed York and Walt Lanning assisted in the presentation.

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New publisher takes helm of 8 Eccentric newspapers

BY GREG KOWALSKI
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Contrary to what the title indicates, a newspaper publisher doesn't actually publish a newspaper.

"My job is to manage the tone and tenor of the organization," said Ron Shamma, new publisher of eight of *The Eccentric* newspapers in Oakland County.

But that brief description spans the spectrum of duties encompassing what it takes to turn out thousands of newspapers twice a week.

As publisher, Shamma is responsible for overseeing the newspaper's editorial, circulation and advertising departments to ensure they are reaching their full potential.

"The No. 1 goal I have is to increase our readership base, to grow the numbers," Shamma said. "We serve a lot of homes and we want to keep our readership growing."

Shamma also said it's his job to maintain a newspaper's steady editorial course focusing on the local issues most important to the residents.

Shamma, 56, has a background in community journalism, having worked for daily and weekly newspapers. Most recently he was advertising director for the *Traverse City Record Eagle* and managed several weekly newspapers in the Traverse City area.

Originally from Warren, Shamma has an extensive background in the media.

Shamma and his wife, Molly, dated in high school and married shortly after graduation. They now have a daughter, Jacque. With a family to support, he plunged into the work force instead of going straight to college.

He began his career as an artist for General Motors. Later he also worked as an ad salesman and managed a printing operation. While gaining that experience, he went to night school to further his education. He also did some writing for newspapers, which helped him gain editorial experience.

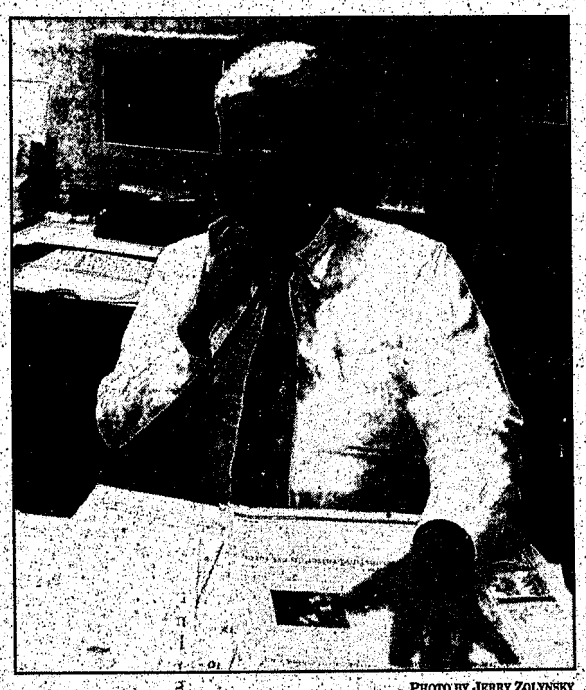

PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

On the Job: *Ron Shamma, new publisher for eight editions of The Eccentric Newspapers, keeps busy in his Birmingham office.*

"I understand good writing. The journalism we produce here is excellent. We have a great staff of journalists who write about the things that are important to the community."

His well-rounded background made him an ideal fit for *The Eccentric* operations, although he did say relocating from the picturesque Traverse City area to metro Detroit will take some adjusting.

But, he added, he and Molly were ready to make a change.

On his new job, Shamma is smoothly adjusting to the new routine and location.

His style "is not to manage people's attendance, but their performance." What counts most is the final product, and the staff members need freedom to do their jobs. Only if people aren't performing or reaching their full potential will he step in.

"I'm a casual kind of guy," he said.

Shamma will direct the newspapers in Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford, Rochester, Southfield, Troy, Waterford and West Bloomfield. Jeanne Towar is the publisher of the Birmingham/Bloomfield edition of *The Eccentric*.

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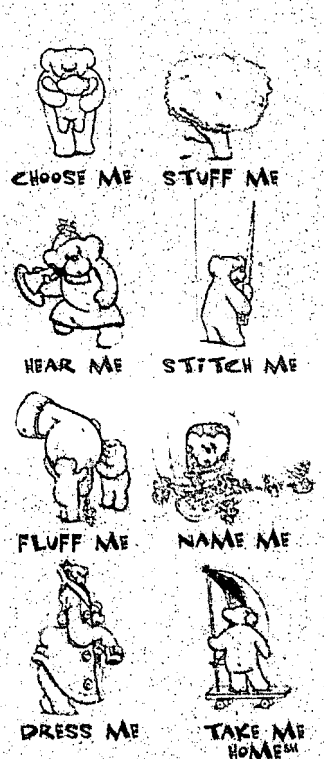

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Bargains in Bad Axe

SHOPPING TRIP

For a mere $9.99 I am walking tall.

I couldn't resist buying Rocket Dog brand leather shoes with three-inch platform rubber heels and ivory-colored sneaker-like styling during my last shopping trip to Bad Axe.

The over-sized treasures weigh like anvils on my feet, but they give my image that little something extra — the way monster truck tires do on a tricycle.

Even if I wear them only once, the shoes will be worth every penny I spent.

Never mind the gas and time it took get them, as well as $58 worth of other bargains I brought home one recent Saturday afternoon. The two-hour trip to the near tip of Michigan's thumb is as much a pleasant excursion as it is a shopping trip.

As Van Dyke becomes M-53, the suburban landscape gives way to cornfield, cows and quaint downtowns.

M-53 is no Rodeo Drive and Bad Axe, no Beverly Hills. But if you're looking for a pair of Keds sneakers, polyester pants, Levi denim shirts, camouflage hunting jackets and snowmobile suits all under one roof, your search ends at Norman's in Bad Axe, where bargains are serious business.

The store, one of five in the "up north" retail chain, is a neon green welcome mat on Bad Axe's southwest side, greeting motorists as M-53 curves east into the city outskirts.

The store exterior looks like one big continuous sidewalk sale.

Depending on the season, you might find athletic bags, soft nylon luggage, Spartan and Wolverine sweatshirts, inflatable rafts and all order of blindingly bright orange hunting gear stacked and hanging along the store facade.

Walk inside, look around and then tilt your head back. Yep, that's merchandise up there at a height only a stilt-walker would love.

Norman's supplies hooked poles at every aisle for extricating fashion from the packed, ceiling-high racks. Try hooking a piece from a group of blouses or shirts before moving on to heavier items. It may feel awkward at first. You'll probably dump a few extra on the floor or nearly KA-BONK a fellow shopper, but practice on a few and you'll be a pro in no time.

Shoes and boots are an easy search, arrayed within reach or by step ladder. I passed on the Take Ten embroidered pink tennis shoes and snatched up a pair of cushy, fur-lined Skandia boots in winter white for about $20.

Rocket Dogs in cream color won out over black.

The women's department is a mix of contemporary sportswear and the stuff of memory lane. I found myself exclaiming, "Gosh, I remember polyester pantsuits," and "Gee, I used to fit into size 8 mini skirts."

Norman's stocks lots of novelty tee-shirts, athletic team sweatshirts, blue jeans, sporty skirts, blouses, sportswear sets and nightwear. Sporty describes the men's and children's merchandise, too.

Bulky women's novelty sweaters ranged from $4.99 to $9.99. Levi denim shirts were a steal at $5.99 and ski pants were worth the $19 price tag.

I bought a white embroidered spring skirt and matching black tee-shirt top set for $9.99 and a pleated denim skirt for about $6.

I added a pair of winter gloves ($1.99) and heavy snowmobile mittens (about $5) to my cart.

The overnight bag in burgundy nylon was a last-minute, impulse buy. It cost around $7. I couldn't resist.

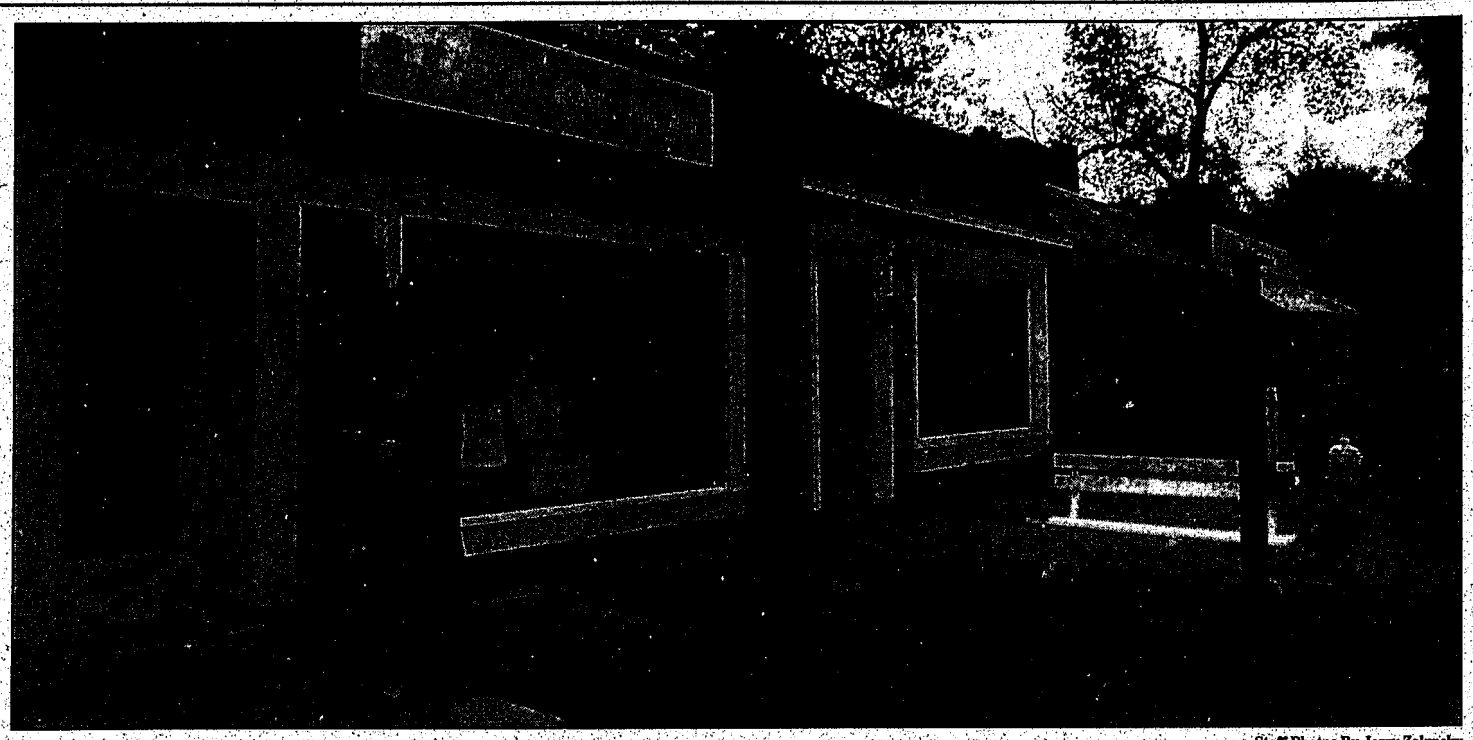
I checked out with about $68 worth of merchandise and waited for my brother-in-law — a diehard Norman's fan — to finish shopping for wool socks and other basics.

My parents, who came along for the ride, make Norman's a twice annual pilgrimage. We can't resist. Like the sign says, *Lowest Every Day Prices*.

Norman's also has stores in Bay City, Gaylord, East Tawas and Standish.

The Bad Axe store is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., on Sundays. Call 517-269-9222.

—by Sharon Dargay



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Checking out stores: *A shopper strolls along "gallery row" at the north end of Old Woodward, in downtown Birmingham.*

Merchants on Birmingham's gallery row celebrate spring

BY SHARON DARGAY
STAFF WRITER

Elizabeth Stone and her neighbors along North Old Woodward are a little like orphans in Birmingham's downtown.

Sure, they're a part of the principal shopping district's retail family, but without an Old Woodward or Maple address they feel distanced from their downtown cousins.

"For people who come to the galleries and shops here, it's a destination. People come here for a reason. You don't get a lot of browsers," says Stone, who sells children's books and original book illustrations from her 10-year-old store. "Being in the uptown area, we need the exposure because we're in such a separate location."

Stone and other merchants along "gallery row," are throwing a party next weekend to lure shoppers and neighboring homeowners to the retail strip south of Oak.

Story tellers, face-painters and information peddlers will set up shop from noon to 5 p.m., on May 20 in Booth Park at Harmon and North Old Woodward.

The Birmingham school district's Evergreen Singers will perform and Toty Viola will serenade customers at Salvatore Scallopini. Southeast Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority will lead Rouge River nature walks from 2-4 p.m.

Spring Celebration also will include:

■ A strolling children's fashion show, Lego contest, mini manicures and balloon animals at Annie Dauphinee Youngwear.

■ An art exhibition and book signing by children's book authors and illustrators, including Denise Brennan-Nelson, Michael Monroe, Matt Faulkner, Cyd Moore, John Sandford, Brenda Shannon Yee, Wendy Anderson Halperin, Lynne Rae Perkins, Rhonda Gowler Greene, Kim Marie Wood, Franziska Schoenfeld and Janie Bynum.

■ Drawings for gift certificates at Farrell Reis Salon and Gallery Nikko.

■ Storyteller Judy Sima spinning yarns from 1-3 p.m., in Booth Park, sponsored by Greenstones Jewelers.

■ Free lemonade and snacks, coloring books and crayons at Salvatore Scallopini.

■ Arts and crafts in Booth Park, sponsored by Metro Parent Magazine.

Stone and John Heiney, Birmingham's Principal Shopping District director, hope shoppers continue to visit the area long after the hoopla 's over.

"My contention is that they are in downtown Birmingham, but there's a gap in the retail between our core downtown and here," explained Heiney, whose PSD office is located in the North Old Woodward gallery row, about a block from Stone's shop.

"It's a beautiful walk between the two . By big city standards it's nothing, but Birmingham being a small town, it may feel like a long way."

In Plymouth

Melanie Purcell, Plymouth's Downtown Development Director, knows the feeling.

Plymouth's Old Village shopping district is located about a half-mile from the central business area, but it's not a part of the Plymouth DDA. Old Village shops and stores located even closer to DDA boundaries, don't benefit from DDA-funded improvements to central business district parking lots, lighting and landscape improvements.

And they can't participate in Plymouth's PSD marketing and promotional events. DDA and PSD boundaries coincide in the western Wayne County community.

"It's frustrating for them," Purcell said. "There's no formal organization or separate funding for Old Village. We've tried to do some joint (but separate) projects."

Halloween is a good example. The Plymouth PSD sponsored a store-to-store trick or treat event on Devil's Night last year. Old Village closed its streets for *Monster Mash*, an outdoor dance, the following day.

"I can't close streets in the downtown without causing a major impact," Purcell explained. "It worked out well. Halloween is a good example of how we try to play off of each other so that no one is left out."

The PSD also works closely with the local Chamber of Commerce because its membership includes Old Village shops and stores outside the DDA.

"The more participation the better," Purcell said.

Rochester merchants

Kristi Trevarrow, special events coordinator for the Rochester Downtown Development Authority, tries hard to keep all 350 DDA businesses happy and within the fold.

"You find there are some businesses that don't feel as included as others," Trevarrow noted.

That includes some merchants with stores on Walnut or Water street, just a block either side of Main, and on Main north of University.

Trevarrow includes them in the events calendar, in stories and on front and back covers of the DDA's twice annual magazine, *In Town*.

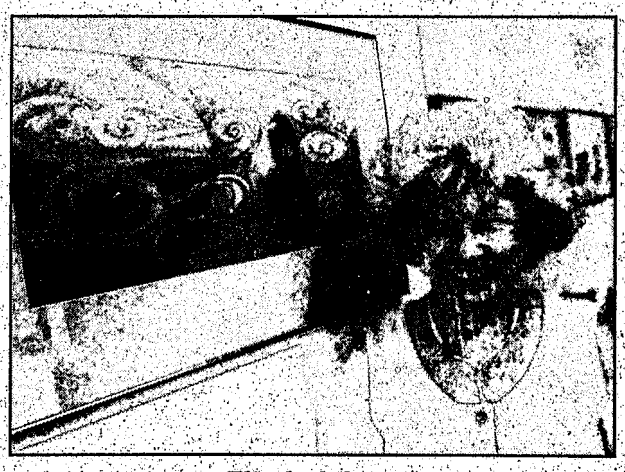
"During sidewalk sales we offer stores on the side streets a chance to move up to Main street, " she added. Offices and merchants who don't participate in the outdoor sale make space for neighboring businesses that do.

Trevarrow also hopes the city's new Farmer's Market, which assembles every Saturday in a parking lot east of Main, will bring attention to downtown and neighboring shops.

Stone says park improvements and a new traffic-slowing device on North Old Woodward will do the same for gallery row in Birmingham.

"The next thing we're working on is the park. They're (the city) going to remove the ugly fence there. We're supposed to get more trees and flower beds and the neighborhood association wants to do an ice rink," she said.

"This is a revival."



Event coordinator: *Elizabeth Stone, owner of Elizabeth Stone Gallery, stands near Debra Reid Jenkins' creation I Feel the Wind With Its Whispery Tail." The children's book illustrator will be on hand during for Spring Celebration, an event Stone devised to bring more shoppers to North Old Woodward stores.*

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

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.*

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

MAKEUP ARTIST

Chanel National Makeup artist Conrad Sanchez visits the cosmetics department at Jacobson's in Birmingham from noon to 7 p.m. Call (248) 644-6900 for details.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

CONTEMPORARY SPORTSWEAR

WOMYN, a division of Garfield and Marks, will show its collection of functional fashion at Fibres in Birmingham. The clothing will be on display from 10 a.m., to 8 p.m., today, 10 a.m., to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m., Sunday. Call Fibres at (248)723-2880.

LAFAYETTE 148

Roz & Sherm shows off Lafayette 148 suits, separates, dresses and scarves in a trunk show that starts today and runs through Saturday, May 20. Roz & Sherm is located in the Bloomfield Plaza, 6536 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 855-8877.

FRIDAY, MAY 19

CARDS AND COINS

Check out the card, coin, stamp and collectibles show at Wonderland Mall in Livonia through Sunday. The free event includes an appearance by World Series Champ Mickey Lolich from 1-3 p.m., on Saturday, May 20.

HAVEN BENEFIT

Don't miss the reservation deadline for Brunch with Chanel, a fashion show to benefit The Haven on May 23 at Saks Fifth Avenue in The Somerset Collection, Troy. Tickets are $50 and include a brunch at 11 a.m. and fashion show of Chanel's fall and winter ready-to-wear clothing, at 11:30 a.m. Call The Haven at (248) 334-2343., ext 131.

SATURDAY, MAY 20

FUN FOR KIDS

Olde World Canterbury Village in Lake Orion will offers a weekend of fun, including a Lego building competition, a yo-yo competition, face painting and caricatures. Call 248-391-5700 for details.

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:

- **Penny Brit paste** can be purchased through **Ed Aghajanian, Inc.**, P.O. Box 40025, Cleveland, OH 44140, (440) 871-7817.
- The **Loop Amusement Company**, 20224 Van Born Road in Dearborn Heights, (734) 562-8033 may be able to repair the **Seeberg Jukebox.**
- **Detroit** and **suburbs street guide** can be purchased at **Barnes and Noble** and major bookstores. It comes in a hard cover spiral book.
- **Little Tyke's playhouse** can be purchased at all **Toys R' Us** stores.
- **Almay deodorant** is sold at **Rite-Aid** on Six-mile and Newburgh roads.
- The following are used bookstores in the Livonia area: **Book Connection** 19043 Middlebelt, Livonia, (248) 471-4742, **The Village** at Joy and Inkster roads, **Books Abound** at Seven mile and Middlebelt (next to MC Sporting Goods), **Paper Backs and Things** 8044 N. Wayne road in Westland, (734) 522-8018.
- **Royal Radio Sales & Services** on 612 N. Main street, Royal Oak, (248) 548-8711, will **repair** the **arm on a stereo.**
- Call **Corning/Revere Consumer Information Center** (800) 999-3436, to order a **glass top** for a **percolator** or for a catalog.
- The **Master Piece game** is sold at **Toys R Us** stores.
- The **Triangular strainer** for a sink can be purchased at **Bed Bath & Beyond.** It also comes in stainless.
- A reader suggests using **plastic cookie bags** sold at **Kitchen Glamour** in Rochester to use for the 4x6-recipe card. She uses them and it works very well.
- For **odd shaped glass** for picture frames try **Henderson glass.**
- A reader has one copy of the ***Song of the South***.
- The **monkey sock kits** can be purchased at the following stores: **Joanne Fabrics**, the **Discovery** store at Twelve Oaks Mall.
- The **Transfer Zone** in Oak Park, **transfers old movies to videos** (248) 548-7580.
- **Buffalo Hot Dogs** can be ordered from **1-800-BUY-BUFF.**
- A reader has **Redford Stuckey Elementary School memorabilia.**
- A reader suggests a look in the want ads under **Cameras** for **film projectors**, any **pawn shop**, or the **Adray Arena** in Dearborn, which is having a camera show in the next few weeks.
- **Silk ribbon embroidery kits** can be purchased at **Michael's, Joanne Fabrics, Mary Maxim's** in Port Huron.
- We found the following items: Master Piece game, super 8 projector, and Sunbeam Mixmaster beaters, A large ell skin purse, WRIF Baby bumper sticker, turntable, Ashton Drake doll, stainless square electric fry pan, 1943 Fordson High School yearbook,
- For **Shellacked bread** try the **Pier One** store on Telegraph near Summit Place Mall in Pontiac.
- For **Ziploc veggie bags** call **(800) 428-4795** for information on where to buy them in your area.

FIND & SEARCH NOTES:

- **Chuckles Easter bunny candy** is no longer manufactured.
- The **alphabet and number ice cube trays** are not sold at **Bed, Bath & Beyond.**
- The telephone number for ***Things you never knew existed*** was incorrect. We do not have the correct number.
- The **Livonia Public Libraries** take **used books** for their used book sales; monies go to the libraries, (734) 466-2491.
- A teacher wants **encyclopedias.**
- The ***Song of the South*** video was never released in the United States.
- For **miscellaneous parts** to **beaters, coffee pots, pots** and **pans** try **Culinary Parts Unlimited** (800)) 543-7549.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- A **Smith Corona Coronamatic 2500 electric typewriter** or a similar one for Dorothy.
- A **pattern to make a poodle and coat hangar** from rug yarn for Betty.
- A **mini cassette tape-recorder from the 1960's-1970's** for Audrey.
- The book ***Shell Seeker*** in hard cover (good condition) for Mrs. Plante of Redford Township.
- A **Sony reel to reel self-contained tape recorder** (tweed suitcase, portable with built in speakers) for a Nathan a professional musician who resides in Redford.
- An old **Washtenaw Dairy glass milk bottle** for Shirley of Garden City.
- **Givenchy Balancing Mist** cosmetic for Sharon.
- A **person** to **translate Russian script** for Michelle of Westland.
- A **40-inch wide electric stove** in almond, brown or stainless steel, any brand in good condition for Leanore who resides in Bloomfield.
- The game **Dog Fight** for John.
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- A store that sells **Health Tech socks** for men (black with white feet) for Dorothy.
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Lawmaker wants to restrict Michigan recall elections

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Recall attempts can have a "chilling effect" on local government officials, according to State Rep. Charles LaSata (R-St. Joseph).

City council members, township officials and school board members have told state lawmakers how recall threats have been used to intimidate them, often causing them to avoid making tough or controversial decisions, or putting off those decisions until they can no longer be subjected to an ouster attempt.

That's why LaSata sponsored legislation to tighten down on recalls. His House Bill 4221 would make it more difficult to recall local officials by raising the number of votes needed to be successful. The legislation would require that a local official must be recalled a number of votes equal to or high than the number by which his or she was originally elected.

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Rep. Charles LaSata (R-St. Joseph).

The legislation was set aside recently by the House Committee on Constitutional Law and Ethics, but may come back. According to LaSata, a number of committee members who would have voted in favor of the bill were not present for the meeting and was voted down in the 4-1 ballot. LaSata said three members, who would likely have voted yes, were absent.

The chairmen of the committee, Rep. Mike Bishop (R-Rochester) has left the door open for reconsideration if LaSata feels he can get the votes.

Several committee members opposed the bill on the grounds it would be seen as protecting themselves from recall. State lawmakers can be recalled, although it is usually local officials who are the targets.

LaSata said he's willing to amend the bill to exclude state officeholders from the new vote standards. He wants the tougher recall law to apply only to local officials.

Recall attempts have long been the bane of local government officials. LaSata tells of recall attempts that have been highly disruptive to communities. One town on the west side the state, Benton Harbor, saw 24 recall attempts against the mayor and city council members in a 12-month period. Oakland County likewise has seen a large number of recalls in recent years, 68 in the last five, resulting in four elections and the ouster of one township official.

LaSata said lawmakers have heard from as many as 150 local government officials from across Michigan about how attempts to throw them and their colleagues out of office have disrupted the operations of municipal boards.

He said the bill has the support of along list of state organizations — including the Michigan Township Association, Michigan Municipal League and the Michigan Association of School Boards — as well as the Secretary of State.

LaSata cited one case in which a mayor was recalled after having been voted into office by 70 percent of the municipality's electorate. The recall election, held during the holidays, ousted that mayor with a turnout of less than 4 percent.

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"I want local voters to know that their vote during elections means something," the representative said.

LaSata admits his proposal won't do anything to eliminate the fact that local officials will have to go through the long process of defending themselves when they have become recall targets. His bill only changes the end of the recall process, when the vote is taken. But his original bill would have restricted recalls to those cases in which the reason for recall is "misfeasance, malfeasance and nonfeasance" — essentially doing the job in a wrongful or illegal manner, or not doing the job at all.

Only 33 states allow recalls of local elected officials, LaSata said, and roughly half of those restrict the use of recalls to instances of misfeasance or nonfeasance. According to the representative, that change would return Michigan to the standard used up until the adoption of the current state Constitution in 1963.

"Michigan is in the minority of states that allow recalls for just any reason," he said.

Local officials would still be held accountable by voters, he argued, but they would have to wait for regularly scheduled elections to make their views known. He noted that the longest term of office to which officials who can be recalled is four years, and most recallable offices carry only two-year terms.

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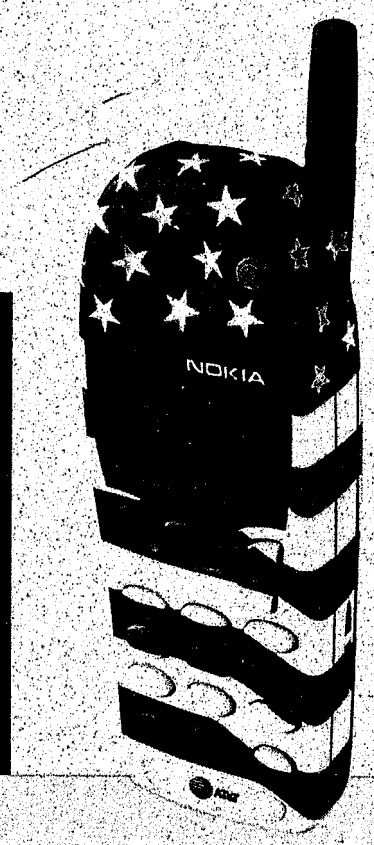

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Michigan morel mania mushrooms

April showers bring May flowers, and for many chefs, morel mushrooms.

These prized mushrooms, once served exclusively in sophisticated clubs and French style restaurants, have become more readily available. Picking wild Michigan morel mushrooms has become a popular spring pastime.

Flashy fungi have come to be a mainstay in Michigan dining. In addition to beef, restaurants are serving veggie burgers made with giant "Beef Steak" portabello mushrooms and grilled onions. Portabellos are often referred to as a vegetarian steak.

Mushrooms are finding their way into everything. In fact, just a couple of weeks ago I had some exotic mushrooms scrambled with eggs and goat cheese for breakfast – yum!

Mushroom folklore

Ancient Egyptians believed mushrooms were a magical source of immortality. Egyptian pharaohs, intrigued by the delicious flavor of mushrooms, decreed them food for royalty.

The Romans thought mushrooms were delivered by the gods through bolts of lightning cast to the earth during a storm. Many people believed mushrooms had properties that could produce super-human strength, help in finding lost objects and lead the soul to the realm of the gods.

Good health

In addition to being a prized part of most any meat dish, mushrooms have been valued for centuries as an alternative to meat. Many vegetarian and vegan-based diets are loaded with wild mushrooms.

Mushrooms are low in calories, high in vegetable proteins, iron, zinc, fiber, vitamins, and minerals. They are also high in vitamin B, phosphorus and potassium. A handful of domestic button mushrooms will supply all the vitamin B-12 you need for a day.

There are estimates of over 20,000 species of mushrooms. Approximately 2,000 are nutritious and edible. Of the edible mushrooms, 300 are known to have medicinal properties.

Mushrooms have been a vital part of mythology and medical practice for 40 centuries. Studies suggest that mushrooms help strengthen our bodies and boost immunities.

For flavor, health and dinner diversity, seek out wild mushrooms for your next cooking adventure.

Chef Kelli L. Lewton is owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Event Planners in Bloomfield Hills. A graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts program, Kelli is a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month. See recipes inside.

Tips

- Look for mushrooms with a fresh, smooth appearance, free from major blemishes, with a dry (not sticky) surface.
- A closed veil (the thin membrane under the cap) indicates a delicate flavor; an open veil means a richer flavor.

Storage

- Keep mushrooms refrigerated. They're best when used within several days after purchase.
- Do not rinse mushrooms until ready to use.
- To prolong shelf life, store fresh mushrooms in a porous paper bag.
- Always remove plastic overlay from packaged mushrooms, and avoid airtight containers.

Cleaning

- Gently wipe mushrooms with a damp cloth or soft brush or rinse with cold water and pat dry with paper towels.

Information from The Mushroom Council

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Beef on the grill
- Focus on Wine

Are we old yet?

Eat and be well – make the most of what you have

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BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS
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There is an old Italian saying, "mangia bene, vivi bene," and it means, "eat well, be well." Aging successfully can better be accomplished by following this adage.

The general makeup of the U.S. population is shifting and greater numbers of Americans are entering their senior years. The "graying of America" has been called the "failure of success," meaning that more and more of us are reaching old age, but don't necessarily have a desirable quality of life.

Healthy body

Optimistic seniors work for a sound mind and healthy body. Many are involved in activities that stimulate their minds and bodies. They understand their physical limitations and work at advancing their abilities to improve their quality of life. This is what I call "successful aging."

Our body systems change as we age and, unfortunately, there isn't much we can do about it. Just as we can't prevent the onset of puberty or the natural course of aging. But that doesn't mean we can't make the most of what we have. Learning to alter eating habits and modify menus can help us maintain optimum health and well-being as we age.

There is a normal and progressive decline in the sense of taste and smell with advancing age. This can lead to decreased salivation and decreased enzymes and hormones, which can affect digestion. Be sure food is flavorful and well seasoned. Watch out for salty seasonings if you have high blood pressure. Experiment and seek out new flavors.

Sense of thirst

The sense of thirst is also blunted as we age. Drinking only when we are thirsty may not meet body fluid needs. Keep a large container of water handy throughout the day and drink even if you don't feel thirsty. This is good advice for everyone, regardless of age.

The percentage of body muscle tissue, bone mineral and lung capacity decreases with age. Body fat increases and is stored in internal organs such as the liver, heart and kidneys. This can cause seniors to feel weak, breathless and tired. Remember, food is fuel!

Be sure to eat foods rich in high quality protein such as meat, poultry, seafood, eggs, cheese, and legumes. Include dairy foods or calcium-fortified foods to keep bones dense.

Make sure you are comfortable when eating and take your time. Digestion slows way down as we age and many seniors are prone to constipation and other digestive problems. Include foods high in fiber and drink lots of fluids to keep your body running smoothly.

Prescriptions

Older Americans consume a disproportionate share of prescription and over-the-counter drugs. Many drugs can impact nutrients, and many foods can affect the bioavailability of drugs. Even herbal medicines and "natural" supplements can have pharmacological effects in the body. Be sure to read all the product literature from the pharmacy, or ask the pharmacist for a recommendation on a book about potential drug and food interactions.

Beware of "miracle" drugs and unnecessary supplements. Remember that the companies which make these products and the people who work in health food stores are there to sell the products and make money. They should not be confused with health care providers who diagnose disease and recommend treatment options.

Depression

Depression is not a normal part of aging but affects 30-40 percent of older Americans. With aging comes a series of losses – loss of loved ones, loss of income, abilities and status, and a sense of purpose. This can lead to symptoms of depression, which can be difficult to identify or distinguish, because they can look like other symptoms associated with aging.

Don't be afraid to ask for help if you need it. A change in appetite or a loss of appetite may be an early sign that something is wrong. Pay attention to your body signals. Eat to stay healthy.

Cooking for one

Seniors who live alone may be at risk for malnutrition because of a low quality diet. Cooking for one can seem like more bother than it's worth.

Treat yourself as you would a special guest and get out your best dishes and silverware. Be sure to have small-sized pans, multipurpose cooking utensils and containers to store leftovers. Buy foods in season. Buy only what you can carry, store and use without waste.

Store foods to preserve quality and flavor and use older foods first. Try new foods. Eating properly makes us more alert, improves our outlook, and makes us less likely to get sick.

Three meals a day may not suit your needs or lifestyle. If possible, eat your largest meal at midday. Or, you may prefer smaller meals spaced out during the day. Use the Food Guide Pyramid as a goal for how much from each food group to eat. Focus on the foods that are the most nutrient dense and eat chips, cake, cookies, pie and candy only if you're still hungry.

Eating out

If you eat in restaurants, choose steamed, grilled, roasted, stir-fried or baked foods. Limit the amount of foods that are fried, or served in a heavy sauce.

Choose fruits, vegetables and salads; ask for dressings on the side. Watch out for foods high in sodium such as barbecued, pickled, smoked and marinated items. Choose skim or low-fat milk rather than soda or coffee. Eat what you can and take the rest home to enjoy at another meal.

Am I old yet? Perhaps eating well will help to keep us healthy and younger than our chronological age. It would be great if the only reminders of getting older would be a first grandchild or a senior citizen discount!

Remember, "eat well, be well."

Written in loving memory of my father, Mario Martinelli.

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See recipe inside.

Fiber intake

Here's a quick method to check your fiber intake:

- Servings of fruit (not juice) x 1.5 grams = _____
- Servings of vegetables x 1.5 grams = _____
- Servings of refined grains x 1.0 grams = _____
- Servings of whole grains x 2.5 grams = _____
- Servings of legumes x 4.0 grams = _____

Total = _____

Shoot for a goal of 20-30 grams of fiber each day. Also, be sure to drink plenty of water.

Food Guide Pyramid for the over 50 crowd

The Food Guide Pyramid for older adults is designed to help healthy older adults stay healthy longer and improve their quality of life.

If you or someone you care for has an illness that requires a specialized diet, then it is important to follow the recommended guidelines from your health care provider.

- Eat sparingly – fats, oils and sweets. Examples: jelly, candy, gelatin, mayonnaise, salad dressing, margarine/butter, gravies, cream sauces, cake, pie, cookies and pastries.
- Eat 2-3 servings daily – milk, cheese and yogurt. Examples: 1 cup milk, 1 cup yogurt, 1 cup pudding, 1 cup milk shake, 1 1/2 cups ice cream, 1 1/2 ounces Swiss cheese, 2 cups cottage cheese.
- Eat 2-3 servings daily – meat, poultry, fish, eggs, dry beans, nuts. Examples: 1/2 cup tuna, 2 ounces meat loaf, chicken leg/thigh, 2 fish sticks, 2 eggs, 1 cup baked beans, 4 tablespoons peanut butter.
- Eat 3-5 servings daily – vegetables. Examples: 1/2 cup corn, 1/2 cup carrots, 2 spears broccoli, 1 cup salad greens, 1/2 cup vegetable juice, 1/2 cup mashed potatoes.
- Eat 2-4 servings daily – fruit. Examples: 1 orange, 1 banana, 3/4 cup fruit juice, 1/2 cup apple sauce, 5 prunes, 1/2 cup fruit cocktail, 1/2 cup strawberries, 1 cup watermelon.
- Eat 6-11 servings daily – bread, cereal, rice and pasta. Examples: 1/2 bagel, 1/2 cup cooked rice, 1/2 cup cooked hot cereal, 1 dinner roll, 1 small muffin, 1/2 English muffin, 1/2 cup cooked noodles, 1 slice bread, 2-3 graham crackers, 1 ounce ready-to-eat cereal.

What about water? Adults need six to eight 8-ounce cups of water or liquid a day. Sources of liquid, in addition to water, are fruit and vegetable juices and milk. Caffeine-free coffees and teas and herbal teas are also good sources.

Sweet and sour works with chicken, shrimp or pork

MAIN DISH MIRACLE

MURIEL WAGNER

If you're looking for a versatile quick fix dinner dish, include this sauce in your recipe repertoire. It can be used with cooked chicken, cooked shrimp, or even rinsed, drained and chunked tuna. Leftover strips of pork or turkey work well, too.

The sauce has a distinct Chinese restaurant flavor due to the soy sauce. My favorite sodium-reduced soy sauce doesn't come ready prepared in a bottle. I make one by mixing equal parts of inexpensive dry sherry and Tamari. This is Japanese soy sauce that is thicker and richer than Chinese soy.

Though I've used green peppers, pea pods, bok choy or other oriental vegetables can add interesting variety. I like to serve it with Chinese Lo-Mein noodles, not the fried ones in a can. They cook quickly and add 5 grams of fiber to your daily intake instead of the one gram from American style noodles.

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.

SWEET AND SOUR CHICKEN

- 12 ounces cooked, skinned chicken breasts, cut in strips
- 3 green bell peppers, cut in squares
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 (16-ounce) can, pineapple chunks (drained, but save juice)

Sauce:

- 1/4 cup water
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/2 cup reserved pineapple juice (from pineapple chunks)
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 2 tablespoons cider vinegar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar or honey
- 2 teaspoons sodium-reduced soy sauce

For sauce, mix water and cornstarch. Combine remaining sauce ingredients. Blend well and heat until thickened.

To prepare dish, spray skillet with nonstick spray. Saute pepper and onion until tender crisp. Add chicken, pineapple chunks and the sauce.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories, 258; total fat, 2.5 grams; saturated fat, 0.2 g.; chol., 73 milligrams, and sodium, 134 mg.

WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in What's Cooking 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 sessions 6-9 p.m. on a model spring dinner, Monday, May 22. Learn the principles of macrobiotics, from 7:30 to 9 p.m., Tuesday, May 30. Baum also teaches a beginning cooking series of four classes from 6-9 p.m. on Wednesdays in May and another on Mondays in June. Call (248) 478-4455.

■ **Eating Disorders** – Four out of five children at the age of ten years old are afraid of being fat. Almost half of American elementary school students between the first and third grades want to be thinner.
Beverly Price, a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist, has information on how you can implement programs on eating disorder awareness and prevention at your school. Price operates Living Better Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. For information, call (248) 539-9424.

■ **Outdoor Grilling** – The secrets of successful grilling of poultry, seafood and vegetables will be demonstrated at Schoolcraft College in this two-day class offered through Continuing Education Services. Learn to infuse your own oils and vinegars to prepare unique and flavorful marinades and salad dressing. A variety of salad dishes will be demonstrated using mixed garden greens, fruits and pastas. The class is scheduled from 5 to 10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, May 24-25. Call (734) 462-4448 for information.

■ **Cooking with Herbs** – Linda Kay Drysdale will offer a lesson on selecting the proper herb and preparing herb-stuffed honey lime chicken, Greek pasta salad, icy gazpacho and mint lemonade. Sessions at Kitchen Glamor stores are 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 16, at the Novi Town Center; Thursday, May 18, at the Great Oaks Mall, Walton and Livernois in Rochester. Call (800) 641-1252.

■ **Herbs and Spices** – Herbs and spices have many uses for enjoyment and good health. 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, and Wednesday, June 7, at the demonstration kitchen of the East Ann Arbor Health Center, 4260 Plymouth Road in Ann Arbor. Call Nicole Goyarts at (734) 975-4387, Ext. 236, to pre-register. Class fee is $20 for individuals, $35 for couples.

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Recipes have strong morel values (along with other mushrooms, too)

Here are recipes from Kelli Lewton. *See related column on Taste front.*

PORTABELLO PIZZAS

3 Portabello mushroom caps
1 egg white
3/4 cup chevre cheese
1/4 cup diced roasted pepper
2 tablespoons fresh chopped basil
Salt and pepper (to taste)
Bread crumb mixture:
1 cup fresh bread crumbs or 3/4 cup dry
1/4 cup Parmesan cheese
2 tablespoons melted butter
1 tablespoon chopped herbs

Mix all ingredients. Clean and stem 3 large portabello mushrooms (with a spoon, scrape and remove gills from underside of cap).

Mix chevre, egg white, basil and diced pepper.

Spread mixture evenly into caps.

Top with bread crumb mixture and bake at 350° F for 18-20 minutes until golden brown. Cut into wedges of six. Serves 18 pieces.

MUSHROOM NAPOLEON

1 cup Shitake mushrooms (caps)
1 cup portabello mushrooms (caps)
1 cup button mushrooms (whole)
1/4 cup sherry
2 tablespoons whole butter
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 cup crumbled chevre
2 eggs
1/2 cup heavy cream
Salt and pepper
4 sheets puff pastry

Clean and slice mushrooms into thin strips.

Melt butter in sauté pan. Sauté mushrooms 2-3 minutes. Deglaze with cream and sherry and cook down until mushrooms are dry. Season with salt and pepper and set aside to cool.

Combine remaining ingredients. Fold mushrooms into chevre egg mixture.

Prepare 1/2 sheet tray with a generous coating of non-stick spray.

Take 2 sheets of puff pastry and roll together to make 1 sheet to fit into a 1/2 sheet tray. Dock randomly with a fork.

Pour mushroom mixture and spread evenly over prepared pastry.

Repeat rolling step for the next two sheets puff pastry, and dock. Place second pastry sheet on top of mushroom mixture, egg wash and bake at 350°F for 20-25 minutes.

Cut into desired size square or diamond shapes. Make 24-36 pieces.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN MOREL STROGANOFF

1 pound filet or rump steak, cut into thin strips
2 tablespoons olive oil
Salt and pepper
3 tablespoons brandy
2 shallots, finely chopped
2 cups fresh Michigan morels, cleaned and halved
3/4 cup beef stock
1/4 cup sour cream
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
2 tablespoons fresh parsley

Heat 1 tablespoon oil and sauté meat 2-3 minutes, remove from pan.

Pour brandy in hot pan. Tilt pan toward flame (or ignite with a match) to burn off liquor. After flame goes out, pour over cooked meat already set aside.

In same pan, add remaining oil and sauté mushrooms and shallots 3-4 minutes to soften. Add stock and simmer until tender. Add sour cream, parsley and beef and season to taste. Serve over 1 pound egg noodles. Serves 4.

Veggie cheese chowder cooks while you're away

See related story on Taste front.

Jeanne Skilton of West Bloomfield makes this soup in her Crock-Pot and then freezes it in small containers. Jeanne takes the chowder to her dad who lives by himself in Madison, Wis.

We adjusted Jeanne's original recipe to lower the sodium content. It can be lowered further by leaving out the bacon.

VEGETABLE CHEESE CHOWDER

10 to 12 servings
1/2 pound shrimp
8 slices bacon, crisply cooked, diced
3 carrots, diced
5 stalks celery, diced
6 small potatoes, diced
1-2 onions, diced
1/2 cup green pepper, diced
3 cups water
2 cups low-sodium chicken broth
1 (4-ounce) can mushrooms, reserve liquid
2 cups frozen corn
1/4 cup flour
2/3 cup fat-free milk
1/2 cup Cheese Whiz Light

Combine first 9 ingredients in Crock-Pot. Cook for 3-4 hours on high. Add the mushrooms and corn. Remove about 1/2 cup of broth and let it cool.

In a separate container, whisk the flour, broth and mushroom juice together and then stir into the pot. Cook on high until slightly thickened, about 1/2 hour. Add the Cheese Whiz and milk, cook on low until ready to serve.

Nutrition information per 1 cup serving: Calories 205, protein, 13 grams; fat, 3 g.; sodium, 802 milligrams, carbohydrates, 32 grams, and percent of calories from fat, 12.

Recipe compliments of Jeanne Skilton, adapted by HDS Services.

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Volunteer for annual TasteFest

Hundreds of volunteers are needed for the 12th annual Comerica Michigan TasteFest, which takes place in Detroit's New Center on the Fourth of July weekend — Friday, June 30, through Tuesday, July 4.

Volunteers can work information booths, beverage booths, monitoring stage entertainment and help in the children's activity areas. In appreciation for their efforts, volunteers will receive a special souvenir T-shirt.

One of the state's premier outdoor culinary and entertainment events, the TasteFest fills the streets adjacent to the historic Fisher Building on West Grand Boulevard between Woodward Avenue and the Lodge Freeway. Each year more than 250,000 people enjoy TasteFest.

Entertainers include Isaac Hayes, Taj Mahal and his Phantom Blues Band, jazz artist Norman Brown, classic rockers 38 Special, Latin DJ Cisco and others including alternative, jazz and funk artists filling 75 free shows on four stages.

The Nationwide Insurance KidKorner will provide hands-on activities including a petting farm, Flumpe the Treefrog, and puppet-making workshops. Families can enjoy singing, dancing and watching the magic acts and puppet shows at the State Farm Insurance KidShows adjacent to Edy's Ice Cream Social. Both KidKorner and KidShows are open Saturday, July 1, to Tuesday, July 4.

Forty of Michigan's great eateries will sell "tastes" of their specialties.

Michigan TasteFest is produced by the New Center Council, which uses the proceeds to support summer youth programs and the maintenance of the New Center's outdoor public spaces.

To receive information about volunteering at TasteFest, call (313) 872-0188 or visit the Comerica Michigan TasteFest website at www.tastefest.org and e-mail the volunteer coordinator.

Risotto primavera: *Besides the right rice, a good risotto requires only a bit of oil or butter, wine, hot stock and some patience. This dish features asparagus and a carrot to celebrate spring vegetables, Italian style.*

Plan pork for next meal

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Boneless pork can be a meal-planner's blessing. It is nutritious, low in fat, quick to prepare, adaptable to many cooking styles and complementary to many seasonings.

A whole loin can be oven- or pan-roasted with potatoes, carrots and onions. It can be sliced and sauteed with fruit or vegetables and herbs, as this dish from the May issue of Health magazine.

PORK MEDALLIONS WITH SAUTEED APPLES

- 1 pound trimmed pork tenderloin
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 teaspoon paprika
- 3/4 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- Garlic-flavored cooking spray
- 1/4 cup sliced shallots
- 2 medium red apples, unpeeled, cored and cut into 1/4-inch wedges
- 2/3 cup fat-free, low-sodium chicken broth
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 1/4 cup apple cider or juice

Preheat broiler or ridged grill pan. Cut pork crosswise into 1-inch-thick slices. With the heel of your hand, press meat into 1/2-inch-thick medallions. Combine salt, paprika, thyme and pepper; sprinkle over both sides of medallions. Coat pork with cooking spray. Broil 4 inches from heat source 4 minutes per side or until cooked through. Or cook in a grill pan over medium heat about 4 minutes per side.

Meanwhile, coat a large non-stick skillet with cooking spray. Add shallots; saute over medium heat 3 minutes. Add apples; saute 2 minutes. Combine broth and cornstarch; mix well. Add to pan with cider. Simmer uncovered, stirring occasionally, 5 minutes or until apples are tender and sauce thickens. Place pork on warmed plates; top with apple mixture. Makes 4 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: 279 cal., 8 g fat, 35 g pro., 16 g carbo., 107 chol., 2 mg iron, 582 mg.

Celebrate Italian style with risotto primavera

"Primavera" means spring in Italian, and Pasta Primavera, a traditional Italian dish, celebrates spring's arrival.

As with pasta, risotto should be just slightly resistant to the teeth – "al dente," as Italians would say.

Making a perfect risotto is easy. These days, most supermarkets sell Arborio rice, the fat, short-grained Italian rice that is ideal. This rice is also grown in the United States, but the American version doesn't produce a risotto as creamy and smooth. Besides the right rice, a good risotto requires only a bit of oil or butter, wine, hot stock and some patience.

The process for making it is simple.

Heat the oil, stir in the rice to open its pores, add the acidic wine (or lemon juice) and, when it boils off, start adding the stock, no more than half a cup at a time. Add more liquid only when the previous amount is almost absorbed, stirring frequently. This slow absorption and stirring is what makes the risotto creamy. Add the vegetables, seafood or whatever additional ingredients you wish toward the end of the cooking process.

Finally, when the grains of rice no longer have a white "pearl" in the center and are "al dente," mix in grated, good quality, imported Parmesan cheese and serve the risotto immediately.

RISOTTO PRIMAVERA

- 3 cups defatted chicken stock or broth
- 1 small green zucchini squash
- 6 thin asparagus stalks, cut in 1/2-inch pieces, tips reserved
- 1 medium carrot, halved lengthwise and thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 cup finely chopped Spanish onion
- 1 cup Arborio rice
- Juice of 1/2 lemon
- 1 small garlic clove, minced
- 1/2 cup fresh or frozen baby green peas
- 1/4 cup chopped flatleaf parsley
- 1 tablespoon low fat yogurt
- 2 tablespoons grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese
- Salt and freshly ground pepper

Heat the chicken stock to boiling. Set it aside.

Halve the squash lengthwise. Scoop out the seeds with the tip of a teaspoon. Cut the squash into 1/2-inch pieces. Place in a bowl. Add the sliced asparagus and carrot.

Heat the oil in a deep saucepan over medium high heat. Add the onion and sauté until it is translucent, about 2 minutes. Mix in the rice until it is coated with oil and opaque, about 1 minute. Add the lemon juice, stirring until the rice is almost dry, less than 1 minute. Mix in the garlic, and half the chopped vegetables, setting the rest aside. Cook one minute.

Begin adding the hot broth, a half-cup at a time. Stir well after each addition. Cook until the rice is almost dry before adding more broth.

When most of the broth has been used and the rice is almost done but still has a hard core, which takes about 15-18 minutes, add the rest of the reserved vegetables and parsley. Make the final addition of broth and cook until the rice is al dente, 3-4 minutes. Remove the pot from the heat.

Stir in the yogurt and grated cheese. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve immediately.

Nutritional information: Makes 4 servings, each containing 323 calories and 5 grams of fat.

Recipe courtesy of Dana Jacobi for the American Institute for Cancer Research. AICR offers the AICR Nutrition Hotline (1-800-843-8114). Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday, this free service allows you to ask a registered dietitian questions regarding diet, nutrition and cancer. AICR's Internet Web address is http://www.aicr.org.

It's time for morels

Whether they're breaded, sautéed in butter, served atop a steak or souped up in a creamy soup, Michigan's wild about its wild morel mushrooms and has the events and festivals feting the tasty fungus to prove it, says AAA Michigan.

This spring, at least three major morel festivals will pop up in May. Mesick's Mushroom Festival, now through May 14, includes hunts in the woods surrounding this northwest Lower Peninsula town, a parade May 13 and carnival May 12-14.

For more information on the Mesick Festival, call (231) 885-2679.

Boyne City's 40th annual National Morel Mushroom Festival runs May 18-21. Fun includes guided mushroom hunts, seminars on wild edibles, morel hunting contests and a carnival with rides and games. For more information, call (231) 582-6222.

In Lewiston, located in eastern Michigan, the Mushroom Celebration May 19-20 features mushroom food tasting on Friday, and a bus ride Saturday to a guided mushroom hunt with a contest, plus food, arts and crafts sales in the city park.

For more information, call (800) 654-0330.

All about herbs

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Layer roasted vegetables, feta cheese over crust of wheat germ and couscous

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

For a meatless entree with robust flavor, layer roasted vegetables and feta cheese atop a crust of wheat germ and couscous.

FETA AND ROASTED VEGETABLE GRATIN

- 1 medium zucchini, unpeeled and sliced
- 1 cup sliced mushrooms
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped onion
- 1/2 cup chopped red bell pepper
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1 3/4 cups water
- 1/3 cup dried tomatoes (not packed in oil), snipped into small pieces
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup uncooked couscous
- 1/2 cup toasted wheat germ, divided
- 4 ounces crumbled feta cheese, divided
- 3 egg whites, lightly beaten
- 1 teaspoon dried basil or Italian seasoning blend

Preheat oven to 425° F. Spray rimmed baking sheet and 9-inch pie plate with cooking spray.

In large bowl, combine zucchini, mushrooms, onion and pepper; sprinkle with vinegar and mix well. Arrange in single layer on baking sheet and bake 12 to 15 minutes, or until vegetables are soft and lightly browned around the edges. Remove from oven and cool for 5 minutes.

Reduce oven temperature to 350° F.

While vegetables are cooking, bring water to boil in a medium saucepan. Add dried tomatoes and salt and simmer for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in couscous. Remove from heat, cover and let stand 5 minutes. Stir in 1/4 cup wheat germ and mix well. Spoon the mixture into pie plate and pat it onto the bottom and sides of the dish. Sprinkle with 1/2 cup cheese; top with roasted vegetables and egg whites. In small bowl, combine remaining wheat germ, cheese and basil. Sprinkle evenly over vegetables.

Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cut into wedges to serve.

Makes 6 main dish servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 190 cal (50 cal from fat), 5 g total fat (3 g sat), 15 mg chol, 540 mg sodium, 12 g pro, 29 g carbo, 4 g fiber.

Recipe from: Kretschmer Wheat Germ.

Read all about homes in today's Eccentric

Learn about eating disorders from dietitian

Four out of five children at the age of 10 are afraid of being fat. Almost half of American elementary school students between the first and third grades want to be thinner.

Beverly Price, a registered dietitian and exercise physiologist, has information on how you can implement programs on eating disorder awareness and prevention at your school. Price operates Living Better Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations.

For information, call (248) 539-9424.

New Children's Book by WDIV Anchor, Devin Scillian

So begins the delightful fable of Fibblestax, and how he came to be the one who gives names to things. He has to battle the tricky, red-faced Carr, a man who "gives terrible names to wonderful things." The mayor of their town gives them five things to name, and the final one, "that very strange feeling, a dreamy kind of cheer, the feeling that makes you feel so good when a special friend is near," stumps Carr. But Fibblestax knows that feeling...

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CONVERSATIONS

FRANK PROVENZANO

BBSO's Lamphere delivers message, gets results

Twenty-three years ago, Carla Lamphere began her career in the arts as a volunteer.

With a background in journalism and a love for music, her assignment was to get the word out about what she refers to as the "best kept secret in the area" — the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra.

Today, the secret *is* out. But that hardly means that Lamphere has let up.

Recently, the BBSO was named for the eighth consecutive year as the most outstanding community orchestra at the Detroit Metro Music Awards.

And Lamphere, a Birmingham resident, can be hardly called one of the volunteers. As executive director of the BBSO, she as much as anyone, has helped to elevate the quality and profile of the orchestra over the last two decades.

Now, she reminds, it's time to get back to the fundamentals.

In other words, a high-quality, professional community orchestra comes at a price, especially since it must generate about 60 percent of its $160,000 annual budget from grants, corporate sponsorships and individual donations.

Standard bearers

On May 21, the BBSO will hold its annual fund-raising event, an auction at the Townsend Hotel. It's the BBSO's largest fund-raiser of the year.

If you see Lamphere walking the streets of Birmingham in her trademark smock dress, or on her bike on the way to deliver a press release, be warned. She's relentlessly persuasive.

In the weeks before the fundraiser, Lamphere was busily at work. There were tickets to sell, contributors to be approached. And as Lamphere is quick to point out, a message to be delivered.

The self-described "former non drug-using beatnik," has helped to foster the BBSO into a organization made up of local, professional musicians, who serve as mentors in the orchestra's successful "Symphony in the Schools" program.

BBSO's effort has encouraged student musicians by both teaching in high schools and providing hands-on mentoring.

And with children admitted free to BBSO concerts, attendance among kids under 25 has increased by 20 percent in the last several years.

What: Auction/fundraiser for the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra, featuring a champagne musical toast and Bob Allison at the piano
When: 6 p.m. Sunday, May 21
Where: Townsend Hotel, 100 Townsend, Downtown Birmingham
To receive an invitation, call (248) 545-2276

Cultural institution

Obviously, the "outstanding community orchestra" appellation was given for more than merely on-stage performances.

About 900 showed up for the BBSO's concert in early May at Temple Beth El. The concert featured a brass section made up of a dozen high school students playing the "1812 Overture."

Clearly, over the past two decades, the result of Lamphere's diligent effort has led to a new standard for community orchestras.

During that time, the orchestra's budget has grown four-fold, and there's a long waiting list of musicians hoping to join.

Perhaps the best evidence of success, however, is the causal acceptance of the BBSO as a community cultural institution.

The city of Birmingham's phone directory, Lamphere pointed out, lists the BBSO as an invaluable treasure along with the public library.

Word is spreading.

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Interpreting Technology

POLK ART COMPETITION FEATURES INNOVATIVE, UNPREDICTABLE WORKS

STAFF PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

Breath of fresh air: *Macomb county artist Ron Ribant with his sculpture painting entitled "Kundalini."*

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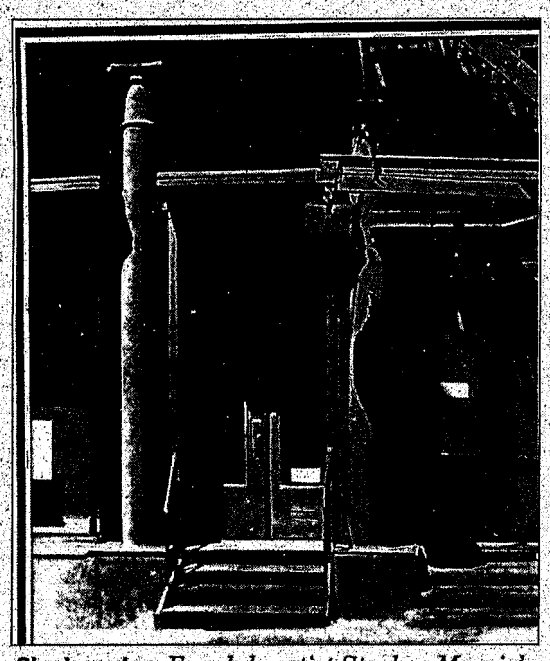
In the three years that the Polk Company has sponsored *Art & Technology*, entries have included everything from aerial photography to computer-generated images to a virtual pet, where a bell would ring inside an empty cage.

"This is certainly not predictable," said Ruth Nelson, Polk's vice president of marketing and one of the driving forces behind the annual juried competition which awards $23,000 in prize money to Michigan artists, students and faculty.

And predictable is not where it should be when the subject is technology.

Cutting-edge innovations are what's expected, and that's what the exhibit, which opens today (Sunday, May 14) at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center in Birmingham, aims to deliver.

But don't expect video projection or computer art, which would be a natural assumption given the theme. Instead, the work in this exhibit incorporates old and new technology rather than replace one with the other.



Shadow play: *Ferndale artist Stephen Magsig's oil painting "54 White Street."*

Beverly Hills artist Jim Nawara captures this in his oil painting *Blue Fence*, where a horizon of office buildings loom over a lazy barnyard landscape.

Educating the masses

"What is technology? Technology has been with art from the very beginning when artists mixed paint," said Mitchell Cope, a Hamtramck artist. His two mixed media works personalize textures from the city such as a spark plug or razor.

The absence of direct references to cars is also evident, but Ann Arbor's Mark Wentzel offers commentary on industrialization with a blown-out tire — his own version of found art.

"My professor once joked to me saying, 'One of your artworks just hit me.' I like to say that I'm showing around the country," he said.

The idea for the Polk Art Competition came when the 78-year-old family-owned consumer marketing firm was merging its offices to one location on Northwestern in Southfield. When the subject of decorating came up, both chairman and CEO Stephen Polk and company president and COO Art Olsen supported the suggestion to obtain original works from Michigan students and artists.

"Why not do something that educates?" said Preston Burke, of Preston Burke Gallery in Royal Oak, recalling his early conversations with Polk as the idea for the collection was coming together.

"Not only does it educate employees, but it educates other businesses," he said.

What: Third-annual Polk Competition: Art & Technology
When: Sunday, May 14-Saturday, May 27. Public reception is 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 21
Where: Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, (248) 644-0866

Art appreciation

Certainly it's not unusual for private companies to collect original art. Several office buildings along the Golden Corridor in Troy hold impressive works by major 20th century artists.

What is rare, however, is for companies to sponsor a competition with substantial prize money for the winners, and then purchase a number of the works for their own collection.

And what is remarkable about Polk, which also recently pledged $3 million for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall expansion, is its sole dedication to Michigan artists, a point immediately evident at its headquarters entrance.

Greeting visitors and employees is Royal Oak artist Robert Martin's *Boomerang*, a colorful abstract image which merges aspects of traditional oil painting with a computer-generated projection.

Martin, an art professor in the electronic arts program

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Gifts to DSO symbolize hope for future

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An influx of millions of dollars may not be the panacea for suddenly transforming the region's culture. There's little doubt, however, that last week's $28-million in gifts to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra symbolize the prevailing optimism about the region's cultural future.

On Tuesday, the DSO announced financial gifts from corporate, foundation and individual donors as part of the $125-million campaign to finance the expansion of Orchestra Place and contribute to the orchestra's endowment.

To-date, the campaign has raised about $90 million with the remaining $35 million expected within the next three years.

"This is a clear sign that Detroit is on the rebound," said Emil Kang, interim president of the DSO. "Many civic supporters believe that the health of the cultural institutions is inseparable from the quality of life of our region."

Among the individual contributors are Sam and Jean Frankel, Bernard and Marilyn Pincus, Max and Marjorie Fisher, and Bob and Maggie Allesee, all of whom are from Bloomfield Hills. In total, 21 donors contributed $1 million or more to the recent $28 million gift to the DSO.

"This is a community of survivors and strong-willed people," said Kang, a Birmingham resident who joined the DSO last year after a stint with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra.

The three-phase Orchestra Place project includes the building of administrative offices (completed in 1997), the construction of a high school for the performing arts (currently under construction), and renovation and expansion of Orchestra Hall, the acoustical gem of a venue that is home to the DSO. Improvements to the hall are expected to be finished in 2003.

The new 550-seat multi-purpose hall, an atrium lobby and the music education center named after the late Jacob Bernard Pincus, will be known collectively as part of the Max M. Fisher Center for the Performing Arts.

With the second venue, the DSO

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Philanthropists: *The generous donations of Sam Frankel (left) and Max Fisher, among others, will help transform the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.*

ON STAGE

Collaboration confronts stigmas, teaches acceptance

Let's play 2

What: *Thursday's Child*, a collaboration among Meadow Brook Theatre, International Academy and On My Own
When: Fund-raiser for On My Own (tickets $150) — 7 p.m. Thursday, May 18; 7 p.m. Friday, May 19; 2 p.m. Saturday, May 20
Admission: Free for Friday and Saturday shows

What: *Echoes of the Earth*, an original work created by students in Meadow Brook Theatre's Apprentice Program
When: 8:15 p.m. Friday, May 19; 3:15 p.m. Saturday, May 20
Admission: Free
Where: Meadow Brook Theatre, Wilson Hall on the Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills

For ticket information, call (248) 370-3102

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It's generally assumed success in theater is determined by ticket sales, or acclaimed reviews. But really, who's fooling who? The days of critics making or breaking a play are long gone. In theater, the name of the game is marketing as much as it is about producing compelling dramas.

But a collaboration among Meadow Brook Theatre, students at the International Academy of Bloomfield Hills and Troy-based On My Own — a resource center for disabled adults — offers a reminder of the promise of theater to challenge audiences in hopes of broadening their perspective about life.

The original play, *Thursday's Child*, also includes a heart-wrenching lesson about the importance of treating all people with respect without resorting to soapbox polemics or trite resolutions.

This Friday and Saturday at Meadow Brook, *Thursday's Child*, a 45-minute play that examines a day in the life of disabled adults, recalls the tradition of the ancient Greeks, who believed that theater could instruct and edify, not just entertain and distract. A fund-raising performance will be held Thursday evening for On My Own.

The conceptual framework of *Thursday's Child* was developed by Meadow Brook's playwright-in-residence

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PROFILE

Dream of off-Broadway comes true for local director

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For Russ Valvo, all roads lead home.

That phrase may get excised from a play for sounding too much like a cliché, but the Bloomfield Hills resident obviously doesn't mind the platitude to describe the new direction of his life.

This week, Valvo, 52, is formally embarking on a new venture that resembles the path he first took three decades ago, when he graduated from New York State University with a degree in theater and a dream of performing on Broadway.

A few turns and twists along life's proverbial road, and Valvo's dream is right on schedule. Of course, a little adjusting is in order. Actually, the formal touchdown of his dream is about 20 blocks away from Times Square.

On Wednesday, Valvo will make his off-Broadway directorial debut in the murder mystery *Tricycle* at the 13th Street Theatre. Valvo is also producing the play for a budget that's probably equivalent to the money spent for an entire season of plays for a local theater company.

"We've ended up buying services here for what you get from volunteer support (in community theater)," he said from his New York City loft.

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Looking ahead: *Director Russ Valvo on stage at the 13th Street Theatre in New York. Valvo makes his Off-Broadway debut on Wednesday.*

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at Wayne State University and a juror in this year's competition, is the only artist to have had two works purchased by Polk.

"It's a great competition, one of the few in the nation that supports both students and professors," he said. "It's promoting technology in a lot of different areas, from traditional landscapes to kinetic works of sculpture."

Notable jurors

This is the second year that the BBAC is displaying *Art & Technology*.

Janet Torno, BBAC executive director, said the exhibition attracts many artists who don't routinely submit to other competitions, though visitors to last month's Michigan Fine Arts Competition will recognize West Bloomfield resident Neil Farkas' *Child*, an iris print grid portrait.

Along with Martin, jurors for this year's competition include John Pappas, professor of art at Eastern Michigan University; Joseph Wesner, professor of art at the Center for Creative Studies; Maryann Wilkinson, curator of 20th century art at the Detroit Institute of Arts; and Gregory Wittkopp, director of the Cranbrook Art Museum.

Every year, hundreds of artists submit their work, and the jury selects up to 50 artists for the exhibition. Nelson said the Polk Company then purchases 10 works for its permanent collection based on the jurors' recommendations.

"When we looked at who we are as a company and what we try to project, we are more state-of-the-art, but also a family-owned company interested in the arts," said Nelson. "This is the kind of thing we can do to support the community."

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Despite the high cost of a New York production, there isn't a hint of cynicism or anxiety in Valvo's voice. On the contrary, Valvo is energized and at ease with what he calls a dream come true, years after the practical demands of life stepped in, and whisked him away on a career as an English teacher, drama critic, advertising executive and venture capitalist.

Since the time when his parents took him to a Broadway production when he was in high school, Valvo has harbored a dream of making it on the professional stage.

"Once you have theater in your blood, it's always there," he said.

In the early 1990s, Valvo received what must have seemed like a transfusion when he was asked to direct a play at Ann Arbor Civic Theatre.

At the time, he was president of his marketing firm, RJ Valvo Associates in Ann Arbor. By his own assessment, he was on the career ladder, chasing clients and cultivating his business acumen. Providing for four children only six years apart and the practical demands of a day-to-day business, Valvo had traveled away from his dream of a theater career.

His creative energy was channeled into activities with his children and marketing campaign for clients. When an opportunity came to direct a play at the Civic Theatre, he jumped at it. Eventually, he was named best director for his work on Neil Simon's *Broadway Bound*.

Attending a series of personal-growth seminars helped Valvo to refocus on what he once believed was his life's calling. He became more specific about what it would take for him to produce or direct on Broadway.

Then two years ago, Valvo was in New York, and met a playwright at a party. They became friends, and the playwright introduced Valvo into the New York theater community.

About a year later, Valvo received a call from New York City-based Walk the Plank Co., which had the rights to *Tricycle*. They asked him if he was interested in directing the play by Carson Coulon.

Looking back, Valvo offered a mystical explanation.

"You can bring into your life your dreams," he said. "You have to put it out there to the universe, and there'll be a response if you're open to it."

Ironically, in the three decades since Valvo dreamed of Broadway, the nature of productions changed profoundly. Years ago, the best dramas made it to the Broadway stages.

In the last decade, the emphasis is on producing big-ticket commercial success. The result is that the challenging, and some critics contend, more important plays are produced off-Broadway.

In some ways, *Tricycle* offers a parallel story to Valvo's pilgrimage. The play is set in a secluded cabin where a murder has been committed. Vavlo describes the play as an examination of the boundaries of life and death, and a questioning of the relationships held most dearly.

"Each character encounters a vision of God, and after these moments of awareness, they have a chance to see the possibilities of their own lives," he said.

And ultimately, the characters in the play must choose a path.

It's a lesson that Russ Valvo knows first hand.

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Karim Alrawi, who spent three weeks with disabled adults, basically following them in their daily routines. Alrawi then developed a series of questions for International Academy students, who, in turn, looked for answers as they spent time with On My Own members.

The academy is a consortium high school with students from 10 districts in Oakland County.

"Basically, what we've got is a love story," said Debra Wicks, artistic director at Meadow Brook, who is also directing the play. "We discover that the two main characters are like everyone else. They want independence, love and acceptance."

Nine of the 12 characters are mentally disabled. With a script that includes terse dialogue, Wicks added subtle physical gestures — knee shaking, finger tapping — to flesh-out the characters. The intent, she said, is to present three-dimensional characters that transcend stigmas of the mentally disabled.

"Our hope is that the play will be a catalyst for discussion," said Wicks.

The discussion may go beyond the specific circumstances of the play. Ultimately, the play offers a universal theme.

"Everyone can relate to how difficult it is for people who don't fit in," said Deborah Korzon, executive director of On My Own.

Korzon, who established On My Own two-and-a-half years ago, considers theater as a conduit for her message that mentally disabled people need social support.

"This is the first play actually driven (creatively) by people with disabilities," she said. "Our members want the public to see them as people, foremost."

According to Korzon, Oakland County lacks services for developmentally disabled, especially residential homes. Heightening awareness about the lack of support is the first step in building a public dialogue about the needs of the mentally disabled, she said.

The collaborative theatrical project was funded with a $50,000 grant from the Community Foundation of Southeastern Michigan.

In the fall, *Thursday's Child* will likely be taken on the road for performances throughout the state. Currently, On My Own is looking for a corporate sponsor to fund the tour.

Following the performances of *Thursday's Child* on Friday and Saturday will be another one-act play, *Echoes of Earth*.

The play, based on Native American folk tales, was created by students in Meadow Brook's Apprentice Program.

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plans to offer a broader selection of jazz and pops programming.

Meanwhile, the 2,000-seat Orchestra Hall will receive new heating, ventilation and lighting systems along with elevators and an expanded lobby and backstage. Currently, musicians file into five trailers attached to the back of the hall.

Renovations will commence this summer, said Kang. From June through August the DSO conducts its concert schedule at Meadow Brook Festival in Rochester Hills.

In the last decade, symphony orchestras in Baltimore, Chicago, Cleveland, Dallas and Seattle have either built or renovated their existing halls, said Kang.

Fund raising doesn't end when the renovations and new construction are completed. The DSO must raise approximately $10 million of its annual $25 million budget through grants and donations.

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Beat goes on

Although the orchestra receives financial support from Birmingham, revenue is generated largely through its own fund raising and marketing savvy.

"I thought after college I'd work for a big-city newspaper," said Lamphere, who majored in journalism. "Instead, I'm dealing with musicians and going around begging for money to keep the orchestra going."

What began for Lamphere as a 20 hour a week job has turned into a full week's worth of tasks, including trying to find corporate support.

"First of all, I look for someone who likes music," she said. "If the door is shut, I go on to the next one."

Count on it.

For the poet lover and admirer of writers like Jack Kerouac and Alan Ginsberg, it's simply a case — that's right — of the beat goes on.

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Time for 'Plymouth is Artrageous'

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Look for the yellow and red balloons hung outside Plymouth businesses Friday-Sunday, May 19-21 – that's where the artists will be.

Plymouth is Artrageous returns with dozens of artists and music playing on the streets as the three-day event kicks off Friday evening. Eleven participating businesses will host receptions complete with hors d'oeuvres, refreshments and opportunities to meet the artists.

"It's a unique event," said Annette Horn, co-chair of Artrageous with Scott Smith of Penniman Gallery. Horn is co-owner of Native West Gallery. "It's a coming together of community. Non-art related businesses can host artists. Every year we try to make this a fun event. Visitors will be walking on chalk art created by students and we have more musicians than we've ever had. When people are leaving the stores they'll be hearing music immediately.

"Plymouth is still Artrageous," continued Horn. "The kick-off is exciting with about 18 Plymouth Symphony Orchestra musicians playing on Penniman by the symphony office at 6 p.m. And at 5:45 p.m. we'll give a free Plymouth poster away to the first 100 people."

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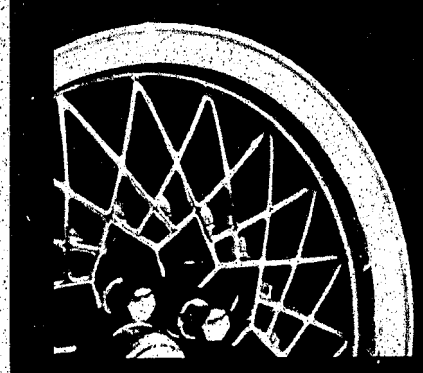

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NP CENTER STAGE (PG13)
1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 10:00
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
1:00, 3:20, 5:35, 7:40, 9:55
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
2:10, 4:35, 7:00

Showcase Dearborn 1-8
Michigan & Telegraph
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NP GLADIATOR (R)
12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 3:50, 4:20, 4:50, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 10:10
NP FLINTSTONES IN VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG)
12:40, 2:45, 4:45, 6:30, 8:35
LOVE AND BASKETBALL (PG13)
12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45
U-571 (PG13)
12:50, 4:00, 7:00, 9:35
NP BATTLEFIELD EARTH (PG13)
1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55
NP HELD UP (PG13)
1:30, 3:45, 8:15, 10:15
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
6:45, 10:20

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 GLADIATOR (R)
12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 3:45, 4:20, 4:50, 6:50, 7:25, 7:55, 9:50
FREQUENCY (PG13)
1:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30
NP SCREWED (PG13)
1:00, 3:00, 5:05, 7:10, 9:15

Showcase Pontiac 6-12
2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of Telegraph
248-334-6777
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• All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
Late Shows Thurs. Fri. & Sat.
THRU THURSDAY
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I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13)
12:15, 10:20
FLINTSTONES IN VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG)
12:35, 2:45, 6:45, 8:30
LOVE AND BASKETBALL (PG13)
1:20, 4:20, 7:30, 10:00
NP HELD UP (PG13)
2:20, 4:05, 6:50, 7:45, 9:45
NP CENTER STAGE (PG13)
1:00, 3:50, 7:25, 9:50
NP BATTLEFIELD EARTH (PG13)
1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55
KEEPING THE FAITH (PG13)
1:30, 4:10, 6:50, 9:30
U 571 (PG13)
1:40, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40

Quo Vadis
Warren & Wayne Rds
313-425-7700
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All Shows Until 6 pm
Continuous Shows Daily
LATE SHOWS FRIDAY & SATURDAY
THRU THURSDAY
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NP BATTLEFIELD EARTH (PG13)
1:15, 1:45, 4:00, 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, 9:40, 10:10
NP HELD UP (PG13)
1:10, 3:15, 5:20, 7:30, 9:45
LOVE AND BASKETBALL (PG13)
1:30, 4:10, 6:50, 9:30
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
1:00, 3:05, 5:10, 7:20, 9:25
NP SCREWED (PG13)
1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:10, 9:15

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THRU THURSDAY
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NP GLADIATOR (R)
12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 3:50, 4:20 4:50, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 10:10
NP I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13)
6:40, 10:15
FREQUENCY (PG13)
1:40, 4:40, 7:20, 9:45
FLINTSTONES IN VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG)
12:30, 2:00, 2:30, 4:00, 4:30, 6:30, 9:00
NP CENTER STAGE (PG130
1:30, 3:55, 6:50 9:20
U 571 (PG13)
12:55, 3:20, 6:45, 9:15
ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
12:30

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NO VIP TICKETS
NP VIRGIN SUICIDE (R)
11:55, 1:55, 4:00, 6:10, 8:20
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FREQUENCY (PG13)
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U-571 (PG13)
1:30, 4:10, 5:20, 6:50, 8:00, 9:20
LOVE & BASKETBALL (PG13)
1:00,3:45, 6:00, 5:55
KEEPING THE FAITH (PG13)
12:35, 3:20, 6:00, 8:55
RETURN TO ME (PG)
2:25, 7:45
THE ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG)
12:45, 2:45, 4:45
28 DAYS (PG13)
6:55, 9:15
HIGH FIDELITY (R)
11:50, 5:15
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
12:40, 3:30, 6:40, 9:40
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
12:05, 2:15, 4:35, 6:45, 9:05
ADRENALINE DRIVE (NR)
12:20, 2:40
RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:15,3:55, 7:40

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NO VIP TICKETS
NP SCREWED (PG13)
11:50, 1:50, 4:00, 6:10, 8:20
NO VIP TICKETS
NP GLADIATOR (R)
12:00, 12:50, 1:40, 2:30, 3:20, 4:10, 5:00,6:00, 6:50, 7:40, 8:30, 9:20
NO VIP TICKETS
NP I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13)
3:10, 9:00
NO VIP TICKETS
WHERE THE HEART IS (PG13)
11:55, 2:50, 5:50, 8:40
FREQUENCY (PG13)
1:10, 3:40, 6:40, 9:10
U 571 (PG13)
12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:30, 10:00
RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:30, 4:20, 7:00, 9:50
RETURN TO ME (PG)
8:10-NO SHOW MAY 17
THE ROAD TO ELDORADO (PG)
12:15, 2:20, 4:30
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
12:40, 3:30,6:30, 9:30
28 DAYS (PG13)
12:20, 6:35

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NP SCREWED (PG13)
12:10, 2:10, 4:40, 7:15, 9:30
NO VIP TICKETS
NP CENTER STAGE (PG13)
1:15, 4:10, 7:05, 9:40
NO VIP TICKETS
NP GLADIATOR (R)
12:30, 2:00, 3:45, 5:10, 7:00, 8:30, 10:10-NO VIP TICKETS
NP I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13)
2:40, 7:50
WHERE THE HEART IS (PG13)
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FREQUENCY (PG13)
1:30, 4:20, 7:20, 9:50
THE FLINTSTONES IN VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG)
12:00, 2:30, 4:30, 6:40, 8:50,
U-571 (PG13)
12:15, 2:45, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00
KEEPING THE FAITH (PG13)
11:50, 5:00, 10:15

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NP GLADIATOR (R)
SUN.11:15, 12:00, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 2:45, 3:30, 4:00, 4:45, 5:30, 6:15, 7:00, 7:30, 8:15, 9:00, 9:45, 10:30
MON-THURS 12:00, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 2:45, 3:30, 4:00, 4:45, 5:30, 6:15,7:00,7:30, 8:15, 9:00, 9:45, 10:30
NO VIP TICKETS
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12:10, 6:20
NO VIP TICKETS
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1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:05
LOVE AND BASKETBALL (PG13)
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:00, 10:00
FLINTSTONES IN VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG)
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FREQUENCY (PG13)
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12:00, 3:00, 6:00, 8:50
THE ROAD TO EL DORADO (PG)
12:10, 2:20, 4:30,6:40
ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
3:10, 9:20
FINAL DESTINATION (R)
12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30

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BATTLEFIELD EARTH (PG13) NV
12:50, 3:50, 7:00, 9:40
CENTER STAGE (PG13) NV
12:10, 2:35, 5:00, 7:35, 10:15
HELD UP (PG13) NV
12:20, 2:30, 4:45, 6:55, 9:10
GLADIATOR (R) NV
12:00, 3:15, 6:45, 10:00
I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13)NV
12:15
WHERE THE HEART IS (PG13)NV
1:00, 4:00, 6:50, 9:35
FLINTSTONES IN VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG) NV
12:25, 2:40, 4:55, 7:10, 9:30
FREQUENCY (PG13) NV
1:15, 4:10, 7:20, 10:05
U-571 (PG13)
5:20, 7:45, 10:10
LOVE AND BASKETBALL (PG13) NV
1:30, 4:20, 7:15, 9:55

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CENTER STAGE (PG13)NV
10:55, 1:35, 4:25, 7:20, 10:00
SCREWSED (PG13) NV
11:15, 1:50, 3:55, 6:10, 8:05, 10:05
GLADIATOR (R) NV
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I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13) NV
11:05, 4:10, 9:40
WHERE THE HEART IS (PG13) NV
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FLINTSTONES IN VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG) NV
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FREQUENCY (PG13) NV
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U-571 (PG13) NV
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KEEPING THE FAITH (PG13)
10:35, 1:10, 3:50, 7:05, 9:55
RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
10:35, 1:15, 4:30, 7:30, 10:25
RETURN TO ME (R)
1:35, 6:50
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8:50

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NP U-571 (PG13)
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THE FLINTSTONES IN VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG)
12:10, 2:00, 4:00,6:30, 8:30
RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
1:20, 4:00, 6:45, 9:20
HIGH FIDELITY (R)
12:05, 2:20, 4:40, 6:50, 9:15
NP I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13)
2:25

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NP BATTLEFIELD EARTH (PG13)
1:10 (4:15 @ $4.00) 7:10, 9:45
NP GLADIATOR (R)
12:30, 1:00 (4:00, 4:45 @ $4.00) 7:00, 8:00, 10:10
I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13)
(4:00 @ $4.00) 9:40
FLINTSTONES: VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG)
12:40, 2:40 (4:50 @ $4.00) 7:15, 9:30
WHERE THE HEART IS (PG13)
1:20 (4:20 @ $4.00) 7:00, 9:40
FREQUENCY (PG13)
1:30 (4:30 @ $4.00) 7:30, 10:00
U-571 (PG13)
12:45, 3:00 (5:20 @ $4.00) 7:40, 10:00
KEEPING THE FAITH (PG13)
1:00, 6:50
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NP SCREWED (PG13)
12:20, 2:40, (5:00 @ $4.00) 7:45, 9:45
NP CENTER STAGE (PG13)
1:40 (4:15 @ $4.00) 7:20, 9:50
NP GLADIATOR (R)
12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 3:00 (4:00, 4:45 @ $4.00) 6:30, 7:15, 8:00, 9:40
I DREAMED OF AFRICA (PG13)
9:40
THE FLINTSTONES: VIVA ROCK VEGAS (PG)
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12:40, 9:55
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7:15, 9:45
RULES OF ENGAGEMENT (R)
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RETURN TO ME (R)
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ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)
9:55
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SUN. (1:30 4:15) 7:00 9:20
MON-THURS (4:15) 7:00, 9:20
THURS (4:15) 9:45
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SUN. (1:15 4:00) 6:45, 9:00
MON-THURS (4:00) 6:45, 9:00
NO 6:45 5/16
EAST IS EAST (R)
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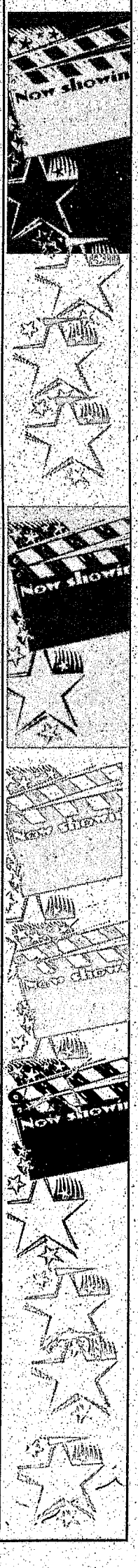
SUN. 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45
MON-THURS 5:00,7:30, 9:45
TOY STORY 2 (G)
SUN. 11:15, 1:15, 3:15, 5:15
MON-THURS 5:15,
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
7:15, 9:45



Author helps investors get 'Serious' about their money

Serious Money: Straight Talk about Investing for Retirement, by Richard A. Ferri (Portfolio Solutions, LLC, Troy; $26.95)

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Serious Money is what you'll need if you ever want to retire, and if you've been looking for some "straight talk about investing for retirement," Richard Ferri might be able to help.

"I want to help people understand what's going on. I want to do my part to give them the facts and figures," said Ferri, a chartered financial analyst who started his own investment firm, Portfolio Solutions LLC in Troy, after working 11 years for two major Wall Street firms.

Ferri argues a lot of what you read about the stock market is hype that puts money in someone else's pocket, not yours. "When I began in this business I believed stockbrokers were skilled professionals who knew the market inside and out," he said. "I soon realized that I was being asked to recommend investments to clients solely to churn out commissions. I was amazed at how many so-called 'professionals' lost their clients' money while enriching themselves."

Ferri holds a master of science degree in finance from Walsh College and serves as an adjunct professor at the college. He self-published *Serious Money* because, "I didn't have any choice. You can't get published unless you get published."

The best advice on investing, he says, can be found in the academic community, but "it's difficult for a professor on a budget to effectively argue against the marketing clout of large Wall Street firms."

Ferri, once a fighter pilot for the Marine Corps Reserves, gives it his best shot offering information in easy to digest pieces that help readers understand the hidden costs of investing. A true educator, Ferri summarizes key points at the end of every chapter, and uses informative charts and graphs to further illustrate key points.

His message is simple: "Take time to define your investment goals, select an appropriate asset allocation strategy, plan a tax strategy, and make a long-term commitment to low-cost investing."

Look for mutual funds with the lowest fees and expenses – no-load "index" funds. Consider taking a class. "The classroom is a great place to obtain less biased investment information," he said.

But first of all, get organized. Many people have an IRA. You might have a few if you've changed jobs.

"Putting all this information in one place and analyzing it as one portfolio is a beginning step toward increasing your investment results," he writes.

His book provides a lot of information you can't get anywhere. The response to his book has been good, and he's looking for a publisher to publish an updated version of *Serious Money* that includes more information. So far he's sold more than 1,000 of the 5,000 books he printed.

Serious Money is available at Barnes & Noble stores in metro Detroit and the Walsh College bookstore in Troy. You can also request it online at amazon.com

Ferri will be signing books, and giving a 30-45 minute presentation about *Serious Money* at the following Barnes & Noble bookstores:

■ Ann Arbor - 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 19

■ Troy - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 24

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Borders Books, Music, Video & a Cafe, at 1122 S. Rochester in Rochester Hills, has the following events planned: (For more information, call (248) 652-0558.)

■ The American Girls Club — Samantha in the Springtime — for girls 7-12 years old, is meeting 2 p.m. Sunday, May 14.

■ Pokemon Trading card Game League Session 5 meets 5 to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 14. Sign up no longer required.

■ Detroit Women Writers Author Reading & Open Mike, celebrating 100 years, meets 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 16. Members have won hundreds for their books, articles, plays, poems and scripts. Listen as they read from their works, then open the floor to read yours.

■ A poetry workshop by poet and Detroit Women Writers member Linda Sienkiewicz is held the first four Wednesdays in May.

Each session begins at 7:30 p.m.

Sienkiewicz will discuss creative techniques to enhance poem making. Based on the feedback from her past workshops, she has created a four-week series. Sign up in advance at the store. All levels of writers are welcomed.

Borders Books and Music at Oakland Mall has the following events planned:

■ Open Mike Poetry Night with Patricia Sullivan is the third Monday of each month — this month, 8 p.m. Monday, May 15. Share your poems or if you're currently suffering from writers' block, come and see what kinds of things your fellow poets are doing.

■ Alise Citrin from Thing-A-Majigs will help customers create a special mask to update their spring wardrobe with Put On A New Face at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 17. Call (248) 585-6029 to register.

■ At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, authors George and Michele Zavatsky will introduce parents to ways to explore all the fun places in Michigan with their children, year-round. The pair will also sign their book, *Kids Love Michigan*.

■ The Oakland Mall Borders celebrates its one-year anniversary the weekend of May 19-21.

The Joe Grande Trio starts the entertainment off with some jazz at 7:30 p.m. Friday. Cowboy Arizona will show show off his kite making talents at 1 p.m. Saturday and Pippins Puppets entertain the youngsters at 3:30 p.m. At 3 p.m. Saturday, fortune teller Rune Stones gives a 10 minute peak into the future, using cards, pendulum, palmistry, astrology and oracles. The anniversary party concludes at 2 p.m. Sunday with music by Keri Noble. If you celebrate a wedding anniversary or a birthday during this weekend, show a copy of your wedding license or birth certificate or driver's license and receive a 15 percent discount on any item not already discounted.

■ The American Girl Book Group, which is accepting new members, meets 3 p.m. Sunday, May 21.

■ Storyteller Barbara Schutzgraber shares String Stories at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 24.

■ The Peanut Butter Mosquitoes, a rock 'n' roll band, will play at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 26.

■ Here, There & Everywhere features Miss Amy, who will discuss summer time activities for children, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 31.

BOOK SIGNING

■ Author Patricia Polacco will sign copies of her book, *The Butterfly*, at three locations next month: 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at Borders Books & Music, 3527 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor, (734) 677-6948; 12:30 p.m. Sunday, June 4 at Half Way Down the Stairs, 114 E. Fourth Street, Rochester, (248) 652-6066; 4:15 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at Oak Park Library (hosted by Book Beat), 14200 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park, (248) 691-7480.

The Butterfly is a true story of friendship, loyalty and courage. Polacco reaches into her family tree to tell the story of her aunt Monique and Monique's mother, Macel, a member of the French Resistance in Nazi-occupied France.

■ William X. Kienzle, international best selling author of *Till Death*, will welcome visitors and sign and discuss his newest novel at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 17 at Barnes & Noble, 6575 Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills. *Till Death* is the 20-second mystery featuring Father Robert Koesler, a member of the St. Ursula's Survivors' Club, a group of current and former clergy who served under the tyrannical Father Angelica.

■ Devin Scillian, television anchor for Channel 4, signes his children's book, *Fibblestax*, at 10 a.m. Monday, May 22 at Barnes & Noble, 6575 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills. *Fibblestax* is a fable of the one who names everything and the battles he had with those individuals who would give terrible names to wonderful things.

OU dedicates The Golden Fleece

The dedication and permanent installation of *The Golden Fleece*, circa 1940, gilt bronze by Avard T. Fairbanks, took place last month at Meadow Brook Hall.

The installation was made possible by a gift from Dodge.

James Julow, vice president of the Dodge Division, Daimler-Chrysler, and Lisa Baylis Ashby, executive director of Meadow Brook Hall, unveiled the new sculpture in the hall's fountain garden.

Fairbanks also created the Colt Pegasus, circa 1947, located in the fountain garden. The Golden Fleece was inspired by Fairbanks' Dodge Ram hood ornament from 1932, one of the most enduring corporate symbols in American history.

"Matilda Dodge Wilson, the widow of auto pioneer John Dodge, commissioned Fairbanks to do the Colt Pegasus as a fountain figure in the late 1940s," Ashby said. "So it was only fitting that The Golden Fleece would find a permanent home at Meadow Brook Hall."

The 5-foot, 4-inch gilt bronze work depicts a Greek myth in which two children ride a ram through the clouds. The sculptor's son, Dr. Grant R. Fairbanks of Salt Lake City, recently donated The Golden Fleece to Meadow Brook Hall.

New decor: *The Golden Fleece is surrounded by those who helped unveil the work of art: (from left) Beau Puffer, James Julow, Lisa Baylis Ashby and Betsy Hunter.*

The dedication is part of the Meadow Brook Hall Garden Design Symposium that includes speakers House Beautiful Garden Editor Betsy Hunter and Chicago landscape architects Craig Bergmann and James Grigsby. The event is sponsored by House Beautiful and Dodge.

Meadow Brook Hall has been open to the public since 1971 and today welcomes more than 100,000 visitors who participate in tours, educational programs and special events.

Listed on both the national and state registers of historic properties, Meadow Brook Hall strives to preserve and interpret its architecture, landscape and decorative and fine art so that visitors can be entertained, educated and inspired by history.

TRAVEL

Family amusements

Ohio theme parks offer thrilling ways to spend summer days

BY MARY QUINLEY
SPECIAL WRITER

When the kids start to moan and groan about how "bored" they are with summertime, consider some family-friendly options south of the border – the Ohio border.

Here's a peek at our neighbor's four theme parks:

Paramount's Kings Island

Journey into the Buckeye State's southwestern corner. Here you'll discover Paramount's Kings Island – a combo of 12 coasters, a 30-acre water park, hundreds of rides, attractions and live shows.

"I remember Kings Island as a very clean place," said Maggie Cytacki, who has visited the park with her husband and two sons. "It's a great family getaway. We made it a weekend trip."

The Livonia family especially enjoyed the water park. "It was a refreshing break in the middle of a very hot day," said Cytacki.

Of course, coasters are an integral part of the adventure. This season, Kings Island introduces Son of Beast, the only looping wooden roller coaster.

The ride is an offspring of The Beast, the longest wooden roller coaster in the world.

If golf is more your bag, bring your clubs. The Golf Center is one of the park's alternatives to scream machines and water rides.

Sea World

"If you sit in the first eight to 10 rows, you'll get wet," blared the voice coming from the loud speaker. "In fact – you will be soaked!"

Wiggles and squeals of delight erupted from the front rows in the outdoor theater. No one moved. It was show time at SeaWorld's Shamu Stadium – featuring killer whales Shamu and Namu!

The gates opened slowly as Shamu emerged to perform center stage. He whizzed through the pool creating whale-size ripples.

Cameras flashed. The crowd, hysterical with joy, clapped and waved. And, as the performance drew to a close, everyone in the Splash Zone was drenched – and loved it.

By far, the killer whales are a favorite with SeaWorld visitors. Be forewarned: Crowds wander into the stadium 30 minutes or more before scheduled performances.

After the whale show, options are plentiful.

Slip into the Penguin Encounter to gaze at the more-than-100 polar penguins.

Or, visit the Shark Encounter. The moving walkway inside this exhibit provides fabulous underwater views (be sure to look up) of the sleek, gray-skinned sharks, as they circle their tank.

New this year at SeaWorld is a virtual adventure in a yellow submarine to the bottom of the ocean to explore the Bermuda Triangle. It's called – *Mission: Bermuda Triangle.*

Guests can take advantage of special evening shows and savings during SeaWorld's *New Orleans Nights* evening entertainment package June 10 through Aug. 27. A parade begins each evening's festivities, transporting guests to SeaWorld's version of Bourbon Street.

Cedar Point

Once again, Cedar Point has made roller coaster headlines. And Margaret Day of Livonia plans to see what all the fuss is about.

"I love roller coasters!" said the sophomore at the University of Detroit Mercy. "Several weeks ago, I drove past Cedar Point and saw it!"

"It" is Millennium Force – a "giga-coaster" with a top speed of 92 mph and a nearly vertical 300-foot drop at an 80-degree angle. Fasten your seat belt and hold on tight.

Millennium Force, the park's 14th coaster, is touted as the tallest and fastest roller coaster in the world.

The Raptor, one of Day's favorite coaster rides, turns its victims upside down as their feet dangle. "Riders get a rush when they go on it," she said.

Modern-day scream machines are a far cry from Cedar Point's first coaster. In 1892, the Switchback Railway towered 25 feet high and traveled about 10 mph.

Not too keen on wind-in-your-face, tummy-churning rides?

No problem. Watch a stage show or marine-life presentation, cool off at the water park or the beach, play miniature golf or ride a go-cart.

Six Flags

After an absence of almost 20 years, I returned to a place once called Geauga Lake. I was impressed. The park glowed, obviously the result of an extensive overhaul by new ownership – Six Flags.

For starters, an entrance with a majestic clock tower and a spouting water fountain greeted us.

The thrill-seekers in the group immediately headed for the coaster with the twisted-steel track that rolls over, dives, and spins – and then reverses itself. It's called the Mind Eraser. Reliable sources informed me that it promises an adrenaline rush.

Four new coasters will be ready for riding on May 19, including Batman Knight Flight, the billed as the world's longest "floorless" coaster.

If a twisty, curvy, river-raft ride piques your interest, check out the Grizzly Run. This white-water adventure in the water park will be up and running on May 27.

Six Flags, a mix of more than 100 rides and attractions, manages nicely to blend some classic entertainment with high-tech thrills.

Mary Quinley is a Livonia resident and author of "52 Ohio Weekends." She writes about travel and dining for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Making a splash: *The killer whale performance at SeaWorld is a favorite with visitors.*

If you go...

■ **Paramount's Kings Island** is north of Cincinnati, off Interstate 71 at exit 25. Call (800) 288-0808 or visit www.pki.com. Open weekends; daily beginning Friday, May 26.
Admission: For persons over 48-inches tall $38.99; ages 3-6 and seniors over 60, $19.50; children under 3 free.
Estimated drive time from metro Detroit: Approximately four hours

■ **SeaWorld** is in Aurora, between Cleveland and Akron. For information, call (800) 63-SHAMU or click and go to www.seaworld.com. Opening Saturday, May 20, for weekends; Saturday, May 27, daily.
Admission: $35.88 ages 12 and older; $27.68 ages 3-11; younger than age 3, free.
Estimated drive time : Approximately 3 1/2 hours

■ **Cedar Point** is situated in Sandusky on a Lake Erie peninsula. It's midway between Cleveland and Toledo. Call (419) 626-0830 or visit online at www.cedarpoint.com. Open daily through Labor Day.
Admission: One-day and two-day passes available. One-day pass, $38 ages 4-59, ages 3 and younger free; $10 for those age 4 and older, who are less than 48-inches tall; $22,/age 60 and older. Estimated drive time: Approximately two hours

■ **Six Flags** is in Aurora between Cleveland and Akron. It's adjacent to Sea World. Call (330) 562-8303 or check the Web site www.sixflags.com. Open weekends, daily beginning Friday, May 26.
Admission: Persons over 48-inches tall, $30.99; persons under 48-inches tall, $15.50; kids age 2 and younger, free. Estimated drive time: Approximately 3 1/2 hours

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38 yr old, single female with blonde hair and blue eyes. I enjoy the outdoors, children, animals and cooking. Looking for a male for friendship and more. BOX 12834

GIVE ME A CALL
53 yr old, 140 lb, non-smoking, single female who enjoys traveling and outdoor activities. Looking for a single male not interested in playing games to share good times in our future I am more than willing if you are, too. BOX 12858

THE MORE TO LOVE
42 yr old, divorced, 5'6", long blonde hair, pretty blue eyes, a large framed lady, likes camping, dining out, gardening, flowers, the outdoors, crafts, dancing, music, concerts, theater. She is Christian and old fashioned. Seeking a single or divorced white male to pursue a relationship. BOX 12888

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Single brunette female, 38, 5'7", enjoys traveling, fishing, art, and flea markets. Looking for a single male, 30 to 50, who enjoys life but is tired of doing it alone. BOX 12929

SEEKS SPECIAL SOME 1
Single Hispanic female, black hair, petite, enjoys dancing, swimming, bike riding, walks in the woods and more. Looking for a single male with similar interests, for friendship and more. BOX 13010

ENJOYABLE TIMES
Single lady, 122 lb, 5'5", blonde with blue eyes, social drinker, enjoys having fun. Looking for a single male, for friendship and more. BOX 13011

ROMANCE 101
Single white mother of three, 39, 5'7", blonde with green eyes, medium built, employed, enjoys long walks, camping, going to the beach and more. Looking for a single male, 33 to 43, 5'10" and above, non-smoker with similar interests, for friendship and more. BOX 13031

RIDE OF YOUR LIFE!
Single white female, 36, 5'5", 120 lbs, romantic, fun loving, down to earth, who likes riding on Harleys, long walks, boating, camping, music and good company. Seeking a single white male, tall, 36 to 45, who's caring, affectionate, with similar interests, for friendship and possible long term relationship. BOX 13056

HATES COUNTRY MUSIC
Single white female, 40 something, 5'4", medium build, long brown hair, green eyes, smoker and social drinker, likes movies, dining out, shooting pool, television, rock On roll, quiet times at home. Seeking a single white male, 30's to 40's, for a loving relationship. BOX 13734

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Single, white female, smoker, 40's, who is sincere, honest and affectionate. Enjoys movies, rock n roll, shooting pool and quiet times at home. Looking for a single male, 30 to 40, for friendship and more. BOX 16099

ROMANCE IS THE KEY
Single white female, 44, hard working, non-smoker, financially secure, looking for a single male who is romantic, charming, honest, easy going and has a good sense of humor. BOX 16116

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Sophisticated, senior lady, educated who enjoys cooking, animals, traveling and dancing. Looking for a single white male, 55 to 65, who is honest and enjoys female companionship. BOX 16146

WANT TO KNOW MORE?
38 yr old, single white female who needs to be spoiled but spoils in return. BOX 16283

LONG TERM LOVE
30 yr old single female with blonde hair and blue eyes who goes to college and works full time. Looking for a single male who is ready to settle down. BOX 16339

ARE YOU OUT THERE?
Single white female, 56, blonde with brown eyes, medium built, easy going, enjoys children, bingo and just having a good time. Looking for a single male with similar interests, for friendship and more. BOX 16484

SEEKS RELATIONSHIP
Single, mother of one, blonde hair, green eyes, student, enjoys the outdoors, and is looking for a single male, for friendship, dating and a possible companionship. BOX 16489

FRIENDSHIP FIRST
38 yr old, single white female, 120 lb, 5'3", honest, caring and open minded, enjoys good conversations, romance, the outdoors, camping, movies and more. Looking for a single male, 30 to 45, with similar interests, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 16516

LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL 1
Single female, fun loving, caring, sense of humor, romantic, loves to cuddle on the couch with my blanket and someone special. Seeking a single white male, 33 to 38, employed, stable, loving, caring, sense of humor, romantic, and knows how to treat a lady. BOX 03116

COLLEGE EDUCATED...
36 yr old, 5'7", single mother of one with light brown hair and hazel eyes. Seeking a college educated, single, white male who's honest and has a sense of humor. BOX 13164

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR
54 yr old, Comfortable from Levi's to a floor length gown, 5'4", lots of fun, curvy, beautiful, brown hair and eyes, and spiritual. Enjoys movies, plays, opera, concerts, ballet, boating and swimming. Looking for a Caucasian gentleman, 48 to 75, successful, sincere and kind to complete my life. BOX 36097

DANCE WITH ME
Single, white female, 24, likes sports, dancing and the outdoors. Seeking a single male for friendship first and more later on. BOX 16687

SHOOTING STAR
Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks minus 40 and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 55 to 60, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

GREEN EYED BLONDE
Single white female, 40, 5'6", weight proportionate, pretty romantic at heart. Enjoys arts, flea markets and horseback riding. Looking for an attractive professional male with a good sense of humor and enjoys children. BOX 36077

TRUE LOVE WAITS
21 yr old, single mother of one, attractive, easy going, seeking single white male, 21 to 30, who enjoys dining out, movies, football, and other sports, for friendship, possible relationship. BOX 16469

MAKE ME SMILE
Divorced white Christian mother of two, 37, 5'4", 145 lb, self employed. Enjoys theater, walks, museums and keeping up with my children. Seeking intelligent, emotionally fit, non-smoking, non-drinking male with a healthy attitude and a sense of humor. Must value honesty and be goal oriented. BOX 31976

JUST THE TWO OF US!
55 yr old, 5', white female with blonde hair and green eyes who is new to the area, enjoys dining out, movies, quite times, romantic evening and much more. Seeking a single male, 45 to 60, to share good times, friendship and maybe more. BOX 16548

HARD TO FIND
60 yr old, white widowed female, 5'3", brown hair and eyes, non-smoker, non-drinker, enjoys music, long walks, bike riding, movies, bingo, going to church and much more. Looking for a single, white male, 55 to 62 who enjoys life. Must be honest and caring with similar interests. In Down River area. BOX 31909

KEEP ME COMPANY
18 yr old, single female, auburn hair, hazel eyes, 5'8", likes having fun and being around people. Looking for a single male, with similar interests, for friendship and companion. BOX 16328

GOING UP NORTH?
Pretty, blonde haired, blue eyed, single white female, 48, petite, romantic, enjoys boating, movies, dining out, music and more. Looking for a single white male, 40 to 50, with similar interests, for a possible relationship. Children are welcomed. BOX 16361

NEED MY COMPANY?
46 yr old, full figured, Born Again Christian, looking for a Born Again Christian black male, 40 to 65, who's happy, knows what he wants, enjoys the rain, beaches, mountains and more. BOX 16364

WISHFUL THINKING
Single female, sophisticated, shy, 135 lbs, likes traveling, boating, the outdoors and more. Looking for a single male, 25 to 45, who's sweet, for friendship and sharing. BOX 16334

WON'T B DISAPPOINTED
Single white female, 31, 5'4", blonde with green eyes, employed, enjoys candlelight dinners, movies, walks and sports. Seeking a single male of any race, 35 to 54, non-drinker or smoker, to pamper, cuddle and give all my love too. BOX 12993

LIFE'S TOO SHORT
Affectionate, slim, petit, attractive, creative, spiritual, divorced, white female, 48, seeking an honest, thoughtful, sincere, intelligent, non-smoker, divorced white male, with a sense of humor and love of life, who enjoys the arts, theater, music, dinning, home and family and travel. BOX 36055

LARGE FEMININE WARM
Single white female, 47, 270 lbs, attractive, searching for a single male, 45 to 54, non-smoking, with a good sense of humor, honesty and values. I enjoy music, movies, dancing and travel. Waterford area. BOX 35905

SINCERE
Pretty, petite, trim, divorced white female with a passion for life and love, seeks a tall, clean cut, handsome, financially secure, physically fit, romantic gentleman, 55 to 65, to share life's pleasures, who enjoys outdoor activities, dancing dining, theater and much more. BOX 35910

LOTS OF ENERGY
I'm a small, cute, young looking, physically fit package with lots of energy. Seeking a single white male, 37 to 43, who is attractive, active and is interested in a possible relationship. I enjoy working out, watching sports, outdoor activities, cuddling, music and much more. BOX 31999

NEW BEGINNINGS
Divorced white female, red hair, blue eyes, weight proportionate to size, Seeking a single male, 40 to 55, who enjoys movies, dining, and having fun, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 33656

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Single white female, 5'5", blue eyes, brown hair, medium build, smoker, non-drinker, with old fashioned values, enjoys music, dining out, trips up North, movies and animals. Seeking a single white male, who's sincere, honest, social drinker, with a good sense of humor, for friendship first. Down River Area. BOX 31953

CLASSIC ROMANCE
50 yr old, single female, 5', believes in romance, likes music, dancing, classic cars, country life and simple pleasures. Seeking a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 42 to 60, non-smoker with similar interests for a long term monogamous relationship. Down River area. BOX 14471

WORTHY OF YOUR LOVE
Single white female, young 40 plus, 5'10", seeking life partner who enjoys church, dancing, fellowship and ready to be fully blessed with a good woman. BOX 33640

REV YOUR ENGINES
Attractive, independent female, 37, 5'6", 140 lbs, looking for a single male, 35 to 45, who is a social or non-drinker and enjoys cars, car show and likes to go dancing. BOX 33647

GOLFERS WHERE ARE U
Single white female, 56, young looking, active, down river area, loves to golf, but not ready for the tour. Lots of interests, new adventures. Seeking fit single white male, 5'10" or taller, between, 50 and 60, for conversation, friendship and more. BOX 33652

EXTREMELY ENERGETIC
Single white female, 53, 5', 115 lbs, long blonde and hazel eyes. I am looking for a sincere, romantic, non-smoking, white male, 45 to 55, who loves, dancing, traveling, and eating out. Start with friendship and see what happens. BOX 31910

LOOKING FOR YOU
Youthful 53 yr. old, single white female, energetic, good sense of humor, athletic to muscular build. Likes horseback riding, bowling, long walks in the park. Looking for a fun loving black or Caucasian male 45 plus, for fun times and possible relationship. BOX 31912

TAKE A CHANCE!
35 yr old, divorced white mother of one, 5'3", blonde hair, blue eyes, medium build, smoker, non-drinker, enjoys movies and camping. Looking for a marriage minded male who doesn't drink or do drugs. Down River area. BOX 12314

SOMEONE SPECIAL
44 yr old, single black woman, fun loving and outgoing. Likes gardening, cooking, walking, concerts and traveling. Seeking a black male, 43 to 53, who's outgoing, down to earth and sincere, for friendship first an possibly more. BOX 31923

WANTED: A GOOD MAN
Single white female, 46, full figured, casual smoker, casual drinker. Seeks very honest, warm male, 46 to 55, to share dinners, movies, concerts and good times. Serious minded men only. BOX 31937.

SEEKING COMMITMENT
35 yr divorced white female, mother of one, 5'3", blonde hair, blue eyes, about size 16. Been told I am pretty and have a good personality. Smoker, non-drinker, no drugs. Enjoy movies, camping. Seeking a marriage minded man that doesn't drink or do drugs. Down River area. BOX 31940

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JUST THE FACTS
44 yr. old, 5'11", fit, trim, single white male who is financially secure with many interests. Looking for a single female for friendship and more. BOX 12228

SOUNDS INTERESTING
Attractive, single male in my mid 40's, 5'9", 150 lb, with dark eyes and hair. I enjoy boating, fishing, bicycling, and having fun. Looking for a single female who enjoys the outdoors and good conversations. BOX 12706

LET'S HAVE FUN
21 yr old, 6', 170 lb, single male interested in meeting a female with a good sense of humor, who likes animals, and enjoys having a good time. Could this possibly be you? We will never know if you do not pick up the phone and call. BOX 12784

HOW ABOUT IT? CALL!
51 yr old, professional, divorced white male who smokes, enjoys the outdoors. Looking for a female, 35 to 50, for a long term relationship. BOX 12792

ARE YOU THE ONE?
5'6", 170 lb, single male with brown hair and eyes. Looking for a single female, 30 to 40, who enjoys camping, fishing, and being together with one who would appreciate her company. BOX 12846

MUST LIKE ANIMALS
28 yr old, 5'8", clean cut, attractive, single white male, enjoys music, dining out, gardening, working out and sleeping in. Looking for a single white female, for a long term relationship. BOX 12855

I'LL CALL YOU BACK
190 lb, single male with brown hair and blue eyes. I like camping, picnics, church and barbecues. Looking for a single female with similar interests. BOX 12862

GIVE ME A CHANCE
26 yr old, single, white male, looking for a white female, 18 to 26, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 12880

LET'S SEE WHAT COMES
23 yr old, 5'8", 160 lb, single white male who enjoys sports, clubbing, and having fun. Looking for a single female, 20 to 25, 5'2" to 5'5", for friendship and possibly more if it is agreeable to the both of us. BOX 12899

SEEKING BEST FRIEND
41 yr old, 5'8", 175 lb, single white male with blonde hair and blue eyes. I like the outdoors, animals, working out and being romantic. Looking for a single female, for friendship and more. BOX 12910

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Single white male, 22, 6'5", 195 lbs, looking for a single, attractive female, for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 12914

TILL DEATH DO US...
...Part. 28 yr old single white male, 5'8", 200 lbs, wears glasses, non-smoker, social drinker, likes camping, four-wheeling, country music. Seeking an attractive single female, 26 to 30, non-smoker, for friendship, companionship and eventually get married and have a family BOX 12959

LET'S GET TOGETHER
Single white male, 6'1", 170 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys sports activities, clubs, music, movies and more. Looking for a single, warm, caring, loving female with similar interests. BOX 13027

WITH OPEN ARMS
Single white male, 39, 6'3", 210 lbs, brown hair and eyes, looking for a single female, 5' to 5'4", who likes to have fun, sports, travel and more. If interested, give me a call. BOX 13028

SOMEONE SPECIAL
27 yr old, single white male, 5'11, 230 lbs, seeking a single white female, 21 to 29, who likes hockey, football, the outdoors, clubbing, biking, movies and just relaxing, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 13109

BEST TIME TO CALL
Sensitive, caring, divorced white male, 38, 5'10", brown hair and eyes, family oriented, smoker, social drinker. Enjoys all sports, movies and dancing. Seeking a single or divorced white female, 28 to 40, for friendship and possibly more. No head games. Children are okay. BOX 15379

VERY NICE GUY!!!
54 yr old, white male, good conversationalist, non-smoker, moderate drinker, I enjoy movies, varied music, baseball, photography, travel, walks, good laugh and dancing. Looking for a lady, 46 to 63, who likes to communicate, is fun to be with and enjoys being spoiled. BOX 16160

GET TO KNOW ME
37 yr old, 5'5", 160 lb, divorced white father who enjoys traveling, camping, hiking, and weekend get a ways. Looking for a down to earth single female to spend time getting to really know each other. BOX 16268

CONSTRUCTION WORKER
27 yr old, 6', 235 lb, divorced father with brown hair and hazel eyes. I like working out, the outdoors, sports, and spending time at home. Looking for a single female, 25 to 35, with similar interests. BOX 16278

A NEW ROMANCE
40 yr old, 5'6", 160 lb, smoker, single male with brown hair and blue eyes. Looking for a female, slim to medium built, 30 to 55, with a wide variety of interests. BOX 16301

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Single white male, in 40's, 6', blue eyes, educated, non-smoker, home owner, enjoys playing racquet ball, dancing and just having fun. Looking for a single female with similar interests. BOX 16465

DESIRES OF THE HEART
Single white male, 34, 5'7", 153 lbs, brown hair and eyes, non-smoker or drinker, well educated, enjoys golf, bike riding, weight lifting and more. Looking for a single or divorced female, with no children, 29 to 35, 5' to 5'9", non-smoker or drinker, family oriented with similar interests. BOX 16471

EVERYTHING IS SAID
25 yr old, single male, thoughtful and outgoing. Seeking a single female, 18 to 25, height and weight proportionate, with similar interests, for a possible relationship. BOX 16491

WANT TO MEET ME?
39 yr old, divorced white male, brown hair, blue eyes, 5'11", 185 lbs, who enjoys baseball, is looking for a single female, with similar interests, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 16498

BEACHES,PARKS & MORE
40 yr old, white male, 6', 200 lbs, good shape, no gut, social drinker, smoker, honest, up front and open. Looking for a single white female, who's height and weight proportionate, 35 to 45, enjoys various interests, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 16516

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LET'S MEET
Single, easy going, down to earth male, 24, 6', blonde with blue eyes, athletic built, enjoys the outdoors, playing pool, good conversation with a good sense of humor. Looking for a single, white female, 20 to 28, for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 16543

DOWN RIVER DAD
Communication, no games, divorced white male, 40 yrs old, 5'11", 165 lbs, non-smoker, single dad. Seeking single or divorced white female for friendship and possible relationship, 32 to 45. I enjoy movies, dining out and travel. BOX 33648

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SOMEONE SPECIAL
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SEEKS COMMITMENT
Single black male, 21, 5'11", 165 lbs, hard worker, smart, honest, gentleman, who enjoys basketball, football, reading, writing and music. Seeking a single female, 19 to 35, non-smoker, for long term relationship. BOX 36089

PLEASE BE MINE
36 yr old male, 5'8", 155 lbs, brown hair and hazel eyes, enjoys golfing, cooking, traveling, camping and music. Seeking that special lady that shares similar interests. BOX 16497

BLACK OR HISPANIC
40 yr old, looks 30, divorced white male, 5'9", 175 lbs, brown hair and eyes, attractive, intelligent, physically fit, home owner, with a good job. Seeking a single or divorced, black or Hispanic female, 25 to 35, attractive, intelligent, physically fit with a big heart and great smile. BOX 33653

SHY BUT WELL ESTABLISHED
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BEAM ME UP SCOTTY
33 yr old, single, white professional male, 5'9", 180 lbs, blonde hair, blue eyes, social drinker, no dependents and down to earth. Likes country music, dining out, boating, the Red Wings and clubs. Seeking an attractive, petite, white female, 25 to 38, with similar interests. BOX 31925

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Divorced white male, 5'11", financially secure, professional, 61, who likes exercise, fine dining, theater and travel. Seeks intelligent attractive single or divorced white female, 40 to 58, who is good company in all kinds of situations. BOX 36093

DOWN RIVER MAN
Good looking, muscular, single, white, professional male, 27, 5'9", 225 lbs, brown hair and eyes. Enjoys dining out, social gatherings, outdoor activities, summer games, boating, movies and working out. Seeking an attractive, financially secure, white female, 25 to 35, with a sense of humor. All responses answered. BOX 32034

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ALL NEW ADS!

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A TENDER 50
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LET'S MEET
Affectionate, retired, single male, 50, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes, likes dining out, movies, walks in the park, watching tv and evenings. Seeking a nice lady, to have some fun with, BOX 36081

21 ST CENTURY MAN
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MR MOM STILL SEEKING
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IS THERE A FUTURE?
Single white male, 31, 6', 215 lbs, brown hair and eyes, financially secured, attractive, likes country music, animals, sporting events, walking and more. Looking for a single female, with similar interests, for friendship and more. BOX 16418

SUPER DAD SUPER GUY
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ONE OF A KIND
43 yr old, single white male, 6'2", 185 lb, homeowner, likes dining out, movies, bowling, biking, summer times, swimming and more. Seeking a single white female, 30 to 50 for friendship and possible relationship. BOX 16444

BIKER TYPE
30 yr old, 5'10", 150 lbs, single male, non-smoker, romantic, kind, long hair and tattoo's. Enjoys motorcycles, concerts, dining out, movies, camping, amusement parks, travel, anything outdoors. Seeking single female, 20 to 35, full figured, voluptuous with similar interests for friendship possible long term. BOX 35909

HUGGING AND CUDDLING
Single white widower, 43, enjoys hugging, cuddling, kissing and lots of affection. Seeking a single female with similar interests, age, race and size unimportant. BOX 33654

GET SERIOUS
Single black male, 39, 6'2", 235 lb, attractive, intelligent, humorous and honest. Seeks white female, over 5'4", over 150 lb, voluptuous, emotionally strong and uninhibited. BOX 36057

I NEED YOU
Divorced male, 40, with good job and big heart, tired of being all alone, looking for a cheerful, honest woman, 30 to 45, serious and looking for a permanent relationship. BOX 36067

POTENTIAL FUTURE
Single white male, 39, never married, no children, passionate, romantic, employed and a student. Enjoys a wide variety of interests. Seeking a non-smoking, single female, 21 to 45, who loves holding hands, hugs, kisses and cuddling, for friendship and possibly marriage. BOX 31934

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Single male, 5'6", 170 lbs, black hair, brown eyes, easygoing, humorous, enjoys dancing and the movies. Looking for a special lady, with similar interests, for a possible relationship. BOX 13096

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Very young looking 45 yr old single black male, brown complexion, 5'7" 170 lbs, medium build, easy to get along with, clean, healthy, employed, with transportation, never married. Likes bike riding, cooking, gardening, movies, movies, drives, cuddling and more. Seeking a single or divorced female. BOX 16397

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Single white male, 5'10", 180 lbs, brown hair and eyes, enjoys the outdoors, theater, NASCAR, roller blading, dining, quiet times, traveling and more. Looking for a single, honest, caring, down to earth female with similar interests. BOX 16432

SEEKS A DIAMOND...
Single white male, 33, 5'6", 140 lbs, brown hair and eyes, never married, down to earth, cute, sincere, loyal, faithful, honest and caring. Seeking a single female, with similar interests, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 16597

ARE U LOOKING 4 ME?
Single male, 6'4", 200 Lbs, slim, athletic built, financially secure, homeowner, stable, emotionally and spiritually, non-smoker or drinker, looking for a single or divorced, white female, 30 to 41, non-smoker or drinker, attractive, for a possible long term relationship. You Won't be Disappointed! BOX 36202

JUST THE TWO OF US
Single black male, 5'11", 180 lbs, looking for an attractive single female weight and height proportioned, 120 lbs to 165 lbs, 5'5" to 5'11", who enjoys having fun and traveling for a possible relationship. BOX 13185

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Honest, gentle, attractive widowed male, 65, 5'6", 175 lbs, auburn hair, blue eyes, good physical condition, active, financially secure, enjoys camping, long walks and good conversation. Seeking honest, slim or semi slim, attractive, single white female, 50 to 60, light hearted, for companionship first and possible relationship. BOX 31689

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Clarkston netters swat OAA field

Clarkston's boys tennis team entered Thursday OAA Division II championships with a perfect 5-0 record. The Wolves responded by sending representatives into seven championship flights and won with 42 points.

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After years of near-misses, Clarkston's boys tennis team was finally able to finish up on top.

The Wolves captured their first Oakland Activities Association Division II title since the OAA began in the 1994-95 school year, topping the six-team field Thursday with 42 points on their own courts.

Birmingham Groves finished second at the tournament with 36 points, while Berkley (29), Auburn Hills Avondale (26), Waterford Kettering (23) and Royal Oak Kimball (12) followed suit.

The tournament win, coupled with a perfect 5-0 dual match record, give the Wolves the championship outright.

Clarkston sent representatives into the championship match in seven of the eight flights, and walked off the court with six league champions.

In the singles flights, Clarkston freshman Andrew Brown topped Avondale senior Eric Vogel 6-1, 6-2 at No. 1. Senior teammate Patrick Heber — Clarkston's career wins record holder — posted a 6-2, 6-2 triumph over Avondale's Jeremy Powell at No. 3, and Scott Barnett edged out Kettering's Cory Mullins 6-2, 6-2 at No. 3 singles.

Clarkston's No. 2 doubles tandem of Dustin Kring and Eric Herzog defeated Groves' Shodai Ota and Hisa Yoshino 6-2, 6-3. At No. 3 doubles, the Wolves duo of Matt Poley and Jacob Roderick downed Groves' Blake Nickels and Jarrod Robertson in three sets, 2-6, 7-5, 7-5; and Clarkston's No. 4 doubles unit of Jon Szilvagyo and Mike Claus emerged as champions with a 6-2, 6-4 triumph over Berkley's Drew Kovich and Josh Garber.

The only Clarkston representatives to lose in the finals came at No. 1 doubles, where the Groves duo of Steve Hayden and Brian O'Reilly held off Brent Griffith and Paul O'Conner 6-2, 6-4.

Zach Rosen of Groves was the other league titlist, as he toppled Avondale's Steve Szasze in three sets, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

Silence of the Wolves

Kettering kickers hand Clarkston 3-0 setback

STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTRELL

Knocking shins: *Clarkston's Lauren Welbourn (21) and Kettering's Megan Bilder (left photo) fight for the ball. Meanwhile (above) Clarkston's Jenn Carlson tries to maneuver around Kettering's Amanda Batcha.*

A power outage stopped the Clarkston-Waterford Kettering girls soccer match Thursday early in the second half, but that didn't prevent Kettering from seeing the lights of victory.

The Captains beat Clarkston junior goalkeeper Sarah Morgan three times en route to a 3-0 Oakland Activities Association Division II triumph at the Clarkston Soccer Stadium.

Megan Bilder got a foot on two of Kettering's goal, while Heather Johnson notch the other tally for the Cap-

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Clarkston diamond gems shine bright over Kimball

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The Oakland Activities Association Division I in softball is as tough as any league in Michigan, with five teams of state-ranked caliber.

So when an OAA Division I member gets a slight break from that strenuous league schedule, it would do well to take full advantage of it. Ditto for C clarkston on Wednesday.

The Wolves (17-8, 9-4) played solid softball in dispatching Royal Oak Kimball 11-0 and 8-6 in a league doubleheader at Clarkston. The Knights, who are in a rebuilding year, are in last place in the league, while the Wolves remain a top contender for first.

The opener was a workmanlike effort, where the Wolves simply shut the Knights down and got timely hitting from everyone in getting the mercy-shortened win. The nightcap was tougher, as the Wolves had to battle back from deficits of 3-1 and 5-3 before notching the victory.

"We all get along really well, and it's just fun to be together," said junior first baseman Mary Warchuck. "We are just starting to get that we are one of the best teams around, and I think the win we got over (Waterford)

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Wolves nine slumping in OAA

Clarkston falls to Troy, West Bloomfield and from OAA Division I leaders perch

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Almost two weeks ago, the Clarkston baseball team was riding high, sporting an undefeated league record and a win over a tough Lake Orion team on the road.

But since then, the good feeling of the Wolves' 12-3 start has faded, as has it's penthouse spot in the Oakland Activities Association Division I standings.

The Wolves lost their third straight league contest on a cold and stormy Thursday afternoon at Troy 10-5. The loss drops Clarkston to 12-6 overall and 5-3 in the tough OAA Division I.

The Wolves' latest lost mirrored its previous two, coming against West Bloomfield and Rochester Adams. Errors at the worst time, and leaving runners on base were sources of frustration for second-year Clarkston coach Phil Price.

"The last three games have been ugly," Price said. "Compared to what we were playing like earlier, just unbelievable."

Against the Colts — the preseason No. 1 team in the state — the Wolves took a 2-0 lead after three innings when rain and lightning forced the game to be delayed for nearly an hour. After play resumed, Troy scored five straight runs against Clarkston senior pitcher Chris Mitchell to take a 5-2 lead. A three-run double by senior Bret Gove made the score 5-5, but defensive mistakes prevented the Wolves from taking the lead.

"We just weren't coming up with the big play," Price lamented. "They laid down some bunts that turned into base hits, and we couldn't execute ours. They are good kids, and I know they care. It's just frustrating right now. I wish I knew what the answer was."

Senior catcher Derek Casper belted a solo homer to help get Clarkston off to a good start in the game.

■ **West Bloomfield 11 Clarkston 8** — West Bloomfield's baseball team's slingshot found its mark again Wednesday night.

The Lakers once again toppled an OAA I powerhouse, defeating Clarkston 11-8 for just their second league win of the season. A few weeks ago, West Bloomfield defeated then-nationally ranked Troy in a 2-0 thriller.

Playing the part of David to Clarkston's Goliath, the Lakers (11-8, 2-5) took advantage of mistakes and executed well in clutch situations to get the road victory.

"This was a great win. We needed it," said Lakers coach Pat Watson. "We did the little things that made the difference today. We knew their third baseman was playing back, and we laid our bunts down well and put them into some tough situations."

The back-and-forth affair saw several lead changes, and the final score was very much in doubt until the final out. The Wolves had runners on second and third with two outs and the heart of the lineup coming to bat. But a flyball to center ended Clarkston's final threat.

The Wolves held the edge for the early part of the game, taking leads of 1-0, 2-1 and 5-2. Gove slammed a three-run double in the third to put Clarkston up by three. Senior Francis Hodges added an RBI-single in the first.

But the sixth inning proved to be disastrous for Clarkston, as West Bloomfield pounced on Clarkston for six runs in the stanza. At one point, six straight Lakers reached base, led by run-scoring singles by Mitch Brooks and Brad Robbins. Aaron Cohen added an RBI-single, and another run came in courtesy of a

Please See **BASEBALL**, C2

STAFF PHOTO BY JOHN STORMZAND

In distress: *Clarkston third baseman Jason Rupe looks in panic as a Troy baserunner rounds the corner and head for home in the Wolves' loss.*

Pitch and catch

BRAD MONASTIERE

It's been an interesting week in North Oakland Territory

It's certainly been an interesting week, since last we met. There have been injuries, long balls, big plays, bad weather and more Band-Aid fun. Read on for more.

■ **On a roll:** Save Wednesday's hiccup at Ortonville-Brandon, few teams had a better week than Lake Orion's softball team. The Dragons marched into last weekend's North Star Softball Classic in Sterling Heights and made believers out of a lot of people. Lake Orion coach **Dennis Davis** and his crew played with poise, confidence and savvy that marks a quality team. Junior **Melissa Wilson** is emerging into a major offensive force from the leadoff spot. She is a different kind of player hitting leadoff. Typically, teams will have their smallest and fastest players hitting leadoff (like Clarkston's **Melanie Arnold**). While Wilson certainly isn't slow, she is one of the team's best pure hitters, just as likely to beat out an infield single as she is to slamming a double off the wall. Junior catcher **Kathy Robinson** has also picked it up with the bat, getting on base with a line drive to center almost every time she comes up to bat. Ever since the second game of the Clarkston doubleheader, Robinson has been one of the team's hottest hitters.

Wilson had to miss the team's losses at Brandon because of an injured neck, but felt good enough to play in the team's win over Rochester. Wilson sustained the injury when Kettering's **Haley Slade** slammed into her on a play at second base during the tournament semifinals. The play was eerily reminiscent of the controversial play at home plate in last year's regionals between Kettering and Orion, when **Bobbi Connor** was on the bad end of a collision with a Kettering baserunner. Geez, don't they teach people how to slide in Waterford?

■ **Rank and File:** Thursday, I got a glance at the latest top 10 rankings in baseball and softball. Understanding that rankings in mid-May mean absolutely nothing, there were some really interesting teams in, and not in, the top 10 in Division I in each sport.

OAA I teams Troy (baseball) and Kettering (softball) maintained their number-one slots despite suffering losses. The Colts have dropped four league games, and were decisively swept by Lake Orion last week, 14-2, and 5-4. Yet, someone out there just decided to ignore that sweep and the team's near-mercy loss at Clarkston (12-3) and kept the team number one.

On the softball side, our heroes in Lake Orion and Clarkston have wins over the Captains. The Dragons looked outstanding in whipping the Captains 7-3. The Wolves got a great pitching performance from Candace Morgan in beating Kettering 3-1 last Monday.

I am not disputing how good of a team Kettering is. When the Captains are on their game, they are every bit the state champion they were in 1998, and winning last weekend's tournament lends much credence to the team's top ranking. But having teams like Grand Haven and Midland, who don't face anywhere near the competition we have here, ranked in the top 10 and Clarkston and Lake Orion nowhere to be found is sad.

Of course, those of us in Clarkston can easily remember how much rankings mean.

■ **Tennis, anyone?:** Congrats go out to the Clarkston and Lake Orion boys tennis teams for capturing the OAA Division II and III titles, respectively at Thursday's league meets. For both programs, winning the titles represents a new level in the programs' evolution from whipping boy to champions.

Both teams had that Little Engine That Could air about them a few years ago. Teams that would be competitive with teams from Rochester, Birmingham, and others, but were

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NORTH OAKLAND SPORTS BRIEFS

Track leaders

Birmingham Seaholm boys track coach Bill Johansson will be compiling the area's boys track leaders for the 29 Eccentric-area boys teams through the state finals weekend, while Seaholm girls coach Jeff Devantier will compile the leaders board for the area's 28 girls teams.

Boys coaches may send in their best efforts to Johansson Fridays-Mondays via fax at (248) 203-4392, while girls coaches are urged to send their updates to Devantier via e-mail at jd36bps@mickey.moa.net or fax to (248) 203-3713.

Track teams in the Eccentric-coverage region include Auburn Hills Avondale, Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, Birmingham Brother Rice, Birmingham-Detroit Country Day, Birmingham Groves, Birmingham Seaholm, Bloomfield Hills Andover, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Bloomfield Hills Roeper, Clarkston, Lake Orion, Orchard Lake St.Mary's, Oxford, Rochester, Rochester Adams, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, Southfield, Southfield Christian, Southfield-Lathrup, Troy, Troy Athens, Walled Lake Central, Walled Lake Western, Waterford Kettering, Waterford Mott, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes and West Bloomfield.

Soccer leaders

Dave Muczynski, the varsity girls soccer coach at Auburn Hills Avondale High School, will be compiling the area leaders chart this spring for girls soccer teams within the Eccentric coverage area.

Varsity coaches and team statisticians can e-mail their weekly numbers to Muczynski at dmuczynski@yahoo.com from Friday-through Sunday each week. The listing will include goals, assists, points and hat-tricks for field players, and games played (to the nearest .25), goals allowed, goals-against-average, shutouts, shots faced, saves and save percentage for goalkeepers. The listing will run on either Thursdays or Sundays, depending on space.

The high schools included in the Eccentric coverage area are Auburn Hills Avondale, Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, Birmingham-Detroit Country Day, Birmingham Groves, Birmingham Marian, Birmingham Seaholm, Bloomfield hills Andover, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Bloomfield Hills Roeper, Clarkston, Clarkston Springfield Christian, Lake Orion, Lake Orion Shalom Baptist, Oxford, Oxford Christian, Rochester, Rochester Adams, Rochester Hills Christian, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, Southfield Unified, Southfield Christian, Troy, Troy Athens, Troy Bethany Christian, Walled Lake Central, Walled Lake Western, Waterford Kettering, Waterford Mott and West Bloomfield.

If there are any questions, please call Eccentric sportswriter Daniel Stickradt at (248) 693-4900.

Summer hockey tryouts

The Clarkston area hockey club will host its annual summer conditioning clinic on due dates during the month of May.

The clinics will be held on May 21 at 6:45 p.m. and again on May starting at 7 p.m., both at the new ONYX arena in Rochester.

All players who will be entering grades 8-12 in the Clarkston School District are welcome.

Form further details, contact Jack Leech at (248) 394-0513.

Wildcats seeking

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Soccer *from page C1*

tains (5-6-0, 2-5). Andrea Schmidt stopped 10 Clarkston shots for her second shutout.

Clarkston, which dropped its second straight, is 5-5-4 overall and 4-3-4 in the league.

Softball *from page C1*

Kettering helped that a lot."

Against Kimball, Clarkston was pushed hard in the second game, but team speed and timely hitting proved to be the difference.

Down 5-3 entering the top of the fifth, senior leadoff hitter Melanie Arnold got the Wolves started, with her patented bunt single.

Junior Lisa Ferguson followed with a bunt single of her own, which set the table for Lindsay Simko, whose single and a wild pitch tied the game 5-5. Warchuck then came through with an RBI-single to give Clarkston a 6-5 lead. Two batters later, Tracey Honey delivered a single to put Clarkston up 7-5.

Ferguson then came in and shut the door on the Knights. Kimball threatened to tie the game in the top of the seventh with a run in and two batters on with nobody out. But Ferguson came in and struck out the final three batters of the game to clinch the win.

"Lisa has got all her control and her fastball keeps batters off balance," said Clarkston coach Al Land. "With her and Candace in the game, they have a contrast to their pitching styles, which helps."

In the first game, Clarkston needed just five innings to mercy the Knights. A double steal and a Warchuck single gave the Wolves a 2-0 first-inning lead. Thanks to good baserunning and bunting, Clarkston upped its lead to 6-0 in the second. Senior Jennie Winn and freshman Missy Parsons added run-scoring hits to finish off the scoring in the first game.

Warchuck went 2-for-3 with four RBI in the first game. Arnold had three hits and three runs scored, and Ferguson got on base twice and scored twice. She also pitched five shutout innings and struck out three.

"Our hitting has to stay strong for us to keep winning," Warchuck said. "We are very solid on defense, and our hitting has been consistent one through nine in the order."

Clarkston hosts Ortonville-Brandon in a key league game Wednesday.

Baseball *from page C1*

balk, giving West Bloomfield a 9-5 lead.

Clarkston rallied in the bottom of the sixth with run-scoring doubles by Chris Mitchell and Hodges. Casper's sacrifice fly made the score 9-8 heading into the seventh.

West Bloomfield added some insurance, scoring twice on Clarkston fielding errors to close out the scoring. West Bloomfield's Erik Morris was the winning pitcher and had a huge day at the plate, connecting four times, including a triple and two doubles.

"We forced the issue," Watson said. "We got guys over and just concentrated on that. Just play for the run. We were aggressive and took what we could get."

Monastiere *from page C1*

not quite good enough to get over the top. Now, these teams have emerged with deep programs that only figure to get better in the future.

A high five to Clarkston senior **Pat Heber** for an outstanding year. He broke the school's all-time wins record earlier this season, and moved from No. 1 to No. 2 singles without complaint. All he did was play, and play well. I have known Pat since he was a freshman dominating at No. 4 singles, and the record he now holds was certainly well deserved.

■ **You've Got Mail:** Before I say anything about this, first I want to say that I appreciate everyone who takes the time to e-mail me. All your comments are greatly appreciated, and any feedback I can get - positive or negative — is welcomed with open arms.

But I do have one request. Please sign your name to the e-mails you send. I have found in newspapers, people seem to come out with some very strong opinions, so as long as they don't have to sign their names to them. As part of a newspaper, we writers make ourselves accountable to everything we write with our byline at the top of the story. It's a responsibility we accept as part of our jobs. Input from the public is always more than welcome, but we take more heed to opinions from people who attach their names to them. So please, keep sending those e-mails to us, and do us the favor of signing them. No one will ever get into trouble for simply signing their name to an e-mail. Thanks for your time.

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LONG JUMP

1. Lorenzo Parker (WL Western)	28-10
2. Tony Smith (Lathrup)	21-5
3. Noumi Manu (S'field Christian)	21-1 1/2
4. Alex Hutton (WL Central)	21-0
5. Justin Burt (W'ford Kettering)	20-1 1/2
6. Jeff Allen (Brother Rice)	20-10 3/4
7. Ralph Sylvester (Brother Rice)	20-4 1/2
8. Todd Marshall (Groves)	20-3
9. Derek Johnson (West Bloomfield)	19-9
10. Nick Patocki (Oxford)	19-8

SHOT PUT

1. Andy Thom (W'ford Mott)	55-2
2. Mike Preston (Avondale)	55-0 1/2
3. Eric Ghiaciuc (Oxford)	51-2 1/2
4. Todd Goodrich (Rochester)	50-3 3/4
5. Ryan Clement (Clarkston)	47-9
6. Erik Bauer (Clarkston)	46-8
7. Tracy Kolo (West Bloomfield)	46-3
8. Scott Thomas (Troy)	45-1
9. Steve Fultz (Athens)	45-0
10. John Metzger (Adams)	44-11
10. Geoff Wehner (Seaholm)	44-11

110 HIGH HURDLES

1. David McDermott (St. Mary's)	14.3
2. Charles Downey (West Bloomfield)	14.9
3. Terry Shih (Troy)	15.0
3. Nick Steuk (Lake Orion)	15.0
5. James Johnson (Lake Orion)	15.1
5. Eric Thielmann (Rochester)	15.1
7. Nick Myler (Brother Rice)	15.2
8. Adam Kilkenney (Adams)	15.3
9. [illegible]	[illegible]
10. Bryan [illegible] (Troy)	15.5

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5. Roland Burks (Southfield)	22.8
6. Todd Marshall (Groves)	23.0
6. Joe Martinez (Brother Rice)	23.0
8. Tim King (WL Western)	23.1
9. Earl Carruthers (W'ford Mott)	23.2
9. Adam Gebus (Clarkston)	23.2
9. Ricky Strong (Adams)	23.2

400-METER DASH

1. Jay Rine (Adams)	49.8
2. Tony Smith (Lathrup)	50.4
3. Alex Hutton (WL Central)	50.6
4. Earl Carruthers (W'ford Mott)	50.8
5. Kevin Breen (Clarkston)	50.9
6. Ryan Carruthers (W'ford Mott)	51.0
7. Adam Wagner (Troy)	51.2
8. Todd Marshall (Groves)	51.3
8. Joe Martinez (Brother Rice)	51.3
10. Jeremy Auer (WL Central)	51.8
10. Tony Phillips (Lathrup)	51.8

800-METER RUN

1. Brett Quantz (Clarkston)	1:59.2
2. David Renne (W'ford Mott)	2:00.9
3. Mike Gillette (Troy)	2:01.0
3. Andy Gillette (Troy)	2:01.1
5. Troy Brinkman (Troy)	2:02.3
6. Mike Burton (Seaholm)	2:03.0
7. Jeremy Auer (WL Central)	2:03.5
8. Mike Duke (Rochester)	2:03.9
9. Keteylan (Lake Orion)	2:05.1
10. Chris Currie (WL Central)	2:05.3

1,600-METER RUN

1. David Sage (Clarkston)	4:19.1
2. [illegible]	[illegible]
3. Troy Brinkman (Troy)	4:35.0

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5. Charlie Vincent (Brother Rice)	10:05.4
6. Andrew Boser (Lahser)	10:09.0
7. Adam Frezza (Lake Orion)	10:10.3
8. Scott Colling (Seaholm)	10:14.1
9. David DeStefano (Adams)	10:21.9
10. Steven Aubrey (WL Western)	10:25.0

4X100 RELAY

1. Walled Lake Western	49.2
2. Orchard Lake St. Mary's	44.3
3. Waterford Mott	44.4
4. Rochester Adams	44.5
4. West Bloomfield	44.6
6. Birmingham Brother Rice	44.8
7. Rochester	45.1
8. Lake Orion	45.6
9. Birmingham Groves	45.7
9. Southfield-Lathrup	45.7

4X200-METER RELAY

1. Rochester Adams	1:32.5
2. Birmingham Brother Rice	1:33.2
3. Southfield-Lathrup	1:33.8
4. Bloomfield Hills Andover	1:33.8
5. West Bloomfield	1:34.5
6. Troy	1:34.8
7. Walled Lake Western	1:34.8
8. Orchard Lake St. Mary's	1:35.2
9. Auburn Hills Avondale	1:35.4
10. Walled Lake Central	1:35.5

4X400-METER RELAY

1. Clarkston	3:26.0
2. Southfield-Lathrup	3:29.0
3. Waterford Mott	3:31.0
4. Orchard Lake St. Mary's	3:32.0
5. Bloomfield Hills Andover	3:32.1
6. Walled Lake Central	3:32.5
7. Birmingham Brother Rice	3:33.6
8. Birmingham Seaholm	3:33.9
9. Troy	3:35.9
10. Rochester Adams	3:37.6

4X800-METER RELAY

1. Clarkston	8:05.3
2. Walled Lake Central	8:18.6
3. Troy	8:19.3
4. Lake Orion	8:20.4
5. Rochester	8:23.8
6. Birmingham Seaholm	8:24.7
7. Rochester Adams	8:28.0
8. Bloomfield Hills Lahser	8:29.2
9. Bloomfield Hills Andover	8:33.6
10. Birmingham Groves	8:34.2

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1. [illegible]	37-2 3/4
2. [illegible]	[illegible]
3. [illegible]	[illegible]
4. [illegible] (W. Bloomfield)	34-10
5. Brittany Fuller (Troy)	[illegible]
6. [illegible]	[illegible]
7. Rachel Moulnik (Athens)	[illegible]
8. Sylvia Nazoyan (Andover)	32-6
9. Rachel Jarnagin (Marian)	30-7 1/2
10. Cassie Yosick (Lahser)	29-6

DISCUS THROW

1. Amy Bicknell (Rochester)	118-0
2. Candace Johnson (W. Bloomfield)	111-11
3. Brittany Fuller (Troy)	108-3
4. Sara Johnson (Lahser)	108-1
5. Rachel Moulnik (Athens)	97-8
6. Lonnie Grace (Groves)	97-3
7. Erin Wicker (Seaholm)	96-3
8. Alexis Haftka (Adams)	95-7
9. Stephens (Waterford Kettering)	95-4
10. Christil Lange (West Bloomfield)	92-11

LONG JUMP

1. Taylor Washington (Southfield)	16-8
2. Leah Hill (Lahser)	16-2
3. Samantha Esslan (Troy)	16-1 1/2
4. Lauren McDonnell (Marian)	16-0
5. Olivia Mansour (Andover)	15-6 3/4
6. Pam Treppa (Adams)	15-5 1/2
7. Amy Tomczak (Kettering)	15-2
8. Gleeson (Lake Orion)	15-1 1/4
9. Kristy Walford (Clarkston)	14-11
10. Danielle Garrett (Groves)	14-10

HIGH JUMP

1. Amy Kiefer (WL Western)	5-4
2. Krystin Williamson (WL Western)	5-2
2. Laura Casal (Andover)	5-2
2. Lindsay Bond (Southfield)	5-2
2. Wray (Oxford)	5-2
6. Melissa Kuess (Adams)	5-0
6. Ashley Patten (Lake Orion)	5-0
6. Jill Nadlonelo (Adams)	5-0
9. Porsha Ellis (Southfield Christian)	4-11
10. Lauren McDonnell (Marian)	4-10
10. Lindsay Brandt (Clarkston)	4-10
10. Allison Bzdok (Marian)	4-10

100 HIGH HURDLES

1. Lisa Bond (Southfield)	14.9
2. Samantha Esslan (Troy)	15.9
2. Ashley Patten (Lake Orion)	15.9
4. Amy Keifer (WL Western)	16.2
5. Melissa Kuess (Adams)	16.3
6. Keri Gross (Seaholm)	16.7
7. Brittani Brewer (Clarkston)	16.8
8. Nikki Baxter (Waterford Mott)	17.0
9. Ya-Ting Liang (Groves)	17.5

3. Raquel Foxenal (Adams)	27.5
[illegible]	
4. Nina [illegible] (Troy Athens)	28.4
4. Lauren McDonnell (Marian)	28.4
6. [illegible]	[illegible]
6. [illegible]	[illegible]
7. [illegible]	[illegible]
8. [illegible]	[illegible]
9. [illegible]	[illegible]
10. Melissa [illegible] (WL Central)	[illegible]

100-METER DASH

1. Leah Hill (Lahser)	12.6
2. Pam Treppa (Adams)	12.6
2. Crystal Kuzma (WL Western)	12.6
4. Ebony Williams (Lathrup)	12.9
4. Thomas (Lake Orion)	12.9
6. Elliot (WL Central)	13.0
7. Nikki Baxter (Waterford Mott)	13.1
7. Angela Shannon (Southfield Christian)	13.1
9. Danielle Garrett (Groves)	13.3
10. Candace Bowman (WL Western)	13.4

200-METER DASH

1. Wray (Oxford)	26.0
2. Crystal Kuzma (WL Western)	26.6
3. K. Hudson (Lahser)	27.1
4. Merritt (WL Central)	27.4
4. Thomas (Lake Orion)	27.4
6. Lindsay Groeker (Adams)	27.6
6. Danielle Garrett (Groves)	27.6
8. Lakisha Hairston (Lathrup)	27.8
8. Amed Okoli (West Bloomfield)	27.8
10. D. LePlette (West Bloomfield)	27.8

400-METER DASH

1. Ashley Patten (Lake Orion)	59.1
2. Inman (Oxford)	1:01.7
3. Erin Taylor (Adams)	1:01.9
4. Amara Okoli (West Bloomfield)	1:02.5
5. Denitera Robinson (Adams)	1:02.6
6. Lindsay Janisse (WL Western)	1:03.1
7. Rachel Uchman (Clarkston)	1:03.5
8. Katie Schmidt (W'ford Kettering)	1:03.5
9. Rebecca Bartkowski (Marian)	1:04.1
10. Lauren Raetz (Rochester)	1:04.8
10. Susan Fath (Marian)	1:04.8
10. George (Lake Orion)	1:04.8
10. Sue Owen (Lahser)	1:04.8

800-METER RUN

1. Ahsley Patten (Lake Orion)	2:18.7
2. Julie Geldhof (Troy)	2:25.0
3. Julie Hufnagel (Marian)	2:26.3
4. Leah Christian (Rochester)	2:26.8
5. Andrea Moreland (Adams)	2:29.5
6. Nicole Fischer (Clarkston)	2:31.5
7. Jillian Harkey (Southfield Christian)	2:31.9
8. Megan Coughlin (Waterford Mott)	2:34.0
8. Rebecca Walter (Groves)	2:34.0
8. Miller (Andover)	2:34.0

1,600-METER RUN

[illegible]	
3. Walled Lake Central	[illegible]
4. Lake Orion	[illegible]
5. West Bloomfield	[illegible]
6. Southfield-Lathrup	[illegible]
7. Bloomfield Hills Andover	[illegible]
8. Birmingham Seaholm	[illegible]

4X400-METER RELAY

1. Rochester Adams	[illegible]
2. Lake Orion	[illegible]
3. Rochester	[illegible]
3. West Bloomfield	[illegible]
3. Birmingham Marian	[illegible]
6. Troy Athens	[illegible]

4X800-METER RELAY

1. Rochester Adams	[illegible]
2. Birmingham Marian	[illegible]
3. Walled Lake Western	[illegible]
4. Southfield Christian	10:36.0
5. Walled Lake Central	10:40.0
6. Troy Athens	10:46.0
7. Rochester	10:49.0
8. Birmingham Groves	10:50.6
9. Bloomfield Hills Andover	10:53.0

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donations

As the Oxford girls soccer team heads into the second half of the spring season, they are seeking that final advantage — to look sharp on the field.

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Boys Tennis

OAA DIVISION II
(4-11 at Clarkston)

TEAM SCORES — 1. Clarkston, 42; 2. Birmingham Groves, 36; 3. Berkley, 29; 4. Auburn Hills Avondale, 26; 5. Waterford Kettering, 23; Royal Oak Kimball, 12.

CHAMPIONSHIPS FLIGHTS

SINGLES — 1. Andrew Brown (C) d. Eric Vogel (AHA) 6-1, 6-2; 2. Patrick Heber (C) d. Justin Powell (AHA) 6-2, 6-2; 3. Scott Barnett (C) d. Cory Mullins (WK) 6-2, 6-2; 4. Zach Rosen (BG) d. Steve Szasze (AHA) 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

DOUBLES — 1. Steve Hayden-Brian O'Reilly (BG) d. Brent Griffith-Paul O'Conner (C) 6-2, 6-4; 2. Dustin Kring-Eric Herzog (C) d. Shodai Ota-Hisa Yoshino (BG) 6-2, 6-3; 3. Matt Poley-Jacob Roderick (C) d. Blake Nickels-Jarrod Robertson (BG) 2-6, 7-5, 7-5; 4. Jon Szilvagyo-Mike Claus (C) d. Drew Kovich-Josh Garber (B) 6-2, 6-4.

DUAL MEET STANDINGS — Not available.

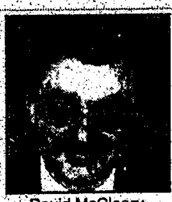
FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS — Not available.

Boys Track

CLAKSTON 86, TROY 42
(5-11 at Troy)

DISCUS — Thomas (T) 153-4; SHOT PUT — Ryan clement (C) 48-10.5; LONG JUMP — Kevin Breen (C) 19-9; HIGH JUMP — Chuang (T) 6-0; 3200 RELAY — Clarkston (Matt HAver, David Sage, KEvin Breen, Brett Quantz) 7:56.7; 110 HURDLES — Shih (T) 15.5; 100 — Sahne Bennett (C) 11.8; 800 RELAY — Clarkston (names not available) 1:36.6; 1600 — Sage (C) 4:39.5; 400 RELAY — Clarkston (names not available) 45.2; 400 Wagner (T) 51.7; 300 HURDLES — Shih (T) 41.2; 800 — Breen (C) 2:00.0; 200 — Adam Gebus (C) 23.4; 3200 — Nick Gillett (T) 10:13.0; 1600 RELAY — Clarkston (names not available) 3:35.0.

RECORDS — Clarkston 5-0, 5-0 OAA I; Troy NA.



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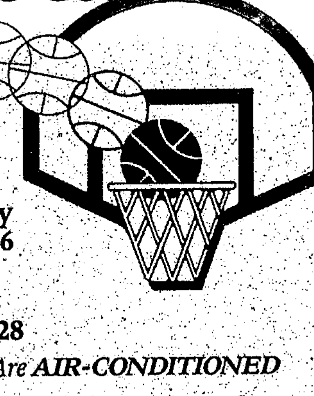

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CLARKSTON/ WATERFORD, Waterford Hill Manor sub. Thurs.-Sat., May 18-20, 9-5. Off Dixie Hwy., N. of Andersonville Rd.

FARMINGTON HILLS - Wed. thru Fri. 10am-? 37744 Bradley, N. of 9 Mile, W. of Halsted.

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ROCHESTER HILLS - 3 subs. Sat. May 20, 8:30. Rochester Rd., between Hamlin & Avon. Some sales begin Thur.& Fri.

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WATERFORD - Millpointe of Waterford Sub Sale. Hiller, S. of Cooley Lake. May 18-20, 9-4.

W. BLOOMFIELD - Annual sub sale on Midchester, N. of Greer, E. of Hiller. Thurs.-Sat., 9-5. Antiques, furniture, toys & more.

W. BLOOMFIELD, Thurs., 9a-5, Fri., 11a-4, Sat., 9a-4, 7335 Woodlore, N. Pontiac Tr, E. Haggerty, Park Ridge Sub. Household, hardware, toys, misc.

W. BLOOMFIELD: Willow Farm Sub Sale! N of Commerce, W of Hiller, at Willow & Lochaven. May 18-20, 9-4.

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LIVONIA - 35171 Lancashire, in Sheffield Estates, (S. of 7 Mile, E. of Wayne). 5 family sale. Thurs. 5/18 & Fri. 5/19, 9 - 4pm

LIVONIA - 17260 Levan, N. of 6 Mile. May 18th-21st, 10-4. Toys, Avon, workbenchs, tools, misc.

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LIVONIA - May 18-19, 9-4. 17405 Ellen. Off 6 mile. Household, clothing, jewerly, misc.

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Single lady, 122 lb, 5'5", blonde with blue eyes, social drinker, enjoys having fun. Looking for a single male, for friendship and more. BOX 13011

ROMANCE 101
Single white mother of three, 39, 5'7", blonde with green eyes, medium built, employed, enjoys long walks, camping, going to the beach and more. Looking for a single male, 33 to 43, 5'10" and above, non-smoker with similar interests, for friendship and more. BOX 13031

RIDE OF YOUR LIFE!
Single white female, 36, 5'5", 120 lbs, romantic, fun loving, down to earth, who likes riding on Harleys, long walks, boating, camping, music and good company. Seeking a single white male, tall, 36 to 45, who's caring, affectionate, with similar interests, for friendship and possible long term relationship. BOX 13058

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LOOKING FOR LOVE
Single, white female, smoker, 40's, who is sincere, honest and affectionate. Enjoys movies, rock n roll, shooting pool and quiet times at home. Looking for a single male, 30 to 40, for friendship and more. BOX 16099

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Single, mother of one, blonde hair, green eyes, student, enjoys the outdoors, and is looking for a single male, for friendship, dating and a possible companionship. BOX 16489.

FRIENDSHIP FIRST
38 yr old, single white female, 120 lb, 5'3", honest, caring and open minded, enjoys good conversations, romance, the outdoors, camping, movies and more. Looking for a single male, 30 to 45, with similar interests, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 16518

LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL 1
Single female, fun loving, caring, sense of humor, romantic, loves to cuddle on the couch with my blanket and someone special. Seeking a single white male, 33 to 38, employed, stable, loving, caring, sense of humor, romantic, and knows how to treat a lady. BOX 33116

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Single, white female, 24, likes sports, dancing and the outdoors. Seeking a single male for friendship first and more later on. BOX 16667

SHOOTING STAR
Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks minus 40 and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 55 to 60, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

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Single white female, 40, 5'6", weight proportionate, pretty romantic at heart. Enjoys arts, flea markets and horseback riding. Looking for an attractive professional male with a good sense of humor and enjoys children. BOX 36077

TRUE LOVE WAITS
21 yr old, single mother of one, attractive, easy going, seeking single white male, 21 to 30, who enjoys dining out, movies, football, and other sports, for friendship, possible relationship. BOX 16469

MAKE ME SMILE
Divorced white Christian mother of two, 37, 5'4", 145 lb, self employed. Enjoys theater, walks, museums and keeping up with my children. Seeking intelligent, emotionally fit, non-smoking, non-drinking male with a healthy attitude and a sense of humor. Must value honesty and be goal oriented. BOX 31976

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HARD TO FIND
60 yr old, white widowed female, 5'3", brown hair and eyes, non-smoker, non-drinker, enjoys music, long walks, bike riding, movies, bingo, going to church and much more. Looking for a single, white male, 55 to 62 who enjoys life. Must be honest and caring with similar interests. In Down River area. BOX 31909

KEEP ME COMPANY
16 yr old, single female, auburn hair, hazel eyes, 5'8", likes having fun and being around people. Looking for a single male, with similar interests, for friendship and companion. BOX 16328

GOING UP NORTH?
Pretty, blonde haired, blue eyed, single white female, 46, petite, romantic, enjoys boating, movies, dining out, music and more. Looking for a single white male, 40 to 50, with similar interests, for a possible relationship. Children are welcomed. BOX 16361

NEED MY COMPANY?
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Single female, sophisticated, shy, 135 lbs, likes traveling, boating, the outdoors and more. Looking for a single male, 25 to 45, who's sweet, for friendship and sharing. BOX 16334

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Single white female, 31, 5'4", blonde with green eyes, employed, enjoys candlelight dinners, movies, walks and sports. Seeking a single male of any race, 35 to 54, non-drinker or smoker, to pamper, cuddle and give all my love too. BOX 12993

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LARGE FEMININE WARM
Single white female, 47, 270 lbs, attractive, searching for a single male, 45 to 54, non-smoking, with a good sense of humor, honesty and values. I enjoy music, movies, dancing and travel. Waterford area. BOX 35905

SINCERE
Pretty, petite, trim, divorced white female with a passion for life and love, seeks a tall, clean cut, handsome, financially secure, physically fit, romantic gentleman, 55 to 65, to share life's pleasures, who enjoys outdoor activities, dancing dining,theater and much more. BOX 35910

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I'm a small, cute, young looking, physically fit package with lots of energy. Seeking a single white male, 37 to 43, who is attractive, active and is interested in a possible relationship. I enjoy working out, watching sports, outdoor activities, cuddling, music and much more. BOX 31999

NEW BEGINNINGS
Divorced white female, red hair, blue eyes, weight proportionate to size. Seeking a single male, 40 to 55, who enjoys movies, dining, and having fun, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 33656

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Single white female, 5'5", blue eyes, brown hair, medium build, smoker, non-drinker, with old fashioned values, enjoys music, dining out, trips up North, movies and animals. Seeking a single white male, who's sincere, honest, social drinker, with a good sense of humor, for friendship first. Down River Area. BOX 31953

CLASSIC ROMANCE
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WORTHY OF YOUR LOVE
Single white female, young 40 plus, 5'10", seeking life partner who enjoys church, dancing, fellowship and ready to be fully blessed with a good woman. BOX 33640

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Attractive, independent female, 37, 5'6", 140 lbs, looking for a single male, 35 to 45, who is a social or non-drinker and enjoys cars, car show and likes to go dancing. BOX 33647

GOLFERS WHERE ARE U
Single white female, 50, young looking, active, down river area, loves to golf, but not ready for the tour. Lots of interests, new adventures. Seeking fit single white male, 5'10" or taller, between, 50 and 60, for conversation, friendship and more. BOX 33652

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Attractive, single male in my mid 40's, 5'9", 150 lb, with dark eyes and hair. I enjoy boating, fishing, bicycling, and having fun. Looking for a single female who enjoys the outdoors and good conversations. BOX 12706

LET'S HAVE FUN
21 yr old, 6', 170 lb, single male interested in meeting a female with a good sense of humor, who likes animals, and enjoys having a good time. Could this possibly be you? We will never know if you do not pick up the phone and call. BOX 12784

HOW ABOUT IT? CALL!
51 yr old, professional, divorced white male who smokes, enjoys the outdoors. Looking for a female, 35 to 50, for a long term relationship BOX 12792

ARE YOU THE ONE?
5'8", 170 lb, single male with brown hair and eyes. Looking for a single female, 30 to 40, who enjoys camping, fishing, and being together with one who would appreciate her company. BOX 12848

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28 yr old, 5'8", clean cut, attractive, single white male, enjoys music, dining out, gardening, working out and sleeping in. Looking for a single white female, for a long term relationship. BOX 12855

I'LL CALL YOU BACK
190 lb, single male with brown hair and blue eyes. I like camping, picnics, church and barbecues. Looking for a single female with similar interests. BOX 12862

GIVE ME A CHANCE
26 yr old, single, white male, looking for a white female, 18 to 26, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 12880

LET'S SEE WHAT COMES
23 yr old, 5'8", 160 lb, single white male who enjoys sports, clubbing, and having fun. Looking for a single female, 20 to 25, 5'2" to 5'5", for friendship and possibly more if it is agreeable to the both of us. BOX 12899

SEEKING BEST FRIEND
41 yr old, 5'8", 175 lb, single white male with blonde hair and blue eyes. I like the outdoors, animals, working out and being romantic. Looking for a single female, for friendship and more. BOX 12910

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Single white male, 22, 6'5", 195 lbs, looking for a single, attractive female, for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 12914

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...Part. 28 yr old single white male, 5'8", 200 lbs, wears glasses, non-smoker, social drinker, likes camping, four-wheeling, country music. Seeking an attractive single female, 26 to 30, non-smoker, for friendship, companionship and eventually get married and have a family BOX 12959

LET'S GET TOGETHER
Single white male, 6'1", 170 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys sports activities, clubs, music, movies and more. Looking for a single, warm, caring, loving female with similar interests. BOX 13027

WITH OPEN ARMS
Single white male, 39, 6'3", 210 lbs, brown hair and eyes, looking for a single female, 5' to 5'4", who likes to have fun, sports, travel and more. If interested, give me a call. BOX 13028

LET'S MEET
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Dangerous Driving!

Modern distractions plus congested roadways make hazardous mix

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
STAFF WRITER

We've all been there. You're stuck in bumper-to-bumper traffic and, suddenly, someone nearly plows into the back of your car.

It's too close for comfort and you feel your blood pressure rising. You soon discover the source of distraction — the driver's cell phone.

While the cell phone has made life more convenient, it has definitely posed a traffic safety problem, say local police. Busy lifestyles combined with congested roadways equals a hazardous mix.

But it's more than just the cell phones. Lt. Dale LaBair of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Independence (Township) substation says folks live in their cars sometimes like they live in their homes. "They read the newspaper, change CDs, eat, drink, put on makeup. And, with the younger set, it's kissing hugging . . . and more exotic things."

"A lot of what I see is eating large meals," added OCSD Sgt. Dave Mailloux, also of the Independence substation. "One time I was following this woman. I was off duty, but if I had been on I would have written her a ticket. She was taking rollers out of her hair, putting on makeup and drinking coffee. She literally had her waist up to the wheel — trying to steer. What a potato head. I mean, what're you gonna do?"

On the serious side, he recalled a fatal car accident that took place in the Birmingham area nearly 20 years ago. "A young lady was standing in the center of a small Mustang and hanging out of the sun roof. It finally hit a tree."

The rest of the story is too graphic to illustrate, added Mailloux, noting that — while there are many cautious ones — new teen drivers often tend to be excited and careless, talking to their friends, changing tapes, looking around at the scenery, etc.

Young people have a sense of immortality; it doesn't strike them that they could be seriously injured or killed, Mailloux said. "At one point in the state, they had to accompanied by someone 25 or older. I think they need to put that (restriction) back on."

The problem with car phones, said Mailloux, is "they're paying more attention to who's on the phone than what's going on in front of them." But they can be life-savers if your car breaks down or you're in danger. Also, it helps to have a car phone "to make arrangements or call your boss if you're going to be late to work."

At least one local community is considering an ordinance that would prohibit the use of cell phones in cars. Madison Heights Councilwoman Marilyn Russell proposed the idea at a recent city council meeting, according to a

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spokesperson from the city manager's office. The suggestion is only "in the discussion stage," said the spokesperson, but the city is polling its residents on the local web site.

The state is also considering the idea, although it's controversial. Sen. George Hart (D-Dearborn) has introduced cell phone/driving legislation in the state Senate. Under Hart's bill, "having one hand on the steering wheel and the other holding a cell phone would be considered operating a vehicle in a careless and negligent manner," said Hart in a recent press release. Inattentive driving "can increase the odds" of a bad accident, he claims.

"It's abusing the privilege of having a cellular phone ... you're chances of having an accident are increased by 40 percent," Hart said Thursday. "I abuse it myself. And it's a message to me also . . . . People are totally engrossed in conversation then what they're doing behind the wheel. It contributes to reckless driving. It's called abusing the system."

If Hart's bill passes, operating a cell phone negligently would be a secondary offense if the driver is stopped for another traffic violation. "Obviously If (a patrol officer) sees someone using a cellular phone, driving too slowly or weaving out of traffic, you could cite him for reckless driving, while using the cell phone. That's the secondary offense."

Jerry Basch, manager of Community Safety Services for AAA Michigan in Troy, doesn't think that's such a bad idea. According to AAA, 75 percent of all U.S. accidents last year happened because people weren't paying attention. "It becomes a contributing factor," Basch said.

AAA is currently conducting a study on inattentive driving, which can include "something a simple as adjusting a radio," Basch said. "We're seeing more toys, things like TVs (placed in cars)." Although a television set is designed to keep those entertained in the back, incredulously, motorists will adjust their rear-view mirrors so they can see the set while driving.

"Certainly, inattentive driving is a big factor today, especially because highways and roadways are more crowded. Because you have less space, you need to pay even more attention," Basch said.

During road construction season, which is nearing its peak in Michigan, there's a lot of "stop-and-go" traffic, and motorists should be extra cautious to avoid a rear-end crash, he said.

For instance — duh — don't be stupid enough to use your cruise control. It pays to be a defensive driver, watching both those in front and behind you. You could be the deciding factor in causing "a chain reaction" that could lead to an accident or a fatality, he said. "The one thing that can put you over the top is lack of attention while driving," Basch said.

"Right now the cell phone is creating an uproar all cross the country. Keep in mind, with the cell phone, it's a tremendous safety feature in the car. It all depends on when and how we use it. Our first recommendation is, if you're in danger, pull off the road in a safe situation. Or have someone else in the car handle the telephone. However, "if statistics rise, that privilege will be taken away from motorists. And it should be.... What you have to do is tell motorists to get everything done in advance of climbing into the car."

That includes putting on your lipstick, choosing the CDs you will play, and making telephone calls to your friends or your boss if you will be late, Basch said. Of course, there are those times where maybe you are stuck behind an accident or road construction. The cell phone then becomes a needed tool -- and convenient because you won't have to pull off the road to make a call. Or, if your teenage daughter has a flat tire, it proves invaluable because she won't have to leave her vehicle to call for help.

"Driving an automobile is a full-time job. It can require many decisions in a given time frame. If you're not able to do that, you can harm yourself, your family or the other guy," Basch said.

OCSD Cpt. Mike McCabe has over 20 years of experience on the road. He has many memories -- including a time when people didn't make phone calls from cars. He agrees many of today's motorists are driving in la-la land.

"Absolutely," Mc Cabe said. "There's no doubt in my mind that people are less attentive today. Every third person you see is talking on the cell phone while they're driving. I even saw a guy shaving in his car. The bad thing is, they're driving with one hand. You see a lot of rear-end accidents . . . at speeds from 25 to 75 miles an hour.

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Summer Jobs

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

High school and college students looking for jobs this summer face an easy math problem – a low unemployment rate, plus a strong economy equals more opportunities.

The unemployment rate in Michigan was 2.7 percent in February, which is the lowest rate since January 1978 when the current compiling method was launched by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. These figures show an especially dramatic dip compared to 1982, when the unemployment rate reached 16.3 percent.

Ray Reed, Kroger Co. organizational development manager, said this summer college students will be hired either in temporary jobs at stores and as interns in the company's management trainee program.

"It gives them an opportunity to have a first hand view of the job and whether this is something they want to do," Reed said. "It gives us a chance to observe that person as well."

The bulk of summer jobs at Kroger are generally filled by high school students and involve bagging and stocking merchandise. There are 105 Kroger stores in Michigan and an average of 10 employees are needed during the summer at each store, according to Sharri Watkins, Kroger senior human resources specialist. She declined comment on pay rates.

Also, 16 interns were hired from universities throughout the state.

Recruiting began in January and selections are made by the end of April.

"From Krogers' perspective we are a wonderful place to work," Reed said. "We take pride in training our employees to learn their jobs and learn them well."

Amy Hoag, University of Michigan coordinator of internship services, said between 80 and 90 percent of students are looking for jobs this summer.

While she said there were no statistics available, she does know there are more internships offered this summer than in past years.

"It's a very open job market and people are very successful in finding summer jobs," Hoag said. Students looking for summer jobs should go to the stores and ask to speak with the managers.

"We don't expect that they come in with a suit and tie, but the expectation is that they look neat and clean," Watkins said.

"We look for people who are energetic, ambitious and someone who is interested in learning," Watkins said adding that Kroger likes to promote people from within the company.

"Our president, (Marnette Perry), started out as a cashier," she said.

Employee satisfaction is also key at Dough-Re-Mi, a parent company of Krispy Kreme Donuts with stores in Livonia, Dearborn Heights, Warren and Toledo.

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

He's hiring: *Ray Reed, organizational development manager of Kroger Co., said summer college students will be hired either as temporaries or as manager interns.*

Letters, he gets lots of letters

JOB SEARCH

GEORGE HAYES

Occasionally we get a letter that should be published in its entirety.

Here's a story about a gutsy person who took some positive action.

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Between 50 and 100 high school and college students will be hired this summer to fill jobs in delivery, sales and donut making, explained Michael Sharum, Rough-Re-Mi director of outside sales.

Pay rates for these positions range from $6 to $10 an hour for delivery drivers and donut makers. Krispy Kreme hires people interested in working flexible hours.

"We're looking for people who like to work anywhere from full to part time," Sharum said. "We open at 5 a.m. and close at midnight. There's a lot of the day to make donuts."

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"If you want to work in a fun environment this is the place," Sharum said.

"We're very team oriented around the employees and focused on their job satisfaction."

If that means letting employees take home donuts now and then, that's fine, too, he said.

No matter where your job tastes lie, the market looks good, according to Sharon Cohany, an economist with the national Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Looking at figures from last summer, she said, more students ages 16 to 19, were working nationwide compared to 1998 and 1997. Throughout the country there were 8.8 million people in this age group working. The figures are much higher than in 1993 when 7.4 million students in that age group were working in the summer.

"Unemployment is at a 30-year low and this is certainly a good sign for anyone who is looking for work, including students and other young people," she said.

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took a turn for the worse. I was given a new supervisor who was inexperienced in managing people and abusive. That was it for me. I know this sounds dramatic, but I felt that if I didn't quit I would die. Again, I took a look at our finances. It seemed that no amount of money was worth the suffering.

My family supported me. They knew I was extremely unhappy and this made them unhappy.

Both of our kids are in college now and it IS a struggle. So far, we have been able to support their tuition, but our lifestyle is not as extravagant as it once was. You know what? It's still OK. The kids help out as much as possible and work whenever they can. They know that they may have to take out school loans to finish. But this is not the end of the world. Most importantly, my kids see me as a role model.

There is always a way. There are always options in life. Explore them. Understand that there are tradeoffs and consequences. In my case, the consequences were only financial and temporary. In the big picture, the negatives resulting from my decision have been minor.

I read this passage from Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom: "We all know we are going to die someday. We just don't believe it." I think that sums it up. For some reason, we go on like we have all the time in the world. We live bumper-to-bumper on freeways, humans on autopilot, not daring to think that there could be more to life. I say, go for the brass ring.

Ellen

My friend Wayne Piche, a senior-level manager with a manufacturing company, told me this story over lunch:

So an old friend calls me up and says he's looking for a job in sales. I hadn't seen the guy in years, but it sounded like he had a good background and we were actually looking for an additional rep.

Naturally, I asked him for a resume, but he said he didn't have one yet. I told him to put one together and we scheduled an appointment two weeks from that day. Before I hung up, I said I wanted him to bring some literature on the products he had been selling and customer references.

Well, two weeks go by and he shows up about twenty minutes late. Now, I'm a stickler for being on time. I think a good salesperson is always a few minutes early. But I'm keeping it in perspective because he had a long drive.

When I asked him for the resume and other information, he pulled out a few pieces of folded up notebook paper covered with some hand-written scribble. "Sorry," he says, "but my computer was down. I stayed up all last night trying to get this stuff together for you."

Now, this guy had two weeks to write a resume and dig out that information – and he waited until the night before the interview? An interview is a sales presentation. It requires some basic preparation. Anyway, this one lasted about 32 seconds in my mind. We had a cordial chat and I showed him around, but it was over before it started.

Send questions or comments to George Hayes, Job Search, P.O. Box 2497, Southfield, MI 48037 or visit www.emplexcorp.com. Hayes is president of EMPLEX CORPORATION, a search and pre-employment testing firm.

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Depend on chimney sweep

HOUSE DETECTIVE

BARRY STONE

A recent inspection report on my home disclosed a safety problem with my chimney - something to do with the outer metal wall venting inside the attic. My plumbing contractor found it to be OK. The inspector insists the problem exists and suggested I hire a chimney sweep.

Go with the chimney sweep. The chimney sweep profession is among the most taken-for-granted of all building-related trades. People tend to think of sweeps as mere cleaning crews with top hats, long-tail coats, and sooty faces. Not so.

A chimney sweep is proficient in legal requirements set forth by the National Fire Code and is familiar with safety specifications affecting all types of fireplaces, inserts, and wood-burning stoves.

Most metal chimneys consist of two sheet metal shafts, one contained within the other. The purpose of a double-wall chimney is to prevent the outer surface from becoming hot enough to start a fire in your attic.

The air between the two chimney walls can be extremely hot and therefore must vent into the open air above your roof. When the top of the outer chimney wall terminates inside the attic, heated air can scorch the wood framing to the point of combustion.

In matters of fire safety, consult the appropriate expert. If your faucets were dripping, you wouldn't call a brick mason. If you were having dizzy spells, you wouldn't see a dentist.

Likewise, when chimney conditions are suspect, the services of a chimney expert are imperative. A proper evaluation could save your home and possibly someone's life.

To write Stone, go to www.housedetective.com

A lot is right with these condos

The models at the Links of Northville Hills have been open only several months, but more than a third of the 135 attached condominiums already have been gobbled up.

Maybe the 18-hole public golf course under construction along the eastern edge of the community is the big draw. Perhaps it's the swimming pool and clubhouse, which will be built in 2002 to entertain the owners there. Maybe it's the reputation of the builder, Robertson Brothers.

Chances are all of those, and several other factors, account for the popularity of the Links of Northville Hills.

The homes, mostly four to a building, are under construction off Beck Road just south of Six Mile in Northville Township.

"It's been even better than we thought," said Paul Robertson, president and CEO. "Northville has had a few smaller condos, but this is the first one of any magnitude."

"I often hear how impressed they (visitors) are with the quality of the home," said Michael Cox, sales consultant. "They like the location of Northville, access of freeways, reputation of schools."

"M-14 is right down Beck," Robertson said. "Go down one light and you're on the freeway. Two miles, you're right in downtown Northville.

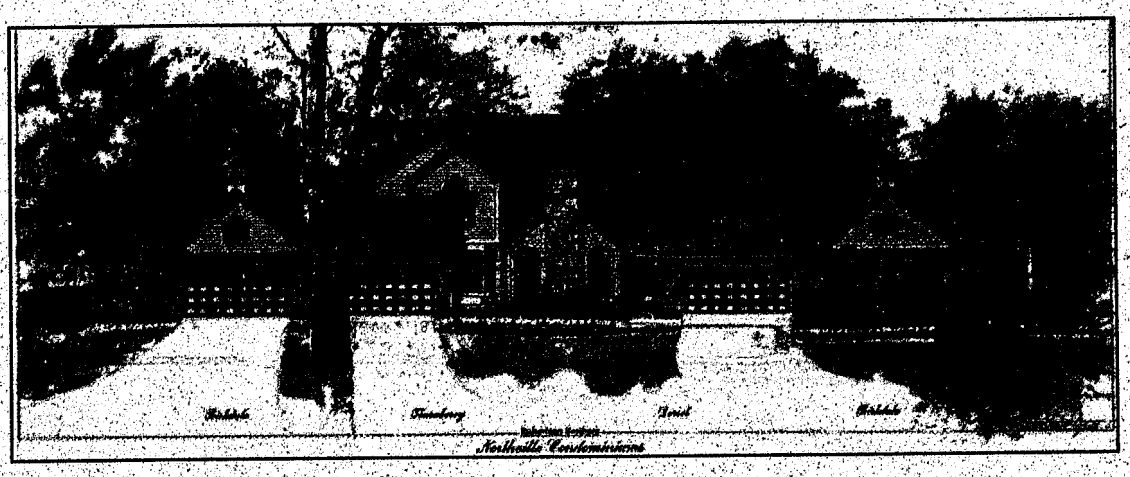
"I'm always a believer people love a sense of community," he added. "Northville is one of the few places left that has a little downtown.

"The golf course is big, not because they (prospective buyers) play golf. It's quality open space. The Arnold Palmer organization did this course. It's very pretty," Robertson said.

"The name of Robertson Brothers has become prevalent in this part of town," Cox added, alluding to projects at Pheasant Run in Canton.

Folks downsizing from larger homes who still want new and younger professionals with good jobs are buying at the Links of Northville Hills.

"Rooms are the right size," Robertson said. "The master bath is as big as they came from, the den is usually as big. They may not have as many bedrooms or a family room, but all the places where they live are as nice as what they came from. Everything is the right size."



Condominium living: *Several styles of floor plans are available from Robertson Brothers at the Links of Northville Hills.*

"They're impressed with the size and scale of these," Cox added.

Three floor plans are available.

They range in price from $268,000 for a two story of 1,938 square feet with two bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths to $368,700 for a two-story converted ranch of 2,844 square feet with four bedrooms and 3-1/2 baths.

Standard features include two-car garage, first-floor laundry, deck, basement, curved walls and volume ceilings.

All plans also include fireplace, air conditioning, separate tub and shower in the master, dishwasher, cooktop and double oven or oven/ microwave combination.

Base price also includes wood or ceramic floor in the foyer and half bath, carpeting throughout and a $2,500 lighting allowance.

Models of all three floor plans have been constructed.

The Birkdale, a 1,956-square-foot ranch, features a study, living room and dining area with cathedral ceiling and a kitchen/ nook with an eight-foot wall that's also under the umbrella of the cathedral ceiling.

The master contains a two-sink vanity with sitting make-up area and two walk-in closets.

Base price is $309,100.

The Thornberry, a two story of 1,938 square feet, features a kitchen/ nook with pass-through wall to the dining area and living room.

The master with cathedral ceiling, two walk-in closets and dual-sink vanity is upstairs, as is a second bedroom with a combination tub/ shower and walk-in closet.

Base price is $268,000.

The Dorset, a story-and-a-half of 2,520 square feet, features a family room with cathedral ceiling, kitchen/ nook with island and pass-through wall to the dining room, a living room with sloped ceiling and master bath with walk-in closet and two-sink vanity.

Two bedrooms, one decorated in the model as a sewing room, and a full bath are upstairs.

Base price begins at $316,900.

Exterior materials include wood siding, brick and stone accents.

The Links of Northville Hills is within the Northville school boundaries. Pets are allowed.

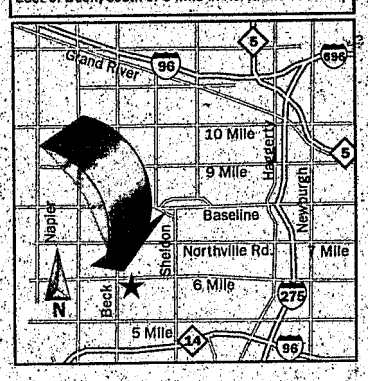
The property-tax rate is $31.14 per $1,000 of state taxable value, half of sales price for new construction. That means the owners of a $268,000 home there would pay about $4,200 the first year.

The monthly association fee, which includes water, grass cutting, snow removal and exterior maintenance, is $170.

Elisabeth and Barry Fancett have ordered a two story.

"These condos had a real good construction quality," she said. "We liked the location. My husband likes the fact it's going up on an Arnold Palmer golf course. This builder really used his noggin using space really well."

Links of Northville Hills
East of Beck, south of 6 Mile in Northville Township



The sales office/ models at the Links of Northville Hills, (248) 349-6960, are open noon to 6 p.m. daily.

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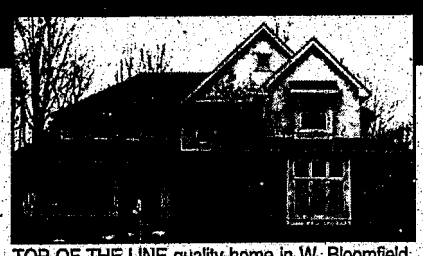

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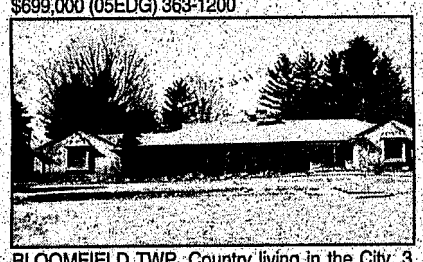

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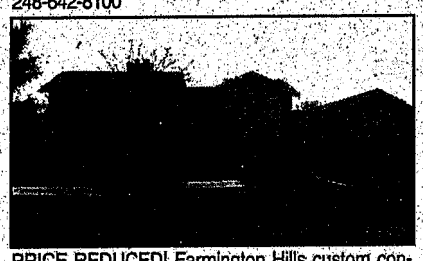

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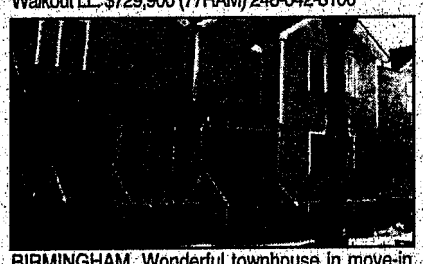

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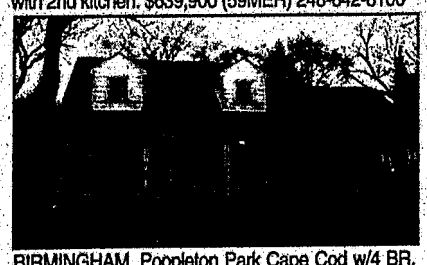

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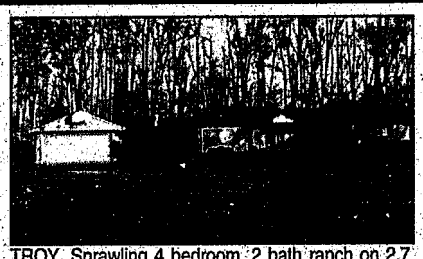

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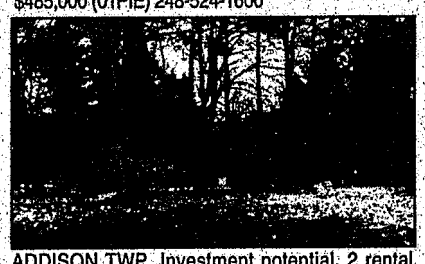

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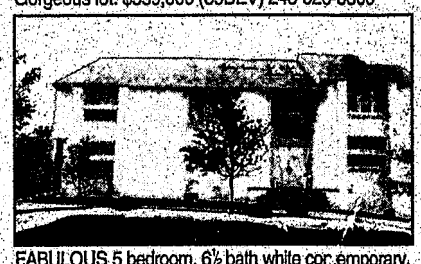

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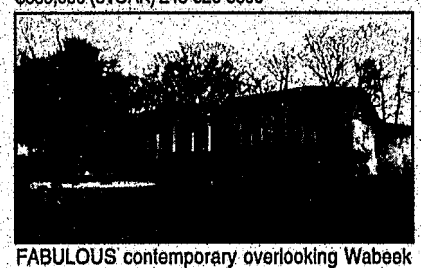

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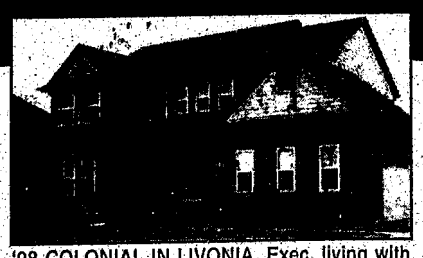

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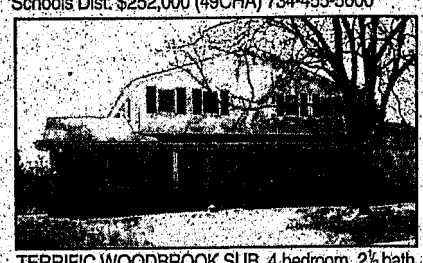

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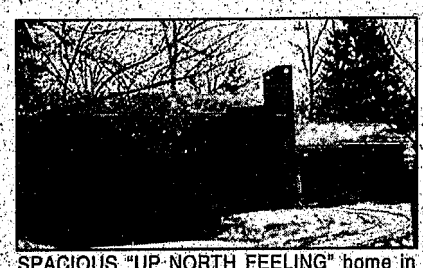

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Four bedrooms are upstairs, along with a two-section bathroom, and a deep attic storage area. Two of the bedrooms have small gabled dormers; the third has a larger one. Not to be outdone, the fourth bedroom boasts the largest closet.

Back on the main floor, the large kitchen is open to the great room and dining room. The kitchen ceiling is flat while the great room, dining room and nearby four-season porch all have vaulted ceilings.

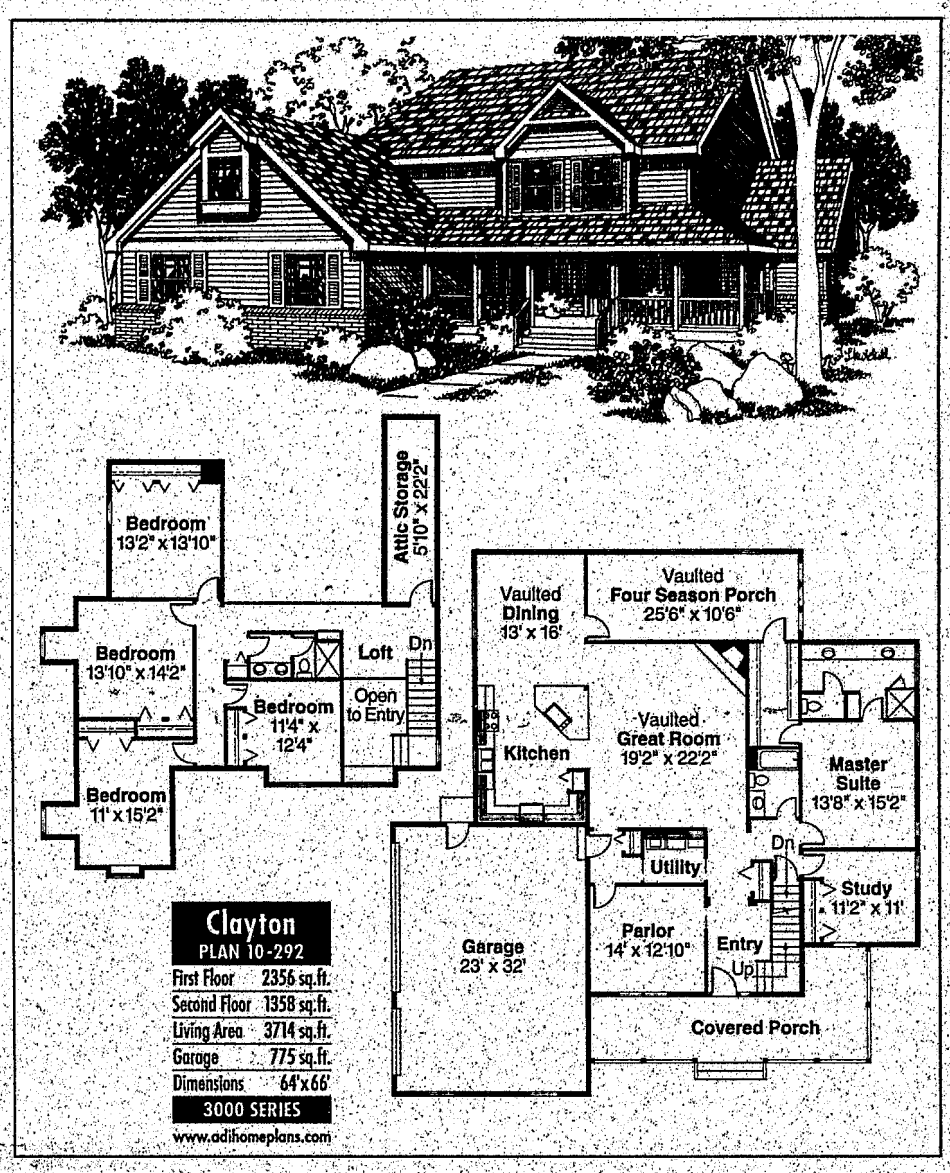
Aside from its size, the kitchen's most notable feature is a jumbo-size grill, great for turning out mountains of burgers, pancakes or grilled-cheese sandwiches.

Windows line two walls of the Clayton's bright four-season porch.

Master bath amenities include double vanity, shower and private toilet.

The study could serve as a home office.

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 Clayton 10-292 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring 300 home plans is available for $12. For more information call (800) 634-0123.



Mortgage rates up across board

Mortgage rates rose in the Detroit area last week, according to a survey of local lenders by www.HomeLoanUpdate.com:

■ 30-year fixed mortgages averaged 8.31 percent with 0.8 fees and points last week, up from 8.14 percent with 0.8 fees and points the previous week.

■ 15-year fixed mortgages averaged 7.97 percent with 0.9 fees and points last week, up from 7.83 percent with 0.9 fees and points the previous week.

■ One-year adjustable rate mortgages averaged 6.92 percent with 0.9 fees and points last week, up from 6.86 percent with 0.9 fees and points the previous week.

One Year Ago the average 30-year mortgage rate was at 7.02 percent and 1.0 points and fees, 15-year mortgage rate was at 6.61 percent and 1.0 points and fees and one-year ARM was 5.68 percent and 1.1 points and fees.

Where is the housing market headed? A strong employment report on May 5 increases the likelihood that the Federal Reserve will raise interest rates at its May 16 meeting. Mortgage rates have climbed steadily in recent weeks, but housing sales remain robust, and we continue to forecast an historically affordable 30-year mortgage rate.

Decorating made easy

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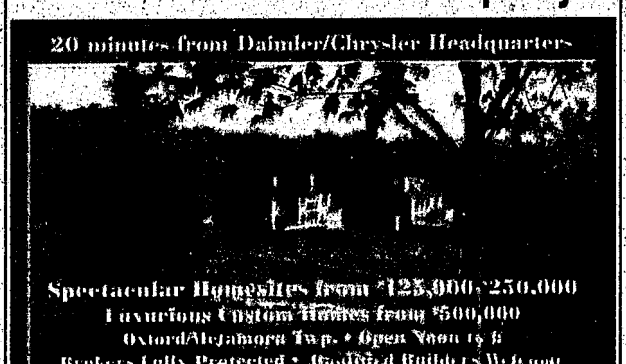

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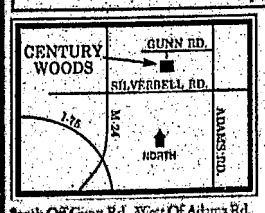

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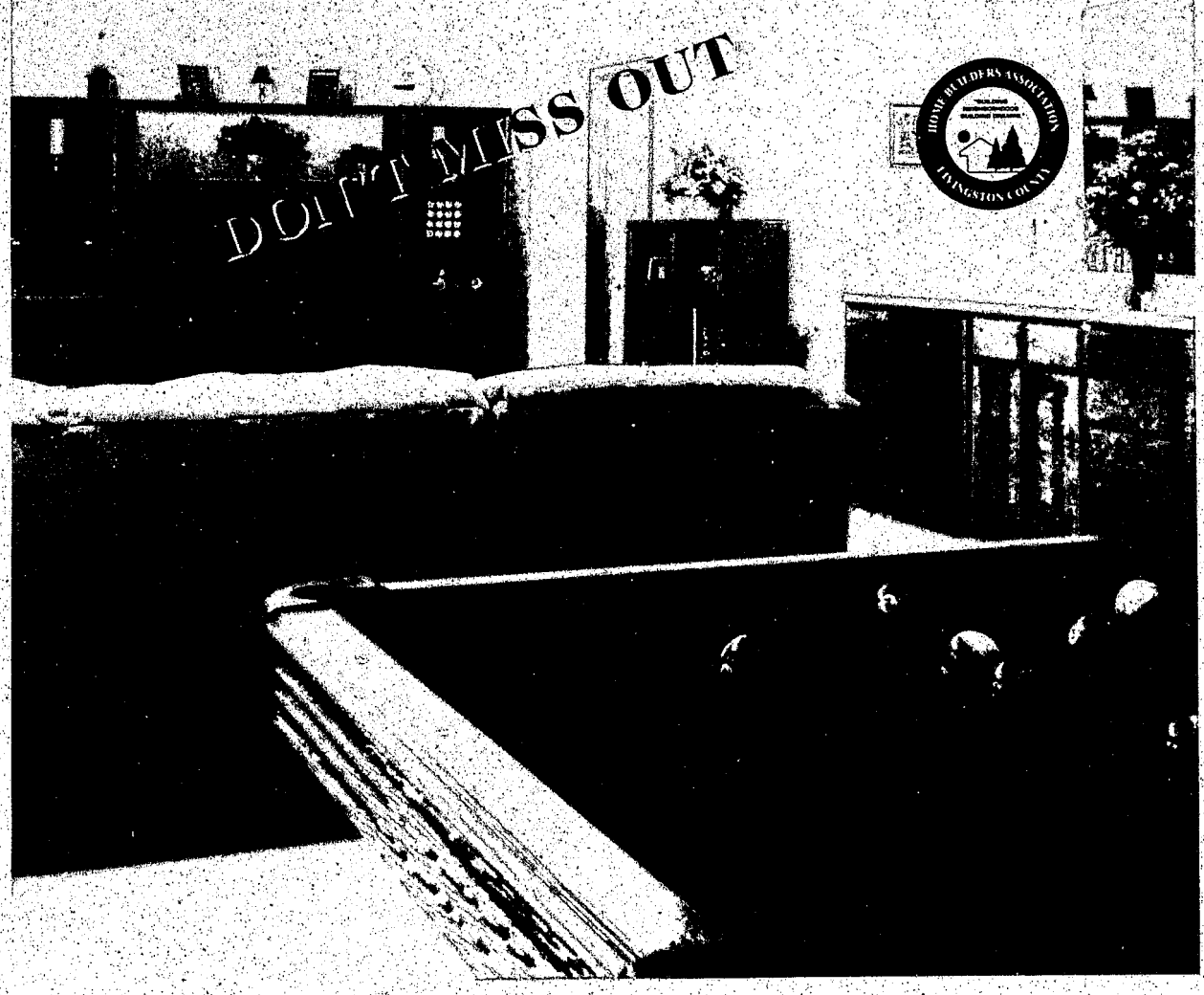

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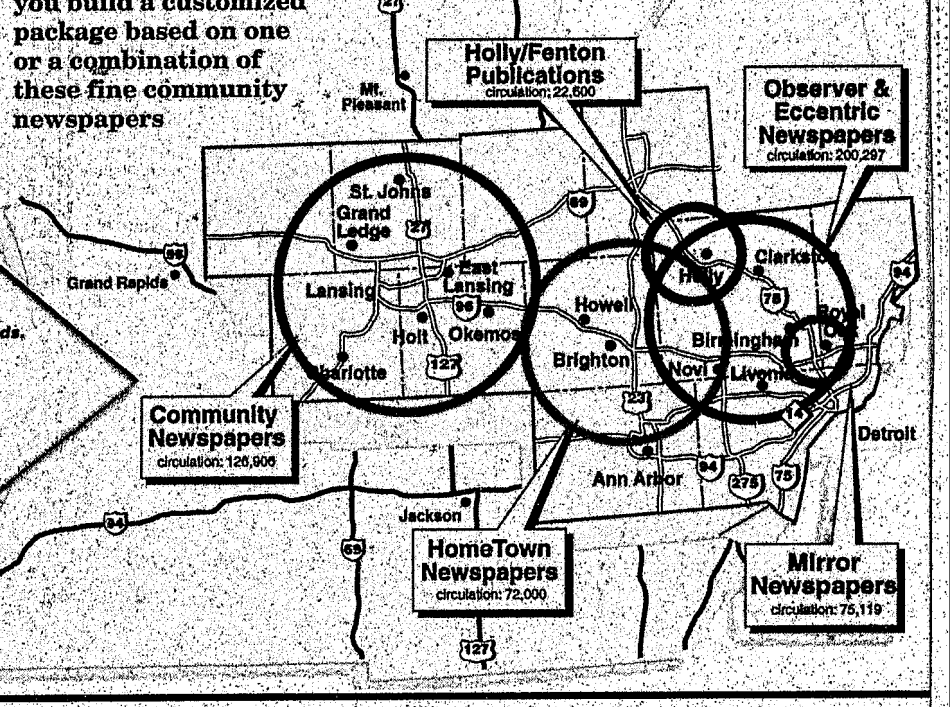

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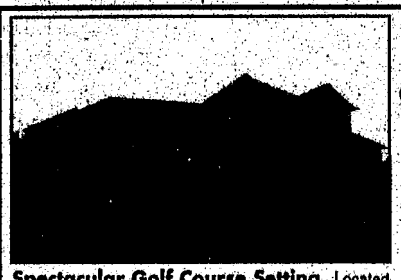

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334 Plymouth

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334 Plymouth

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335 Redford

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BY OWNER - 3 bedroom brick ranch. Basement, family room w/natural fireplace. S. Redford. $149,900. 313-937-8609

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339 Southfield-Lathrup

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BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS - Small 2 bedroom home in Southfield. 2 Car garage, large lot. $85,400. (248) 557-1127

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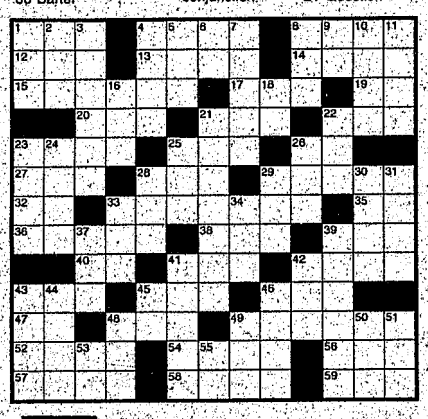

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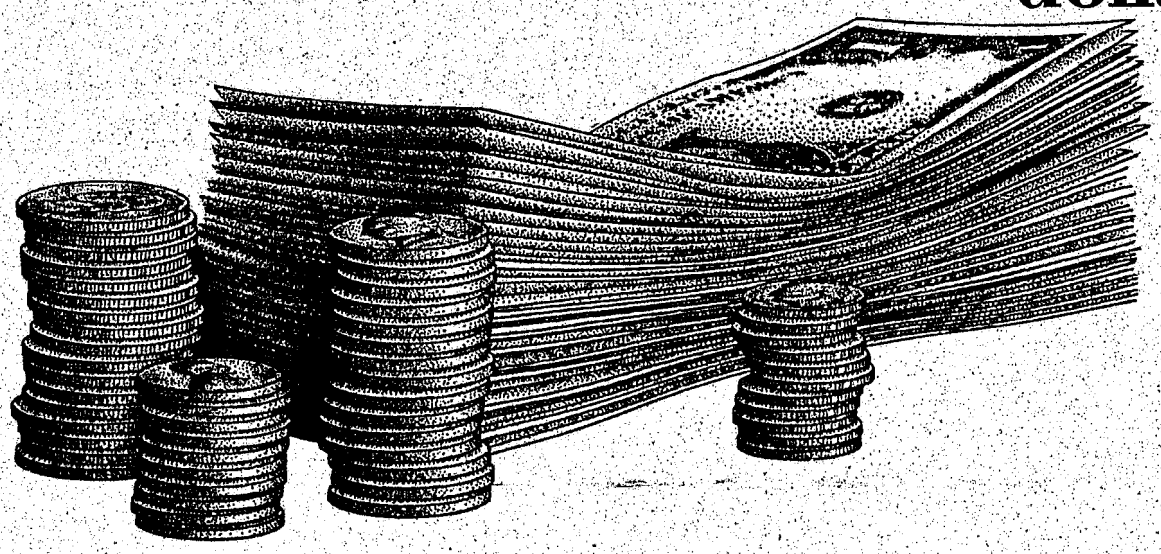

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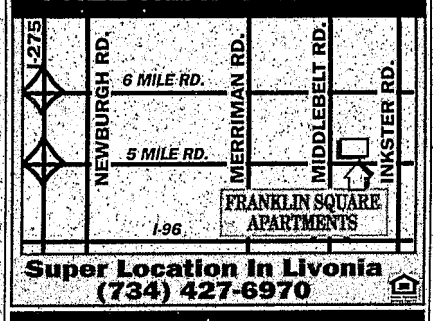

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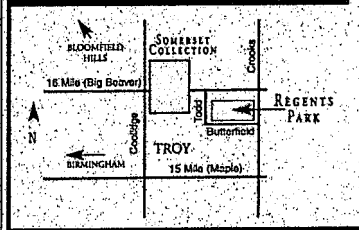

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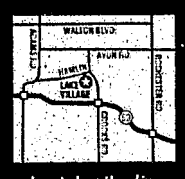

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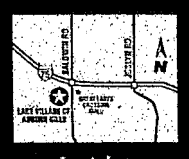

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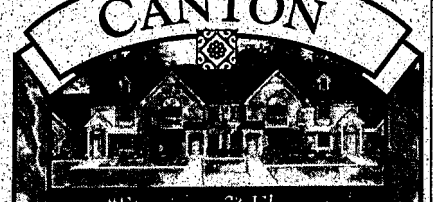
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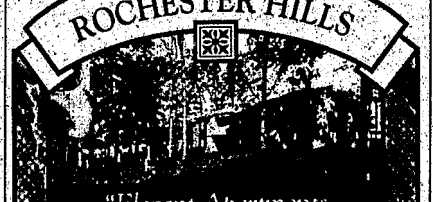
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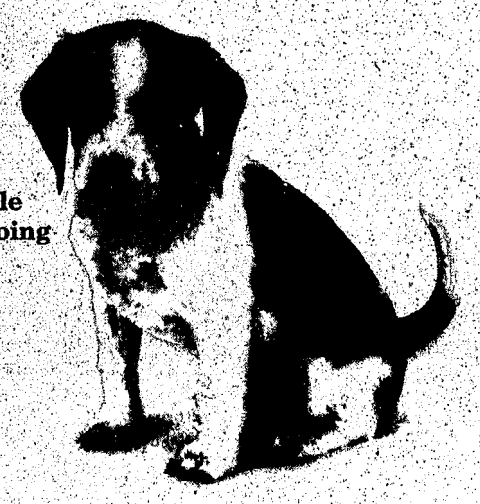
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ROMANCE 101
Single white mother of three, 39, 5'7", blonde with green eyes, medium built, employed, enjoys long walks, camping, going to the beach and more. Looking for a single male, 33 to 43, 5'10" and above, non-smoker with similar interests, for friendship and more. BOX 13031

RIDE OF YOUR LIFE!
Single white female, 36, 5'5", 120 lbs, romantic, fun loving, down to earth, who likes riding on Harleys, long walks, boating, camping, music and good company. Seeking a single white male, tall, 36 to 45, who's, caring, affectionate, with similar interests, for friendship and possible, long term relationship. BOX 13058

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Single white female, 40 something, 5'4", medium build, long brown hair, green eyes, smoker and social drinker, likes movies, dining out, shooting pool, television, rock 'On roll, quiet times at home. Seeking a single white male, 30's to 40's, for a loving relationship. BOX 13734

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Single, white female, smoker, 40's, who is sincere, honest and affectionate. Enjoys movies, rock n roll, shooting pool and quiet times at home. Looking for a single male, 36 to 40, for friendship and more. BOX 16099

ROMANCE IS THE KEY
Single white female, 44, hard working, non-smoker, financially secure, looking for a single male who is romantic, charming, honest, easy going and has a good sense of humor. BOX 16116

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SEEKS RELATIONSHIP
Single, mother of one, blonde hair, green eyes, student, enjoys the outdoors, and is looking for a single male, for friendship, dating and a possible companionship. BOX 16489

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38 yr old, single white female, 120 lb, 5'3", honest, caring and open minded, enjoys good conversations, romance, the outdoors, camping, movies and more. Looking for a single male, 30 to 45, with similar interests, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 16518

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DANCE WITH ME
Single, white female, 24, likes sports, dancing and the outdoors. Seeking a single male for friendship first and more later on. BOX 16667

SHOOTING STAR
Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks minus 40 and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 55 to 60, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

GREEN EYED BLONDE
Single white female, 40, 5'6", weight proportionate, pretty romantic at heart. Enjoys arts, flea markets and horseback riding. Looking for an attractive professional male with a good sense of humor and enjoys children. BOX 36077

TRUE LOVE WAITS
21 yr old, single mother of one, attractive, easy going, seeking single white male, 21 to 30, who enjoys dining out, movies, football, and other sports, for friendship, possible relationship. BOX 16469

MAKE ME SMILE
Divorced white Christian mother of two, 37, 5'4", 145 lb, self employed, Enjoys theater, walks, museums and keeping up with my children. Seeking intelligent, emotionally fit, non-smoking, non-drinking male with a healthy attitude and a sense of humor. Must value honesty and be goal oriented. BOX 31976

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HARD TO FIND
60 yr old, white widowed female, 5'3", brown hair and eyes, non-smoker, non-drinker, enjoys music, long walks, bike riding, movies, bingo, going to church and much more. Looking for a single, white male, 55 to 62 who enjoys life. Must be honest and caring with similar interests. In Down River area. BOX 31909

KEEP ME COMPANY
18 yr old, single female, auburn hair, hazel eyes, 5'8", likes having fun and being around people. Looking for a single male, with similar interests, for friendship and companion. BOX 16328

GOING UP NORTH?
Pretty, blonde haired, blue eyed, single white female, 46, petite, romantic, enjoys boating, movies, dining out, music and more. Looking for a single white male, 40 to 50, with similar interests, for a possible relationship. Children are welcomed. BOX 16361

NEED MY COMPANY?
46 yr old, full figured, Born Again Christian, looking for a Born Again Christian black male, 40 to 65, who's happy, knows what he wants, enjoys the rain, beaches, mountains and more. BOX 16364

WISHFUL THINKING
Single female, sophisticated, shy, 135 lbs, likes traveling, boating, the outdoors and more. Looking for a single male, 25 to 45, who's sweet, for friendship and sharing. BOX 16334

WON'T B DISAPPOINTED
Single white female, 31, 5'4", blonde with green eyes, employed, enjoys candlelight dinners, movies, walks and sports. Seeking a single male of any race, 35 to 54, non-drinker or smoker, to pamper, cuddle and give all my love too. BOX 12993

LIFE'S TOO SHORT
Affectionate, slim, petit, attractive, creative, spiritual, divorced, white female, 49, seeking an honest, thoughtful, sincere, intelligent, non-smoker, divorced white male, with a sense of humor and love of life, who enjoys the arts, theater, music, dinning, home and family and travel. BOX 36055

LARGE FEMININE WARM
Single white female, 47, 270 lbs, attractive, searching for a single male, 45 to 54, non-smoking, with a good sense of humor, honesty and values. I enjoy music, movies, dancing and travel. Waterford area. BOX 35905

SINCERE
Pretty, petite, trim, divorced white female with a passion for life and love, seeks a tall, clean cut, handsome, financially secure, physically fit, romantic gentleman, 55 to 65, to share life's pleasures, who enjoys outdoor activities, dancing dining,theater and much more. BOX 35910

LOTS OF ENERGY
I'm a small, cute, young looking, physically fit package with lots of energy. Seeking a single white male, 37 to 43, who is attractive, active and is interested in a possible relationship. I enjoy working out, watching sports, outdoor activities, cuddling, music and much more. BOX 31999

NEW BEGINNINGS
Divorced white female, red hair, blue eyes, weight proportionate to size; Seeking a single male, 40 to 55, who enjoys movies, dining, and having fun, for a possible long term relationship. BOX 33656

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Single white female, 5'5", blue eyes, brown hair, medium build, smoker, non-drinker, with old fashioned values, enjoys music, dining out, trips up North, movies and animals. Seeking a single white male, who's sincere, honest, social drinker, with a good sense of humor, for friendship first. Down River Area. BOX 31953

CLASSIC ROMANCE
50 yr old, single female, 5', believes in romance, likes music, dancing, classic cars, country life and simple pleasures. Seeking a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 42 to 60, non-smoker with similar interests for a long term monogamous relationship. Down River area. BOX 14471

WORTHY OF YOUR LOVE
Single white female, young 40 plus, 5'10", seeking life partner who enjoys church, dancing, fellowship and ready to be fully blessed with a good woman. BOX 33640.

REV YOUR ENGINES
Attractive, independent female, 37, 5'6", 140 lbs, looking for a single male, 35 to 45, who is a social or non-drinker and enjoys cars, car show and likes to go dancing. BOX 33647

GOLFERS WHERE ARE U
Single white female, 56, young looking, active, down river area, loves to golf, but not ready for the tour. Lots of interests, new adventures. Seeking fit single white male, 5'10" or taller, between: 50 and 60, for conversation, friendship and more. BOX 33652

EXTREMELY ENERGETIC
Single white female, 53, 5', 115 lbs, long blonde and hazel eyes. I am looking for a sincere, romantic, non-smoking, white male, 45 to 55, who loves, dancing, traveling, and eating out. Start with friendship and see what happens. BOX 31910

LOOKING FOR YOU
Youthful 53 yr. old, single white female, energetic, good sense of humor, athletic to muscular build. Likes horseback riding, bowling, long walks in the park. Looking for a fun loving black or Caucasian male 45 plus, for fun times and possible relationship. BOX 31912

TAKE A CHANCE!
35 yr old, divorced white mother of one, 5'3", blonde hair, blue eyes, medium build, smoker, non-drinker, enjoys movies and camping. Looking for a marriage minded male who doesn't drink or do drugs. Down River area. BOX 12314

SOMEONE SPECIAL
44 yr old, single black woman, fun loving and outgoing. Likes gardening, cooking, walking, concerts and travelling. Seeking a black male, 43 to 53, who's outgoing, down to earth and sincere, for friendship first an possibly more. BOX 31923

WANTED: A GOOD MAN
Single white female, 46, full figured, casual smoker, casual drinker. Seeks very honest, warm male, 46 to 55, to share dinners, movies, concerts and good times. Serious minded men only. BOX 31937

SEEKING COMMITMENT
35 yr divorced white female, mother of one, 5'3", blonde hair, blue eyes, about size 18. Been told I am pretty and have a good personality. Smoker, non-drinker, no drugs. Enjoy movies, camping. Seeking a marriage minded man that doesn't drink or do drugs. Down River area. BOX 31940

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LET'S HAVE FUN
21 yr old, 6', 170 lb, single male interested in meeting a female with a good sense of humor, who likes animals, and enjoys having a good time. Could this possibly be you? We will never know if you do not pick up the phone and call. BOX 12784

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51 yr old, professional, divorced white male who smokes, enjoys the outdoors. Looking for a female, 35 to 50, for a long term relationship. BOX 12792

ARE YOU THE ONE?
5'9", 170 lb, single male with brown hair and eyes, Looking for a single female, 30 to 40, who enjoys camping, fishing, and being together with one who would appreciate her company. BOX 12848

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28 yr old, 5'6", clean cut, attractive, single white male, enjoys music, dining out, gardening, working out, and sleeping in. Looking for a single white female, for a long term relationship. BOX 12855

I'LL CALL YOU BACK
190 lb, single male with brown hair and blue eyes. I like camping, picnics, church and barbecues. Looking for a single female with similar interests. BOX 12862

GIVE ME A CHANCE
28 yr old, single, white male, looking for a white female, 18 to 28, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 12880

LET'S SEE WHAT COMES
23 yr old, 5'6", 160 lb, single white male who enjoys sports, clubbing, and having fun. Looking for a single female, 20 to 26, 5'2" to 5'5", for friendship and possibly more if it is agreeable to the both of us. BOX 12899

SEEKING BEST FRIEND
41 yr old, 5'8", 175 lb, single white male with blonde hair and blue eyes. I like the outdoors, animals, working out and being romantic. Looking for a single female, for friendship and more. BOX 12910

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Single white male, 22, 6'5", 195 lbs, looking for a single, attractive female, for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 12914

TILL DEATH DO US...
Part: 28 yr old single white male, 5'8", 200 lbs, wears glasses, non-smoker, social drinker, likes camping, four-wheeling, country music. Seeking an attractive single female, 26 to 30, non-smoker, for friendship, companionship and eventually get married and have a family BOX 12959

LET'S GET TOGETHER
Single white male, 6'1", 170 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys sports activities, clubs, music, movies and more. Looking for a single, warm, caring, loving female with similar interests. BOX 13027.

WITH OPEN ARMS
Single white male, 39, 6'3", 210 lbs, brown hair and eyes, looking for a single female, 5' to 5'4", who likes to have fun, sports, travel and more. If interested, give me a call. BOX 13028.

SOMEONE SPECIAL
27 yr old, single white male, 5'11, 230 lbs, seeking a single white female, 21 to 29, who likes hockey, football, the outdoors, clubbing, biking, movies and just relaxing, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 13109

BEST TIME TO CALL
Sensitive, caring, divorced white male, 38, 5'10", brown hair and eyes, family oriented, smoker, social drinker. Enjoys all sports, movies and dancing. Seeking a single or divorced white female, 28 to 40, for friendship and possibly more. No head games. Children are okay. BOX 15379

VERY NICE GUY!!!
54 yr old, white male, good conversationalist, non-smoker, moderate drinker. I enjoy movies, varied music, baseball, photography, travel, walks, good laugh and dancing. Looking for a lady, 46 to 63, who likes to communicate, is fun to be with and enjoys being spoiled. BOX 16160

GET TO KNOW ME
37 yr old, 5'5", 160 lb, divorced white father, who enjoys traveling, camping, hiking, and weekend get a ways. Looking for a down to earth single female to spend time getting to really know each other. BOX 16268

CONSTRUCTION WORKER
27 yr old, 6', 235 lb, divorced father with brown hair and hazel eyes. I like working out, the outdoors, sports, and spending time at home. Looking for a single female, 25 to 35, with similar interests. BOX 16278

A NEW ROMANCE
40 yr old, 5'6", 160 lb, smoker, single male with brown hair and blue eyes. Looking for a female, slim to medium built, 30 to 55, with a wide variety of interests. BOX 16301

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Single white male, in 40's, 6', blue eyes, educated, non-smoker, home owner, enjoys playing racquet ball, dancing and just having fun. Looking for a single female with similar interests. BOX 16485

DESIRES OF THE HEART
Single white male, 34, 5'7", 153 lbs, brown hair and eyes, non-smoker or drinker, well educated, enjoys golf, bike riding, weight lifting and more. Looking for a single or divorced female, with no children, 29 to 35, 5' to 5'9", non-smoker or drinker, family oriented with similar interests. BOX 16471

EVERYTHING IS SAID
25 yr old, single male, thoughtful and outgoing. Seeking a single female, 18 to 25, height and weight proportionate, with similar interests, for a possible relationship. BOX 16491

WANT TO MEET ME?
39 yr old, divorced white male, brown hair, blue eyes, 5'11", 185 lbs, who enjoys baseball, is looking for a single female, with similar interests, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 16498

BEACHES,PARKS & MORE
40 yr old, white male, 6', 200 lbs, good shape, no gut, social drinker, smoker, honest, up front and open. Looking for a single white female, who's height and weight proportionate, 35 to 45, enjoys various interests, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 16516

CARING AND HONEST
37 yr old, single white father of two, caring and honest who enjoys gardening, is seeking a single white female, with similar interests and children, for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 16593

LONG TERM
White divorced male, 60's. Enjoy movies, flea markets, travel, dining out and garage sales. Seeks kind hearted lady for long term relationship. BOX 36083

LET'S MEET
Single, easy going, down to earth male, 24, 6', blonde with blue eyes, athletic built, enjoys the outdoors, playing pool, good conversation with a good sense of humor. Looking for a single, white female, 20 to 28, for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 16543

DOWN RIVER DAD
Communication, no games, divorced white male, 40 yrs old, 5'11", 165 lbs, non-smoker, single dad. Seeking single or, divorced white female for friendship and possible relationship, 32 to 45. I enjoy movies, dining out and travel. BOX 33648

SHARING AND CARING
I am 5'6", dark brown hair, eyes, 185 lb, good looking, Italian and German. Enjoy traveling, movies, music, dancing, dining, horseback riding, romantic nights, cuddling, outdoor events and sports. Seeking a female, 26 to 38, who is well educated, honest, caring, attractive, with some similar interests. BOX 36065

CHRISTIAN LOVE
31 yr old, single white Christian male, new to area, who enjoys running, the outdoors, looking for single white female, for friendship, dating, and good times. BOX 13112

NEW BEGINNINGS
Single male, 25, 5', 185 lbs. Enjoys watching movies and working out. Looking for a single female, 19 to 32, age and race unimportant, to begin a warm and wonderful relationship. BOX 32037.

WANT TO BE...
Someone's sweetheart? Envision a promising relationship with stimulation, satisfaction and security. Handsome, energetic, white male 45, looking for the right woman to focus on. BOX 36087

MARRIAGE IN MIND?
39 yr old, divorced white male, who enjoys the outdoors, sports, and much more. Seeking single white female, who enjoys cats, the outdoors, and sports, for friendship, possible long term relationship. BOX 13129

SOMEONE SPECIAL
Single, white male, 30, 5'8", 185 lbs., with black hair. Some of my likes are outdoors, animals and cooking. I enjoy jet skiing and going up North. Seeking female companion, petite to medium build, 21 to 40, to spend time together in a great relationship. Down River area. BOX 32038

SEEKS COMMITMENT
Single black male, 21, 5'11", 165 lbs., hard worker, smart, honest, gentleman, who enjoys basketball, football, reading, writing and music. Seeking a single female, 19 to 35, non-smoker, for long term relationship. BOX 36089

PLEASE BE MINE
36 yr old male, 5'8", 155 lbs, brown hair and hazel eyes, enjoys golfing, cooking, traveling, camping and music. Seeking that special lady that shares similar interests. BOX 16497

BLACK OR HISPANIC
40 yr old, looks 30, divorced white male, 5'9", 175 lbs, brown hair and eyes, attractive, intelligent, physically fit, home owner, with a good job. Seeking a single or divorced, black or Hispanic female, 25 to 35, attractive, intelligent, physically fit with a big hoart and great smile. BOX 33653

SHY BUT WELL ESTABLISHED
Good looking, 45, divorced white male, told I look much younger, 5'9", 150 lbs, with many interest including music, love all types, plays guitar, exercise, I work out continually and I love being outdoors doing just about anything. Children okay. BOX 36091

BEAM ME UP SCOTTY...
33 yr old, single, white professional male, 5'9", 160 lbs, blonde hair, blue eyes, social drinker, no dependents and down to earth. Likes country music, dining out, boating, the Red Wings and clubs. Seeking an attractive, petite, white female, 25 to 38, with similar interests. BOX 31925

LOOKING AHEAD
Divorced white male, 5'11", financially secure, professional, 61, who likes exercise, fine dining, theater and travel. Seeks intelligent attractive single or divorced white female, 40 to 58, who is good company in all kinds of situations. BOX 36093

DOWN RIVER MAN
Good looking, muscular, single, white, professional male, 27, 5'9", 225 lbs, brown hair and eyes. Enjoys dining out, social gatherings, outdoor activities, summer games, boating, movies and working out. Seeking an attractive, financially secure, white female, 25 to 35, with a sense of humor. All responses answered. BOX 32034

PASSIONATE & MORE
Tall, good looking, well built, intelligent, funny, athletic, single white male, mid 30's, looking for adventurous intelligent female for romance and fun times. BOX 36095

AFFECTIONATE/LOVING
45 yr old, 6', 200 lb, divorced male with long brown hair and eyes, I am loving, caring and romantic, love dinners, movies, Red Wings, drives up North and walks. Must like warm, affectionate kisses. Looking for a single or divorced female for friendship, possible relationship. BOX 32006

SOUTH AMERICAN WOMAN
Attractive, single white male, 35, 6'2", dark hair, blue eyes, great sense of humor, enjoys sports, concerts and movies. Seeks attractive, female, from South America for dating possible relationship. BOX 36059

ALL NEW ADS!

BLONDES OR ?....
Single white male, long brown hair, brown eyes, very affectionate, passionate, caring. Loves movies, dinner, concerts, music, drives up north, quiet nights, candles. Non-smoker. Seek an attractive and fit female with similar interests. Age open. No games. Possible long term relationship. BOX 31930

FEMALE BODYBUILDER
Attractive, 34, 5'3", white male, easy going, enjoys sports, music, movies and more. Seeks single female body builder for Summer fun. Age and race open. BOX 36061

WILD CHERRY PEPSI
Share some with me? How about Greenfield village, dinners, new memories, soothing massages, our hopes, dreams and fantasies. Single white male, young 43, 6'0", 185 lbs. You: Sweet, white, feminine, loving. NO TRUCKS PLEASE! Down town man, prefers down river, progressive girl. All replies answered! BOX 31894

COME AWAY WITH ME
Single white male, big, handsome rascal, 50 ish, humorous, handy man, loves nature, gardening, fishing, Harleys, NASCAR, travel and music. Seeking single or divorced white or Native American female to build a home and life in the mountains. Serious inquiries only. BOX 36063

WANTED:ONE GOOD LADY
Divorced white father, 42, fit, slim and very good looking. Enjoys flea markets, swimming, concerts in the park and barbecues. Seeking a single white female, 28 to 43, slim to medium build, for a long term relationship. BOX 31905

A TENDER 50
With good looks and vitality, single white male, 50, seeks attractive gal, 40 to 55, full of laughter and fun to share a variety of interest, companionship, possible relationship. BOX 36065

WHAT IT TAKES....
....is a slim, thankful for life female to knock this 35, single white male off his feet. Only real ones should respond. BOX 31960

TAKE THIS TEST...
Attractive? 35 to 49? Enjoy culture, travel, outdoor activities and good conversation? If yes, then call me! A dynamic, upscale, youthful single white male. BOX 36073

FUN TIMES AWAIT
41 yr old, 5'5", 145 lb, divorced white male, brown hair, eyes, non-smoker, honest and affectionate. Enjoys tennis, golf, movies and travel. Seeks an honest, sincere single female, 37 to 43, with similar interests. BOX 32031

LET'S MEET
Affectionate, retired, single male, 50, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes, likes dining out, movies, walks in the park, watching tv and evenings. Seeking a nice lady, to have some fun with. BOX 36081

21 ST CENTURY MAN
Single, white male 35, opened for summer hearts, just get back from Australia. Seeks fun loving female slim preferred. Metro Airport Area. BOX 32033

NO HEAD GAMES
Single white male, early 40's, 5'9", 145 lbs, green eyes, dark hair with a touch of gray, non-drinker, no drugs. Enjoys dining, dancing, walks in the park, bowling, sports, etc. Seeking single female, 35 plus, who is honest, caring, and who is serious minded about relationships. BOX 32035

MUSIC, MAGIC & YOU
Affectionate, nice looking, employed single white male, 50, 5'9", 150 lbs, spiritual, loyal, with many interests including song writing. Non-smoker, occasional drinker, would love to respectfully adore a cute, slender, trustworthy, talented, single white female, who wishes to unite our future as one. BOX 32036

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Very active, physically fit male, 46, 5'8", 150 lbs, a non-smoker, Catholic, Downriver area, financially secure, professional. Enjoys boats, travel, skiing, scuba, much more. Seek non-smoking, physically fit woman to share interests. BOX 33845

LET'S GO DANCING!
Down to earth, divorced, white, father of one, 38, 5'8", 160 lbs, enjoys musicals, movies and being healthy. Looking for a single female, with similar interests, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 16355

FOR YOUR EYES ONLY
39 yr old, divorced father, who enjoys going to the museums, baseball games, concerts, gardening and more. If you're interested leave a name and a number and I'll get back to you. BOX 31988

MR MOM STILL SEEKING
Divorced white, father of two, 36, 6', 150 lbs, all musically inclined, seeking a single or divorced white female, height and weight, proportionate, 25 to 40 who enjoys music, family values, and spontaneous evenings at home. BOX 35908

IS THERE A FUTURE?
Single white male, 31, 6', 215 lbs, brown hair and eyes, financially secured, attractive, likes country music, animals, sporting events, walking and more. Looking for a single female, with similar interests, for friendship and more. BOX 16418

SUPER DAD SUPER GUY
Single white male, 39, nice looking, slim, fit, fun, romantic. Loves children and family life. In search of single female, slim to medium build, under 45, for long term relationship. Dearborn area. BOX 31918

SWEET AND KIND
Widowed, 63 yr old, retired white male, affectionate, easy going. Enjoys golf, bowling, romantic evenings and holding hands. Seeking fun loving small woman, 5' to 5'6", who's attractive and looking for friendship and romance. BOX 35904

ONE OF A KIND
43 yr old, single white male, 6'2", 185 lb, homeowner, likes dining out, movies, bowling, biking, summer times, swimming and more. Seeking a single white female, 30 to 50 for friendship and possible relationship. BOX 16444

BIKER TYPE
36 yr old, 5'10", 150 lbs, single male, non-smoker, romantic, kind, long hair and tattoo's. Enjoys motorcycles, concerts, dining out, movies, camping, amusement parks, travel, anything outdoors. Seeking single female, 20 to 35, full figured, voluptuous with similar interests for friendship possible long term. BOX 35909

HUGGING AND CUDDLING
Single white widower, 43, enjoys hugging, cuddling, kissing and lots of affection. Seeking a single female with similar interests, age, race and size unimportant. BOX 33654

GET SERIOUS
Single black male, 39, 6'2", 235 lb, attractive, intelligent, humorous and honest. Seeks white female, over 5'4", over 150 lb, voluptuous, emotionally strong and uninhibited. BOX 36057

I NEED YOU
Divorced male, 40, with good job and big heart, tired of being all alone, looking for a cheerful, honest woman, 30 to 45, serious and looking for a permanent relationship. BOX 36067

POTENTIAL FUTURE
Single white male, 39, never married, no children, passionate, romantic, employed and a student. Enjoys a wide variety of interests. Seeking a non-smoking, single female, 21 to 45, who loves holding hands, hugs, kisses and cuddling, for friendship and possibly marriage. BOX 31934

BROWNSTOWN MAN
50, 5'10", 200 lb, smoker, social drinker male is seeking a slim single female, 45 to 55, for dining out, movies and possible relationship. BOX 31946

HEART OF GOLD
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Single black male, 33, 6'2", 220 lbs, dark complexion and eyes, well employed, enjoys sports, music, dining, the outdoors and bowling. Looking for a single female, 21 to 40, with similar interests, for dating and, a possible relationship. BOX 13039

I'M THE 1 FOR U!
34 yr old, single male, 6', 190 lb, brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys traveling, biking, movies, the outdoors and more. Seeking a single female, 18 to 28, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 13061

LIFE TO THE FULLEST!
Single male, 5'5", 170 lbs, black hair, brown eyes, easygoing, humorous, enjoys dancing and the movies. Looking for a special lady, with similar interests, for a possible relationship. BOX 13096

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CAN'T WAIT
Single white male, 5'10", 180 lbs, brown hair and eyes, enjoys the outdoors, theater, NASCAR, roller blading, dining, quiet times, travelling and more. Looking for a single, honest, caring, down to earth female with similar interests. BOX 16432

SEEKS A DIAMOND...
Single white male, 33, 5'6", 140 lbs, brown hair and eyes; never married, down to earth, cute, sincere, loyal, faithful, honest and caring. Seeking a single female, with similar interests, for friendship and maybe more. BOX 16597

ARE U LOOKING 4 ME?
Single male, 6'4", 200 Lbs, slim, athletic built, financially secure, homeowner, stable, emotionally and spiritually, non-smoker or drinker, looking for a single or divorced, white female, 30 to 41, non-smoker or drinker, attractive, for a possible long term relationship, You Won't be Disappointed! BOX 36202.

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Single black male, 5'11", 180 lbs; looking for an attractive single female weight and height proportioned, 120 lbs to 165 lbs, 5'5" to 5'11", who enjoys having fun and traveling for a possible relationship. BOX 13185

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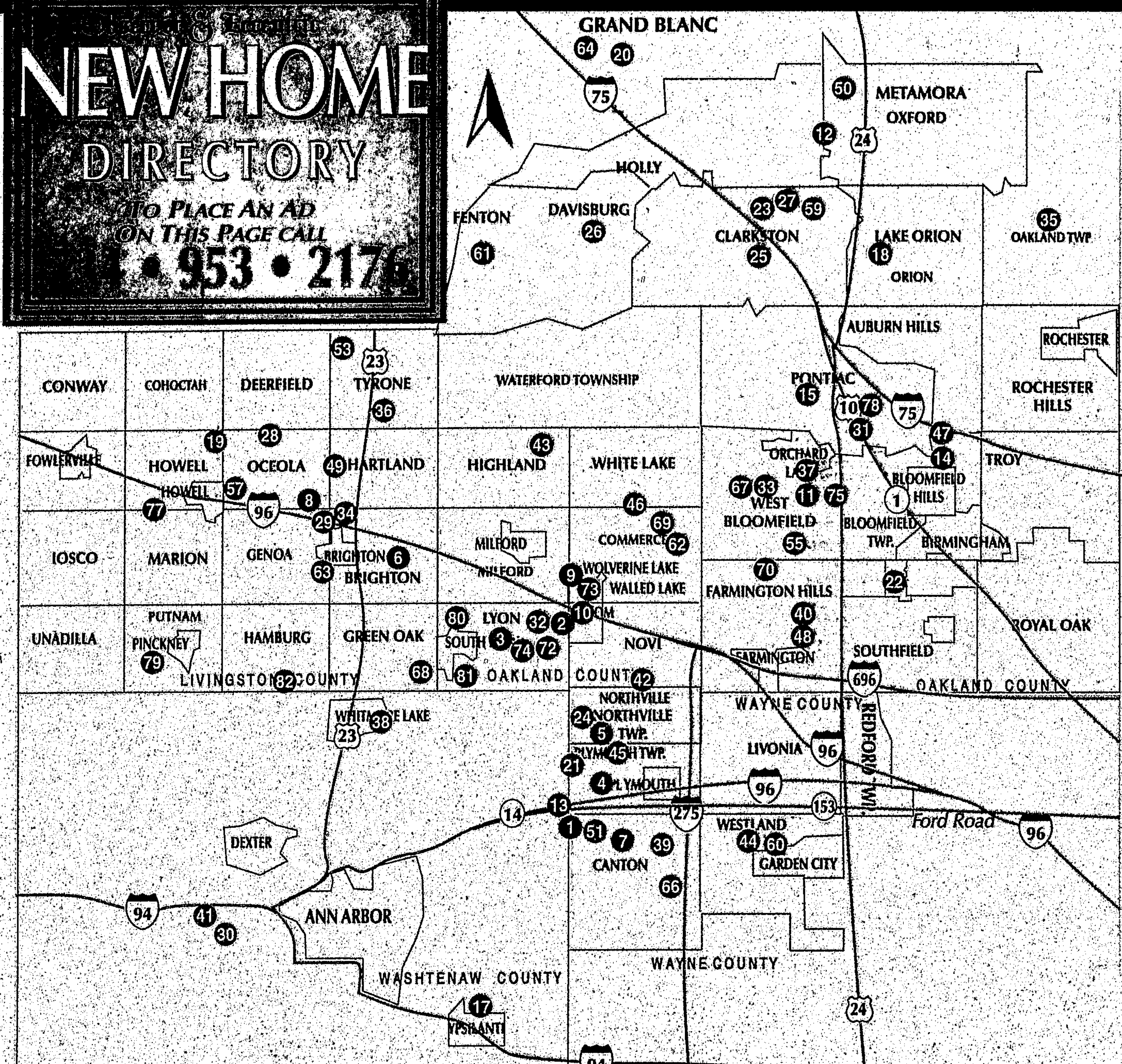

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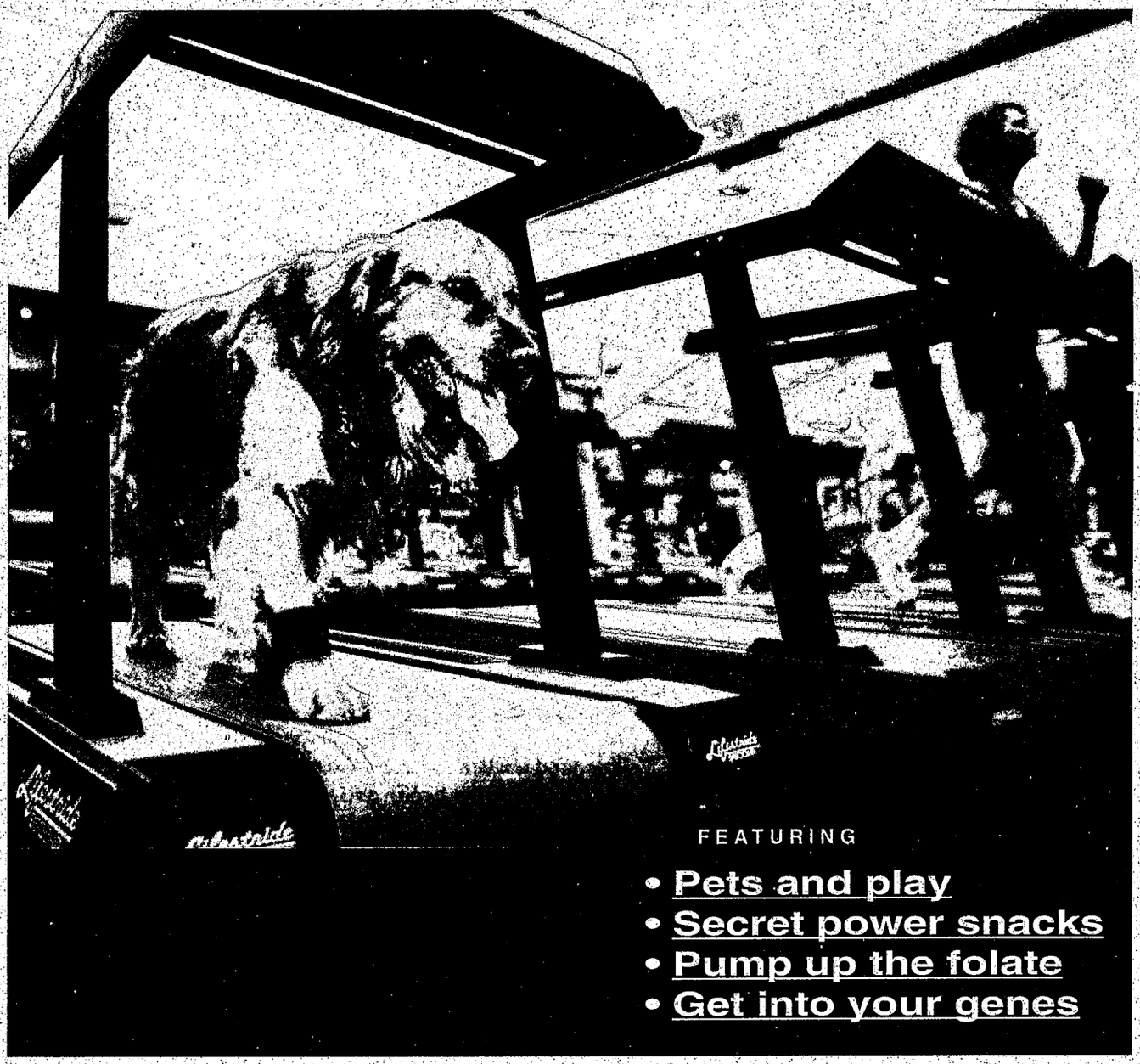

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Folic acid protects against hosts of ills

BY CHRISTINE PALUMBO
SPECIAL WRITER

Folic acid, a B vitamin also known as folate, has been shown to protect against neural tube defects such as spina bifida (a birth defect in which the spinal cord is not completely encased in bone) and anencephaly (a fatal defect in which part of the brain never develops).

It may also prevent oral birth defects such as cleft palate.

Folic acid may also help protect against heart disease by reducing the amount of homocysteine in your blood. Too much homocysteine can double your risk of heart attack, stroke or peripheral vascular disease.

Folic acid may play a role in prevention of several types of cancer, including cervical, colon and rectal cancer. And recent research shows it may help reduce the incidence of certain types of depression.

How much do we need?

A blue-ribbon-plan advisory panel formed by the National Academy of Sciences urged all adults, especially newly pregnant women, to get at least 400 micrograms of folic acid in their daily diets. Unfortunately, only 32 percent of all American adults are getting enough folate.

Adding folate to your diet

Begin your day with a cup of orange juice (110 micrograms). Eat 1 cup whole-wheat cereal such as Wheaties for another 100 micrograms. A banana would add 24 micrograms. Lunch on a chicken Caesar salad (dressing on the side) for another 76 micrograms per cup of romaine lettuce. A 1/2-cup of kidney, white Northern or black beans in soup provides about 100 micrograms.

Where to find folate

Leafy vegetables, dried beans, some fruits, liver, yeast breads, wheat germ and some fortified cereals are among the good sources of folate. Most enriched grain products – bread, flour, cornmeal, corn grits, pasta, rice and farina – must be fortified with folic acid, according to a recent law.

To get more folic acid, eat plenty of beans, fruits and vegetables – preferably raw or lightly cooked. Half the folic acid in foods can be lost in cooking.

Finding folate: *Increasing your intake of folic acid could be the formula for better health.*

Sources of folate:

Lentils (1 cup cooked), 358 micrograms.

Black-eyed peas, dried (1 cup cooked), 350 micrograms.

Pinto beans, 294 micrograms.

Kidney beans (1 cup cooked) 229 micrograms.

Garbanzo beans (1 cup cooked) 282 micrograms.

Sunflower seeds, dry-roasted (1/2 cup), 135 micrograms.

Okra (1/2 cup cooked), 135 micrograms.

Asparagus (five spears), 110 micrograms.

Black beans (1 cup cooked), 256 micrograms.

Most ready-to-eat breakfast cereals, 100 to 400 micrograms. (read labels).

Spinach, boiled (1/2 cup) 130 micrograms.

Collards, frozen (1/2 cup), 65 micrograms.

Grapefruit juice (1 cup), 55 micrograms.

Navy beans, boiled (1/2 cup), 125 micrograms.

Wheat germ (1/4 cup), 80 micrograms.

Avocado (1/2 cup), 55 micrograms.

Orange (medium), 45 micrograms.

orange juice (1 cup), 109 micrograms.

Source: Nutritional values from "Bowes & Church's Food Values of Portions Commonly Used" by Jean A.T. Pennington.

Sneak power foods into diet for extra nutrition

BY JASON EFFMANN
SPECIAL WRITER

Surprise! Starving yourself is bad for you. So, coincidentally, are a good deal of the diets that have crashed, then burned, onto the scene of late.

Louder and stronger comes the voice of reason; a consistent, well-balanced diet and regular exercise are the healthiest ways to lose weight.

That established, how can you ensure you're getting everything you need while counting calories?

There are dozens of foods out there, most recently being referred to as "power foods," that do just that – pack a wallop without tacking on extra pounds.

The trick is not only finding them, but smuggling them into your diet with enough regularity – and taste – to reap the benefits.

The following 10 items, which in no way comprise an exhaustive list, all made the International Food Information Council Foundation's Functional Foods listing as foods that go beyond providing basic nutrition.

1. Broccoli: A nutrient-dense vegetable, broccoli is rich in vitamin C, calcium, fiber, water (an oft-underestimated necessity), potassium, folic acid and phytochemicals, which help fend off heart disease and some forms of cancer, and only 22 calories for 1/2 cup of the cooked version.

2. Fat-free milk: As much as one-third of the recommended daily amount of calcium can come from an 8-ounce serving of fat-free milk, with only 90 calories. Then throw in vitamin D (which the body needs to utilize calcium), protein and riboflavin for free.

3. Oatmeal: The old-fashioned oats that cook in three minutes are the least processed, and the more natural the form, the healthier it is. Oatmeal has a type of soluble fiber, beta glucan, which helps lower blood cholesterol and smooths out the peaks and valleys of blood sugar, a helpful thing for people trying to lose weight. It's also so inexpensive, especially if you're eating the old–fashioned kind.

4. Beans or legumes: Another fiber-rich item, beans are also a good protein source, something to consider now that diets high in meats are held in such low regard these days. Current research is showing we need to move more to a plant-based diet with the majority of a person's calories coming from plant-based foods.

5. Whole-wheat bread: Here's a gimme – whole-wheat breads have been talked up for years as beneficial for their source of fiber. There's more to it, though: whole grains have been shown to reduce the risk of diabetes. They temper the cholesterol level, keep us full longer, and reduce the risk of death to such things as heart disease and some cancers. Some necessary trace minerals are also found in whole-wheat bread, and the same can be says for other grains.

6. Bulgur: A whole-wheat kernel that's been cracked. Bulgur can be cooked like rice, and incorporated into dishes like stuffed peppers.

7. Brown rice: The outside husk of rice is the part with most of the minerals attached to it, and though brown rice takes twice as long to cook as white rice, the benefit from the trace minerals is worth it.

8: Orange juice: Vitamin C, OJ's most recognizable commodity, isn't the only thing that makes it worth reaching for. Orange juice is a good source of folic acid, which women of childbearing age need. It's also being shown to reduce the risk of heart disease, and is, of course, an excellent source of fluids. Calcium-fortified orange juice can give those who can't stomach milk a means of keeping their bones strong.

9. Spinach and cabbage: With 21 calories per 1/2 cup of spinach, Popeye gets 3 grams of protein, as well as a good source of fiber that is extremely high in vitamin A, and high in the B vitamins. It is also rich in folic acid. Cabbage has only nine calories per 1/2 cup, and is another source of vitamin C, potassium and the B vitamins.

10. Sweet potatoes: Rounding off the top 10, sweet potatoes are high in vitamin A. When baked, the average potato is 120 calories. For that paltry sum, you get complex carbohydrates, fiber, vitamin A, some vitamin C, potassium and other phytochemicals.

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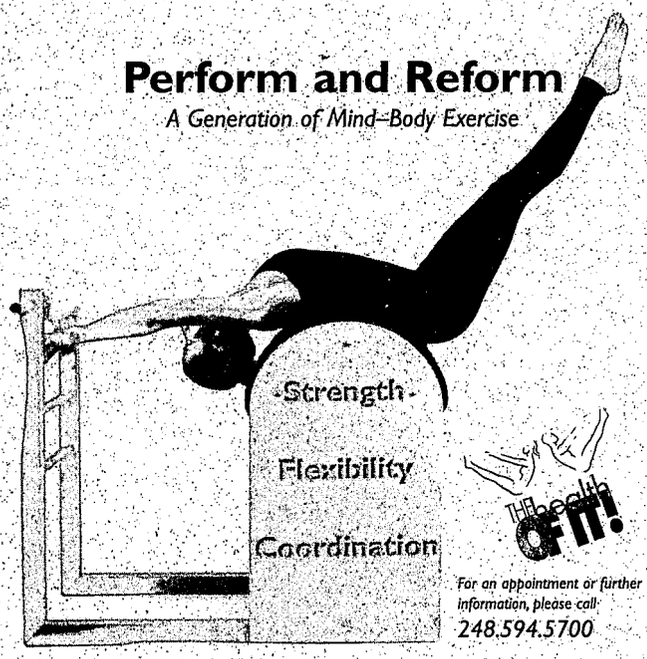

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Run, Rover, run

Keep four-legged friends fit

BY ANNE FARRIS
SPECIAL WRITER

Spring is usually the time when we start thinking about getting back into shape. It's the perfect time to pick up the pace of that tired old exercise routine, and with the mild weather we've been having lately, there's almost no excuse for not getting out there.

There's no excuse for your dog not getting exercise either. The next time you head out for a little fresh air, grab a leash and bring your buddy with you. He's the perfect exercise companion, and he'll thank you for it later.

Our canine friends benefit from physical exercise in exactly the same ways that we do. Movement helps animals stay healthy and maintain good muscle tone. It's also a crucial component in controlling obesity.

What's interesting to note is that dogs who get regular exercise are generally happier and exhibit fewer behavioral problems, such as destructiveness, than their sedentary counterparts – especially in breeds prone to those problems.

Dr. Matt Monica, DVM at Oakland Animal Hospital in Rochester, says that Weimaraners and other high-intensity breeds require more exercise than other breeds. "They're like a coiled spring. If they don't get that energy release several times a day they can develop anxieties which could potentially lead to all kinds of behavior difficulties," he says.

The age of your dog must be taken into account when embarking on an exercise routine. Starting too early can cause injury to a young dog's developing bones.

As a rule of thumb, dogs weighing 45 to 95 lbs at maturity should begin consistent, high-level running or walking after the age of a year. Giant breeds weighing over 100 lbs should wait until 18 months or older. Small breeds weighing under 25 lbs should wait until 8 months of age.

Dr. Monica says it's wise to have your dog examined by a veterinarian before you get started. "There are certain conditions, such as hip dysplasia, that might prevent a dog from running, but overall, exercise is good for most dogs."

If running or walking is not an option for you, there are still ways to ensure that your dog gets the exercise he needs. If you have a fenced-in area, Dr. Monica suggests a daily game of fetch. "It's good for them and reinforces what they're born to do."

Dogs love water. If you have access to a lake, he'll enjoy the swim and stay cool at the same time. Like running and fetching, swimming comes naturally to most dogs.

If you do plan on running with your dog, the following common sense rules will apply to both of you:

■ Start on a moderate program of walking 10 - 15 minutes once or twice per day.

■ In warm weather, head out early in the morning or late in the evening when the sun is less intense and temperature has cooled.

■ Bring drinking water for both of you, or make sure you go by places where there is water.

■ Pay attention to the surface that you're traveling on. Asphalt and concrete are hard surfaces that can cause damage to the pads of a dog's feet. They also become very hot in the summer. Dirt and grass are better for your dog.

■ Be sure to travel against traffic when running in the street and keep your dog on the inside next to the curb.

■ When running at night, wear reflective clothing and attach illuminated strips to your dog's collar.

■ Pay attention to your dog's pace and breathing. If he seems tired, slow down.

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Fetching Frisbees: *While dogs, including our cover dog Bartleby, enjoy a game of Frisbee, getting your cat to exercise takes a lot more creativity.*

Cats

Indoor cats also benefit from regular exercise, but getting that fat cat moving isn't going to be easy.

"Cats present one of the most difficult challenges of veterinary medicine," says Dr. Monica, who points out that cats aren't particularly fond of playing frisbee or long walks on a leash. "Cats are prone to obesity, which predisposes them to arthritis. That's why it's important to get them interested in toys which stimulate them, both physically and mentally, and to make sure you don't over feed them."

With a few common household items and a little creativity on your part, you can exercise your cat (and entertain yourself) for hours on end. Flashlights (for flashlight tag), crumpled paper balls, paper bags, cardboard boxes, socks and string are all toys to your cat.

Just be sure to avoid small objects that can be swallowed or choked on, or those with loose or sharp objects. Experts say that you can tell if your cat is enjoying a game by checking his pupils. If they're dilated, he likes it.

One last bit of advice: Schedule routine check-ups with your vet and stay up-to-date on vaccinations. It's the best way to keep your pet healthy.

Shades guard the eyes during play

Wearing sunglasses while playing summer sports is more than just a fashion statement. It is essential to preserving your eye health, according to David Bogorad, M.D., a senior staff ophthalmologist with Henry Ford Health System.

"The sun's ultraviolet rays can damage the surface layer of cells on the cornea, causing temporary blindness," Bogorad says. "UV rays also promote cataracts and may be a cause of macular degeneration. Depending on the sport you play, your eyes may require special protection."

Bogorad offers this advice to protect your eyes during the following activities:

Water sports – The suns rays are intensified when they reflect off the water's surface. For activities on the water, such as sailing, jet skiing or fishing, your eyes need extra protection. Polarized lenses with UV protection reduce glare and actually enhance clarity of vision.

Golf – Spending hours on a sunny golf course can lead to eye strain and fatigue. It also exposes your eyes to potentially damaging UV rays. Dedicated golf sunglasses have a wraparound design to reduce wind and glare. They're also rimless, so the field of vision is unobstructed. The lenses should offer UV protection and typically are neutral gray to maintain a player's depth and color perception.

Cycling – Special "sportshields" have been developed to protect the eyes of serious cyclists. Because cyclists can sustain injuries from gravel and other projectile objects, the sportshield is larger than traditional sunglasses and has a polycarbonate lens, which is more impact-resistant. Purchase sportshields with UV protection.

Not just for sports

Whether you are lying on the beach or taking an early evening walk, sunglasses should be worn to protect your eyes from the sun's damaging rays. For maximum benefit, the following guidelines can be used when selecting sunglasses:

■ Sunglasses should be labeled as having ultraviolet protection.

Cool shades: *When selecting a tint of lens, color doesn't affect the degree of UV protection.*

■ Lenses should not be too dark because you'll be limited to wearing them in only very bright settings.

■ The larger, the better. Wraparound styles provide added protection.

When selecting a tint of lens, color doesn't affect the degree of UV protection. The three most popular tints are green, brown and gray, but your decision should be based on personal preference.

"Many people prefer green because it makes the outdoor foliage appear more vivid and lush. Brown tends to increase apparent clarity. Gray distorts color visibility the least, providing the most accurate colors," Bogorad says.

For people who depend on prescription glasses, photochromatic lenses that darken in direct sunlight – such as Transitions – can be a good way to protect eyes from UV rays, especially for people who don't like switching between regular glasses and sunglasses.

Bogorad warns that sometimes the lenses don't darken well in a car because they aren't exposed to direct sunlight. Some patients also find that the glasses tend not to change quickly enough in warm summer weather.

Arthritis campaign

In the United States, 43 million people suffer from arthritis, and many cannot access the medications they need because Medicare doesn't cover prescriptions.

For Arthritis Action Day, May 18, 2000, the Southfield-based Michigan Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation is asking individuals to participate in the *Message in a Bottle Campaign*.

To visually symbolize the number of people adversely affected by barriers to medication, the Foundation is asking people to send Congress their empty prescription bottles and personal letter describing the difficulty they or someone they know have with access to medications.

The Michigan Chapter asks you to send your letters and bottles to: Message in a Bottle Campaign, Arthritis Foundation, 4455 Connecticut Ave., NW. Suite 305, Washington, DC 20008-2328.

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Massage Therapy Program Coordinator Janine McKay says the OCC program offers a medically and scientifically-based curriculum that enables graduates career opportunities in this growing healthcare field. This program has approximately 300 hours of "hands-on" practical experience on and off campus. This enables students in the program the opportunity to work in settings where message therapy is used. Graduates from this program easily fit into physical therapy clinics, hospital settings, chiropractic offices, nursing homes, or sports medicine clinics. Students are able to obtain a certificate in Massage Therapy or a 2 year Associate Degree in Applied Science.

Left to Right, Janine McKay, Vicki Kloosterhouse and Karen Kittle

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Hidden risks

Genes can influence your overall health

BY SARAH NORLAND
SPECIAL WRITER

When doctors diagnosed Liz Campana's daughter, Rachel, with a tumor-growing disorder called neurofibromatosis, she was surprised. After all, her daughter looked perfectly healthy.

But you can't always see the influence genes play on overall health.

There are several ways genes impact health. Rachel's disorder was due to spontaneous mutation. That means the 4-year-old did not inherit the disease from either parent; something abnormal occurred in her genes before birth.

Genetic disorders also can be passed generation to generation, the same way eye or hair color can be inherited. Those diagnosed with neurofibromatosis, such as Rachel, will have a 50 percent chance of passing it to their children.

Other health disorders are multifactorial, meaning genetic and nongenetic factors play a role. Heart disease is an example. Heart disease tends to run in families, but a poor diet, smoking or lack of exercise can play a dramatic role in its onset. Other common multifactorial health problems include strokes, diabetes and most cancers.

With so much riding on traits you can't control, what's the point of knowing whether you may be at risk for an illness?

Lifestyle changes can help prevent the onset of multifactorial diseases. But even when there are no changes that can help, knowledge of a predisposition can be important, experts say.

Dr. Zio Bartolomeo, a family practitioner, says knowing your family health history often is vital when physicians diagnose or treat.

"If you came in and says your dad died at age 40 of colon cancer, I'm not going to treat you like any other person," he says. "I would treat you much more aggressively."

Heidi Thompson, a community outreach learning specialist, says taking proactive health measures is important for everyone.

"You have to be a partner in your own health care," she says. She recommends mapping your family history.

First, decide which relatives to study. Typically, you will want to go at least two generations back. Information about first-degree relatives – grandparents, parents and siblings – should be top priority.

"Often, the more close the family member is, the more significant it becomes," says Thompson.

According to the American Cancer Society, about 5 percent to 10 percent of breast cancer cases are hereditary. Having one first-degree relative with breast cancer approximately doubles a woman's risk of occurrence, and having two first-degree relatives increase the risk five-fold.

For men, prostate cancer is a common threat.

The National Prostate Cancer forum reports that one in nine men will develop prostate cancer in his lifetime. Having a father or brother with prostate cancer doubles a man's risk of developing this disease.

Diabetes can present a risk to families. According to the American Diabetes Association, if you are a man with Type 1 diabetes, the odds of your child getting diabetes are one in 17. If you are a woman with diabetes and your child was born before you were 25, your child's risk is one in 25. If you and your partner have Type 1 diabetes, your child's risk can be as high as one in four.

Other illnesses that travel from generation to generation include cardiac disease, ovarian cancer, osteoporosis, hypertension, colon cancer, Alzheimer's disease, asthma and high blood pressure.

Mental health also has strong familial components. Chemical dependency, alcoholism, depression, eating disorders and schizophrenia commonly run in families.

In addition to tracking which relative has a particular condition, things to note that may help your physician include age of onset and whether any lifestyle factors may have contributed.

As the American Cancer Society has observed, people with relatives who developed breast cancer in their early 20s carry a greater risk than those with affected relatives in their 80s.

Likewise, relatives with lung cancer who were heavy smokers are not as significant as those who maintained healthful habits.

It's not always easy to seek health information from family members, but with all the benefits that come with knowing whether one should undergo early screening or make lifestyle changes, it's worth the effort.

Gene factor: *Though her tumor-growing disease can be genetic, a nongenetic mutation caused Rachel Campana's neurofibromatosis.*

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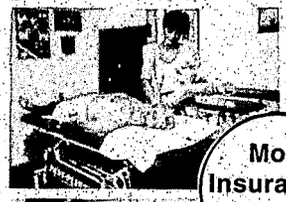

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The right foods arm your body against cancer

BY LESLIE GOLDMAN
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Want to fight your own war against cancer? Think of the entire grocery store as your pharmacy, from the bakery's whole-wheat bread to the Asian foods aisle's green tea.

As you fill your shopping cart with DNA-saving grapefruit, tumor-toppling salmon and tissue-protective tofu, you can rest assured that these healthy food choices are bolstering your natural defense and nourishing your body.

That sense of taking control of your health, in turn, nourishes your soul better than mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese or any other comfort food could.

According to the American Cancer Society, dietary factors cause one-third of the approximately 500,000 annual cancer-related deaths. That matches the 33 percent of cancer-related deaths caused by cigarette smoking.

What this means, essentially, is that eating saturated fat-laden, excessively charred or other unhealthy foods is just as bad as puffing on what many health care practitioners refer to as "cancer sticks."

Think of good eating habits as an analogy to wearing a seat belt when driving: It won't prevent you from having a fatal accident but it can protect you should you crash.

Prevention is the key.

One of the ways in which foods such as vitamin C-rich strawberries help lower one's risk of cancer relates to naturally occurring substances called antioxidants. To process every breath of oxygen we take, our bodies produce toxic molecules called free radicals.

Free radicals can damage the DNA of our cells, and this damage, if left unchecked by the body's immune system, can lead to the first step of tumor formation.

Anti-oxidants, such as those found in tomatoes in the form of lycopene or beta carotene in carrots, neutralize these toxic free radicals.

Here are some other ways foods combat cancer: Cruciferous vegetables, such as broccoli, contain sulforaphane, which bolsters the amounts of certain enzymes that are responsible for whisking away carcinogenic leftovers. Garlic contributes by slowing the rate of production of cancer-causing chemicals called phase I enzymes.

And tofu, so-often mentioned by the health and science media for its cancer-fighting properties, works by protecting reproductive tissues.

Reproductive tissues such as the breasts are considered to be more cancer-prone because their cells divide very quickly when set off by the body's sex hormones (i.e., estrogen).

For instance, estrogen promotes rapid, breast-cell growth in women. Tofu and soybeans contain isoflavones, weaker estrogens than those produced by the human body. These soy-derived, weaker estrogens compete with the body's stronger estrogens for cell access. So, when the body's cells bind to the weaker estrogens, it prompts a much weaker signal for cell division that theoretically leads to less chance of tumors becoming cancerous.

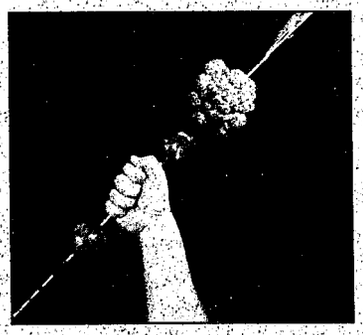
As an aside, this is why women are at an increased risk of breast cancer if they began menstruating at an early age or experienced a late menopause – their bodies have endured more lifetime exposure to estrogen.

For those individuals who want to increase their odds of beating the cancer, the American Cancer Society said the first step is to quit smoking.

For nonsmokers, the most beneficial lifestyle changes include improving your dietary intake and increasing your daily physical activity. By following the Food Guide Pyramid, limiting red meats and other high-fat foods, and selecting from a wide variety of colorful fruits and vegetables, you can do your part to protect your body from developing cancer in the future.

Diets that are high in fat have been scientifically associated with an increased risk of colon, rectal, prostate and endometrial cancers. An association also exists, albeit weaker, between high-fat diets and breast cancer.

The seven most common cancers, according to the American Cancer Society, are breast, colorectal, endometrial, lung, oral and esophageal, prostate and stomach. Breast cancer is the leading type of cancer cases among American women. Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer-related deaths among Americans of both genders, with colorectal cancers taking second in that category.



On target: *Doctors and nutritionists believe that foods like strawberries, oranges, tomatoes and broccoli have a positive effect in the war against cancer.*

Regular physical exercise, which means moderate to high aerobic activity for at least 30 minutes most days of the week, can help reduce the risk of certain types of cancer through various physiological mechanisms.

For instance, exercise speeds up digestion, which decreases the amount of time that the lining is exposed to harmful substances in the material being expelled.

Stocking the family medicine cabinet

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When stocking your medicine cabinet, consider the needs of both your household and your guests, including grandchildren, says Ann Laginess, a staff clinical pharmacist at Henry Ford Hospital.

Do not keep medications beyond their expiration date and throw out prescriptions that are no longer needed.

Keep all medicines in their original containers, which indicate dosage and expiration date, and store them in a cool, dry, dark place out of children's reach. "A humid, small bathroom is not the place. Neither is the top of the refrigerator," says Laginess.

Laginess compiled a list of medications and supplies – some by trademark brands – that every family should keep on hand.

Topical medications

■ Triple antibiotic ointment, such as Neosporin or Mycitracin with added pain reliever. Neosporin also comes in convenient packets.

■ Bactine – Good antiseptic spray for first-aid kit.

■ Afterbite – Neutralizes insect bite venom.

■ Hydrocortisone cream – Relieves itching from insect bites and skin irritations.

■ Calamine lotion – Dries and relieves itching. "When kids see the pink medication, they think it's working," said Laginess.

■ Bug spray (keep extra in your golf bag).

■ Sun block, including one for the lips.

■ Aloe cream or gel.

Supplies

■ Band-Aids – All sizes, including large for knees and elbows.

■ Cotton balls and tissue.

■ Hot water bottle - Great for back strains and tired feet.

■ Adhesive tape.

■ Safety pins, tweezers and scissors.

■ Alcohol wipes.

■ Thermometer.

■ Elastic bandage.

■ Flashlight and moleskin – Great for a camping kit.

■ First-aid kit – Keep outside when entertaining guests on your patio.

■ First-aid book.

Oral medications

■ Tylenol – Headaches, sunburn, fever and flu.

■ Ibuprofen (such as Motrin) – "Good for fever in children who don't respond to other things." Anti-inflammatory for back strain and sports injuries.

■ Aspirin – "Do not use in children or teens with the flu or chicken pox." Recommended for heart attack victims waiting for the ambulance.

■ Benedril – Relieves itching of insect bites or poison ivy. Stock the liquid and 25 mg. tablets.

■ Chlortrimeton – Antihistamine not as drowsy-inducing as Benedryl. If allergic to dogs or cats, take one-half hour before exposure.

■ Kaopectate – Grabs on to toxins, but does not impede elimination. Good for kids and adults.

■ Immodium – Stops diarrhea. Causes the gut to slow down and quit eliminating. Best for adults. Keep in a travel kit.

Special needs

■ Cough medicine – Keep things simple. If it's just a cough, buy something with just the "DM" ingredient. Stock both a daytime and nighttime Triaminic.

■ Syrup of Ipecac – "Never give without the instruction of the Poison Control Center. Some medications cause as much trouble coming up and going down."

■ An extra-strength antacid with an anti-gas ingredient.

■ Sore throat spray and anesthetic lozenges.

■ Electrolyte replacement solution for children and Gatorade for teens. Prevents dehydration when ill.

■ Epinephrine injections – Used for people allergic to bee stings. Comes in a pen that can be jammed into the leg. "It could save your life."

■ Mylicon – Anti-gas drops for gassy babies.

Warning: Keep the number of the Poison Control Center at Children's Hospital in Detroit posted near your phone (1-800-POISON 1, or 1-800-764-7661) and know the weight of your children or grandchildren. Antidote dosages are determined by weight.

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