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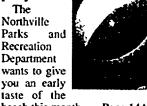
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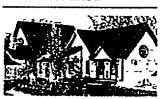
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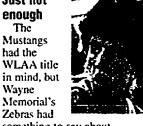


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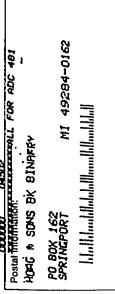
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'I heard bones crunch'

Injured youth offers anti-hazing statements to Senate

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

Northville resident Garret Drogosch stood before members of the state Senate Tuesday, describing in his own words a heinous football drill brass enough to stop hazing in Michigan.

His goal at the state Senate judiciary committee hearing was simply to put a face on proposed legislation that would make a hazing incident resulting in injury a misdemeanor and a felony for an

incident resulting in death.

that does not have hazing legisla-

Sen. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi. backed the bill along with support from Sen. Michelle McManus, R-Lake Leelanau. "We are here because of

changes — changes in behavior and practices involving hazing," Cassis said. Cassis said her dedication to the issue stems from a back-

ground in education along with

concern for the increase in num-

ber and magnitude of harm with Michigan is one of seven states hazing incidents among young teens across the United States, including Drogosch.

"He is an outstanding young man who has suffered injuries as a result of hazing," she said.
On Oct. 28, Drogosch partici-

pated in a football drill at Meads Mill Middle School coined by many as "eighth-grade hit day."

During the exercise, members of the team in the eighth-grade were told to choose a seventh

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and increasing need has emptied

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lately than she can remember in

need of food items," Kunz said.

Her agency relies heavily on word-of-mouth contact that help

is needed. "If everybody remem-

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housing, child-care, medical or

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By Maureen Johnston

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STAFF WRITER

Flanked by Michigan Senator Nancy Cassis, Meads Mill student Garret Drogosch, left, speaks before a senate committee in Lansing Tuesday afternoon that is considering a bill that would outlaw hazing. Drogosch suffered broken bones in his leg during a tackling drill at Meads

THE ICE IS RIGHT

Mustang hockey advances to state semis

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

To the Northville Mustangs boys' hockey team, this is what dreams are made of.

No doubt, nearly every athlete who has ever played high school athletics has sat back and thought about playing in a state semi-final game with hopes of going for a state title. For the Mustangs, they don't have to dream about it any

The Northville squad, coached by Brad O'Neill, pounded out a 6-1 victory over the Saline Hornets Tuesday night to earn a berth into the state semi-finals.

Their opponent will be Trenton topped (17-9-2), who Birmingham Brother Rice in their own quarter final appearance. The game, which will be held at Compuware Sports Arena on Beck Road in Plymouth, is scheduled for 6 p.m. today.

They're the defending Division II champs and the kids know it," O'Neill said. "They

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Coach Brad O'Neil talks with his team during a timeout in last week's home game against Walled Lake Central. O'Neil and the team clinched a spot in the state's semifinals with a 6-1 thrashing of Saline Tuesday night.

tion program helps out. Qualified families pick up two pre-loaded bags of groceries, and a third of

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Church considers expansion alternatives

By Maureen Johnston STAFF WRITER

Our Lady of Victory church leaders are pursuing the appeals process after local planners rejected their concept for a new elementary school.

"We are pursuing all our legal options," Father Terry Kerner said earlier this week. "We have several options. We certainly want to pursue the appeal."

The Northville Board of Zoning Appeals is the next stop for the Roman Catholic congregation after the planning commission's 6-3 vote March 2 to reject the special-land-use permit application to build a kindergarten-througheighth-grade school on the west side of Orchard Street between Main and Thayer.

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Hillard feels at home in Northville

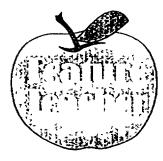
By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

Winchester Elementary School learning consultant teacher Jacquelyn Hillard is right where she belongs and doing a great job.

Hillard is the March Feature Teacher in the monthly Northville Record contest recognizing excellence in Northville educators.

In a written nomination, Winchester parent Susie Pool wrote "Jay wears many hats in the school including organizing the Reading Start Program for first grade and the Reading Boost Program for second grade to encourage those students to succeed. Guiding students through the MEAP process, "March Is Reading Month" events and motivating the staff to absorb new learning ideas and just plain being the driving force behind excellence in reading and writing for every student in Winchester Elementary.

Hillard also spends her days assessing existing and new students, facilitating new student arrivals for all parties involved, coordinating various educational



testing requirements, conducting action research as a member of the Galileo group, organizing and creating workshops for teacher certification needs, meeting with other learning consultant teachers across the district and on March 20 will present a self-created reading theory program at the Michigan Reading state conference in Detroit.

that one because I've never presented at a state convention before, but I'm excited."

Last Spring, Hillard wrote songs, releasing them on a compact disc titled "Singing The CDV's," representing the core democratic values the district



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

"I'm very excited," Hillard Winchester Elementary Learning Consultant Teacher said. "I'm really nervous about Jacquelyn Hillard shares a smile with second grader Megan Ashley as they work on reading skills in a one-onone session last Monday morning.

> She will present how the songs Winchester's language arts class-

> > "We have a message to share,"

Hillard said. "We are doing sung by students every morning are tied to thematic units in here in Northville and people need to know about it."

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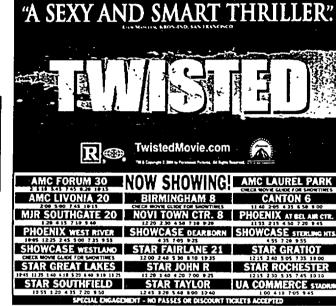
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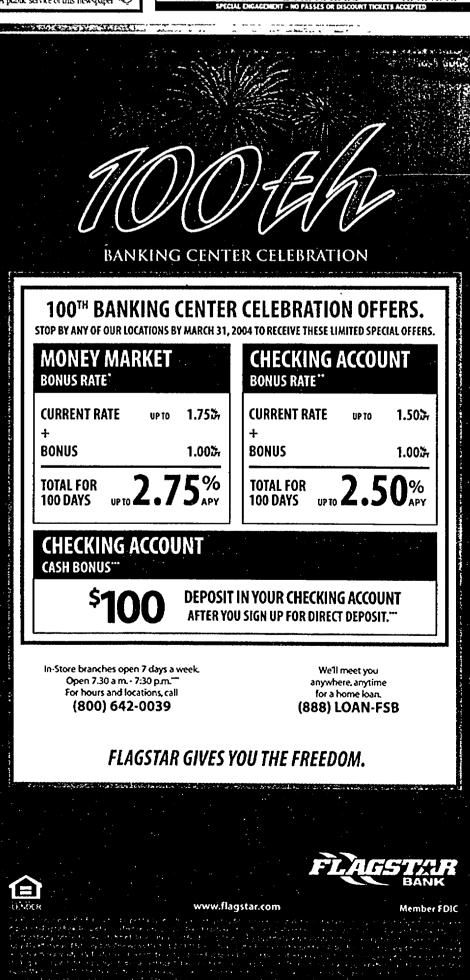
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Community's businesses get the spotlight Tuesday

By Maureen Johnston STAFF WRITER

"Going for the Green" could very well mean putting cash in your pocket, trying your golf skills on temporary grass, encountering a lizard or leprechaun, or sampling something delicious.

What Chamber of Commerce president Laurie Marrs will say for sure is this year's Taste of Northville Business Showcase with that title will mean fun for all ages of area residents. The expo is set for 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. March 16 at Northville High School.

This is the 12th year local merchants, restaurant owners and community service organizations will gather under one roof to showcase their wares. For an admission cost of \$8 for adults. \$7 for seniors age 65 and older, and \$4 for children under age 12, participants will be welcome to games, raffles, prizes, giveaways, specialty food and sample services. Varsity Lincoln-Mercury of Novi, co-sponsor of the event with Imperial Pools of Belleville. will award the prize of a two-year vehicle lease, for example.

"It really is a lot of fun," Marrs aid. "You get to see your neighbors, visit with your friends, and sample a lot of food."

People realize the evening is a value, she said, eating to their heart's content, entering drawings for prizes, playing games and watching entertainment, all for one price. "We're planning on

2,000," she said, based on attendance in previous years.

"It's a family interactive event," the president said. "Every place you go, there's going to be a chance to guess how many marbles, or play a game. They want you to be involved in their booth."

The site of the event for the past three years — the high school cafeteria and main hall will be lined with 120 booths and displays. While visitors benefit from the treats and entertainment, participating businesses and organizations benefit from the acquaintance of a potential new clientele.

"A lot of people go to work and come home," Marrs said, "They don't go into local businesses. This gives them exposure to businesses right in the community."

A Chamber brainstorm a dozen years ago, the event has continued to grow, Marrs said. The business showcase after a couple of years outgrew its original Cooke School site, moving next to the Community Center on Main Street, then the former Northville High School (now Hillside Middle School), before landing at the new high school.

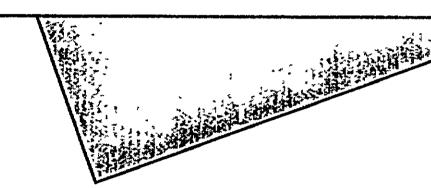
This year's "Going for the Green" theme is not strictly tied to the proximity of St. Patrick's Day, Marrs said "Anything that's green is the theme."

For more information, call the Chamber office at (248) 349-7640 or visit website www.northville.org



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Poole's Tavern chef Matt Jagusch prepares shrimp amaretto last year at the Taste of Northville held at the Northville High School. Thousands of people showed up to sample goodies and get information about services from local merchants.



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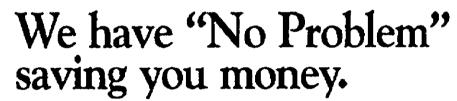
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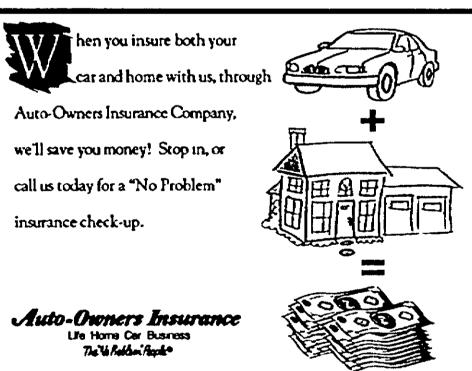


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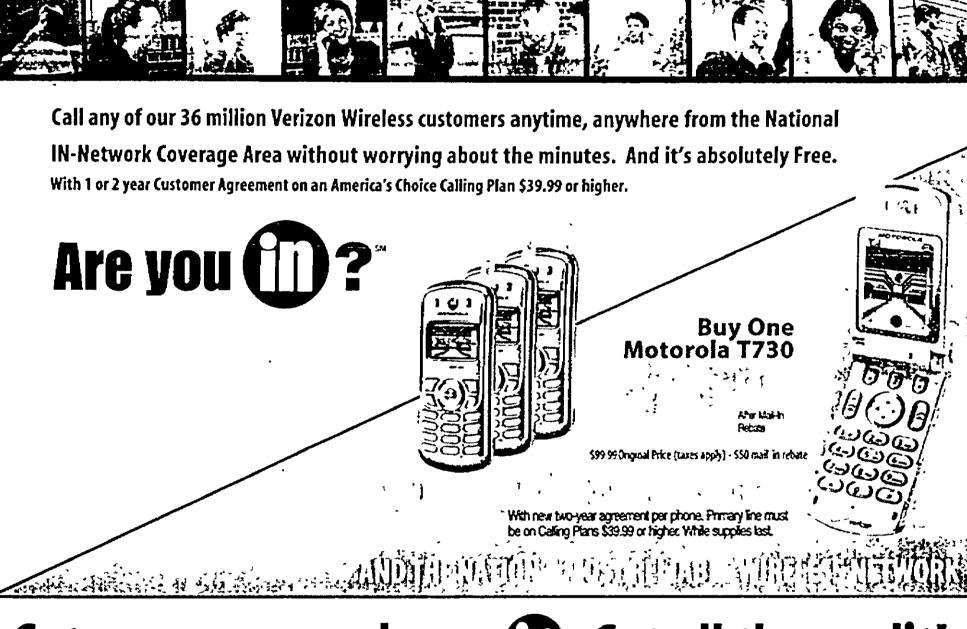


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SOARING STUDENT: Northville resident Jim Beson finished first in his age group at the Toyota Prius Miami Tropical Marathon taking place last month. Beson, 19, took top honors out of runners 16-19 with a time of 3:19:30. He placed 94th overall out of 1,780 runners. The marathon took place Feb. I and was Beson's first race. He plans on participating in more marathons in the near future with the ultimate goal of runming the Boston Marathon. Beson is a graduate of Catholic Central High School and attends the University of Miami.

NOMINATING PETITIONS: Northville Public Schools is accepting nominating petitions or filing fees for two open school board seats up for grabs during the Monday, June 14 regular school election. The last day for filing or payment of the \$100 filing fee is 4 p.m. April 12. School board president Joan Wadsworth and trustee Judith Wollack both face expiring terms this year. The last day residents may register to vote in the regular election is Monday, May 17. To register, visit any Secretary of State branch or Northville clerk's office.

ALL NIGHT PARTY: The Northville High School Senior All Night Party will take place from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. June 5 inside the school. Although party details are kept secret until the event, some features will include great entertainment, food, games and fun. Tickets are \$70 through March and will increase to \$80 on April 1. Checks made payable to Northville Senior Class Party may be dropped off at the High School office or sent to Fran Oakland, 21958 York Mills Circle, Novi, Mich. 48374. Parents interested in helping with the event may call Helen Detrych at (248) 348-7543.

·STUDENT ACHIEVERS: Northville residents Roger Zatkoff and Greg Holland were top sellers in the Detroit Catholic Central High School's annual student fund drive. The event is a seven-day, raffle-ticket sales drive and money raised is used exclusively for supplementing school operating costs and keeping tuition affordable for future generations of students. The raffle drawing will be held on April 6 and the grand prize is \$10,000. Zatkoff and Holland are freshman.

TURNING JAPANESE: Hillside Middle School eighthgrade teacher Rick Vander Veer and his students participated in a video conference with Sakade Junior High and Takamatsu Elementary schools in Japan. Students shared pictures and projects, and the Japanese Elementary students sang a song to the Hillside students.

EDUCATIONAL WORK-SHOP: Old Village School & Cook School Special Education present an Education Workshop titled Planning for a Special Needs Child: Planning Beyond Wills & Trusts at 6 pm March 29 in the third floor board of education room, 405 W. Main Street. The free lecture will be given by Minoti Rajput of Secure-Planning Strategies and will include an explanation on the importance of special needs planning strategies. Frequently asked questions will also be answered.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRA-TION: St. Paul's Lutheran School is hosting an open house 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 25 for preschool through eighth grade. The school is also accepting enrollment applications for the 3- and 4-yearold preschool programs. St. Paul's Lutheran School is located at 201 Elm Street in downtown Northville. For more information, call (248) 349-3146.

FEATURE TEACHER: The Northville Record seeks nominations specifying local teachers who have demonstrated academic excellence in the classroom. To nominate a teacher, send the teacher's full name, school address and phone number along with a statement of no more than 200 words indicating why the instructor deserves the Feature Teacher recognition. Nominations should be sent to 104 W. Main Street, Northville, Mich. 48167 or via e-mail to cdavis@ht.homecomm.net. The staff at the Recont will make each selection. The winning teacher will be featured on the second Thursday of each month.

CHILD RAISING PRO-GRAM: Rosalind Wiseman will: present the lecture Raising a Morally Courageous Child 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. March 17 inside the Hillside Middle School Auditorium, 775 N. Center St. Wiseman is the author of "Queen Bees and Wannabes: Helping Your Daughter Survive Cliques, Gossip, Boyfriends and Other Realities of Adolescence" and co-founded The Empower Program, a non-profit organization empowering youth to stop the culture of violence. The event is free and open to the public. The program is offered through the Northville Youth Assistance, Northville Public Schools and the Hillside and Meads Mill middle schools PTSAs.

STEWART SPEAKS: State Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth, delivered the keynote speech at the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association meeting yesterday in Lansing. Stewart spoke on the rational for Sec. 20j money, ISD accountability, policies to prohibit school bullying and early learning strategies. Principals Ken Pawlowski from Silver Springs Elementary and Steve Anderson from Amerman Elementary were also honored by Stewart during the

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Hillard feels at home in school

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"I'm where I am supposed to be right now. This is a great place."

> Jacquelyn Hillard Winchester Elementary School

The Northville teacher's innovated spirit is part of the reason for Pool's salute.

"I learned early on that when you get involved in a project with Jay that the sky is the limit and that all ideas are explored to give students the best learning experience ever," Pool wrote.

Working as a learning consultant teacher is not a path Hillard envisioned, but a path she now knows is where she belongs.

She began teaching 24 years ago, and at one time or another, has taught grades first through eighth in various schools both public and private.

The feature teacher started at Winchester in the Fall of 1989 teaching fifth grade, but took on the learning consultant position eight years ago.

"I had an itch that I needed a change and the learning consultant here came and kind of laid her scepter upon me and said I think you are the right one for this job," Hillard said. "I had never even thought about doing this job. It was quite a revelation. I love it."

Hillard said although she is happy where she ended up, she initially missed having her own classroom and her own kids.

"You go into education not just to be with kids, but to kind

March means reading for Winchester teacher

March couldn't be a better month to recognize Winchester Elementary School learning consultant

teacher Jacquelyn Hillard. (1974)
This is a great month because this is probably my biggest expose," Hillard said.
The Feature Teacher is in charge of March is

Reading Month activities for the school. The jam-packed month includes activities.

games and of course plenty of reading. Each grade level in the school was issued a

reading goal, Hillard said.

Students reaching their goal will have the opportunity to participate in the school's two large, end-

of-the-month activities.
Within the theme, "Oh, The Places You'll Go!" in recognition of the 100th anniversary of Dr. Seuss, Winchester readers will travel the world on March

31.
"Our multi-purpose room will be transformed into the seven continents of the world and kids will move through there in groups of 9 to 13 by grade level, learning to play games that would come from countries in that particular continent," Hillard said.

She explained the students will spend an hour traveling the world before the second activity, a 3 p.m. balloon launch closing out the month.

Hillard said prior year participation has been 99

to 100 percent. "The kids want to do it and they get excited about it," she said.

Other March Is Reading Month activities include a book exchange, a daily trivia question within the Dr. Seuss theme, collecting books for an Ypsilanti school in need and collecting coins for donation to Books for Africa.

Every Friday is also a special day involving fun and reading.

Additional prizes will be awarded for exceeding reading goals, including special ribbons and dog

Pizza Cutter in downtown Northville additionally will contribute certificates for a free personal pizza for Northville elementary school students reaching their reading goals.

Senator Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, com-menced Michigan's celebration on March 1 by reading to students at Silver Springs Elementary School along with Chapman Elementary School in Rockwood.

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of have them, to influence them, to help them and my concern was I wouldn't really be doing that," she said. "But the more I stick with it the more I'm seeing, 'Oh yeah, I do.'

Hillard said she realized just because the students left her program didn't mean they were no longer a part of her life.

"I see them in the hallways. and I know them by name," she said. "And that makes a big deal to kids sometimes just to be called by name. It is that touch it is that whole child rather than just the student that you deal

Hillard received her bachefor's degree in elementary education with a major in literature and drama for the young and a master's degree in teaching of reading from Eastern Michigan University.

She and her team utilize phonics, sight words combined with motor development, guided reading and aspects of Eric Jensen's brain research in programs serving 48 kids within her first grade and second grade reading programs alone.

Her approach to being a learning consultant teacher is catching students before they need assistance with reading.

"I'm pretty passionate about just about everything," Hillard said. "I just get excited about learning and teaching and living and being the best you can be and don't sweat the little stuff. If I can pass that along and make like better and make the steps better along the way then that is tremendous."

The teacher said Northville

has been a great place for her to develop her core values.

This has been such a supportive district from my colleagues to the administration to everybody. Even the custodians get along with me OK and I'm not the neatest person."

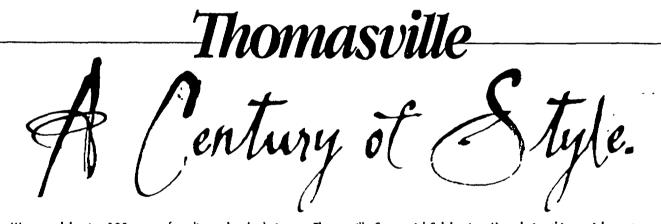
Hillard lives in Northville with her husband and two Labrador retrievers, Woody and Guinness.

She has two children and three stepchildren.

"I'm where I am supposed to be right now. This is a great place to be," Hillard said.

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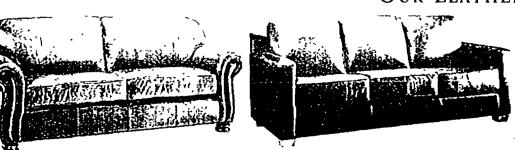




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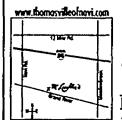
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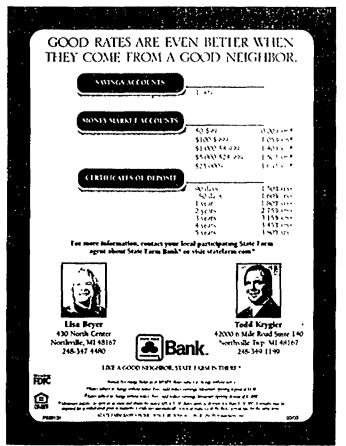
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Local district officials unfazed by Proposal A

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

On March 15, 1994 Michigan voters overwhelmingly approved Proposal A.

Ten years later, Northville School administrators roll with consequences placing emphasis on the needs of its students rather than the financial challenges the amendment imposed.

"The first 10 years by-andlarge went quite well and now we've hit the wall," said Leonard Rezmierski, superintendent of Northville public schools, "The last couple of years and certainty again next year will cause us to have to relook at how we are doing with funding if we expect to educate kids in and for 21stcentury opportunities. We can't have our quality programs slip



because there isn't adequate funding.

The superintendent said the district operates on a very controlled dollar amount from the state, which he feels is appropriate and basically beneficial for students as long as the district receives its annual percentage increase in per-student funding.

"Obviously the last two years and what appears to be next year are a huge challenge for us under this plan because we are receiving no new funding and in fact

have taken consecutive hits three times in the last twelve months, Rezmierski said. "This is certainly challenging and I know challenging to our governor and legislatures to keep the promise that this proposal made when it was voted in 1994,"

In prior years, critics of the proposal lamented state decision makers took essential funding power away from localities and made school financing a struggle for wealthy districts while those in favor applauded the state's decision to even out the playing field for districts in need while reducing a then heavy property tax burden.

As a result of the decade-old proposal, districts went from a millage-based funding source to a state-wide foundation amount per-student funding source, climinating the authorization for communities to authorize addiNorthville Public Schools Proposal A Foundation History

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1995/1996	\$6,703	\$153		\$153	2.34%
1996/1997	\$6,858·	\$155		, \$155	2.31%,
1997/1998	\$7,012	\$154		\$154	2.25%
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1999/2000	\$7,250	\$238		\$238	3.39%
2000/2001	\$7,550	\$300	•	\$300 ,	4.14%
2001/2002	\$7,850	\$300		\$300	3.97%
2002/2003	\$8,050	\$200	(\$44)	\$156	'i 1.99%
2003/2004	\$8,050	\$0	(\$74)	(\$74)	-0.92%

State Retirement Rate was reduced in 1998/1999 to offset the lack of increase.

tional millage for general operations.

Data provided by John Street, Northville Public Schools director of business and finance, indicates the district's general fund is comprised of 92 percent perpupil state foundation.

More recently, criticism has steadily increased among Michigan school districts as Gov. Jenniser Granholm announces cuts in per-pupil foundation funds as an ongoing attempt to

reduce the state's budget deficit.
"I believe we will get through this. I genuinely believe that," Rezmierski said. "I believe we will get through this and be wiser and more knowledgeable for the

experience to out anticipate potential shortfalls of this magnitude in the future and cautiously and wisely set up processes where we can envision what we need to do in better years to out think the negative years in fund-

The superintendent hopes the next 10 years will bring a climate conducive to focusing on student

"I see unique challenges coming from a greater diversity of student need, a greater diversity of cultural expectation and a greater challenge to continue to provide the depth and breadth of

learning opportunities," he said. Focusing on continued excellence and striving to explore new horizons in areas such as science and technology along with enhanced parental involvement and extra-developmental activities are some of the educational aspects Rezmierski anticipates the district will experience in years to come.

"Our greatest resources are our children and that is our collective future and if we don't invest in that then I don't understand what we are investing in," he said.

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Legislators review impact of funding change to school districts

By Hugh Gallagher HOMETOWN COMMUNICATIONS NET-

In the late 1980s and early '90s property taxes in Michigan were out of control. In 1993, Michigan's property taxes were 34 percent higher than the national average.

Proposal A was first and foremost an attempt to stop the property tax wildfire.

Ten years ago this month voters approved shifting primary funding for local schools from local property taxes to an increase in the state sales tax after the Michigan State Legislature had set a deadline for ending property taxes as the primary funding source for public schools.

Two major players in the history of Proposal A were then state Sen. Debbie Stabenow, a Democrat and the ranking senior member of the tax and finance committee, and Michigan Gov. John Engler, a Republican. They differ on how Proposal A came to be.

"Eleven times between 1972 and 1992 we tried to lower property taxes. This was an ongoing struggle," said Stabenow, now a U.S. Senator from Michigan.

Stabenow said she was aware that Gov. John Engler was going to protaxes without providing an alternative funding method for schools.

"I had been talking about getting everyone to the table," she said "I had said the only way to get people to do it was to put a deadline on the old system.

In July 1993, Stabenow surprised the political community by proposing a July 1, 1994, deadline on using property taxes to fund schools.

Lesson in politics

"There was a lot spinning on this, but it forced people to have the political will to do something," she said. As former Gov. John Engler remembers it, Stabenow was not the

major impetus behind the proposal. "That was a ploy that was tried." said Engler, who is now an executive with EDS in Virginia. "Sen. (Arthur) Miller (Democrat minority leader) came up with that gambit in attempt to embarrass Republicans in the Senate. We called their bluff and gave impetus to school finance reform.

He said in 24 hours he had a bill on his desk to eliminate property taxes, setting off months of debate

through late 1993 and early 1994. The legislature approved a ballot proposal to increase the state sales tax by 50 percent, from 4 percent to 6 percent with a partial restoration of property taxes leveled locally and by the state. On March 15, 1994, voters approved the proposal by a wide margin.

'Big success'

"On the property tax side, taxes dropped from 34 percent above the national average to 15 percent below the national average. On property tax, it has been a big success," Stabenow said.

Engler agrees.

"It literally saved thousands of people their homes and protected taxpayers," Engler said

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Stabenow said Proposal A has helped but that challenges remain.

The process of reviewing Proposal A, this is an important time to review that in terms of equity, I think there are important questions and tradeoffs that need to be looked at," she said.

Engler said Proposal A "tweakers are tax talkers. I don't think there needs to be a new round of tax

Engler said every school district in Michigan is spending more than they did before Proposal A. He said studies show that even when schools receive the same funding they don't perform the same and the problem isn't a question of money.

What others say

Doug Roberts, state treasurer under Gov. Engler and now interim Director of Michigan State University's Institute for Public Policy and Social Research, said that Proposal A has succeeded in its principal aims.

"In my opinion, it's done at excellent job of dealing with the two ssues it set out to address," he said

In a report by David Plank and David Arsen of the Michigan State University Education Policy Center release in November, Proposal A had three major impacts: first, it produced a major reduction in property tax; second, it produced a "dramatic" centralization of Michigan's school finance system; and, third, it made school funding more equi-

"It gave Michigan a state system of public education instead of many local districts," Plank said. "The change is only now becoming apparent."

Engler and Stabenow will speak at a daylong forum March 15 organized by the MSU Institute for Public Policy and Social Research at the Lansing Center in Lansing. For more information on the forum, go on-line to www.ippsr.msu.edu.





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grader to hit from a short distance. According to school notes, many of the students involved said it was

a rite-of-passage ritual on the last day of practice before Hillside Middle School game directed coaches James Chabot, Nick Nugent and Walters.



Doug Bruce Patterson

"When we asked for more details, we were told just suck it up and we should expect it through our athletic careers," Drogosch said.

Many students said the seventh graders were instructed to keep arms at their sides while not resisting the hit in any way in order to prevent injury.

Drogosch was chosen three times and on the final hit, he suffered multiple fractures in his right leg, sending him to the hospital in

"I heard bones crunch, I heard the coaches laughing and I think they stopped when they saw I could not get up and then I remember being in the hospital." Drogosch

The 85-pound boy spent time in surgery, in a wheelchair, on crutches and now wears a leg brace.

"I believe that we need to send a very, very strong message here in Michigan and across the nation that we will not tolerate these kind of practices in our society." Cassis

Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton. said he was impressed by Garret's

"We have every reason to be proud of his testimony, but not

THINKING ABOUT



Flanked by Michigan Senator Nancy Cassis, Meads Mill student Garret Drogosch speaks before a senate committee in Lansing Tuesday afternoon that is considering a bill that would outlaw hazing. Drogosch suffered broken bones in his leg during a tackling drill at Meads Mill last October.

proud of what he's had to endure." Patterson said.

For the family, the experience made some personal sense out of a hard-to-explain experience.

"I think it puts the 'because' behind the 'why'." said Cheryl Drogosch, Garret's mother.

Cheryl said up until the March 9 hearing. Garret wondered why this happened to him and now he at least has a reason.

"Maybe [new legislation] will save another kid from something worse than what happened in my

case," Garret said. "Teachers, coaches and students will think before promoting or getting involved in hazing activities and if they do promote or get involved. they will be held responsible."

Members of the judiciary committee voted to send the anti-hazing bills to the full Senate.

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to make Northville stop

By Maureen Johnston STAFF WRITER

New York Times best-selling author Rosalind Wiseman will bring to Northville parents her message about raising a moral-

ly courageous child during a free talk Wednesday night. Northville

Youth Assistance, Northville Public

and Rosalind Schools parent- Wiseman teacher-stu-

dent associations at Meads Mill and Hillside middle schools are hosting Wiseman's talk, titled Raising Morally Courageous Child." During her visit to Northville, the Washington, D.C., mom of two boys will speak Wednesday and Thursday to middle school students and teachers during the

"I think it's information that

we all need to understand," said Northville youth assistance director Mary Ellen King, "As parents, we're not necessarily trained to be parents. Any tip we can get from a trained professional is worth it and use-

Wiseman is the co-founder of The Empower Program, a nonprofit organization that empowers youth to stop the culture of violence. Since its founding 10 years ago, the program has been attempting to train educators and adults to recognize the root causes of violence such as bullying, cliques, harassment and exclusion.

The author's approach is teaching boys and girls to transform their silence into effective action, citing our culture as one where they are socialized to be perpetrators. bystanders or targets of vio-

"Queen Bees and Wannabes: Helping Your Daughter Cliques, Gossip. Boyfriends and Other Realities of Adolescence" is in its 18th

printing. The book's philosophy is part of the girls' selfesteem program offered by the local youth assistance pro-After Wednesday gram. evening's presentation, the author will sell and sign her books.

Wiseman comes Northville as part of a lecture circuit throughout the country, including universities, corporations, schools and associations. The author has been profiled in national publications and television and radio shows including the New York Times, People. Los Angeles Times, Chicago Tribune, Washington Post, USA Today, "The Oprah Winfrey Show," "Nightline," CNN, "Good Moming America," and National Public Radio affiliates throughout the country.

The program is 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. March 17 in the Hillside Middle School auditorium. The event is open to the public. For information, call (248) 344-1618.

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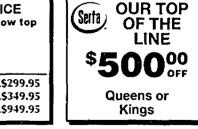


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OBITUARIES

Thomas Henry Llewellyn

Thomas Llewellyn died March 4 at home. He was 82. Mr. Llewellyn was born June 6, 1921 in Detroit to the late

Thomas and Annie (Blair)

Llewellyn. Mr. Llewellyn served in the U.S. Navy during World War II as a motor machinist's mate third class and retired from Ford Motor Company after 44 vears of service. He was active in various causes and civic activities in the Milford community where he was active in the Masonic Lodge of Milford and Northville, the American Legion of Milford and the choir of the Presbyterian Church of Milford. He was a graduate of Baldwin Wallace College in Berea, Ohio and four years ago began teaching classes at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

Mr. Llewellyn is survived by his wife, Lenore (Emma) Llewellyn; two children. Thomas Blair (Deborah) Llewellyn of Northville and Lenore (John) Baumann of Liberty Twp, Ohio; four grandchildren, Rebecca Hartman, John Baumann, Jennifer Llewellyn, Thomas Henry Llewellyn II; and three greatgrandchildren, Jacob Hartman, Joshua Hartman, and Emma Hartman. He was preceded in death by one son. Timothy.

A memorial service with military honors will be held on March 14, at 1 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church Milford. Rev. John Harris will officiate the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, 25900 Greenfield Rd., Ste. 401, Oak Park, Mich. 48237 or Myasthenia Gravis Association, 17117 W. Nine Mile, Suite No. Southfield, Mich. 48075. 1409,

Funeral arrangements were made by Phillips Funeral Home of South Lyon.

Louise Huntley

Louise R. Huntley, homemaker and former resident of Northville, died March 6 at St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia. She was 90.

Mrs. Huntley was born on Sept. 18, 1913 in Gaylord to the late Frank Borowiak and Rose Nowaczyk Borowiak. She was preceded in death by her husband Donald Huntley on Feb. 7.

Mrs. Huntley is survived by a daughter Carol (Richard) Lamphier of Northville and a sister Amy Thomas of Marine

A mass was held on March 9 at Our Lady of Victory Church with Father Paul Czarnota officiating. Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery Southfield.

Arrangements were made by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville.

Kay L. Kehoe

Kay L. Kehoe died March 7 at Harper Hospital in Detroit.

Mrs. Kehoe was born in Highland Park and was preceded in death by a daughter Karla Kehoe and her mother Blanche

Mrs. Kehoe was employed by the Northville School System at the time of her death. She is survived by her husband Robert F. Kehoe of Northville, three sons, David (Karen) Kehoe, Kenneth (Kimberly) Kehoe, and Darren Kehoe, all of Northville, two grandchildren, Allison and Ava Kehoe, her father Harry Bishop of Northville and a sister Claire

Miller of Farmington Hills. Services will be held today at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville with the Dr. V. F. Halboth from Grace Lutheran Church in Redford

officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Medical Research Education with checks payable to the Department of Surgery-SMRE Acct. 5300, C/O Donald Weaver, M.D., Harper Hospital Department of Surgery, 3990 John R., Detroit, Ml.

POLICE REPORTS

JUST TOO YOUNG: Two a.m. Feb. 28 directed to the road-Northville teenagers out on a Friday night were caught adding alcohol to their date.

Northville police officers at 9 p.m. Feb. 27 arrested a 16-yearold girl and a 17-year-old boy. who was driving a 2002 Jeep on Novi Road, north of Eight Mile Road, according to police reports. The two told police they had attended a high school basketball game before proceeding to the driver's house to drink, the report

The girl, arrested for underage. consumption of alcohol, was referred to juvenile court, while her boyfriend was charged with operating a vehicle while intoxicated, the report says.

LATER THAT NIGHT: When three men in a Cadillac were pulled over by Northville police for suspected drunk driving, the

driver was released. An officer on routine patrol at 2

side a driver who appeared to be having difficulty maintaining the center of his lane headed eastbound on Eight Mile Road near Randolph, according to police reports. The two 20-year-old passengers, from Novi and East Lansing, subsequently were arrested for underage consumption after .072 and .073 prelimi-

nary breath tests, the report says. All three men denied drinking. according to the reports. When the driver's breath test showed a zero alcohol level, he was released, the report says. The two passengers faced a March 11 court date.

FIRE SETTER? Northville Downs employees were on the lookout Feb. 28 for a white female suspected of starting fires in racetrack trash cans.

A track customer approached an officer at the second-floor clubhouse post around 8 p.m. that Saturday to report a fire in a can

near the mainline betting counter, according to police reports. The officer and a track worker removed the can from the Center Street entrance and called the Northville Fire Department, the report says.

A track worker advised the officer that he was aware that an unknown white female had been removed from the Hazel Park Raceway for starting trashcans on fire, the report says. She may have been spotted in Northville Downs by an employee in the money room, the employee told police. Hazel Park representatives confirmed the suspect woman had been banned from their track. The local track worker planned to check back with police after more conversation with his staff, the report says.

Damage was estimated at \$350, the report says. Downs employees earlier that day extinguished a trash can fire in the lower clubhouse, the report says.



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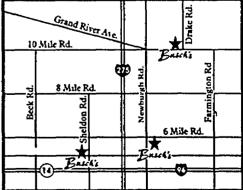


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Though sheltered by different structures, the well located on S. Main Street just north of the Northville Chamber of Commerce looks virtually unchanged between these 1968 and 2004 photos. The well as far back as 1913 supplied community residents with water fed by the spring that ran on the railroad rightof-way. Jack Hoffman in his book Northville the first hundred years describes the Silver Springs Water Company, years ago was located on the east side of the railroad, that bottled the spring water. Advertisements in town as well as on the local railroad indicated, "We serve only Silver Springs water." Today the community landmark supplies running water, with maintenance by the city's Department of Public Works, with costs covered by the Northville Rotary Club.

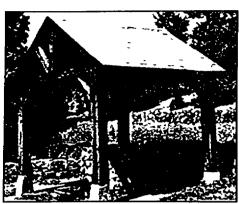


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Icers skate past Saline; state semifinals await

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have a lot of tradition over there and they're strong year after year. It's going to be a huge chal-lenge for us. We're really looking forward to it."

On the other side of the bracket and vying for a state finals benth will be Saginaw Heritage (24-2-2) and Muskegon Mona Shores (21-6-1). That game will start at 8:30 p.m.

Against Saline, the Mustangs (20-5-3) were helped by the speedy presence of Derek Mohacsi, who scored a hat trick with three goals and added two assists for a five-point night.

Mohacsi scored the first goal of the night at 5:13 in the first period with an assist from Keegan Malone. The second goal was also credited to Mohacsi, who took the assists from Jake Vitale and Greg Jones to put Northville up 2-0 with just 12 seconds left in the first.

In the second, Northville collected the only goal of the period as Malone skated in off the wing and fired a shot home following a

move on the Saline goalie. The score went under the netminder for the 3-0 advantage as Mohacsi and Blake Brattina.

Northville, however, was suffering from time in the penalty box throughout the game.

"I hate to say it, but it was being called one way," said O'Neill of his squad's seven penalties to Saline's two. 'The officials said they were going to let them play, but we were hit with a couple tripping and slashing calls. I'm glad they called them, but it should have been both ways."

But, like all year, the Mustangs made short work of the short-handed situations with excellent penalty killing.

The momentum from the first two periods carried over into the third as the Mustangs scored right out of the gate as Mohacsi fired home a shot from the top of the zone that slid by the goalie thanks to screens set by Troy Engelland and Aaron Bernstein. Nick Guerro earned the assist.

Saline fought back though, scoring a goal of their own at the 11 minute mark to cut the lead to 4-1 before Northville skated back ever stronger to score the final two goals of the game. Malone scored his second goal of the game, assisted by Guerro, for the 5-1 lead, before Engelland took assistance from Nick Reuter and Joe Vitale to slam home the final goal for the win.

The Mustangs' coaching staff has one member that will be loving the game against Trenton -John Kostzrewa. Kostzrewa is a graduate of Trenton and played for their hockey team. He also currently resides there.

"He's stoked for this one," O'Neill said.

The other members of the coaching staff are Justin Waineo and Rick Ryan. Ryan was the goalie for O'Neill's first Mustangs hockey team seven vears ago.

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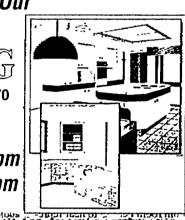
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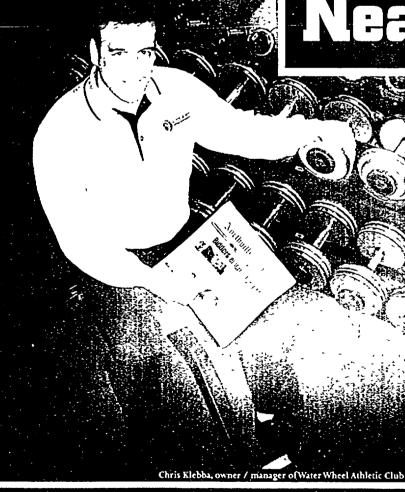
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By Maureen Johnston STAFF WRITER

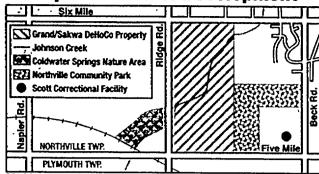
Single-family homes, duplexes and research-and-development facilities are part of a plan for the east side of Ridge Road between Five Mile and Six Mile roads that the Northville Township Board will take a look at next Thursday

The planned-unit-development for the combination of uses is actually one of two plans submitted for board review by developer Grand/Sakwa of Farmington Hills. The second plan for the approximate 300-acre parcel, which bears the nickname of its former owner the Detroit House of Corrections, consists solely of single-family housing.

The board at its regular March 18 meeting can express a preference for one plan or the other, but the developer in the end will decide which plan to pursue.

"Both meet the conditions of ordinance," Commission chairman George McCarthy said. "It's up to the developer to do due diligence to choose the plan that is most beneficial to them."

"It will be up to him to decide the type of product," McCarthy continued, including the size, type and design of structure. "If he feels ranches are what will sell, he'll select all ranches. Likewise, colonials." However, he added, because the parcel currently is zoned PUD, Grand/Sakwa would have to go through the re-zoning **Former Corrections Property** & Proposed Area of Development



ate a road from the residential

development through the town-

ship's Community Park to the

east, thereby diverting some traffic

from Six Mile Road. The R-3 con-

cept plan shows a cul-de-sac,

which would preclude access to

The developer's offer to donate

public-access property along Johnson Creek was another plus,

McCarthy said. The mixed-use

plan - concentrated on approxi-

mately 175 acres of the site -

included open space along the

creek for passive recreation, such

as walking trails and fishing

preferable too to the volunteer

preservation organization, the

Johnson Creek Protection Group,

which for months has presented its

interests to Grand/Sakwa. In fact,

the group held a special meeting

devoted to the topic of the

Of the two, that plan would be

Five Mile Road.

application process for a com-pletely single-family-residential development.

"From what I've seen of the two plans, I'd like the board to follow the direction of the planning commission's approval of the PUD," township supervisor Mark Abbo said Tuesday. The commissioners at their Feb. 24 meeting approved both concepts — with conditions then separately expressed a preference for the planned-unitdevelopment outline.

Grand/Sakwa's research-anddevelopment component was an appealing part of the PUD plan. McCarthy said. Township leaders repeatedly have stressed their interest in attracting development that does not add to the economic pressure on the school system but does broaden the commercial tax

The planning commission also liked the PUD commitment to cre-

DeHoCo property on the eve of the developer's presentation of concept plans to the planning commission. They discussed the need to preserve the unique characteristics of the property, including landmark tree stands, the peat bog and creekbed itself. The straight residential plan

was more dense, McCarthy pointed out. "They haven't left any open space," he said. "Under the PUD, they're required to leave open space."

Conditions that the planning

commissioners will continue to watch include garage location and setback, McCarthy said. "We prefer not to have front-facing garages," he said. Also, "the ordinance does call for varied Subsequent to the board review.

Grand/Sakwa has yet another goround with the planning commission to obtain final site plan approval. The timetable will be up to the developer, said Jennifer Frey, director of community development.

The next step would be to get the outside agency permits," she said, from the Department of Environmental Quality and Environmental Protection Agency, for example. "I'm sure they would like to start this year, but I don't know if that's realistic."

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options after plans denied

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We're giving them 30 days to appeal," Northville city manager Gary Word said. The first Wednesday of the month — April 7 is the next scheduled appealboard meeting. However, the manager rejected word of the city already making special plans to accommodate what is sure to be a well-attended meeting.

"It's not a given that it's [April 7]; Word said. There are a lot of questions to sort through. That's if we get an appeal. don't

Right now, I Gary Word have

The come of the planning commission meeting came as a surprise to church leaders, they said, after they presented what Fr. Terry Kerner they believed

was a well-researched and carefully reviewed plan. Dan Donohue, president of Our Lady of Victory's parish council, cited the opinion of the city's planning consultant that it appeared the plans met the code of the city. 'That seemed to be overlooked in terms of the city's decision-making process.

Kerner said the parish council members revisited the commission's decision at their meeting last Wednesday night, "It was 100 percent consensus to go forward," he said. "To a person, we agreed."

"I don't think any of us feel any anger toward the city, neighbors or city officials. The procedure seemed very flawed."

Procedures that are flawed can create injustice and drive a wedge between people."

A member the Our Lady of Victory for 10 years, Donohue agreed. "I think we were a bit disappointed. We are doing everything we can to work with the neighbors and the community ---*+

we're doing everything we can to stabilize the area with our presence there."

"We are hopeful there is still an ability to do that."

The congregation, established on the corner of Thayer and Orchard streets more than 80 years ago, presented plans to update the attached school, which started as a fourroom addition in 1952. The new facility, proposed for across the street from the current site, would phase-in two classrooms per grade, increasing attendance numbers therefore traffic concerns of neigh-

The red-and-white "Preserve Our Neighborhoods" signs protesting the school project have been pulled from yards since the planning commission vote. However, the opposition sentiment that pulled dozens of property owners to appear before the commission to protest the school's construction still lingers. During public hearings in January, February and March, they called the planned 77,000-square-foot school just too big for the approximate 3 1/2-acre site and described a potential drop in property values.

"We're trying to go the extra length so any new construction would enhance the surrounding area," Donohue said. "Our current structure is old and tired. It's not a very handsome landmark. We're trying to solve that problem and coexist in the neighborhood."

In response to a question, the city manager dismissed reports that the positions of legal and planning consultants to the city were in jeopardy related to the church application. "I have no intentions of reviewing it at all," Word said.

"That is not to say that other people might think differently. As far as I know the attorney and planning consultant have the confidence of the city staff, council and planning commission. I have not been told to do anything to the contrary."

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Group urges protection of creek on site

By Maureen Johnston STAFF WRITER

Knowledge about the features and potential threats to our natural resources will go a long way toward preserving them.

That was part of the message of a special meeting hosted recently by the Johnson Creek Protection Group. More than 70 people met in the Northville High School forum room Feb. 23 to hear repre-sentatives from local, state and county agencies describe specific conditions of our local assets and options for action to ensure they stay that way.

The local protection group recently has focused on the 300acre former Detroit House of Corrections property on the east side of Ridge Road between Five

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TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 170

ARTICLE 3 GENERAL PROVISIONS --

LIGHTING STANDARDS

Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: Northville Township Civic Center
41600 Six Mile Road
The Second Reading and Adoption of an amendment to the Zoning

Ordinance, Article 3 General Provisions, Lighting Standards will be held at the Board of Trustees meeting on March 18, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, Mile

The public is invited to attend and express their comments and questions. Written comments regarding the proposed changes will be received by the Township Clerk's Office, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville,

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Mile and Six Mile roads, which Hills-based Grand/Sakwa has targeted for development. The creek-friendly people prefer the development concept that would preserve open space on the site, provide more flexibility in building sites, and allow public access for trails along the waterway, said township

engineer Anne Naszradi. Aside from acquainting the audience with the specifics of the site - woodlands, wetlands and the cold-water creek itself - the presentation was effective in bringing the larger task to the local stage, Naszradi said. Dave Dempsey, policy advisor for the Michigan Environmental Council. encouraged local involvement to effect change.

The speaker cited past success-

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ful grassroots environmental efforts that restored Michigan's at-one-time, clear-cut forests, and initiated the state's bottle-return law. Suggestions for land-use planning, such as the Johnson Creek Protection Group's interest in the DeHoCo property, best come from the local level, he said.

Matt Best and John Jones, Wayne County environment officials as well as Johnson Creek Protection Group volunteers, led the audience through a series of slides bepicting the site. They talked about the natural features on specific parts of the parcel and potential impact of the construction on creek and the species who make their home there.

The environmental group distributed materials about the everyday role of people who live near the creek to protect it and the Rouge River into which it flows. For more information, check out the website: www.jcpg.org.

Simple actions to protect Johnson Creek include: Reduce your lawn fertilizer

· Use slow-release, phosphorus fertilizers.

· Water your lawn frequently for short spurts. · Leave grass three inches tall

and leave clippings on the lawn.
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Date: March 18, 2004

Time: 7:30 p m Place: Northville Township Hall

41600 W. Six Mile Road The 1st & 2nd Reading of amendments to the Building Construction Ordinance, Chapter 58 will be held at the Board of Trustees meeting on March 18, 2004 at 7:30 p m at the Northville Township Hall, 41600 W. Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

The amendments include Article III, §58-4 Nuisance Animal and Pest Prevention, Article IV, §58-5 Notice of Violation and §58-6 Penalty. The public is invited to attend and express their comments and ques-

tions Written comments regarding the proposed changes will be received by the Township Clerk's Office, 41600 W. Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING **AMENDMENTS TO** THE ZONING ORDINANCE **CHAPTER 170**

ARTICLE 3 General Provisions, Section 3.1 H.
Article 3 General Provisions, Section 3.1 I.
Article 37 Temporary Uses Events, Structures and Buildings, Section 37.1

Date: March 18, 2004

Time: 7:30 p.m.
Place: Northville Township Civic Center
41600 Six Mile Road

The Introduction and First Reading of amendments to the Zoning Ordinance will be held at the Board of Trustees meeting on March 18, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Township Civic Center, 41600 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

The amendments include:
ARTICLE 3 General Provisions, Section 3.1 H.
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MARCH IS READING MONTH: Kids, preschool age through those in sixth grade, get hooked on books during March is Reading Month. Beginning March 21, pick up your "Get Hooked on Books" Reading Log at the Information Desk. When your reading log is full, you've earned the prize of a paperback book. This activity takes place throughout the month of March.

SPRING CRAFTS FOR KIDS: Kids of all ages are invited to make fun spring crafts in the library's meeting room on March 18 from 4 to 5 p.m.

EVENING STORYTIME FOR FAMILIES: Kids, come to the library in your pajamas, and enjoy a lively storytime. Best suited to children 3 and over, but all ages welcome. Join us on March 17 at 7 p.m.

SPRING TOT STORYTIME: The TOT storytime is specially designed for 2 and 3 year olds with a parent or caregiver, and runs for six weeks. The half-hour sessions are structured to help this age group gain the most from this fun and important library experience. For this reason, please bring only age appropriate children who are registered for the weekly programs. Please choose from one of the following four sessions: Mondays at 10:15 a.m., from March 29 through May 3; Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. or at 11:30 a.m., from March 31 through May 5; or Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. from April 1 through

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LITTLE ME CLUB STORY-SPRING STORYTIME FOR TIME: Little ones, from 10

months to 2 years old, along with their parents or caregivers, can enjoy music, beanbag fun, and simple stories on March 19 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. This special activity geared to the very young is offered each month. Infants and older children are also welcome to attend.

FRIENDS SPRING USED BOOK SALE: Find great bargains on a wide variety of used books, at the Friends of the Library Spring Used Book Sale. The sale will be held at the library on March 12 from 3 to 7 pm; March 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and March 14 from 1 to 3 p.m. On the last day of the sale, all books will be halfprice. In addition, members of the Friends are invited to the Preview Sale on March 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. Memberships will be available at the library that Thursday. during the preview All proceeds from the sale of used books are used to benefit the library.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS FOR YOUTH: Fourth and fifth graders are invited to join us each month for Junior Books, Chat, and Chow, a lively discussion of a good book. On March 31, we will be discussing Peg Kehret's novel "Saving Lilly." Kids in sixth grade and up are invited to join us that same day to talk about "The Boy in the Burning House," by Tim Wynne-Jones. Both groups meet from 4:15 to 5 pm., with refreshments served.

LIBRARY BOARD MEET-ING: The next meeting of the Northville District Library board of trustees will be on March 25 at 7:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend these monthly meetings, which are typically scheduled on the fourth Thursday of the month.

Northville, Novi team up on Relay For Life this spring

By Pam Fleming

Michelle Galecka of Novi was a healthy student at Central Michigan University when she was first diagnosed with cancer on July 4th weekend 1993.

Now, almost 11 years later. thanks to radiation, chemotherapy and bone marrow transplants, she's married, has an adopted son, and is trying to live a normal life.

Galecka will be one of many cancer survivors and concerned citizens who plan to participate in the Fifth Annual Novi-Northville American Gancer Society Relay For Life. The event will take place from 10 a m May 15 to 10 a m. May 16 at Ford Ifield in downtown Northville.

The overnight, community-based team event is a nationwide movement that offers an opportunity for everyday people to help in the fight against cancer.

Teams have 10 or more members who each ruise funds and commit to having one member of the team walk the track for the duration of the event. Relay For late honors concersurvivors during the first lap.

A kickoff for the upcoming fundraiser at the Sheraton Detroit Novi on the evening of March 3 included an emotional video and personal experiences about the event. Kurt Westphal of Novi serves as chairman of this year's event.

Last year, the Novi-Northville Relay For Life event included 36 teams and collected \$82,000 for cancer research, which was more than triple the community's goal.

'The goal for this year's event is 40 teams and \$84,000, plus a renewed awareness of cancer in the Novi-Northville area," Iovan said.

Since its creation by a Tacoma, Wash., doctor in 1995 through last year, the event has raised \$1 billion toward the fight against cancer.

"Unfortunately, that's not enough to conquer this beast." Westphal.

Barb Iovan, community development director for the local American Cancer Society, noted at the kickoff that Relay For Life is the largest private funding source for cancer

research
This is the national signature tu diraser for the charity." Iovan

This year, there will be more than 4,000 Relays For Life nationwide and 32 in the Metro Detroit area. Two firms in the area — AT & T and Johnson Controls - have already agreed to be Silver Sponsors, donating \$1,000 each to the cause, according to Iovan.

She noted that students from Amerman Elementary School in Northville collected \$1,000 worth of pennies to contribute to cancer research last October. The project was combined with a math lesson.

lovan also thanked members of the Northville Eagles for providing a meeting site at the downtown club for Relay For Life team captains this

Information about how to form a team or become involved in Relay For Life is available from the American 'Cancer Society at (248) 483-4317 or 1-800-ACS-2345.

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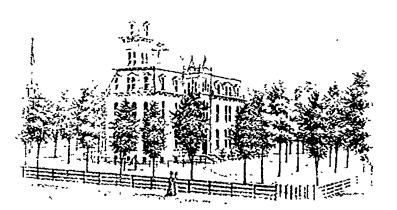
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Civic Concern faces growing list of clients

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individually selected items such as

paper products or soaps.
"There are 40 families that get help," said Joseph Lang, a Civic Concern volunteer for seven years, "You see the result. Someone walks out with food. It's a worth-

'It comes in free, it goes out free," Lang pointed out. "There are no administrative costs."

Like assistance agencies across the country, Civic Concern felt the impact of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, by a cut in half of previous year's donations, Kunz said. This year, with the economics, we went to half of that half the previous year. People are holding tight because of the economy.

Meanwhile, she said, "We are exactly 32 percent up in referrals of families needing assistance."

Schools, social workers, churches and local police departments inform Civic Concern of individu-

als or families that could benefit from the program, Kunz said. Food from the tidy Cady Street pantry has been provided to past and current clients — sleeping in cock-roach-infested boarding rooms, a trash receptacle and drain pipe, the director said. 'They're the smallest element, but they're around here;" she said. "People don't see them, they don't want to see them."

Most often, the provisions are a temporary measure to pull clients through a variety of unforescen circumstances. Local clergy referred a woman to Civic Concern after her alcoholic husband jeopardized their home life, for example.

"He drank everything they had," Kunz said. They were going to lose their home, everything." Six months later - with the husband in recovery following rehabilitation treatment — the family is picking up the pieces.

While on one front Kunz battles the perception there is no need in a community like Northville, on the

other she embraces the supportive volunteers who continue to show up. The long-time resident ticked off a list of names she has called in a pinch.

The strength of the program is that it belongs to the community, Kunz said, both the recipients and the volunteers. For example, clients work alongside her "elves" when Civic Concern mans a Pontiac Silverdome concession booth as a fundraiser. People connect through those types of efforts, said. "Does everyone think anyone who's in trouble is a low-life? What goes around comes around."

A former senior activities coordinator, Kunz regularly assists the community's elderly with her Civic Concern stock, "We've been addressing more senior concerns this year than ever," she said. They often use their monthly stipend for medication before food, she said. "There's only so far they can go."

Civic Concern, founded in a



file photo by JOHN HEIDER

Frequent Civic Concern volunteer and client Bev Wadowski knows about the situation facing Civic Concern with regard to heightened demand and diminished supplies.

garage in 1983, has moved from Novi Meadows to a trailer behind the school, to the lower level at Northville City Hall, to Cooke School, then finally its current Cady Street location. But with the relocation of the seniors to their new Main Street center this summer, Civic Concern too will find new digs. The director said she is working with a local businessman to finalize relocation arrangements.

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• spaghetti spaghetti sauce

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hand soap

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on products.

• laundry soap Civic Concern, located at 215 W. Cady Street, requests donors check expiration dates

OTHER THAN GROCERIES While Civic Concern accepts donations to help serve clients'

food and staple needs, other local agencies handle non-gro-Clothing or furniture items,

for example, can be taken to: Church of the Holy Family, 24505 Meadowbrook, near Ten Mile Road. For information, call (248) 349-8553.

Charity's volunteer staff allows center to operate

By Maureen Johnston

On Monday morning, Joseph Lang lifted full grocery bags from the trunk of his car and carried them into the Civic Concern

Lang, filling in for food coor-dinator Jack Whelan, made the weekly round to local churches to pick up food items collected during Sunday services. This seven-year volunteer was one of many people program director Marlene Kunz encountered that day. There were calls from fellow service agencies, potential recipients, volunteers and others the phone ringing is continual, often 50-60 calls a day.

"It's like that all the time," she said. "It's just a busy place."

Civic Concern's core group of 20 volunteers put in a lot of effort and move a lot of food, Kunz said. Everyone has the same feeling — it's worth it."

Some are routine pickups; the ten 200 percent more than I've group tries to respond immediately to unexpected donation offers. Food items dropped off are scrutinized for a freshness date, sorted, and shelved by cate-

From Civic Concern's base in the Northville Senior Center, Kunz Monday through Friday fields, follows up and makes calls. One such exchange Monday tripped up a woman trying to double-dip Civic Concern and Salvation Army.

Through her involvement in and connections with numerous local service organizations, Kunz personifies the program's message of outreach. If she cannot help through Civic Concern, she tries to coordinate efforts with local churches and other assistance agencies.

The director likened herself to an orchestra leader, citing the cooperative efforts of her players toward a common goal. "I've gotgiven. And I've given a lot."

Kunz's recent announcement at a Kiwanis meeting brought in Julie Rickett Monday morning with a load of silverware. The director had related to her peers the plight of a family that had lost everything after their eviction from a local apartment com-

Kirsten VanRiper, too stopped in Monday to drop a grocery bag filled with applesauce and organic fruit. "I've been coming here for a long time," she said. "I've

been telling everyone at church." "Every time I shop, I throw a few items into my cart," she said. 'It doesn't add that much to my

The mom recounted the lesson she learned through her daughter's Brownie troop. As a community service exercise, the children took on an additional task at home - for which parents agreed to pay for a week. They

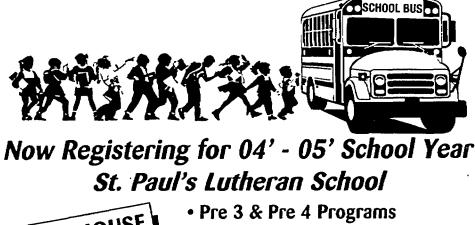
pooled those earnings with their peers, then coordinated a shopping trip to select groceries to benefit Civic Concern clients. In the end, all involved benefited from that exercise, VanRiper

Plus, the VanRiper said, the children learned the lifelong lesson that it is OK to ask for help. 'No one makes a plan of their life that they have to come for food," she said. "It's actually harder for the people coming to get things.'

Kunz complimented the community service and education efforts, citing the larger lesson that they were able to help at that point in their life. It might turnaround for them later.

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Civic Concern: help is needed

It could — and should be said that Northville Civic Concern is living up to its

Revelation this week that the community emergency assistance program itself is in the midst of an emergency should be a rallying cry to residents and businesses to help the charitable organiza-

Civic Concern has changed lives encumbered by medical conditions, a job loss, family matters, substance abuse, or any of a number of other situations. It has been able to provide these services only through the support and charity of those who've been lucky enough to avoid the circumstances that have brought clients to it.

The bitter paradox of a weak economy is that charita-ble contributions tend to be the first items cut from a budget when money gets tight at home. In other words, there's a greater need, but fewer resources available to cover them. No one knows that better than Marlene Kunz, director of Civic Concern, whose phone has been ringing more often from people needing a helping hand and less from those able to extend one.

That's got to change, and it's got to change now. Unstable as the economy may be, we have a hard time believing a small amount of cash or grocery donation will be that much of a setback in a community of homes with three-car garages. To that end, we offer the following challenge: now through April 15, set aside \$10 each time you go to the grocery store and purchase non-perishable foods and toiletries for Civic Concern. Drop them off here at the *Record* office, and we'll deliver them for you. If each of our readers did this, Civic Concern would be strapped with the pleasant problem of having too many goods and not enough space in which to stock them. If you're more the cash type, send a \$25 check to Civic Concern right now. That's a dinner for two for most people, but it can be breakfast, lunch, and dinner

for a family of four.
One year ago, Northville rallied to raise funds to rebuild Maybury State Park's farm, following the devastating loss of the barn and the animals it housed. It's only appropriate that that same kind of support be shown for our two-legged neighbors.

LEADERSHIP



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Ann Arbor artist Eric Evans works on a clay creation at Northville's Atrium Gallery Art Afair with one of his completed works in the foreground.

Marrs will be missed:

We were not unlike many in Northville who were saddened to learn that Laurie Marrs was retiring from her position as executive director of the Northville Chamber of

our community obesity awareness campaign, "No Stoppin' Northville." Our entire committee agrees that Laurie's participation and leadership are a central part of our effort. I suspect there are many committees and decision making bodies throughout our community who feel the same about her.

returned home to the town I grew up in. It seemed I had missed the dynamic growth

lege, I returned to a Northville exploding with potential and prestige but still grounded

period was masterfully handled by our

vals, our privately owned businesses and the people that staff them, much of our town would slip into the category of urban sprawl. Many communities have swelled into a labyrinth of strip malls and fast food empires. It would have proven a disappointing home-

We would like to thank Laurie for helping to mold the face of our businesses and ou

The entire staff and ownership of The Water Wheel Health Club wish her the best in health and retirement. She has certainly

> Clay Cutchins Water Wheel Health Club Northwile

Water Wheel thanks her

We have enjoyed working with her during

This past year, Laurie's legacy (and those like her) left a lasting impression on me as I period of the nineties that greatly shaped our

After ten years of military service and col-

Our businesses and community events are he largest face of this balancing act, and this Chamber and organizations like it.

Without the unique character of our festicoming if Northville had the same fate.

Think carefully about DeHoCo development

Two arms of the last glacier came together in what is now Northville and formed a geological landscape unlike any other. This historical event created an extraordinary bluff on what is now the former Detroit House of Corrections property, located between Five and Six Mile Roads behind Northville Community Park. The ridge runs north-south, spans half a mile, and overlooks Johnson Creek and 140 acres of marshland, it needs to be saved from development so that everyone can enjoy its beauty forever.

A planned unit development, which was approved by the Northville Township Planning Commission on Feb. 24, will build homes on the bluff, after its landscape, and close it off to the public. This plan now

awaits township approval.

There are many solutions that could preserve the ridge. Land from Northville Community Park could be swapped for this land, or homes could be clustered onto smaller lots. Tract homes are easy to build, but it is also possible to build large condos joined together which provide private common areas, sound insulation, and underground parking, allowing for more open space.

The area just above the ridge should be public so that everyone can enjoy the view of the beautiful landscape to the west. Views of the long, wooded bluff from a proposed nature boardwalk in the wetland, would give a feeling of being completely surrounded by nature.

I would encourage anyone to visit this property. It is a real gem and needs to be preserved for future generations.

> Carol Poenisch Candace Kawatsu Lindsay Scheinberg

EDITOR'S NOTE: In addition to the above-named, this letter was signed by five other writers

'Preserve' sign-posting serves no purpose

"Preserve Our Neighborhood." I always smirk when I see one of those signs. I moved into the Orchard Heights neighborhood 18 years ago. If those signs would have stood then, both Grandview and Spring would be unpaved, and those huge new houses wouldn't be standing on the corner of Eaton and Thayer and Orchard and Spring, Instead of those houses, there would be trees and lilac bushes.

But now these "Preserve Our Neighborhood" signs stand in protest of the expansion of an institute that educates our community's youth and promotes faith and love. Where were these signs 18 years ago? Why are many of those signs in the yards of residents who renovated their houses, doubling their size or in the yards of those built the biggest houses in the neighborhood just three years ago?

I am submitting this statement in support of Our Lady of Victory's plans. OLV is what makes the Orchard Heights neighborhood truly unique. It separates us from post-World War II subdivisions like Beacon Woods and Abbey Knoll. Families can move here and walk to church on Sundays, and their kids can walk to school. Residents can walk up to OLV on the weekends and shoot baskets or teach their kids to ride a bike.

OLV is a great school, too. Both my sister and I attended it and we finished in the top of our classes in high school. I am certain that the foundation OLV laid helped me earn my diploma from an Ivy League institution two years ago. OLV deserves the right to update their school as much as neighborhood residents deserve to update their houses. So, please "Orchard Heights" residents, stop the

hypocrisy and take down your signs.

Meghan Cauzillo

EDITOR'S NOTE: Ms. Cauzillo's letter was received after the Record's deadline for letter submissions for the March 4 edition of the newspaper. On March 2, the Northville planning commission denied Our Lady of Victory's request for renovation and expan-

Johnson Creek is a unique treasure

As residents of Northville and Northville Township, we are part of a unique ecosystem known as the Rouge River Watershed. It provides us with myriad wetlands, creeks and streams all emptying into the Middle Rouge, and combined with the glacial hills and valleys gives Northville its exceptional natural beauty. However, the tidal wave of development that consumes Northville has left many of us concerned about its impact, particularly when it encroaches on sensitive ecological areas. One such area is the Detroit House of Corrections property, which lies between Five and Six Mile, west of Beck Road, and adjoins a large wetlands are and pristine creek that feed into the Johnson Creek.

How the township allows this property to be developed will inevitably impact the as yet unspoiled, fringes of the watershed. It seems to us that a development adjacent to a sensitive area such as this needs to have a more limited plan that involves fewer homes and a larger buffer zone. Northville Township needs to stand firm with existing land use regulations, shoring up any loopholes, utilizing recommendations from the Michigan Land Use Commission and most recently and Smart Growth Commission. The Northville Township planning board, working with the state and developers, should set a new standard for smart growth, which should include

Those of us that depend upon well water are perhaps more acutely aware and concerned about the consequences of increased development on the hydrology of the watershed and ultimately the quality of our drinking water. Yearly testing is now recommended because of the increased nitrites and nitrates in the underground water resulting from the increased use of fertilizers.

The Rouge River watershed provides Northville with unparalleled natural beauty as well as recreation. It is everywhere. You cannot drive on a section of road without crossing some form of the watershed network. We need to educate ourselves towards becoming better stewards of this neighborhood we call home. We urge you to contact your township trustees and express your concerns. The final plan is on the agenda for a possible vote on March 18.

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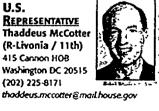


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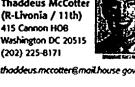
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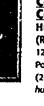
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Purchasing Consortium, which bundles

Readers with long memories may remember something called the University Investment Commission, a group led by Paul Hillegonds which met on and off during the fall of 2002. The idea was to invent a vehicle for a broad cross-section of citizens to reflect on how much a great university system benefits the state and to consider how best to deal with a terrible state economic climate. The panel deliberately did not include university folks, whose participation could

various and sundry, including the governor

and the state legislature. We also urged the

University Presidents' Council to follow up

on some of our suggestions. This report,

signed by Irvin Reid, president of Wayne

Plainly, universities in Michigan are

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purchasing power among universities on such things as gas and electric utilities, mail, printing, fleet management, travel and information technology. This partnership just signed a contract with Consumers Energy that will save MSU, Western Michigan Universities and UM-Flint an estimated \$730,000 in electricity costs over the next two years. A similar collective bid for natural gas is in the works.

Rising health care costs are hitting everybody, and the universities have responded by starting the Michigan Universities Coalition on Health to create a composite picture of their collective health care services and costs. These data are being used to inform competitive bidding from health care providers. The numbers involved are not trivial. A consulting firm, Hewitt and Associates, estimates medical expenses will increase at an annual rate of 12 percent. while the prices of drugs will increase by 20 percent annually through 2008. Increases of this order of magnitude could mean that state universities' health care costs could approach \$500 million annually a substantial target for cost savings.

Affordability loomed large in our commission's discussions, as declines in state support inevitably produce increases in university tuition and fees. There are at least three aspects to this issue: 1) Students and their families are understandably grumpy at having to pay increases in tuition that exceed inflation, 2) Politicians love to trumpet how they're working to keep tuition low (as though they think students and their families aren't smart enough to see that tuition increases are the direct result of reduced state support.) 3) In higher education, as in everything else, you tend to get what you pay for, a cheap university degree isn't necessarily the best degree and may render the recipient uncompetitive with equally well-trained but

much cheaper workers abroad.

The Granholm Administration has now produced a plan under which those universities that limit their fall 2004 tuition increases to the rate of inflation (currently 2.4 percent) will receive a rebate of 3 percent of this year's 5 percent Executive Order appropriations reduction and no further appropriations reductions for the fiscal year that begins Oct. I. Most universities are considering taking up the governor's offer.

But beware! Accepting a cap on tuition increases risks setting a dangerous precedent, especially for highquality institutions. Once a universal expectation arises that tuition will not increase

Plainly, universities in Michigan are responding to tough times by finding collective ways to save money.

faster than inflation, any university that wishes to increase quality will find itself in a terrible bind.

Michigan State University confronted exactly that problem in the 1990s when President M. Peter McPherson unilaterally announced that MSU tuition would rise no faster than inflation. The chain of causation was inevitable: Inflation was low; costs steadily increased; faculty salaries and other academic expenses were in effect frozen; faculty became grumpy; academic quality declined. Ultimately, McPherson was forced to reverse course.

Sorry to say it, but if Michigan is going

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Michigan: 2004's election battlefield

The conventional wisdom is that the race for president this year will be close and hard-fought, with Michigan and Ohio battlegrounds right up till the end.

But deep down, most pundits expect Michigan, with its larger minority and union populations, to probably wind up in the Democratic column. Ohio, however, long the most Republican of America's major industrial states, is seen as more

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Democratic blue and Republican red. Four

years ago, the nation was divided so close-

And it is a cinch that both of them will

spend more time in our two states than in

Yet most states are not really in play anymore. Back when John F. Kennedy and

switched to blue, Al Gore would have won.

Richard Nixon were fighting their cliffhanger campaign in 1960, both campaigned in nearly every state of the union. This year, the candidates will make a real effort in half the states — maybe, as few as 15. Most of the Rocky Mountain west and most or all the South are hopeless for Kerry, and he knows it. Bush can forget about New York, New England and

Which leaves the Midwest. Last time. both parties fought hard for Michigan till the end, but Democrats surprised even themselves by winning by a comfortable 217,000. United Auto Workers union members had election day off; a well-oiled and efficient machine got black workers in Detroit to the polls, and Gov. John Engler failed to deliver for George W., one reason he wasn't even considered for a cabinet

go. Al Gore essentially conceded defeat and pulled all his TV advertising, sending the money to other states. During the campaign, he never visited Toledo. Not surprisingly, Bush won .

But he didn't win by very much - just 4 percent; 2,351,309 to 2,186,190. Democrats later grumbled that a real effort might have turned the tide.

That's doubtful -- but there is reason to think that George Bush's stock has fallen in the Buckeye State. Manufacturing has been hard hit by the recession, recovery has been slower than expected, and Ohio unions and Democrats are energized. Take note: Twice as many Democrats voted in last Tuesday's primary than voted the same day in New York, though the Empire State

has almost twice Ohio's population.

Michigan's unemployment figures are even higher — but that is not unusual, after years of the boom-and-bust auto economy. But while President Bush isn't especially popular here, the Democrats are in some disarray. Detroit's "boy mayor," Kwame Kilpatrick, has nowhere near the get out the

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ago. Worse, the party has not one but two men, an ment that

resulted when the governor, as is traditional, wanted to name her choice --- Butch Hollowell - and the unions refused to give up their man, Mark Brewer.

Brewer and Hollowell have a simple relationship: They loathe each other, and each wishes the other wasn't there. That lead to a mess in the state's Democratic caucuses last month, and could spell trouble in November. It would be a poor idea for either party to take either state for

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Opinions: they depend who you ask

"Were you at the meeting?" the caller

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"Then where do you get off writing an editorial like don't



Chris C. Davis

even know w hat you're talking about!" An inter-

esting argument, and on the surface, that might even hold some merit...unless we talk about newspapers, what they do, and how they operate.

I hire reporters to do the reporting. They're the eyes and ears of the newspaper, whose job it is to go out and find the stories that are taking place in our coverage area. They're the ones who make the phone calls, ask the questions, pound out the copy and pound down the cups of coffee. That's their

Sounds simple, right?

As editor, it's my job to edit (that's for starters), to direct traffic in the new sroom, to design the newspaper, to write columns and write editorials.

Okay - here's the rub. In drafting editorials, I do so by consulting with the staff, by maybe making a couple of additional phone calls on my own, and then evaluating the information as I have it. Chances are I wasn't at the meeting where the Big Decision was made. I'm not supposed to be. That's not what I do - that's what the reporters do.

Reporters report. Editors edit. Still, that doesn't necessarily answer the question from the angry caller about where get off forming an opinion the likes of

Alrighty...let's dissect that one. "Have you ever met the president of the

United States?"

"Do you have an opinion of him?"

"Why? How? How can you form an opinion of a man you've never even met?"

Ahhh...opinions are like that, aren't they? They're formed based on the volume of knowledge we have at our disposal. I always liked that one analogy of the children who were brought to the circus and asked to

describe what an elephant looked like. (The elephant was shielded from view behind a sheet of canvas, and the children could only reach through a small hole in it to feel what was behind

nhant was long and smooth and muscular. Another said the elephant was thick and tough. third child said the elephant was thin and floppy. And yet another child said

One child

said the ele-

In drafting editorials, I do so by consulting with the staff, maybe making a couple of phone calls, then thinking a lot.

the elephant was narrow and feather-like. Which opinion was correct? They all vere. It depended on the perspective.

Editorials have never been 100 percent perfect. They haven't been in the Record,

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Summer comes a bit early at rec event

By Maureen Johnston

Ready for the splash of a pool, building sand eastles and beach volleyball?

! No, it's not spring break vacation three weeks early. It's the Northville Parks and Recreation Department's first-ever beach party. The family-oriented event is 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 20 at the Hillside Recreation Center, Eight Mile Road at Center Street.

"We're telling people to get out of the muck, come have a little summer early," said Emily Sherman, special events and arts programming supervisor. With a healthy-lifestyle movement afoot in the community, families that night will be able to sample together volleyball, swimming and snorkeling, she said.

The cost is \$15 for adults, \$10

for children age 2-12, \$5 for children under 24 months. To sign up,

the website www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

The event is modeled after the department's successful "Northville Nite," Sherman said. More than 900 area residents attended the seventh annual New Year's Eve event when adults and children took advantage of the range of activities the recreation staff had coordinated at Hillside, from supervised swimming to arts and crafts to games in the gym.

Armed with parental praise from that event, Sherman went about organizing a mid-winter event with the same family-oriented entertainment goals in mind. She said she was planning on a turnout of approximately

There still are openings for registration, the supervisor said. In addition to newspaper notice, Sherman's promotional efforts have included distribution of flyers through local schools, as well

call (248) 349-0203 or check out as postings in apartment complexes, churches, the Chamber of Commerce, library and city hall.

"It's good for groups, like Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, youth groups, families, people who just want to have fun," Sherman said. "It can be quality time with your family."

Aside from the loud-print shirts and inflatable pool toys, the younger participants can look forward to creating a flower lei or parrot necklace. A tasty island dinner also will be part of the four-hour vacation getaway, Sherman said.

Other scheduled activities include lessons in the Hawaiian hula, painting a community art mural, and a sandcastle building contest.

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Getting geared up and geeked up for this Saturday's Northville Parks and Recreation Beach Party at Hillside are NPR director Traci Sincock, right and employees Nichole Passmore, Darrin Raupp, and Jeff Moon.

Township board to debate expansion of Community Park

By Maureen Johnston STAFF WRITER

Homework by the Northville community's number crunchers and recreation leaders will determine next week whether expanded park facilities come sooner or ·later.

"I really can't predict what's going to happen," Northville Township supervisor Mark Abbo said Tuesday. "What I believe should happen is we should not approve construction unless we have funding for operations."

Therein lies the root of the sooner-or-later debate. Proceeding with the approximate \$3 million expansion of Community Park will sooner fulfill demand for recreation facilities at today's prices. Pursuing the project later would mean rebidding the work and likely a 2006 open, at earliest.

Representatives from the township's landscape architect, M.C. Smith of Grand Rapids, Parlier this month reviewed for the board the top contenders .among the dozen-plus bids submitted for the estimated \$3.1 million first phase of expansion of the Beck Road park, north of Five Mile Road. DeAngelis Landscaping of Woodhaven, the original contractor for the park 10 years ago, was the low bidder at just under \$3 million, according to the bid tabulation sheet.

The statute requiring a response to bidders within 45

days of the Feb. 3 bid opening forces the trustees to act next week. The regular board meeting is at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 18, at the Township Hall.

Trustee Brad Werner suggested that investing in additional infrastructure now would sooner serve residents seeking additional recreational opportunities. while saving certain-to-be-higher later construction costs. "Would we realize any true savings waiting and not knowing about the operational expense," Werner asked. "That's the bottom line right there - what's the bene-

As the board liaison to the recreation commission, Werner is among the trustees at recent meetings who have discussed possibly limiting the project scope at this time to that which would require simply additional mowing, for example. Parks and recreation director Traci Sincock this week was preparing a presentation for the board meeting proposals with little-to-no impact on her department's operational

Since the bid award was tabled at the March 2 special meeting. the recreation director has met with township and city finance directors, Thelma Kubitskey and Nickie Bateson, respectively, to discuss operating expenses, what might be trimmed, and how to identify additional resources.

Aside from dollars and cents of the facility construction — for which the township has funds available through a land-acquisition and park development millage — there looms the larger question of ongoing operational funding for the additional amenities. The township during the past few years has funded their share of recreation services through a series of millages -operational separate from land acquisition - while the city has contributed from its general

Recreation costs are increasing because the number of people using the programs are going up. Werner said. "Some things are minimal, but some are more involved." For example, a lot of people are served for relatively little additional expense by the popular badminton offering; the building already is staffed, lights already are on. In contrast, adding soccer facilities means personnel mowing, fertilizing, lining the fields, and setting the

"We're running basically at a deficit," Werner said, "The parks and recreation department does not have a positive cash flow. The city and township are basically subsidizing the program."

The first phase of Community Park expansion that the board will discuss next Thursday includes on approximately 40 acres six soccer fields, two lacrosse fields, three basketball courts, six sand volley ball courts, a baseball diamond, a pienie

shelter, restrooms, a playscape area and parking. Another substantial portion of this first phase would be creating the infrastructure for the entire 100-plus-acre park site, she said, which entails construction of drainage and

water retention systems.

The phase is part of the \$11 million overall concept for complete development M.C. Smith presented to the board in July. Timing and specifics of subsequent phases have not been discussed, Sincock said.

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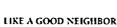
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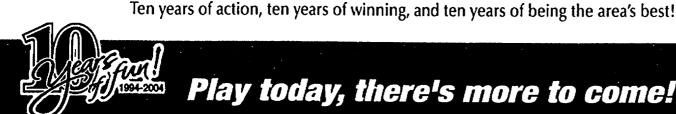


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TIME: Call for info **DETAILS:** Leagues will be divided for boys in grades 8-9 and 10-12, and for girls in grades 9-12. Each league will run an eight-game schedule running March 30 through May 27. Costs range from \$100 to \$110 per player. A \$10 late fee will be assessed for registration after March

PHONE: (248) 349-0203, ext. 1405

Northville Chamber of **Commerce TGIF** DATE: March 12 **LOCATION:** Northville Chamber of Commerce (195 S. Main Street) TIME: 8 a.m. - 9 a.m. **DETAILS:** The free networking opportunity is open to 12 participants.

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PHONE: (248) 349-7640

Book discussion - "The DaVinci Code Book" DATE: March 13 **LOCATION:** First United Methodist Church of Northville (777 W. Eight Mile) TIME: 9:30 a.m.
DETAILS: V. Bruce Rigdon of the Ecumenical Theological Seminary will be discussing the text.

PHONE: (248) 349-1144

Stage presentation — "The Shoemaker & The Elves" DATE: March 13 - May 2 **LOCATION:** Marquis Theatre (135 E. Main Street) ŤIME: 2:30 p.m. **DETAILS:** Tickets to all performances are \$7.50. The show is not appropriate for children age 3 and younger. PHONE: (248) 349-8110

Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution meeting DATE: March 15 LOCATION: Plymouth District Library (223 S. Main Street, Plymouth) TIME: Noon **DETAILS:** Nancy Couch will be speaking on living wills. PHONE: (734) 495-0811

Taste of Northville Business Showcase

DATE: March 16 LOCATION: Northville High School (45700 Six Mile Road) TIME: 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. (setup 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.) **DETAILS:** Booths displaying the goods and services of

dozens of Northville businesses will be set up, including several restaurants. Tickets are \$8 at the door. Booths are \$90 for Chamber members and \$150 for non-members. The event is open to the pub-

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COMING UP •

Limited vision living seminar DATE: March 18 **LOCATION:** First United Methodist Church of Northville (777 W. Eight Mile) TIME: 10 a.m. - noon DETAILS: Henry Ford Hospital Low Vision Living Clinic therapist Mary Ellen Daniel will discuss solutions to living with

limited eyesight. PHONE: (248) 349-1144 Fashion show to benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support DATE: March 18

LOCATION: Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall (108 E. Main Street) TIME: 6 p.m.

DETAILS: Admssion is \$25 (\$5 tax deductible). The event will feature dancers from Arthur Murray Dance Studios, hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. PHONE: (248) 449-4282

Northville Woman's Club

meeling DATE: March 19 LOCATION: First Presbyterian Church of Northville (200 E. Main Street) TIME: 12:30 p.m. **DETAILS:** A polluck luncheon

will be held. Participants are

asked to bringa new or used book to exchange, as well as table service. PHONE: (248) 349-5446

Art lecture series -"Founders of Italian Renaissance" DATE: March 24 **LOCATION:** Northville City Hall (215 W. Main Street) .TIME: 7:30 p.m. **DETAILS:** Art historian Michael Farrell will facilitate ; discussion on Donatello. Brunelleschi and other Italianartists. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$5 for students. PHONE: (248) 449-9950

Musical performance -Brass By Design DATE: March 28 LOCATION: St. Paul's Lutheran Church (201 Elm Street) TIME: 4 p.m.

DETAILS: The brass group is led by Ron Kischuck and has performed at a variety of

Michigan venues. PHONE: (248) 349-3140

Parks & Recreation Briefs

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE SIGN-UP: Leagues will be divided for boys in grades 8-9 and 10-12. Girls divided in grades 9-12. League will be an eight-game schedule April 3 through May 22. Fees start at \$100. A \$10 late fee will be assessed after March 12. Call Ext. 1405.

SPRING TIME: Hop into the spirit of spring; design a flowerpot for your homemade cookies. Each participant age 3-9 will make the own cookies and create a cookie bouquet for their artistic flowerpot. Fees range

ACT TEST PREPARATION: This workshop is for any high school student taking the ACT test this year. Review will include, practice mini test, ideas for pacing yourself and many more helpful strategies. Bring a calculator. The workshop will be held at Northville High School on Monday, March 22 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Room 188. Registration is required.

HOW TO LET GO: Learn techniques to let go of those negative feelings and rediscover emotional freedom. Classes are Tuesdays, March 16 - 30, from 6 p.m. to 8 p m. Fees determined by residency.

RECREATION CENTER AT HILLSIDE DROP-IN ACTIVITIES: activities include senior / open volleyball, open gym, open badminton, table tennis and lap and open swim. For more information check out our website at www.northvilleparksandrec.org or pick up a schedule at the recreation center.

Northville Parks & Recreation can be reached at (248) 349-0203.

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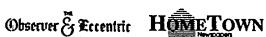
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Phil Power is the Chairman of the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or at ppower@home comm.net.

CHRIS C. DAVIS (CONT'D)

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and they haven't been in any newspaper. There will always be someone, somewhere, who will contest what's been written, suggesting it's [INSERT COMPLAINT HERE]. I have no problem with that whatsoever. What's written, though, is written thinking in terms of the community at large.

There have been editorials I've helped draft through the years that - to be perfectly honest - have conflicted with own personal

do, though. A column is my space. The editorial isn't.

That reminds me. The Letters section is your space. Don't like the editorial? Maybe you think it just outright stinks? Hey - grab a pencil or fire up your computer and let me know. Let the community know. I've never claimed to have the monopoly on infinite wisdom, but I do claim to have a pool of very talented, insightful, and educated reporters serving as my scouts so that I can

viewpoint. That's not what I'm supposed to evaluate an issue as clearly as possible.

No. I wasn't at the meeting. Were you there when the Red Sox traded

Babe Ruth? No? Maybe we can discuss our opinions on that issue, too.

Chris C. Davis is the editor of the Northville Record. He can be reached at 349-1700, ext. cdavis@ht homecomm.net

JACK LESSENBERRY (CONT'D)

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aka No. 284797, has written a new volume from his prison cell in Lapeer. "GlimmerIQs" is sort of a potpourri of limericks, essays, the suicide specialist's notorious paintings, etc. If you are dying to get one, send \$32 to Penumbra, Inc. P.O. Box 231 Bloomfield Hills.

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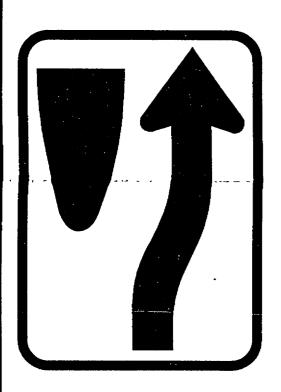
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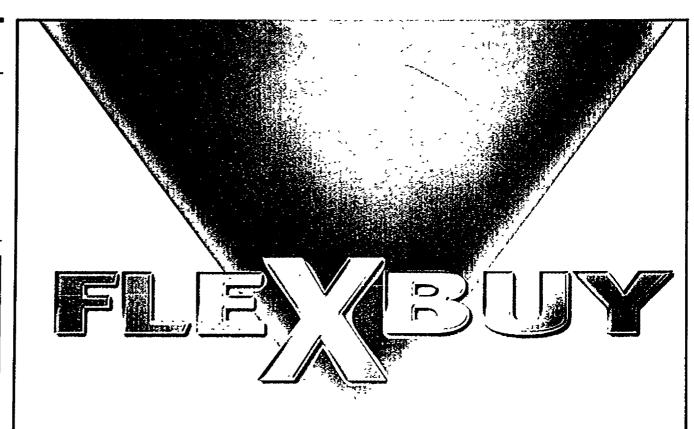
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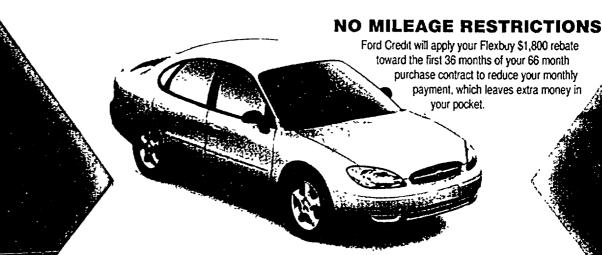
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Mustangs win division, but not conference

The Northville Mustangs boys' basketball team has been finding it difficult to win as of late. The result? A conference title that seemed like a sure thing just a few weeks

WAYNE ago is now out of their NORTHVILLE 50 hands as

the Mustangs fell to the Wayne Memorial Zebras in the WLAA title tilt. It seems that scoring has suddenly become the problem for the speedy Mustangs, something they were looking to rectify as they headed into the District Tournament.

- See Page B2 for details

'Last Chance' a big success

The Northville Mustangs swimming and diving team hosted their annual "Last Chance" meet last week and found it to be a huge success for those who attended. Out of those looking to make the state cut this year, 10 individuals pulled it out at the meet, including two Mustangs in Brad Farris and Chris Culkin.

The Mustangs are scheduled to participate in the state finals. which will be held tomorrow and Saturday at the University of Michigan.

- See B3 for full story

Wild 'Stangs take first in Regional, qualify for states

The Novi-

Northville Wild 'Stangs gymnas- 👍 tics team pulled together last week and earned themselves a Regional title with a whopping 146.775 points. The outcome gave the squad a berth into the state finals, which are slated for

tomorrow at Plymouth High School on Beck Road at 4 p.m. The squad, which is coached by Lindsay Schultz, had impressive performances across the board as they proved that determination and dedication definitely

pay off in the long run. - Go to Page B2 for story

Thought of the Week

Last Friday, at the Regional title game between Novi and Northville, it was overheard that someone from the Northville side thought Jimmy Gates really didn't do "anything special."

That strikes us as odd, considering he is easily one of the top goalies in Division II hockey. The reason Gates doesn't look like he does much special is because he makes stopping the shots look so dam easy. How? Well, he's never out of position, he always keeps his stick on the ice and he hardly ever lets in a goal on the first

It would be a surprise to us if Gates isn't at least in the running for All-State honors.

Girls' hockey wins in first round of state playoffs

If there's one thing that the girls' hockey team brings to the ice this year, it's a tenacious defense. Their motto basically says that it takes one player to slam home a goal, but it takes an entire team to stop one rings true on any rink, and they bring that philosophy to life whenever they take to the ice. This is the kind of team that absolutely swarms the puck when their opponents end up with it. The squad topped Mercy in the first round, 4-1, which just adds to their already impressive season.

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SPORTS

NORTHVILLE RECORD

The Gates of Northville

■ Wildcats were knocking in Regional, but Mustangs weren't about to let them in

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

In the end, it was all cheer for Northville hockey and all tears for the Novi Wildcats.

For the first time since the squad first took to the ice five years ago, the Novi Wildcats found themselves looking at the wrong end of a 5-3 loss in the Regional finals. Northville, on the other hand, took their first Regional title in school history and the second post-season tournament title under Brad O'Neill's tutelage.

"Our first year, we won the District," O'Neill said. 'That was a great feeling then, and this is a great feeling now."

The Wildcats and the Mustangs skated onto the ice knowing full well that both teams were going to have to play their best games if either hoped to escape with a victory. In front of a standing-room only crowd at Novi Ice Arena, the action started quick and physical as the Mustangs put the first points up on the board as Matt Long took the puck in unassisted and placed it past Novi goalie Dan Morrison's glove for the 1-0 lead at the 10 minute

With less than a minute to go in the first period, the Wildcats tied the game at 1-1 following a Northville penalty. Senior John Janssens scooped up a rebound and fired it past Northville goaltender Jimmy Gates with just 51 seconds left in the first. The assists went to Chaz Bulbuk and Mark Eberline.

"I was really proud of the way the guys played tonight," Novi coach Dan Phelps said. "They showed a lot of heart out there. We had a season full of obstacles to overcome, and they overcame them without question. They're a great group of kids.

The delay between the first and second periods was drawn out due to poor ice conditions. The officials called for the arena crew to resurface the ice a second time before allowing the two teams to get back



Photos by JOHN HEIDER

Above: Mustang net-minder Jimmy Gates kicks a shot off the end of his stick during last week's playoff game against Walled Lake Central. Right: Gates drops to his knees and scoops up a puck during the Regional tournament.

Northville seemed to benefit from the long break as they came out full of energy. At 13:33 in the second period, the Mustangs found themselves jumping out to a 2-1 lead as Joe Vitale slipped a pass to Troy Engelland, Engelland wound up and fired the shot home past Morrison's left side for the goal. Both Jake and Joe Vitale were credited with assists.

With less than a minute left, Joe Vitale notches a goal past Morrison's glove from the top of the Novi zone to give his squad a 3-

I lead heading into the third. Novi had it's chances though, recording two breakaways that were stopped by Gates in the see

ond --- including a two-on-one that he shut down.

"I just close my eyes and pray the puck hits me," Gates responded when asked what he does when he sees a breakaway coming towards

In the third period, the Wildcats looked poised to take the title. Bulbuk fired home a shot off a rebound from a Tom Ciaverilla shot to cut the Northville lead to 3-2. The goal, which resembled many of Novi's goals this year, came as a result of the Wildcats crashing in on the front of the net to take advantage of the loose puck.

"He's a big boy, there's no doubt about it," Northville defender Aaron Bernstein said of playing against Bulbuk, "You have to play just as physical if you want to keep him out of the play. If you don't, he'll just push right through you.' The Mustangs knew they had to

keep the Wildcats out of the net if they hoped to pull out of the third period with the victory. The best way to do that? Keep the puck in their zone. Nick Guerro did just that, skating

in with the puck before forcing Morrison to drop onto the ice in anticipation. The defenseman dished the puck to Engelland, who pounded it home with a smooth wrist shot for the 4-2 lead

"We had to keep our defensive pressure on through the entire

game," Guerro said, "We knew that if we didn't. Novi would keep crashing the net and getting goals."

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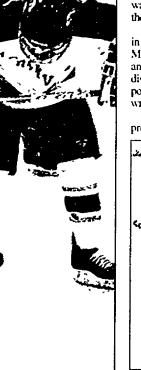
And Novi was determined to do just that. After stopping two shots from Mario DeGrazia and Ciavenlla, he could only watch as Bulbuk skated in hard and fired home a shot to cut the Northville lead to 4-3.

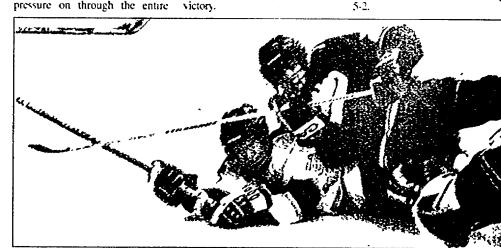
With under two minute left, the Wildcats pulled Morrison in hopes of using the man advantage to tie the game, Instead, the Mustangs found Pat Uetz snagging a pass and dancing past a defender before getting the unassisted goal and a 5-3

"It's a great feeling," Bernstein said of the win. "Novi's a tough team and we're happy to get a win from them. We knew this was going to be the toughest game of the year, and they didn't disappoint us."

The Mustangs earned a trip to the quarter finals, which were to be played in Lansing against Saline Tuesday. If they won, the squad would play today at 6 p.m. at Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth against the winner of the Brother Rice/Trenton contest.

To get to the finals, Northville topped Walled Lake Central 3-1, and Novi beat Waterford Kettering,





Left: As both players vie for the puck, Novi's Steve Rosseau, left, works against Northville's Richard Grajewski during last Friday night's matchup at the Novi Ice Arena. Right: Northville's Joe Vitale manages to get a shot away at the Walled Lake Central goalie even while getting flattened by Central's Mike Prashaw during the playoffs.

Jimmy Gates Junior

Hockey

For anyone who witnessed the performance in the Regional finals game that Gates had, there should be no doubt as to why he's athlete of the week. Not only did he hold a very physical Novi team to just three goals, he didn't

allow a single one on a first shot and stone-walled three breakaways against him. Talk about an impressive showing.



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Julie Foucher Freshman

Gymnastics

Foucher is the kind of gymnast that knows what it takes to step up and give the team a big boost. Her scores in the Regional gave the Wild 'Stangs plenty to cheer about as the team collected a total of 146.775 points to

take first place. Foucher collected an 8.45 on the beam, a 9.05 on the bars and 9.45 on both the vault and the floor.

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

The Novi-Northville Wild 'Stangs gymnastics team knew it was capable of performing above their conference rivals.

A third place showing in the conference didn't bode well for the squad, but they rectified that situation late last week as they won their Regional for a berth into the state finals.

The squad, which is coached by Lindsay Schultz, collected 146.775 points to finish ahead of both Canton and Livonia, who were second and third respective-

The girls really pulled together as a team and worked hard all week to come into the Regionals

and give it their best effort," Schultz said. "They had positive attitudes the entire meet, even if they weren't satisfied with their personal events."

The Wild 'Stangs set out this season looking to accomplish some big things in the Regionals and they pulled through to do

They had fun and accomplished goals they set at the beginning of the year," Schultz noted.

The team is scheduled to appear in the state finals for teams tomorrow at 4 p.m. The event will be held at Plymouth High School, which is located on Beck Road.

Though the states are never easy, the Wild 'Stangs are going in with a positive attitude.

"As a team, we will be happy

"As a team, we will be happy with wherever we place as long as we know we did our best."

> Lindsay Schultz Gymnastics coach

with wherever we place as long as we know we did our best," Schultz said. "It should be a great meet and we are looking forward to competing."

The Wild 'Stangs were led by Maggie Mills in the bars as she collected 9.4 points from the judges. Sarah Ilkhani-Pour wasn't far behind, notching a 9.25 for her efforts, while Julie Foucher col-lected a 9.05. Trish Brownfield collected an 8.95 in the event, while Emma Platt earned an 8.8. Taking an 8.775 was Janna Ramsey, while Jenn Mehl notched n 8.7 along with Ann McQueen. Earning an 8.5 was Cortney Paul, white Jacqueline Gazette earned an 8.25 and Jessica Glancy, Adrienne McHenry and Megan Wallen each had an 8.2. Rounding out the scorers on the bars was Lauren Duda, who took an 8.1.

On the beam, it was Brownfield who led the pack with a 9.2. Taking home a 90 was Mehl, while

Ilkhani-Pour notched an 8.95 and Platt and Amanda Crawford earned an 8.8 each. Gazette notched an 8.7 for her efforts, while Mills scored an 8.65 and Glancy collected an 8.6. Foucher was awarded an 8.45 for her efforts, while Paul scored an 8.4. Taking an 8.35 were Megan Wallen and Ramsey, while Marcie Fink scored an 8.05, McQueen scored a 7.95 and Nika Frimenko collected a 7.9.

The floor routine found Mills scoring the top numbers with a 9.525, while Foucher collected a 9.45 and Rachel Deneau scored a 9.4. Earning a 9.0 was Brownfield, while Ramsey collected an 8.95 and Erin Yankovich, Glancy and Duda all earned 8.6. Ilkhani-Pour notched an 865, while McQueen collected an 86 and Crawford scored an 8.4. Taking an 8.15 was Wallen and Frimenko, while Fink and Jill Guffey both scored 8.05. Taking home a 7.9 was Kylea Pohl.

The top scorer for Novi-Northville on the floor routine was Foucher, who notched a 9.45. Taking a 9.2 was Gazette, while Platt scored a 9.1 and Ramsey earned a 9.05. Taking a 9.0 was Glancy, while Wallen, Pohl, and Duda all had 8.85. Mehl took an 9.9 in the exercise, while Mils collected an 8.7 and Deneau collected an 8.6. An 8.35 was awarded to McHenry and Fink, while Crawford collected an 8.3, llkhani-Pour recorded an 8.25 along with McQueen and Yankovich earned an 8.15. Rounding out the scoring was Frimenko's 8.1 and Paul's

Cagers win division, not WLAA

By Matt Simich SPECIAL WRITER

Sometimes, the chips don't fall the way they look like they're going to.

For the first time in Mustang history the Northville boys' basketball team had the opportunity to win the WLAA Conference title but fell short to the Wayne Memorial Zebras, 66-50, last Friday night.

The 'Stangs have nothing to hang their heads about though as they took the first place prize in the Division with a record of 13 wins and 7 losses for the season.

The opening minute of Friday's game was a blur. It was a downhill slide for the Mustangs as the Zebras quickly got a 6-0 lead in the first 43 seconds of the quarter. Northville quickly took a timeout to regroup against the fast tempo of the Zebras. Back in action after the timeout, Marcus Davis grabbed a rebound and passed it to Tim Singleton who drove through the lane for a lay up. This put the Mustangs on the scoreboard but the onslaught continued and the Zebras lead increased to 17-10 at the end of the quarter.

, "From the start, they got up early on us," said Brett Asher. "We were taking quick shots and missing them.

Second quarter play did not see much improvement. Wayne was on a scoring roll; they could not miss. Danny Walsh, the Zebra guard, stepped up to the three-point line and made every shot he took. He was hot and the Mustangs were not. Northville struggled to pull the ball down on defensive rebounds, which gave the Zebras many second chances to score. Free throws were also a problem for the Mustangs as they missed more than they made. At the end of the half the Mustangs were down by 12 points and the score was 34-22 as they headed to the locker room.

In the third quarter Wayne continued to distance themselves from the Mustangs. The Zebra's physical game made it hard for Northville to rebound. Late in the quarter Mark Sorensen stole the ball and went coast to coast for a lay up and was fouled while shooting. Sorensen sank the basket making it a three-point play. The score at the end of three quarters was 50-34 in favor of

Photo by JOHN HEIDER Mustang Alan Shanoski, right, looks to pass the ball while being guarded by Salem Rock's Brad Clark during Monday night's playoff game at Plymouth Salem High.

"It wasn't for lack of effort," said Brian Tellish, "We came in knowing we were going to have to play a zone and try to stop their penetration."

Wayne continued to wear down the Mustangs in the fourth quarter. The Zebras used stall tactics and kept possession of the ball as long as they could to run down the clock Sorensen hal another three-pointer to try and

ignite some offense but it just was not enough to pull the Mustangs out of the hole. The game ended with a disappointing score of 66-50 as the Wayne Memorial Zebras claimed the conference title.

"I thought we broke their offensive rhythm a little but their guard, (Genois) Safford, can score anywhere, any time," said co.ch Darrel Schumacher "You centrover tet a good team like

that get out in front of you so quickly."

Sorensen was the scoring leader with 19 points followed by Asher with 10 and Singleton with 9 points and 2 blocks.

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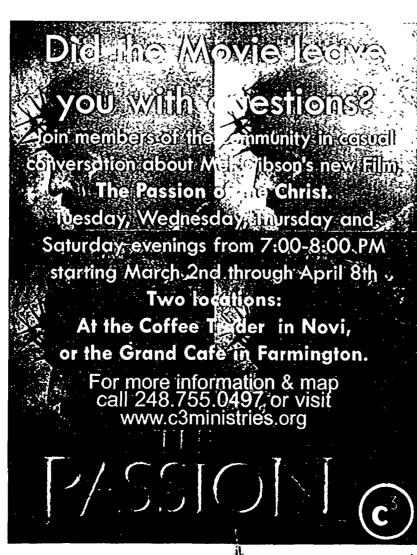
The Northville Parks and Rec Department is currently accepting player registrations for a new Spring 2004 Girls' Youth basketball Program for students in 9th through 12th grade. Registrations will be processed through March 12th or until the league fills and a \$10 late fee will be assessed for all registrations after March 12.

The new league will play an eight-game schedule from April 1 through May 27 and practices will begin March 27. Cost for the spring program is \$100 for residents, \$103 for school-district residents and \$110 for non-residents. Adult coaches are needed for the girls' and boys' youth basketball programs. Your child will play free if you volunteer to be a head coach. If interested, please call Dave DeMattos at (248) 349-0203, ext. 1405.

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Current activities include senior and open volleyball, open gym, open badminton, table tennis and lan and open swim. For more information, visit the Northville Parks and Rec website at www.northvilleparksandrec.org or pick up a schedule at the Rec Center.

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Mustangs qualify two more swimmers for states in 'Last Chance'

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

If there's one thing the Northville Mustangs can say this year, it's that they helped their peers make the state finals.

The Northville swimming and diving team held their annual "Last-Chance" meet, open to a variety of teams, and found 10 of the participants making the state cut — including two Mustangs.

"It was a big success." Northville coach Rich Bennetts said. "We had mostly teams from our league, but Farmington and Dearborn came too.

The Mustangs found Brad Farris making the cut in the 100 freestyle event with an impressive showing of 48.98 seconds. In the 500 free, the Mustangs also qualified freshman Chris Culkin with a time of 5.00.81 - just a fraction of a second off the cut time of 5.00.99

"We now have seven guys going to the state meet," Bennetts said. "We may have eight, depending how Brad Lempke does at the diving regional."

Not had, considering the team is comprised of just 18 members. Currently, the Mustangs have two relays and five individual events they will be participating in this year. In the 200 medley relay, Hunter

Schwartz, Weston Laabs, Will Blickle and Farris will try to make their mark. In the 400 free, the team is Chris Keady, Blickle, Joe Hogan and Farris.

Keady and Farris are also going to try to make their mark in the 200 free, while Blickle is the lone Northville representative in the 200 individual medley. The 100 free will find Farris doing his best, while Blickle, Keady and Culkin will all compete in the extremely competitive 500 free

Schwartz will also be competing in the 100 backstroke.

This year, the Mustangs will be looking to make an impact.

Our goal is to place in the top 15," Bennetts said. "We want to be the team with the most points

out of our conference. We're not just going to the state meet to have fun this year. We're going to

The state meet will be tomorrow and Saturday at the

"TWO THUMBS WAY UP!

University of Michigan

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Mustangs skate to playoff victory

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

It may take one player to score. but it take six to stop the puck that's the motto of the Northivlle Mustangs girls' hockey team this

The Mustangs proved why, in just their second year, they have become one of the top tier teams. dominating the Farmington Hills Mercy Marlins, 4-1, in the first round of the playoffs.

In one of the most one-sided playoff games this year, Northville out shot the Marlins 28-11 and moved on to the Quarterfinals. Amy Cauzillo put the Mustangs on the board just three minutes into the game when she raced the length of the ice and put her own rebound into the goal to give the Mustangs a one nothing lead.

At the six-minute mark of the first period, Mercy was called for a crosschecking penalty. And on Northville's first power play attempt, Amy Cauzillo passed to Sam Pope in front of the goal who's shot deflected off the Mercy's goalie and on to the stick of Bridgett Hughes who shot the puck into the top left comer of the goal to give the Mustangs a two zin lead. The Mustang power play of Hughes, Cauzillo, Pope, Papich and Soloko has now scored a power play goal in seven of the last eight games.

Halfway into the second period. Cauzillo once again raced the length of the ice and took a point blank shot. Mercy goalie, Jenna Martinez, made a great save but was unable to control the rebound. Emily Doren was the first Mustang to the puck and quickly passed it to Meredith Ponder who blasted the puck into the Mercy goal.

Just 25 seconds later on almost an identical play. Bridgett Hughes passed to Emily Doren in front, this time she took the shot. The shot surprised the Mercy goalie who was unable to handle the puck, the puck dropped in front of the goal line and before anyone could get to it Meredith Ponder drilled home her second goal in less than thirty seconds.

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relaxed for just a minute. With just a little over five minutes to go in the second period, the Mustangs lost a scramble for the puck in front of the goal. Mercy's Emila Ward quickly lifted the puck into the net to give the Marlins their first and only goal of the contest.

Allie Spencer, Jenny Forker, Rachel Rueter, Katie Hietala, Kate Latham, Danielle Werner and Kim Bagin all were outstanding, applying pressure on the Mercy's defense while continuing the aggressive play the has become the trade mark of this team.

The Mustangs defense was once again the key, at several stretches during the game, Mercy was unable to generate any

Sports Shorts

Learn to Skate

The Winter/Spring session of Novi Ice Arena's Learn to Skate Program will run through April 8, 2004. Skate rental is available. In addition, Learn to Skate students, with their registration receipt, get free admission to open skating at Novi Ice Arena throughout the seven-week session. Open registration for Learn to Skate is currently underway. Call the Novi Ice Arena at (248) 347-1010 or visit www.noviicearena.com today to inquire about the proper class for your skater.

Kids' Night Out

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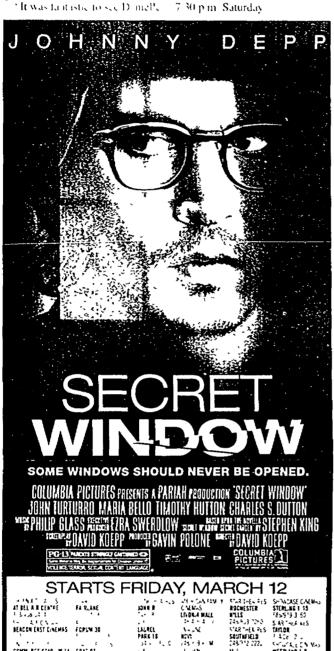
offense. The defense lead by Andrea Soloko, Stephanie Papich, Sam Gumina, Kelsey Gunn-Boyar and Marie Melntyre completely shut down the Marlins

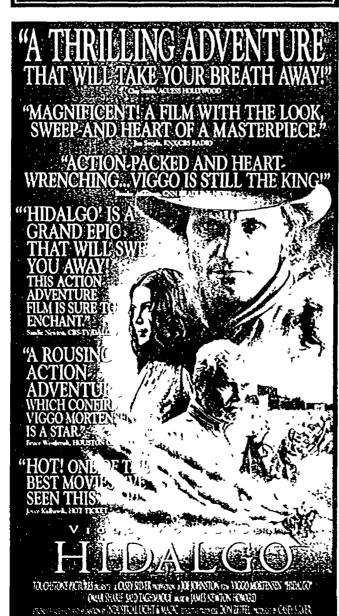
Danielle Bigi who was playing in her 45th consecutive game as goalie was noned and MVP

receive the award," Northville couch Bill Holden said "First, she has been one of the hardest working players on the team, and when your goalie receives the award, it is a reflection of the whole team."

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Financial check list for spring

As you make plans to go on a family vacation, or tackle that home improvement project you've been putting off, consider giving yourself a financial checkup. Spring is a great time to make certain you're on track to meet your financial goals.

Cut the clutter - Your first item of business should be to evaluate how organized you are. Start by making a solid effort to sort through your mail three times per week. If you let your mail pile up you run the risk of misplacing a bill. Shred all pre-approved credit card applications and put your bills in a designated place in your office, in a "bill box," or file drawer. Consider sorting by due date.

Then create a filing system. Begin my making three folders (you can always create more if you need to). One folder should be for your investment account information. Another folder should hold all of your tax-related items including W-2 forms and 1099 forms from brokerage and mutual fund companies. Place receipts for your deductible expenses like paid medical bills, property tax bills and charitable contributions in this folder. Place your monthly checking and savings account statements, cancelled checks, debit card and deposit receipts in the third folder.

After you've set up your filing system, make a list of all your bank and credit card accounts. Include account numbers, expiration dates, credit limits and phone numbers. Also list the contact information for your phone, gas and electric companies. Then, for insurance purposes, make a list of all your possessions. (Some insurance experts recommend making a videotape of your possessions.) Place this information, along with your will, insurance policies, proof of residence (deed or mortgage information, Social Security cards, birth and marriage certificates, family records and any other documents you deem appropriate, in a fireproof box in your house or in a safe deposit box. Tell a family member or trusted friend where these documents are kept.

It's never too late to budget - If you find each month that you're spending too much and saving too little, it's time to crast-and adhere to-a workable budget. Personal finance software like Microsoft Money and Quicken can help you manage your personal finances, but consider drawing up an initial budget the old fashioned way with a pen and paper. You might find, as I have, that when you write down and cross out information, your brain makes more of a connection to what you're doing than if you accomplished the same task with a few keystrokes.

Take a piece of paper and divide it into two columns. Note your monthly income at the top. Write down your basic expenses in the left column. These should include rent or mortgage, student loan, utility and household bills, your car payment, gas, and any work related expenditures. You should also note in this column the money you put in savings each month. If you have a separate emergency fund, include the amount you deposit into that account as well. Total it up and subtract that amount from your income. What's left over is your disposable income.

Track your spending for at least a few months to get a good idea of how much you spend on things other than your basic expenses and what you deposit into savings. Write everything down, even if it's as insignificant as a pack of gum. Note those items in the right column of your page. Add them up. Are they more than your disposable income? If so you'll need to reduce your expenses.

Put the lid on bad spending habits - There are two advantages to tracking your spending. The first is you learn how much money you fritter away each month on things you really don't need. But, more importantly, by paying attention to what you spend each month, you're forced to come face to face with the spending habits that are draining your checking account.

Separate needs from wants -Separating needs from wants can be difficult, even for disciplined spenders. If you're really committed to reforming your spending habits, ask yourself this: Do I really need this (blank)? You'll be surprised how many items fall under the "want" category.

Mary Davis manages public affairs for the Michigan Credit Union League. Send your financial questions to "Your Money Matters"
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Enjoy Italian favorites that you can feed your family at home. The Hutton Street Market is located in the new striped colored addition (at right) to the Little Italy Ristorante (center sienna building) and Bacchus Bar (yellow section at left) in downtown Northville.

Market offers a little taste of Italy

Hutton Street Market opens in Northville's Little Italy Village

By Duane Ramsey SPECIAL WRITER

People, who have enjoyed the authentic Italian cuisine and fine dining at Little Italy Ristorante and Bacchus Bar in downtown Northville, can now take that same food home from the Hutton Street Market. The Italian deli, pizzeria and catering kitchen opened recently as the latest addition to the Little Italy Village.

Little Italy chefs and partners, John Gallagher and Jeff Jepko, wanted to share their home-cooked Italian cuisine with more people than they could fit in their

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Jeff Jepko

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restaurant and bar. So, they built a 1,200 squarefoot addition on the back of the restaurant and bar. where the old carriage house was previously located, to house their new enterprise.

The Hutton Street Market offers a full array of deli cheeses, meats and imported Italian spehomemade desserts, fresh bread, pasta, pizza, sauces and salad dressings with the Little Italy private label. They also sell a variety of fine wines and specialty beverages.

"We built it to look like part of the residential buildings (bar and restaurant) and painted it in bright colors so people would be sure to see us," said Jeff, "You can also order carry-out items from Little Italy Ristorante for significantly less than the same entrees cost in the restaurant."

The partners expanded the current restaurant kitchen that adjoins the new catering kitchen and retail market. It was a big investment for the brothers-in-law but they are confident that the market will appeal to their current clientele and new customers who want the convenience of having Italian home cooking at home.

"We wanted to turn the corner into a Little Italy Village," said Jeff. They previously built an addition to the original histone home to house the Bacchus bar.

which opened in August 2001. The retail market completes the ethnic village con-

Jeff grew up in Detroit with the family pizza business owned by his grandparents who were immigrants from Italy. He remembers his grandfather telling him that "there are two kinds of people in the world, Italians and those who want to be

His family continued its history in the restaurant business in the Detroit area. His father, Al Valente, was involved with Jeff and John when they opened the Little Italy Ristorante in Northville in 1988. His father passed away recently but they continue the family tradition.

"We like to keep it in the family so to speak," said Jeff, who is married to John's sister Mary. John and Mary's brother, Robert, is also a chef at the Little Italy Ristorante.

Chefs by trade, Jeff and John are "hands on" owners involved in the daily operation. One is usually working in the kitchen while the other is on the floor making sure their guests are satisfied.

"It's important for people to recognize that we want our guests to feel like family." Jeff said. "We want you to feel like you're eating in a home like families in Italy do."

When you're Italian, the best food is always mom's cooking, according to Jeff, who said he learned more about cooking from his mother than from anyone in the restaurant business. The next best thing in

America is to go to an authentic Italian restaurant.

"An authentic Italian restaurant has style and a soul. We want our entire staff to project the passion and philosophy we have for food, wine and the business that we try to instill in them."

Jeff and John developed their culinary skills in the "Old World" system by working on the job as an apprentice to chefs rather than attending culinary school. People can learn the basics in school, but you never stop learning on the job, Jeff

The people here in the Northville community are the best clientele I've ever had the pleasure to serve," said Jeff. He previously operated restaurants in Birmingham and West Bloomfield before settling on their current location.



Partners John Gallagher and Jeff Jepko stand at the entrance to their new Hutton Street Market at the Little Italy Village.

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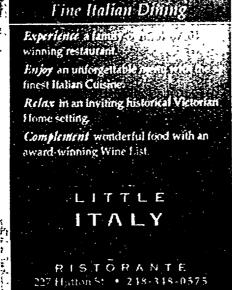
"Wine is an extension of the meal and dinner table for Italians," Jeff said. They offer 20 varieties of wines by the glass, but have more than 450 different wines and vintages on their list and in stock.

Both Jeff and John travel to Italy regu-

larly to keep current with their suppliers for food and wine. They know the familyowned wine and food producers in Italy from which they import. Jeff has planned another trip to Italy this spring for that

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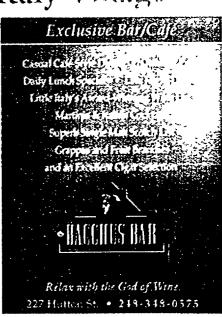
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A big and cozy kitchen A mole made the piles of dirt — there are no gophers here

Most important room just can't be too large

By Rose Bennett Gilbert COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q: We are thinking of redoing the kitchen in our old (1890-something) Victorian, making it larger by taking in the butler's pantry and part of the back porch. At first, I was excited. Now I'm worned it will be too huge! Maybe I need to see how other people have handled really big kitchens.

A: Then feast your eyes on this high, wide and winsome designer show house kitchen, designed by Linda Tamasy for a charity event benefiting a local symphony orchestra.

Show houses are splendid sources of exciting ideas. Because there are no actual clients whose taste or pocketbooks must be considered, the designer can pull out all the stops, indulging in top-drawer materials and the latest innovations.

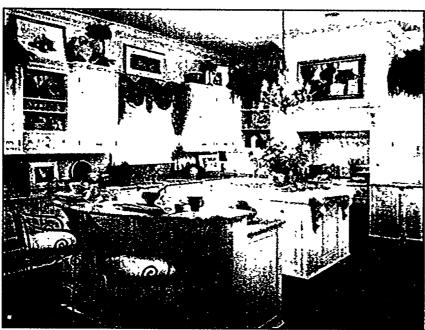
Linda Tamasy took great advantage of her soaring space, incorporating not just one, but two island work centers, housing deluxe features, such as a warming oven and one of the kitchen's two dishwashers (the other, naturally, is located by the main sink).

The room's impressive height also allowed the designer to create a focal point: what looks like a classic fireplace complete with over-mantel artwork. It's really a hood for a pro-quality stove set into its tile-lined niche.

The overall attitude of the kitchen is Country-French-in-the-West-Indies, colorful, gracious and much cozier than you'd expect from such a large space. Credit also goes to the decorative cabinets and carved mouldings (from Wood-Mode; www.wood-mode.com.)

PS. Think hard before you deep-six your butler's pantry. Builders are busy putting them back into many of today's new homes.

.Q: We had our kitchen totally remodeled about seven years ago, modern (no hardware showing) oak cupboards all around a C-shaped kitchen totally full of upper and lower cupboards.



This kitchen puts a traditional front on state-of-the-art conveniences.

Our no-wax flooring has not held up very well and we are considering replacing it with laminated wood-look flooring, but wonder if that would be just too much wood.

The flooring would come out into our dining area, but most of that large area would be carpeted. Does wood-look laminate flooring work for under a breakfast bar adjoining a carpeted room if the carpet isn't also in beige/wood-color tones?

A: No to your first question, yes to the second. In my kitchen book, there's no such thing as too much wood. Your countertops, wallcoverings and accessories will provide enough other color to keep your eyes amused.

About matching the color of your hard and soft floor coverings: Forget it. Contrast is always more interesting. For comfort's sake, carpet the area where the family relaxes, but for cleanability, floor the eating section in something sweepable.

Love wallpapers? Yearn for a wallpaper wish-book that would make it totally easy to indulge your affection?

Say thanks to top interior designer Chuck Fischer, author of a unique new book in which he's collected the best from one of the best wallpaper manufacturers,

F. Schumacher & Co.

For more than a century, Schumacher has been dressing the walls of America's homes, both small and as large and important as the White House and the Vanderbilt mansion and the Breakers, in Newport, R I.

Named "Wallcoverings: Applying the Language of Color and Pattern" (Universe Publishers), Fischer's small (6 inches by 9 inches), but heavy, volume divides wallpapers into color groups, following the familiar color wheel. The system makes it easy for the uninitiated to stop fearing and learn to choose wallpaper colors and patterns they'll love living with.

The author explains the social history of each color, examines its attributes, and analyzes its effect on you and on your rooms. He also - much to my delight includes a glossary or wallcovering terms and a collection of insightful quotes. My favorite: "Either that wallpaper goes, or I do" - Oscar Wilde's last words before he died in 1900 in a drab hotel room in Paris.

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Q: The snow has melted off my yard and there are piles of dirt everywhere. I know that these are gopher mounds, and how do I get rid of gophers?

A: You are making a gopher mound out of a molehill. Your dirt pile makers are moles. There are no gophers in Michigan, so that leaves exactly one mound-making kind of mammal. In the spring when the frost begins leaving the ground, both kinds of moles in Michigan start tunneling. They have been hibernating during the winter. The Eastern mole usually leaves a raised horizontal tunnel just below the soil surface. The star-nosed mole usually leaves piles of soil with tunnels six inches to one foot below ground. The pile of soil has an air vent buried within it. When the ground just begins thawing, both moles make piles of soil on the surface because both are working above the frost line. Once the soil completely thaws and isn't totally saturated with water, they go back to their standard handiwork. As horrible as the piles of dirt look, they are actually doing some good. These aerate the soil and improve damage. The piles of soil can be raked to disperse them. The problem is that as early as it is in the season, the standard mole things don't work well. For moles, eighty percent of their diet is earthworms. Twenty percent is soil insects and grubs. Moles do not equal giant grub infestation. To survive the freezing of the ground, grubs dig deeper for the winter. When the soil warms up in the spring, they work their way back to the area of the growing grass roots. It currently isn't warm enough for them to be active. Grub control products won't be successful now because grubs aren't feeding. The only product that would work early when the soil is warm is Bayer 24 Hour Grub Control, Grubex and Bayer Season-Long Grub Control only work on the new, small grubs and these products are applied during the first week of July. The repellants, like Mole Med or Scoot Mole may not be effective because the soil is cold, and cold soil makes the transmitting of odors more difficult. They may or may not feed on a bait like Mole Patrol Bottom Line:



Gretchen Voyle

Mole control right now isn't easy. Wait. Spread out the piles of soil and roll the lawn with a lawn roller when the soil has dried out more. Fertilize at the beginning of May and grass should recover.

Q: A car ran into a tree on the edge of my yard. It ripped off a chunk of bark and it looks kind of ragged. I have gotten several pieces of advice about what to do. One person suggested pine tar or pruning sealer. Another person said that I should bandage the tree with layers of cloth or plastic. These sound weird. What should I do?

A: Congratulations on having an accurate Weirdness Meter. Both are flawed pieces of advice. Sealing the wound with pruning sealer or pine tar seals in moisture. This slows or stops the healing process. It can also lead to rots of various kinds. The cloth or plastic bandage does the same. The best thing to do is to trim up any loose of flappy bark. Anything that is loose will stay that way. Use a sharp utility knife or other easy to hold cutting tool. Carefully trim the bark back to where the bark and wood below, are solidly joined together. You just want to slice through the bark cleanly and not damage the wood below. An open wound doesn't accumulate water or give insects a place to hide out. If you feel tortured by not putting "something" on that bare wood, here's what to use. Mix interior white latex paint half and half with water. Paint it on the wound to cover it. It will weather away in a short time but will offer some protection if you feel it needs some. But don't feel obligated.

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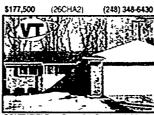
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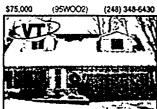
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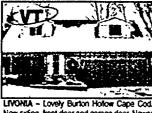
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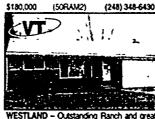


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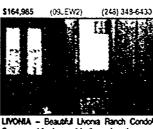


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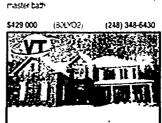
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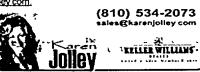
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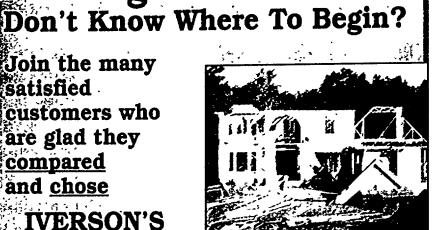
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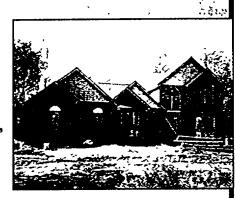
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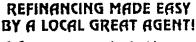
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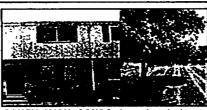
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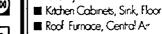
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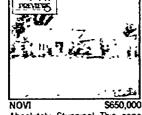
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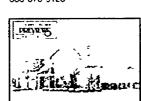
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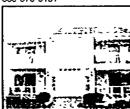
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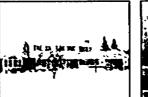
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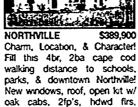
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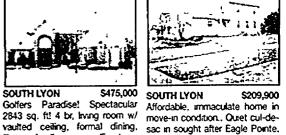
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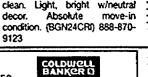
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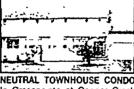
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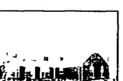
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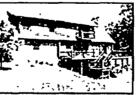


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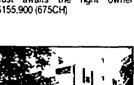


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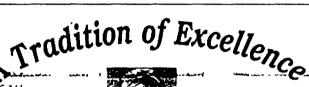
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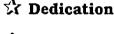
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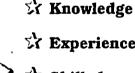
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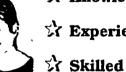
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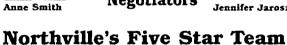


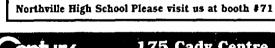












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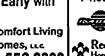






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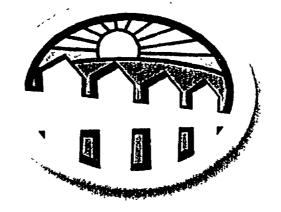
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FOWLERVILLE SCHOOLS \$154,900 Location, location, location! Check cut this cute starter home on 1 64 acres, 2 BR, 1 bath, 1,187 sq ft. Features updated kitchen and dining area. Bsmt., 24x24' pole barn welectrical & water Selfers motivated, buy now while rates are lowf 1 yr home warranty included (24011970)



LINCOLN CON, SCHOOLS \$191,500 Beautifully designed ranch whauted ceilings, stylights in foyer and fiving room. Upscale latchen wideramic floors, and stainless steel appliances. Professional landscaping without pavers welcome you home. Separate water meter for sprinkler system. Fenced backyard on an oversized lot



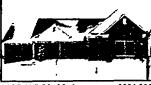
BRIGHTON SCHOOLS This home is gorgeous all earth tones throughout. Kitchen opens to large great room whire-place and skylights. Pergo floor in entry and kitchen, 1st floor laundry, full basement, 3 bed-rooms, 1.5 baths, large deck, and more Lake privileges to Lake Morame (24020193)



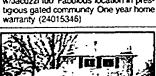
PLYMOUTH/CANTON SCHOOLS \$239 999 This beautiful "L" shaped 3 BR, 2 bath ranch fea-tures an open floor plan wa large country kachen, Hardwood floors, gedar closet, & remoable lutchen island. All appliances included. Great metro location close to schools, churches & shopping. One year home warranty (24008943).



\$257.900 HOWELL SCHOOLS Beautiful 4 BR, 2.5 bath home Spectacula Tasteful color throughout. Watch the wildin in the huge open backyard from your extra one of the two large decks. (24015106)



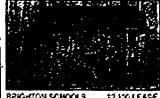
MARTI AND SCHOOLS \$284,900 Better than new 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch! Landscaped and ready to be moved into Beautiful master suite A/Jacuzzi tub Fabulous location in preswarranty (24015346)



i. \$319,900 Lakefront on Lake Chemung 3 BRs, 2 full baths, winewer roof & windows 1st floor laundry, open floor plan, freshly painted private dock, deck, shed neutral colors and much more. Move right in and enjoy spring on the lake (24009568)



\$425,900 Incredible details 4 BRs, 35 baths, 2,767 sq ft. located on a wooded 25 acre lot. Walkout basement, 3 car garage grante counterlops, cherry, vaulted cell-1st floor master and more.



BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$2,150 LEASE Lease min. 1 year incredible quality in the double wing saltbox, stately home. Wonderful floor plan for entertaining. Large kitchen, formal dining plus morning room 3 fireplaces. Hardwood throughout 1st floor. Huge master wharge bath & jetted tub. Nesded on 1:33 acres of wooded bliss. (24007298)



INOTHA SCHOOLS \$168,000 Remodeled in 2004. Center of Livionia. Newer windows, roof, flooring consisting of carpet, hardwood, & ceramic. New bathroom, drywall, garage door, extenor doors, and too much more to list. Very large bedrooms. (24014034)



PINCKNET SCHCOLS \$194,400 1,456 sq ft ranch with 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. 10 beautiful acres Bring your horses Huge pole barn (24013526)



FOWLER/ILLE SCHOOLS \$223 500 Great family home on 5 spacious acres. Backs up to creek. Large pole barn with cement floor, high doors for large vehicles. Great wide open floor plan w/3 full baths, 4th bedroom in partly finished walkout lower level. One mile to paved road. One year home warranty (24015196)



\$240,000 BRIGHTON SCHOOLS



FORM FRUILLE SCHOOLS \$259,500 Beautiful refurbished older home w/2,482 sq ft. of fiv-ing space. Note entra large rooms. Very nice kitchen what window over sink hew windows throughout. Two furnaces 800+ sq.ft, addition and garage new in 2002. Ceramic baths, huge walk in coset in master Huge covered front porch, 1,89 acres, (24005141)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$289,900 Wonderful ranch on picturesque hilliop setting Approx. 1.8 wooded acres. 1,876 sq ft. plus full finished walkout w beautiful bar, BR and bath. Cozy 2 way fireplace in dining & family room. Split bedroom floor plan for privacy central air, sprinkler system, & much more (24012607)



PINCKNEY SCHOOLS \$339 000 All-sports lakefront beauty New roof & siding in 2003 Large barn big enough for your cars & boat w/office plus lots of insulated storage 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, and moment of summer fun. (24010378)



Great location on the outslurts of Brighton by St. Joe's Medical Center. Many upgrades in each unit. Pay laundry on site, along a garage storage rental area. Easy to lease when necessary. Sor units located on 1.3 acres in an excellent location. Sever service. 4 (1) BR units, 2 (2) BR units. Good rents. (24010709)



Great starter home or investment opportunity, located in desirable district of 7 schools. Well maintained, newer windows, circuit breakers, copper plumbing. Kitchen has newer countertoos. flooring and some cabinets. 2-car garage, fenced yard Updated lumace & central air (24014504)



Nice 3 bedroom ranch. Huge family room with gas stone fireplace. Brick natural fireplace in basement. New roof, siding, septic, some windows, partially finished basement. NICEI (24013283)



BRIGHTOH SCHOOLS \$199,900 Location, location! Value in property, zoned B-4 district of Brighton Township. Only 1 mile to US-23 and 1-96 Presently being used as a duplex, which was recently updated City water & sewers, plenty o room in back for an outbuilding (24012470)



Great neighborhood, large country size lots, trees, & hills make this a great setting. This quality built home has it all. Excellent condition, neutral décor, freshly partied making the home move in ready Master BR withuge walk-in closet, 3 BRs, 2 baths, 1,606 sq ft. (24019574)



\$242,500 HOWELL SCHOOLS Smply delightful 4 BR, 2 bath Colonal completely updated living room and dining room. New latchen, family room wfireplace and skylights. Separate workshop w loft and electric, above ground pool w large deck and more (24011515), selves Move-in condition (24010645)



\$259 500 **BRIGHTON SCHOOLS** Charming old 3 BR, bath & a half, Victorian home (circa 1865), definitely a MUST SEE! Shuated on a beautiful wooded rolling 3-acre parcel including truit trees. Boasting a new (2002) 40x30 2-story barn w/cement floor w/200 amp service & outside lighting (24012296).



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$289 999 3-year-old home in a wonderful neighborhood. Features numerous extras including dual fire-place, reverse osmosis system, sunroom 14x14, ceramic baths, Jacuzzi tub, etc. Nested on a large treed lot. Professionally landscaped w/waterfall pond 3 BRs 2 batts 1 844 sq ft. (24011555)



2,300 sq.ft., 2-story home located in North Shore Village whate access to Crooked Lake 2-story toyer, finished basement whamily room, play room wistorage. Ceramic tile half baths, floors are hardwood, ceramic, & carpet. Beautiful landscaping and more. (24012342)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$429,000 Rare prime Grand River location in downtown Howell. Impeccably maintained & updated including central air within this Victorian Gem. Versable office space w/a sense of style and historic character Currently used for a dental practice. (24010483)



4 bedroom Cape Cod remodeled in 2004. Large garage on double lot. Too many upgrades to list. Priced extremely well for a very nice 4-bedroom home in a pleasant area (24016157)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$179,900 3 bedroom, 2 full bath, full finished basement, large circular driveway, 2 car attached garage, vinyl sided, newly paint-ed and decorated ranch. Central air, newer hot water heater, one year home warranty and a new roof (24017524)



BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$205,000 Immaculate 3 BR, tri-level on huge park-like lot. Completely updated. Newer cabinets, ceramic floor in latchen, newer bath, counterlops, carpeting, fur-nace, C/A, windows, siding, and roof You name 4, it's there. Gorgeous floor to ce*ing stone fireplace. Oversized 2.5 car garage is extra deep (24010746)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$235,000 Wonderful 4 bedroom family home w'culde-sac privacy. Fresh paint throughout. New flooring in bedrooms, 1st floor launmany flower beds with perennials. (24014004)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$244,900 1,882 sq.ft. 1 1/2 story, new construction on gorgeous wooded/secluded 1 4 acre den1:brary (24010384)



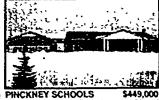
PINCKNEY SCHOOLS \$260,000 Large front porch welcomes you to this cute Cape Cod Flexible floor plan allows for 3 or 4 bedrooms with 3 full baths. Finished walkout allows for over 3,000 sq ft. of possibilities Located on 153 acres (24015635)



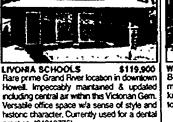
HOWELL SCHOOLS \$290,000 Pleasant home on a 3.01 acre country setting Great room with skylights. 1st floor master bedroom, neat loft, finished walkout basement. Additional 32x24 garage (24013279)



HARTLAND SCHOOLS 3,400 scit, on 4.4 acres (possible split available). This house has many updates so you can move right in a relax. Enjoy 3 stone freplaces (family room 3 sided for familith kit). Master bedroom, game morn, bonus room finished above garage. & much more. Pole barn w. 2, 9' doors & (1) 10' door so you can drive through. Home warrarry (240' 3313).



Newly remodeled farm house with 11 stall horse barn, 2 tack rooms, 8.49 acres, open floor plan, gourmet kitchen w.Jenn-aire appliances, Pella windows hardwood floors, finished lower level, and



SOUTH LYON SCHOOLS \$189,900 You'll be pleasantly surprised at this historic beauby it has style, class, character, and charm. Many custom details and many updates to modernize, ye

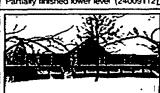
keeping the quality & integrity of this home. Parlor has beautiful built-in wall unit, cuno cabinets window seat, and more. Home warranty (24017564).



HURON VALLEY SCHOOLS \$203,900 What a great buy & only a 5-minute walk to quaint downtown Millord. Built in 1995 wharge lenced in yard. Huge fiving room w'room for a formal dining area leads out of door wall into unique octagon Flonda room. All appliances included. Home warranty included (24009459)



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$239,000 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 1,810 sq ft. Colonial Immaculate throughout, fabulous master suite, fireplace in fiving room Oak dining room, oak lutchen widoonwall to deck, brick patio, and fenced yard. Partially finished lower level (24009112).



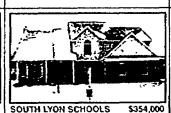
FOWLERVILLE SCHOOLS \$247,000 Charming 3 or 4 bedroom Ranch with 2.5 baths. Wrap around deck Huge finished daylight walkout lower level 4248 insu-lated pole barn. All on 3 country acres. Deceiving from the road - really very nice inside (11 (24009261)



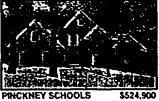
BRIGHTON SCHOOLS \$278,000 Great Colonial home wild BRs, 2.5 baths. Great neighborhood and wonderful yard whots of deck-ing & above ground 30 pool, Panally fin. bsml. fiving rm. can be a study or office. Easy access to US-23 & downtown Brighton, 3 car gara



HARTLAND SCHOOLS \$300,000 Open floor, split ranch design on 2 acres 3 BRs, 3 baths, 1,710 sq ft. w/1,200 sq ft. fin. in daylight bsmt. Vaulted ceiling neutral decor, oak kitchen w/prep island master suite Barns allows. (24009589)



Expansive 2-story loyer withardwood floors invited you to this immaculate custom built Colonial waccess to chain of 4 takes. Large kitchen & nook, hardwood floors wicherry inlay cherry out tom cabinets, built-in apphances. Pera doorwall to



PRICKNEY SCHOOLS \$524,900
Multiplied of upgrades in this desirable 1.5 story home. Open floor plan, unique ceilings extensive oak floors, oak imm, gas fireplace in great room. Custom ceramic, maple cabinets, Corian countertops, stainless steel appliances. 4 BRs, 3.5 baths, and much more. (24011756)

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WAYNE/WESTLAND SCHOOLS \$121,900
Beautiful 3 bedroom ranch. Full basement, 1.5 car garage, new carpet, new buthroom cabinets Ready to be moved into! (24013391)



CLARKSTON SCHOOLS \$189,900 1,400 sq.ft. ranch leaturing 3 bedrooms, 1.5 haths, warm earth tone décor complemented by a natural California dinfistione fireplace. Newer furnace, aic, windows, carpet, water heater, dishwasher, 7 ceiling tans, roof, siding, and much more, (24008931)



HARTLAND SCHOOLS \$224,900 5 beautiful, wooded acres. This neat and clean home is ready to welcome new owners. Enjoy the lovely views from every window. Nature at its finest is offered here. Extra deep 2.5 car garage, roomy closets, cozy family room, black top drive & a one yr home warranty. (24020265)



HURON VALLEY SCHOOLS \$239,900 Wow, check out this remodeled farm hour 3 beautiful acres. 4 BRs. 2.5 baths. totchen, bath flooring and more. Excellent floor



HOWELL SCHOOLS \$252,900 Great place to raise a family Lake, nature walks & community park. Beautiful 4 bed-room home wilamity and formal living rooms Nice size bedrooms Located on one of the nicest lots in the sub, backs up



PINCKNEY SCHOOLS \$279,900 Better than new! 2 BR, 2 full bath condo with 1,754 sq ft. Located on the 18th tee of Whispering Pines Golf Course. All top of the line appliances included. Hickory flooring vaulted ceilings in lutchen, living room & nook, Large master bedroom & 2nd fir loft. (24008989)



HARTLAND SCHOOLS \$314,600 Exceptional 1.5 story home surrounded by 2 beautiful treed acres. Great room w/soanng ceilings and cozy fireplace. Awesome master suite, large open kitchen, great freeway (24012754)







WEST BRANCH SCHOOLS \$550,000 44 acres-beautiful turn of the century home completely remodeled in conjunc-tion w/commercial horse facility. Great opportunity for your own equine facility established (24013315)



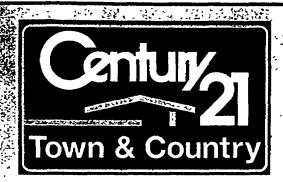
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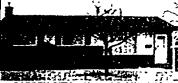
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3 bedroom bnck ranch w/2 car garage and partially
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CANTON Gorgeous Ranch Condo condo features hardwood entry, ceramo tile floor stohen. Maple cabnetry All appliances in kitchen Vauted celengs, ist floor faundry 2 car garage ter suite, large deck, gas fireplace

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Custom home 4 spacious bedrooms 1st floor master &
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REDFORD Large Brick Bungalow 3 BR 1.5 BA home on large lot. Complete roof tear off-02, Wallside windows-00 copper plumbing updated electrical, Indied to 2 car garage great for the

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WESTLAND Welcome Home
Awesome 4 BR, 2 BA cape cod will the updates Newer
windows. CVA. updated lotchen hardwood floors.
Beautiful yard with a garden Too many items to list.
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CANTON Quiet Court Setting
Makes this wonderful colonial nestled on a large lot
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formal DR. Targe den, beautiful dak bit wibay in dinette
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WALLED LAKE Updated Ranch
This adorable home has a lot to offer Updates include,
furn, C/A windows, carpet, kinden, electrical, HWH,
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SOUTH LYON Restored Victorian
Built in 1990 Updates galore wistylish decor in quant
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WESTLAND Meticulous Colonial 4 BR, 2.5 BA home on a quet cut-de-sac. Peaceful tree-lined backyard. 2 car attached garage, full bomt, gas fiplc. hever windows incl bay window in DR. Pool w. custom 2 tier deck. Livonia schools. (F78SOR) 248-349-5600 \$240,000



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PLYMOUTH Ranch
Beautiful bnck 3 BR 2 BA ranch whewer furnace, roof
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Finished lower level Oversized 2 car garage

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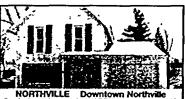
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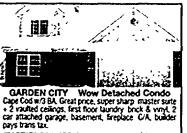
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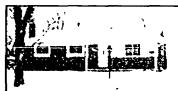


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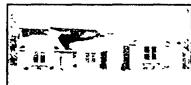
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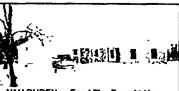
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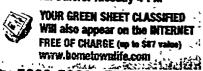
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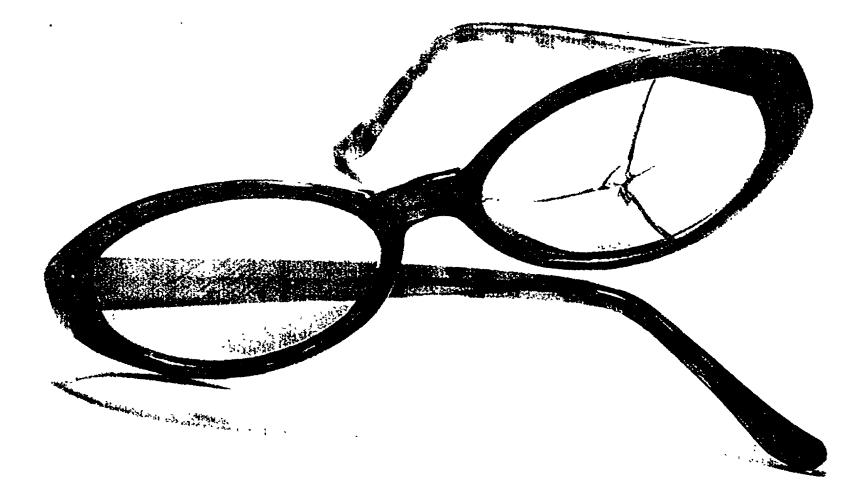
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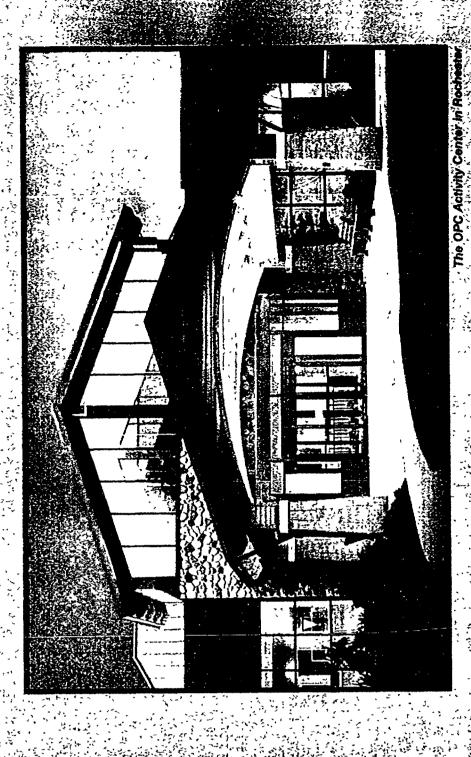
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Improve living conditions for Oakland County's low- and moderate-income residents through community revitalization, home improvement, and human services

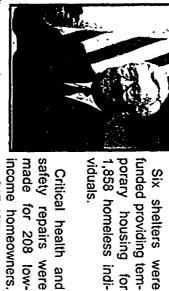
TO THE CITIZENS OF OAKLAND COUNTY

2004 Annual Report. This document is published work in Oakland County. housing and community development funds each year to inform residents of federal and local Community and Home Improvement Division's am pleased to present Oakland County's ည္

Investment Partnerships program, the Emergency Shelter Grant Program, and the Comprehensive through the programs administered housing stock, and providing human services Development Block Grant Program, the HOME The Division administers ment to local communities and its low-income res-Community and Home Improvement Division. ldents by revitalizing neighborhoods, improving Oakland County demonstrates its committhe Community by the

and Home Improvement Division has invested are some examples of some of the accomplishmore than \$170 million in these programs. Here Housing Counseling Grant program. Since its formation in 1975, the Community

ments during the past program year.



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Six shelters

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The average loan amount was \$17,197. income homeowners

percent of the dollars directly assisted low income ed 274 projects totaling 6.3 million dollars. Eighty residents of Oakland County. The 50 participating communities complet-

The Housing Counseling Unit fielded 3,038 calls and directly served approximately 150 clients.

> Project Warmth completed 21 weatherization projects and 27 Energy Education workshops attended by 223 persons.

to work with other governments and organizations and other subsidized housing, to fight poverty, and choice, to address potential losses in Section to address Oakland County's housing needs Actions were taken to promote fair housing

Oakland County's residents. edging our partners for their commitment to Home Improvement Division join me, in acknowl-Karry L. Rieth, Manager of the Community and Community and Economic Development and Dennis Toffolo, Director of the Department

L. Brooks Patterson, County Executive



THE COMMUNITY & HOME IMPROVEMENT DIVISION

and communities. Improvement Division has used federal funds to improve the lives of Oakland County's residents The Division administers the Department Since 1975, the Community and Home

Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME of Housing and Urban Development's Community Comprehensive Housing Counseling residents in fifty participating communities. as human services to low and moderate-income to provide revitalization to neighborhoods as well (CHC). These federal grants bring needed dollars iņvestment Emergency Partnership Grant Shelter Grant Grant (ESG), (HOME) Grant and

services, minor home repair programs, chore prothe 50 participating communities such as senior grams, assistance for battered spouses and their ister many worthwhile public service activities to vided to non-profit agencies to help the disadvantaged, disabled and homeless populations. and housing counseling services. Funding is prohildren, emergency programs, youth assistance, The funds provide the resources to admin-

Demolition, Preservation, Beautification, Fire Equipment, munity uses their allocation of funds according to Centers, community improvement projects such as Senior Communities also use the funding for various federal regulations. The County ensures that each participating comincluding sidewalks, sewer projects and streets. Architectural Barriers, and Capital Improvements Parks and Recreation, Code Enforcement, Removing Historic

home improvement program to complement com-Improvement Division provides a comprehensive sate each year. benefits to low and moderate income residents. Over 200 homes are rehabilitated and made lead munity projects and ensures that funds maximize Oakland County Community and Home

Housing Development Organizations assist low to provides operational dollars to house the homeless. Thousands of residents are assisted by moderate income families fulfill their dream of home ownership. Our Emergency Shelter Grant **HOME** dollars provided to Community

information provide by our housing counseling

ly improved Oakland County's low and moderateaccomplished. Thousands of projects have greatinvested and also by the number of projects years has been measured in part by dollars idents. income neighborhoods and the lives of all its res-The Division's success over the past 28

programs at www.co.oakland.mi.us/chi. County Service Center, 1200 N. Telegraph, Bldg. 38-E, Pontiac. You can also find out about our Community and Home Improvement Division, cal 80493. Our office is located in the Oakland (248) 858-0493 or toll free 1-888-350-0900, ext ξ more information about the

Center, Rochester, Front Cover: Older Person's Commission Activity Photography by Steve Maylone. partially funded using

Provide Youth Services through Huron Valley Youth Assistance including camps, CHOICE program, and skill building activities for LIM HH. June 2004. PUBLIC SERVICES A10 PUBLIC SERVICES A10 SENIOR CENTER A3c \$18,239,00 \$18,239,00 BLIC SERVICES A16

By Wages of SR CTR director at Dublin Senior Center, 685 Union Lake toad, White Lake, June 2004-Dec 2005 rchase and install room partitions, inside window, tow vision equipment, und system, and desks at the Dublin SR CTR, 885 Union Lake Rd, White ke, June 2004-Dec 2005 \$5,000.00

BLIC SERVICES A1e

wide accessible computer equipment and furniture for disabled adults at White Lake TWP library, 7527 Highland Rd, White Lake June 2004-Dec homebound seniors Jun

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
HCS to OCCHI quidalinat PUBLIC SERVICES A10 MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h MHR to OCCHI guidelines fo services for abused spouses and ines June 2004-Dec 2005 heir children

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PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A16
Services for abused spouses and their children, June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A16
\$9,396,00 HOLLY

HCS to OCCHI guidelines. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A16 Services for abused spouses and the PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A16 \$1,500.00

fransportation services for seniors, June 2004-Dec 2005
PARKS, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES A3c
\$13,897.00
Install a volleyball pit at Cyclone Park, E. Maple St, Holly, Install horseshoe
pills, benches, picnic tables, and ADA accessible playground equipment ant
Crapo Park, Martha St, Holly, June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC REPUICES A4. \$1,000.00

Pay fees for sonior citizens to attend recreational and educational events and to publish a newsletter for senior residents at the Holly Adult Activity Center, 323 Grange Hall Rd, Holly, June 2004-Dec 2005 Holly Area Youth Assistance summer camp, counseling, educational and recreational services for youth from L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$1,000.00 PUBLIC SERVICES A10

\$27,793.00

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A16

Services for abused spouses and their children June 2004-Dec 2005

SEAUTIFICATION A2c

Plant approx 10 trees in public right of ways, N Of Shadbolt, E of M-24, Lake LAKE ORION

Construct a 5 It wide concrete sidewalk within road right of way, E side of Stater from Jackson N to Church St, S side of Jackson from Stater E to Washington St, W side of Washington from Shadbott N to Church St, Lake Orion, June 2004–Dec 2005 EMERGENCY REHAB PROGRAM A2g

EHR to OCCHI guidelines for UM HH June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A10
HCS to OCCHI guidelines June 2004-Dec 2005 \$2,000.00 \$1,810.00

LEONARD \$9,519.00

BEAUTIFICATION A2c
Plant approx 20 trees in public right of way
& S Village boundaries, Milford Vig June
PLANNING 1m MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h
MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
HCS to OCCHI guidelines June 2004-Dec 2005 Review and update the Master Plan. June 2004-Dec 2005 75, Main, Summit, First, Atlantic, E 2004-Dec 2005 \$1,600.00 \$8,000.00 \$3,000.00 \$1,400.00

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\$3,009.00

Reimburse one or more nonprofit agancies for food, clothing, and utilities for L/M HH, June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$10,000.00 e 2004-Dec 2005 \$3,000.00

\$21,265.00

\$175,004.00

VILLAGES BEVERLY HILLS

Jpdate Master Plan. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$6,683.00 195 for UM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 9 \$2,000.00 June 2004-Dec 2005 \$4,455.00

\$4,000.00 to inform seniors of available serv-

PUBLIC SERVICES A10

ices and programs. June 2004-Dec 2005
ADMINISTRATION 10 SENIOR CENTERS A2c

\$2,400.00
uter for the computer lab at the Birmingham Area SR CTR,
irmingham June 2004-Dec 2005

more energy efficient and an energy education program. On-going ADMINISTRATION 10 \$888,150.00 Fund administration of the CDBG program Activities include management, accounting, planning, monitoring, public information, and fair housing activities. Duration: Ongoing PuBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A19 OAKLAND COUNTY COMMUNITY AND HOME IMPROVEMENT HOUSING REHABILITATION A2I \$2,696,200.00 REHABILITATION SINGLE-UNIT RESIDENTIAL FUND CONTROL WORK AND ADMIN Of the HIP available to L/M HH in 50 communities participating in the Oakland County CDBC program. Ongoing. ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS A2I \$60,000.00

Fund a housing counseling unit for the county, including a Housing Counselor and support staff. The Housing Counselor provides information and assistance to homeowners and renters. Ongoing

CDBG TOTAL \$6,305,119.00 COMMUNITY ALLOCATION \$2,558,919.00 COUNTY TOTAL \$3,746,200.00 \$3,746,200.00

HOME PROGRAM

tios participating in the Oakland County CDBG program. Ongoing \$272,625.00 HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE AC PROVIDED TO THE PROPERTY HOUSING Development Organizations July 2004-Dec 2005
HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE A2 \$214,929.00 HOUSING REHABILITATION A21

REHABILITATION SINGLE-UNIT RESIDENTIAL

Fund contract work and admin of the HIP available to L/M HH in 50 communi-Provide homebuyer assistance to L/M HH through downpayment assistance

Administration of the Home Program July 2004-Dec 2005
TOTAL HOME PROGRAM
\$ ADMINISTRATION 10 \$2,493,868.00 \$154,244.00

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE A2 \$85,969.00

Daily operation costs, rent, ublities, insurance, furnishings, and maintenance costs incurred by shelters. July 2004-Dec 2005

ESSENTIAL SERVICES EXPENSES A2 \$42,985.00

Caso management and social services provided to homeless. July 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A19 \$3,700.00

Services for abused spouses and their children. June 2004–Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES Ate
\$3,472.00
Fund transportation to employment, health care, and recreational activities for disabled VLG residents, June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES Ate
PUBLIC SERVICES Ate
Attention of the Public Services of Services and Skill building activities for youth from LIM HH, June 2004-Dec 2005
\$2,804.00
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ORTONVILLE

#8,000,00

Complete beam and post replacement (SW corner and 1st floor), possible demolition of shed area, moid remediation, and fire suppression system at the Old Mill, 366 Mill St. Ortenville. June 2004-Dec 2005

OXFORD

Plant approx 45 fees in street right of way areawide Broadway/ Ensloy/East/ Pearl, Dryton/Pleasant/First,/West, Oxford Vig June 2004-Dec 2005 FLOOD DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS A3c

Connect 4' diameter catch basin into an existing leaching basin and install approx 200' of 6" outlet pipe in right of way, south side of Park St, Oxford Vig June 2004-Dec 2005 SERVICE ACTIVITY A10 \$1,500.00

PARKS, RECREATION FACILITIES A3C
Construct a 10 ft wdo, approx 800 ft long trail of crushed limestone between Dayton St and the Polly Ann Trail. Construct an open sheller and install trash receptacles, benches, and signage at Dayton SI Park, Dayton SI between Willow and Polly Ann Trail, Oxford, June 2004-Dec 2005 Oxford Addison Youth Assistance camp and counseling services for youth from L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 Services for abused spouses and their children June 2004–Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$1,000.00 An Environmental Review Record with respect to the aforementorned 2004 projects has been made by Oakland County which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth reasons why such a statement is not required. The environmental review status is keyed as (1) exempt. (2) categorically excluded, (3) environmentally assessed.

The Environmental Review Record is on file at the Community and Home Improvement Division, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd. Bldg 38-E, Ponitac, MI and is available for public examination upon request, 530 a.m.500 p.m. Atl interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments to the Division manager for consideration by Oakland County, Such written comments must be received from March 12th until the close of business on March 29th. Written comments, Community Planning and Development Division, McNamara Building, 477 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48226 from March 30h through the close of business on April 13, 2004. All such comments so received will be considered and Oakland County will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the project prior to April 13th.

D. The extent of any environmental impact is limited to the County.
E. The nature, magnitude and extent of any environmental impact on the project, whether beneficial or edverse are such that there will be no significant effect on the environment.

B. The projects will make no significant increased demand on public services and will create no poliution impacts.

C. The project will not substantially change the income, racial, ethnic, age distribution or population size of the County. Other impacts on the social environ-

A. Adverse impacts on the physical or natural environment are negligible and other impacts are beneficial.

Record in respect to the aforementioned projects and has determined that the listed projects will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the County has decided not to prepare an Environmental impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The reasons for such decisions not to prepare such a statement

The County of Oakland has prepared an Environmental Review respect to the aforementioned projects and has determined that the

NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM
EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT PROGRAM
NOTICE OF FINDING OF

\$13,278.00

PUBLIC SERVICE A16 \$1,454.00
Services for abused spouses and their children June 2004-Dec 2005
SENIOR CENTER A3C \$3,272.00 PUBLIC SERVICES A10

Transportation services for seniors of Commerce TWP, White Lake TWP, Wolvenne Lake. June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICE A10

\$1,454.00 WOLVERINE LAKE

\$2,182.00
Continue a study of the water quality and vegetation species of Wolverine Lake, June 2004-Dec 2005 \$10,908.00

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT PROGRAM

Install ADA accessible entrance doors, signage, and tandscaping at the Richardson SR CTR, 1465 Oakley Park Rd, Commerce TWP, June 2004-

On or about April 14th, the County of Oakland, a Michigan Constitutional Corporation, will request the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release federal funds under Title i of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, and the Steward B. McKlinney Homeless Assistance Act to undertake the attremailtoned projects for which an Emvironmental Review Record has been prepared. It has been determined that such requests for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The County of Oakland, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Ponitsc, Mil will undertake the projects described above with block grant funds from HUD under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, HOME funds under the Cranston-Gonzalez Netional Affordable Housing Act, and Emergency Shelter Grant funds under the Stewart B. McKlinney Homeless Assistance Act. The County of Oakland is centrying to HUD that the County and L. Brooks Patterson, County Executive, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts, if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to Environmental Review decision making and action, and the Hose transcribitions have been esticitied.

and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

The legal effect on the certification is that upon its approval, the County may use the Community Development Block Grant funds, HOME funds, and Emergency Shelter Grant funds and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of release of funds and ecceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases:

1. That the certification was not in fact executed by the chief executive officer of the applicant approved by HUD.

2. That the applicant is environmental review record for the project indicated omission of a required decision finding, or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to HUD at Patrick V. McNamara Federal Bidg., 477 Michigan Ave., Detroit, MI 48226. HUD will not consider objections to this release of funds on bases other than those a stated above. All interested spenders, groups, and persons must specifically indicate that program commented on (Community Development Block Grant, HOME, or Emergency Shelter Grant) and, for each program, whether the objection(s) submitted addresses the Environmental Review or the Request for Release of Funds. HUD will consider no objection received after April 28th on any program.

L BROOKS PATTERSON
OAKLAND COUNTY EXECUTIVE
MARCH 11, 2004

PUBLIC SERVICES A1	57 ,000.00
Lake Area Youth Assistance summer camp and skill building for youth from	amp and skill building for youth from
L/M HH, June 2004-Dec 2005	
PUBLIC SERVICES A16	\$5,000.00
Reimburge one/more nonprofit agencies for emergency food, clothing, refer	s for emergency food, clothing, refer
rate, and financial aid provided to L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005	HH. June 2004-Dec 2005
PLANNING 1m	\$16,637.00
Sund andipagna andification . June 2004-Dec 2005	14. Dac 2005

\$2,531.00

Purchase and install ADA accassible ontrance doors, signage, landscaping, steam table, ceiling fans, coffee pots, and refrigerator for the Richardson SR CTR, 1485 Cakley Park Rd, Commerce Township June 2004-Dec 2005 SENIOR CITIZEN VEHICLE A36 \$20,000,00

Purchase a vehicle to transport senior cuizens in Commerce and White Lake Toys, June 2004-Dec 2005

GROVELAND

\$5,937.00
FIRE STATIONEQUIPMENT A3c
Purchase fire resistant clothing and furn out gear for fire station #1, 14645
Disle hwy, Holy, MI, June 2004-Dec 2005
PLANNING A1m \$3,880,00 Fund master plan, code of ordinance updates, ordinance codification, and mapping. June 2004-Dec 2005 Paleston Paleston

Reimburse one/most care interesting the state of the stat

\$1,000.00 June 2004-Dec 2005 \$1,345.00 \$1,000,00
Holly Youth Assistance summer camp and skill building activities for youth from LM HH, June 2004–Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Brandon Groveland Youth Assistance summer camp and skill building activities for youth from LM HH. June 2004–Dec 2005
TOTAL Provide services for abused spouses and their children.
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
HCS to OCCHI guidelines. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

PUBLIC SERVICES A10

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Provide services A1e

Provide services for abused spouses and their children June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

Huron Valley Youth Assistance summer camp, CHOICE program, and skill building scivilise for LM HH June 2004-Dec 2005

SENIOR CITIZEN VEHICLE A3c

Purchase a vehicle to transport senior citizens June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Produce newsletter and pay senior citizens' fees for attending recreational and educational events at Milford Twp SR CTR, 1050 Attentic, Milford June 2004-Dec 2005

\$1,750.00
Fund employment related transportation services for disabled TWP residents
Highland TWP Ride with Pride. June 2004-Dec 2005
PLANNING 1m

PLANNING 1m

\$4,810,00

Fund TWP ordinance codification, natural resource inventory, mapping projects, and recreational planning. June 2004-Dec 2005

\$24,050.00

\$24,050.00

HIGHLAND

\$32,681.00 FIRE STATIONEQUIPMENT A3C

Purchase defonitions, thermal Imaging camera, two-way radios, pagers, and hazmat uniforms at five Station #1, 205 W Livingston, Highland, Purchase defibrilistor and two-way radios at Fire Station #2, 3550 N Duck Lake Rd, Highland, June 2004-Dec 2005
Highland, June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES Aie

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Huron Validary Youth Assistance summer camp, CHOICES program, and skill H building activities to youth from LM HH. 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES Aie

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Fire County of the cou PUBLIC SERVICES Ate
Meals to homebound seniors and to seniors at highland Twp Senior Center,
209 N John St, Highland Twp. July 2004-Dec 2005
\$5,000.00
\$20 N John St, Highland Twp. July 2004-Dec 2005
\$5,000.00

\$5,000.00

Provide services for abused spouses and their children. June 2004- Dec 2005

Provide services for abused spouses and their children. June 2004- Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

S15,000.00

Provide employment related transportation services for disabled adults.

Provide employment related transportation services for 2004-Dec 2005

TOTAL.

PUBLIC SERVICES A10
Provide transportation services for seniors June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A10
\$2,000.00
Provide services for abused spouses and their children June 2004-Dec 2005
Purchase a vehicle LE A3c
Furchase a vehicle to transport senior ctizons June 2004-Dec 2005
TOTAL

ORION

PUBLIC SERVICES A10

HOLLY
REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS A27
\$3,513.00
Installation of new or retroft existing entry doors at Holly TWP hall, 102 Civic PLANNING ***

\$2,340.00 p
Update master plantzoning ordinances/codification. June 2004-Dec 2005
Update master plantzoning ordinances/codification. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
HCS program to OCCHI guidelines. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Provide services for several their children. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Provide transportation services for senior residents. June 2004-Dec 2005
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PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
TOTAL

INDEPENDENCE

Provide services for abused spouses and their children, June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$7,000.00 Provide accessible reading material, large print books, and audio books at the independence Twp Library, 6495 Clariston Rd, Clariston, June 2004-Dec Transport disabled children from LM HH to a summer camp program. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$5.000.00

Purchase and ristill window froatments, tables and seating, defibritators, wheelchafts, desktop video magnifiers/electronic vision enlargers, dyo cutter & patients, multi-line telephone and answering system, ham radio equipment, presentation equipment (laptop computer, projector, and screen), sewing machines, bridge table and folding chairs, audio equipment for hearing impaired, large screen TV for instructional viewing, new tile in hallway, new 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Clariston Area Youth Assistance summer camp program for children from L/M

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\$2,000.00
Provide social and recreational services for senior and disabled residents has 300.00.00 HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

Province account and a control of the Indopendence TVP SR PUBLIC SERVICES A10

PUBLIC SERVICES A10

Pay administrative wages of SR CTR director at the Independence TVP SR CTR, 6000 Clarkston Rd, Clarkston, June 2004-Dec 2005

SENIOR CENTER A3c

Replace deck at the Independence Twp SR CTR, 6000 Clarkston Rd, Clarkston, June 2004-Dec 2005

SENIOR CENTER A3c

Replace labels, dining Aprils, office chairs, and microwave at the Independence Twp SR CTR, 6000 Clarkston Rd, Clarkston June 2004-Dec 2005

SENIOR CITIZEN VEHICLE A3c

Purchase a vehicle to transport senior clizens June 2004-Dec 2005

Selichase a vehicle to transport senior clizens June 2004-Dec 2005

\$2,000.00 June 2004-Dec 2005 \$14,704.00 Provide Medicate and tax counseling, health screening, educational, enrichment, and intergenerational classes as well as pay a portion of the SR CTR supervisor's wages at the Center for Active Adults, 1000 N. Lafayette, South Lyon. June 2004-Dec 2005

PLANNING 1m

\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00
Planning activities and update of a build out analysis for the master plan
June 2004-Dec 2005
ADMINISTRATION 1m \$2, PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Provide services for abused spouses and their children June PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
\$14

2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A10 Administration 1m \$5,682.00
Administration of the CDBG program at the local fevel June 2004-Dec 2005
MINOR HOME REPAIR A2c
AHR to OCCHI guadelines for LIM HH. June 20034-Dec 2005
GONDEMNATIONIDEMOLITION B34
\$9,023.00
Remove approx 3 blighted vacant structures on a spot basis in Lyon Twp
June 2004-Dec 2005 \$33,409.00

Remburse one or more nonprofit agencies for emergency food provided to PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

\$11,707.00 Update Parks and Recreation Master Plan, June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A19 \$7,803.00 SPRINGFIELD EMERGENCY REHAB PROGRAM A2h EHR IO OCCHI guidolinos Juno 2004-Dec 2005

\$4,801.00
Provide hand basket carts. Kurzweil system, large-print books and books on tape for the Springfield TWP library, 10900 Andersonville Rd. June 2003-Dec TOTAL.

\$7,765.00 HCS to OCCHI guidelines. June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A10

Provide services for abused spouses and their childron June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$7.765.00 S.7.765.00 Remburso one or more nonprofit agencies for training and case management for adults with hearing disabilities June 2004-Dec 2005 \$2,265.00 SUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$4,265.00

logal services for women from LM HH June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A10
Fund two staff positions for services through Parks and Rocreation, 4647 Wainut Lake Rd and Family Aquatic Center, 6200 Farmington Rd, West Service Center, 6200 Farmington Rd, Manual Rd, Manu 49,679.00 Access fee for senior activities at Booth School, 7273 Wing Lake Rd, Bloomfield Hills. June 2003-Dec 2004

Digital mapping to provide databasi environmental protection ordinance

HCS to OCCHI guidelines June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$2,000.00
Provide services for abused spouses and their children June 2004-Dec 2005
REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS A2c \$35,000.00

increase accossibility by creating new paved accessible pathways at Friendship Park, NE comer of Baldwin and Clarkston Rds, Orion Twp. June

\$28,369,00 Provide transportation services for seniors and disabled adults. June 2004-Dec 2005

\$1,000.00

PUBLIC SERVICES A16

Provide employment related transportation services for disabled adults. Highland Twp Ride with Pride, 309 John St. Highland, Mi. June 2004-Dec PUBLIC SERVICES A10
Provide services for abused spous

\$5,500.00 as and their children, June 2004-Dec 2005

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Church St. Lake Onon June 2004-Dec 2005 \$82.71 E 107AL \$82,738.00

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\$4,000,00 June 2004:Dec 2005 \$39,035,00 MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h

MHR to OCCHI guidelines for UM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

HCS to OCCHI guidelines

June 2004-Dec 2005

\$4,000.00

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

S4,000.00

Frowide services for abused spouses and their children June 2004-D

TOTAL

\$39,035,00 OXFORD

\$17,213.00 \$21,516.00 \$4,303.00 HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 ROSE MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH. Junc PLANNING 1m
Update master plan June 2004-Dec 2005
TOTAL MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h

\$11,091.00 ROYAL OAK COMMUNITY CENTER A3c

CODE ENFORCEMENT 41k

S10,000,00

Fund code enforcement activities township wide June 2004-Dec 2005

PLANNING A1m

\$8,023,00

Planning activities including master plans, recreational and other community modes plans, natural resources inventones, and mapping projects. June Install new or retroll existing doors and construct accessible entrance ramp at the Community Center, 21075 Wyoming Ave, Royal Oak TWP, June 2004. \$1,000.00

Provide services for abused spouses and their children June 3004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$10,000.00 Provide transportation for LIM, senior, and disabled TWP residents. June 2004-Dec 2005

Reimburse one or more nonprofit agencies for emergency medical, prescriptor, housing, and utility assistance for L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$2,902.00

\$39,017.00

\$33,589,00 REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS A21 \$33,589,00
Replace ADA compliant olevator at the Family Aquatic Center, 6200
Farmington Road, West Bloomfield TWP June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A19 BLOOMFIELD

Remburse or more nonprofit agencies for group counseling, community oducation services, homebound meals, and information and referral services for seniors. June 2004-Dec 2005

97.765.00 \$23,365,00

Reimburse one or more nonprofit agencies for crisis intervention assistance in areas including child abuse, emotional support, information and referral, and logal services for women from LIM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005

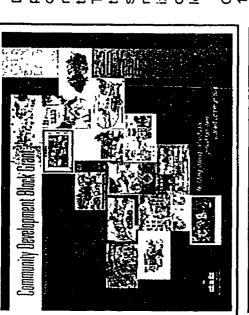
Produce a newsletter for TWP senior citizens. June 2004-06-2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Orion Area Youth Assistance programs and swimming lessons at camp for LM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Rolmburse nonprofit agencies for personal care items, nutritional supplements, food, medical, housing, and utility assistance provided to LM HH
June 2004-June 2005

e for enforcement of land use, zoning, is. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$141,393.00

MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

YEARS OF RATING 30 GALINDA

National Community Development Week is April 12-18, 2004



Artwork by George Horvorka, Fall River, MA., NCDA

The Community Development Block Grant This will be celebrated during National This year's theme is "CDBG: building strong individuals, proud families, and vibrant Program will celebrate its 30th anniversary in Community Development Week, April 12-18, communities."

counties, and states to provide services to low and moderate-income persons and families, making it over 70 percent of dollars are mandated to serve the program's original goals of providing decent, the 8th largest federal domestic program. Throughout its 29-year history, CDBG continued safe, and sanitary housing, suitable living environizes cities and their neighborhoods. Nationwide, ments, and necessary public services. It revitallow and moderate income persons.

1975 as an urban county program to serve the 50 participating communities. CDBG dollars are tion, were not entitled to receive funding directly. The program has continued to grow and expand to ment program, energy education and weatherizaneeds of those communities who, due to populaalso used to fund a portion of our home improvetion, and our housing counseling services.

THE IMPACT OF CENSUS 2000 AN THE FORMULA ALLOCATION

With the release of Census 2000 data at he block group level, the fifty communities partici-Oakland County's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program face changes in areas that qualify for CDBG projects and annual allocation amounts.

nousehold populations of at least 36.1 percent In spring, 2003, the U. S. Department of qualify for CDBG funded capital improvement proj-These areas must have low/moderate Housing and Urban Development (HUD) notified Community and Home Improvement Division hat beginning July 1, 2003 Census 2000 data Division staff revised the area wide benefit map to must be used to determine eligible projects, show which census tracts and block groups would based on HUD criteria. the c

authorization to spend letter in June. The map qualified areas. Communities could only proceed Communities received their first view of the Communities received their updated maps with the projects that were located outside of the newly with these projects if they were under contract by Staff worked closely with communities to insure that projects affected by the July 1 deadline changes impacted several previously approved revised maps at special workshops in April, were under contract.

Demographic changes also affected fund-

EVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

Development Association, the CDBG program has provided almost \$100 billion nationally to cities, According to the National Community

Oakland County began receiving Community Development Block Grant Funds in

Celebrate CDBG week in your community.

ing allocations. Census 2000 data is being used for the first time in the Program Year 2004 formula allocation process.

ous allocation method had been in place, since the In July, the Citizen's Advisory Council created a committee to study the merits of changing 1980s. The review committee consisted of com-The advisory council recommended Building and Finance Committees of the Oakland Commissioners approved a slightly altered formuthe CDBG funding allocation method. The previmunity representatives and advisory council memchanges to the existing formula. The Planning and County Board of Commissioners reviewed the recfull Board la from the advisory council proposal. the and ommendations bers.

mandate that 70 percent of CDBG funds be used resented by Population + 3 (low/moderate households)/4. The previous variable of overcrowded housing has minimal effect within the fifty participating communities and was not contained in the new formula. The new formula also reflects the to benefit low to moderate-income residents annu-The new formula allocation method is repally. The new formula weights the low and moderate-income household variable to 75 percent.

your community contact Carla Spradlin, Planner at For information on Census 2000 impacts in (248) 858-5312 or spradlinc@co.oakland.mi.us.

CONSOLIDATED

The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires each Community Development Block Grant recipient Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grant Program (ESG). The current Plan (2000-2004) is online at www.co.oakland.mi.us/chi. County's Consolidated Plan covers to develop a Consolidated Plan.

munity development needs for 2005-2009. The Plan will contain an assessment of the housing tions. Barriers to affordable housing, fair housing, and the County's lead-based paint hazard The upcoming Consolidated Plan will identify the County's overall housing and comstock and address the needs of special populastrategy will also be included in the Plan. The County's housing and community development strategy helps coordinate the investment of federal funds at the local level and provide for citizen involvement in the planning process.

vey will be administered and special focus group meetings held to develop the Plan. Public com-2005-2009 Plan. A participating community sur-During PY 2004, the Community and Home Improvement Division will develop the ment periods and public hearings will gather citizen input.

at (248) 858-5312 or Carla 6 Consolidated Plan process, contact information spradlinc@co.oakland.mi.us. more Spradlin, Planner, Ę

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Oakland County Community & Home 1200 N Telegraph, 38-E Pontiac, MI 48341 **Improvement**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FU NDS

communities in Oakland County's Urban County program. nomically viable. The funds must be used to meet one of the national objecare used to keep neighborhoods structurally sound, attractive, and eco-Urban Development, the Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG) benefits low- and moderate-income residents of the participating Funded through the United States Department of Housing and CDBG funds

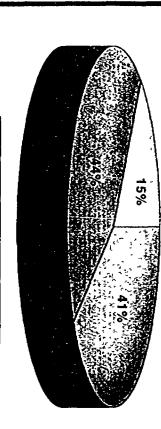
- 1. Benefit low and/or moderate income people
- Address slums or blighted condit
 Meet an urgent community need. Address slums or blighted conditions

who participate in the urban county program to implement community revi-Program. for senior citizens and the disabled, and many public service activities. chore services, senior programs, youth programs, transportation programs facilities. Other programs offered include minor home repair programs, code enforcement, parks and recreation programs, beautification, and fire imately one-third of formula CDBG funds to the Home Improvement ment, senior citizen centers, recreational facilities, historic preservation, water main and sewer installation, street improyements, sidewalk replacetalization projects in low and moderate-income neighborhoods such as The remaining two-thirds of the funds is allocated to the 50 communities The Community and Home Improvement Division allocates approx-This program is also supplemented by the Revolving Loan fund

\$106,119.00 from community generated program income and will reinvest 1975. The County has invested over \$149 million in CDBG funds since Oakland County expects to receive \$4,599,000 from HUD,

detail Oakland County and each participating community's 2004 Community Development Block Grant funds. approximately \$1.6 million from its revolving loan fund. Pages 8 through 11 plans for the

PROJECTED USE OF CDBG FUNDS PROGRAM YEAR 2004



Communities

■ Administration ■ Home Improvement Program

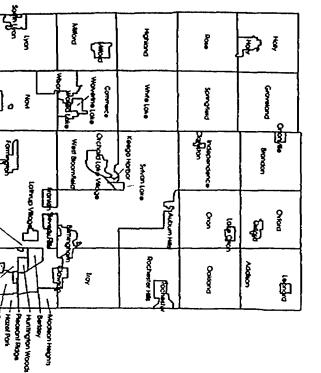
*Home Improvement Program includes Revolving Loan Fund



Photos: Bottom: Wixom Gibson House Park Safety Path enjoying Lunch Top: Huntington Woods Seniors

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Communities participating in Oakland County's Housing and Community Development Program as of March 11, 2004







Bottom: Minor home repair pro-Pictures: Top: Lyon Twp demolition project

> MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH, June 2004-Dec 2005
> \$7,7
> \$EBAUTIFICATION A2c
> \$7,7
> BEAUTIFICATION A2c
> Reforest L/M neighborhood by planting trees in ROW, Shevlin
> His (S) Lennox (E) Hilton (W), CT1730 BG 2. June 2004-Dec
> TOTAL HAZEL PARK \$7,500.00 ROW, Shevlin (N) Woodward June 2004-Dec 2005

\$102,303.00

CODE ENFORCEMENT A1k
\$108,930.4
Code Enforcement Activities citywide June 2004-Dec 2005
MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h
MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH June 2004-Dec 2005 \$108,930.00

\$109,930.00

SENIOR CITIZEN VEHICLE A3c SENIOR CITIZEN VEHICLE A3c

Purchase a vehicle to transport senior citizens at the Huntington Woods SR
CTR, 26325 Scotia Rd, Huntington Woods June 2004-Dec 2005

TOTAL

**T tion program at the Hunting 2004-Dec 2005

lines for UM HH June 2004-Dec 2005 ies for UM HH \$3,394.00 June 2004-Dec 2005 \$2,937.00 \$3,831.00

PUBLIC SERVICES A10 services for abused spouses and their SERVICES A10 /disabled. June 2004-June 2005 es. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$1,500,00 children June 2004-Dec 2005 \$12,662.00 \$1,000.00

PUBLIC SERVICES A16 \$2,209.00

ENIOR CENTER A2c lines June 2004-Dec 2005

MADISON HEIGH June 2004-Dec 2005 \$35,000.00

PUBLIC SERVICES A10
HCS to OCCHI guidelines

MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h \$3,000.00 silnes for UM HH June 2004-Dec 2005 IENTS A2c Dartmouth to Diesing Remove 196 LF of exist-place with new 8" thick concrete including

Way, and replacement of dam. curbs, gutters, storm sewer connections, drivew ing concrete pavement and replace with new 8" ver connections, driveway approaches in the right-of-damaged sidewalk June 2004-Dec 2005

4 • Sherry/12 Milo/Stephenson/1-75, CT 1812 BG Dequindre, CT 1812 BG 3 • 13 Milo/12 Mile/1-75 REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION A11 bell/1-75; CT 1811 BG 3 - 13 Mite/12 of local CDBG program. June 2004-Dec 2005 nforcement Activities in L/M BGs citywic Whitcomb/Barrington/John R, CT 1811 HIP/MHR program at the local level 5/Brush June 2004-D \$17,000.00 BG 1 - 14 Mile/13 Mile/ June 2004-Dec fellow/t-75, CT 1811 BG Moulin/12 Mile/Milton/ \$150,534,00

NORTHVILLE

SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING SUPPORT A2g
Replace seating in the Activity room at the senior h
type of chair, Allen Terrace, 40 High St, Northville

\$5,000.00
ior housing facility with same yille June 2004-Dec 2005

\$1,000.00

DMIN of local CDBG program June 2004-Dec 2005
UBLIC SERVICE A1e \$2,000.00

SERVICE A1e

vide a staff person to coordinate and plan services for Senior Citizens at Northville SR CTR, 215 W Cady Northville June 2004-Dec 2005

[AL \$8,000.00

MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h
MHR to OCCHI guidelines for I
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
SR CTR program manager to o \$81,143 00 lines for L/M HH June 2004-Dec 2005 NOV

t program manager to coordinate and plan services at the Novi Senior 25075 Meadowbrook Rd, Novi June 2004-Dec 2005 ransportation services. June 2004-Dec 2005 used spouses and their \$9,000,00 ams for qualified youth from children. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$15,000.00 \$20,000,00

grams replace furnaces in the PUBLIC SERVICES A10 Provide services for abus UBLIC SERVICES A10 June 2004-Dac 2005

winter months.

PUBLIC SERVICES A10 **HUNTINGTON WOODS** \$6,476.00

to plan, develop, organize duntington Woods SR CTI e, and administer se R, 26325 Scotta Rd,

EHR to OCCHI guidelines for MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h EMERGENCY HOME REPAIR A2h BLIC SERVICES A10 KEEGO HARBOR

EMERGENCY REHAB PROGRAM A2h \$1,389.00
EHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$2,000.00 \$2,000.00

SERVICES A10

services including educational programs, special events, and meals or clizens at Lathrup Village SR CTR, 27400 Southfield Rd Lathrup LATHRUP VILLAGE

\$2,821.00
tables and finess equipment at SR CTR, 27400 Southfield Rd,
Village June 2004-Dec 2005 \$8,419.00

ROCHESTER HILLS
REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS A27
Replace an existing gravel path with asphalt compliant with ADA standards at Bloomer Park, 345 John R, Rochostor Hills. June 2004-Dec 2005
MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h
MHR to OCCHI AMARIA.

PUBLIC SERVICES A16 Fund planning related activities, pay consulting fees to an environmental firm to conduct Brownfield Rodevelopment studies at known Brownfield locations June 2004-Dec 2005 ines June 2004-Dec 2005 \$43,284.00

HISTORIC PRESERVATION 831

BRANDON

\$12,618.00

Provide services for abused spouses and their children \$7,500.00 June 2004-Dec 2005 \$5,000.00

Avondale Youth Assistance enrichment program, summer camp, and tutoring for youth from L/M HH June 2004-May 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

\$20,000.00

Rochester Youth Assistance enrichment program, summer camp, and tutoring for youth from L/M HH June 2004-May 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

\$40,352.00
Construct five-foot wide concrete sidewalks on Hagadom, Hagadom Cou
South Center, East and North Ridge, West, North, and East Crest Lane,
Orchard Ridge, Chester Street, and Chester Court June 2004-Dec 2005
TOTAL

\$8,000.00

CT 1710 BG 5-1 Mile/Lincoin/Greenfield/Gardner, CT 1711 BG 1-10 Mile/Dak Park/Roanoke/Sherman, CT 1711 BG 2-10 Mile/Dak Park/Roanoke/Sherman, CT 1711 BG 2-10 Mile/Northfield/Scotla/Roanoke, CT 1712 BG 2-0ak Park/9 Mile/Measow/ark/Forest, CT 1712 BG 3-0ak Park/9 Mile/Massow/ark/Forest, CT 1712 BG 3-Oak Park/9 Mile/Massow/ark/Forest, CT 1713 BG 2-10 Mile/Oak Park/9 Coolidge/Scotla; CT 1714 BG 3-Rosemary/9 Mile/Greenfield/Sussex, CT 1716 BG 2-Capital/8 Mile/Crossmary/9 Mile/Greenfield/Sussex, CT 1716 BG 2-Capital/8 Mile/Crossmary/9 Mile/Greenfield/Sussex. CT PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
HCS to OCCHI guidelines, June 2004-Dec 2005
MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h
MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH, June 2004-Dec 2005
CODE ENFORCEMENT A1k
\$50,500.00 1716 BG 2-Capital/8 Mile/Coolidge/Republic, June 2004-Dec 2005
ADMINISTRATION 10 \$27,283.00
ADMIN of CDBG program at the local level. June 2004-Dec 2005
TOTAL \$136,416,00 # \$50,500.00 \$50,500.00 \$50,500.00 \$50,500.00 \$50,500.00

ORCHARD LAKE VILLAGE

\$1,600.00
Fund planning activities to updated city zoning ordinance and master plan
June 2004-Dec 2005
TOTAL SENIOR CENTERS A16
Access fee for SR CTR at 7273 Wing Lake Rd, Bloomfield Hills \$6,400.00

PLEASANT RIDGE \$8,000.00

SENIOR CENTER A2c

Replace 10 tables and 50 chairs at the Pleasant Ridge Community C
Senior Activities Room, 4 Ridge Rd, Pleasant Ridge June 2004-Dec
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

\$4,000.00 guidelines June 2004-Dec 2005

ANNING 1m \$1,600.00 \$1,600.00 \$1,600.00 \$1,600.00 \$1,600.00 \$1,600.00 \$1,600.00 \$1,000.00 \$8,000.00

ROCHESTER

REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS A21

Construct barner-free sidewalk ramps at vanous intersections in CT1910 BG2 (University, City limits, Main St, Wilcox) and CT1911 BG1 (City limits, University, Paint Creek, and City limits), Rochester, June 2004-Dec 2005

University, Paint Creek, and City limits), Rochester, June 2004-Dec 2005

Construct and/or replace approx 1,500 LF of sidewalk within UM areas of the city, CT1910 BG2 (University, City limits, Main St. Wilcox) and CT1911 BG1 (City limits, University, Paint Creek, and City limits), Rochester June

\$29,739.00

\$35,313.00

\$7,500.00
Reimburse one or more nonprofit agencies for legal services and counseling for LM women in crass June 2004-May 2005
Palmburse 2005
Reimburse 2005

\$5,000.00 sholler, and financial aid to L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005

SYLVAN LAKE

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
HCS to OCCHI guidolines June 2004-Dec 2005
MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h
MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH June 2004-Dec 2005

ADMINISTRATION 10
ADMIN of CDBG program at local level June 2004-Dec.
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
HCS to OCCHI guidelines June 2004-Dec 2005 \$5,000.00 : 2005

\$134,143.00

OAK PARK

FLOOD DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS A3c \$120,344,00 installation of approx 60 storm drains with catch basins, Section 36 including Dashwood and Lovington Sts. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$195,344.00

WALLED LAKE
\$9,267,00
REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS A2c
Install new or retrofit existing doors at public entrances to be ADA compliant at the Walled Lake Fire and Police Depts, 1499 E West Maple Rd, Walled PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

Transportation services for seniors/disabled adults. June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$1,209.00 \$1,209.00 \$1,209.00 Animal services for emergency food, clothing, wheter, and financial aid to LM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$1,208.00 Relimburs nonprofit agencies for emergency food, clothing, shelter, and financial aid to LM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$5,450.00 ADMINISTRATION 10 Provide services for abused spouses and their children. June ?
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$9,9 \$9,909.00 soniors/disabled adults. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$1,209.00 June 2004-Dec 2005

\$5,450,00 ISTRATION 10 \$5,450,00 of CDBG program at the local level. June 2004-Doc 2005 \$27,252.00

MOXIM

Reimburse nonprofit agencies for crisis intervention, education assistance, and legal counseling for LM women in crisis. June 2004-Dec 2005 and legal counseling for LM women in crisis. June 2004-Dec 2005 \$2,200,00 Lake Area Youth Assistance education/recreation programs for youth from LM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$2,000.00 Provide services for abuse PUBLIC SERVICES A1e PUBLIC SERVICES A10 S2,750.00 S2,750.00 S2,750.00 for abused spouses and their children, June 2004-Dec 2005 \$2,300.00

Reimburse one or more nonprofil agencies for emergency food, clothing, counseling, transportation, housing, utility, medical, education, recreation, and emergency assistance provided to LIM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
\$1,500,00
Provide large-print reading materials and audio books at the Wixom Library,
49015 Pontisc Trail, Wixom. June 2004-Dec 2005
HISTORIC PRESERVATION B2d
Remove and replace detenorated foundation and related structural components, Wixom Wire House, 687 N Wixom Rd, Wixom. June 2004-Dec 2005
TOTAL

TOWNSHIPS

PLANNING 1m \$3,732,00 Update master plan and ordinance codification. June 2004-Dec 2005 REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS A2f \$1,500,00 Increase accessibility by providing a coment/asphalt walkway from the parking lot the gazebo at the SR CTR, 1440 Rochester Rd, Leonard June 2004-Dec 2005

\$9,017.00 services for seniors and disabled. June 2004-Dec 2005 SENOR CENTERS A3c \$4,413.00 Roplace carpet with new flooring in main room and construct a cement patio to allow seniors additional space for out door activities at the SR CTR, 1440 Rochester Rd, Leonard. June 2004-Dec 2005

Address blighted conditions on a spot basis including beam and post replacement on SW corner and on first floor and possible demolition of shad area, mold remodiation, and fire suppression system at the Old Mill, 366 Mill St. Ontonville, June 2004-Dec 2005 vide newsletter to inform seniors of available services. June 2004-Dec

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

\$4,000,00

Provide services for abused spouses and their children, June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A1e

\$8,500,00

Brandon-Groveland Youth Assistance camp and skill building activities: tutoring, summer school, and enrichment programs for youth from L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A1e

Reimburse one or more nonprofit agencies for emergency food/vouchers provided to L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITY A1e

Reimburse one or more nonprofit agencies for emergency food, dothing, referrals, and financial aid provided to L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

\$1,000.00 SENIOR CENTER A3e

\$9,200.00

a and install room partitions, refrigerator, copier, and seating for the SR CTR, 345 Ball St, Ortonville. June 2004-Dec 2005 COMMERCE

MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h

MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005

\$5,000,00

Provide services for abused spouses and their children, June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

Meals for homebound seniors June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

Meals for homebound seniors June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

HCS to OCCHI guidelines. June 2004-Dec 2005

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PROGRAM

PARTNERSHIPS

National Community Development Week is April 12-18, 2004

PROGRAM YEAR 2004 PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS

Since 1975, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has allocated over 143 million dolars (Induding program income) to Oaktand County to administer annual Community Development Programs pursuant to with the Housing and Community Development Programs pursuant to wary objective of Title 10 the Housing and Community Development Act and the Oaktand County CDBG Program is the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable inving environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income. Consistent with this primary objective, the Housing and Community Street Development Act dentifies three broad national program objectives. Oaktand County gives maximum feasible priority to CDBG projects that comply with one or more of the national objectives.

L. Ensure benefit to low and moderate income persons; not less than 70% of grantee's aggregate funds shall be used to support activities that benefit low

B. Ald in the prevention or elimination of slums or blighted community condi-

C. Meet other community development needs having a particular urgancy because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

In promoting the primary national objectives Oakland County Community and Home Improvement has developed the following specific objectives and strategies consistent with policy statements for Federal, State, Regional and County levels of government for the 2004 program year.

COUNTY PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

1. Encourage communities to realistically plan for future development and to assist communities in developing the depecty to implement activities 2. Increase each community's commitment to its proposed community development activity.

Discourage the use of community development funds on projects that can funded through other sources.
 Improve, upgrade and increase property values through the concentration rehabilitation efforts within neighborhoods.

5. Reduce the numbor of substandard dwelling units within the county through the nebalilitation of existing residential units.

6. Improve living conditions within housing units and reduce the financial burden of low and moderate-income persons.

7. Reduce housing maintenance and fuel costs and enable lower income per-

sons to remain in their housing unit. 8. Instill within homeowners the incentive to maintain and improve conditions

within the housing unit.

9. Assist homeowners in using available funding sources to accomplish housing rehabilisation activities.

10. Reduce the isolation of income groups and increase housing opportunities for low and moderate-income persons.

11. Affirmatively further fair housing and equal opportunity.

12. Minimize displacement of persons as a result of CDBG assisted activities through counsel and careful assessment of each project requiring displace-

13. Provide relocation assistance in accordance with the Uniform Relocation 13. Provide relocation accordance with the Uniform Relocation (12.4 CFR 42) and mitigate advarse effects of displacement. If any, on low and moderate-income persons.

14. Ensure that persons displaced as a result of CDBG assisted projects will be treated fairly, consistently, and equitably so such persons will not surfer disproportionate injuries as a result of projects designed for the benefit of the

public as a whole.

15. Ensure that tenta displaced involuntarity and permanently as a result of the use of CDBG assistance to acquire or substantially rehabilitate property will the use of CDBG assistance to acquire or substantial the uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Pokicles Act of 1970.

16. Ensure that not less than 70% of CDBG funds received annually are used for activities that principally benefit persons of low and moderate income.

17. Provide for citizen participation in the CDBG process by implementing a detailed citizen participation plan.

The following projects are eligible uses of CDBG funds in accordance with fod-arst rules and regulations defined in 24 CFR Part 570:

Relocation
Removal of Architectural Berriers
Rehabilitation/Preservation
Residential Rehabilitation
Public Housing Modernization
Private Property Rehabilitation
Private Property Rehabilitation
Temporary Relocation Assistance
Code Enforcement
Historic Preservation
Economic Development
Acquisition
Clearance/Demolition
Public Services Acquistion/Disposition Public Facilities/Improvements Street Improvements
Water and Sewer
Pedestrian Malis/Waltways
Ptanning and Management
Administration Recreational Facilities Centers for the Disabled Fire Protection Interim Assistance

All objectives, strategy statements, and definitions of eligible activities are available for public review in the Caldand County Community and Home Improvement Division, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Bidg. 38-E, Pontiac, MI 48341-0414, Appointments may be made Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. by calling (248) 858-0493.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM **YEAR 2004 PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS**

The County of Oakland, a Michigan Constitutional Corporation, in compliance with the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, will submit the following proposed projects and allocations to HUD for PY 2004 CDBG funding totaling \$4,559,000 00 on March 15, 2004, Cakfund County will supplement the 2004 CDBG entitlement from HUD with \$1,706,119,00 in County and Community CDBG program income and rocycled home improvement loan paybacks generated from 11/103-12/31/03 for total 2004 revenues of \$6,305,119 00.

HOW TO READ THIS PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS
The use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds must comply
with a number of foderal guidelines. These requirements must all be listed in
this Projected Use of Funds. To save space, a number of codes have been

SENIOR CITYZEN CENTER A2a \$44,500

This means that the community will spend \$44,500 of its 2004 CDBG funds on a senior citzen center. Each part of the code "A2a" has a meaning also The capital latter indicates which national CDBG objective the project lails under The national objective codes are

A Project benefits fow and/or moderate income people

B. Project addresses slums or blighted conditions C. Project meets an urgent community need where no other funding is avail-

The number indicates the project's status under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) These codes are

1. The project is exempt from environmental review by NEPA

2. The project is categorically excluded from environmental reviews by NEPA

3. The project has been environmentally assessed

words, where in the regulations it says that the project may be funded with CDBG money All regulations regarding CDBG are found in the Code of Federal Regulations. Volume 24. This is a betreated as *24 CFR*. The specific section comes afferward. Thus 24 CFR 570 201(c), means volume 24. Code of Federal Regulations, section 570 201(c). Finally, the small letter indicates the regulatory authority for the project, in othe

m.24 CFR 570 205(a) n.24 CFR 570 205(a) o.24 CFR 570.206(a) p.24 CFR 570.206(c) r.24 CFR 570 207(b)(1)(ii) s.24 CFR 570 207(b)(3) t.24 CFR 570 208(a)(2) 4-24 CFR 570 201(d) 4-24 CFR 570 201(d) 4-24 CFR 570 201(k) 4-24 CFR 570 202(a) 1-24 CFR 570 202(a)(1) 1-24 CFR 570 202(b)(3) 1-24 CFR 570 202(b)(3) a24 CFR 570 201(a) b-24 CFR 570.201(b) c-24 CFR 570.201(c)

General abbreviations are also used to save space.

S-South/Southern
SF-Square Feet/Foot
ST-Street
TBD-To be determined
1 TDD-Telephone Devices for the Deaf
TWP-Township N-North/Northern OCCHI-Oakland County Comm & Home Imp ROW-Right of Way RD-Road IN-Inches LF-Lincal FeeVFoot L/M-Low/Moderate Income MHR-Minor Home Repair RR-Rail Road ADA-Americans with Disabilities Act
ADMIN-Administration
APPROX-Approximately
AVE-Avenue
BDRY-Boundary
BG-Block Group
BLVD-Boulevard R-Emergency Home Repair ICMD-Fair Hsg Ctr of Metro Detroit 5D-Central Business District 5BG-Community Day Block Grant FR-Code of Federal Regulations Chore Service OIA-Diameter E-East/Eastern

CHORE AND EMERGENCY HOME REPAIR, HOME MINOR HOME REPAIR
Minor Home Repair (MHR)-Small ropair projects around the home, such as screen and/or window ropair, painting, and minor plumbing. Generally, these ropairs are too small to warrant the homeowner applying for the Oakland County HIP.

W-West/Western

HH-Households

Home Chore Service (HCS)-loaf raking, lawn mowing, snow removal, installation of screens, cleaning, and other jobs around the house.

Emergency Home Repair (EMR)-Repairs such as fumace replacement.

Those repairs that must be immediately undertaken to protect the health and safety of the household.

COMMUNITIÉS, ACTIVITIES, AND ALLOCATIONS

MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h
MHR to OCCHI guidelines for LM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Provide transportation services for services and disabled adults. June 2004-Dec 2005

Pontac Youth Assistance ennichment programs, summer camp, and tutoring for qualified youth from L/M HH. June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

HCS to OCCHI guidelines June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

\$3,000.00

Provide services for abused spouses and their children June 2004-Dec 2005

TOTAL \$6,000.00 ing for qualified youth from L/M HH June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e

June 2004-Dec 2005 \$75,109.00

\$15,587.00 'Code Enforcement Activities in L/M areas 12 Mile (N) Catalpa (S) Phillips (E) city limits (W), 12 Mile (N) Catalpa (S) Griffith (E) Phillips (W), Oxford (N) Cambridge (S) Cass (E) Coolidge (W) June 2004-Dec 2005

PLANNING Im
Sile plan reviews June 2004-Dec 2005

PUBLIC SERVICES A10

HCS to OCCHI guidelines June 2004-Dec 2005

TOTAL BERKLEY

\$4,000.00 outreach, referral services, and counseling Install barrier free entrance doors to ADA guidelines at the Birmingham Ice Arona, 2300 E Lincoln, Birmingham. June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e \$4,000,00 June 2004-Dec 2005 TOTAL \$1,000.00 \$15,500.00 \$21,711.00 MINOR HOME REPAIR A2h
MHR to OCCHI guidelines for L/M HH June 2004-Dec 200
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e HCS to OCCHI guidelines. June 2004-Dec 2005 REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS A21 **SIRMINGHAM**

Replace office equipment (desks, chairs, tables, adding machine, and type-writer) at the Independence Township Senior Center, 5980 Clarkston Rd, Clarkston, June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Clarkston Area Youth Assistance Camp/Counsoling programs for qualified youth from LIM HH. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
SERVICES A1e
SU00.00
Vulntion program at the Independence Township Senior Center, 5980
Clarkston Rd, Clarkston, June 2004-Dec 2005
S8,000.00 \$4,000.00 CLARKSTON **SENIOR CENTER A2c**

REMOVE ARCHITECTURAL BARRIES A27 \$1,000.00 Increase accessibility by removing parking lot barrier and installing cut cut entrance at the Blair Memorial Library, 416 N Main, Clawson. June 2004-Dec 2005 Provide accessible reading materials for the Blair Memorial Library, 416 N Main, Clewson, June 2004-Dec 2005 \$1,000.00 CLAWSON SARRIERS A21 PUBLIC SERVICES A10

Main, Clevison, June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1e
Provide services for abused spouses and their children. June 2004-Dec 2005
PARKS, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES A3c
\$25,249,00 Plant trees, replace existing restroom partitions, and construct accessible asphalt walking path at City Park on the NE comer of Bywood and Elmwood. Clawson. June 2004-Doc 2005
SENIOR CENTER A3c
Replace portion of roof over senior center area at the Hunter Community
Center, 509 Fisher Court, Clawson. June 2004-Doc 2005
107AL

FARMINGTON

SENIOR CITIZEN VEHICLE A3c
Purchase a vehicle to transport senior citizens for the Farmington Hills Senior
Center, 28600 11 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. June 2004-Dec 2005
PUBLIC SERVICES A1o
Pay wages of staff at the SR CTR, 28600 11 Mile Rd. Farmington Hills to
eary out a variety of programs for senior citizens such as "Diaj-a-Ride",
home chore, senior day care, recreation, and newslatter June 2004-Dec
2005

Provide services to abused spouses and their children. June 2004-0ec 2005 CODE ENFORCEMENT A1k.
\$173,303.00
Code Enforcement Activities Citywide except for CT 1730 BG 1-f0 Mile/
Shevin/Hilton/Lennox; CT 1732 BG 1-Oak Ridge/9 Mile/Livemois/Woodward;
CT 1732 BG 2 - Oak Ridge/9 Mile/Pinecrest/Livemois/ CT 1732 BG 3 - Oak
Ridge/9 Mile/Hydand/Pinecrest; CT 1734 BG 1 - 9 Mile/Hazeithurs/Pinecrest/
Livemois, CT 1734 BG 2 - Lerey/8 Mile/Republic/Pinecrest; CT 1734 BG 3 - 9
Mile/Fielding/Livemois/Allen, June 2004-Dec 2005
\$8,000.00 \$10,000.00 \$3,500,00 HCS to OCCHI guidelines. June 2004-Dec 2005 PUBLIC SERVICES A1e PUBLIC SERVICES A16

on the site. Homeowners can download home improvement loan applications. Contractor packets

and information for non-profit agencies on how to obtain CHDO status is available. The Consolidated

Plan, CAPER, Citizen Participation Plan, Annual Report, and Division newsletters can be easily

Check us out at www.co.oakland.ml.us/chi. If you have any questions or suggestions about the site,

accessed when needed. A calendar of upcoming events is also available.

alease contact Kathy Williams at (248) 858-1189 or Williamska@co.oakland.ml.us.

Consolidated Plan, Direct Benefit Activity Reports, and a sample public service contract can be found

Required forms for environmental assessments, certificates of consistency with the

Emergency Shelter Grant, Homebuyer Assistance using HOME Partnership Act funds, and Housing

Counseling information.

nation on the Community Development Block Grant program, Home Improvement Loan Program,

To further serve our stakeholders, the Division launched a website in late October 2003. The

Website Launched

vebsite is part of the Oakland County's site and can be found at www.oakland.mi.us/chi.

The site contains a comprehensive overview of the division, contact lists, and program infor-

INVESTMENT E HOME

by the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. The HOME program increases the supply of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing low income persons through strengthened public-private partnerships. Since The Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program was authorized 1992, Oakland County has received and administered approximately 15 million dollars in HOME funds.

HOME allocation for Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs). A CHDO is a non-profit community-based agency whose purpose is tified the following three organizations as eligible CHDOs during 2003: Venture, As required by law, the County sets aside 15 percent of its annual to provide affordable housing for low-income persons. Oakland County has cerinc., Springhill Housing Corp., and Lighthouse Community Development.

reality for 24 low-income Oakland County residents. There are currently 16 houses under development; eight houses in the planning stages of construction Royal Oak Township, one house in Hazel Park in the pre-purchase phase, Since its inception, the HOME program has made homeownership and seven additional homes within contract scope.

The division invests approximately 75 percent of HOME funds in the ment loans to very-low income homeowners. These loans are deferred and Home Improvement Program. HOME funds are used to provide home improvecarry no interest charges.

Federal regulations require a 25 percent non-federal cash match for all ŏ Since 1992, the Oakland County Board HOME funded projects.

Federal guidelines also permit a 10 percent administrative Commissioners and L. Brooks Patterson, County Executive, have authorized this match. allowance.

The HOME program comment and environmental review periods are the same as the Oakland County CDBG program. See page 11, "Notice of Request for Release of Funds" for comment deadlines and addresses.

For more information contact Kris Hoffman Home Coordinator, at (248) 858-5405.



■ Housing Rehabilitation CHDO Activities □ Administration

PARTNERSHIPS AT WORK

Providing affordable housing often takes the cooperation and partnership of many individuals, corporations, government officials, and funders.

272,626.00

\$ 54,525.00

218,100,00

Community Housing Development

CHDO Activities

15 % of HOME allocation

Organizations (CHDOs)

\$1,852,070.00

500,000.00

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\$270,414.00

\$1,081,656.00

Home Improvement Program

Housing Rehabilitation

Loan fund (est

Total

25% Match Home Revolving

HOME funds

developed by Oakland Livingston Human Service County Community and Home Improvement Division Support was provided by a grant from the Oakland The home pictured below was one of five Agency and Venture, Inc. during 2003. Construction



\$2,493,868.00

500,000.00

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\$347,051.00

\$1,646,817.00

104,570.00

n/a

154,244.00

County Administration

Total

\$ 110,556.00 104,370.00

\$ 22,112.00

88,447.00 \$ 104,370.00

American Drean Downpayment Initiative

ADDI 2003

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One, and the Community and Home Improvement. Division assisted in keeping the Home affordable for Office, the new homeowners,

The new homeowners also received extensive housing counseling.

This is just one illustration on how community partnerships assist in providing home ownerships opportunities for low and moderate-income residents. dents.

THE HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRA

Division has met the home improvement needs of est loan, residents can: Loan program is designed to improve the condition of existing housing. With a no cost, low-interthousands of low and moderate income home-County Community and Home Improvement For more than 28 years, the Oakland Oakland County's Home Improvement

Maintain or increase property value Decrease utility costs Make needed repairs

State of Michigan licensed and insured residentia until the applicant no longer resides in the home an installment loan, or a combination of the two. There are no other costs associated with this loan. rates are up to 3 percent. A loan may be deferred home. Depending on household income, interest \$18,000 provided there is sufficient equity in the the income guidelines and live in one of the 50 in the home, have a gross income that falls within A homeowner can obtain a loan for as much as participating communities (see chart to the right). A qualified homeowner must own and live

required and work is performed by State of Michigan licensed lead abatement contractors. assessment is completed on homes built prior to 1978. Lead abatement work practices are When applicable, a lead based paint risk

builders complete all rehabilitation work.

ing, are samples of eligible projects. repairs for purposes of health and safety, energy wells, septic systems, and basement waterproof heating, water heaters, water and sewer systems, roofs, windows, siding, doors, plumbing, electrical, kitchens, bathrooms, porches, barrier free access conservation, and structural preservation.

Priority home

improvements include

services process. They are prepared to: Our staff offers efficient and personalized throughout the home improvement

Assist in the application process

Determine eligibility inspect the property and assist the homeowner to determine needed repairs

,Request bids from licensed and insured If paint will be disturbed, perform a lead-based paint hazard assessment

¿Perform a final inspection to insure satisfac-Assist in contractor selection Monitor work during construction tory completion contractors

Obtain clearance for a lead safe home

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM? DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE

communities? Do you own and live in a home in one of these Oakland County

CITIES

Auburn Hills Berkley Birmingham Clarkston Farmington Ferndale Hazel Park Clawson Huntington Woods Keego Harbor

Oak Park Orchard Lake Village Lathrup Village Madison Heights Northville ٥

Rochester Rochester Hills South Lyon Sylvan Lake Pleasant Ridge Troy Walled Lake Wixom

TOWNSHIPS

Highland Holly Commerce Addison Brandon Groveland

Milford Oakland Orion

Oxford

Independence Lyon

VILLAGES

Beverly Hills Franklin

Royal Oak Springfield West Bloomfield White Lake

Lake Orion Leonard Milford

Hely

Wolverine Lake Ortonville Oxford

within these limits? Does the total gross income of all family members in the home fall

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4	3 \$50,350	2\$44,750	1\$39,150	Size Gross Income
8	7	6	ა	Family Size
8 \$73,800	\$69,350	6 \$64,850	5\$60,400	Maximum Gross Income

ယု Does your home need structural repairs (roof, plumbing, electrical, heating, windows, siding, etc.)?

It you answered

"YES"

to all three questions you may qualify!

To find out more about the Home Improvement Program call us at (248) 858-5401 or toll free at 1 (888) 350-0900 \times 85401

City of Pontiac City of Southfield City of Farmington Hills (248) 871-2549 These Communities operate their own program: (248) 857-5746 Waterford Township City of Royal Oak (248) 674-6228 (248) 246-3290



Oakland County's Home Improvement after pictures dramatize how izing neighborhoods improves the quality of life of the homeowner while revital-These before and program



EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT PROGRAM

Lighthouse PATH, New Bethel Outreach

deadlines and addresses.

CDBG programs. See page 11, "Notice of Request for Release of Funds" for comment

gram, contact Kathy Williams at (248) 858-1189.

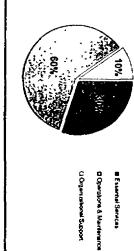
For more information on the ESG pro-

McKinney Homeless Assis operated in Oakland County gram was authorized by The program's goal is The Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) prostance Act. It has y since 1987. the Stewart B.

six shelters: South Oakland Shelter, HAVEN additional shelters available, and to help meet operational costs. Program year 2003 ESG funds were distributed by quality of existing emergency shelters, to make Against Violent Encounters Oakland County to Now),

to help improve the Ministry, The Common Ground Sanctuary "A Step Forward" and Graduated Apartment pro-

Emergency Shelter Grant



combination of expenditure categories (within port (up to 10%). Each shelter chooses its own nance (up to 100%), and organizational supservices (up to 30%), operations and mainteble under the County's ESG program: essential gram, and Place of Hope Warming Center. acceptable limits). Three categories of expenditures are eligi-

the grant. One hundred percent of the gra similar expenses. Operations and Maintenance goes directly to assist the homeless. the salaries of shelter personnel. Organizational Support expenses are main costs are incurred in shelter operations such a medical care, counseling, food, education, and County does not take any administration from insurance, utilities, security services, and rer Essential Services are associated with

are identical to those for the HOME and Comment periods for the ESG progra

Program Year 2004

Essential Services	ACTIVITY	ESG Projected Use of Funds
\$42,985.00	ESG	Use of Funds

\$143,282.00	TOTAL	3 3
\$14,328.00	Organizational Support (10%)	<u> </u>
\$85,969.00	Operations/Maintenance (60%)	교충
\$42,985.00	Essential Services (30%)	nt.

LAND COUNTY HOUSING COUNSELING SERVICES

Home seniors, and fair housing. sure issues, reverse mortgage counseling client follow up are provided. Counseling Unit delivers comprehensive housing seling, appointments to see counseling services to Oaklar ists, home-buyer counseling, help with forecloandlord/tenant information, required. Some of the services offered include rals, information regarding ho ing interview, public and non-profit resource refering for various programs. An initial intake/screen-The unit is approved by HUD The Oakland County Community and Improvement Division's ນ sing programs and subsidized housing nd County residents. the Counselor are For in person counto provide counsel-Housing ਠ੍ਹ an active part in the County's actions to affirma-Housing Issues, the Housing Counselor has had tively further fair housing. During 2003, the approximately 150 clients.

Division fielded 3038 calls During PY 2002, the Housing Counseling and directly served

Home Improvemen May 2002-Apri Summar nt Program 1 2003

Number of Homes Rehabilitated . . . 205 Amount of loans issued \$3,525,385 Deferred loans Installment loans 2,988,385 537,000

Average expended per case... \$17,197

sent to 70 local radio stations. Information was celebrating Fair Housing Month in April 2004. Arabic languages. Oakland County will again be produced and disseminated in Spanish and

Fair Housing Center of Metro Detroit assists choice as well as providing information, educathe promotion of fair housing, including housing Under a contract with the Division, the

PROMOTES AND PROTECTS

THE INTERESTS OF

HOUSING CONSUMERS

HOUSING COUNSELING

entities in the county and housing providers. construction under state and federal laws. tations on accessibility standards for residential educational seminar on fair housing for public issues in Oakland County. It also presented an tion, and referral to Oakland County residents. The Division conducted two educational presenfor community leaders to address Fair Housing The Counseling unit hosted a symposium

Counseling Unit or to arrange for an appointment to talk with our counselor, please call (248) 858-For more information on our Housing

local communities to also issue such proclama-

Counselor was also able to encourage several

Housing Month in Oakland County. The Housing County executive proclaiming April as Fair

Housing Counselor developed a resolution by the

Beyond the everyday emphasis on Fair

tions. Short public service announcements were Oakland County Housing Counseling **HUD Office of Fair Housing. & Equal Opportunity** Fair Housing Clearinghouse Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit MI Department of Civil Rights Housing Discrimination Hotline ORGANIZATION 313-963-1274 313-256-2663 313-226-6898 800-669-9777 800-343-3442 248-858-5402 NUMBER

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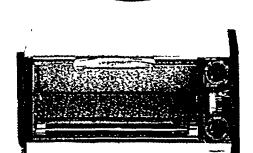
NOCOUPONS

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL 7am-NOON 10-40% OFF PLUS SAVE AN EXTRA 15% ON ALL KITCHEN ELECTRICS

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24.99 Final Price

SANTA FE™ fajita

buffet server. reg.

19.99 Final Price WEST BEND® 6-qt. słowcooker. reg. 39.99, sale 23.52 Shop online 57424

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL 7am-NOON 60% OFF PLUS SAVE AN EXTRA 10% ON ALL FINE JEWELRY

26.99 Final Price

14k gold 1/8 ct. T.W. diamond stud earrings. reg. \$100, sale 29.99 Shop online P3121



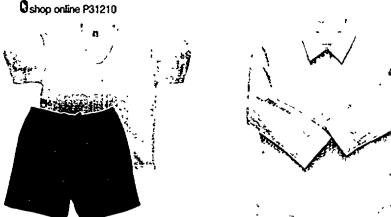
10k gold 1/4 ct. T.W. diamond hoop earrings. reg. \$200, sale 44.44 Styles vary by store. Shop online P3122

Photo enlarged to show detail. Diarnond Total Weights are approximate. T.W. may vary up to .05 ct. Actual savings may exceed the percent savings shown.

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YOUR CHOICE

8.99 RUSSELL® ATHLETIC JERSEY Y-NECK TEE
OR SHORTS for misses. orig. \$14-\$16



16.99

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SPRING FASHION POLO for men. orig. \$30-\$38 Selected styles. 16.99 Shop online P31212



ENTIRE STOCK 11.99 SO for SONOMA 5-PKT. DENIM JEANS for men. reg 24 99





PRINT SKIRT for juniors. orig. \$26 Selected styles.

Shop online P31214 **ENTIRE STOCK**

GLORIA VANDERBILT® AND LEE® CAPRIS for misses and petites, orig \$34-\$36 19.99

Women's. ong. \$38-\$40, sale 21.99

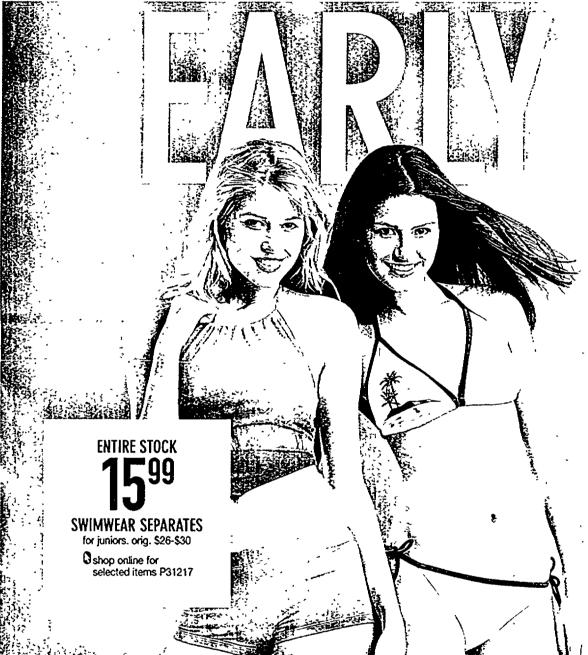
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NATURAL ISSUE® AND CROFT & BARROW® CASUAL PANTS for men. orig. \$40-\$45 19.99

Shop online P31215

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Shop on ine P31216



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for misses and petites orig. \$14 Selected styles. Misses' shown.

Shop online P31218

Women's, ong \$18, sale 9.99



BRIGGS® CAREER PANTS for misses & petites, orig. \$40 Selected styles, Misses' shown.

Women's. orig. \$38-\$40, sale 24.99

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ENTIRE STOCK SAG HARBOR® LINEN BLAZERS, PANTS AND SKIRTS for misses and petites, orig. \$30-\$36 Misses' shown.



ENTIRE STOCK CROFT & BARROW® SILK SPORT SHIRTS for men. orig. \$42

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ENTIRE STOCK ARROW DRESS SHIRTS for men. orig. \$32-\$38 Shop online P31220

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Shop online P31223



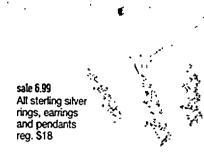
ENTIRE STOCK
50% off BODYSOURCE® BATH & BODY.
reg. 3.50-25.00, sale 1.75-12.50 Shop online P31221



SAVE 50% SLEEP & PLAYS for newborns. Selected styles.

50% off BLANKETS & DOWN COMFORTERS. Vellux*, cotton, down and acrylic blankets.



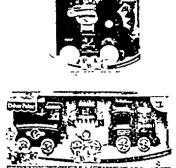


ENTIRE STOCK 60% off STERLING SILVER JEWELRY. reg. \$4-\$135, sale 1.60-54.00





50% off PLAYWEAR. Selected styles. Playwear not intended as sleepwear.



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Women's Lingerie Dept.

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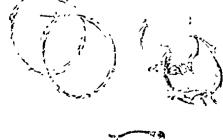


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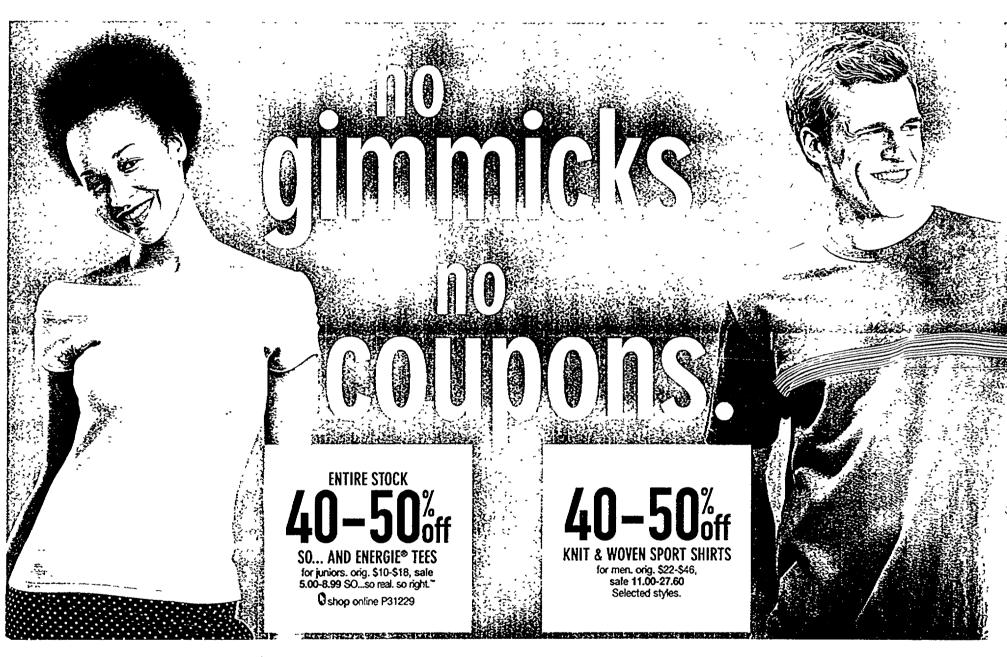
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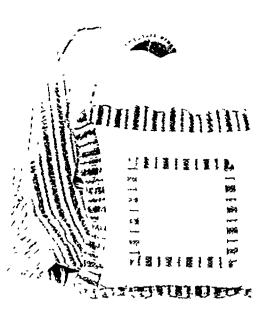


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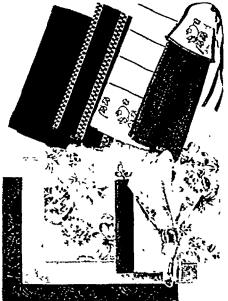
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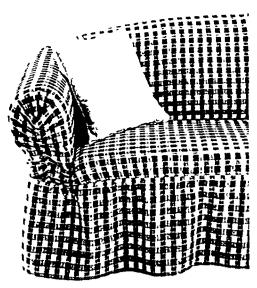
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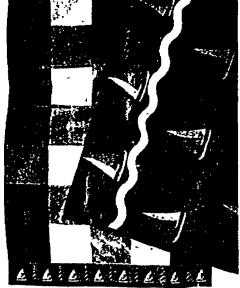


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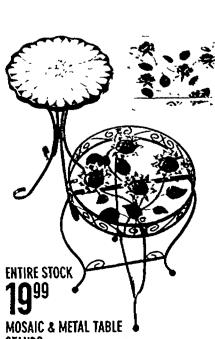
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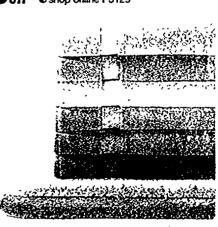
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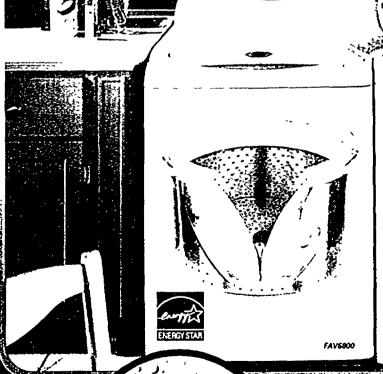
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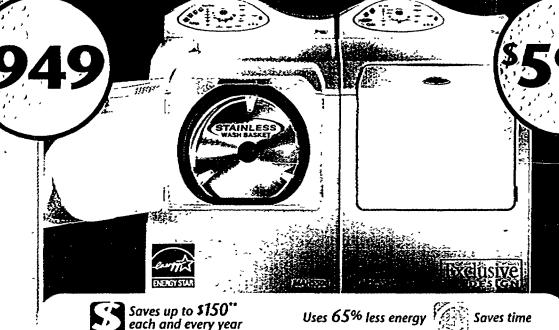
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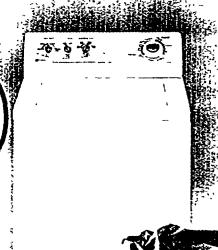
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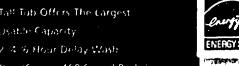
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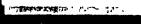
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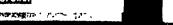
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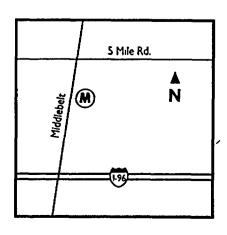
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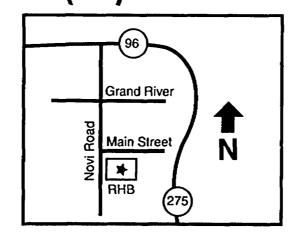




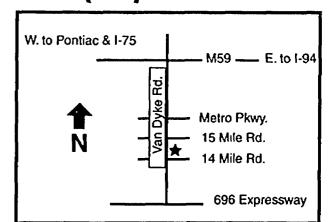
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Dear friend,

Confessions are tough. Real tough. But, sometimes a confession can set the record straight, and I want to give credit where credit is due. Before I talk about my confession though, let me say a few other things first.

Let me start by explaining the photo in this letter. You know, when I meet people in town they usually say "Oh, yeah, I know you, you're Dr. Tina. I've seen your ad with that picture of you and the cute little baby boy." Or they remember my story in the local paper that got me recognition for loving Starbucks!

Years ago something happened to me that changed my life forever. Let me tell you my story.

Back then I was a student aiming for an MBA by day and waiting on tables by night. During this time I started developing a painful hand condition known as "carpal tunnel syndrome." In my case it was a gradual onset. At first my hands became weak and I had little or no grip strength. The pain in my hands was so intense, I had a hard time carrying trays and at times, turning the key in the ignition of my car was painful. Already tired of living off of pain killers, my family doctor painted a future with more pain pills, diuretics, and possible surgery. And I was only 19 years old! I decided against all of it. But, there's more...

As fate would have it, I had a hard time with Macro Economics. Let's just say figuring out the gross national product was not my strong suit! Well, around the same time I was looking for a new job that would be easier on my back than waiting on tables. I applied for a front desk position at a doctor's office. During the first week, I let the doctor know about my problems. He does an exam, takes some films, and then "adjusts" my spine. The adjustment doesn't hurt; it actually feels good. I get relief and my carpal tunnel symptoms go away. Oh, did I mention that this doctor is a chiropractor? It works so well for me and I'm so impressed with the other "miracles" in his office that I eventually go to chiropractic school myself.

Now for William, the cute baby boy I am holding in the photo. He is a solid boy. This kid is tough! Well believe it or not, William was born premature. So the first few weeks out of the womb were rough. He had the typical problems associated with being a pre-mie, low birth weight, jaundice, increased risk of infection and a nasty case of colic. However, William did have one advantage...he had been adjusted by me. The birthing process was a rough one and I had found that the first bone in his neck was out of alignment. The results were immediate and of course it did not hurt him. Children respond quickly. They are not like adults, they haven't had their problems for years. William gets a spinal check-

up on occasion just to make sure everything is in place.

It's strange how life is, because now people come to see me with their carpal tunnel syndrome problems. Also they come to me with their headaches, migraines, chronic pain, scoliosis, whiplash from auto accidents, sports injuries, asthma, numbness in limbs, shoulder/arm pain, backaches, just to name a few.



Here's what some of my patients had to say:

"Training for marathons, triathlons, and ironman competitions takes a toll on my body. Dr. Tina has helped me rebound from injuries and keeps me tuned up so I can be at my best."

(Guy Spencer)

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Several times a day patients thank me for helping them with their health problems. But I can't really take the credit. My confession is that I've never healed anyone of anything. What I do is perform specific spinal adjustments to remove nerve pressure, and the body responds by healing itself. We get tremendous results. It's as simple as that!

Being a chiropractor can be tough, because there's a host of so-called experts out there. They tell people a lot of things that are just plain ridiculous about my profession. But the studies speak for themselves, like the Virginia study that showed that over 90% of patients who saw a chiropractor were satisfied with their results. That's just incredible!

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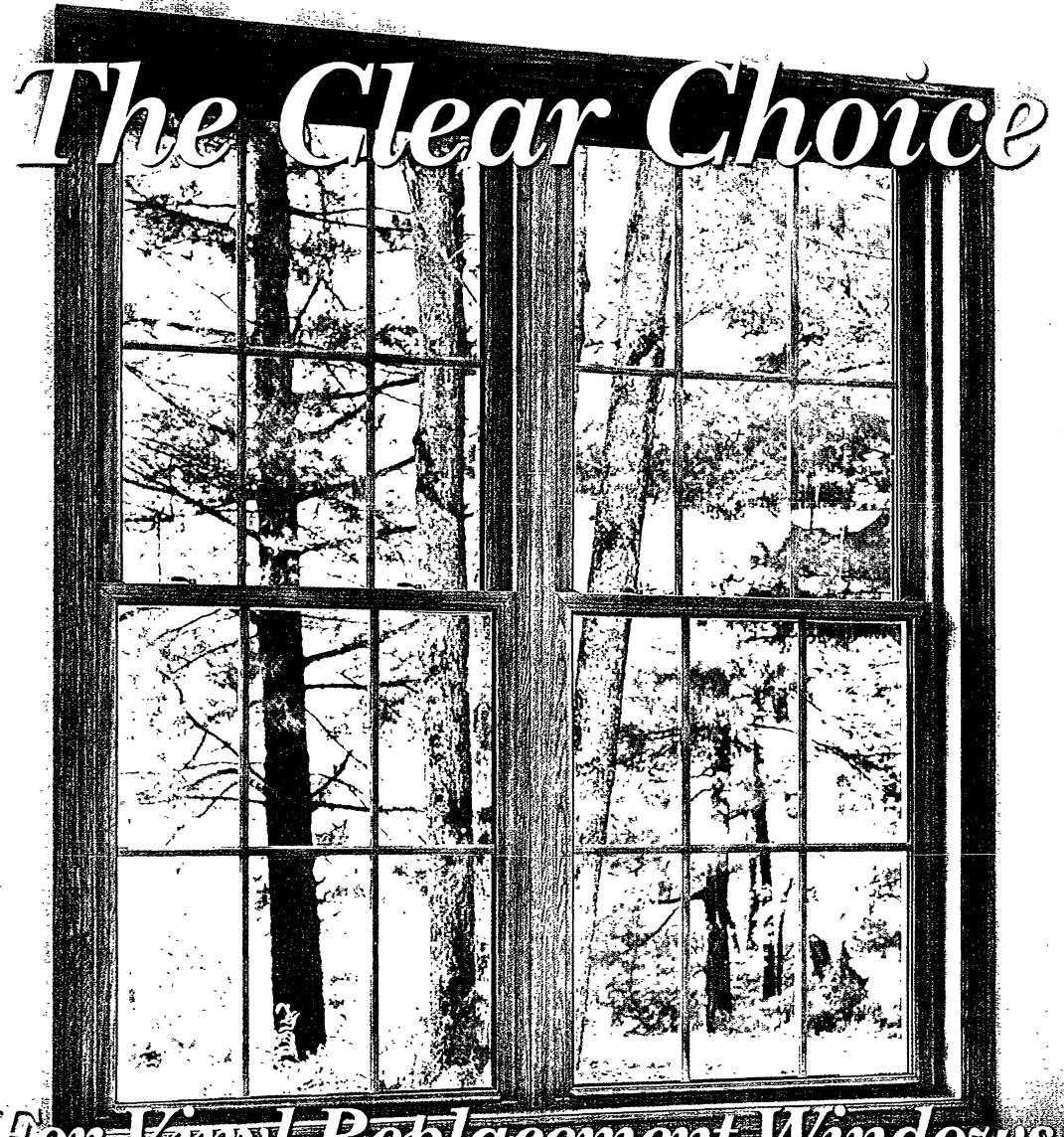
Great care at a great fee... Please, I hope that there's no misunderstanding about <u>quality of care</u> just because I have a lower exam fee. You'll get great care at a great fee. My qualifications...I graduated from a great school- Sherman College, have done many lectures in the community dealing with health issues and I have run a huge practice on the eastside helping hundreds of people weekly. I've been entrusted to take care of tiny babies to pro athletes that you may know. After practicing in Eastpointe for three and a half years, I moved my practice to Plymouth Township. I just have that low exam fee to help more people who need care.

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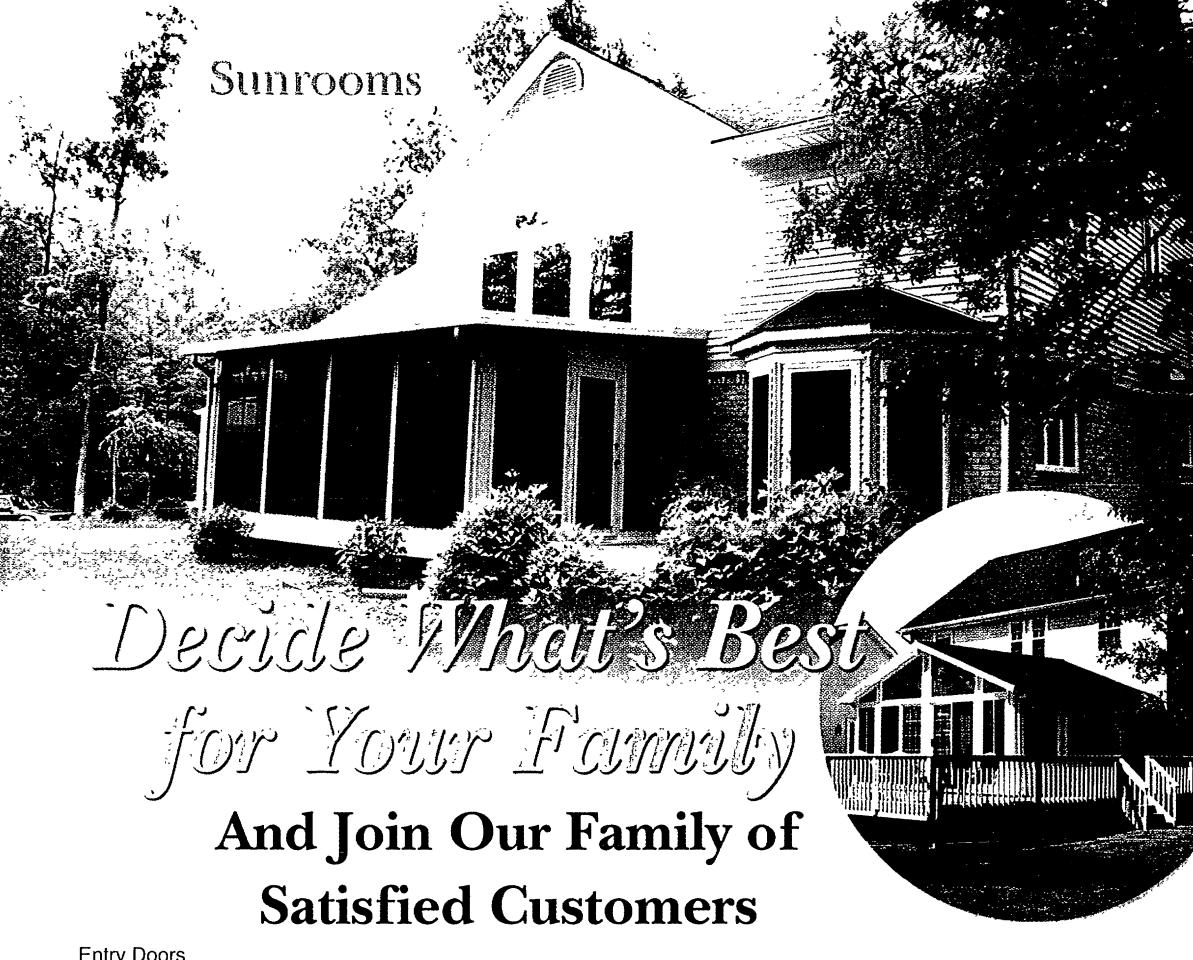


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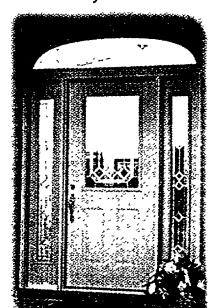
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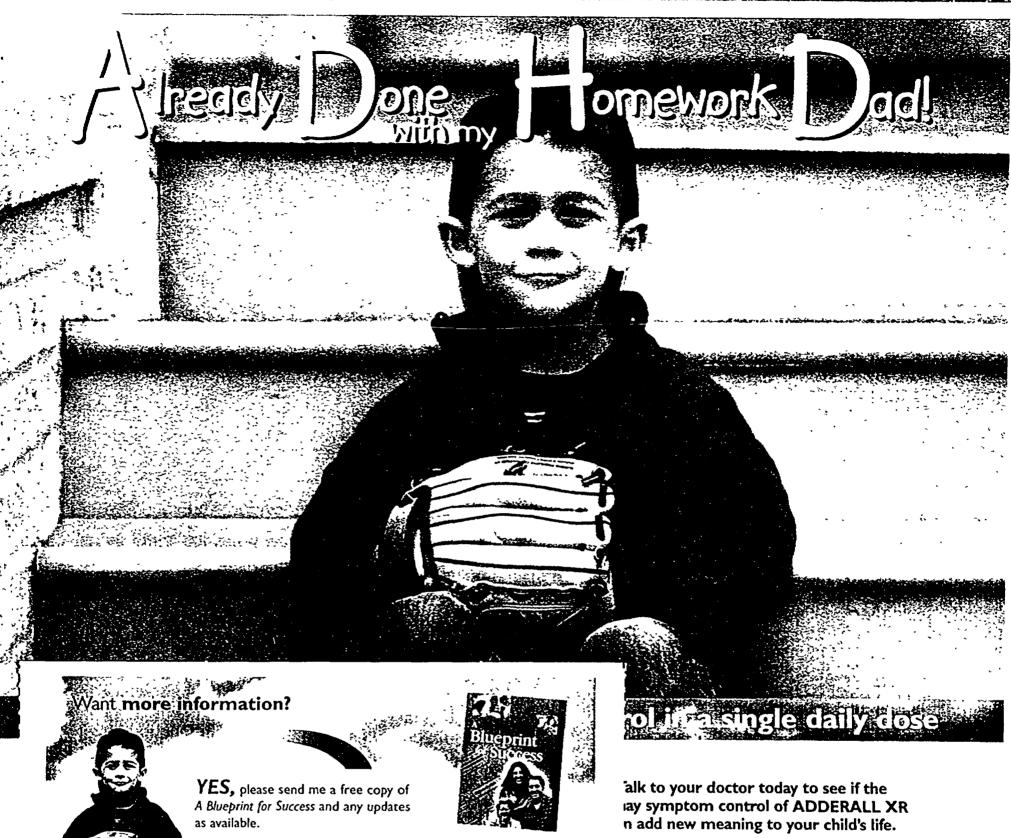
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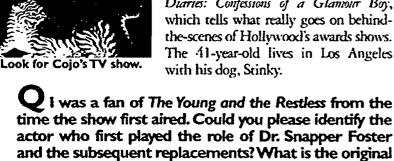
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General	Abdominal Pain (stomachache)	14%	10%
	Accidental lingury	3%	2%
	Asthenia (fatique)	2%	0%
	Fever	5%	2%
	Infection	4%	2.
	Viral Infection	2%	0%
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	Vornibng	7%	1 4%
Keryoes System	Dezness	2%	0%
•	Emotional Lability	9%	2%
	Insomna	17%	2%
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Linda Katz turned her tongue-in-cheek Prairie

Linda Katz scrounges for

treasure among cattails and brush at the bottom of a bone-dry drainage ditch. Smiling, she plucks one scraggly tumbleweed after another and loads the prickly bushes into the back of her one-horse trailer.

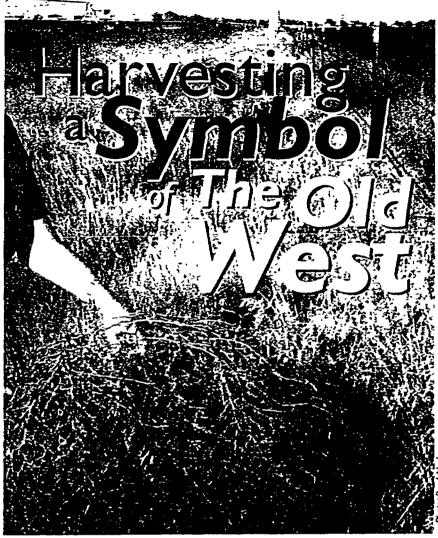
Those good-for-nothing weeds that blow across the prairie, pile up on fence rows, and clog irrigation ditches have been a windfall for Katz. By accident, she discovered that people worldwide are willing to pay for the humble symbol of the Old West.

Katz didn't plan to become a tumbleweed farmer. In 1994, the Internet was new in her hometown of Garden City, Kan., (pop. 28,451) and the former insurance agent wanted to teach herself how to build a Web page. Just for grins, she wrote a tongue-in-cheek description about a fictitious Prairie Tumbleweed Farm, complete with photos of nieces and nephews helping in the field.

Katz even invented a tumbleweed price list: small (15-inch), \$15; medium, (15 to 20-inch), \$20; and large (20-inch and rounder), \$25. And a guarantee: "If they don't tumble, we don't sell them!"

"It was just a hoot," she recalls. "I was sure that no one would ever see this but our family."

by MARTI ATTOUN



Tumbleweed Farm into a full-blown business in Garden City, Kan.

Within two weeks, Katz received an order from a New Jersey brideto-be for two tumbleweeds for her Western-themed wedding.

"I couldn't tell her it was a joke," says Katz, 52. "I thought I'd help out the woman so I walked a half block, picked up two tumbleweeds, and mailed them off."

That same week, another order drifted in. Then another. The media got wind of the wacky business and boosted sales even more. Katz soon found herself with a full-blown business, averaging 30 orders a week. Businesses and individuals ordered tumbleweeds for movie props, museums, decoration, Christmas trees and classrooms.

Katz received a \$1,000 order from the producers of the children's television show, Barney & Friends. A San Antonio restaurant ordered 30. So many orders rolled in from Japan that Katz added a description in Japanese.

"At first I felt guilty," Katz says. "I thought, 'Oh, my goodness. I'm selling a tumbleweed.' But then the customers would send all these emails and wonderful letters about how happy and nostalgic the tumbleweeds made them feel. You can't get any more American than a good ol' prairie tumbleweed."

Typical of happy customers is Vivian Boyer of Saylorsburg, Pa.

"My tumbleweed is hanging up in my archway," she says. "I'm 72 years old and I grew up loving Western movies. Roy Rogers and Joel McCrea were my idols. I always wanted to go out West and see these tumbleweeds. Finally, I got my tumbleweed."

Margie Mittett of Snohomish, Wash., bought a small tumbleweed as a gift.

"My sister always wanted a tumbleweed," Mittett says. "She planted it in her garden in Seattle."

On the dry plains of western Kansas, the tumbleweeds, or Russian thistle, sprout everywhere. Once they freeze, the round

bushes dry up, snap off at the base, and roll along with the prairie wind.

"They're a nuisance to everyone," says Linda's husband, Stan, a roofer. "In the fall, they'll bust off and there may be a thousand tumbleweeds blowing around out here. The big ones can put a dent in your car."

One of the whopper weeds Linda sold was so large that she packed it in a washing machine box for shipment.

Although she stumbled into business, Katz says a childhood incident probably planted the idea.

"I saw a station wagon from New York stop and the people picked up a tumbleweed and put it in the back seat and I thought, 'Why would anyone want a tumbleweed?' That always stuck with me."

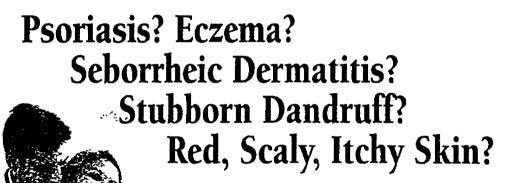
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That romantic symbol of the Old West popularized in movies and songs, such as Tumblin' Tumbleweeds, just keeps blowing business and goodwill in Katz's direction. In fact, the successful venture has even sparked competition.

In typical good humor, Karz e-mailed a competitor and said she looked forward to meeting her at the tumbleweed convention.

"She wrote back and asked, 'Where?' When?" It's a joke ... so far. 🖈

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For Brad Paisley, fishing is about relationships.

As much as the country music singer loves the calm of an early morning river and the thrill of hooking a 10-pound bass, the reason he considers fishing his favorite pastime is the time it allows him to spend with loved ones and friends.

"Some of the greatest moments and best memories in my life have been spent with people I love out on a boat on a lake," says Paisley, 31. "When someone asks me for a fishing tip, I tell them, 'Fish with people you care about.' That's what fishing is for—spending time away from things and visiting with someone you enjoy being with."

His advice comes from experience: He grew up fishing with his grandfather and father in Glen Dale, W.Va. (pop. 1,552). As an adult, he bonds with songwriting buddies by taking them out on a lake near his home in Franklin, Tenn. (pop. 41,842). He even romanced his wife, actress Kimberly Williams, by taking her on moonlit expeditions in his bass boat.

A young Paisley shows off his catch.

"My fondest childhood memories definitely involve going fishing with my grandfather and my father," says Paisley, dressed in jeans and a white T-shirt and sipping from a Diet Pepsi can while sitting on the banks of Percy Priest Lake, his home-away-fromhome in Tennessee.

"If I knew we were going fishing, I'd be excited about it for days ahead of time," he says. "Just getting on that boat and going down the Ohio River a little bit, that was the most thrilling thing I could do, and now I know it was because I was alone with my grandfather or my dad—or sometimes both of them. We'd get up early, and it would be a little foggy, and it was gorgeous."

Partners in fishing

Paisley has worked hard to merge his primary obsessions: fishing and music. With his first royalty check, he bought a \$10,000 bass boat. He even wrote a comical song about fishing, I'm Gonna Miss Her, about a man having to choose between his girlfriend and fishing. In the song, he offers his apologies to his soon-to-be ex-girlfriend as he walks out the door, tackle box and fishing rod in hand.

In real life, though, Paisley has the best of both worlds: a wife who understands his desire to get away from it all. Kimberly Williams, co-star of the hit sitcom *Life Navording to Jim*, good-naturedly starred as the spurned girlfriend in Paisley's award-winning video for *I'm Gonna to Miss Her*. But her husband is quick to point out the difference between life and art.

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With wife Kimberly Williams.

Scenic Percy Priest Lake in Nashville, Tenn., is the site of the Brad Paisley Celebrity Invitational Fishing Tournament, a charity fund-raiser for St. Jude Research Hospital, in September.

"Unlike the song, my wife encourages my fishing," Paisley says. "She understands and appreciates the importance of it to my sanity." But that doesn't keep the singer from teasing her about it—or making her the butt of an occasional on-stage wisecrack. "We joke about it all the time," he says. "I'll say things like, 'Don't make me choose!' And she knows I kid about it all the time in concert. She gets a bad rap, but she doesn't deserve it. Fortunately, she's a good sport."

Indeed, she's a good enough sport to join him from time to time. "Even though she's not a fisherperson—there's a politically correct term for you—she likes to go out on the water with me," Paisley explains. "Especially when we were dating, we'd come out here on Percy Priest Lake and sleep all night on the boat. We just put up a little awning over us. We bring a couple of sleeping bags and some junk food and anchor in a little private cove. On a clear night, it's just so beautiful."

He hopes someday to introduce his children to fishing, but he wants to be careful not to push it on them. "I'll probably wait on them to ask," he says. "I don't think you can force it. But hopefully they'll see me going, and that will spark their curiosity. I'll just wait for them to say, 'Will you take me with you?' I think that would be a healthy way to go.

"I think when kids are young, doing things like that with your father is such a big deal," he says, recalling that he first went fishing when he was 5 years old. "I can still remember when my dad surprised us by buying this used boat. I can remember when I first saw it and how ecstatic I felt. It was mustard yellow, and it had

this 70-horsepower motor, so it was strong enough to pull me water-skiing. I pretty much learned how to fish on that boat."

Fishing for time off

These days, Paisley's status as one of country music's hottest young stars keeps him from fishing as much as he'd like. His first two albums, which sold more than a million copies, helped him garner the respect of other performers, and his love of country music tradition and history has made him a favorite among veteran stars.

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Paisley playing last year's CMA awards show.

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joined him on his third album, Mud on the Tires. Dickens also appeared, along with actors William Shatner and Jim Belushi and The Bachelorette's Trista Rehn, in the video for Paisley's hit song Celebrity.

All that success doesn't leave much time for hobbies. "My career takes its toll," he says with a shrug. "I don't get out nearly as much as I'd like these days."

Not that he doesn't get offers. Ever since writing a hit song about fishing, Paisley has been the constant recipient of fishing offers and tips.

"The song turned out to be a good way to make everyone aware of what I love to do," he laughs. "Everywhere I go, every town that we play, there's somebody saying, 'Hey, you want to go fishing? Hey, you want to know a great fishing hole?' I don't often have time, but if I do, I know I can find out about a pond near the gig."

He's also found a way to combine his favorite hobby with his favorite charity. Paisley is now the host of a fishing tournament on Percy Priest Lake that benefits St. Jude Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. Paisley began participating in the tournament when it was sponsored by a

Nashville, Tenn., music agency. He eventually got asked to host the September event; in 2003 the name changed to the Brad Paisley Celebrity Invitational Fishing Tournament.

"The first year was great, even though we had to put it together pretty fast," he says. "But we're really focused on next year's. We've already started making plans. It should only get bigger and better. The whole thing has got a lot of heart. Just to see how the kids react to it, it's impossible not to be touched by that."

In a way, his involvement in the tournament brings everything full circle. "I know what it meant to me as a kid to have someone willing to take the time to take me out on a boat on a lake," he says. "That we can spend a day doing something we love that benefits children and benefits such a great organization as St. Jude's, it's hard to beat that."

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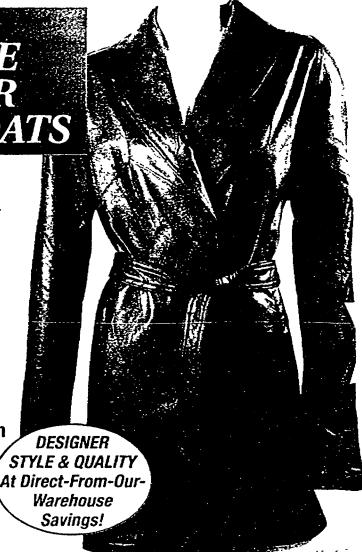




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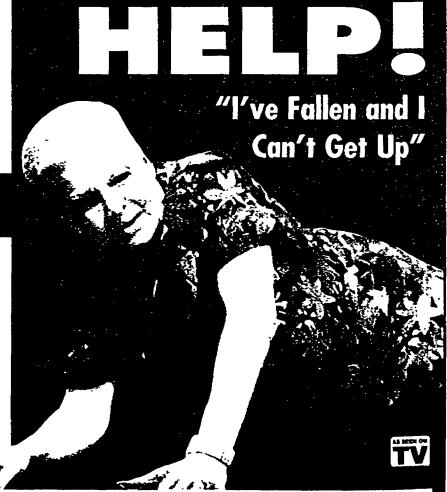
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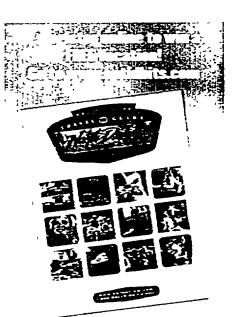
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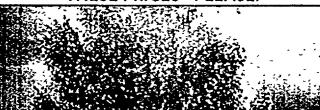
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By eating more fruits and vegetables and walking daily, Dr. Fleming has lost 20 pounds in five months. It's a change he says has given him more energy to enjoy his grandchildren.

Food for thought

A healthy diet starts with less fast food and eating foods low in fat and sugar, Dr. Fleming says. That means replacing take-out pizza and burgers with lean broiled or grilled meat. Adding whole grains and steamed vegetables to meals served with non-fat milk instead of soda also is important, especially for children whose bodies are still maturing. Eating regular meals as a family is another strategy because they're not as likely to be as rushed as when meals are eaten in the car. Other food smart strategies include:

- Keeping healthful snacks handy, such as airpopped popcorn, fresh fruit and vegetables, or small quantities of fat-free sweets such as dried fruit or jelly beans.
- Involving kids in meal planning and preparation and using it as an opportunity to teach good nutrition.
- Introducing healthful food such as baked or broiled meats and steamed vegetables gradually to avoid overwhelming finicky eaters.
- Avoiding using food as a reward or punishment.
- Eliminating eating while watching television or at the computer.

Fitness and fun

The good news about family fitness is it can take many forms and often is free. "Parents who

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want their kids to be fit have to be active," says Robb Beyer, an exercise specialist at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah, Ky. (pop. 26,307). "You don't have to take your child to the gym to show him how important fitness is. If you're active, chances are your child will be, too."

Physically active kids are more likely to grow into healthy adults whose weight is in a normal range. An active lifestyle throughout live contributes to a healthy heart by helping keep blood pressure and cholesterol in a normal range. If you're ready to build fitness into your family's lifestyle, consider:

- Taking family walks or bike rides.
- Going on active weekend outings such as walking at nearby parks or playing on sports leagues.
- Making games such as one-on-one basketball, tag, or hide-and-seek into family events.
- Encouraging children to experiment with new activities such as soccer, dance, martial arts or yoga. Then ask them to teach you what they've learned.
- Having family chore sessions when everyone participates in car washing, lawn cleanup or window washing.

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When they came, the land looked familiar—enough so that it seemed like home. And eventually it became home for several thousand people of Welsh descent.

"You can compare the landscape to that of Wales," says Juanita Finn, committee member of Remsen's Barn Festival of the Arts, explaining what drew the Welsh to New York's Mohawk River Valley more than 200 years ago. "Everyone in the village claims some sort of Welsh heritage."

In 1798, five Welsh families made their way to Steuben, N.Y., via Albany and the Mohawk River, where they established the town of Remsen (pop. 1,958). They wrote home, telling of cheap, arable land, and by the mid-1830s it was an almost entirely Welsh community. By 1860, the population was 2,670.

"They came here in overwhelming numbers," says Leonard Wynne, past president of the Remsen/Steuben Historical Society. Given to large families, religion, and hard work, they laid the foundation of community spirit that still exists today.

Farmers were joined by tradesmen in this dairy farming area, among them, stone-masons. They built stone homes and chapels, one of which still stands, the Capel Cerrig, or Stone Meeting House, built in 1831. Seating 500, with eight plain windows along each side and wide, straight-back bench pews, it was the epitome of Calvinist-Methodist austerity.

They brought with them a rich tradition of music and poetry, celebrated in their annual native Eisteddfods, competitions between poets and musicians that date back



Built by Weish stonemasons in 1831, the Stone Meeting House once served as a chapel.

to 1176. The Festival of the Arts, scheduled Sept. 25-26 this year, is a continuation of that long ago community spirit and includes one of the most Welsh traditions, the Gymanfa Ganu, the Festival of the Sacred Song, conducted by Robert Jones, the son of Welsh-born parents.

By the 1870s, all but two of the town's residents were of Welsh descent, and Remsen was looked upon as a center of Welsh culture and influence. Welsh was spoken widely in the town until the 1950s.

With their history of speaking the oldest existing Celtic dialect, the Welsh have a well-earned reputation for literature, and myth. Myth has it that America was actually discovered by a Welsh prince in 1169, and is named for Richard Amerik, a Welshman. What is not myth, however, is that Rev. Robert Everett, an abolitionist, translated *Uncle Tom's Cabin* into Welsh and published a Welsh language newspaper in Remsen, as well as more than 600 books that were distributed to Welsh communities worldwide. Today, visitors from Wales visit his grave regularly. "We probably have as many visitors from Wales as we do the local area," Finn says of Everett's gravesite.

And the town's railroad history also is a solid part of its past. The convergence of three New York Central rail lines between the Adirondacks and the Great Lakes made Remsen Depot, for a time, the hub and central stopover for travelers in the northern part of the state. The decline in rail travel ended that, and the last train left Remsen's station in 1965.

It was razed, the turntable ripped out, and the land became a dumping ground.

Today, however, Remsen Depot stands again, a stop on the 50-mile Adirondack Scenic Railroad. Its restoration began as a discussion in 1998 between John Secor and a group of other Rotarians and, when presented to the town, it took on a life of its own.

"We built the canopy in time for our bicentennial," Secor says. He adds with a laugh, "Then I opened my big mouth and said, 'Now we're going to do the station."

The replication of the depot was carried out with the same sense of community that was brought here from Wales 205 years ago, using mostly volunteer help. The community has since landscaped the sight, put in a runaround track, and added a nearby 6-acre com maze shaped like a Welsh dragon for fund-raising efforts.

"It's put new heart back in the community;" Secor says of the revitalized depot. "There's definitely a sense of pride here, and a lot of that is built on that Welsh heritage."

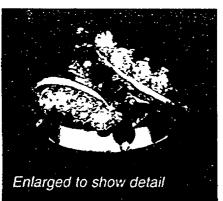
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