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■ "The Birdman"

Northville resident George Vlahakis has built many intricately designed home-like bird houses like this model. Vlahakis often donates the bird houses to charities or for use in public areas. This one, which he calls model #24, weighs in at about 40 lbs. and features a coating of seashells, stones and also has a solar-powered light.

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Teacher fact-finding under way

Contract issues include pay hikes, insurance, calendar

By Jason Carmel Davis
RECORD STAFF WRITER

A report from a fact-finder will point Northville Public Schools administrators and the Northville Education Association teachers' union in the right direction with the hopes of approving a new con-

tract before the start of the 2007-08 school year Sept. 4.

That fact-finder has yet to deliver results of the study to district personnel, according to outgoing district Board of Education President Ken Roth.

Roth, who will serve as board treasurer this fall, said once those

results are released, each side will have the opportunity to rebut the other. The two sides turned in fact-finding rebuttals July 27.

According to Dave Bolitho, district assistant superintendent for administrative services, the fact-finder said he would release his results to the district and the

teachers association by the second week of August.

Ann Cook, president of the Northville Education Association, said the union has on several occasions requested that district administration return to the bargaining table. She added that although the fact-finder's results

should help the two sides come closer to a deal, his decision isn't binding.

"If he finds something that favors the district, it doesn't mean (teachers) are obligated to say 'yes' to it," Cook said.

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ANNUAL SUMMER SIDEWALK SALES KICK OFF FRIDAY



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Dancing Eye Gallery owner Theresa Schlerloh primps her shop's Art-O-Mat, a former cigarette machine converted to dispense small art objects.

ART-O-MATIC FOR THE PEOPLE

Event at Dancing Eye features unique art delivery system

By Pam Fleming
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Took Gallagher said original art doesn't have to be expensive.

In fact, Gallagher, who recently positioned her Art-o-mat machine inside the Dancing Eye Gallery at 101 W. Center St. in downtown Northville, can offer a piece of art for the price of a pizza — only \$5. Gallagher will appear at the

gallery from 6-9 p.m. tomorrow during the downtown's First Friday Art Walk that coincides with the annual Sidewalk Sale.

She also has some of her artistic tiles at the gallery.

Artists in Cellophane

Founded in 1997 by Clark Whittington, Artists in Cellophane convert retired cigarette

machines into original art vending machines. Currently, more than 400 artists from 11 countries are involved.

The inspiration for the machine came to Whittington while observing a friend's reaction to the crinkle of cellophane.

When his friend heard someone opening a snack, he had the

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Northville coming alive Friday with host of fun events

■ Four events in one evening

By Pam Fleming
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Got the midsummer doldrums? Put downtown Northville on your list for this weekend.

Area residents can look forward to food, music, art and lots of great bargains.

In fact, four events are planned for tomorrow:

- Tipping Point Theater Barbecue Fundraiser at 361 E. Cady St. from 5-7 p.m.
- Annual Sidewalk Sale from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. tomorrow and then from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday
- First Friday Art Walk from 6-9 p.m.
- Free Friday Night Concert on the lawn behind City Hall from 7-9 p.m.

The concert will feature the Michael King Band, a rock 'n' roll band sponsored by Lincoln Mercury. The final concert takes place Aug. 10.

Tickets for the Tipping Point

For a map of all the First Friday Art Walk/sidewalk sale activities taking place in downtown Northville this weekend, see page 3A.

Theater event are \$25 for adults, \$10 for children age 10 and under. Ticket price is tax-deductible. Reservations are suggested by calling the ticket office at (248) 347-0003.

For those who love a bargain hunting, the Downtown Northville Sidewalk Sale takes place tomorrow and Saturday. Shoppers attending the two-day event will find discounted items at many downtown stores plus music, food and family activities.

Special activities during the sidewalk sale will include live music throughout the day, with performances by "Scotty Karate" and "Mister Twister." Downtown merchants are also adding to the sidewalk sale festivities, including:

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Nigerian artist's work set for gallery display

■ Wine, cheese reception slated tomorrow night

By Pam Fleming
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The son of a Baptist minister in southern Nigeria, Timothy Orkri planned to be a political scientist or follow in his father's footsteps. But at 17, he discovered the world of art through a German-trained artist, Ufuoma Mowoe.

This discovery led him to pursue a lifelong career as an artist.

The prominent contemporary artist's pieces are bold, expressive and resonate themes of hope, harmony and nature.

Those curious about Orkri's art can attend a wine and cheese reception tomorrow, introducing his art at the Sherrus Gallery, 109 N. Center St.

The event is part of the monthly First Friday Art Walk in downtown Northville.

The reception will take place from 6-9 p.m. Orkri's exhibit will be on display through Aug. 31.

Work is simple, yet complex

Orkri's work is said to be a fusion of simplicity and complexity. His artistic philosophy includes using bold colors to capture and create human emotion.

"Art must be filled with strong emotional content and be based



Image courtesy of Timothy Orkri

This Timothy Orkri painting is titled "Motherhood."

on the perception, expectations and experiences of the artist," he said.

"I always make every effort to create my paintings based on these three concepts, but most especially, art must be timeless, with as much intrinsic relevance in today's world as in the future."

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District and teachers wait for fact-finding results

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Northville, teachers concluded the 2006-07 school year without a new contract.

The request for a fact-finder by the Northville Public Schools in January brought an end to bargaining negotiations with the teacher's union. A fact-finder was agreed upon by both district administrators and teachers, with meeting dates scheduled for June 8 and 11, a week before the last day of the 2006-07 school year.

While it is the practice of the union not to release its position

during contract negotiations, Tom Silak, chief negotiator for the teachers' union, said in February the top three issues of any contract negotiation include an increase in pay, protecting health benefits and deciding the school year calendar.

"We have a start date in place, but outside of that, a number of things, like pay and the calendar, are still up in the air," Bolitho said.

The group's last contract with the district covered the 2004-05 and 2005-06 school years and expired in September 2006. The teachers' union hopes to adopt a two- or three-year contract with the district that will include the 2006-07 school year.

In February, board officials approved an extension to the expired teacher contract. Northville Education Association officials have received four extensions since the contract expired. The lat-

est extension expired June 12, one day after the last scheduled fact-finding meeting and three days before the last day of school.

Bolitho said the fact-finder asked both sides to meet and trim the list of concerns to a manageable number of items. He added that process was successful.

"We're close on some things, and not close on some things," Bolitho said. "Hopefully, we can reach an agreement as soon as possible, but it's pretty hard to say what's going to happen at this point."

"There are a number of things that need to be taken into consideration for terms to be reached on both sides."

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Dave Bolitho

District assistant superintendent for administrative services

Northville gets ready for summer festival

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• Awakening ... The Artist Inside, 111 N. Center St. — Thumb art for children;

• Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art, 109 N. Center St. — Artist demonstration;

• Edwards Café & Caterer, 115 E. Main St. — "Haute Dawgz" —

giant hot dogs, octopus-shaped hot dogs, Polish dogs, Italian sausage dogs, bratwurst and Italian sodas will be served outside the shop.

"Come down and enjoy music, food and some great bargains," said Mary Starring, president of the Northville Central Business Association.

Visitors can also catch a glimpse of the Town Square Redevelopment Project in full swing on Main Street between Center and Hutton streets. Workers will start constructing a fountain next week, with tree planters and some of the decora-

tive pavers already in place.

Main Street is still only open to eastbound traffic between Center and Hutton, with work being switched to the south side of the roadway and motorists using the north side of the street sometime next week.

T-shirts with the Northville Downtown Development Authority's new brand and logo "timeless ... with a twist" will be available in some stores this weekend.

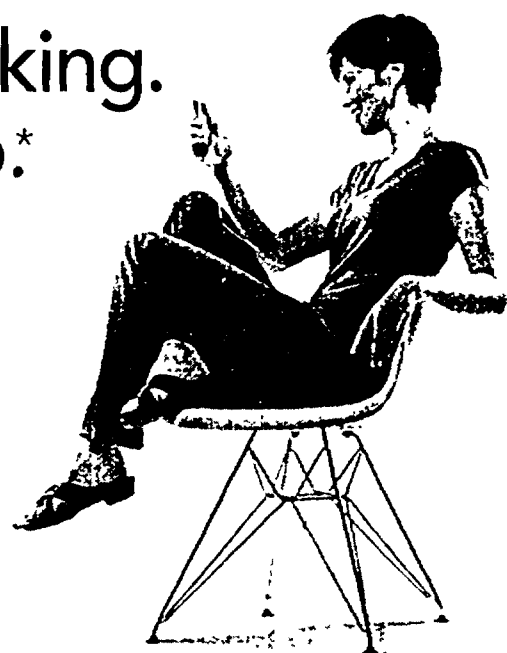
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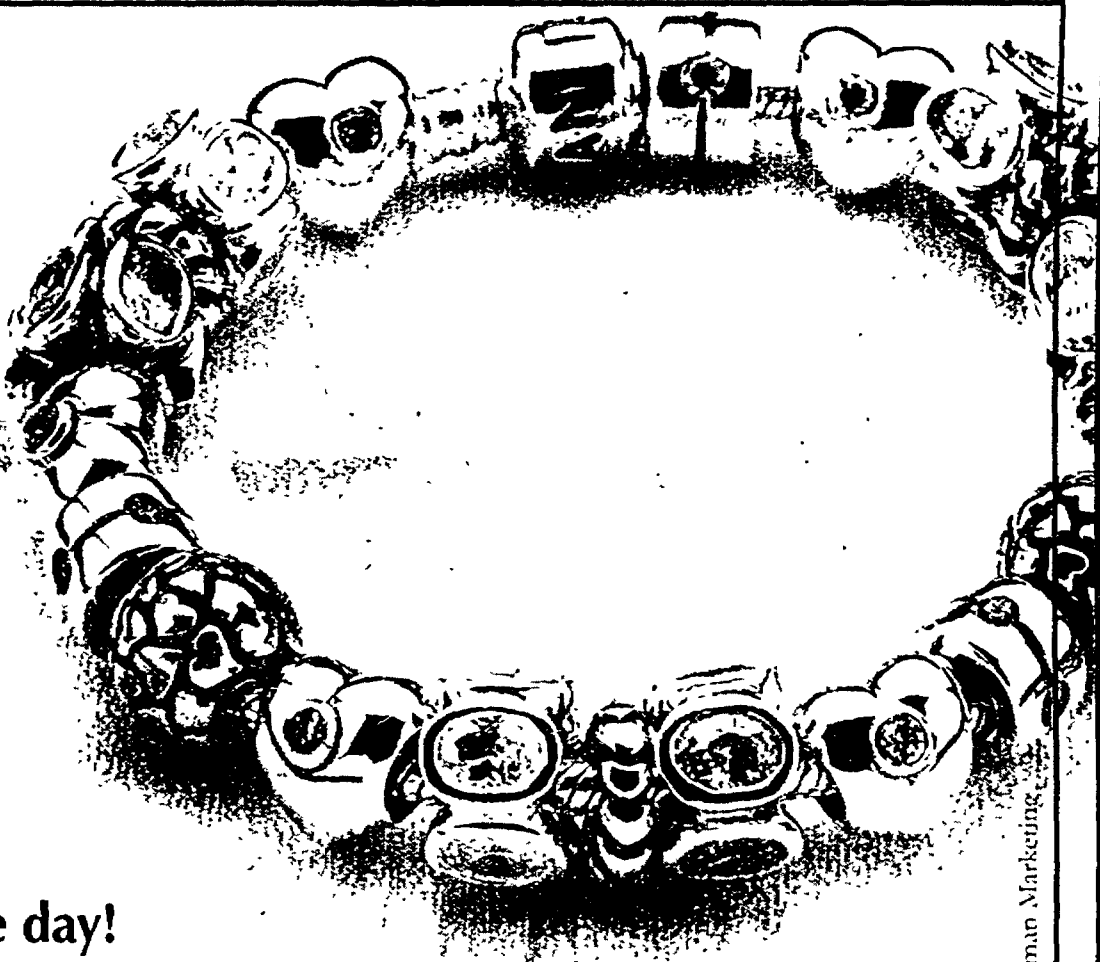
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'Emotional' art set for big opening on Friday

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He experiments with texture, color, light, shadow and 3-D form, producing a distinctly complex and unique quality, according to Sherri Mewha, Sherrus Gallery owner.

Orikri began as an art teacher in various Nigerian towns, and he shared his passion for art with his students before managing a private studio and taking commissions for public and private works.



T. Orikri

Since his arrival in the United States in 1995, Orikri's work has been featured at the St. Louis Zoo, the St. Louis Science

Center, the Ethical Society of St. Louis, the Capitol in Jefferson City, Mo., and the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute in Birmingham, Ala., among other places.

"Timothy's art is bold and beautiful," said Mewha. "...There is a spiritual quality to his work that is reflective of his outlook on life."

Orikri, who moved to Michigan a few months ago from Missouri, lives in Troy.

For more information about him, go to www.orikri.com.

Sherrus Gallery features original oils, acrylics, sculpture and fine art glass created by national and international established and emerging artists.

The contemporary gallery offers collector-quality works for aspiring and veteran collectors.

New works by Tina Palmer, Robert Finale and Galina Dalloof are now available in addition to contemporary works by Peruvian artist Eugenio, Russian artist Maya Eventov, modern impressionist artist Tom Stack of Indianapolis,



Image courtesy Timothy Orikri

This butterfly composition by artist Timothy Orikri is one of his most well-known paintings.

and well-known Michigan abstract artist Jeri Fellwock.

Art lovers can also find bronze, steel and glass artists from around the world: Nemtoi of Romania, Tamaian of Transylvania, Lazovsky of Israel and Boris Kramer of Canada.

Sherrus Gallery also offers custom framing, conservation framing, and corporate and commercial

services, including art conveyance, art installation and on-site consultations.

The gallery carries more than 2,000 frames, including Larson-Juhl, Engleson and Roma.

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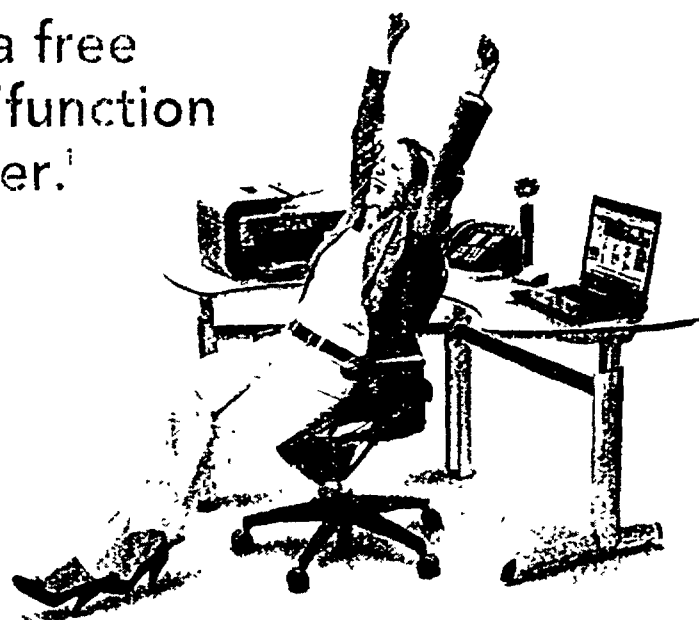
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From Northville to the world

■ Class of '07 grads to take part in Rotary Youth Exchange

By Jason Carmel Davis
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville High School grads Laura Valencia and Will Fankell have their plans all set for fall 2008. Almost.

Valencia will enroll for her first year at the College of Wooster in Wooster, Ohio. Fankell is still unsure where he wants to spend his four years of college.

However, both 18-year-olds are set to embark on year-long trips that will take them to places where they'll learn as much, if not more, outside of the classroom as they would in a 250-seat lecture hall.

Valencia will spend the next year in Nuevo de Julio, Argentina, while Fankell will live in La Ciudad de Carmen, Mexico for a year.

The two students, who will be enrolled in private schools, will travel to the Latin American countries by way of the Northville Rotary Youth Exchange program. The 2007 Northville High School graduates completed the application process, had interviews with Rotary personnel, and answered a series of essay questions before they could qualify for the exchange program. The essay answers gave prospective host families a chance to get to know the students.

"Rotary wants kids to go, so the application process isn't too strenuous," Valencia said. "They gave us a list of 50 cities and told us to number one to 30 of our top choices."

"I locked out because Argentina was my top choice. Some kids get, like, their 42nd choice."

Fankell locked out, too. La Ciudad de Carmen was second on his top 30 behind Spain.

People close to both students served as motivation for them to take part in the program. Valencia's grandfather oversees a Rotary exchange program for a Florida group, and Fankell's sister visited France as part of an exchange program.

"I wrote an essay in fourth grade saying I wanted to be in the youth exchange program," Valencia said. "I was interviewed and I've always been excited about being able to do it."

Fankell is enthusiastic, too. "Going to Mexico for a year is going to be an awesome experience," he said. "I took a trip (to Mexico) for a month and decided



Photo by JASON CARMEL DAVIS/Northville Record

Northville High School grads Will Fankell and Laura Valencia will spend the next year in Mexico and Argentina, respectively. The students are taking the trips as part of the Northville Rotary Youth Exchange program.

that wasn't long enough. You can become fluent in a language in a year."

Valencia said she's been enamored with Argentina since watching "Evita" in a Spanish class. She'll be about three hours away from where she gushes about, though.

"I'm in love with Buenos Aires," Valencia said. "It's the Paris of Latin America with all the culture. I'm only going to be three hours away from (Buenos Aires), so this trip is going to be pretty cool."

Something else both teens will find pretty cool is some of the sights they'll take in.

Fankell, who boards his six-hour flight to Mexico at 6 a.m. Aug. 9, said he is looking forward to visiting the Mayan Ruins, along with spending a lot of time on the beach. Aside from taking in Buenos Aires, Valencia, who is still not sure when she'll depart, wants to learn from her host mother, who's a chef, how to prepare authentic Argentinean cuisine.

Both students have already interacted with their host families. Fankell has been talking to his new relatives on MSN Messenger since April. Valencia just recently found out where she'd be staying, but she's been communicating with her host family for a few weeks.

"I was kind of stressing out about everything," Valencia said. "I'm really excited to be going, but I was kind of worried about every-

thing for a while."

Both students will be welcome additions to their new families, as Fankell's host sister is living in Grosse Ile, while Valencia's host sister is living in California.

While both students will be taking classes on their journeys, they're more interested in taking in the culture of where they'll be living. Both Northville residents said they want to use this opportunity to build relationships with different people from different areas of the globe.

Valencia said it is a common practice in other countries for students to have a "gap year" between high school and college to travel

abroad. She added that the program is an excellent opportunity for anyone who wants to do something special before they embark on a college career.

"Aside from a couple of little things, like tickets and clothes, the Rotary really take care of you," Valencia said. "This is an excellent opportunity to learn a new language and meet some new people. I can't even say how excited I am to be doing it."

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

'Special kids' getting special day at photo studio

By Pam Fleming
RECORD STAFF WRITER

John Swearingen knows that photographing "special kids" requires special skills.

That's because the owner of Swearingen Fine Portraits at 120 W. Main St., Suite 301, in downtown Northville has a daughter, Jennifer, with cerebral palsy.

On Monday, Swearingen will host a Special Kids Photography of America Workshop in his Northville studio.

The event was made possible by Swearingen, who visited the Washington, Utah, business booth during the March 24-29 Wedding & Portrait Photographers International Convention & Trade Show in Las Vegas.

"I was immediately interested in their booth because of my daughter and told them they could use our studio if they brought one of their workshops to Detroit," Swearingen said.

Although she's now 40 and a cartographer who draws maps of underground power lines for Consumers Energy in Jackson, her father remembers photographing her when she was a girl.

"We have 14 signed up and can accommodate at least 20 people."

— John Swearingen
Owner of Swearingen Fine Portraits

The workshop's instructor, Karen Dorame, is coming all the way from Utah for the one-day event.

Attendees do not have to be a professional photographer to take the workshop.

The all-day workshop, which will begin at 8:30 a.m., will provide photographers with tips and techniques that will help them obtain the best possible shots with all children, not just with those who have special needs.

A few photographers begged the staff of Special Kids Photography to have a workshop in the eastern United States.

The company went out on a limb because it doesn't have a huge budget for travel expenses, and scheduled training sessions in Scranton, Pa., and Newark, N.J., in June, and the Monday work-

shop in Northville.

The company's goal is to get at least 10 trainers in place for pre-senting workshops on their own.

The extensive course is the first step in achieving accreditation with Special Kids Photography of America.

Remaining steps are to pass a two-part test following the workshop, provide three referrals from parent clients, and submit four photos for review and acceptance.

What the workshop includes

- Students at the workshop will:
- Learn easy techniques for photographing children with autism, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy and other common disorders;
- Discover special lighting con-



Photo by NANCY SWEARINGEN

Nancy Swearingen of Swearingen Fine Portraits in Northville shot this photo of Kathleen Gillespie of Rochester Hills with her sister. A workshop will be offered on Monday at the studio on how to photograph people with special needs.

- Learn creative marketing strategies, where to find the children and how to approach their families.
- "We have 14 signed up and can accommodate at least 20 people," Swearingen said. "We have people registered from Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Louisiana and Nova Scotia."
- Full accreditation allows trainers to use the company's logo.
- Cost for the package is \$199, which includes the workshop, two books, exam and photo evaluation fee.
- Those who would like to only order the book "Photographing Children with Special Needs" can do so online.
- To register for the workshop, call Dorame at (435) 632-8300, visit www.specialkidsphotography.com or write to info@specialkidsphotography.com.
- Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or at pfleming@gannett.com.
- Find out about communication techniques, scheduling, thinking out of the box and the parent/photographer interview process; and
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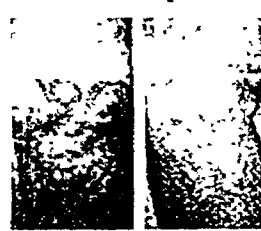


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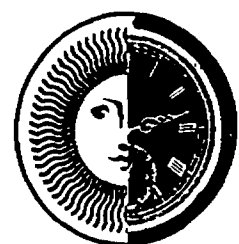
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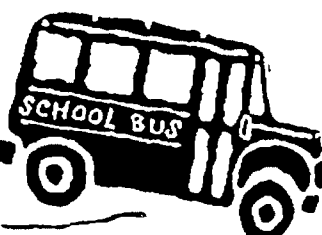
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Man's one-of-a-kind birdhouses attract more than birds

By Jason Carmel Davis
RECORD STAFF WRITER

There's something interesting that sits outside Northville's Senate Coney Island, and it isn't chili that fell off somebody's foot-long hot dog.

A colorful, spacious birdhouse is perched atop a pole, where birds can congregate and get a whiff of what's cooking inside the Senate's kitchen. It's not your run-of-the-mill bird sanctuary, though. It's a bi-level house, complete with several compartments, a chimney, and a solar-powered light that attracts birds after sunset.

Northville resident George Vlahakis created this, and several other unique birdhouses. The 73-year-old, who owns and operates Livonia's Seaway Painting, got into birdhouse construction when he "semi-retired" at the turn of the century. Vlahakis began his painting business at Livernois and Finkell in Detroit. From there, he moved on to Redford, and has been in Livonia about 12 years.

"When you're fully retired, you don't do anything," said Vlahakis, who put his first birdhouse in the backyard of his Northville home. "I don't like to call myself retired. Making these houses is full-time work."

Each house has a flair of its own. Some are made with a paint job that mirrors a clear sky, while others are made with hues that could remind people of the condiments. Senate diners put on their hot dogs.

Each house, which takes two weeks to construct, is made of a wood frame, cement and plywood.

"But there are no TVs or Jacuzzis inside," Vlahakis said.

Each house is different because "if you tell me to copy something, I can't do it," Vlahakis said. "My imagination helps me to make each house look different."

He said people interested in sprucing up their homes by adding a birdhouse bring him different photos and postcards. Even though he enjoys designing and building each house, Vlahakis gets the most joy out of making birdhouses to bring a smile to someone's face.

A painter for 44 years, Vlahakis focuses on residential jobs but does work for businesses, too. He also donates a number of the birdhouses to area hospices and churches. He has also donated birdhouses to The

Friends of Belle Isle and the Detroit Opera House. Some of the birdhouses have even been auctioned off for as much as \$5,000.

"If someone wants to buy one, I don't stop them," Vlahakis said. "But I like to make them so they can go to someone and make them feel better."

It costs Vlahakis about \$150 to build each house. The price is of no concern to him, though, as long as his designs "give people something to talk about."

It doesn't bother his wife of 52 years, either. He said Connie Vlahakis likes the projects since they keep his mind going.

Before distributing the bird sanctuaries as gifts, Vlahakis made them for family and friends.

Vlahakis' daughter, Irene Zannis, has one of the personalized birdhouses in her backyard, too. She said she's proud of her father's commitment to the community. Zannis said when her dad's houses are sold at auctions, they're a big-ticket item.

"I love the house my dad made for me," Zannis said. "I can just look out one of my windows every morning and have something there that makes me think of my dad."

Born in Crete, Greece, Vlahakis arrived at New York's Ellis Island on Sept. 15, 1951, at the age of 15. Like most immigrants at the time, he came to the country looking for a better life.

"The only way I could achieve a better life was by working hard," Vlahakis said.

His first job was washing dishes in a restaurant for a salary of \$9 a week. Vlahakis later earned a raise that enabled him to earn \$1 an hour. He was drafted in 1957 and served in the reserves until 1961. He started his painting business two years later.

Vlahakis makes it known that helping others is a big part of his life.

He said the return he receives from those he has helped is an awesome gift.

"When people appreciate what you do for them, that's what makes me smile," Vlahakis said. "Helping each other out should be the most important part of life. If more people did it, the world would be a much better place."

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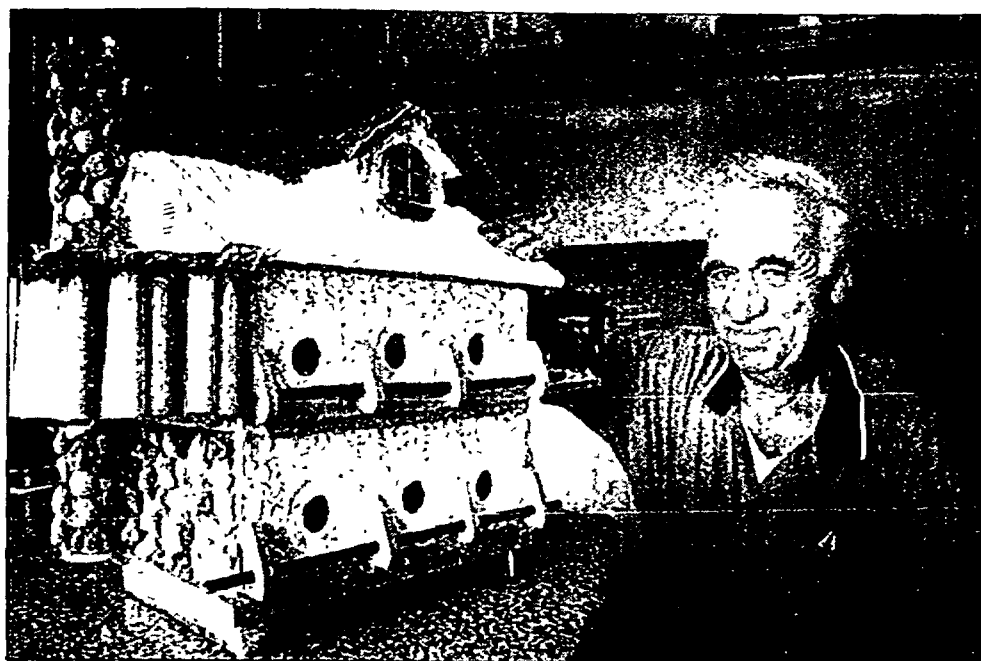


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Age 76, a lifelong resident of Northville, passed away July 27, 2007. She was born May 31, 1931 in Northville Township, MI to Claude and Louva (Rowland) Waterman. She graduated from Northville High School in 1949 and was a graduate of Henry Ford Hospital School of Nursing in 1952. Eunice was united in marriage to William on November 1, 1952. She retired as the Deputy Clerk of Northville Township. Eunice enjoyed researching genealogy. She also enjoyed traveling especially during her retirement years; she and her husband traveled to 17 different countries and the entire United States. Eunice was the past President of Northville Women's Club and the past President of Northville Women's Farm and Garden Club. She was a former Girl Scout Leader in Northville. She was a lifelong member of the Northville VFW Post 4012 Ladies Auxiliary. She adored her granddaughter Ashley and loved spending time with her. Eunice is survived by her husband of 54 years William; her daughters Ann (Edgar) Burroughs and Nancy (Dean) Robinson; and her granddaughter Ashley Robinson. She is also loved by many family and friends. A funeral service was held last Sunday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville. Pastor James N. McGuire officiated the service. Mrs. Switzler was laid to rest at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi. Memorial contributions can be made to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Office of Development, PO Box 995, Ann Arbor, MI 48106.

FRANCIS L. SMITH

Born, February 9, 1930. In Northville, Michigan. He passed away June 9, 2007 in Sacramento, California at the age of 77. Beloved husband of Joann Tuck Smith for 54 years. He is survived by son Craig Smith and daughter in law Vicki of Sacramento, son Harold of Turlock and daughter Virginia of Fresno, eight grand children and five great grandchildren. Also surviving are his sisters: Carolyn Beyer of Northville, Sandra Wagenschutz of Plymouth, and brother Stephen Smith of Stockbridge. He was preceded in death by a sister Janice Smith Nowland. He retired from the US Navy as a Chief Petty Officer. He also retired from Sears as a credit manager. Memorial services were held on June 16 in Sacramento, CA, and June 30th a graveside service was held at Oakland Hills in Novi.

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County services come closer to home

■ New satellite office to save residents gas money, time

By Pam Fleming
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Those who have business to conduct at the Wayne County clerk's office will be able to save gas money — and time — with a new satellite office slated to open at Northville Township Hall.

The office will be located on the main level of the building at Six Mile and Sheldon roads.

Sue Hillebrand, Northville Township clerk, said the new satellite office should be open in three to six months, and will offer services

including birth certificates, marriage licenses and notary services.

This will save western Wayne County residents a trip downtown to the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, which is about a half-hour drive from the Northville area.

Hillebrand and Cathy M. Garrett, Wayne County clerk, have been working out the details.

"She has been looking for ways to improve services for Wayne County customers and to make the clerk's office easier to access," Hillebrand said.

A satellite Wayne County clerk's office is already open in Westland.

Open on regular basis

Hillebrand said plans are to have the Northville Township office open not daily but on a regular

basis.

"Not all of the county clerk's services will be offered. It's kind of experimental. We're going to start slow and see how it works," she said.

Hillebrand said she and Garrett were talking when the Westland satellite office was getting ready to open, and she mentioned that the township would be interested in setting up something similar.

"We have an extra cubicle, and Chip Snider (township manager) and I were brainstorming about offering such a service one day," Hillebrand said.

"It's always good to coordinate services."

Garrett visits all of the county clerk's offices from time to time, and the two discussed the plan when Garrett visited the township.

"One of her goals has been to make county clerk services more

Passport fair on the horizon

A passport fair is slated for 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 15 at Northville Township Hall at Six Mile and Sheldon roads.

Applicants must apply in person and minors must be present. Each applicant must have the following (see travel.state.gov for specific details about these requirements): Proof of U.S. citizenship; valid photo identification; two recent identical photos of applicant (available for extra \$15 per person at fair); both parents must be present with a minor child.

Adults 16 and older will need a check or money order made payable to the U.S. Department of State for \$67 (cost is \$52 for 15 years and younger) plus cash or check payable to Northville Township for \$30 (also \$30 for 15 and younger) for a total cost per person of \$97 for adults and \$82 for children.

Applications are available at the township offices or by download from travel.state.gov.

office will be announced as soon as they are made available, Hillebrand said.

Passport process lengthy

On a side note, Hillebrand reminds area residents who need a passport to apply early.

She's even planning to write a letter to Northville High School officials to suggest that students who might be traveling out of the country for spring break 2008 get their passport applications in now.

"We're worried that students may forget and won't be able to make their trip. It's running from 15-20 weeks now for a passport," Hillebrand said.

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Traffic, land use concerns delay plan approval

■ Revisions of master plan in the works for two years

By Pam Fleming
RECORD STAFF WRITER

After more than two years of review, as well as many meetings with the public, other township entities and neighboring communities, Northville Township's proposed master land-use plan revision failed to gain approval of the Northville Township board.

Board member Sue Hillebrand said she was dismayed about proposed revisions of the plan for two reasons: Traffic concerns with the increased amount of commercial use on the east side of town were not addressed in the plan, and she wants to see more commercial use on the west side of the township.

The top three land-use needs in the township have been identified as research and office; industrial; and high-rise apartments.

Pathways and connecting roads are also important to residents, who are also greatly concerned about increased traffic in the township, according to Brad Strader of LSL Planning Inc., the

Royal Oak company that has been working on the master plan revision for more than two years.

The plan is required by state law. The process has included 25 months of discussion, 13 public meetings plus joint meetings with the planning commission and board of trustees, according to Strader.

The plan was then reviewed by neighboring communities, including the cities of Northville, Novi, Livonia and Farmington Hills, to obtain their officials' input.

Township trustees and planning commissioners have to adopt the same plan.

Trustee Marjorie Banner moved

to approve the planning panel's recommendation on the plan when the Northville Township Board of Trustees met July 19, but the motion died for lack of a second.

A motion to table the plan passed; it will be brought back to the board, according to Chip Snider, township manager.

The last Northville Township Planning Commission meeting took place Tuesday, but discussion of the plan was not listed on the agenda.

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LET'S TALK

Jewelry

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THE EVENING EMERALD

Peridot, the birthstone for August, was sometimes referred to as the "evening emerald" by ancient Romans because it resembled emerald in the glow of an oil-burning lamp. The fact that so much dark-green peridot was mined from the Red Sea island of St. Johns leads many historians to believe that much (if not all) of the emeralds worn by Cleopatra were actually peridot. Whether or not that is true, this gemstone variety of the mineral olivine can certainly stand on its own beauty. Its color ranges from yellowish green to dark lime-green. Vivid lime-green peridot with no olive tones is most popular. While peridot in small sizes is very affordable, its price increases with carat weight.

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Partisanship in the court

Despite the cries of Democrats who evoke images of poll taxes and intimidation, the state Supreme Court was correct when it upheld a 1996 state law that requires voters to present pictured identification, such as a driver's license, at polling places.

Although we agree with the ruling, we are most troubled by the apparent partisanship that has gripped the state Supreme Court. The vote on this case was 5-2 on strictly political lines.

Supreme Court decisions are supposed to be based on law and not according to the wishes of the political party that nominates the justices. It's not clear that the court is operating in that matter.

This is not a Draconian act; after all, people routinely produce a driver's license whenever they board a plane, or when they make even a minor purchase on a credit card at a store. Shouldn't the accurate identity of a voter be as important as a DVD purchase at Best Buy?

Those who oppose the requirement of photo identification charge that the act amounts to a poll tax, a reference to Deep South tactics of denying votes to blacks with the use of impossible-to-overcome barriers — such as excessive fees or impossibly difficult literacy tests.

But those who don't have or who cannot afford a driver's license or other photo identification merely have to sign an affidavit that confirms their identity. That's not a difficult hurdle.

Correction

In an article in the July 26 edition of the Northville Record, titled "Northville Girl Scout brightens days of area seniors," Allen Terrace was identified as an assisted-living complex. Allen Terrace is an independent-living complex.

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Hunger has no season

It stands to reason that more of us think about the poor, hungry and homeless during the holiday seasons of Thanksgiving and Christmas. Certainly as the frigid temperatures of winter come around, the necessity to help those less fortunate comes to mind as we overindulge in holiday meals and snuggle in our cozy, warm homes.

While the temperature is warmer now, our thoughts do not readily focus on the homeless and hungry among us. The needs of the poor do not disappear just because it is warm.

I believe it is our moral duty to help our fellow human beings here at home and around the world. Many help by writing checks for children in developing Asian, South American and African nations, while others give their time and energy to help alleviate hunger. Far too many simply look the other way.

Yet, right here in the middle of our beautiful Michigan summer, we have men, women and chil-

dren going hungry.

A Food Bank Council of Michigan report identified a 37 percent gap between meals provided and meals needed. You heard me right. No, this is not a statistic from Africa, or poor Caribbean Islands — this is Michigan in 2007. The Michigan food bank estimates that approximately 10 percent of Michigan's population, or 1 million people, are using emergency food programs such as community food banks. "Do they need the free food," you ask? Would you stand in line at the local "soup kitchen," with all the indignity it offers, if you and your kids were not hungry?

As Michigan's economy tumbles, people go hungry

The continued downturn in the Michigan economy is taking its toll on many families across our state. The unemployment rate exceeds 7 percent, twice the national average. The stereotype of a "wino" or uneducated drug

addict does not paint the tapestry of the hungry and homeless who make up the people in need in our state. It is estimated that 1.2 million Michigan residents are enrolled in the federal food stamp program. If trends continue, soon there will be twice as many people using food stamps as there were in 2001. These are not simply "hunger statistics"; these are someone's mother, father, sister, brother, son or daughter who do not have enough food to eat and, for many, a decent place to call home.

As you read this, I want you to imagine the pain you would feel if your child had to go to bed hungry tonight. Imagine what it's like to be an 8-year-old girl who cries inconsolably on a Friday morning at school because she realizes it's a half-day of school and she won't get to eat lunch. There is no food at home. What does she and her family do until Monday? Worse yet, what does she do during the long, hot summer? This is not make believe for far too many children in our state and nation



About Tom Watkins

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Withdrawals from the food bank are rising

Doing right by the hungry is what the Food Bank Council of Michigan is all about. This statewide nonprofit organization provides leadership to food banks in their efforts to alleviate hunger through the distribution of surplus food to those in need.

The Food Bank Council of Michigan understands that the first part of problem solving is problem identification. The Council has released a compelling report, "Blueprint to End Hunger" (www.fbcmich.org). It provides a county-by-county breakdown of the food needs across Michigan. Hunger knows no borders and is located in the poorest counties of our state as well as the richest. Although hunger is hidden in some of our wealthier communities, it exists nonetheless

Since the days of President Lyndon B. Johnson, we have acknowledged the solution to hunger in America is not a secret. We have both the knowledge and the tools to alleviate this disease amongst us. The question is, do we have the will to do something about it? Clearly the answer does not simply rest in more government programs but in a mixture of government and voluntary support.

People who are hungry and poor do not always have the tools to end poverty. They need our help. I recall with great clarity and emotional pain a homeless man who was telling me, "the difference between he and I was a job and a place to live." There, but for the grace of God, goes I.

The Council's report spells out the problem and offers some solutions to help meet the needs of our fellow Michiganders. Among the suggestions for local action:

- Establish local food councils to engage citizens and leaders in identifying local needs and customizing solutions.

- Create a county-by-county report card that identifies measurable goals and progress for ending hunger.

- Secure the support of other organizations in your community to end hunger.

You can also join the fight against hunger. Write a check and mail it to: Food Bank Council of Michigan, 501 N. Walnut St., Lansing, MI, 48933.

Michigan's economy got you down and you have no extra cash to help? Give the Council a call (517-485-1202 or 800-552-4483) and ask how you can help in other ways. Someone's family or child will be grateful you did.

You will also find that giving can fill you up in a very powerful way.

State heading for fiscal disaster

Michigan is headed straight for a fiscal disaster, unless the political leaders of this state grow up and make some hard decisions, soon. And if they make them by further damaging higher education, they will be destroying our hope of a better future.

The truth is as simple as that. State leaders are struggling to close a projected \$1.8 billion deficit in Michigan's general fund budget. That's what they are looking at for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1. The law requires the Legislature to adopt a balanced budget — and then to continue making sure it stays balanced.

But that hasn't been easy. The lack of vision, experience, and bitterly partisan split in Lansing means they've been at it for months now, with relatively little success.

Worse, nobody expects anything much to happen until we get much closer to the start of fiscal 2008, and that Oct. 1 date, which is the last possible moment they have to submit a balanced budget.

Budgeting, frankly, is tough — as anybody who has tried to man-

age household expenses knows. That's because preparing a budget is not merely a mechanical process of comparing income with outgo and figuring how to make the two columns balance.

Rather, a budget at heart is a statement of priorities expressed in financial terms: You want to take the kids to Walt Disney World next spring? With airfare, admission tickets, hotel and food, that will cost around \$2,000. In order to do that, you'll have to cut elsewhere.

Not spending the \$50 a week you have budgeted for going to the movies or eating out, for example.

Budgeting is making choices. And to assess the performance of our leaders in Lansing, we need to look at the choices they make.

Here's one that stands out like an unbandaged sore thumb: The choice not to spend money on higher education.

The 2007 state budget was "balanced" at the last minute partly by cutting more than \$180 million in state support for public universities and community colleges. Even though everyone sane knows that

was exactly the wrong decision to make, nobody was greatly surprised: Cutting spending on higher education has been going on for a long time in Lansing.

From 2001 to 2006, Michigan cut spending on higher education by more than any other state in the country, according to a study by Illinois State University.

If that wasn't had enough, the study found that over the last five years, Michigan led the nation in reducing support for colleges and universities. We cut support to the engine that creates our future by around 13 percent.

Nationally, the rest of the states increased higher education funding, on average by 15 percent over the same period.

Budgeting is choosing. And our leaders have chosen consistently to disinvest in the brainpower of our young people. That has been the case even though Michigan has a smaller percentage of college-educated young people than most states.

That means that our leaders are choosing to doom Michigan to a



About Phil Power

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low-income future. Not surprisingly, when the state cuts spending on higher education, colleges and universities make up for the cuts by increasing tuition, fees and charges for room and board.

There is nothing else they can do. On average, Michigan universities raised tuition this year by 11 percent, with increases ranging from a low of 5.8 percent at Western Michigan University to 21 percent at Central, which locks in charges for five years. This works out to an average of around \$800 per student per year.

Budgeting is choosing. So undergraduates and their families are going to have to choose either to spend \$800 less than they normally spend on other things in order to find the extra money for college ... or they may choose not

to go to college at all.

Yet we live in a political environment in which much of the rhetoric is loudly, angrily and mindlessly against increasing taxes.

The fact of the matter is that by failing to support our universities, our leaders are imposing what amounts to a tax increase on families with kids in college. We are punishing the people we should be rewarding for their contribution to the future of society.

Budgeting is choosing. According to the Senate Fiscal Agency, Michigan spends \$1.9 billion on a prison system with 51,000 inmates and employs nearly 18,000 full-time workers. This is now slightly less than the amount the state spends on public universities.

And the Department of

Corrections budget keeps going up every year, while higher education gets cut just as regularly.

It costs the state more than \$30,000 a year to warehouse one felon, while state support for one college student is a mere \$6,000.

Is this a sensible choice? Not if you listen to people like Bill Gates, who says that the biggest thing business leaders like him look for when they are considering expanding is states with a highly educated and talented work force.

Memo to Lansing: The jobs of the future are not going to involve opportunities for metal-benders with high school degrees.

By cutting support for higher education, we are eating our seed corn.

And the rest of the nation is going to eat our lunch.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

An amazing afternoon

Laughing hysterically, a group of kids seems to be enjoying the magic show of the "Amazing Clark" last Monday afternoon at the Northville District Library.

LETTERS

Help bring troops home

I recently opened my mail and two charities asking for donations especially upset me. The Human Rights Watch organization showed a photo of an Iraqi holding his young blind son. The boy was blinded by one of our cluster bombs which also killed his mother, brother, sister and grandmother. The sadness on his father's face is unbearable. The other charity was International Eye Foundation which stated that the giving of two Vitamin A capsules each year to a child would prevent it from going blind for

lack of Vitamin A. It asked for donations to help in their distribution.

I could not help but wonder what a different result we would have had if instead of our spending \$10 billions a month on the war, month after month, we would have instead spent a portion of only one month to help the helpless. Instead of having the world scorn us and aiding the Islamic extremists in their recruiting more terrorists, we might have risen in the world's estimation and maybe even dampened the extremists' recruiting ability, not to mention the billions saved.

But now we have our troops mired in this dis-

aster while the majority of the Iraqi do not want them there. Isn't it time to support our troops by getting them back to their families instead of staying on so more can be killed or maimed? Isn't it time to get out? Isn't it time that our Congressional representative, Thaddeus McCotter, listened to his constituents and stopped rubber-stamping whatever the administration dishes out? Enough deception and incompetence! Mr. McCotter, support the troops by bringing them home and help end this war.

Irene Piccone
Northville

HOT TICKET

First Friday Art and Fashion Walk steps off at 6 p.m. Friday in downtown Northville

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

NORTHVILLE EVENTS

Farmer's Market

TIME/DAY: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays
LOCATION: Corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon roads
Chefs at the Market Series
TIME/DAY: 8:30-9:30 a.m., third Thursday of every month through Oct. 18
DETAILS: Each session in the series features a local chef and walk through the market to examine and choose fresh produce, cooking demonstration, chat with the chef, samples and a recipe card to take home. Session is free. No registration is required.

Friday Night Concert Series

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Fridays through Aug. 10
LOCATION: Behind Northville City Hall, corner of Wing and Cady streets
SCHEDULE: tonight, Michael King Band; Aug. 10, Randy Brock Group.
DETAILS: Sponsored by Main Street Bank, Northville Downtown Development Authority

Tunes on Tuesday

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. to noon
LOCATION: Ford Field; when raining, at Genitti's Little Theatre, Main Street
DETAILS: Final performance in series by Guy Lewis and the Chautauqua Express.
CONTACT: www.northvilleparksandrec.org

First Friday Art and Fashion Walk

TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. Friday
LOCATION: Downtown Northville
DETAILS: Experience art exhibits, art demonstrations, fashion and related events strolling through Northville; see downtownnorthville.com/WhatsGoingOn/FirstFridays.htm.

As The Page Turns

Bookstore Events
LOCATION: 149 N. Center St., Suite 102, Northville
"The Heidelberg Project"
Book Signing
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday
DETAILS: Linda K. McLean will sign her book.
Fundraiser for Reach Out Children's Fund
TIME/DATE: 1:30-3:30 p.m. Friday
DETAILS: Peruvian hand-made dolls sold.
"Close Encounters of the European Kind" Book Signing
TIME/DATE: 6:30-9 p.m. Friday
DETAILS: Nancy Hurley will sign her book.

State Rep. Marc Coriveau Office Hours

TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. Friday
LOCATION: Meeting Room A, Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St.

Northville Eclipse Baseball Club

Baseball from the 1860s: Rules, equipment, terminology; Free.
TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Saturday
LOCATION: Royal Oak



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Guy Lewis and the Chautauqua Express will perform from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday at Ford Field as part of the Tunes on Tuesday series.

DETAILS: Eclipse vs. the Royal Oak Wahoons.

CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

Walsh College Business Institute Hot Topics Workshop

TIME/DATE: 8:30-11:30 a.m. Aug. 9
LOCATION: Walsh College Novi Campus
DETAILS: "What Every Business Owner Needs to Know about Strategic Business Leadership." The program will provide information on planning processes and methods for small and mid-sized businesses to increase their success. Tickets are \$45 for Walsh alumni and partner members; \$15 for students, \$90 for all others; to register, visit <https://www.secure.walshcollege.edu/forms/CorporateServicesForms/CorpEv>.

Wade Show Carnival

TIME/DATES: 4-10 p.m. Aug. 16; 4-11 p.m. Aug. 17; noon-11 p.m. Aug. 18; noon-5 p.m. Aug. 19
LOCATION: Northville Downs
DETAILS: The carnival will feature rides, games, amusements; admission free to the midway; ride tickets \$1 each; "pay-one-price" wristbands available \$18 per day; discount coupons available at Northville Chamber of Commerce office.

SENIOR EVENTS

Coed Adult 50+ Volleyball

TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring friends; \$1.
CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation (248) 449-9947

Coed Adult 50+ Basketball

TIME/DAY: 10 a.m. to noon Thursdays
LOCATION: Senior Community Center
DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring friends; \$1.

p.m. Monday
LOCATION: Lakelands Golf and Country Club, 8760 Chilson Road, Hamburg Township
DETAILS: Sign up early for an extra round of golf. Sponsorships available.
CONTACT: www.stjohn.org/Brighton

"Good Grief" Golf Outing

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Sept. 8
LOCATION: St. John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth
DETAILS: Proceeds from this outing will benefit the New Hope Center for Grief Support. The cost for a four-person scramble — which includes 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch, dinner, contests and prizes — is \$125 per person. Dinner only is \$35 per person. Sponsorship opportunities available.
CONTACT: Patti Bingham, (248) 348-0115; or go to www.newhopecenter.net.

Old Village & Cooke Schools Golf Fundraiser

TIME: 8 a.m. shotgun start
DATE: Sept. 29
LOCATION: St. John's, 44045 Five Mile Road, Plymouth
DETAILS: All proceeds benefit handicapped students from 17 districts in Wayne County, supporting music therapy and art programs, leisure and recreational program, special events, student equipment needs. Hole sponsorships and donations needed. Golf and dinner \$100 per person; dinner only \$30; hole sponsor \$100, contest sponsor \$50; raffle/door prize donors needed, any value. Make checks payable to Old Village School, deadline Sept. 12.
CONTACT: (248) 344-8460 or (248) 344-8489

MAYBURY STATE PARK

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road (between Beck and Napier roads)
CONTACT: (248) 349-8390; Friends of Maybury (248) 349-3858 or FriendsOfMaybury.org.
Horseback Riding
TIME/DATE: April-November
DETAILS: Horses for rent for guided trail rides.
Children's Programs
DETAILS: Children's programs offer many different ways to get outdoors and involved with nature; programs last one hour; parents encouraged to join; free; state park motor vehicle permit required for park entry; \$6 daily, \$24 annually.
Radical Raptors
TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. today
DETAILS: Meet at Oak Shelter. Ghost Stories of Michigan
TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. today
DETAILS: Stories and s'mores around the campfire; meet at Concession Building.
Fishing in the Park
TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Friday

DETAILS: Learn basic fishing techniques. Bring a pole if you have one; meet at Riding Stable parking lot.

Wildflower Hike

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Saturday
DETAILS: Meet at Concession Area.

Michigan Predators

TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Saturday
DETAILS: Meet at Concession Area.

Sunday Evening Story Time
TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday
DETAILS: This program is designed for children ages 3-6, accompanied by an adult; includes a make and take activity, brief hike and game; bug spray and proper footwear recommended; meet at the Concession Area.

Nature Explorer Program

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Tuesday
DETAILS: "Spotting and Attracting Animals" is for ages 6-12; get close to nature, play games, explore Maybury. Parents are welcome to join. Prepare to hike in the sun with bugs. Meet at the Concession Building.

Insect Safari

TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. Tuesday
DETAILS: Bring butterfly net if you have one; meet at Concession Area.

Furry Fun

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. Wednesday
DETAILS: Meet at Concession Area.

What Smells?

TIME/DATE: 2:30 p.m. Wednesday
DETAILS: Find out how animals use their scents and sense other animals; meet at Concession Area.

LIBRARY LINES

LOCATION: 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall
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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Chefs at the Market series kicks off Chamber of Commerce offers free demo, recipe for dessert

By Pam Fleming
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Executive chef Tim Bryant can show how to make an impressive dessert in short order.

The former breakfast cook, who now serves residents of Independence Village in Plymouth, showed onlookers how to make zabaglione (pronounced zah bil yoh) with fresh berries last Thursday at the Farmer's Market in Northville.

The, made with marsala wine, is a basic recipe all students learn in culinary arts school, according to Bryant.

"It's a classic," said Bryant, who served the dish when he worked in Washington, D.C.

The dish is quite easy to make as well as light making it the perfect ending to any summer-time meal.

The key to the dish is to keep the whisk going so you don't wind up with scrambled eggs.

"It's not something you want to prepare every day, because it takes a little time, but I think it's a wonderful treat for a summer-time dish," Bryant said.

"You can pour it over cake as well."

The free event was the first in the series of Chefs at the Market sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

The series takes place from 8:30-9:30 a.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Farmer's Market through Oct. 18 and requires no registration.

The one-hour event includes a walk through the market to show what fresh ingredients can be purchased to use in the recipe, a short cooking demonstration and samples of the dish.

A recipe card is also distributed.

Vendors who had ingredients for his dish included Burda's Berry Farms, Don Gibbs Farm, Kepnick Orchards and Lrie Orchard.

ZABAGLIONE WITH FRESH BERRIES

- 8 egg yolks
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 cup dry marsala wine
- 1/2 pint raspberries
- 1/2 pint blackberries or blueberries

■ In a copper pan with a rounded bottom, whisk together the yolks and sugar. Set the pan over simmering (not boiling) water or directly over a low flame, if you dare, and continue to whisk while you cook it until thick and pale yellow.

■ Add the wine gradually as you whisk and continue to cook until light and fluffy, about 4-6 minutes.

■ Divide the berries among four stemmed glasses and pour hot zabaglione over them.

"I think this is great," said Peg Campbell of Northville, who attended the first in the series and considers visiting the Farmer's Market a weekly ritual.

"It's interesting and a good way to bring people out to the market."

Maple syrup on meat?

Bryant said Northville-area residents are lucky to have access to fresh vegetables and herbs each week at the Farmer's Market and pointed to the wide variety of organically grown fruits and vegetable available.

One of the vendors, Art Curry of Fowlerville, whose family farm is in Charlevoix, sells fresh maple syrup at the market.

Bryant said he uses maple syrup in several of his dishes, including combining it with balsamic vinegar and using it as a marinade for pork.

He pointed out that fresh beets sold at the market can make a wonderful salad if cooked and then marinated with honey, red wine vinegar, fresh dill, olive oil and red onion.

"Our residents love beets," he said.

Former chef for Lions

Bryant, who is a former Fire & Ice Festival Chili Cook-Off Champ, is a native Detroit who became interested in cooking while a dishwasher at the Grosse Pointe restaurant 123.

After attending Oakland Community College and the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y., he worked as a regional chef for Hilton Hotels and as a chef for the Detroit Lions.

Bryant shared that Ford Motor Co. owner Bill Ford Jr.'s suite at the Lions games was the easiest to cater, as he requested only Wonder Bread and bologna.

The recipe card at the July 19 event also featured the following comment from Bryant:

"Something funny ... I prepared an ice carving for an event for Michael Jordan in Washington, D.C., and the head fell off of the swan while he was speaking."

"It wasn't funny then, but it's funny now."

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Executive chef Tim Bryant shows his progress in preparing zabaglione with fresh berries during a recent Chefs at the Market series at the Northville Farmer's Market.

NEXT CHEF EVENT SLATED FOR AUG. 16

■ The next in the Northville Chamber of Commerce's Chefs at the Market series will take place from 8:30-9:30 a.m. on Aug. 16.

■ Chef Susan Pitzenbarger-Allie and her friends will share appetizer recipes, food styling techniques and serving tips for entertaining.

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A conversation with Joan Wadsworth

Northville school board president discusses layoffs, teacher talks

By Jason Carmel Davis
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Joan Wadsworth, who has lived in Northville since 1985, will begin her fourth term as



J. Wadsworth

president of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education when the board meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14 at Old Village School, 405 W. Main St.

Wadsworth has served on the board in some capacity since 1993. Her three children graduated from Northville High School.

With so much happening in the district, Wadsworth sat down for an interview with the Record to discuss several topics.

Northville Record: What would you like to focus on during your fourth run as board president?

Joan Wadsworth: We've seen a decline in our rate of new-student enrollment, so that's something we need to analyze.

We need to plan out specific goals for the district and for all of our schools individually. Our school-based planning is solid and our curriculum is solid, but there are some things we need to do to make sure we have the right facilities for our kids. This is a really great area for student learning, but we need to plan for what the future holds for the district.

NR: What are your feelings on the current economic state of Michigan school districts?

Wadsworth: There's lots of uncertainty right now, and we're all sort of hanging our heads a little bit.

Some districts that don't have substantial fund balances are even having to borrow money to cover summer bills. The two-month period between the August payment and the October payment from the state causes many districts to borrow money for their operations. Auditors and school business officials generally recommend a fund balance of around 15 percent of the budget,

which can reduce or eliminate the need to borrow. Northville's fund balance is about 4.5 percent.

The state hasn't contacted (Northville) about what our (per-pupil allowance) will be. Most years they let us know by the end of June because the budget needs to be approved by June 30, so we're all a little anxious right now.

NR: Did the uncertainty about the per-pupil amount play a part in the layoff of 10 Northville teachers?

Wadsworth: You never like to lay anyone off. But the reason why we issue the layoffs now is we're much more uncertain about things than we have been in other years.

A big thing is student enrollment. A couple of years ago, the district brought in upward of 200 students over a summer. Some other cases had (Northville) close to 300 (new students). We had a drop last year, and this year, we're being

conservative about projections.

We're being cautious about the prospects of bringing (teachers) back. We'll have to look at our enrollment numbers and see what happens.

NR: What has to happen for the teachers to be brought back this fall?

Wadsworth: It depends on where enrollment numbers fall. We've gained at the high school and middle school levels, but we've seen a decline at the elementary level.

Bringing a teacher back depends on where they're needed. If it's an elementary teacher, but we need teachers at Hillside (Middle School), then we're most likely to call back someone with middle school certification.

NR: Is there any development on the teachers' contract?

Wadsworth: We're expecting to receive information from a fact-finder in mid- to late

August. By law, (teachers and administration) are required to bargain for up to 60 days after we receive the report.

NR: School is set to start Sept. 4. Is there any possibility teachers will start the year without a deal?

Wadsworth: It's really hard to say at this point. It depends on when we see the report. Hopefully, what's in the report will help the two sides come to a deal.

NR: What's the board's relationship with teachers in Northville?

Wadsworth: I think we have excellent teachers. I look back at the education my kids received, and it's just amazing. We have excellent teachers.

NR: How's the board's rapport with district administration?

Wadsworth: We have a positive, good administrative team that works hard and in the best

interest of the people in this district.

That's not to say we see eye to eye on everything, because we've had different positions on things, but we have a good relationship with central office administration and with all of the administrators in each of our buildings.

NR: Bond issues in a number of communities have been vehemently shot down by voters recently. Have failed votes, or the community's response to those proposals that "this is a bad time" put any strain on the board's dealings with the entire Northville family?

Wadsworth: In 1996, we lost a bond, but since then we've had proposals approved that have led to us building a new high school, a new elementary school, and making improvements to practically every building in the district.

If I had to look at it over time, I'd say we've received tremendous support from the communi-

ty. Yes, we did lose our most recent bond, but there were a lot of reasons for that.

NR: Fourteen years is a long time to keep what amounts to a voluntary position. Why have you elected to remain on the board for nearly two decades?

Wadsworth: My youngest graduated from Northville in 2006, and even though that meant my stake in the district was basically done, I do have a strong interest in schools and I'm happy to have been on the board this long.

That's one of the best things about the Northville community. People really do step up to the plate to contribute, whether it's coaching soccer or running a Boy Scout troop. People in this town really do take up something and stick with it.

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NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE REPORT

Woman reports assault

An 18-year-old resident of South Glacier Road told police that four girls assaulted her on Greenridge Drive between 11:30 p.m. and 11:59 p.m. on June 6.

The woman told police she had five or six bumps on her head and a small bruise over her left eye as well as bruising on her right leg, back of her knee and her right hip.

The woman said the motive for the fight was the fact that both she and one of the suspects had dated the same person at one time.

The girls allegedly pushed her to the ground, hit her on the head, pulled her hair, kicked her and called her names.

The case has been closed pending a statement from the victim requesting prosecution.

Nabbed for disorderly conduct

A 41-year-old Plymouth Township man was arrested for disorderly conduct during an incident at Baja Fresh Restaurant at 12:20 p.m. June 15 on Haggerty Road.

The victim, a 47-year-old Plymouth Township woman, told police she parked her vehicle facing south and alongside the curb in the area of the Maggie Moo ice cream shop, then entered Baja Fresh.

The man confronted her about where she parked her car, which he believed to be a fire lane.

The woman told police he began videotaping her with his cell phone and aggressively following her within Baja Fresh, asking her if she were above the law for parking in a fire lane.

The man also videotaped her car with his cell phone and tried to get the woman to identify herself.

The suspect said he did not threaten the woman but did admit to videotaping her and her vehicle.

The man's cell phone was confiscated, and he had to delete the video from his cell phone before police would return it to him the next day.

Vodka, marijuana in vehicle

A 19-year-old Redford Township man was arrested for drug possession at 1:27 a.m.

Drugs found at traffic stop

A 21-year-old Farmington Hills man was arrested for drug possession at 8:49 p.m. June 14 at Six Mile Road and White Haven Drive.

An officer was traveling westbound on Six Mile Road approaching the light at Winchester when he saw a man in a 1998 black Ford Explorer drive through a red light at the intersection.

The Ford's driver told the officer he and his girlfriend had been out to dinner at Champps Restaurant.

The man was the only one in the vehicle, which the officer said smelled like burnt marijuana. There was also a tall bottle of air freshener in the cup holder of the center console.

While the officer waited for a backup unit, he asked the man if he had any marijuana in the car. He said there was no marijuana in the car and that no one had smoked any in the car.

Prior to the search, he admitted there was a pill bottle in the center console with marijuana in it. The officer found a prescription bottle full of marijuana and rolling papers. The marijuana measured at 44 grams.

Clubs stolen from garage

A 56-year-old resident on Oak Forest Court reported to police on June 4 that her husband's golf clubs were stolen out of their garage between 6 p.m. May 28 and 11 a.m. June 2. She told police that she does not usually leave the garage open unless she is working in the backyard or around the house.

The clubs and bag were valued at about \$2,500.

Tools stolen from attic

A 62-year-old man on Village Run Drive reported to police that tools and other items had been stolen from his home between 11 p.m. June 5 and 7:45 a.m. June 6.

The culprit or culprits gained entry by forcibly opening a rear bedroom window on the west side of the residence.

The stolen items were located in the attic in the currently unoccupied home.

The man said so many tools were taken that he could not

describe each, but they included routers, plumbing tools, screwdrivers, hammers and wrenches.

Cash taken in break-in

Police responded to Trader Tom's Tobacco store on Seven Mile Road on a report of a front door smashed open at 8:15 p.m. July 4.

Trader Tom's is on the south side of the Highland Lakes Shopping Center.

Police said \$170 was missing from the store's cash drawer, which had been pried open with a screwdriver.

Several items from the store were recovered behind the building.

Police saw a rock on the ground about 20 feet from the front entrance, next to a display rack.

A vehicle behind the building also had its windows broken.

Three stores were charged with misdemeanor violations recently following a tobacco sting operation, Northville Township police said.

A 17-year-old decoy, under police supervision, attempted to purchase tobacco products from 12 local businesses July 24, police said.

Three businesses sold tobacco to the decoy without checking for proper identification, police said; the following were cited for misdemeanors with court dates set for Aug. 9 at 35th District Court in Plymouth:

- Smokers #1 Choice, 40390 Five Mile Road.
- BP Gas Station, 47407 Seven Mile Road.
- Meijer, 20401 Haggerty Road.

John Werth, director of public safety, noted that this was Smokers #1 Choice's third citation for the violation.

Throughout each year, members of the Northville Township Public Safety Department carry out undercover operations for the sale of tobacco and alcohol to minors at all township businesses.

Police said the goal of this operation is to achieve 100 percent compliance with all local business owners.

Since the community has a zero-tolerance policy in such matters, "At some point, repeat offenders could get jail time," Werth said.

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NORTHVILLE CITY POLICE REPORT

Teen threatened with bat

At about 5:15 p.m. July 22, a Northville police officer was dispatched to Ford Field on a report of a teen being threatened with a baseball bat.

The officer spoke with the teen, who said he was sitting with friends near the north end of the field when another group of teens approached.

According to the victim, words were exchanged between the two groups, and one male threatened to take a guitar from the victim's friend and break it over the victim's head. The victim challenged the assailant to do so, and the aggressor reached in the backpack he was carrying and pulled out an aluminum baseball bat.

The victim said his attacker came toward him and swung the bat about chest-level one time. The assailant put the bat back in his backpack and ran northbound onto Hutton Street.

The victim said there was one other person with his attacker, but he did not recognize either of them. Two officers checked the area throughout, but could not locate anyone matching descriptions the victim gave them.

The suspect is described as a white male between 16 and 18 years old, standing about 5-foot-6 to 5-foot-8 and weighing about 170 pounds. At the time of the incident, he was wearing a black tank top, black baggy shorts, a chain wallet and a baseball cap. He has a piercing in his lower lip or chin and brown hair.

Minors cited for drinking

A number of young people in the area have been cited for underage drinking recently.

At about 11:33 p.m. July 21, Northville police officers responded to a report of two vehicles in the area of Lexington Boulevard and Revere Court near a condo complex.

The caller said several people were

in and around the vehicle and believed they may have been drinking and possibly doing drugs.

Upon reaching the scene, the responding officer observed a Ford Taurus and a Pontiac Grand Prix parked near the clubhouse of the complex. The officer also observed what they believed were several minors near the two vehicles.

As the officer approached the cars, two of the people ran into a condo on Revere Court. The officer called the remaining four — two 17-year-old males and two 17-year-old females — over to his vehicle and asked what they had been doing. They said they had been at a party and were kicked out by the person who lived at the home they were visiting.

One of the females said she called her aunt to come pick them up and that they were waiting for her to arrive. It was at this time that the officer detected alcohol on their breath.

The officer asked if the teens had been drinking and they all said they had. Each teen was administered a Breathalyzer test, and they were all under the legal limit.

The two males were placed under arrest for underage consumption. The officer also confiscated a half-empty bottle of liquor from one of the vehicles.

The aunt and owner of the Taurus arrived and drove the car home. The parents of the two females were notified of the situation, and the aunt drove them home.

The two males were cited for underage consumption. Their court date has been set for 8:30 a.m. Aug. 16.

Three officers were dispatched to a Wing Street home on a complaint of a loud party at about midnight on July 22. The officers were allowed into the home in which they found about 20 people present, none of whom were 21.

An officer asked how many of the people had been drinking, and the

majority answered yes.

Everyone was asked to give voluntary breath samples. Fourteen breath samples were issued. Of those, four were found to be over the legal blood-alcohol level.

The two leaseholders of the property, two 20-year-old females, and a 19-year-old male were arrested and released. The other youths were ticketed and released to their parents at the scene.

Also, an 18-year-old Northville resident was cited for driving while under the influence and for underage drinking after Northville Township police stopped his vehicle last week.

A township officer stopped the vehicle about 2:23 a.m. July 20 for speeding. The two passengers inside, the 18-year-old and a 17-year-old male, were found to have matched the description of two males involved in an altercation at the Wagon Wheel Lounge.

A Breathalyzer test revealed the 18-year-old driver had a blood-alcohol level of 0.061. He was placed in custody pending bond and sobering up.

Graffiti mars school wall

A Northville Public Schools employee notified city police when she found graffiti spray-painted on the northwest wall of Hillside Middle School.

The employee, who conducts daily checks of all schools, told police the incident took place between 9 p.m. July 21 and 7:30 p.m. July 22.

An operating video camera on the west wall of the building, and that it may have captured the incident.

The officer told the employee to contact the police department if anything is on the video. The officer also said he would survey the area for any illegal activity.

The employee said a maintenance staff would power-wash the wall. Police have no suspects at this time.



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Remembering the wreck

Local history buffs visit the site of the Great Salem Train Wreck on the 100th anniversary of the tragedy in Northville Township on July 20. The collision of two trains, which occurred just east of the intersection of Five Mile and Napier roads, was the subject of a July 25 lecture at the Northville District Library presented by Al Smitley. Pictured, from left, are John Kapusky, John Palmer, Gilbert Terry, Smitley, Marjorie Banner, Brad Werner and Dan Schnelder. Others on the site visit included John Colling, Carol Poenisch and Carol Kapusky.

Chief search down to 13 applicants

John Werth, director of public safety for Northville Township, told township trustees at their July 26 meeting that the search for a new fire chief is down to 13 applicants.

The post has been vacant since former Chief Bill Zhemendak decided to take early retirement in March.

Werth said the township received 27 applications for the position, from which the 13 job candidates were selected.

Three fire chiefs from the area will assist Northville Township in interviewing the candidates, with a decision being made by early September.

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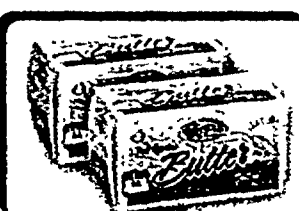
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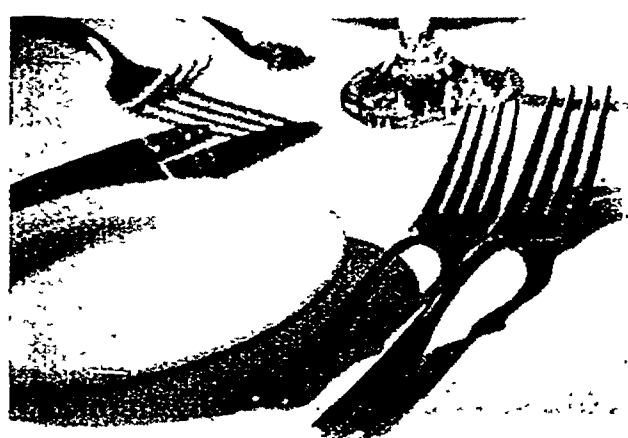
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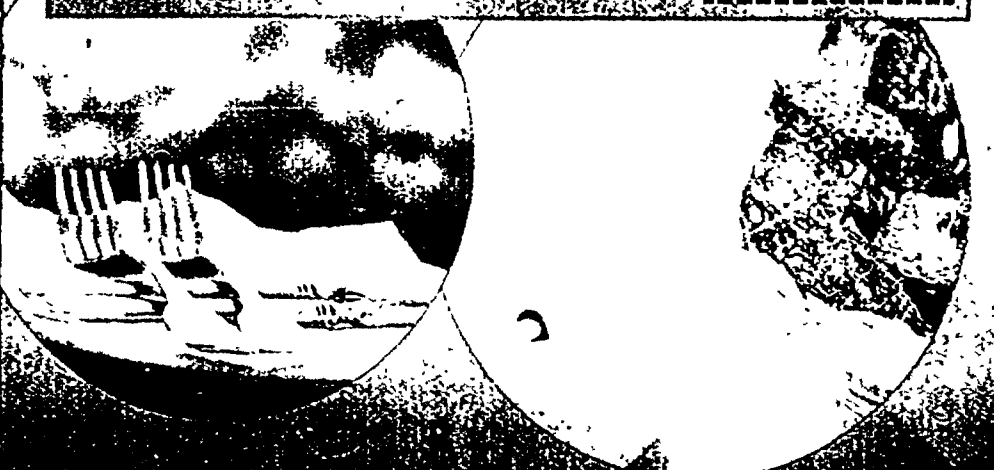
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BATTLIN' BRONCOS

Northville pitchers post strong outings

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

Northville proved it could hang with the rest of the teams in the NABF World Series this past weekend.

The Broncos were in every game up to the very end but struggled with hitting and did not make it out of pool play.

The Broncos lost all four of their games despite allowing just 11 total runs.

Northville lost 2-1 to the Astro Falcons (Ohio) on Thursday, 3-1 to the Southern California Outlaws early Friday, 4-1 to the Cincinnati Heat later Friday and 2-1 to the Long Island Braves on Saturday.

"The pitching came through," Northville head coach Mick Fisher said. "We had very few errors in the field. We just didn't come through with the bats when we needed to."

"I had many coaches at the end of the tournament saying you could hang with any of us out here."

With the Broncos eliminated, the focus of the tournament switched to the semifinals Saturday. The Outlaws fell, 2-0, to the Independence Hammers. The Greenbush-Schodack Devilcats beat the Cincinnati Heat, 8-4. The Devilcats Matt Montross hit a pair of home runs and knocked in five runs while picking up the win on the mound.

In the finals, the Independence Hammers knocked off the Greenbush-Schodack Devilcats, 6-2, to claim the title.

Astro Falcons 2, Northville 1

Northville pitcher David Uberti threw six strong innings in the opener Thursday, allowing just two runs in the bottom of the fourth inning, but the bats were shut down after the first inning.

The Broncos took an early 1-0 lead in the top of the first, but that would be it against Falcons (Ohio) starting pitcher Jared Turocy.

A pair of opposite field singles with runners in scoring position gave the Falcons a lead they wouldn't give up.

Turocy handed the ball off to Jake Kucek with a runner on first and one out in the seventh. Kucek got the final two outs for the save.

Southern Calif. Outlaws 3, Northville 1

Again, a strong pitching per-

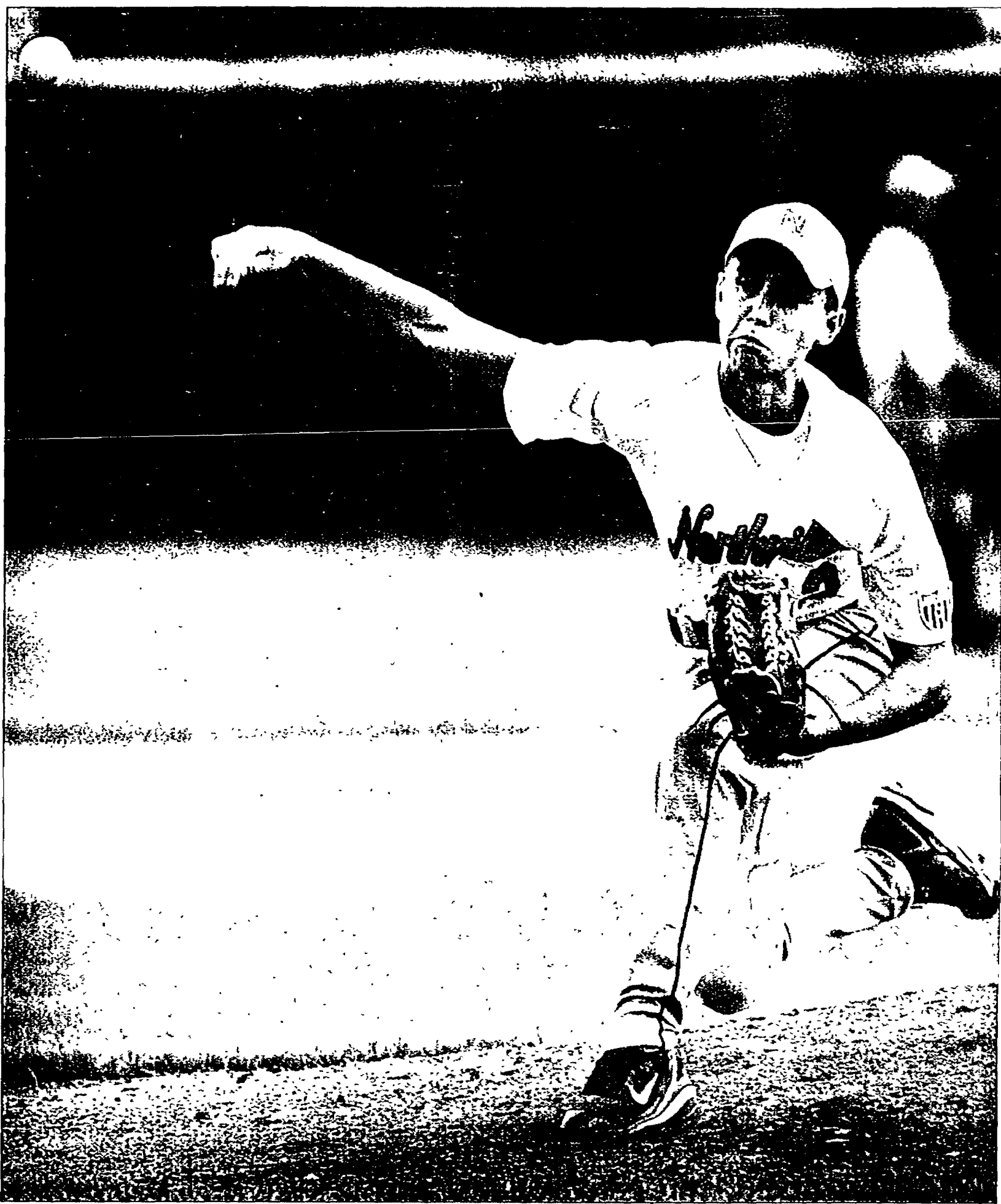


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continued on 2 Bronco David Uberti pitches for Northville in its Thursday afternoon opening game of the World Series.



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The Michigan Wolves celebrate winning the national championship this past weekend in Texas. The Wolves beat PDA Larsson (New Jersey), 3-0, in the finals.

Wolves win national title

Submitted to the Northville Record

The Michigan Wolves 92 Black placed third in last year's US Youth Soccer National Championships.

The experience proved very helpful, and the team made it their goal to come back to nationals held in Frisco, Texas, and have another run at the title.

Mission accomplished.
Title won

Wolves 2, Lonestar 92 Red 1

The first game of the round-robin tournament had the Wolves facing the No. 1 ranked Lonestar 92 Red from Texas. The Wolves came out fast and scored early at the 9:00 mark. Cody Henderson fed a beautiful pass to Joshua Gatt, who beat the goalie to the far post to give the Wolves the lead. Late in the half, Soony Saad got his own rebound and buried a shot into an open net, pushing the lead to 2-0.

The defense of Ryan Barrett, Ryan Keener, Kevin Cope, and Nick Scabassi clogged up the lanes and limited the shots keeper Adam Grnwis had to face in the

Road to the title

Round robin
Michigan Wolves 2, Lonestar 92 Red (Texas) 1
Wolves 0, Soreno 92 White (Ariz.) 0
Wolves 1, PDA Larsson (NJ) 1
Finals
Wolves 3, PDA Larsson 0

first half. Late in the second half, on a goal mouth scramble, the Lonestars cut the lead in half. Sasa Miskovic, the Wolves' keeper for the second half, made sure no other shots got past him to preserve the 2-1 victory.

Wolves 0, Soreno 92 White 0

In the second game, the Wolves came out a little flat in the first 20 minutes, allowing Soreno 92 White (Ariz.) to control the play. Strong midfield play by Joshua Baren, Joey D'Agostino,

Henderson, and Gatt helped turn the game in the Wolves' favor. Forwards Saad and Jordan Tyler began to dominate, creating many scoring chances as the game shifted to the Soreno end. For most of the second half, the Wolves outplayed Soreno but could not get one past their keeper, Justin Taillote. Had it not been for his outstanding play, the Wolves would have walked away with an easy victory. Saad Karaselmovic, head coach for Soreno, believes Taillote to be one of the most reliable players. "He is so calm and just handles the one-on-one very well. It was an outstanding performance for him as they (Michigan) were an extremely talented group."

Wolves 1, PDA Larsson 1

The Wolves' final round-robin opponent, PDA Larsson, as a result of winning their first two matches, had already secured a spot in the championship game. In order for the Wolves to lock up the other spot, they needed a win or tie in their game against Larsson or a loss by Soreno to


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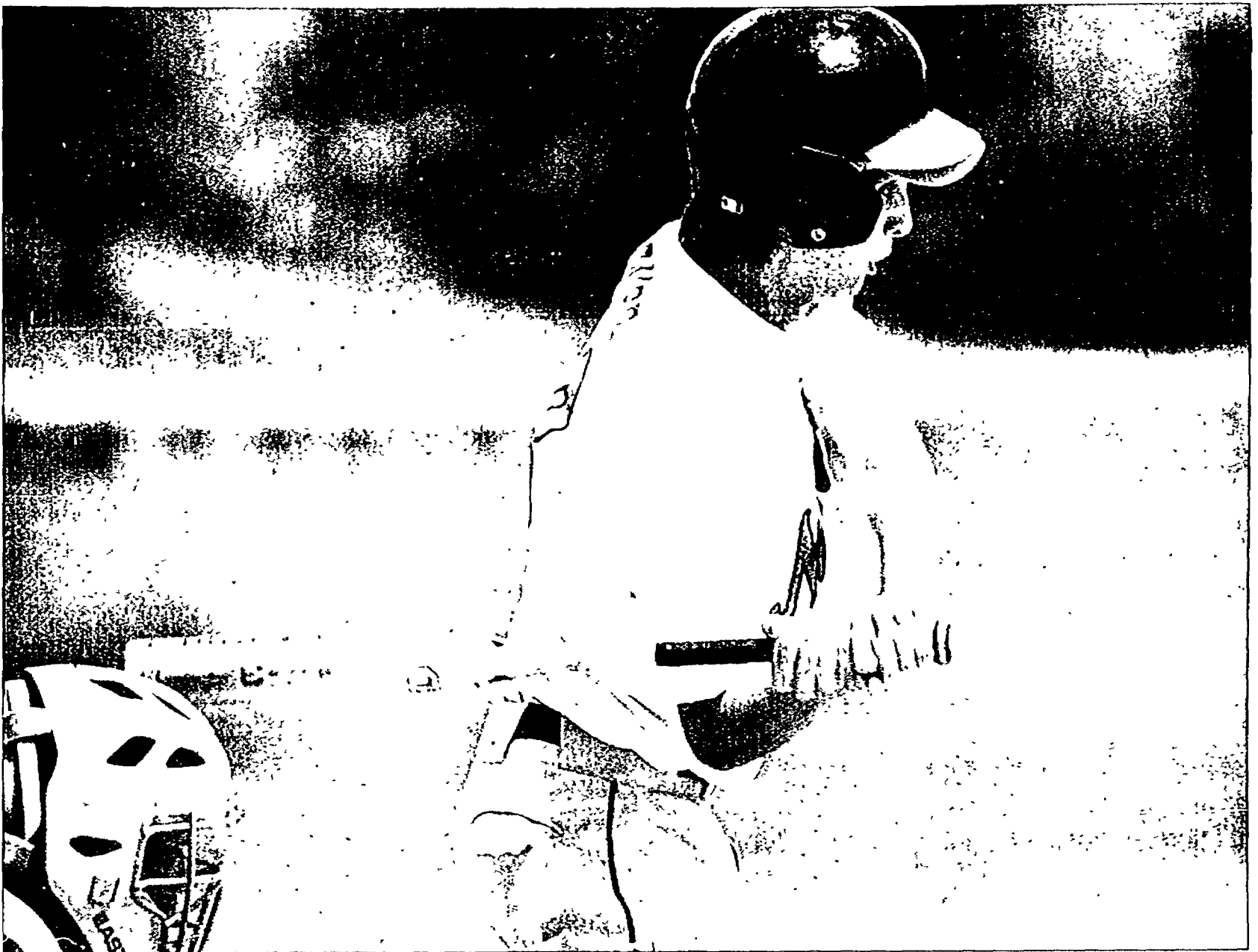
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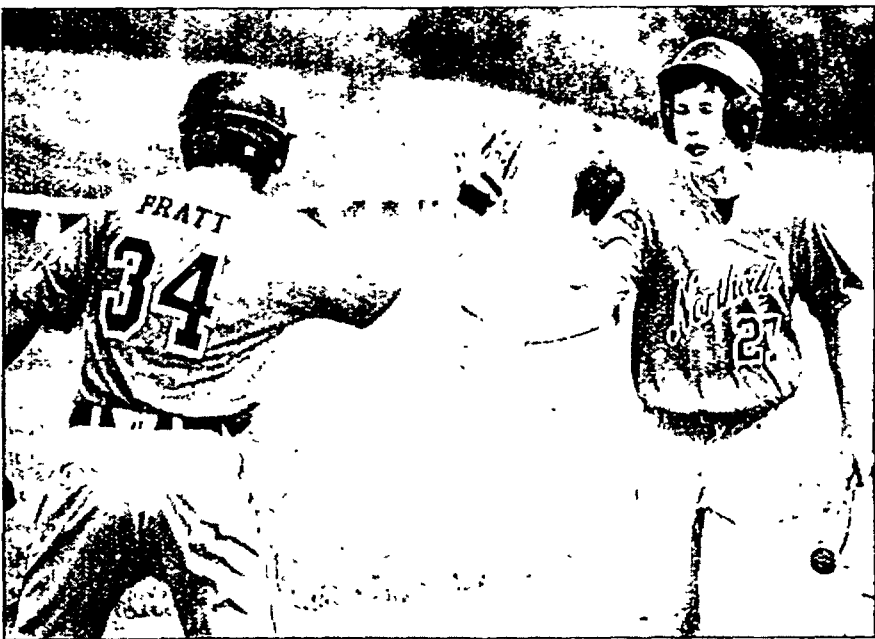
Bronco Eric Maise takes a cut while at bat during Northville's Thursday game against the Astro Falcons from Ohio.



Bronco Frank Pencola rips this pitch for a basehit single Friday.



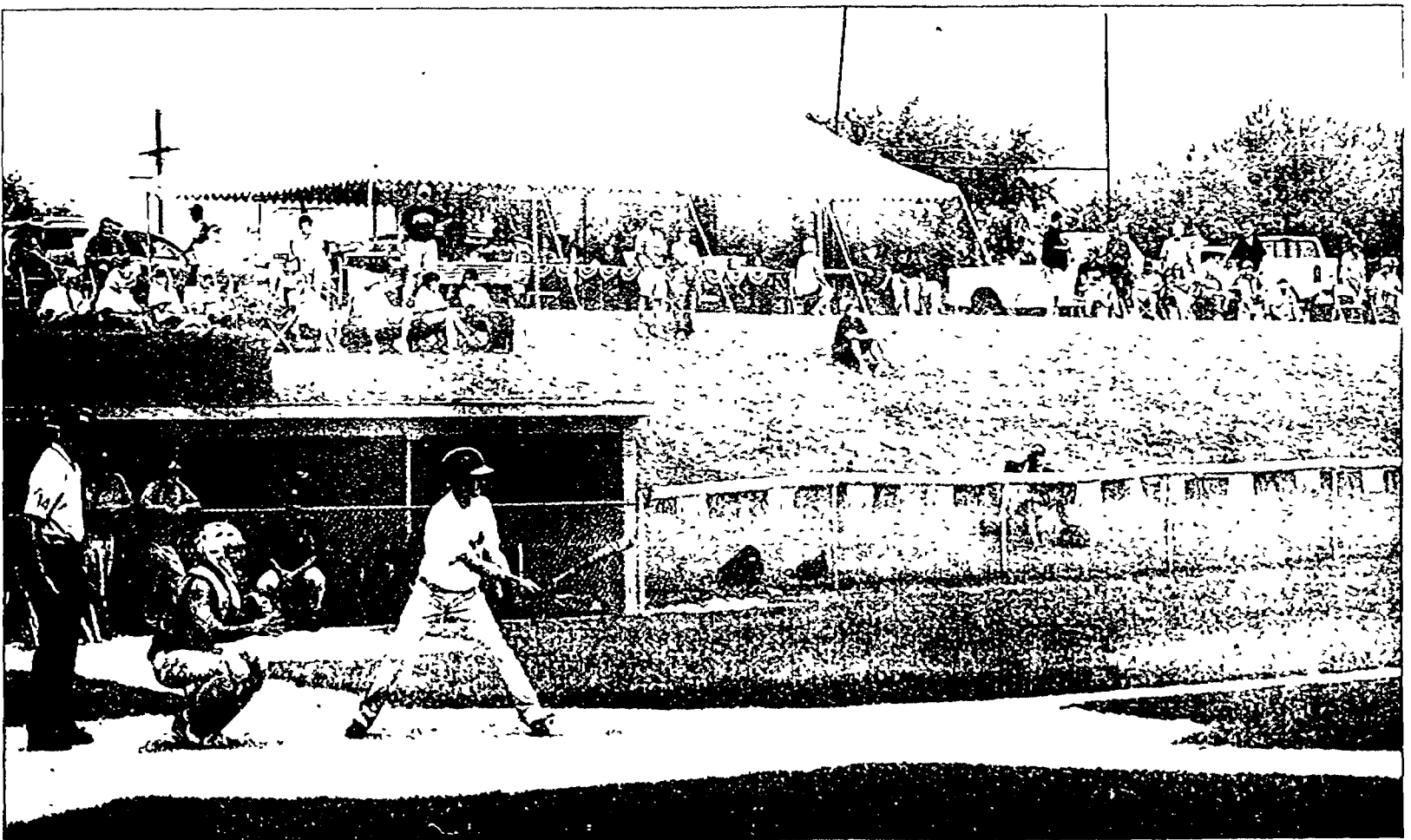
Kevin Fisher pitches during their Friday morning game during the NABF.



Northville's Joshua Pratt congratulates Alan Rozanski after scoring a run Friday morning.

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The 2007 NABF world series gets underway at Northville's Eight Mile Road baseball field.



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Golden ceremony!

Ava Ohlgren of the United States of America stands on the podium after winning the gold medal in the Women's 200 meter freestyle during the 2007 XV Pan American Games at the Aquatic Park on July 20, 2007 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.



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State Champs!

The U10 Northville Broncos won both the Frankenmuth and Thornapple Valley tournaments, going undefeated. They went undefeated to win the District #4 Pony tournament (July 14-15). Winning the District sent them on to the State Pony tournament. The Northville Broncos went on to win the State Tournament and were crowned State Champs. They advanced to represent Michigan in the Pony Regional Tournament. The U10 Northville Broncos currently have an overall record of 20-2.

Back row, from left, asst. coach Pete Guilfoile, asst. coach Tim Cain, asst. coach John Basford and head coach Scott Baldwin.

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NATIONAL CHAMPS: Wolves shut out New Jersey team in final

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Lonestar in the other final round robin game. Larsson's game plan was very conservative, playing mostly a defensive possession style. Even in this mode of play, they struck first on a cross on a header that beat Wolves' goalie Grinwis into the top left corner. At the 40:00 mark of the first half, Saad sent a cross to Gatt who redirected it to Doug Beason, who beat the goalie clean to tie the game. Knowing a tie would get them into the finals, the Wolves brought in an extra midfielder to clog up and control the middle of the field. Strong passing and solid defense from Rick McCarthy and Etienne Lussiez ensured Larsson would not break the tie and set up the finals rematch.

Wolves 3, PDA Larsson 0

The rematch was the complete opposite of the previous game. The Wolves came out flying, applying most of the early pressure. Joshua Barends had a golden opportunity to put the Wolves ahead only to be foiled by a sliding defender at the last second.

Later, Beason nailed a shot off the cross-bar. Through outstanding midfield play of D'Agostino, Henderson, and Lussiez, the Wolves kept the Larsson attackers at bay while providing ample opportunities for the Wolves fast striking forwards.

Although the Wolves were carrying the majority of the play, they could not get one past the Larsson keeper. Saad, tournament MVP, broke the scoreless tie at the 35:00 minute mark when he drilled a perfect 35-yard shot to the upper top corner. This goal proved to be the only score in the half, providing the Wolves a 1-0 halftime lead.

Lars Richters, head coach for the Wolves, told his boys at half that, "They needed to keep the pressure on, not let up and get another one."

Three minutes into the second half, Gatt did just that. He beat the Larsson right defender wide, sent a cross to Saad, which was deflected into the air. Timing it perfectly, he drilled it out of the air into an open net to give the Wolves a 2-0 lead. Tyler put the game out of reach at the 57:00 minute mark with a great individ-

ual effort beating the left defender around the corner and then calmly slipping it past the sprawling keeper.

With a three-goal lead, the Wolves went into a defensive set. Cope, Barrett, Scabassi, Keener and Vinh Nguyen frustrated the high scoring Larsson forwards all day with suffocating defense, keeping them on the outside. In the second half, when Larson did get off a shot, Wolves keeper Miskovic turned away some quality scoring chances to preserve the shutout and ensure National Championship.

"We picked a good day to play our best game," said Richters. "Today was a really strong team performance. It was very much a team victory."

This is the seventh national championship title for the relatively new Michigan Wolves/Hawks club.

Hassan "Soony" Saad, a member of the U.S. Soccer National Team, earned the Adidas Golden Boot as outstanding player for the tournament.

"We used our previous experience to help us this year and win the whole thing. Maybe that was

what gave us the edge today against PDA, was our experience here," Saad said.

"It is pretty crazy. I've been through a lot with this team and it is my first year and first time here," said Adam Grinwis, Adidas Golden Glove award winner, who shutout PDA. "This week was a lot more than my expectations. I didn't know the teams were going to be so great."

"We played our best and that's why we came out on top."

The U15 Boys Wolves Team is made up of the following players: Josh Barends (Diamondale), Ryan Barrett (Grand Rapids), Doug Beason (Northville), Kevin Cope (Canton), Joey D'Agostino (Livonia), Joshua Gatt (Plymouth), Cody Henderson (West Bloomfield), Ryan Keener (Grand Blanc), Etienne Lussiez (Livonia), Sasa Miskovic (Canton), Vinh Nguyen (Canton), Soony Saad (Dearborn), Nick Scabassi (Northville), Jordan Tyler (Rochester), Nick Tacconelli (Northville), Adam Grinwis (Ada), Rick McCarthy (Novi), and Jad El-Zein (Dearborn), head coach Lars Richters, assistant coach Joe Zawac.

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Scooters bring risks

Foot scooters are more popular today than at any time since the 1950's. You can't walk down your street these days without seeing a scooter or two cruise by. Injuries related to non-powered scooters have increased dramatically since 2000 in the United States. In the last several years, scooter-related injuries have more than doubled and have surpassed rollerblades as the leading cause of children's injuries — 85% of these injuries are to children under 15 with most of the injuries being fractures.

Thankfully, life-threatening injuries are rare, but they are almost always a result of a collision between the scooter and a car. The majority of scooter injuries have been shown to be preventable if a few common sense guidelines are remembered.

Common sense is rule number one. Children under eight should ride a scooter only under close adult supervision. While they may have the coordination to drive and maneuver the scooter, children this age still often lack the ability to protect themselves in the event of an unexpected fall from a moving scooter.

Also, children this age are particularly prone to injuries of the growth plate in the wrists and elbows as these are inevitably the parts of the body that take the most abuse during falls. Elbow and knee pads should be worn at all times. While they may offer some protection, wrist guards, depending on the type and fit, may make it difficult to grip the handle and control the scooter and may actually increase the chance of



Sean Bak

falling. Because children's heads are proportionally larger than adults', they have a higher chance of landing on their heads from a fall so a properly fitted helmet is an absolutely must.

Never ride a scooter at night. Riders cannot see bumps in the pavement and drivers cannot see the riders. The majority of car-related scooter injuries occur at night. Those of us living in neighborhoods with young children should always use caution when backing out of driveways and drive through neighborhoods at safe speeds. Scooters should only be used on the sidewalk or off-road path and only on even pavement.

The small wheels used on scooters make them more vulnerable to small bumps in the road especially at high rates of speed. Because of this, never use a scooter on a steep hill as they can quickly reach a surprisingly fast speed. Avoid riding the scooter on wet surfaces and especially gravel. Parents should make a routine of checking the scooter to ensure

that all nuts and bolts are properly tightened. Proper footwear is imperative to avoid scrapes and sprains of the foot and toes and is also for better traction and stability when stopping. Avoid tricks and stunts. Unlike a skateboard, a scooter has only two wheels and is much less stable in landing from jumps or spins than a skateboard.

Take it slow — learn the basics of how the brakes and steering work in a safe environment before taking the scooter out for its maiden voyage. Keep these tips in mind and encourage your children to use their scooter safely since riding a scooter is not only fun, it can be good exercise.

Dr. Sean Bak is a Novi resident and an orthopaedic surgeon who specializes in shoulder reconstruction and sports medicine. Dr. Bak takes care of the athletes of several area universities and high schools. His practice, Porretta Center for Orthopedic Surgery, is based out of Providence Hospital.

One the move

Staying Fit on the Road

Summer is sometimes a difficult season to stay fit due to hot and humid days, and vacation or other travels. But if you are planning a marathon or other big race this fall, now is the time to start training.

There are numerous training schedules available in books and online. Check them out to find the one that best suits your planned distance, objective and experience level. One of my favorite online sites for training information and helpful hints is www.halhidgon.com.

Be Flexible and Enjoy Your Running

Any training schedule should be treated as a guide and not as a "must do" plan. It is important to be flexible and not worry if events cause you to deviate from the formal schedule. The more rigid the training program, the less enjoyment one is likely to have. When that happens, running becomes a chore and the fun is gone. Soon the temptation to "give it up" may win out.

Being flexible also helps achieve a good balance between running goals, family life and work demands. Delaying that long run by a few days, skipping a planned run, running less distance than on the schedule, or doing an alternative activity are unlikely to change your race preparedness and overall fitness.

Vacation and Travels

Some may see vacation and other travels as a real hindrance to staying fit and training, especially for a fall marathon. I consider it an opportunity for different and exciting "On the Move" activities and running in new locations. The important thing is to stay active.

not the activity.

I recently returned from a three week trip to Montana and Alberta. My footwear alternated between running shoes and hiking boots. While my fall marathon training schedule was suspended while traveling, I felt good about my level of activity. And being flexible made the trip much more enjoyable.



Jerry Mittman

Running in new cities is a great way to check out the area — either soon after arriving or early in the morning. My trip also provided an opportunity to run two half marathons in new areas (Calgary, AB and Missoula, MT) that fit perfectly in our travel schedule. With the Internet, it is easy to find running events wherever one travels.

Alternative "On the Move" activities can take many forms. While I chose hiking on this trip, your favorite may be swimming, biking, tennis, walking or another exercise.

Upcoming Events

• Saturday, Aug. 11: Each year, almost 2,000 runners come to Hell Creek Ranch in Pinckney for the 4.8-mile or challenging 10-mile "Run Thru Hell." Awards go six deep. (www.gaultracemangement.com)

• Saturday, Aug. 25: The Crim Festival of Races features events for runners and walkers at all levels and a great post race party. The main event is the 10 mile run at 8 a.m. Other events include an 8K run/walk, 5K run/walk, 1 mile run/walk and a Teddy Bear Trot. (www.crim.org)

Northville resident Jerry Mittman is an avid runner and has completed more than 600 races, including 57 marathons. He can be contacted at jjm997@hotmail.com.

Fit for life

The truth about Hoodia

What do you know about the supplement Hoodia as an appetite suppressant? My sister recommended it to me and I tried it. It seems to really diminish the feeling of hunger but of course I'm interested in your perspective.

Hoodia has become a popular weight-loss product used to suppress appetite. I have seen it added to everything from green tea to snack bars. Hoodia is a succulent plant that grows in the South African desert and is used by a tribe to curb appetite, quench thirst, increase endurance when on long hunting expeditions and when food is scarce.

The plant's active ingredient has been identified as P57, and has been patented by PhytoPharm*. In an unpublished study by PhytoPharm, a small group of men took P57 (not the Hoodia plant) and cut back on calories and lost weight. At this time, no supplements contain the patented P57; therefore, you are likely to get a product called Hoodia that contains little or none of the purported active ingredient.

The Hoodia plant is now grown in many different regions but no one knows if the plants outside the Kalahari Desert have the same effect on the body. More significantly, no one knows if Hoodia is safe, especially if used continuously. The tribesmen themselves rarely used it and not for weight loss. One of the original researchers from Pfizer cautioned "that P57 may have unwanted effects on the liver."

Due to the lack of published human research and safety data, as well as the aforementioned uncertainty of the currently sold products' actual contents, we recommend you stay clear of any supplement claiming to contain Hoodia Gordonii ... Sorry, I know that was not the answer you were looking for.



Chris Klebba

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Health

Beware of the concussion

Concussions are the often unintended consequences of athletic competition. Although symptoms vary considerably between individuals there are generally common symptoms that reflect a disruption in a person's cognitive, somatic and emotional functioning (see sidebar). While concussion symptoms are typically relatively short-lived and remit spontaneously they are often notoriously difficult to identify for a multitude of player and cultural reasons (it's just a ding). Furthermore, traditional medical tests, such as head CT or MRI, are often negative because it is not the structure of the brain that is most affected with concussion but how it functions (or mal-

functions). A player who suffers additional brain trauma while they are still symptomatic from an earlier concussion not only risks increasing the number, severity and persistence of their symptoms but also permanent damage.

FACTS:

- An estimated 300,000 sport concussions in the U.S. per year
- 10% of football, ice hockey and soccer players per season
- Fewer than half of concussed high school football players reported their symptoms
- 90% of concussions occur without loss of consciousness
- 42% of youth coaches erroneously believed that a concussion only occurs when a player is knocked out
- Younger athletes recover more slowly than older athletes
- Younger athletes are more at risk for developing catastrophic injuries

Common Symptoms

Cognitive Features

Unaware of score or period, confusion, amnesia, loss of consciousness, unaware of time, date or place.

It has become such an important issue that numerous professional sports (NFL, NHL, OHL, NASCAR, MLB umpires and more), national (National Athletic Trainers Association, Center for Disease Control and Prevention) and international (IIHF, IOC) groups have implemented formal concussion management programs for their members or have issued formal recommendations that support the need for contemporary and comprehensive concussion care.

A fundamental component in

formal concussion management programs and one the best things an athlete can do is to establish a "baseline" of how they think and feel at the start of the year before they are injured. Baseline testing can now be completed on line at home with the supervision of a parent or through the team, organization or school. If they are injured, one or more repeat evaluations are completed through the school or clinic as part of their overall care and results are compared by a trained clinician to the athlete's own pre-injury level of functioning. This is used to assist with the management of their symptoms, their return to healthy functioning and their possible return to play. The goal of good concussion management is to give the athlete the opportunity to return to the game as quickly and as safely as possible and to contribute to the team to the best of

their ability.

KEY POINTS:

- Understand that a concussion is a brain injury that needs to be treated seriously.
- Become aware of the signs and symptoms — promote a culture of safety.
- Acknowledge an injury when it happens.
- Rest is best.
- Severity is determined after all symptoms have cleared.
- Concussion care should be individualized; each athlete and injury are unique.
- Never allow a symptomatic player to play or even participate in strenuous activities.
- Follow a step-wise return to play to ensure readiness and minimize the chance of re-injury.
- It's better to miss one game than a whole season.

We all hear about the professional athletes whose careers are

halted due to the persistent effects of numerous concussions. (Steve Young, Troy Aikman, Scott Stevens, Keith Primeau) yet we don't know how many young athletes leave the game well before their time for these very same reasons. With the knowledge, technology and expertise that is currently available, there is no excuse not to take the time to take good care of your brain and your future.

Dr. Czarnota is a neuropsychologist in private practice in the Detroit area and has made sport concussion management a growing part of his practice since 1999. He has implemented concussion management programs with high schools, universities and professional leagues that include national and international organizations. For more information, go to www.sportconcussions.com or call (248) 253-8208.

Summer Celebrations Made SIMPLE

FAMILY FEATURES

With its warmer weather and longer days, summer is synonymous with outdoor gatherings — whether it's a formal get-together or a weeknight barbecue with family. One way to cap off your al fresco dining experience is with a cool, refreshing dessert made with summer's best bounty: fresh berries.

Lifestyle author and TV host Katie Brown suggests preparing no-bake berry desserts for your summer soirees.

"Summer berries are perfect for making delicious, approachable desserts," Katie Brown says. "With just a few ingredients, you can make a refreshing no-bake dessert that your friends and family will love but won't keep you in the kitchen."

Here are three of Katie Brown's "berry" favorite no-bake desserts. For additional recipes, visit jello.com and coolwhip.com.



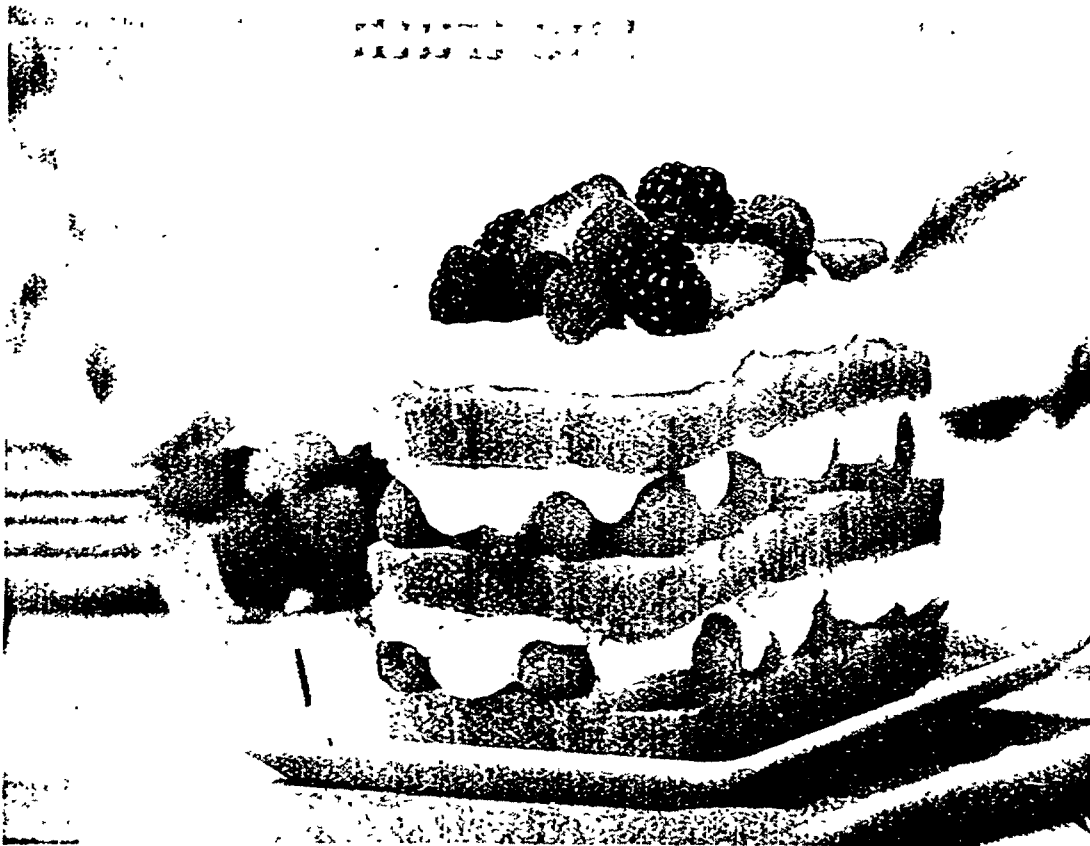
Holding an outdoor gathering this summer?

Here are some tips from Katie Brown:

- Establish a theme for your party that ties together your invitations, table decorations and menu. A few simple ideas can give your party an exciting look and give your guests a unique experience.
- When dining outdoors, cover your food with burlap covers to keep away the bugs.
- Nothing sets a softer mood than a candle's flicker under the moonlight. Create a lighted pathway with lawn globes.
- For more tips, check out the new book, "Katie Brown's Outdoor Entertaining."

Katie Brown is a lifestyle expert and TV Host.

Jell-O is a proud sponsor of the "Katie Brown Workshop" on Public Television.



Easy Raspberry Sorbet

Prep: 25 minutes

Total: 4 hours 25 minutes (including freezing time)

Makes 12 servings

- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 package (4-serving size) Jell-O Raspberry Flavor Gelatin
- 6 ounces frozen lemonade concentrate (Do not thaw)
- 3 cups raspberries
- 1 8-ounce tub Cool Whip Whipped Topping, thawed
- 12 waffle cones

Stir boiling water into dry gelatin mix in large freezer-proof bowl at least 2 minutes until gelatin is completely dissolved. Stir in frozen lemonade concentrate. Refrigerate 15 minutes, or until slightly thickened (consistency of unbeaten egg whites).

Mash raspberries with fork. Add to gelatin mixture along with whipped topping; stir with wire whisk until well blended. Cover.

Freeze 4 hours or until solid. Remove from freezer 15 minutes before serving. Let stand at room temperature to soften slightly. Scoop into cones. Return any remaining raspberry mixture to freezer.

Variation: Serve scooped into dessert dishes instead of waffle cones.

Berry Bliss Cake

Prep: 20 minutes

Total: 4 hours 20 minutes (including refrigeration time)

Makes 8 servings

- 3/4 cup cold milk
- 1 package (4-serving size) Jell-O Vanilla Flavor Instant Pudding & Pie Filling
- 1-1/2 cups thawed Cool Whip Whipped Topping, divided
- 1 10.75-ounce package frozen pound cake
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 2 cups mixed raspberries and sliced strawberries
- 1/4 cup blackberries

Add milk to dry pudding mix in medium bowl. Beat with wire whisk 2 minutes or until well blended. Stir in 1 cup whipped topping.

Cut cake horizontally into three layers; brush with juice. Place bottom layer on serving plate; top with 3/4 cup mixed berries, half of pudding mixture and middle cake layer. Repeat layers of mixed berries and pudding mixture; cover with top cake layer. Top with 1/2 cup whipped topping and remaining berries; cover loosely with foil.

Refrigerate at least 4 hours or overnight. Store any leftovers in refrigerator.

Very-Berry Dessert

Prep: 25 minutes

Total: 4 hours 55 minutes (including refrigeration time)

Makes 20 servings

- 1-1/2 cups Honey Maid Graham Cracker Crumbs
- 3/4 cup sugar, divided
- 6 tablespoons butter, melted
- 2 8-ounce packages Philadelphia Cream Cheese, softened
- 1/4 cup milk
- 2 cups thawed Cool Whip Whipped Topping, divided
- 2 cups boiling water
- 2 packages (4-serving size each) Jell-O Strawberry Flavor Gelatin
- 1-1/2 cups cold water
- 2-1/2 cups mixed berries (blueberries, raspberries and sliced strawberries), divided

Mix crumbs, 1/4 cup sugar and butter. Press onto bottom of 13- by 9-inch pan; set aside.

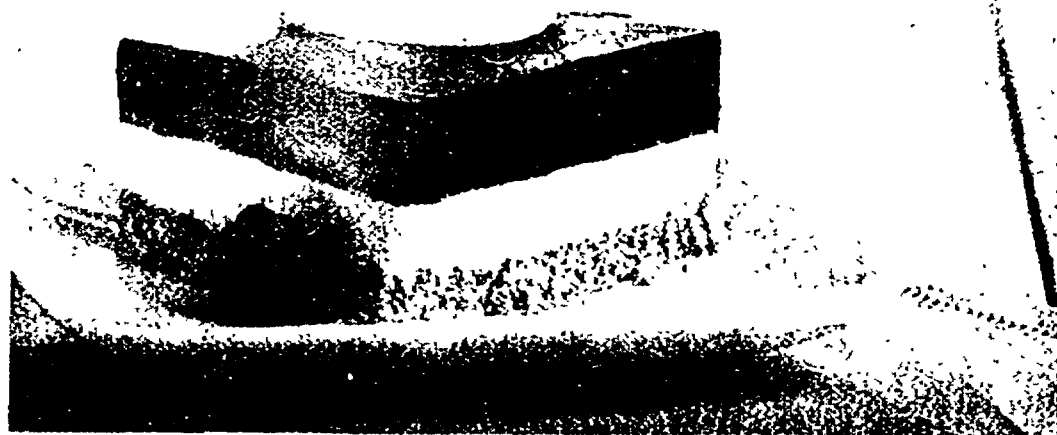
Beat cream cheese, remaining sugar and milk in medium bowl with electric mixer until well blended. Add 1 cup whipped topping; mix well. Carefully spread over crust. Refrigerate. Meanwhile, stir boiling water into dry gelatin mixes in large bowl at least 2 minutes until completely dissolved. Stir in cold water. Refrigerate 30 minutes or until slightly thickened (consistency of unbeaten egg whites). Stir in 1-1/2 cups of the berries. Pour over cream cheese layer; cover.

Refrigerate 3 hours or until firm. Top with remaining whipped topping and berries just before serving. Store any leftovers in refrigerator.

Size-Wise: Sweets can be part of a balanced diet, but remember to keep tabs on portions.

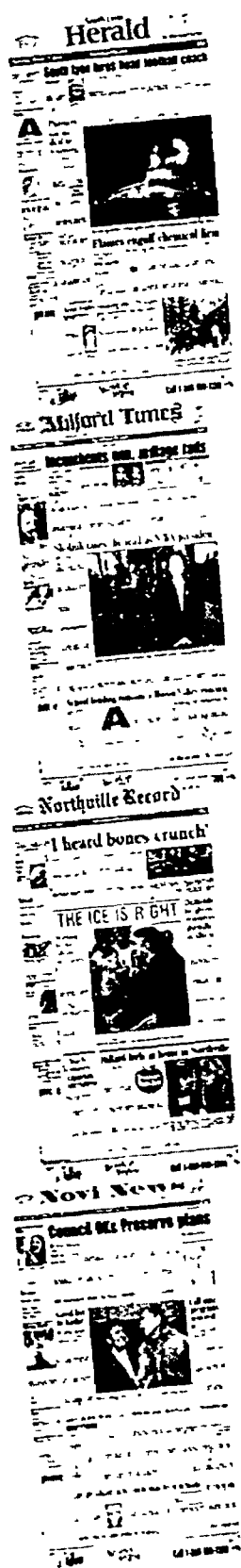
Substitute: Prepare as directed, using Jell-O Strawberry Flavor Sugar Free Low Calorie Gelatin.

Storage Know-How: Once thawed, store Cool Whip Whipped Topping in the refrigerator for up to 2 weeks or re-freeze for up to 3 months.



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Fun for all

The slick track go-kart track at Paradise Park provides many fun and competitive moments for individuals and partygoers.

Paradise Park offers fun competition for kids, adults

By John R. Hall
SPECIAL WRITER

When the big tent goes up at Paradise Park, it's a sure thing that another party is about to begin at the indoor/outdoor entertainment facility on Grand River Avenue in Novi.

The popular park features many indoor and outdoor venues, like high-tech laser tag, a magical black-light game room, miniature golf with waterfalls and rivers, Daytona style go-kart track, trampoline center, climbing walls, and soccer cages.

Beyond that, Paradise Park is also the host to many birthday parties, holiday parties, bar mitzvahs, graduation parties, and corporate team-building events.

"We have even hosted a wedding rehearsal," said co-owner Theresa Wainwright. "The wedding party had a ball!"

Theresa and her husband, co-owner Jeff Wainwright, knew they had a good thing when they were announced as the winner of the Novi News' "2007 People's Choice Award" for the Best Entertainment Facility.

They are now learning that the good feeling of Paradise Park visitors is spreading to the adult and corporate world, as well.

Oh yes, the entertainment is still very much oriented to kids. Take the Laser Tag with Santa event last year where kids had fun chasing the man in the red suit around the laser tag course, followed by a delicious continental breakfast for the hungry participants.

"That was the most fun that I can remember," said Theresa.

But now the older kids are getting in on the fun too, since fun has no age limit.

One company, Visteon, rented the outdoor go-kart track and rewarded its top salespeople with a chance to challenge

each other to fun, competitive races. The winners got bragging rights.

"These people take their go karting and laser tag very seriously," Theresa laughed.

She added that in most cases, Paradise Park takes care of all of the food service in-house, yet occasionally uses specialty caterers.

"We don't want to be associated with an outside vendor who does not meet our standards," she added.

Besides hosting parties under one of the big outdoor tents, groups can also book the indoor party rooms. There are three separate rooms. Room dividers can be removed to accommodate a variety of party sizes.

The café, (where mouth-watering, freshly baked food can be purchased) accommodates 100 people.

For those groups who want more time to spend honing their fun, Paradise Park also offers lock-in parties. Attendees are allowed to spend the night in the facility under locked-down conditions. They can enjoy unlimited time on selected venues and play all night. The party includes a midnight pizza party, a 3 a.m. dessert party and a sunrise continental breakfast.

"All invitees must sign an agreement that they will not leave the facility because once the doors are locked, there is no letting anyone back in," said Theresa.

Of course, it's unlikely that anyone would want to leave a place where they are having so much fun!

And speaking of fun, Paradise Park also offers the very popular party package called the Grand Paradise Package, which



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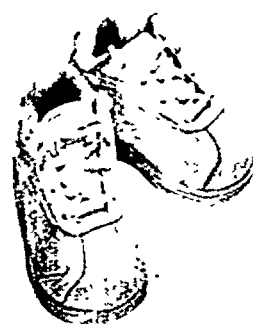
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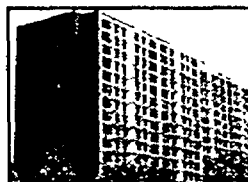
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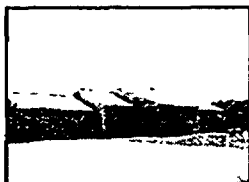

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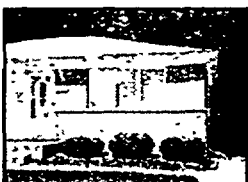
CUSTOM HOME ON
WOODED LOT Popular
Huron Hills sub boasting
custom features like circular
round top windows, 2 decks,
oversized garage, paver
walkways, Great Cape Cod
floor plan, 3 bd & 2.5 baths
\$309,900 (P-630HU)



FULLY FURNISHED CONDO
Perfect for rental or 1st time
buyer Very clean, 2 bd, 1
bath, op.n floor plan, large
Dining Area Deck off Living
Rm & Master, neutral decor t/
o, & all appl stay
\$100,000 (P-670PL)



HISTORIC COLONIAL
Fabulous home built for
Henry Ford's sister. Over
3000 sq ft, breathtaking
private yard, gorgeous
Kitchen, Great Room w/frpl &
cath ceiling, Master w/sitting
area, bath, & balcony
overlooking landscaped yard
\$579,900 (P-154RI)



SHARP & CLEAN CONDO
This 2 bd, 1 bath Ikea
decorated condo is ready for
you Remodeled Kitchen,
bath, newer windows, hwd
floors, nice backyard, newer
landscaping, full bsmt, &
appliances stay
\$69,900 (P-022ST)



QUALITY RANCH
Birmingham Farms sub in
Bloomfield Hills offers this
fabulous home featuring 3
bd, Family Room w/2-way
fireplace, 1st fl laundry, &
priced right!
\$350,000 (C-532TI)



MOTIVATED SELLER Lovely
3 bd home on beautifully
landscaped acreage
Updated C/A, h.w.h., roof,
Kitchen, baths, & windows
3.91 acres w/pole barn,
200X70 sand arena/rec area,
garden, berry bushes & more
\$300,000 (P-419WA)



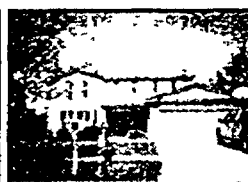
ELEGANT COUNTRY LIVING
Huron Twp 2 story, 3 bd, 2.5
bath home on a large lot
backing to woods. Upgraded
granite c-tops, solid six panel
doors exhibit the quality of
this home 3 car Garage w/
large driveway
\$269,000 (P-965FR)



BETTER THAN NEW! This
awesome 3 bd ranch home
offers an updated Kitchen,
updated baths, neutral decor,
updates galore, Woodhaven
Schools, & it's ready for you
to move in to!
\$119,900 (C-051ME)



MOVE-IN CONDITION
Decorated w/designer colors
t/o Hwg floors, attached
Garage, open area upstairs
could be library or study
Great Room wired for
surround sound & Patio area
planted w/beautiful
perennials
\$149,900 (C-110NE)



POPULAR MAYFAIR
VILLAGE Spacious colonial
w/over 2300 sq ft, 4 bd 2.5
baths, new lead glass entry
door, updated maple Kitchen
w/Corian, nook w/new
doorwall, updated powder
room formal dining Fam Rm
w/frpl & 1st fl laundry
\$254,900 (C-556OA)



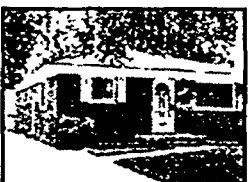
OUTSTANDING Beautiful
Plymouth home featuring 5
bd, 3 full & 2 half baths, 4 car
Garage, open floor plan,
cherry Kitchen w/granite, 1st
floor laundry, luxurious
Master w/bath, premium
walkout lot & great location
\$750,000 (P-571OL)



ALL SPORTS LAKE!
Gorgeous home on private
School Lake Offering 3 bd, 2
baths, island Kitchen w/
ceramic, Liv Rm w/cath
ceiling & doorwall to Deck w/
hot tub Prof landscaped,
oversized Garage, seawall
frept, dock, & Pontoon Boat
included!
\$364,900 (C-629PA)



SERENE SETTING Stunning
cape cod situated on 7+
acres in Salem Twp offering a
1st floor Master w/bath &
WIC, stunning Kitchen w/
butler's pantry, 72x62 Pole
Barn, 1st floor laundry,
walkout bsmt, & on a private
road
\$1,399,900 (C-610PR)



STOP LOOKING NOW!
Beautiful 3 bd, 2.5 bath brick
ranch featuring a finished
bsmt, spaious Kitchen,
updated tear off roof &
windows, privacy fenced rear
yard, 2.5 car garage, close to
parks & quick occupancy
\$145,000 (P-711RO)



LOOK NO MORE! Beautiful
updated colonial w/hwd
floors, updated granite
Kitchen, Fam Rm w/frpl,
formal Liv & Din Rms,
spacious Master w/WIC &
updated bath, finished bsmt,
beautiful yard w/Patio & pond
w/waterfall
\$248,900 (P-616WE)



HUGE YARD! Lovely
updated home on almost
acre of land backing to
woods Newer paint,
refinished hardwood floors,
vinyl windows with warranty,
& a 2 car garage
\$120,000 (C-721HA)



ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS
Fantastic 2 bd condo
featuring neutral decor, huge
Master w/WIC, open floor
plan, hwd in Kitchen, Dining
Room w/bay window, full
bsmt, & Patio
\$129,895 (C-599AR)



GORGEOUS RANCH
Beautiful Livonia ranch -
ready to move into! Open
spacious rooms, neutral
decor & carpet, oak cabinets,
newer roof, updated Kitchen,
Bath, awesome
neighborhood & more
\$214,900 (C-668BA)



THIS ONE IS SPECIAL! All
the updates in this stunning
home Cherry Kitchen, Pergo
flooring new roof, updated
baths, windows, plumb,
paint, windows prof finished
bsmt, oversized Garage, &
fenced yard
\$148,000 (C-435BR)



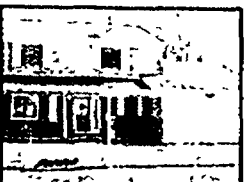
EXCEPTIONAL CAPE COD
Come see this great house
featuring a 2 story Great Room,
large Kitchen w/2 way frpl, 1st
floor Master, 3 bd & a Den on
bsmt, & more Great location
2nd floor, freshly painted, 3 car
Garage, Deck, paver Patio,
huge bsmt, & more
\$439,900 (C-311CH)



WALLED LAKE RANCH
Beautiful ranch condo offering
fresh paint, new carpet,
large Kitchen w/2 way frpl, 1st
attached Garage, private
Quality built, full basement,
view of park from the front &
privacy in the back.
\$119,999 (C-488DO)



UNBEATABLE LOCATION
You'll love how close this 2
bd, 2 story condo is to fine
shops, restaurants, & parks
Quality built, full basement,
view of park from the front &
privacy in the back.
\$149,900 (C-533ET)



BACKS TO TREES & PARKS
Immaculately maintained 4 bd,
2.5 bath Canton home Updates
include roof, windows, lighting,
Kitchen, whirlpool tub, fresh
paint, fresh landscaping, 1st
floor laundry, above ground
pool w/large Deck, & more
\$225,000 (C-607FA)



EXCELLENT
NEIGHBORHOOD Great home
surrounded by larger, higher
priced homes Crestwood
Kitchen, whirpool tub, fresh
o, too many nice updates to
list, fenced yard, & close to
everything
\$63,500 (C-418FE)

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WOW If you desire privacy & a beautiful yard, this is it! Huge mechanic's dream Garage, newer roof & windows, 3 bedrooms, oversized lot, & convenient location.
\$149,900 (C-453FL)



ROOM TO ROAM 4 bd bungalow w/2 full baths, full bsmt, 1330 sq ft, formal Din Rm, large Kitchen, 1st floor laundry, updated roof, furnace, C/A, windows, fenced yard w/2 sheds, & more.
\$106,900 (C-210HA)



CUTE RANCH 3 bd brick ranch on a pretty tree lined street. Freshly painted w/o, hwd, new furnace & C/A, part finished bsmt w/lav, & good location. Sellers are very motivated!
\$115,000 (C-944HE)



SPACIOUS HOME Ready for you to move in! Freshly painted, 4 bd, 2.5 baths, newer carpet & flooring, 1st fl laundry, Fam Rm w/crown molding & trpl, paver Patio, island Kitchen w/all appl, & side entry Garage.
\$309,000 (C-958HE)



CLEAN BRICK RANCH Nice home in great neighborhood featuring 3 bd, 2 baths, newer windows, furnace, C/A, hwh, updated Kitchen, LR w/trpl, formal Dining, part finished bsmt, large lot w/privacy fence, & Garage.
\$154,900 (P-330HE)



BETTER THAN NEW Before you spend \$1,000's more on new construction, come check out this upgraded cape cod! Tray ceilings, central vac, prof landscaping w/pavers, cherry Kitch, 1st fl Master, & great location w/wooded views.
\$260,000 (C-042HI)



WELCOME HOME Elegant home featuring a formal LR & DR, Family Room, Home Theater area, 4 bd, 3 full & 3 half baths, extensive landscaping, 3 car Garage & much more.
\$446,900 (C-874LI)



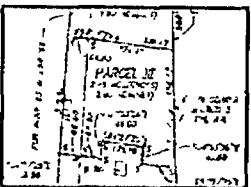
UPDATED CANTON COLONIAL Beautifully updated 3 bd, 1.5 bath Canton home. Bright open floor plan, formal Liv Rm, maple Kitchen w/gran tv, prof finished bsmt w/egress window, new furnace, C/A, & hwh, updated siding & windows.
\$225,000 (P-824MA)



UPDATED HOME Cute 3 bd home featuring updated windows, updated roof, 2 tiered elevated Deck, hwd floors, coved ceilings, extra deep 1.5 car Garage & a home warranty.
\$74,900 (C-435MO)



CANTON COLONIAL Spacious 4 bd home on a court! 1st floor Den, huge Sunroom w/6 person hotub, updated roof & furnace, 18 x 14 elevated Deck, oversized lot, & home warranty included.
\$209,000 (C-225PE)



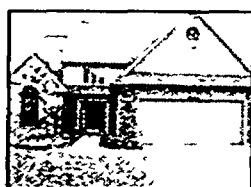
BUILDABLE LOTS 2 lots still available in Superior Twp w/ Plymouth mailing address. Both lots nestled among mature trees & set off a private rd. Plenty of options. Lot sizes are 2.25 acres & 2.49 acres. Call for details.
\$175,000 & up (C-847AN)



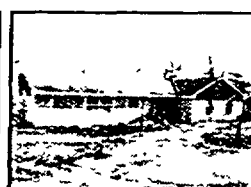
BEAUTIFUL BRICK BUNGALOW When only the best will do! Spacious floor plan offers 3 bd, Master w/1/2 bath, hwd floors, coved ceilings, Liv Rm w/trpl, updated bath, new windows & carpet, freshly painted & too much more to list.
\$109,900 (C-421PI)



TREE LINED STREET Popular Plymouth location, 2 story colonial w/large Kitchen, Family Room w/trpl, full bsmt, attached Garage, & fenced yard. Close to downtown shopping & events.
\$179,900 (C-533PO)



CAPE COD CONDO Enjoy the comforts of a free standing home w/the convenience of a condo. Many upgrades t/o including granite, Jenn-Air stove top, gas frpl in large Great Rm, 1st fl Master w/WIC & bath, 2 car Garage & more.
\$358,000 (C-021SA)



BEAUTIFUL LAKE VIEWS Access to all sports Tioga Lake. 2500 sq ft, 4 bd, 2.5 bath ranch w/wide open floor plan, huge rooms, large Kitchen, Master w/bath & doorwail to Deck spanning the rear of the home. A must see!
\$210,000 (C-600UN)



COUNTRY LOT IN THE CITY Wide buildable lot in an area of newer 1400-1700 sq ft homes. Treed rear & western boundary, great location just a few steps away from Lawson Field & playground.
\$29,900 (C-574VA)



STOP RENTING NOW! You could own this clean Westland condo in a quiet location. New carpet, appliances, stay, gas fireplace, Patio, & move in ready.
\$74,999 (C-380WO)



PARK LIKE SETTING Updated 3 bd all brick ranch w/bsmt, 2.5 car Garage, white Kitchen, peaceful yard w/Deck, Patio, & mature trees.
\$169,900 (C-888HE)



CLASSIC RANCH HOME Gorgeous ranch situated on 1 acre featuring a beautiful Master Suite w/Jacuzzi tub & custom shower, hwd floors, skylights. Living Rm w/trpl, 2 car Garage & prof landscaped.
\$249,900 (C-711ME)



NEAT & CLEAN Big updates in this 3 bd Redford home. New furnace & C/A in '06, updated roof & windows, new garage in '04, neutral decor, spacious Master, neutral decor, Liv Rm w/new Carpet, & good location.
\$114,900 (P-956AR)



CANTON COUNTRY RANCH Beautifully updated home tucked away yet close to freeways & shopping. No expense spared! Spacious floor plan, cherry Kitchen w/granite & stain still apps, 1st fl laun, finished bsmt & so much more.
\$365,000 (P-757BE)



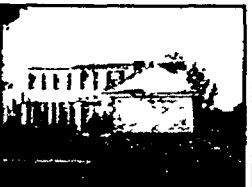
FORD LAKEFRONT Living Cliffs Landing end unit ranch condo offers 3 bd great lake views, huge Master, spacious Liv Rm w/trpl, updated windows, balcony, fresh paint, new carpet & neighborhood pool.
\$144,900 (P-655CL)



BRAND NEW CONSTRUCTION Great new construction condo featuring a Great Room w/soaring ceiling 2.5 baths, Master w/sitting area, gorgeous Kitchen, private basement & great location. More units avail call for details.
\$229,900 (P-756CO)



PRIDE SHINES THROUGH Freshly painted Canton colonial offers a traditional floor plan w/formal Liv & Din Rms, Fam Rm w/trpl, updated Kitchen w/granite ceramic & all appliances. Master w/volume ceiling & WIC.
\$359,900 (P-573CR)



MOVE RIGHT IN! Well maintained 4 bd, 2.5 bath colonial featuring a 2 car Garage, nice landscaped yard w/shed, close to schools & shopping, good floor plan, & a privacy fence.
\$210,000 (P-815DO)



UPDATED RANCH Brick ranch w/updated windows, roof, furnace, & C/A. Large eat-in Kitchen w/light wood cabinets, Liv Rm & Bedrooms w/hwd floors, partially finished bsmt, 2 car det Garage, & fenced yard.
\$124,000 (P-101HA)



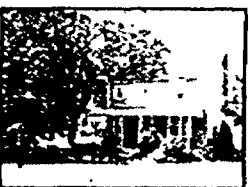
PRIVATE RANCH CONDO Maintenance free end unit condo. Assoc fees include taxes, gas, water, & maintenance. Clubhouse w/heated pool, & great Northville location.
\$80,000 (P-281JA)



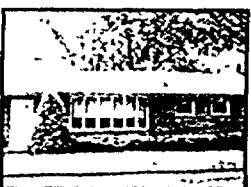
UNBELIEVABLE LOW PRICE Great Westland condo w/ Livonia Schools. Open floor plan, Liv Rm w/patio door to balcony, new water heater, in-unit laundry, assoc dues includes water, area pool, & good location.
\$74,900 (P-590MA)



CURB APPEAL You'll love this 3 bd home w/fresh paint, newer flooring, vinyl windows, C/A, partially finished bsmt, appliances included, & large fenced yard lot w/newer Patio & shed. Don't wait on this one!
\$134,500 (P-396NE)



FANTASTIC PRICE 3 bd farmhouse w/updated windows, doors, hwh, coved ceilings, hwd floors. Pottery Barn colors, large fenced yard, & close to parks & library.
\$138,900 (P-824PA)



GREAT OPPORTUNITY Priced to sell & ready for new owners! Beautiful brick ranch w/remod Kitch 3 season room, newer windows 2 car Garage, finished bsmt, sprinklers, & close to everything.
\$154,900 (P-812PI)



GREAT FIND Check out this 3 bd bungalow on an acre in convenient Superior Twp location. Beautiful country setting. Enclosed front porch, hwd floors full walkout bsmt, 2 car Garage, HUGE Master, & Ann Arbor Schools.
\$199,900 (P-445PL)



ELEGANT & AFFORDABLE 2803 sq ft colonial offers 4 bd, 2.5 baths, excellent curb appeal, located deep in sub, luxury Master w/bath & WIC, big Kitchen, extra deep walkout bsmt, & appliances stay.
\$419,900 (P-900RE)



GREAT PLACE TO CALL HOME Barely lived in Elsworth features 2 story Foyer, formal Liv & Din Rms, Fam Rm w/trpl & bridge overlook, dream Kitchen w/cherry, stunning Master w/spa bath & 2 WIC's.
\$499,900 (P-379RO)



ONCE IN A LIFETIME FIND! Better than your dream home! Chef's dream Kitchen w/custom cabinets, formal Dining, Den, 2 story Great Rm, Master w/spa bath & WIC's, finished lower level w/2nd Kitch & Rec Room.
\$459,900 (P-591TE)



10+ ACRES Ready to build! Motivated seller offers this beautiful 10+ acre parcel in Northfield Twp w/utilities & engineered field. Can split into 2 - 5 acre parcels. Call for further details.
\$249,900 (P-003WI)

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Century 21 Today has career seminars Tuesday or Saturday noon to 1 p.m. through August at 28544 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Steve Leibhan, (248) 855-2000, Ext. 238.

Real Estate Prelicense Classes

A Real Estate Prelicense Class will be held five Saturdays, Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25, and Sept. 8. Time is 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Real Estate One Novi office, 43155 Main St., Suite 2300, Novi. For information, call Kathy Solan at (248) 348-6430 or Mary Nicole at (248) 437-3800.

Career information

For anyone interested in developing a career in real estate, Keller Williams Realty will be hosting a Career Seminar at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 9, and again on Tuesday, Aug. 28, also at 6:30 p.m.

Both seminars will take place at the Plymouth Market Place, located at 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, a half block west of I-275 adjacent to Bally's Fitness Center. Please call in advance to reserve a seat: (734) 459-4700.

Bankruptcy

Attorney David Tarr will share with investors his knowledge of bankruptcy procedure and the secrets of buying properties when the time is ripe — during the bankruptcy of debtors. Sponsored by Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland 5:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, at MSU Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. Seminar free to members, \$20 nonmembers. Call (800) 747-6742.

Golf outing

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will host its 2007 golf outing, "North Oakland County Golf Classic" 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23, at Beacon Hills Golf Course, 601 Majestic Oaks Drive in Commerce Township.

The event will begin with registration and continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. followed by a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. and a steak dinner at 4 p.m. Door prizes will be offered, as well as a 50/50 raffle.

Registration fees, including 18 holes of golf cart, lunch, dinner, four drink tickets and golf competitions are \$130 for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, guests and nonmembers; \$60 for dinner only, \$200 for a hole sponsorship and \$250 for a hole sponsorship with dinner. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

BIA 'Best shot'

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan's (BIA) Remodelers Council will hold "Give It Your Best Shot," its 12th Annual Shoot

Please see BRIEFS, 6

Court says tenant had to reimburse for fire

Q. I understand there is a recent Court of Appeals decision imposing additional liability on tenants and co-signers on a lease for fire damages to an apartment caused while the tenant was occupying the unit and may have been negligent. Do you have any information?

A. Yes. Because the lease agreement executed between the tenant, co-signer and the landlord contained a clause imposing liability on the tenant for any damage to the premises or the landlord's other property caused by the acts or omissions of tenant or tenant's guests, the court held that the tenant must reimburse the landlord for all damages caused by, in that case, a kitchen fire. Moreover, the court held that because the lease agreement imposed joint and several liability upon the co-signer for any breach of contract caused by the tenant, the co-signer was deemed liable for all related fire damages. The impact of the case is simply that a tenant who causes fire damage to a unit in an apartment building may be held liable for all damages, including structural repairs, under a breach of contract theory.

Q. I have heard about the use of a mixed use condominium project. Do you have any information about that?

A. Mixed use condominium projects feature a combination of retail establishments, offices, or other commercial uses, along with the traditional elements of a residential

condominium development. A number of factors are responsible for the surge in popularity, as well as the complexity of these projects. These factors increase the popularity of residential condominium homes in general. Additionally, many residential condominium purchasers are seeking not only the carefree lifestyle afforded by condominium ownership in some instances, but also the conveniences often available in urban mixed use projects, such as accessibility to mass transit and adjacent retail establishments.



Robert Meisner

Increasing scarcity of land, urban revitalization, and the increased focus on smart growth also make the combination of higher density residential condominiums and integrated retail and commercial uses a very efficient solution for an enlightened developer.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.



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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 2-6, 2007, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, plus some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

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| Canton | |
| 613 Aylesbury Ct | \$150,000 |
| 4048 Brookstone Dr | \$58,000 |
| 4066 Brookstone Dr | \$58,000 |
| 4084 Brookstone Dr | \$58,000 |
| 238 Coronation Ct | \$170,000 |
| 4296 Forest Bridge Dr | \$58,000 |
| 6922 Foxthorn Dr | \$107,000 |
| 6936 Foxthorn Dr | \$104,000 |
| 7000 Foxthorn Dr | \$98,000 |
| 45848 Gainsborough Dr | \$225,000 |
| 4167 Hunters Cir W | \$132,000 |
| 1836 Maple Park Dr E | \$78,000 |
| 41101 N Maplewood Dr | \$203,000 |
| 6680 Weatherfield Way | \$268,000 |
| 48779 Westbridge Dr | \$58,000 |
| 48835 Westbridge Dr | \$58,000 |
| 2044 Woodbine Dr | \$315,000 |
| Farmington | |
| 34036 Glenview Dr | \$146,000 |
| 31635 Marblehead St | \$190,000 |
| 33309 Tall Oaks St | \$162,000 |
| Farmington Hills | |
| 20966 Deerfield | \$200,000 |
| 29775 Farmington Rd | \$82,000 |
| 28211 Green Castle Rd | \$327,000 |
| 29555 Mullane Dr | \$235,000 |
| 30468 Turtle Crk | \$380,000 |
| 28418 W Eight Mile Rd | \$54,000 |
| 30300 Windbrook Ln | \$289,000 |
| Livonia | |
| 33875 Eight Mile Rd | \$133,000 |
| 11101 Brookfield St | \$170,000 |
| 19370 Fairlane Ct | \$360,000 |
| 28706 Grandon St | \$174,000 |
| 33350 Haldane Ave | \$235,000 |
| 9911 Hubbard St | \$180,000 |
| 31815 W Chicago St | \$166,000 |
| 41373 Leidel Ct | \$115,000 |
| 16156 Pine Valley Dr | \$685,000 |
| 16650 Sherwood Ln | \$479,000 |
| Milford | |
| 211 Ravenside Dr | \$475,000 |
| Northville | |
| 22451 Cyprus Dr | \$616,000 |
| 22564 St James Dr | \$145,000 |
| Novi | |
| 43074 Ashbury Dr | \$445,000 |
| 45211 Bartlett Dr | \$139,000 |
| 27586 Cromwell Rd | \$366,000 |
| 27615 Harrington Way | \$291,000 |
| 22479 Haverdale St | \$380,000 |
| 26060 Lannys Rd | \$157,000 |

HOMES SOLD

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| 25957 Petros Blvd | \$215,000 |
| 27404 Sloan St | \$286,000 |
| 30942 Tangewood Dr | \$210,000 |
| 44650 W 11 Mile Rd | \$240,000 |
| 43630 Wendigo Ct | \$295,000 |
| 24157 Westmont Ct | \$461,000 |
| 29317 Whistler Dr | \$334,000 |
| Plymouth | |
| 576 Ann St | \$197,000 |
| 11861 Bultnut Ave | \$151,000 |
| 11272 Fellows Creek Dr | \$595,000 |
| 12338 Wendover Dr | \$100,000 |
| Redford | |
| 12872 Arnold | \$137,000 |
| 13100 Hemingway | \$125,000 |
| 20174 Kinloch | \$93,000 |
| 15829 Lenore | \$125,000 |
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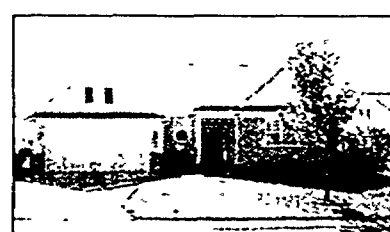
FARMINGTON HILLS \$825,000
Cape Cod w/huge backyard! 6 bd, 4 full/2 half baths! 2 story GR, marble foyer, 1/2 bath, 1st floor master, kitchen w/granite counters, finished w/o w/FR w/FP, bath & bar
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NOVI \$549,000
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NORTHVILLE \$524,900
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CANTON \$470,000
Custom built 3 BR, 3.1 BA detached condo w/ pro-finished basement, has granite U/o, gourmet kitchen, lux master, private deck. Secluded location. Nothing compares!
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PLYMOUTH \$400,000
4 bedroom Cape Cod w/1st floor master on nearly 1 acre lot deep w/in sub. Lux master suite, 3 Car Side entrance garage, large deck, 2 way FP between GR & hearth room off kit.
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Updated kitchen w/conan counters, remodeled master bath & main bath, newer roof & furnace, C/A, New Trex Deck, newer carpet, finished W/o, hardwood in Gr & Kt, Fr w/wet Bar.
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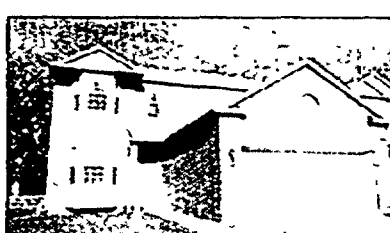
CANTON \$285,900
Cherry Hill Village! 3 BR, 2.1 BA. Open gourmet kitchen w/maple cabinets & hardwood floors. GR w/gas FP. Formal DR. 3 car attached garage. Full basement. Paver patio/walkway.
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CANTON \$271,639
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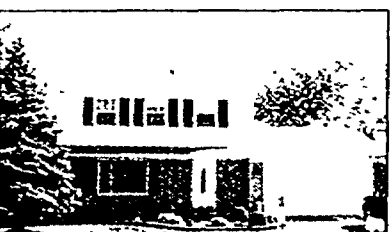
OCEOLA \$220,000
Better than NEW 4 bdrm, hardwood floors in kitchen, foyer & half bath. Bay window in dining area, maple cabinets U/o, gas fp, taller basement ceiling, common area.
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PLYMOUTH \$214,900
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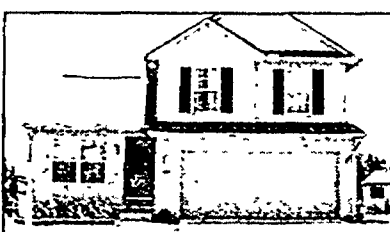
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CANTON \$198,000
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WESTLAND \$189,900
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SUPERIOR \$180,000
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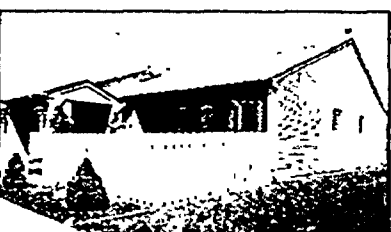
PLYMOUTH \$159,000
A STUNNER! Private lot in park-like sub! Marble floors, gorgeous new Euro-Kitchen, cathedral ceilings, 2 fireplaces, lush landscape - come, see & compare!
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CANTON \$109,900
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GARDEN CITY \$109,900
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SOUTH LYON \$109,900
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Out on Tuesday, Sept. 11, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Detroit Gun Club, 2775 Oakley Park Road, in Walled Lake. The program begins with registration followed by a safety presentation, then lunch and team shooting. Awards and door prizes will follow. Registration fees are \$118 per person which includes two rounds of shooting skeet or trap targets, 100 rounds of sporting clays, six boxes of shells, hot buffet lunch, and refreshments/snacks. Sponsorships are available. For registration information, call (248) 862-1008.

More BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan's (BIA) Sales and Marketing Council (SMC) presents Real Estate Continuing Education course on Monday, Sept. 17, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at BIA Offices, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. Lori Chmura of Middleton Training will present the course that meets the state-mandated requirement for six hours of Real Estate Continuing Education. Registration fees are \$60 for SMC members, \$80 for BIA members and \$100 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

charge for MCAR Realtor members to attend. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) Women's Council presents "Model Home Performance" on Thursday, Sept. 20, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Katana Japanese Steakhouse, 111 S. Main, Royal Oak. Susan Halfleigh of Environments & Energy Inc. will discuss using Feng Shui and design to attract your perfect client, creating positive flow and balance of energetic space, impact of vertical and horizon-

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■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present another in its series of Certified Graduate Remodelor (CGR) courses — "Profitable Business Through Quality Practices" — on Tuesday, Sept. 25, from

Chuck Breidenstein of Builders Professional Services Group, Inc. will instruct attendees on how to meet the quality challenge with customers, with competitors, and within their companies. The course will count towards Certified Graduate Associate (CGA), Certified Graduate Remodelor (CGR) and Graduate Master Builder (GMB) designations. Registration fees are \$155 for Remodelors Council members, \$175 for BIA members and \$200 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will

sponsor a builder's license preparation course on Friday, Sept. 28, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. Presented by NCI Associates, the course is designed to prepare students for the Michigan Residential Builder's License Examination. Material covered will include topics on the exam, laws and rules, building practices and procedures, sample test questions and test-taking strategies. Registration fees are \$200 per person. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

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Creating an Affordable Housing Trust Fund is an essential component of a housing policy designed to meet the needs of American families seeking to buy or rent a home. Legislation introduced recently on Capitol Hill will help address the growing crisis in housing affordability by providing additional resources for the building, rehabilitation and preservation of affordable homes and rental units, according to the National Association of Realtors.

NAR, in a letter to Congressman Barney Frank, (D-Mass., chairman of the House Financial Services Committee, maintained that "homeownership serves as a cornerstone of our democratic system of government and continues to be a strong personal and social priority for most Americans," said Pat V. Combs, NAR president. Realtors® recognize that accessibility to safe, decent and affordable housing at all levels - rental or ownership - must be one of our nation's highest priorities.

"NAR strongly supports the goal of the National Housing Trust Fund and we thank Chairman Frank for his unyielding commitment and for introducing legislation to create an affordable housing fund," Combs said.

The bill would make funds available for rental housing and down payment and closing cost assistance for first-time homebuyers. "Sadly, the stock of affordable rental units is rapidly declining and the difficulty of finding affordable homes to buy is increasing. This fund can have an immediate impact for many families," Combs said.

NAR pledged its support and desire to work closely with Frank and the Committee on this important national issue.

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■ Apartment Association of Michigan (AAM) will sponsor "The Facts on Fair Housing" seminar on Friday, Sept. 21, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at The Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road in Troy. Kathleen Mabie of Success on Site will facilitate the panelists, instructing attendees on the latest in Fair Housing Law.

The program will give owners, managers and leasing personnel practical, hands-on information regarding specific situations and issues. Registration fees are \$40 for Property Management Council members, AAM and Building Industry Association members and \$50 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

New partner

Bartley Patterson was announced as a new partner in ownership of RE/MAX Classic's Canton location. The

announcement was made at the second quarterly company meeting held in June.

"It is with great pleasure and anticipation that I announce Bart's shared ownership in our RE/MAX Classic Canton Office," said Carlina Boji, broker/owner, RE/MAX Classic. "Bart has been very involved in the success of the company and we are excited about his ownership position."

Patterson has been a Realtor for 11 years and started with RE/MAX Classic specializing as a buyer's agent. He is currently the vice president and general manager of RE/MAX Classic and will continue in that capacity. Patterson has also served his community as chairman of the board for the Canton Chamber of Commerce, chair of the Technology Committee and is a member of the Marketing Partnership with Canton Township, the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Downtown Development Authority.



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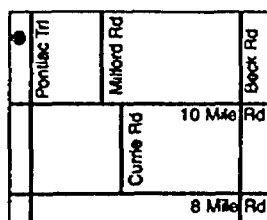
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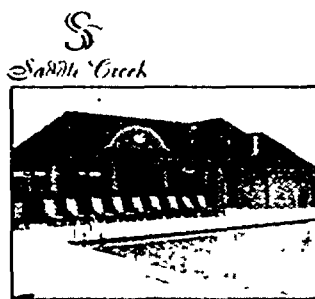
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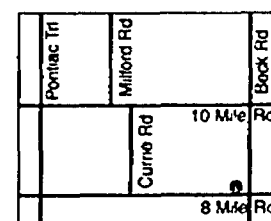
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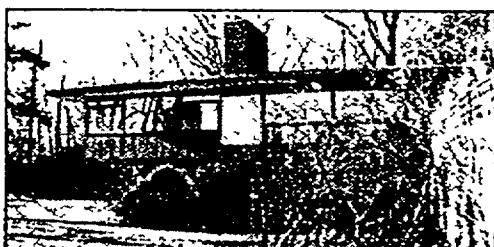
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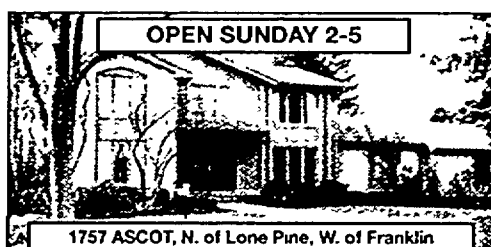
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WALNUT LAKE CONTEMPORARY Don Paul Young design w/ 3+ acres & 254 ft of Walnut Lake frontage. Home features a media/ billiards room add'n in '96, indoor pool w/ steam shower & 1/2 bath; exquisite private wooded lot. Fin. walk-out LL w/ kitchen 1.5 bath & bdrm. Living rm w/ cypress paneling. \$2,750,000. COV475



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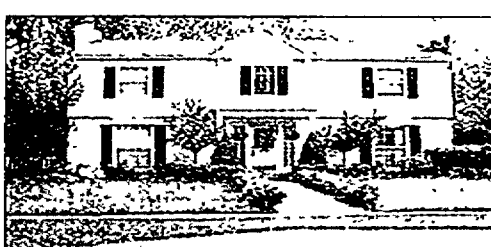
CHARMING BIRMINGHAM HOME Enter through your private court yard to find a bright & open lr. rm. w/ wet bar, marble fpl. & doorwall to sun porch. This 3 bdrm., 2.5 bath home also offers a fin. LL w/ cedar closet. \$799,900. WAL564



TERRIFIC BLOOMFIELD HILLS CONDO 1st flr. Mstr condo w/ 2 sty cathedral & tray ceilings, 2 sty marble foyer w/ winding staircase, marble surround tppls in both the lr & paneled lb w/ french drs., hwd flrs. 2 sty wndrs on both sides of fpl in LR. Custom plantation shutters & crown moldings thru-out. Dr has charming bay window finished 44x25 LL, mstr bath w/ whirlpool tub & shower. \$645,000. JOR160



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WONDERFUL HOME IN QUANTON LAKE ESTATES Beautifully decorated 4 bedroom brick colonial in quanton lake estates. This home features updated kitchen w/ large eating space, granite butlers pantry, hardwood floors, crown moldings, fresh paint, two fireplaces, french doors leading to a ate patio, nicely landscaped yard over two hundred feet deep. One block from award winning Quanton schools. \$624,900. FA2899



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WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COLONIAL Well maintained, newer Colonial w/ good location & privacy on nearly 3/4 of an acre wooded setting. Great fir plan; cathedral ceiling & skylight in kitchen w/ cherry cabs & prem appls has access to screened porch for seasonal living. Fam rm w/ handsome fieldstone fireplace. \$529,900. PEN606



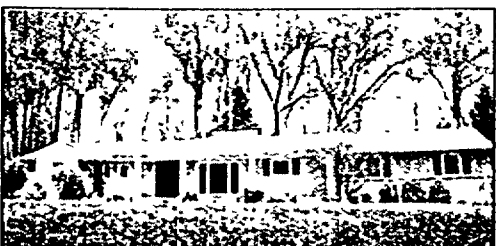
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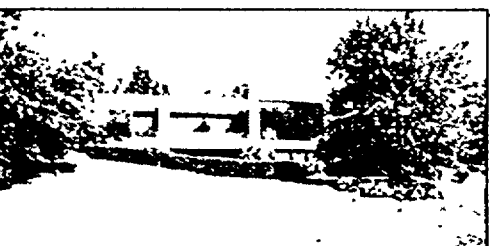
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CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION Updated brick ranch on private cul-de sac. New kit w/ maple cabs, SS appts, new counters, fpl in large b'fast room. Spacious Liv Rm w/ sandstone fpl, rec d lighting, designer colors. Finished LL w/ fireplace. Recent updates incl roof, windows, furnace, H2O heater, lighting, 3 fireplaces. Tree deck and private landscaped yard. State foyer. Move-in Condition. \$325,000. VAL318



PEMBROKE PARK BUNGALOW This 1500 sq. ft. Bungalow has many great features & updates. A great eat in kitchen flows into an open family rm w/ tall ceilings. Fin LL w/ full bath, Rec room, office w/ closet, lg storage rm & new ceiling panels. Freshly painted thru-out, new carpet in mbr, large deck. \$299,000. BUC253



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WEST BLOOMFIELD RANCH Great open floor plan! This 3br2 full & 2 half bath brick ranch offers a newer roof, furnace, sump pump, windows and siding. Home has a large Master Suite & many hardwood floors. Large family room w/ fireplace opens to yard & deck. \$225,000. AYV623



BEAUTIFULLY RENOVATED HOME Great Birmingham location, gorgeous kitchen w/ cherry cabinetry, granite counters, SS appliances & recessed lighting; beautiful hardwood floors throughout. Nicely landscaped fenced yard with perennials and a 1.5 car garage. New Walkside windows & Beedry system. \$199,900. LIN127



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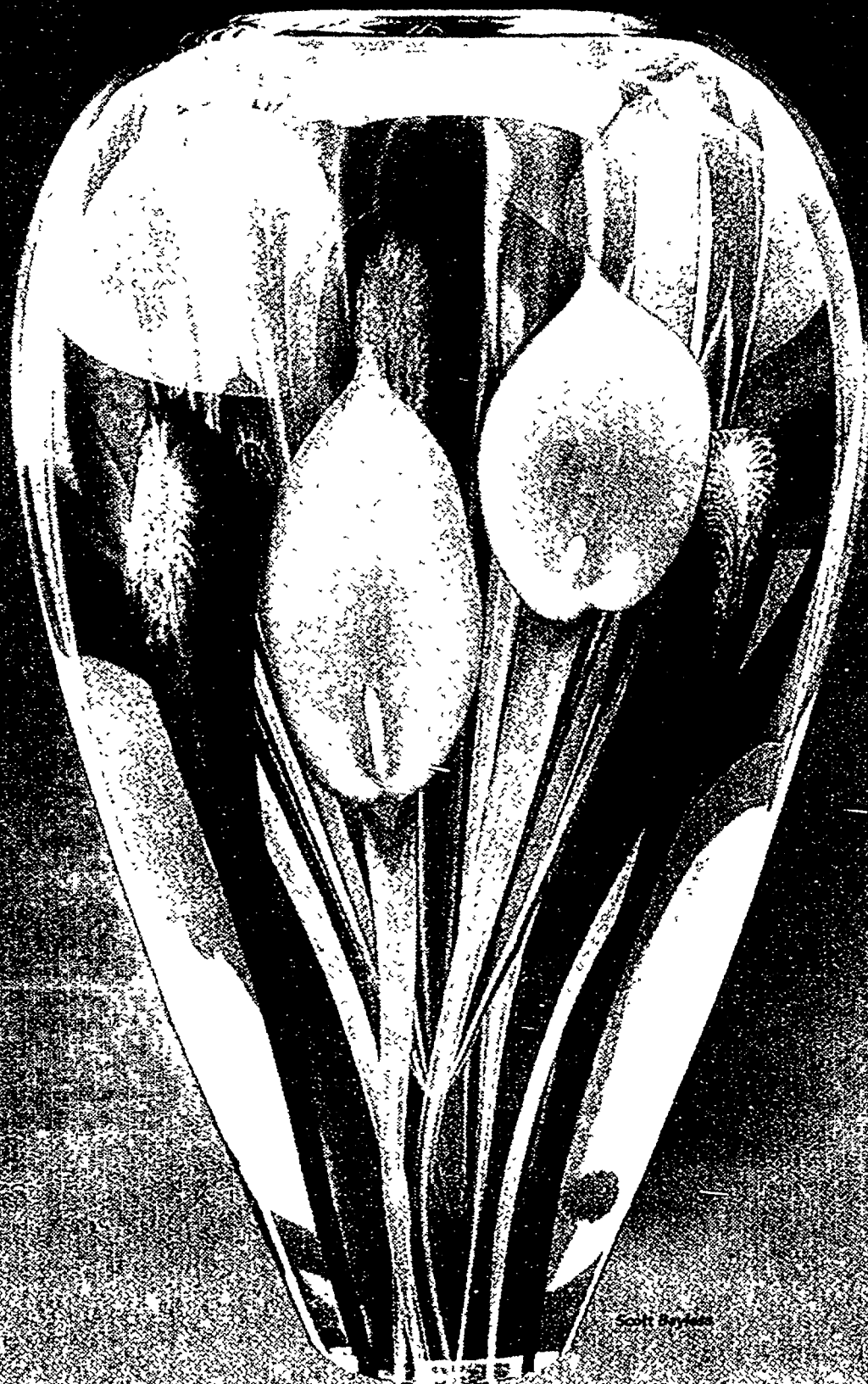
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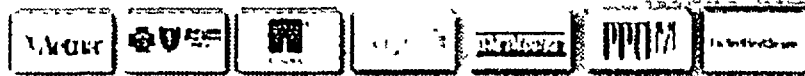
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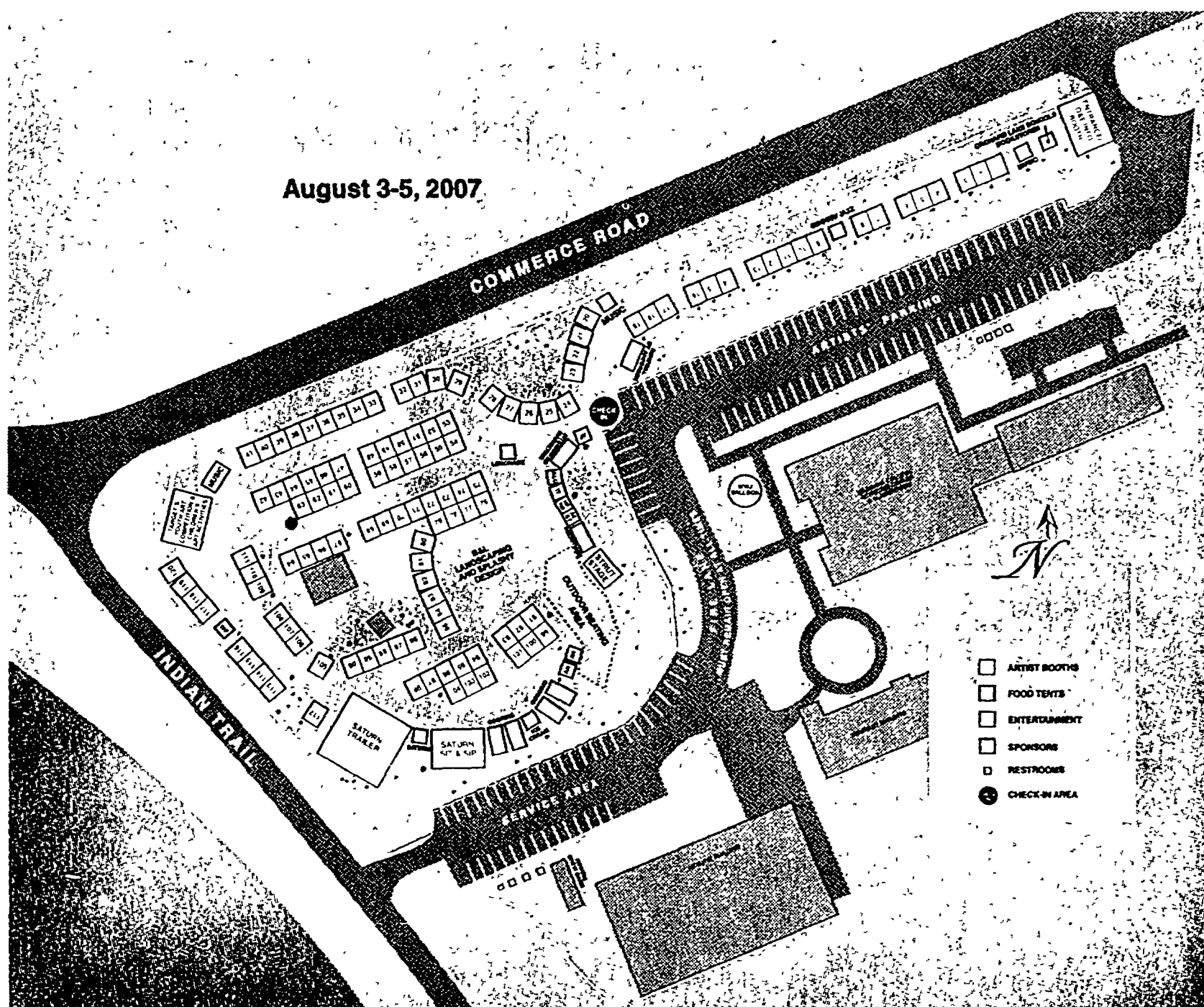
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| Joseph M. Aldini | 111..... | Photography |
| Edward Avila..... | 18 & 19 | Painting |
| David & Roberta Baird..... | 87..... | Jewelry |
| Michael Barnes..... | 13..... | Clay |
| Martin Borja..... | 109..... | Sculpture |
| Joseph Bower..... | 31..... | Clay |
| Brian Brook..... | 37..... | Sculpture |
| David Bryce | 70..... | Sculpture |
| Alexander Buchan..... | 51 & 52 | Demo/Sculpture |
| Ed Camargo..... | 79..... | Other |
| Rick Canham | 27 & 28 | Photography |
| John Coburn..... | 60..... | Clay |
| Bradley Cross | 30..... | Metal |
| Berry Davis & Collette Fortin | 76..... | Glass |
| Neptune Hot Glass | | |
| Barbra & Richard Devine..... | 101..... | Jewelry |
| Mike Dolkowski | 110..... | Painting |
| Brian Driscoll | 115..... | Wood |
| Laura Evangelista | 1..... | Clay |
| Michael Feldman | 95..... | Jewelry |
| Karen Fenwick..... | 58..... | Other |
| Kathy Fields Crossways LLC | 38..... | Jewelry |
| Leon Fontier..... | 85..... | Metal |
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| Lisa Grix | 56..... | Multi-Media |
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| Kelvin Henderson..... | 10 & 11 | Demo/Painting |
| Gail Hiller..... | 89..... | Clay |
| Edward Holland | 116..... | Photography |
| Thomas Hubbell..... | 67..... | Clay |
| Rebecca Hungerford | 3..... | Metal |
| Annie Ignagni..... | 55..... | Painting |
| Kathy Johnson..... | 62..... | Jewelry |
| Stacy & Keith Kinney..... | 7 & 8 | Wood |
| Cindy Kittle & Juan Velez | 84..... | Jewelry |
| James Klinger..... | 48..... | Clay |
| Antoni Kozlowski..... | 47..... | Jewelry |
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| Cynthia LaMaide..... | 97..... | Fiber |
| Barbara Lash | 78..... | Multi Media |
| Kathleen Le Sueur | 107..... | Clay |
| Rita Leeds & Dawn Reeves | 9..... | Fiber |
| Wendy Lewis & Pete Brodick..... | 33..... | Metal |
| Keith (Guo Ji) Liang | 4..... | Photography |
| & Sunny Liang | | |
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| Tommy Michael | 113..... | Painting |
| C. J. Michaels | 32..... | Painting |
| Robert Morris..... | 36..... | Photography |
| Amanda L. Murphy..... | 46..... | Photography |
| Stephen Rich Nelson..... | 2..... | Glass |
| Anne Norlin..... | 64..... | Photography |
| Steve & Raenette Palmer | 106..... | Glass & Multi-media |
| Arleen & Michael Parker | 17..... | Jewelry |
| Rafael Perales..... | 80 & 81 | Metal/Sculpture |
| Great Lakes Metal Works | | |
| Richard Peterman | 45..... | Sculpture |
| Mark Peyton | 22..... | Multi Media |
| Reza Pishgahi..... | 6..... | Sculpture |
| Tracy Reid..... | 96..... | Painting |
| James Gary Richmond..... | 14..... | Photography |
| Todd Richter | 90..... | Metal |
| Shekina Rudoy..... | 26..... | Fiber |
| Richard Ruehle | 29..... | Wood |
| Joe & Jennifer Rutherford | 53..... | Multi Media |
| Ruth Rycroft..... | 39..... | Clay |
| Michele Sapp..... | 100..... | Fiber |
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| David Scherer | 120..... | Multi Media |
| Karen Elise Sepanski | 59..... | Glass |
| Paula & Charlie Shoulders..... | 40 & 41 | Demo/Glass |
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| Liz Tekus | 16..... | Fiber |
| Jack Thompson | 23..... | Painting |
| Buchi Upjohn Aghaji..... | 99..... | Painting |
| Walter Voorheis..... | 20..... | Metal |
| Gary Weiermiller | 57..... | Wood |
| Angela Welti..... | 119..... | Jewelry |
| Carolyn & Leonard Wilson | 63..... | Glass |
| Raelinda Woad..... | 108..... | Jewelry |
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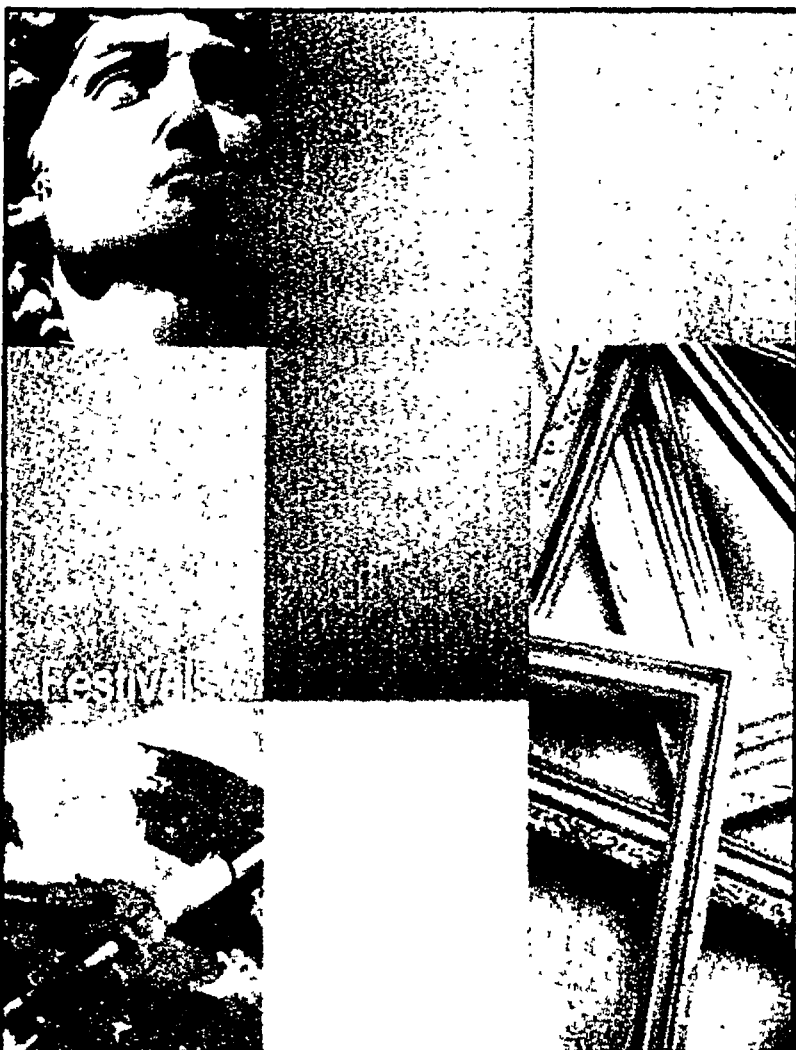
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WEEKEND SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Friday - August 10

9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.: Free shuttle bus service
 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Civil War encampment
 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.: Art in the Village
 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Kids activities
 10:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.: Musical entertainment
 Noon - 5 p.m.: Beer tent open
 6 p.m. - midnight: Central Park beer tent (21 and older only)
 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.: Film fest at Opera House

Saturday - August 11

7:30 - 11 a.m.: Pancake breakfast, Liberty St.
 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.: Civil War encampment
 9:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.: Free shuttle bus service
 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.: Art in the Village
 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.: Musical entertainment
 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Kids activities
 Noon - 5 p.m.: Beer tent open and live music
 12:30 p.m.: Cold Butt Euchre
 3 p.m.: Hot pepper eating contest
 3 p.m., 7 p.m., 9 p.m.: Film fest, Opera House
 6 p.m. - midnight: Central Park beer tent (21 and older only)

Sunday August 12

7:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.: Pancake breakfast, Liberty
 8 a.m.: Milford Memories 5K and One Mile Fun Run/Walk
 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.: Civil War encampment
 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.: Free shuttle bus service
 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Art in the Village
 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Kids activities
 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.: Musical entertainment
 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.: U.S. Service Personnel Memorial Service
 Noon - 4 p.m.: Beer tent open and live music
 12:30 p.m.: Blind Canoe Race

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Milford Memories beckons visitors from near and far each year, drawing in more than 150,000 people of all ages who come to enjoy the variety of special events, check out the assortment of crafts and artwork that line Main Street and munch on tasty foods.

It's all about getting acquainted — or reacquainted — with a small town that has tremendous appeal.

Held the second weekend of August each year, the event is organized by the Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce. For three days, festivities shut down Main Street to traffic while opening the downtown to great times with family and friends.

It's the stuff memories are made of — Milford Memories.

"Milford Memories is fun, and has lots of things to do," said Milford Township Supervisor Don Green. "We get crafters that come from around the state and out of the state with their art, woodwork, jewelry, knitting. People really enjoy the bands on Friday and Saturday nights, which make it like a big street dance here. And the food is good, too," Green added. "This is a really good opportunity to see what Milford is all about. Bring your friends, meet your friends and make new friends — and admission is free."

For Leslie Watson, Milford Business Association

president and owner of Main Street Art, visitors to the annual festival also find out what attracts people to Milford all year long.

"I would encourage people to come downtown during Milford Memories, and any other time," Watson said. "There are unique stores, fabulous restaurants, the Huron River running through town, Central Park. Milford has a lot to offer."

Milford Village Manager Arthur Shufflebarger calls Milford Memories "a wonderful big event" that has grown from a special beginning.

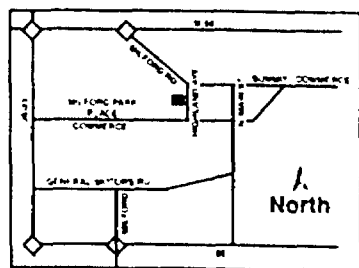
"The juried art show is a great asset, the connection to the Civil War encampment is a very unique and special thing, the great food and the opportunity to be out and about in a beautiful downtown setting is a wonderful thing," Shufflebarger said. "But if there's really one thing to me that's really special about Milford Memories, it goes back to the origination of the festival — the prompting from the original musical created by local people that described the development and existence of Milford. It talked about the community's involvement in the Civil War, the development of the railroad and the impact on the community. That to me is at the heart of the festival

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still, and makes it really a special, unique event in that sense."

Joell Beether, the Chamber of Commerce's executive director, said she's particularly proud of the festival's variety of events that has families flocking to Milford.

"Holding a family event like this is so important, especially right now. People don't seem to be taking the big vacations like they did before, and with Milford so centrally located, this is a great way for

people from all over Michigan to see what Milford is all about."

Beether noted that this year's festival has expanded activities that will appeal to everyone from toddlers to teens to adults.

"There is something for everyone to do and to enjoy," she said. "And it's great for businesses here, too. I encourage everyone to come out and see what Milford has to offer, and what a great community this is."

- By Aileen Wingblad

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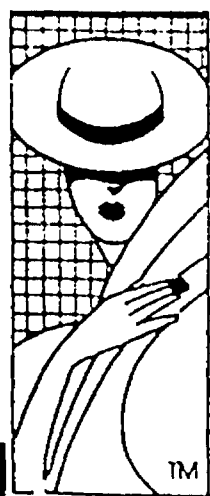
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Three days of live music

Musical acts for Milford Memories booked solid since February

The musical acts at this year's Milford Memories Summer Festival have been booked solid since February.

And, said Joell Beether, executive director of the Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce, "there's a little bit of something for everybody."

For last year's festival, a stage was added to accommodate more musical acts. The stage in Central Park will be filled Friday through Sunday with rock, folk, children's and high school bands.

"We've got a lot of great entertainment," Beether said. "Right after Milford Memories I start getting phone calls.

"I try to book the entertainment right away. I'm usually booked by February."

Beether said she's excited to watch the Saline Fiddlers, a high school band that will perform on Sunday.

Almond Joy and Friends has become quite popular each year at the festival. The four members of the band are stay-at-home moms from the Detroit area, nicknamed Kit Kat, Skittles, Almond Joy and Star Burst. The moms play children's songs and have performed on NBC's Today Show, at Van's Warped Tour and Lollapalooza.

When Imagination Theater performs on Saturday, children will be treated to songs like "I Love Broccoli" and "Five Little Goblins Jumpin' on the Bed."

Three groups from Milford Music — The Outtakes, Rip Chord and The Pedestrians — will rock the stage on Friday from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

"The Outtakes and Rip Chord are younger groups," said Tim Twiss, owner of Milford Music. "The Pedestrians are all high school kids."

Rip Chord recently played in West Virginia at Appalachian Power Park. Twiss said the group is "highly entertaining."

Other area student bands will play during the weekend, including As Is and the Saline Fiddlers.

The Hook Up Band will debut in Central Park's beer tent on Friday night. Bill Hermann, the tent's organizer, said they are always popular each year.

Performances are scheduled Friday and Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to midnight and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- By Alison Bergsieker

"Right after Milford Memories I start getting phone calls. I try to book the entertainment right away. I'm usually booked by February."

Joell Beether

Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce director

MUSIC SCHEDULE

Friday - August 10

Sheila Landis, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., gazebo
Cats & the Fiddlers, 11 - 11:45 a.m., stage
Rip Chord, The Pedestrians and The Outtakes, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m., stage
Annie Capps, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., gazebo
Erin's Isle, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., gazebo
TJ Kelley, 5 - 7 p.m., stage
The Hook Up Band, 7 p.m. - midnight, beer tent

Saturday - August 11

Donna Lee Holman, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., gazebo
As Is, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., stage
Mr. Moody, noon - 2 p.m., beer tent
Gary Weisenburg, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., gazebo
Imagination Theater, 2 - 2:30 p.m., stage
Mr. Moody, 3 - 5 p.m., beer tent
Imagination Theater, 3:30 - 4 p.m., stage
Just Jill, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., gazebo
elmoTHUMM, 5 - 7 p.m., stage
Superball, 7 p.m. - midnight, beer tent

Sunday - August 12

Veterans Memorial, 10 - 11 a.m., stage
Rosenthal & Blatter, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., gazebo
Almond Joy & Friends, 12 - 1 p.m., stage
Sister D and the Icemen, 12 - 4 p.m., beer tent
GRR, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m., gazebo
Saline Fiddlers, 2-3 p.m.; 3:30-4:30 p.m., stage
Day 41, 3 - 5 p.m., gazebo

* Veterans Memorial Stage is located in Central Park

* Center Street Gazebo is located in the downtown district

* Beer tent is located in Central Park

Proving Ground part of Milford history

The General Motors Proving Ground sponsors Milford Memories once again. The local GM facility has sponsored Milford Memories since it started in 1992.

The Proving Ground chooses to be a part of the historical and cultural festival each year because the facility is truly a part of Milford's history — and current events.

"This festival celebrates the people and history of Milford, so we want to be a part of the fun," said spokesperson Gerald Wilson.

The Proving Ground is one of the largest employers in the Huron Valley with nearly 5,000 workers on site. It has transformed Milford into a "car town" filled with loyal General Motors customers, auto enthusiasts and cruisers.

"We have been part of the community since 1924 and want to continue to be involved in community events," said Wilson.

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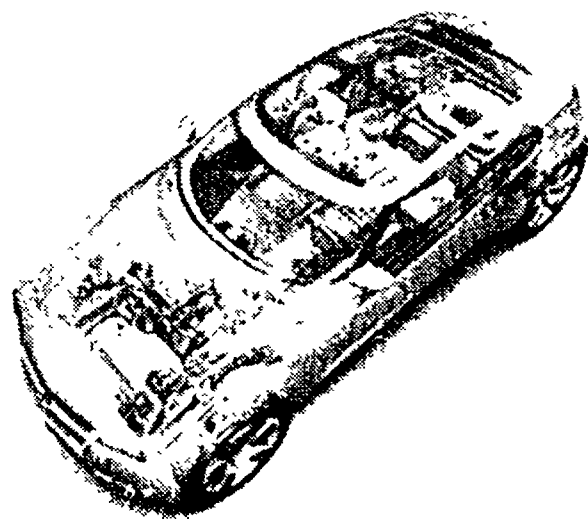
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- By Kate Phillips



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Local artists featured

For those in charge of selecting the Milford Memories featured artist, this year's choice was obvious.

Milford sculptor and painter Heiner Hertling is no stranger to the Milford Memories Art in the Village Festival. In fact, Hertling created this year's featured artwork (found on the cover of this guide) at last year's festival.

Hertling's artful contributions to the community are another reason the committee chose him to be the featured artist. He has created sculptures for Lakeland and Milford high schools and the William and Mary Carls YMCA. Hertling is also responsible for the Waterwheel sculpture, which rests in downtown Milford.

The featured piece, which is a scene of downtown Milford during the festival, is a plein air painting, Hertling said. "Plein air" is a French term referring to paintings done outside and finished in a short time, an hour and a half at most. Hertling enjoys plein air painting so much that he formed a club called the "Plein air Painters," which meets on Saturdays at Kensington Metropark to paint together.

Hertling's latest project is a television show airing on PBS. His painting program, "Your Brush with Nature," enters its second season this September. His instructional painting book, also entitled "Your Brush with Nature," will come out in August.

Hertling said he was quite excited to be chosen the featured artist for the festival. "It's fun. I love this town."

Joell Beether, Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce executive director, said Hertling was the perfect choice to be the featured artist.

"Heiner's done so much for the community, and with all of his involvement with the community and with Milford Memories it's a really neat tie-in," she said.

But visitors to the art festival will have plenty more to see than Hertling's work.

"We have over 270 artists coming to Art in the Village this year," said Dianne Quinn, Art in the Park founder and co-director with daughter Raychel Rork. "We have one of the largest shows ever."

There will be some minor adjustments with the festival this year.

"Some locations will be expanded this year to accommodate more artists," Rork said.

Added Quinn: "We have a very large waiting list of people that want to do the Milford art show, so we're happy about that."

Returning visitors to the art festival will see plenty of new things this year. "We have over 100 new



File photo by HAL GOULD

Jessica Mansell of Milford shops for jewelry during last year's festival.

artists in the show this year," says Quinn. Jewelry, pottery, paintings, furniture, art wear, handbags, sculptures and layered photography are just a few examples of what Art in the Village has to offer this year.

Some younger artists will also join the festival this year. "We're starting a children's art center, which will be in (Central) Park this year," said Quinn. As a new addition to the Milford Memories art show, several local Huron Valley area children will showcase their talent.

Hours for Art in the Village are Friday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

-By Jessica Swayze

MILFORD MEMORIES ARTISTS

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| 3 | Ron Sroka | Stone | MI | Wee Do It | 37 | Nancy Hanes | Furniture | MI | Doin It Country |
| 4 | Bruce Ingram | Gourmet Foods | MI | Doggy Deli | 38 | Nancy Hanes | Furniture | MI | Doin It Country |
| 6 | Linda Powers | Drawing | ON | Critters for Company | 39 | Monica DeCampo | Ceramics | FL | Monicats Studio |
| 7 | Chris Zimmerman | Novels | MI | Jokers Conundrum | 40 | Barbara Hamberg | Jewelry | MN | Desert Snow Designs |
| 8 | Evelyn Hedges | Fiber | MO | Claude's Country Threads | 41 | Judy Smith | Wood | IL | Silhouette Studio |
| 9 | Evelyn Hedges | Fiber | MO | Claude's Country Threads | 42 | Peggy Whitson | Mixed Media | MI | |
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| 11 | Cindy Allen | Art Wear | MI | Painted by Cindy | 44 | Mandi Miller | Jewelry | MI | The Beadie Chicks |
| 12 | Suzanne Beavis | Jewelry | OH | Suzanne Beavis Jewelry | 45 | Michael Leu | Paint (canvass) | CA | Gallery Leu Inc. |
| 13 | Chris Wheeler | Wood | MI | Design By Chris | 46 | Dustin Sybilrud | Jewelry | MN | Harp Stone |
| 14 | Edward Reyes | Art Wear | IL | Attitudes | 47 | Dustin Sybilrud | Jewelry | MN | Harp Stone |
| 15 | Beth Caslmon | Metal | MI | Just A Little Country | 48 | Helen Duggan | Teddy bears | FL | The Palm Beach Collection |
| 16 | Mary Kay Moore | Jewelry | OH | Mary Kay Originals | 49 | Diana Gordon | Clay | MO | IMPS |
| 17 | Carol Kietzman | Painting | MI | Colorado Moments | 50 | Michael Dolkowski | Paint (canvass) | MI | Oils By Dolkowski, Inc. |
| 18 | Dave Alger | Wood | MI | Dave Alger Woodworking | 51 | Denise Szadyr | Ceramics | MI | The Pottery Peddler |
| 19 | Edie Toscano | Art Wear | FL | Toscano Designs | 52 | Deanna McBeth | Glass | IL | McBeth Stained Glass |
| 20 | Donna Geissler | Photography | MI | | 53 | David Clevenger | Wood | IN | Puzzles by Dave |
| 21 | Kimberly Bearden | Bath & Body | MI | Bearden Soap Shoppe | 54 | Shirley Wilson | Bath & Body | FL | Pampered Hearts |
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| 26 | Jim Leonhardt | Metal | WI | Wind Spinners Ink | 59 | Fred Albrecht | Mixed Media | CA | Falbrecht Studios- Corkers |
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| 28 | Donna Beck | Ceramics | IN | Mitchell Clay Studio | 61 | Carolyn Harrington | Art Wear | MI | MNH Enterprises |
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| 33 | Barbara Bosworth | Drawing | MI | Pencil & Oil by B. Bosworth | 68 | Donna Yost | Jewelry | MI | Clever Heart Studio |
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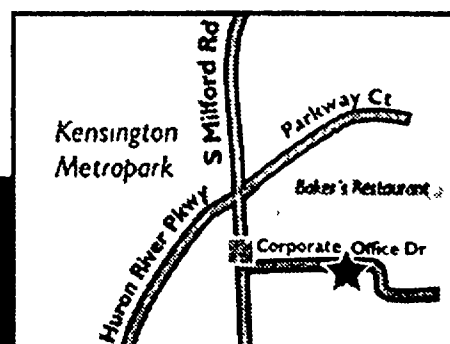
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| 72 | Sally Hedin | Jewelry | MI | Mineral Woods | 144 | Lynn Gregg | Mixed Media | MI | |
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| 85 | John Sim | Sculpture | FL | | 157 | Anne Ashley | Jewelry | MI | Ashley's Earth Stones |
| 86 | Hans Rein | jewelry | ME | Bar Harbor Goldsmith | 158 | Christine Griffes | Art Wear | MI | |
| 87 | Nancy Legault | Ceramics | MI | Three Olives and a Pickle | 159 | Paul Phelps | Glass | MI | Community Stained Glass |
| 88 | Melissa Hutchinson | Photography | MI | Storybook Child Photog. | 160 | Peg Black | Glass | OH | Glass & Garden |
| 89 | Cindy Heumann | Sculpture | CA | We Play with Clay | 161 | Beverly Hendrix | Art Wear | KS | Beverly's |
| 90 | Joy Thomas | Jewelry | MI | Gold & Glass Designs | 162 | Beverly Hendrix | Art Wear | KS | Beverly's |
| 91 | Duane Scherer | Mixed Media | MI | Duane Scherer Studio | 163 | William Graham | Metal | AR | Graham Metal Art |
| 92 | Duane Scherer | Mixed Media | MI | Duane Scherer Studio | 164 | Bill Andrus | Art Wear | TX | Funky Feet |
| 93 | James Dreskin | Jewelry | FL | Crystal Roots Inc. | 165 | Catherine Adrian | Mixed Media | TX | Two Wacky Women |
| 95 | Peter Dendrinios | Photography | MI | | 166 | Teri Kelly | Art Wear | MI | Teri A. Kelly Designs |
| 96 | Acquaviva Olivier | Wood | FL | De La Romance LLC | 167 | Dennis Gerathy | Vintage Signs | MI | Dennis Gerathy Studio |
| 97 | David Hilty | Glass | MI | Pine Lake Glassworks | 168 | Steven Holmberg | Art Wear | NC | Splash Creations |
| 98 | Jeff Zoellner | Jewelry | OH | Stone Temple Jewelry | 169 | Marian Partington | Jewelry | MI | |
| 99 | Tami Wolfgram | Painting | WI | Art By Tam | 170 | Gary McCormack | Wood | VT | Clarendon Hardwood Bows |
| 100 | Tami Wolfgram | Painting | WI | Art By Tam | 171 | Cathy Davis | Jewelry | MI | Unique Creations |
| 101 | Lawrence Diggs | Photography | MI | Picture This... | 172 | Greg Smith | Ceramics | FL | The Potter's House |
| 102 | Michelle Diehr | Jewelry | MI | Hula Girl Jewelry Designs | 173 | Marie Beckley | Candles | IN | Beckley's Best Blends |
| 103 | Cantave Casseus | Paint (canvas) | FL | United Carb. Artist Art Gallery | 174 | Marie Beckley | Candles | IN | Beckley's Best Blends |
| 104 | Jacque Negrotto | Jewelry | LA | Bouton Bijoux | 175 | Leigh Arrathoon | Mixed media | MI | Paint Creek Press |
| 105 | Janet Solomon | Mixed Media | MI | Sweet Salvation | 176 | Nan-Hsiung Lee | Bonsai | GA | Sweet Valley Bonsai Nurs. |
| 106 | VFAA | Fine Art | MI | Village Fine Arts Assoc. | 177 | Lucy Moore | Fiber | AL | Lucy's Toys |
| 107 | VFAA | Fine Art | MI | Village Fine Arts Assoc. | 178 | Lucy Moore | Fiber | AL | Lucy's Toys |
| 108 | Russel Cooper | Paint (canvas) | OK | America's Sports Artist | 179 | Shirley Waller | Plexiglas Art | MI | Segens Unique Carvings |
| 109 | Robert Mefford | Signs | OH | Bob Mefford Sign Artist | 180 | Dorothy Block | Mixed Media | MN | Homestead Designs |
| 110 | Troy Thomas | Art Wear | IL | Fish Face Goods | 181 | Dorothy Block | Mixed Media | MN | Homestead Designs |
| 111 | Richard Kunkel | Ceramics | TX | Wildflower Pottery Studio | 182 | Chellie Duensing | Photography | MI | Through my eyes LLC. |
| 112 | George Bragg | Glass | MI | Bragg Art Glass Studio | 183 | Laura Bieri | Bath & Body | MI | Family Fun-Wilson's Soap |
| 113 | Lynne Carmichael | Metal | MI | Carmichael | 184 | Julianne Lardas | Art Wear | OH | Glad Ragz |
| 114 | Lynne Carmichael | Metal | MI | Carmichael | 185 | Petty Shepard | Wood | TN | The African Hut |
| 115 | Jan Kaulins | Photography | MI | Detroit Photo Gallery | 186 | Janet Romans | Art Wear | MI | Snuggle Patch |
| 116 | Cindy Crawford | Home Access. | IL | SaraBoo Creek | 187 | Sheila Caim | Photography | WV | Lightscares |
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| 118 | Trish Shantz | Glass | MI | Moonlight Studio | 189 | Pam Gindlesberger | Wood | OH | G's Wood |
| 119 | Carl Dingwell | Jewelry | MI | Hand Painted Coins | 190 | Patti West | Jewelry | MI | Patrician Art |
| 120 | Jan Rohen | Jewelry | MI | Jan Rohen Jewelry | 191 | Shari Grenzow Mauer | Mixed Media | WI | Heart to Heart |
| 121 | Bia Bernum | Fiber | NY | Ms.Elaineous | 192 | Shari Grenzow Mauer | Mixed Media | WI | Heart to Heart |
| 122 | Kristyn Gittelman | Kids Chalkboxes | MI | Kristyn's Artistic Designs | 193 | Shandor Madjar | Jewelry | CO | Madjar / Art Silver.com |
| 123 | Diana Sturman | Metal | MI | D&S Cooper Lawn Art | 194 | Chris Myers | Drawing | MI | |
| 124 | Diana Nickerson | Glass | MI | Glass Tapestry | 195 | Susan Butterfield | Jewelry | MI | Kay-Lane Beads |
| 125 | Leigh Detmer | Furniture | MI | Prodigious Furniture | 196 | Donnamaria Wilsher | Art Wear | MI | Seven St. Boutique |
| 126 | Jim Mofhitz | Wood | CO | Humorous Clocks | 197 | Jerry Walz | Puppets | TN | Critters & Crafts |
| 127 | Chuck Boyer | Photography | MN | Monikers | 198 | Darlene Walz | Glass | TN | Critters & Crafts |
| 128 | Kathy Larosa | Jewelry | MI | Kathy LaRosa Designs | 199 | Robert Ramaglia | Jewelry | FL | Ye Olde Silversmith |
| 129 | Robert Wieand | Mixed Media | FL | Fantasy Forest | 200 | Caryl Pohland | Personalized | PA | Name Me Calligraphy |
| 130 | Barbara Peoples | Potpourri | TN | Potpourri Farms | 201 | Caryl Pohland | Personalized | PA | Name Me Calligraphy |
| 131 | Barbara Peoples | Potpourri | TN | Potpourri Farms | 202 | Sheryl Munce | Glass | MI | Art by Sheri |
| 132 | Chris Sidwell | LIVE MUSIC | CA | Pacific Coast Music | 203 | Susan Lane | Paint (canvas) | FL | Lane Artwork |
| 133 | Dianne Geier | Silverware Art | IL | The New Homestead | 204 | Jeffrey Michael | LIVE MUSIC | FL | Fireheart Music |
| 134 | Danna Dunlevy-Seuffer | Gourmet Food | OH | d'marie inc. | 205 | Yu-Chuan Liu | Mixed Media | KY | Silk Knotting Art |
| 135 | Anne Norlin | Photography | MI | Photocuts | 206 | Thomas Mahard | Sculpture | MI | Tom Mahard Sculptor |
| 136 | Kristen Szymusiak | Jewelry | MI | Bead Babes | 207 | Richard Ruehle | Wood | OH | |
| 137 | Dan Davenport | Metal | MI | American Forging | 208 | Peggy Mohr | Art Wear | IL | Wise Guys |
| 138 | Judy Harper | Mixed Media | TN | Calligraphic Art | 209 | Susan Schale | Jewelry | ND | Granny Susan's |
| 139 | Hong Mao | Paint (canvas) | OH | H&M Art Gallery | 210 | Chad McKinzie | Wood | MI | C&D Crafts |
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| 213 | Bob Sturk | Wood | MI | | 249 | Pamela Hoehn | Bath & Body | MI | Herbal Scent Creations |
| 214 | Skip White | Jewelry | FL | Emerald Coast Designs | 250 | Chuck Gardner | Garden Décor | OH | Gardner's Tin Shed |
| 217 | Suzan Miller | Wood | MI | Welcome Signs | 251 | Christine Breitsprecker | Wood | WI | Rustic Wren |
| 218 | Ruth Williams | Gourmet Food | MI | Dip N Good Dips | 252 | Christine Breitsprecker | Wood | WI | Rustic Wren |
| 220 | Jan Mitchell | Jewelry | MI | Jan's Jewels | 253 | Kathy Johnson | Jewelry | MI | |
| 221 | Tina Bush | Art Wear | OK | Creations By Tina | 254 | Kellene Ellexson | Fiber | OH | Two Cute...Doll Clothes |
| 222 | Renee Urban | Wood | MI | HGK Company | 255 | Courtney Morgenstem | Paint (canvas) | MI | Struthers Studios |
| 223 | Linda Reese | Art Wear | MN | The Added Touch | 256 | Kathleen Mizzi | Fiber | MI | |
| 224 | Ginny Krieger | Jewelry | IL | Hooker Earrings | 262 | Jan Fredbloom | Gourmet Food | MI | Heartland Herbs |
| 225 | Tim Feuerstein | Stone | MI | Nature's Artwork | 263 | Frank Marriner | Gourmet Food | PA | Capt Marriner's Seafood |
| 226 | Martin Gaiti | Sculpture | OH | Gaiti Arts | 264 | Frank Marriner | Gourmet Food | PA | Capt Marriner's Seafood |
| 227 | Richard Fuller | Glass | OH | The Cupboard Shoppe | 267 | Ron Morrone | Gourmet Food | PA | Ron & Frank's Gourmet |
| 228 | Sharon Lee | Jewelry | MI | Gladstone Jewelry | 268 | Karen Neff | Gourmet Food | OH | Ben's Mustard |
| 229 | Johnsy Gonzales | Wood | MD | The Whisper | 269 | Jim Terpstra | Gourmet Food | MI | Jim's Famous Jerky |
| 230 | Lisa Mitchell | Fiber | GA | Stitches & Paint | 270 | David Johnson | Gourmet Food | TN | Sauce de Jacqueline |
| 231 | Phil Clawson | Pers. CDs | VA | Kids Music Box, LLC. | 271 | Steve Lecklider | Gourmet Food | MI | Lehmans Orchard LLC |
| 232 | Barb Mann | Jewelry | SD | French Creek Station | 500 | Joyce Redman | Paper | MI | |
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| 234 | Venetta Rosales | Hand Sculpture | CO | Treasured Memories | 502 | John Stanislawski | Wood | WI | Northland Frames |
| 235 | Paul Mason | Metal | MI | Mason Welding | 503 | John Stanislawski | Wood | WI | Northland Frames |
| 236 | Sandra Shinkan | Mixed Media | WI | Crafty Critters | 504 | Gina Papadakis | Jewelry | OH | Custom Beads & Jewelry |
| 237 | Laura Foster | Mixed Media | IL | Peddler's Paintbrush | 505 | Rick Heard | Garden Art | TN | Rick Heard Garden Orig. |
| 238 | Anna Fleckenstein | Candles | OH | Little Creek Candles | 506 | Rick Heard | Garden Art | TN | Rick Heard Garden Orig. |
| 239 | Kathy Fields | Jewelry | MO | Crossways | 510 | Paul Luczynski | Mixed Media | FL | Coconut Critters |
| 240 | Melissa Gruenhagen | Gourmet Food | OH | Give A Doggy A Bone | 511 | Paul Luczynski | Mixed Media | FL | Coconut Critters |
| 241 | Al Larson | Mixed Media | MI | Pocket Frame | 512 | Donna Nowak | Airbrush Tattoo | MI | Show Off's Body Art |
| 242 | Karen Korporal | Mixed Media | IN | Arts & Hearts | 513 | Lorraine Gerich | Granite | MI | Stoner's Granite |
| 243 | Denise McClaughry | Jewelry | MI | Charming Jewelry | 514 | Kay Bowman | Flattened Glass | FL | Key West Flat. Bar Bottles |
| 244 | Cindy Burger | Wood | MI | JC Concepts | 515 | Richard Lamb | Mixed Media | SC | Special Moments |
| 245 | Marilyn Davis | Ponchos | MO | Just Peachy | 520 | Linda Vinton | Childrens | DE | TeePees from Pattlesnake Crs. |
| 246 | Jennifer Gumina | Jewelry | MI | | 521 | Carrie Waterstone | Candy Sticks | MI | Sandy Candy |
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Pancake breakfast

Start Saturday and Sunday morning off with the Rotary Club's annual pancake breakfast from 7:30 to 11 a.m. in the middle of Liberty Street between the Village Butcher Shoppe and Fifth Third Bank.

"We serve all-you-can-eat pancakes with sausage, juice and coffee," Rotary Club President Philip Allmen said.

The cost is \$5 per person, and extra sausage is available for an additional fee. The Rotary Club also will offer a carryout service throughout the festival grounds.

"Every year, more and more people come to the breakfast," said Allmen. "There's no better way to start your day at Milford Memories."

The club will be selling tickets for their annual duck race fund-raiser, which benefits various local projects such as high school scholarships and neonatal care at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital. Tickets are \$5 each, 6 tickets for \$25 or 25 tickets for \$100. The duck race takes place in September during the Home Tour.

5K run

For runners interested in the 5K run on Sunday, volunteer Dave Armstrong has 106 trophies ready to hand out at the finish line. Armstrong said he expects the usual runners to show up, but there are always new entries.

"There's a predictable group of runners that I always know will show up at the races," Armstrong said. "We have a one-mile fun run and a 5K run. We

get about 250 to 300 runners."

The event is sponsored by Specialists in Orthopedic Surgery.

The cost to enter is \$19 on-line in advance and \$20 on race day. The cost includes a T-shirt. All proceeds are returned to Milford Memories. Visit www.milfordmemories.com to register on-line.

The one-mile run begins at 8 a.m. and the 5K run begins at 8:30 a.m.

Blind canoe race

At noon on Sunday, the Blind Canoe Races will start in Central Park, where teams of three will compete on a course laid out by milk jugs in the river.

"It's the same as years past," said Tom Nader, event organizer. "Each team will be comprised of three people; two will be blind-folded. Those will be the ones with the paddles."

Nader said last year's turnout was quite large with nearly 35 teams competing. Alan Heavner, owner of Heavner Canoe Rental, gets to the park early Sunday morning with a van and trailer full of canoes.

There's a release form for children younger than 18 who want to compete in the race.

"It's a lot of fun," Nader said. "Some people flipped over their canoes. The Milford Fire Department will be on-hand."

Everyone participating in the Blind Canoe Races are encouraged to go crazy in their preparation. New this year a category for the most creative team. The team that shows the most ingenuity, originality and fun will earn a special prize.

Canoers can pre-register on-line at www.milfordmemories.com. The cost is \$15 per canoe.

- By Alison Bergsieker

Euchre tourney a cool tradition

Looking for a way to stay cool this weekend? Consider taking part in a festival favorite.

"Cold Butt Euchre is a regular euchre tournament," Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Joell Beether explained. There is an added twist, however. Participants must play while sitting on blocks of ice.

"If you get off the ice, then you're disqualified," Beether said.

The event can be as humorous as its title suggests. "You see all sorts of funny outfits," Beether said. "People come dressed for the occasion." People come dressed in everything from snow pants to swim suits.

Beether added that while many people have made a tradition out of Cold Butt Euchre, there are a number of new participants as well. "Some people do it as a family. Others come to reclaim their crown," she said.

The first place team wins \$100. Space is limited, so reserve your spot — and block of ice — soon. The entry fee is \$30 per team.

Cold Butt Euchre will be held in Central Park on Saturday, Aug. 11, at noon. On-site registration will begin at 11:30 a.m. Teams also can sign up in advance. Players can sign up at the chamber or on-line at www.milfordmemories.com.

-By Jessica Swayze

Brien's Services devoted to Milford Memories

Milford Memories is the biggest event of the year for the folks at Brien's Services. The Milford-based company is once again one of the presenting sponsors of the festival.

But a commitment to the summer festival extends far beyond the sponsorship.

Company president Brien Worrell is a member of the Milford Memories committee. He has been part of its success since 1993. Worrell's volunteer work has extended from running events to picking up trash. He's glad to get his hands dirty in order to fill a need.

"I like working behind the scenes, to help out with whatever I can," said Worrell. "When I think of something that I think is needed, instead of asking someone else to do it, I make sure it gets done."

But Worrell doesn't go it alone. Most of the employees at Brien's Service help out with the festival in some way. Worrell books his crews to take care of Milford Memories set-up and clean-up. His crews install festival signage, haul items, plant flowers and provide all sorts of needed services.

There's no question that Worrell would volunteer his business to help out. He considers Milford Memories just a part of Milford — like his family and his business.

"Milford Memories is an essential event for our town," said Worrell. "It's important that we make it a

success."

And many employees at Brien's Services volunteer over and above their work with the company. Some volunteer with food or clean-up, while others help out with events.

The office is buzzing with talk of Milford Memories all summer. It's important to the people at Brien's.

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Civil War educates, entertains

During the Civil War in the 1860s, Milford residents sacrificed a great deal. Many young men lost their lives, and an entire generation was dramatically affected.

Present day Milford residents honor the memories of those men who suffered and died with a Civil War Encampment at Central Park during Milford Memories, sponsored by the General Motors Proving Ground.

Since its inception 16 years ago, Joan Spiroff has been spearheading the organization of the Civil War Encampment. Word has gotten out about the quality of the Milford Memories Civil War Encampment, and participants are now coming to Spiroff.

New at this year's encampment is J.T. Hatfield, a Civil War era surgeon. He called Spiroff, who gladly accepted his offer to come to the festival.

The surgeon will address the audience about medical practices during the Civil War and will even demonstrate some of his techniques. On Saturday he will put on medical demonstrations at 10:15 a.m. and at 2:15 p.m., following the skirmish, and on Sunday the demonstrations will be held at 9:45 a.m. and at 1:15 p.m., following the skirmish.

Also new this year, a period music and storytelling troupe Thru the Myst will be performing. The troupe will perform songs from as far back as 940 to 1870 using period instruments.

"All of the re-enactors are more than willing to talk to the public," said Gordon Peterson, a re-enactor with the 9th Kentucky Orphan Brigade. "It's very, very important to remember these people who fought and died."

Current and past U.S. Service Personnel will be

honored at a memorial service on Sunday morning at 11 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

"We'll remember these soldiers with the help of the American Legion," Peterson said. "We'll recognize all soldiers, past and present, as well as those who are still in harms way."

The Civil War Encampment has a full schedule of events. The Encampment is opens on Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Skirmishes will be held on Saturday at 2 p.m. and on Sunday at 1 p.m.

Artillery and musket presentations will take place on Saturday and Sunday at 9:30 a.m. The cannon firing and demonstration will take place twice on Saturday at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. and on Sunday at noon and 3 p.m.

One unique feature of the encampment is the Children's Drill. Spiroff said the Drill is a reminder that children were also part of the Civil War. On Saturday at 11:20 a.m., the children will be muster in, perform a drill demonstration and muster out. Registration for the Children's Drill will be on Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m and on Saturday from 8 to 11:20 a.m..

Thru the Myst will be performing throughout the day on Saturday and Sunday.

Military re-enactors include the 9th Kentucky, the 12th South Carolina 4th Michigan, 102nd United States Colored Troop, and the Battery B, 1st Michigan Light Artillery. Other re-enactors include Surgeon J.T. Hatfield, Sisters of the Union and Thru the Myst.

-By Jessie Ellis



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| 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Kids' Activities |
| 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. | Art in the Village |
| 10:30 a.m. – 7 p.m. | Center Street Gazebo & Veterans Memorial Stage - Musical Entertainment |
| Noon – 5 p.m. | Beer Tent |
| 6 p.m. – midnight | Central Park Beer Tent 21 and over only |

Saturday, Aug. 11, 2007

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|--------------------|--|
| 7:30 – 11 a.m. | Pancake Breakfast |
| 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. | Civil War Encampment |
| 9:30 a.m. – 8 p.m. | Shuttle Bus Service |
| 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Kids' Activities |
| 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. | Art in the Village |
| 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. | Center Street Gazebo & Veterans Memorial Stage - Musical Entertainment |
| 11 – 11:20 a.m. | Cannon Firings - Civil War Encampment - warning: loud noises |
| Noon – 5 p.m. | Beer Tent & Live Entertainment |
| 12:30 p.m. | Cold Butt Euchre Tournament |
| 3 p.m. | Hot Pepper Eating Contest |
| 5 – 5:20 p.m. | Cannon Firings - Civil War Encampment - warning: loud noises |
| 6 p.m. – midnight | Central Park Beer Tent 21 and over only |

Sunday, Aug. 12, 2007

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|--------------------|--|
| 7:15 – 8 a.m. | Run Registration (run begins at 8 a.m.) |
| 7:30 – 11 a.m. | Pancake Breakfast |
| 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. | Civil War Encampment |
| 9:30 a.m. – 6 p.m. | Shuttle Bus Service |
| 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Art in the Village |
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| 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Kids' Activities |
| 11 – 11:30 a.m. | U.S. Service Personnel Memorial Service |
| Noon – 12:20 p.m. | Cannon Firings - Civil War Encampment - warning: loud noises |
| Noon – 4 p.m. | Beer Tent & Live Entertainment |
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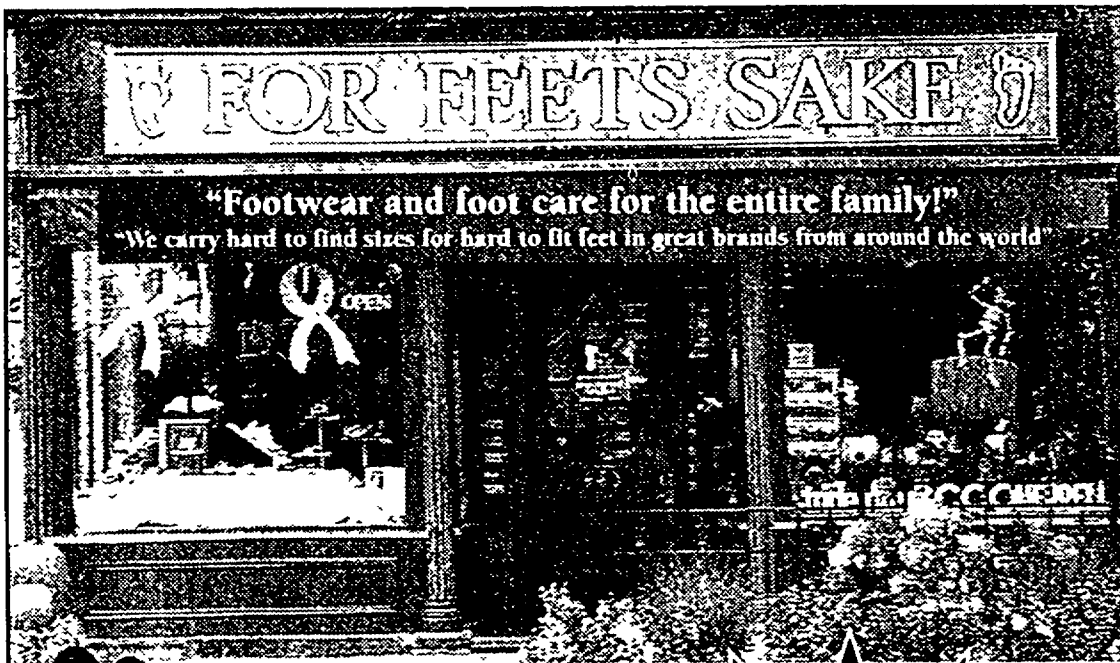
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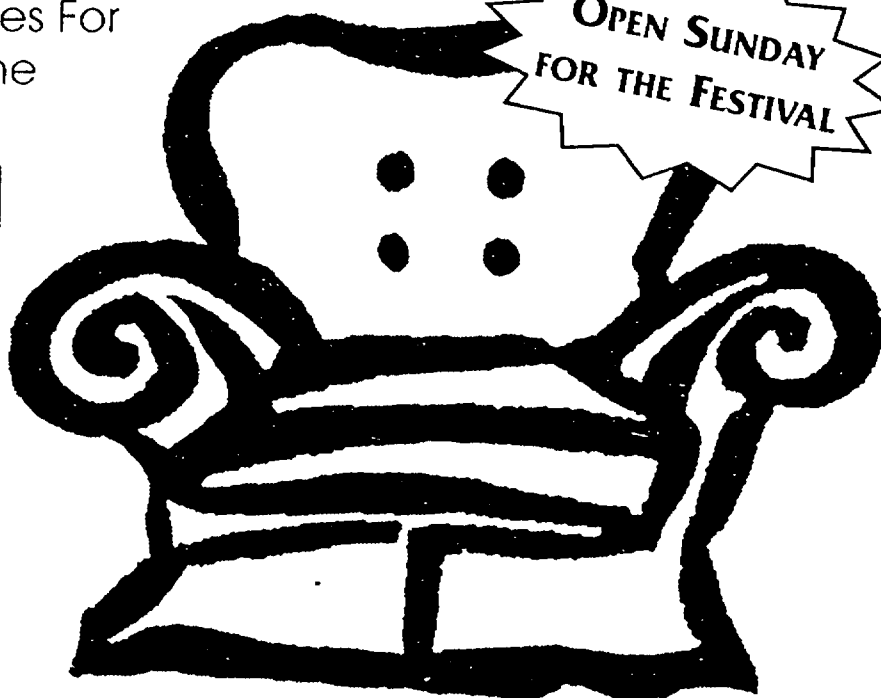
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Kids a focus at Milford Memories

Families attending the Milford Memories Summer Festival will not be lacking. Organizers and venue sponsor Huron Valley State Bank have made sure to make children a priority at the festival.

From music and magic to the Kids Central craft tent and Scrapmobile, kids are covered.

Robin Fletcher has been volunteering for Kids Central for the past five years. The tent is full of fun activities and crafts that the kids can take home.

Some of the Kids Central activities include a treasure hunt, cookie walk and prize fishing. The children can also make chalk drawings and beadwork.

"There are art projects that they can take home," Fletcher said. "We have bags available so parents don't have to worry about carrying or losing the projects."

Children can also participate in the creation of a mural that will be hung up in the community after the festival is over, Fletcher said.

Parents are encouraged to let children take the time to finish a project, Fletcher said.

"We want the children to just have a good time," Fletcher said.

Near Kids Central is the Scrapmobile with unique

"make and take" projects for kids.

"We just want people to know that this is going to be bigger and better than last year," said Scott Rolando, another Milford Memories volunteer.

George Tait, the Living Statue, will be entertaining the crowds from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Tait has been a popular fixture at festivals.

The Magic of DJ Castle is scheduled for Saturday from noon to 12:30 p.m. and from 1 to 1:30 p.m.

There will be plenty of family-friendly live entertainment at the festival, Rolando said.

Almond Joy and Friends will play on Sunday from noon to 1 p.m. on the Veterans Memorial Stage. The band consists entirely of rockin' moms and has quite a following in the Detroit area.

Other kid-oriented live music scheduled for the festival includes Cats and the Fiddlers on Friday from 11 to 11:45 a.m., Milford Music with Tim Twiss on Friday at 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., Imagination Theater on Saturday from 2 to 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 to 4 p.m. and the Saline Fiddlers on Sunday 2 to 3 p.m. and from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. All of the kids performances will be on Veterans Memorial Stage.

- By Jessie Ellis



(Above Left) Samantha Antonich of Milford got a butterfly painted on her face by Commerce artist Linda Onderko. (Above) Landen Smith of White Lake was all smiles while dancing to the music at last year's festival. (Left) Steven Tyler of Highland, gets serious at last year's Civil War camp.

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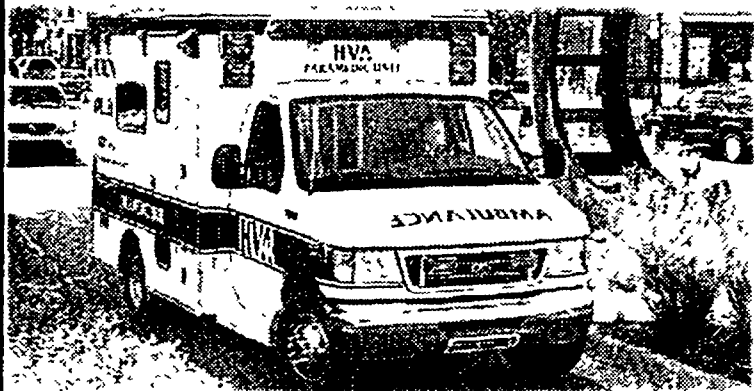
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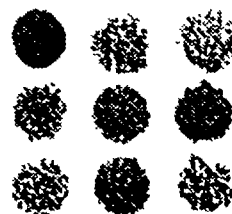
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Local eateries show off with streetside tastes

Any visitor to the Milford Memories Summer Festival soon realizes that food options abound. While there are the traditional carnival foods, several downtown restaurants are also offering a taste of their signature fare.

Five Lakes Grill on Main Street will be featuring its famous homemade sausages. Chef Steven Grostick said. Two of the sausages this year are a sweet Italian and sun-dried tomato and basil.

"People like that one because it's kind of out there," Grostick said of the sun-dried tomato and basil sausage.

Five Lakes Grill has been participating in the festival for the past 12 years.

"Since the day we opened," Grostick said.

This year the Five Lakes Grill tent will also feature live music. The local band, All Ben's Fault, will play on Friday night. On Saturday the metro Detroit band The Saints will play.

"This is a good community event," Grostick said. "This is a beautiful town."

Down the street, the Village Butcher Shoppe will be busy preparing ribs. For 29 years the shop has been in business, and for the last eight years they have participated in Milford Memories, serving some of the tastiest meat around.

Billy Bones, a professional barbecue chef, will take care of the ribs. The Village Butcher carries the Billy Bones line of barbecue sauces.

"We use about 100 cases of ribs," Greg Holinski said. "That's



File photo by HAL GOULD

Even though the streets are crowded all weekend, there's plenty of places to find some tasty food during Milford Memories.

about 900 to 1,000 slabs of ribs."

The ribs are a very popular at the festival and are known for their tenderness, with the meat falling off the bone.

Holinski said they decided to get involved with the festival after recognizing an opportunity.

"It's a big organized event and we decided to take advantage of all the traffic in town instead of being shut down by all of the blocked streets," Holinski said.

Other restaurants will have their tents set up, as well, including Léo's Coney Island, Jet's Pizza, Lei Ting, Milford House Bar & Grill, Stucchi's of Milford, O'Callaghan's and Gravity Bar & Grill.

The Rotary Club of Milford will hold its Pancake Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings, and the Milford United Methodist Men's Club will have its traditional corn roast in the park.

More traditional carnival food can be found at the food court in Central Park. The food court and restaurant vendors are kept separate so they are not competing with each other.

"For me, as a business owner, the best part is seeing all the action and being recognized that we're in town. A lot of people — even one's who have been here for awhile — don't know we're in town," Holinski said.

- By Jessie Ellis

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For 10 years running, the beer tent in Central Park has been a clustered hangout for older guests and live bands.

Bill Hermann, the main organizer of the area, said the tent has always been a popular draw that contributes to the event's success.

"People really like the beer tent," Hermann said.

It's one of the biggest attractions for the event, according to organizers.

The tent opens at noon Friday of the festival. The Hook Up Band will close the tent down from 7 p.m. to midnight inside the tent. The band is popular locally, Hermann said. They perform every Friday night at The Beach Grill in St. Claire Shores.

"They do a lot of these things," Hermann said. "They sell out all the places they go to."

On Saturday, Mr. Moody, a four-member rock band, will perform from noon to 5 p.m. with a break in between. The band, Superball, will close down the tent from 7 p.m. to midnight.

Local favorites Sister D and the Icemen will perform in the tent on Sunday from noon to 4 p.m., playing Motown and classic rock hits.

Labatt Blue, Labatt Blue Light and Stella will be on draft. Rolling Rock, Rock Green Light, Pete's Summer Ale and Sol will be available in bottles.

"Labatt is our main beer," Hermann said. "And beers are \$3 and \$4."

There is a \$3 band admission charge after 6 p.m. in the tent.

- By Alison Bergsieker

Shuttle your way to festival grounds

Parking for the shuttles will have two locations for this weekend's Milford Memories. South of Milford, parking will be available behind Holden's Party Store, about a mile south of town. Parking is available about two miles north of Milford at Milford High School. Both locations are along Milford Road, which runs through town. The shuttle service is provided by Bob Saks Automotive Group.

A shuttle for seniors also is available this year on festival grounds provided by MJ Whelan Construction. Stops are shown on the map on pages 16 and 17.

The shuttles from Holden's will stop at the corner of Main and Huron streets. The shuttles from Milford High School will stop at the corner of Main and Summit streets. Both shuttles will stop at the Historical Society Museum in downtown Milford.

There is a \$5 donation for parking. Donations at Holden's will go to the Lakeland High School Senior Class of 2008. Donations at Milford High School will go to Milford Activities Council.

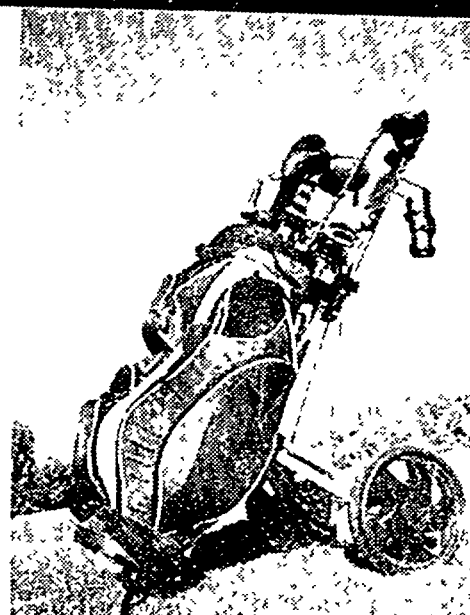
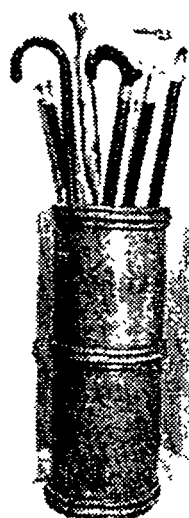
Shuttles will be available on Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.



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Bass player Gary Weisenburg plays with Mr. Moody at last year's festival. This year they'll play in the Central Park beer tent on Saturday afternoon

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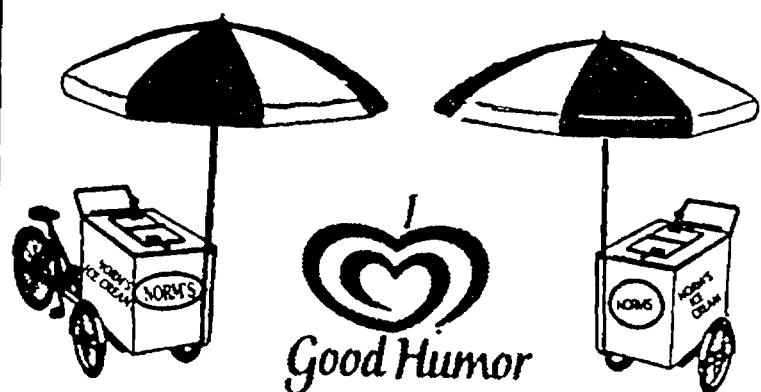
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Memories adds new film fest

Award-winning films to be shown at Milford Opera House

New to the Milford Memories Summer Festival this year is the Huron Valley Council for the Arts Film Fest, which will take place in the Milford Opera House on Friday and Saturday.

Shows are scheduled to run at 7 and 9 p.m. on Friday, and on Saturday at 3, 7, and 9 p.m. The council will show a series they've called "Unforgettable International Independent Films."

HVCA board member Mary Ann Peters said she is hoping the council can broaden its membership in Milford and to possibly create a Friday night film event in the near future.

"Most of the films have won Academy Awards," Peters said. "We tried to select films with real meaning."

One of the films, "The Man Who Planted Trees," is

a 30-minute short film produced in Canada in 1987. Peters said the film is "absolutely mesmerizing. The message is a person can make a difference in this world." The film has won 40 awards and an Oscar for best animated film.

Also scheduled for the fest is "The Mad Baker," a light-hearted parody of the Frankenstein films, where a baker creates a huge chocolate cake that comes to life and eats its creator.

At 3 p.m. on Saturday, guests can watch the 39th annual Michigan Student Film & Video Festival, featuring winning student films.

"You're going to see student films," Peters said. "They're presented by HVCA and the Digital Art Film and Television (DAFT), based in Detroit. They go throughout Michigan and select the student with the best films. We're going to present the winner of that award and we're going to present the past winner who now has his own company in Hollywood and works with George Lucas."

- By Alison Bergsieker

Off to the races



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Runners take off at the start of last year's 5K race during the Milford Memories Summer Festival. Nearly 300 runners participated in the one-mile fun run and the 5K race.

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Milford Fire joins in with fun, service

The Milford Fire Department will have a heightened presence at Milford Memories this year.

For the younger set, the department will set up the firehouse simulator — where kids can douse “fires” with an actual firefighter hose. There will also be an antique fire truck on hand for kids to climb aboard and have a photo taken.

Along with the fun, of course, firefighters will be providing emergency services during the festival — and to a greater degree than ever before.

“We will be stationed right on site. In the past, we were on the outside,” said Milford Fire Chief Larry

Waligora.

Several firefighters will patrol the festival with two-way radios, and an ambulance will be stationed in the downtown area. As usual, the Milford Fire Department will check out the festival vendors to make sure they adhere to safety regulations, and will man a boat in the Huron River during the Blind Canoe Races.

“We are looking forward to being a big part of the activities,” Waligora said.

- By Aileen Wingblad

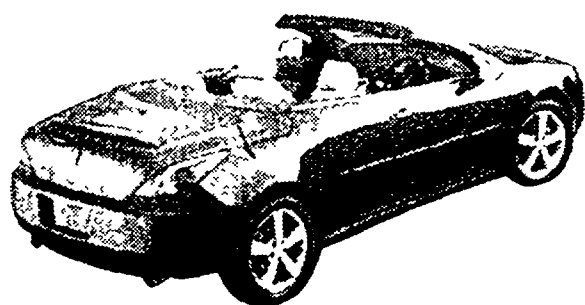
"This will mean better selection and better customer service, along with an elegant atmosphere," Maureen said. The dealership will be two stories and 63,000 square feet. The facility will consist of two separate showrooms and lounge areas, one for Cadillac and one for Buick Pontiac and GMC Truck. They promise to provide the right environment which both General Motors and LaFontaine want to portray to their customers. The new facility is going green. The dealership is applying for LEED certification (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) It will be an environmentally friendly facility featuring a Geothermal Heating and Cooling system with a state of the art lighting system that limits our impact on the environment. LaFontaine Buick Pontiac GMC Cadillac will continue to offer full service, with New and Pre-owned sales departments, and Parts and Service departments that will continue to give 100% Customer Satisfaction. The new facility will also have its own Collision Center. They will continue to offer free pick-up and delivery for service or vehicle you purchase. The dealership is expected to open May of 2008. The LaFontaine's are very excited about this new phase of their business.

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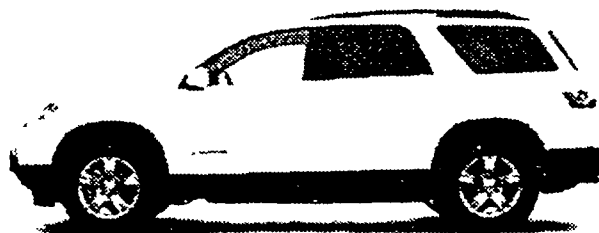
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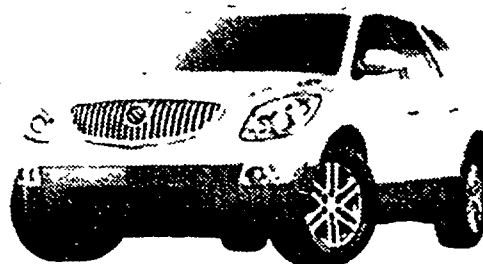


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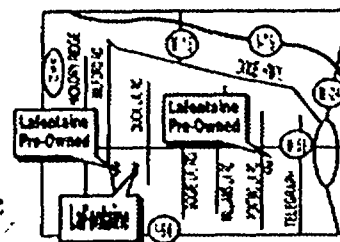
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Volunteers make pleasant memories

For most festival-goers, the Milford Memories Summer Festival is good time, with great food, events and activities for all ages. But imagine for a moment what the festival would be like without the help of loyal and faithful volunteers.

Garbage would pile up, nothing would run on schedule and there would be no Civil War Encampment.

"It would fall apart without the volunteers," said Yvonne Peake, who organizes all the volunteers for the weekend.

She and her husband Michael Glagola have been volunteering with the festival for nearly a decade.

The volunteer efforts from the Huron Valley community are what make the festival so successful. While the entertainment and events are nice, not having to throw away that empty drink container in an overflowing trash can is pretty nice, as well.

Many of the volunteers for the festival participate as part of a community sharing effort. Their group or organization volunteers and, depending on the number of hours worked, a donation is made to their organization.

"It's a great way to raise money for their causes," Peake said.

Peake gave the example of the Explorers of Highland who work on Saturday and Sunday cleaning up after the beer tent.

Peake said she has held that glamorous volunteer position, as well.

Not all the volunteer jobs involve trash bags. Volunteers also man the information booths and direct traffic.

"It's not all community sharing volunteers either,"

Peake pointed out.

"The majority do it for nothing. They take pride in being part of the festival. Many have been coming back for the past 16 years like Ann Collins and Tom and Dawn Chlebo. They are 16 year veterans coming back this year."

Many of the events are organized by the efforts of volunteers. Joan Spiroff has been in charge of the Civil War Encampment since the very first Milford Memories 16 years ago. Last year she was honored with the Milford Memories Volunteer of the Year Award.

"It was a big deal," Spiroff said.

Organizing the encampment takes a lot of hard work and Spiroff works all year long to make it the best possible Civil War Encampment that she can, often finding new and different ways to highlight the importance of the Civil War.

The festival can't operate without the help volunteers, and Yvonne Peake knows it.

"We love our volunteers," she said.

Volunteers will be treated to a free spaghetti dinner at Milford Park Place on Thursday, Aug. 9. Tickets will be distributed by the Chamber.

- By Jessie Ellis

Visit community booth during Milford Memories

The Milford Memories Community Booth is sponsored by Providence Family & Athletic Medicine of Milford, where Dr. Montico and his staff will be conducting health screenings. This area helps some of our local organizations participate in the festival in different ways. While at the festival this year, stop by and visit groups such as the Milford High School Athletic Boosters, Huron Valley Schools, Huron Valley MLK Day Committee, the Milford Trail Committee, Silent Hands and Milford Masons #165.



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