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That guy's amazing!

Laughing hysterically, a group of kids are enjoying the magic show of the Amazing Clark on a Monday afternoon at the Northville District Library.

Town Square Project opening set for special 'Townie Night'

■ Invite-only event set for October 20

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Lori Ward says Michigan residents who live in the 48167 and 48168 zip codes can look forward soon to a fun evening planned just for them.

On Saturday, Oct. 20, Ward, director of the Downtown Development Authority, said Northville will come alive to celebrate the grand opening of the \$1.8-million Town Square Redevelopment Project on Main Street.

An invitation-only "Townie Night" is being organized specifically for those who live in the two Northville zip codes and all down-

town merchants. "It's going to be a party for our community," Ward said.

More details will be forthcoming as the event approaches, but Ward said Tuesday that live music and giveaways are planned.

The new Northville Rewards Card will also be launched that night.

Similar to the Plymouth Perks card for downtown Plymouth shoppers, those who present one of the free cards to participating downtown Northville merchants will receive a discount.

Participating merchants will display the card in their store window.

Project hits several snags

Although rain cost workers more than two days on the Town Square construction, the project

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Summer carnival opens today

■ Lots of rides available for adults, youths

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Who needs to drive to Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio?

Northville and other area residents can enjoy several different rides when the Northville Summer Carnival opens next to the Northville Downs race track today.

The event, which celebrates its second year this summer, will take place in the race track's parking area.

The Aug. 16-19 carnival is sponsored by the Northville

Chamber of Commerce, Northville Downs and the Northville Record.

Wade Shows, which also provided rides at the Novi 50s Festival last month, will bring their carnival rides to Northville.

This year's rides will include bumper cars; the Himalayan; the Yo-Yo, which is a big swing ride; the Sky Rider, known as a salt-and-pepper ride; the Tilt-A-Whirl; the Wipeout; a big slide; and eight "kiddie" rides, such as a merry-go-round, little cars, bears, bees, elephants, bugs and more.

Individual ride tickets are \$1. Pay-one-price wristbands are available each day for \$18. Discount coupons are available at several Northville area businesses or at the chamber office at 195 S. Main Street. Office hours are from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Monday-Friday.

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

Free photo fun for children

Staff from the local Metro Parent magazine will be on site Saturday and Sunday to provide a free photo activity for children.

"Children will have the opportunity to have their photo taken and have it look like they are on the cover of an issue of Metro Parent magazine," said Dayna Herdus, events coordinator for Metro Parent.

"This is a chance for a child to be a 'Cover Kid,'" an annual event

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Carnival hours

The second Northville Summer Carnival will take place from:

- 4-10 p.m. today
- 4-11 p.m. Friday
- noon-11 p.m. Saturday
- noon-5 p.m. Sunday

Free parking is available on the Northville Downs grounds, and admission to the midway is free.

Individual ride prices are \$1; pay-one-price wristbands are available for \$18 a day. Discount coupons are available at several downtown businesses.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Work continued last week on the Northville Town Square Redevelopment Project. Part of the street running along the town clock, center, is already bricked in and planters and light posts will be added nearby. The majority of the work will be completed by fall 2007.

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Freshmen: New high school graduation requirements set to take effect this fall

Graduation alteration

Incoming freshmen in all Michigan high schools will see new requirements they must meet if they want to graduate in the spring of 2011. Here is a breakdown of the students' new course load at Northville High School, with the old requirement in parentheses. Students need 28.5 credits to graduate. More than half, 16.5, come from the Michigan Merit Curriculum, while the remaining credits come from electives and seminar credits.

Area	# of credits
English	4
Math	4 (2)
Social Studies	3
Science	3
Seminar	0.5
Visual, Performing and Applied Arts	1 (2)
Health	0.5
Online Experience	0.5
Physical Education	0.5 (1)

Source: Northville High School

■ Class of 2011 first to see new, more stringent demands

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

The number of credits Northville High School students need to receive their cap and gown — 28.5 — didn't change when the state graduation requirements did. The course load got a little heavier, though.

Across the state, students are now required to complete four English language arts credits; four credits in math with the additional requirements that one credit be

taken in a student's senior year and students must complete Algebra II; three science credits; three social studies credits; one health/physical education credit — a half-credit in Northville — and one fine arts/music credit. Northville high students are also required to complete half-credit online and health courses and two seminar credits as well.

The remaining number of credits required for graduation — varying by district — would be made up of elected classes that would be part of the 21st Century Applied Learning Core.

Northville Public School District Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said the changes have caused the district to reinvent its summer school programs. He said students are no longer taking summer courses "because they have

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Town Square Project opening at special 'Townie Night'

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is still expected to be completed, except for the pavilion, in time for the Victorian Festival next month.

The sides that face the project on the Helen's Uptown Cafe and Rock on Main clothing store buildings have been painted a dark green to complement trellises that will be attached directly to the buildings.

Workers also lost a couple of days when they discovered an old fireplace underground near Helen's Uptown Cafe.

"The situation's still not resolved," said John Hasinski, field superintendent from

McCarthy & Smith in Farmington Hills.

Irrigation runs for the planters have been completed, and sidewalks have been removed on Mary Alexander Court in front of Sizzling Sticks, with temporary walkways in place. Color Concrete curbs and sidewalks will be poured this week.

Workers also started constructing the planter along Rock on Main.

Construction should be com-

pleted this week on the west-bound lane of Main Street within the Town Square parameters.

One-way eastbound traffic can't be rerouted to the west-bound lane, however, until the pattern is cut into the brick and sand is swept into the brick cracks.

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A trio of young ladies enjoyed a hair-flying, G-force-inducing ride at the Michigan 50's Festival in Novi last month. Wade Shows will be bringing the same carnival to Northville today.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Summer carnival opens today at Downs

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the magazine produces every April. Metro Parent staff members will take their photo, which can be accessed later on a Web site.

"They can either e-mail the photo to friends and family members or download it for a keepsake," Herdus said.

The magazine will also have a free children's activity in which youngsters can place their handprint next to a keepsake poem.

A free copy of the current issue of Metro Parent will also be available to all carnival-goers.

Creative activities for young

Kathryn Price from Plasterworks will also have children's activities, costing from \$2-\$8. Plaster/ceramic pieces will be available for children to paint, and children can also make Sandy Candy, scented votive candles and sand art.

"Children can be creative on these make-it, take-it projects," Price said.

Metro Parent's and Plasterworks' events will take place from noon-7 p.m. on Saturday and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday.

Last year, the event was scheduled in July, with the crowds having to contend with nearly triple-digit temperatures.

"We're excited to have it a little later in the season this year with the hope that temperatures will be a little lower," said Janet Bloom, marketing and events coordinator for the Northville Chamber of Commerce.

"We're hoping to encourage more community participation by having it a little later in the summer."

Bloom said the carnival is a great way for local families to spend some memorable time together before school starts.

Novi students return to the classroom Tuesday, Sept. 4; Northville classes start Tuesday, Sept. 4.

The summer carnival will take place each day rain or shine.

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New high school grad requirements set to take effect this fall

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to," adding the off-season classes give students the option of exploring courses before the school year starts.

"This change makes it possible that we're leaning more toward year-round schooling," Rezmierski said. "Not formally, because we don't have the funds to do so, but the changes give a challenge to students to complete those requirements in four years."

On Nov. 15, 2005, Michigan Superintendent of Public Instruction Mike Flanagan announced that he had presented the State Board of Education final recommendations to "improve the rigor, relevance and outcome of Michigan high schools."

Flanagan's requirement changes, which go into effect this fall with the class of 2011, will add two math credits and one additional science credit and make finishing Algebra II mandatory for students.

According to Flanagan, the changes are necessary in order to prepare students to succeed in post-secondary education and subsequent careers in the competitive global economy of the 21st century.

In his memorandum to the board, Flanagan outlined the requirements based on a detailed study conducted over the past year on the issue of improving Michigan high schools.

The changes will incorporate the Michigan Merit Curriculum and become the content standards for high school students.

The Michigan Merit Curriculum would incorporate the Michigan Merit Core and the 21st Century Applied Learning Curriculum to make Michigan high school students competitive with other highly-educated students around the globe, according to Flanagan.

Rezmierski said the changes are affecting all levels of K-12 education. Some of the courses required to receive a high school diploma will be offered to middle school students as a way to free up more time to dedicate to other classes upon entering high school.

"The rigor and relevancy of the new requirements signals a vast improvement and certainly implies that all academic levels will see improvements," Rezmierski said. "But here in Northville, both our general and special education curriculums have been similar to (the state's revised) requirements for more than 20 years."

"Ninety-percent of our graduates go on to college, too, so we're expecting those trends to continue even with the changes."

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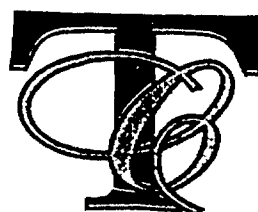
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Sisters and Northville residents Lisa Ruggirello, left, and Angela Plachta turned a winning entry in the 2006 Northville Fire & Ice Chili and Salsa Cook Off into a thriving business. Their entry, "Little Diablo Salsa," is sold in more than 150 stores in Michigan.

Salsa dancing

■ Northville sisters balance family, growing business

By Jason Carmel Davis
STAFF WRITER

Sisters Lisa Ruggirello and Angela Plachta began making salsa using their mother's recipe in the basement of their childhood home about 20 years ago.

For the Northville residents, this fall tradition became popular amongst family and friends, who would come to the home hoping to snag a jar of the savory snack.

"People loved it," Ruggirello said. "They'd come over, and the first thing they'd say is 'where's the salsa?' We never gave away much because we only made so much each year. We were stingy about it."

The demand for the salsa spread in January 2006 when Ruggirello and Plachta entered the Northville Fire & Ice Chili and Salsa Cook Off, naming their entry "Little Diablo Salsa." The concoction, made with 100-percent natural, fresh ingredients, earned the sisters first prize for best consumer salsa and best product name, respectively.

"Angela, her husband, Doug, and I were talking one day when we came up with the name,"

Ruggirello said. "We liked it so much, we kept it."

Both sisters said entering the competition was a fun experience, and winning was the icing on the cake. It was Doug, however, who decided the salsa was good enough to distribute to the masses.

It was Doug who did most of the "footwork," Angela said. He visited manufacturers and got the creation patented. Because of this team effort, the salsa is now mass produced through Blue Torch Distribution in Westland. It is also sold in more than 150 Spartan Stores, along with Northville's Hiller's and Busch's.

A family recipe has turned into a growing business. But the business aspect hasn't led to Angela, 39, and Ruggirello, 42, neglecting something that is extremely important to each of the sisters.

Ruggirello's four children, and Angela's two youngsters, all attend Northville Public Schools. Each child, ranging in ages 5-15, is also active in sports within the district. A large support group, which conducts business with distributors in Grand Rapids, enables the two sisters to handle local matters while making it possible for them to maintain their family lives.

Both (Angela and Ruggirello) have worked extremely hard balancing six kids and running this local start-up company," Doug said.

The Little Diablo creators say their children support their bud-

ding business venture. Angela said it's a bit of a struggle balancing children and commerce since her youngsters are home for summer vacation. The salsa has also made its way onto school grounds through promotions — by the children — and donations to school events.

Angela said one of her children has reached the point to where he can't live without the salsa. The family tradition hasn't taken a backseat to the business endeavor. Salsa is still made in the fall, and the young Plachta's and Ruggirello's now take part in making the snack.

"My 8-year-old son's diet literally consists of chips and the salsa," she said. "I'm not fabricating that at all."

Both sisters are hoping the salsa becomes a part of many more people's diets. Angela said a homestyle salsa and Little Diablo chips are in the works. She said she's anticipating a fall release.

Angela also said they try to keep the salsa affordable — at \$3.99 a jar. She said the jar the salsa comes in, with the Little Diablo logo draped on front, is something that isn't fancy or contrived.

"We both want to make it big, but if we don't, we won't be disappointed," Angela said. "This is something that's fun for us."

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Dog bite case raises ordinance questions

■ Animal must be quarantined

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

With a young girl allegedly bitten in June at Community Dog Park at Five Mile and Beck roads, several residents have asked what the local ordinance states.

The township ordinance, which can be found on the township's Web site under Code Enforcement, says any person who owns or has control of a dog which bites a person or has been bitten by an animal with rabies, has been subjected to rabies or even just suspected of having rabies has to notify police and deliver the dog to a veterinarian.

At the owner's expense, a veterinarian will observe and examine the dog for rabies. The owner must also provide the veterinarian with all information pertaining to the health, actions, history and vaccinations of the dog.

If the veterinarian determines the dog is not rabid, then the dog can be returned to the owner.

If the veterinarian determines that the dog does have rabies, the dog must be destroyed at the owner's cost.

Vet can order quarantine

If the veterinarian determines the dog may be afflicted with rabies but no positive final diagnosis is possible at the time, the veterinarian may order that the dog be held and establish a temporary quarantine to prevent the spread of the disease or to make a final diagnosis.

Chip Snider, township manager, said a 10-day confinement is state law. The Public Health Code contains the recommendation for confinement of dogs, cats and ferrets that bite humans, which is where the 10-day observation period is referenced.

Situations involving other species are reviewed on a case-by-case basis, said T. J. Bucholz, director of communications for the Michigan Department of Community Health in Lansing. The cost of the quarantine

period is also the responsibility of the dog's owner.

The ordinance says that any dog delivered to the pound or veterinarian by a law enforcement officer suspected of biting any person, having been bitten by an animal or having contracted rabies shall be temporarily quarantined.

If the owner does not apply for the return of the dog and pay all fees and costs, the dog can be sold or destroyed.

The veterinarian must also forward a record of all dogs examined to the township, which the township must maintain for 90 days.

On March 1, 2007, a new state law was passed regarding dog bites.

HB4065 requires a person whose dog bites another person to remain on the scene and provide certain information and assistance or face criminal penalties.

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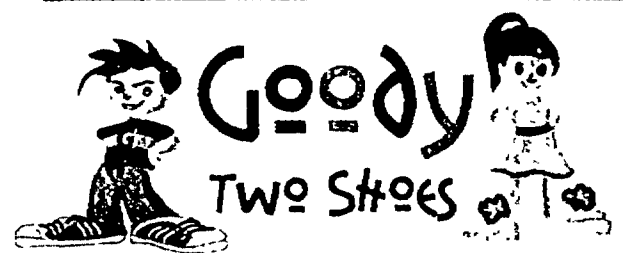
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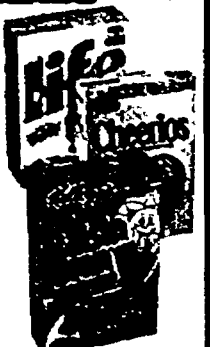
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Man charged with murder of woman in Garden City

■ Relatives say he tried to help down-and-out; body found in Northville Twp.

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

A 62-year-old Garden City man has been charged with first-degree murder in the death of 44-year-old Cheryl Lynn Boeskool, also of Garden City.

Thomas Joseph Roe was arraigned before 35th District Judge John MacDonald Friday on a charge of killing Boeskool and then dumping her body in a retention pond at the Country Club Village condominium complex.

A not guilty plea was entered and a preliminary exam set for 8:30 a.m. Aug. 24. If convicted, he faces life in prison.

Roe is being held without bond in the Wayne County Jail.

Boeskool's body was found on Aug. 7 face down in the pond near the intersection of Six Mile and Haggerty roads by a passing motorist. Police believe Boeskool was killed in Garden City and transported to Northville Township. The Wayne County Medical Examiner has determined that she died of blunt force trauma to the head.

Northville Township detectives obtained a confession from Roe with the assistance of Garden City Police detectives. Police also found what they believe to be the murder weapon in the Garden City home.

"It was a cooperative effort," said Lt. Greg Rhodes of the Northville Township Police Department.

Roe was taken into custody on Wednesday evening along with another suspect, who has not been charged, but police believe may know something about Boeskool's death.

A romantic relationship

Rhodes said Roe and Boeskool had some sort of romantic relation-

ship, and that she stayed at his Garden City home occasionally.

Roe grew up in the Northville community. A retired dry wall hanger, he attended Northville schools, according to his niece and his brother and sister-in-law, who were at the arraignment and asked not to be identified.

Boeskool's brother, Ronnie Short, and sister-in-law, April, also attended the arraignment.

It was the first time Short had seen Roe, but he knew that his sister had lived with him off and on, according to media reports.

'She always came back to him'

"She always came back to him when she needed help, and he always helped her as best he could, even taking her to hospitals and stuff, which was good," Short told reporters following the hearing. "Then it turned out tragic."

Roe's relatives said he was a widower. His wife, Maxine, who needed a heart transplant, died in 1998.

They also described Roe as a church-going man who tried to assist down-and-out individuals in the Detroit area. They said Boeskool was homeless when he first met the woman a couple of years ago.

They also said that Boeskool had a drug problem and that when she got arrested, police would usually bring her back to Roe's residence.

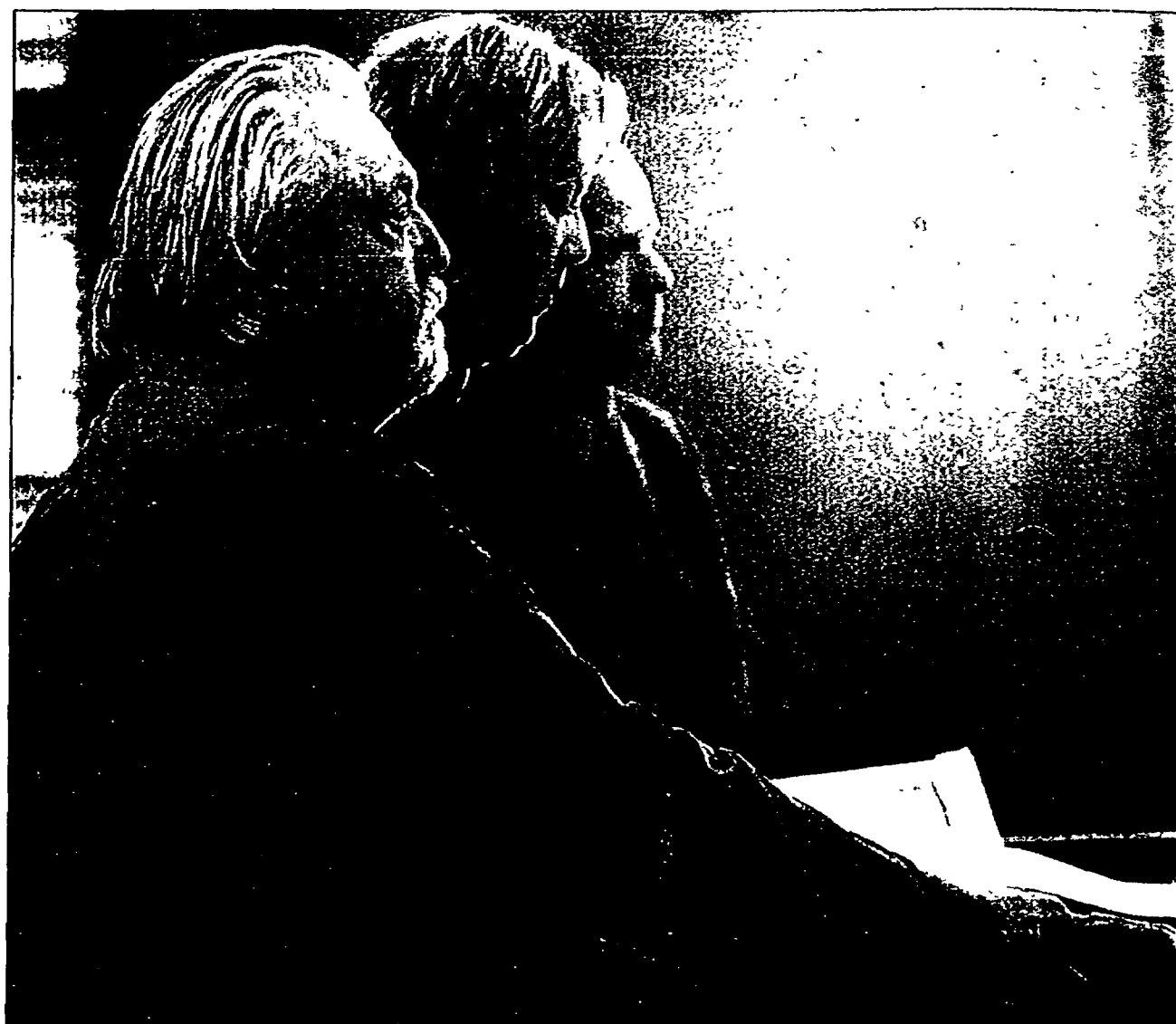
"The Lord told him to help her, and he did," said Roe's brother, "but then he had to kick her out many times. He really is a good person."

Both families agreed on Roe and Boeskool's relationship, saying that she was troubled mentally and criminally, and Roe tried many times to help her.

April Short said her sister-in-law was "not mentally right."

"She was the type of person that if someone said go jump off of a bridge, she would," she told reporters. "She did not have the mental capacity to know."

The victim's relatives also wondered why a man who had tried to help her in the past could have brutally killed her and dumped her



With an attorney at his left, Thomas Joseph Roe, a 62-year-old Garden City man is arraigned in Plymouth's 35-1 District Court last Friday in the killing of Cheryl Boeskool, whose body was found last week in Northville Township.

half-naked body in a pond.

"She was made out to be a monster with her criminal past, but she's still a person," Ronnie Short said. "She had a heart and would do anything she could for somebody. This should have never happened."

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Dan and Denise Ellis of Troy announce the engagement of

their daughter, Kara Ann Ellis, to Erik Matthew Anderson, son of Kent and Colleen Anderson of Northville.

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Troy High School and a 2004 graduate of Western Michigan University, earning a bachelor's degree in marketing. She is currently employed as an advertising account manager for McDonald's in Denver, Colo.

The groom-elect is a 2000 graduate of Northville High School and a 2004 graduate of Michigan State University, earning a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He is employed as an aerospace engineer with Lockheed Martin in Denver.

An August 2007 wedding is planned.

IN THE SERVICE

Navy Ensign Thomas H. Knapp, son of Christine Cushman of Northville and Greg Knapp of Plymouth recently completed the four-year officer development program at the U. S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

Knapp learned basic skills in seamanship, navigation, infantry drill, marksmanship and sailing. Throughout four years at the Naval Academy, he studied courses in engineering, science, mathematics, humanities and social science while undergoing extensive training in leadership, discipline, athletics and character development. Knapp also fulfilled the community relations requirements.

All Naval Academy graduates receive a bachelor of science degree upon completion of their four-year training. The Naval Academy's mission is to develop Midshipmen morally, mentally, and physically to produce combat leaders of character to the Navy and Marine Corps.

Navy Ensign Robert I. Cameron, a 2002 graduate of Northville High School, recently completed the four-year officer development program at the U. S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

Cameron learned basic skills in seamanship, navigation, infantry drill, marksmanship and sailing. Throughout four years at the Naval Academy, he studied courses in engineering, science, mathematics, humanities and social science while undergoing extensive training in leadership, discipline, athletics and character development. Cameron also fulfilled the community relations requirements.

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GIRL SCOUTS IN THE NEWS

Scout excels in gymnastics

You won't find 9-year-old Kaleigh Carlone sitting around watching TV most days. She is at her gym, Michigan Elite Gymnastics Academy, 21 hours a week. She also maintains top scores at school, goes to church, and is a member of Girl Scout Troop 50 at Northville's Thornton Creek Elementary School.

Carlone recently earned a spot at the National level State meet — which is the highest level out of three in the state of Michigan. Kaleigh is a level 5 USAG gymnast and is very committed to her sport. She started gymnastics at age 3.

Her talent and commitment have earned her a spot in the USA Gymnastics TOPs program as well. This is elite level gymnastics training in which an athlete competes separate from regular gymnastics meets. The TOPs competitions are in the summer and are made up of 10 flexibility, strength, and power tests.

Carlone's Girl Scout troop is part of the Northville C Service Unit that recently exceeded its goal of 1,000 hours of service for the year. Carlone is committed to the mission of Girl Scouting and the values it teaches her Carlone's parents feel, along with church, that Girl Scouting can help make Carlone a well rounded person — especially with the highly competitive sport she is in.

Community service hours exceeded

Northville C Service Unit of Girl Scouts of Huron Valley Council set a goal of 1,000 hours of community service at the beginning of this school year. In only nine months the Service Unit has reached 1,638 hours. These are hours that have made a difference in the community and the world.

This service unit is made up of 220 girls in 20 troops. The girls range from kindergarten through fifth grade and are from

Thornton Creek Elementary and Ridge Wood Elementary in the Northville Public School District. These girls are led by 44 volunteer leaders — five of whom are also administrators.

This program is called Inchworm of Service. The adult leaders and administrators of this service unit believe strongly in teaching the value and joy of service.

Northville C Service Unit has also achieved the highest honor this year — the President's Award. This takes a great effort and requires excellence in service unit administration.

Sixteen honored

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest honor a Girl Scout can earn for her significant leadership and dedication to community service. In recognition of this national award Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council presented the Girl Scout Gold Award to 16 girls — including four from Northville — during a ceremony held on May 22, in the Lydia Mendelsohn Theater at the University of Michigan, in Ann Arbor.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is an elite award earned by only three percent of Girl Scouts, ages 14-17, across the country each year. To earn the highest achievement in Girl Scouts calls upon each girl to draw on what she has learned and experienced through Girl Scouting. Through the process girls develop a 65-hour service project that impacts their community. While they learn about themselves and their capabilities, they put their leadership skills into action by making a mark in their community.

"Girls who earn the Gold Award gain a personal sense of accomplishment that will cement the foundation for a lifetime of active citizenship as they grow to join a network of powerful and accomplished women who have earned this honor," said Gail Scott, CEO, Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council. "We congratulate every girl for her achievement and are excited for

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Miss Harriet's Dance Studio to open at Northville Square

■ Owner's mom has long local legacy

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

In 50 years, Harriet LaClare of Northville has seen many wonderful dancers train at Miss Harriet's Dance Studio in Livonia.

And now, her youngest daughter, Terri Irrer, of South Lyon, is getting ready to roll out the red carpet on the half-century-old local business' new spot in Northville.

LaClare, who opened the studio on Six Mile Road, is now retired. But, she will be on hand to help her daughter celebrate the studio's new location at 133 W. Main on the lower level of Northville Square on Sunday.

About 800 people have been invited to the open house from 2-6 p.m.; the Livonia studio has already closed.

The new location has a student lounge with wireless Internet, state-of-the-art certified wood sprung floors and a convenient location where parents can enjoy a little retail therapy while their child takes dance lessons.

The space, which totals more than 4,000 square feet, includes a lobby, an area where the studio's custom dance wear will be sold, a large studio, teachers' lounge, changing areas and coatroom.

The studio teaches tap; jazz; ballet; pointe; competition, chorus; lyrical; hip hop; ballroom; jumps, leaps and turns; performance; technique classes and jump

Registration starts on Tuesday

Those who would like to register for a class at Miss Harriet's Dance Studio's new location in downtown Northville, here are registration dates and times:

■ Tuesday, Aug. 21 — 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

■ Wednesday, Aug. 22 — 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

■ Thursday, Aug. 23 — 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

■ Friday, Aug. 24 — 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

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rope classes.

"A personal trainer will come in and do this for both children and adults," Irrer said. "Jumping rope is good for sports, dance or just as exercise."

Colorful studio design

The studio, which the family designed on their own, features bright colors, such as orange, burgundy, sage green, mustard and mulberry.

"That's my second love," Irrer said. "I love to decorate."

Irrer said she and her mother started talking about opening a new studio in April. Classes are available six days a week.

Although all types of classes bring healthy enrollment figures, Irrer said ballroom dancing has



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

"Miss Harriet" LaClare, left, and her daughter, Terri Irrer, will soon open Miss Harriet's Dance Studio on the lower level of Northville Square, offering a number of studios for dancers of all ages and a dancer's supply shop.

become more popular lately with TV shows such as "Dancing with the Stars."

"I think after watching these shows that people now realize how athletic ballroom dancing is," Irrer said. "It's almost a sport. These shows how hard these

dancers work."

The dance studio owners are very excited about the new studio.

"I can't tell you how thrilled we are," Irrer said. "We've been wanting to move to this area for quite a while. We just love Northville."

Irrer feels it's important for everyone to keep fit, as she had Hodgkin's disease a few years ago and thinks being in shape helped her while she was being treated for the cancer.

"I came through it really well," she said.

The dance studio offers classes for those of all ages and skill levels.

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2. I can pay my professional staff of 12 technicians to work instead of paying them to sit at home.

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CHERRY BLOSSOM: One of Michigan's finest just up the road

■ Novi eatery chosen to be in cookbook

By Kelly Murad
STAFF WRITER

When Shigeru Yamada opened Cherry Blossom 15 years ago, appealing to the business community and the residential population is what attracted him to Novi.

For Novi and Northville residents, the authentic atmosphere and traditional Japanese cuisine has been attracting them to Cherry Blossom for more than a decade.

"When you come into our restaurant, you can see Japanese gardens. Our restaurant is very authentic," Yamada said.

For these reasons, Cherry Blossom in Novi was chosen to be featured in a cookbook celebrating Michigan's finest cuisine.

"Being featured in this cookbook says you are one of the best, if not the best in the State," said Matt Sutherland, author of "Savor Michigan Cookbook: Michigan's Finest Restaurants Their Recipes and Their Histories."

After consulting with numerous chefs and wine distributors, the 35 restaurants Sutherland selected represent the superior quality of food Michigan has to offer.

"Michigan is the second most agriculturally diverse state in the country," Sutherland said. "When you combine adventure-some farmers with adventure-some chefs, we come up with very interesting, fresh ingredients. The chefs let the natural flavor of the food come out, so the food stands out on its own."

Not only has Yamada appreciated Michigan for its fresh ingredients, but he said it has

increasingly become one of the most Japanese-populated areas in the United States.

"Since (the) Japanese population increased (from 15 years ago), vendors for Japanese food came to Michigan, as well," Yamada said. "It is easier for us to get fresh food."

The cookbook features four or five recipes from each restaurant, along with a profile and history of the restaurant.

"It's a nice, diverse list of recipes," Sutherland said. "I pushed them (the chefs) to do interesting stuff, not just cookie-cutter recipes."

Even though Yamada said it was difficult to choose only five recipes, the goal was to select signature dishes that represent the restaurant.

"Cherry Blossom is really the only true Japanese sushi place (in the cookbook)," Sutherland said.

Among the Cherry Blossom recipes chosen was the noodle dish Kamo Nabe Duck, one of Yamada's favorites, and Sakura (meaning Cherry Blossom) Roll, which is a salmon, yellow-tail, tuna and avocado sushi.

Cherry Blossom in Novi isn't the only restaurant Shigeru Yamada owns, but it is his most lucrative.

"Novi does the best among three of the restaurants I have," Yamada said, in comparison with his other two restaurants — Cherry Blossom in Ann Arbor and Cafe Sushi in Troy.

Although some chefs were hesitant to release their recipes, Yamada believes the cookbook will have a positive effect on business.

"Hopefully, more new clientele will try the Japanese food," he said.

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Novi's Cherry Blossom manager Shigeru Yamada, left, stands with his sushi chef, Venici Lee, and a plated manager special. Cherry Blossom, a Japanese restaurant located in West Oaks Mall, will be featured in the cookbook "Savor Michigan."

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A sample taste of the Mediterranean

By Kelly Murad
STAFF WRITER

By The Bottle and Mezza Mediterranean Grille have joined forces to introduce fine wines and Mediterranean cuisine to the Novi community.

Together, the two businesses are hosting the Midsummer Night's Flights series at Mezza from 6-8 p.m. every Wednesday night through Aug. 22.

Midsummer Night's Flights provides individuals with the chance to sample five different wines while enjoying authentic Mediterranean cuisine.

Each week Eric Gettel, owner of By The Bottle, selects a different variety of wines to feature at the event.

On Aug. 8, he chose Mediterranean varietals, which coincided nicely with the plate of Mezza's classic hors d'oeuvres, such as hummus, tabbouli, falafel and baba ghannooj.

The four red wines and one white wine featured were from the Bokisch and Boeger Wineries in northern California.

The Bokisch Winery is known for growing Spanish grapes, which are normally found in Spain, in the Lodi region of California.

Offering individuals a variety of foods with a variety of wines provides the opportunity to learn which combinations are the most enjoyable.

"The objective here is not to find an exact match; it is more an exploration," Gettel said.

He enforces a "try-it-and-learn-it method" when pairing wine with food.

"When I was a kid, America wasn't really a wine-drinking country," he said. "There is the old adage 'drink red with red meats and white with white meats.' I say grab a bottle of what you like and drink it with anything."

When Gettel and his wife, Joy Beatty, opened By The Bottle in Novi, it was because they felt the community needed a store dedicated to wine. Two years

Summer Food and Wine Combinations

• BARBECUE MEATS

With any of your barbecue meats, a red zinfandel will complement the food nicely.

Suggestion: Rosenblum North Coast Zinfandel

• GRILLED FISH

Normally, a light white wine goes well with fish, but the smokiness flavor from the grill may present different options.

Suggestion: California Chardonnay or a Pinot Noir from either Chile or Oregon

• DESSERT

Save up some room for a dessert glass and pour a little wine over it.

Suggestions of Eric Gettel, By the Bottle

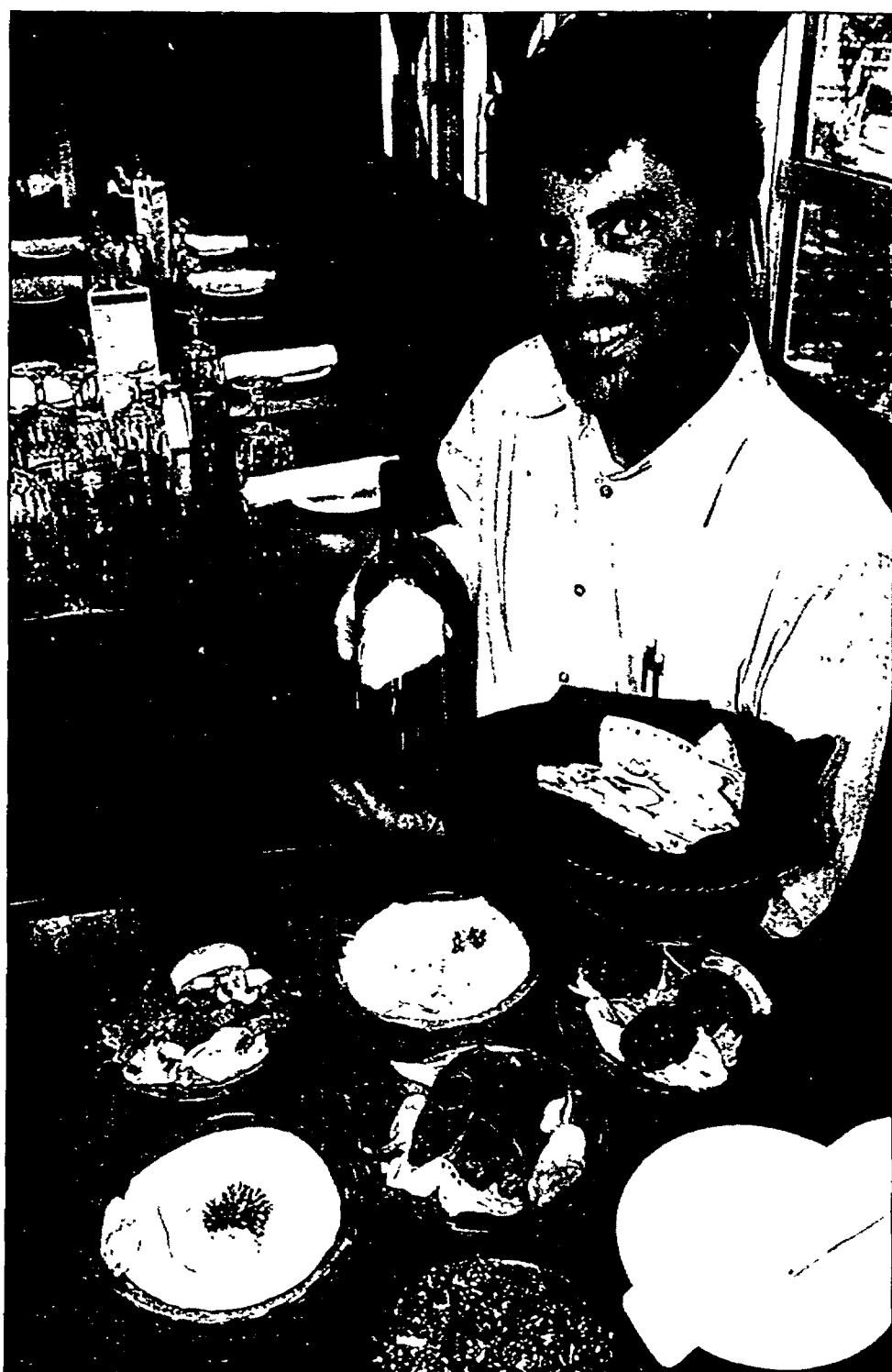
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Ryan Quinn, general manager of Novi's Mezza restaurant, shows a "Mezza Taster" - a tapas-style collection of dishes from the Middle Eastern themed eatery. Mezza will be taking part in the upcoming Midsummer Night's Flights food and wine tastings.



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*Eric Gettel
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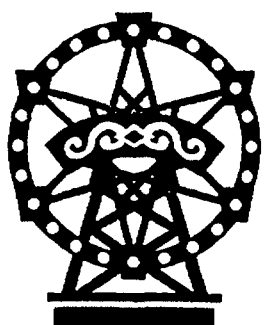
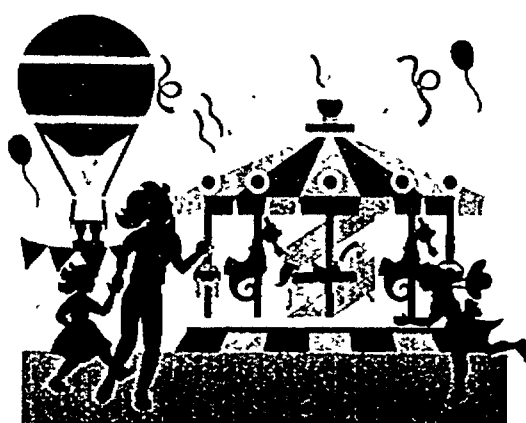
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Seniors grateful adult day program continues after setbacks this year

By Linda Chomin
GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Angie Andrzejewski tries to knock down all of the bowling pins on the table, but ends up with a split. The 92-year old Canton woman doesn't seem to mind though. Andrzejewski is just happy recreational activities are available at Revival Outreach Adult Day Services (formerly HelpSource) on Beck north of Five Mile.

The program nearly ended when HelpSource made the decision to close its doors in May. The nonprofit Ann Arbor-based agency had provided child and family services in Washtenaw and western Wayne counties for nearly 100 years.

More than once, the adult day services program has been in jeopardy. At the beginning of the year, director Laurie Krause was notified the program would have to vacate the rented space at Riverside Park Church on Newburgh at Plymouth Road in Livonia. On May 1, she and the seniors moved into the former Revival Outreach Center building, formerly the site of Our Lady of the Resurrection. On July 1, the Revival Outreach Center church adopted the program primarily tailored for senior citizens who are not totally independent due to dementia, stroke or other diseases, and could benefit from structured, supervised activities up to five days a week. It is funded by the Senior Alliance (Area Agency on Aging), community development block grants from Livonia and Canton. The Information Center, and donations as well as members fees which are based on a sliding scale depending on income.

Hours are 7:30 a.m. — 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call (734) 927-6605.

"We have three rooms, with room to grow," said Laurie Krause. "We offer activities, social recreation, provide respite for family members. We're an alternative for elderly who are isolated and alone. Revival Outreach Adult Day services is



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An attendee of the Revival Outreach Center Adult Day Services smiles as her group enjoys a game of shuffleboard at the Beck Road facility. The center recently moved its operation from Livonia to Northville Township.

for age 21 and older, and we serve all areas. We have members from Livonia, Plymouth, Garden City, Canton, Novi, Northville, Ypsilanti, Dearborn Heights, but have lost members due to the distance since we moved. We're holding open enrollment right now and looking forward to getting new people."

Activity assistant Colleen Wagner thinks all of the changes have only benefited seniors.

"It's a lot more space," said Wagner of Westland. "It's an awesome program, and this is home now. The church has been so welcoming. We're happy we're here. This morning we played bingo in the other room. It's stimulating for them to move from room to room."

Mike Morche and the congregation have witnessed the difference the adult day services program makes in the lives of seniors and the church, as well.

"We found out about their program and the outreach and concern they had for area seniors," said Mike Morche, Revival Outreach Center facilities director. "When it became known that HelpSource was going out, the deacon board and leadership team went to work to see if we could make that work. It was one of those providentially arranged coincidences, a God thing."

They've really added another connecting point to the community for us. Our congregation is driven by love. We feel our role in the community is to reach out to hurting people in all of these kinds of situations. When you reach out to help somebody, it's not long before you realize who's the beneficiary. Seniors bring a wealth of life experience. They're part of the family now. I'm not sure who adopted who. I think the sentiment is we're the real winners."

Andrzejewski has been coming to the adult day program for more than a year.

"I like it because we get together," Andrzejewski said. "You don't want to sit home and look at the walls. This is the thing for seniors to do."

"I've enjoyed it," added Merrill Ray, 76, of Livonia. Ray has been having fun with the rest of the seniors for about a year. "I come twice a week but many of the seniors come four to five days a week."

"The game is fun," said Shirley Burden after taking her turn at tabletop bowling. The 71-year-old Livonia resident has been coming to the program for the last couple of months. "People here are real nice. You can get out and enjoy yourself."

"It's good to be with other people and not be by yourself," added Mary Christner, 91, of Canton. Like Burden, Christner joined the program a couple of months ago. "I don't think we're born to be by ourselves. I live by myself, so it was nice once I got acquainted with the people here."

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Revival Outreach Center worker Susan Nicielevski, left, applauds as Wanda Litchfield scores some points during a game of shuffleboard.

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by Dennis Engerer, P.T.

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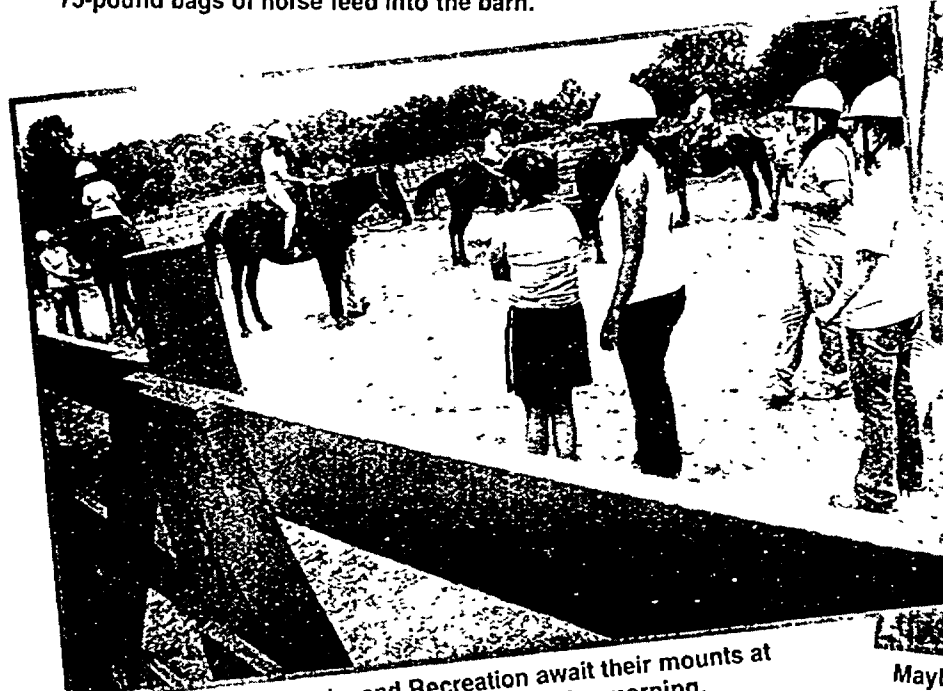
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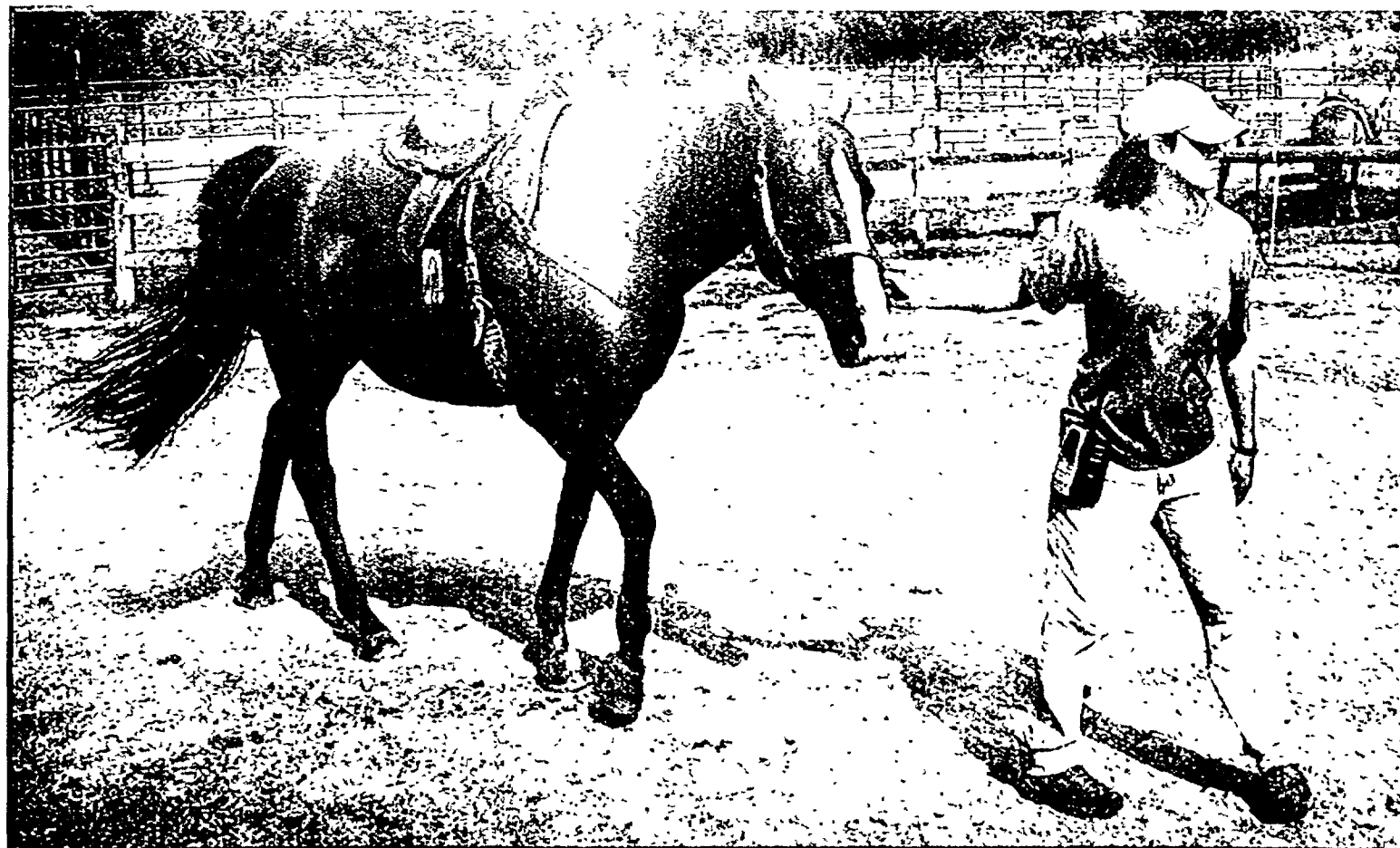
Maybury Stable trail hand Lauren Feinberg adjusts the halter on a horse as she preps it for a ride.



Maybury trail guide Brittany Myers, far right, leads a group from Warren on a one-hour ride.



A horse awaits its rider on a recent Friday morning at Maybury State Park's riding stables.



Maybury Stable's Anne Jarrett leads a horse to its rider during a recent busy Friday morning. The stables, located off of Beck Road just south of Eight Mile, are open 9-6 Mon.-Sun. and will be in operation until October. One-hour rides are \$26 on the weekdays and \$28 on the weekends.

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GOING GENERIC:

Money saved in the prescription revolution

By Tracy Mishler
SPECIAL WRITER

Mary Zurkin knows money doesn't grow on trees.

And if it did, the 74-year-old Novi resident said she must have forgotten to plant the seeds in her backyard.

Living on a fixed budget, Zurkin said she must watch her spending closely, learning to shy away from some of the finer things in life.

"When you're a retired widow, depending on Social Security and the little amounts that come in here and there, you've got to be smart," she said. "I'd love to spend money on redecorating my home, but my health comes first."

Zurkin said she spends the majority of her monthly income on groceries, medication and household bills.

"I had a stroke three years ago and was put on several medications, which can be very expensive," she said. "Thank God for insurance, otherwise, I'd probably be dead."

Zurkin said she spends \$200 to \$300 a month on prescriptions, not including over-the-counter medications.

"I try to ask for generic drugs," she said. "It's cheaper and in my opinion, the same as getting the name brand prescriptions."

Like Zurkin, many people are asking their doctors to prescribe generic medications instead of name brands.

According to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, to help keep health care costs low without compromising quality, the insurance company

launched a collaborative effort to promote to use of generic drugs.

Estimates show that even a 1-percent increase in the sale of generic medications result in a savings of \$17 million for Blue Cross Blue Shield customers alone.

Why go generic?

Dr. Chad Savage, of Park Internal Medicine affiliated with St. John Providence Hospital in Novi, said generic drugs are the way to go for the cost savings alone.

Generic drugs, according to the Federal Trade Commission, as a requirement by most state laws, are the equivalent to their name brand counterparts. Generics must have the same active ingredients, strengths and dosage in pill, liquid or injection form. They must also be therapeutically equivalent with the same chemical makeup and medical effect.

"There has been a huge push in Michigan with people trying to switch over to generic drugs," Savage said. "Medical costs have been out of control. The amount of money continues to increase disproportionately to other industries."

"Insurance companies are trying to save money and one way to do that is to encourage people to use generic drugs whenever possible."

Savage said many people think generic drugs are inferior to name-brand medications.

"I try to save my patients money when prescribing medications," he said. "In many

Generic medications

■ What is a generic drug?

A generic drug is the same as a brand-name drug in dosage, safety, strength, quality, the way it works, the way it is taken and the way it should be used.

■ Are generic drugs as safe as brand-name drugs?

Yes. The FDA says all drugs must work well and be safe. Generic drugs use the same active ingredients as brand-name drugs and work the same way. So they have the same risks and benefits as the brand-name drugs.

■ Does every brand-name drug have a generic drug?

No. When new drugs are first made, they have drug patents. Most drug patents are protected for 17 years. The patent protects the company that made the drug first. The patent doesn't allow anyone else to make and sell the drug. When the patent expires, other drug companies can start selling the generic version of the drug. But, first, they must test the drug and the FDA must approve it.

■ Why are generic drugs less expensive?

Creating a drug costs lots of money. Since generic drug makers do not develop a drug from scratch, the costs to bring the drug to market are less. But they must show that their product performs in the same way as the brand-name drug. The FDA approves all generic drugs.

■ What is the best source of information about generic drugs?

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the market of other competing companies," Hassan said. "If a company lost their patent, they would have their own generics drugs. It's a win-win for the major companies trying to capture the generic market, too."

Hassan said not only are generics good for manufacturers, but also for insurance companies and the consumers.

"It's a great way to cut down on the spiraling health care costs in this country," he said. "Now-a-days, people are asking for generics where years ago they would shy away from them."

Hassan said he's been in the pharmaceutical business since 1974 and has seen times with no generics, the introduction of generic drugs, and the revolution.

"Everyone is coming around to generics, from the younger generations to the seniors," he said.

"I've been around a long time from when we have to convince doctors it was OK to use generics. We had to call doctors and let them know that certain drugs had generics, because many did not know."

Hassan said today, most pharmacies fill prescriptions in generic medications unless notified by a doctor or patient to do otherwise.

Saving seniors

Christine Marks, Erickson Advantage manager at Fox Run in Novi, said picking up a generic medication is a better way to stretch your dollar further.

"Especially when it comes to a Medicare Part D plan," Marks said. "Every Medicare Part D plan has a doughnut hole in the amount of coverage allowed."

"Once you reach that doughnut hole, you're responsible for paying for your medication until you've reached the other side and covered once again."

Marks said using generic drugs for seniors is a cheaper way to get more medication and not reach that doughnut hole.

"Seniors should really discuss with their doctors if generics are an option," she said. "Brand name drugs will eat up that initial coverage very quickly."

Zurkin said more people should ask for generic medications and not be so concerned about name brands.

"I've been using generics for years and I'm still alive," she said. "I've probably saved a lot of money that I've been able to use in other places, and I'm grateful for that."

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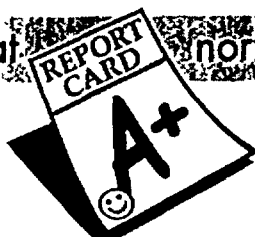
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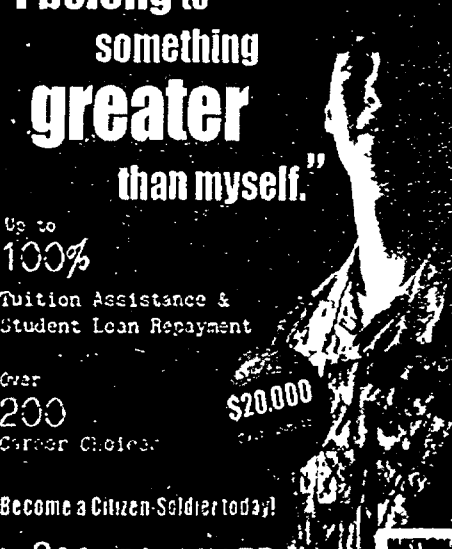
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The words "chunky" and "beefy" may seem more apropos of canned soup than women's jewelry, but those are just the words that designers are using to describe the latest trend in necklaces. Large, long necklaces with big beads and chunks of interesting links, chains, and metal arms are all the rage. In fact, anything goes as long as it is anything but dainty. This, of course, does not mean that a large chunky necklace cannot be a model of simplicity itself. For example, a long necklace with large, shiny black beads can be as tasteful as a string of pearls. On the other end of the spectrum are big, beefy, barbarian pieces that are full of personal- and fun.

Whether your taste in necklaces leans toward outrageous excitement or subdued elegance, you'll find something to suit your style at WEINSTEIN JEWELERS.

Our designs are innovative and out craftsmanship flawless. And we know our sales personnel are sure to please because we believe in old-fashioned personal service. Experience it for yourself at 41900 Grand River Ave., whether you are shopping for a necklace for a special person or something to add to your own jewelry collection. Ph: (248) 347-0303.

All customers bring in your original appraisal from Weinstein Jewelers and receive a **FREE Appraisal Update***
*Valued at \$25.00

PS Big, chunky necklaces are the perfect accompaniment to plain, simple tops.



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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Let's 'Chat' about the next 138 years

It was 138 years ago that Sam Harkins Little published the first Northville Record newspaper. Things have changed just a bit since then, eh?

There were more than a dozen owners prior to Gannett purchasing the Record several years ago, but they've all had one thing in common — keeping you informed.

Back in 1869, no one could have imagined what today's technology would bring. Yes, we still put out a fine "print" edition of the Record each Thursday, and it remains a great vehicle for us and our advertisers to reach the Northville community. But, the unbelievable speed of the Internet now allows even a weekly newspaper to provide up-to-date stories to readers anywhere in the world.

For instance, last week a woman's body was found in Northville Township late Tuesday afternoon. Our reporter went to the scene and wrote a story that went to press at 1 p.m. on Wednesday. However, a press conference was surprisingly called at 9 p.m. The reporter attended, came back to the office, wrote an updated story and placed it on our Web site where it went "live" on Thursday morning.

We updated the story again on Friday after a man was charged with murder and arraigned.

Our goal is to make our Web site (www.northvillerecord.com) the source for local information. An exhaustive community calendar, sports schedules, news and feature stories, engagements, obituaries, letters, and on and on — pretty much everything that's in the newspaper, and lots, lots more.

An added feature is Story Chat, and if you haven't explored it yet, you should. At the bottom of every online story there's a STORYCHAT: [Post Comment](#) link. Just click on it and type in your thoughts (after you register, of course).

It's a great forum for community discussion on a variety of topics. Give your opinion and others will give theirs. All we ask is that you keep it clean and fair.

It's easy to participate. In fact, go to this editorial online now and let us know what you think the next 138 years will hold for the Northville Record.

What do you think?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification.

We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content.

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Each month, the VFW in Redford sends Reiff the names of Michigan soldiers killed in conflict. For each one, an American flag is displayed. The best months are when no names are sent to him.



Word War II veteran John Reiff stands tall and proud on the bridge in Northville Crossing that he keeps decorated with American flags. For Reiff, every day is Flag Day.

Veteran's flags fly proud at Crossing

From the time he was a boy, World War II veteran John Reiff has had a love affair with the American flag. Reiff, who served in the 302nd Combat Engineers Company in the Pacific Theater, recalls walking to school through a small business neighborhood and watching as shopkeepers put out the flag for display. They did this daily. He also recalls that on Flag Day, his neighborhood was a riot of color with American flags on display at all homes. In his classroom, the Pledge of Allegiance was not just a routine occurrence but was explained by the teacher as to why they recited this pledge each and every day. From these experiences, Reiff internalized a love for the flag and an enduring appreciation for what our flag represents. He continues that dedication and appreciation to this day.

Fondly referred to as "The Flag Man" by residents of Northville Crossing Manufactured Home Community, where he has lived for five years, Reiff's respect for

the flag, and what it represents, is obvious. Adorning the bridge that connects the two sections of the community are more than 150 American flags: one for each Michigan soldier that has died in the Middle East conflicts. Reiff explained that each month, the VFW in Redford sends him the names of Michigan soldiers killed in conflict. For each one, an American flag is displayed.

He said the best months are the ones where no names are sent to him.

Reiff began his active work on behalf of Old Glory one Flag Day many years ago. His daughter had a friend visiting who asked him why so many flags were being flown in his neighborhood. He realized the young lady had no knowledge of Flag Day and what it represents. He decided to change that. He put together a presentation about Flag Day and the American flag, and over a period of time visited every school in Redford explaining to students how our flag came to be and what Flag Day represents.



About Margaret Fogelsonger

Margaret Fogelsonger is a South Lyon resident, retired from the American Red Cross and member of the Friends of the Salem-South Lyon District Library board. She is a volunteer gardener at the library, and member of the South Lyon Beautification Committee.

Reiff's friends and neighbors often contribute money to help purchase his flags. Recently, one resident presented him with five dozen flags to help in his effort. And his display of flags on the bridge sometimes receives unique acknowledgement. This Memorial Day, four restored World War II planes that had done a flyover in Milford, flew over his house. Reiff's wife Virginia watched as they flew over, slowly turned and came back low over the bridge. As they passed, all four tipped their wings in salute to the flags. She said it was one of the most amazing things she had ever seen.

When asked what the flag really means to him, Reiff

replied, "It's just a piece of cloth, but it has represented our country for over 200 years. The flag reminds me of the freedom, opportunity and privilege we all enjoy living in the United States. I believe that each and every one of us should revere the flag and look at it with the highest respect." Reiff shows his respect by taking the flags down every 10 days and inspecting them to assure they are still in good condition.

As he said, the flags must never be displayed in a manner that restricts their full. For this reason, all of his flags fly freely and proudly as a symbol of one man's dedication and respect for the Red, White and Blue.

Hunger has no season in Michigan

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 children 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 one 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 more than 1 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 that 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.

Standing in line in order to eat

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



About Tom Watkins

Tom Watkins is CEO of TDW and Associates, a business and education consulting company. He served as Michigan's State superintendent of schools from 2001 to 2005. He has a life-long interest in China and has traveled there many times since his first trip in 1989. Read his internationally recognized report: The New Education (R)evolution at www.nacol.org. He welcomes reader comments at: tdwatkins@aol.com.

identification. The Council has released a compelling report, "Blueprint to End Hunger" <http://www.fbcmich.org/> <http://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 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, go 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.

HOT TICKET: Don't miss the Wade Shows Carnival today through Sunday at Northville Downs

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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NORTHVILLE EVENTS

Farmer's Market

TIME/DAY: 8 a.m.-3 p.m. every Thursday

LOCATION: Corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon Roads

Chef's 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 and no registration required. Today's chef is Susan Pitzenbarger-Allie.

Mustang Alumni Run

TIME/DATE: Friday, preregistration at 8 a.m.

LOCATION: Cass Benton portion of Hines Park, located on Northville Road, north of Five Mile Road

DETAILS: An alumni run for graduates of Northville High School and current Mustang runners. Registration for the 3.1-mile hike is \$15

Car Wash

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18

LOCATION: First United Methodist Church (8 Mile and Taft)

DETAILS: Proceeds benefit the Northville High School girl's swim and dive team.

Wade Show Carnival

TIME/DATES: 4-10 p.m. today, 4-11 p.m. Friday; noon-11 p.m. Saturday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday

LOCATION: Northville Downs

DETAILS: Carnival features rides, games, amusements; free admission to the midway, \$1 each ride tickets; \$18 per day "Pay one Price;" discount coupons available at Northville Chamber office; sponsored by Northville Downs and Northville Record.

Northville Eclipse Base Ball Club

TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. Sunday

LOCATION: Ford Field, Mill Race Village

DETAILS: Eclipse verses the Wood County Infirmary Inmates; base ball from the 1860s: Rules, equipment, terminology; free.

Downtown Development Authority Meeting

DATE: Tuesday

TIME: 8 a.m.

LOCATION: City Council Chambers, 215 W. Main St.

CONTACT: downtown-northville.com

Northville Book Club

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24

LOCATION: Starbucks, 302 East Main St.

DETAILS: "Gone With the Wind"; Margaret Mitchell

CONTACT: northvillebookclub@gmail.com

St. Paul's Lutheran School Open House

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25 (changed from Aug. 18)

LOCATION: St. Paul's Lutheran School, on hill behind Hiler's

DETAILS: Neighborhood Open House and cookout; games, drawings and tours of the school for preschool through grade eight; stop by for the "free lunch."

"Don't Dress for Dinner"

DATE: Saturday, Aug. 25

LOCATION: Tipping Point Theatre (Cady and Griswold)

DETAILS: Opening night for new theater.

CONTACT: (248) 347-0003

Marquis Theatre

LOCATION: 135 E. Main St.

CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or www.northvillamarquistheatre.com

Summer Theatre Camp Registration

DETAILS: Openings for session 4 (12:30-6 p.m. Aug. 6-17) and session 5 (8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Aug. 20-31); boys and girls age 8-14; call theatre for information.

Rapunzel

TIME/DATES: 10:30 a.m. today and Friday; 11:30 a.m. Saturday and Aug. 25; 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 8, 15, 22; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 9, 16, 23

DETAILS: Tickets \$8; no children under age 3 please; group rates and reserved seating for 20 or more. Teachers, school dates available weekdays.

Auditions

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9 and 16

DETAILS: Children 8-15 years old may audition for "Annabella Broom" on Sept. 9 and "Jungle Book" on Sept. 16, at the theatre. Prepare a monologue or poem no longer than 90 seconds; sing "Do-Re-Mi" from "Sound of Music," accompanist provided.

Northville Yoga Class

DATE: Mondays through Aug. 27; Thursdays through Aug. 23

TIME: 5:30-6:45 p.m. Monday, all levels; 5:20-6:45 p.m.

Thursday, Yin Yoga; 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Yoga II; 7-8:30 p.m.

Thursday, all levels; 9:30-11 a.m. Thursday, Northville Senior Center.

LOCATION: American Legion Hall, 100 Dunlap at Center Street. Note Thursday morning class held at Northville Senior Center.

DETAILS: Summer Session \$40; student drop-in rate \$11 per class; registered student extra class \$8; make-up allowed in Legion class through Aug. 27; scholarships available; start anytime, no charge first visit.

CONTACT: Diane Siegel-DiVita at (248) 344-0928 or triangle-six@sboglobal.net

Stoke, Osteoporosis Screening

TIME/DATE: Beginning 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 28

LOCATION: VFW Post #4012, 438 South Main St.

DETAILS: Surrounding area and community members can be screened to reduce the risk of having stroke or bone fracture; fast, painless, low-cost screenings test for blocked carotid arteries, abdominal aortic aneurysms, hardening of the arteries in the legs and bone density to assess the risk of osteoporosis.

Screenings take less than an hour; Wellness Package for all 4 screenings \$129; pre-registration required.

CONTACT: 1 (800) 697-9721 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com

Dinner with a Doctor

"Preventing a Killer - Can You Get Diabetes?"

TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30

LOCATION: St. John Providence Park Hospital, Grand River and Beck roads (use Beck Road entrance), Conference Rooms A, B and C.

DETAILS: Casual dinner, health presentation and question session; presented by Dr. Kirit Tolia of the Joslin Diabetes Center; no cost but reservations required by calling 1-888-440-7325.

The Art House

LOCATION: 215 Cady St.

Wow! That's Colored Pencil?

TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7; 1-5 p.m. Thursdays; 1-9 p.m. Fridays; 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through Sept. 29

DETAILS: An exhibition highlighting the versatile medium of colored pencil; features the work of award winning area artists; during first Friday Art Walk, light refreshments will be served.

"Creative Kids"

DATE: Second Saturday of the month through December 8: Sept. 8 "Colored Pencil"; Oct. 13 "Print Exploration"; Nov. 10 "Thanksgiving"; Dec. 8 "Christmas."

TIME: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

DETAILS: Two-hour creative exploration for youth grades 1-5; activities include drawing, painting, sculpture and mixed media in conjunction with current professional exhibits on display; register early; class size limited to 12; cost for member \$18 per session or \$108 for series, non-member \$20 per session or \$120 per series.

CONTACT: Northville Art House (248) 344-0497 or www.northvillarts.org

Gardeners of Northville and Novi

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. second Monday of each month, Sept.-May

LOCATION: Rotate between Northville Library and Novi Civic Center

DETAILS: Visitors welcome. CONTACT: (248) 231-2334 or www.gardenersnorthville-novi.org

Genitti's Little Theater

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St.

CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com

Dinner Theater - "In Stitches"

TIME/DATES: 6:30 p.m. Saturdays; 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29; 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10

DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person; running through November.

Elvis Musical Tribute from Las Vegas

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday and 4 p.m. Sunday

DETAILS: Stars Sherman Arnold; Friday show \$45, Sunday show \$35.

Big Daddy's One Man Show

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. Tuesday

DETAILS: Do the La-Di-Da; lunch and show; \$35 per person.

The Reflections

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29

DETAILS: Just like Romeo and Juliet; \$45 per person.

Neil Diamond Tribute from Las Vegas

TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30

DETAILS: \$35 per person.

Genitti's Acting Workshops

DATE: We will open any date for 10 or more.

DETAILS: Enjoy our famous family-style lunch or dinner, then practice voice and body movement with one of our actors on stage. Play theater games. Take a backstage tour. \$16.95 per person. Everyone gets a Genitti's fun patch.

As The Page Turns Bookstore Event

LOCATION: 149 N. Center St., Suite 102, Northville

Book Signing

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7

DETAILS: Cynthia Furlong Reynolds of Ann Arbor will sign copies of her new children's books; "Grammie's Secret Cupboard" and "Across the Reach."

Preschool Open House

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, Sept. 8

LOCATION: Northville Cooperative Preschool, 21260 Haggerty (north of 8 Mile Road)

DETAILS: Now enrolling for 2007-2008; openings in 2s, 3s, 4s programs; science enrichment classes.

CONTACT: (248) 348-1791

Northville Garden Club

TIME/DATE: Noon Monday, Sept. 10

LOCATION: Cady Inn

DETAILS: John and Nancy Swearingen present "Beautiful Photo Portraits of Your Gardens and Grandchildren;" Guests welcome.

CONTACT: Kate Uberti (248) 347-9947

Victorian Festival

TIME/DATES: 5-11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14; 10 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16

DETAILS: Entertainment, week-end of food, friendly games and art for the whole family.

Passport Fair

TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15

LOCATION: Northville Township Offices, corner of Six Mile and Sheldon roads.

DETAILS: Applicants must apply in person, minors must be present. Each applicant must have: Proof of American citizenship, valid photo I.D., two recent identical photos of applicant (available for \$15 per person at fair). Both parents must be present with minor child. Fees: Adults 16 and older \$67, need check or money order payable to U.S. Department of State (\$52 for 15 years and younger); also cash or check payable to Northville Twp. for \$30; total cost \$97 per adult, \$82 per child. Applications available at township offices or download from http://travel.state.gov.



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Tunes on Tuesday

Kids get into the music of Tunes on Tuesday group Mustard's Retreat during their recent Ford Field concert.

Northville Genealogical Society

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Mondays

LOCATION: Northville District Library

DETAILS: Individual help on genealogy is offered by society members in Local History Room at library, also by appointment.

CONTACT: Tile Van Sickle (734) 595-7806 or www.rootsweb.com/~mings

Gardeners of Northville and Novi

DATE: Second Tuesday of month, September through May

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Rotates between Novi Civic Center and the Northville Library.

DETAILS: Visitors welcome.

CONTACT: (248) 231-2334 or visit www.gardenersnorthville-novi.org

Oakwood Cemetery Walk

TIME/DATE: 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14

LOCATION: 215 Griswold Ave.

DETAILS: Mail-order tickets on sale July 15, forms available at Mill Race Village, community organizations and merchants;

Admission \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and groups of 10 or more. Register early for specific times; proceeds benefit Mill Race Village and Northville Historical Society.

CONTACT: Historical Society office (248) 348-1845

Mustang Stampede of Pride

TIME/DATE: 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3

DETAILS: Community event to benefit NHS athletes; food, music, silent auction; donations needed; \$25 per person; plan for proceeds posted in high school athletic office.

CONTACT: Michelle Mamo (734) 254-1164 or Julie Felicelli (248) 380-5691

LIBRARY LINES

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

TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday-Saturday; closed Sunday.

CONTACT: (248) 349-3020 or www.northvillibrary.org for information regarding programs and library materials.

Movies and Munchies at Noon for Kids

SCHEDULE: Thursday Aug. 23 "Jimmy Neutron, Boy Genius"

DETAILS: Bring your lunch; snack and beverage provided; all ages welcome; children up to age 4 must be accompanied by caregiver.

Foreign Film Series

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Mondays

DETAILS: Aug. 20 "Prisoner of the Mountains" Russian with English subtitles; Sept. 17 "We of the Never-Never" Australian; Oct. 22 "Nobody Knows" Japanese; Nov. 19 "Salaam Bombay" Hindi; and Dec. 19 "The Sea Inside" Spanish. All films are free and ethnic treats provided; call library to make reservations.

"YNK, You Never Know,"

DATE: Through Aug. 22

DETAILS: Exciting programs for students entering grade six through high school; chances to win prizes; register at information desk to receive schedule of events; includes several video game competitions.

YNK Final Party

TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22

DETAILS: Join us for fun, food and video game extravaganza: DDR, X-Box 360 Racing and PS2 Guitar Hero; register at Information Desk or call (248) 349-3020.

Board Meeting

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23

DETAILS: Public welcome.

Read, Relax and Enjoy

DATE: Through Aug. 31

DETAILS: Offers adults and youth ages 12 and older a chance to win prizes by reading a variety of books; register at info desk.

SENIOR EVENTS

Thursday 9 a.m.: Take Off Pounds

Sensibly 9:30 a.m.: Yoga

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

Massage by appointment

Friday 9:30 a.m.: Strength Training

11 a.m.: Poker

1 p.m.: Movie "Wild Hogs"

Monday Senior Olympics

9:30 a.m.: Strength Training

10 a.m.: Oxycise; Line Dance

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre

Tuesday Senior Olympics

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

Wednesday Senior Olympics

10 a.m.: Oxycise

noon: Bridge

7 p.m.: Bridge

Co-ed Adult 50+ Volleyball

TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside

DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1.

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

Co-ed Adult 50+ Basketball

TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-noon

Thursdays

LOCATION: Senior Community Center

DETAILS: All levels of play welcome; bring your friends; \$1.

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

Health Walking

DATE: Monday-Friday

TIME: 8-10 a.m.

LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

Bunco

TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. second Thursday of each month

DETAILS: Call Senior Community Center 24 hours in advance to register; \$1 per person.

Senior Olympics

DATE: Aug. 20-24

DETAILS: Communities from Western Wayne County will participate; golf, swimming, pinochle,

billiards, bocce ball, bowling, ping, table tennis, baking, 5K Run and Fun Walk.

CONTACT: Northville Senior Adult Services (248) 349-4140

MAYBURY STATE PARK

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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 are available.

CONTACT: Patti Bingham, (248) 348-0115 or go to www.newhopecenter.net

16th Annual Fall Golf Scramble

DATE: Friday, Sept. 14
TIME: 9 a.m. registration, 10 a.m. shotgun start
LOCATION: Brentwood Golf Club, 2450 Havenwood, White Lake

DETAILS: 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch at turn, prime rib dinner, contest, awards, hole-in-one contest, and prizes; \$95 per golfer paid by Sept. 7, \$105 after Sept. 7; hosted by Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce.

Old Village & Cooke Schools Golf Fundraiser

TIME: 7:20 a.m. Registration; 8 a.m. shotgun start
DATE: Saturday, 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 programs, 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 donations of any value needed. Make checks payable to Old Village School, deadline Sept. 12.
CONTACT: (248) 344-8460 or (248) 344-8489

CHURCH EVENTS

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

LOCATION: 201 Elm St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-3140
Sunday Worship
8:30 a.m. Blended, 11 a.m. Contemporary, 11:30 a.m. Traditional

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0911
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9:30, 11 a.m.
American Red Cross Blood

Drive

TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday
DETAILS: Walk-ins welcome; for appointments call (248) 347-1063.

Single Place Ministries
DETAILS: Thursday evenings; 7:30 p.m. social time; 7:45 p.m. opening; 8-9 p.m. program; \$5
CONTACT: www.singleplace.org
Walking Group
TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m.

Saturday
LOCATION: First, second and fourth Saturday, Big Apple Bagel

Shop, 2334 Farmington Road, Farmington; third Saturday, Panera Bread Co., 34635 Grand River Ave., Farmington
DETAILS: This is a walking/social group. Everyone is invited.

Divorce Recovery

TIME/DATE: 7:30-9 p.m., Aug. 16-Sept. 28
LOCATION: Emeritus Room (upper level)

DETAILS: Various topics and speakers: Networking/Midlife Crisis by Pastor Jim Russell; Stages of Grief by Dr. J. Harold Ellens; Putting Your "Ex" in Focus by Dell Deaton; Pot Luck Dinner and Legal Aspects of Divorce by David Jerome; Church and Divorce, Spiritual Help and Forgiveness by Pastor Jim Russell; Relationships Old and New by Ms. Bolos.

Dealing with our Dilemmas Part II

DATE: Aug. 16
DETAILS: Bill Greenman, Ph.D. What Men Really Want/What Women Really Want

DATE: Aug. 23
DETAILS: Robert Scanlan, M.A. Picnic and Life and Lively

Concert
DATE: Aug. 30
LOCATION: Terrace (southeast corner of Cady and Church streets)

DETAILS: Music of America with John Leabu

First Baptist Church of Northville

LOCATION: 217 N. Wing
CONTACT: (248) 348-1020
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. and 6

p.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays
Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

Detroit First Church of the Nazarene

LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty Road
CONTACT: (248) 348-7600

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Bible Study, Youth & Children Ministries

Meadowbrook Congregational

LOCATION: 21355 Meadowbrook Road

CONTACT: Rev. Ed Willingham, Interim Minister (248) 348-7757 or visit www.mbcc.org or gmccc@arounddetroit.biz
Sunday Worship
TIME: 10 a.m.

St. John Lutheran Church

LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills, between Grand River and Freedom Roads
CONTACT: 248-474-0584

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile Road

CONTACT: (248) 374-7400
Sunday Worship
TIME: 9 a.m. and 10:20 a.m.
Traditional, 9 a.m. Contemporary 20s and 30s Women's Bible Study

DATE: Tuesdays
TIME: 7-8:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Room C317-319
DETAILS: Study Scriptures in 12 week program "Breaking Free," a video series by Beth Moore; reserve workbook.

CONTACT: Women's Ministries (248) 374-5978
Preschool Enrollment Open

DETAILS: Enrollment for the 2007-08 school year available; morning and afternoon sessions for children 3, 4 and 5 by Dec. 1; tuition and schedule information at www.wardchurch.org.

CONTACT: Carol Nowacki, (248) 374-5911 or e-mail carol.nowacki@wardchurch.org

Single Point Ministries for single adults 40 years and older

CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
Every Sunday: 11:30 a.m.
Fellowship and refreshments, Knox Hall

Every Monday: 7 p.m.
Learner's Bible Study, Room A101
Second and Fourth Monday: 7 p.m. Study of Ephesians, Room C309

Every Tuesday: 6:30-9 p.m.
Volleyball at Rotary Park, Six Mile

Road between Farmington and Merriman roads; 7 p.m. Praying Together, Sanctuary

Every Wednesday: 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Single Adult Ministries office; 7 p.m. Ward School of Christian Learning for Single Men, Room C350; 7 p.m. Single Parents, Single Adult Ministries Office; 4-7 p.m. Tennis, Rotary Park (Six Mile Road between Farmington and Merriman roads)

Every Thursday: Co-ed Softball, includes shirt and tournament; \$30

Every Saturday: 10 a.m. Bicycling Group starts from various locations; geared towards tourist level rider; all levels welcome; helmets required; lunch half-way through ride at your own expense.

Every Saturday-Sunday: 1-5 p.m. Tennis, Rotary Park

Every Sunday: 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Tennis for beginners, Stevenson High School, Six Mile Road west of Farmington Road.

SPM Bridge: 5:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, beginners welcome; refreshments.

Alpha-Questions of Life (for everyone)
TIME/DATE: 6-9 p.m.
Thursdays for 10 weeks, beginning Sept. 20

DETAILS: Explore the Christian faith in friendly, fun, thought-pro-



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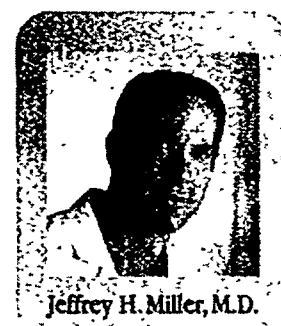
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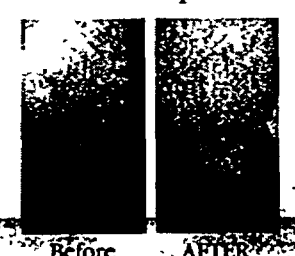
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voking setting; includes free dinner and child care each week; register through Community Outreach.

CONTACT: (248) 374-5932 or Margy.Burkhart@wardchurch.org

Northville First United Methodist Church

LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road

CONTACT: (248) 349-1144
Sunday Worship
TIME: 8:30, 10 a.m.

Coffee hours following both 8:30 and 10 a.m. services

Healing Service
DATE: First Monday of every month

TIME: 4 p.m.

Suicide Loss Support Group
See New Hope Center listing under "Support Groups."

Annual Potluck for Adults
DATE: Today

DETAILS: Rev. Ritter presiding.
Blood Drive

TIME/DATE: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26

Details: Walk-ins welcome, appointments preferred by calling Janet at (248) 349-6592

Golf Outing
TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22

LOCATION: Links of Novi
DETAILS: Includes cart, lunch, prizes; open to all skill levels; \$75, must be received by Sept. 19, make checks payable to Northville First United Methodist Church.

Proceeds benefit youth programs.
CONTACT: Turner Osborne (248) 344-4395 or Turner.Osborne@yahoo.com

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VOLUNTEER

Ladies Auxiliary VFW 4012

DETAILS: In September, the Ladies Auxiliary is sending goody boxes to our men and women in the military. Please mail your donations or loved one's address to Barbara Cook or Karen Frazer, VFW 4012, 438 S. Main St.

CONTACT: (248) 349-5982

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Cemetery Walk 2007

DETAILS: Event planners, reception presenters, publicity distributors, tour leaders and bakers are needed for this fall's annual Cemetery Walk.

CONTACT: Barbara Davies (734) 454-4287

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Midwest Rabbit Rescue and Rehome

DETAILS: This organization houses, treats and adopts out rabbits to new homes. Donations to support their efforts in the responsible care and treatment of indoor pet rabbits are appreciated. Call Dominique Moroz (248) 348-8519 or visit www.rabbitrr.org. Pet rabbit shelter is open 12:30-4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday or by appointment.

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fund to assist families in need with medical expenses for their pets. The fund is in memory of one of their longtime clients and friends, Sue Galli, who passed away in November. Hidden Springs welcomes all donations from the community to help build this fund and help as many pets as possible. Please make checks payable to Hidden Spring Vet Clinic SGA Fund. Mail to: 48525 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167.

CONTACT: (248) 349-2598

Friends of the Northville District Library

DETAILS: There are openings for the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Northville Library. The Friends is a volunteer organization that promotes reading, supports programs in the library and provides financial support to projects not covered by the library's regular budget. Board members attend a monthly meeting and are also expected to serve on a committee. The only requirement for becoming a Board member is an interest in the library and a willingness to serve as a volunteer. Those interested should send a letter to James Morche, President of the Friends, c/o Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St., Northville, 48167.

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To the market

Kelly Solak checks out some dahlias at a Thursday morning Northville Farmers' Market.

and special programs. New members welcome.

CONTACT: Nancy Murphy (248) 305-5460

Heartland Hospice Volunteers Needed

TIME: Day and evening training classes

LOCATION: 28588 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 475, Southfield

DETAILS: Caring and compassionate individuals needed to register for Heartland Hospice Volunteer Training. We serve individuals and their families during their end of life journey in the Tri-County area. Office support is

needed.

CONTACT: Mary (800) 770-9859

YWCA of Western Wayne County

DETAILS: The YWCA is looking for volunteers to assist with office help, after-school programs,

building projects, communications and marketing in its various locations throughout western Wayne County.

CONTACT: Tabatha Manuel (313) 561-4110 ext. 20 or tmanuel@ywca-wwc.org

Meals-On-Wheels

DATE: Ongoing
TIME: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

DETAILS: Permanent and substitute drivers needed.

CONTACT: Eileen at Allen Terrace (248) 231-9950, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Friday or Judy LaManna (248) 348-1761

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Beautification Commission

DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
 TIME: 7 p.m.
 LOCATION: Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St., Meeting Room B

Housing Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
 TIME: 3 p.m.
 LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

Youth Assistance

DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
 TIME: 8 a.m.
 LOCATION: Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road
 CONTACT: Sue Campbell (248) 344-1618

SUPPORT GROUPS**Angela Hospice Groups**

DETAILS: Grief support groups include general grief, loss of a spouse, women's grief, parents who have lost a child and a grief support quilters group. All groups are led by bereavement professionals and trained volunteers.
 LOCATION: Angela Hospice Care Center, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia
 CONTACT: Joan Lee (734) 953-6012
General Grief Support Groups
 TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month
 DETAILS: Open to all losses.
Loss of Spouse/Significant Other Support Group
 TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. first Tuesday of month
Men in Grief
 TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. fourth Monday of month
Suicide Loss Support Services
 DETAILS: Individual and family services offered free for those who have lost a loved one through suicide; call (734) 464-7810 for more information.
Heartstrings: Parents Who Have Lost a Child
 TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. first Thursday of month
Grief Support Quilter's Group
 TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. first and third Wednesday of month
 DETAILS: Register by calling (734) 953-6012.

Anxiety Disorder Support Group

TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Thursdays
 LOCATION: Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia
 DETAILS: Aim for Recovery (A.I.M.) is an organization that will be holding meetings to offer support and recovery for those suffering with anxiety disorders, and their families. The meetings consist of planned behavioral lessons and discussions. Educational material will be available. Donations for the program and materials are accepted.
 CONTACT: Robert Diedrich at robtdrich@msn.com

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous Information Session

DETAILS: Twelve step program for individuals suffering from food obsession, overeating, undereating, and bulimia; weekly meetings held in Canton, Ann Arbor and other metro Detroit areas; no dues, fees or weigh-ins; everyone welcome including those who think they have food problems or are concerned about someone who may.
 CONTACT: (734) 913-9614 or www.foodaddicts.org

New Hope Center for Grief Support

DETAILS: The New Hope Center for Grief Support offers age and loss specific groups for men and women whose spouse has died, parents who have lost a child, those who have lost a loved one to suicide and other specialized groups. The groups meet on a regular basis in various scheduled locations. All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants.
 CONTACT: (248) 348-0115 or go to www.newhopecenter.net
Widows/Widowers With Children Support Group
 TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. second Tuesday of month during July and August
 LOCATION: St. Kenneth's Parish, Plymouth
New Hope for KIDZ Support Group
 TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. second Tuesday of month during July and August
 DETAILS: Meets at the same time and location as adult group for children ages 3-18.
Suicide Support Group
 TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27
 LOCATION: First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville
 DETAILS: No registration nec-



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Welcome

Farmer John Beemer and Maybury Farm recently welcomed a new addition to their barn: a one-week old foal named Max. The foal is a mix Percheron and Belgian plow horse and will soon follow his mother Jewel, left, into the fields to get acclimated to humans and farming.

essary for this drop-in support group.

PARKS AND RECREATION

LOCATION: 775 N. Center St. (back entrance of Hillside Middle School)
 CONTACT: For registration and information on camps, classes and activities call (248) 349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

Parks and Recreation Commission

DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
 TIME: 7 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

7th and 8th Grade Girls Volleyball Clinic

TIME/DATE: 1-4 p.m. Aug. 27-30
 LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
 DETAILS: Designed for athletes who are interested in learning volleyball, and plan to try out for Hillside and Meads Mill teams; residents \$80, Novi residents \$85; register by Aug. 3 at 700 W.

are flexible and vary; monthly calendar available at www.northvilleparksandrec.org or call (248) 349-0203. Fees are \$5 for drop-ins or \$45 for an unlimited monthly resident pass. Classes held at Hillside Recreation Center or the Senior Community Center. All fitness levels welcome to participate; certified instructors provide safe and fun workouts.

Open Basketball

DATE: Every Sunday
 TIME: 6-9 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: \$3 per person.

Open Family Basketball

DATE: Every Sunday
 TIME: 4-6 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: \$2 per person.

Open 40+ Basketball

DATE: Every Wednesday
 TIME: 7-9:30 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: \$3 per person.

Open Volleyball

TIME/DATE: 7-10 p.m. Thursdays
 LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
 DETAILS: \$4 per person.

Open Badminton

DATE: Every Tuesday and Friday
 TIME: 7-9:30 p.m.
 LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
 DETAILS: Competitive style

Baseline Road; first come, first served and interested 6th graders, if space allows after deadline.

Group Fitness Classes

DETAILS: Classes include Yoga, Pilates Ball, Aerobics, Step, Kickboxing, Cycle and overall strength training. Class schedules

badminton available; all skill levels welcome; \$7 per night.

Netball

DATE: Fridays
 TIME: 7-9 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center
 DETAILS: British game based loosely on basketball rules; \$3 per person.

Table Tennis

TIME/DATE: 6-10 p.m. Monday; noon-4 p.m. Saturday
 LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road
 DETAILS: Eight tables available; all skill levels welcome; \$5 per day.

CLASS REUNIONS**Northville Class of 1977**

DETAILS: It's been 30 years. Anyone working on a reunion? Anyone want to join me in forming a committee to plan a reunion? Hope to hear from some classmates soon.
 CONTACT: Teresa Folino (248) 349-3391 or Northville46@aol.com

Plymouth High School Class of 1972

DATE: Saturday, September 8
 LOCATION: Ernesto's in Plymouth
 CONTACT: Gary Wales at wales2@aol.com or (248) 644-5636

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Roseville High School Class of 1972
 DATE: Saturday, Sept. 15
 DETAILS: Visit www.Roseville72.com for more information.
 CONTACT: Gail Williams-Straughen, (586) 247-8087 or Roseville72-Reunion@yahoo.com

Detroit Cody High School Class of 1957
 DATE: Friday, October 5
 LOCATION: Embassy Suites, Livonia
 DETAILS: Our 50th reunion open to all 50's graduates; cost is \$90 per person; includes dinner, open bar, memory book, champagne toast and more; register, seating limited.
 CONTACT: Loretta Nedwick at (800) 859-9502 or loret@wideopenwest.com

REGIONAL

2008 Novi Heat Travel Baseball Tryouts
 TIME: 9-11 a.m.

DATE: Saturday (inclement weather date Sunday)
 LOCATION: Community Sports Park (8 Mile and Napier)
 DETAILS: Age 9-14
 CONTACT: www.noviyouthbaseball.org or tome@palmermoving.com

"Evening in the Gardens" with MSU Extension Service
 LOCATION: MSU Tollgate Farms, 28115 Meadowbrook Road, Novi
 CONTACT: Registration necessary; call Linda (248) 858-0887 or smithlin@oakgov.com
Dwarf and Unusual Conifers
 TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. - Wednesday
 DETAILS: Fee \$20; learn how to grow conifers from Don Wild.
Cooking in the Garden
 TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. - Wednesday, Aug. 29
 DETAILS: Fee \$20

Oak Pointe Church DriveFest '07
 DATE: Friday, Aug. 24
 TIME: 5:30 p.m.
 LOCATION: Oak Pointe Church,

50200 W. Ten Mile Road (between Napier and Wixom roads)
 DETAILS: Outdoor festival featuring kids games, entertainment and food; car show with classic and custom cars; and drive-in movie "Cars" at 9 p.m.; fun for the whole family; no cost.
 CONTACT: (248) 912-0043

Life Drawings By Barbara Eko Murphy
 DATE: Through Aug. 31
 TIME: 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday; noon-6 p.m. Sunday
 LOCATION: Downtown Farmington Library, 23500 Liberty Street, Farmington
 DETAILS: Part of Free Spirits exhibit; Barbara Eko Murphy is a Northville resident and member of Lawrence Street Gallery.
 CONTACT: (248) 553-0300 or visit www.barbaraekomurphy.com

BeckRidge Chorale Fundraiser
 DETAILS: In a fundraising effort to support their educational and charitable activities, BeckRidge Chorale is selling 2008

Entertainment Books at \$20 each; books will be available Aug. 12; pre-order now to receive a complimentary 2007 book.
 CONTACT: Stanley Kovacheff (734) 459-6829

Livonia Youth Philharmonic Auditions
 TIME/DATE: 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 15
 LOCATION: Churchill High School
 DETAILS: Auditions for six concert groups; openings in novice, intermediate and advanced orchestras, even flute and saxophone choirs; appointments required by calling (734) 464-8704 or e-mail auditions@LYPM.org.

Ann Arbor Civic Ballet Open Auditions
 TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20
 LOCATION: Sylvia Studio of Dance, 3900 Jackson Road, Ste. 6, Ann Arbor
 DETAILS: Experienced male and female dancers 12 years of age and older are invited to audi-

tion; women should bring pointe shoes.
 CONTACT: For more information, call (734) 668-8066 or visit www.annarbortcivciballet.com.

Plymouth Historical Museum Reopens with "Plymouth Rides the Rails"
 TIME/DATE: Open 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Nov. 1
 LOCATION: 155 S. Main Street, Plymouth
 DETAILS: Exhibit explores history of trains in Plymouth from 1871 to present; several model trains on loan; new permanent exhibit on Main Street includes caboose visitors can enter; children can play with Thomas the Tank Engine layout; adults \$5, students 18 and under \$2, families \$10.

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A new meaning of football in Germany

Former Northville star Langston takes game to Hamburg

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD SPORTS WRITER

If someone says, "Let's play some football" in Germany, one could easily expect a soccer ball to come flying out immediately.

For former Northville football star Brandon Langston, it's just the opposite. He reached for a helmet, shoulder pads and an old-fashioned American football.

Langston plays in the German (American) Football League for the Hamburg Blue Devils in the top division. He plays wide receiver and also takes some snaps as a running back. He's listed at 5-foot-9, weighs 180 pounds and wears No. 4 for the Blue Devils.

Langston played at Grand Valley State before coming back to Northville to help with coaching. The Blue Devils head coach stayed in contact with Langston and eventually convinced him to come play in the German League.

"It's an unbelievable opportunity to be earning an income and doing something you enjoy," Langston said. "Everybody out here has really opened up their arms and taken us in unconditionally."

The road trips have taken Langston to Spain, Italy, Egypt and Greece, to name a few.

"The fans here are absolutely crazy," Langston said. "There is a small niche for American football that is growing."

"The 5-8000 fans we do bring in, they live and die with us. They bring whistles and noise makers. They are pretty much Meijer brand soccer hooligans."

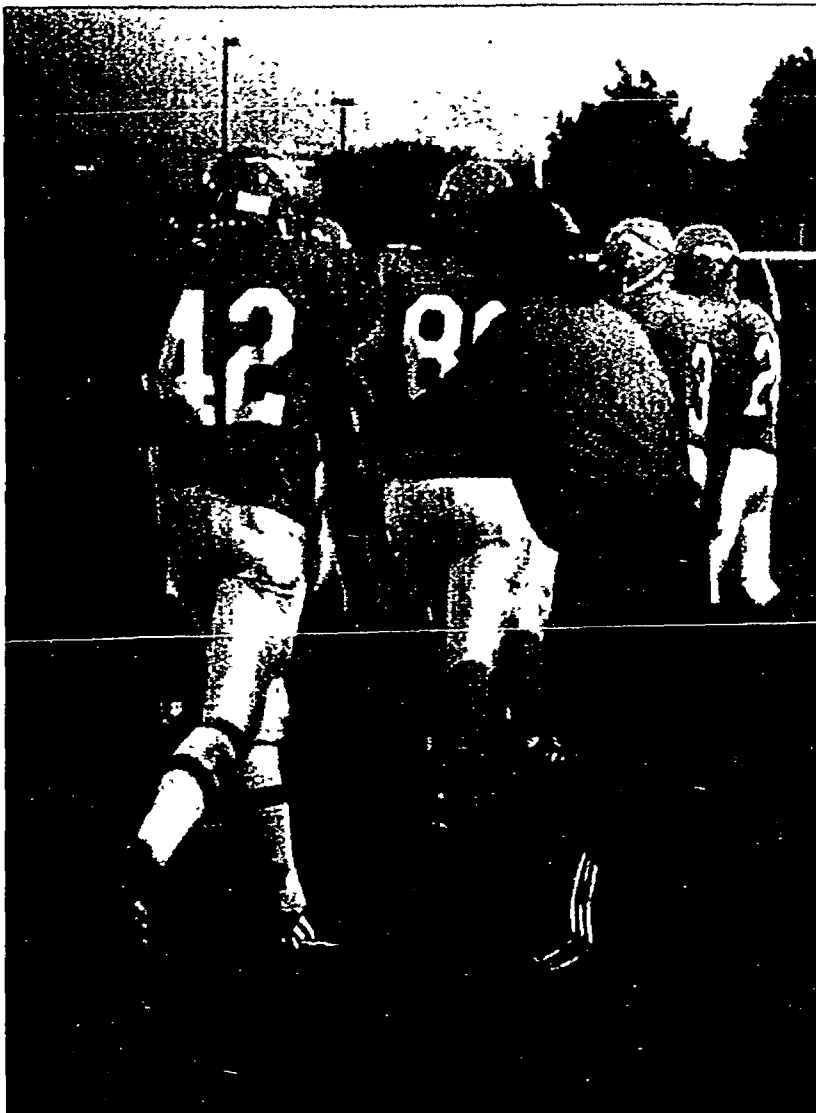
Adjusting to the new league as far as playing was not that difficult. The rules are the same as college. Living in German, well, that's a little different.

The best, he said, is being in Europe and getting to experience all the cultural differences and world views.

The worst, "Sometimes there is a language barrier, and I have to resort to pointing, like caveman communication," he said.

But one thing clearly stands out for Langston: "They also don't have mac and cheese out here, so I can't wait to get home and chow down on some. Of course I miss my family too."

Jeff Theisen can be reached at jtheisen@gannett.com or at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.



Brandon Langston, right, barks out encouragement to the junior varsity team.

Submitted photo

Your Fitness

How to avoid Dehydration

Most of us have been told to drink more water since we were small children, and most of us have filed this suggestion neatly in the back of our minds with all the other seemingly non-significant suggestions. You know ... eat more veggies, cut back on caffeine, walk more etc. With the warmer, humid summer weather you may want to re-visit the "drink more water" idea. Dehydration is a real threat and can cause some real problems.



Chris Klebba

1. Some studies suggest 75 percent of Americans are chronically dehydrated.

2. 37 percent of Americans have their thirst mechanism so weak that it is often mistaken for hunger.

3. Even mild dehydration will slow down your metabolism as much as 3 percent.

4. Lack for water is the number one trigger of daytime fatigue.

5. A mere 2 percent drop in body water can trigger fuzzy short term memory, trouble with basic math, and difficulty focusing on the computer screen or printed page.

Below are some guidelines to help you stay hydrated and keep you feeling your very best.

Pre-activity guidelines

• Drink approximately 16 ounces of fluid two hours before activity, and an additional 8-16

ounces 30-60 minutes prior to training on warm and/or humid days.

• Water may be adequate for activities less than an hour.

• If you are participating in endurance events, repeated bouts of exercise greater than 60 minutes, or multiple practices a day, a sports drink containing 6-8 percent carbohydrate (e.g. Gatorade) is recommended.

During activity

• Depending on your sport, consume 6-12 ounces of water or sports drink every 15-20 minutes. This equates to approximately 32 ounces per hour.

• For prolonged exercise greater than 4 hours, choose a sports drink with small amounts of electrolytes.

Post-activity guidelines

• Immediately following activity, consume at least 16 ounces of fluid for every pound of weight lost to ensure proper rehydration.

• A liquid snack with high carbohydrate content, minimal protein and fat can maximize recovery if muscle glycogen levels have been depleted.

• Drink an additional 16 ounces with your post workout snack and/or meal.

• Weigh yourself each morning. A stable weight generally indicates proper fluid balance.

Chris Klebba owns and operates Planet Fitness in Northville and Waterford. For fitness questions, e-mail planet-fitness@sbcglobal.net and for more information call (248) 449-7634 or go to www.planetfitness.com.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

Northville siblings win multiple tennis titles

Tyler Gardiner, a Hillside Middle School student, won the Boys 12 National Open tennis singles and doubles titles in Chattanooga, Tenn.

The top-seeded Gardiner beat Baker Newman from Miami, Fla., in the semi-final

and Jeffery Schorsh from Perrysburg, Ohio in the final.

The following week Gardiner went on to win the Boys 12

Super National Clay Court Championship in Greensboro, N.C. Tyler dominated the competition throughout the tournament, ending with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Miami Beach's Justin Butsch in the final match. The victory gave Tyler his first

Gold Ball, the highest award in USA junior tennis.

Tyler is currently ranked No. 2 in the USA for Boys 12

Singles.

Kasey Gardiner, a 13-year old Hillside Middle School Student, won the Midland USTA Girls 14 National Open title in both singles and doubles.

The third-seeded Gardiner worked her way through the 64-girl tournament to beat the top seed, Julie Vrabel from Centerville, Va., in the semi-finals and second seeded Aria Lambert from Excelsior, Minn. in the finals.

Kasey and partner Kelsey Dieters also took the doubles title home.

Submitted to the Northville Record



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International success

Larry Wyland and his International Bancard team exploded with a big eight-run first inning and never looked back, beating Joe Rohrhoff and his Team #4 13-6 for the championship of the Men's League. This is the first time Bancard has won the championship after being in the finals two other times.

Front row, from left: Paul Sheppard, Joe Russo and Mike Clark. Back row: James Cook, Justin Goyt, Mike McCollough, Larry Wyland, Rick Pfander, Eli Fry and Matt Cox.

Playoff results:

1. International Bancard
2. Team #4
3. Superior Controls
4. Poole's Tavern
5. Red Pop Fans
6. Doc's Sports Bar
7. USUI
8. Northville Twp FireFighters

Sports Shorts

Pom pon clinic

The Northville High School varsity pom pon team will hold a clinic for Northville sixth-eighth grade girls. Girls will learn arm positions, jumps and kickline techniques. Girls will work with a member of the varsity pom pon team to learn a routine that will be performed Sept. 21 at the high school football game against Way.

The clinic runs 6-7:30 p.m. Sept. 17-20 at the Northville auxiliary gym. Cost of the clinic is \$70 and includes a t-shirt for the performance and pompons. Register no later than Sept. 5 by contacting Jan Mnich at 248-349-8127.

Evan Gerish

Northville junior track runner Evan Gerish was omitted from the All-Area team. Gerish was a top hurdler for the Mustangs

and finished in the top 10 for his team in points scored for the year.

Northville Alumni Race

The Northville cross country teams will host an Alumni Cross Country Race 9 a.m. Aug. 18, at Cass Benton. This is an opportunity for all alumni cross country runners and Northville High School alumni to come back and race on the home course. Contact girls coach Nancy Smith at smith-na@northville.k12.mi.us for more info.

Youth Baseball Camp

The Northville baseball coaches, along with former players in the minors or Division I, will hold a camp for kids entering the sixth grade

and younger. 9 a.m.-noon Aug. 18-19 at the varsity fields.

To Pre register, contact coach Bill Flohr at pteridactyl@sbcglobal.net or (248) 761-9694.

Mustang Stampede of Pride

The Northville Athletic Booster Club will host an auction 7-11 p.m. Nov. 3 with all benefits going to Mustang athletics.

Donations of all kinds (event tickets, providable services or travel vouchers to name a few) will be accepted for the auction.

Tickets to the auction are \$25 and include entry, entertainment and food.

For more information, contact Michell Mamo at (734) 254-1164 or Jillie Felicelli at (248) 380-5691.

Runner-up

The Northville 14U Broncos finished runner-up at the 15-team Frankenthum Tournament. The Broncos, composed mostly of 13-year olds, placed second, falling 4-3 to the Outlook Gold team. First row, from left: Katelyn Lewis, Rachel Lahiff, Lisa Rice, Meredith Williams, Natalie Grimmer and Christy Pattison. Second row: Katie Fenech, Allie Rohlf, Karyl Fisher, Krista Oldham, Shannon Timm, Madison Merlanti and Natalie Demuro.



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I ♥ MY LUNCHBOX

FAMILY FEATURES

Whether it's tucked in the latest trendy tote or a humble brown bag, lunch is often a high point in a child's day. Although today there are more choices than ever for fun foods to pop into that lunch sack, the time-honored favorite is still the all-American sandwich.

That sandwich represents a challenging balancing act for parents packing lunch: kids have to love it and it should also deliver good nutrition. To be a classroom champion, kids need to power up with nutrient-rich foods.

"Great taste is the key to getting kids to make more nutritious choices at lunchtime," said Connie Dickman, director of university nutrition for Washington University in St. Louis. "Making a nutritious sandwich the kids will enjoy starts with choosing the right bread." Dickman recommends looking for 100 percent whole grain bread that delivers the nutrition kids need, but with a soft texture and smooth taste that kids really like.

It pays to read labels carefully. Many wheat breads on the market are not made with whole wheat, but with enriched wheat flour with a nutritional profile similar to white bread. "Sara Lee Soft & Smooth 100% Honey Wheat Bread is an excellent source of whole grain, and offers a spectrum of choices. Even picky eaters can have the mild taste and soft, smooth texture they prefer, without sacrificing nutrition," Dickman said. A two-slice sandwich with Soft & Smooth 100% Honey Wheat Bread provides 28 grams of whole grain — more than half of the recommended 48 grams of whole grain per day.

Kids — and adults — do not, however, live by bread alone. When it comes to fruit and vegetables — more matters. Nutrition experts like Dickman encourage everyone to eat more fresh produce. Research studies reveal better attention span and discipline in the classroom among kids who eat more fruits and vegetables.

"A simple way for kids — and adults — to eat a healthy diet is to have a rainbow of color on your plate everyday," Dickman said. When packing lunch for kids, provide them with healthy choices they already love, like strawberries. A kid-favorite fruit, strawberries provide sustained energy levels, are naturally sweet and have very few calories.

"Strawberries are a great way to 'eat your red.' Plus, a daily serving of 8 medium strawberries provides 160 percent of your day's supply of vitamin C — more than an orange," Dickman said. "It's an easy and tasty way to help ward off colds, the flu and help keep your child's immune system strong."

Put a smile in every lunchbox this school year with a yummy, nutritious sandwich that kids will love and one you'll feel great fixing for them. Add a fun side dish and don't forget to drop in a quick note, joke, quote or other surprise that kids can look forward to everyday.

Spending 20 years in a creative classroom with kids has given Kit Bennett, founder of AmazingMoms.com, a rich perspective on what engages kids — even at lunch time. "Add a bit of joy to their lunchboxes, and get the kids involved," Bennett said. "Whether it's assembling the lunch or decorating a brown bag — it's a great way to bring a busy family together."

"Try to make lunch fun," Dickman agrees. "Even high school students would like to see something more interesting than two pieces of bread with something in the middle tossed in a brown paper bag. It's important to offer variety and remember that every kid's taste is different."

Make kids' lunches "trade proof" with fun ideas found at www.thejoyofeating.com and www.calstrawberry.com.



Today's Twist on Classic PB and J

Peanut Butter and Strawberry Sandwich With Honey

Spread peanut butter on one slice Sara Lee Soft & Smooth 100% Honey Wheat Bread. Arrange a layer of stemmed, sliced California strawberries on top of peanut butter. Spread second slice of bread with honey. Place on top of strawberries, honey side down.

- The foundation of this nutritious sandwich is whole grain bread with soft texture and smooth taste.

- Strawberries and 100 percent whole grain bread combine two of America's favorites into one nutritious lunch option. Rich in antioxidants, both strawberries and 100 percent whole grain bread help keep the brain and heart healthy and may reduce the risk of some diseases.

- Miss the jelly? Strawberries are more nutritious, have more texture and are therefore more satisfying. As an added bonus, the berries stick to peanut butter better than the messier jelly option.

- A honey wheat bread will complement the light spread of honey applied to strawberries.

Create a Critter-Themed Lunch Box

Mix a lot of nutrition with a pinch of creativity for an energy-packed lunch that's fun to eat. Create these fun foods to delight kids at lunchtime or enlist their help. Little hands will have fun making any of these.

Critter Cookie-Cutter Sandwiches

- Use your animal-shaped cookie cutters to turn a sandwich into your child's favorite critter.
- Use a soft, fluffy white bread for less hassle sliding your cookie cutter through, like Sara Lee Soft & Smooth Made with Whole Grain White Bread.

Strawberry and Chocolate Ladybugs

- Gather whole strawberries, grapes, mini chocolate chips and frilled toothpicks to create this fun, nutritious snack.
- Cut a small slice from the bottom of a large, stemmed California strawberry so that it won't roll. With frilled toothpick, attach a grape to the stem end of the strawberry to make the ladybug's head. Lightly press mini chocolate chips on one side of strawberry.
- This snack delivers the favorite flavor combo of strawberry and chocolate, with much less chocolate than other treats.

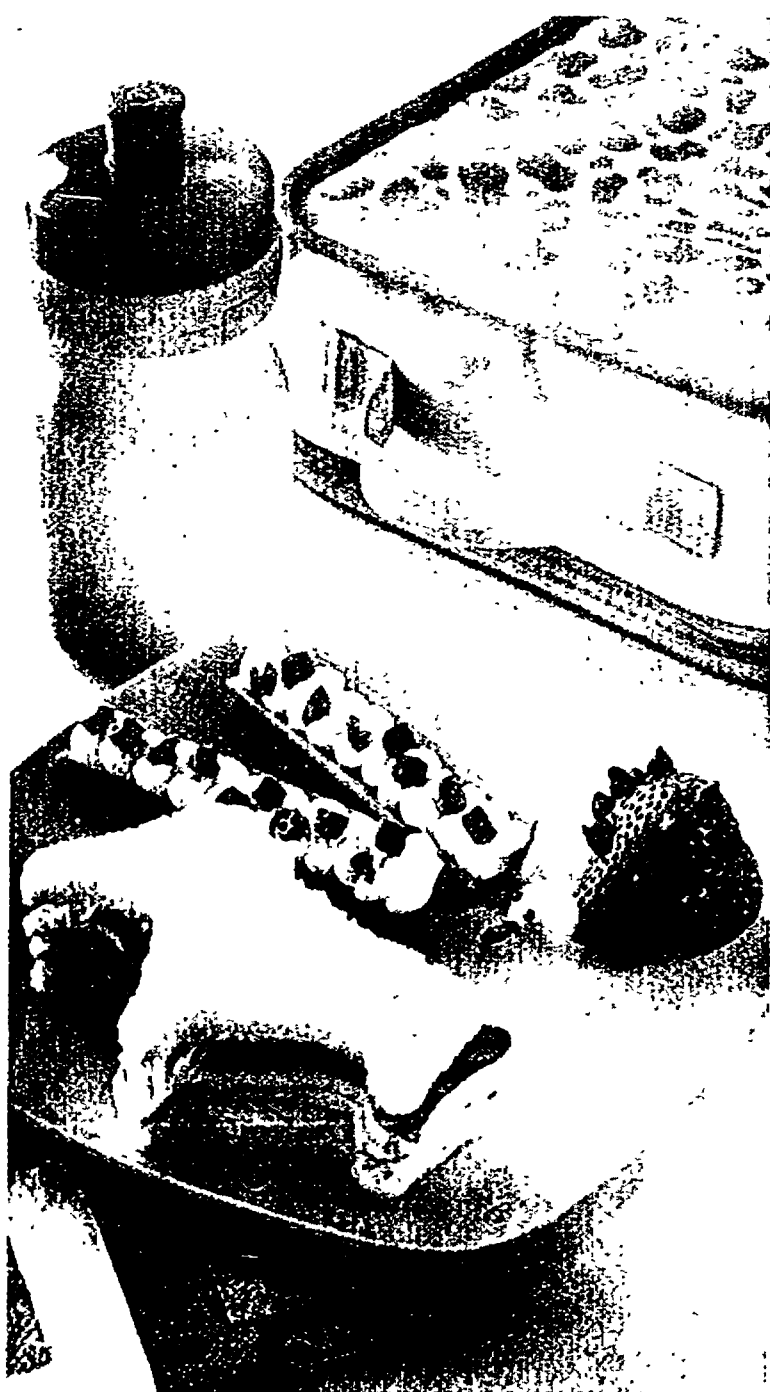
Fire Ants on a Log

- Chop strawberries into 8 or 9 pieces.
- Cut one 7- to 8-inch long piece of celery in thirds and fill each with 1 tablespoon low-fat cream cheese. Top each third with pieces of chopped strawberry to resemble ants in a line.

Top 5 Ideas to Pack Joy Into Lunchboxes

Kit Bennett, founder of AmazingMoms.com, shares these favorite creative tips. Find more great ideas for family fun at www.amazingmoms.com.

1. **Unleash the Inner artist:** Use colored markers to decorate that boring brown bag before packing the lunch.
2. **Doggone It:** For the puppy-loving child, cut the sandwich or cheese slices with a dog bone-shaped cookie cutter. Add some "people puppy chow" treats (dry cereal). Complete the theme with a puppy sticker on the napkin and a dog paw print using a pen or rubber stamp on the lunch bag.
3. **Brain food:** Cut a word scramble or puzzle from the newspaper kids' section. Roll it around a pencil and include it in the lunch bag for a fun lunchtime activity.
4. **Get a clue:** During the week leave clues in your child's lunch that lead to a Friday afternoon or evening surprise. The surprise can be something big, like a weekend adventure; or small, such as a small toy or an ice cream date. If your child is not yet reading, use pictures or stickers of the clues.
5. **Message in a bag:** Add a message bubble to a photo of your family pet that reads something like "I can't wait to play with you when you get home!" and place it in the lunch bag. You'll find message bubble stickers in the scrapbook department of your craft store.



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rejoin the family table

FAMILY FEATURE

Remember that picturesque Norman Rockwell portrait of a family sitting and enjoying a hot meal together? It's all but a distant memory now. In fact, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that the typical American family spends over \$2000 a year on dinners in restaurants with 10 percent of those dinners eaten at fast food establishments. What's more, over 50 percent of the dinners eaten by overweight American children are consumed in front of the television. Further research has also shown that children who eat dinner with their parents have higher intakes of essential nutrients and vitamins. The same study showed that a family dinner is possible even if both parents work.

What's the solution? Turning off the TV is one and involving kids in the meal preparation may be another. Parents may find that kids take pride in a meal they helped to create. It's also a good opportunity for parents to talk to kids about the importance of having a good diet.

One way to have fun, be creative and eat healthy while cooking with kids is to incorporate herbs and spices into food preparation. From drinks, soups and salads to pastas and main dishes, herbs and spices add flavor and aroma without fat, sugar or salt. It's simple to freshen up the dishes your family already loves with the judicious use of herbs and spices — and you'll be giving them a boost of antioxidants at the same time. Instead of cream

in a tomato soup, stir in Italian parsley, basil and cilantro. Whisk a fresh herb or herb paste with olive oil and lemon juice for a tangy vinaigrette over salads — no one will miss the salt. Banish that heavy cream-based Alfredo sauce for pasta by switching to olive oil flavored with finely chopped garlic or garlic paste, Italian parsley and basil. Add finely grated lemon grass or lemon grass paste to tea, along with a spoonful of honey, and you can omit the sugar.

While fresh herbs and spices are available only seasonally, new innovations have made it possible to enjoy them year round and make the cooking of a meal fast, easy and fun. A relatively new product on store shelves, Gourmet Garden Squeezable Herbs and Spices, comes in a variety of choices like Garlic, Basil, Chili Pepper and many more. These herbs and spices are picked fresh, chopped, blended and sealed in the easy-to-squeeze tubes so they are most in season — and there's no chopping, no mess and, most importantly, no waste. The process of producing the squeezable fresh herbs and spices gives them a shelf life of three to six months when stored in the freezer. Kids and parents can enjoy creating many meals together with these fun and easy-to-squeeze fresh herbs and spices.

herbs & spices: a healthy harvest

- Herbs and spices have a long history of medicinal use — since at least 5,000 B.C.
- Herbs and spices are among the richest sources of antioxidants. On a weight basis, they're higher than many fruits and vegetables.
- Herbs and spices can help reduce fat and sugar in the diet by adding flavor without unwanted calories.
- Herbs and spices add vibrant color and a fresh flavor to most recipes — from savory to sweet.
- Herbs and spices taste best when added to a recipe toward the end of cooking.

For more information, tips and recipes, visit www.gourmetgarden.com. Gourmet Garden products are available in the fresh produce section of leading supermarkets in 4-ounce easy-to-squeeze tubes or single-serve packs (three 1/2-ounce tubes).

Spaghetti Bolognese

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 1 pound ground beef
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 1 (14-ounce) can diced tomatoes
- 1 (14-ounce) jar tomato pasta sauce
- 1 Single-Serve Gourmet Garden Herb Medley Pack (1/2 ounce Basil and 1/2 ounce Parsley)
- 1 pound spaghetti, cooked
- Parmesan cheese, for topping

1. Heat olive oil and pan fry onion and ground beef until beef is browned.
2. Stir in tomato paste, tomatoes and pasta sauce. Simmer 10 minutes or until thickened.
3. Stir in basil and parsley.
4. Serve with spaghetti and sprinkling of parmesan.



Tomato Herb Soup

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 large onion, diced
- 1 (28-ounce) can tomatoes
- 4 cups vegetable stock
- 1 Single-Serve Gourmet Garden Herb Medley Pack (1/2 ounce Cilantro, 1/2 ounce Basil and 1/2 ounce Parsley)
- Toasted croutons

1. In large saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Add celery, onion and cilantro; cook until celery softens.
2. Add tomatoes, stock, basil and parsley; bring to boil. Simmer about 30 minutes.
3. Remove from heat, cool and puree with food processor.
4. Reheat and serve with toasted croutons.

Chicken and Tomato Fettuccine

- 1 lemon, juiced
- 2 tablespoons pine nuts
- 1/4 cup finely grated parmesan cheese
- 1 Single-Serve Gourmet Garden Italian Pack (1/2 ounce Garlic, 1/2 ounce Basil and 1/2 ounce Parsley)
- 1/3 cup light olive oil
- 14 ounces chicken breasts
- 12 ounces fettuccine
- 8 ounces grape tomatoes, halved
- Parmesan cheese, for topping (optional)

1. Combine lemon juice, pine nuts, cheese, garlic, basil and parsley in food processor. Process until roughly chopped. With motor running, add olive oil and blend mixture into smooth paste.
2. Brush chicken with olive oil and season to taste. In large frying pan cook chicken about 8 minutes on each side, until brown and cooked through. Set aside to rest before slicing.
3. Meanwhile, cook fettuccine according to package directions. Drain and toss with sliced chicken, grape tomatoes and enough herb-cheese sauce to coat pasta. Serve sprinkled with parmesan, if desired.



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ELEGANT ENTERTAINING MADE SIMPLE

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Celebrate great taste during Italian Heritage Month this October with these sumptuous recipes from Chef Michael Chiarello. High-quality ingredients are the stars of classic Italian cuisine, so before you start dicing and sautéing, enjoy the first step in great cooking: going to the market.

To make elegant entertaining simple, Michael suggests stocking your pantry with a few dependable staples. "Fill your kitchen with the best ingredients like tomatoes, canned at the peak of freshness, fine cheese and a few bottles of approachable, food-friendly wines and you will be able to create a meal in no time at all that will bring down the house."

For more recipes and wine pairing ideas, visit www.progressofoods.com and www.sargento.com.



Michael Chiarello

Parmesan Herb-Crusted Turkey Scaloppini

Serves 4

For Turkey:

- 1 boneless skinless turkey breast (1 1/2 lb)
- Dash coarse sea salt (gray salt)
- Dash freshly ground black pepper
- 1 1/2 cups Progresso Italian Style Panko Bread Crumbs or Progresso Italian Style Bread Crumbs
- 3/4 cup Sargento Artisan Blends Shredded Parmesan Cheese
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh Italian (flat-leaf) parsley

- 1 teaspoon coarse sea salt (gray salt)
- Dash freshly ground pepper
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 cup unbleached all-purpose flour
- 2 eggs
- Olive oil for frying

For Arugula Salad:

- About 8 cups arugula (4 oz)
- Extra-virgin olive oil
- Fresh lemon juice
- Sargento Artisan Blends Shredded Parmesan Cheese
- 1 lemon, quartered



Blackstone Chardonnay

Tasting Note: Blackstone Chardonnay is a fantastic food wine with a bright, well-balanced character and a long, lingering finish. Its acidity balances out the olive oil used to sauté the scaloppini, yet it won't overpower the turkey. And it has enough body and fruit to work well with the lemon and arugula.

Cut turkey breast diagonally into 1/2-inch-thick slices. Between sheets of plastic wrap, pound turkey to 1/8-inch thickness with meat mallet or rolling pin. Sprinkle with dash salt and dash pepper; press seasonings into turkey with fingers.

In small bowl, mix bread crumbs, Parmesan cheese, parsley, 1 teaspoon salt and dash pepper. Add 1 tablespoon olive oil; work with fingers to moisten crumbs lightly. Spread mixture on dinner plate. Spread flour on another dinner plate. In shallow bowl or pie plate, beat eggs slightly with fork.

Dip turkey slices into flour to coat both sides; shake off any excess flour. Dip into eggs, letting any excess drip back into bowl. Coat completely with bread crumb mixture, pressing crumbs in place; place on tray. Cover; refrigerate until ready to fry.

Heat 12-inch skillet over high heat. Add 1/4 inch olive oil for frying; heat to almost smoking. Add as many turkey slices as skillet will hold; do not crowd. Cook about 2 minutes or until bottom is golden. Turn slices; cook about 30 seconds longer. With tongs, remove turkey as each slice is done, allowing any excess oil to drain back into skillet; place on several thicknesses of paper towels. Repeat with remaining turkey slices.

Place arugula in large bowl. Drizzle with extra-virgin olive oil to coat leaves lightly. Add squeeze of lemon juice, additional salt and pepper; toss, taste and adjust seasoning.

Divide turkey evenly among dinner plates, placing in center of plate. Mound salad evenly on top of turkey. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese on top of each salad. Garnish plate with lemon quarter. Serve immediately.

Blackstone Merlot

Tasting Note: Blackstone Merlot is a supple and well integrated wine characterized by rich, fruity notes. It has soft tannins and a pleasant lingering finish. Its smooth fruit-forward drinkability will enhance the flavors of this recipe.



Mozzarella-Stuffed Portabellas

Serves 6

- 6 large fresh portabella mushrooms, stems and gills removed
- 4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons Progresso Balsamic Vinegar
- Dash coarse sea salt (gray salt)
- Dash freshly ground black pepper
- 3/4 cup Progresso Italian Style Panko Bread Crumbs or Progresso Italian Style Bread Crumbs
- 1/2 cup Sargento Artisan Blends Shredded Parmesan Cheese
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh parsley
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh basil
- 1 1/2 cups Sargento Artisan Blends Shredded Whole Milk Mozzarella Cheese

Heat oven to 425°F. In medium bowl, toss mushroom caps, 2 tablespoons oil, balsamic vinegar, salt and pepper to coat. Arrange mushroom caps on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake about 10 minutes or until soft. Cool completely.

Meanwhile, mix bread crumbs, Parmesan cheese, parsley, basil and remaining 2 tablespoons oil.

Divide mozzarella cheese evenly among mushroom caps. Spoon bread crumb mixture evenly over cheese.

Roast 7 to 10 minutes longer or until mozzarella cheese is melted and bread crumb mixture is golden brown. Serve hot with marinara sauce or other tomato sauce.



Blackstone Sauvignon Blanc

Tasting Note: Blackstone Sauvignon Blanc is bright and fresh with tropical fruit flavors and a touch of classic herbal notes. Its racy acidity and crisp, clean finish are a great match for this recipe's medley of vegetable flavors and basil and garlic accents.



Southern Italian Ratatouille

8 side-dish servings

- 7 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 3 cups sliced fresh wild or domestic mushrooms (1/4-inch thick)
- 1 cup thinly sliced leeks (white portions only)
- Coarse sea salt (gray salt)
- Freshly ground pepper
- 2 tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons finely chopped garlic
- 6 teaspoons finely chopped fresh thyme
- 1/2 cup finely chopped (1/4 inch) red bell pepper
- 3 cups finely chopped (1/4 inch) zucchini (about 1/2 lb)
- 3 cups finely chopped (1/4 inch) yellow summer (crookneck) squash (about 1/2 lb)
- 1 can (28 oz) Progresso Diced Tomatoes, undrained
- 2 cups loosely packed baby spinach, cut into 1/4 inch strips
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped fresh basil
- 1/4 cup Sargento Artisan Blends Shredded Parmesan Cheese

In 12-inch skillet, heat 4 tablespoons oil over medium-high heat. Add mushrooms; cook without stirring about 1 minute or until brown on one side. Turn mushrooms; cook 1 or 2 minutes longer or until browned. Reduce heat to medium. Add leeks; sprinkle with salt and pepper. Cook about 2 minutes or until leeks are soft but not brown. Add 2 tablespoons garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Stir in 2 teaspoons thyme. Scrape vegetables into large bowl. Rinse skillet (scrub if anything is stuck and burned).

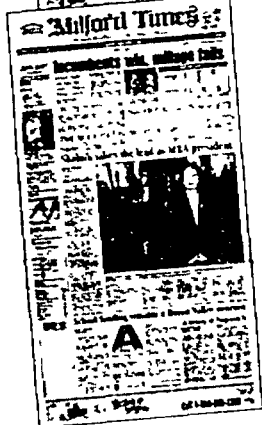
In same skillet, heat another 2 tablespoons oil over medium-high heat. Add bell pepper; cook about 1 minute. Add zucchini and yellow summer squash; cook about 2 minutes or until translucent and water is released. Stir in remaining 4 teaspoons thyme. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Spread vegetables in bowl with mushrooms to cool quickly and retain color.

In same skillet, heat remaining 1 tablespoon oil over medium-high heat. Add remaining 2 teaspoons garlic; cook just until lightly colored. Stir in tomatoes. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Heat to boiling. Reduce heat; simmer about 5 minutes or until mixture thickens.

Add spinach; toss until wilted. Pour mixture into bowl with other vegetables; stir until cooled slightly. Add basil and cheese; toss until well mixed. Serve warm or at room temperature.

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American Dance Academy dance students are treated to lessons from guest master teachers who return to the school every three months.

Add a little dance

Dance is a fun, positive activity for children and adults

By John R. Hall
SPECIAL WRITER

For the last 10 years, the young people of South Lyon have turned to the American Dance Academy for dance instruction, personal growth, and goal achievements.

In return, the school has devoted itself to giving each student a positive learning experience that they can use for any endeavors in their lives.

Learning the various disciplines of dance are important, and the American Dance Academy offers a complete schedule of classes for boys and girls from age 3 through adult in both performing arts and recreational venues.

But just as important are the lessons that each student learns about their own personal growth and development.

Many former students have gone on to successful careers in professions including medicine and business.

"Dance is very good as long as it is put into perspective," said owner Melva Zavisa. "What matters is how you present yourself and improve yourself while having fun."

There are many ways that American Dance Academy students have fun. Of the approximately 280 students

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enrolled in the classes, 40 students are part of the performing arts team, which dances competitively around the country — and sometimes around the world.

"We performed in the International Youth Festival in Russia in 1986," Melva said. "It was quite a learning experience. Our kids came back with a new appreciation for the freedoms we enjoy in the United States."

The key word is learning.

The staff of instructors are certified Dance Master and Cecchetti teachers and must attend continuing education programs. Not only is it important for students to continue learning and growing, Melva insists that her instructors do the same.

Some of the programs taught at the American Dance Academy include Tiny Tots, Pre-Dance, and KinderDance for 3-5 year olds; ballet and pointe; Russian and Cecchetti; jazz and musical theatre; tap, hip hop, and acro, just to name a few.

In addition to dance classes, the school also offers theatrical training, including acting and singing.

"Theatre and dance go together," said Melva. "This type of training rounds out the student."

And speaking of rounding out students, the American Dance Academy also believes in helping young people achieve their goals who would not normally be able to financially afford a dance education. Melva and her staff work with local Youth Enrichment and Youth Assistance programs.

"When we have extra spaces in our classes, we invite needy children to participate," she added.

Melva also gives special discounts to children of parents currently serving in



The young students of the American Dance Academy combine an educational experience with a lot of fun during their classes.

active duty for the armed forces.

The care for the community stretches beyond helping young people in need — it also extends to the community itself and the people who support the school. This holiday season, in early December, the American Dance Academy will sponsor a special holiday performance to benefit the Active Faith charity and to celebrate A.D.A.'s 10th year in South Lyon. Melva is inviting all children and adults to come out and perform in the show, free of charge.

"Anyone can sign up to be in the program," she said. "We will supply the choreography and the costumes. The practices will take place at the studio in 5-6 lessons in August and once monthly practices on weekends after that."

"This will be an opportunity for kids who wouldn't normally have the chance to get up on stage and perform," she said.

During the show, Melva hopes that people will bring in toys that they wish to

donate to the Toys for Tots program.

All of these community projects are part of the American Dance Academy's overall philosophy of making dance a positive learning experience, which emphasizes skill, teamwork, and dedication. Every experience is an education, which Melva believes is a key to success.

"Education is just as important as dance," she added.

She rewards her graduating seniors with college scholarships, which are derived from the many fund-raisers that the school puts on.

"We promote smart dancers," Melva said. She also noted, "Dance gives the kids something positive to do, instead of hanging around the mall. It also teaches kids to learn time management — one of life's lessons."

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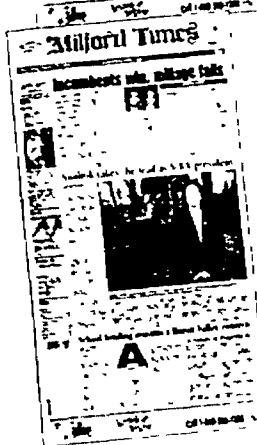
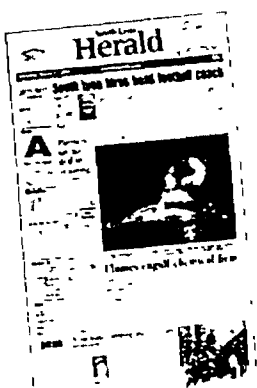
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Some of the younger members of the competitive team at Sheryl's School of Dance show off their skills.



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Award winning dancers Nicole Blaszczyk and Fred Diaz practice a dance routine.

Dance, dance, dance

Dance is fun way to get in shape, learn goal setting, discipline

By John R. Hall
SPECIAL WRITER

Sheryl Sulek has one goal in mind for the hundreds of students enrolled in her dance classes at Sheryl's School of Dance in Novi: to teach people how to set goals and attain them through the disciplines of dance.

Many of her former students have gone on to successful careers in all walks of life and Sheryl is proud to know that the lessons they learned through instruction by her experienced staff have played a big role in their lives.

Along with her mother, Arline Hahn, co-owner of the dance school, the women have devoted 47 years of their lives to teaching dance, the last 14 in their location on Grand River Avenue in Novi.

"Dancing is good training for the future," said Sheryl. "It gives you focus on your goals and your achievements. Dance isn't necessarily a career choice. It is all about attaining goals."

In fact, Sheryl does not encourage students to go on to college and pursue a dance career. It is important to her that young people attain their scholastic goals and then make career choices.

"I promote scholastic competition for our young women," she added. "We have hosted contestants for the Miss Oakland County pageant before, a competition which is a good opportunity for students to win money for their education."

Students of all ages, from 3 to adult, are encouraged to choose from several different disciplines and what level of involvement they want. Most of the 300-350 students at Sheryl's School of Dance are recreational dancers — students who want to enjoy dance for the exercise, social interaction, and the discipline.

Approximately 60-65 of these students are part of the competitive dance team — dancers who are interested in testing their skills in a competitive and team-oriented atmosphere. The competition team is taught by a trio of experienced instructors, Julie Hughes, Jackie Sulek and Peggy Wright.

"We have national winners every year," added Arline.



Young students spend many hours learning dance and setting goals at Sheryl's School of Dance.

Student Fred Diaz is the current "Mr. Dance Michigan" and the school's alumni have included three former Miss Michigans and three professional Rockettes.

While students are encouraged to set individual goals for themselves, they also develop team goals at Sheryl's School of Dance.

"As a team, we all work for one goal," Sheryl said. "Even when they are on stage as soloists, their goal is to perform well for the entire team."

Team members benefit from the years of experience and training of the dance school staff. Almost the entire staff of 12 instructors are former students of Sheryl's School of Dance. And not only that, they are certified instructors, too.

"Certification is important because there is no state certification required for opening a dance school," Sheryl said.

Sheryl knows there is a lot of dance school competition around the metro

Detroit area and she is proud of the fact that most of her students learn of her school through word-of-mouth referrals.

Her experienced staff and the choices of disciplines make a very big difference. Those disciplines include: tap, jazz, ballet, point, lyrical, Cecchetti method (ballet), and hip-hop.

"We also have an instructor who comes in and teaches Scottish Highland dance," Sheryl added.

While other dance schools can offer similar dance classes, it is the sincerity and the care for students that set Sheryl's School of Dance apart from others.

"As an instructor I can get the most satisfaction from taking a physically uncoordinated young person and turning them into a talented dancer," Sheryl said. "And kids can overcome their fear of public speaking by performing on stage."

The school operates from September until June when it holds its annual dance

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recital. Many of the competitive dance team members are encouraged to come in during the summer to stay in shape and continue to practice. That's okay with them — many of them spend hours each day at the studio — and the results are very positive.

"Students discipline themselves to learn and grow, which also makes them better students in school," Sheryl added.

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55+ community
2 bedroom, 2 bath
Walkout units available
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This is a model close-out
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SILVER LAKE FRONTAGE
Older, year round home, 3 BR 1.5 BA, Sunporch, garage, Large lot
\$319,900
Jo Ann Cole Heritage GMAC
517-449-1435 or
517-223-0199, ext. 100

Open Houses 3030

CANTON Sun, 1-4pm 44425
James Ct., Beautiful home!
Gorgeous setting! 3 bdrm, 2.5
bath colonial. Many int./ext
updates. Lg tiered deck w/hot
tub backs to woods w/recreat-
ive setting on cul-de-sac
\$239,900 734-377-8022

FARMINGTON Sun, Open 1-4
35839 Smedley S. of Grand
River W. of Drakes 3000 +
sq ft 4 bdrm 2.5 baths
\$319,000 248-561-4141

BRIGHTON 3060

ADORABLE LOVERS hideaway
cottage, completely remod-
eled, 3 br, 1 bath, lake
access 248-535-0208

IMMACULATE 3 br ranch, lg
gorgeous lot, prime location
\$155,900 813-229-7249



NEW CONSTRUCTION MUST SEE!!

Double hung windows, cus-
tom built energy efficient
porcelain tile & wood floors
thru out. Home warranty
backs up to the woods, large
front porch, out buildings
allowed. 1400 sq ft Ranch
w/ open floor plan 3 BR, 2
full baths bsmt \$171,000
Builder says bring ALL
OFFERS! Call 248-867-1966

Hartland 3200

GREAT BUY! Attractive updated
ranch on almost 1 acre. 3
br, 1.5 bath, 2 car, 1900 sq ft
finished bsmt. By x-ways
\$209,900 810-632-4573

Homes 3000

VALUE WITH COMFORT!
Newer ranch on 2+ acres with
ideal private setting surround-
ed by woods. Offering 3
bedrms & 2 baths on main
level plus 4th BR 3rd BA & FR
w/FP in finished walk-out
lower level. Sharp kitchen
w/maple cabinets. Great room
w/replace hardwood floors
& doorwall to 24x12 deck. 2
car garage & 20x24 pole barn
\$270,000 Holly Schools

England Real Estate
(810)632-7427

Howell 3230

PRICED TO SELL! 3 br, 2
bath, 2 car garage, 1565sq ft
2403 Hickory Circle Dr
\$179,900 Home Warranty
included! 586-914-7261

Keego Harbor 3235

CASS LAKE PRIVILEGES!
Peaceful setting with 2 BR home
on lg fenced corner lot. Formal
dining & living rooms, hardwood
floors & full bsmt. W. Bloomfield
Schools \$102,000
England Real Estate
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NEWER CUSTOM 2-story on
1/2 acre, 4 br, 3 baths many
extras 3 car garage \$389,000
Group Ten Gert 734-953-0035

Millford 3260

Know someone who wants to move to Millford?
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www.MoveToMillford.com
to learn all about the Village
of Millford and to search for
a new home in Millford

New Kitchen & bath! 3 BR Lg
lot, behind Millford Grocery
\$175,000 Call 248-585-2507

Northville 3280

IMMACULATE RANCH
3 bdrm 1 1/2 bath lg living
room family room stone fire-
place, 12x22 deck finished
garage, full bsmt priced to
sell \$243,900 248-684-5002

Pinckney 3340

BY OWNER 5 br 3 bath 2
car garage shed, great ease
ments, Country Lake access
\$185,900 (517) 861-9152

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\$1000 TOWARDS Closing
Costs offer by 9/3/07! Many
extras on 3 br 1.5 bath
brick ranch \$215,700
Group Ten Gert 734-953-0035

South Lyon 3400

BRICK RANCH
On 5+ wooded acres 6585
sq ft 4 bedrooms 3.5 baths
walkout \$850,000 #2611184
Rebecca Chelus
734-663-2807 734-971-6070
Charles Reinhard Co. Realtors

Webberville 3430

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REDUCED TO \$120,000 BEST**
3 BR home in village on
1 acre Partly finished
w/appliances MUST SEE! Must sell
Call 813-599-9502 or
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Lakefront/Waterfront Homes 3580

BRIGHTON 2 houses new
Linnace & water soaker 2 f.
baths ca 248-634-7325

BRIGHTON 3 br 2 bath ranch
on all sports Island Lake
Many updates 810-229-4588

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HAMBURG TWP 116 ft
waterfront all sports lake 1.5
acres 64 car garage 4 br 2.5
baths 2500sq ft. Immediate
occupancy! 810-599-9581

HARTLAND 2 br All sports
ranchy lake on peninsula
\$180,000 Call 313-580-2256

HOWELL-Lake Chemung 4 br
2 baths Reduced! \$265,000
517-543-1107 313-384-9564

Real Estate Auction 3620

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Estate of Sophie Siekorski
Saturday August 25th
4:30pm 1536 W Auburn
Rd Rochester Hills 48309
Free information package
w/ Auctioneer Call
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REAL ESTATE AUCTION
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11:00am Executive Home
Large Lot 12501 Wampers
Lake Brown MI 49230
Don't miss free information
package w/ Auctioneer
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HOWELL 2004 1500sq ft 2
br, 2 bath 1 car attached
garage \$115,000 best head
to sell ASAP! 810-599-2223

WESTLAND 1 bdrm lch
Livonia Schools Assoc fee
incl Pool/water Pool Enc
cord \$78,900 734-396-8841

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Millard, 3 Acres-
reduced 3 Bed 3.5 Bath
Contemporary New granite
Kitchen finished w/out
home theatre Master w/bat-
hroom 3 fireplaces 4 car Garage
-New! \$820,000 (C-567)

Millard Village Colonial-
3 Bed 1.5 Bath remod-
ed w/new carpet windows &
trimmings doors dishwasher
wrap around porch 2 car
Garage gas FP Master Suite
\$249,900 (C-522)

Highland Colonial-
3 Bed 1.5 Bath on large wood-
ed lot w/ lake privileges to
Duck Lake Brook fireplace
18x12 cement patio central air
party finished bsmt \$295,000
(C-527)

Wolverine Lake Ranch-
Lake privileges to all sports
Wolverine Lake! New wood
floors carpet Pella front door
& doorwall Bathroom water
soaker washer dryer Fenced
yard w/ice dock \$460,000
(S-1942)

Millard, 3 Acres-
3 Bed 3.5 Bath Cape Cod on
3.3 acres w/inground pool fin-
ished basement 42x50
heated outbuilding w/bath off
well bar & car host. Many
updates \$524,900 (C-2603)

Millard Village Condo-
2 Bed 1.5 Bath in Summit
Ridge! New flooring carpet
finished kitchen deck lot
view! 2 car garage sky lights
Master w/garden tub & walk in closet.
App prices stay \$174,900
(C-537)

White Lake Colonial-
4 Bed 2.5 Bath w/ open
kitchen & dining w/ bay w-
ndow FP in Family Room w-
cut basement, deck overlooking
park keycard 3 car
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flr laundry, mstr ste w/FP, jacuzzi & radiant heat
mstr ba flr, 2 garages-2nd w/2 bdrm carriage
house.
MLS# 27134164 248-347-3050

NOVI \$875,000
5 bdrms, 4.2 baths. Wooded lot, open flr plan
w/hardw flring, island kit w/cherry cabinets &
granite cnts, grand mstr ste, fin w/o bsmt w/
wet bar.
MLS# 27139242 248-347-3050

NORTHVILLE \$675,000
Expanded Harvard model w/solarium! Prem
elevation, spacious kit w/42" cherry cabs &
Corian cnts, expanded FR w/2story stone
fp, dual staircases, 3.5 car.
MLS# 27138765 248-347-3050

FARMINGTON HILLS \$550,000
Cape Cod, Private Cul-de-sac! Main Ba W/
Steamer, Fin W/o w/fr, Granite Bar, 5th & 6th
Bdrm/Office, multi-tier Deck, 1st Flr Mstr, Conan
in kit, 3.5 Car Garage.
MLS# 27134132 248-347-3050

PLYMOUTH \$549,900
4 BR, 3-1/2 BA Cape on .85 acres Grmt lot &
setting rm w/ granite, B/I appls. Lots of cbnts &
wndws & gas FP. 1st flr mstr Two-story GR 4
car gar
MLS# 27138213 734-453-6800

FARMINGTON HILLS \$365,000
Great Big 5 Bdrm Colonial On Cul-de-sac! In
Ground Gunite Pool W/new Tile & Spa, P. Fin
Bsmt, 2 1/2 Car Garage, Huge 1st Flr Lndry, 1
Yr War.
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FARMINGTON HILLS \$324,900
Sharp Colonial! 3 Car Garage, updated Kit w/
cherry Cabs, 1/2 Ba W/granite Cntr, stfr Lndry,
Kit To Fr W/FP, Crown Mldg & Deck W/gazebo.
Great Curb Appeal!
MLS# 27139015 248-347-3050

NOVI \$265,000
Priced To Move Fast! 1st Flr Mstr, Gr W/gas FP,
42" Cherry Cabs In Kit W/corain Cntr & Hwd Flr,
2 Story Foyer W/toft, Deck, 1st Flr Ldry
MLS# 27135691 248-347-3050

CANTON \$233,575
NC at Woodbridge Estates! 3BR, 2.1BA plus
loft. Mstr w/BA & WIC Kit w/plenty of cbnts &
GE appls. GR w/gas FP, 9 ft cigs. 2 car att gar
Full bsmt.
MLS# 27131164 734-453-6800

CANTON \$214,900
Gorgeous 3 BR 2.5 BA col. Spac kit & FR w/
hwd flrs, cath cig & FP. Mstr ste w/ vltid cig &
WIC. New paint, carpet & Indscp Bsmt w/
sauna & rec room
MLS# 27137671 734-453-6800

LIVONIA \$210,000
Great Location & An End Unit. Gas Fireplace in
GR. Excellent Floor Plan. Large Private Deck.
Neutral decor t/o Full Open Basement. Pets
Allowed
MLS# 27141731 248-347-3050

CANTON \$175,599
Bldrs model at Woodbridge Estates! Lots of
upgrades. 2BR 2BA. Kit w/GE appls & washer/
dryer. LR w/cath cig & FP. Mstr & main bath w/
designer cbnts.
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CANTON \$173,449
Model home at Woodbridge estates condos in
canon. 2 bdrms, 2 baths, ranch, gourmet kit,
patio. Luxurious master ste. Garage &
community pool.
MLS# 27139651 734-453-6800

LIVONIA \$169,900
Just Perfect. New Rem Kit W/Quality Cabs,
Counters, Flrs & Fxts. Kit Has Rm For A Lg
Table & Drwall To Huge Patio Rem Bth W/
Jacuzzi tub, Fin Bsmt W/ba
MLS# 27140216 248-347-3050

WESTLAND \$159,900
Great Home In A Great Neighborhood. Lrg Rm
Kit W/Oak Cabs Butlers Pantry & Rm For Lrg
Table All appl incl. Kit Has Drwall To Rear
Deck Full Bsmt
MLS# 27137789 248-347-3050

PLYMOUTH \$159,000
Darling Plymouth condo w/2-story entry. 2BR
1.1BA, LR w/FP, Mbr w/WIC, fin basement,
attached garage & private deck. Move in
condition.
MLS# 27126296 734-453-6800

CANTON \$157,900
N/C at Woodbridge Estates! 2 BR, 2BA raised
ranch. Kit w/GE appls including washer &
dryer. LR w/cath cig & FP. Mstr & main bath w/
designer cbnts.
MLS# 27131140 734-453-6800

WALLED LAKE \$130,000
CONDO. Lovely 2-story, end unit with open
floor plan, finished basement and attached
garage. Nicely updated, move-in MINT! Low
association fee.
MLS# 27123884 Karen Thomas 248-505-3066

REDFORD \$119,900
Well maintained ranch w/many updates inc:
roof, vinyl wndws, HWH, freshly painted,
updated BA's & kit w/bkfst bar & all appls incl
Hwd flrs t/o
MLS# 27135347 734-453-6800

GARDEN CITY \$69,900
Totally updated 2BR, 1BA ranch located in a
great neighborhood on an interior lot. Updated
kit & ba New crpt & wndws. New roof. Huge
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Beautiful, 1500 sq ft. 3 BR, 2
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River. Finished basement, w/ walk-
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New Hudson downtown business
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lot, pole barn. Great for retail,
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Close to x-highways. 2700 sq ft.,
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Call Jan 248-981-6348

Mobile Homes (3750)

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2 BR, 2 full bath, c.a., \$5000
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\$58,000 (810) 229-9789GREGORY Older 3 br double-
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Dunham Lake. North east
shore, great view on bluff
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view to downtown Brighton
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Deposit, \$500 810-229-5167BRIGHTON - 1 br., close to
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air, recently renovated!
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1 br. - \$610
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Apartments/
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WHITMORE LAKE - Beach Membership 3 br., washer/dryer, yard, quiet street. 1420sq ft. \$750/mo. Call Linda at 810-444-4591

Whitmore Lake 6173 Ridgeway, 2br 1 bath, \$450/mo \$900 Moves you in. 248-673-7231

Apartments/
Furnished

Brighton Area 1 br \$450/mo incl. electrical, heat & cable. Ideal for singles 810-227-6024

Condos/Townhouses

BRIGHTON - 1 br. Newly updated. \$600/mo. \$550 sec No smoke/pets. 345-7574

BRIGHTON-GRAND NEW Lakeland Condo for Lease w/option to buy 2 BR, 2 bath with full walkout bsmt to lake 1st floor master & laundry, attached garage 50+ community, close to I-96 \$1350/mo Call, 810-599-8800

HIGHLAND-2 BR CONDO \$650 + utilities 248-887-7138

HOWELL \$1400/mo. Executive Condo on golf course. Over 2000sq ft. 3 br., 2.5 bath, full bsmt., 2 car garage, Brazilian cherry floors 810-813-1260

HOWELL - 2 br., 2.5 bath, finished bsmt., all appliances, gas fireplace, attached garage, upstairs/downstairs laundry, non-smoking, M59 & I-96. 1st & last mo., sec dep \$995/mo. Contact Ed Clark, 248-459-5590

HOWELL 2 br. condo All appliances, attached garage, cathedral ceilings. Rent to own. \$950/mo. 616-445-2822

HOWELL - Furnished or Unfurnished Condo, 2 br., 1 bath, section 8 ok. \$725/mo., utilities incl. 321-794-6817

Howell Many upgrades! Walk to lake! 1900 sq ft., 2 master br., all appliances 389-233-5582

MILFORD 2 br. condo, C.A., washer/dryer, walking distance to downtown. \$795/mo + security 248-624-5272

NORTHVILLE 1 bdrm, 1st floor, recently updated Pets welcome. Heat & water incl \$700 + sec. 248-756-6408

NORTHVILLE Charming Condo, 2 huge bdrm, partially finished bsmt. Updates throughout, pool & 3 lakes includes utilities & amenities \$1280/mo. 248-231-6123

NORTHVILLE Condo for sale or rent. 42796 Lake Success 2 br., 2 bath, end unit. Quiet, dead end street. Walk to elementary school. Clubhouse w/pool, lake & tennis courts. Semi-finished lower level, fenced patio, new dishwasher, carpet & paint in 2006. Incl water, heat & AC Call Wendy 517-404-1658 \$900/mo rent, flexible terms for purchase

NORTHVILLE - MUST SEE! New 2 br., 2 bath, wooded view, garage, all appliances, washer/dryer, fitness center, pool. \$1100/mo 248-449-4610

NOVI - 2 bdrm condo with pool, playground/park. Lease with option to buy \$1000/mo Dave 248-910-1077

Duplexes

BRIGHTON 2 br., AC \$840 11337 Ford 810-623-2034 1000sq ft., 1.5 baths, updated!

BRIGHTON 2 Br. CA, washer & dryer, Clean, quiet & updated \$650 810-227-2068

BRIGHTON-Downtown 1000 sq ft. 2 br. full bsmt. Must See! \$700/sec. 810-229-7204

BRIGHTON TWSP. Hartland Schools 3 br., 1 bath, 1 car, private rd., lg yard, country setting \$1000 security \$720/mo (248)284-5446

BRIGHTON Upper flat of beautiful farmhouse 1-2 br. Wood floors, updated, nice setting Pets? Non-smoker \$750/mo + security 810-227-7078

FOWLerville 2 story, 2 br. \$700-\$800 + sec. EAST M.O. FREE w/1 yr lease. 248-302-8629, UNDER NEW MGMT

FOWLerville -Newer 1500 sq ft., 3 br. 2 bath, c.a., washer/dryer, \$975. 517-861-6102.

Hamburg/Placerville Area 2 br duplexes \$490/\$550 Lk access No dogs. 734-662-8669

HOWELL 2 br., many updates. lg yard \$650/mo No dogs 810-423-1053, 219-227-8517

HOWELL 2 Br ranch, newly decorated, large yard, washer/dryer hook up \$695/mo 517-546-2324, 517-404-7314

Howell 2br appliances, \$625/mo living/stor/rentals com #62 248-486-4157, 586-907-3819

HOWELL Studio or 2 br avail. now, appliances, pets extra. Start at \$420 517-230-0479

NEW HUDSON 2 br. duplex, 1 bath, private entrance, large yard. Pay own utilities. Immediate occupancy. \$625 security deposit, \$600/mo (248)437-1660

NORTHVILLE -Studio apt w/basement, appliances, no pets/smoking. \$535/mo after 3pm (248) 349-4437

PINCONEY 1,527sq ft., 3 br, 2 baths garage, utility room. Patio & lawn maintenance. Pets OK. \$1200/mo. 810-227-3444 or 810-602-8887

Placerville Howell 2br, garage, central air, updated kitchen & bath, fenced yard. \$850/mo 586-530-1343, 734-424-2680

WHITMORE LAKE - Newer 3 br., 2 bath, CA, appliances, finished walkout. \$1050 248-596-4030

Homes For Rent

1. NEWLY remodeled 3 br. ranch w/Lk. Charming access. This is A1 apt price, house living \$335/mo. 810-333-2666

BRIGHTON 2 BR. Ranch Lake access/beach dock. \$895/mo. Call, 810-571-8418

BRIGHTON 3-4 br., lake, no dogs/smoking. 1900sq ft. 3311 Danne. \$1075 810-227-1460

BRIGHTON - 3 BR, 1 bath, 1000 sq ft., Fonda Lake access \$980 (586) 509-2971

BRIGHTON 3 br., Clark Lk., all appliances, 2 car garage, no smoke \$1100 810-229-0396

BRIGHTON 4 BR, 2.5 bath, 2 car garage, finished bsmt. \$1100/mo 810-227-3151.

BRIGHTON CITY - 2 br., all appliances, garage, yard, great location, \$875 810-227-5706

Homes For Rent

BRIGHTON - Executive home. No lease req 4 br., 2.5 bath, fireplaces, 3600sq ft. 3 mo minimum \$2,250/mo Rent w/option to buy 248-767-9638

BRIGHTON Lake access, 3 br., 2.5 car att. garage, appliances incl. \$1100/mo 810-225-4540

BRIGHTON Lg 4 br., 2 bath, AC, pool, garage + lg storage, bsmt. \$1300 810-441-1133

BRIGHTON TWP. Upscale, 4 br., 10 acres, barn, horses ok, pool, Kensington Park area \$2,100/mo (248)752-7626

COMMERCIAL Long Lake lakeside 2 br., big yard, no pets Sept-June lease \$1250/mo 631-786-1525

COMMERCIAL TWP. Middle Straits lake front, 1,500sq ft., 3 br., 1.5 bath, avail. now! Walked Lake Schools \$900/mo

FOX LAKE FRONT, 2 br., 2.5 bath, 2,400sq ft., family room, bsmt., garage, large yard. Walked Lake Schools. \$1,100/mo 248-624-9470

FARMINGTON HILLS Beautiful brick ranch, lg fenced lot, 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath, all appliances, c/a. \$1395/mo 248-943-2963 www.burdsallproperties.com

FOWLerville 3 BR., washer/dryer, garage, shed rent to own. \$900, + security, incl water/trash. 517-223-9437

HARTLAND Remodeled 3 br. ranch, nearly 5 acres, bsmt., 2 car attached garage, bonus room, 2 story barn, appliances, \$1150 utilities or lease option avail. 517-861-6373

HOWELL-3 BR, 2 Bath Ranch bsmt., 2.5 acres, clean, off I-96 \$1250/mo 810-610-7854

HOWELL 3 br., w/appliances, incl washer/dryer, \$875/mo Call Kevin or Earl, Mon-Fri. 810-227-8510

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HOWELL Lease/Option 1800 sq ft., 4 br., 2.5 bath, 2.5 car garage, CA, gas fireplace, all appliances. Hidden Creek Sub \$1500 + dep 248-755-5472

HOWELL Small lake home, ideal for retired/younger couple \$760/mo (734) 495-3436

HOWELL Very nice 3 br., 2 bath ranch, large yard \$1300/mo Call 248-767-8740

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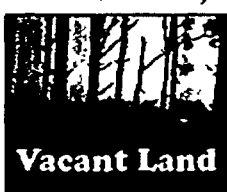
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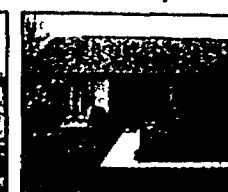
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GREAT HOME! Located in popular Pickwick Sub, this beautiful home has it all! Walking distance to 2 parks, updates galore including roof, furnace, siding, gutters, paint, kitchen, bath, interior doors & big screen TV stays!
\$229,900 (P-382C0)



LIVONIA RANCH This 3 bd ranch offers a spacious Liv Rm, remodeled bath, hwd floors in all bedrooms, finished bsmt, updated plumbing, elec, hwh, windows & roof.
\$139,000 (P-654EL)



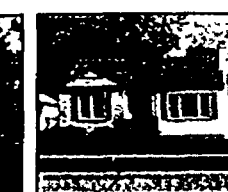
A PLYMOUTH JEWEL This 3bd, 2 bath ranch offers a Fam Rm w/ fireplace, oak Kitchen w/breakfast bar, door w/leading to Deck, privacy fenced yard, 1st fl laundry, 2 car Garage & prof finished bsmt w/ extra storage.
\$254,900 (P-350GR)



LUXURY MEETS VALUE Enjoy this beautiful ranch, condo w/1st master suite, vaulted ceilings, dry study, 3 full baths & a finished basement. Canton community at it's best.
\$239,800 (C-491KJ)



MOVE IN READY! Enjoy this totally remodeled, end unit condo. Updates include all fixtures, windows, & hwd floors. Add to this an attached Garage, fireplace, & great location.
\$124,900 (C-324KJ)



PRICED FOR QUICK SALE Fantastic curb appeal & great location. Large fenced lot, newer windows, newer doors, over 1600 sq ft, spacious layout, 2 car Garage & more.
\$102,000 (C-245FO)



ALL THE WORK IS DONE! Great 4 bd home w/open floor plan, oak Kitchen w/SS appl, updated baths, fresh paint, updated roof & windows, large fenced yard w/Patio & playset, new cement porch, patio & partial driveway.
\$175,000 (P-023WO)



LUXURY CONDO Gorgeous executive ranch w/3 large bd, 2 custom baths w/jetted tub, open floor plan, gourmet Kitchen, Great Room w/tripl & large windows, great Deck overlooking wooded area, & 2 car garage.
\$264,000 (C-880BE)



SUPER CANTON COLONIAL Popular Brookside Village offers this home w/spacious floor plan, Fam Rm w/tripl, updated Kitchen w/ nook, Master w/WC, updated furnace, C/A, windows & some carpet.
\$174,000 (C-228ME)



INVESTORS SPECIAL Roomy ranch in Westland featuring thermal windows & doors, Family Room, country Kitchen, appliances stay, generous Garage, fenced yard w/ tall maple trees, & home warranty.
\$108,900 (C-621PA)



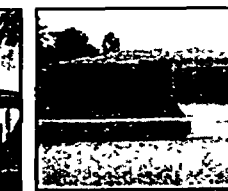
PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP Love to entertain? 3 BR, 2 bath, well maintained ranch offers 2 full kts. Enjoy the summer breezes by the pool or in the shade of a covered Patio. Hwd floors, updated baths, 31x11 rec room & appl's stay.
\$164,900 (P-364BA)



BEST DEAL IN TOWN This immaculate home is priced to sell! Quick! 3100 sq ft, huge Kit w/ granite & SS appl's, 4 bd 2 way fireplace, custom painting, prof landscaping w/pavers & 3 car Garage. Excellent location!
\$399,000 (P-375CA)



IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY 2 bd condo on beautiful Colonial Estates. Full bsmt, large Living Room, Dining Area, 2 car att Garage w/ opener, C/A, & ceiling fans. Appliances stay!
\$118,500 (C-613CO)



CANTON RANCH Spacious 3 bd 2.5 bath home w/1681 sq ft, 1st fl laundry, Master w/updated private bath, newer roof & windows, open & airy Kitchen, fenced yard, & 2 car garage.
\$203,999 (C-252BR)



BEAUTIFUL CAPE COD Open & spacious! Built in 2003, 1st floor master suite w/jetted tub, maple Kitchen, formal Dining Rm, full daylight bsmt, inviting Great Rm w/ tripl & 2 story windows & much more.
\$324,900 (P-868BU)



NEW ON MARKET! Always popular "colonist" ranch featuring fresh paint, new carpet, updated Kitchen, windows, Pergo floors, huge bsmt, fenced yard & close to shopping & schools.
\$199,900 (C-131HA)



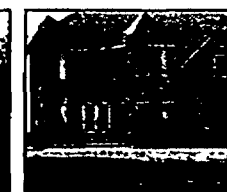
DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH Gorgeous home in downtown Plymouth for under 200k! Gleaming hwd floors, updated Kitchen w/ eating area, updated windows, appliances stay, Garage, & home warranty included.
\$189,000 (C-725IR)



CAPTIVATING CAPE! Situated on almost an acre, this fabulous home features hwd floors, french doors, covered ceilings, updated ceramic Kitchen, updated shingles, huge Garage, 3 season porch, & 23 x 17 Barn.
\$174,975 (C-850GE)



YOU WON'T BELIEVE THIS HOUSE Great curb appeal & an amazing interior! Beautiful oak Kitchen w/all appliances, large bathroom, fresh paint, updated carpet, roof, furnace, C/A, & great yard.
\$119,999 (P-217L)



ABSOLUTELY STUNNING Beautiful 4000 sq ft home on 1 acre. Seifer leaving all furniture! Lots of built-ins, granite, hwd floors, large Master w/32x26 bath, finished bsmt, 4 car Garage & 2 story marble foyer.
\$599,900 (P-456NO)



CANTON RANCH CONDO Are you ready for this? Move right into this beautiful 2 bd condo featuring large Master, cathedral ceilings, big bsmt, fresh paint & new carpet, & close to everything.
\$124,900 (C-388SO)



UPDATED RANCH Great 3 bd, 2 bath home featuring an updated Kitchen, newer windows, C/A, all newer appliances, & a Deck that overlooks a beautiful yard that backs to a creek.
\$223,900 (C-771WE)



UNPACK & ENJOY New carpet & paint to make this home move in ready! Enjoy the large island Kitchen w/hwd & nook, spacious Family Rm w/gas tripl, formal LR & DR, Master retreat w/2nd fireplace & so much more.
\$359,900 (P-831EA)



WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY Nice home! 3 bd, 1.5 baths, open floor plan, formal LR, oak Kit w/ Nook, cash ceiling, Family Room, finished bsmt, updated hwh, plumb, sprinklers & too much more to list.
\$149,900 (P-227FRA)



GREAT BUY! Open & airy condo featuring 2 bd, 2.5 baths, att 2 car Garage, full bsmt, Great Room w/ vaulted ceiling, downslat leading to Deck w/view of pond, upper level w/hot or Den area. Great location!
\$159,000 (C-282HE)



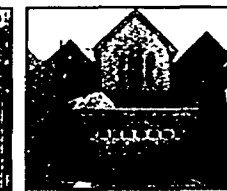
SPRAWLING RANCH Livonia ranch situated on approx. acre lot. Spacious floor plan offering 2 natural fireplaces, updated roof, A/C, furnace, front windows hwh, fenced yard, & 2 car garage.
\$163,750 (P-548HI)



BETTER THAN NEW! Built in 2002, this beautiful colonial has everything you desire: 3 bd, 2.5 baths, newer carpet, hwd floors, freshly painted, finished bsmt, & more. Don't miss this one!
\$199,000 (P-185HU)



A PERFECT GEM Great Canton condo features a cozy Living Room w/tripl, efficient Kitchen w/plenty of cabinets & all appl, 1st floor laundry private bsmt, & 1 car att Garage. Also for lease.
\$142,900 (C-484HU)



NEW CANTON CONDO 2 bd, 2.5 bath condo featuring a loft area, Master Suite w/jetted tub, gourmet Kitchen w/builders finest cabinets & c-tops, partially finished bsmt, & 2 car att Garage.
\$227,500 (C-131MA)



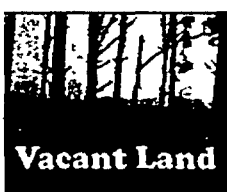
PLYMOUTH CHARMER 2 bd, 1 bath condo featuring Kitchen w/all appl, laundry room w/washer & dryer, large Living Room w/doorwall to Deck, Master w/doorwall to deck, & low association dues.
\$109,900 (C-650PL)



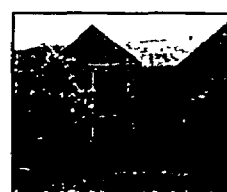
PRIDE IN OWNERSHIP Designer touches to make this colonial an exceptional value. Spacious island Kitchen w/hwd & all appl's. Flex Room makes a perfect Den, Rm or Den. finished bsmt, & large out de sac lot.
\$248,900 (C-107PO)



ENERGY EFFICIENT HOME Check out this 3 bd bungalow on an acre in Superior Twp. Enclosed front porch, w/out bsmt, 2 car Garage. HUGE Master, updated roof, fresh, septic, geo-thermal heating, low windows & so much more to list.
\$164,900 (C-445PL)



PRIME RESIDENTIAL LOTS Fabulous building sites in Westland City - wooded w/o w/ ravines & stream, gated communities, private roads, underground utilities & more. Builders plans available or bring your own. Call today for prices.
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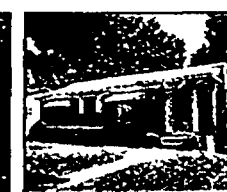
AWESOME RAISED RANCH This beautiful raised ranch was built in 2003 & almost 1500 sq ft. 2 full baths, master suite with walk-in closet. Home located by a golf course. Home also has a pool & a club house.
\$158,900 (C-880CE)



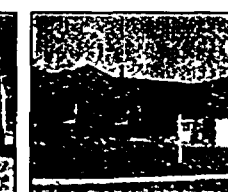
WAITING FOR THE RIGHT CONDO? 2 bd, 2 bath ranch condo w/open floor plan, vaulted ceilings, 1st fl laundry, basement, & attached garage. Move in condition. Perfect in every way - move right in!
\$164,900 (C-620DE)



LOVELY GARDEN CITY RANCH This 3bd ranch offers nice neutral color thru-out, vinyl windows, roof (replaced in 2004). Ceramic bath & huge insulated 2 car garage. 1 year warranty. Perfect starter home!
\$126,900 (C-814DO)



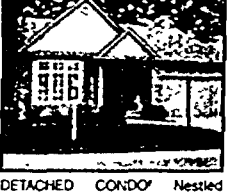
MOVE-IN CONDITION! Charming 3br brick ranch with a full basement, hardwood floors, 2 car garage, & all appliances stay. Very well kept.
\$134,900 (C-740GL)



PERFECT RANCH Updated to & sure to please even the pickiest buyer! Beautiful new island Kitchen w/ceramic, 2.5 baths, finished bsmt w/ice room, vaulted Great Rm w/ tripl, & 2 level Deck.
\$238,750 (C-037HI)



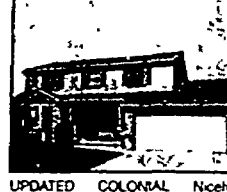
WELL MAINTAINED 3 bd brick ranch in lovely area featuring spacious rooms, hwd under carpet, extra insulation, finished bsmt w/ glass block & bath, lots of closets & appliances stay.
\$120,000 (C-130JA)



DETACHED CONDO! Nestled among the pines is this lovely 3 bdrm 3 bath condo near downtown Plymouth & Hines. Top of the line upgrades throughout, finished bsmt & a huge great room.
\$299,990 (C-811PI)



GREAT PLYMOUTH LOCATION Great colonial backs to woods for lots of privacy. Fam Rm w/tripl & hwd floors, finished bsmt w/ull bath & possible 4th bed, prof landscaped, & great price.
\$199,900 (C-268TA)



UPDATED COLONIAL Nicely maintained 4 bd home in a great location. Extensive updates include roof, corian counters, carpet, windows, doors, appliances & more. Spacious rooms, great layout, & finished bsmt.
\$234,800 (C-090WA)



ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS Is the only way to describe this 3 bd, 2.5 colonial! Contemporary colors, open floor plan, formal Dining Rm, w/tripl, finished bsmt, no Deck & sprinklers.
\$244,900 (C-232WT)



SPOTLESS & SPACIOUS Here it is! Look no further! You have to see this fabulous home in Canton w/an open floor plan, 3 bds, 2 baths, great location & move in ready.
\$235,000 (C-326WT)



WELCOME TO THE COUNTRY Well maintained colonial offering over 3000 sq ft, Living & Family Room w/tripl, w/out bsmt w/ daylight windows & spacious Deck.
\$524,900 (C-580AJ)



MOVE IN READY! This home is fully updated - roof, walls, windows, furnace, ducts, hwh, siding, hwd floors, maple cabinets, doors, & carpet. Ucca schools & great neighborhood.
\$199,900 (C-404BU)



WHY BUILD? Move right in to this home w/over 50k in upgrades! Formal Dining, Butlers Pantry, Great Rm w/skylights, Kitchen w/ nook, 1st fl laundry, finished bsmt & too much more to list.
\$300,000 (P-244AJ)



COMPLETELY UPDATED RANCH Great 3 bd offering gourmet Kitchen w/pergo floors, Master w/doorwall to Patio, glamour bath w/ jetted tub, new paint, carpet, C/A, fenced yard & newer 2.5 car mechanic's Garage!
\$130,000 (P-460BE)



Meticulously Maintained! Open floor plan, gourmet Kitchen w/all appl's downslat to balcony w/ view of pond, neutral decor, tons of storage space, lots of windows, Garage clubhouse w/pool & more.
\$135,000 (P-979BE)



BEAUTIFUL END UNIT CONDO Freshly painted 2 bd 1.5 bath condo w/ new wood floors, Master w/cath ceiling & bath, Liv Rm w/ tripl, maple Kitchen, clubhouse w/ pool & great Northville location.
\$174,900 (C-791CA)



IMMACULATE CONDO Priced below market value! Nestled in Brighton's popular Northridge Sub 2 bd, 2.5 baths, w/out bsmt, vaulted ceilings, 1st fl laundry, & bath. 1st fl laundry, & Deck.
\$223,000 (P-233CE)



GORGEOUS CONDO Updated galore in this 4 bd 3 bath Cape Cod condo! Maple Kitchen, vaulted Great Rm w/tripl, 1st fl Master formal Dining, Library, 1st fl laundry & too much more to list.
\$259,900 (P-352CH)



HOME SWEET HOME Fantastic 3 bd home offers a new floor plan, hwd floors, huge Master bed, part finished bsmt, great location, & close to everything.
\$139,900 (P-431CO)



LOCATION LOCATION! Spectacular home nestled at the end of a court in popular Eagle Gardens. Gourmet Kit w/bkfst bar, Great Rm w/tripl Deck w/hwd of woods, 1st fl Master w/ bath, & finished daylight bsmt.
\$190,000 (P-115CR)



STUNNING HILLTOP ESTATE Nestled on over 10 acres backing to woods. Open floor plan, 3 bd 3 baths, w/out lower level, new roof, brand new well, huge Pole Barn, Horse Barn, fenced pastures, paddocks & more.
\$335,000 (P-930DE)



GREAT LOCATION 3 bd 1 bath brick ranch in convenient Garden City location. Kitchen w/hwd floors & eating area, doorwall to Patio, newer furnace, roof, A/C, 2.5 car Garage, & an above ground pool.
\$150,000 (P-542FL)



GREAT STARTER HOME 4 bd brick bungalow w/many updates, 2 car Garage, partially finished bsmt & close to everything. Lease w/option avail - call for details.
\$159,000 (P-207FO)



CUSTOM RANCH Totally updated home within walking distance to downtown Northville. Open foyer, granite Kitchen, Fam Rm w/tripl, new paver Patio, large Master w/ bath, updated windows, siding, doors & more.
\$285,000 (P-525GA)



CANTON COLONIAL Nice 3 bd home featuring an open Kitchen w/ all appl's & nook, Liv Rm w/tripl, large Master w/WC, prof finished bsmt, large fenced yard, updated roof & windows, & Deck.
\$190,000 (P-632CE)



BETTER THAN NEW Absolutely gorgeous bungalow in a great sub. Home was remodeled in 2007 w/ addition, 2 possible Master Suites, 2 baths, fresh paint, brand new Kit, carpet, furnace, C/A, windows, roof & the list goes on.
\$174,900 (C-304HA)



AMAZING VALUE Perfect starter home offering an open floor plan, Kitch w/pergo flrs, Fam Rm w/ sliders, floors, part finished bsmt w/glass block, Ply-Can Schools, & just steps from downtown Plymouth.
\$135,000 (P-942IR)



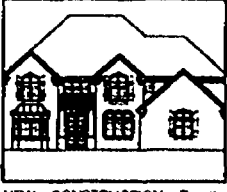
ALL THE SPACE YOU NEED! This Canton colonial is everything you could want! Tons of space, open kitchen, beautiful Kitchen w/granite, private fenced yard, fabulous location, & Ply-Can schools.
\$215,000 (C-508KE)



MOVE RIGHT IN! Cute house in Garden City featuring 4 bd Living Rm w/hwt plaster ceiling, large Kitchen, Family Rm could be used as formal Dining, 2 car Rm w/tripl, prof landscaped lot, & Deck.
\$120,000 (P-842LA)



THIS IS THE ONE! You'll stop looking when you see this 3 bd 1.5 bath ranch in Livonia. Large Kitchen, huge Florida Room, part finished bsmt, fenced yard, Garage, C/A, & close to everything.
\$189,900 (P-904LI)



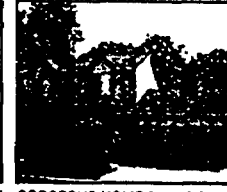
NEW CONSTRUCTION Breath-taking estate backing to protected nature preserve. Gm Kit w/granite extra deep 3 car Gar, Master w/jetted tub & his/her W/C. Still time to pick ceramic, carpet or hwd. Don't wait on this one.
\$825,000 (P-258MA)



5 BEDROOM CAPE COD Awesome location for this brick home. So much to list: 5 bd, 3.5 ba finished w/out bsmt, inground pool, Patio Deck, fenced yard, 1st fl Master 3 car Garage, & Livonia Schools.
\$315,000 (P-872MC)



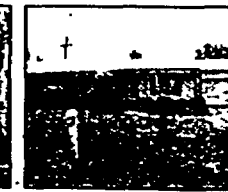
HUGE HOME FOR SMALL PRICE 2730 sq ft, 4 bd, 2.5 ba Cape Cod w/walkout bsmt, dramatic 2 story Foyer, oak Kitchen, Fam Rm w/ built ins, acre fenced lot w/pool & Gatebo, & full length covered porch.
\$189,900 (P-160AM)



GORGEOUS HOME 3 bd, 2.5 bath colonial backing to commons area & woods. Fam Rm w/cath ceiling & wood stove, Master w/double walk-ins, crown molding, finished bsmt w/bat & great location.
\$239,900 (P-668HO)



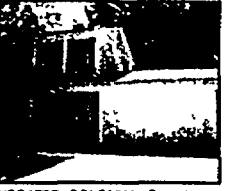
ADORABLE BUNGALOW Great floor plan offers this fabulous home on a low traffic street. 1st fl Master, private fenced yard w/2 furnace, driveway, windows, Garage, fenced yard & private Pabana.
\$90,000 (P-085PO)



SPACIOUS BRICK RANCH Open floor plan offering 3 bd, 2 ba, gourmet kitchen w/appl's, huge Master, private fenced yard w/2 Patio's, newer roof, hwh, elec, windows, paint, furnace, & C/A.
\$210,000 (P-307RE)



SOUGHT AFTER ROYAL POINT Popular model w/premium elevation. 4 bd 2.5 ba, formal Dining, stunning Kit w/nook, Master w/vaulted ceiling, Fam Rm w/tripl, prof landscaped lot, & Deck.
\$360,000 (P-184RO)



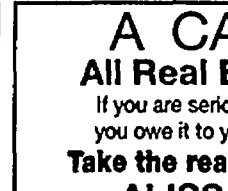
UPDATED COLONIAL Greenbrook Village offers this great home that backs to woods. Open Foyer Kit w/ nook, Fam Rm w/tripl, oversized Master, finished bsmt, prof landscaped, fenced yard & updated roof, furnace, & carpet.
\$178,000 (P-245RU)



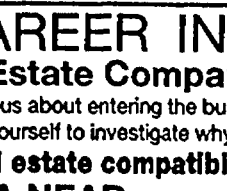
GORGEOUS PRINCETON MODEL 4 bd, 2.5 ba colonial featuring vaulted ceilings, Kitchen w/all appl's formal Liv & Den Rms, 2 car Garage, Fam Rm w/tripl, Deck overlooking pond. A must see!
\$268,000 (P-118SG)



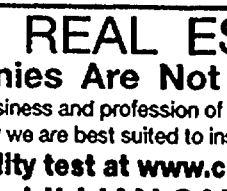
GARDEN CITY RANCH Located in a great area & priced to sell quickly! This one has a finished bsmt w/all bath, stove, fridge & home warranty included. Updated furnace, siding, Kitchen, & more.
\$124,900 (C-763WQ)



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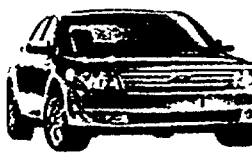
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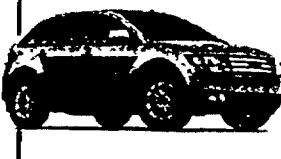
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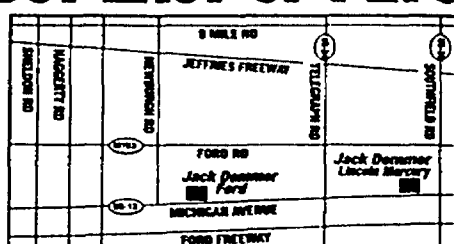
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(27102306)

\$169,900



Commerce 248-684-1065
Great sub in great location. Walled Lake schools. Lot is large enough for a ranch. 4 car garage. 3 acres w/ poss daylight bunt.

(27100909)

\$94,900



Fenton 248-684-1065
Fenton. Almost 10 acres with home.

(27040760)

\$410,000



Livonia 248-437-3800
Very Charming Brick Ranch! Coved ceilings and fireplace with huge picture window in great room. Very clean and well kept. Finished rec room w/ bar and workshop. Move right in!

(27139066)

\$139,900



Farmington Hills 248-651-1900
SPRICE WAY BELOW MARKET VALUE. 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA, 2576 SF, almost 1 acre. HDwd floors. Huge master, newer roof & windows. 2 car garage. Farmington schools. Close to shopping & freeways.

(27130202)

\$214,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Tastefully decorated home. Open kitchen w/ rich granite counters, soaring ceilings with custom stone fireplace and mantel. Upper lot offers a private rear yard and much more!

(27093343)

\$298,900



Canton 248-348-6430
EXCEPTIONAL FIRST FLOOR RANCH CONDO. Carefree 2 br 2 ba has open floor plan w/ high ceilings. Hardwood floors, maple cabinets and crown moldings. Master has full bath and w/c. Custom touches to a One car garage.

(27055530)

\$165,000



Dearborn 734-591-9200
BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED HOME! Updated Roof, Furnace, A/C, Windows, Vinyl Siding, H/W, Carpet, Window Treatments And Kitchen. Great Colors & A Nice Comfortable Feel To This House!

(27130712)

\$104,900



Fenton 248-684-1065
Deerfield. Wooded Two Acre Lot.

(27034199)

\$69,900



Lyon Township 734-591-9200
EXQUISITE COLONIAL IN NORTHVILLE. 4 Bdrms, 3 1/2 Baths, Dual Stairs, Coffered Ceiling In Grt Rm, 2 Story Fp Mantle, Kit W Granite Cntr Tops, Cstm Cabs, 1st Fl Mstr Ste W Bkny Wic, Sits On 2.05 Ac.

(27121942)

\$1,599,999



Pinckney 248-437-3800
Pfer Relocation! Built 2003 on over 1 acre. Large spacious rooms, loaded with refined touches such as art shelves and detailed decorative ceilings. Large master suite!

(27108740)

\$239,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Newer quality built colonial! Home has loads of up grades! Living room has gas fireplace & kitchen with breakfast room. 1st floor laundry and master w/ 2 walk in closets. Bonus room and more.

(27140023)

\$289,900



Canton 248-348-6430
LOCATION AND VIEWS! Located on cul-de-sac with outstanding views from huge deck, 2 BR, 2 1/2 BA, 1st floor laundry, GR with vaulted ceiling and gas fireplace. 1 car garage full unfinished.

(27100824)

\$150,000



Dearborn 734-591-9200
Covered porch welcomes you to this home. Come enjoy well maintained home. Huge living room, 4 BRs (possibly 5!), particle finished basement w/ block security windows. Tons of storage. Newer windows, furnace.

(26201630)

\$101,000



Farmington Hills 248-348-6430
3 BD, 2 1/2 BA brick ranch with 1,215 sq. ft. Updated kit w/ white cabinets, HDWD flrs, carpet. All appliances stay. Home Warranty.

(27085851)

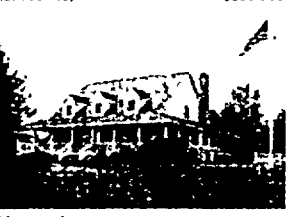
\$174,900



Milford 248-684-1065
Room for horses! Acres Ranch w/ huge bonus rm over 2 car garage. Unfin W/O bsm't. FP in GR. MBR w/ WC & ceramic shower & jet tub.

(27085636)

\$356,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000
EIGHT PASTORAL ACRES! Partly fenced 4,100+ sq. ft. sweet memory making. Southern Charm & Gambel style 2 story 30x40 ft barn ready for your spirited horses or classic cars!

(27072824)

\$899,000



South Lyon 248-851-1900
THIS CONDO HAS IT ALL! Move in condition. Great room w/ soaring ceilings, open floor plan, lots of windows. 1st floor master. Hardwood in kitchen.

(27049599)

\$179,900



Canton 734-455-7000
BEAUTIFUL & WELL LOCATED! Spacious 1 br, new condo with attached garage facing treed common area. Open flowing floor plan w/ 2BR, 2BA, all appliances + priced to sell!

(27129750)

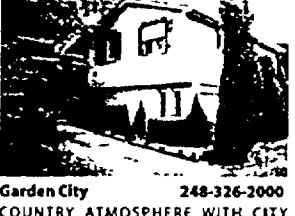
\$144,900



Dearborn Heights 734-455-7000
CHARMING BUNGALOW! Great house every y. remodeled, nice quiet neighborhood. 4BR, 1 1/2 BA. All appliances stay. Beautifully landscaped. Must see! Priced to sell!

(27139251)

\$103,000



Garden City 248-326-2000
COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE WITH CITY CONVENIENCE! Couples in this 3 bedroom Quad w/ 3 baths, family room, fireplace, country kitchen, finished lower level, 2 car garage and pool. Enjoy central air and more.

(27117783)

\$179,900



Milford 248-348-6430
Victorian Charm & Modern Appliances! Gourmet kitchen w/ custom cabinets, family rm w/ hdwd flrs, formal dining room w/ crown moldings, newer furnace & a/c, plumbing electrical & windows.

(27102566)

\$249,900



Plymouth 248-348-6430
UNBELIEVABLE OPPORTUNITY! New kit w/ built in fridge & garden window, baths, roof sunny south facing Florida rm w/ deck for entertaining. 1st flr dining, 2 car attached garage & gas fireplace.

(27069265)

\$225,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Stunning End Unit. Flare through out. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath kitchen w/ all appliances, newer carpet and paint. Large master with walk in closet. Attached garage.

(27138586)

\$129,500



Canton 248-851-1900
BEAUTIFUL CANTON CONDO! Not a detail was missed! Large inviting 2BR, 1 1/2 bath. Updated kitchen, appliances stay. Remodeled bath. 1st flr bsm't. Newer windows. Freshly painted. Close to everything.

(26209093)

\$129,900



Detroit 734-591-9200
Own your own little bit of country! Great 3 bed bungalow with 305' deep lot for kids, pets or any outdoor fun you'd like. Newer roof, gutters, windows, kitchen. Large part in bsm't. 2 1/2 car home w/ garage.

(26143140)

\$105,000



Garden City 734-455-7000
STOP THE CAR! BETTER THAN NEW! 3BR/2 1/2 BA brick ranch w/ att garage on almost 1/4 acre lot. Fin bsm't, open flr plan, lg kit, C/A, ceiling fans, t/o, down all off kit to deck, hot tub. A Must See!

(27048658)

\$169,900



New Hudson 248-437-3800
Ranch on one acre! Great location, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath, jacuzzi room could be 4th bedroom w/ walk in closet. Two car attached garage plus 2 car detached garage. Private lot.

(27140602)

\$199,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000
TWO PLYMOUTH HOMES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! Two separate houses on one lot in downtown Plymouth. Live in one, rent the other! Numerous updates in main house. Other home continually rented.

(27097266)

\$199,900



Waterford 248-348-6430
MOVE IN READY! CONTEMPORARY! Immaculate home w/ 3 br & 3 baths. Open floor plan GR w/ soaring ceiling & stone fireplace. LL w/o w/ FR, BR, bath, Mstr, bdr, kitchen, lg deck overlooking woods.

(27055958)

\$209,900



Canton Twp 734-455-7000
SPACIOUS CONDO! All 3 bedrooms have a private bath. Great kitchen, all appliances stay. Deck, 2 car garage, loft and basement. Great room is 2 stories high. Immediat Occupancy!

(27130823)

\$225,000



Detroit 734-591-9200
Lots of \$ already spent for you in this 3BD brick copper canyon bungalow. All new cement drive, freshly painted, new carpet, newer roof & furnace. Great rec room in basement. City center's all done.

(2609258)

\$99,900



Hamburg 248-437-3800
Great family home! Newly remodeled main floor. New kitchen and bath. Finished walk out basement with full bath. Beautifully landscaped including 3 ponds.

(27028879)

\$259,900



Northville 248-348-6430
BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED HOME! Welcoming entry is just the beginning of this prize w/ thin! Popular flr plan w/ formal LR, DR. Updrt kit w/ new cabs, gran cntrs, stainless steel app, recessed lights.

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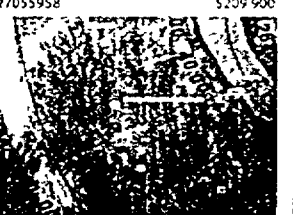
\$323,000



Plymouth 734-455-7000
LOOKING FOR A COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE? This is it! Lake like pond with hundred year old trees. Dynamic layout, 2 bedrooms, both w/ private full bath. Finished basement. 3rd bath w/ whirlpool tub!

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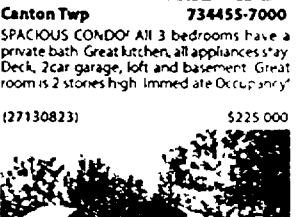
\$187,450



Waterford 248-684-1065
Partly wooded lot on canal to Pleasant Lake. Five lots to choose from. Use your builder or mine. Paved streets a lot of fun!

(27067264)

\$69,754



Commerce 248-684-1065
Gorgeous home w/ 3 car garage. Home off 2 sty foyer. 2 sty GR. Huge kit w/ granite SS appls, skylites. 1st flr laun & mstr ste w/ jacuzzi & dbl sinks. 1 acre.

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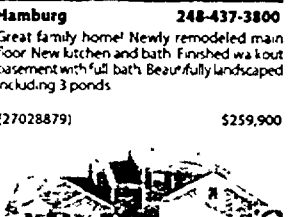
\$399,900



Detroit 734-591-9200
Updated copper canyon cape cod featuring 1 BR down & 2 up w/ lots of closets (1 WC). Total 4 remodeled new oak cabs, granite cntr tops & ceramic tile floor. Also new windows, roof (2004), fresh paint.

(26147379)

\$79,900



Hartland 248-348-6430
BETTER THAN NEW IN HARTLAND! Welcoming 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA home. Well lit kit w/ hardwood flr, maple cab first flr mstr ste. Cozy fireplace in great room. LL is prepped for BA. Cedar deck opens to lg yard.

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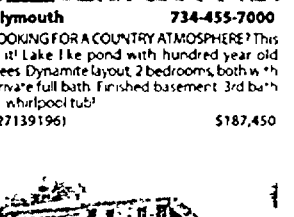
\$265,000



Northville 248-684-1065
Colonial w/ neutral decor t/o. Cef fans in all bds & kit. Fresh paint t/o. Private & tranquil backyard. Custom ingrd pool & hot tub w/ brick paver patio.

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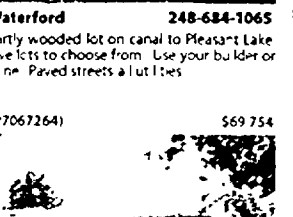
\$259,900



Redford 734-591-9200
Clean & neat as a pin & ready to move in. Awesome 3bd, 1 1/2 ba brick ranch on secluded cul de sac. Newer windows, drs, kit, bath, h/h hdwd under carpet. Florida rm, FP, 2 1/2 car garage. All appls & warranty.

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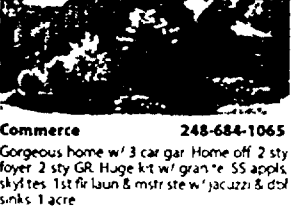
\$143,000



Westland 734-326-2000
BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED RANCH! Features remodeled kitchen w/ oak cabinets, newer counter, sink, & ceramic floors. Bath has been remodeled too. Newer carpet. 6 p.m. doors. Fin basement.

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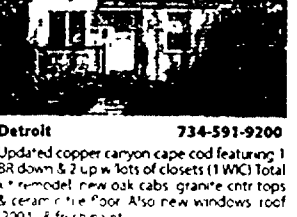
\$159,000



Commerce 248-684-1065
lg corner lot. Covered entry w/ foyer to lg FR w/ fp & DW to deck. Mstr br w/ sep entry to ba. LG Rm & w/ bdr area open to FR. 1st flr laun. Full bsm't.

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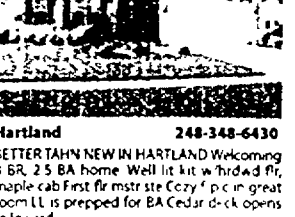
\$239,900



Farmington 248-851-1900
BEAUTIFUL RANCH ON NO OUTLET STREET. Great family room overlooking treed backyard. Many updates plus hardwood floors. Great home for first time buyers.

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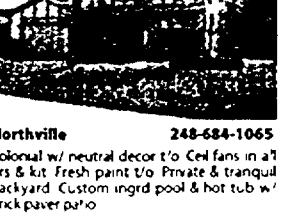
\$144,500



Highland 248-684-1065
Highland. Farmhouse on 5 acres.

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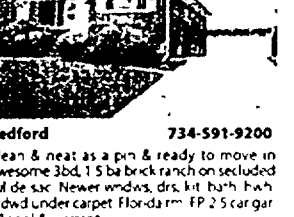
\$269,900



Walled Lake 248-348-6430
SUPER OPPORTUNITY! Large 4 BD 2 BA home w/ docking priv on all sport Walled Lake. This can be your "Up North" retreat without leaving home.

(27116324)

\$299,900



Redford 734-591-9200
Metulous Redford Ranch. 3 BRs, 1 1/2 BA. Fin Bsm't w/ Wet Bar & Sools, appl stay incl bsm't frg new hot water tank. 06 patio 2 1/2 car garage w/ wk brch, garden, lawn tools. 2 snow blaws new wins and roof 03.

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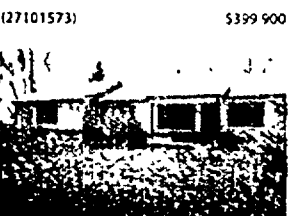
\$129,500



Westland 248-348-6430
WOW! BUILT IN 1999 1300 sq ft 3 br 2 full bath home at a great price. Livonia schools & a privacy fence new carpet & freshly painted. Hurry!

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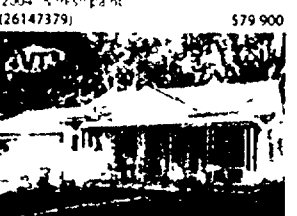
\$150,000



Commerce 248-684-1065
Sharp 4 br home on lg lot. Newer kit, furn, CA, concrete drive. lg fenced rear yard w/ shed. Screened in porch. Quiet street in great neighborhood. All schools.

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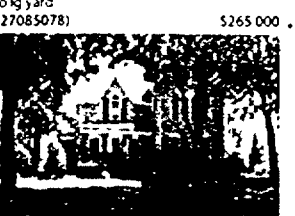
\$179,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Beautiful brick colonial on huge lot. Granite island kit, dual staircase. Huge flr LL w/ 1,500 sq ft add'l living space. An exceptional "must see" home.

(27062046)

\$525,000



Livonia 248-851-1900
FEATURE FILLED NEWER CONSTRUCTION! Wood & ceramic floors, custom window treatments & more. Kitchen boasts double oven, pantry & breakfast nook w/ down wall to deck & fenced backyard. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 BA.

(27137685)

\$285,000</

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Ed Robertson, one of five ASE Master Certified Technicians, has been recognized in several national competitions as one of the top seven technicians in North America.

Davis Auto Care

(248) 349-5115 • www.davisautocare.com

What distinguishes one service business from another? Ask the folks at Davis Auto Care, who have excelled for nearly 28 years in serving customer's auto service and repair needs.

Outstanding customer service, experienced, highly trained staff, and competitive pricing are a good start. That all comes from building a team that cares about the customers they serve. Owner Jim Davis is proud of the caring attitude of his staff.

"Some of my employees grew up in Northville, and have been with me for many years," he explained. "They view our clients more as friends and neighbors than customers."

Customers want their cars fixed right the first time. They want a thorough explanation of what's wrong, and what their options are to fix the problem. Most of all, they want honesty.

"Auto repair certainly isn't a glamorous industry," Davis acknowledged. "We're here day in and day out to win and keep our cus-

tomers with a critically important commodity - Honesty."

The company's slogan "Integrity is the Difference" guides all staff members through every facet of the work they do. Customers are presented with detailed explanations and repair options, and the company can even e-mail a photograph of a component in question if that helps the customer.

Communications are critical and some customers are surprised the first time they speak with a woman about their vehicle's problems. Operations Manager April Rice has been with the company for nearly 20 years, and has gained the technical knowledge to explain any problem, while maintaining the care and compassion necessary to assist customers through the decision process.

"We look at a vehicle and prioritize the most critical problems for our customers. Then they can best decide how to proceed. We all have budgets we have to work within," Davis said.

Due to their size, Davis Auto Care buys parts and supplies at volume levels, and pass-



Photos by JANET HALL

Brian Roberts, manager of Jim's Oil Depot, standing next to the Tire Nitrogen fill station. He oversees minor maintenance, oil changes, and tire service.

es the savings on to its customers. Quality, name brand parts are often available at prices close to what other facilities charge for inferior products.

Customers know the staff is highly skilled. Technicians take mandatory advanced training each year, as well as having access to various online databases.

"Today's cars are so much more complex than even ten years ago," Davis shared. "Although many service intervals are longer than in the past, that makes it even more important that routine maintenance services are not neglected, and are done on time to avoid potential serious and expensive problems."

In order to make auto service as convenient as possible, the company offers many features, such as an after-hours drop box, courtesy shuttle rides to customer's home or office, and follow-up reminders on important routine maintenance.

Because time is such a factor in everyone's life, in 1993 the company expanded and opened its drive-through quick oil change, Jim's Oil Depot.

"The depot has made it quick and easy to get oil changes, wiper blades, tire work and

cooling system exchanges," Davis said. Another recent addition is Nitrogen gas for tires, which extends the life of tires and maintains tire pressure more consistently.

Convenient and efficient, "plus, everyone seems to love the train theme." The business is decorated to represent a turn-of-the-century train station, and a model train runs back and forth on elevated track.

And if the "nuts and bolts" of automotive service weren't enough, the most recent addition to the company is the Ultimate Image Auto Spa. Here, specialized technicians see to beautifying both interior and exterior of cars, vans, SUV's and light trucks.

"Everyone loves a great looking, clean shiny car," Davis said, "but you must remember that detailing is important to protect the value of your car." Road grime, acid rain, salt and even the sun will harm a vehicle's finish."

Outstanding customer service, experienced caring staff, and competitive pricing — those are the qualities that have made Davis Auto Care the People's Choice winner five years in a row "for as long as the award has been given for Auto Repair," Jim Davis said proudly. Or, as he would put it, "Integrity Makes the Difference!"



Kevin Meffer is meticulous about the smallest detail as he finishes a SUV at the Ultimate Image Auto Spa.



Owner Jim Davis stands in front of a wall showing certifications of his Master Technicians, with experience repairing cars ranging from 20 to 37 years each.

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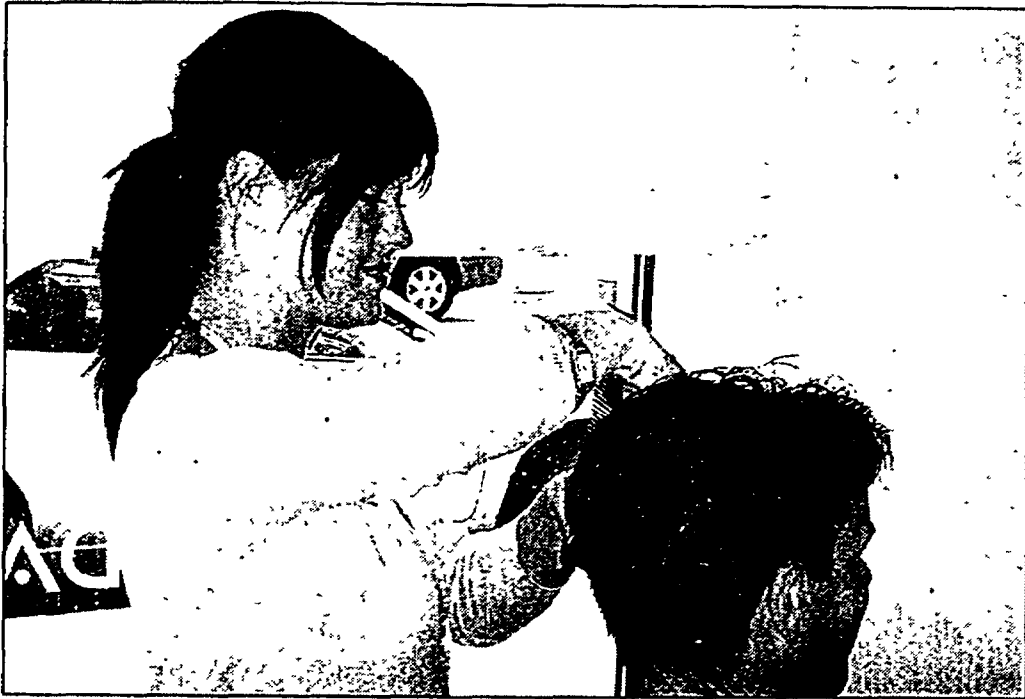


Photo by JOHN R. HALL

Salon Agape stylist Summer works with one of the many male customers who make up approximately 30 percent of the total customer base.

Salon Agape (248) 735-1584 • www.salonagape.com

There are some exciting new things happening at Salon Agape in Novi, especially for people interested in the newest and most fashionable trends in the hair styling and personal grooming industries.

First of all, co-owners Marilyn and Gina Sullins are introducing a new line of hair-extension products from SO.CAPUSA. These hair extensions are designed for people who want to add color accents, add length, or to help with thinning hair. The extension locks are made with the best hair, are combed in the same direction as hair growth, and can be bleached and dyed. Application of the hair extensions can only be done by a certified technician — and there are four at Salon Agape.

"We sent four of our people to a class taught by an expert flown in from Chicago," said Marilyn. "We do a thorough consultation with customers considering hair extensions. If they choose to use our service we

will credit the price of the consultation."

Training is a key word for employees of Salon Agape. The Sullins' emphasize continuing education for their staff. In the fall, employees will be taught the newest hair styling techniques from a top Aveda designer specializing in men's styling. That's good news for employees who want job growth opportunities — and for customers who are the benefactors.

"Employees like to work here because they know we emphasize education," Marilyn added.

Speaking of Aveda, Salon Agape has introduced a new line of Aveda men's products, which are soothing, relaxing, and refreshing for any of the male customers.

Visitors to www.salonagape.com will find coupons as well as a chance to sign up for e-mail offers. Salon Agape is located at 43155 Main St., in Novi.

— By John R. Hall



Photo by JOHN R. HALL

Dr. Kathy Duncan points out some of the areas of the spine that benefit from her soft-touch pressure point treatments.

Soft Touch Chiropractic (248) 348-2000

If there was ever a good time for getting quality pain relief, it is now. That's because Dr. Kathy Duncan, owner of Soft Touch Chiropractic in Novi, uses a unique method of gentle, non-invasive pressure point treatment for all types of pain or discomfort in the back, neck, head, or legs.

"With the spine as the focal point, muscles are relaxed by using pressure points along the muscles in conjunction with the spine. With the muscles relaxed, the spine can readjust itself naturally."

This gentle treatment can also save money. "Being proactive with your health can avoid problems long before they happen," Dr. Duncan said. "And it also puts people in control of their health."

Keeping people happy and healthy is Dr. Duncan's main goal. "The best part of my job is helping people each day," she added. "When someone feels good they want to tell others, too — 99 percent of my business is referral based."

Dr. Duncan is a registered nurse who had been experiencing migraine headaches. She began to study the benefits of chiropractic treatment, especially the non-invasive soft touch method, and her career path was defined.

Soft Touch Chiropractic has been in Novi since 1990, when Dr. Duncan became its first female chiropractor.

"We treat our patients as part of our family," she said. "In fact, we have seen generations of people, from grandmothers to granddaughters."

Dr. Duncan said she is seeing more middle school and high school students because of the demands made on their bodies from sports and athletic programs. "Even the heavy backpacks cause problems," she noted.

Soft Touch Chiropractic is located at 23895 Novi Road, Suite 400. To set up a consultation, call (248) 348-2000.

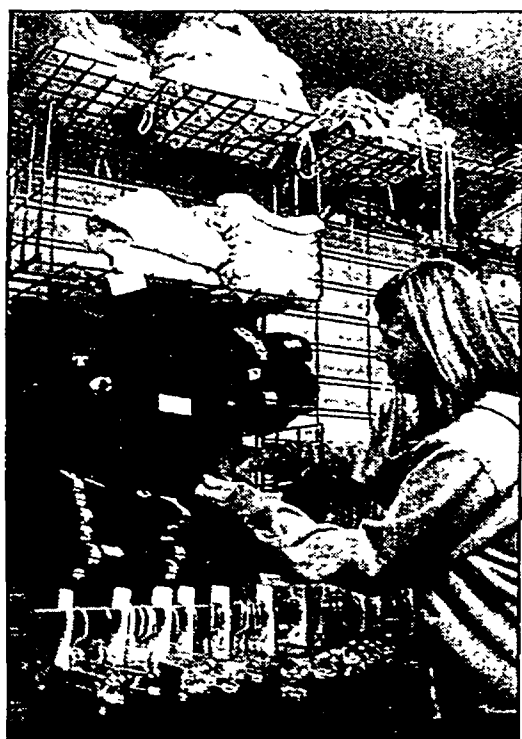
— By John R. Hall

Center Stage Dance Company

(248) 380-1666 • www.dancingcenterstage.com

The philosophy of the Center Stage Dance Company of Northville is spelled out in two sentences: "We really love what we do and we want to share it! We provide a friendly, familial atmosphere with the focus on developing our students' self esteem through success in the classroom; that's a fancy way of saying we're having fun while we teach and learn!"

Those words reflect how owner Lisa Shapiro and her experienced staff of professionals approach every day and every student.



Photos by JOHN HALL

The Center Stage Dance Company has an apparel shop to meet the clothing needs of all of the students.

dent.

The Center Stage Dance Company has built a strong reputation on teaching the art of dance for the purpose of physical, emotional, and mental development; self-esteem and confidence building; and the sheer joy of movement to music.

The company has also built many lasting and supportive relationships.

"As a teaching team, we all share the same philosophy," Lisa said. "We have so much history with each other; we really are a family."

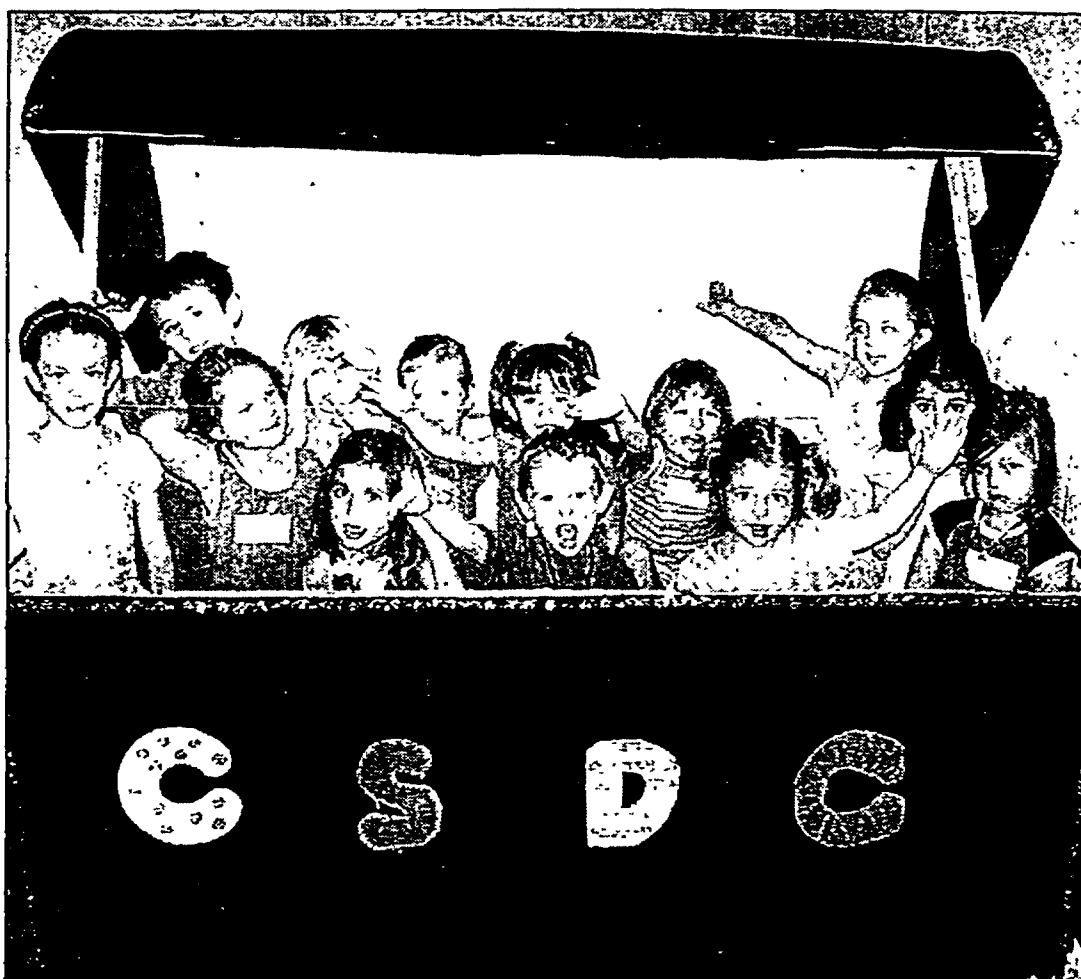
Another Lisa, who is a former student of the company, noted the importance of the family atmosphere.

"I can't begin to describe what it is like to be part of an extended family where you are always welcome and never forgotten," she said. "As someone who graduated from high school 15 years ago, it touches my heart to know that the studio wants me to come back and dance with them every year."

There are many reasons why students find their experience at the Center Stage Dance Company so rewarding, and it all begins with the experienced staff. For example, the teaching experience includes Lisa with 28 years, assistant director Becky Hicks with 20+ years, instructor Erin Goldsworthy with 10 years, and instructor Heather Rose with 8 years. Several of the staff have degrees in education, dance education and health education.

Dance classes in this non-competitive environment include preschool and kindergarten, ballet, lyrical, tap, jazz, and hip hop.

In addition to an annual year-end recital each June, the Center Stage Dance Company also participates in local events such as the Northville Victorian Festival, the



Young students enjoy the fun and friendships during special summer fantasy camps at the Center Stage Dance Company.

Christmas Walk and the Northville Fourth of July Parade.

Students of all ages are encouraged to experience the care and the fun that can only come from the professional staff of the Center Stage Dance Company.

One former student, Maggie, said what she learned from the company is much more than the disciplines of dance.

"It also helped me develop my concept of myself," she said. "One thing I loved about our studio is that it was real people focusing on dance. I never felt the pressures of my body image being not right, or changing my

personality to think I was better than anyone else."

"We ate, we danced, and we had fun — which was a completely different story from friends I had at other studios. The studio was like a big home. I have so many wonderful memories from dancing."

It's time to begin your memories.

For more information on the fall schedule call (248) 380-1666 or visit www.dancingcenterstage.com. The studio is located at 43334 Seven Mile Road, Suite 250, just east of Northville Road.

— By John R. Hall

Totally Tan

(248) 380-3400

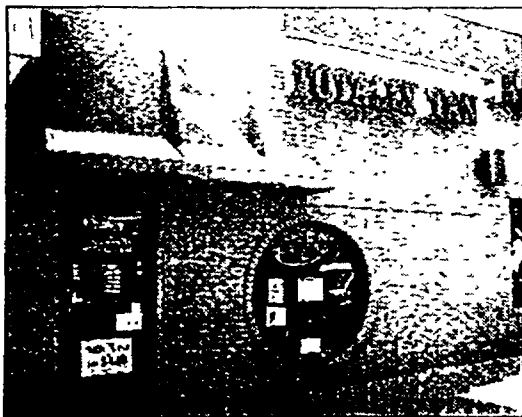
Where can a person go to enjoy good conversation, a relaxed atmosphere, friendly people AND get a nice healthy tan in Novi? Totally Tan — that's where.

New owner Angela Wing is making "getting to know her customers and making them 100 percent happy" as her number one business goal.

Since taking over ownership of the business in late May 2007, Angela has been working hard to get to know everyone who walks in the front door at her business in the Peachtree Plaza on Meadowbrook Road just south of Ten Mile.

"I've been working 70-hour weeks just so I can meet all of my clients," she said. "I want to know them so I can serve them better. I've always gone by the belief that a business should offer the best service, be friendly, and be clean."

Angela has taken over for a business that she said "has been around at least 20 years" and one that has won the "People's Choice" award from readers of The Novi News as



Totally Tan has been a Novi landmark for many years, located in the Peachtree Plaza at Ten Mile & Meadowbrook Roads.

the best tanning salon. Angela plans to keep that award for years to come, too.

The one very unique thing about Totally Tan is that clients can come and go as they please, without having to sign any yearly membership fee or sign-up fee. People can buy a number of different packages, which include monthly, two months, six months, or one-year visits.

"This isn't a typical salon where people are required to make a year-long commitment," Angela said.

And when clients do come in, they can usually expect to use one of the five tanning beds or two stand-up units right away. They don't have to wait to work on their tan.

"Sun tans make people look healthier and clothing colors look better, too," Angela added.

It is usually busier during the colder months but Totally Tan has been very busy this summer, too. Maybe that's because of some of the other products and services that are offered.

Angela sells a variety of skin lotions, including Arbonne skin care products. She uses these products on herself because she believes that everyone, herself included, should take good care of their skin. Beyond that, Totally Tan also carries a line of jewelry items to match healthy tans. Angela is now adding full-body massages.

She is already making plans beyond her early August grand re-opening celebration.

Angela wants to brighten up the winter months by offering tea and tea sandwiches to her customers.

And as a way to add to her list of customers, she is offering a complimentary tanning session to all first-time visitors.

"I want Totally Tan to be a place where



Photos by JOHN HALL

Angela Wing, new owner of Totally Tan, is looking forward to getting to know her customers.

people can say hello and visit with new friends," she added.

Totally Tan is located at 24059 Meadowbrook Road, in Novi. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, and

11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information call (248) 380-3400.

— By John R. Hall



Photo by NATHAN MENOIAN

Brian Larson, co-owner of Larson Jewelry Design in Novi, carries the largest selection of Pandora Jewelry in the state. They've been doing business in Novi for eight years.

Larson Jewelry Design (248) 347-4653

"This is a fine community," said Brian Larson, who along with wife Nancy, own and operate Larson Jewelry Design in Novi. "We live here in Novi, and I wouldn't want to do business anywhere else."

Larson has 31 years of experience as a jeweler. He is a graduate gemologist of GIA. His wife Nancy is a jewelry professional, and their daughter, Angelina, is a graduate gemologist of GIA.

Larson Jewelry Design offers Festina and Tissot watches, as well as a variety of elegant jewelry. And, they are able to design custom pieces for individuals as well.

"Our Pandora Jewelry selection is the biggest in-store stock in Michigan," Brian said.

Compared to last year, Brian says their business is up about 20 percent.

"We work hard to provide our customers with a high level of trust and comfort," he said. "And all repairs are done on site."

Their exchange policy is generous.

"We don't argue with a customer. If they're not happy we'd rather have the piece back — and make it right. Our goal is to treat them the way we ourselves want to be treated as a customer," shared Brian.

As a community-minded business, Larson Jewelry Design is setting a high standard.

"Once a year we donate 1 percent of our total in-store sales and repairs from September to June, to the middle school our son is enrolled in," Larson said. "We give the check directly to the principal who may use it anyway he thinks will best benefit the students at the school. The check we wrote last year was for \$6,700."

Larson Jewelry is located at 43155 Main St., in Novi, and are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. They stay open until 7 p.m. on Thursday.

Stop by today.

— By Nathan Menoian



Photo by KATE PHILLIPS

Mark, left, and Gary Childs offer quality bikes, one-day repair service, tune-ups and more at South Lyon Cycle.

South Lyon Cycle (248) 437-0500

As the owners and operators of South Lyon Cycle, the Childs brothers are devoted to bikes.

South Lyon Cycle stocks a large selection of bicycles at great values. Mountain, comfort, hybrid, road, cruiser, recumbent, BMX, freestyle and juvenile bicycles include top brands like Trek, Gary Fisher, Giant, Electra, Townie, Haro and G.T. Expert assembly is offered on all bikes.

Bikes are offered in a variety of sizes including 12-inch, 16-inch, 20-inch and 24-inch wheel bikes for children as well as adult models in many frames and sizes.

Customers are sold a bike that meets their needs with proper fit for comfort and safety emphasized. Helmets are recommended and correct sizing and fit for safety and comfort is free.

South Lyon Cycle offers an extensive parts inventory and popular accessories — including trailers, child carriers, bike carri-

ers and women's and men's gel comfort saddles. Crocs footwear and Life Is Good casual wear are also stocked.

One-day repair service is available on all brands. Tune-ups are a specialty for better performance and the safety of any bike.

As our community has grown, so has South Lyon Cycle. In order to maintain the high level of service you have come to enjoy and expect, industry veteran John Burt has been added to the full-time staff.

South Lyon Cycle is located in downtown South Lyon at 209 S. Lafayette (Pontiac Trail), two blocks south of Ten Mile Road, minutes from Island Lake State Recreation Area, Kensington Metropark, Maybury State Park, the Huron Valley Trail System and South Lyon's Rail Trail.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

— By Kate Phillips

Michigan Heritage Bank

(248) 380-6590 • www.miheritage.com

The brand positioning line is, "We take your business personally."

And that is exactly what the staff of Michigan Heritage Bank does.

They pride themselves on knowing their customers and being able to assess each one's needs on an individual, personal basis.

"We know our customers by their first name and know their families, too," said Karen Prymak, Novi Branch Manager. "We are just like an old-fashioned bank."

Karen said it is important to make customers feel very special and appreciated.

That's good to know because Michigan Heritage Bank customers put a lot of trust in bank employees. It can be something as important as Totally Free Checking or the Senior Classic Account — or could be as simple as giving directions.

"We have one customer who often stops by just to get directions to where he is going,"

Karen laughed. "That's the kind of trust we have developed."

Karen also gave the example of a customer who sends in deposit money for her Michigan Heritage Bank account but who has never stopped by the bank to meet any of the staff.

"We talk on the phone a lot and she feels she can trust me," Karen added.

But, it isn't just great customer service that sets this 10-year-old institution apart from other similar businesses — it is the banking services it offers.

For example, the Premier Account has six tiers.

"The more money the customer keeps in, the higher the interest rate," she said.

By opening a Classic Checking Account, customers are automatically enrolled in the Michigan Heritage Bank Advantage Club which includes free checking, notary, fax, wire transfers, telephone banking, overdraft protec-



tion, and 24-hour (ATM) banking.

"There are more than 2,000 ATM locations where customers can bank without any charges," Karen added.

Commercial customers also have the option of adding an eDeposit feature for quick scanning of business checks. A scanner is attached to the business computer and scanned checks are automatically deposited via an online Internet connection.

"It saves time, is convenient, and there is less chance for error," Karen said.

Another new feature from Michigan Heritage Bank is the Health Savings Account (HSA). Karen said the HSA is a way to put money in a special account owned by an individual to pay current and future medical expenses. Karen made it a point to say that deposits to an HSA are usually tax deductible and that earnings in the account grow tax free.

She explained that an HSA is for people who have a High Deductible Health Plan which is a type of affordable health insurance. People who are self-employed are the first people to open an HSA, but anyone who is employed and whose company offers a High Deductible Health Plan can have a Health Savings Account.

"The money in the account rolls over from year to year," Karen said. "A one-time contribution to this HSA from an individual retire-



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Branch Manager Karen Prymak, left, and Lisa Jouppi, Customer Service Representative, are two professionals who take personal service to a new level at Michigan Heritage Bank of Novi.

ment account (IRA) is not subject to income tax."

Michigan Heritage Bank in Novi is one of five branches in metro Detroit.

Branch hours are from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday drive-thru.

Great services with the personal touch — two reasons why Michigan Heritage Bank is the choice of many people.

— By John R. Hall



Michigan Heritage Bank is conveniently located on Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile in Novi.



Photo by NATHAN MENOIAN

Boo Sadikot, owner of Fitness Together, says his clients look good in photo because they have the support of a trainer who provides encouragement and instruction in a private setting.

Fitness Together (248) 348-9230 • www.ftnovi.com

Fitness Together is dedicated and focused on helping clients get into the best shape of their life.

Achieving that goal is done through working one-on-one with a personal trainer. The concept isn't new, but it is catching on and becoming more affordable.

Surpassing health clubs with personal service, and offering the four components of fitness, said owner Boo Sadikot. "It's what people are looking for now. The goal is to help clients get into the best shape of their life."

Personal trainers work with each client in one of three private, and fully equipped rooms.

"There are no distractions, no lines waiting for equipment, and no intimidation," Sadikot said.

At Fitness Together, it's all about the individual client.

"There is no membership fee, and our

clients can choose from a variety of session packages," explained Sadikot. "All nine of our personal fitness trainers are degreed and certified in their field."

Those new to Fitness Together receive a complimentary session, followed by a fitness assessment. It shows their current fitness level, and how they can proceed to a better level of fitness through the four components of fitness consisting of nutrition, cardio, strength training and flexibility.

Clients also enjoy complimentary bottled water and fruit at their sessions.

This fall, Sadikot will open Elements Therapeutic Massage next door to his fitness center.

Hours are 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Fitness Together is located at 47210 Ten Mile Road, next door to CVS.

— By Nathan Menoian

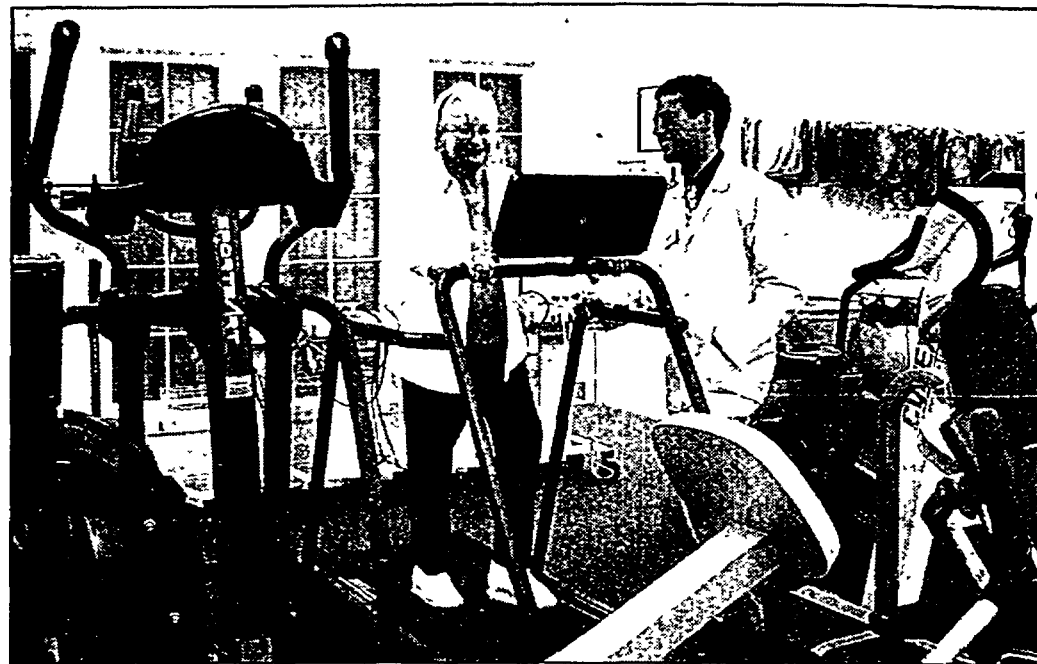


Photo by MICHAEL PILOTTI

Nate Furlong P.T. Technician is consulting Beverly Intihar on the proper use of one of the many pieces of equipment found at Northville Physical Rehabilitation.

Northville Physical Rehabilitation P.C. (248) 349-9339 • www.northvillephysicalrehab.com

Physical rehabilitation is an extension of medical care that many patients receive as a step in their recovery. Not getting the right therapy can be frustrating, dehumanizing and decrease a patient's quality of life rather than improve it.

Dennis Engerer, director of Northville Physical Rehabilitation said, "If you are dissatisfied with care being given to a family member at a nursing home or hospital, please come in and tour our facility and get a second opinion."

Northville Physical Rehabilitation has a full range of rehabilitation services right here in town that provides the same, or better, care than any hospital.

"We provide transportation to our facility from a patient's home. We offer general orthopedic to neurological rehabilitation programs. From a simple shoulder strain to complex issues that may take years to treat," Dennis said.

Having been in the business for 22 years and just having opened his third facility, Dennis and his staff of professionals believe in giving their patients the kind of care that ensures a great quality of life and much more than you might have come to accept.

"Most people don't realize that they are eligible for in-home care," Dennis advised. In-home care provides recovering individuals the comforts of home and a positive mental boost not found in nursing homes or hospitals.

Proper care is essential to recovery in all cases, and Northville Physical Rehabilitation offers the highest ratio of trained professionals to patients in the area.

Northville Physical Rehabilitation is located at 215 E. Main St., in Northville.

Take a virtual tour online or call to schedule a personal tour and consultation, today.

— By Michael Pilotti

Salon D'MARS

(248) 465-9077

There is a lot of networking going on at the Salon D'MARS in Novi. And that's a good thing.

Owner Denise Cook is proud of her staff and the experience they share with other staffers and ultimately with Salon D'MARS customers.

"We are blended from a lot of different salons," said Denise. "Everyone here picks up tricks from other people who already have had a lot of experience."

Denise said that there are no big egos among her employees. They all have fun and respect each other.

That shows with customers, who visit Salon D'MARS because they have fun, are treated well, and benefit from the collective knowledge of the staff.

"We are always asking each other for advice on how to do things," said Denise. "We will even have consultations with each other right in front of the customers."

The spirit of cooperation is just one reason why Salon D'MARS has been successful in its first four years in the



Above, Robin Hayden, left, and Kris Proteau consult over a customer. At right, Julie Cotton shares a laugh with a customer while giving a manicure.



Photos by JOHN R. HALL



The staff of Salon D'MARS includes, from left, back row, Russell Spaulding, Elaine Nichols, Robin Hayden, Judy Harris, Bill Swearengin and Lisa Jeziorski. In front are Jennifer Remordini, Julie Cotton, Denise Cook, Kris Proteau and Margie Funke.

Peachtree Plaza at the corner of Meadowbrook and Ten Mile Road. There are many other reasons, too.

Co-owners Cook and Russell Spaulding have developed a loyal following and have established their salon as one of the very best to serve the Novi and Northville areas.

"We have people who visit us from outside the area, including one who visits from Ohio every six weeks," Russell said. "I like what I do. And people who work for me really like what they do."

Their three nail technicians are "fabulous" according to Denise.

"Their pink and whites [nail treatments] look like French manicures," she added. "Customers have told us these are the very best."

Salon D'MARS offers hair styling at "very reasonable prices," full nail service including gels, and walk-in customers are always welcome.

Denise said her staff works a lot of wedding parties, starting out the special days in a relaxed atmosphere and catering to their customer's every need.

Maybe that's why so many of the customers recommend Salon D'MARS to other people.

"We get a lot of word-of-mouth business," she added.

"We probably have a 60 percent to 40 percent split of female and male customers."

Customers also benefit from the flexible hours that Salon D'MARS is open. Hair stylist Bill Swearengin is usually working at 7 a.m. each morning for the early-rising customers. Normal business hours are from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Salon D'MARS employees are happy to share their opinions of the atmosphere inside the business. Margie Funke said the salon is a "great balance of young and old, male and female. It is very homey yet professional."

Julie Cotton said her fellow employees "make me feel comfortable. Everybody pitched in to help me and my customers when I had a baby recently, too."

Lisa Jeziorski was very straightforward in her assessment. "This is the happiest I have ever been with a job," she said.

It sounds like customers are finding out that the happiest of times are ones they spend at Salon D'MARS, too.

Call (248) 465-9077 today to experience the fun and expertise at Salon D'MARS for yourself.

— By John R. Hall

Progressive Dental Group

(248) 349-7560 • www.progressivedental.net

Good old-fashioned, down-to-earth dentistry is one thing that Dr. David Salah of the Progressive Dental Group is happy to offer to patients at his practice on Novi Road in Novi.

For the past 12 years, Dr. Salah and his staff have steadily grown the business through patient referrals — people who tell their friends and families about the good treatment they received at the Progressive Dental Group.

That approach works well for patients who can rely on Dr. Salah and his staff to consult with them on the best way to maintain healthy teeth using the most up-to-date dental technology.

"We have a referral club," he said.

Patients often refer someone to Dr. Salah, and in turn are rewarded with gift cards to local restaurants or Barnes & Noble Books bookstores.

"Referrals are the best compliment a patient can give us," Dr. Salah explained. "Referrals have been the main reason our practice has grown."

But it takes more than referrals to maintain and grow a successful business.

Dr. Salah moved his practice into its present location on Novi Road seven years ago because more room and a more comfortable setting was needed for his patients.

"Now we are finally growing into our spacious office," he added.

"We have always been more of an all-around practice for kids and families," he said. "We practice good quality dentistry and take pride in our cosmetic achievements, but we are not a boutique-like practice."

Dr. Salah and his staff have been spending the past several months transitioning patients of retired Northville dentist Gary Greely to his own practice. Greely had been in business for 27 years and Dr. Salah understood it wouldn't be easy for some of these patients to start all over again with a new dentist.

One way of making the transition comfortable was a letter of introduction Dr. Salah sent to each of the patients. He also takes the time to show them around the office so they can become familiar with how the office is run.

Part of that strategy has involved bringing Dr. Greely's staff member into the business.

Dr. Salah is very proud of his entire staff, calling them "very professional and well-trained. Everyone in our office uses excellent judgment," he said.

His own background includes graduation from the University of Michigan Dental School in 1994. In addition to

"I really enjoy performing cosmetic dentistry. It is one of the most rewarding dental procedures we perform and patients seem to appreciate the results."

— Dr. David Salah
Progressive Dental Group



Photo by JOHN R. HALL

The atmosphere is always friendly and relaxed for patients visiting with Dr. David Salah of the Progressive Dental Group.

formal training at U-M, Dr. Salah has actively been pursuing advanced education in the areas of endodontics (root canal therapy), Temporo-Mandibular Joint (TMJ) and occlusal (bite) therapy, and the newest advanced cosmetic treatment options.

He is also very active in the implant study group of Oakland County.

Dr. Salah annually takes twice the legal requirement for continuing education hours.

His most recent experience includes working with the latest porcelain veneers called Lumineers. Lumineers are as thin as contact lenses and require minimal or no tooth preparation. Dr. Salah said he can show what the veneers would look like on a model of a patient's teeth, before proceeding with the application, making patients more

comfortable with their decisions.

"I really enjoy performing cosmetic dentistry," Dr. Salah said. "It is one of the most rewarding dental procedures we perform, and patients seem to appreciate the results."

Another way Dr. Salah likes to show his patients their options is by using a camera, which is placed inside the patient's mouth and shows everything in real time.

"Cameras are still the best piece of equipment because it helps people understand what treatment they need," he said.

Dr. Salah likes one more thing about his profession — meeting people out in the community who are his patients.

Dr. Salah is an active member of the Northville and Novi communities. He lives in Northville with his wife Angel

and his children Alexander, Adrianna and Rachael. Being active in the children's Northville schools and Northville and Novi sports, Dr. Salah is as visible outside the office as he is inside the office.

"People know about me and my family — and I like seeing people in the community as well as in the office," Dr. Salah said.

The Progressive Dental Group is located at 21580 Novi Road, Suite 100, south of Nine Mile Road.

Office hours vary, including late nights on Wednesday and Thursday until 7 p.m.

For more information or to arrange an appointment call (248) 349-7560 or visit www.progressivedental.net.

— By John R. Hall



Photo by SALLY RUMMEL

Visit La Casa del Rio Grande in New Hudson for family fun and authentic Mexican cuisine, served in large portions for lunch and dinner, seven days a week.

La Casa del Rio Grande

(248) 446-7700 • www.riogrande-restaurant.com

Don't go south of the Rio Grande for authentic Mexican food — visit La Casa del Rio Grande, on the south side of Grand River Avenue, in New Hudson.

To owner Dawn Salvati, this restaurant's location has a very personal meaning — the name "La Casa del Rio Grande" means "the house on Grand River." "This restaurant is actually the site of my childhood home and has been in my family for over 45 years," said Salvati.

This family-oriented restaurant serves up a variety of authentic Mexican dishes, all made on the premises (with the exception of tamales).

"You'll find our quality of food and our atmosphere to be much more authentic than a national chain," said Salvati. "All of our recipes come from Central Mexico."

Special events keep the atmosphere lively and fun, including "Earlybird

Specials" served from 3-5 p.m. Sundays and Wednesdays are "Margarita Days" with house margaritas on special. Mondays are "All You Can Eat Taco Days" and Tuesdays and Saturdays are "Kids Days," with discounts on meals, including beverage and dessert.

La Casa del Rio Grande is home to the margarita — with a special house margarita called "The Spyder." "At least once a month, we have a margarita party," said Salvati.

Open for lunch, dinner and carryout seven days a week, this is YOUR destination for fine Mexican food. Call-aheads and reservations are appreciated.

Let La Casa del Rio Grande cater your parties with heaping servings of Mexican or American favorites. Mostacelli with meat sauce, Chicken Marsala, and Beef Burgundy are popular American favorites.

— By Sally Rummel



Photo by KATE PHILLIPS

Sue Riggleman provides unique, stylish, affordable clothing for women who want to look good, but not look like everyone else. Her store, Uptown Threads, is celebrating its first anniversary.

Uptown Threads

(248) 684-7346

It's an exciting anniversary at Uptown Threads.

After just one year in business, Uptown Threads is already a destination shop for those visiting Milford.

It's the clothing — trendy, appealing fashions that look good on women of all ages.

It's the fun, lively atmosphere that makes shopping enjoyable.

But most importantly, it's the expertise of owner Sue Riggleman. She hand-selects the perfect clothing for the popular store. It's all priced moderately so women can afford to look good.

Sue, and co-worker Cindy Landry, work closely with customers to help them put together outfits that complement their body type and unique sense of personal style. They get to know regular customers and even call them when pieces arrive they may have interest in.

"It's a different sort of customer service here," said Sue. "Not only do we have beautiful clothing, but we can show you how to put together great outfits that look good on you."

Many new fall lines are arriving in the store, including the hottest trend — chic jackets.

"Shoppers come here who don't want to wear the same thing everyone else is wearing," said Sue. "Quantities are limited so everyone is encouraged to stop in often for best selections — and there's always something new coming in."

Uptown Threads is located at 423 N. Main St., in Milford.

The store is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday; and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday.

— By Kate Phillips

Paradise Park

(248) 735-1050

www.paradiseparknovi.com

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, such as high-tech laser tag, a magical black light



Miniature golf at Paradise Park is always a favorite for visitors who are looking for fun or for partygoers who see it as friendly competition.

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 events, and corporate team-building events.

These events also include holiday parties, bar mitzvahs, and graduation parties. "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 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 now 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," Theresa said.

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 Paradise Park prefers to cater each party but party sponsors can use outside caterers as long as Jeff or Theresa approves them, because they believe in standing by their good reputation. "We don't want to be associated with an outside vendor who does not meet our standards," she added.

Besides hosting parties under the big outdoor tent, groups can also book the indoor party rooms. There are three separate rooms, which hold 15 people each. Room dividers can be removed to accommodate 30 to 45 people, too. The café room (where mouth-watering, freshly baked food can be purchased) accommodates up to 96 people.



Photos by JOHN HALL

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

For those groups that 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 also includes a midnight meal.

"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," Theresa said. It's unlikely that anyone would want to leave a place where they were having so much fun.

And speaking of fun, Paradise Park also offers the very popular Grand Paradise Package party package, which allows people to enjoy a custom cake, 25 arcade tokens, and a two-hour wristband to enjoy unlimited fun.

For more information on unlimited fun at Paradise Park, call (248) 735-1050 or visit www.paradiseparknovi.com.

— By John R. Hall



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Smiles For A Lifetime Accent Denture Center

(517) 586-4051

When you have a toothache or need a cleaning, you go to a dentist. But when you need dentures, you should go to Accent Denture Center where owner Duke Sterling can create custom dentures.

"All of my work is hand-crafted by me and guaranteed," Sterling said. "Although no laws require a provider to refund fees, my ethical approach mandates that I provide total satisfaction. I offer both a product guarantee and a wear-out warranty."

Sterling handles the entire process of esthetic rehabilitation himself. He meets with clients for a free consultation and evaluation. He creates the dentures himself and then works with the client to ensure they are happy with them.

"If the patient is not satisfied, they get their money back right away," Sterling said. "There is no waiting, no arguing."

Sterling takes the time to educate his patients and includes them on the entire process.

"Many of my patients say they have received a very intimate and interesting education on the process of the way dentures are made, because they are involved in the process," he said. "They find out many secrets about dentures that they didn't already know."

Geneva Dental Technology

"Everything I do is based on Geneva Technology," Sterling said.

Since the upper anterior teeth determine certain facial features, as well as a person's

*"Duke (Sterling) gave me
a smile for a lifetime."*

Dr. John Krayner
Satisfied customer

smile, it is imperative to get the correct width, length and amount of teeth showing in order to maintain a person's appearance.

Traditional dentures do not allow for this type of customization and often times a person's smile and facial features are changed. Standard dentures also provide a uniform row of identical teeth that often look fake.

Geneva uses individually sculpted teeth that fit properly. The teeth also go through a special process that mimics the transparency, translucence and refractive qualities of natural teeth.

When finished, the dentures look so much like natural teeth, no one will know they aren't.

Sterling said his patients always appreciate the smiles he is able to create.

One patient, Pat Walls, went to three different dentists in the area over the years. She never had any of her dentures fit properly until she went to Sterling.

"He is truly the Duke of Dentures," she said. Another client, Dr. John Krayner, is very sat-

isfied with his new dentures and the service he received.

"Duke gave me a smile for a lifetime," he said.

Duke Sterling

Sterling is not new to the world of dentures. He has been in the business since 1969 and has been working in the Brighton area for 25 years.

His new location, located off of Dorr Road between Brighton and Howell, has been open since 2003.

His reputation has spread throughout the state and beyond with clients traveling from Ohio, Chicago, Pennsylvania, Copper Harbor, Detroit, Lansing and other places to work with Sterling.

Sterling has done some work at no charge and has, on occasion, visited house-bound patients in their home in order to provide them with the best possible service.

Sterling believes that with the many options, giving quality and patient education through the process of truth, his customers are receiving compassionate value in their removable restoration. The Duke can give us smiles back.

Accent Denture Center is located at 5840 Sterling Dr., off of Dorr Road between Brighton and Howell. It is open by appointment only.

Call (517) 586-4051 to set up your appointment today.

— By Candy Spiegel

Sterling says, "All dentures are not created equal."



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The staff includes, from left, Rachel Policelli, office assistant; Tracey Olceski, office assistant; Jude Howison, office manager, and her dog Scribbles; Dr. Ronald Studer, D.V.M.; and Dr. John Parker, D.V.M.

Briarpointe Veterinary Clinic

(248) 449-7447 • www.bpvvet.com

Taking care of hundreds of pets is no easy task, but at Briarpointe Veterinary Clinic in Novi, Dr. Ronald Studer, and Dr. John Parker love what they do.

"We have over 50 years experience between the two of us," Dr. Studer explained.

The clinic takes care of dogs, cats, pocket pets, birds, and a few other species as well. Preventive medicine is something they emphasize. Some of the services they provide include blood tests, X-rays, dental surgery, mass removal, GI surgery and bladder stone removal. They also have their own in-office pharmacy, and carry prescription pet food.

Dr. Studer says at Briarpointe they don't tell the client what to do.

"We practice with the view that we are a partner with our clients. We share information with them and that helps

them make more informed decisions."

In Novi since 1996, both doctors are business partners and when they see a pet that needs care outside of their expertise, they have no problem referring the client to a specialist.

"It does happen that a pet will need care from a specialist, whether for the heart, neurology, or even dermatology. We have a network of professionals we feel comfortable referring them to," Dr. Studer said.

When an emergency arises, during the late night and off hours, there is an animal emergency center available in the area.

Briarpointe is located at the corner of Ten Mile and Beck roads. They have appointments available Monday through Friday as well as Saturday morning. Call them at (248) 449-7447.

— By Nathan Menoian



Photos by JOHN R. HALL

Orin Mazzoni III and Gina Mazzoni represent three generations of a true family business that has served Northville for 25 years.

Orin Jewelers

(248) 349-6940 • www.orinjewelers.com

There is one word that stands out when the name Orin Jewelers is mentioned: tradition.

The popular jeweler, located at the corner of Center and Main in downtown Northville, has established a tradition of fine customer service in a friendly atmosphere since it first opened its doors in 1983.

But the tradition started long before that.

In 1933, Orin J. Mazzoni, Sr. opened up his first jewelry store in West Virginia. He brought his family to Michigan and in 1953, Orin and his wife Mary moved their family to Garden City and set up business under the name Orin Jewelers, where their son Orin Mazzoni, Jr. took over the family tradition.

Since then his family members have carried on the name by opening up their second store in Northville, which is operated by Orin J. Mazzoni III, grandson of the founder.

Orin's sister, Gina, joined the Northville staff six years ago. Like her brother, Gina is a Graduate Gemologist and Certified Gemologist.

"We have a great team here," she said. "There is a great deal of experience here, including one of our sales associates who has been with us since the Northville store opened."

Beyond the great customer service, which Gina said is a main reason "everyone loves us and comes to see us," Orin Jewelers has a reputation for carrying the finest jewelry items by leading designers such as Hearts on Fire, Tacori, Peter Storm, Scott Kay, Jewels by Star, Mark Schneider, Mikimoto, Pandora, and CYMA.

Gina is especially proud of the Hearts on Fire line of diamonds, which she describes as "the world's most perfectly cut diamond. It takes four times longer to cut it than a regular diamond."

She said this line is preferred among Orin Jeweler's customers, and one which she loves to represent. That's good for customers who don't always know what they want.

"A lot of people may not be sure of what they are looking for and we help them by showing them a large sampling of products," she said. One again, it all goes back



A display of 'Hearts on Fire' diamond jewelry is reflected in the window of Orin Jewelers. This jewelry features the world's most perfectly cut diamonds.

to customer service.

That same customer service is reflected in the availability of many different custom jewelry items.

"We do a lot of custom work," Gina said. "If we don't have what the customer is looking for, we have a full custom design workshop in our Garden City showroom and can make just about anything someone could imagine."

An example of an in-store product that has been very popular is the Pandora designer bracelets. The sterling silver charms are popular because they can be assembled to represent each person's own individual personality.

Gina said that designer Patricia Daunis also treats Orin Jewelers' customers to a once-a-year visit during Northville's Victorian Festival in September. The popular designer spends a day showing her special design-pattern jewelry.

It is just one more way that Orin Jewelers plays an active role in community events by blending in its fine products and services.

Gina added, "My brother believes that our mission is to put customer service above anything else."

It is a mission that has become a tradition on the corner of Center and Main.

For more information call (248) 349-6940 or visit www.orinjewelers.com.

— By John R. Hall



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Orin Jewelers has been a regular part of the downtown Northville scenery on the corner of Main and Center streets.

Gayle's DancePhase

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Celebrating their 25th year anniversary season, Gayle's DancePhase in Wixom is gearing up for another year of classes. Fall enrollment is currently under way and classes start September 4.

Their theme for this upcoming season is "Where Dreams Begin, Friendships Grow, and Goals Are Achieved."

New families will receive \$5 off during registration.

Gayle's DancePhase offers jazz and tap, ballet and pointe, lyrical and hip-hop, and tumbling classes. Competition groups and The Majestic Dance Ensemble Ballet Company for Youth are also part of Gayle's DancePhase.

Instructors are members of, and are certified to teach by, Dance Masters of America, Dance Educators of America and The Cecchetti Council of America.

Gayle Winnie, and Tina Bishop, sisters, are co-owners of the studio and passionate about their work.

"We strive for the students to come out with strong technical training, which helps them in other areas such as athletics, and any avenue they pursue in life or business. Self-confidence is something they take with them from our classes," Winnie said.

Instructors select their own class music, which is edited for time and content. Winnie said it is important for parents to know that Gayle's DancePhase is family-friendly with appropriate music.

Students perform in recitals, local parades and shows. There also are competition teams traveling throughout the state and country in various competitions.

In fact, they recently returned from Las Vegas, where their senior students competed and won first overall in jazz for "Digital". They also took first overall with



Photo by NATHAN MENOIAN

All smiles and ready for class, ballet students learn composure and develop confidence.

"Rock Your Soul" in the lyrical competition, and Danielle Evasic took first overall as teen soloist to the song "Many Rivers".

Though most of the students are girls, Winnie says that boys dance free when a sister is enrolled there. For talented boys, she said, scholarships are available.

"We really love what we do here," she added. "And we work hard to keep it affordable, especially for our competition teams."

Instructors train in Las Vegas and Los

Angeles during the summer. They'll also be attending the Paula Morgan Dance Intensive five-day training program in California before fall registration begins.

"We're not just a shake and shimmy studio. We go beyond that and our students receive a true dance education," Winnie said. "This is a place where students can grow, make good friends and have quality time."

Because of the maturing and confidence skills developed through dance, many stu-

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— Gayle Winnie
Gayle's DancePhase

dents find success on school debate teams, earn honor roll status, and go on to college with confidence. Many of their graduates are now performing in California, New York and Las Vegas, as well as teaching in schools and running their own studios.

Class times are available for after-school and evening, as well as for stay-at-home moms, and home-schooled students.

Because of their location at 51770 Grand River Ave., in Wixom, they are conveniently close to Novi, South Lyon, New Hudson, and Walled Lake.

Add dance to your life today. For more information on fall registration and class availability, call (248) 305-5600.

— By Nathan Menoian

Main Street Bank

(248) 449-3700 • www.mainstreetbank.net

Personal service and convenience has arrived in community banking and leading the way in the Northville community is Main Street Bank.

Since March 2004, Main Street Bank has taken personal banking to a different level by offering a relaxed atmosphere to conduct business in while maintaining the convenience of banking offsite with Web banking and free ATM usage.

The success of its first branch, at 201 E. Main St., in Northville, has prompted the creation of a new office and main headquarters at 133 E. Main Street. A Main Street Bank in Plymouth opened on July 30 at 706 S. Main St.

The community bank's hometown feel is what customers remember most.

"We want people to feel comfortable as soon as they come in," said president and COO, Audrey Mistor. "This hometown feel is the same as it would be for people

walking into their own home. The front desk looks more like a hotel concierge than a typical bank lobby. There are always snacks and beverages — and lots of smiles."

The lobby is also filled with chairs, a television set, and magazines. Its décor matches the other branches, too.

"It almost has a family-room feel to it," added chairman and CEO Rick Shaffner. "If you walk in any branch you know you are in a Main Street Bank."

In fact, the hometown atmosphere is just the beginning of many long lasting friendships between bank employees and customers.

Main Street Bank's slogan in "Once we meet you we never forget you."

Rick said that there has been a trend toward the smaller, more personal community bank ever since the recent bank merger mania had begun. A lot of good bank managers were displaced by the mergers and chose to open community banks, which take a more personal approach to banking.

"We are bringing back personal service," he added. "We don't want people to call us and get nothing but voicemail service."

And the beauty of working with Main Street Bank is that if a person does not have the time to visit, they can do their personal and business banking online or at one of thousands of ATMs across the world.

Business owners can do their banking via Remote Deposit Express — banking using a scanner to scan checks and deposit them via a secure Web site portal.

"This is a wonderful service that allows business owners to do their banking with-



Photos by JOHN R. HALL

Audrey Mistor, president and COO, and Rick Shaffner, chairman & CEO, of Main Street Bank are happy to be in the community banking business in Northville.

out leaving their office. It's the ultimate in convenience for the small business owner," said Rick.

Audrey added that their bank appreciates working with small businesses especially, since "they are what we are."

She also said that Main Street Bank offers the convenience of free ATM banking anywhere in the world, for the first six transactions each month.

Many times customers will make an initial visit to the bank to set up an account and never come back, not because they didn't like the great atmosphere, but because they save time by banking via ATMs and the Internet.

"But if you want to come in we would love to see you," laughed Audrey.

For more information on Main Street Bank, call (248) 449-3700, or visit www.mainstreetbank.net.

— By John R. Hall



The lobby of Main Street Bank resembles a combination of hotel concierge and a home's family room — giving it a homey feel.

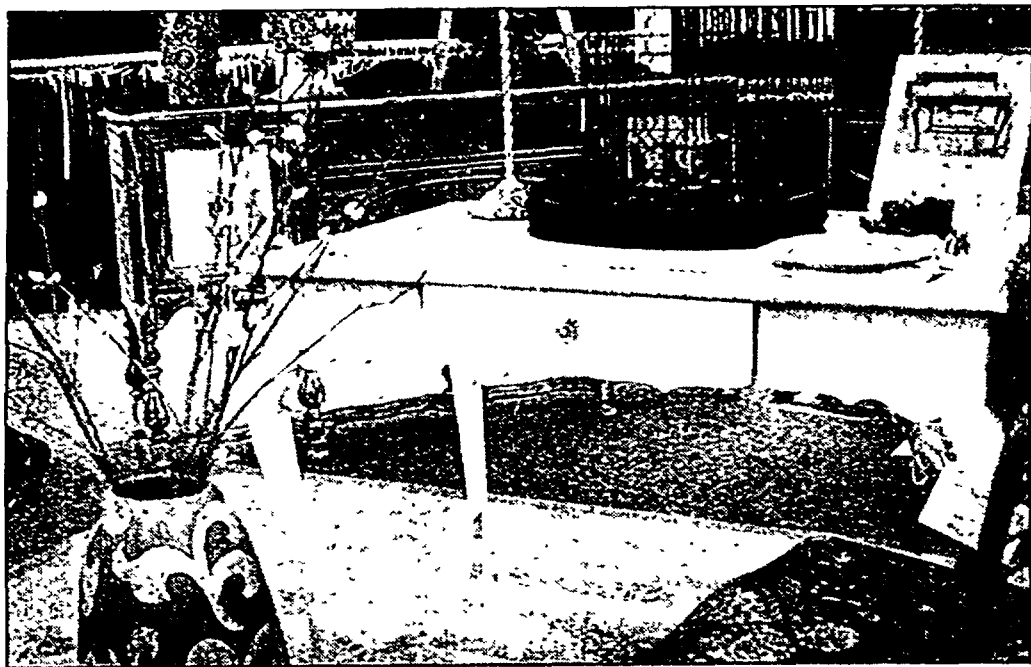


Photo by KATE PHILLIPS

Your Nesting Place carries furniture and decorating accessories, including refurbished antiques.

Your Nesting Place (248) 685-7314

Many customers are driving in for the creative genius of Your Nesting Place in downtown Milford.

The shop is a source of inspiration for those who are trying to create an interesting and comfortable space in their home. It carries a large selection of furniture, rugs, lamps, artwork, decorative accessories and gifts.

With just one step inside, it's instantly clear that Your Nesting Place is different from typical furniture and home decor stores.

Owner Chris Meredith shops the markets and trade shows herself in order to hand-select items that aren't found in other stores.

In addition to selecting unique pieces of furniture and decor, the layout of the store offers a variety of decorating ideas. With spaces set up in various styles and color palettes, customers can get an idea of how

to decorate their own home.

The well-known designer is even available for design consultations in private homes.

Your Nesting Place also carries a full line of Flexsteel custom furniture. Consumer Reports named Flexsteel sofas as "Best Buy" in a recent publication.

"This furniture is wonderful quality with moderate prices," said Chris. "It will look great for many years to come."

Chris also re-furbishes antiques that mix well with newer pieces to create a unique, cozy look. The store has a large selection of antique buffets, desks, tables and shelves.

Your Nesting Place is located at 332 N. Main St., in downtown Milford.

Hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and some Sundays.

— By Kate Phillips

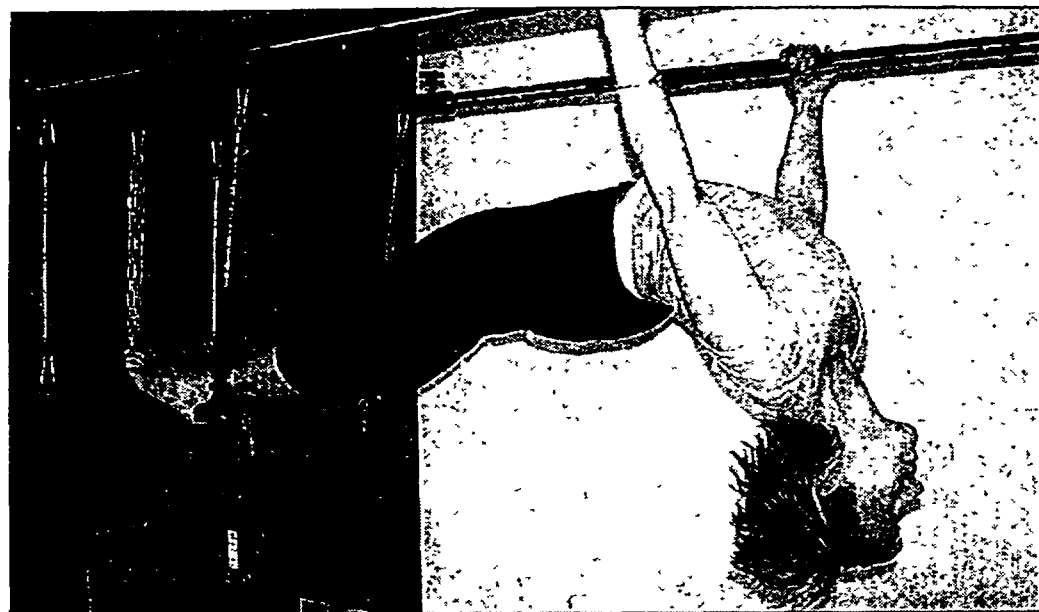


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Poise Pilates co-owner Heidi Malzahn demonstrates a training exercise featuring the trapeze table, the same equipment designed by Pilates' inventor Joseph Pilates.

Poise Pilates (248) 349-3100 • www.poise-pilates.com

People of all ages are learning the benefits of physical training with the Pilates Method. Pilates is a system of full body strength training exercises which focus on the deep muscles of the core while increasing flexibility throughout the body. The training has been available to members of the Northville community since 2001 at Poise Pilates, co-owned by Heidi Malzahn and Susan Steinke.

Pilates' appeal to all age groups continues to grow as people learn more about The Method, which was developed by Joseph Pilates in the 1920s. Pilates dedicated his life to helping himself and others overcome physical weakness and faulty posture through his exercise system. Malzahn's students range in age from 15-91 years of age, some of whom are physical therapy clients at the studio.

"We are able to provide physical therapy to clients with a doctor's prescription. We also get many clients who have finished physical therapy due to illness or injury, and work with them to develop customized train-

ing," Malzahn said. Her staff of eight includes a licensed physical therapist. Because the Pilates Method includes over 500 exercises of widely varying difficulty, Pilates can be practiced by nearly anyone, regardless of their current physical condition.

Malzahn began practicing Pilates 10 years ago and has noticed dramatic changes in her own body. She can pass on improved posture, long lean strong muscles, better flexibility and reduced lower back pain to her clients. She is a Certified Pilates Teacher through Core Dynamics Pilates, taught by Master Pilates Teachers Michele Larsson and Margarette Raymond. Poise Pilates is a fully equipped studio located at 186 E. Main St., in downtown Northville.

The staff of instructors conduct private and small group sessions by appointment. Prices range from \$20 to \$75 per hour. The 90-minute initial private session for \$25 is the best way to start. The staff recommends two to three sessions per week to achieve maximum benefit.

Jackson Landscape Solutions

(248) 486-8992 • (248) 349-4950 • www.landscapingmakeovers.com

Jackson Landscape Solutions, of South Lyon and Novi, recently displayed landscape curbing at the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi during a home and garden show.

"Since that garden show we have installed more than 13,000 feet of curbing," Jackson said. "Curbing is becoming quite popular. People are tired of the old black plastic edging that is constantly popping out of the

ground."

The family owned and operated company, known for making over tired landscapes into thriving, inviting vistas, are excited to add this new product to their stock of landscaping talents.

Curbing is an elegant, yet heavy-duty, method of edging landscapes, flower beds, gardens, trees, walkways and drives. Unlike plastic edging or timber, curbing does not

allow weeds or grass to infiltrate a planting bed, and likewise does not allow beds or mulch to creep onto the lawn.

It not only gives a clean and neat appearance to a landscape, but keeps the landscape from coloring outside the lines.

Although new to Michigan, landscape curbing is popular in many states and in Canada, where it has brought dimension and infused style into tired landscapes with little upheaval to the homeowner or the pocketbook.

Traditional edging has met its match with curbing. Curbing does not move. It does not pop up out of the ground nor allow itself to be pushed around or infiltrated by grass or weeds. Weather doesn't faze it.

"We experimented with curbing for three years before being confident it would stand up to Michigan winters," said Ron Jackson of Jackson Landscape Solutions. "We have talked to installers in Minnesota who have been using this particular product for several years just to be sure. We are very confident about this product for Michigan landscapes."

Because of the material and installation method used, curbing can follow any shape desired for a border. The mortar and fiber mesh material can be permanently dyed in a multitude of colors, can be stamped to resemble many finishes such as brick or stone, and will withstand all types of weather. The curbing allows your lawn mower to ride on the edge to provide a clean cut.

The curbing is installed by an extruding machine into a 8-to 10-inch-wide trench that is a few inches deep. Expansion cuts are made to allow the inevitable expanding and contracting from outdoor temperature changes. The material is then trowel-finished and sprayed with sealer. The front side of the curbing is flush with the lawn while the back has a higher edge, which keeps soil, bark and other materials in their place.

"If a homeowner wants to have a finish coat reapplied to it in a few years to give it a



Photos by JOHN R. HALL

Jackson Landscaping workers prepare to work on some 'curbing' as they turn an average front yard into a beautiful front yard.

fresh look, we can do that or the homeowner can, but otherwise curbing is maintenance-free," Jackson said. "It will not rust, will not rot, will not shift, and there are no seams for weeds to grow through."

For the look and performance, curbing is very economical, according to Jackson. "Curbing starts at \$6 a foot," he said. "A traditional brick border will run two to three times more."

Curbing is also an economical choice for homeowners faced with a tired-looking landscape.

"With curbing we can make the landscape look new again by trimming things up without making it completely over," said Jackson.

A little trimming, mulching and new curbing perks up the look, framing the landscape and bringing out the house's features.

Samples of curbing can be viewed at www.landscapingmakeovers.com.

Call Jackson Landscape Solutions at their South Lyon location, (248) 486-8992, or their Novi location, (248) 349-4950, for a free estimate.

— By Cynthia Grochowski



Jackson Landscaping turns ordinary homes into extraordinary homes with beautiful landscape designs.



Photo by NATHAN MENOIAN

Dr. Allen Tuchklaper, at The Novi Family Dental Centre, says they're all about taking care of the patient and using the latest technological advances in family dentistry.

Novi Family Dental Centre (248) 348-3100

Dr. Allen Tuchklaper is just back from Yellowstone National Park in Utah, where he took part in a Smiles for Life fundraiser, providing teeth whitening for those in need through various charities. Twenty dentists from around the country participated by riding Harley Davidson motorcycles and raising \$100,000 for the event put on by The Crown Council.

That is just one way Dr. Tuchklaper stays involved helping others. He's most known throughout Novi for his quality family dental practice. His many services include preventive dentistry, veneers, porcelain crowns, fixed bridges, periodontal treatment, implants, dentures/overdentures, and sealants for children's teeth.

"We've been in Novi 27 years and do all aspects of dentistry," Dr. Tuchklaper said. "Part of my practice is cosmetic dentistry, and we can make just about any situation aesthetically appealing."

Novi Family Dental Centre is a member of The Greater Novi Chamber, and involved in various events throughout Novi, including the annual 50's Festival.

"Technology helps us take better care of our patients. Part of this technology is a machine, called CERAC, which enables us to make crowns in just about an hour. That means no lab work," Dr. Tuchklaper said.

Patients there are treated on time and while having their teeth worked on can watch TV with headphones. And, if needed, oral sedation is made available.

"Basically, we take care of kids to adults here," Dr. Tuchklaper says. "Our experience makes the difference. Right now we're expanding to allow new patients to join us."

Novi Family Dental Centre is located at 43410 W. Ten Mile Road, in the Eaton Center and has early and late hours available. Call (248) 348-3100 today to receive the care you deserve. — *By Nathan Menoian*



Photo by NATHAN MENOIAN

The newest salesmen serving customers at Perfect Floors are, from left, Ronnie Williams, and Doug Wiseman.

Perfect Floors (248) 437-2838

Perfect Floors, in South Lyon, will match or beat any legitimate flooring price. And along with that vow, owner Ron Williams said they remain steadfast in their promise to provide great service, and customer satisfaction.

Perfect Floors knows that the economy has been slow and sluggish, so they have rolled back prices, and are offering one year same as cash on their flooring selections.

Hardwood floors are quite popular these days, said Williams. It's something different, and families are discovering the beauty of a good hardwood floor. Perfect Floors carries a large selection of it, too.

But that isn't all they sell. Carpeting of every texture and color, vinyl flooring, laminate, and hardwood flooring can be found at Perfect Floors. There are hundreds of samples in their spacious 10,000-square-foot showroom from name-brand flooring manufacturers. They also carry area rugs, and will

special order the larger sizes.

It's their business to know all they can about flooring. They do it well, and regardless of what the customer purchases, company crews of experienced installers handle the installation.

"We take care of new construction homes and of course existing homes. And something we do that often gets overlooked these days, is flooring for manufactured homes and even motor homes," says Williams.

Taking care of the customers are Ron Sr., his son Ronnie — who has worked his way up through the family business — and Doug Wiseman, an experienced flooring sales expert.

Perfect Floors is located at 21946 Pontiac Trail, in South Lyon, and is open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

— *By Nathan Menoian*

George's Senate Coney Island

(248) 446-9300 South Lyon • (248) 927-1126 Northville

www.senateconeyislandrestaurant.com

The best deal in town for family dining is George's Senate Coney Island restaurant. In fact, it's the best deal in several towns. The popular eatery, which began 70 years ago in Detroit, has been pleasing the palates of customers in Livonia, Taylor, Northville, Dearborn, South Lyon, and as a new franchise in Walled Lake.

It's easy to see why George's Senate Coney Island has been so popular and lasted so long in the competitive restaurant business. The reason is that owner George Dimopoulos believes in serving his customers the freshest and most delicious food items at very reason-

able prices.

George and his staff shop for the freshest foods every day and prepare each dish in each restaurant. For example, George recently shopped for fresh, delicious broccoli, which, under his watchful eye, was prepared in his special broccoli soup. Mouth-watering is the best way to describe it.

"Once you try our food you are hooked," George laughed.

Popular menu items like chicken, pork chops, perch, Coney hot dogs, salads, as well as Greek specialties including spinach pie, stuffed cabbage, and flaming cheese (OOH-

PAH) have delighted Senate customers for many years. George's customers keep coming back every week and every year because they know they get the best value for their money.

"Where else can you feed your family with good food for \$25-\$30?" George asked. "That is often the price of one meal in other restaurants."

In today's economy, getting the most for your meal money is very important. Maybe that's why George has seen a steady increase in business while people are busy watching their budgets. Business in Northville has been up this year and continues to show great numbers in South Lyon and other communities, too.

The family atmosphere in Northville is very important to George and his staff. He said he loves seeing children in the restaurant and many give him a big hug every time they see him. Parents appreciate the atmosphere at George's, too. He recently banned smoking both inside and outside his building and rather than facing unhappy customers, and his business went up 20 percent.

Visitors to the Northville restaurant also have the opportunity to play a round of golf on the popular par 3 Bushwood Golf Club, which provides a beautiful backdrop for the restaurant. Bushwood owner Bob Kunkel is partnering with George to offer a special package of a round of golf (nine holes), electric golf cart, and a steak dinner for \$25. It is good anytime and Kunkel suggests calling ahead for tee times at (734) 420-3200.

Just like George's, Bushwood promotes family fun too. "Kids can play a round of golf and then enjoy a Coney dog at George's," Bob said.

George invites everyone to watch for his



George Dimopoulos, owner of George's Senate Coney Island, always has a big smile for his many new and returning customers.

upcoming specials, which will celebrate Senate's 70 years in business. He plans to offer menu items for \$7.00 each. More information will be available at www.senateconeyislandrestaurant.com.

For information on catering parties, take-out deliveries, and any other special fun events, call Northville at (248)-927-1126 or South Lyon at (248)-446-9300.

— *By John R. Hall*

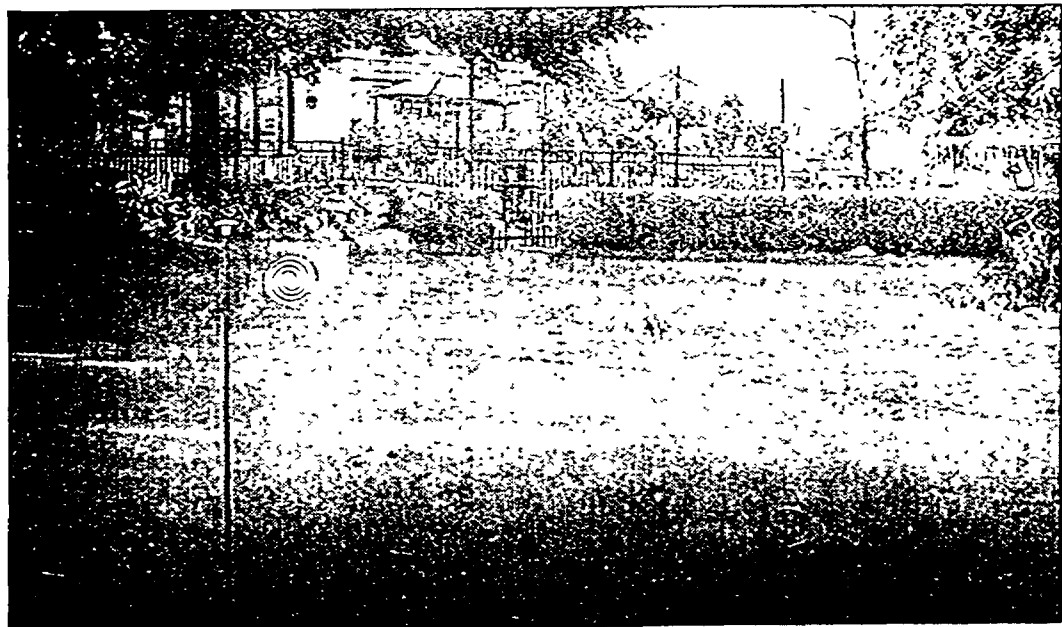


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George's Senate Coney Island of Northville is surrounded by the beautiful backdrop of the Bushwood Golf Club.



Photo by SALLY RUMMEL

Jeff Dean keeps prices low by eliminating the overhead of a showroom. Instead, he brings his products to his clients for their convenience.

Dover Floor Covering

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You can save a lot of money on gas by letting Dover Floor Covering's showroom come to your home or business when you're in the market for new flooring.

That's the word from owner Jeff Dean, who has been serving the White Lake, Highland, Milford, Commerce Township and surrounding areas for more than a decade.

"Come celebrate this milestone anniversary, and enjoy savings on carpeting, tile, vinyl, wood and laminate," said Dean, who has more than 30 years' experience in the flooring business. "Take advantage of special pricing on select styles of hardwoods, which are more popular now than ever before."

Dean has seen a huge interest in hard surface flooring — from ceramic tile, which he added several years ago, to natural hardwoods that offer beauty and durability, while being environmentally responsible.

By providing top-notch service and

exceeding customers' expectations, Dover Floor Covering continues to reap the benefits of many referrals. "More than 90 percent of my customers are repeats and referrals," said Dean. "My business philosophy is based on Christian principles and The Golden Rule."

Offering a mobile flooring showroom does more than just save gas money. Customers can enjoy shopping comfortably in their own home, browsing through samples and matching decor in their home's own natural lighting.

Best of all, Dean is able to perform skilled installation at affordable prices, with no overhead expense.

"Customers will find my prices to be even more affordable than big box discounters," said Dean. "And I'm very proud of my long association with such major manufacturers as Mohawk, Coronet, Congoleum and Armstrong."

— By Sally Rummel

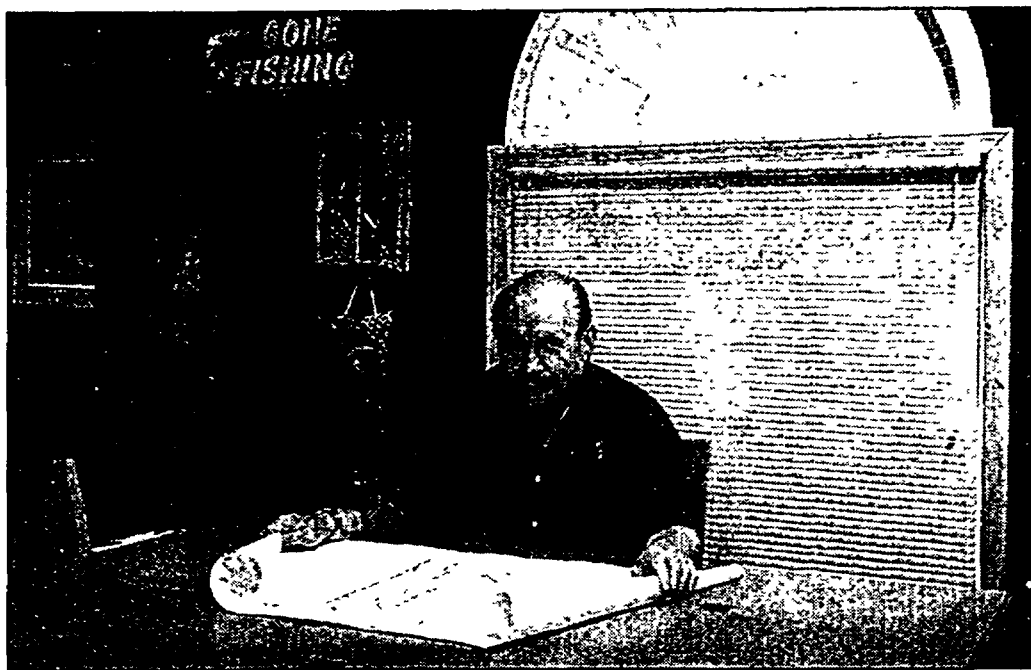


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Remodeler Jim Seghi invites everyone to view his work, especially the before and after pictures, at www.jimseghirenovations.com.

Jim Seghi Renovations

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"Don't relocate, renovate!" advised Jim Seghi.

According to Jim, most people already love the area where they are living, but want a little more house.

"Before making a hasty decision to purchase something bigger and more costly, why not add more living space to where you are and save the trouble of selling, packing and relocating?" asked Jim.

Jim has an eye for usable space where you might not see it. A first floor laundry can be added where a closet used to be, or an elegant master suite can be created in place of your basic old bedroom.

Basements offer a homeowner some of the cheapest, most versatile living space that a house has to offer, and yet that is the biggest untapped resource in most homes. Jim and his team have renovated living spaces for much less than the cost of building a new home.

"Even if you are thinking of selling your home, add the updates now so that you can enjoy them and make your home stand out among the many others on the market. It's an investment in your future and a win-win," noted Jim.

The craftsmanship, creativity and value for your dollar are key building blocks that separate Jim Seghi Renovations from others in the business. Jim continues to honor his commitment to a no-pressure consultation and project planning to assure his customers that the price they see at the beginning of the job is the same price at its completion.

For truly innovative ideas and reliable results, call Jim Seghi for an appointment at (248) 437-2454 to discuss your hidden living space. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. View some of the amazing home transformations and customer testimonials at: www.jimseghirenovations.com.

— By Michael Pilotti



Photo by SALLY RUMMEL

Tula's owner Sara Dickens takes a moment to relax in front of her new location in downtown Milford.

Tula's

(248) 684-6808

Looking for the perfect hostess gift or special occasion present? Instead of bringing a bottle of wine to your next party or event, why not stop at Tula's in downtown Milford to find a unique gift in that same price range?

Owner Sara Dickens has already done the shopping for you. Stop in and pick out the gift that best reflects the personal taste of the recipient.

If he or she is a "foodie," pick up something special for the kitchen, such as a pewter wine bottle stopper, miniature cheese tray or dessert plates.

Small, thoughtful gifts are plentiful, too — from handpainted candles crafted in South Africa, to hand-blown glass pieces.

Picture frames, garden decor, vases or teapots made of purple clay from China will show your hostess, relative or friend you think they're special.

For a recent graduate or to celebrate the

upcoming school year, gift-givers will find an artistic array of journals, notebooks and colorful file folders.

Tula's is especially proud of its extensive baby gift department, featuring one-of-a-kind clothing, toys, blankets, frames and hand-painted furniture.

"Your gift will truly make a special statement at your next baby shower," said Sara.

Her unique lines of all-occasion greeting cards will make you laugh, cry or just plain smile.

With a new location at 409 N. Main St., near Milford Travel, Tula's has become THE destination for gifts and cards. The store was named this year's Peoples' Choice Award Winner for "Best Gift and Card Store" in the annual Milford Times poll.

Experience Tula's from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

— By Sally Rummel



Photo by KATE PHILLIPS

Traci Goodnough and her daughter Sydney provide family-friendly service at For Feets Sake.

For Feets Sake

(248) 676-9080

After one year in Milford, For Feets Sake has drawn customers from all over the area — many driving a good distance to shop at the comfort shoe store.

Owners Aaron and Traci Goodnough would like to say a heartfelt "thank you." The couple believes the best way they can express their thanks is by continuing to provide the same type of careful footcare that has made them popular this year.

"I think people drive to come here because of our good service," said Traci Goodnough. "We measure your feet and make sure that you are getting shoes that fit just right."

Comfort, quality shoes, a good fit, and custom orthotics are the most important aspects of For Feets Sake. Aaron Goodnough is a board certified Podiatrist and can fill prescriptions for custom orthotics and other foot needs. He can also help customers choose from a variety

of in-stock orthotics.

It's a comfort shoe store, but the shoes look so good, at first glance many customers think the focus is on style.

Women can choose from athletic, casual and dress shoes in brands like New Balance, Dansk, Clarks and Soffit stocked in sizes from 5 to 13, narrow to extra wide, when offered.

The men's lines are expanding to include Dunham and Bostonian, in sizes up to 16.

Hard-to-find favorites for kids include Heelys, Crocs and Stride Rite.

For Feets Sake is located at 440 N. Main St., in downtown Milford, and is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 12-4 p.m. each Sunday through the summer.

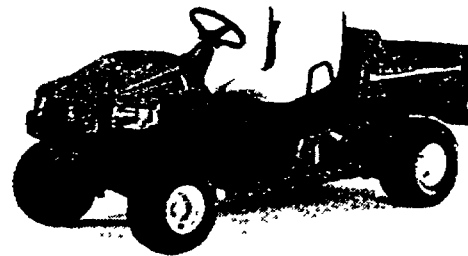
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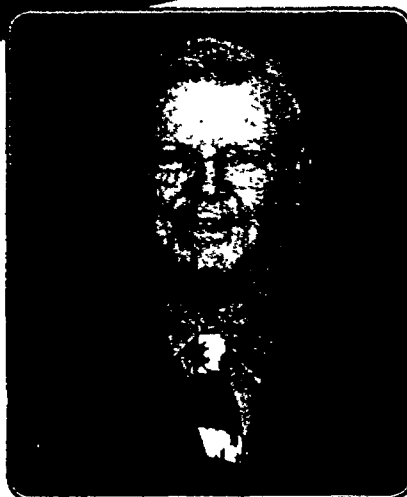
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Many people name their family businesses using their own initials. But in the case of D&G Equipment in Highland and Howell, the "D" stands for dirt and the "G" stands for grass — especially appropriate for a business that sells equipment used to maintain customers' fields and lawns.

It seems particularly appropriate when you understand the humility of company owner Elden Gustafson, whose family of businesses includes seven locations of D&G Equipment, Inc. throughout mid-Michigan.

His rise from a fourth generation Swedish family of fruit farmers in Ludington earned him accolades this year as a Master Entrepreneur by The Greater Lansing Business Monthly.

Gustafson's lifetime business accomplishments were recognized at the 13th Annual Entrepreneurial Awards of Greater Lansing on March 8, celebrating the development and start-up of businesses focused on innovative, cutting-edge technology.

Customers of D&G Equipment in Highland and Howell already know what the business community of Michigan has just learned — this local business thrives on innovation, personal service, and hands-on family ownership.

Just five years after opening its doors in 1993, D&G Equipment became the Number One seller of John Deere lawn and garden equipment in North America and Canada — and that was only with Gustafson's first two stores in Mason and Williamston.

Since that time, he has opened five more dealerships — in Highland, Howell, Charlotte, Corunna and Rives Junction.

Today, D&G Equipment is the area's largest outdoor power equipment dealer, selling and servicing everything from trimmers and chainsaws to the biggest farm tractors

available in the market today.

In addition to John Deere products, D&G Equipment sells products manufactured by Honda, Toro, Frontier, Stihl, Exmark, Shindaiwa, Ariens, Lawn Boy, Little Wonder, Bradco, H&S, Kuhn and more.

D&G Equipment is also mid-Michigan's source for John Deere Construction Worksite Products (CWP), such as Skid Steers, Mini Excavators, Tractors-Loaders-Backhoes and Front-End Loaders.

During their peak season in April, May and June, this local company employs 110 to 120 people and is open 64 hours a week.

Even with challenging economic conditions in Michigan, Gustafson plans to open an additional three sites.

Gustafson's wife, Jolene, keeps day-to-day operations running smoothly. His sons, Anders Gustafson and Brandon Blain, also work in the family business.

Gustafson himself maintains regular contact with all of his stores, conferring with local managers and employees.

Almost every one of his 120 employees takes classes offered via the Internet or at locations throughout the United States. He feels that keeping up with changes in the industry is essential to maintaining the growth of the organization and continuing to satisfy customer needs.

That's why he is pleased to offer the latest sales technology through the Internet — an eBay store for great deals on gifts, toys, used and clearance items.

Not bad for a man who graduated from high school in 1955, with a list of early jobs ranging from worm sales to a local fisherman, to raising cattle and commercial fishing.

After completing a tool and die apprenticeship, he

spent time in Detroit working at a number of shops, then returned to Lansing in 1966.

That's when his career as an entrepreneur really took off.

In 1968, he was hired as president of Globe Industries, an auto parts supplier, a position he held until 1971, when he and two partners started Uptilt. This was a Lansing-based manufacturing plant that made automotive parts and employed 250 people.

Between 1971 and 1993, Uptilt sparked the start of a number of automotive-related businesses, not to mention a family shoe store named Cobbler's Bench that originally started in Holt, but has since relocated to Frandor Shopping Center in East Lansing.

If that wasn't enough, he purchased 88 acres of farmland near Mason, an operation now known as Gustafson Farms, which has grown to 2,200 acres and produces corn, soybeans and wheat.

He's often found "out in the field" himself, and has grown to love dirt and grass through his own hard work.

Gustafson's D&G story is an interesting one to tell and its future course is evident in the vitality and strength of each and every one of his retail stores.

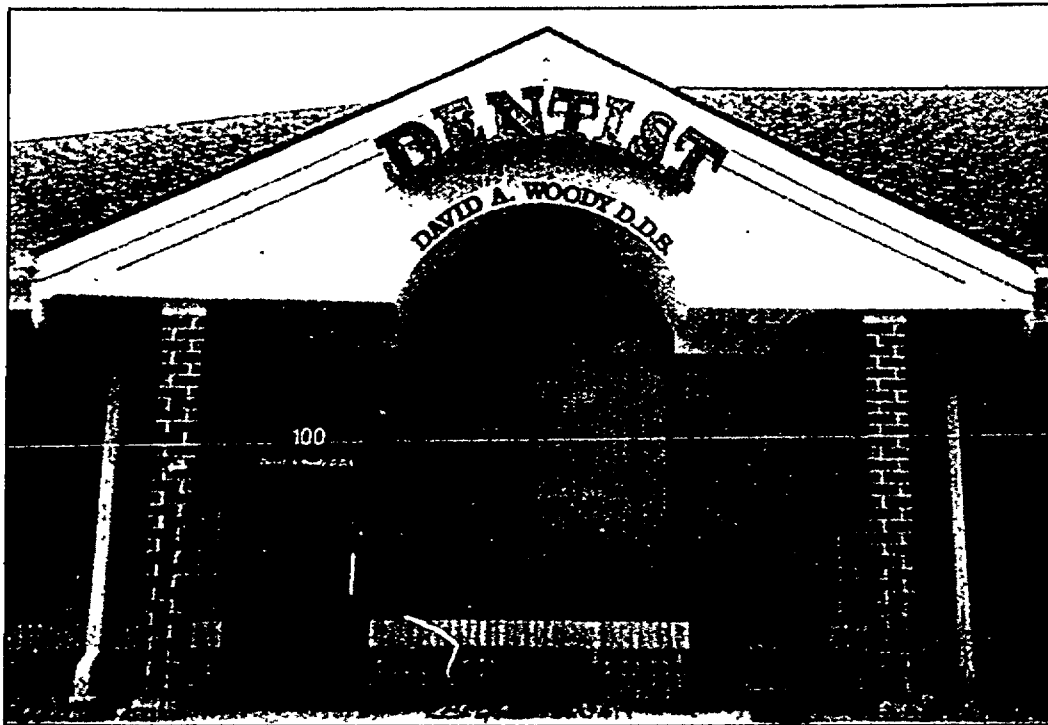
It's worth a visit to D&G Equipment's locations in Highland and Howell, as well as many of their other mid-Michigan locations. You might even see Gustafson himself, as he visits his stores on a very regular basis.

D&G Equipment in Highland is located at 1155 S. Milford Road., south of M-59 on Milford Road. D&G in Howell is located at 3915 Tractor Drive. All D&G stores are open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

— By Sally Rummel



Dr. David Woody and his experienced team offer professional dental care in spacious rooms, equipped with the most up-to-date technology in the dental field.



Submitted photo

The office of David A. Woody, DDS, is located in the Grand Oaks Centre at 39885 Grand River Ave., Suite 100, just west of Haggerty Road in Novi.



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Offering quality care for every patient in their Novi office are, from left, standing: Kathy and Dr. Woody; seated: Erin, Brenda, and Chris. Not pictured: Maureen.

David Woody, DDS

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David A. Woody, DDS and staff invite you to join them at their convenient location in Grand Oaks Centre, located on the south side of Grand River Avenue, just west of Haggerty, in Novi. This family-oriented local practice is dedicated to quality care and friendly service.

Every effort has been made to provide for your comfort. The décor is attractive and soothing. Patient care rooms are discreetly appointed with a relaxing view through private windows. CD's, DVD movies, and nitrous oxide sedation are available upon request. Warm towels are offered after treatment — creating a "First

Class" environment. His caring team is intent on making you comfortable.

Dr. Woody has invested in the latest dental technology. Intraoral cameras and an interactive DVD system help explain treatment needs and options, a laser is used to help diagnose decay, and Air Abrasion may be used to remove decay without the need for numbing and drilling. A state of the art sterilization system provides for your safety.

As a general practice, the office provides a full range of dental procedures, with an emphasis on preventive care and a special interest in cosmetic dentistry.

Recent innovations have made it possible for everyone to improve their smile through cosmetic dentistry. Procedures range from tooth-colored fillings, natural appearing crowns and bridges, and beautiful porcelain veneers that mask worn teeth, close spaces and balance smiles without braces.

Particularly popular is tooth whitening, a simple procedure with dazzling results. The new ZOOM2! System, as seen on Extreme Makeover, will whiten teeth in one office visit. Take home kits, with custom trays and professional strength gels, are also available and currently on sale.

Dr. Woody's team has been with him for many years and many patients know the team members by name. This stability creates a more trusting environment — which is extremely important between a patient and their doctor.

Dr. David A. Woody is a member of the Academy of General Dentistry, Michigan Dental Association, and Oakland County Dental Society.

A graduate of the University of Michigan Dental School, Dr. Woody and his family are long time residents of Novi.

Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic

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The Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic is a little reminiscent of the old country doctor's practice. It is set in a rural background where the atmosphere is relaxed and friendly and where the staff of professionals really care about their patients — your pets.

The business began in 1972 by Dr. Carol Geake and has evolved from a small caretaker's house to a more modern structure, built in 2001. Dr. Geake raises and shows Arabian Horses on the 10-acre site and children visiting the clinic often have fun visiting the horses, too.

The staff at Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic has also evolved, with a growing number of dedicated, small-animal veterinarians who really care about their patients and their patients' families.

"We have very good people who are very softhearted," said Dr. Geake. "Our doctors love what they do."

"Our staff is driven to ask the question, 'what is best for your pet?'," said Janet Talbot, Practice Manager for Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic. "If we know the answer, we can develop a protocol of treatment for the pet."

The staff's care for the pets goes beyond just normal examinations, too. Senior pets, who may require more care, are asked to be seen twice a year instead of once.

"We want to look for any potential problems before they become a problem," Janet added. "We often find early problems that can be corrected by very simple measures, such as a change in diet."

Visitors to Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic see a cheerfully landscaped exterior. Stepping inside, it is obvious that the clinic is very clean and fresh — something that pet owners should expect.

"The inside of the building is up-to-date —



The friendly staff of professionals at Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic include veterinarians, technicians, and office staff who truly care about their patients.



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Practice Manager Janet Talbot gets a "thank you" from one of the many patients.

like it should be," said Janet.

The clinic is a full-service general practice. These services include annual wellness visits, routine vaccination, puppy and kitten wellness visits, and a Silver Whisker Program for senior pets. Some staff veterinarians also care for exotic pets, such as ferrets, rabbits, and reptiles.

Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic doctors are trained in small animal soft tissue surgery. This includes, but is not limited to spay, neuter, surgical declaw, and abdominal surgeries. The surgery suite includes monitoring equipment to aid in a safe surgical recovery.

Staffer Dr. Kimberly Berrie is available for patients who may have house training, separation anxiety, or other behavior issues.

Dr. Geake said one of the favorite parts of her job is talking with pet owners and getting

to know them.

"I'd rather be a good friend and confidant," she said. "I have found out that people in the Northville community take very good care of their pets. They practice preventive care for parasitic organisms such as heartworm, fleas, ticks, and other internal parasites. Such parasites can transmit serious human diseases, and we feel that these preventive measures in pets contribute greatly to overall community health."

Hidden Spring Veterinary Clinic is open six days a week. For pet owner's convenience, the clinic is open until 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Appointments are preferred.

The clinic is located at 48525 W. Eight Mile Road, west of Beck Road. For more information call (248) 349-2598.

— By John R. Hall