



## Seen & Overheard

### JUST TAKIN' HIS SWEET OLD TIME.

Garrison Keillor showed up in Kettering on Monday afternoon to do a little poetry reading and meet his fans at Books & Co. Feeling a bit shaggy, he mentioned to the store's coordinator of such events, Sharon Kelly Roth, that he wanted to visit a stylist for a little work on his hair. She got him in a cab down to O'Ney's at Rahn and Far Hills, where all went well until about 5:30 p.m., when Roth got a call from Keillor: "I think I went the wrong way. I'm at Whipp and (Ohio) 48." Indeed he had, and he didn't have a cell phone. Keillor was calling from a pay phone and was down to his last quarter, and Roth almost missed the call. Meanwhile, there were 400 people in the store waiting to see their prairie home companion. Keillor turned down a ride, saying he'd hoof it. Roth nervously waited on Far Hills near l'Auberge to keep an eye out for him ("I didn't want him to pass us by") and finally got in her car and went looking. "There he was, ambling along in front of the Georgetown Apartments, just looking around and having a fine time." Keillor got to the store a few minutes late and stuck around until 11 p.m. signing books.



**GARRISON KEILLOR:**  
Discovering the south suburbs.

— Ron Rollins