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2 pick up petitions for commission race

Ex-officer, attorney first to request forms

By Doug Funke
staff writer

A former city police officer and a local attorney have become the first prospective entrants in this year's race for seats on the Plymouth City Commission.

Jerry Vorva, 36, a student and former city police officer, and John F. Vos III, 49, a lawyer, recently picked up nominating petitions at city hall.

"I feel that the present city administration and present commission has strayed from responsible and prudent government," Vorva said. "I don't think they're financially prudent."

Vorva, a city resident and police officer for 10 years, was fired as a police officer last December for violating departmental policy and showing lack of judgment.

He's challenging that dismissal through

grievance and arbitration procedures.

Vos, who's lived in the city for 20 years, said he's always been interested in politics and finally has decided to heed the urging of others and run.

"We need a tougher blight ordinance — or at least enforcement of it," Vos said. "We need more community participation in Plymouth, in city government and to get more citizens active on committees."

NOMINATING PETITIONS, now available at City Hall, 201 S. Main, must be signed by at least 25 registered city voters but not more than 50 and returned by Tuesday, June 20.

There is no filing fee.

The terms of four commissioners — Mayor Karl Gansler II, R. Jack Kenyon, Robert Jones and James Jabara — expire this year. Several of that group are expected to seek re-election. All may run again.

If nine or more candidates eventually file for commission, a primary election will be conducted Tuesday, Aug. 8, to whittle the field to eight.

The general election will be Tuesday, Nov. 7. The top three vote-getters at that time win four-year terms; the fourth-best finisher, a two-year term.

THE CITY COMMISSION approves the city budget and local ordinances, sets the city tax rate, rules on rezoning (land use) requests and sets general municipal policy.

The commission also hires the city manager, the chief administrative officer in the city and the city attorney.

Commissioners are paid \$10 per meeting, the mayor \$20. The mayor is elected from among its ranks by the commissioners. The commission generally meets twice a month.



Jerry Vorva



John F. Vos III
lawyer may run for city office

Festival plans, ideas backed

Suggestions by an ideas committee to spice up Plymouth's Fall Festival were roundly endorsed for the most part during a special meeting of the festival's board of directors last week.

Now it's up to community groups, civic organizations and local retailers to step forward and sponsor individual events, said Michael Pollard, president of the festival board.

"What we hope to accomplish is the festival will have a new look and feel, and people will enjoy themselves even more than in the past," Pollard said.

"The exciting thing is the board has listened to feedback from the community," he said.

The festival in recent years has been criticized for being too food-oriented.

THE BOARD is looking for prospective sponsors of:

• A country fair concession involving such activities as children's



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Success for Salem

Jill Estey attempts to advance the ball while Ayana Nash of Plymouth Canton tries to impede her progress. Ayana Nash of Plymouth Canton and Estey defeated the former No. 1-ranked Chiefs 2-0 Friday night, becoming the state's top-ranked soccer team. See story on Page 1C.

Rouge fish unsafe, PCB tests reveal

By Peggy Aulino
staff writer

This is no fish story. Don't eat anything you catch in the Rouge River.

That bit of advice might seem an obvious rule to live by, but it was issued as a recommendation last week by the Michigan Department of Public Health.

State environmentalists discovered unsafe levels of PCBs in fish taken from the area of Phoenix Lake. The lake straddles the townships limits of Northville and Plymouth and feeds the Rouge River.

"There are people who are sustenance fishermen. They fish for food and many times they don't heed the advice" of public health officials, said Larry Chadzynski, chief of the state department's Center for Environmental Health Sciences.

Chadzynski said the state has not received complaints of PCB-related illnesses because of Rouge fish consumption. And contaminated fish would have to be eaten continuously over a long period of time before ill-

ness would occur. But he said the levels were sufficient for the department to issue a warning.

Skin conditions that "can be disfiguring" are commonly associated with PCB poisoning, Chadzynski said. Long-term effects are not known, he said.

The department's advisory covers the Middle Branch of the Rouge, downstream from the dam at Phoenix Lake, and the Main Branch, downstream from Ford Road to where the river empties into the Detroit River.

The species of fish that were tested and deemed unsuitable for consumption are: Northern pike, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, bullheads, channel catfish, carp and white suckers.

Chadzynski said the Department of Natural Resources is conducting an investigation to determine the source of the contamination. He said the culprit could be someone who dumped something into the system or it could have come from runoff.

Probation is set for interfering with cop

By Doug Funke
staff writer

A Canton woman convicted of interfering with a police officer in conjunction with an alleged trespass last spring at a Plymouth church received a deferred sentence last week from Judge James Garber in 35th District Court.

Cecile T. Jean, 45, was directed to report to the court's probation department monthly for 10 months, ordered to do five days of community service work and assessed court costs of \$100.

Garber will review the case after 10 months and make a formal disposition that could range from a \$100 fine and up to 90 days in jail to dismissal.

"If she does stay out of trouble,

and I suspect she will, the likelihood is the case will be dismissed and she won't have a (criminal) record," Garber said.

The case was unusual in that legal precedents couldn't be found to mesh with the facts peculiar to the incident.

JEAN WAS TICKETED for trespassing last May 9 after she refused to leave parish meetings in the rectory at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church.

She also was ticketed for interfering with an officer when she fell to her knees forcing police to carry her out.

Garber subsequently dismissed the trespassing charge on very narrow factual grounds and because she

had no criminal intent.

A jury took 10 minutes to convict Jean on the interfering charge after a daylong trial in February.

Jean maintained her innocence Monday in a statement to Garber prior to sentencing.

"I'm not a criminal but an innocent victim caught in the middle and left holding the bag because of others' misjudgment," Jean said.

Later, she said she thought Garber's deferred sentence was fair.

JEAN'S LAWYER, Robert Roether, unsuccessfully sought to obtain a directed verdict of not guilty prior to sentencing.

"I think Mrs. Jean was engaged in First Amendment issues — freedom

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Growing financial losses closed store, owner says

The owner of Pease Paint on Main in Plymouth said mounting financial losses prompted him to suddenly close the business for good at the end of the day Saturday, April 15.

"My account was cleaned out. There is no money left," said Sheldon Laxer, a West Bloomfield resident who bought the business in June 1987.

"It was never making a lot of money," Laxer said. "It was either break even or a small profit."

All customer accounts will be made good, he said.

"We've called everybody that's called us," Laxer said. "We've gone through our files."

Employees were paid for hours worked and one additional week, he said.

THE OWNER of the building, William R. Robinson, reportedly is in Florida and unavailable for comment.

Liz Richardson, Robinson's daughter, read a statement attributed to her father.

"The business was sold to Sheldon

Laxer," she said. "He discontinued paying his rent. He went out of business. There's litigation pending."

Richardson declined further comment.

Laxer said he worked at Knopow's — a retail decorating chain — for 17 years before buying Pease Paint.

"I decided it was time to try myself," Laxer said. "But that wasn't the neighborhood to do it."

Competition, high rent, an inability

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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

It may be OK for geese to feed in, but state Department of Public Health officials say fish

from the middle Rouge River shouldn't be eaten because of unsafe levels of PCBs.

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Car and radios stolen from Pontiac dealer

Thirty car radios with an aggregate value of \$24,000 and a blue 1989 Grand Am worth \$14,000 were reported stolen last week from Bob Joannette Pontiac on Sheldon Road.

The thief or thieves cut through a fence, then broke windows on new and used cars on the lot, police reports indicate. The incident occurred between 6 p.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday.

Damage to the vehicles was estimated at more than \$11,000.

A car reported stolen from Ann Arbor was discovered by township police in the Metro West Industrial Park near the Joannette dealership at 1:05 a.m. last Thursday.

Police suspect the incidents are related, said Carl Berry, township police chief. There are no suspects, he added.

DRUNKEN DRIVING: A 24-year-

crime watch

old Westland man was arrested for drunken driving on Judson near Ball at 2:41 a.m. Wednesday. He initially was stopped for using the driveway of a private business to make a prohibited turn.

GAS STATION ROBBED: Doug's Plymouth Standard at Ann Arbor Trail and Main was robbed early Friday of cash and checks totaling more than \$1,000.

Plymouth police said the owner of the Amoco station was unable to find

the deposit bag in the office when he arrived at work Friday. There was no sign of forced entry. The gas station door was closed, but unlocked. The office door was locked.

VAN STOLEN: A 1984 white Ford van was stolen from the Saxton's Garden Center parking lot on Ann Arbor Trail sometime between April 19 and 21. The owner said all his van keys are accounted for. The van is

valued at \$12,000.

STORE BURGLARIZED: Sometime between April 18 and 20, two brown marble spa shells valued at \$1,500 were taken from Corawell Pool & Patio on Ann Arbor Road.

Police said they were taken from the storage area to the rear of the business. A 50-foot segment of fence had been removed.

These are just some of the incidents recently reported to or by Plymouth police. Phone 453-3869 to contact township police and 453-8800 or 9-1-1 to reach city police.

— compiled by M.B. Dillon and Doug Funke

Probation set for interfering with cop

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of speech, freedom of religion, freedom to assemble," he said.

Garber denied the motion. He ruled that police have a right to ar-

rest when they have reasonable grounds to believe that a misdemeanor was committed in their presence.

Jean said she's more disappointed in changes she said have been imple-

mented by her parish — closing commission meetings except by invitation and requiring pastoral approval to seek election to the parish council — than what's happened to her personally.

"I think it terribly limits parishioners' right to involvement in their church," Jean said.

Parish officials said it's their policy to refuse comment on internal matters.

Jean, a parishioner for nearly 16 years, said she doesn't intend to switch parishes now.

"That's my church. That's where my children were baptized. That's where they were raised," Jean said.

Board backs ideas for city's fall festival

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games and face painting.
• A video games booth.

• A shuttle transportation service from outlying parking areas to the downtown festival site. Retailers will be approached

about incorporating such events as fashion shows and flower displays into the festival, Pollard said.

"We'll contact the Plymouth Historical Museum and ask them if they'll be kind enough to hold craft areas outdoors," Pollard said.

The board will also explore the possibility of arranging an autograph session with one or more sports celebrities, he added.

cians will be asked to provide entertainment during the four-day festival Sept. 7-10.

A booth decorating contest to dovetail with this year's theme — Harvest Time Around the World — also is planned, Pollard said.

Opening Night will be designated Senior Citizens Night, which should complement the Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club Bingo, Pollard said.

A mini auto show has been reject-

ed — "there just isn't enough room," Pollard said — and the chili cookoff is iffy due to concerns about availability of space and health department regulations.

"There was some genuine excitement over new items," Pollard said of last week's board meeting. "It was almost that the need for change was a given."

The festival board meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in City Hall, 201 S. Main.

'No money left' — paint store owner

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ty to do high volume business and unexpectedly slow sales of mini-blinds and verticals all played a role in the store's demise, Laxer said.

"COMPETITION GOT tougher, especially in wall covering," he said. "Everybody's discounting wallpaper today."

Personal property taxes amounting to \$1,039 on fixtures and equipment at the business are owed by Laxer, said Ken Way, city assessor.

Laxer said he hadn't drawn a personal salary from the business since last November, and he's fortunate that his wife has a paying job.

Laxer said he made the decision to pull the plug without advance notice after talking with his lawyer the morning of April 15.

"He said you might as well end it," Laxer said.

Inventory has been placed in storage. "I haven't decided what I'm going to do — give it to liquidators, give it to the landlord," Laxer said.

THEATER GROUPS and musi-

Parking plan for Stahl receives commission OK

A revised site plan for a parking lot at Stahl Manufacturing on Junction was approved last week by the Plymouth Planning Commission.

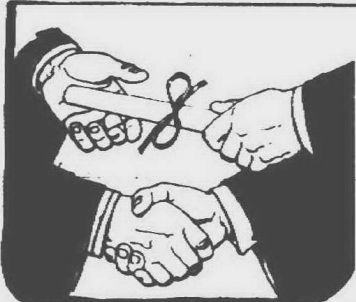
Stahl has until June 1 to complete the work or else face court action for operating a business without necessary approvals, said Ken West, city engineer.

Residential neighbors of the automotive supplier have complained for almost a year about haphazard parking, poor drainage, dust, litter and noise at the site.

Problems arose when Stahl consolidated operations and expanded its work force in Plymouth. The company modified its parking lot and plant without first obtaining city approvals and building permits.

The parking lot site plan approved by the planning commission calls for an asphalt surface, a retaining/screening wall 10 feet high, a lighting system and a storm drainage system, West said.

The lot will have capacity for 283 cars.



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Her house calls help make buyers happy

By Peggy Aulino
staff writer

Cris Kuharich has been poking around houses since she was a child. Now, instead of being sent home by the police after being caught in a home under construction, she gets paid for pursuing her interest.

Kuharich, a 34-year-old Canton resident, is the owner of Home Investment Security Inc. The company inspects houses and issues a report

on the condition of the place for home buyers.

"I go in your closets. I shake your shelves. I either through crawl space. I stick my head in the freezer to see if it works," Kuharich said in describing some of her duties.

Kuharich is typically called upon by a potential buyer after he or she has signed a pre-purchase agreement. Her job is to make sure the buyer doesn't get any unwelcome surprises upon moving in — like a

basement that floods or a major appliance that doesn't work.

The most fruitful places are attics and crawl spaces, which she said are "like gold mines to an inspector."

"If there's a problem with leaking roofs, you're going to find it in an attic," she said. And if the foundation is cracked or there are problems with plumbing lines or electrical wiring, those will show up during after a trip through the crawl space.

The inspection can take three to four hours. The result is an "unbiased" 30-page report detailing the strengths and weaknesses of the structure.

"I'm not here to pass or fail a home. The only person who can do that is the buyer. I'm there to tell you what the working components are," she said.

Kuharich sometimes has quite an entourage with her during the inspection. There's her client (the buyer), the seller, a real estate agent and perhaps the buyer's parents.

"It gets a little cramped," she said, but having all those people there can expedite the settling of details. If some small repair job needs to be done, the seller might agree on the spot to take care of it, for instance.

Kuharich's clients are often first-time home buyers, who she said are sometimes driven by impulse.

"Buying a home is an emotional thing," she said. "You're attached to this. You've found your dream home. You're already placing furniture in your mind."

It usually doesn't occur to such people to turn on the shower and make sure it works or to look for water marks in the cellar.

In the nearly two years she's been in business, Kuharich said she has been "surprised how many people spend 10 or 15 minutes in a house, then say they like it because it feels warm."

"They don't notice that the thermostat's jacked up and there are space heaters everywhere," she said.

Kuharich came to house inspecting from the construction field. Before that, however, she was a teacher.

"Loved the job. No money," she said in explaining her career change. But there remains in her a bit of



Kuharich inspects joists and insulation.



Kuharich checks the flashing around the chimney.

photos by BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

the teacher. Her service — for which she charges 10 cents per square foot up to 2,000 square feet and 5 cents thereafter — includes providing clients with information on how to make basic repairs.

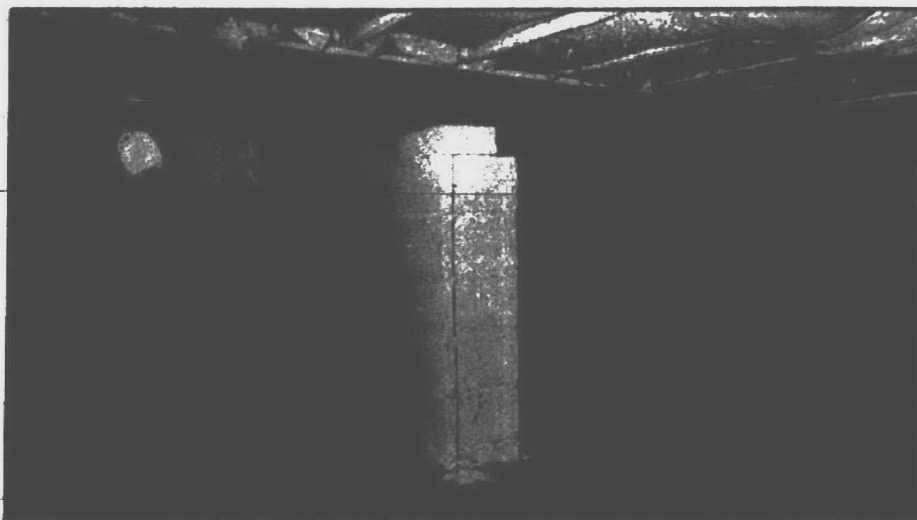
Being a female in a traditionally male field has not hurt her business,

Kuharich said.

"First-time home buyers, especially men, are more receptive to having a woman tell them how easy it is to caulk," she said.

Sometimes, she has found herself explaining even more basic aspects of owning a home. Kuharich once

went to show a client how to change the filter in a furnace. When she opened its door, the woman who was buying the house gasped: "There's a fire in my furnace." To which the real estate agent replied: "But darling, there's supposed to be a flame in there."



Crawl space is inspected.

Teen in coma after accident

Carolyn Morrison, 15, of Plymouth Township was listed in guarded condition at St. Mary Hospital late Friday.

Morrison was taken to St. Mary after being injured in an accident on Ann Arbor Road April 15.

Morrison, a sophomore at Ladywood High School in Livonia, was hurt when the car in which was traveling hit a pickup truck.

Morrison is still in a coma, according to Plymouth police.

The driver of the Mustang GT,

Kristin Rae Olli, 16, of Walled Lake, and the backseat passenger, Lisa DeLong, 15, of Livonia were hurt but didn't receive life-threatening injuries, said Plymouth Police Chief Richard Myers.

The driver of the Chevrolet pickup, Cecil Kisseburg, 51, of Ypsilanti, was treated and released from St. Mary.

According to witnesses, Olli was eastbound on Ann Arbor Road, east of Main Street, when she made a wide left turn into the path of the

westbound truck at about 12:30 a.m.

Olli was attempting to enter the Wishy Washy car wash parking lot, a popular gathering spot for teens, said Myers.

Myers said Olli "may have misjudged the amount of time she had to make the turn."

Witnesses said Kisseburg, traveling alone, wasn't speeding.

Alcohol was not a factor in the accident, Myers said.

The last fatal accident in Plymouth occurred in the 1970s.

Register to vote by May 15

If you're interested in participating in the upcoming school election but aren't yet registered, you have until May 15 to sign up to vote.

Eligible are residents of the Plymouth-Canton school district who will be 18 or older by June 12, the day of the election.

Voters may register at township or city hall, the secretary of state's office or at schools throughout the district, where secretaries have been deputized.

To be decided June 12 are two millage proposals. One seeks an ad-

ditional 4 mills for two years. The other is a request for an 8-mill renewal. Voters also will determine who will fill one four-year term on the school board.

For more information, call the school district at 451-3120.



Soaring goals

Plymouth's Dunning Hough Librarian Mary Ann Pinkerton lends a hand to David Edford, 10, as David Pilon, 11, looks on during a life workshop last week. The project was

launched to introduce the young people to life books and other books on spring activities, Pinkerton said.

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community calendar

• LWV MEETING

Saturday, April 28 — The League of Women Voters will hold its annual business meeting at 10 a.m. at Canton High School, 100 E. Main, Northville. Lunch cost is \$10. Call Pat Wright, 349-1215, before April 24 for reservations.

• PAW PRINTS REUNION

Saturday, May 6 — Plymouth Paw Prints former 4-H Dog Obedience club are trying to locate alumni. If you are a former member or know someone who is, please call Edna Terry at 453-5763.

• HOMESOUND FRIENDS

The Friends of the Canton Public Library, a volunteer support group, is hoping to provide homesound library services to Canton residents soon. If you have the need, they want to know. Call the Friends at 397-0999.

• SENIOR AIDE PROGRAM

The Senior Aide Program, an employment program for lower income workers age 55 and over has current openings in the Plymouth area. Enrollees work 20 hours a week in community service programs and receive an average salary of \$3.58 per hour plus benefits. Older workers interested in entering or re-entering the job market should contact the Senior Aide office at 493-1418.

• STORYTIME REGISTRATION

Toddler: Ages 2-3½. Registration begins 10 a.m. Monday, April 24 in person, and 10:30 a.m. by phone if there are any openings. Two sessions are planned, 10 and 11 a.m. May 1, with each session running approximately 20 minutes. We request that you make arrangements for siblings as parents must participate in storytime. Preschool: Ages 3½-5. Registration will be in person at 10 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. by phone if there are any openings, on Wednesday, April 26. Storytime begins Wednesday, May 3, with one session at 10 a.m. and another session at 1 p.m. Each session lasts approximately 30 minutes. Parents must remain in library.

• AMNESTY VIGIL

Friday, April 28 — The Salem High School chapter of Amnesty International will be holding a vigil 8-10 p.m. in Kellogg park. At night fall candles will be lighted to honor those who have died or are in prison for standing up for human rights. For more information, call 453-9346.

• FREE TREE SEEDLINGS

Saturday, April 29 — The Canton Township Beautification Committee will be distributing tree seedlings to residents from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. The seedlings range from 6-14 inches in height and are of the following variety: scotch pine, douglas fir, blue spruce, silky dogwood, autumn olive, honeysuckle, whiteash and flowering dogwood. Proof of residency will be required. Limit will be 6 seedlings per family. For more information, call 397-1000, Ext. 251.

• GARAGE SALE

Saturday, April 29 — The Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club will sponsor a garage sale from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Plymouth Gathering. Donations of household items, clothing, furniture needed. Call 425-2935, 459-4609, 453-8341, 453-7569.

• BAZAAR

Saturday, May 6 — The seniors at Tonquish Creek Manor will be having an arts and crafts bazaar from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 6, in their community room. Tonquish Creek Manor is at 1160 Sheridan, two blocks west of Main Street off of Ann Arbor Trail. A raffle will be held, prizes will include a hand-tied quilt. Raffle tickets are available in advance at the office. For more information, call 455-8460.

• TIGERS GAME

Saturday, May 6 — The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring the first in a series of family trips to see the Detroit Tigers play. The bus leaves Canton Township Administration Building parking lot at 12:45 p.m. The cost, \$7.50 per person, includes ticket and bus transportation. Call 397-5110 for further details.

• FLEA MARKET

Saturday, May 6 — The "50 and Over Club" of Knights of Columbus, will sponsor the Biggest Little Flea Market from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the K of C Grounds, Mill Street (Lilley Road) between Ann Arbor Road and Ann Arbor Trail. The cost is \$15 per table or 2 for \$25. Space can be reserved by calling: 459-0113 or 453-3866.

• SPREE

Spree (seniors with physical restrictions for enrichment and enjoyment), co-sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton Therapeutic Recreation Program and the Canton Seniors, has carefully planned activities such as crafts, movies and exercise. Plymouth-Canton community residents age 55 or older with limited mobility due to arthritis, injury or illness

are eligible to participate in Spree. The group will meet 12:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesdays. There is no fee, but people should call for a reservation at 397-5424.

• FOOD FOR SENIORS

The Canton Recreation Center at Michigan Avenue and Sheldon is an official food distribution site for Focus: Hope, a food for seniors program, which provides monthly food to Canton senior citizens. Eligible Canton residents may pick up quantities of juice, meat, dry beans, peanut butter, egg mix, cheese and other items. To determine if you are eligible, call 397-1000, Ext. 278.

• ADULT STUTTERING THERAPY

Wednesday evenings — An Adult Stuttering Therapy Group is being formed by the Department of Speech Pathology at the Oakwood Canton Health Center in Canton. Participants will learn techniques to control dysfluency, as well as discuss social and emotional problems often related to stuttering. The group will meet on Wednesday 5:30-8:30 p.m. For more information, call Janice Pagano at 459-7030. The Oakwood Canton Health Center is at 7300 Canton Center Road in Canton.

• PROJECT COLLEGE BOUND

Tuition assistance, personal development workshops, tutoring and job-placement support are being offered to a limited number of 18- to 21-year-olds who are interested in enrolling at Schoolcraft College for spring semester. A high school diploma or GED is not necessary for enrollment at Schoolcraft College. For more information, call Growth Works Inc. at 455-4090 and ask for Jim Grimmer.

• LITTLE TOTS

Little Tots of Plymouth Day Nursery has opened a new center in the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 12401 Ridge Road, one-half mile west of Beck and one block south of N. Territorial Road. The business is licensed by the state Department of Social Services for day care and nursery school programming. Little Tots is for ages 1 year to kindergarten. For information, call 459-9494.

• TINY TOTS

Tiny Tots Nursery School has a few openings for 3- or 4-year-olds. Two- or three-day-a-week classes are offered. Classes are held at the Plymouth Salvation Army. For information, call 453-5464.

• FREE JOB TRAINING

Eligible western Wayne County residents who are unemployed or under-employed who wish to obtain job skills and full-time employment may register now for free job training this fall in the following areas:

Clerical, accounting/computing, electronics, restaurant occupations, health occupations, auto repair, photo typesetting. The training is offered at the Employment and Training Center, William D. Ford Vocational/Technical Center of Wayne-Westland Schools. The center is at 36455 Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne Roads. For an appointment, call 595-2314.

• SENIOR CHORE SERVICE

The Romulus Help Center of Western Wayne Chore Program has been funded for 1989.

The program is funded by Senior Alliance and provides assistance with household maintenance tasks that may include leaf raking, snow removal and grass cutting. Individuals must be age 60 or older and live in Canton, Plymouth or Plymouth Township. For more information, call the Romulus Help Center chore program at 942-7555.

• NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The Plymouth Police Department is organizing a Neighborhood Watch program for city residents. Anyone interested in becoming involved in the program may call 453-8600 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. The program is for protection against residential break-ins and burglaries.

• SENIOR CITIZENS

The Senior Network will answer questions and help solve problems for people 60 and older. The program, provided by the Out-Wayne County Area Council on Aging, has information about programs and services for older people. Call 422-1052 between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

• HANDYMEN AVAILABLE

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging has senior handymen available to do work. Call 453-1234, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

• COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Canton Flotilla 11-11 meets at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in Room 2910 of Plymouth Salem High School on Joy just west of Canton Center Road. Anyone interested in the organization may attend monthly meetings.

• FOUR APPLE II

Computers are available for pub-

lic use in the Dunning-Hough Library, 325 S. Main, Plymouth. Children younger than age 14 will be required to attend a training workshop or pass a users test. Children younger than age 8 must be accompanied by a parent while using the computer. All patrons must have a library card and must sign a responsibility card also signed by a parent or guardian. Once the responsibility card is on file at the library, patrons may reserve computer time and software. Rules and instructions for using the computers, the responsibility card and a list of software are available at the library. For more

information, call 453-0750.

• SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Out-Wayne County Human Services Inc. provides hot, nutritious meals five days a week to people 60 years of age and older in both Plymouth and Canton. Reservations must be made 24 hours in advance at the following sites:

Plymouth: Tonquish Manor, 1160 Sheridan. Site manager is Mary Bengtson, 453-9703.

Canton: Canton Township Recreation Center, Michigan Avenue at Sheldon. Site manager Madeline

Carpenter, 397-1000, Ext. 278.

Home-delivered meals are provided to eligible senior citizens who are homebound and unable to attend the nutrition site. Volunteers to deliver the homebound meals always are needed for both sites. For home delivery information, call 453-3523.

• TAX ASSISTANCE

Free income tax assistance will be available to Canton, Northville and Plymouth residents starting Feb. 6. Volunteer tax-aide counselors trained by the IRS will operate at the following sites from Feb. 6 through April 15:

• Canton Recreation Center, 44237 Michigan, Canton, 9:30 a.m. to noon Monday and 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday; for appointment, call 397-1000, Ext. 278.

• Royal Holiday Trailer Park, 39500 Warren, Canton, 1-4 p.m. Thursday; for appointment, call 397-1000, Ext. 278.

• Northville Senior Center, 31300 Taft Road, Northville, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday and 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday; for appointment, call 349-4140.

• Tonquish Creek, 1160 Sheridan, Plymouth, 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. Tuesday; walk-in.

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Exec fights N'west takeover

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, in a letter to Michigan's Congressional delegation, has announced his opposition to the proposed Northwest Airlines takeover bid.

In the letter, McNamara said a takeover could jeopardize the future of Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

"It appears the group attempting to take over Northwest will finance the purchase by selling off the company's future," McNamara said. "In doing so, they are selling off the fu-

ture of Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County airport at the expense of all residents of southeastern Michigan."

U.S. Rep. Robert Carr, D-East Lansing, said he was considering legislation to block a Northwest takeover.

McNamara said he was worried the takeover could produce heavy debt for the airline, forcing it to sell off property its parent company owns in Japan as well as its Far East service.

Such action would "diminish" its

ability to expand and continue its economic growth," McNamara said.

IT WAS the first official comment from the executive on the takeover bid.

Northwest accounts for more than half the passenger flights at the county-operated airport.

A takeover bid by Los Angeles financier Marvin Davis has been launched against NWA, Inc. the airline's parent company.

Davis made his offer to stockholders Thursday. The airline urged stockholders to reject the offer.

The take over could be "devastating" for Northwest's 6,000 area employees, McNamara said.

It could also jeopardize planned non-stop flights to the Far East and Europe that would "make Metro truly an international airport," the county executive wrote.

Airport operations are financed by the airlines through landing fees — a user fee levied against the number of flights using the airport.



"It appears the group attempting to take over Northwest will finance the purchase by selling off the company's future. In doing so, they are selling off the future of Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County airport."
— Edward H. McNamara
county executive

Census set for next April 1 — no fooling

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

Numbers were the topic of conversation last week when U.S. census official Dwight Dean addressed a meeting of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments.

The census is nearly a year away — it will be held on April Fool's Day — and Dean was at Edison headquarters downtown to deliver a status report and to appeal for help from local officials as the national day of counting heads approaches.

The numbers ranged from the huge (the 250 million citizens the census expects to find) to the relatively small (two to three, the number of months field workers will be hired on for).

Other numbers discussed:

- \$35 billion — that's the amount of federal money, such as health and human services funds, that is allocated annually back to states and counties based directly on local census counts.

- 106 million — that's how many questionnaires the Postal Service will mail out on March 23.

- 435 — the number of seats in the House of Representatives. As population changes from state to state, that number remains a constant, which means that House districts are redrawn every 10 years. Michigan is expected to lose one or two of its 19 seats in the House.

- 8 — the number of local census offices yet to open up in southeastern Michigan, including three in De-

troit and five in the suburbs. Census officials are looking for sites and negotiating leases, but offices are planned for Rochester Hills, western Wayne County, Mount Clemens and Downriver. There are two offices already open, one in Southfield and one in Detroit.

- 500-600 — the number of temporary employees that will be hired for each office. Eighty percent will be enumerators in the field, with one crew leader for each eight enumerators and one field supervisor for 40 crew leaders. There also will be clerical positions and a district office manager for each office.

"The better they do their job, the faster they do it, the quicker they're out of a job," said Dean.

- 75-80 percent — that's the rate of return of completed and returned questionnaires. The enumerators are needed to track down the other 20-25 percent.

- The most important numbers of all, to those hired, anyway, involve rates of pay. Office managers will make \$14 an hour, field supervisors \$7.50, crew leaders \$6.50, enumerators \$5.50 and clerical workers from \$5-7.

Law enforcement job fair set

A job fair for those interested in jobs with public law enforcement departments or private security companies will be 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, at Schoolcraft College-Radcliff, Garden City.

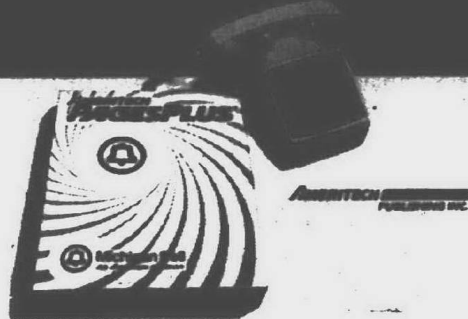
Representatives from the FBI, U.S. Marshal's Office, Michigan

State Police, local departments, the Dallas Police Department and private security companies will be accepting job applications.

The campus is at 1751 Radcliff, off Ford Road east of Wayne Road. Additional information is available by calling Elaine Gerage, 462-4421.

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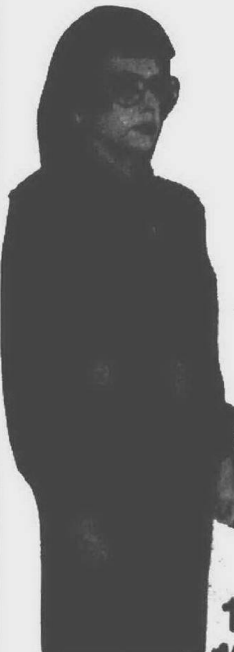


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With the 1990s quickly approaching, isn't it time you discovered what it's going to take to survive and thrive throughout the next decade? The first two lectures examine women's roles in the past and the coping skills they'll need to help them make it through the 90s. The third lecture is for everyone who wants to learn to laugh more at life and turn that laughter into a way to build a healthier outlook on life. All lectures are presented by mental health professionals from Mercywood Health Building.

May 10

**Why do I feel crazy?
The impact of gender roles on women**

This lecture examines the roles women have played as well as survival skills they've developed to cope with their various roles. There will also be a close look at which skills are effective and which are not.

Registration Deadline: May 5

May 17

**Developing useful tools:
How to dig yourself out of the rut**

This lecture focuses on how we interpret events in our lives and how we can maintain a healthy outlook by more closely examining the way we think. Also discussed will be the importance of women's relationships and networking as ways to not only survive, but to grow to our potential.

Registration Deadline: May 12

May 24

The power of laughter and play in good health

Milton Berle once said that "Laughter is like an instant vacation." This discussion focuses on how keeping a healthy perspective on life can help you manage a busy schedule — and take those needed "vacations." At the same time, your perspective has a powerful influence on your physical health. You'll learn how to bring more laughter and play into your life and how to use humor as a coping skill. This lecture is back by popular demand and is suggested for both men and women.

Registration Deadline: May 19

All lectures are from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. in the Mercywood Health Building cafeteria on the Catherine McAuley Health Center Huron River Drive campus. Seating is limited, so please register early. Refreshments will be served. Each lecture is \$5 or \$12 for all three. Visa and Mastercard are accepted for phone registration. Please call 572-5946. There is no charge for Catherine McAuley Health Center employees.

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from our readers

Tax process protested

To the editor:
Being a Plymouth resident, I learned the hard way the facts on the new assessment policy, implemented by the city of Plymouth. Last year, 1988, in receiving the maximum increase on my property assessment, I exercised my right and appeared before the Plymouth Board of Review with all my facts. I was successful in having my assessment reduced (so I thought at the time).

This year, 1989, my assessment was increased the full maximum again, plus, the difference from my 1988 reduction for a total of 21 percent. In calling the Plymouth City Hall, I learned of the new Plymouth policy whereby everyone with a reduced assessment from the previous year was having the difference added to the 1989 assessment.

Once again I appeared before the Plymouth Board of Review and have just received two letters stating that my assessment was reduced, but only by the difference from 1988. I am still left with the maximum increase for 1989.

After all that — it hardly seems fair. Where is the justice? Is there anything to be done about the new assessment policy from the city of Plymouth? Although the Observer did warn it's readers about heavy assessments for the next five years, I am still one angry Plymouth resident.

Z. Karassy,
Plymouth

Graham was off base

To the editor:
In today's Plymouth Observer, M.B. Dillon reported that school board member Barbara Graham recently disrupted a class at Plymouth-Canton High School.

According to Graham, she "had time to kill" and "wanted to just walk around." She went on to say that she "got up into the English department . . . where some of our controversy comes from."

What is going on? When I "have some time to kill," should I stop by the school system administrative offices for an unannounced visit?

Apparently Graham doesn't believe art or newspapers belong in a

high school English classroom. If a newspaper, such as the Metro Times, containing "romance" ads, doesn't belong in our high school, then we should eliminate The Detroit News and others as well.

Where is Graham coming from when she states that she doesn't feel the high school students are mature enough to handle things like the ads?

Graham is nothing more than a trouble-maker and a self-appointed censor.

She doesn't belong in our classrooms, not to mention on our school board.

Mark R. Childs,
Plymouth-Canton
Class of 1976

Teacher pay too high

To the editor:

The Plymouth-Canton School District threatens us with service cuts and school hour cuts if we don't comply with their demands. Recent studies reported in The Detroit News showed our teachers with nearly the highest wages in the nation. Also, our school administrators making from \$70,000 to \$80,000 per year and for what.

1. A part-time job.
2. 3 months summer vacation.
3. 2 weeks Christmas vacation.
4. 10 day Easter vacation.

If they cut our children's school hours from six to five hours per day, they will also reduce their own hours and will then be working part-time on a daily basis. Teachers should admit that they chose teaching originally for its obvious advantages and be thankful for their high full-time wages for a part time job.

Harold Monet,
Plymouth

Gay column was unfair

To the editor:

I would like to comment on the letter written by David Seemann in regard to John Minuth's C.E.P. Perspective article.

I totally agree with his dispute. The comments aimed at the gay population totally disgust me. What is this world coming to? I thought our society was filled with enough appal-

ling violence, and now I see a high school publication justifying this violence by publishing such a revolting idea.

Yes, Minuth has his rights, and yes, the press has the freedom to publish his opinion; but at what cost to our society? How could anyone in their right mind condone murder?

What a lame justification that the individual was homosexual. What kind of justification is that?

Does sexual preference make one any less a human being? Should that preference take away constitutional rights?

Sadly enough in this violent society, Minuth's opinion is probably shared by many. Bigotry and violence will continue to run rampant as long as we live in the dark ages. Adolph Hitler used preference of the Jewish faith to destroy human beings and spread his hatred and fear.

Just one example Minuth could learn by "doing his homework." Journalism is a powerful force, why not use it to promote humanistic, rather than barbaric, attitudes. Mr. Minuth? As a former staff writer for the C.E.P. Perspective, I am saddened by such irresponsible and misguided opinions.

Lori J. Switzer-Bortell,
Canton

Visit was appropriate

To the editor:

Your editorials of April 20 expressed your opinions regarding my recent visit to Canton High School. You are certainly entitled to your opinion. I am however, entitled to be "judged" a bit more fairly. For instance, what is the source of information from whence you collected the "facts" you printed? Example 1: I am not a member of CBE. CBE chose to support my election because we agree on a number of issues regarding school policies. Example 2: how is it possible for you, or any other adult to state that I "demanded to know the names of students who had read the paper," when I was the only adult in that classroom?

You are entirely correct in stating that "teachers have the right to use acceptable materials in the classroom." Because I took with me a "free" hand-out for class use, does not mean that I had any notion of "censorship" as you accuse. How am

I to be able to make any determinations about materials if I am not allowed to read them?

I fail to see how I have "abused" the system by visiting classrooms here. A bit of research indicates this is now, and has been, a common practice by other board members.

During my visit to Canton High School, I personally viewed a number of circumstances that I considered not to be in the best interest of student education. I did not report these items to the administration or the school board because it is untimely, and can be addressed later. So, if this "issue" gets put to rest so school officials and voters can look at school millages, "perhaps that can best be served when the press stops "gossip mongering".

Barbara Graham — Trustee
Plymouth-Canton Board of Education

Education concerns

To the editor:

Your paper has recently printed a number of very informative articles regarding the 4-mill tax increase and 8-mill renewal proposed for our school district. Although I am not yet a parent I am very concerned about the quality of education the children in this community receive.

All taxpayers should be equally concerned because of the long-term effects on potential leaders of this community. I support the additional 4-mill tax and renewal of the 8-mill tax simply because it is the right thing to do. The Plymouth-Canton school district is one of the largest and best managed in southeastern Michigan. Many people move to this area because they want to raise their family here. I suggest that the Citizens for Better Education attend Board of Education meetings more regularly and also seriously consider subscribing to the Observer & Eclectic. They seem to be focusing their energies on misinformation, and their lack of foresight could potentially cause a hardship to thousands of students.

The article on March 30 by Marybeth Dillon seemed to fairly represent a very small segment of the prevailing opinion in our community. I hope we will hear or read opinions from other citizens.

Mary J. Bati,
Canton resident
and concerned citizen

other voices

Life was great when rules were simpler



Doug Funke

Once upon a time there lived a boy.

He walked to school. Afterwards, he changed into play clothes and met his friends. He stayed on his own block. There were plenty of kids to play with.

The rules were simple. Stay out of the street, tell mom where you're going to be and get home when the street lights come on.

Dinner was at the same time every day. The whole family ate together. A prayer preceded the meal.

His folks inquired about homework every night. They even wanted to look at it. And visit every teacher at school conference time.

No candy, chips and pop on a daily basis for that guy. Bath and Party Night was Friday. Church was Sunday.

The Tooth Fairy, Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny paid regular visits.

His most vivid childhood memory — walking home at dusk one autumn night tossing a football to himself, the scent of burning leaves in the air. What a feeling of security, he thought.

The boy could go from one end of the block to the other and name each family who lived there house by house.

The only crack he knew of was the sound of bat striking ball.

Reading was strongly encouraged by his mom. His dad, who could fix anything, always seemed to be doing something around the house.

The family — all eight kids and the folks — took some wonderful trips together. Soo Locks/Tahquamenon Falls. Daytona Beach, Fla.

The Great Smokey Mountains. Toronto. All by car, too. The boy developed an appreciation for travel from those excursions.

Organized play activities involving teams or lessons were the exception rather than the rule. "Just go outside and play," his mom would say. So he did.

He had a bedtime that his parents made stick. They also monitored what he watched on TV. And gave him regular chores to do around the house.

He loved sports with a passion. Opportunities were made available to get involved, but he was never pushed. Dreams always exceeded performance. But that was all right with him.

The boy remembered only one pet. A small turtle survived only a few days after it was brought home from the lake. The boy was heartbroken when Zip died and never really wanted another.

Time passed. The house grew with the family. He cried when friends moved away. But others came along. He grew, too.

He learned to share. Make do. Get along. And he never seemed to want. Life was great.

Doug Funke is a reporter for the Plymouth Observer.

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County officials seek larger hike in gas tax

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

Members of a state legislative committee got an unusual message when they held a hearing Friday on proposed tax increases: Taxes would not be raised enough under the plan, said a group of representatives from Oakland and Wayne counties.

The three House bills are known by sponsors as the "Safe Roads Packages." They would:

- Increase the state tax on gasoline from 15 cents to 17 cents, raising about \$90 million annually for state transportation needs.

- Add a fee of one cent a gallon to all petroleum products at the refinery level, raising about \$55 million annually.

- Allocate \$14 million of the refinery fees to clean up leaky underground storage tanks.

- Allocate the remaining \$41 million in fees to finance up to \$410 million in bonds for construction and maintenance projects by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

But members of the House Transportation Committee, which met Friday morning at Metro Airport, were told repeatedly by local officials that the money for roads was inadequate and that their constituents would support larger tax increases earmarked for roads.

The officials expressed fears that not enough money would be spent in southeastern Michigan, and urged that the gasoline sales tax be raised by five or six cents a gallon.

WAYNE COUNTY Executive Edward McNamara was the first speaker before the committee, which was chaired by Rep. Curtis Hertel, D-Detroit. Committee member James Kosteva, D-Canton Township, was present, while member Mat Dunaski, R-Lake Orion, was not.

McNamara asked for an increase in the gas tax of six cents.

He said that 40 percent of the 1,415 miles of county roads are classified as inadequate and that 61 of 254 county bridges need major repairs or replacement.

McNamara quoted a state study in 1984 that predicted a shortfall in the county of \$700 million in available funds just to repair road deficiencies, and said that money would have to be found for new roads in and around the airport if development there is to increase.

"Without a source of new revenue, these new roads will not be built and in effect, we have managed to dismember economic development for counties like Wayne and Oakland," McNamara said.

"The cost of continuing to postpone an increase in the statewide gasoline tax would be devastating for Wayne County and all the counties in the state," he said.

OTHER SPEAKERS in favor of a larger tax increase than the two cents the House proposes included Southfield Councilwoman Barbara Talley; Troy city manager Frank Gerstenecker; Del Borgdorff, Ann Arbor city administrator; Wyandotte Mayor Jim DeSapa; and Brent Bair, deputy managing director of the Oakland County Road Commission (see related story).

Bair blasted the current proposals, saying that Oakland County alone needs about \$940 million over the next 10 years to build and maintain roads. He recommended:

- The state fuel tax be increased by two cents a year for each of the next three years.

- Putting half the money into an Economic Development Fund for road improvements in areas they are critically needed, such as Oakland County.

- Increase the percentage of gas tax revenues that go to urban areas.

Talley told the committee that Southfield needs \$71 million in the next six years to build and maintain roads and bridges.

"A two-cent or three-cent gasoline tax is not enough," she said. "In Southfield's opinion, the five-cent gasoline tax will begin to address the needs and alleviate some of the road (and) transportation problems. Just give us the legislation, and Southfield will work to garner the support."

Tax plan splits metro, outstate leaders

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Both parties in the Michigan Legislature are deeply split over the Harden committee's plan to raise the state sales tax a half-cent and earmark the new revenue for schools.

Outstate Republicans and Gov. James J. Blanchard say the \$400 million plan has merit, and they want to add a second ballot proposal to give school property tax relief.

"Dead on the table," replied Senate minority leader Art Miller, D-Warren, and several suburban senators of both parties. They were joined Thursday by Senate Majority Leader John Engler, R-Mount Pleasant, who favors earmarking bigger slices of future general fund pie for education.

The parties will caucus this week to decide their positions. But it's apparent the split is along metro-outstate lines more than along party lines.

"I HAVE a problem with it," said Sen. Richard Fessler, R-Commerce, who favors capping rising property assessments and earmarking more of the state budget for schools.

"Past plans have had a Robin Hood approach. Instead of tearing down those districts at the top, we should bring those at the bottom up."

Fessler said state fees are low — particularly drivers licenses, builders licenses, real estate licenses and state park entry fees. Raising them would ease the pressure on other parts of the state budget, he said, and allow more to be allocated for schools.

Sen. R. Robert Geake, R-Northville, said the Harden plan "does not guarantee a floor of general fund support" for schools. Geake fears new sales money for schools will mean that existing funds are raided for other purposes.

"There are tremendous needs in Corrections, Social Services and Health (departments)," said Geake, an Appropriations Committee member. He opposes Engler's plan of earmarking more of the budget for schools because "If we start for one purpose, that will spark calls for earmarking from others."

SEN. JACK Faxon, R-Farmington Hills, said a flat "no" because "there's no relief from the exorbitant property tax increases."

"I would support one cent for property tax relief," he said. "That would be simple. The more (complex a proposal) you present, the more likely you'll defeat them all."

Sen. George Z. Hart, D-Deerborn, emerged from a closed-door Democratic caucus to have his picture taken with a school group and reported three times, "They're all very upset." Hart wouldn't say how he personally felt about it. His district includes Garden City.

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THE HARDEN committee was chaired by Edgar Harden, former president of Northern Michigan University and once acting president of Michigan State University.

The plan, unveiled to four legislative leaders early Thursday, calls for a ballot proposal to raise the sales tax to 4.5 percent from 4 percent. No property tax cut is involved.

The \$400 million in new revenue would be earmarked for schools. The school aid fund and a new student improvement fund would get \$315 million. The remaining \$85 million would go into such programs as preschool, classroom technology, achievement incentives, professional development, math-science and the like.

Represented on the panel were two teachers unions, the Michigan Education Association and Michigan Federation of Teachers; the State Board of Education and superintendent of public instruction; association of school superintendents and association of school boards; the Michigan Manufacturers Association and the state AFL-CIO.

"They agreed on how to spend \$400 million," said Engler, the Republican Senate chief, "but they're not sure where'll they'll get it. I'm very disappointed. This group labored mightily and brought forth zero property tax relief."

"I'm extremely disappointed," added Miller, the Democratic Senate leader. "The earmarking proposal (Engler's) is looking better every day."

BIPARTISAN SUPPORT is growing for twin proposals — one small sales tax increase for more school funds, another for property tax relief.

"I don't disagree with separating the two issues," said Sen. John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, who chairs the Senate Education Committee.

"The (Harden) plan is straightforward. People will understand it. From that standpoint, it probably will get a good deal of support. But there still is a need to deal with property tax reform."

Schwarz, whose district includes Eaton County, said many school districts will have "zero fund balances at the end of the year" and need millage increases from local voters.

"There is a real financial crisis in K-12 education. I would go as far as a full penny with 60 percent going for K-12 schools, 35 percent for universities and 5 percent for community colleges."

Gov. Blanchard later issued a statement endorsing the Harden proposal, adding he favors "an additional proposal to provide permanent relief from rapidly rising property taxes."

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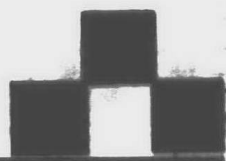
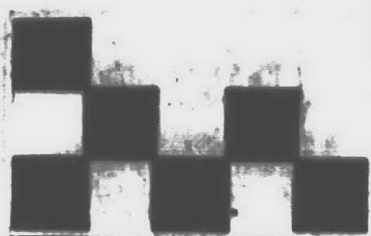
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Turkey is versatile and light

Having been part of the consortium to eradicate the generic term "light" from our culinary conversations, I will mention, but only once, that turkey is today's "light" meat.

Unfortunately, many of us still relegate turkey strictly to Thanksgiving Day and the subsequent days following. However, with modern processing techniques and Americans following a more healthy lifestyle, a trip to the market can have us encountering turkey breasts, turkey ham and individual wrapped turkey legs (Dad's favorite), not to mention a whole flock of turkey luncheon meats and, now, ground turkey.

When I was growing up in Wyandotte, hamburger was a big part of the Janes Gang diet. Mama frequently concocted casseroles of goulash, loaf pans brimming with meatloaf and giant skillet of tacos and sloppy joes.

Back then, Mama would send me to the local A&P with orders to "search out the best pack of stewing beef you can find." It was then up to me to push the little buzzer that summoned Mr. Stevens, the butcher, who always so graciously offered to grind it into "burger" the way your Moaa wants it.

Ah-ha, but times they are a-changin'.

IN THE JANES Gang freezer, seldom does a piece of red meat cross paths with the Popsicles. A quick glance, however, will show numerous packages of ground turkey, ready to be made into this week's pre-planned menu consisting of lasagna, spaghetti sauce, Swedish meatballs, chili and the family favorite, turkeyburger pie.

Ground turkey is becoming more and more popular, especially in the metro area. Last year, you would have had to search out frozen tubes of ground turkey, sometimes hidden under those big 20-pound whole suckers in the freezer case. Today many markets are featuring an assortment of ground turkey brands (e.g., Louis Rich, Longacre Farms and Mr. Turkey) in the frozen case, easily in view between the Cornish hens and Jimmy Dean's pork sausage.

In recent months, however, yours truly has noticed that many markets are offering fresh ground turkey. A recent trip to the Shopping Center market near my home found fresh ground turkey at \$1.99 per pound and the frozen varieties available at \$1.19 per pound.

Of course, prices vary wherever you shop, and I've seen the ground turkey, when it's on sale, for as low as 68 cents per pound, with most averaging between 99 cents and \$1.09 per pound. Compare that to fresh ground stewing beef and you will notice more than a 50 percent savings.

What's even more important is the fact that ground turkey is much lower in fat, cholesterol and calories compared with ground beef. Ground turkey is, at minimum, 50 percent lower in fat compared with other ground meats.

NEEDLESS TO say, it's a great choice for a diet low in calories and cholesterol. Of course, because of this lower fat content, ground turkey offers a higher proportion of usable protein compared to other ground meats. Need proof? Brown up a pound of hamburger next to a pound of ground turkey. Cheat a little and use a "lean" hamburger. Then, pour off the melted fat and compare. The results are shocking.

So before you all rush out and gobble up (excuse the pun) all the ground turkey, there are a few more things you should know. Try not to view this as a negative response, but when I prepare ground turkey, I find it to be somewhat bland.

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Hildens prefer informal

By Arlene Funke
special writer

SUE HILDEN's friends have come to expect the unexpected.

An invitation to the Hilden home in Farmington Hills might mean an evening lounging in the hot tub. On the other hand, it might be the ticket to a home version of the "Gong Show."

"You only live once," said Hilden. "Enjoy yourself. Relax and enjoy yourself and have fun."

Sue Hilden, a 41-year-old owner of a tanning and body-toning salon, and her 43-year-old husband, Russ, owner of an oil company, have been throwing parties for as long as they can remember.

The Hildens' style is casual and informal, and based on a strong desire to be with friends and family as often as possible.

"We have very wonderful friends, and we love to have them around," Sue Hilden said. "Many times we entertain on the spur of the moment. After a couple of weeks have gone by, I start thinking about what we can do to get together."

The Hildens, formerly of Livonia, moved to Farmington Hills about two years ago. The house, designed with entertaining in mind, has a swimming pool, indoor hot tub, special stereo system and lots of sliding doors leading to the backyard deck.

SIMPLE, EASY-TO-EAT foods are the norm. Often guests contribute favorite dishes for the buffet table.

Sue Hilden always tells guests how to dress so they will be comfortable and in tune with planned activities. Although she often dreams up a theme, she's flexible.

"When you give a party you have to go with how things are going," said Hilden, noting that guests sometimes prefer to chat rather than play games. "I take my cues from the guests. I don't plan a lot ahead of time."

Hilden favors active pastimes, such as pingpong tournaments and relay races. She especially enjoys teaming up people of different ages.

"In Livonia we had a small home, but that didn't stop us," she said. "I enjoy most the different age groups and how they get along."

Children are always welcome at a Hilden get-together. And friends have learned to be good sports about the activities. One of Hilden's more outrageous themes was a "Gong Show" party, in which her friends had to risk the "gong" while performing their "talent."

"They made me promise I would never do it again," Hilden said, with a laugh.

The family's cottage near Jackson is the setting for barbecues, hot dog roasts and parties several times a year. Especially popular is the Hildens' annual Halloween party, which last year drew 200 people to the cottage property.

Guests drove down a dark, winding road to the beach. Along the route were assorted costumed characters jumping from behind bushes to keep everyone in a proper Halloween mood. Activities included a scavenger hunt to "gather ingredients for the witch's potion," Hilden said.

PARTYGOERS dined on grilled Italian sausage, kielbasa and sauerkraut, chili, pumpkin pie and caramel apples.

"That's our most elaborate party," Hilden said. "We actually had strangers come and ask if they could pay and attend."

The fun-loving Hilden is planning a lip-synch theme party. Presumably, her guests will impersonate a singer and mouth the words on a record or tape.

"I may lose all my friends after that," Hilden said.

Hilden says she doesn't like to serve the typical lasagna and baked-beans party fare. She prefers simple but delicious foods, prepared "with a twist." She generally decides in advance if the party will feature a main meal or assorted finger foods.

"I usually don't combine the two," she said.

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Entertaining options



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Sue and Russ Hilden entertain guests at the hot tub, or host other kinds of informal parties, in their Farmington Hills home. They have an

easy, relaxed lifestyle. "You only live once," she says. "Enjoy yourself."



STEPHEN GANTT/staff photographer

Sharon Katz of Bloomfield Hills says she loves to "make a party." She plans variations on the formal table and has it set several days ahead.

Katz does all the cooking herself, without using recipes.

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Katzes' parties formal

By Arlene Funke
special writer

SHARON KATZ serves dinner with love and beauty.

Katz, a Bloomfield Hills homemaker, likes nothing better than serving wonderful meals on a dinner table decked with flowers, fine china and fresh, crisp napkins.

"It's really a labor of love," Katz said. "It's very exciting."

Katz and her husband, Samuel, owner of a Madison Heights produce market, host several dinner parties each year. They are generally elegant, formal affairs for friends and family members.

The guest lists range from "intimate" groups of 12 to as many as 30 or 40 people. Usually the dinner is a complete, sit-down meal, but occasionally it is a buffet.

Although Katz does hire people to serve the meal, she does all the cooking herself on the day of the party. And she never serves the same meal twice.

"I put all my energy into cooking, from start to finish," Katz said. "It's the way I want it to be. The cooking part has never been anything but a pleasurable experience. I don't use recipes."

Giving a dinner party affords Katz the opportunity to indulge her creative energy, from planning her theme and issuing unusual invitations, to setting a beautiful table and cooking a special meal.

HER THEMES may be seasonal, such as springtime and flowers, or whimsical, such as "Ritz and glitz," or "buttons and bows." Although the theme is reflected in the decorations, Katz usually doesn't stipulate an unusual dress code.

"I don't like people to be inconvenienced," Katz said. "I would rather that they just come and enjoy the theme."

Invitations, mailed four weeks in advance, often reflect Katz's flair for the unusual.

"I think it sets the mood," she said. Once, for a springtime theme, Katz attached an invitation to a single silk flower packed in a florist's box. Each box, containing the innovative invitation, was delivered to the prospective guest's home. Katz said guests seldom turn down an invitation to one of her dinner parties.

Three days before the party, Katz sets her dinner table. She has several sets of fine china and fancy napkins, which she likes to mix and match for maximum effect.

Antiques are used as accent pieces. "I think a table should be dressed, like a woman," Katz said. "I love setting the table. It's a form of art, for me. The effect is never boring. Each person is interesting, and each place setting should be."

KATZ'S LOVE of cooking was nurtured as she grew up watching her grandmothers, both from Eastern Europe, prepare favorite foods and roll dough for fragrant, tasty strudels. As she grew older, cooking became an increasingly satisfying pastime.

"I tried to emulate them," Katz said. "It just carried over. I began with small dinner parties. Friends would call me and ask me how to cook. I enjoyed being able to tell them how to do it."

Katz would rather cook than eat in a restaurant. Her repertoire ranges from soup to desserts. And, she said, some of her happiest moments are spent in the kitchen, hosting the meal and talking with her three grown daughters.

But Katz doesn't use recipes. She likes to prepare meals that rely on fresh fruits, vegetables and top-quality meats made more exciting with herbs, seasonings and combinations of ingredients. If she later has trouble duplicating the recipe, "Those are the chances you take when you don't write it down."

"I enjoy changing it a little bit so I can enjoy it, but in a different way," Katz said.

Skilled blending of tastes, colors and shapes is no secret, Katz said.

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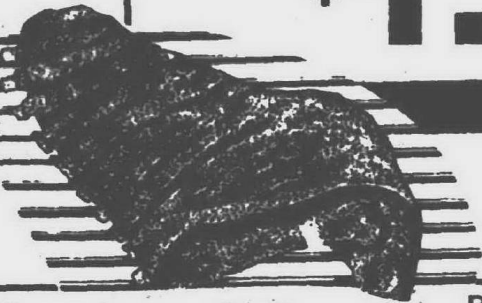
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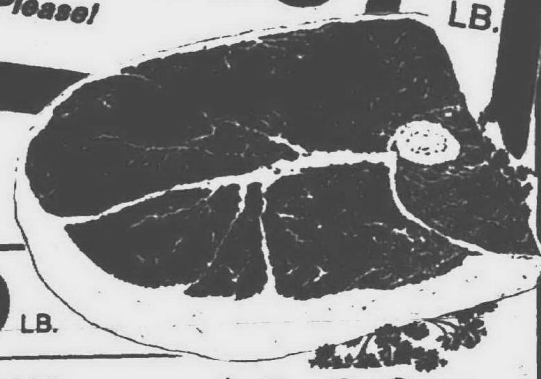
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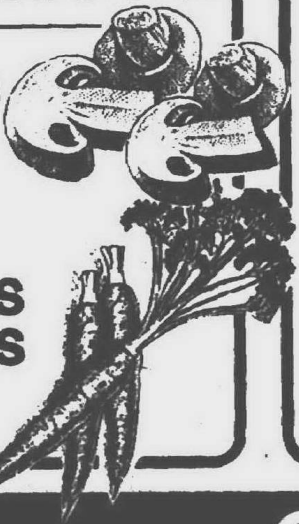
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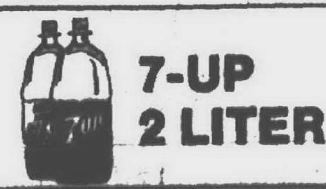
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Hildens prefer informal

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A main meal party might consist of a big pot of beef stroganoff, served with noodles, a special blend and a huge salad bar. Dessert usually comes from the bakery because, "I'm not into baking," Hilden said.

OR HILDEN might set up a make-your-own sundae bar, offering ice cream and several toppings.

"If people are having a good time, nobody cares as much what they are eating," Hilden said.

Finger foods, too, are innovative. For example, Hilden likes to deep-fry thin strips of boneless chicken breast and serve it with several sauces for dipping. Or she serves small wedges of spinach pie, mini-

ture quiches or mini reuben sandwiches.

Hilden also likes to stuff fresh mushroom caps with bread crumbs mixed with Parmesan cheese, garlic salt and onion salt. She tops off the stuffing with mozzarella cheese and bakes the mushrooms until the cheese is melted.

Mistakes are taken in stride. They go into the memory bank and provide laughs at a later time.

Once Hilden popped a turkey into the oven but forgot to turn on the heat. When she discovered her goof, she rushed the bird to a neighbor's microwave oven for a faster heatup.

"You have to laugh and go along," Hilden said. "Too many people want everything to be perfect."

"Yes, I'm always nervous, to some degree," she added. "I think maybe

it's more anticipation. The key is to let the party take its own direction. And have a nice group of friends."

PARTIES HAVE given the Hildens many hours of pleasure. But equally important to Sue Hilden is the effect entertaining has had on her children, ages 18, 22 and 23 years. "They learned to relate to older people at an earlier age."

Although Hilden enjoys relaxing at other people's parties, she can't escape her hostess instincts. She often finds herself reaching out to help other guests feel comfortable.

"I wouldn't have as many parties if I didn't like my friends so much," Hilden said. "I feel sorry for people who can't enjoy themselves. They are too afraid to be themselves."

STUFFED MUSHROOMS

Recipe from Susan Hilden

34-38 fresh mushrooms (large)

3 slices bread

1/2 cup fresh grated parmesan cheese

1/4 teaspoon onion salt

1/4 teaspoon garlic salt

1/4 teaspoon parsley flakes

4 ounces grated mozzarella cheese

1 stick butter or margarine

Remove stems from mushrooms and discard. Wash mushroom caps thoroughly. Set aside. In medium saucepan melt butter on low. Add garlic salt, onion salt, parsley flakes

and parmesan cheese. Toast bread. Dice toasted bread and add to butter mixture. (Keep butter warm while adding toasted bread.) Remove from heat. Hold each mushroom over saucepan. Fill center with bread mixture. Pack firmly (slightly heaping). Place stuffed mushrooms in a 9x13-inch pan. Top each with mozzarella cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 12-15 minutes until hot and cheese is melted. Serve immediately.

FRIED CAULIFLOWER

Vegetable or side dish. May also be used as an hors d'oeuvre.

1 medium-size head cauliflower
2 eggs, beaten
2 cups bread crumbs
1/4 cup garlic salt
1/4 to 1/2 cup olive oil

Thoroughly wash the cauliflower and break into flowerets. Boil until done. Mix together bread crumbs and garlic salt. Drain and cool cauliflower. Dip into beaten egg. Roll into bread crumb mixture. Fry in olive oil on medium-high heat until brown, turning constantly, about 5 minutes. Drain on paper towel and serve immediately.

Katzes' parties formal

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"You eat with your eyes," she said. "There are always little tricks in cooking and it's the tricks that make the difference. How you cut things is as important as how you cook them."

FOR A RECENT Passover dinner, Katz planned a special entree of baked chicken breast stuffed with mushrooms and unleavened matzoh.

With the chicken she served Idaho potatoes, which she peeled and sliced, three-quarters through, at an angle. The potatoes were seasoned with onion powder and garlic powder and paprika, rolled in olive oil and sprinkled with either sesame or caraway seeds. They were baked uncovered one hour at 350 to 375 degrees in a baking dish greased with olive oil.

"Don't slice it all the way

through," Katz said. "It fans out after it bakes and becomes brown and crispy."

Katz cooks her vegetables in bouillon until they are still slightly firm — al dente. For example, she might combine fresh green beans and toss them with angle-cut drained cooked carrots and sauteed mushrooms. The vegetables are glazed with sauteed margarine and topped with blanched almonds.

"I always try to come up with something that looks elegant," Katz said. "If it doesn't come out, I can camouflage it."

A favorite dessert is fresh pears, topped with margarine and cinnamon, then baked. She tops it with a sauce of hot fudge or fresh strawberries.

One of the most elaborate parties Katz planned was her daughter's

wedding last year. Katz used an oriental theme and transformed the reception hall into a Japanese pagoda, with special trees, flowers and lights.

ALTHOUGH KATZ did not cook for that large gathering, she worked very closely with the caterers. Katz also arranged to have oriental hostesses with authentic robes, hairstyle and makeup to carry through the theme.

An upcoming gala will be a "fantasy night" mystery trip that Katz promises will "freak out" her guests. She plans to have her party guests transported by bus to an undisclosed location.

"No one will know where they are going," Katz said. "They may wind up back here (at the Katz home) for a wonderfully unusual dessert."

cooking calendar

NUTRITION PROGRAM

Joan Kaye Klum and L.E. Smith, authors of the cookbook "Menu for Life," will present a program on nutrition and the effects of cholesterol at 6 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center off Novi Road, just south of I-96. Participants will be able to taste some of the dishes from the book and ask questions about nutrition and

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cooking calendar

HEARTY HEALTHY

Weight Watchers will present Hearty Healthy Cooking, a free three-week cooking series at 7 p.m. Mondays, May 8-22, at the Weight Watchers Building in Farmington Hills. The series will feature high-calorie, low-sodium and low-cholesterol/high-fiber recipes. For more information or to register call 553-8555, ext. 259.

EGG CONTEST

A Michigan Egg Cooking Contest has been announced by Michigan Allied Poultry Industries. The contest is open to Michigan students in grades 6-12. Entrants must submit a recipe that includes one egg per serving in a main dish. Prizes will include \$300 for first place, \$200 for second place and \$100 for third place. All other finalists will receive \$50 each. The Michigan winning recipe will be sent to the national contest sponsored by the American Egg Board. Prizes will range from \$1,000-\$4,000. Entries should be sent

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Therefore, when using it in a recipe, make sure you add an assortment of herbs and spices. After cooking, ground turkey has the same consistency as cooked hamburger, so surprise your family tonight with a spaghetti sauce made from ground turkey instead of hamburger.

Also, the moisture content of ground turkey has a tendency to vary somewhat, depending on the dish. When making dishes like meatloaf and meatballs, and the pre-cooked product tends to be a little soft, try decreasing the liquid in the recipe by two or three tablespoons. I've personally found that an extra egg or tablespoon of breadcrumbs will prevent my meatballs from falling through the broiler tray.

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dash pepper
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Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine all ingredients and mix well. Place in a lightly greased loaf pan and bake for 45 minutes. Enjoy.

GROUND TURKEY CHILI

Serves 8
2 pounds ground turkey
1/2 cup onion, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 tablespoons chili powder (or to taste)
1 tablespoon paprika
1 tablespoon cumin
1 teaspoon salt (optional)
fresh ground pepper to taste

1 large can tomato sauce
one 15-ounce can red kidney beans, drained

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Anderson is a former Madonna College trustee. He is honored for his dedication to higher education for African and African-American students.

Emmet Tracy is president of

Alma Products Company. Frances Tracy is a board member of the Dom Bosco Home for Boys and St. Vincent-Sarah Fisher Home for Children and has served as vice president of the League of Catholic Women.

Outstanding Madonna graduates include:

• Michelle Dressell, Livonia, recipient of the Bernard Landuyt and St. Catherine National achievement awards. Dressell, who will receive a degree in accounting, is employed with the accounting firm of BDO Seidman.

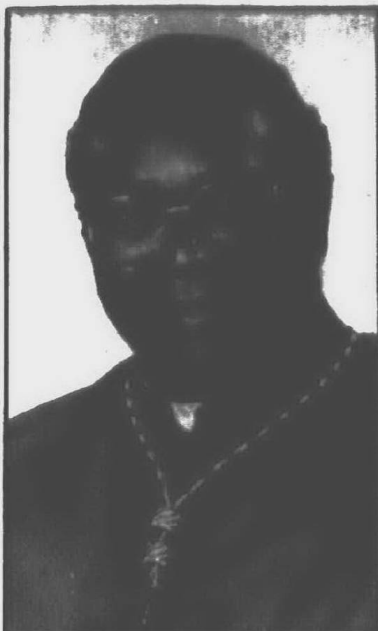
• Christopher Bordnick, Farmington, who will receive a degree in journalism/public relations. Bordnick is currently enrolled in a man-

agement training program with Hyatt Regency Hotels.

• Sharon Garms, Farmington Hills, who will receive a degree in journalism/public relations, after working to put her husband through a master's in business administration program and her two daughters through college. Garms is active in Farmington Hills governmental activities and serves on the city's "Year 2000" study committee.

• William Porter, Redford Township, a senior computer programming student who has written a software program for Unisys using the computer language he learned at Madonna.

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McNamara will veto payment to jail site runnerup

By Wayne Peal staff writer

A \$30,000-a-year payment to a city that doesn't obtain the new Wayne County Jail will be vetoed, a spokesman for County Executive Edward McNamara said Friday.

One day earlier, county commissioners narrowly approved a consolation payment to either Hamtramck or Highland Park if the other city obtained the jail. Payments would be spread over the 10-year life of the county's voter-approved 1-mill jail tax and would total at least \$300,000. Payments could also be extended if the jail tax were renewed. The losing bidder would also receive free use of five jail cells.

Hamtramck and Highland Park are considered the leading candidates for the new jail.

While the county will provide an annual stipend to any community that obtains the jail, deputy county executive Michael Duggan said attempts to pay a runner-up will be vetoed.

"IT'S NOT legal," Duggan said. "Our charter makes it clear we can't do something like this for one community unless we do it for all the other communities in Wayne County."

The county will pay a stipend equivalent to property taxes to the community receiving the jail, even though the jail would be exempt from local taxes.

"In concept, it's similar to what Livonia receives from the state for having a race track," Duggan said. "But Westland and Redford Town-

ship don't receive anything for not having the track."

Even without the veto, the proposed consolation prize isn't enough to make Westland officials interested in promoting a site within their city.

"I'VE KNOWN about it from day one, and it makes no difference," Westland Mayor Charles "Trav" Griffin said. "The property will eventually generate far more than that once it's developed."

Westland is a rumored jail site because it contains Eloise, more than 300 county-owned acres, formerly the site of a poor house and a mental hospital. McNamara has said the jail would be built on the Westland site unless another community stepped forward.

It appears the Westland site will not be chosen, because both Highland Park and Hamtramck are lobbying for the jail. But if it were, officials said, the city would make demands of its own. "I could guarantee you that," Griffin said.

Commissioner Arthur Blackwell II, whose district includes both Hamtramck and Highland Park, proposed building a jail in each community. McNamara administration officials said such a move is unlikely.

Commissioners were sharply divided on the issue of payments to the community that didn't receive the jail.

"It's not what the voters voted

for," said Commissioner Kay Beard. Beard's district includes Westland and Garden City.

Commissioner Milton Mack, D-Wayne, said the county couldn't afford a policy that would make payments to unsuccessful bidders.

"It would be bad policy for the county to make payments in this fashion," said Mack, whose district includes Canton Township.

Other area commissioners supported the proposal. Commissioner Richard Manning, D-Redford Township, called the payments "fully justified."

The \$30,000-a-year payments could be used for community service

projects to be performed by offenders instead being sent to jail.

"It's not a gift," Manning said. "The money will be used for work that will benefit the county."

Blackwell added the work could be performed in any community, not just Highland Park or Hamtramck.

He said it was difficult to get any community to step forward to accept the jail.

"The problem was getting anyone to show any interest," he said. Blackwell added that Highland Park's entry has forced Hamtramck to reduce its demands, saving the county money. "You find me a community that wants to take a jail for free," he said.

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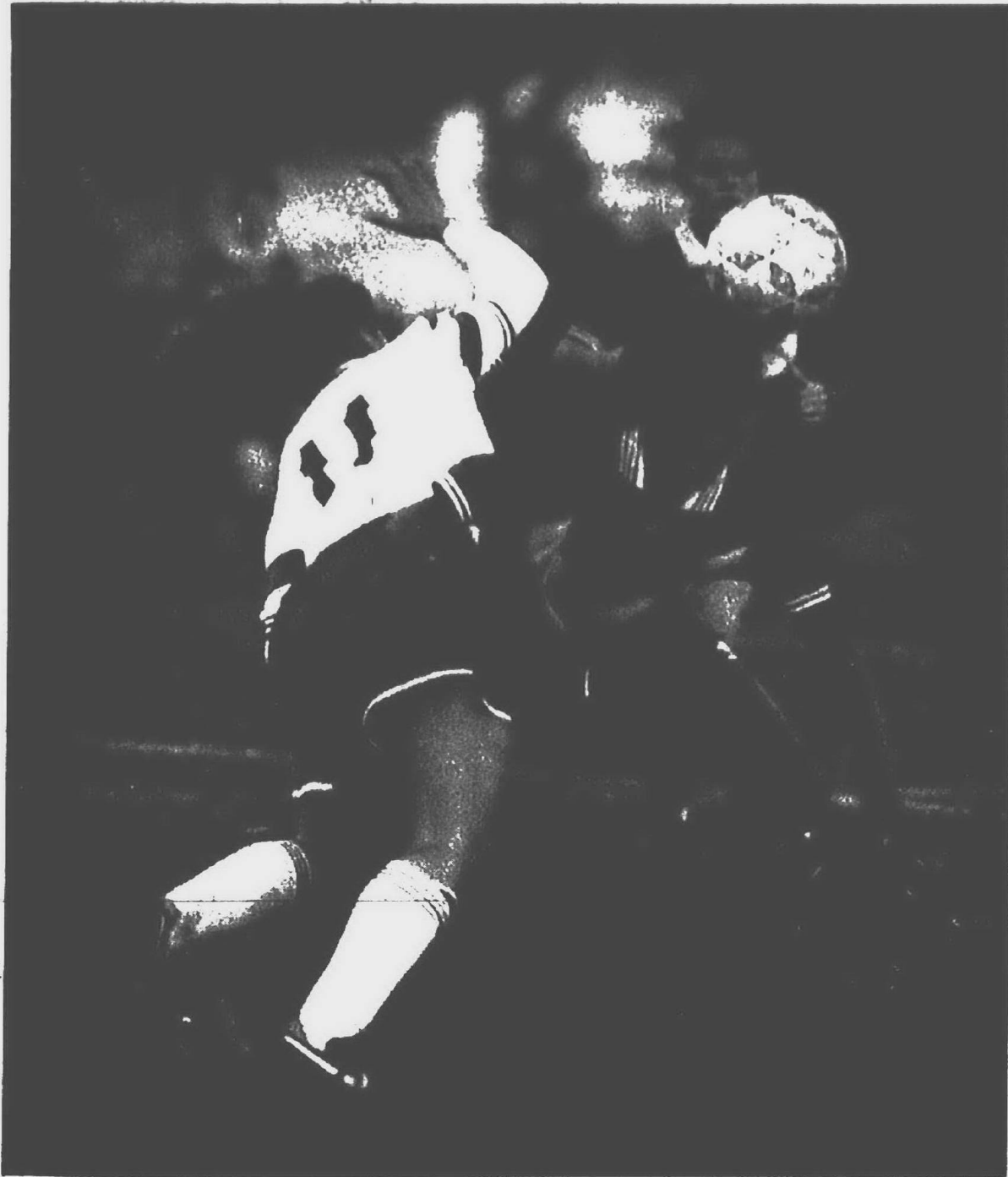
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Ayana Nash of Canton (8) gets taken out of the play by Salem defender Jennifer Marshall during Friday's soccer game at Centennial Educa-

tional Park. No. 2-ranked Salem defeated the top-ranked Chiefs 2-0 and is expected to be the new No. 1 in this week's statewide poll.

Salem earns right to claim top billing

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Plymouth Canton will remain the defending Class A champion until it puts that title on the line in next month's state tournament.

But there's a new No. 1 at the top of the high school girls soccer rankings this week in the wake of Plymouth Salem's 2-0 victory Friday in the battle between unbeaten and top-ranked teams.

The Rocks, 4-0 and ranked No. 2 a week ago, moved into the penthouse after defeating previously No. 1-rated Canton behind the excellent goalkeeping of Jennifer Emmett and breakaway goals by Sara Hayes and Michelle Minton.

"It means a lot," said Salem coach Ken Johnson of the significance of the victory. "The girls will have confidence the rest of the way. They'll have the desire to hang on to that record, go for the shutouts and do well in every game."

Emmett, though only a freshman, has been a great addition to the Salem team and somewhat of a surprise. She was a central figure in Friday's game and remained unscored upon in four games and nearly 300 minutes of action.

EARLY IN the second half, she came out of the goal to make a save in front of Canton's Shannon Meath, resulting in a collision between the two. Later, after Jenny Russell's penalty kick hit the left post, she covered the ball to avoid a scramble in front of the goal.

"It doesn't matter how good your team is if you don't have a good goalie," Johnson said. "The other players need to know they have somebody in back of them. Now they have confidence in her, and they know she's going to hang in for them."

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— Ken Johnson
Salem soccer coach

Hayes gave the Rocks a 1-0 half-time lead and all the scoring they needed. She picked up a pass from Minton while on the run, and a breakaway opportunity opened up in front of her.

Canton goalie Michelle Fortier came out to meet Hayes and blocked her shot. But the rebound caromed off Hayes, who regained control of the ball and continued her charge on the goal, shaking off a defender to score in the open net.

"(Fortier) did what she was supposed to do," Canton coach Don Smith said. "She came out and took it away, but it wasn't meant to be."

Foot speed was a factor again in the second half when Minton scored on a similar play. The junior center/striker charged down the left sideline, keeping the ball in front of her until she lifted a crossing shot that was too high for Fortier to reach.

"THEY HAVE a good defense, but

what helped us was our speed," Johnson said. "We were better at that. Speed in soccer is very important."

"Jill's passing and Michele's speed kept them off balance. Michelle loves to use the whole width of the field. She likes to run out and come back and go for the through ball."

Canton had a number of near misses, but the Chiefs rarely attacked the Salem goal in concentrated numbers, failing to create moments of confusion in front of the net.

Smith blamed himself for Canton's lack of a team-oriented offense.

"We didn't involve the halfbacks in play as much as we needed to," he said. "We were trying to do too much with the forwards up there. I don't think I substituted enough at forward."

"We tried to outrun them, and that's not good soccer. We've got to do it more as a team. I think the team realized it when it was all over."

Salem's defense, spearheaded by Maria Wordhouse and Jennifer Marshall with support from Melissa Uhl and Kim Lerner, played a pivotal role in the outcome, also.

ON A PLAY early in the game, the ball eluded Emmett's grasp, but Wordhouse raced in and put herself between the goal and Meath, knocking the ball out of bounds.

Johnson pointed to the six seniors in Salem's starting lineup as being a key to its success thus far. Wordhouse, Uhl, Estey, Teri King, Lerner and Missy Smith are the seniors.

"All six seniors start, and I think that's the difference between this year and last year," Johnson said. "There's a little more maturity."

Russell's ricochet off the post

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Salem triumphs in home opener

A four-run fifth inning burst open a tight game and propelled Plymouth Salem to a 5-1 victory over Walled Lake Central Friday at Salem.

Howie Blanchard started on the mound for the Rocks and was exceptional, allowing one run on four hits and a walk in five innings, striking out two. Rob Kowalski relieved and matched Blanchard's performance, giving up just one hit in two innings while striking out four.

The pivotal fifth inning began with the score tied at 1-1. Tom Noonan singled and stole second, then scored the go-ahead run on Brian Rudolph's single. J.P. LaRoche got on base with a bunt, and when Central pitcher Ryan Cassel tried to pick him off, his throw was wild and Rudolph scored to make it 3-1.

Dennis Hansen tripled to score LaRoche, and Eric Sheehan lofted a sacrifice fly that scored Hansen, making it 5-1.

Noonan and Tim Lake each had two hits, with Noonan knocking in a run and scoring a run and Lake scoring a run.



The win lifted Salem to 2-0 for the season.

WITH THE exception of one pitch, Plymouth Canton received excellent pitching Wednesday while running its record to 3-0.

Mike Sulak and Brian Paupore combined on a three-hitter as the Chiefs whipped host Walled Lake Western 15-4.

Sulak gave up a three-run homer in the bottom of the first inning that tied the score 3-3. But he remained unfazed by that blast and allowed only two hits over four innings. Sulak, the winner, struck out seven and walked two.

"He hung a breaking ball," Canton coach Fred Crissey said. "That happens to everybody. It doesn't matter if you're in the Hall of Fame or

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Teams's goal: To be sport's best

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

The Pat Boyle Chevrolet men's modified fast-pitch softball team is expecting good things in 1989.

First of all, the Western Wayne County-based ballclub has a new sponsor. The team, formerly known as FGS Radiator, will play under the banner of the Belleville auto dealership.

Secondly — and possibly just as important to the team's aspirations — veteran pitcher Al White has returned to the team he founded in 1982.

White, one of the best-known pitchers in the modified game, departed for Florida five years ago and helped a Miami outfit win a national championship.

And that's just what the 15 players on the Boyle Chevrolet team hope to do.

THE TEAM'S player/manager, Don Dreher of Plymouth, and longtime team member Dave Brubaker, formerly of Farmington Hills, sought a bigger sponsor in hopes of enhancing those chances. They believe they have found the right sponsor in Boyle Chevrolet, which liked what it saw and when Dreher and Brubaker made their pitch.

The team hopes to upgrade its travel schedule and increase its level of competition.



"We've been trying for eight years to win a national championship, and we're hoping to fund some out-of-state tournaments," Dreher said.

Boyle Chevrolet begins regular season play today in the Livonia Parks and Recreation Modified Division I League and also will compete in the Plymouth Modified Fast-Pitch League.

The team has won the Livonia title five of the last seven years and has been the Plymouth champion eight years running. Furthermore, the club has held the title of Metro Detroit champs six consecutive years and seven of the last eight.

In addition, Boyle Chevrolet will take on the renowned King and His Court, featuring pitching whiz Eddie Feigner, and will sponsor a home run-hitting contest in July.

UNDER ITS former title, Boyle Chevrolet finished third in the nation in 1983 and tied for ninth last year, and it was at the big tournaments the team realized what it was up against.

While most of the nationally regarded outfits receive extensive sponsor support, the local players fancy themselves as "the blue-collar guys

from Detroit." The team has made a tradition of playing in BP's National Invitational in Atlanta every year, finishing as high as second place last year.

Dreher said a player from another team at that annual tournament asked how much his players were being paid.

"I told him we get a uniform, our name on the back and some entry fees," he said. "He couldn't believe we weren't getting any money."

"It's also tremendous incentive for us to go out and compete against these guys. One time the (opposing) manager had to call home and explain why they lost. We kept saying 'Let's make this guy make another phone call.'"

Helping to increase Boyle Chevrolet's outlook for '89 is the fact it has two outstanding pitchers. Curtis Richards of Livonia is another longtime member who has developed into one of the top modified pitchers in the country.

IN ADDITION to Dreher and Brubaker, the team's catcher, the Boyle Chevrolet roster includes Charlie Johnson, outfielder, Plymouth; Rick Dreher, outfielder, Canton; Keith McMansaw, infielder, Westland; Jeff Campbell, catcher, Novi; Dan Pierce, outfielder, Plymouth; Scott Collins, outfielder, Wayne; Jim Stotsiadis, outfielder, Livonia; Kevin Dial, outfielder, Ann Arbor; Dan Cook, outfielder, Livonia; and Mike Kassin, infielder, Canton. White lives in Canton.

Boston Marathon tough test for 'Flying Johnson Sisters'

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

All the training runs in winter's wrath were history. It was Patriot's Day in Boston, and 18 Redford Road-runners were among the 6,418 runners excitedly awaiting the start of the 93rd Boston Marathon in the hamlet of Hopkinton.

Temperatures were nudging 70, with humidity to match.

The heat took its toll on times, and the miles did a number on muscles.

But runners returned to Redford, exhilarated nonetheless.

At Pizza Hut Tuesday after the club's weekly run, they shared tales about the 26-mile, 385-yard race.

"The Flying Johnson Sisters" — Vicki Webster, Donna Swanson and Laura Johnson — ran their first Boston Marathon together.

Swanson, winner of last year's Michigan Trail Marathon on the



grueling Potawatomi Trail in Pinckney, finished in 3:35.

"It was a tough one," said Swanson. "I don't know if I want to do it again."

Swanson said her husband John "ran — no, shuffled me in from the 20-mile mark. At 25 he said, '(Road-runner) Dave Frank's right behind you. He looks good.'"

"I said, 'I don't care,'" laughed Swanson.

Seconds ahead of Swanson, Frank completed his second Boston — his 38th marathon.

"I'd say the temperature was in the high 80s. I got sunburned," said Frank, who included a 30-mile run in his training program.

Vicki Webster of Livonia finished her first Boston Marathon in 3:48.

"I wish I could have done better, but I'm glad I finished," said Webster. Webster ran the first mile with her sister Laura before Laura left her to try to catch Donna.

"You've got to do it once to enjoy the course and the spectators — it's great," said Webster. "You wonder what makes Boston so special — I think it's the crowds. There are so many people; all the elite runners; and the whole thing starts in this small little town of Hopkinton. The marathon just overwhelms this town."

"I couldn't believe there are spectators the whole way, but there are. It's amazing."

Johnson, also running her first Boston, had trouble with the heat and hills and made it to mile 17 before dropping out.

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Sisters (left to right) Donna Swanson, Laura Johnson and Vicki Webster were among the many Redford Road-runners who competed in

the annual Boston Marathon last week. All three are serious competitors who train regularly with the Redford Road-runners.

Salem girls saddle Mustangs

Plymouth Salem's top girls track scorer this spring has been Jennifer Harris, a dynamite junior who won three more events Thursday.

The Rocks improved their dual-meet record to 2-0, winning every event in a 112-14 rout of visiting Northville.

Harris' wins came in the high jump and the two hurdle races.

The Rocks weren't tested in the field events, scoring wins by Tara Murphy in the shot put (28-6 1/4) and discus (70-9), Harris the high jump (4-7) and Kim Ploucha the long jump (15-0).

Harris' winning time in the high hurdles was 16.65, and she took the low hurdles in 50.44.

"Jennifer's pretty solid in those three events," Salem coach Mark Gregor said. "She leads more by ability — because she's a junior — and leaves the leadership to seniors and our co-captains (Traci Thomas and Rima Zayed)."

The other Salem victories went to six different runners. Andrea Kinnelly won the 100 dash (13.5),

track

Nikki Wygonik the 200 (38.7), Melissa Benoit the 400 (1:08.3), Thomas the 800 (2:41.3), Amy Hobgood the 1,600 (6:00.4), and Tammy Hickey the 3,200 (12:43.6).

The Rocks also won all four relays. Ploucha, Wygonik, Tracey Livermore and Kinnelly won the 400 in 54.7. Ploucha, Wygonik, Trish Hill and Zayed earned a first in the 800 (1:54.1). Salem took the top honor in the 1,600 as Hobgood, Benoit, Jenny Marshke and Zayed clocked 4:43.23, and the 3,200 title belonged to Allison Rybaki, Marshke, Payal Parekh and Thomas (11:06.6).

THE SALEM BOYS also triumphed Thursday, winning its second dual meet without a loss at Northville, 72-45. Northville slumped to 2-2.

Roger Parry excelled in the field events, winning the high jump (6-0) and long jump (19-3 1/4). He also picked up a win in the high hurdles, clocking 16.4, and he was second in the low hurdles.

Salem's four running wins came from Joe Pawluszka, 400, 54.06; Dave Hamway, 800, 2:09.34; Scott Stryker, 1,600, 4:50; and Sean Speakman, 3,200, 10:40.43.

The team depth in the distance runs was a factor again. Brendon Masterston was second in the 800, Greg Christensen second and John Thomas third in the 1,600 and Thomas second in the 3,200.

Leon Hister, Todd Marsee, Pat Bowls and Matt Perron claimed first place in the 400 relay (48.36), and Thomas, Bob Anzolino, Hamway and Masterston took first in the 3,200 relay (8:48).

Falcons win No. 5

By Steve Kowaleki
staff writer

Farmington coach Cathy Cole was talking to a reporter Friday after the Falcons' 2-1 win over host Livonia Stevenson, when Margaret Martin interrupted the conversation.

"We're doing our best to give you an ulcer," said Martin, a junior midfielder.

A mild understatement. Carrie Maier, a multi-talented senior forward, scored both goals for Farmington, including the game-winner with only 22 seconds left.

Maier, who scored a hat trick in a game earlier this year, ended a wild scramble in front of the Stevenson net by sliding the ball past goalkeeper Alicia Smith.

THE WIN opened the Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division schedule, and gave Farmington a 5-0 overall record. This is Cole's first year at Farmington after spending the past few years at North Farmington.

And there's no doubt where her loyalty stands.

She enjoys all the suspense. "I love them," Cole said. "They're real dedicated, hard-working athletes. It went right down to the wire in both halves. I expected a tough game, knowing the tradition and history of both teams. I thought we'd play hard to the end."

Shannon Wilkinson, a freshman midfielder, tied the game for Stevenson at one with 6:12 left in the game, but the Spartans weren't able to put the game-winner by Farmington keeper Debbie Westerkamp.

This was the first coaching loss ever suffered by Stevenson first-year coach Mary Kay Hussey, who played on two Class A Stevenson

champions earlier this decade. The Spartans are 3-1 overall.

"IT FEELS worse as a coach (to lose) than as a player," Hussey said. "But we'll be OK. Farmington's a good team and Carrie Maier is as good as you'll find. It was a great game. I put my best defensive player (Lisa Thomas) on her — but Carrie's awesome — and Lisa played great."

Maier was a standout at the end of both halves. She scored the game's first goal just before time expired in the first half when she raced by the Stevenson defense and pushed a loose ball by Smith.

Maier's game-winning tally came after a cross by Amy Trunk. The ball bounced off a few legs before it finally got to Maier, who knows what to do when she gets it.

"It was all a team effort," she said. "We built it up from the backline and Amy made a great crossing pass. The whole team scored the last goal."

Maier, Trunk and Sue Gibson double as athletes in the spring for Farmington's track team and that makes them more effective in soccer, Cole said.

"CARRIE IS real quick — one of the top five runners in the 200 (meter dash) in Observerland," Cole said. "Being able to run the field really helps them, and Carrie is a very disciplined, well-skilled player. She's very skilled and works hard because of that."

Stevenson outshot Farmington 8-6, and seemed to pick up the intensity a notch in the second half. The Spartans had several chances in the second 40 minutes, getting a boost on the front line by the play of senior co-captains Sharlene Sudek and Karen Carney and sophomore Lori Godlewski.

Maier's goal at the end of the first half discouraged Stevenson, but Hussey wouldn't let the Spartans get down.

Chiefs capture title

Plymouth Canton's tennis team edged host Livonia Stevenson and the Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook B team to win the Spartan Tournament April 15.

The Chiefs, who won titles at three flights, had 11 points, while Stevenson and Cranbrook notched 10 each. The fourth team, Lake Orion, won only one match and scored one point.

Cranbrook is a perennial state contender in Class B tennis, and the Cranes offered formidable opposition even with their second unit.

"Their second team is a fine tennis team," Canton coach Jim Hayes said, "because I saw them play — and they can play tennis."

The tournament format devised by Stevenson coach George Croll called for two flights of singles play and six doubles flights.

"George did a great job of organizing and conducting that tournament," Hayes said. "Too often the people responsible do all the hard work and don't get any credit."

Canton's Dan Orlandi was the No. 2 singles winner, defeating Cranbrook's Jason Karolak in three sets, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5.

"He's playing better tennis than he ever has at Canton," Hayes said. "He's working real hard and has been a solid performer."

The No. 1 singles championship went to Stevenson's Roland Wolff, who defeated Jim Gallagher of Canton, 6-2, 6-2.

Canton's Brian Schmidt and Chris Harper won the No. 1 doubles flight, and the Chiefs also had the top team at No. 3 doubles with Jeff Binder and Scott Jones. Stevenson's Phil Haratsaris and Shane Millner captured the No. 6 doubles title.

Though they were runners-up at No. 4 doubles, Jeff Hines and Brad Flowers drew special praise from Hayes. The duo took Cranbrook's Dave Rhee and Adrian Gough to a first-set tie-breaker before losing the final, 7-6, 6-4.

Team scores: 1. Plymouth Canton, 11; 2. Livonia Stevenson and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook B, 10; 4. Lake Orion, 1.

No. 1 singles: Roland Wolff (LS) def. Jim Gallagher (PC), 6-2, 6-2; Wolff def. Jim Fleming (LO), 7-5, 3-6, 7-6; Gallagher def. David Chung (BHC), 6-2, 6-2; Fleming def. Chung, 6-4, 7-6.

No. 2 singles: Dan Orlandi (PC) def. Jason Karolak (BHC), 6-4, 2-6, 7-5; Orlandi def. Robb Daily (LO), 6-0, 6-1; Karolak def. Joel Enrich (LS), 6-0, 6-3; Enrich def. Daily, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Brian Schmidt-Chris Harper (PC) def. Jorge Zuniga-Amar Malik (BHC), 6-1, 6-0; Schmidt-Harper def. Alan Paterson-Jeff Wiegell (LS), 6-2, 6-3; Zuniga-Malik def. Swenson-Ortega (LO), 6-1, 6-0; Paterson-Wiegell def. Swenson-Ortega, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 2 doubles: Keith Weinbaum-Drew Smith (BHC) def. Bob Dimitriou-Bob Holycross, 6-0, 6-1; Weinbaum-Smith def. Tony Spagnoli-Rod Jensen (PC), 6-3, 6-3; Dimitriou-Holycross def. Haratsaris-Millner (LO), 6-0, 6-1; Spagnoli-Jensen def. Haratsaris-Millner, 6-0, 6-1.

No. 3 doubles: Jeff Binder-Scott Jones (PC) def. Rick Halmekangas-Ed Kranz (LS), 3-6, 6-1, 6-2; Binder-Jones def. Muir-Hamidi (LO), 6-0, 6-1; Halmekangas-Krenz def. Nun Ohm-Svein Yant (BHC), 6-7, 6-1, 6-4; Ohm-Yant def. Muir-Hamidi, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 4 doubles: Dave Rhee-Adrian Gough (BHC) def. Jeff Hines-Brad Flowers (PC), 7-6, 6-4; Rhee-Gough def. Andy Bosse-Eric Werthimer (LO), 6-0, 6-0; Hines-Flowers def. David Amey-Frank Bracken (LS), 6-3, 7-5; Amey-Bracken def. Bosse-Werthimer, 6-0, 6-1.

No. 5 doubles: Steve Park-Uptal Patel (BHC) def. Chris Brudi-George Gauchy (LS), 6-3, 6-3; Park-Patel def. Joe Ryan-James Williams (PC), 6-1, 3-6, 6-1; Brudi-Gauchy def. Greg Gowers-Mike Quinn (LO), 6-1, 6-1; Ryan-Williams def. Gowers-Quinn, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 6 doubles: Phil Haratsaris-Shane Millner (LS) def. Kris Kipela-Dan Pasaro (PC), 6-2, 6-1; Haratsaris-Millner def. Mike Whitted-Nick Holmes (BHC), 7-6, 7-5; Kipela-Pasaro def. Keith Hatten-Paul Muntenberger, 6-1, 6-2; Whitted-Holmes def. Hatten-Muntenberger, 6-0, 6-2.

Rocks trip Chiefs

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wasn't the only close call which failed to take a fortunate bounce for the Chiefs, 2-1. Molly Menard's shot from 25 yards was too high as was Meath's header off a centering pass from Russell. On another occasion, Emmett was too far out of the goal, but the loose ball rolled wide of the net.

The Rocks had their chances that didn't materialize, also. With Salem

in front 2-0, Hayes hit the crossbar with a shot, and Minton's attempt on the rebound went over the top. Jennifer Oleksiak did the same after Minton centered the ball through traffic.

"If we could have scored first, it could have been the other way around," Smith said. "But they scored first, and that got them fired up. And they were tough to beat after that. When they scored two, they were smiling."

Smith paces Salem win

After going scoreless in Plymouth Salem's first two soccer games, Missy Smith recorded a hat trick Wednesday in win No. 3 for the Rocks.

The senior forward scored three straight in the second half to solidify Salem's 6-0 victory over Livonia Franklin. She also assisted on a first-half goal as the Rocks led 2-0 at the intermission.

Senior midfielder Jill Estey had a goal and two assists, and Michelle Minton and Erin Harvey had one goal and one assist apiece.

At the 47th minute, Smith scored off a pass from Estey, and the same duo connected again at the 53-minute mark. Smith got her third goal with seven minutes remaining. Harvey took credit for the assist.

Harvey scored the final goal in the 75th minute. In the first half, Estey scored an unassisted goal, and Minton accounted for the other with Smith getting the assist.

Freshman goalkeeper Jennifer Emmett played the first 70 minutes and remained unscathed upon in more than 200 minutes of play in her first varsity season.

Canton wins

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where you are." Paupore pitched the last three innings and held the Warriors to one hit. He struck out five.

Jeff Kugelmann and Derek Humphries were the big hitters for Canton. Kugelmann was 3-for-3 with three RBIs, and Humphries was 2-for-4 — both hits were doubles — and had two RBIs.

The Chiefs were scheduled to play a doubleheader Saturday at Northville.

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Mercy rebounds to sweep Regina

Farmington Hills Mercy got back on the winning track in a big way Friday, sweeping a double-header from host Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher, 6-3 and 7-1.

The Marlins, 9-4 overall and 4-4 in the Catholic League, lost a double-header Tuesday to Livonia Ladywood.

Amy Edward picked up the win in both games, going the distance in Game 1 and throwing four innings in the nightcap before giving way to reliever Maureen Paulin.

Mercy trailed 3-3 after four innings of Game 1, but Pam Thompson gave the Marlins the lead for good in the top of the fifth, driving in a run with a single.

Kathleen Berrigan, Kerry Sayers and Thompson had two hits each, pacing Mercy's seven-hit attack. Edward accounted for the Marlins' other hit, a double, and drove in three runs.

Sayers stole three bases and scored three runs, while Berrigan had two RBIs and scored a pair of runs.

Mercy scored four runs in the fifth inning of Game 2 to give it a 5-0 lead. Aimee Cox was 2-for-2 with two RBIs in the second game.

Kim Reichard and Jenny Gondek drove in two runs each during the fifth-inning rally with a double and single, respectively.

FARMINGTON 11, STEVENSON 4: Melissa Tisdale had a double, triple and three RBIs Friday for visiting Farmington, as the Falcons upended Livonia Stevenson, 11-4.

Lisa Rockafellow tossed a complete game to earn the win for Farmington, allowing nine hits and walking nine. Dianne Buszka suffered the loss and was pulled after three innings.

Rockafellow helped her cause, going 3-for-4 with three RBIs. Kelli Miller, Niki Italia and Carle Palmisano had two hits each for Stevenson, with Miller driving in two runs.

FRANKLIN 19, HARRISON 9: The only thing Farmington Hills Harrison had going for it Friday was the home-field advantage. Livonia Franklin trounced the Hawks in a game called after five innings because of the mercy rule.

The Patriots smashed eight hits off Harrison and improved their record in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association to 2-0.

Jenny Mayle worked five innings and scattered three hits to pick up the win for Franklin. Karen Brown's bases-loaded triple in the third inning highlighted Franklin's rout.

Northville pitcher quiets Canton bats

Amy Friemund is one of the area's best softball hurlers and Friday she proved why, leading Northville to a 2-1 win over visiting Plymouth Canton.

Friemund went the distance for the Mustangs, scattering four hits, walking only two and striking out 15. Twice the Chiefs let Friemund bale herself out of trouble, stranding runners at third base.

Canton starting pitcher Stacey Thompson didn't back down from Friemund's challenge, throwing a one-hitter over six innings. An error led to one of Northville's two runs in the fifth inning.

Stacey Arnold gave Canton a brief, 1-0 lead in the top of the fifth, crossing the plate after she was sacrificed to second and Northville made a throwing error.

Wednesday, the Chiefs took advantage of Walled Lake Western's pitching wildness to defeat the visiting Warriors 11-6.

Canton had only three hits but capitalized on 14 walks. Thompson, the winning pitcher, allowed four hits but issued only four free passes. She struck out five while going the seven-inning distance.

"We're not hitting the ball, but when the pitcher gives you 14 walks she's not throwing a lot of strikes," Canton coach Dave Racer said. "I'm a little concerned about not hitting, but the balls just aren't finding the holes right now."

PREP BASEBALL

Monday, April 24
Liv. Churchill at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.
Northville at Liv. Franklin, 4 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.
Westland Glenn at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.
Farmington at Ply. Salem, 4 p.m.
Ply. Canton at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.
Allen Park at Red. Thurston, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Luth. East, 4 p.m.
A.A. Greenhills at Luth. Westland, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 25
Dbn. Edsel Ford at Garden City, 4 p.m.
Wayne Memorial at Belleville, 4 p.m.
St. Agatha vs. Orchard Lk. St. Mary at Livonia's Ford Field (2), 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26
Farm. Harrison at Liv. Churchill, 4 p.m.
Liv. Franklin at Ply. Canton, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Ply. Salem at Westland Glenn, 4 p.m.
N. Farmington at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Redford Union at Novi, 4 p.m.

Thursday, April 27
Red. Thurston at D.H. Crestwood, 4 p.m.
Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 4 p.m.
Luth. Wald. at Dbn. St. Alphonsus, 4 p.m.
Bish. Borgess at Birm. Bro. Rice (2), 4 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Warren DeLaSalle at Redford's Capitol Park (2), 4 p.m.
Trenton at Garden City (2), 4:15 p.m.

Friday, April 28
Redford CC at Det. Country Day, 4:15 p.m.
Ply. Canton at Liv. Churchill, 4 p.m.
Liv. Franklin at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at Ply. Salem, 4 p.m.
Farmington at Westland Glenn, 4 p.m.
Northville at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.
N. Farmington at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Garden City at Redford Union, 4 p.m.
Red. Thurston at Taylor Kennedy, 4 p.m.
Trenton at Wayne Memorial, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at B.H. Cranbrook, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 29
Westland Glenn at Wayne (2), 11 a.m.
Berkley at Redford Union (2), 11 a.m.
Redford CC vs. Bishop Borgess at Redford's Capitol Park (2), 11 a.m.
St. Agatha vs. Center Line St. Clement at Livonia's Ford Field (2), 11 a.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Monday, April 24
W.L. Western at Liv. Churchill, 4 p.m.
Liv. Franklin at Northville, 4 p.m.
N. Farmington at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Westland Glenn, 4 p.m.
Ply. Salem at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Farm. Harrison at Ply. Canton, 4 p.m.
Novi at Redford Union, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 25
Red. Thurston at Allen Park, 4 p.m.
Mich. School of Deaf at Luth. Wald., 4 p.m.
Lutheran East at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26
Liv. Churchill at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.
Ply. Canton at Liv. Franklin, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Westland Glenn at Ply. Salem, 4 p.m.
Farmington at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.
S'field-Lathrup at Redford Union, 4 p.m.
D.H. Crestwood at Red. Thurston, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 4 p.m.
Taylor Kennedy at Garden City, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 27
Liv. Ladywood at Birm. Marian (2), 4 p.m.
H.W. Regina at Farm. Mercy (2), 4 p.m.

Friday, April 28
Liv. Churchill at Ply. Canton, 4 p.m.
W.L. Western at Liv. Franklin, 4 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at Ply. Salem, 4 p.m.
Westland Glenn at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Farm. Harrison at Northville, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.
Garden City at Redford Union, 4 p.m.

Taylor Kennedy at Red. Thurston, 4 p.m.
Wayne Memorial at Trenton, 4 p.m.
B.H. Kingswood at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.
Luth. Wald. at Birm. St. Alphonsus, 4 p.m.
Our Lady of Lutes at St. Agatha, 4 p.m.
Bish. Gallagher at Bish. Borgess (2), 4 p.m.

Saturday, April 29
Wayne at Westland Glenn (2), 11 a.m.

BOYS TRACK

Monday, April 24
Bish. Borgess vs. Harper Wds. Notre Dame at Red. Thurston High School, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, April 25
Wayne Memorial at Westland Glenn, 3 p.m.
Red. Thurston at Melvindale, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Luth. East, 4 p.m.
Luth. Westland at A.A. Greenhills, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26
Birm. Marian High School, 4 p.m.
Redford CC vs. H.W. Bish. Gallagher at Red. Thurston High School, 4 p.m.

Thursday, April 27
Farm. Harrison at Liv. Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
W.L. Western at Liv. Franklin, 3:30 p.m.
N. Farmington at Liv. Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.
Ply. Salem at Westland Glenn, 3:30 p.m.
W.L. Central at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.
Allen Park at Red. Thurston, 3:30 p.m.
Garden City at Woodhaven, 4 p.m.
Redford Union at Dbn. Edsel Ford, 4 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Luth. North, 4:30 p.m.
Northville at Ply. Canton, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, April 28
Redford CC at Jackson High, 8 p.m.

GIRLS TRACK

Tuesday, April 25
Wayne Memorial at Westland Glenn, 3 p.m.
Red. Thurston at Melvindale, 3:30 p.m.
Dearborn at Liv. Churchill, 3:45 p.m.
Lutheran West at Clarenceville, 4 p.m.
St. Agatha vs. M.C. Cardinal Mooney at Birm. Marian High School, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, April 26
Bish. Borgess vs. Liv. Ladywood at Garden City (West), 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 27
Farm. Harrison at Liv. Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
Liv. Franklin at W.L. Western, 3:30 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at N. Farmington, 3:30 p.m.
Westland Glenn at Ply. Salem, 3:30 p.m.
Ply. Canton at Northville, 3:30 p.m.
Farmington at W.L. Central, 3:30 p.m.
Allen Park at Red. Thurston, 3:30 p.m.
Woodhaven at Garden City, 4 p.m.
Dbn. Edsel Ford at Redford North, 4 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Luth. North, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, April 28
Liv. Ladywood at M.H. Bish. Foley, 4 p.m.
G.P. Star of Sea at Bish. Borgess, 4 p.m.
Redford Union at D.H. Crestwood, 4:30 p.m.
Ply. Salem at W.L. Central, 5:30 p.m.
N. Farmington at Farmington, 5:30 p.m.
Harrison vs. W. Bloomfield at FHS, 5:30 p.m.
Liv. Franklin at Northville, 7 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at Liv. Churchill, 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Ply. Canton, 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 29
Dbn. Edsel Ford at Garden City, 4 p.m.
Belleville at Wayne Memorial, 4 p.m.
Oak. Catholic at St. Agatha, 4 p.m.
H.W. Regina at Liv. Ladywood (2), 4 p.m.
Bish. Borgess at Farm. Mercy (2), 4 p.m.

Sunday, April 30
Liv. Churchill at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.
Ply. Canton at Liv. Franklin, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Liv. Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Westland Glenn at Ply. Salem, 4 p.m.
Farmington at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.
S'field-Lathrup at Redford Union, 4 p.m.
D.H. Crestwood at Red. Thurston, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 4 p.m.
Taylor Kennedy at Garden City, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, May 1
Liv. Ladywood at Redford Union, 4 p.m.
H.W. Regina at Farm. Mercy (2), 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 2
Liv. Churchill at Ply. Canton, 4 p.m.
W.L. Western at Liv. Franklin, 4 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at Ply. Salem, 4 p.m.
Westland Glenn at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Farm. Harrison at Northville, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.
Garden City at Redford Union, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 3
Garden City at Redford Union, 4 p.m.
A.P. Cabrini at Bish. Borgess, 4 p.m.
Red. Thurston at Riv. Gab. Richard, 4 p.m.
Pinkney at Liv. Ladywood, 5 p.m.

Thursday, May 4
Redford Union at Southfield, 4 p.m.
Liv. Franklin at Farmington, 5:30 p.m.
N. Farmington at W.L. Western, 5:30 p.m.
Farm. Harrison at Liv. Churchill, 7 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at Ply. Canton, 7 p.m.

LONG-DRIVE CONTEST

Hilltop Golf Club in Plymouth will be one of the sites for the 15th Annual National Long Driving Championship on Friday, May 19. Twelve qualifiers will advance from the three locations to the district championships July 14-16 at the Greater Grand Rapids Open.

Hilltop, the qualifying site for the Detroit area, has been awarded six qualifying spots. The cost is \$5 for three drives, and no pre-registration is necessary. The event is open to both amateurs and professionals.

For more information contact Tom Colucci, the Michigan PGA executive director, at 669-4099. For information on the national championships call Bob Mazzone at 800-833-8798.

PGA professionals will teach the basics of golf, rules and etiquette to junior golfers and their parents at Hilltop Golf Club from 7-9 p.m. on May 2, 4 and 9.

The seasons are part of the Junior/Family Golf Schools sponsored by the Michigan Section of the PGA of America. The school is free and does not require pre-registration. For more information call the Michigan PGA at 669-4099.

TIGERS TRIP

A family-oriented outing to see the Detroit Tigers play Saturday, May 6, is being organized by the Canton Parks and Recreation Department.

The cost is \$7.50 per person, which includes a reserved seat and bus transportation. The Tigers will play the defending American League champion Oakland Athletics.

The bus leaves the Canton Township Administration Building at 12:45 p.m. For information, call the parks and recreation department at 397-5110.

YOUTH HOCKEY

The Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association has extended pre-registration for the 1989-90 season until Thursday, June 1. Registration forms are available at the Plymouth Cultural Center. For information call 454-4488.

CARBO BASEBALL CLINIC

Former major leaguer and Livonia Clarenceville baseball coach Bernie Carbo will host a clinic for boys and girls (families, coaches and players also invited) from 9 a.m. until noon, Saturday, May 20 at the high school gym. Admission is \$1 for kids and \$3

for adults (at the door).

Carbo will stress the fundamentals and will also distribute a free glossy print and sign sign autographs.

For more information, call Carbo at 281-7567 or Clarenceville athletic director Leo Kinsella at 673-8928.

WHITLOW CAGE CAMP

Madonna College men's basketball coach Bob Whitlow will stage a basketball camp for athletes entering grades 5-12 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday, July 10 through Friday, July 14. (Lunch will be provided each day in the Student Center cafeteria.)

The cost is \$125 per student (deposit of \$50 required).

For more information, call 363-8973 or 591-5124.

GOLF LEAGUES

Women who would like to play nine holes of early-morning golf are invited to become part of The Thursday Group. Play begins May 4. A meeting is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. April 27 at the Hilltop Golf Course. Call 455-9155 or 453-6881 for details.

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a Wednesday night men's golf league at Fellows Creek Golf Course. Space is limited to 36 golfers.

The registration fee is \$35 plus weekly greens fees. Tee-off times will be 5-5:55 p.m. Call 397-5110 for information.

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a senior citizens golf league starting in May. The league will play nine holes every Tuesday morning at Fellows Creek.

The registration fee is \$10 plus weekly greens fees. Senior citizens can register in person or by mail at the recreation department, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, 48188. Call 397-5110 for information.


The Canton Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a women's golf league on Friday mornings, starting May 5, at Fellows Creek. There is a \$10 registration fee plus weekly greens fees. Call 397-5110 for details.

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

Anyone interested in putting a team in the Canton Babe Ruth League (boys 13-15) should contact Bob Ruete for details at 397-8149 after 6 p.m.

The Twist 'N Shake baseball team of the Canton Babe Ruth League will be conducting open tryouts for players age 13-15. Interested residents of Canton, Plymouth and Northville should contact Al Turri at 397-8607.

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Area runners revisit experience in Boston

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TOM GEROU of Canton had his share of trouble — sock trouble. Mike Webster, who ran a personal best of 2:49 in Boston, told the story this way.

"At some point, Tom was complaining that his socks were constricting his toes and causing them to curl up. He was trying to do something about it on somebody's lawn when a woman came up and asked if he was having problems. Tom said, 'Yes, I think I'll have to drop out. I need new socks.'"

"This woman had blue knee socks on. She began to strip down, and gave him her socks. Believe it or not, they matched his shoes perfectly," said Webster.

"Her little son asked if he could have his autograph. Tom didn't have time. He was running the marathon."

Gerou ran 3:13, despite his sock saga.

Roadrunner Melba Hatch of Canton, in Boston to cheer on the runners, was proud of roommate Fran O'Connor. O'Connor, who ran 3:37, "looked so fresh. She didn't even look like she'd run a marathon," said Hatch, a champion masters runner.

O'Connor must not have felt like it either. She was the only marathoner Hatch saw opt for the hotel stairs after the run. "Everyone else used the elevator," said Hatch. "She walked up five flights of stairs."

John Wehrly finished his fifth consecutive Boston in 3:18, re-qualifying for next year.

"I really got to smell the roses. I wasn't in shape to run a P.R., so I got a chance to see everything," he said. "I must have slapped all but three girls' hands at Wellesley."

Thousands of college students and their moms and dads line a mile-long stretch of the course that passes their school. Their cheers and applause are so loud they can be heard half a mile away.

Lyle Hamilton of Southfield, also a first-timer at Boston, battled cramps and dehydration to run 3:15.

"The highlight for me was the crowd," said Hamilton. "The noise and the support are unbelievable. The people of Boston make you feel

like royalty the whole weekend."

Hamilton is hoping his brain cells regenerate.

"After the glycogen goes, you burn brain cells. I'm hoping they grow back."

Mike Webster of Livonia was "shooting for 2:45, but I throttled back to sub-2:50 when I saw how hot it was."

"The last mile got a little tough. I ran out of gas. But I ran a P.R. by 16 seconds, so I was really happy."

Like Wehrly, Webster enjoyed the women of Wellesley.

"I think all the males run their fastest mile there. It really fires you up," said Webster, Vicki's husband.

SANDY DOMAGALSKI, 29 second fastest Michigan female runner, finished in 3:13, easily re-qualifying for next year.

"I took it easy the first 10 miles, and then I took off," said Domagalski. "At 15, my quads started feeling bad. I didn't know if I'd finish at that point. The thing that brought me back was gravity. That was the only thing that pulled me to the finish."

Despite feeling poorly, Domagalski ran practically even splits — 1:36 and 1:37.

JOHN SPRINGER of Redford Township had a 2:40 in mind. He ran 3:07 and had "the worst day of my life."

"My calf muscles really started cramping up about 10 miles, and it got worse. By 19, I thought I'd pack it in. I kept looking for 22, where I knew some friends were going to be. Once I got there, I figured, I've gone all this way, I may as well finish. My muscles will recover some day," he said.

"The Jeff Galloway book burning party is coming up," added Springer. Galloway is the author of a book and over-distance training program that Springer unfortunately read and followed.

Ken Schrader, who entered the race as Wildcat Drew, "never felt as good" in a marathon. He ran

3:20:59 and "someone had to grab me at the finish line to slow me down. I ran a consistent race."

"It was my first Boston, and not the last," said Schrader. "All the way you get goose bumps on your arms when the crowd yells, 'Go Michigan.' They look up your number, and cheer for you."

Schrader planned to run with Larry Huff; in fact the splits the two planned to run were penned on Huff's hand.

"We got separated at the first water stop, and that was the last I saw him," said Schrader. Huff finished in 3:46.

Jim Wahl stopped several times, said fellow runner John Wehrly. At the 26-mile mark, a spectator came up to him and asked, "Would you like some water?" Wahl said yes, and waited. Kid waited, and waited.

"Eventually Jim looked up, and saw the guy walking down the street. He was just curious. So Jim got up and walked again," he said.

Dominic Vella of Livonia ran 3:21, and masters runner Hugh Sweeney of Novi clocked 3:37.

Bill "Bull" Boyd of Canton, Detroit Free Press International Marathon masters champion in 1985 and 1986 with a pair of 2:36's, attempted Boston despite lingering knee trouble.

"I knew in the first couple of miles I wouldn't make it. I couldn't push off on it," said Boyd.

Boyd had to drop out at mile nine, but he took it in stride. "I've had a lot of good times running. You have to take the good with the bad," he said.

To runners on the bus to Hopkinton marathon morning, it looked like Boyd was having a great time. He had a can of Bud in his hand.

"It was a beer can filled with Exceed. But I really shook 'em up," said Boyd.

Larry Schlanser is a veteran Boston marathoner who didn't enter the race this year.

How did it feel to be at work instead of on the streets of Boston April 17?

"Horrible. Go ahead and quote me," said Schlanser. "I looked at the clock at 2:15, I could visualize the hills at 18 and 20 . . . it was terrible stuff. Just awful."

For the avid bowler, season keeps rolling

I T MUST BE THAT TIME of year, when we get ready to put the bowling ball away for the summer and put the heat in the water. But wait a minute, what do we have here?

Spring and summer leagues. They're being formed all over town, with lots of air-conditioned action for those men's leagues, kids leagues, women's afternoon teams and bowling, mixed leagues and trios — all kinds of activities and usually at better rates.

Although we are still finishing up the regular season, this is the time to check the bulletin boards and find the right summer action to suit your own preferences. Many of the spring and summer leagues have a 10-week season, so there is less of a commitment and since most of them are not sanctioned, this is just a good time to keep up with and improve your skills. The summertime is also a good time to get those lessons from the local pro, who can tell you all the things you are doing wrong, and then get you straightened out to be the "top gun" in your league next season.

IN THE NEXT few weeks I will compile a listing of who and where the best instructors can be found. We in this area are fortunate enough to have some of the best professional instructors around. Many are great bowlers in their own right, but also have the ability to convey the idea and concept to the aspiring bowler to score better and get much more out of your game. Bowling is fun and when you can do well, it is even more fun. The summer season is also the time to consider whether or not you need new equipment. To buy or not to buy, that is always the question. If you are going to obtain a new ball, the off-season is really the best time, since you have all summer to go out and practice at reduced rates and get used to the new ball. I will have some up-to-date information a few weeks along about the various new balls available.

Every once in a while, dad can be pretty proud of his kid. This dad is no exception, as my 16-year-old son, Don, rolled his own personal best game last Saturday in the high school league at Country Lanes with a 278. This is the high score for the league. The very next day he came back with a 289 game in the Ward's Invitational Travelling Youth Classic at North Hill in Rochester.

The Michigan Cancer Foundation is conducting its Third Annual "Bowl with the Stars" tournament, which will run from April 22 through June 2. Among the six area establishments participating is Merri-Bowl in Livonia. They host this event the evenings of May 2, 3 and 4, starting at 7:30 p.m. Among the celebrities who will participate include former



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Tigers star Bill Freehan and Rod Hansen of WJR in Detroit. The area finals will be held at Merri-Bowl. The first prize is \$3,500 and the entry fee of \$25 will include a souvenir towel and a snack. The proceeds will go to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

For more information, call the Michigan Cancer Foundation at 833-0710.

Ken Bosco was perfect last week, rolling his first 300 game in competition in the Novi Inter-Lakes League at Novi Bowl. Ken is a Canton Township resident, and averages in the 190s at Novi Bowl and Country Lanes.

In the West Side Lutheran League at Redford Lanes, Larry Davis had a 658 series and 237 game. Don Johnson rolled a 237/634; Mark Krohn, 638; Jim Hunt, 248/601. A week earlier, Terry Krohn belted a 656 series with a 256 game, Larry Davis, 245/640; Bob Rudnick, 611; and Ron Strauch, 603.

Oak Lanes hosts the "Sunday Classic League," which featured a 704 set by Keith Jobour including a 257 game, followed by Lorne Green, 246; Dave Grabos, 268/706; Mike Hickerson, 689; and Tom Leonard, 648. In the Tuesday Rollers Mixed, Dee Valewski shot 217 and 215 games in a 574 series. The Tuesday Ladies Trio had Anne O'Neill shoot a 210 and Michelle LaRouch with a 212. The Sunday "Funtimers" had Paul Wells roll a 233 and Don Jazman shot a 213. In the Friday Night Ladies, Yvonne Allen posted 213 and 200 games for a 582 series. Woodland Lanes in Livonia hosts the "Jacks and Jills," where teammates Joe Monge and Bob Diaz dominated the action with a 668 series and a 650 series, respectively. Linda Filban led the ladies with a 607 series. Teammate Al Harrison fired a 630 series and Dale Merwin registered a 604 set while Mike Finch finished with a 234 game. In the Hygrade Mixed League, Augir Rodriguez ran up a 711 series with games of 268, 234 and 209. In the Wednesday Men's trio, John Rumney had a 202 triplicate. The St. Edith League was led by Bill Tolonen at 638, Tim Ross with 624 and Roger House at 605. In the Senior House League, Mike Rose had a 289, Art Kapetansky, 690; and Jeff Adamczyk, 287. The Tuesday Delco featured Rick Biegas, 258/702; The Family Foursome had junior bowler Greg Bianchi finish with a 600. The Bators Bar League was highlighted by Mark Cumbo,

233/663; Gary Harris, 234/668; Terry Cuth, 288/628; Gary Flummerfelt, 247/634; Don Edwards, 239/624; Len Thomas, 258/654; Rick Fariello, 243/616; Craig Domes, 237/611; Tim McCarthy, 245; John Michniak, 235; and Randy Wolter, 229.

At Westland Bowl, the Monday Men's League was led by a mighty fine father and son combo, as Don Castaldini, Sr., rolled a 245 game and Don, Jr., shot a 677 series. In the Monday "Swingers," Pam Mills rolled a 236 game. The Monday "Eager Beavers" featured Michelle Martin with a 605 series. The Tuesday "Queen Pins" got a 256 game out of Judy TenEyck. In the Sunday "Sleppers," Ken Eck was almost perfect with a 299 game. The Monday "Bowliettes" featured Shelley Reno with a 244 game and 661 set. In the Tuesday Men's Mark McCusker shot a 299 game with a 735 series.

The action at Garden Lanes in the VINCO League last Wednesday was featured by some fine bowling from John Bierkanp with a 782; Jim Mazie, 737; and Doug Roe, 701.

Super Bowl on Ford Road in Canton had plenty of high scoring in the "Super Bowlers," led by John Patterson with a 685 on games of 247, 215 and 223. Other high scorers included Roy Williams, 668; Tom Wolf, 640; Mike Sera, 638; Roy Renolds, 616; Pat White, 258; Bruce Smith, 257; and Jerry Sands, 248. The Monday Junior House League had a 678 series from Bob Cantin; John Hiltowski rolled a 247 game and Rusty Johnson, 243. In the Polonaise League, Kathy Stiebel posted a 625 series with a 256 game.

At the Plymouth Bowl Tuesday morning seniors league, Westland's John Demaree rolled a perfect game and finished with a 689 series. Dick Deely, also of Westland, rolled a 709 series, including a 280 game in the over-50 Holiday Park circuit.

At Country Lanes on Nine Mile Road, the ladies were led by Linda Kargale, who had a 608 series with games of 215 and 196 and Linda Harris, 508 series; Gloria Mertz, 573; Shirley Beagle, 564; and Car Kapetansky, 555. A week earlier, Chris Chism bowled a 256 game in a 642 series, Lil Beatty, 589; Jean Dembeck, 563; Linda Kargale, 558; Jo Scorf and Peggy Stanton, each finished with 556 series. The Greenfield Mixed League on Friday night had a pair of 289 games pitched by teammates Lee Snow and Chuck O'Rourke, and Mike Stefani had a 612 series. Sue Adkins was 99 pins over average with a 245 game. Jack Gattrell shot a 597 set with a 241 game; Henry Heintz, 243/591; Pam Miller, 582; and Caroline Schaefer finished with a 580 series.

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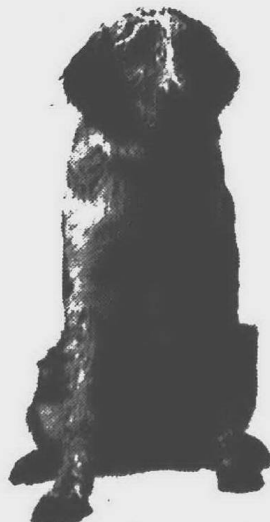
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MORE CLASSIFIEDS

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874 Mercury
MEERUR, 1985 XR400, 30,000 miles, loaded, \$4,700. North Brothers Ford 421-1378
MEERUR, 1985, XR400, automatic, moonroof, heated leather seats, warranty to 1991, \$7,900 or best offer. 448-2677
SABLE LS 1987, Wagon, excellent condition, loaded, under 22,000 miles. \$6,900. 483-7488
SABLE 1986, excellent condition, silver, loaded, \$4,950 or best offer. Call. 681-8720
TOPAZ LS 1984, air, am/fm cassette, cruise, leather, southern car. Excellent. \$2,900. Days 471-7888. Even. 484-3583

875 Nissan
MAXIMA, 1987, Automatic, sunroof, low miles, only \$10,995.
SUBURBAN NISSAN 649-2300
NISSAN 1984 300ZX 2" Black, electric sunroof, automatic, excellent condition, must see, \$8,000/4-0177
NISSAN, 1986 200SX, Automatic, air, low miles, loaded, \$5,950. 353-1300
TAMAROFF BUICK
PULSAR NX 1986 - good condition, new brakes, low miles, extended warranty, \$5,900.
PULSAR, 1987 SE 5 speed, two to choose from. Priced from \$9,995.
SUBURBAN NISSAN 649-2300
SENTRA 1984, wagon, showroom condition, 29,800 miles, automatic, air, \$9,950. 474-7801, 473-8370
SENTRA 1985, 2 door automatic, runs good, little rust, \$3,500. Call before 4pm. 427-5031
200SX, 1985 Turbo, Only 20,000 miles, garage kept. Super black, only \$5,995.
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876 Oldsmobile
CAVALIER SUPREME 1986, excellent condition, loaded, sunroof, luggage rack, all power. Must see, very clean. \$7,200 or best offer. 581-0482
CAVALIER, 1987 SUPREME, excellent condition, low mileage, V6, many extras, \$7,995 even. 388-4511
CIERA BROUGHAM 1987, loaded, \$8,900. 535-0617
CIERA BROUGHAM 1986, low miles, fully loaded, extra clean, 1 owner, immaculate, \$8,400-348-5125
CIERA, 1984 Brougham, EB package, excellent condition, loaded, \$7,000 miles, needs engine work. Must see. Best offer. 354-1032
CIERA 1984 Brougham - 4 door sedan, automatic, excellent condition, only \$2,650 397-3003
CUTLASS CIERA, 1985 Brougham, 2 door, V6, power steering and brakes, air, stereo, cruise, leather, excellent condition 46,000 miles, \$5,500
CUTLASS CIERA, 1986 Brougham, all options, low mileage, mini condition, \$9,900. Call 261-2906
CUTLASS CIERA WAGON 1984, well maintained, clean, 4 cylinder, many options, \$5,900. 563-8814
CUTLASS CIERA 85 4 door, best buy \$3,995.
GLASSMAN 12 Mile & Telegraph 354-3300
CUTLASS SIERRA LS 1983, air, stereo, cruise, tilt, clean, must see. \$3,900. 464-7580
CUTLASS SUPREME BROGHAM 82 Loaded, great value, \$1,555.
LOU LARICHE CHEVY/SUBARU Plymouth Rd. - Just West of I-275 453-4600
CUTLASS, 1971 convertible, air, power steering/brakes, new top/tires/locks. Must see. 477-5888
CUTLASS, 1974, Needs trans, \$180 565-4357
CUTLASS 1984 - Ciera brougham, 4 door, 4 cylinder, loaded, great shape, 150,000 miles, \$2,500. 422-4331
CUTLASS, 1984, 47,000 miles, clean, \$5,498
GORDON CHEVROLET ON FORD ROAD IN GARDEN CITY 427-6200
CUTLASS, 1987 Ciera, V-6, loaded, very clean, 24,500 miles, \$7,800. 535-9177
DELTA 88 COUPE V-6, air, cassette, tilt, cruise, much more, \$6,200. Jack Cauley Chev./Geo. 855-0014
DELTA 88, Top dollar paid for Oldsmobile, Call Jeff Benson. JEFF BENSON CAR CO. 682-7011

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SUPREME 81 1988, all power, loaded, stereo cassette, 10,000 miles, must call, \$10,400. 981-7288
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TORONADO 1984, full power, V8, extra clean, who has new car. \$6,995. 477-7388
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CHAMP, 1980, 65,000 miles, fair condition. Needs some work, best offer. 357-2494
CHAMP 1982, Needs clutch, Asking \$700. 532-6014
DUSTER 1978, Runs great! Stereo, \$500. After 4pm. 455-9832
FURY 1974, Runs well! Many new parts. Good tires. Mechanically sound. Body looks like the devil. \$200/best. Before 10pm. 425-0589
HORIZON, 1980, Automatic, am-fm, rear defogger, \$850. 565-3524
HORIZON, 1982, 4 speed, \$775 422-7489
HORIZON, 1988, Stick shift, gas miser. \$4,995.
FOX HILLS Chrysler-Plymouth 981-3171
HORIZON 85 Automatic, Power steering/brakes. Must see at \$2,995.
GORDON CHEVROLET ON FORD ROAD IN GARDEN CITY 427-6200
LEBARON, 1978 - Runs good. Power door, air, cassette. Good tires. Clean. \$800. After 4 pm. 477-0393
RELIANT 1982, station wagon, \$1450. Call even. 455-8809
ROAD RUNNER, 1972, needs assembly and paint, new decals and front end parts. Rebuilt transmission/engine. Make offer. 478-8710
SUNDANCE 1986 - low miles, excellent condition, sunroof, air, am-fm cassette, \$8,500. after 5 478-2778
SUNDANCE 1986 - 4 door, 2.5 liter engine, automatic, power steering/brakes, stereo, air, rear defog, light group, 15,000 miles, \$7,500. Must see. After 4pm 991-2086
SUNDANCE 87 Low miles, automatic, air, much more. Only \$5,798. Jack Cauley Chev./Geo. 855-0014
TURISMO, 1983, 2.2, Black. No rust. Automatic transmission. \$2,500 or best. Call 722-9181
TURISMO 1985, 5 speed, 52,000 mi., very clean, runs great, gray, air, power steering/brakes, new brakes/muffler, am-fm stereo, \$5,500/negotiable. After 6, 649-5399
TURISMO 1987, low miles, air, am/fm stereo, extended warranty, 5 speed, excellent condition, \$5,000 or best offer. 273-5503

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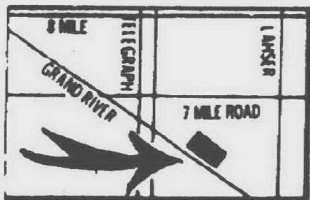
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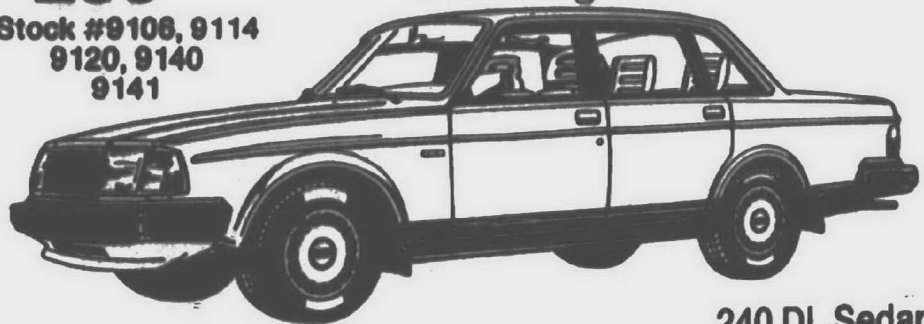


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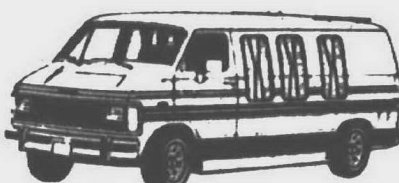
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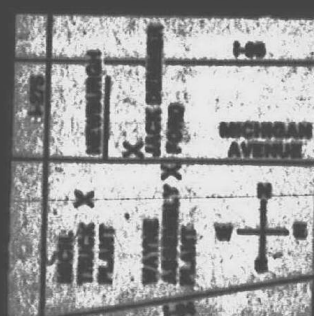
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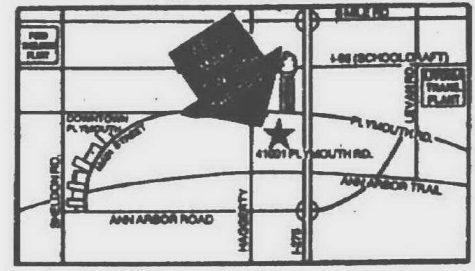
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STREET SCENE

Inside **S**

A fruity bouquet

No, we're not talking about a floral arrangement nor a stylish fruit basket. What we're talking about is wine — Bordeaux wine to be exact. A group of French vintners was in town recently to tout the special qualities of their wines and Street Scene decided to take a look and... well... a sip or two. See Page 6D.

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Faces like those of Stevie Wonder, Diana Ross and Michael Jackson grace the walls of Hitsville USA, a reminder of the simple beginnings of Motown's cadre of super stars.

Motown sound lives on walls of museum

By Rebecca Haynes
staff writer

It's where it all began.

If you close your eyes, you can picture Stevie Wonder at the black grand piano or Diana Ross and the Supremes standing behind the microphones.

It's Studio A at Hitsville, U.S.A., a small record company that in 1960 became Motown, and no, it's not the fancy studio in which you'd expect that all of those great songs were recorded.

It's a drafty room with poor lighting and a small control booth, and it's in the basement of a home on Detroit's West Grand Boulevard, bought by Motown founder Berry Gordy Jr. back in 1959. A family loan of \$800 was enough to get the now multi-million-dollar empire started.

"Motown was something that just evolved," said Esther Gordy Edwards, Ber-

ry's older sister and director of the Motown Museum, housed in the Hitsville building.

"We didn't set out and plan to make history."

"Berry started as a songwriter while he was employed at the Ford Motor Co. on the Lincoln Mercury production line," she said. "I remember he used to say that if he didn't have songs on his mind he wouldn't have been able to get through the day."

So, one day he quit his \$85 a week job and decided to write songs for a living, much to the dismay of their parents, Edwards said. He wrote all of the songs for Jackie Wilson, including "Lonely Teardrops" which helped launch his career.

GORDY'S ORIGINAL plan was to make recorded masters in his basement studio which he would sell in New York as an independent producer, Edwards said.

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HITSVILLE

Warp Factor

Karlos Barney



"Grandpa, tell us again how you had to chew your own leg off to escape flypaper."

When spring comes to Michigan

By Iris Sanderson Jones
contributing travel editor

Q: Now I know how a tulip must feel, sitting there under the ground waiting to explode into bloom. I've got my fishing rod and my golf clubs ready. I'm tired of hearing about how its spring down south! When does the action start in Michigan?

M.J.,

Livonia

A: Hang on to your golf and fishing hats. Spring is about to bust out all over, even if the leaves have forgotten how to turn the trees green. Golf, fishing and flower time is on its way!

Tulip Time will turn Holland, Mich., into garden city May 15-20. While you are waiting for that, you can hit the maple syrup festivals in Shepherd and Vermontville April 28-30.

That seems to be the first real weekend of spring this year, even though spring is officially a month old. The National Trout Festival is on in Kalkaska that weekend and the Walleye Festival is going on in Freeland April 29.

They've got a kite fest in Kalamazoo April 29-30 and a bike-a-thon at the farmer's market in Ann Arbor April 30. If you really want to know what its like to bust out of

the earth into spring, consider the Blossomtime Festival in Benton Harbor April 30 to May 7 or the Mushroom Festival in Mesick May 1-7.

Mushrooms are Michigan's way of telling you its spring. They've got a mushroom festival in Harrison May 6, the Morel Mushroom Festival in Lewistown May 13 and the National Mushroom Hunting Championship at Boyne City May 13-14.

You'll notice that a lot of those events are on the west side, so you can do several in a weekend, if you're really busting out into spring. Do the tulips in Holland, explore the boutiques and bed-and-breakfast places in Saugatuck, and then go mushrooming near Traverse City.

IF GOLF IS more your style, there is a statewide "Golf Michigan" promotion, offering free clinics for beginners, at several dozen courses around the state May 15 to June 16. And Grand Traverse Resort is offering free golf, racquetball or tennis to their guests through May 21.

Minutemen about to explode are meeting for a Cabin Fever Rendezvous May 19-21 in East Jordan.

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Come June 2-4 you can sample the pleasure of canoeing along such waterways as the Huron River in Ann Arbor during free statewide canoeing days.

MOVING PICTURES



Farrah Fawcett (from left), Jeff Bridges and Alice Krige star in "See You in the Morning," a romantic comedy about two families caught up in the confusion of divorce and remarriage.

'See You in the Morning': Nothing soapy in this film

N.P. of Troy wrote questioning my suggestion that "The Adventures of Baron Munchausen" (PG) is "great entertainment for all ages." She's quite right, there are some scenes which might frighten younger children. Our society's widespread acceptance of gratuitous, graphic violence and explicit sexuality in the media tends to numb us after a while and I just didn't stop to think as I praised the film beyond its rating. My apologies.

Speaking of apologies, film distributors owe one to our metropolitan community. Woody Allen's "Another Woman" (PG) opened Friday with little fanfare and no advanced screening. Rather strange for a Woody Allen film starring, among others, Gene Hackman, Sandy Dennis, Mia Farrow and Gena Rowlands.

What's wrong with the Detroit market in the minds of Orion execs? The film opened nationwide last October and is the story of a college professor (Gena Rowlands) discovering her true nature.

Among the film's unusual attributes, the accomplished principal cast members, with the exception of Mia Farrow, all are making their first appearance in an Allen film.

"Another Woman" may not be the greatest film produced, but it is the 17th Woody Allen has written and directed. Why not let the Detroit market decide for itself? To top it off, the video of "Another Woman" has been advertising as available on May 25, just a month after its local theatrical premiere.

Accomplished casts are the main item on this week's agenda as two of the eight new films feature bravura performances: "See You in the Morning" (A-, PG, 112 minutes) and "Jackknife" (B+, R, 95 minutes). In fact, if both films had been as good as the acting, we would all be in some sort of theatrical heaven.

In "See You in the Morning" Alan Pakula ("Sophie's Choice") has concocted a finely textured film and drawn superior performances from a masterfully adept cast. On the surface it's perilously close to well-done soap opera, but Pakula straddles that line between daily soaps and refined, moving sentiment. He has turned out a sometimes annoying, sometimes touching statement about the problems of family life and making marriage work.

Despite their apparent idyllic family, New York psychiatrist Larry Livingston (Jeff Bridges), is informed by his wife, Jo (Farrah Fawcett), that her wandering libido dictates a divorce.

Meanwhile, Beth Goodwin (Alice Krige) suffers as her husband, Peter (David Dukes), loses his ability to perform as a concert pianist. After his suicide, she meets Larry. Ultimately, they resurrect their lives through love and commitment as well as the comprehension that to nurture marriage and family requires devotion and a massive expenditure of effort, energy and emotion.

In addition to the fine acting of the principals, particularly Alice Krige, the entire ensemble performs so well that they create a naturalistic, credible world.

The standout supporting work includes performances by Linda Lavin as Larry and Beth's mutual friend, Sidney; Frances Sternhagen as Jo's mother, Neenie, to whom Larry is devoted; and Drew Barrymore and Liane Haid as Beth's children, Cathy and Peter.

But everyone else, including Theodore Bikel in a cameo, project ten-

der, vulnerable, erratic personality — and that's what makes this film successful, it's so close to life without being maudlin or melodramatic.

"Jackknife" opens inexplicably as Megs (Robert DeNiro) appears early one morning to go fishing with his Vietnam buddy, Dave (Ed Harris), who is sleeping one off while his sister, Martha (Kathy Baker), the high school biology teacher, is just trying to sleep.

One thing and another, Megs cures Dave and himself of their Vietnam engendered problems and, along the way, falls in love with Martha.

Just as Megs appearance is abrupt and unexplained, much of the plot structure developing the Vietnam genesis of their personality disorders is murky. Whether or not scenarist Stephen Metcalfe and director David Jones felt that Vietnam was explanation enough (unfortunately, it is), nonetheless the film's structure is questionable.

DeNiro's personality change also strains credibility. I knew guys like that in the service — great, loveable gonzo slob — and, however much we'd like it to be true — sexually frustrated biology teachers never made gentlemen of them.

In spite of these major structural faults, superb performances by DeNiro, Baker and Harris, along with excellent photography and fine music, create an excellent, albeit painful and emotionally wrenching film. There's a number of other, lesser movies this week. "Speed Zone," (Z) (PG) 90 minutes, is so bad that some of the audience left before it started. Words such as "stupid," "ridiculous" and "dumb" come to mind, but they are inadequate to describe this lame continuation of the "Cannonball" series. Many talented stars cannot save such a poorly written, badly directed, slow-paced film with an infantile mentality.

"Pet Sematary," (B-) (R) 105 minutes, is pure Stephen King and his fans will love this frightening, but morbidly fascinating nightmare. Set in a typical King-style New



Robert DeNiro who helps himself and his Vietnam buddy overcome their Vietnam engendered problems in "Jackknife."

England town, "Pet Sematary" opens as Dr. Louis Creed (Dale Midkiff) and his family move into an old house with a mysterious past, a nearby pet cemetery and a strange neighbor Jud Crandall (Fred Gwynne).

Plot structure may be weak, but it's scary film with all the gore and killing King fans enjoy. Reviewed by Kathy Guyor.



the movies

Dan Greenberg

Grading the movies

A+	Top marks - sure to please
A	Close behind - excellent
A-	Still in running for top honors
B+	Pretty good stuff, not perfect
B	Good
B-	Good but notable deficiencies
C+	Just a cut above average
C	Mediocre
C-	Not so hot and slipping fast
D+	The very best of the poor stuff
D	Poor
D-	It doesn't get much worse
F	Truly awful
Z	Reserved for the colossally bad
*	No advanced screening

Besides these two gems, there's "Crasoe" (*) (PG-13) based on the familiar story starring Aidan Quinn and Ade Sapara and everyone's latest and greatest machoman, Dolph Lundgren in "Red Scorpion" (*) (R). Watch out Schwarzenegger, there are new muscles on the block. Finally, "Teen Witch" (*) (no rating available) is a comedy. Whether or not it's funny is another matter, but the promised story is indicated by its title.

STILL PLAYING:

"The Accidental Tourist" (C+) (PG) 120 minutes. Slow-paced family melodrama. "The Adventures of Baron Munchausen" (A) PG, 126 minutes. Marvelous fantasy, super special effects and great performances by all-star cast. "Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure" (B-) (PG-13). George Carlin gives the boys the key to a time-traveling, A-plus history project. "Chances Are" (*) (PG). Cybil Shepard, Robert Downey Jr. and Ryan O'Neal in a romantic comedy about two lives mixed together. "Cyborg" (*) (R). Futuristic thriller. "Dangerous Liaisons" (C+) (R) 115 minutes. Even lush images and good acting can't overcome the non-cinematic quality of this boring story of pre-Revolutionary French decadence. "Dead Bang" (*) (R). Slam-bang detective story with Don Johnson. "Dead Calm" (*) (R). Australian thriller stars Sam Neill. "Disorganized Crime" (F) (PG) 90 minutes. Slow-paced, ridiculous "comedy" about bankrobbing. "The Dream Team" (B+) (PG-13) 105 minutes. Psychiatric patients have quite a trip trying to see a ballgame at Yankee Stadium. "Fletch Lives" (B) (PG). Chevy Chase is back as Fletch and brings along a gang of familiar faces in this mindless, but funny, sequel.

ALTERNATIVE VIEWING

'Record': A TV nightmare

By Anne Sharp
special writer

"The Record" (at the Tele-Arts this week) is a remarkable little Swiss film about the hazards of being a couch potato.

It's a hard film to categorize. It starts out as a crime thriller, turns into a broad satire, then with a twist of plot, becomes science fiction. Not knowing what to expect next of this film is one of its weird charms.

Rico (Uwe Ochsenknecht) is a handsome, shifty young punk type who runs a video piracy ring with his girlfriend Bigi (Catarina Raacke) and techno-wizard pal Banana (Lasslo I. Kish).

They make illegal tapes of the latest first-run features, which they deal out of their video store. An obsessive video addict, he dreams of owning his own illicit broadcasting station.

In order to raise the revenue for this new scheme, Rico comes up with a publicity stunt. He will set a world's record for TV-watching by spending 180 hours in front of the tube, with no interruptions, not even sleep. A greedy sponsor talks him

into upping it to 240 hours. Nothing easier.

By the last 48 hours of his self-imposed ordeal, Rico is a weeping, babbling, half-psychotic wreck who looks like Michael Keaton in "Beetlejuice" and hallucinates that what he sees on screen is actually happening to him.

FOOLISHLY, he persists, pushing the boundaries of TV viewership beyond the known limits of mortal capability. As a result, he undergoes a horrible transformation, somewhat similar to what happens to William Hurt in "Altered States," only rather than reverting to a beast, he is catapulted into electronic vegetabledom.

It was a curious choice for director Daniel Helfer to shoot this very high-tech story in low-tech black and white. Rather than involving you in the seductive flashiness of the video experience, the film distances you from it.

That gives an oddly historical feel to it, as if the video mania Rico is experiencing is a quaint fad from yesteryear, rather than the powerful phenomenon going on right now in our living rooms.

There are certain similarities between this film, originally released in 1984, and Wim Wender's ethereal delight, "Wings of Desire" from last year.

Both Helfer and Wender use black and white to give these films a look that is gritty, alic, realistic and fashionable in the post-punk manner, yet at the same time dreamy and magical.

Both films feature a very hip, urbane, rock and roll sensibility, yet they are as mushily romantic as anything dreamed up by Hoffmann or Goethe.

JUST AS Wender's angel hero finds bliss through the love of a mortal woman, Rico is rescued from mental oblivion by his sensible, devoted Bigi. Love conquers all, even terminal vidiot-ness.

There have been other films critical of the television phenomenon from "Network" to "Videodrome." But it would take a movie-mad European to make something as pervasive and subversive as this.

I would love to find "The Record" listed in my monthly cable guide. And I can't wait to see it at Blockbuster Video.

SCREEN SCENE

AFTERNOON FILM THEATRE, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. For information, call 832-2730.

"The Man Who Laughs" (1928), 1 p.m. April 25 to May 1. Gothic costume drama starring Lon Chaney, in one of his wild makeup jobs, as a grotesquely disfigured nobleman.

DETROIT FILM THEATRE, Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit. Call 832-2730 for information. (\$10 for "Dorrit," \$3 for other shows)

"We the Living" (1942), 7 and 10:15 p.m. April 28. Recently rediscovered adaptation of Ayn Rand's novel (made, without Rand's permission, in Fascist Italy), starring Alida Valli and Rossano Brazzi.

"Wild Strawberries" (1957), 7 and 9:30 p.m. April 29. Ingmar Bergman's "Christmas Carol" like story of an elderly scientist (Victor Sjöström) undergoing a bittersweet spiritual rebirth.

"Little Dorrit, Parts 1 and 2" (1987), 2:30 p.m. April 30. Marathon screening of Christine Esard's two-part, six-hour version of the Charles Dickens novel.

HENRY FORD CENTENNIAL LIBRARY, 16301 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. Call 943-2330. (free)

"In the Doghouse" (1964), 7 p.m. April 14. Comedy about the adventures of two young animal doctors (Leslie Phillips and Peggy Cummings).

MICHIGAN THEATRE, 16301 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. For information, call 669-8397. (\$4 regular and \$3.25 students and senior citizens)

"Parents" (1988) 8 p.m. April 24-25, 7:15 p.m. April 26, 9:10 p.m. April 27, 7:15 p.m. April 28, 6:45 p.m. April 29 and 8:45 p.m. April 30. Mary Beth Hurt and Randy Quaid star in a story that's part "Ozzie and Harriet" and part "Texas Chainsaw Massacre."

"Working Girl" (1988), 8:45 p.m. April 26 and 7 p.m. April 27. Melanie Griffith shows ladies how to succeed in business by being dumb, blonde and subservient to males.

"The Naked Gun" (1988), 8:45 and 10:30 p.m. April 28, 5 and 10:40 p.m. April 29. Unbelievably hilarious farce by the "Airplane!" team, about the adventures of an obnoxious supercop (Leslie Nielsen).

"Talk Radio" (1988), 8:30 p.m. April 29. Oliver Stone's uneven, but interesting, adaptation of Eric Bogosian's play about a "shock radio" host stalked by a psycho killer.

"The Big Parade" (1925), 6:30 p.m. April 30. King Vidor's acclaimed silent drama about the harrowing experiences of a World War I soldier (John Gilbert), presented with live musical accompaniment on the mighty Michigan Wurlitzer.

PARK THEATRE, 804 Erie St. E., Windsor. Call (519) 971-9983 for dates and time (\$4 regular and \$2.50 seniors, children and members).

"The Chocolate War" (1988), April 28-30. A parochial school's annual candy sale turns into a life-or-death game of survival in this drama starring John Glover and Ian Mitchell-Smith.

REDFORD THEATRE, 17360 Lusher, Detroit. For information, call 837-2560. (\$3)

"South Pacific" (1958), 7:30 p.m. April 28-29. Rodgers and Hammerstein musical starring Mitzi Gaynor and Rossano Brazzi, about the romantic adventures of American nurses and servicemen during World War II.

TELE-ARTS, 1540 Woodward Ave., Detroit. For information, call 963-9890. (\$2 matinee, students and seniors, \$3.50 regular)

"The Record" (1984), 5:30 and 7:45 p.m. April 28-29, 1, 3 and 5:30 p.m. April 30. Swiss director Daniel Helfer's quirky New Wave fantasy about the dangers of being a couch potato.



Melanie Griffith and Harrison Ford star in Mike Nichols' comedy-drama "Working Girl," showing at the Michigan Theatre April 28-27.

"Home of the Brave" (1986), 10 p.m. April 28-29, 7:45 p.m. April 30. Concert film featuring performance artist Laurie Anderson and her magic violin.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-ANN ARBOR, Modern Language Building, 812 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (free) Student Film Projects, 7:30 p.m. April 28. An evening of works by student filmmakers from the U-M communications program.

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Mr. X and Idiots combine humor and punk guitar

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

Let it be said that the Idiots know one another.

At least the musical ones do. Though new on the local music circuit, Mr. X and the Idiots go back a ways.

Lets start with the main idiot himself, Mr. X, who is also known as Glynn Scanlan. He's seen action as a drummer and as a guitarist in a number of bands, including the Regular Boys and the Mailmen.

Scanlan graduated from high school the same year as Steve Bauer, who is also bass player in Sensitive Big Guys. He also knew Mike Liedel. His brother, Paul Liedel, is Idiots' guitarist.

But, for the time being, let's skip the formalities. Get to the issue — the name.

"Just because we don't take ourselves too seriously, really," said Scanlan, who is a 1985 graduate of Livonia Franklin, "and because we are kind of idiots."

And the Mr. X handle? "Glynn Scanlan would've sounded stupid for a tape," he said. "I didn't want a stage name like Spike or Mail-let Head. Mr. X sounded silly enough."

THOSE FEW fortunate souls who have a copy of Mr. X's "The Tape With No Name" might disagree. A low-budget production, the seven-song cassette is a humorous blast of guitar punk at its quirky best.

Even the Diamond man himself would likely have a chuckle at Scanlan's rendition of "Song Sung Blue."

There's also an acoustic spasm of a gem, "Sick," in which Mr. X whines about being ill all the time. Another tune from the tape, "I Was Abducted By A UFO," will find its way on Rick Anderson's compilation of local artists due out in the next few weeks.

Which is more than even Scanlan expected when he took some songs

into The Tempermill Studios in Livonia last summer. He did most of the instrumentation on the tape.

Scanlan financed the project himself, emptying his bank account to the tune of nearly \$600. About 50 copies of the tape were made. He's given 35 to friends and radio people and sold five copies at Desirable Discs in Garden City.

The Billboard charts are not quaking, but interest in the tape has Scanlan cracking a smile of optimism. "The Tape With No Name" is receiving airplay on college stations, such as WORB-FM at Oakland Community College and WHFR-FM at Henry Ford Community College.

"Some guy named Shane from Garden City called me after he bought the tape," Scanlan said. "He said, 'Wow, I really enjoy the tape.' He even brought a couple of his friends to one of our shows at Paycheck's (Lounge in Hamtramck).

"I DON'T know if he liked our show. I haven't heard from him since."

People are hearing from Mr. X and the Idiots, though. The band is playing regularly on the Hamtramck circuit at The Pub and Paycheck's Lounge.

As refreshing as the tape itself is Scanlan's and the band's attitude. While most talk of record deals and other cosmic debris, Mr. X and the Idiots are keeping things in perspective.

"We just like to have a good time," Scanlan said. "When I start thinking big, like why not make this tape into an album, I wake up and say to myself there's so many bands around that are going nowhere. I'm more realistic about this band."

That easy-going attitude perhaps can be attributed to the quality of "The Tape With No Name." There's no pretension, no catering to record labels.

Another factor was the guy behind the boards. Dave Feeny of the Orange Roughies and owner of Tem-



There's nothing idiotic about Mr. X, better known as Glynn Scanlan, and the Idiots, who play regularly on the Hamtramck circuit at The Pub and Paycheck's Lounge.

permill Studios in Livonia provided the right atmosphere.

"He was really helpful," said Scanlan, who also is a soundman for the Orange Roughies. "He'd say, 'Let's put this in there.'"

"He'd get a phone call and talk for 15 minutes or we'd go out and get doughnuts. It was really relaxed."

Onstage, Mr. X and the Idiots are said to be anything but. Scanlan has

the yeoman's task of not only singing, but playing drums at the same time.

Mr. X found beating drums while punishing his vocal chords difficult at first.

"I know I put my parents through hell," he said. "I used to sit down in the basement and scream (The Romantics' hit) 'What I Like About You.' One day, it came together."

IN CONCERT

● JUGGLERS AND THIEVES

Jugglers and Thieves will perform along with special guests, Ash Can Van Gogh, on Monday, April 24, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. For information, call 994-8555. The group will also perform on Friday, April 28, at Lili's 21, 2530 Jacob, Hamtramck. For information, call 875-6555.

● BROKEN VOVO

Broken Vovo will perform on Tuesday, April 25, at Rick's Cafe, 611 Church, Ann Arbor. For information, call 994-5747.

● IDYLL ROOMERS

The Idyll Roomers will perform on Tuesday, April 25, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. For information, call 994-8555.

● FRANK ALLISON

Frank Allison and the Odd Sox will perform on Wednesday, April 26, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. For information, call 994-8555.

● HOWLING DIABLOS

Howling Diablos will perform on Thursday, April 27, at Sully's, 4758 Greenfield, north of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. For information, call 846-5377.

● FIGURE 4

Figure 4 will perform on Thursday, April 28, at the 3-D Dance Club, 1818 N. Main, near 12 Mile Road, Royal Oak. For information, call 549-3344.

● TINSLEY ELLIS

Tinsley Ellis will perform on Thursday, April 27, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. For information, call 994-8555.

● FIGURES ON BEACH

Figures on a Beach will perform on Friday, April 28, at The Ritz, 17500 Frisco, Roseville. For information, call 778-8150.

● SUN MESSENGERS

Sun Messengers, featuring new member Lyman Woodard, will perform on Friday, April 28, at Sully's, 4758 Greenfield, north of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. For information, call 846-5377.

● DIFFERENCE

The Difference will perform on Friday, April 28, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. For information, call 994-8555.

● MOTOR CITY ROCKERS

Motor City Rockers will perform on Friday, April 28, at Blondies, 21120 W. Seven Mile, Detroit. For information, call 535-8108.

● FIREHOSE

Firehose will perform along with guests, Screaming Trees, at 10 p.m. Friday, April 28, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets are \$12.50. For information, call 961-MELT.

● THRESHOLD

Threshold will perform Friday at Saturday, April 28-29, at Janssen's, 1819 N. Main, Royal Oak. For information, call 847-4478.

● MITCH RYDER

Mitch Ryder will perform along with special guests, Impact and Outer Drive, on Saturday, April 29, at The Ritz, 17500 Frisco, Roseville. For information, call 778-8150.

● SLAPSHOT

Snapshot will perform on Saturday, April 29, at Blondies, 21120 W. Seven Mile, Detroit. For information, call 535-8108.

● MAD CAT

Mad Cat Ruth's Pressure Cooker will perform on Saturday, April 29, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. For information, call 994-8555.

● BOOTSEY X

Bootsey X will perform on Saturday, April 29, at Lili's 21, 2530 Jacob, off Jog Campau, Hamtramck. For information, call 875-6555.

● DETROIT BLUES

Detroit Blues Band, featuring Jimmy McCarty, will perform on Saturday, April 29, at Sully's, 4758 Greenfield, north of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. For information, call 846-5377.

● THE TOLL

The Toll will perform at 10 p.m. Saturday, April 29, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets are \$7.50 in advance. For information, call 961-MELT.

● TOMMY KEENE

Tommy Keene will perform at 10 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, at Alvin's, 6756 Cass, Detroit. For information, call 832-2355.

● NIXON/ROPER

Mojo Nixon and Skid Roper will perform at 10 p.m. Saturday, May 6, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. For information, call 961-MELT.

● BUCK PETS

Buck Pets will perform at 10 p.m. Monday, May 8, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$7.50. For information, call 994-8555.

● THROWING MUSES

Throwing Muses will perform at 10 p.m. Friday, May 19, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. For information, call 961-MELT.

● COWBOY JUNKIES

Cowboy Junkies will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at the Power Center, Fletcher and Huron, Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$12.50 and \$14.50. For information, call 99-MUSIC.

Ellis sings the blues on way to top

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

B.B. King supplied the string. For Tinsley Ellis, it was the rope of hope. And the Georgia-based blues guitarist continues to tug as an upstart blues artist on the rise.

Thanks to B.B. King, Ellis got the notion to pursue the blues. It was at a show in Miami Beach when the blues great broke a guitar string and handed it to a wide-eyed Ellis. He was only 14.

"It's still here somewhere," said Ellis, in a telephone interview from his home in Atlanta, Ga. "I have part of it (the string). Four people went with me to that show and the string was broken into four different pieces. The piece I have is taped to an autographed photo."

Whenever King sees Ellis, he still

kids him about the souvenir. But more than idolizing legends, Ellis is preoccupied with making a name for himself.

Already Ellis has been called "one of the three top white blues guitarist in America today," third only to Stevie Ray Vaughan and Johnny Winter. Yet he has never received one-third of the notoriety of those two.

Ellis has sought to rectify that. With his last album, "Georgia Blue," (Alligator) he's played more than 200 dates in 31 states. Included was two tours of Europe.

WITH NO radio play to count on, the bluesman has to tour the clubs.

"If you want to make a living, it does," he said. "We don't make a lot of money. We make money a lot of times, if that makes any sense."

Relatively speaking, Ellis is new

on the blues scene. He performed with The Alley Cats, an Atlanta band that included current Fabulous Thunderbird bassist Preston Hubbard.

After a successful stint as guitarist for The Heartfixers, Ellis ventured out on his own with the Ellis Tinsley Band. "Georgia Blue" was his first solo album, which is ripe with a funky blues style.

Some of the cuts on the album were covers of Freddie King and Tampa Red songs. On his next album, Ellis wants to go the all-original route.

That's not easy for a guy who describes the songwriting process as "like going to the dentist."

"When I do someone else's song, I tend to get into it and do a reading of it," he said. "When I write my own

songs, they tend to be less derivative."

The songs for his upcoming album will mark a transformation of sorts. Ellis will rely on a hybrid of New Orleans, Texas and Chicago style of blues "with a little bit of Memphis thrown in for good measure." The sound will be different in other ways.

INSTEAD OF the more breezy Gibson guitar feel, Ellis is going for the bite of the Stratocaster.

With that, plus a slew of club dates, Ellis hopes to get the recognition for gusto guitar play. He knows these things take time.

Tinsley Ellis will perform on Thursday, April 27, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First Ann Arbor (994-8555) and on Friday, April 28, at the Soup Kitchen, 1585 Franklin, Detroit (259-1374).

REVIEWS

LIKE A PRAYER — Madonna



If Madonna's perfume wasn't so distracting, I'd already be telling you a bit about her new album.

No, she hasn't come a-visiting. But the sleeve to her new album, "Like a Prayer," is sprayed with her favorite perfume.

Well, right then, on to the review. First, your reviewer realizes that while Madonna is a big star, most people he has met dislike Madonna — or at least smirk at the mention of her name.

Apparently, Madonna strikes a nerve in some folks that just gets them mad. She thinks she's so hot, she can't sing, she's tacky, they say. But your reviewer has always kind of liked Madonna. He says "kind of" because he's 34, and not into pop music as he was in his "Wonder Years."

Still, he hears in Madonna's music some of the things he's always liked best about good pop music.

For starters, her voice has a pleasing young sound. The rhythm back-

her song melodies are darn catchy. Madonna's hit "Into the Groove" best illustrates these things.

On her new album, the Madonna dance sound is effectively revived on "Like a Prayer," "Express Yourself" and "Cherish."

On "Promise to Try" and "Dear Jessie," Madonna flirts with some Beatlesque sounds — even a coronet flourish in a "Penny Lane" on "Dear Jessie."

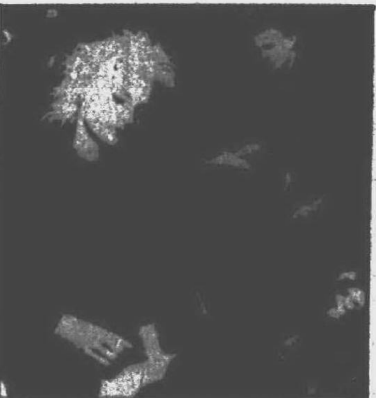
Madonna gets into some more personal subjects on this album — the breakup of her marriage, and memories of a stormy relationship with her dad.

Recording these songs may have helped Madonna feel more the expansive artist, rather than just a pop singer. But in the playful, young sounding songs that she does best. And there's no shame in that.

Because, as Woody Guthrie once said, "I don't want this to be more like grown-ups. I want grown-ups to be more like kids."

— Kevin Brown

EVERYTHING'S DIFFERENT NOW — 'Til Tuesday



Love gone bad. Yes, I know it's a subject that has not exactly been ignored in popular songwriting. But it has been quite a while since there has been a collection of songs that has relayed the hurt involved so well as this album.

This is 'Til Tuesday's third album for Epic/CBS, although nothing has garnered any real attention since the single, "Voices Carry," from their debut.

I must admit to not being a fan of that song but this new album is a horse of a different color of fish.

The overwhelming theme throughout this record is the break-up of singer Aimee Mann's relationship with Jules Shear, who has written for the Bangles, Cindy Lauper and has a track on this LP also.

I can only imagine that he must be squirming because Ms. Mann's lyrics pull no punches. "But my world became this one boy/It's the way that I am made/Do you think I enjoy it?" from "Why Must I?" Or even "It's not that I'm frightened of being alone,

it's just that I know what a burden this grief can be" from "Long Gone (Buddy)."

Actually, I could give a quote from every song, one of which, by the way, is a collaboration with Elvis Costello, whose lyrics blend perfectly with the album's austere lyrical atmosphere.

While musically, the songs are of an acoustic/light-pop nature, Aimee Mann's vocals convey all the poignancy, pain and vulnerability demanded by her words. Such personal revelations that would have a John Lennon seal of approval.

It's enough to make you cry.

— Cormac Wright

VOICES OF BABYLON — The Outfield

After encountering the sophomore jinx with their "Bangin'" LP in 1987, The Outfield returns with their third release, which, if anything, answers a couple of burning questions.

Burning question No. 1: Which direction would the trio, who labeled themselves as "too rock for pop and too pop for rock" two years ago, travel musically? The inclination seemed to be in the rock direction, based on the group's affinity for cranking up the amps while on the road.

So much for inclination. It appears the answer to this question is a resounding "POP" from The Outfield. (Forgive me... I just couldn't stop myself.)

New producers David Kahne and David Leonard join guitarist/songwriter John Spinks at the controls of "Voices," and the results are obvious, almost calculated, polishing of The Outfield's hard-core fan sound.

Track and track goes by with little noticeable deviation from a simple

COUNTRY

Here are the top-10 songs receiving air play on WWW-FM.

1. "I'm No Stranger to the Rain," Keith Whitley.
2. "Is It Still Over?", Randy Travis.
3. "Tell It Like It Is," Billy Joe Royal.
4. "From the Word Go," Michael Martin Murphey.
5. "The Church on Cumberland Road," Sheryl Crow.
6. "I Feel Fine," Sweethearts of the Rodeo.
7. "You Got It," Roy Orbison.
8. "After All This Time," Rodney Crowell.
9. "Don't Toss Us Away," Patty Loveless.
10. "Which Way Do I Go (Now That I'm Gone)," Waylon Jennings.

COLLEGE

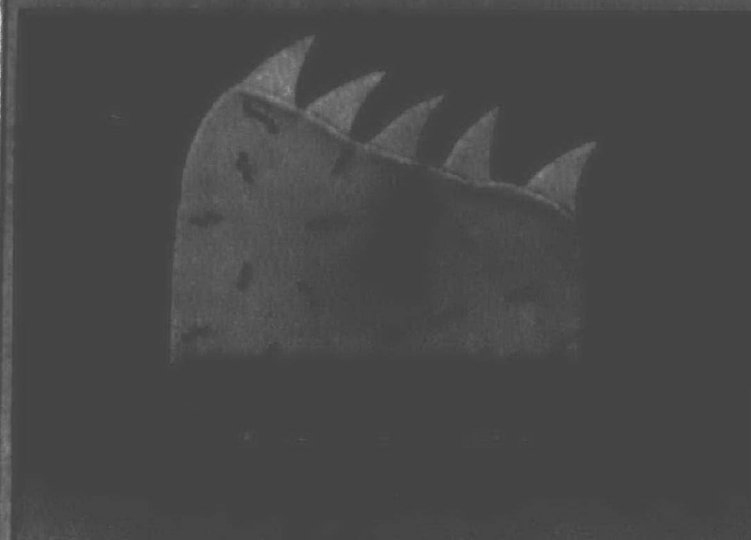
Here are the top 10 songs receiving air play on WOUZ-AM, campus station of Oakland University in Rochester.

1. "Tied Up in Gear," Yellow.
2. "Mayor of Simplicity," XTC.
3. "Stop," Erasure.
4. "In the New Heatville," The Goats.
5. "You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet," Figures on a Beach.
6. "Til De You," The Replacement.
7. "Obsession," XFMOL.
8. "Riddle of the 90s," Firehose.
9. "She Drives Me Crazy," Fine Young Cannibals.
10. "Last of the Famous International Playboys," Marley.

street seen

Charlene Mitchell

Street Sense reporter Charlene Mitchell is always looking for the unusual, the unusual, the unusual, and sometimes from readers and subscribers. Write her in care of this newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or call 291-3300. Ext. 315.



Timely art

Artist Stephen Palmer proves that telling time doesn't have to be boring. His highly graphic designs in unusual proportions are absolutely delightful. Made of glass and battery operated. 360, Homestead Gallery, 136 S. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake.

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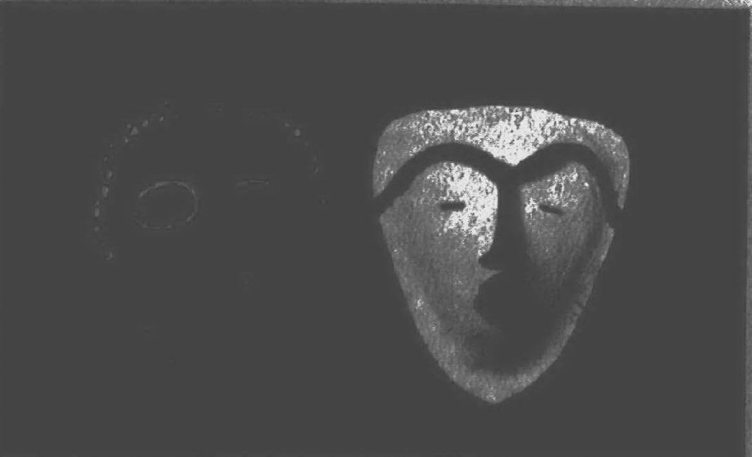
Pressed look

An Oriental theme defines these matte finish ceramic vases with pressed designs. Pastel colors and copper along with mother of pearl beads create such a soft, artistic look. Bamboo handles complete the theme. No two alike. \$88 each. Chantel on the Boardwalk, West Bloomfield.



Clever carry-all

This roomy tote is a real knockout with its V-shape and black fabric handle. Bag comes in woven raffia in either gold or silver tone. Great for vacations and holds loads of the stuff we love to cram into our purses. Nice for shopping too. 362, Sundance on the Boardwalk, West Bloomfield.



Look-alikes

No, they weren't really made in Africa, and they don't lay claim to any traditional designs. But these terracotta and ceramic masks do look like the real thing. In fact, they are. They are made from the same clay and fired in the same kilns as the real thing. They cost from \$45 to \$175. Homestead Gallery, Walled Lake.

STREET SENSE

Set the rules or keep your friend

Dear Barbara,

My friend comes from overseas six times a year, for a week at a time, and stays in my condo with me. He's American, but lives out of the country because of business. He comes so frequently because he has a 13-year-old daughter who lives with her mother, my friend's ex-wife.

There are only two bedrooms in my condo. I sleep in one and now comes the problem of this letter. My friend and his daughter have always, for six years, shared the second room. They even sleep in the same bed.

Recently, when we were altogether, my friend's daughter was rubbing his back to help him fall asleep. This disturbed me. I recommended to my friend that his daughter could use my room, a sleeping bag or the couch. My friend refused and said his daughter would sleep with him until she is 16 or until she got married.

I took it upon myself to call the mother. She was surprised and alarmed. However, she has a terminal illness and is totally dependent on her ex-husband for financial sup-

port. The mother asked her daughter what she wanted to do and was told that she (the daughter) prefers the sleeping bag.

Her dad, my best friend, said absolutely not. What do I do now?
Concerned friend

Dear Concerned Friend,

My feeling is that your instincts are correct. Mental health workers know from their work that such intimacy between parent and child can be emotionally hurtful to the child.

The condominium is yours and the rules by which guests have to live in it, are established by you. If your principle of not allowing this sleeping together to occur in your home is important to you, then you should be able to stand the loss of your friend. If your friendship is more important, then you will have to give up your principle.

Barbara

Dear Barbara,

I take care of my grandchild while her parents work. She is with me Monday through Friday and goes home on weekends. Her parents — my son and his wife — come for dinner every night. They both work full-time.



Barbara Schiff

My daughter-in-law is pregnant and will deliver in four months. The granddaughter I babysit is 1 1/2 years old. I have become very attached to her.

I don't want to babysit two children, but I don't want to give up babysitting the granddaughter who I am with everyday now. What should I say to my son about the second child? Is it bad to separate the two kids?

One other circumstance that I have not mentioned is that my granddaughter has leukemia.
Perplexed grandmother

Dear Perplexed Grandmother,

Your letter addresses an ever-increasing problem in American society — families in which both parents work outside the home. This reality puts grandparents in a position where their help is needed even though they have reached an age entitling them to less responsibility.

You have told me a great deal in your letter. What you haven't told me is whether or not you have spoken to your son and daughter-in-law about the babysitting arrangements after the new baby is born.

Can they afford to hire help for the new baby? If so, the separation of the siblings will not be a problem for at least a year? If this is the case, no immediate problem exists and the situation can be reassessed in a year or even two.

If your children have difficulty separating the grandchildren, then you will have to decide if you want to care for two grandchildren or none.

Barbara

If you have a question for Barbara Schiff, a trained counselor and experienced therapist, send it to Street Sense, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

STREET CRACKS

Felix comes naturally to Conway

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

He never saw the play. He never watched the TV show. But to comedian Tim Conway, doing "The Odd Couple" comes as natural as swinging a nine-iron does for Jack Nicklaus.

"It's fun to do," said Conway, who is appearing Tom Poston in the Neil Simon play Tuesday through Sunday at the Fox Theatre. "No matter how many times you've seen it, it's like an old friend that wanders into the theater."

Which in a way describes Tim Conway, the comedian.

His face is a familiar one. Whether it was on television with "McHale's Navy" or "The Carol Burnett Show" or in Disney Films, such as "Apple Dumpling Gang" and "Gus and the Shaggy D.A.," his zaniness has drawn many laughs through the years.

And in times of the four-letter word oratorics of Sam Kinison, the slapstick comedy of the likes of the Tim Conways has been sort of lost in the shadow. Isn't that right Mister Tudball?

Nonetheless, Conway still keeps a chuckle agenda. In addition to his current work as Felix in the "Odd Couple," he's busy putting together more in the never-ending series of "Dorf" videos. Dorf's latest adventure will involve tackling auto racing.

SUCH ZANY spoofs, though, don't fly in Broadway plays. Conway has made the smooth transition, despite only having seen "The Odd Couple" movie, featuring Walter Matthau and Jack Lemmon.



Comedian Tim Conway is a familiar face, having appeared on TV in "McHale's Navy" and "The Carol Burnett Show" and in such films as "Apple Dumpling Gang" and "Gus and the Shaggy D.A."

"You can do a lot of things with it," Conway said. "The lines are solid. What you do with (the part) makes the difference."

His partner is quite familiar with "The Odd Couple," having performed both roles as Oscar and Felix in road shows. His partnership with Poston dates back to 1961 on "Steve Allen Show."

Both have similar comedic styles, which Conway said gives their performance added punch. "Both of us are nutty, but subdued enough to do

a play without being maniacs up there on stage," he said.

Conway comes from the Cleveland area, which brought us such jokesters as Jonathan Winters and Bob Hope. Unlike those two, Conway landed on the comedic stage by accident.

After graduating from Bowling Green State University, a friend urged him to try his skill as a writer. He met up with Ernie Anderson, who is an announcer with ABC-TV. The two worked on a talk show together

on a Cleveland TV station.

"The show was so bad we couldn't get any guests," Conway said. "I directed the show and was a guest on it."

Steve Allen thought Conway's guest spots were funny enough to ask him to join his show. Producer Ed Montaigne caught Conway's act and cast him in the role of Ensign Parker on the hit TV show "McHale's Navy." Conway was nominated for an Emmy in 1963 for his work on the show.

Some of his most humorous spots came as a regular on the "The Carol Burnett Show." He served as the perfect foil for Harvey Korman's stiff-upper-lip style of laughter. Even the straight-faced comedian would melt when he came eye to eye with Conway.

"It still happens today," said Conway, who added Korman and he might still get together for a project. "The moment I look at him, he goes to pieces . . . which I think is very unprofessional on his part."

Anyone who watched the skits by Conway and Korman has a favorite one. The characters he created were definitely his own. Yet while hilarious, they were never offensive.

Conway is proud of that. Though comedy is big business today, in his opinion, it hasn't gotten better, especially with the emergence of shock comedy.

"That's the new big thing . . . where you use a four-letter word to get a laugh which isn't really funny," he said. "In the old school, first you couldn't do it and, secondly, you had to be funny because we were live (on TV). One show would eat up all your material. You had to be funny or you didn't stick around."

His 'thinky stuff' generates laughs for Jim Samuels

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

As a comedian, Jim Samuels knows you gotta get a reaction. Even if it is only someone spilling a drop of wine on their cardigan sweater.

The dean of San Francisco comedians has had his humor described in such cosmopolitan terms as sophisticated, cerebral and thoughtful.

"My stuff is kind of thinky stuff," said Samuels, who will perform Wednesday through Saturday at Joey's Comedy Club in Livonia. "It's getting more that way the older I get."

But leave the dictionary and the thesaurus home. Samuels humor does have wide appeal.

He just has some questions, like, for instance, when a convict was sentenced to death in Texas. Samuels wants to know why did they swab his arm with alcohol before inserting the lethal injection? Where they afraid he'd get an infection or something?

Or like recently when he saw a road sign that said, "Fine for littering." So he emptied out his car.

"Fads change, styles change," Samuels said. "If you have a solid base of intellectualism . . . I think it's better in the long run."

SAMUELS IS testament to that



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theory, performing, writing and teaching comedy for more than 18 years. He's been a comedy writer for such shows as "The Jacksons" and "Rock Concert" and is a comedy coach and consultant.

Onstage is where Samuels has made his name. He's appeared on such television shows as USA cable's

"Make Me Laugh" and Showtime's "Comedy Club Network."

He's performed with the likes of Robin Williams, Ray Charles, Joel Grey and The Pointer Sisters. So, perhaps, who is better at gauging a crowd than Samuels?

"You can," he said. "You don't judge so much on the intellect as to find out how rowdy they're going to be."

"If they're drinking beer out of their boots, you know you're going to face a boisterous group."

Scouting the audience isn't the hard part, but writing material to make them laugh can be.

Unlike the old days when comedians would buy jokes from guys in trench coats in alleys, most jokesters today have to come up with their own material. Samuels has become quite adept at it through the years.

Nonetheless, Samuels agrees comedy is something that is not learned. And this is from a comedy coach.

"The theory is pretty much bull—," he said. "For every rule there is, someone is breaking it and becoming a success at it as well. But there are some basics."

Those who come under the tutelage of Samuels learn the finer comedic techniques such as how to stand at the microphone, how to come across self-assured.

Samuels said he's impressed with the upcoming crop of comedians, especially the ones who are writing and performing clever material. Those comedians have the staying power, he believes.

Jim Samuels will perform on Wednesday through Saturday, April 29-30, at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth, Livonia. For information, call 291-0555.

Chaplin's goes west

Buoyed by the success of its recently opened club on Detroit's west-side, the owners of Chaplin's Comedy Club opened a third club at the Plymouth Hilton last week.

Housed in Charades nightclub, Chaplin's Plymouth seats about 200 and will feature the same quality acts seen at Chaplin's original outlet in Fraser and Chaplin's West in Detroit (which opened in January). Willie Farrell was the first headliner at the new club.

"We're going to expand into the Northville, Plymouth and Novi areas," said Bob Hargis, owner of Chaplin's. "The area is growing and prospering and will continue to."

Hilton general manager Tom Galano agreed. "It's a good opportunity for the community and the hotel, an added extra for our guests," Galano said.

Future plans for this joint venture include the adding of dinner/show packages and weekend getaways. Hargis also mentioned the possibility of utilizing the Hilton's banquet facilities to bring in major headlining acts with concert-style seating. The capacity with such a seating arrangement could go as high as 2,000, Galano said.

Hargis noted that the new club can draw from the large population of the I-275 corridor and could attract comedy patrons from as far as Ann Arbor.

"I think it's something that's been needed in this area," Hargis said. For information or show reservations, call Chaplin's Plymouth at 484-4880.

— Bob Sadler

COMEDY CLUBS

Here are some listings of comedy clubs in our area. To let us know who is appearing at your club, send us the information: Comedy Listings, Observer & Eclectic, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

● BEA'S COMEDY

Dan Ballard, John Bowman and Downtown Tony Brown will perform Friday-Saturday, April 28-29, at Bea's Comedy Kitchen, 541 Larned, Detroit. Showtimes are 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. For information, call 961-2591.

● CHAPLIN'S EAST

Alan and Rosal will appear April 28-29, at Chaplin's East, 34244 Groesbeck, Fraser. Showtimes are 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For information, call 792-1902.

● CHAPLIN'S WEST

Steve O. will appear with Steve Baird and Danny Morris Tuesday-Saturday, April 25-29, at Chaplin's West, 16890 Telegraph Road, south of Six Mile, Detroit. For information, call 533-8966.

● COMEDY SPORTZ

Comedy Sports at the Heidelberg

will have improvisational comedy at 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The club is at 215 N. Main, Ann Arbor. Showtimes are 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. For reservations, call 995-8888.

● HOLLY HOTEL

Craig McCart will perform along with Chris Jakeway and Shooter Murray Thursday through Saturday, April 27-29, at Holly Hotel, 110 Battle Alley, Holly. For information, call 634-5308.

● JOEY'S

Jim Samuels will perform Wednesday-Saturday, April 26-29, at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth Road, west of Wayne Road, Livonia. Showtimes are 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Thursday is no smoking night. For information, call 261-0555.

● LOONEY BIN

Norma Zager will perform Friday-Saturday, April 28-29, at The Looney, The Wolverine Lounge, 1655

Glengary, Walled Lake. For information, call 669-8374.

● MAINSTREET

Pat Paulsen will perform Tuesday and Wednesday, April 25-26, at Mainstreet Comedy Showcase, 314 E. Liberty, between Division and Fifth, Ann Arbor. On Friday and Saturday, April 28-29, J.J. Wall will perform. Showtimes are 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. Tickets are \$12. For information, call 994-9080.

Also, a tribute to comedian Gary Kern will take place on Sunday, April 30. There will be a Tom Selleck look-alike contest. There will be no cover charge, but donations will be accepted to benefit the memorial fund to provide care and support for Kern's daughters.

● MISS KITTY'S

Norma Stalts will perform Thursday through Saturday, April 27-29, at Miss Kitty's Comedy Club, Long Branch Restaurant, 595 N. Lapeer Road, Oxford. Showtimes are 8 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For information, call 628-6500.



You might recognize her from the "petite flower and goddess" of Dr. Pepper ads. And you get to experience Judy Tenuta's humor when she appears at Chaplin's East Comedy Club, 34244 Groesbeck, Fraser, May 17-20. For information, call 792-1902.

Golfing, canoeing greets springtime

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Ionia, Northville, Otsego.

also the dates of the South Haven Fishing Tournament. Or you can tell your friends to go fly a kite at the Spring Kite Festival in South Haven May 20-21.

People with no imagination always say that summer begins on Memorial Day weekend, although you and I know that it's been summer in our heads for weeks. But things do seem to heat up on the weekend of May 27-29.

You can celebrate summer in a swirl of bagpipes at the Highland Games in Alma, or join A. J. Doherty for the Great Lakes Wildlife Festival at the Hotel Doherty in Clare. (Hey A.J., is the wildlife in the fields or the bar?)

You can do something silly, like joining the Mid-Michigan Cat Fanciers Championship Cat Show in Lansing, or watch them make the biggest pastie in the world at the Paul Bunyan Pastie Shop in St. Ignace (see it next year in the Guinness Book of World Records.)

But the rest of us will probably be watching the Chippewa Indians recapture Fort Michilimackinac in Mackinac City, or we'll be standing around waiting for one of Michigan's many Memorial Day parades May 29 like in Alpena, Charlotte,

TOO TOURISTY for you? Take a cruise aboard the Boblo Island Co.'s S.S. Columbia from Detroit to Port Huron May 29. (Call 399-7963). Or get your calendar ready for June — Special Olympics State Summer Games in Mt. Pleasant June 1-2, Thunder Bay River Canoe Races in Alpena and Hillman June 3-4, free canoeing statewide June 2-4 and free fishing statewide June 10-11.

There's also free boating day in Michigan and you can get into the state parks free June 4.

Get your pencil out and write down these numbers. Call the state toll free at (800) 5432-YES and ask them to send you information on all these events. Call the Southeast Michigan Travel and Tourist Association in Troy at 524-3200 for even more activities close to home.

And if you can't wait another day for spring to bust out, think of this. I drove through Belle Isle last week and spring was all over the place. The flowers were rioting all over the conservatory. And the sky was a traffic jam of kites.

If you have a travel question for Iris Sanderson Jones, send it to Street Scene, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

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Such a bouquet

Connoisseurs pop cork on Bordeaux



Jean-Louis Triaud, whose family has been making Bordeaux wines for four centuries, checks the bouquet of one wine served at the wine tasting.

photos by JIM JADGFELD/staff photographer

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

A deep, dark robe. An attractive nose. A full, fruity flavor. This glass of wine successfully passes the age-old "cat" test of color, aroma and taste.

The results are hardly surprising. The wine is a red Bordeaux from France, legendary for fine wines.

In this instance, the wine is Chateau Margaux, a top-rated wine that was bottled and corked in 1970.

The cork reflects what is special about Bordeaux. It is nearly an inch longer than a normal cork and inscribed with the name of the wine it is charged with preserving.

"Very special; very fine wine," Jean-Louis Triaud said during a recent wine tasting event, hosted by the Detroit chapter of Commanderie De Bordeaux, a society of area wine enthusiasts.

Peter Heydon, a university English professor who is master of the Detroit Commanderie, concurred with Triaud.

"The great old wines of the world come from Bordeaux. They are the most prestigious wines in the entire world."

Triaud's family has produced Bordeaux wines for four centuries from the family's three chateaus or wineries. He is one of a host of French vintners who recently toured the United States, promoting Bordeaux and its fine wines.

"We are here to promote, not to sell, but to promote," Triaud said in excellent English.

ALSO TOURING are vintners Sylvie Cazes-Regimbeau and Bruno Borie. Regimbeau, an English teacher who is the mother of three young children, joined the family business three years ago. Her grandfather bought the family's winery, Chateau Lynch-Bages, in 1934.

Borie, accompanied on the tour by father Jean-Eugene Borie, is one of two sons who are vintners. The family owns four wineries, including Chateau Ducru-Beaucailou that is rated second-growth. Growths, ranked one to five, were established in 1855 for all chateaus then in Bordeaux.

"This is mostly friendship. It is good to meet with wine connoisseurs and not talk business, but just enjoy the company," the younger Borie said.

FOLLOWING THE afternoon tasting event, Commanderie members and vintners gathered for a gourmet feast that included approximately eight different wines served before, during and after dinner. The local group meets several times annually for such meals.

"It's somewhat of a tradition in our chapter that any member who wishes, may share a special wine," said Commanderie member Gordon Areen of West Bloomfield.

When this occurs, a single meal might include servings of 10 different wines, according to Areen.

A retired Chrysler executive, Areen developed a deep interest in wine while working in France. In

1970, his wife presented him with a wine vault that he promptly filled with bottles of French Bordeaux, then costing approximately \$10 each. Today, their estimated value is \$150 each.

More important to Areen, they are now nearly ready to serve.

"FIRST-GROWTHS take nearly 20 years to mature. You certainly would not drink them before 10 years and it would almost be a sin to drink them before 20 to 25 years," he said.

Dr. George McCarty of Birmingham, a Commanderie member, is a wine enthusiast whose interest developed while serving as a military physician in Germany. It grew to include French wines.

His prized possession is a 1978 magnum of Chateau Lafite Rothschild.

"It won't be ready to drink for 15 years. I plan to draw the cork for retirement," quipped McCarty, who is now 46 years old.

RANDY LORENZ, co-owner and manager of the Mayflower Hotel and The Round Table Club in Plymouth, also owns a Chateau Lafite Rothschild corked in 1929. In fact, Lorenz once owned five such bottles, but he has served two to Round Table customers at \$900 each.

"I actually sold two bottles," Lorenz said, somewhat astonished.

The Round Table cellar contains approximately 1,200 bottles of wine, including 35 different red Bordeaux and four white Bordeaux. Lorenz has one bottle left of Chateau Margaux corked in 1961, priced at \$380.

The best buy in the house, an "exceedingly good wine that is an undiscovered good value," is a 1982 Puy La Coste that retails at \$44 a bottle.

Lorenz has no favorite wine.

"WINE IS mood specific, situation specific. It is what is called for at a particular instance," Lorenz said.

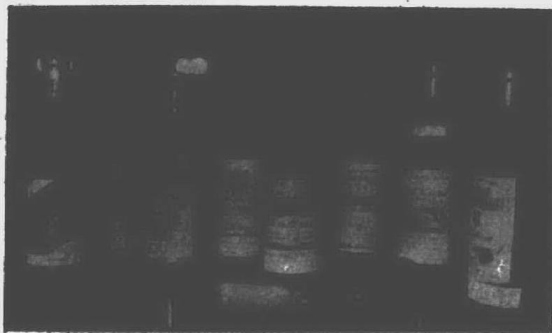
Bill George, who owns the Red Wagon Wine Shop in Rochester, said French Bordeaux are always strong sellers, first-growths that are "in a class all by themselves" and retail for \$800 a case and up, and second- and third-growths that sell for \$15 to \$50 a bottle.

"When I started in the business in 1965, Bordeaux were the wines to drink. They still are," George said.

"California is trying to copy the French style and is making lots of progress competing, but French wines are classic. Their weather and soil is special."

During the tour to Detroit by French vintners, George was invited to dine with Bruno Prats of Chateau Cos D'Estournel, who is president of the association for classified wineries. Prats' chateau is second-growth.

He also oversees annual traditional festivals in which chateau owners don wine-colored gowns symbolic of their nectar. They also don hats with white crowns, reflective of the egg white froth that is used to clarify the wine prior to bottling and corking.



Chateau Margaux (center) is a top-rated Bordeaux wine. Bottled and corked in 1970, it costs \$150 a bottle.

Hitsville captures the glory days of Motown sound

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"He thought if he ever got this house paid for he'd be set," she said. "Then one day Smokey Robinson said to Berry 'Why don't you start your own company and we'll be your first artists.'"

"So he gave it a try and one thing led to another," she said. "When we outgrew this house we bought another and then another."

Pretty soon Motown owned most of the block, seven houses in a row.

"Each house was a different department, sales, publicity and promotion, personnel, legal," she said. "Then someone said 'we're getting too far down the block' so Berry said to buy the house across the street."

That house, which still sits on the right-hand corner across from the museum, was artist development. That's where the artists learned the dance routines to go with their songs and it's where they were taught manners, how to dress and how to behave on the road and when meeting important people.

Almost all of the Motown stars were from Detroit. A few exceptions

were Gladys Knight, who came to Detroit from Georgia, and Marvin Gaye, from Washington, D.C. The Marvelettes were from Inkster, Edwards said.

"We're fortunate that Motown was able to grow and a lot of young people out of the inner city could grow up to be superstars, legends and just good human beings," she said. "Almost all of them came from the ghetto and most came from one-parent families."

IN 1968, Gordy bought a 10-story building on Woodward and moved most of the offices there, with one exception. Studio A remained the place where all of the recording was done, that is until the company moved to California in 1972.

From 1960 to 1988, Motown produced 100 number one pop and R&B singles. In its humble beginnings, the studio was one-track, meaning all of the artists and musicians were in the studio at one time, recording live as if they were performing for an audience.

"Shop Around" Motown's first mil-

lion seller, was recorded one-track, according to Motown Museum guide Kevin Lowrey. Eventually, the studio progressed to eight-track, meaning different parts to songs could be recorded separately and then mixed. Lowrey said Motown was one of the first studios to go eight-track.

A tour through the museum starts in the lobby, where visitors can see gold and platinum albums by Marvin Gaye, the Temptations, Rare Earth, the Jackson 5 and many others. Old blown-up photographs grace most of the walls and a videotape showing the dedication of the museum's historical marker back in December 1987 plays continuously.

When this writer walked down the steps into the bare-bones studio, the Supremes' hit "Where Did Our Love Go" was playing in the background. On the music stands were the original, hand-written sheet music of a Supremes medley.

Any Motown fans worth their salt should get goose bumps just knowing they're in the same room where so much history was recorded.

UPSTAIRS ARE mementos of the early years, including a wall collage of album covers and more black and white photos than you can absorb in one trip. More gold records and many awards are also displayed, as well as newspaper clippings and sheet music.

Then there's the Michael Jackson room. The star gave \$125,000 to the museum that preserves for posterity the place where he got his start.

In the room are large pictures spanning his and his brothers' successful career. Visitors also will see a hat and that famous sequined glove, as well as a costume worn back in the early '70s, encased with a gold record of the song "Dancing Machine."

A gift shop sells T-shirts, coffee mugs, posters and other souvenirs.

Doris Holland has worked for Motown since 1963 and her office is housed in the museum. She remembered the early years, when she worked for The Temptations.

"Maybe I could have called myself the office manager," she said. "I did a lot of clerical kinds of things, but if

they were going on a tour you might be responsible for all kinds of odd jobs, like getting their costumes out to the airport."

"They were very nice men," she said. "You got to know them when you work that close to them."

Edwards said the way she decided to make the old house into a museum was a bit unusual.

"This museum came into being much the same way Motown came into being," she said. "People from all over the world just kept showing up on this doorstep wanting to know if this was where it all happened. They treated the outside of the house like holy ground."

"PEOPLE COULD never believe that all of these songs came out of this recording studio," she said, adding that it was left just as it was when the company moved its headquarters to California.

"People were always just showing up and asking if this was Hitsville," Edwards said. "The gold records and the photographs were all in boxes,

but people wanted to see them. So I thought, if people are going to hop the Atlantic or Pacific to come here, why don't we hang things up on the wall."

When the artists heard what she was doing, many began sending old clothes and other artifacts, she said. "On Dec. 1, 1987, we got our historical marker, and the Lawrence Institute of Technology took on a project at my asking and are designing a Motown Museum."

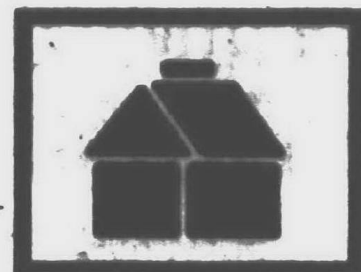
Although she's picked a design she likes, Edwards said it will be some time until it can be built, considering the fact that \$10 million must be raised just to get the first phase going.

"We're not at all close to that," Edwards said with a laugh. "But we are asking any artists and fans that if they have any items of interest to please give them to the museum."

"It's been a lifetime of work, but it's been so enjoyable and so educational," she said. "It was music that crossed all racial and ethnic barriers and I can't think how I could have enjoyed myself more."

Creative Living

Marie McGee editor/591-2300



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Degrease windows

Betty spent the whole day washing windows, only to realize later that her windows reflected a cloudy appearance. After all that work, what went wrong?

Betty had used what she'd always used — ammonia — but this time the sun and wind had quickly dried the solution before she could rinse it off. The result: bleached windows. Besides surface bleaching, other reasons to be careful using ammonia include potentially dangerous fumes. Ammonia should be used only in well ventilated areas and never mixed with bleach. The results could be deadly.

Many retail items like Glass Plus or Windex work well for everyday window cleaning, but are far more expensive than concentrates. Concentrates, purchased at janitorial supply stores, can easily be mixed in spray bottles designed to measure appropriate ratios. These end up costing less than 25 cents per pint, while you can pay \$1.50 per pint for ready-mixed retail cleaners.

A degreaser is needed for the first spring window cleaning because grease accumulates through the air over the winter. Once degreased, regular glass cleaners can be used. You can do this by adding about 25 drops of a degreasing dishwashing detergent, such as Dawn, to a gallon of your regular cleaning solution. (Not all detergents contain degreasers.)

My favorite janitorial supply — Oliver's in Pontiac — sells a product called Blue Max which contains a degreaser and works perfectly on windows when mixed 50-1.

The myth that vinegar is a washing agent needs correcting. Vinegar is a rinsing agent and works well for neutralizing soapy residue; it is not a soil remover. Some people use one to two teaspoons of kerosene per gallon of water, but this will dry out putty and cause it to pop out prematurely. TSP (Trisodium Phosphate) is inexpensive and fairly effective but more than one teaspoon per gallon can leave a chalky residue. Hospital disinfectant cleaners also clean windows and mirrors nicely, but are designed to be used daily and won't handle soil build-up.

One last warning: Don't mix different cleaning agents together unless you know it is all right; otherwise, dangerous conditions and/or poor performance could result.

To get your copy of Lehmkuhl's new "Organizing — Vol. 1" booklet containing her first 52 columns, send a long, self-addressed envelope with 65 cents postage and a \$5 check payable to Organizing Techniques, 6165 Worlington, Birmingham 48100.



condo queries
**Robert M.
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Q: I am a real estate broker and am concerned about the recent article in your column where you pointed out that brokers were liable for the acts of their employees based upon a recent Michigan case. This will, no doubt, change my whole outlook on my salespersons in terms of our firm's potential liability. What can we do to insulate ourselves?

A: I am reasonably confident that real estate brokers will mount whatever legislative efforts that are necessary in an effort to reverse and/or revise the recent opinion of the Michigan Court of Appeals by legislative fiat. But, whether or not that happens, the real estate community should be alarmed about the decision of the Court of Appeals and should take the appropriate measures to ensure that real estate brokers and their firms are adequately protected by way of liability insurance and otherwise in connection with the acts of their "salesperson-employee" agents.

This may result in a change in the relationship between the broker and the salesperson contractually, as well as an increase in the responsibility undertaken by the salesperson by way of indemnification or otherwise to the real estate broker by the salesperson.

With the courts becoming increasingly sensitive to the legal and ethical responsibility of brokers and real estate people, particularly in a conflict of interest situation, exposure for brokers is becoming increasingly substantial. Make sure you are properly insured and have consulted with legal counsel in terms of listing the various areas whereby you can insulate your potential liability.

Robert M. Melsner is a Birmingham attorney specializing in condominiums, real estate and corporate law. You are invited to submit topics which you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Melsner, 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 407, Birmingham 48010. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.



Arlyne Cherrin gathers up silk flower blooms at one of two Silk Forest shops she owns. Her success, she says, is due to service-oriented decorating. Many new office builder owners, for instance, are opting for floral arrangements in lobbies and atriums, she said, rather than artwork.

JERRY ZOLYNSKY
/staff photographer

New leaf in decorating

By Charlene Mitchell
special writer

PLANTING, pruning, watering and grooming. Those are just some of the time-consuming chores that go into maintaining beautiful plants and flowers.

If you don't exactly have a green thumb but still enjoy the fresh feel provided by plants, look no further. Entrepreneur Arlyne Cherrin is improving the look of hundreds of homes and floral arrangements that are nearly foolproof. With showrooms in Southfield and Birmingham, Cherrin is able to display an amazingly large number of tropical and desert varieties.

"Can you believe we've carried nearly 20,000 different species?" says Cherrin as she walks through the rows of ficus trees, scheffelers, apple trees in blossom and hanging baskets. "Just look at these wonderful silk plants, aren't they just gorgeous, and you'd never know they weren't alive would you?"

AS THE PLANT LADY continues her oration on the merits of silk blossoms, she relates the story of the woman who was allergic to live plants and found satisfaction in silk counterparts. "There are also a lot of plant lovers who just can't seem to keep the plants alive. They waste so-o-o-o much money replacing them."

Don't be fooled though, silk plants can be costly too, but they are guaranteed to live forever and the only maintenance they need is a bit of dusting now and then.

The beauty of the merchandise at The Silk Forest which Cherrin first opened in 1985, is that it is part of today's rapidly growing trend in service-oriented decorating.

Owners of large office buildings who may not want to invest a bundle hiring a decorator to select artwork for a lobby or atrium area, may opt instead to hire someone like Cherrin, who will work with them to decorate with plants and flowers. Goldfarb Advertising Co. at Northwestern Highway and Lahser is one example of a

new building that decided to hire Cherrin.

The Silk Forest claims to have an unlimited service covering all of metro Detroit as well as out-lying areas like Ann Arbor and Lansing. Since going into business more than 300 homes and almost 100 businesses have become Cherrin's regular clients.

For example, the popular Beau Jack's restaurant in Birmingham has its plants re-furnished every other year in order to freshen the look and get rid of the smoke odors that accumulate.

The exclusive Rodier Store at Somerset Mall had its own New York designer work directly with Cherrin when decorating the shop. Doctors' offices are also fun for the perky businesswoman who never seems to tire. She convinced cosmetic surgeon Dr. Joseph Stern into giving a beauty lift to his waiting room at the Cosmetic Surgery Center in Farmington Hills.

Whether it's a big job, or a small one, Cherrin says her heart is always in it.

"I buy all my goods in person at the marketplace, and that means traveling to Atlanta and Texas a few times a year," she says. Cherrin added that many retailers who deal in silks buy from catalogs, something she considers very compromising if you are interested in getting the best.

THE HIGH QUALITY silks are 100 percent pure, with no oil to attract dirt. Some of the species, because of the nature of their appearance, contain a small percentage of polyester for durability and flexibility. Those artificial plants or flowers that contain more synthetic than silk are usually not as authentic looking. Another thing to look for in buying silk trees, for instance, is whether the trunks are from "real" trees. Cherrin says that's the thing that makes them appear so real.

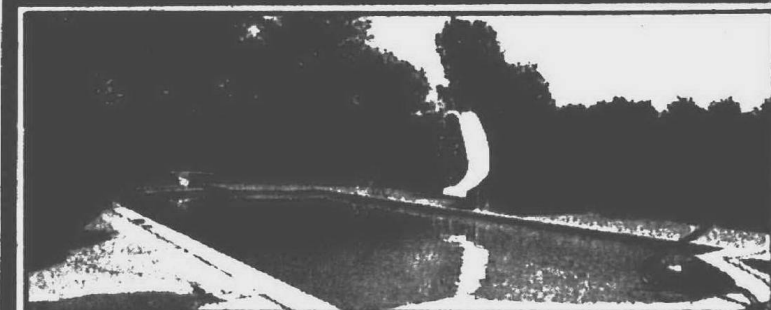
"But it's not just the product they get, it's the service," says Cherrin. "We'll use their pots or ours. If they have certain fresh floral arrangements that they just love, we'll re-create it for them in silk so that it's always there looking good to make them smile everyday."

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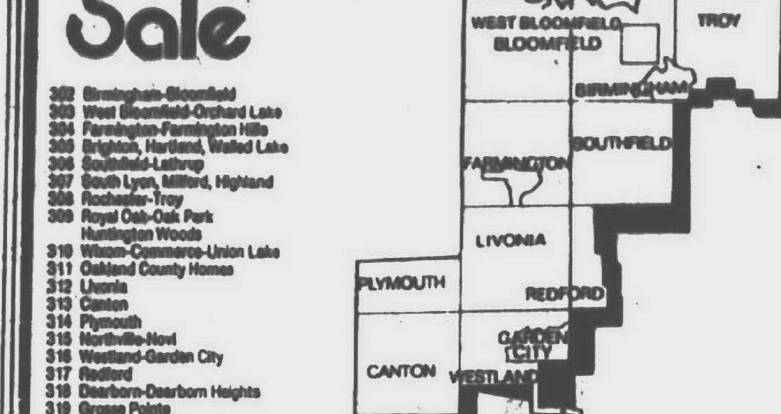
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