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Helping hands

Canton Goodfellows volunteers Jack Runkle and Kathy Johnson help pack baskets Friday at Canton's township hall for indigent local families and seniors. Goods were donated by

Kmart, Meisel-Sysco, East Middle School and Toys R Us. Members of the Canton Lions Club and VFW also volunteered for the effort.

Orphaned dog

Pet Walk's Brandy replaced by look-alike

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

The Brandy Memorial Pet Walk had been a big success, but organizer Kathy Mount was down.

Brandy, her performing poodle who had cheered the kids for years at Mott Children's Hospital, had died in the spring. The first ever Brandy pet walk in September raised money for Mott kids, but Mount still missed the poodle.

One morning in October, she prayed for guidance. Then she got a call.

An acquaintance at a business she frequented had taken in a battered and abused animal. Mount said. It was an apricot poodle that bore a striking resemblance to Brandy. Kathy and Bob Mount took the dog in.

Now, just two months later, Brandy is in good health and performing several of the tricks Brandy per-

formed. And Mount planned to bring the pooch to Mott's on Christmas to perform tricks for kids, as Brandy had for several years.

She seemed like an orphan," Mount said. The dog needed an operation to cure an ear infection, and it took a few weeks before Brandy was able to warm up to people.

What's so awesome is she turned out to be so much like Brandy," Mount said. "She's such a happy little girl, and so am I."

Brandy isn't yet the performer that Brandy was, but she has learned 14 tricks, including dancing and singing.

Brandy had quite a repertoire, but Brandy and I will do our best," Mount said.

The chaplain at Mott, the Rev. Lee Beatty, commented, "Isn't this just a little survivor ministering to survivors," Mount recalled.

The Brandy Memorial Pet Walk

'It seems especially fitting that (Brandy's) good deeds will continue to flourish, and that others are taking part in the work that will go on in Brandy's memory. As a pet lover who understands the special warmth they bring to our lives, I have every confidence that the pet walk will become an established activity that will keep Brandy's spirit alive.'

Barbara Burt

raised \$25,000 for Mott, which is being used partly to pay for a Christmas party for Mott kids and their families and for Christmas presents.

At the pet walk, another look-alike

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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Just weeks after the Brandy Memorial Pet Walk, an acquaintance gave Kathy Mount an abused dog who bore a striking resemblance to Brandy. The new dog, Bambi, was taught just enough tricks in time to entertain the patients at Mott's Children's Hospital. The Brandy Memorial Pet Walk raised \$25,000.

Police can now seize, cut up a driver's license

Local police say a new round of tougher drunk driving laws should make their job easier by deterring people from drinking and driving.

Anything that'll take a drunk driver off the road is a help," said Plymouth township Police Chief Carl Berry.

In an effort to cut drunken driving cases, police officers across Michigan are preparing to start cutting up the driver's licenses of people pulled over with blood alcohol levels above the legal limit.

Scissor-toting police officers will be just one of several measures the state takes beginning Jan. 1 to toughen its enforcement of drunken driving laws.

The program also includes mandatory license suspensions and jail terms, a streamlined court process and more officers trained to use Breathalyzers.

The new laws, Berry said, "are very good, very comprehensive."

To conscientious people it will be a deterrent," he said. "One of our major emphasis in this department is traffic." Berry said, adding, "We get a lot of them (drunk drivers)."

The new laws "will assist us in catching a drunk driver," said Canton Police public information officer Tammie Colling. But she added they should deter drinking and driving.

Alcohol-related crashes killed 738 people, or 47 percent of Michigan's traffic fatalities in 1990.

The goal is to educate the public about the laws, what effect they will have, and to let people know there is a swift and sure deterrent to drinking and driving," said Elaine Charney, of the Michigan Secretary of State's Office's license appeal division in Lansing.

Beginning New Year's Day, police officers statewide will be allowed to cut licenses in half for motorists arrested on charge of operating under the influence of liquor. Motorists who refuse to take breath tests also will have their licenses snipped.

A driver is considered legally drunk in Michigan if the blood alcohol content is 0.1 percent or above.

Along with destroying a driver's license at the time of arrest, drunken driving convictions will bring a mandatory 30-day license suspension. A second conviction will bring a minimum of 48 hours in jail and 10 days of community service.

Convicted drunken drivers who cause a long-term injury can be imprisoned up to five years. A conviction in a fatal alcohol-related crash could bring a 15-year sentence.

Court cases must be settled within 77 days.

Refusing to take a blood, urine or breath test will result in a six-month license suspension and six points added to the driver's record.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Common sense helps avoid a blue Christmas

Beating the holiday blues can be tough for some. McAuley Health System officials are reminding the public this holiday season.

McAuley operates the Arbor Health Building in downtown Plymouth and the McAuley Health Building in Canton on Ford Road as well as St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

For many, the holiday season may mean stress and depression rather than joy and goodwill. These holiday blues can be brought on by a number of reasons.

One is the pressure to enjoy times with family. Those who don't have a family to enjoy the holidays with feel left out of the celebrations, and even those who do may feel lonely for M.A.'s. Some are disappointed if

some of the things they had hoped for don't come true. In the season of disruption and change, they may feel a sense of loss and deep, deep changes that can lead to physical illness, from chronic stress to depression.

The holidays can remind us of family members and loved ones who have died, and this can be a source of grief and depression, Clark added.

People who are lonely, depressed or

usually trying because of added emphasis on holiday festivities.

Dealing with the holidays realistically can prevent or drive away the holiday blues. "You need to realize what you can and cannot do," Clark said.

This prevents the creation of too-high expectations and over-extending oneself.

This may include foregoing expensive gifts for everyone on your list when you don't have the means to pay, Clark said, adding gift-giving can involve the exchange of time and services instead.

And if you've had bad family experiences, don't think the holidays will change the situation. Lowering expectations will lead to less frustration, he said, adding that ideal families and families who join hands at holiday times are not the norm.

Remembering to be realistic. New Year's resolutions will bring about a sense of accomplishment, more so than an exaggerated promise he added.

Holiday blues, he said, are just one of many problems.

It's a beginning and an end, he said, adding this perspective makes the situation easier to deal with.

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obituaries

WILLIAM B. ALBERT

Services for William B. Albert, 84, of Canton were Saturday, Dec. 21, at Uht Funeral Home. Burial was in Southern Cemetery in Central Lake, Mich.

Mr. Albert was born May 14, 1907 in Kalkaska, Mich. He died Wednesday, Dec. 18, in Superior Township. He was employed as a barber in Ypsilanti and was an honorary member of Alpha Gamma Epsilon, a fraternity of Eastern Michigan University.

Mr. Albert is survived by one son, William B. Albert III, three grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild and one sister, Ottillie Butler.

The Rev. Jerry Wichert officiated the service.

EARL G. GEARNS

Services were recently for Earl G. Gearns, 67, of Onalaska, Wash., previously of Plymouth.

Mr. Gearns was born Oct. 27, 1924 in Omer, Mich. He died Dec. 18 in Mesa, Ariz.

Mr. Gearns is survived by his wife, Carol Gearns of Onalaska, one daughter, Roxanne Barillette of Arizona, three sons, Ronald Gearns of Massachusetts, Carl Gearns of Washington and Neil Gearns of Arizona, eight grandchildren, one brother, James Gearns of Belleville, and two sisters, Madelyn McDonald of Canton and Grace Smith of Plymouth.

Arrangements were made by Tempe Mortuary in Mesa, Ariz.

ARCHIBALD JOHNS

Services for Archibald Johns, 88, of Toledo, Ohio will be 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at H. H. Birkenkamp

Funeral Home in Toledo.

Mr. Johns was born Nov. 10, 1903 in Liberty Center, Ohio. He died Dec. 21 in Plymouth. He lived in Plymouth with his son, Robert, for the past year. He was very active in Masonic organizations, Boy Scouts, church and neighborhood groups in Toledo. He was a life member of the International Operating Engineers Local No. 18 working for road construction and cement supply firms in Toledo until retiring in 1969.

Mr. Johns is survived by one son, Robert Johns of Plymouth, one daughter, Marcia Brinkman of Toledo, six grandchildren, including Andrew Johns of Plymouth and Victoria Veit of Plymouth, and one great-grandson, Blair Veit of Plymouth.

ELSIE E. KLINSKI

Services for Elsie E. Klinski, 77, of Plymouth were Monday, Dec. 23, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs. Klinski was born Oct. 28, 1914 in Passaic, N.J. She died Saturday, Dec. 21, in Livonia. She was a homemaker and member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

Mrs. Klinski is survived by one son, Kenneth L. Klinski of Monroeville, Ind., three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and two sisters, Theresa A. Major of Detroit and Rose B. Hurrett of Detroit.

The Rev. Joseph A. Plawewski officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to American Cancer Society or in the form of Mass cards.

CHARLES R. MACER

Services for Charles R. Macer, 41,

of Canton Township were Dec. 24 at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Westland.

Mr. Macer was born July 17, 1950 in Detroit. He died Dec. 21 in Canton Township. He came to the Canton community in 1986 from Westland. He was a highway inspector for the state of Michigan for 19 years. He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1968 and received his associate's degree from Lansing Community College. He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church.

Mr. Macer is survived by his parents, Chester and Lillian Macer of Howell, one sister, Elizabeth Knepfler of Livonia, several aunts, uncles and cousins.

The Rev. Robert S. Shank Jr. officiated the service.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. John's Episcopal Church.

DORA E. WOOD

Services for Dora E. Wood, 104, of Plymouth will be 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Wood was born May 29, 1887 in Nankin Township. She died Dec. 22 in Plymouth. She and her husband had a photography studio in Plymouth for more than 60 years.

Mrs. Wood is survived by four great-nieces, Gail Mecklenburg of Northville, Brenda Boyer of South Lyon, Joanne Way of Georgia and Debbie McGill of Florida; two great-nephews, Bruce Wood of Chicago and Wayne Wood of Georgia; and several great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

L. J. Peterson officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the charity of choice.

Valuable tire rims, typewriter stolen in separate robberies

Custom made car tire rims valued by their owner at \$2,800 were discovered missing Saturday from a storage shed on Gold Arbor near Ann Arbor Road, according to a report filed with Plymouth Township police.

The lock to the shed had broken, the owner told police, allowing entry. The aluminum rims were last seen Dec. 17.

CIGARETTES GONE: Thieves made off with 35 cartons of cigarettes Saturday from the Kmart on

crime watch

Ann Arbor Road, but not before a store employee got a license number.

At 7:55 p.m., the employee noticed a white woman and a black man take the cigarettes, put them in a shopping bag and leave the store without paying, according to a report filed with police.

The pair got into a light blue Ford Tempo and drove east on Ann Arbor Road, the report continued.

WHO BROKE IN: A typewriter word processor valued at \$200 was discovered missing Saturday from a Plymouth business, according to a report filed with police.

The Smith-Corona typewriter was discovered missing at 12:20 from National Appliance Service on Aspen Drive. A thief got into the business likely by entering from an adjoining business, and pushing aside a ceiling tile, the report continued.

Child 'snows' what he likes

Brian Gorie likes snow, lots of snow. So much so that early this month he sat down and wrote to Livonia's parks and recreation department, telling them how much he wanted a White Christmas.

Nine-year-old Brian got his wish Friday when a big truck showed up at his Harvey Street home in Livonia and dumped lots of icy snow all over his front lawn.

Brian was the overall winner in the city's fourth annual "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas" contest. Over 222 Livonia youngsters also participated in this year's contest, sponsored by the parks and recreation department and Olive Garden Restaurant.

Brian wrote that he liked the feel of snow and enjoys making snowmen. "And when nature gives snow for Christmas, it's the best Christmas ever," he added.

Other winners included Mike Ross, 4, of Hillcrest; Melanie Dunne, 5, of Leon; Sarah Kolodziejczak, 8, of Northfield; Jennie Patten, 9, of Bell Creek Lane; and Lindsey Tyrrak, 12, of Myron.

The snow came from Livonia's ice arenas.



photos by JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

By winning Livonia's "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas" contest, Brian Gorie wound up with a lawfull of snow. Parks and recreation worker Tracey Jakubiec helped dump the snow.

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Pooch is a survivor

New poodle replaces dog that entertained Mott kids

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I don't know, Mount said. To see what valuable things it's providing, it's hard for me to think it's going to end.

It was hard work. If I get some help, Mount said. Bob was the only one I could delegate to.

The Mounts got some encouragement from first lady Barbara Bush, who wrote: "Someone was kind enough to let me know of the ongoing influence your treasured pet Brandy has in the community of Plymouth."

It seems especially fitting that his good deeds will continue to flourish, and that others are taking part in the work that will go on in Brandy's memory.

As a pet lover who understands the special warmth they bring to our lives, I have every confidence that the pet walk will become an established activity that will keep Brandy's spirit alive for years to come.

Mount said she's heard that South Portland, Maine, has scheduled a Brandy Memorial Pet Walk.

Isn't that something?" she said.

The Brandy Memorial Pet Walk raised \$25,000 for Mott, which is being used partly to pay for a Christmas party for Mott kids and their families and for Christmas presents.

photos by Bill Bresler



Kathy Mount has taught her new dog Bambi 14 tricks, and she planned to take the dog to perform at Mott's Children's Hospital this week.



While there will never be another Brandy, Kathy Mount thinks her new performer, Bambi, looks a lot like her old dog.

The Hometown and Observer and Eccentric "Creative Living" section has the largest selection of suburban display real estate ads in the metro area.



David McNeil, St. Matthew Lutheran School principal, takes a call on his portable phone while roof-sitting Friday morning.

Principal hits roof as payoff for kids

By Leonard Poger
editor

David McNeil, new principal of St. Matthew Lutheran School, got plenty of fresh air Friday morning.

He moved a card table and chair to the roof of the school on Venoy north of Ford and stayed there for 3 1/2 hours as a payoff for his students who met a reading goal.

Shortly after climbing a ladder to a roof over the entrance of the one-story school, McNeil had youngsters playfully throw food and snow up at him.

When he returned home that afternoon, he admitted to downing several cups of hot coffee.

During the time on the roof, McNeil wore a flannel shirt, snow suit, blue jeans, waist-length jacket and a University of Michigan baseball-style cap.

Although he was scheduled to reach his outdoor office at 9 a.m., he arrived there 30 minutes early to make sure that students arriving for classes would see him.

It's cool, exclaimed David Wasil, 10 and a fifth grader.

Echoing the sentiment was classmate Jeff Widmer, who said the principal's action was "really funny."

Agreeing was Monica Trygg, 11 and a sixth grader.

McNeil said his wife, Susan, and son, Matthew, 12, liked the roof-sitting idea and enjoyed him taking part in it.

The school has students from Westland, Garden City, Canton Township, Plymouth, Livonia and Dearborn.

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Community Corner

This week's question:

Have you made any new year's resolutions?

We asked this question at Tonquish Manor in Plymouth.



"No I don't."
— Louise Petersen
Plymouth



"Not especially, try to be a better person, hopefully."
— Esther Isbister
Plymouth



"No, because I always break them."
Dorothy Kinchhoff
Plymouth



"I want people to know every day that Jesus Christ is the Lord."
— Ron Plaskov
Plymouth



"I don't really have any — pay off bills."
— Erika Everhart
Inkster



"I probably have a 100. I'm just in denial about all of them."
— Anne Whalen
Plymouth

New Yorker robbed, shot along Seven Mile Road

By Tedd Schneider
staff writer

A Nesconset, N.Y. man visiting relatives in Livonia was shot during a roadside robbery early Saturday, police said.

The victim had stopped to change a flat tire along Seven Mile Road, according to police reports.

Charles Joseph DeMarco, 32, was reported in fair condition Tuesday at St. Mary Hospital, a hospital spokeswoman said.

DeMarco was shot once in the lower back with a small-caliber handgun, apparently while trying to flee three assailants, said Livonia Police detective Lt. Mike Murray.

"It looks like a random incident, although we can't say whether they (the assailants) were planning to rob someone or this opportunity just came up and they did it on the spur of the moment," Murray said.

Police are still investigating the shooting. One witness apparently heard the shots, but police have little else in the way of leads and no suspects, Murray said Monday.

The victim told police he was driving westbound on Seven Mile, east of Middlebelt about 3:30 a.m. when he noticed the flat tire.

HE SAID he pulled the car onto the north shoulder and got out to change the tire.

Three unidentified men came up to him, one brandishing a small, silver handgun, the victim told police.

The assailants demanded money and his car keys, the victim told police. He said he gave them \$200 from a pants pocket.

But when the men demanded his wedding ring and other jewelry, the victim became upset and a scuffle ensued, Murray said.

During the scuffle, the victim was hit once in the face but managed to break free and he started to flee on foot.

The victim told police he heard

two gunshots and felt a pain in his back. When he turned around he saw the three assailants fleeing on foot in the opposite direction.

THE VICTIM told police he waited a short time before returning to his car. After changing the tire, he drove to the area home where he was staying. His hosts drove him to the hospital, police said.

Murray said he didn't consider the victim's actions unusual, considering the circumstances. "Here he was alone in a strange area. You figure he'd do anything he could to get out of there."

The victim described the assailants as three black men in their early 20s. One had a short beard and the other two were clean-shaven, he said.

The two clean-shaven men wore large, beret-type caps, he said.

Anyone with information on the shooting may call police at 421-2900.

Garden Club eatery opens in former Leather Bottle

By Brian Lysaght
staff writer

Bob Rainko felt a wave of nostalgia when he found the rusty beer cans bricklayers had left in a wall of the Garden City restaurant Rainko built 21 years before.

The restaurant was the old Leather Bottle Inn on Warren Road in Garden City. He found the cans while renovating the building before opening his family's newest restaurant, the Garden Club.

"I thought to myself, 'They're all rusted out and I'm still here,'" said Rainko, 48.

Yellowed newspaper clippings from 1971 show Rainko posing inside the restaurant with his late partner and brother-in-law, Larry Polakowski.

On Friday, more than two decades after the Leather Bottle Inn started up, the Rainkos opened the Garden Club. It is a family operation.

Bob Rainko is financing the business; Janet Rainko, Bob's wife and their children Tony, 24, and Deanna, 21, will oversee day-to-day operation. Tony Rainko is a 1985 graduate of Catholic Central High in Redford.

"I THINK people are glad we're coming back," said Janet Rainko.

Tony was two years old when his father opened the Leather Bottle Inn. Tony started washing dishes in the new restaurant at age 11, and he will manage the Garden Club.

He describes the eatery as a moderately priced place for pizza, ribs, fish, pasta and sandwiches. (There's "The Garden's City Chicken" at \$8.25 on the dinner menu, too.)

The menu may be revised over time, depending on customer requests. There's a children's menu, but Tony said, "We don't really think of this as a family restaurant, more of a place for couples."

The Rainkos sold their original restaurant in 1984 after opening a second Leather Bottle Inn on Farmington Road in Livonia.

But they regained the Garden City building this spring when Eagle's Nest owner Terrence Stoner defaulted on the property.

IN MARCH, state treasury department officers padlocked the Eagle's Nest because Stoner owed back taxes. He owed Garden City \$15,000 alone.

Tony Rainko said the family had to decide which restaurant to run. They sold the Livonia business and began to renovate the original eatery. That turned out to be a bigger job than they imagined, he said.

The building had not been maintained.

"It was really a mess in here. We found dead mice in the ice machine," Tony Rainko said.

"There wasn't one piece of equipment in this kitchen that worked," said George Hebert, 32, the Garden Club cook who grew up near the restaurant and attended East High School.

Bob Rainko, who is now a contractor, oversaw the renovation. The bar is new, as are the carpet, paint, tile, and brass fixtures. Much of the kitchen equipment was repaired or replaced.

"To be honest with you, it would have been easier to build this place from scratch," Tony Rainko said.

LAST WEEK, staff and family members were busy with final details: framing the new liquor license, folding the new menus, and taking food deliveries. They were also getting impromptu visits and calls from neighbors curious about the new place.

Tony Rainko remained cool amidst the flurry of activity. It may be that he is a restaurateur by blood. Besides his parents' business, an uncle and grandfather started the Westland Italian restaurant, DeLuca's, and another uncle owns the Garden City Italian restaurant, Amantea's.

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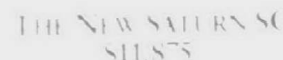
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community calendar

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THURSDAY

LEARN TO SKI: Register now for lessons in January and February at Riverview Highlands Ski Area. Call Canton Parks and Recreation at 397-5110. No residency requirements.

MENS BASKETBALL: Canton residents may register now for recreation night basketball at Eriksson Elementary School gym. Call Canton Parks and Recreation Services at 397-5110.

VOLUNTEER TUTORS: Register before Jan. 10 for training to tutor foreign-born people learning to read. Call Community Literacy Council at 451-6555.

AEROBICS: Exercise classes are offered at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. Child care available. 459-9485.

ADULT RECOVERY: Chemical Dependency Outpatient Program provides therapy for adults on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Straight Inc., 42320 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth, 453-2610.

SELF HELP: Families Anonymous meets 8 p.m. Thursdays, St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton, 453-2811.

MONDAY

TOUGH LOVE: Parent support group meets 7 p.m. Mondays, Faith Community Church, 46001 Warren Road, Canton, 981-5967.

KARATE: Classes meet 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays. Call Canton Parks and Recreation at 397-5110.

TUESDAY

SWEET ADELINES: Women who enjoy singing four-part harmony, barbershop style, are welcome to

join the Spirit of Detroit Sweet Adelines International Tuesday evenings. For information, call 534-4468 or 861-0417.

TOASTMASTERS: Club meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Denny's Restaurant, 39550 E. Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth. Call Ken Morley at 699-9697 or Bill Jones at 473-1438.

WEDNESDAY

ALZHEIMER'S GROUP: Support group meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Leisure Village, 31720 Van Born in Wayne, (313) 326-8030.

Education

FREE CLASSES: IBM training and GED training, Plymouth-Canton Community Education. Call 451-6555.

PRESCHOOL: Come Little Children Center, 45050 Warren Road, in Canton, ages 6 weeks to 2 years, 455-4607.

• The Discovery Learning Center, 45678 Helm, in a Metro West Industrial Park, in Plymouth, 6 weeks through kindergarten, 455-5490.

• Pathways to Learning Children's Center, 42290 Five Mile, 420-3553.

• Canton Parks and Recreation Preschool program, the Canton "Crickets," 397-5110.

• Creative Playhouse, Canton, 981-2382.

• Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Co-op Preschool, 42690 Cherry Hill, Canton, 981-0286 (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

• Young Moments Preschool (non-daycare), First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 453-3020.

• New Morning School, Plymouth, 420-3331.

• Creative Day Nursery School, Canton, 2 1/2-5 years of age, 981-3990.

• Plymouth Canton Head Start, Central Middle School, 451-6656.

• Plymouth Canton Montessori School, 459-1550.

• Christ the Good Shepherd, 42690 Cherry Hill, Canton, 981-0286.

• Tiny Tots, Salvation Army Building, Plymouth, 3- and 4-year-olds, 453-5464.

• Willow Creek Co-op, Geneva Presbyterian Church, 3- and 4-year-olds, 459-9540.

• PLUS Preschool, Central Middle School, free program for 4-year-olds, 451-6656.

• St. Michael Christian School, Canton, 459-9720.

• St. Peter Lutheran Day School, kindergarten through eighth grade, 1309 Penniman, 453-0460.

• Plymouth Christian Preschool, 43065 Joy, 459-3505.

• Plymouth Children's Co-op Nursery, Canton, 981-5521.

• Preschool Kreatives, Plymouth YMCA, 453-2904.

• Infant and Preschool Special Education program, Tanger Elementary School, 451-6560.

Help

READING ASSISTANCE: Free adult tutoring and confidential skills assessment. Call Community Literacy Council, 451-6555.

RESUME WRITING: Growth Works in Plymouth will write resumes and cover letters for job seekers, 455-4093.

VOLUNTEERS: Needed to pack or deliver meals to homebound senior citizens living in the Plym-

outh/Canton community, 453-2525.

INTERPRETERS: Volunteers who are fluent in a foreign language are needed to assist in interpreting for ill, disabled or elderly people. Call Helen or Colleen at 981-8820.

EMPLOYMENT REFERRALS: Growth Works, in Plymouth, will connect job seekers and employers looking for help, 455-4093.

SPEAKERS AVAILABLE: Speakers for groups interested in learning about home care as an alternative to nursing homes or hospitals. Call the community relations director, 981-8820.

SMOKE DETECTORS: Free detectors, with installation, offered from Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth. Call Plymouth Fire Department Chief Al Matthews, 453-1234, or Plymouth Township Fire Department Chief Larry Groth, 453-3840.

VOLUNTEERS: Teen and adult volunteers are needed at the Arbor Health Building, Plymouth, and McAuley Health Building, Canton, 572-4159.

WALKING: Group walks are at 10 a.m. Monday-Friday and 6:30 p.m. Thursday at St. John Neumann

Church parking lot, 44800 Warren Road in Canton, 455-9042.

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS: New Morning School in Plymouth Township is seeking "paid" volunteers for teacher aide substitutes and teacher substitutes, 420-3331.

ADULT CARE: Foster care is needed for adults with mental retardation. Call 332-4410 in Oakland County or 455-8880 in Wayne County.

"Y" VOLUNTEERS: The Plymouth YMCA seeks volunteers, 453-2904.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION: Focus:HOPE provides food to eligible Canton senior citizens at the Canton Recreation Center, 397-1000, Ext. 278.

COMPUTERS: Four Apple IIe's and one IBM are available for public use, Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth, 453-0750.

Senior citizens

HEALTH CARE: Speakers on long-term health care and Medicare are available. Call Patty Jamison at 455-0510.

SENIOR CLASSES: The Canton Recreation Center offers classes, 397-5446.

HOSPICE SPEAKERS: Hospice Services of Western Wayne County has volunteers available to speak to church groups and civic organizations, 522-4244.

TRIPS: For senior citizen or adult trip information, call Plymouth Parks and Recreation, 455-6620, or Canton Township Parks and Recreation, 397-5444.

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House sets voluntary election spending limit

Here's how Observer & Eccentric-area lawmakers were recorded on major roll call votes as Congress approached the end of its 1991 session

HOUSE

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM: By a vote of 273 for and 156 against, members passed a bill (HR 3750) that lessens the effect of special interest PAC money on House campaigns and sets a voluntary \$600,000 spending limit for incumbents and challengers in a two-year election cycle.

Candidates accepting the limit and other discipline would receive up to \$200,000 in dollar-for-dollar matching funds from the Treasury. Later legislation would determine how to raise that money, estimated at more than \$50 million annually. The bill cuts TV advertising rates for all House candidates and lowers postage costs for those accepting spending limits, among other provisions.

The bill was sent to conference

with a Senate measure that also sets spending limits, but which outlaws PAC contributions and omits public financing of congressional campaigns.

A yes vote supported the Democratic-drafted campaign finance reform bill.

Michigan congressmen voting yes were: Dennis Hertel, D-Harper Woods, William Ford, D-15, Sander Levin, D-Southfield.

Voting no were: Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, William Broomfield, R-Birmingham.

TO REJECT GOP PLAN: By a vote of 165 for and 265 against, the House rejected the GOP campaign finance reform bill. The measure omitted spending limits, which Republicans believe would hamper their bid to regain control of the House. It required House candidates to raise at least half of their campaign funds from within their district, and lowered the maximum PAC contribution from \$5,000 to \$1,000 per candidate.

Roll Call Report

Minority Leader Robert Michel, R-Illinois, said the GOP plan would "return elections back to our constituents and away from Washington's special interests."

Opponent Charlie Rosee, D-N.C., called the GOP bill flawed because "it fails to cut the cost of campaigns. It increased the power of the almighty dollar."

A yes vote supported the GOP campaign finance bill.

Local legislators voting yes were: Pursell and Broomfield.

Voting no were: Hertel, William Ford, and Levin.

BUDGET ISSUE: By a vote of 148 for and 276 against, the House refused to remove "forward funding" from a health and education ap-

propriations bill (HR 3839) for fiscal 1992. The controversial practice evades fiscal discipline set by Congress and the White House in the five-year deficit-reduction law. With this bill, it involved freezing \$4.2 billion for several programs until the last day of fiscal 1992. This will push release of the money into fiscal 1993, thus escaping the law's 1992 limits.

Sponsor Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., said "we ought to at least have the honesty to stick by" the five-year budget deal.

Opponent William Natcher, D-Ky., said "I am not in favor of taking one dollar" out of the spending bill.

A yes vote opposed the "forward funding" budget maneuver.

Area legislators voting yes were: Pursell.

Voting no were Hertel, William Ford, Levin and Broomfield.

OCTOBER SURPRISE: By a vote of 51 for and 43 against, the Senate failed to achieve the three-fifths majority needed to block a GOP filibuster against the Democrats' planned "October surprise" probe. This killed a proposed \$600,000 committee investigation into whether Iran delayed freeing U.S. hostages until Ronald Reagan was sworn into office 1981, in return for American arms.

"We know the release of the hostages was delayed until moments after President Reagan took office," said Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine. "Shortly thereafter, President Reagan did in fact authorize the secret transfer of arms to Iran."

"The only October surprise envisioned by this investigation is an October 1992 surprise" undercutting President Bush's re-election bid, said Mitch McConnell, R-Ky.

A yes vote supported the probe.

Michigan Democratic Senators Carl Levin and Donald Riegle voted yes.

TO HELP RUSSIANS: By a vote of 87 for and seven against, the Senate approved an amendment to use \$200 million in Pentagon funds for an emergency food and medical airlift to help residents of the former USSR through the winter. The vote occurred as the Senate passed a bill (HR 3708) implementing a post-Cold War treaty that redefines the U.S.-Soviet relationship.

Sponsor David Boren, D-Oakla., said America should help to stabilize "a country that has 30,000 nuclear warheads."

No opponent spoke against the amendment.

A yes vote was to use defense dollars to help the Soviets.

Senators Levin and Reigle both voted yes.

Sexual harassment is forum focus

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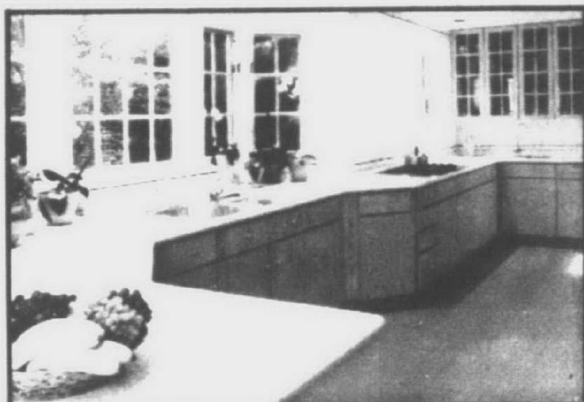
Joseph U. Brown, a labor relations manager for an 11-state region, will conduct the program which costs \$75 per person.

Employed in the public and private sector for more than two decades, Brown has worked on many harassment cases and is considered to be an expert in the field. He will address understanding what sexual harassment is and is not, establishing procedures to report sexual harassment, establishing penalties for sexual harassment and training managers and supervisors who deal

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'Lucky' woman marks 34 years with nursery

By Linda Lee Sparkman
special writer

More than a thousand youngsters have enjoyed preschool activities under Theresa Conley during her 34 years with the Garden City Cooperative Nursery as a parent, teacher or program director and 12 years with Suburban Children's Co-Op in Livonia.

Conley is program director at the Garden City nursery which is in the Garden City Presbyterian Church.

She also is director of the Suburban Children's Co-Op Nursery School, based in the Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia.

She is called the "teacher" but insists her aim is not really to teach. "I like to say I expose them to experiences. But, mostly I have fun," she said with a characteristic twinkle of enthusiasm.

CONLEY CAN dictate responsibilities expected of her such as physical, emotional, intellectual and so-

cial development of the children as being primary goals, but the way she reaches these stiff objectives is delightful.

"When I see wiggles, instead of stopping them, I encourage the children to get them out. We'll all make funny faces or something."

"Of course, pretty soon the need to wiggle is gone and they have learned without realizing it" — one of her favorite tactics.

Harnessing and focusing her love for children, Conley finds a place in their heart that they are willing to let her have exclusively. She jokingly said she "must mesmerize them with her French-Canadian accent."

"Each child thinks I'm their teacher exclusively. I don't know how I do that. But, I really care for them and that comes through. I guess it must be that I'm in the right position that God wanted me to be — I really believe that."

"My favorite part is when I tell them a story. When they're all really close to me in a little cluster and I'll read them a story and you'll see the

light going on in their eyes and I'll close the book and they'll say, 'Read this again,' then I know they were pleased."

The most satisfying part of it all, she said, is "that I make it fun that they want to come to school."

CONLEY ALSO has learned to listen to other people's suggestions when it comes to interacting with children, citing an example of one particularly stubborn child who did not want to work on his craft.

The father had specifically asked Conley to have him take part in craft time because he believed his son would need this discipline later in kindergarten.

After emptying her bag of tricks, Conley decided she just could not make this child cooperate in the task. But after giving up Conley watched as one of the helper-mothers came up with a solution.

"I will give you 10 minutes to make up your mind to do this craft," the mother-helper told the boy. "And, if you haven't made up your

mind by then, I will make it up for you," she said. Well, that was the trick, and the child soon had the craft completed.

CONLEY CONSIDERS herself "one of the lucky persons" because "lots of people go to work just for the money. The money is nice — it always was handy — but most of all I work because I love my job."

Conley has been program director of the Garden City co-op since 1968 but has been involved in the nursery school since 1957 when she brought her oldest child as a student. She had hoped to meet other young mothers and expose her son to other children, too.

One by one, her four children worked their ways through the two-year program offered at the school.

When her youngest child was in her second year, the school was looking for a new program director. Conley was named to the job and has been invited back for another year every year since then.

She has her eye on the "Guinness

Book of World Records" for the person who has taught nursery school the longest. She said she is working on her "second 20 years."

TWELVE YEARS ago, Conley added Livonia's Suburban Children's Co-Op Nursery School to her schedule.

This resulted in her preparing programs for and teaching eight half-day nursery school classes each week.

Teaching fell into Conley's life naturally because the hours coincided with her own children's school times. So, the transition to working mom was easy, she said.

Conley and her husband have two adult sons, two adult daughters, and five grandchildren.

In reflection, Conley said she likes to think that she and her husband have had the same job. He is a retired pile driver.

"He puts the foundations for buildings, and I put the foundation for learning."



Theresa Conley, veteran preschool teacher loves her students.

It's a match: Big, little brothers form bond

By LeAnne Rogers
staff writer

People who want to get involved with youngsters who need a positive adult role model are always being sought by Big Brothers-Big Sisters.

The program, started nationally in 1903 and locally in the early 1930s, is aimed at strengthening one-parent families by providing additional adult support.

To participate in the BBBS match programs, youngster must be 8-12 years old and live in a single-parent household. That means no step-parents or live-in boyfriends or girlfriends, according to BBBS social worker Renee Kish.

"The child also has to want to be in the program," she said. "If the child says no, we won't do it."

Adult volunteers, at least 18 years

in the traditional program and 21 years for Sister to Sister, involves a screening/orientation process and a minimum commitment of weekly contact with the youngster for a year.

"The volunteers are able to show the child different lifestyles like a married couple with a positive lifestyle," Kish said. "Maybe they see their match doesn't keep the home as nice as their mother. It makes the youngster more aware of what goes on in the community."

Although a few volunteers are married or have children, she said most are single people without their own children.

BBBS SOCIAL workers handle screening of volunteers, developing matches and providing ongoing monitoring of the relationships after a match is made.

"We have phone contacts and speak with the match once a month. At three months, we meet with all the matches," Kish said. "At a year, we meet to see if they want to continue. They can stay until they are 18 if they wish and be friends after that."

People seeking to be a Big Brother or Big Sister are processed on an individual basis, Kish said, with reference and police checks, interviews with social workers and other steps in a process that in some cases could take a year.

"We do all we can to save a match if there is a problem. Our social workers' job is to make matches work," Kish said. "If there is no way

to resolve it, the match would be closed and they could be re-matched."

The Western Wayne BBBS office currently has 800 boys and girls matched with adults, but 350 youngster still waiting for a match.

"Some of the matches we have are 8-9 years old. Most of the matches stay together longer than a year," said Kish. "When the kids get to be teens the matches start to end or go to once a month. The kids are doing teenage stuff, like athletics or working."

BY FAR the biggest demand is for male adults to be matched with boys, she said, with a minimum year

wait for boys who have been processed by BBBS in Western Wayne County.

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Judges to join Madonna faculty

Oakland County Circuit Court judges Gene Schnelz and Fred M. Mester will be among the faculty for the 13 legal assistant courses being offered by Madonna College winter term.

The program, approved by the American Bar Association, prepares those who are seeking careers as paralegal professionals, to earn an associate's degree, bachelor's degree or post-baccalaureate certificate of achievement.

All faculty members are practicing attorneys or judicial members.

Beginning legal assistants are offered both introductory classes, Legal Assistant Orientation and Legal Research and Writing I, taught by Mary Urisko, assistant director of Madonna's program.

Urisko will also teach Business Associations, which covers corporate procedures, director and stockholder meetings, public sales of securities, partnership agreements and dissolutions.

Mester will teach Legal Research and Writing II, a course which develops analysis of facts and studies the evolution of a typical lawsuit, emphasizing federal law.

Schnelz will teach Law Office Economics and Management and Real Estate, including title and mortgage work, drafting of purchase and sales agreements.

A telecourse entitled Eyes on the Prize: History of the American Civil Rights Movements, will cover the people, stories, events and issue of the Civil Rights struggle in American from World War II to the present.

The law of arrest and evidence of search and seizure will be discussed in Criminal Procedures. Taxation I will cover a study of tax law and individual as a taxable entity.

Bloomfield Hills Attorney Debra Holt will teach a course on Litigation and conduct a two-weekend workshop on Labor Law and Legislation.

Detroit-area attorney Richard Dimanin will teach Evidence, a class on the practical use of evidentiary rules in terms of case development and the trial process including pre-trial discovery and trial preparation

and assistance. Dimanin will also teach Administration Procedures and at three-weekend seminar on Civil Procedure.

Jennifer Cote, director of the Madonna program, will hold the Legal Seminar and Practicum in a four-session series. The seminar aids students through in-service training. Students will demonstrate legal assistant skills in an employment situation and prepare a self-assessment and strategy for continuing legal education.

For more information, call 591-5195. Winter term begins Monday, Jan. 6.

S'craft community choir holds audition

Experienced male and female singers are invited to audition for the Schoolcraft Community Choir. The choir will hold auditions Tuesday, Jan. 7 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, west of Inkster, Livonia.

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to performing the music of the masters. Choir members need not be Schoolcraft students, though choir members can receive academic credit at the Livonia-based community college.

Auditions can be arranged by calling choir president Shari Cla-son, 349-8175.

Group helps divorced, widowed

Space for Changing Families, a peer support group for divorced, separated or widowed men and women, has scheduled meetings and programs for January.

Programs include:

- Divorced Peer Support Group — The group meets 7:15-9:30 p.m. Mondays, Jan. 6-27. Pre-registration is required. A \$12 donation is suggested.

- Drop-In Discussion Groups — The groups meet Jan. 8-29. Registration isn't required. A \$3 per session donation is suggested.

- Tuesday Night Workshop — January's workshop, "The Truth Everyone Should Know About Finances," meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. A \$5 donation is suggested.

All groups meet at Space offices, 30233 Southfield Road, Southfield, between 12 and 13 Mile roads. To register, or for additional information, call 258-6606.

Space is a non-sectarian community service of the National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section.

Language classes set

Madonna University will offer courses in conversational French, Italian and Polish winter term as part of its continuing education program.

Beginning Conversational French I will be held 6-8 p.m. Mondays, Jan. 13 through April 6. French II will be taught Wednesdays, from Jan. 15 through April 8. Cost is \$140 for each class with 2.4 continuing education credit earned per class. A textbook is \$10.

Beginning Italian will be held 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturdays, Jan. 11 through March 21. Cost is \$50 for 2.0 continuing education units. A textbook is required.

Practical Polish Language will be held Mondays, Jan. 6 through March 16. Cost is \$50 and may taken for 2.0 continuing education units. A \$5 tape may be purchased from the instructor.

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Livonia hopeful race track money will be restored

By Tedd Schneider
staff writer

The stage is set for a compromise that could restore an estimated \$700,000 in state grant money to Livonia.

A favorable ruling issued this month by Michigan Attorney General Frank Kelley gives city officials a bargaining chip to use in negotiations with Gov. John Engler, Mayor

Robert Bennett said Thursday.

Bennett is informally heading a consortium of municipal and state officials from eight affected communities seeking to restore a \$3.6 million grant given annually to Michigan cities with horse race tracks.

Engler vetoed the grant and other programs totalling \$120 million from the state budget in October. The governor ordered the money

returned to the general fund.

But Kelley ruled Dec. 12 that the racetrack grants are earmarked for special purposes and by law can't be transferred.

THE OPINION says, in part, "monies appropriated from the horse racing revenue special funds and vetoed by the governor . . . remain in the special funds and do not lapse into the general fund at the

conclusion of the fiscal year."

"It is my further opinion that these funds may be expended only in accordance with future appropriations made by law," Kelley said.

"That means there's no visible benefit to the state in keeping the money," Bennett said. "It gives us something to work with."

"The attorney general's opinion has been helpful."

Bennett's group is seeking restoration of the racetrack money and other funds vetoed by Engler through new legislation and would like to discuss the issue with Engler personally.

A proposed state Senate bill that would have given back some money to racetrack cities remains in committee with the Senate in recess, Bennett said. It may be taken up again when the legislature convenes in early January.

A planned meeting with Engler was canceled last week by the governor's office and hasn't been rescheduled, Bennett said.

In previous years, Livonia has received as much as \$900,000 in grant money to help defer police, fire and other expenses associated with Ladbroke Detroit Race Course.

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state's financial woes, but had budgeted \$700,000 for fiscal 1992. The veto forced David Preston, city finance director, into recommending last-minute changes in Livonia's proposed budget.

Among the cuts approved unanimously by the Livonia City Council were:

- Dropping planned roof repair and building improvements at city hall, saving \$175,000

- Eliminating charges to non-general fund operations for workers compensation insurance, saving \$150,000

- Eliminating some budgeted overtime in all city departments, saving \$87,220.

Council members passed a resolution condemning the veto and asked state Rep. Lyn Banks, R-Livonia, to formally request the attorney general's opinion.

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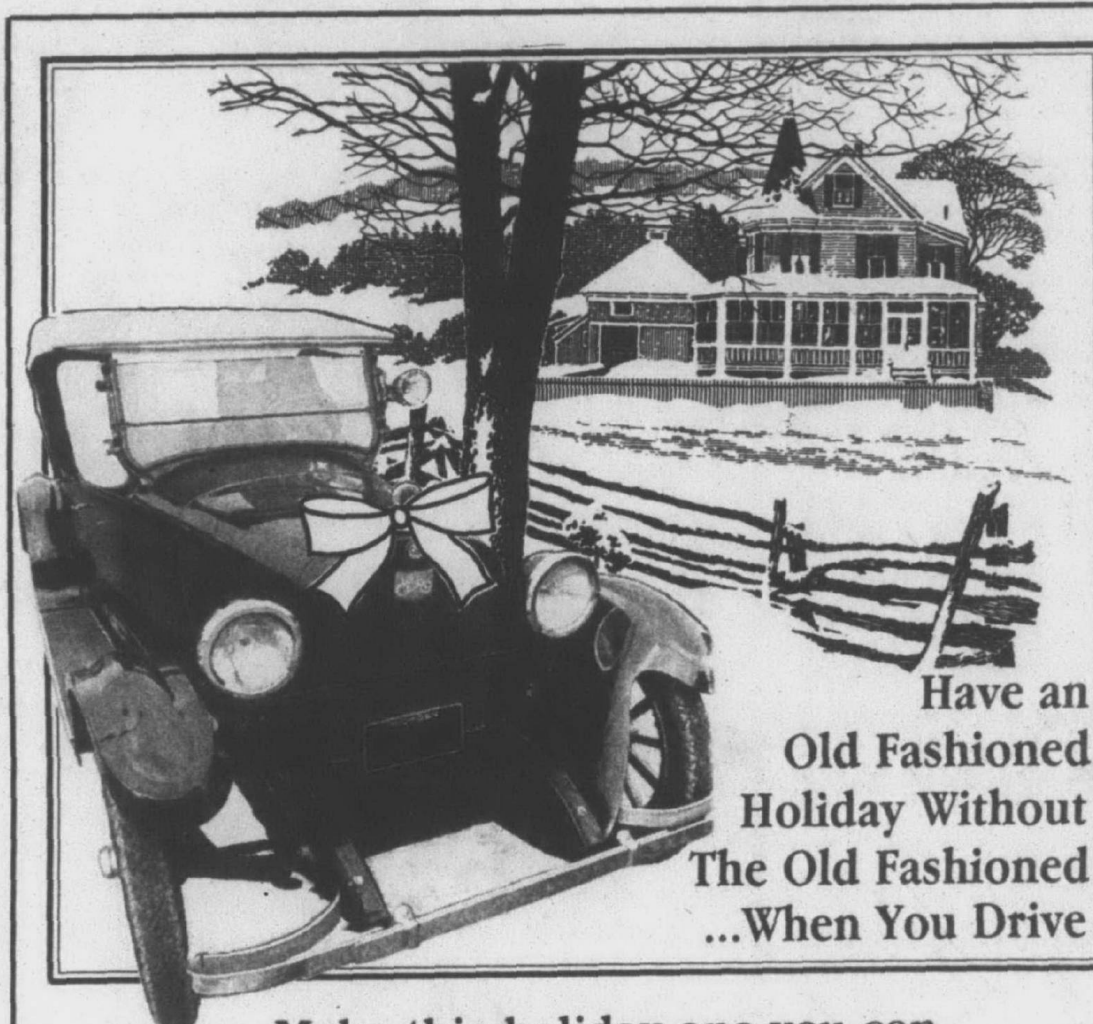


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County offers more shelter to homeless

Wayne County government has expanded shelter opportunities for homeless people.

The Wayne County Family Center, Westland, is offering temporary shelter for single females on a limited basis this holiday season.

The center will offer the women the same services that families receive, including job counseling.

Homeless families remain the shelter's top priority, county Executive Edward McNamara said. The shelter is west of Henry Ruff Road, north of Michigan Avenue, additional information is available by calling 721-0590.

In additional action, Wayne County Commissioners have established

an emergency support program for homeless people, including former state general assistance recipients.

The program provides shelter from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. It also provides two hot meals, hygiene facilities, and job referral and preparation services.

It is believed to be the only day-

light shelter operating in Wayne County.

Commissioners called winter homelessness a "public emergency." The program is to be administered through the county Department of Health and Human Services. Services will be provided by non-profit agencies with a proven history of helping the homeless.

Student writing contest set

Applications are still available for the Michigan Press Women High School Journalism contest.

Entry forms are available by calling contest director Naida Ayadi at 517-323-3111.

Mail-in registration to begin for S'craft classes

Mail-in registration begins Saturday, Jan. 4 for winter term Schoolcraft College continuing education classes.

Most classes begin Monday, Feb. 3.

New classes include: Personal Strategies for Managing Stress; Negotiating Your Way to Success; Fundamentals of Human Resource Development; Tax Planning for the Family-Owned Business and Self-Employed; Real Estate Math Re-

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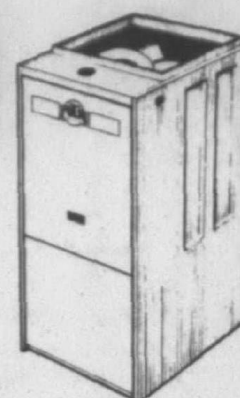


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Reservations for use of park shelters or the pavilion in the township park will be accepted for 1992 beginning Jan. 6. Reservations must be made in person between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the division of public services, 4655 Port St. in the Metro West Industrial Park south of Five Mile Road between Beck and Sheldon roads.

For more information, call 453-2257.

Buying time

State Sen. Bob Geake, R-Northville, said that while it was disappointing to delay reform of Michigan's insurance law, such action was necessary.

Geake said the legislature's extension of the state's no-fault insurance law past the original Dec. 31 deadline "was necessary for my district, as all drivers in Wayne County would have been at a distinct disadvantage" had it expired. "By extending the current no-fault law, we bought some valuable time to reform the law so Michigan motorists can realize substantial savings on their premiums."

The vote came earlier this month after the House declined to adopt a Senate report that attempted to lower insurance rates. Under the conference committee's plan the average driver would save about \$15 per car, Geake said.

Pursell honored

U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell was given an honorary doctor of laws degree during the recent winter commencement at the University of Michigan.

"Throughout his tenure in Congress, he has worked to promote Michigan's interests while advancing a national agenda in areas such as health care, basic scientific research, transportation and the environment," according to the university presentation.

Police back dispute mediation program

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Your neighbor's stereo is so loud that one day you decide you've had enough. You go to his house, ask him to lower the volume and the discussion turns into a full-blown argument that ends when he knocks you down.

You call police.

Instead of arresting one, or, both of you, the officer refers you to a mediation program that will keep you off the police blotter and out of the overcrowded courts.

IF BOTH of you agree to go that route, you and your neighbor meet with a mediator and a solution is recommended. And, if you don't like the results you can still go to court.

Ninety percent of the people reach agreements and 80 percent live up to them, said Sharon S. Miller, Detroit Neighborhood Reconciliation Center director.

Canton police hosted a meeting with Miller and other center spokespeople, township officials, 35th District Court employees, police officers, as well as, civic and school leaders last week to promote the 5-year-old program.

Capt. Al Wilson said the Canton police department has promised to provide a conference room for mediation sessions. And now it's looking for people to serve as counselors, who will be required to take a 40-hour training course and internship.

"We're trying to recruit people who represent a cross section of the community," Miller said.

In most cases the mediation is free since the mediators are volunteers and the program is funded by the state and various grants.

THE CENTER WILL accept any case where at least one party lives, works or attends school in Wayne County west of Woodward Avenue and all parties agree to try mediation.

The organization has handled more than 1,000 cases dealing with a wide range of disputes including those between neighbors, family members, customers and merchants, students and landlords and tenants.

Agency referrals come from police, neighborhood groups, social agencies and courts, as well as, from disputants and concerned third parties.

It might be a good way to handle cases that would otherwise bog down the court dockets and in fact aren't always appropriate in that setting.

Eric Coulthurst, 35th District Court administrator, said he's equipped to resolve monetary disputes up to \$1,500, but other arguments are out of his reach.

"We find there are a lot of disputes that can't go to litigation," said Erik Saunders, the center case manager.

Susan Ewing, 35th District Court probation director, agreed. Often times Ewing said she comes across cases that the court has a hard time resolving.

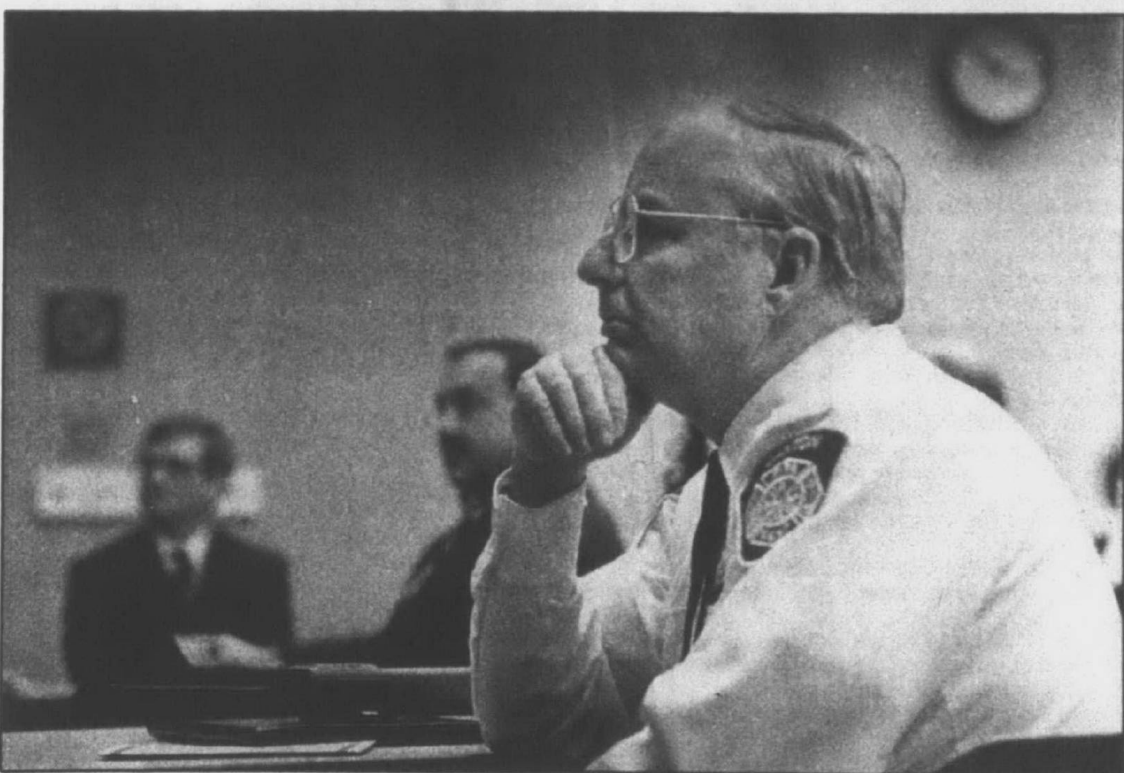
"As a probation director we're looking for this type of solution," she said.

Small disputes often turn into bigger ones that lead to

Police officers and public officials discussed an arbitration program last week that could resolve disputes that will otherwise bog down the court dockets. Canton Fire Capt. Art Winkel (below) listens to an explanation of how the arbitration will work.



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major assaults and even death, said Detroit police Commander Daniel McKane, who helped establish the center.

"I've seen that," McCabe said. For more information about the program and becoming a mediator, call 841-0120.

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Medicare, Medicaid health dollars monitored

By Doug Funke
staff writer

Who says that the battle for quality health care at an affordable price is a losing proposition?

Certainly not Michigan Peer Review Organization, a Plymouth-based, non-profit company that examines hospital admissions and treatment plans paid for elderly people through Medicare and poor people through Medicaid. The review of records is required by both federal and state payment programs.

A for-profit subsidiary established by MPRO, Pathways provides preadmission and surgical reviews on medical necessity for employees of self-insured companies.

Both MPRO and Pathways have the same goal. "We assure that services to Medicare beneficiaries and Medicaid recipients are necessary, appropriate and meet recognized professional standards," said Gary G. Horvat, MPRO chief executive officer.

"Our mission is to assist employers in controlling health care costs by ensuring dollars they're spending are for appropriate medical care," said Sara Daniel, a registered nurse and Pathway's director of program services.

"We also offer strategic planning for future benefit packages, and we can ask questions on behalf of the client and their employees they're not able to ask themselves (during traumatic times)," she said.

MPRO REVIEWS Medicare and Medicaid hospital admissions and treatments after the fact. Pathways reviews before the fact.

Nurses are at the forefront of the field work. Last year, they randomly sifted through a quarter of the more than 475,000 annual Medicare hospital admissions and out-patient treatment records. If something struck them as irregular, they sent the files to a doctor for further review.

At least two MPRO doctors, including a specialist in a case under scrutiny, must have agreed that an admission or medical procedure was unnecessary for payment to be denied. Attending physicians and hospital administrators can explain their treatments during the review process.

If the denial is upheld, Medicare and Medicaid requests reimbursement. There were 1,800 denials last year.

Denials of Medicare hospital admissions most likely were found in cases involving diabetic reactions, lower back pain and false stroke symptoms.

WHEN MPRO started reviewing cases in 1985, the



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Gary Horvat, Karen Connolly and Rita Daniel, administrators for Michigan Peer Review Or-

ganization and Pathways, monitor quality of medical care and return on health-care dollars.

denial rate was 8-10 percent, said Karen W. Connolly, a registered nurse and MPRO chief operating officer. Last year, it was 1.5 percent.

"A change in practices . . . there's been so much education," Connolly said, has accounted for some of the decline.

The potential for denial "carries a lot of weight and is kind of an incentive for hospitals and physicians to provide alternative settings for care," she said.

"Because we believe (hospital) admission isn't necessary doesn't mean a patient doesn't get care in another setting," Horvat said. Alternatives such as doctors' offices and clinics generally cost much less than hospitalization.

"The other half of the MPRO program is to ensure quality care," Horvat said. "We spend as much of our

resources on quality review as admissions review." "Each case has a variety of reviews," Connolly said. "Patient stability can be reviewed at discharge. You look for untoward occurrences — sores, a fall, medical problems, infections."

A QUALITY issue surfaced in just 1.6 percent of the cases reviewed last year, she said. Quality care questions most often centered around documentation deficiencies, then failure to address test results or changes in a patient's condition.

"The bottom line in dollars is that it costs less to do it right the first time," Daniel said.

Pathways, in business since 1990, is a break-even prospect at this point, Horvat said. Major clients include Arbor Drugs and Michigan National Bank.

It may seem that pre- or post-medical reviews would

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— Sara Daniel

limit services, MPRO/Pathways administrators concede, but appearances can be deceiving.

"Employees and consumers have a tendency to be skeptical of change and assume every change is a reduction in health care," Daniel said. "If you have surgery you don't need, you expose yourself to risk. We want people to get all the health care they need, not more than they need or the wrong kind."

"We're assuring they (users) are getting good, quality care when they need it," Connolly said. "We are someone they can come to with questions."

"I THINK it's important that the health care consumer know there's an organization in the state out there to improve the quality of care," Horvat said. "Everyone has their own personal interest. We stand above that to make sure the patient gets the best quality of care they can."

"There are several forms of savings — those we can identify (through reimbursement denials) and those of a sentinel effect," he said, referring to what isn't done anticipating an unfavorable review.

MPRO reported revenues of \$12.6 million for year ending Sept. 30. About \$8.9 million came from a federal contract, \$3.4 million from a state contract and the balance from interest, consulting and grants. None of that revenue depended on attaining a specific denial rate in reviews, Horvat said.

He declined to reveal figures for Pathways, which is privately owned.

Does cost containment really matter?

Tax dollars saved by unnecessary health care could be spent on other programs. And money saved on medical costs and benefits by employers could be applied to direct wages.

American ideas ripe for foreign piracy

By R.J. King
special writer

Faced with diminishing prospects at home, American companies are beginning to explore potential sales in the fledgling European Community or the Pacific Rim.

But for businesses that set their sights for foreign shores, there is the ever-present danger of creating a brand-new competitor with unlimited access to cheap labor.

Consider the plight of the computer software industry, which loses \$12 billion a year to foreign bootleggers.

"If you go into a foreign country without exploring patent protection and future competitors, it's likely your products will be made cheaply in another country and then shipped back and sold here," said David Sickels, vice president of the Multifastener Corp. in Redford, which supplies self-piercing fasteners for use on sheet metal to a host of industries.

"When we expand outside North America, we have a two-tiered strategy. One is to establish affiliate ties with companies in the country we plan to enter, and the other is to apply for patents in the same country. By establishing affiliate ties, we fill the void of potential competitors and make it very difficult for anyone else to copy our products."

IN OTHER WORDS, Multifastener signs potential competitors to its team before the game begins. By establishing affiliate ties, Sickels said, the corporation believes it has a stronger presence in the markets it attempts to serve, while making it more difficult for potential competitors.

The theft of intellectual properties — ideas and innovations protected by patents, copyrights and trademarks — is a critical problem for American businesses, according to the U.S. International Trade Commission. U.S. companies lose close to \$60 billion a year to piracy abroad, most of it concentrated in the Middle East, Asia, the Pacific Rim and South America, the commission estimates.

The hardest hit industries are computer software, pharmaceuticals and entertainment.

"It's mind boggling to consider the amount of money foreign companies are making off American inventions and American manufacturers," said Ray Scott, a patent attorney with Dykema Gossett in Bloomfield Hills, one of the state's largest firms. "Basically it's 'seller emptor.' Each country has its own restrictions and its own set of rules."

"Already, I've run across instances where even contact with a foreign representative causes considerable damage. The rep will meet with a U.S. company, and as soon as they leave, the rep will register the company's trademark in his country and start doing business."

"Then it's up to the U.S. company to either liquidate or work with the rep. If they pursue legal channels and try to stop the patent infringer, a tremendous victory is considered a halt in the violation and a recovery of court fees. That's pretty tough to swallow."

SO HOW TO expand overseas without sacrificing the company's crown jewels? Scott strongly recommends companies investigate potential problems here at home before beginning to move products on foreign soil or establish contact with a foreign government official with unknown motives.

To that end, Dykema Gossett recently established its own Intellectual Property Group to provide high technology trademark and copyright counsel for the firm's national and international clients.

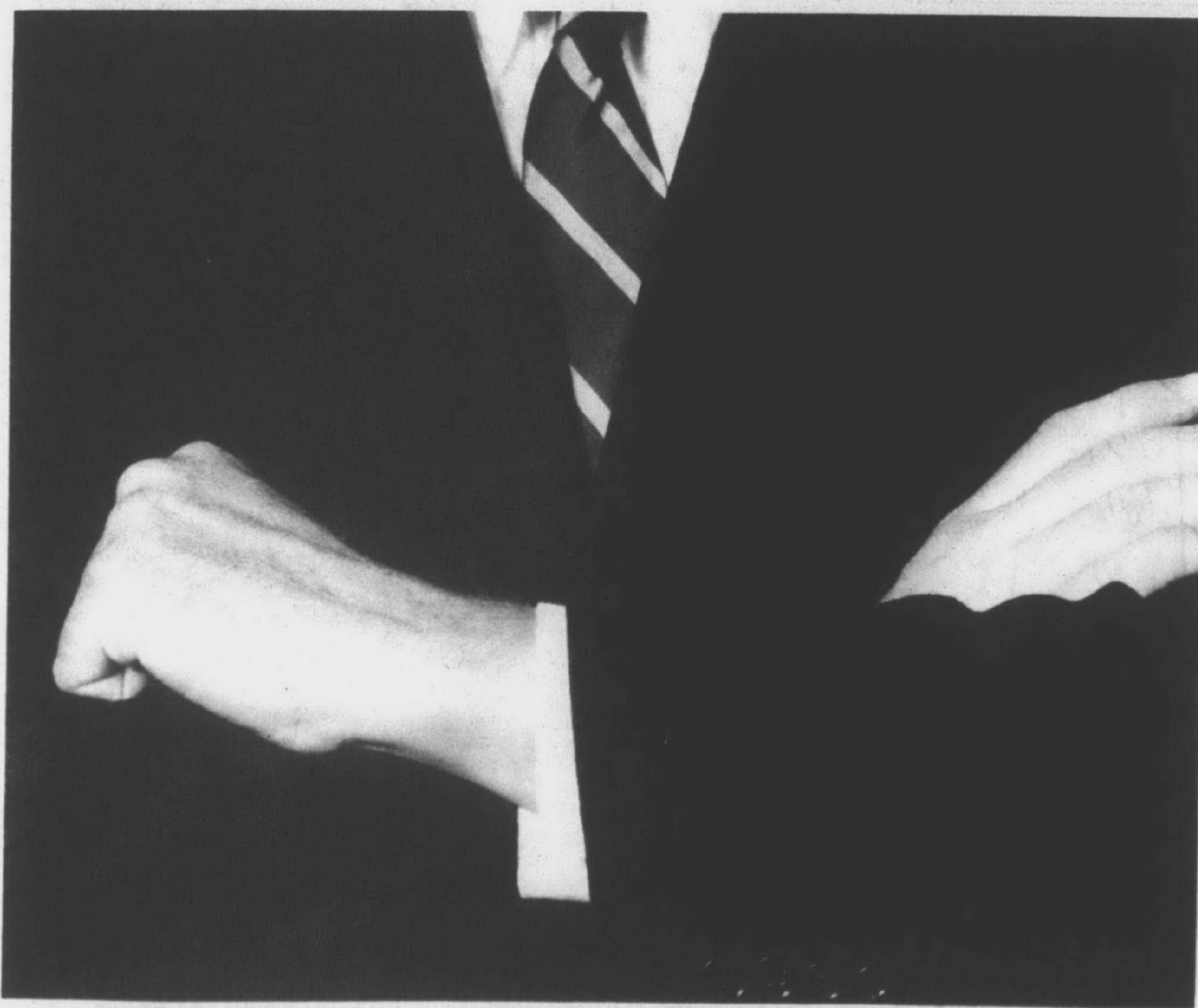
"International patent law is very complex and very specialized," Scott said.

PETER THIELENHAUS, a native of Germany and president of International Marketing Systems, a turn-key firm in Livonia that assists U.S. companies looking to expand into Europe and Asia, said he works with several patent attorneys on behalf of his clients.

"The only way to protect your company is to work with a patent attorney here who specializes in a particular market," Thielenhaus said. "Otherwise you run a very great risk of getting burned. Not only must you catch a patent pirate in the act, but you also have to contend with foreign courts, which tend to favor the home team."

International Marketing Systems, which has seven employees, has operated a European office since 1984. But even with the potential for piracy, Thielenhaus strongly urged domestic companies to investigate a possible foreign extension of their operations, especially in Europe, which is forming a common market.

"Outside of their native base, the U.S. is the second-largest supplier of parts to the German automotive industry. By European standards, American quality is very good and pricing is very competitive. Many American companies have an excellent chance of success in Europe, but they must make the first step."



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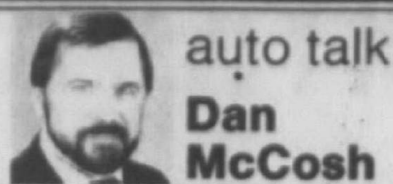
We'll prosper — if Japanese help

The auto industry seems to have the world's largest vocabulary for losing your job. Laid off, cutbacks, inventory control, pink slip, downsizing, shutdown, and restructuring are words the American press has used to obscure and soften the hard reality of the business, part of which is that it sends employees home when the cars aren't selling.

It's been a volatile business from its inception, and the casualty rolls of fallen companies, and the job losses from deep and prolonged recessions, have been part of the game.

SOME OF this is inevitable, for a business that sets about making a couple of million cars over a six-year time span, making plans for a future that didn't include either the Persian Gulf war or the breakup of the Soviet Union when the blueprints were approved.

Regardless, there seems to be a new kind of reaction to GM's announcement a couple of weeks ago that it would be roughly half the size it was in 1985 by mid-decade in the 1990s. At the glum Christmas parties, attended by maybe half the usual number of members of Detroit's


auto talk
Dan McCosh

automotive press corps, the conversation seemed to reflect a noticeable shift in attitude about what in other years would have been just another tough-times economic story.

SOMEHOW, THIS time the GM cuts seemed to hit close to home. That is to say, after a decade or so of reporting the loss of factory jobs in the United States, a case-hardened press corps seemed to identify with the losses of white collar, college-educated types, more or less like them. It is, in fact, an unusual recession that finally hit the baby-boomers, many of whom had managed to sidestep nearly every other downturn in the economy since they got out of college.

This one really started, not in the plants and oil fields, but in banking

houses and Wall Street, then steamrolled through the engineering staffs at defense firms, and now reaches the GM Tech Center as well as the assembly lines.

IF THAT didn't catch the attention of the media, along the way, the cuts at CBS, ABC, newspaper and magazine conglomerates did the trick.

The cumulative effect seems to have altered the standard prose reporting GM's contraction. Most of it still concentrates on GM management mistakes — ignoring that even the Edsel didn't do much harm to Ford. Then Automotive News adds some poignant numbers about how the lost U.S. car jobs outnumber new Japanese-transplant jobs 12 to one. Automotive News publisher Keith

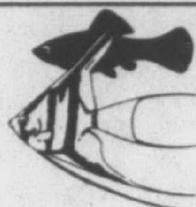
Crain says the Japanese got "too greedy," a revelation he credits to a conversation he had with the chairman of Sony Corp. With the trade talks with Japan just around the corner, it's clear a backlash has begun, and some genuine concern finally has emerged about the fate of the U.S. industrial base.

THE OBVIOUS question: Is it too late? There are some very good reasons why even the massive cuts announced by GM probably won't by themselves guarantee a healthy company. Primary is the realization GM facilities are relatively new, with tooling and investment that was supposed to last about 20 years. The cost of the tooling will remain, even when the people go, and that cost will be shifted to the remaining, reduced production. It's a bad corner to be in, and GM may not be alone.

Bad, but not insurmountable. If only the Japanese are judicious, consumers can be reassured, and new markets are found for this, still the most productive nation on earth.

Dan McCosh is automotive editor of Popular Science magazine.

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Young actor makes professional debut in comedy

"Thursday's Child" will be performed at Detroit's Attic Theatre, 7339 Third at West Grand Boulevard, through Jan. 5. To order tickets, or for more information, call 875-8284.

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

AN ACTING career just might be in David Bourke's future.

The 15-year-old Birmingham resident is making his professional debut in the Attic Theatre production "Thursday's Child," a provocative comedy by Julie Jensen about parenting in the 1990's.

Theater-goers will receive two tickets for the price of one with every donation of at least two items of canned or packaged food. Contributions will go to the Detroit/Wayne County Union of the Homeless.

David plays Kenny Bradshaw, a skinny, gawky charmer of 15, a shrewd negotiator of his allowance, and an inexhaustible eating machine with a penchant for Tombstone pizzas, ice cream, and bagels with ketchup and onions.

THE PLAY is a slice of the lives of Kenny, his sisters Kenna Lou, (Jamie Moyer) 16, and Marci, 8, (Dana Acheson) mom, George Ann, (Lavinia Moyer) and Dad, Ken (Jim Porterfield). It's Jensen's view of middle age from a woman's perspective, covering everything from the tensions of raising teenagers to a surprise pregnancy, including the pranks of an 8-year-old whose latest thing is filling the washing machine with water and fish for a "fish without light" experiment.

Kenny and David share some similarities, says Dinah Lynch, who is directing the play and has taught David at the Actor's Alliance Conservatory in Southfield for three years.

"David loves rock and roll, the Doors in particular, and he has very much of a poetic, Renaissance-type heart," said Lynch, who cast David in a major role in an Alliance production last summer of Sam Shepard's Pulitzer Prize-winning "The Buried Child."

"He plays the bass guitar, and is also taking karate, so he has many interests," added Lynch.

"In the play, his character is a hood. David himself wears a black leather jacket, even in the heat of summer. His character wears a black leather jacket, so it's pretty comical."

So far, David is getting high marks.

"DAVID IS very perceptive," Lynch said. "He does a lot of analysis on the text, and works very hard. I think if he is persistent and if he wants it (an acting career) he will have it. I've always felt David is a very talented person."

"He has a theatrical style and a sense that changes depending on the different gender of the play, which is very exquisite. It's intuitive, and yet he started his training at such a young age that I'm sure if he continues, he will have a nice career. He's very strong-willed, which should help him."

Lavinia Moyer, the Attic's artistic director, plays the mother in "Thursday's Child." Moyer met David when he was doing scene work at the Actors' Alliance.

"I was very impressed with his maturity and the boldness with which he tackled the characterizations," she said. "The role of Kenny in the Bradshaw family is both a sensitive role, and one that shows the rebellious side of being a 15-year-old in the 1990s. I think David has done a beautiful job playing both aspects of that character."

In one scene, Moyer's character talks with her son about the commitment she is making to go through with an unwanted pregnancy.

"David, with very few words, is able to convey his character's sensitivity and understanding. Then he goes into the house to clean the kitchen up for his Mom. I think it's one of his finest moments on stage."

TRUDY KIESEWETTER, the Attic's marketing director, said, "David is absolutely delightful. His role is that of a charmer, and he plays it to a 'T.'" Kieseewetter added that thus far, response to the Attic's food drive has been overwhelming.

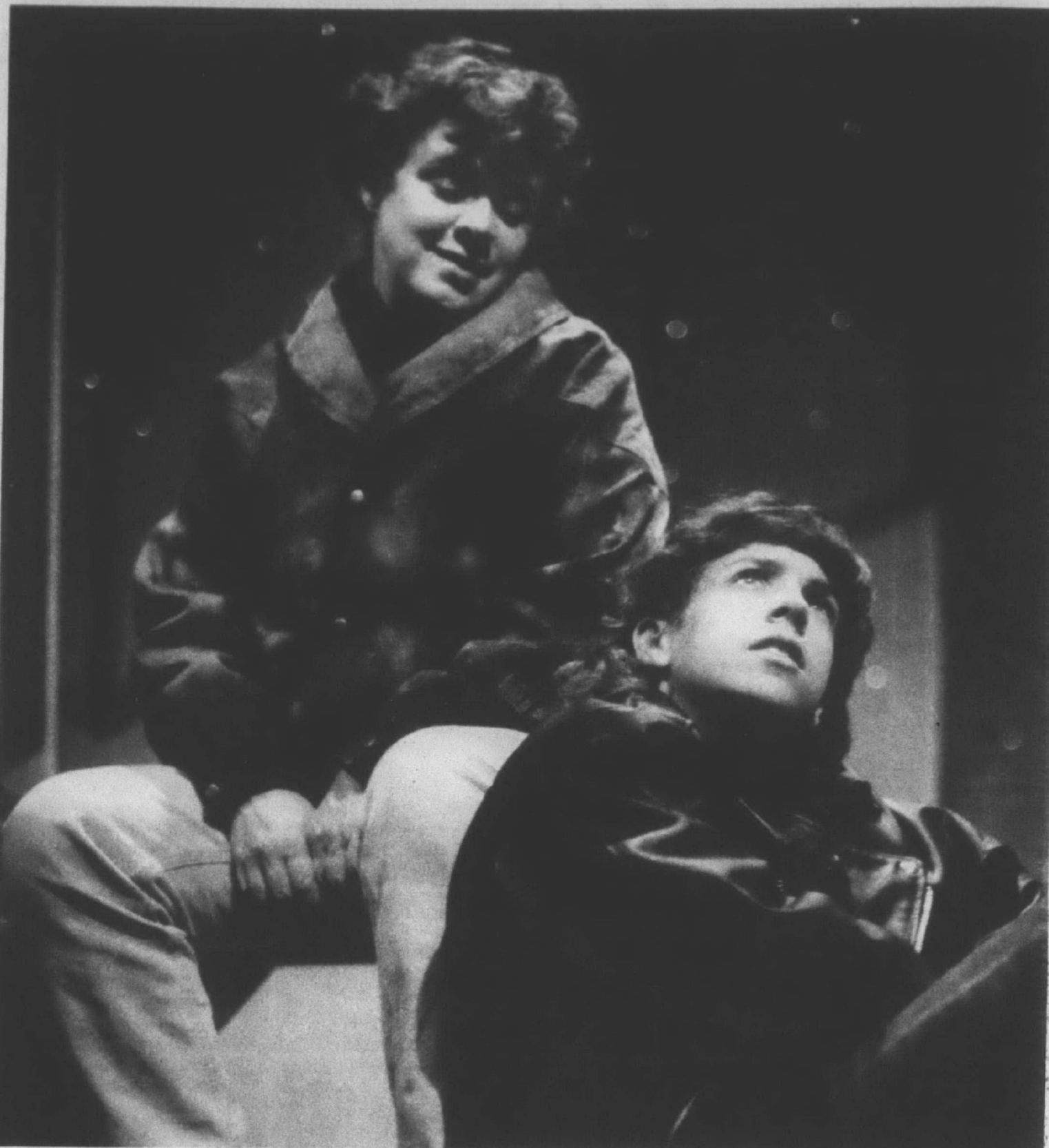
David, a freshman at the Birmingham Public Schools' alternative high school, is having a great time on stage.

"I really enjoy doing the play a lot," he said. "It's one of the best experiences of my life."

Would he consider acting as a profession?

"I see me acting, and also having a different job to pay the bills," said David, who landed his first acting role by beating out his sister and other older kids auditioning for a church play several years ago.

"What I'm really scared of is getting trapped in a dead-end job that's monotonous and has no excitement in it. I don't see acting as that at all. There will always be excitement and fun in this business, and it's what I love doing."



Lavinia Moyer (left) and David Bourke exchange sentiments as mother and son in a tender scene of "Thursday's Child" at Detroit's Attic Theatre.

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Actor has mind on business, on stage and off

Performances of the Jewish Community Center and Nancy Gurwin production of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" opens New Year's Eve and continues through Jan. 19 at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre at the JCC, 6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield. For ticket information call the JCC at 861-1100 or Gurwin at 354-0545.

By Barbara Michals
special writer

Like J. Pierpoint Finch, the lead character he plays in the upcoming Nancy Gurwin production of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," Danny Gurwin knows what he wants and goes after it. Only nobody would say that Gurwin does it without trying.

At 19, Gurwin already has extensive theatrical training and a wealth of stage experience. A University of Michigan sophomore majoring in musical theater, at Thanksgiving he began commuting home to Southfield for rehearsals of "How to Succeed," which his mother is producing at the Jewish Community Center.

Following two major roles in college productions this fall, Paul in

"Company" and Che in "Evita," Gurwin's "How to Succeed" rehearsals came at the same time he had to start studying for December final exams.

"You have to be efficient — organize your time, read on the bus, that sort of thing," he said. "I do miss my social life, though. I haven't had much of that lately, with classes until 6 p.m., and then rehearsals 7 to 11 most of the fall."

With finals over December 18 and "How to Succeed" opening New Year's Eve, "If I can get to January I'll be OK," Gurwin said with a laugh. "Next semester I'll take it easy and just study."

The little spare time he has over school vacations he uses to catch up with friends, go to the movies, read, and practice the piano for school. He claims he also tries to rest.

"I really appreciated the need for that now," he said. "I've learned that acting is a business and you really have to take care of yourself — your voice, and your body to always be at peak for a performance."

Gurwin is very definite about his plans to move to New York and make theater his career.

"It's a frightening concept, but I have friends there, lots of U of M theater graduates who are willing to

help," he said. "At school we learn how to handle auditions. Don't forget, New York isn't just Broadway; touring shows and regional theater auditions are also held there."

"I want to do everything, not limit myself to just musicals," Gurwin said confidently. "I think I will succeed because I really enjoy theater so much; I feel more comfortable on stage than I do anywhere else. I've learned acting is a craft and you have to constantly work to improve; those who do are the ones who are around a long time. I'd just like to be a working actor: if I can do that it's an accomplishment."

Besides his current studies at U of M, Gurwin hopes to study in London, either at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts or the London Academy. He is also considering the Eugene O'Neill Institute in Massachusetts, a 14-week intensive program that draws theater students from all over the country.

Gurwin's acting career began at seven when he decided on his own to audition for one of the youngsters in his mother's production of "Annie Get Your Gun."

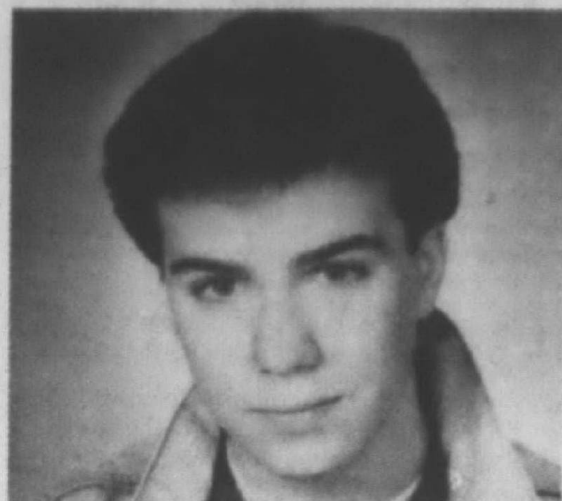
"I was always singing and listening to show albums at home, and, of course, I knew my mother was very involved with theater," he said

The youngest of Nancy and Donald Gurwin's four children, each of his siblings sampled theater at some time but decided not to pursue it. "This just happened," Gurwin said of his career decision. "I used to say I wanted to be a lawyer, then half-way through high school I knew I wanted acting as a career. It was a nice surprise for my mother."

Gurwin sang in his middle school choir, then attended Interlochen Music Camp one summer. He actively participated in the theater program at Southfield-Lathrup High School and also appeared in several other of the shows his mother produced. He also spent three summers at Stage Door Manor, a theater training center in New York. Through his mentor there he later toured with a cabaret show to Catskill resorts.

Gurwin said that his mother has always let him find his own way in theater and always made him audition just like everyone else. "She is my best fan and worst critic," he said. "I know my parents are very proud of me. How proud will they be of me when I come back home as part of a national tour."

"It was exciting to see my name in big letters for 'How to Succeed.' It's a nice feeling that I have achieved this level already. I can't imagine



Danny Gurwin stars in the Nancy Gurwin production of "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." The show opens Dec. 31.

being happy with any other goal, but if acting ever stops making me happy, I'll quit."

The show opens Tuesday, Dec. 31 with a special "Champagne Premier" at 9:30 p.m. in Shifman Hall at the JCC. Tickets \$12.50 per person. Additional performances 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, Jan. 11, and Jan. 18; 2

p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5 and Jan. 12, 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 19.

Barbara Michals is a retired Southfield English teacher. A theater critic for the last 17 years, she is an inveterate playgoer who regularly catches up on all the New York productions.

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Country rock singer explores contemporary life

La Casa Folk Music Series presents Jimmy Tittle, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31 at the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 N. Woodward. Tickets \$15. Call 646-4950 for information.

By Stewart Francke
special writer

It is a strange separation for Jimmy Tittle and his three marvelous records; the LP's are available only in Europe while Tittle is perhaps the quintessential American country rock artist.

Lacking the working class rebellion of a Steve Earle or the eccentricities of Lyle Lovett, Tittle instead quietly chronicles every passing moment and what they can do to the human heart.

Even his own record company can't pigeonhole him: thought of as a country performer by CBS Nashville, Tittle is somewhat crippled by his aesthetic purity.

Unwilling to make the concessions that would bring him the mainstream country success of singers such as Clint Black or Garth Brooks, performers he considers largely "cosmetic," Tittle instead continues to produce his own records full of lean vignettes that poignantly dissect contemporary life.

A VETERAN of Merle Haggard and father-in-law Johnny Cash's touring bands, Tittle has been on the bubble of country fame for nearly 10 years. A 10 years that, due to his closeness to the burning light that is the Cash family, have not been entirely easy.

"I would sit around the table with these incredible talents (Johnny's daughter Roseanne was, until recently, also married to country superstar Rodney Crowell) and at times think of myself as a failure," Tittle says. "But now I realize that if you can record your own songs and make your records the way you want to make them, that is success."

Tittle will perform in the manner he considers his most effective and enjoyable — solo acoustic show — on New Year's Eve as part of the La Casa Music Series.

Tittle has collaborated with Roseanne Cash on two masterful songs; "On The Surface" was the first single from Cash's 1990 LP "Interiors" while "Real Life" is the title cut of Tittle's most recent release.

"On The Surface" is the beautiful cynosure of Cash's entire LP; the dominant imagery of light and shadow speaks metaphorically of where we all hide real emotion. "But I'd say 'Real Life' is my favorite of the two," Tittle allows. "It's got a more

direct nature."

"Real Life" takes the mundane aspects of common lives — a recently married couple, a fallen homecoming queen, a desperate veteran — and ties them together with this haunting chorus: "This is real life/real life happens even if you turn the other way/real life gives me so few chances/real life happens, it don't go away."

WHILE TITTLE'S studies of the torture of expectations are moving, they are not new. Bruce Springsteen and John Mellencamp have been illuminating banality for some time; and before them Merle Haggard

used stark experience to comment on all that goes with and without status in America.

Tittle's new material is more confessional. "There is a lot of 'I' in the new songs," he says. "I've just found that the most personal things to each of us are also the most universal. You can't worry about writing a hit or an anthem; you've got to write what you know and feel."

And though his records remain available only as imports, Tittle is considering jumping from CBS to BMG Records, a move that may allow an American to be heard in America.

Local kids help stage Lunch Bunch show

The Lunch Bunch, a professional children's lunch theater, will open its 1991-92 season with Larry Shue's "The Emperor's New Clothes." The play runs 1 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, now through Jan. 5, at the Magic Bag Theatre at Woodward and Nine mile in Ferndale.

Tickets are \$5 each without lunch, \$7 with lunch. Lunch includes pizza, a cookie, an apple and a glass of pop. Group rates are available.

The show is a musical retelling of the classic tale. Leading the cast as the emperor is Arthur J. Beer, associate director of the Theatre Company at the University of Detroit/Mercy. Beer was the recipient of the Best Actor Award for the 1989-90 season from the Detroit Free Press.

BEER WILL play the emperor in all shows, but there will be separate children's casts for Saturday and Sunday. Local children in the Saturday cast and chorus include Seth Hittsky of Birmingham, Rachel Williams of Southfield, Christine Farrar of Northville, Parker Plague of Canton and Dave Rochlen of Birmingham.

Children featured in the Sunday cast and chorus include Mary Kay Cook of Canton, Ian Kessler of Birmingham, Ryan Jones of Southfield, David Liedholdt of Livonia, Sean Jonaitis of Rochester Hills, Katie Bortell of Plymouth, Jenny Guerra of Southfield, Brooke Andres of Westland, Laura Genitti of Northville and Chris Jones of Southfield.

The Lunch Bunch was formed last

year by artistic director Mary Bremer who has numerous theater awards. Many of the performers in the new group were members of the defunct Peanut Butter Players.

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LIVONIA SYMPHONY

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under the leadership of Maestro Francesco DiBlasi, will open its B series concerts with selections from Corelli to Gershwin, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3 and will feature soloists from the orchestra. This is the first of three concerts that will take place at the Civic Center Library auditorium. Tickets available the evening of the performance or in advance from Hammell Music, Civic Center Library and Madonna University. Cost is \$10 for general admission, \$5 students and seniors or \$30 family rates. Call 458-6575 for information.

MARYGROVE COLLEGE

The music faculty of Marygrove College announces music department scholarship auditions for the 1992-93 year. Applications are now available for students interested in pursuing a music degree at Marygrove College on a full-time basis. Auditions open to voice, piano, organ, guitar or flute. For more information, call 862-8000. Marygrove College is at 8425 West McNichols at Wyoming.

TARTUFFE

Trinity House Theatre of Livonia announces open auditions for "Tartuffe" to be performed Feb. 28-March 28. Auditions, 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 6 and 7 at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia, corner of I-275 and Six Mile. Callbacks, Wednesday, Jan. 8. Roles available, seven men

and five women of varying ages. Script used will be the verse translation by Richard Wilbur. Wear casual, comfortable clothes. Performance dates, 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, Feb. 28 to March 28, except Thursday, March 26. For information, call 464-6302.

MOVIES AT THE REDFORD

New Winter series at the Redford, 17360 Lahser Road. Films start 8 p.m. with organ overtures and intermissions at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 10 and 11, "The Sound of Music." Guest organist for the overture and intermission, Tony O'Brien. Tickets \$2.50 each. Call 487-9638.

LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC

The Livonia Youth Philharmonic is holding auditions 4-7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6 and Wednesday, Jan. 8 for the second half of the concert season. There are openings for all string players, and limited openings for winds and brass. Membership is open to young musicians from the Detroit metropolitan area. Rehearsals held Saturday mornings at Churchill High School in Livonia. To schedule an audition, call 453-8887.

GREENFIELD VILLAGE

Winter in Greenfield Village, Jan. 2 through March 17. Village building interiors will be closed, Jan. 2 through March 17, but visitors can enjoy walking among the historic homes, shops and workplaces. Weather permitting, there will be sleigh rides or horse-drawn carriage rides. Call 271-1620 for information.

MOZART CELEBRATION

All-Mozart celebration, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17 at First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn, 600 North Brady, Dearborn. Dearborn Symphony

Orchestra, "Magic Flute Overture," "Concerto for Flute and Harp in C Major, K. 299," "Requiem, K. 626." Tickets adults, \$10, students, \$4. Call 565-2424 for information.

NORTHVILLE PLAYERS

Auditions for Northville Players production of Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite," an adult comedy, 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 6 and 7 at the United Methodist Church, (Eight Mile and Taft) Northville. Production dates, March 6 and 7. Parts for 7 males (3 major), and 5 females (4 major). Major roles have a 30 to mid-40 age range. Call Jacquie Rundle for information, 344-1969.

THEATER SCHOLARSHIPS

Auditions and interviews for scholarships for incoming freshmen to Wayne State University's Department of Theatre will be Jan. 18 and March 28 in the Studio Theatre (downstairs at the Hilberry). To schedule an appointment, or for information, call 577-3508. Or write: Robert McGill, Department of Theatre, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI 48202-3489.

ORCHESTRA HALL

Pre-concert lecture, Pete Schoenbach, 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, pre-concert conversation, 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, moderator Tom Gulick, guest Oscar Shumsky. Concert 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11. Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Neeme Jarvi, conductor. "Sinfonietta" by Roussel. Call 962-1000 for information.

FISHER

Tommy Tune stars in "Bye Bye Birdie" at the Fisher Theater, Jan. 28 through Feb. 9. Tickets on sale now. Call 645-6666.

CENTENNIAL DANCERS

The Polish National Alliance Centennial Dancers are holding their second Presentation Ball, honoring four high school seniors who have worked hard to preserve their Polish Heritage, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at Vladimira, 28125 Grand River at Eight Mile in Farmington Hills. Tickets \$25 per person. Call 422-1731 or 471-5023.

TIES THAT BIND

The Purple Rose Theatre Company, 137 Park Street, Chelsea, is extending the performance run of "Ties That Bind" featuring Birmingham playwright Kitty S. Dubin through Jan. 5. Performances 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays. Call 475-7902 for ticket information.

LA CASA

La Casa Folk Music Series presents Jimmy Tittle, noted Nashville songwriter, 9 p.m. Dec. 31 at the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 N. Woodward, Birmingham. Tickets \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Call 646-4950 for information.

CABARET

Auditions singers and dancers for cabaret shows at Punchinello's at 184 Pierce at the corner of Martin in Birmingham, 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4. Those interested in stage design, lighting, directing, backstage work will be seen at 3 p.m. Call 644-5277 for information.

SHUTTERBUGS

Photographers meet at the Southfield Civic Center, Evergreen Road at 10 1/2 mile road, Jan. 4 and 5 for the winter trade show. Call 884-2242 for information.

BABES IN ARMS

The Birmingham Theatre opens a five-week engagement of Rodgers and Hart's musical romp, "Babes in Arms," Dec. 31 through Feb. 2. The show is about a group of summer stock apprentices who put on their own show, suffer several mishaps and finally wow the audience. There will be a New Year's Eve performance at 7:30 p.m. and holiday matinees at 2 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. For information, call 644-3533.

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS

Paper Bag Productions announces auditions for its spring production, "Enchanted Afternoon" 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4 at the Historic Players Club, 3321 East Jefferson, Detroit. Children ages 8 to 18 are encouraged to have prepared a song and be ready to read from the script. For information, call 468-2727.

TRADITIONAL DANCE

The City of Southfield and the Oakland County Traditional Dance Society are presenting a "Dance Sampler" featuring demonstrations by various dance groups in the area. There is a free program 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, in Room 115 at the Parks & Recreation Building. Special session of Contra Dancing, 7-10 p.m. \$4 per person also on Sunday, Jan. 5. Rick King and his International Folk Dance will also appear. No partner or experience is required for

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YALE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Yale Alumni Association of Michigan presents the Yale Glee Club in a scholarship benefit concert featuring area alumni singing ensemble, The Grunyons, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7 in Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave. Detroit. Tickets \$10, \$5 students. Call 833-3700 for ticket information.

TROY PLAYERS

Troy Players will hold open auditions for the musical "Fiddler on the Roof" 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6 and Wednesday, Jan. 8. Registration begins at 7 p.m. with auditions starting at 7:30 p.m. The auditions will be at the Troy Community Center, 520 W. Big Beaver Road at I-75. Call 879-1285 for information.

MEADOW BROOK

"The Gin Game," D.L. Coburn's Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy hit, opens 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9 for a four week run at Meadowbrook Theatre on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. Performances will be given Tuesdays through Sundays until Feb. 2. The story of two residents in a retirement home revolves around their heated gin rummy games. For times and tickets information, call 377-3300.

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Dialing direct

Westland pastor reaches out to find the unchurched

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

When starting a new church, Richard Kennedy has a simple theory: Let the fingers do the walking and clear sense do the talking.

With that, West Metro Church in Westland commenced worship Dec. 8, holding services at Bailey Recreation Center in an attempt to reach the estimated 57 percent of "unchurched" people in the Wayne County area.

Others have tried valiantly to tap that segment of the population who stay clear from places of worship. Evangelism seminars, concerts, dances and even ice cream socials have been concocted to increase membership.

Kennedy? The pastor of 30 years simply picked up the phone.

Kennedy, along with the help of 38 churches in the United Brethren in Christ denomination, made more than 36,000 calls in October to peo-

ple in Westland, Canton, Plymouth, Garden City, Livonia and Redford.

So far, so good. The telemarketing effort received a positive response out of 2,000 people, enough to give a fledgling church a starting base.

A commercial for a telephone company? Not quite, but Kennedy dials direct when meeting people.

"I don't think people like beating around the bush," said Kennedy, who has settled in Westland with his wife Kathleen. "People know where I stand. They don't have to wonder."

SUCH A no nonsense approach helped lure several worshippers to a new church in Alpena, which Kennedy and his wife started from scratch.

Today, the United Church of the Brethren in Alpena is one of the fastest growing in the denomination and worships in a \$350,000 building on a 21-acre piece of land.

Kennedy also served as pastor of the United Brethren Church in Lansing, helping the denomination take

root there as well. Attendance tripled in three years there.

Church of the United Brethren in Christ is said to be the oldest Protestant denomination in the United States formed on American soil. The church originated in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia in 1767 through the efforts of preachers Philip William Otterbein and Martin Boehm.

The church belongs to the National Association of Evangelicals.

Rather than immersing people in the history of the church, Kennedy tries to let his informal manner do the talking. Proselytizing is not his style.

"Churches have a problem in that they prejudice the world and speak to the church," Kennedy said, "where they should be judging the church and speaking to the world."

"They (new members) must feel comfortable, accepted and loved. You can't do that if you go up one side and down the other in a judg-

mental way."

THE SON of a Free Methodist minister and raised in the parsonage, Kennedy naturally became a pastor. He started out as a student supply pastor, reopening a closed Free Methodist church in St. Charles, Mich.

Kennedy served as a Free Methodist pastor for 23 years from 1961 to 1984 before he opted for the Church of the United Brethren with his father's blessing. "He's 100 percent behind what I'm doing."

Within a short time while in Lansing where he worked in the inner city, Kennedy earned a reputation for his success in starting new churches.

In Alpena — whose county had the second smallest unchurched population next to Schoolcraft County — Kennedy and his wife began from scratch. Now, he comes to an area

with potential, considering the 57 percent figure of non-church goes in Wayne County provided by the Institute for American Church Growth.

Kennedy plans to offer Bible study and, possibly, a center for support services and outreach. He's negotiating for space at a Westland shopping center.

Most of all, Kennedy believes a positive message and a friendly face will bring people into West Metro Church. After conducting his own telephone survey, he thinks he knows why only 15 percent of churches are experiencing growth.

"Some will tell you (why they don't attend church), some won't," he said. "I think you'll find that the number one reason is maybe in the hustle and bustle of everyday life they hear the bad news all week long. They go to a church to hear hope and they don't hear hope."

But they will hear the phone ringing.



Richard Kennedy of West Metro Church in Westland has been pleased with the response to his efforts to reach unchurched people in Wayne County.

Dreams also have a part in our spirituality

I had a dream the other night. Dreams are spirit messages which reveal the inner soul and at times reflect the experiences we have of the world about us. Dreams are a spirit experience which is slowly returning to a meaningful part in the religious life.

Years ago, Eric Fromm wrote a book, "The Forgotten Language." He states that throughout human experience dreams have been important in directing and solving life's problems.

Dream research, such as that done at the University of Michigan, proves that dreams are a healing mechanism in our daily lives. Everyone who is not on medication or drugs dreams five to seven dreams a night. We tend not to remember them because our society and our major religious communities be-

lieve that they are unimportant.

SIGMUND FREUD further discounted the importance of dreams by promoting the idea that dreams are strictly limited to an emotional language. Others who followed him decided that he was wrong.

Dreams are a language of our human past and a language of the spirit and the soul. I believe this to be true. Dreams can be misused and misapplied. They can become too much the focus of a person's attention. Yet they have a part in our spirituality.

The Christmas story would not be what it is without dreams. God is said to have come to Joseph in a dream. In the dream, Joseph is informed about the birth of his son and how he is to deal with this event.

Dreams need to be set in the con-



moral perspectives

Rev. David Strong

text of a religious faith. This must be so for two reasons. There must be a way to evaluate or discern the truth of the dream in other than psychological terms. Furthermore, dreams must not be allowed to be threatening or scary to life. They need to be incorporated into a positive, life-affirming, loving perspective.

Dreams also often need to be finished not simply by our unconscious, half sleep state. Dreams need to be completed by our

awake, faithful state.

I share a recent dream. I am driving along a street that leads into Detroit. I notice police and army personnel along the street. I realize that Mikhail Gorbachev is coming to visit Detroit.

I SEE A place guarded by men where a helicopter will land and the motorcade will begin. I follow the same street until I come upon a huge, empty, ruined factory. The windows are broken. The place is

littered with parts of the building.

As I drive further I come to a stop. The factory is being torn down and it blocks the entire street. I wonder where I will drive next. Will Gorbachev come to this same blocked street?

Dreams reflect things that are happening in an individual life and also they often reflect what is going on in the world. Many of us are disturbed by empty factories and more empty factories in America, and in Michigan.

I have asked myself what this dream means. I also have decided to finish the dream. The way that I finish the dream is to bring into this scene a person of hope.

For me, this person of hope is Jesus. For another person, it may be someone else. This person stands in the middle of the street and directs

both the building wreckers and the traffic.

The bricks will be made into homes for those who need homes. The street will be repaved. Trees will be planted. A celebration of winter solstice will be held on this place. Gorbachev will be welcomed and a way will be made through our frustrations, our troubles and our personal blockages.

Take your own dream and make it into a healing, affirming message for you and for others. Listen to the language of the soul. Place it in the framework of your faith and affirm that life is good. This is a message for our season and our time.

The Rev. David T. Strong is pastor of Central United Methodist Church in Detroit.

religion calendar

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday the week prior to publication.

FELICIAN SISTERS

The history of the Felician Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Livonia Province will, for the first time, include the names of three sisters who have celebrated 100 years of life.

The three have spent a total of 245 years in serving God, the community and the people in education, supportive services and the praying and suffering ministries.

Sister Mary Alice Gatz, Sister Mary Amanda Zawodny and Sister Mary Flaviana Kuklinski were honored at a joint celebration Saturday, Dec. 7. The highlight was the reading and presentation by Sister Mary Dennis, provincial superior, of the blessing bestowed on each by Pope John Paul II. Congratulatory letters were also received from President George Bush and his wife, Barbara, Michigan Gov. John Engler and Livonia Mayor Robert Bennett.

INFORMAL SERVICE

Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor in Canton, will offer an informal service of praise and singing 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29. The service will be under the direction of Julius DeChavez, minister of music.

It will feature performances by church members, groups and choirs, as well as guests from other area churches. The service is open to the public. For information, call the church, 453-4785.

HEIRBORN PERFORMS

Praise Chapel Church of God, 585 N. Mill in Plymouth's Old Village, will present the award-winning gospel music ministry Heirborn 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 29. Heirborn consists of Jim Carter (piano, vocals and group manager), Dave Cokounger (bass guitar and vocals), Bob Cottom (rhythm guitar and vocals), Ron McKiver (lead and steel guitar), and Scott Bates (drums).

Heirborn has been honored with several awards, including The Eagle Award for favorite male gospel group, presented by the Inspirational Gospel News, and the Love Award by the Fellow Michigan Groups at the Expo for Jesus Rally. In 1987, Heirborn was honored as Favorite Group of the Year by the Buckeye Gospel Music Association.

Sunday morning services are 10 a.m. at Praise Chapel Church of God, the evening "Praise Celebration" 6 p.m. Rod Trusty is the senior pastor. For information, call 455-1070.

GOSPEL QUARTET

The Gospel Four Quartet, a Christian barbershop quartet, will perform 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, at Calvary Missionary Church, 29850

W. Six Mile, Livonia. For information, call 261-5050.

WARD NEW YEAR'S

Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile in Livonia, will celebrate the New Year with a 6:30 p.m. dinner Tuesday, Dec. 31. Ticket prices are \$13.50 for adults, \$6 for children under age 12. A communion service will follow dinner.

Afterward, the film "Attitudes: Choosing the Food You Serve Your Mind" will be presented. The evening will continue with the "Watch-night Service" featuring special guests Gordon and Carol Bleich. The Rev. Dr. Bartlett Hess, senior pastor at Ward Church, will deliver the message. For information, call 422-1150.

NEW YEAR

Tri-City Assembly of God, 2100 Hannan, north of Michigan Avenue in Canton, will have a New Year's Eve "Watch Night" service beginning 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. Special guests for the evening will be Highest Honor. For information, call the church office, 326-0330.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill, west of Lilley in Canton, will offer a New Year's Eve worship service 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. Participants will close the year in worship and thanksgiving for blessings. For information, call 981-0286.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia, will have a New Year's Eve communion service 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. For information, call 522-6830.

ST. MATTHEW

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy, Westland, will offer a New Year's Eve service with communion 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. A New Year's Day service will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1, and will also include communion. For information, call 425-0260.

BIBLE STUDY

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Laverne, Redford, will present a winter session of Bible study 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 9 through Feb. 27. Three classes will be offered: "Parenting the Child," Haroldine Witto; "Working Women," Pat Sadler; and "Law and Gospel," Dean Wachholz and Gerald Schnuell.

Special classes will be offered for children age 5 through sixth grade. A youth program for seventh through 12th graders is also planned. For information, call 937-2424.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Season's greetings

As busy as this time of year is, it's easy to lose sight of the Christmas season's true meaning. This manger scene in downtown Plymouth's Kellogg Park serves as a reminder to passers-by. The Nativity scene and other holiday decorations are put up in the park each year.

EXERCISE CLASS

Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia, will offer an exercise class 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Jan. 14. Proceeds will benefit the church. For information, call 459-9485.

ADULT CLASSES

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia, will offer adult information classes for those who want to learn more about the Christian faith and the Lutheran church. Sessions will be led by the Rev. Luther Werth, senior pastor. They will begin 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, and will run for 12 consecutive Tuesdays. Child care will be provided. For information, call 522-6830.

SCRIPTURE EXPERT

The Rev. Jack Castlot, a well-known Scripture expert and speaker, will discuss Luke's Gospel 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 8-29, at St. Edith Parish, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. The focus of the series will be Luke's Gospel as compared to Matthew, Mark and John.

Castlot holds a doctorate in sacred theology from Catholic University of America and a Licentiate in sacred Scripture from the Pontifical Biblical Institute of Rome. For information, call 464-1222.

FAMILY HOUR

Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, at Five Mile, will have family hour 7-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays for families with children of all ages.

In December, the group will focus on the birth of Christ. Stories, songs and activities will be included. For information, call 427-8743.

TIBETAN BUDDHISM

The Detroit Area Kagyu Study Group offers meditation and discussion of Buddha's teaching. Free meditation instruction can be arranged by appointment. Weekly meditation and discussion takes place Thursdays in Redford. For information, call 538-1559.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER

Singing, praise and Scripture are featured 6-7:30 p.m. Sundays at the Patio Classroom No. 1 at the Madonna University Center, 14221 Levan, north of Schoolcraft in Livonia. The meetings are open to the public.

NORTHWEST SOFTBALL

The Northwest Christian Women's Softball League is looking for additional churches. The league will have its first meeting Tuesday, Jan. 21. The NCWS is a low-competitive, recreational league that emphasizes fellowship and cooperation among its teams. For information, call 478-4929.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor in Canton, has begun an outreach ministry to aid those whose lives have been affected by the problems of drug and alcohol abuse. Support groups for family members and friends of substance abusers meet regularly, as do drug and alcohol recovery groups.

The next meeting of the recovery group, the Overcomers Group, will be 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at Main Street Baptist Church. The family support group will meet 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 7 and 21. For information, call the church, 453-4785, anytime.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Ushers at St. Thomas a Becket Church in Canton will sponsor a New Year's Eve dinner/dance party Tuesday, Dec. 31, in the Family Life Center at the church, 555 S. Lilley, south of Cherry Hill. Price is \$25 per person, including dinner, beer and wine, champagne, late night pizza and party favors.

There will be dancing to music provided by a disc jockey until 2 a.m. Cocktails will be served 7 p.m., dinner 8 p.m. For reservations or information, call 981-7135 or 981-4370. A limited number of tickets are available. Table reservations will be accepted.

LIFE LIGHT SERIES

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill, west of Lilley in Canton, will start a new Life Light series 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7. Participants will study the Book of Romans.

Price for materials is \$4.50. Child care will be provided. The series will last nine weeks. For enrollment information, call 981-0286 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings, a support group for those who have lost a loved one, meets 7-9 p.m. Thursdays at St. Matthew United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia. For information, call 476-1842 or 422-0957.

EMPLOYMENT HELP

A.C.T.I.O.N. Ministry provides support and practical help for people who are unemployed or changing careers. Meetings are 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. For information, call 422-1826.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Bethel Baptist Temple, 29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia, sponsors meetings for senior citizens and retirees the first and third Tuesday of the month. For information, call 525-3664.

TOUGHLOVE

Toughlove is a group for parents who have troubled teenagers. It meets 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 21915 Beech, at Monroe in Dearborn. For information, call 285-0823 or 295-0080.

WOMEN OF THE WORD

Women of the Word, a women's Bible study group, meets 9:15-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, off I-275 and north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

RESALE STORE

The Women's Association at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth operates a thrift shop on East Liberty in Plymouth's Old Village. The resale store is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays for shopping. It is open 9-11 a.m. Tuesdays for donation acceptance only.



Opinion

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Our beliefs Speaking out on tough issues

MORE THAN ANY other year in recent memory, truly big events dominated 1991. The year began with military conflict in the Middle East and ended with a homefront battle to upright a badly faltering economy, both huge stories carrying major, local impact.

On the eve of the Persian Gulf War, the Observer & Eccentric urged local elected representatives in Congress to speak out forcefully over whether or not America belonged in this war against Iraq and its dictator, Saddam Hussein. We were critical of some, like Rep. William Broomfield, R-Lake Orion, who called for debate but refused to take a hard stand.

Once the fighting began, we debated the FBI's questionable tactic of cracking down on perceived "Arab terrorism" in suburban communities and commended the majority of residents in western Wayne and Oakland Counties for resisting the urge to think in stereotypes. But we also noted the disturbing trend of neighbors criticizing neighbors as unpatriotic — just because they voiced a differing opinion on the merits of U.S. involvement in the gulf.

AS 1991 PROGRESSED, debate continued on such topics as assisted suicide, abortion rights, racism, urban sprawl and yes, even Tiger stadium — all important to our region.

But the overriding issue of the last 12 months

John Engler began the year as an unknown quantity in southeastern Michigan.

for most of us, one that will continue to be played out in 1992, had to be the maelstrom that radiated from the governor's office.

John Engler began the year as an unknown quantity in southeastern Michigan. Even before the last snow melted the newly-elected governor was under heavy fire from critics — including those in Republican stronghold Oakland County — for his efforts to downsize state government.

The arts cuts. Elimination of general assistance welfare. Locking horns with the state Legislature over property taxes and education reform. Dismantling the state Department of Natural Resources. Every week, it seemed, there was some new proposal out of the executive offices in Lansing that made headlines and stirred controversy.

Here's where the Observer & Eccentric stood on those issues and others that made headlines in 1991:

- On carjacking, which for a period last summer made Detroit and its suburbs infamous on the evening news, we noted increased efforts to thwart the gunpoint auto thefts by area law enforcement agencies and urged strict, uniform action by courts and insurance agencies.

- We said the courts should strike down a Michigan Law imposing mandatory life sentences with no parole in some drug cases and the Legislature should replace it with measures that will give judges more latitude in sentencing.



ENVIRONMENT

OUR MAJOR environmental concerns centered around the effects of, what remains for the most part, unchecked urban sprawl in metropolitan Detroit.

- We pointed out that racism was the underlying cause of urban sprawl and said metro-Detroiters must commit themselves to renewing communities, rather than discarding them like rubbish. We praised initiatives by Wayne and Oakland counties to come to grips with sprawling development and said the time to act is now, before the problems become unmanageable.

- Changes in the state parks system — in the name of saving a few dollars here and there — could be disastrous, we said. The thought among some that state parks should move towards "privatization" was a red herring. Private enterprise can't and shouldn't run parks which have been developed as a public resource for Michigan's residents and visitors.

- Oakland County voters agreed with us — by the narrowest of margins — and said yes to a \$500 million solid waste management plan, including a controversial incinerator. We noted that in a perfect world we could recycle 100 percent of our trash but that realistically, the incinerator was a viable option.



FREE SPEECH

CELEBRATING THE 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights made 1991 an historic year. But free speech and expression issues were dealt with some troubling set-backs as well.

- The Oakland and Wayne county prosecutors stepped up their crackdown on pornography, conducting raids at area adult bookstores and a major supplier of adult videos and magazines in Livonia. We noted that these officials have no mandate from the public on this issue and it is individuals who should make decisions about what they deem obscene.

- We said some school districts were denying senior citizens their right to vote by making it difficult to obtain absentee ballots. Seniors, who have been known to vote against millage increases, should be able to receive absentee ballots via mail, just as they do in municipal elections.

- Michigan State Police briefly considered using a special camera to photograph speeders' license plates and notify them of transgressions by mail. Bad idea, we thought. While we acknowledged the dangers of reckless driving, we said the "spy photos" were an invasion of privacy that, if permitted, could eventually be legally expanded into government monitoring of other traditionally private activities.

TAX & SPENDING ISSUES

WITH THE STATE facing a \$1 billion deficit, budget cuts were a top priority. But there was little agreement on exactly which programs should go or how much was too much.

- We argued that cutting funding for state arts programs might be popular among some, but it would set a troubling precedent. State funding for the arts helps enrich the lives of all Michigan residents, we said.

- Neither was there merit in dumping able-bodied people off welfare rolls, we said. Moreover, cutting welfare programs in times of greater need was heartless.

- The partisan haggling between Engler and the state Legislature was damming all attempts at educational finance reform. We argued that the solution would only be found once a clear consensus was reached and a radical departure from past programs — ending reliance on property taxes to fund education — was adopted.



HEALTH ISSUES

THE ABORTION debate remained in the headlines but was joined by controversies surrounding health insurance and assisted suicide.

- We applauded a Michigan appeals court ruling reversing a voter-enacted ban on Medicaid funding for abortions as "a breath of fresh air on an odoriferous decision."

- We argued against the concept of legally-assisted suicide in Michigan after unsuccessful charges were brought against Dr. Jack Kevorkian and his "suicide machine." We called on the state Legislature to enact a law banning assisted suicide as soon as possible because the lack of such legislation was tantamount to a law allowing it. We should note that without the law, Kevorkian has aided in two additional suicides.

- We were critical of proposed legislation that would allow physicians and other health-care professionals to keep private the results of disciplinary hearings and/or actions against them.

- We praised the growing phenomenon of drug- and alcohol-free dormitories and urged more universities — public and private — to promote the concept.

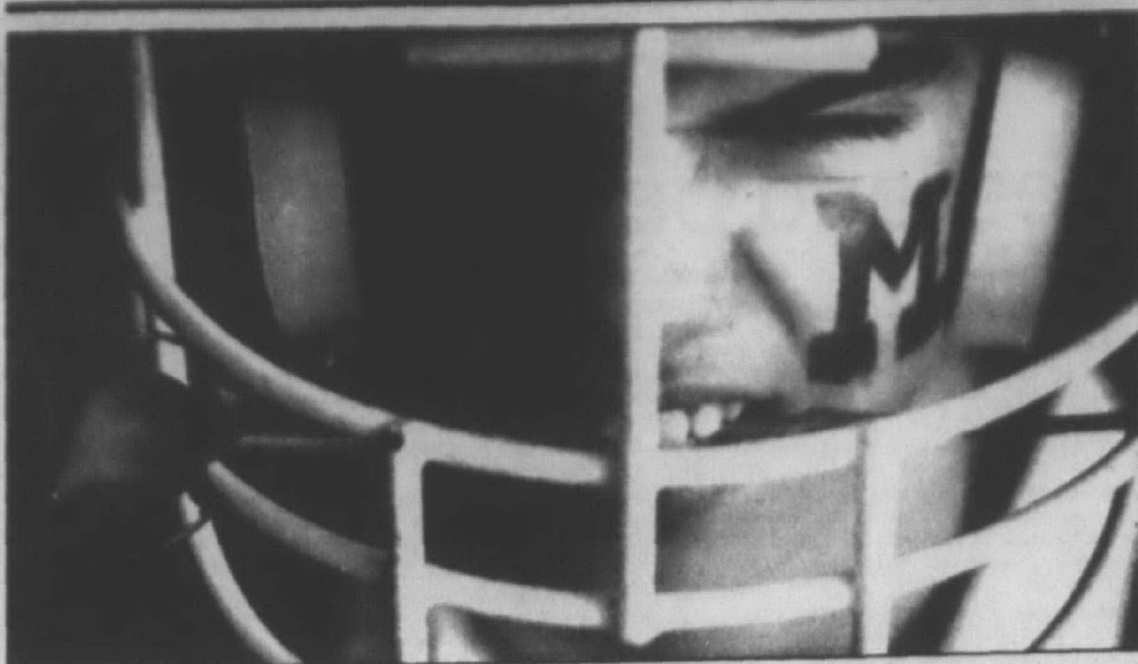


CRIME & PUNISHMENT

VIOLENT CRIME is not confined to the inner-city, we learned long ago. This subject is taking on increasing importance as our older communities mature and our newer ones explode with development.

- We praised state lawmakers for their efforts in passing a uniform handgun law, but pushed them to do more in the area of proper training for gun buyers. State-mandated pistol training should be readily available, frequently offered and affordable, we said.

- We also supported the Brady Bill, ultimately passed by Congress. Among other requirements, it institutes a waiting period before allowing the purchase of a pistol.



SHARON LEMIEUX/staff photographer

Go Blue

University of Michigan supporters are heading west for the premier bowl game — the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1. And, those staying behind like Matt April, a Farmington High School junior, are showing their support in

other ways. The Wolverines, featuring Heisman trophy winner Desmond Howard will play the unbeaten Huskies of University of Washington. Good luck to the team and head coach Gary Moeller.

Economic, political sickness results in painful recession

SOME CHRISTMAS seasons are happy, some sad. I'm sorry to say this one will be sad.

The recession is taking what looks to me like an ominous turn.

It's not just last week's bombshell from General Motors. It's the impression that, for the first time since the Great Depression of the 1930s, government policy stands powerless in the face of massive economic trouble.

This feeling is borne out by the recent University of Michigan projections. Consumer confidence is very low. And most folks surveyed said they lacked confidence that government either cared much what was happening or was competent to do anything effective.

These findings are matched at only two other times in recent economic history — at the height of the inflation under President Jimmy Carter and during the Great Depression.

THERE IS AN Old Testament quality to our present trouble. We broke our covenant with our lord of economic common sense when we indulged in the orgy of personal and



Phillip Power

business debt creation during the 1980s.

Now that debt is at unprecedented levels, and our vengeful and judgmental lord is bringing misery to the face of the land.

I wouldn't be surprised to see the recession endure, regardless of what President George Bush or Congress say or do, until we have paid down that debt.

This recession is unlike anything since the Depression. It is not a cyclical downturn, caused by temporary oscillations in the business cycle. It is a secular recession, caused by fundamental economic and political sickness in our nation.

THE GENERAL Motors restructuring — bold, imaginative and hopeful for the long-run success of our largest employer — will hurt. Lots.

from our readers

To the editor:

Your article in the December 16 Plymouth Observer on Dr. Ozdaglar's vein clinic by M.B. Dillon was interesting to read. However, the picture with the article shows Dr. Ozdaglar inserting a needle into a vein in a woman's leg with his bare hands, not wearing surgical gloves. Hopefully that is not his usual method of practice.

The concept of "universal precautions" is an important one that all health care personnel should be using to help prevent spread of blood-borne diseases such as AIDS. Part of this concept involves having health care professionals wearing surgical gloves during any invasive procedures such as drawing blood, or injecting veins. Dr. Ozdaglar, whom the article states has been a surgeon for 25 years, should be very aware of "universal precautions" and include them in his practice.

Dr. Tom Palmer
Canton

Homeless foes need a heart

To the editor:

It is with much dismay that I read of the latest episode of "The Heartless vs. the Helpless" being played out in this state and area. I refer to the exclusion of homeless people by Plymouth Township officials who hide behind "the law" as if it were a monolith.

I think the best way to respond to Judd Hemming's interpretation "based strictly on the parameters of the law" is to pose this question: If a devastating tornado ripped through the Plymouth area and rendered a few dozen people homeless, would

local politicians refuse them temporary shelter in supervised spaces that were not designed for permanent living?

WELL, WE all know the answer to that. But this kind of attitude is nothing new in this area.

Just within the past year, Plymouth officials were successful in throwing out a few recovering drug addicts who were being rehabilitated through a program on Roe Street. It seems as if the message in this community is: If you're homeless, addicted, emotionally ill or otherwise do not fit our "image," you're not welcome here.

Obviously, many people in the area do not have this attitude. But a loud minority, with the support of government, can exert its will even when it goes against common sense and common obligations of most governments to provide some support for those less fortunate.

WE ARE witnessing in this state a sick and unjustified backlash against the destitute. To think that just because someone is "able-bodied" (but with little education, emotional stability, transportation or job skills), he should be able to find work in an economy where even those with the basic prerequisites are finding it hard to find work is naive, at best, and unconscionable, at worst.

I hope Plymouth area residents and officials will find it in their hearts to act in the spirit of the law — and the times — and work to reverse this dangerous trend. Remember that remaining indifferent can be just as damaging as misguided officials hiding behind "the law," for it allows such people to carry out their misguided policies.

David Wines
Plymouth

Buck pole is archaic

To the editor:

While in my hometown over the Thanksgiving holiday, I read the "Community Buck Pole" feature in the Plymouth Observer.

I am extremely disappointed that as the newspaper, which supposedly serves a well-educated and sophisticated community, the Observer considers hunting worthy of front page treatment.

The 93 percent of the American public who do not hunt are increasingly recognizing that killing for sport is an archaic and destructive activity that violates every principle of ecology.

If the Observer insists on presenting stories and photos of hunters and their kill, then in the interest of balanced journalism, please devote some space to the viewpoint of those who find public hunting nothing more than an immoral slaughter of animals for sport and profit.

Michele Mitchell
Battle Creek

Green companies applauded

To the editor:

I noticed that some establishments are offering unbleached, natural towels in the restrooms in order to protect the environment from dioxin. I congratulate them.

Janet Wojna
Plymouth

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Jobless college grads need TLC

BRAD MUMBRUE WAS a National Merit Commended Scholar when he graduated from West Bloomfield High School in 1984.

He is a graduate of the University of Michigan in economics, speaks fluent French and spent a semester studying in Europe while earning his MBA this past June from the University of Washington.

But Brad Mumbroe can't find a job. He and hundreds of other recent college graduates throughout our suburbs are victims of this recession — most certainly a depression in their eyes.

And it is infuriating that they, with all their potential, can not even grab a rung toward a career for which they (and their parents) have been aiming ever since they entered the world.

To make himself noticed among the thousands of 1991 college gradu-

ates who can't find jobs, Brad has sent out hundreds of resumes, tailored resumes to a particular company (such as sending out his resume to Kellogg's in a cereal box) and sought advice from his elders.

ONE PIECE of that advice from one well-meaning advisor was to omit his MBA from his resume, so that employers with entry-level jobs would not think that he is overqualified.

How demeaning - and how hypocritical.

From the time we first began reading to our preschoolers, we inculcated in them the necessity to do well in school, so they could go to good colleges, so they could get the good education to outfit them for the good job.

And now, our advice is - pretend you don't have that education?

I think those of us who were lucky



Judith Doner Berne

enough to begin our careers in an era in which we not only could get a job, but could pick and choose among job opportunities, have a real responsibility to young people like Brad.

We have a responsibility to give good, long-range advice and to help them make a start whenever we can.

I'll never forget the young would-be journalist calling to inquire last spring about a possible job. I described to him the state of the economy and the hiring freeze at most papers including our own, for an answer.

HE WROTE ME a letter after landing what I think was an opportunity to freelance at an Ypsilanti paper, criticizing me for attempting to discourage him.

He was right — and I wrote him a note of apology.

We have to be very careful that we don't let our own problems trying to meet standards of excellence with reduced staffs or perhaps fighting for our own positions jaundice our views.

Our educated young people are our future - no matter what business we're in.

Here's hoping that in 1992 we can offer them the opportunities they deserve.

Judith Doner Berne is assistant managing editor for the Oakland County editions of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Quick, slick vote raises question

THE CHOICE of Robert Schiller as Michigan's new superintendent of public instruction was smooth.

Even slick.

A little too slick. Schiller, 44, deputy superintendent in Delaware, was interviewed by the State Board of Education beginning at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19. He was the last of five finalists.

AT 9 A.M. Wednesday the board was scheduled to convene and make its choice, agenda item "NN." But there was a lot of milling around and sipping of coffee.

Everyone was in the fourth floor meeting room of the Hannah Building except Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester Hills, board president.

At 9:20 the meeting started. Beardmore immediately moved that Schiller be chosen. Barbara Roberts Mason, D-Lansing, seconded the motion. They didn't bother with a roll call. The voice vote was unanimous. It was over in seconds.

How do you like that? The most important job in Michigan's educational hierarchy, and our eight members of the State Board of Education

don't even need to discuss the candidates. So well did they know the outcome that the often partisan board didn't need a roll call.

Annetta Miller, D-Huntington Woods, said there were other good candidates but Schiller "was on all of our lists of finalists."

Oh? What lists? There weren't any lists visible Wednesday morning.

A little too slick.

CAME THE explanation. Beardmore said they had discussed the candidates "in small groups" the night before.

The Open Meetings Act requires that "all deliberations" be in a public meeting.

Schiller told me he and his wife were scheduled to fly home at 6 a.m. Wednesday. Instead they got word to wait around.

That morning, Schiller said he met with Gov. John Engler. Obviously Engler knew something.

At 9 a.m. Lucille Schiller got a call in their hotel from Beardmore and passed word to her husband. He promptly called Beardmore back. He was getting the Big Job.



Tim Richard

That was 15 or 20 minutes before the board publicly voted. The Open Meetings Act requires that all votes be taken in a public meeting.

Clearly, the board had decided prior to the time it reached item "NN."

THE OPEN Meetings Act makes candidates' names public property unless the candidate asks confidentiality. My experience is that only half the candidates request confidentiality.

The reporter for the outstate Booth Newspapers had covered the proceedings and said no candidates' names ever were released. "They didn't even tell us the number of candidates," she said.

No list of candidates. No number of candidates. No public discussion.

A decision prior to the public meeting.

Board member Mason let the cat out of the bag when she said publicly, "It was difficult to adhere to the Open Meetings Act." She said the state board should seek amendments to OMA to facilitate the search process.

In truth, it's not difficult to do a hiring under OMA. Lots of boards do it. You just make up your mind that you're doing the public's business, and the public has a right to know.

To the state board's credit, it interviewed finalists in the open, as the law mandates. That's the crucial step in letting the public and various governmental constituencies know what's in store.

Credit Gov. John Engler, too, for taking an active part in the process without cramming his choice down everyone's throat. The vote was 8-0.

Otherwise, it was a little too slick.

Tim Richard reports regularly on the local implications of state and regional events.

New MEAP tests need test of time

I heard that the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test scores are very low this year. I thought these tests were just basic skill tests. What's the problem?

A: The rules of the game have changed. The MEAP test (math, reading, science, social studies) which all Michigan students take at certain grade levels is not a basic skills test any longer. The MEAP test is now a test of higher level/ problem-solving skills . . . and it's tough.

One superintendent, it is rumored, bundled up the tests last October and shipped them back calling them ridiculous.

Look at what has occurred in the last year. Some districts that had 80 percent of their students passing i.e., 10th grade math last year are seeing only 38 percent mastering the math test this year.

Indeed, some middle America districts (in the Observer & Eccentric area) had only 13 percent of their students pass the 10th grade MEAP math test. I'm talking about suburban communities.

WHAT IS the problem? Formerly, the MEAP test questions required little if any high level thinking or problem-solving skills. Now the essence of each test and each test question is based on an assumption all children are higher level thinkers - which I don't believe.

In the past, the fourth grade reading test was considered mastered by a student if he/she got 15 or 16 questions out of 20 correct. This year the state Department of Education accepted 10 out of 20 correct responses as a mastery level for reading.

Ever take a test, any test, and get 50 percent right without failing the test. I have not. What's the problem?

Look at the fourth grade reading test. It required 9-year-olds to contemplate the rise and development of the Roman Empire. These young ones dealt with issues such as the Roman city-state (a term I can't even remember from my four years of Latin.) the role of international trade and the Pax-Romana



Doc Doyle

(a period of peace within the Roman empire).

The Roman Empire fourth grade MEAP reading section caused so much of a stir that Gary Hawks, then acting state superintendent of schools, sent a memo (I'm in your corner superintendents, principals and teachers) out to every local school district.

He said . . . "The Roman Empire" test items were lower than predicted by our pilot test results. However, the test section support our Michigan reading Model very well." And there is the key. It supports the Michigan Model.

WHAT IS the Michigan Model? It is the initial step by the department of education to mandate a statewide curriculum. Indeed, the curriculum is already developed. The department says school districts may follow this curriculum if they so desire.

Where is all this going? What we will probably see is more dropouts in the inner cities, more exit competency tests at all grade levels, many entrepreneurs opening privately-owned test-taking classes (for a fee), teacher teaching to a state-mandated curriculum and more teaching to the MEAP-type test questions.

We also will experience parents paying more attention (once they find out their son/daughter is not going to graduate without having passed a competency test and closer monitoring of test results by building principals who tended to ignore test results in the past.

There will be a new look at social promotion . . . that phenomenon which says if a child is too big for the desk pass him/her.

Let's give this new movement some time.

James "Doc" Doyle, a former teacher/school administrator/university instructor, is president of Doyle & Associates, an educational consulting firm.

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Salem 4th on own mat

Moran, Bonnett named as most outstanding

Plymouth Salem wrestlers John Moran and Dan Bonnett walked off with the top individual awards in Saturday's 8-team Wrestling Tournament at Salem.

Moran, a 112-pounder, was honored with the "Most Pins in the Least Amount of Time" award, while Bonnett (125) earned the "Outstanding Wrestler" award. Salem finished fourth as a team, only six points behind second-place Holt, and coach Ron Krueger was pleased to see his wrestlers earn the highest individual honors.

The honors were voted on by the eight coaches.

"I know both boys were real happy and I was real happy," Krueger said.

BRIGHTON WON the meet with 221 points, followed by Holt (192), Adrian (189), Salem (186), Canton (176) and Belleville (130). See statistical summary.

"A lot of good things happened, and realistically, looking at the scores, (first-place) Brighton is in the top 10 in the state, Holt about third and Adrian is right up there, too."

Salem had three winners, beginning with Moran, who pinned his four opponents in a combined 3 minutes, 46 seconds. Moran secured the championship with a pin in 2:25 over Nathan Bufallini, of Brighton.

Bonnett also had four pins in

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— Ron Krueger
Salem coach

winning the 125-pound weight class. He won the championship with a pin in 5:22 over Adrian's Brian McNally.

The Rocks' other win came from Jeff Shumate, who had a pin over Holt's Paul Dishaw to win the 140-pound division. Scott Martin was a third-place finisher in the 119-pound class for Salem, which was still without three wrestlers for various reasons.

CANTON HAD AN impressive fifth-place finish and might have fared ahead of Salem were it not for Andy Strahan (103) having to

wrestling

PLYMOUTH SALEM 8-TEAM INVITATIONAL Saturday at Salem

Team standings: 1. Brighton, 221 points; 2. Holt, 192; 3. Adrian, 189; 4. Salem, 186; 5. Plymouth Canton, 176; 6. Belleville, 130; 7. Bandits, 110; 8. Ann Arbor Huron, 96.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

103 pounds: Rob Hernandez (Holt) injury default over Andy Strahan (Canton); consolation: R.D. Diaz (Brighton) pinned Chris Young (Bandits), 5:22; 5th place: Brian Killian (Salem) pinned Nathan Bills (Adrian), 5:16.

112: John Moran (Salem) pinned Nathan Bufallini (Brighton), 2:25; consolation: Glen Johns (Adrian) pinned Bryan Kelly (Huron), 3:31; 5th place: Mike Workman (Salem) pinned Pat Adams (Canton), 1:10.

119: Mike Dusseau (Adrian) def. Dave Norton (Huron), 9-3; consolation: Scott Martin (Salem) pinned Tom Halbrook (Holt), 2:15; 5th place: Jaime Huntsman (Brighton) def. Scott McDowell (Holt), 10-0.

125: Dan Bonnett (Salem) pinned Brian McNally (Adrian), 5:22; consolation: Terry Blundell (Holt) def. John Ratiff (Belleville), 5-1; 5th place: Dong Hua (Huron) pinned Jason Chesher, 1:15.

130: Nick Spano (Canton) def. Marcus Askew (Huron), 12-9; consolation: Casey Wilbert (Adrian) pinned Corey Lotta (Brighton), 1:59; 5th place: Dan Phillips (Salem) def. Kevin Puppon (Belleville), 8-3.

135: Steve Davis (Belleville) pinned Ian Cage (Adrian), 3:30; consolation: Rod Bitse-

default in the championship because of a hand injury. Holt's Rob Hernandez won the weight class.

Canton's two champions were Nick Spano (130) and George Young (171). Spano beat Ann Arbor Huron's Marcus Askew, 12-9, in the final, while Young prevailed over Holt's Jim Workman, 7-6, to win his division.

Canton's Joe Hunter reached the final of the 152-pound division before losing 10-7 to Belleville's Mike Rothen.

Canton's Jerry Flynn (135), Kevin Pavlav (140), Mark Meszaros

ma (Brighton) pinned Jerry Flynn (Canton); 5th place: Matt Kratz (Brighton) technical fall over R.J. McKenny (Holt), 15-0.

140: Jeff Shumate (Salem) pinned Paul Dishaw (Holt), 1:30; consolation: Tom Williams (Brighton) def. Kevin Pavlav (Canton), 19-4; 5th place: Bob Woodruff (Huron) pinned Chris Wozniak (Salem), 3:25.

145: Billy Yuhas (Belleville) def. Eric Lockridge (Brighton), 3-1; consolation: Craig Larson (Holt) def. Perry Smith (Holt), 15-4; 5th place: Bill Buslepp (Canton) pinned Chip Barker (Salem), 3:10.

152: Mike Rothen (Belleville) def. Joe Hunter (Canton), 10-7; consolation: Albert Niteo (Adrian) def. Pete Tembrocek (Salem), 9-3; 5th place: Emilin Kunnert (Brighton) win by default.

160: Jason Kruggel (Brighton) def. Orin Long (Holt); consolation: Jeremy Amrhein (Belleville) def. Josh Hogarth, 13-7; 5th place: Chris Christensen (Canton) pinned Chad Welsh (Adrian), 3:45.

171: George Young (Canton) def. Jim Workman (Holt), 7-6; consolation: Mike Komaromi (Belleville) def. Scott Sucaet (Brighton); 5th place: Mark Martini (Adrian) pinned Alex Aldrich, 4:55.

189: Kelly Shaw (Brighton) def. Brian Van Norman (Adrian), 13-3; consolation: Phil Haynes (Salem) pinned Mark Meszaros (Canton), 5:15; 5th place: Tony Cruz (Holt) def. Sam Schwartz (Huron).

Heavyweight: Joe Schutte (Holt) pinned Chris Hadley (Holt), 5:45; consolation: Wes Brown (Brighton) pinned Jamie Breithaupt (Salem), 31; 5th place: Rick Salazar (Adrian) pinned Ryan Miller (Huron), 49.

(189) and Salem's Pete Tembrocek (152) and Jamie Breithaupt (heavyweight) all earned fourth-place finishes.

The meet is sponsored by Loc Performance and Krueger said it wouldn't be held without such support.

"Vic Vojcek (Loc Performance president) likes us to go first class and without his support we wouldn't be able to run the tournament. He runs a nice tournament and it's nice to know there is a real nice person doing something nice for high school sports."

Hess stars despite 3 Christian defeats

Senior Jeff Hess continues to produce impressive numbers despite the Plymouth Christian boys basketball team's current slide.

Hess scored 21 points, had seven rebounds, four assists and four steals in Christian's 67-43 loss Monday to New Boston Huron in the consolation game of the Romulus Christmas Tournament.

The loss was the sixth straight suffered by Christian.

In Saturday's opening tourney loss to Romulus, 58-31, junior Jason Niel scored 15 points and grabbed 11 rebounds, while Hess added 10 rebounds.

basketball

The Eagles suffered an 85-74 loss Friday to Detroit Trinity Christian. Hess scored 23 points and had 10 rebounds for the Eagles. Matt Cronan and Niel contributed 21 points each. Cronan had nine assists and Niel 17 rebounds.

Mack Kruckenberg led Trinity with 31 points.

Churchill 4th at GC

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Observerland schools were shut out of the top three spots Saturday in the 27th annual Garden City Invitational Christmas Wrestling Tournament.

Trenton, third a year ago, won the team title with 188½ points. Dexter, a Class B school, gained second with 147. Dearborn settled for third with 130½. See statistical summary.

Livonia Churchill was the area's highest finisher, taking fourth with 108. (Defending champion Melvindale did not compete in this year's tourney.)

"Trenton is a tough team, they're well-recognized around the state," said Garden City coach Phil Freeman, whose team wound up 10th overall in the 17-school field.

The victorious Trojans had three individual champions including Joe George (145 pounds), Damon Dwyer (160) and tournament MVP Greg Simmons (189).

Simmons repeated in his weight class by pinning three straight opponents.

"In the finals there were a heck of a lot of state qualifiers and placers from last year," Freeman said.

CHAMPIONS FROM area schools included Tony Horvath of Lutheran High Westland at 130, and Fred Vargas of Livonia Franklin at 140.

Horvath, who helped Lutheran Westland to an eighth place finish in the team standings, won his final against Churchill's Craig Shepley, 5-3.

Vargas also won a 5-3 decision in his final against Dustin Rowland of Trenton.

The host Cougars placed two in the finals.

Heavyweight Jason Peterson, a junior, was beaten by Dearborn's Derek Cromie in the championship, a pin in 33 seconds, after advancing in his semifinal match against Dave Champagne of Dearborn Divine Child, a pin in 5:30.

GC senior Chris Gorak, competing at 135 pounds, pinned Owosso state qualifier Jeremy Ford in his semifinal match (5:45) before losing to Dexter's Matt Doletzky in the finals (fall in 3:40).

Ocelot women win crown

The trip Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team took to play in the Lakeland (Ohio) CC Tournament last weekend was a pleasant holiday indeed.

Why not? The Lady Ocelots won both their games — they have now won seven of eight tournaments they've played in — had the tournament most valuable player and put one other player on the all-tourney team.

SC simply wore down both opponents in the second half. On Friday, Jamestown (N.Y.) CC was never in the game; ahead 42-17 at the half, the Ocelots romped to a 79-35 victory.

In Saturday's championship game against the host Lakeland team, SC pulled away from a 38-37 halftime lead to gain a 74-63 win.

"We're great in tournaments," said SC coach Jack Grenan, whose team is now 11-5 overall. Noting the

Schoolcraft sports

four players to score in double figures against Lakeland, he added, "It was a well-balanced contribution."

IT APPEARED the Ocelots might be headed for trouble when Sis Guth, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, fouled out with 13 points and eight minutes still remaining. But Grenan switched his team into a 1-3-1 zone press defense, an alignment that had worked well in a previous win over Lakeland.

It worked again; within two minutes SC's lead was restored to 10 points. Dana Hudson's 15 points and 10 rebounds paced the Ocelots; Guth

had 14 points and Nicole Dapprich and Jen Audet each collected 11.

Guth was named tournament MVP; Donna Galli was an all-tournament selection.

Galli's biggest contribution — she had just seven points against Lakeland — came Friday against Jamestown. Galli burned the opposition for 24 points, converting 4-of-6 three-pointers, and Guth collected 15 points and 13 boards. "It was just a matter that they couldn't keep up with us," said Grenan.

Free throw shooting aided SC's cause. The Ocelots made 13-of-17 in the second half, most coming in the game's final three minutes. Audet was particularly accurate, making 7-of-8 from the line in the final five minutes and finishing with 11 points (All coming in the second half).

The loss left Lakeland at 9-6.

SC is now idle until Jan. 8, when it hosts Alpena CC.

swimming

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200 MEDLEY RELAY (state cut 1:43.91)

Plymouth Canton 1:44.83
Livonia Stevenson 1:45.89
Plymouth Salem 1:48.02
Farmington 1:50.0
Livonia Franklin 1:53.03

200 FREESTYLE (state cut 1:49.99)

Brayan Morrison (Stevenson) 1:47.74
Aaron Berlin (Salem) 1:56.52
Eric Peterson (Stevenson) 1:58.0
David Yun (Canton) 1:58.26
Matt Tentel (Canton) 2:00.21
Craig Steshetz (Canton) 2:01.13
Pat Lancaster (Canton) 2:02.83
Tom Sawicz (Salem) 2:04.41
Bryan Lang (Canton) 2:15.46

200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY (state cut 2:03.19)

Aaron Rieder (Stevenson) 2:04.14
Mike Orris (Canton) 2:07.38
Rich Bennets (Stevenson) 2:11.73
Ryan Freeborn (Stevenson) 2:12.10
Craig Steshetz (Canton) 2:18.09
Matt Tentel (Canton) 2:19.72
Matt Erickson (Salem) 2:20.32
Brett Petroskey (Salem) 2:21.59
Joe Foster (Canton) 2:25.61

50 FREESTYLE (state cut 22.69)

Jeff Clark (Stevenson) 23.12
Brayan Morrison (Stevenson) 23.45
Alex Goecke (Stevenson) 23.93
Greg Pridede (Stevenson) 24.31
Fred Locke (Salem) 24.68
Dave Bracht (Salem) 25.24

Mark Ealovega (Canton) 25.32

Jeff Snody (Stevenson) 26.18

Scott Stevens (Canton) 26.83

DIVING

Steve Sathane (Salem) 231.00
Brandon Richardson (Farm.) 228.80
Nick Atwell (Canton) 220.45
Ben Bodenheimer (Stevenson) 188.35
Jeff Bevens (Stevenson) 186.95
Chris Marting (Farm.) 182.85
Mike Benick (Stevenson) 181.45
Justin Richardson (Salem) 166.55
Mark Strohmier (Harrison) 158.05
Daryl Ballios (Canton) 148.40

100 BUTTERFLY (state cut 55.59)

Mike Gravina (Stevenson) 58.41
Mark Ealovega (Canton) 59.34
Matt Erickson (Salem) 1:01.24
Joe Foster (Canton) 1:02.20
Aaron Carlisle (Stevenson) 1:04.68
Andy Wons (Stevenson) 1:12.46
Jason Stirling (Canton) 1:20.40

100 FREESTYLE (state cut 50.19)

Brayan Morrison (Stevenson) 49.56
Aaron Rieder (Stevenson) 52.43
Jeff Clark (Canton) 52.78
Pat Lancaster (Canton) 53.34
Eric Peterson (Stevenson) 54.42
Scott Helmsstader (Salem) 54.86
Brett Petroskey (Salem) 55.38
Rich Bennets (Stevenson) 55.48
Greg Pridede (Stevenson) 55.73
Dave Yun (Stevenson) 56.13
Matt Tentel (Canton) 56.54

500 FREESTYLE

Brayan Morrison (Stevenson) 4:50.90
Mike Orris (Canton) 5:01.69

Aaron Berlin (Salem) 5:12.02

Eric Peterson (Stevenson) 5:25.17

Matt Tentel (Canton) 5:36.89

Tom Sawicz (Salem) 5:39.04

Bob Innes (Stevenson) 6:08.26

Bryan Lang (Canton) 6:14.12

200 FREESTYLE RELAY (state cut 1:31.99)

North Farmington 1:33.52
Livonia Stevenson 1:34.48
Plymouth Canton 1:35.98
Farmington 1:39.64
Plymouth Salem 1:39.77

100 BACKSTROKE (state cut 57.29)

Aaron Rieder (Stevenson) 57.96
Mike Orris (Canton) 58.12
Ryan Freeborn (Stevenson) 58.72
Ricky Bennets (Stevenson) 1:00.83
Scott Helmsstader (Salem) 1:01.62
Mike Gravina (Stevenson) 1:02.18
Pat Lancaster (Canton) 1:03.68
Chris Lynn (Salem) 1:05.34
Joe Ervin (Salem) 1:05.68
John Mincher (Canton) 1:08.26

100 BREASTSTROKE

Alex Goecke (Stevenson) 1:05.45
Craig Steshetz (Canton) 1:09.27
Aaron Carlisle (Stevenson) 1:09.42
Ryan Henkel (Canton) 1:12.64
Phil Hoffmeyer (Salem) 1:12.74
Andy Detting (Salem) 1:12.85
Neil Ebner (Stevenson) 1:13.05
Bill Gildhaus (Canton) 1:15.14

400 FREESTYLE RELAY (state cut 3:22.79)

Livonia Stevenson 3:31.45
Plymouth Canton 3:36.01
Plymouth Salem 3:42.93
North Farmington 3:48.02
Farmington 3:50.42

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Southern Michigan Swim League Overall Team Standings: 1. Ann Arbor, 1,662 points; 2. Ypsilanti, 1,513.3; 3. Plymouth-Canton, 1,419.5; 4. Milan, 1,140.5; 5. Chelsea, 653; 6. Pinckney, 581.5; 7. Brighton, 552.8; 8. South Lyon, 99.

13-14 DIVISION

Team standings: 1. Milan, 546; 2. Plymouth-Canton, 426; 3. Ann Arbor, 230; 4. Ypsilanti, 161; 5. Brighton, 100; 6. Pinckney, 92; 7. Chelsea, 49; 8. South Lyon, 38.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

200-yard medley relay (boys): 1. Joe Ervin, Jason Markley, Paul Magoulick, David Bracht (2:03.22).

200 medley relay (girls): 3. Aimee Kuhn, Kavita Matani, Erica Pendergrass, Sarah Winkler (2:37.17).

200 freestyle (boys): 3. Joe Ervin (2:09.50); 4. David Bracht (2:14.22); 7. John McLoughlin (2:29.57); 11. Lee Bonner (2:48.99).

200 freestyle (girls): 5. Kelly Larsen (2:34.07); 7. Andrea Blen (2:37.94); 9. Sara Casillas (2:43.42); 11. Erica Pendergrass (2:46.71).

200 individual medley (boys): 2. Paul Magoulick (2:22.41); 7. Jerry Peters (2:45.00); 10. Jason Markley (2:53.37).

200 individual medley (girls): 1. Jill Mellis (2:21.91); 8. Amy Parry (2:48.69); 11. Sarah Winkler (3:04.57); 13. Kavita Matani (3:30.98).

50 freestyle (boys): 3. Joe Ervin (26.45); 4. David Bracht (26.71); 10. Scott Mulder (29.16); 11. John McLoughlin (29.25).

50 freestyle (girls): 4. Kelly Larsen (30.37); 9. Sara Casillas (31.64); 11. Aimee Kuhn (35.59); 12. Anna Winkler (35.70).

100 butterfly (boys): 1. Paul Magoulick (1:01.45); 5. Jim McLoughlin (2:37.70); 6. Joshua Fillater (2:45.32); 8. David Le (2:55.69).

100 butterfly (girls): 1. Jill Mellis (1:04.00); 6. Erica Pendergrass (1:21.23); 10. Andrea Blen (1:34.17).

100 freestyle (boys): 2. David Bracht (59.85); 12. Jason Markley (1:08.43); 14. Lee Bonner (1:14.15); Scott Mulder (1:16.42).

100 freestyle (girls): 7. Sarah Winkler (1:11.78); 10. Andrea Blen (1:16.17); 14. Anna Winkler (1:23.92); 15. Aimee Kuhn (1:24.02).

100 backstroke (boys): 2. Joe Ervin (1:06.84); 6. John McLoughlin (1:18.01); 11. Jerry Peters (1:23.59).

100 backstroke (girls): 6. Amy Parry (1:24.05); 7. Erica Pendergrass (1:24.86); 8. Kelly Larsen (1:25.51); 11. Sara Casillas (1:30.42).

100 breaststroke (girls): 1. Jill Mellis (1:13.72); 7. Amy Parry (1:28.31); 11. Kavita Matani (1:44.53); 14. Anna Winkler (1:46.01).

200 freestyle relay (boys): 2. Lee Bonner, Scott Mulder, John McLoughlin, Jerry Peters (2:04.35).

200 free relay (girls): Sarah Winkler, Kavita Matani, Anna Winkler, Andrea Blen (2:23.46).

11-12 DIVISION

Team standings: 1. Plymouth Canton, 378; 2. Ypsilanti, 371; 3. Milan, 286; 4. Ann Arbor, 265; 5. Chelsea, 253; 6. Pinckney, 227; 7. Brighton, 163; 8. South Lyon, 17.

200 medley relay (boys): 2. Brent Mellis, Scott Belsie, Russ LaForte, Jim McLoughlin (2:14.05); 6. David Le, Matt Parry, Luke Woodcock, Eric Larsen (2:43.33); 7. Brian Salwitz, Tim Brady, Noah Allor, David Colburn (3:15.17).

200 medley relay (girls): 9. Danielle Winkler, Katie Bonner, Kristen Whalen, Megan McHenry (2:40.46); 10. Bethany Bray, Jessica Ash, Kellann Williams, Sarah Bowman, Julie Cary (3:04.30).

200 freestyle (boys): 2. Brent Mellis (2:31.22); 5. Jim McLoughlin (2:37.70); 6. Joshua Fillater (2:45.32); 8. David Le (2:55.69).

200 freestyle (girls): 4. Amy Sonnanstine (2:27.81); 10. Kim Crabbil (2:55.74); 11. Sarah

ah Bethel (3:02.15); 15. Bethany Bray (3:18.05).

100 individual medley (boys): 2. Russell LaForte (1:09.13); 3. Scott Belsie (1:12.32); 8. Eric Larsen (1:31.94); 10. Matt Parry (1:37.37).

100 individual medley (girls): 9. Angela Frost (1:17.57); 15. Katie Bonner (1:32.33); 17. Kellann Williams (1:34.63); 18. Jessica Ash (1:36.10).

50 freestyle (boys): 9. Jim McLoughlin (31.09); 12. Nicholas Corridore (34.20); 16. Michele Dempsey (35.14); 18. Joshua Fillater (35.61).

50 freestyle (girls): 17. Kristen Whalen (33.74); 21. Megan McHenry (34.44); 28. Danielle Winkler (36.37); 29. Julie Cary (36.62).

50 butterfly (boys): 2. Russell LaForte (30.23); 5. Scott Belsie (33.54); 10. Luke Woodcock (37.59).

50 butterfly (girls): 7. Jayne Roberts (35.16); 8. Angela Frost (35.45); 15. Katie Bonner (42.93); 21. Sarah Bowman (54.90).

100 freestyle (boys): 6. Jim McLoughlin (1:12.02); 8. Tim Brady (1:21.47); 9. Michael Dempsey (1:21.53); 10. Joshua Fillater (1:21.84).

100 freestyle (girls): 6. Amy Sonnanstine (1:07.32); 16. Kristen Whalen (1:18.26); 17. Kim Crabbil (1:19.82); 21. Julie Cary (1:25.08).

50 backstroke (boys): 2. Russell LaForte (32.42); 6. Brent Mellis (38.74); 12. Luke Woodcock (40.15); 12. Luke Woodcock (41.72).

50 backstroke (girls): 6. Jayne Roberts (37.17); 10. Angela Frost (39.35); 13. Megan McHenry (41.97); 16. Danielle Winkler (43.40).

50 backstroke (boys): 1. Scott Belsie (34.98); 10. Matt Parry (45.80); 13. Noah Allor (47.51); 14. Tim Brady (47.58).

50 breaststroke (girls): 5. Amy Sonnanstine (39.95); 6. Katie Bonner (40.00); 12. Kim Crabbil (43.71); 18. Jessica Ash (47.47).

200 freestyle relay (boys): 3. Brent Mellis, Nicholas Corridore, Eric Larsen, Luke Woodcock (2:21.24); 5. Joshua Fillater, Brian McKay, Brian Salwitz, Michael Dempsey (2:35.59).

200 freestyle relay (girls): 2. Angela Frost, Kristen Whalen, Jayne Roberts, Amy Sonnanstine (2:06.97); 8. Kellann Williams, Kim Crabbil, Danielle Winkler, Megan McHenry (2:29.25); 11. Joellen Kersten, Sarah Bowman, Amanda Kralisz, Julie Cary (2:52.36); 12. Kristen Kalyon, Liz Bixler, Lisa Garcia, Bethany Bray (2:57.11).

50 butterfly (girls): 2. Teri Hanson (40.23); 9. Carin Larson (45.73); 11. Leah Reeder (46.65); 12. Jackie Barrowcliff (47.14).

100 freestyle (boys): 11. Duncan Burgess (1:31.63); 12. Scott Mincher (1:31.73); 18. Blake Bernstein (1:39.55); 17. Chris Jones (1:39.57).

100 freestyle (girls): 7. Aimee Karloff (1:19.18); 14. Sarah Rogers (1:26.41); 15. Claudia Sell (1:31.28); 19. Whitney Endicott (1:38.05).

50 backstroke (boys): 7. Matt Casillas (41.80); 10. Steven Graham (45.53); 18. Kevin Vincenti (50.41); 25. Chris Belch (56.02).

50 backstroke (girls): 3. Tricia Kelley (40.72); 8. Jennifer Foss (43.73); 9. Sarah Rogers (43.81); 11. Brandy Shuler (44.52); (48.94); 9. Blake Bernstein (51.37); 11. Kevin Vincenti (52.10); 17. Jason Rebarchik (54.38).

50 breaststroke (girls): 5. Robin Dzilo (46.39); 7. Carin Larson (47.42); 13. Whitney Endicott (51.31); 14. Andria Cizewski (51.57).

200 free relay (boys): 4. Matt Casillas, Jason Rebarchik, Mike DePouw, Danny Jones (2:35.14); 6. Duncan Burgess, Steven Graham, Kevin Vincenti, Chris Jones (2:40.82).

200 freestyle relay (girls): 4. Brandy Shuler, Sarah Rogers, Claudia Sell, Aimee Karloff (2:31.75); 8. Leah Reeder, Whitney Endicott, Jenny Broniak, Melissa Stacey (2:46.71); 11. Jackie Barrowcliff, Samantha Flebark, Andria Cizewski, Callie Phillips (3:00.36).

8-UNDER DIVISION

Team standings: 1. Ann Arbor, 760; 2. Ypsilanti, 475; 3. Plymouth Canton, 279; 4. Chelsea, 181; 5. Milan, 133; 6. Brighton, 97; 7. Pinckney, 63; 8. South Lyon, 0.

100 medley relay (boys): 3. Chris Mackinder, Jeff Parry, Mark Montayne, Brian Thies (1:21.30); 9. Ben Mellis, Ryan Sartor, Brett Reidsma, Luke Winkler (2:35.09).

100 medley relay (girls): 6. Brenda Roberts, Stephanie DePouw, Jenny Barrowcliff, Kim Larson (1:35.46); 9. Jenny Crabbil, Alicia Kralisz, Sarah Broniak, Dayna Niemi (1:54.29).

100 freestyle (boys): 4. Mark Montayne (1:27.31); 6. Chris Mackinder (1:40.54); 10. Matt Sikes (1:55.94); 11. Adam Sonnanstine (1:58.49).

100 freestyle (girls): 9. Jenny Barrowcliff (1:55.78); 10. Kim Larson (1:57.87); 13. Alicia Kralisz (2:03.13).

100 individual medley (boys): 3. Brian Thies (1:47.82); 12. Brett Reidsma (2:28.25).

100 individual medley (girls): 6. Brenda Roberts (1:53.83); 9. Charlene Dalos (2:01.55); 12. Sarah Broniak (2:10.71); 13. Jamie McCasland (2:13.48).

25 freestyle (boys): 3. Mark Montayne (16.41); 17. Peter Neuroth (21.16); 22. Steven Rice (23.51); 23. Adam Sonnanstine (23.70).

25 freestyle (girls): 4. Stephanie DePouw (18.13); 12. Kim Larson (21.52); 19. Alicia Kralisz (23.06); 36. Jenny Crabbil (35.04).

25 butterfly (boys): 6. Brian Thies (23.35); 11. Chris Mackinder (24.19); 15. Jeff Parry (25.32); 20. Jeff Nevi (37.08).

20 butterfly (girls): 6. Brenda Roberts (24.54); 14. Jenny Barrowcliff (25.96); 15. Charlene Dalos (26.19); 16. Jamie McCasland (26.30).

50 freestyle (boys): 5. Mark Montayne (41.37); 17. Steven Rice (54.84); 18. Jeff Nevi (56.21); 23. Brett Reidsma (1:03.78).

50 freestyle (girls): 5. Stephanie DePouw (42.28); 17. Kim Larson (53.52); 19. Sarah Broniak (56.08); 21. Dayna Niemi (58.05).

25 backstroke (boys): 3. Brian Thies (22.47); 5. Chris Mackinder (23.20); 12. Matt Sikes (26.56); 15. Austin Kralisz (28.81).

25 backstroke (girls): 5. Brenda Roberts (22.55); 9. Charlene Dalos (24.30); 19. Jamie McCasland (27.81); 20. Alicia Kralisz (27.93).

25 breaststroke (boys): 3. Jeff Parry (23.77); 10. Adam Sonnanstine (28.60); 17. Ryan Sartor (44.60).

25 breaststroke (girls): 5. Stephanie DePouw (24.00); 16. Sarah Broniak (31.71); 19. Dayna Niemi (33.34).

100 freestyle relay (boys): 5. Adam Sonnanstine, Jeff Nevi, Ben Dzilo, Steven Rice (1:41.07); 6. Luke Winkler, Ryan Sartor, Austin Kralisz, Ben Mellis (2:28.80).

100 freestyle relay (girls): 6. Jenny Barrowcliff, Dayna Niemi, Jamie McCasland, Charlene Dalos (1:33.92).

Ocelot men suffer pair of losses at home

There's no doubting Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team is much closer to being a good club than in any of the previous six seasons.

But the Ocelots aren't there yet. They proved it last week, losing two home games they could have won.

On Friday, SC hosted Eastern Conference rival Macomb CC and had the Monarchs on the ropes for a while before falling off in the last minute to lose 85-81. Saturday was nearly a mirror-like performance; the Ocelots blew a late lead and lost to visiting Lake Michigan CC 78-72.

In both games, SC had chances to win but couldn't convert when it had to. Turnovers plagued the Ocelots in each game. They committed 25 against Macomb, 23 against Lake Michigan.

"And we're scoring on our fast break, we're not having any problem with that," said coach Dave Bogataj. "But we're getting real frustrated with our half-court game, and we're having problems with our inbounds play, too."

IN THE LOSS to Macomb, SC had a seven-point lead in the first half but lost it and trailed 50-49 at the half. The second half was close all the way, indeed, it was tied with just over a minute left. But the Monarchs converted, the Ocelots didn't, and Macomb scored again to ice the victory.

Tony Rumble's 17 points led SC. Scott Meredith and Jarvis Murray

had 16 apiece, with Murray grabbing 10 rebounds and Meredith nine. Chris Habitz added 14 points and Mitch Fyke had 13 before reinjuring a calf muscle and leaving the game.

Terrance Walker paced Macomb (3-1 in the conference, 7-5 overall) with 23 points; Bernie Burnett had 16, Mike Gurney 12 and Troy Wilcox 11.

Against Lake Michigan Saturday, SC again built a first-half lead, going up by eight points. But by the intermission, Lake Michigan had recovered and was leading 41-37.

It was more of the same in the

second half. The Ocelots had a five-point cushion with four minutes left, but instead of running the clock and looking for good shots inside, they tried (and missed) three consecutive quick three-pointers. Their lead evaporated; Lake Michigan was up a point after that.

Any hopes of battling back for a win were lost in the final minute when SC turned the ball over on its final three possessions.

The loss to Macomb gave SC three Eastern Conference defeats by a total of 10 points. The Ocelots are 1-3 in the conference, 6-7 overall.

Murray led SC with 28 points and 11 boards. Habitz and Meredith each

contributed 13 points, Meredith getting six rebounds and Habitz five.

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BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

GIRLS A LEAGUE

1. Lakers	9-2
2. Celtics	8-3
3. Pistons	5-6
3. Kings	5-6
3. Rockets	5-6
6. Suns	1-10

Results: Celtics 29, Lakers 28; Kings 42, Pistons 26; Rockets 44, Suns 29.

BOYS A LEAGUE
National Division

1. 76ers	10-2
2. Bucks	9-3
2. Pistons	9-3
4. Hawks	7-5
5. Spurs	5-7
6. Nets	5-7
7. Knicks	3-9
8. Celtics	2-10

American Division

1. Lakers	12-0
2. Jazz	9-3
3. Rockets	8-4
4. Suns	8-4
5. Pacers	4-6
6. Kings	3-9
7. Bulls	2-10
8. Sonics	0-12

GIRLS B LEAGUE

1. Nets	3-0
1. Pistons	3-0
3. Celtics	2-1
3. Suns	2-1
5. Kings	1-2
5. Rockets	1-2
7. Knicks	0-3
8. Lakers	0-3

Results: Pistons 34, Knicks 30; Celtics 26, Lakers 21; Rockets 32, Suns 30; Nets 39, Kings 28.

BOYS B LEAGUE
American Division

1. Warriors	3-0
1. Bulls	3-0
1. Spurs	3-0
4. Sonics	2-1
5. Rockets	1-2
5. Knicks	1-2
5. Hornets	1-2
5. Pacers	1-2
9. Suns	0-3
10. Hawks	0-3

National Division

1. Bucks	3-0
1. Pistons	3-0
1. Jazz	3-0
4. Celtics	1-2
4. Lakers	1-2
4. Magic	1-2
4. 76ers	1-2
4. Blazers	1-2
4. Kings	1-2
10. Nets	0-3

Results: Bulls 31, Rockets 32; Pacers 52, Hawks 34; Warriors 37, Hornets 29; Pistons 57, Celtics 34; Jazz 47, Lakers 43; Spurs 52, Knicks 28; Sonics 41, Suns 26; Bucks 41, Magic 35; Blazers 34, 76ers 43; Kings 39, Nets 28.

the week
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BOYS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Dec. 26
(Troy Holiday Tournament)
W. Bloomfield vs. South Haven, 6 p.m.
N. Farmington vs. Troy, 8 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 27
Troy Holiday Tourney, 6 and 8 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 3
Liv. Franklin at Garden City, 7:30 p.m.
Liv. Churchill at Woodhaven, 7:30 p.m.
Ply. Salem at Ypsilanti, 7:30 p.m.
Lake Shore at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Saturday, Dec. 28
Ohio State-Lima at Schoolcraft, 3:30 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 30
Kellogg CC at Schoolcraft, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 4
St. Clair at Oakland CC, 7:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 3
Madonna Univ. vs. Indiana Wesleyan at Oakland CC-Oakridge Rd, 7 p.m.
PREP HOCKEY
Saturday, Dec. 28
CC Alumni Game at Redford Arena, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 4
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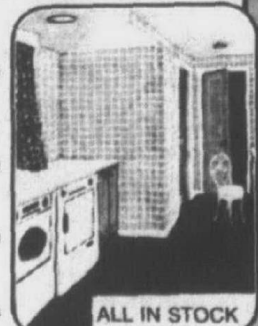
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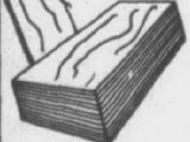


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Jerry Vorva wore this necktie for the Canton Economic Club luncheon. "You have to somewhat stay in style," Vorva said.

Fashion find Yule gift the tie that binds

By Julie Brown
staff writer

NECKTIES ARE right up there with fruitcakes on the list of common Christmas gifts.

Many a man found at least one necktie among the presents under the tree this Christmas. Ties aren't necessarily the all-time favorite gift of William Joyner, however.

"Neckties are the bane of my existence," said Joyner, executive director of the Canton Community Foundation. "I would like to see ties banned from the face of the earth."

Joyner finds ties to be rather uncomfortable, but knows they're *de rigueur* for some occasions. He prefers a more conservative look when it comes to neckwear and owns 26 ties.

"Some of them go back into the '60s and I continuously recycle them," said Joyner, a Plymouth Township resident.

Realtor Jerry Vorva also has ties that go back a few years, including some old favorites from the 1960s he occasionally wears. He owns a collection of about 30 neckties.

"I HAVE some real wide ones from the '70s," said Vorva, a Plymouth resident and city commissioner. "I like these bold, wild colors. I think it's great."

Vorva finds that the splash of color or a necktie provides can loosen up the look of a conservative suit and shirt.

"You have to somewhat stay in style," said Vorva, who doesn't have any objections to wearing a tie. "It's been a tradition really for such a long time for men. I think it's very stylish."

'I like to wear a nice tie.'

— Rev. William Myers

off the cuff

Vorva and Joyner were among those at a recent Canton Economic Club luncheon at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton. A look around the room at the meeting revealed the variety of ties available today.

Some men prefer a more conservative look in neckwear, while others go for something a bit splashier. Necktie choices vary according to each man's preference and/or occupation.

The Rev. William Myers, pastor of Faith Community Moravian Church in Canton, varies the look of his tie depending on the situation.

"I like to wear a nice tie," said Myers, a Canton resident and board president for the Canton Community Foundation. He owns some 50 to 60 ties of various vintages.

"Many of them are old." He has a smaller number he chooses from on a regular basis and considers wearing a tie "an inconvenience. A necessary inconvenience."

HE SOMETIMES wonders if too-tight neckties don't contribute to men's health problems.

"It seems that men are more prone to having a buildup of plaque in their carotid arteries. It's just a theory. I don't know." He's never asked a physician about that.

Myers is partial to paisleys, although his wife doesn't much care for those ties. He often chooses a bright, colorful tie to wear in the summer.

He's careful when it comes to picking a tie for Sunday worship services, a funeral or wedding. Myers

doesn't wear vestments, which means his tie is quite visible, so he chooses something low-key for such occasions.

Attorney Dennis Shrewsbury of Plymouth generally wears conservative ties for work. That wasn't always true, however.

In his younger days, when he worked as a prosecutor's investigator

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Dennis Shrewsbury recently bought this tie because his other red ties had soup stains on them.

Friends help make season a safe one

By Julie Brown
staff writer

A champagne toast is the traditional way to welcome the New Year for many, but drinking too much and getting behind the wheel of a car can lead to tragedy.

"I think the big thing is just to be prepared for the issue, to think about it beforehand," said David Breeden, director of Plymouth Family Service, a Plymouth Community United Way agency. "That's the main thing. Preparation is the best defense in this area."

It's important to provide plenty of non-alcoholic beverages and to make those as accessible as possible, Breeden said. Some hosts provide a non-alcoholic punch and opt not to serve liquor at all. Some serve a punch that includes only a moderate amount of alcohol.

Moderation's the key when it comes to planning and hosting parties, said Officer Tammie Colling of the Canton Department of Public Safety. The holiday season is traditionally associated with drinking, and some people have trouble knowing when to say when.

"It's much more accepted as a thing to do" during the holidays. More parties are held this time of year, and many people have time off from work which tends to lead to increased drinking.

SHE RECOMMENDS serving protein-rich foods, such as cheeses and meats, early in a party. Doing so won't keep a guest from getting drunk, but will reduce time available for drinking and minimize the effects of alcohol.

"There is a liability that people need to be aware of," Colling said. Stricter drunk driving laws will take effect Jan. 1 in Michigan.

"The penalties are significantly higher now, beginning Jan. 1," said Breeden, a Plymouth resident.

He and Colling have noticed a trend among many people of being less tolerant of drinking and driving. Many are more aware of their responsibility "to be concerned and involved where appropriate," Breeden said.

The efforts of such groups as Mothers Against Drunk Driving and Students Against Driving Drunk have helped to increase awareness, Colling said. Stricter

laws and enforcement also tend to make people think twice about drinking and driving.

It's important to make sure a guest who's had too much to drink doesn't attempt to drive home. Hosts should make arrangements to see that such a guest gets home safely, Colling said.

"Help them deal with the situation." Calling a cab is one option, as is having that guest stay over. Some revelers choose a designated driver who refrains from drinking.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS for holiday hosts and partygoers include:

- Generally, it takes about an hour for the body to overcome the effects of one drink, so revelers should watch the number of drinks they have.

- Salty or starchy foods shouldn't be served, as they tend to increase thirst.

- Non-alcoholic beverages should be clearly labeled so they're easy to identify.

- Many find it helpful to have activities or games planned as part of a party, so the focus isn't just on drinking.

- Drinking black coffee won't sober up a partygoer who's had too much to drink.

Recovering alcoholics can have a particularly difficult time during the holidays, according to Breeden.

"The pressures to drink during this time are certainly greater than they are at a lot of other times. They certainly need to plan also what they're going to do for the holidays."

That includes deciding what functions to attend or not to attend, Breeden said. Some recovering alcoholics find it helpful to seek sources of additional support.

The Northwest Alano Club, 33344 Ann Arbor Trail in Westland, has a variety of activities planned for New Year's and the rest of the holiday season. For information, call 421-9790.

Friends and family members of a recovering alcoholic can help by refraining from pushing drinks. About one-third of the population chooses not to drink for various reasons, Breeden said, so hosts shouldn't automatically assume each guest wants a drink.

"I think that people certainly need to be sensitive to that issue."

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Green Christmas

Celebration doesn't have to harm environment

By Julie Brown
staff writer

Bing Crosby may have wished for a white Christmas, rather than a green one, but having a "green" holiday means a lot to some people. They choose to celebrate in ways that minimize damage to the environment.

"I think it's a great idea," said Barry Burton, landscape architect for Canton Township. He tries to incorporate environmentally sound practices into his holiday celebration.

Such practices don't have to be a burden and can go hand in hand with enjoying the holidays, said Mary Reyes, general manager of Plymouth Nursery and Garden Center. Doing so can remind children of the importance of protecting the environment.

Many people choose to buy fresh trees, rather than artificial ones. Fresh trees are environmentally sound, in that growers wouldn't grow as many as they do if the market didn't exist, she said. Fresh trees help to replenish the soil and filter impurities from the air as they grow.

"It's excellent forestry management," Burton said.

MANY CHRISTMAS trees are grown on farms in Michigan, and buying such a tree boosts the state's economy, he said.

Burton's partial to the Colorado blue spruce and likes its gray-green color. He makes it a point to ask growers where trees come from, and prefers to buy those such as the Colorado blue spruce that are grown in Michigan.

Some people choose to buy a tree in its own root ball. Such a tree is first used indoors, typically placed in a plastic container, and then planted outside after the holidays.

"It doesn't always work," Burton said. The trees don't always survive when they're planted outdoors. It's also more of an effort than some people are looking for during the holidays.

Artificial trees have the advantages of being safer, due to the presence of fire retardants, and easier to store, he said. The manufacturing process involved, however, can contribute to environmental damage.

"The fresh tree is still the most environmentally sound way to go," Plymouth Nursery's Reyes said. That's also true of fresh wreaths, she added.

DISPOSING OF a tree properly matters when it comes to protect-

ing the environment. Cities and townships typically designate a time for tree pickup and then have trees mulched for compost piles.

This year's Christmas tree pickup in Plymouth Township will be the week of Jan. 6-10. Trees should be placed at the curb on regular trash pickup day.

In Canton Township, trees will be picked up for recycling Jan. 6-9 and 13-16. Trees should be placed at the curbside on the regular trash pickup day.

In the city of Plymouth, trees will be picked up for recycling on an ongoing basis as needed. In all communities, ornaments, lights and plastic bags should be removed before the tree is placed at the curb.

Plymouth Nursery and Garden Center will provide a tree recycling service this year for those who bring Christmas trees to the center, 9900 Plymouth/Ann Arbor Road, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4. All decorations should be removed, and trees can be brought in in a disposal bag.

Trees collected that day will be used for mulching. Trees don't have to have been bought at Plymouth Nursery and Garden Center.

Reyes and Burton also incorpo-

rate other environmentally sound practices into their holiday celebrations. Burton chops green branches off his Christmas tree and places those branches in outdoor pots or flower boxes.

"It kind of livens up the outdoor landscape," he said. Those branches will lose some needles but will stay green through the early spring.

HE DOESN'T recommend burning a Christmas tree in a fireplace. Creosote from the pine can build up and lead to a chimney fire. "Evergreen boughs especially should not be burned in a fireplace."

A lot of Christmas wrapping paper can be recycled, Burton said, and holiday cards printed on recycled paper are available.

Reyes, a Canton resident, suggested using reusable gift bags rather than wrapping paper. For those who choose to wrap gifts, tissue paper's a better choice than glossy paper.

Burton also encourages people to avoid using salt to remove ice from porches, steps and sidewalks. Other effective de-icers are available that don't contaminate ground water.

"It helps your lawn a whole lot too," he said.

Tie styles come and go

tor for Wayne County, Shrewsbury wore more noticeable ties and was known among his colleagues by his code name "Necktie."

"I've still got a couple of those. I'm waiting for those to come back in style," Shrewsbury, a Plymouth city commissioner, has a collection of 20 to 25 ties.

"I expect that after Christmas I'll have a few more," he said with a smile.

He recently bought a red tie for himself "because all my red ties have soup stains on them." Shrewsbury was concentrating on getting through the Canton Economic Club luncheon without any food spill disasters.

Men know that ties can be a bit uncomfortable, particularly in warm weather, but they're not convinced it's necessarily a sexist plot on the part of the fashion industry.

Women too face certain fashion dictates, such as being expected to wear high heels. "It's a trade-off," Joyner said.



William Joyner finds that wearing a tie can be inconvenient.

Know someone in the Plymouth-Canton community who dresses with a certain sense of style and flair? Drop us a line at the Observer Newspapers, 744 Wing, Plymouth 48170. Please include your name and daytime tele-

phone number, along with a brief description of why you think that person should be featured in Off the Cuff.

Essay contest planned

The annual citizenship essay contest sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton Civic Club is under way at Centennial Educational Park and other eligible schools in the area. This year's topic is "Mass Media: The Effects on the American Public."

Topic questions or relevant concepts and issues to be considered are:

- Does the media develop a more informed public?
- To what extent do special interest groups control what we see, hear and read?
- Are all views aired? Should they be?
- How is the political process influenced by the mass media and vice versa?
- What roles do editing, manipulating and censorship play?
- Are there physical, emotional, mental and social effects from the mass media's influence?
- What can an individual do to use the media more effectively?

THROUGH CONTEST sponsorship, the Plymouth-Canton Civic Club seeks to increase student awareness of the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. The contest also promotes dialogue and civic action which might benefit the local community.

Each year, local educators and journalists serve as contest judges. Jerry Thompson, an English teacher at Plymouth Canton High School, is this year's contest chairman.

Primary areas of evaluation in the

judging process are: originality of thought and expression, accuracy in the use of supporting data, organization, sentence structure, spelling, capitalization and punctuation.

Any student under age 21 currently enrolled in any high school (public, private or parochial) within the boundaries of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district is eligible to compete.

Minimum cash prizes are \$125 for first place, \$75 for second place and \$50 for third place. To provide further incentive for participation, prize values will be increased by \$25 at each level for each additional block of five entries beyond a minimum of 10 contestants.

Prizes will be capped at \$300, \$200 and \$100 respectively for first, second and third place.

The judging panel will include three faculty members from Canton High School and three faculty members from Plymouth Salem High School representing the English and social studies departments. Representatives from The Community Crier and the Observer Newspapers will also serve on the panel.

All essay contest entries must be submitted no later than midnight Friday, March 13, 1992. Entries should be submitted to Jerry Thompson, English department, Room 224, Plymouth Canton High School.

Additional information is available from Thompson, 451-6600 Ext. 344, or from Joe Henshaw of the Plymouth-Canton Civic Club, 453-7569.

clubs in action

VOYAGERS SINGLES

Voyagers Singles, a group for singles age 45 and older, will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, for an evening of "Fun and Games." There will be a sing-along, and participants should bring their favorite card games. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 591-1350.

SINGLE PROFESSIONALS

The Single Professionals will hold a holiday dance 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at the Farmington Community Center, on Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile. Price is \$3 for members, \$5 for non-members. The group is for singles ages 25-40. Members will go ice skating 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, at the Eddie Edgar Arena in Livonia. A pizza and movie night is scheduled 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28. For more information, call 478-9181.

PWP MEETING

The Wayne/Westland Chapter No. 340 of Parents Without Partners will meet 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at the Wayne Amvets Post, 1217 Merriam. The general meeting will be 8

p.m., followed by a speaker on "Loss of Energy" 8:30-9 p.m. Those attending will "Share the Season" and shake off the post-holiday blues 9 p.m. to midnight. Price is \$4 before 9 p.m., \$5 after 9 p.m. For more information, call 721-3691 or 595-7806.

WESTSIDE SINGLES

Westside Singles will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at Burton Manor (formerly Roma's), on Schoolcraft west of Inkster in Livonia. The dance/party is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a budget bar. For more information, call the hot line, 562-3160.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Saturday Night Singles/Westside will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, at Burton Manor (formerly Roma's), on Schoolcraft west of Inkster in Livonia. The dance/party is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a budget bar. Admission price is \$4. For more information, call the hot line, 277-4242.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

The Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post No. 6695, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will hold a New Year's Eve party at the VFW Hall, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. The party will begin 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31. Ticket price is \$30 per person, and reservations should be made by Friday, Dec. 27. A portion of the proceeds will be used for community and veterans' service work. The party will include dancing to the music of a band, catered food

and favors. For reservations or more information, call 459-6700 or 453-0715.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club of Plymouth will meet 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial. The program will be "There Is More to a Book Than Its Cover." Pat Thomas, Plymouth District Library director, will take members and guests through the steps in building a book collection.

WESTSIDE SINGLES

Westside Singles will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3, at Burton Manor (formerly Roma's), on Schoolcraft west of Inkster in Livonia. The dance/party is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a budget bar. For more information, call the hot line, 562-3160.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Saturday Night Singles/Westside will hold a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, at Hawthorne Valley, on Merriman north of Warren in Westland. The dance/party is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn. For more information, call the hot line, 277-4242.

BOTANICAL GARDENS

A trail walk will be held 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor. The tour will be led by docents, volunteer guides at the gardens. The focus will be on winter tree identification. Participants will also look for signs of color in the woods. Warm clothing and appropriate footwear should be worn. Participants will meet in the lobby of the conservatory. For more information, call 998-7061.

CANTON NEWCOMERS

The Canton Newcomers Club will meet 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8, at the Sunflower Village Association clubhouse, on Hanford in Canton. For more information, call 981-9362 or 397-8514.

MUSEUM FUN

The Plymouth Historical Museum is at 155 S. Main, Plymouth. It is open 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday.

A special "For the Duration" exhibit will continue through late January. The exhibit tells the story of people and events of the World War II era.

Museum admission price is \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for students ages 5-17, free for children under 5. Family rate is \$4. For more information, call 455-8940.

new voices

John and Laurie Birchler of Plymouth announce the birth of a son, Zane Thomas, Nov. 1 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Don and Mary Jane Birchler of Birmingham and Bill and Suzy Golden of Livonia.



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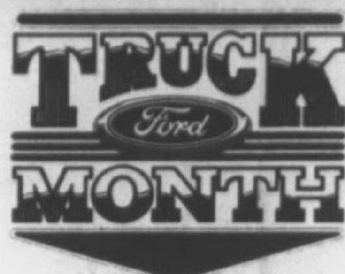
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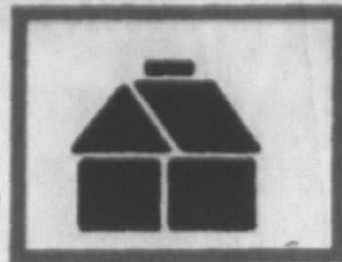
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"For the Duration."

That's the theme of the Plymouth Historical Museum's World War II exhibit, honoring the 50th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

In conjunction with that exhibit, the museum is decorated in a holiday theme, "I'll be Home for Christmas."

The World War II exhibit traces the lives of those involved in the service and on the homefront. It features memorabilia like uniforms, Jeeps, artifacts and arms. Also displayed is a photo exhibit from a war correspondent and his camera equipment.

"We're giving out a 12-page booklet that covers the years leading up to the war and recounts changes during the war. It includes photos and other graphics," said Beth Stewart, museum director.

"The booklet," she said, "focuses on national events and how Plymouth and surrounding communities reacted to them. It includes a piece on music of the war years by Weldon Petz."

Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$1.50 for adults, 50 cents for students ages 5-17 and a family rate of \$4. The museum is at 155 S. Main.

Livonia arts commissioners have elected their officers for 1991-92.

Heading the commission are Jack Olds, chairman; Theresa Jaye, vice chairman; Bob Burger, treasurer; Betty Newton, recording secretary; and Andrea Taylor, corresponding secretary.

Two seats are vacant on the 15-seat commission; members are appointed by the mayor with city council approval.

Olds retired about 1 1/2 years ago after 10 years as Michigan Council for the Arts assistant program director.

An arts commissioner for 15 months, Olds said Gov. John Engler's drastic cuts in state arts funding won't have much impact on the Livonia Arts Commission.

"We're pretty much self-sufficient," he said. "We got a few grants but not many."

Are you a poet?

The National Library of Poetry will award \$12,000 in prizes to more than 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest.

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The poem should be no more than 20 lines. The poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page.



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"Thoughts at Dawn," by Sandra Weed took three years to paint. It's the first in a series of mixed media painting consisting of watercolor, acrylic and oil. "There's a Zen philoso-

phy, 'Thoughts are like birds that float in and out of your head,' " Weed said. "That's why I put birds in."

Brushed with realism

Artist's energy radiates from her canvas

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

ARTIST SAUNDRA Weed combines more than 30 years of painting experience with seemingly endless energy to create ladies, landscapes and florals with a sense of realism.

The Westland artist's work was recently on display as part of the 78th annual Gold Medal Exhibit at the Scarab Club in Detroit.

"I abstract things, but I don't paint abstracts," Weed said.

Through the years, Weed has excelled in a variety of media, including oil, watercolor and acrylic. Her present painting methods unite all three in a form of mixed media.

Using a wet on wet technique, she begins a painting with watercolor, floating it on top. When it dries, the mixed media part of the painting comes into play as she adds an overlay of acrylic. When the acrylic dries, she adds highlights to the painting with oils.

The resultant mixed media painting by Weed speaks a quiet language that belies her extremely busy lifestyle of painting, teaching and dress designing. "When my life is extremely hectic, I paint soft, ethereal landscapes," Weed said.

WEED'S DESIGN studio in Dearborn, "Artistic Images," provides space not only for painting, drawing and jewelry making, but also designing, sewing and selling wedding dresses, and interchangeable fashions.

Along with the practice of these creative endeavors, Weed will

teach watercolor and oil painting four nights a week beginning in January at Schoolcraft College, Livonia, while holding daytime art classes at her studio. She has taught art for 35 years.

On four consecutive Saturdays beginning in February, Weed will give seminars on marketing artwork at Oakland Community College. In March, she will teach the "Marketing Your Arts and Crafts" seminars at Schoolcraft.

With Eleanor Ford, she has written and published a book on the business of being an artist, "Dollars, Sales, and Sense — A Complete Business System."

Weed's wealth of wise sayings has the ability to see through the chaos that is everyday life, cutting to the heart of it — art.

"Retrospection" is a mixed media painting by Weed featuring the portrait of a young woman deep within herself, searching her soul.

"There is a transitional point in every artist's life whether to paint commercially acceptable or introspective searching," Weed said. "When I painted 'Retrospection,' I truly wasn't sure where I was going with my art."

"I eventually realized I have to give up something to do something else. In order to add something new, I have to give up something. I have a huge sign in my studio that reads, 'Doing One Thing Means Not Doing Something Else.' If I want to paint that day, I can't garden."

SO WEED decided to plant perennials in her garden that come up every spring like clockwork.

"It's so important for artists to ask themselves, 'Is something I'm going to do moving me closer to my goal?'"

But as artists of all media are quick to learn, starving does not further art. Weed chose to extend her talents to include what she refers to as her theatrical side. Twelve years ago, she began designing wedding dresses, interchangeable wardrobes and jewelry in her studio.

"I've always painted and sewn."

Grandma was a seamstress back in Europe. I chose the dresses and clothing because it gave me a secure income so that I can pursue my painting," Weed said.

"Everything in my life feeds on the other. My painting feeds on my flowers, my flowers feed on my jewelry, my jewelry feeds on my clothes."

In January, Weed will display her paintings in the Harvest Room, a restaurant run by culinary arts students at Schoolcraft College.



Sandra Weed is a wealth of wisdom after more than 30 years of painting experience. "I have a huge sign in my studio that reads, 'Doing one thing means not doing something else.' If I want to paint that day, I can't garden," she said.

Painter tries to inspire a mood

Exhibitions: 4C

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

IN HER latest works, artist Barbara Demgen captures the tranquility of Michigan's Upper Peninsula lake waters by using a delicate palette sprinkled with the serenity of dawn or early evening light to create an idyllic retreat from a maddening world.

A one-woman show by the Livonia painter is on exhibit through Jan. 18 at the Atrium Gallery in Northville.

With relatively little exception, peacefulness prevails, above all else, in Demgen's landscapes. The majority of the 23 paintings in the show are watercolor but oil and acrylic media also are represented.

"I feel really good about the show. There's a feeling of accomplishment when it goes up. There's a feeling of pride. I've done my best to attain a certain level of achievement," said Demgen in an interview at the gallery.

From a harbored sailboat on Lake Charlevoix to seagulls sitting on the remains of an old pier, the paintings relay a quietness that speaks of timelessness.

LIGHT AND the shadows it casts pervade Demgen's paintings. The first light at dawn or a fiery sun descending at day's end provide atmosphere and mood.

"I'm trying to get a feeling, a capturing of mood. I'm trying to get a mood," Demgen said. "I don't do things that are shocking or jarring to the psyche. I want to create a scene that when people look at it, they feel good."

Harbored in an inlet, "Sailboat on Lake Charlevoix," a watercolor by Demgen could calm the most troubled of souls with its dark red sun reflecting on still waters. The 12-by-16-inch painting is priced at \$100.

"The moment I captured was beautiful, just when the sun was setting," Demgen said. "I like painting when conditions are calm and at a certain time of the day when it's peaceful."

Yet another watercolor sure to bring serenity to the viewer is a mauve landscape, "Icy Lake." The delicate color of this 22-by-28-inch painting makes it cool and refreshing. The work is priced at \$200.

DEMGEN FEELS a month-long trip West this summer with son Matthew definitely influenced the way in which she sees and uses color.

"The light is so intense, it hurts your eyes," she said. "The intensity of light together with the sun reflecting off of the sand creates colors that look bleached or washed out from the sun constantly beating and burning down with this intense, penetrating white heat."

Although the palette changes slightly in two recent watercolors of the Au Sable, the deep, dark green of Scotch pine trees maintains the overriding theme of the show, a soothing moment stopped in time.

The paintings complement the mauve- and sand-colored palettes of the other works. The 10-by-11-inch paintings are priced at \$75 and should be displayed as they are at the gallery, side by side.

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Books deftly track 2 metro legends: Tigers, Hudson's

Metro Detroit nostalgia is coming into fashion, with two writers penning some volumes worth your time.

For those of you who suffer stomach pains waiting for the next baseball season to begin and actually worry about whether Tiger Stadium will survive, "Queen Of Diamonds," by Michael Betzold and Ethan Casey, is a book you'll love. For the rest of us more normal folks, it's a book to simply enjoy because it captures a past Detroit now long dead, but well-remembered.

Produced by A&M Publishing of West Bloomfield, the book chronicles the history of Detroit baseball from the time the team was called the Wolverines in 1881 and played in Recreation Park at Brush and Brady, now the location of Detroit Medical Center.

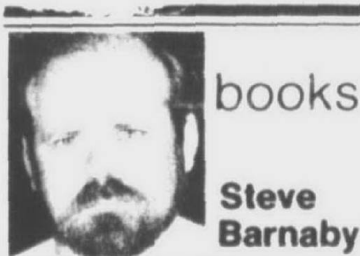
It continues on to the team's move

to the corner of Michigan and Trumbull in 1895 and the park's development from Bennett Park, Navin Field, Briggs Stadium and finally Tiger Stadium.

The book is strongest when it sticks to history and anecdotes of players and fans. You'll learn that player Jack Fiefield threw out the first official pitch at the historic park and that Frank Navin actually won the team in an all-night poker game.

READERS WILL also laugh about one of the team's early fan favorites, Germany Schaefer, who actually stole first base from second, causing the league to implement a rule that forbid the practice; and during a rainstorm ran out on the field with hip boots, a raincoat and rubber hat.

As a long-time advocate of speed-



books

Steve Barnaby

ing up America's sport, I was gratified to learn that in the early days, the game was played more rapidly with batters staying in the box and the pitchers doing less parading around the mound.

Truly the book is a delight. It is crammed full of great old photographs of the park from its earliest days to present, which give a feeling for a more relaxed Detroit that

many of us remember.

The back of the book contains a chronology, game attendance beginning in 1901, Hall of Famers who have played at the park and a respectable bibliography.

The authors do soil their effort at book's end when they sermonize over saving the stadium and the greatness of the Cochrane Plan. It's propaganda more annoying than instructive.

Art as architecture stands on its own and Tiger Stadium deserves the same.

ANOTHER BOOK worth picking up is Jean Madder Pitrone's "Hudson's: Hub of America's Heartland," published by A&M of West Bloomfield.

Although it's shell still stands, at one time it was the center of commerce for the metropolitan area.

Anyone over 40 who grew up in Detroit can't help but getting a lump in their throat thinking about the store's days of glory.

Ms. Pitrone takes us on the hard-fought retail journey, which in many ways chronicles the struggle of Detroit to survive. Although the book could have been even more expansive, the author presents us with a balanced view of the store's development, warts and all.

You will feel swells of nostalgia when she recalls the 1,500-pound flag that frequently covered the Woodward side of the store (each star being six feet from point to point); its 51-passenger elevators; 49 acres of floor space; and of course, the real Thanksgiving Day parade when Santa stopped in front of the grand old store to greet the children of Detroit.

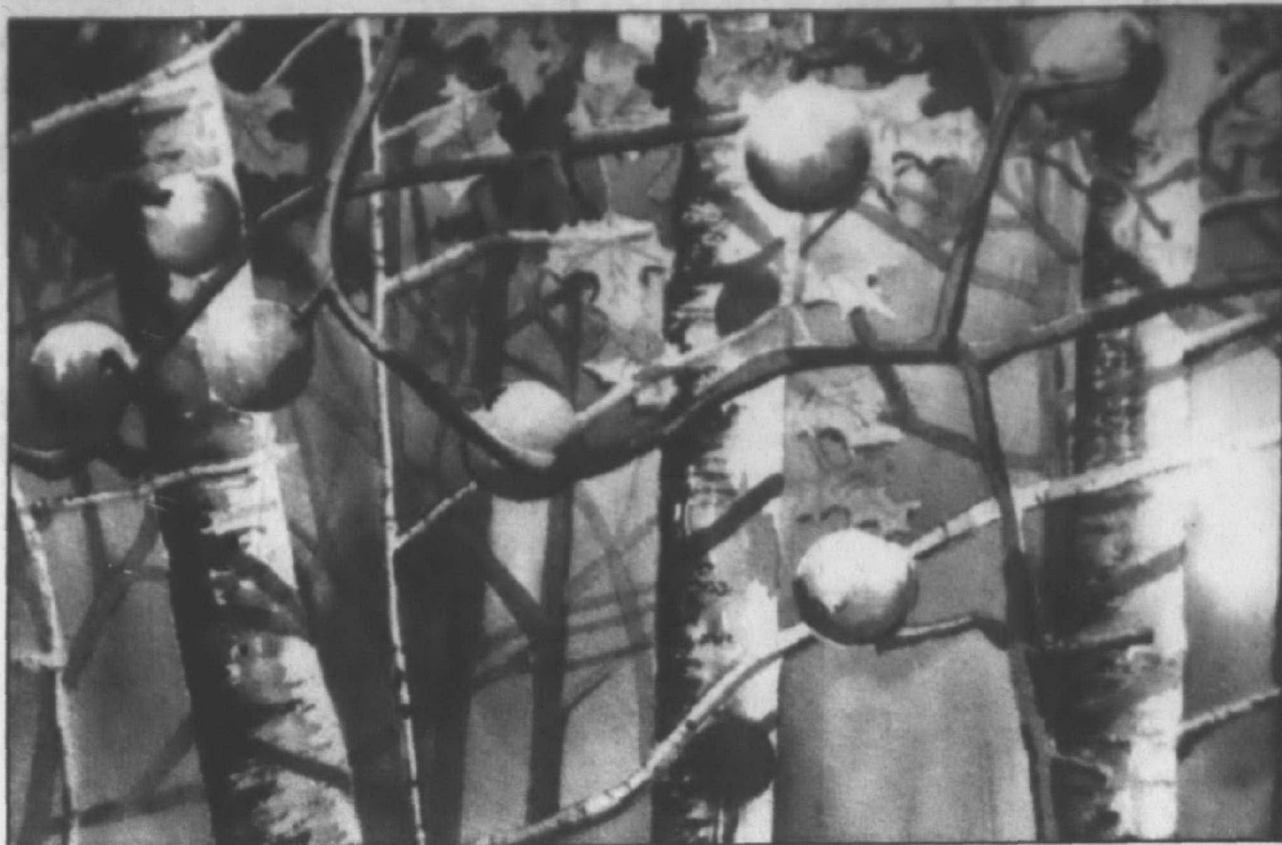
But you also will read about the realities of one of America's cities in decline and how riots and racism stopped the struggling retailer cold in maintaining its presence in the center city.

Downtown Hudson's truly was a special place with its bronze drinking fountains, its acres of merchandise, employees who were proud to work there and management, which truly believed in commitment to the community.

Reading Ms. Pitrone's book should remind readers in these recessionary times that with the right kind of planning, organizing and team work, business can survive, even if only for 102 years.

Steve Barnaby is managing editor of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

A striking watercolor of Birch trees and "Blueberries at Maybury," by Barb Demgen, is 11 by 14 inches and priced at \$150.



Artist strives to capture a mood

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Outstanding among the works, "Grange Picnic," a turn-of-the-century scene inspired by one of her mother's old photographs, exudes energy and joy. Demgen conveys the jubilant sounds of conversation and milling about of picnickers through impressionistic brush work that is quick, deft and created with short strokes. The 22-by-28-inch watercolor is priced at \$200.

artist at the Atrium since 1989.

"Barb's been very popular here at the gallery. She has enjoyable pictures, happy pictures," said Pat Jania, co-owner with Heidi Eiselman. "She has profitability and saleability. People like her work. They like having it in their homes."

FROM THE Oriental-like seagulls at dawn on Lake Charlevoix to the architectural landscape of Greenmead, Demgen's paintings re-

lax and revive the spirit.

Through paintings sparked by creativity, Demgen succeeds in the hope of sharing a part of herself with others. "I want to put all my effort, all my heart and soul into it."

A reception will be held for the artist 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at the Atrium Gallery, 113 N. Center at Main, Northville. Regular

hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday and Saturday, till 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.



"Antique Memories," a still life by Barb Demgen, clearly illustrates her experienced handling of the difficult watercolor medium. The 16-by-20-inch work is priced at \$175.

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DEMGEN IS no Johnny-come-lately to the art scene, having spent the past 30 years, brush in hand. She has a master's degree in arts from Marygrove College and has exhibited work at Greenmead Historical Village, Michigan Historical Museum and Livonia City Hall. A winner a few years ago in a cover design competition for the Michigan Opera Theatre, her work is in collections from Arizona to Washington.

Watercolor, without doubt the most difficult of mediums to handle, is Demgen's preferred medium for expression.

"Achieving success in watercolor is more satisfying than oil. It's very difficult to get the brush to touch the paper with just the right pressure and load of color. It's pre-thinking, that and doing hundreds and hundreds of them over the years."

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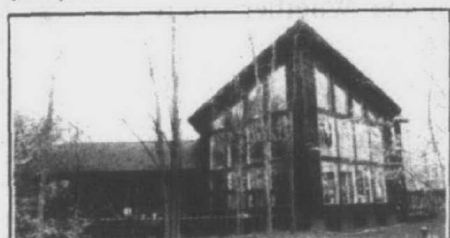
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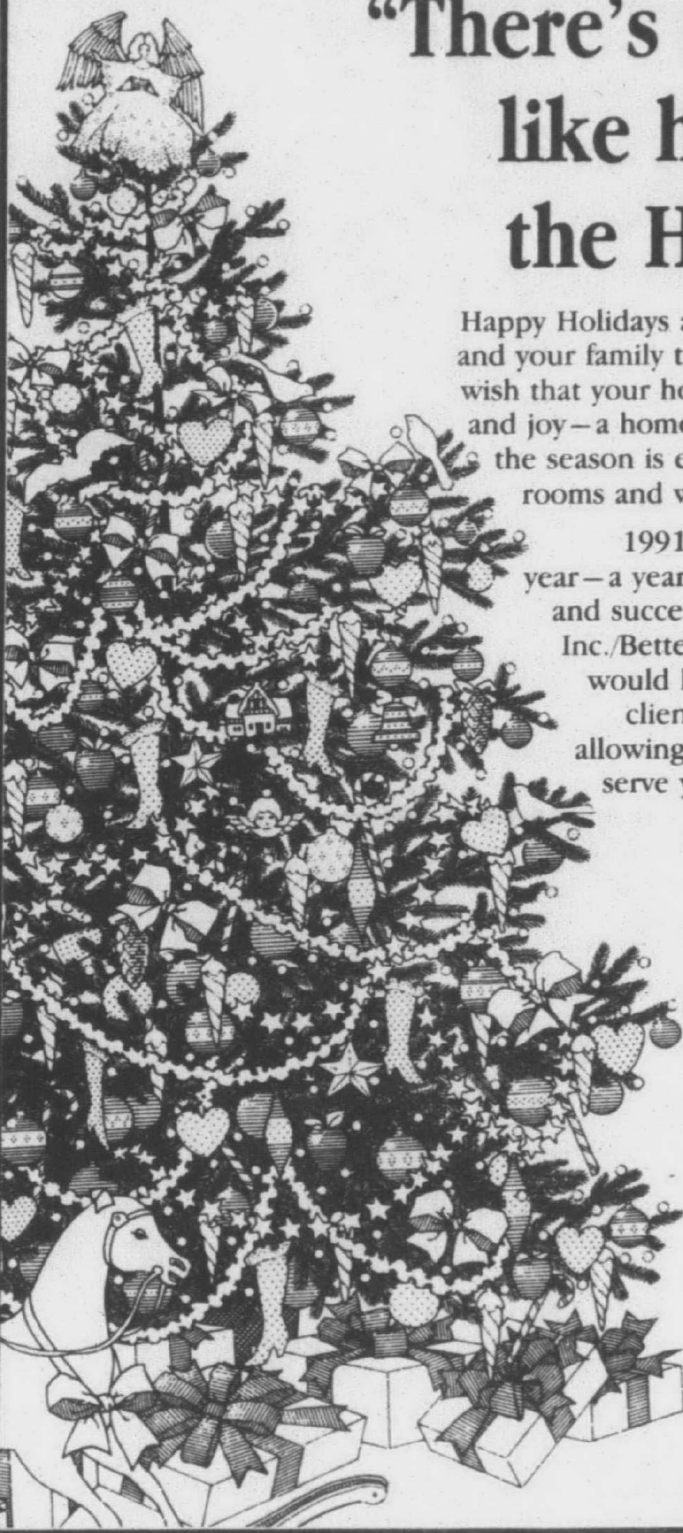
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● SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES PEACE CENTER AND GALLERY

Through Dec. 28 — "Transforming Visions '91," an international peace art exhibit. The juried show of 64 pieces by 43 Michigan and Ontario artists uses a variety of media. At 33 E. Adams, on Grand Circus Park. Hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.

● DONNA JACOBS GALLERY LTD.

Through Dec. 28 — "Jewelry: Ancient to Modern — Everlasting Beauty: 5,000 Years of Personal Adornments" is on view. The exhibit features custom-designed jewelry of excavated and modern beads and gemstones; archeological, ethnic and neo-classical bronze, silver and gold. A selection of fine ancient objects is also on display. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 574 N. Woodward, Birmingham, 540-1600.

● GALLERY IV

Through Dec. 30 — "The Deco Style" will

feature the full array of the gallery's collections of art from the deco period, including posters, ceramics, silver and watches. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 6447 Inkster Road, one block north of Maple in Bloomfield Hills, 932-1888.

● ATRIUM GALLERY

Through Dec. 31 — Featured artist Dan-guole Jugutis of Farmington Hills will exhibit her "Landscape" and "Reflections" series: softly colored mixed media collages and acrylics on canvas with a depth of color and movement. Also featured is Suzanne Young with raku and resin wall sculptures. Also Kevin Knittel's paper-cast wall sculptures. Table pieces also are available. 113 N. Center, Northville. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

● RUBINER GALLERY

Through Dec. 31 — Holiday Gifts of Art continues, featuring a brightly painted steel and aluminum kinetic tabletop sculpture by California artist Brad Howe, in an edition of 25. Also, new works by Mignonette Cheng, Margarete Baum, Richard Jerry, Nancy Thayer, Russ Thayer, Jeanne Tennent, Russell Keeter, Vicki Brett, Carol Summers,

Marjorie Hecht Simon and Maceo Mitchell. Hours 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 7001 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 430A, West Bloomfield, 626-3111.

● DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS

Through Dec. 31 — Annual holiday show, "Objects of Wonder and Delight," featuring forged metal fire tool sets and accessories by John F. Graney and David Mazzarella, and painted wood furniture by Craig Carey, continues. Hours 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 104 Fisher Building, Detroit. For extended holiday hours, call 873-7888.

● DANIELLE PELEG GALLERY

Through Dec. 31 — Animation: limited edition and production cels of Chuck Jones, Fritz Freling and Hanna and Barbera are displayed, along with original oils of luxuriant florals by Hungarian-Israeli artist Hedy Kun. Hours 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, 4301 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 103, Crosswinds Mall, West Bloomfield, 626-5810.

● LEMBERG GALLERY

Through Dec. 31 — Prints by sculptors are featured. The artists include several extremely well-known printmakers and artists whose reputations are being formed.

Featured are Fletcher Benton, John Chamberlain, Jim Dine, Erik Levine, Louise Nevelson, John Newman, Barbara Schwartz, Robert Stackhouse and Joel Shapiro. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 538 N. Woodward, Birmingham, 642-6623.

● ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY

Through Jan. 4 — Original prints from the collection of Vic Zink, with an emphasis on World War II, are on display. The collection of prints includes works by many of the foremost artists of the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s.

Also at the gallery, Karen Klein's "Chicken in a Snowstorm" T-shirts are available, along with Christmas lima beans and flower seeds packaged by Wanda Miller, wood boxes by Randy Mateer, beadwork by Julie Hyde-Edwards and gourds. The Klein gallery T-shirt is in preparation.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 4520 N. Woodward, Royal Oak, 647-7709.

● SHELDON ROSS GALLERY

Through Jan. 4 — A diverse collection of work by George Grosz, one of the great draftsmen of the first half of the 20th century, is exhibited. Examples of all media in which the artist worked will be on display, including drawings, watercolors, oil paint-

ings and collages. Among the works will be examples from his most famous "Dada" period in Germany, 1915-18. Also featured will be drawings and watercolors from the 1920s, when he produced the most biting and satirical images, for which he became world renowned. Most of the works in this exhibition, the fourth of Grosz since the gallery opened in 1976, are being shown here for the first time. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 250 Martin, Birmingham, 258-9550.

● SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY

Through Jan. 4 — "Objects in Multiple" by Richard Artschwager continues. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham, 642-8250.

● T'MARRA GALLERY

Through Jan. 10 — New and recent color works by University of Michigan professor emeritus Emil Weddige, who has been called America's most prominent lithographer, shown at 111 N. First, Ann Arbor. Weddige will be at the gallery for conversation and tea 2-3 p.m. Thursdays, Dec. 5 and 19. A special evening with Weddige, including stories and explanations about his works, will take place 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3. Gallery hours 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and by appointment. 769-3223.

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TOY TRAIN APPRAISAL

Anyone age 5 to 85 who has an old toy train and wants to know its value can bring it down to the Detroit Historical Museum noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28.

The National Railway Historical Society Bluewater Michigan Chapter, in conjunction with the Detroit Historical Department, will host the fourth annual Toy Train Appraisal to benefit the Detroit Historical Museum's Alfred R. Glancy Jr./Lionel operating toy train exhibit.

Experienced toy train appraisers from the Bluewater Chapter will donate their time. Videotapes on Lionel trains will be shown in the museum's auditorium.

Visitors will be able to enjoy the museum's Collectors in Toyland exhibition, which includes the Glancy/Lionel operating "O" Gauge toy train layout.

Visitors can get questions on toy and real trains answered by the Bluewater Michigan Chapter members, who built the train exhibition.

The cost of the appraisal is \$1 per item or set, which goes to the Detroit Historical Society's Glancy Train Fund to maintain the Glancy/Lionel exhibition.

The Detroit Historical Museum, a Detroit Historical Department institution, is at 5401 Woodward Avenue at Kirby, in the University Cultural Center.

Free parking is available in the museum's lot off Kirby.

PHOTO WORKSHOPS

The Messina Photography Workshops On Location will start their 20th year next month.

The workshops are taught by professional photographer and lecturer Joseph Messina, who has lectured in the area. For more information, call Messina at 773-5815 during business hours.

The new term will start at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn. A free slide lecture and orientation will take place at that time.

Other sessions will take place at various locations in the metro Detroit area for 10 Saturdays until March 7. Plans this year include photographing actors on stage with costumes and makeup, a historic church and stained glass in Hamtramck, mosaic murals at the People Mover, glass, still lifes and a mannequin factory.

Classes are geared to people who know how to use their 35mm cameras. The classes are limited to 20 students weekly.

Fees per student, payable in advance, are \$150 full time, \$90 part time for three sessions or \$35 per session attended. No refunds after classes have started Jan. 11.

To join the class, send a check to Messina Photography Workshops, 22500 Rio Vista, St. Clair Shores 48081. Film, processing mailers and plastic file folders are available through Messina.

The spring workshops start at 2 p.m. April 4 at the Henry Ford Centennial Library. Trips are planned to Chicago and the Toledo Museum of Art.

WINTER WALK

Those looking for a quiet change of pace after the holidays might enjoy the Sunday Trail Walk at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1899 N. Dixboro, in Ann Arbor.

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A rendering of Village Green of Troy East Apartments illustrates resort-like qualities including classic architectural design, land-

scape plantings, man-made waterscapes and recreational amenities.

Sales philosophy mirrors life's

By Doug Funke
staff writer

Ida Lucas hit the ground running 26 years ago when she started selling real estate in Detroit. She was a hustler then, learning the business, getting her own listings, closing deals.

Now at age 72, she puts in a full week as a sales representative at Vintage Estates in Rochester Hills for S.R. Jacobson Development. Not only does Lucas still enjoy her work, she's good at it.

She generated 13 sales in the new subdivision worth more than \$3 million from August 1990

through July of this year. She recently was named outstanding experienced salesperson of the year by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan.

"I've been around a long time, but I enjoy what I do. I love it," said the soft-spoken Southfield resident who occasionally punctuates conversations with "dear" in a charming manner.

"I look forward going to work every day. Every day offers new opportunities," she said.

Lucas, a widow, has no thoughts of retiring even though many people her age have long since left the work-a-day world.

"I DO IT because I'm good at it. Why shouldn't I?

What am I going to do at home? I do it for economic reasons. I want to live like I've always lived. And who's to say how old you have to be to stop working? Today, people are living longer. Age is just an attitude."

Lucas, who had been involved in community volunteer work, was persuaded by a son-in-law to get into real estate.

"I was one of the first of the liberated women," she said. "My husband (Sam, a pharmacist) said, 'Whatever makes you happy.' My family and children were never neglected. It's like the saying goes — if you want something done, you ask a busy person."

Lucas has her own recipe for successfully selling real estate. But the main ingredients can be found in many other endeavors.

"I love the work I'm doing, love the people I work with and I'm very comfortable with the company," she said. "I never promise what I can't deliver and I'll always deliver what I promise. My boss backs me up. That's important."

"YOU JUST have to have patience," Lucas continued. "I don't like to force or do a hard sell. I like to be comfortable with buyers. You have to break the ice and have them walk out willing to come back again."

"You don't try to force a sale on the first visit. I've sold a year, a year and a half after a first visit."

"When I don't get traffic, I do follow-ups, people who were here before that said they weren't ready now but were thinking about it," she said. "I keep a book of everyone who comes in. They fill out cards with what their needs are, what they're looking for."

"I take pride in my work," she said. "That's very very important, the way you conduct yourself, present yourself. I treat all people, whether children, older or younger, with the same dignity and respect."

Buyers today are more knowledgeable than they were when she broke into the business, Lucas maintained.

And there isn't really much difference in selling used houses, how she got her start, and new construction, what she's done for the past 17 or so years, Lucas added.

"BUYERS ARE sophisticated today. There's so much reading material out. They shop. They know exactly what they want."

"Kitchens are important. Bathrooms are important, family room, living space. People today don't want formal settings any more. They want space. People like a lot of glass."

Lucas, like many dyed-in-the-wool optimists, said her favorite project is the one she's working on now. She prefers selling new to used because there isn't as much running around involved.

As a salesperson, Lucas helps customers select specific floor models, lot sites, floor and wall coverings, and cabinetry.

"People come in looking for a house, the most important thing in their life," she said. "You help them. When they move in, it's like you move in with them."

Marilyn Habsburg, Lucas's daughter, marvels at her mother's drive.

"Mother always has time for everybody and everything," Habsburg said. "She's always doing. My mother believes you keep focusing on what you want and you get there. She just jumps right in. She has tremendous faith."

"MY MOTHER isn't the type to say something just to make a sale. She genuinely cares about people. She genuinely gets involved in what their needs are. Of course, she wants to be a salesperson and get the numbers. There's sincerity. She wants to get people in the right home," Habsburg said.

Scott Jacobson, Lucas's boss, also appreciates her efforts.

"This is pretty much her life," he said. "She enjoys what she does and works extremely hard at it. She's just very dedicated."

"Once you get in her office, if you're in the market for a house, she'll sell you one," Jacobson said. "She loves what she does. That's the bottom line. If you love what you do, I think you'll be a success."



JIM RIDER/staff photographer

Ida Lucas, a successful saleswoman who loves her work, strikes a pose in an S.R.

Jacobson model at Vintage Estates in Rochester Hills.

Village Green: cooperation in construction

By Doug Funke
staff writer

The major principals agree. The Village Green of Troy East Apartments, one of the few rental communities in the metro area on which work has begun in recent years, is under construction now only because it's the right project in the right place by the right people with the right financing at the right time.

"I don't know of any brand new apartment projects under construction or in planned development in Detroit now," said Jonathon Holtzman, co-owner of Holtzman & Silverman Cos. of Farmington Hills.

That company, which has erected some 25,000 rental units since 1919, is the builder and managing partner for Village Green of Troy East Apartments.

Plans call for building 204 units from studio to two bedroom/two baths in 13 two-story buildings. The 18-acre site is on the east side of John R. just south of Big Beaver.

Rents are projected at \$595 to \$820.

There are a couple of other angles to this project other than the fact that it's going in.

FOUR AREA building trades pension funds — Carpenters Pension Trust Fund, Laborers Pension Trust Fund, Operating Engineers Local 324 Pension Fund and Painters Union Pension Fund — have staked some \$3 million of equity into financing construction.

That consortium also has committed \$3 million for another project that Holtzman declined to identify.

Pension funds here have been much more likely to take debt (mortgage) interests in projects and perhaps minor equity interests rather than ownership to the degree in this particular deal.

And Biltmore Properties of Troy, a leading developing and building company in its own right, brought the land to the partnership.

"We feel this is a very rare opportunity and there is a need for housing units of this type," said Norman J. Cohen, Biltmore president. "The Troy location is a key. There hasn't been much construction for several years in the Troy area."

Holtzman & Silverman's reputation also played a major part in Cohen's decision to get involved.

"WE BELIEVE they're the leader in multi-family housing," he said. "We have high respect for Jonathon and Buzz (Gilbert Silverman). We believe they're the best in the business."

A positive reading of all the variables by Acquest Realty Advisors of

Bloomfield Hills, which put together the pension investors, also gave a green light to the project.

"We feel the leverage is more conservative, the market is strong and there's a proven performance history," said Deloris Hoenes, an Acquest vice president.

"It was a unique opportunity," she added, echoing Cohen. "The developer, project, location — all of that appealed to us. A pension fund can't look to jobs first. It has to be preservation of equity and return on it. It can't be anything but an economic decision."

Hoenes anticipates that the pension funds would receive an annual rate of return in excess of 12 percent for eight to 10 years on its investment.

Could this pension ownership situation become a trend here?

Probably not, Hoenes said. "I don't see another opportunity now."

EVEN HOLTZMAN conceded that the same project located in another community probably wouldn't fly today. Some areas remain overbuilt, rents remain relatively low and the economy remains relatively soft.

"A project for lenders today can't be good. It's got to be special," Holtzman said.

Reputation counts, but other factors have become important where financing is concerned.

"This is supposed to be our area of expertise," Holtzman said. "It's not the fact that Holtzman & Silverman is developing real estate. That's not enough. Holtzman & Silverman developing with a Troy location is something that made economic sense."

Holtzman declined to reveal construction costs other than to say they're about \$10 million. Construction is under way with initial occupancy projected for June. Work is expected to be finished next September.

A two-bedroom, roommate-style unit, with a central living/kitchen area and bedrooms and baths down separate hallways, will be available.

"We see a trend that it's more and more popular for young people to have a roommate," said Kathryn A. Hepler, director of new market development. "It allows a luxury development maybe someone couldn't afford on their own, but with a roommate, it's possible."

Two dozen of those units will be offered.

Village Green of Troy East Apartments will have amenities found at other Village Greens like a 5,200-square-foot clubhouse with exercise equipment and a business center, a multi-level sundeck around an outdoor pool and a tennis court and sand volleyball court.

'Wait til next year' for building recovery

(AP) — Housing starts dropped 2.1 percent nationally in November, all but assuring home builders their worst year since the end of World War II.

The housing industry traditionally leads the economy out of recession, but after a spurt earlier this year it has slumped along with the rest of the economy.

In the housing report, the Commerce Department said new construction of single-family homes and apartments totaled a seasonally adjusted 1.066 million last month, down from 1.089 million in October.

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Sales philosophy mirrors life's

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Ida Lucas hit the ground running 26 years ago when she started selling real estate in Detroit. She was a hustler then, learning the business, getting her own listings, closing deals.

Now at age 72, she puts in a full week as a sales representative at Vintage Estates in Rochester Hills for S.R. Jacobson Development. Not only does Lucas still enjoy her work, she's good at it.

She generated 13 sales in the new subdivision worth more than \$3 million from August 1990

through July of this year. She recently was named outstanding experienced salesperson of the year by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan.

"I've been around a long time, but I enjoy what I do. I love it," said the soft-spoken Southfield resident who occasionally punctuates conversations with "dear" in a charming manner.

"I look forward going to work every day. Every day offers new opportunities," she said.

Lucas, a widow, has no thoughts of retiring even though many people her age have long since left the work-a-day world.

"I DO IT because I'm good at it. Why shouldn't I?"

What am I going to do at home? I do it for economic reasons. I want to live like I've always lived. And who's to say how old you have to be to stop working? Today, people are living longer. Age is just an attitude."

Lucas, who had been involved in community volunteer work, was persuaded by a son-in-law to get into real estate.

"I was one of the first of the liberated women," she said. "My husband (Sam, a pharmacist) said, 'Whatever makes you happy.' My family and children were never neglected. It's like the saying goes — if you want something done, you ask a busy person."

Lucas has her own recipe for successfully selling real estate. But the main ingredients can be found in many other endeavors.

"I love the work I'm doing, love the people I work with and I'm very comfortable with the company," she said. "I never promise what I can't deliver and I'll always deliver what I promise. My boss backs me up. That's important."

"YOU JUST have to have patience," Lucas continued. "I don't like to force or do a hard sell. I like to be comfortable with buyers. You have to break the ice and have them walk out willing to come back again."

"You don't try to force a sale on the first visit. I've sold a year, a year and a half after a first visit."

"When I don't get traffic, I do follow-ups, people who were here before that said they weren't ready now but were thinking about it," she said. "I keep a book of everyone who comes in. They fill out cards with what their needs are, what they're looking for."

"I take pride in my work," she said. "That's very very important, the way you conduct yourself, present yourself. I treat all people, whether children, older or younger, with the same dignity and respect."

Buyers today are more knowledgeable than they were when she broke into the business, Lucas maintained.

And there isn't really much difference in selling used houses, how she got her start, and new construction, what she's done for the past 17 or so years, Lucas added.

"BUYERS ARE sophisticated today. There's so much reading material out. They shop. They know exactly what they want."

"Kitchens are important. Bathrooms are important, family room, living space. People today don't want formal settings any more. They want space. People like a lot of glass."

Lucas, like many dyed-in-the-wool optimists, said her favorite project is the one she's working on now. She prefers selling new to used because there isn't as much running around involved.

As a salesperson, Lucas helps customers select specific floor models, lot sites, floor and wall coverings, and cabinetry.

"People come in looking for a house, the most important thing in their life," she said. "You help them. When they move in, it's like you move in with them."

Marilyn Habsburg, Lucas's daughter, marvels at her mother's drive.

"Mother always has time for everybody and everything," Habsburg said. "She's always doing. My mother believes you keep focusing on what you want and you get there. She just jumps right in. She has tremendous faith."

"MY MOTHER isn't the type to say something just to make a sale. She genuinely cares about people. She genuinely gets involved in what their needs are. Of course, she wants to be a salesperson and get the numbers. There's sincerity. She wants to get people in the right home," Habsburg said.

Scott Jacobson, Lucas's boss, also appreciates her efforts.

"This is pretty much her life," he said. "She enjoys what she does and works extremely hard at it. She's just very dedicated."

"Once you get in her office, if you're in the market for a house, she'll sell you one," Jacobson said. "She loves what she does. That's the bottom line. If you love what you do, I think you'll be a success."



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Jacobson model at Vintage Estates in Rochester Hills.

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Village Green: cooperation in construction

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The major principals agree. The Village Green of Troy East Apartments, one of the few rental communities in the metro area on which work has begun in recent years, is under construction now only because it's the right project in the right place by the right people with the right financing at the right time.

"I don't know of any brand new apartment projects under construction or in planned development in Detroit now," said Jonathon Holtzman, co-owner of Holtzman & Silverman Cos. of Farmington Hills.

That company, which has erected some 25,000 rental units since 1919, is the builder and managing partner for Village Green of Troy East Apartments.

Plans call for building 204 units from studio to two bedroom/two baths in 13 two-story buildings. The 18-acre site is on the east side of John R just south of Big Beaver.

Rents are projected at \$595 to \$820.

There are a couple of other angles to this project other than the fact that it's going in.

FOUR AREA building trades pension funds — Carpenters Pension Trust Fund, Laborers Pension Trust Fund, Operating Engineers Local 324 Pension Fund and Painters Union Pension Fund — have staked some \$3 million of equity into financing construction.

That consortium also has committed \$3 million for another project that Holtzman declined to identify.

Pension funds here have been much more likely to take debt (mortgage) interests in projects and perhaps minor equity interests rather than ownership to the degree in this particular deal.

And Biltmore Properties of Troy, a leading developing and building company in its own right, brought the land to the partnership.

"We feel this is a very rare opportunity and there is a need for housing units of this type," said Norman J. Cohen, Biltmore president. "The Troy location is a key. There hasn't been much construction for several years in the Troy area."

Holtzman & Silverman's reputation also played a major part in Cohen's decision to get involved.

"WE BELIEVE they're the leader in multi-family housing," he said. "We have high respect for Jonathon and Buzz (Gilbert Silverman). We believe they're the best in the business."

A positive reading of all the variables by Acquest Realty Advisors of

Bloomfield Hills, which put together the pension investors, also gave a green light to the project.

"We feel the leverage is more conservative, the market is strong and there's a proven performance history," said Deloris Hoenes, an Acquest vice president.

"It was a unique opportunity," she added, echoing Cohen. "The developer, project, location — all of that appealed to us. A pension fund can't look to jobs first. It has to be preservation of equity and return on it. It can't be anything but an economic decision."

Hoenes anticipates that the pension funds would receive an annual rate of return in excess of 12 percent for eight to 10 years on its investment.

Could this pension ownership situation become a trend here?

Probably not, Hoenes said. "I don't see another opportunity now."

EVEN HOLTZMAN conceded that the same project located in another community probably wouldn't fly today. Some areas remain overbuilt, rents remain relatively low and the economy remains relatively soft.

"A project for lenders today can't be good. It's got to be special," Holtzman said.

Reputation counts, but other factors have become important where financing is concerned.

"This is supposed to be our area of expertise," Holtzman said. "It's not the fact that Holtzman & Silverman is developing real estate. That's not enough. Holtzman & Silverman developing with a Troy location is something that made economic sense."

Holtzman declined to reveal construction costs other than to say they're about \$10 million. Construction is under way with initial occupancy projected for June. Work is expected to be finished next September.

A two-bedroom, roommate-style unit, with a central living/kitchen area and bedrooms and baths down separate hallways, will be available.

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Managed by Kaffen Enterprises, Inc.

400 Apts. For Rent

LIVONIA'S FINEST LOCATION

Merriman corner 7 mile

Large deluxe 1 bedroom unit with washer & dryer within apartment

- Self cleaning range
- Vertical blinds
- Pool
- Nearby shopping

\$575/mo.

MERRIMAN WOODS Model open 9-5 except Thursday 477-9377 Office: 775-8206

LIVONIA - 7 MILE RD. 1 & 2 Bedroom Starting at \$575

Includes washer & dryer in each apartment. Carpeting, vertical blinds, deluxe appliances, balcony, patio, swimming pool, tennis courts, community room, near shopping.

CANTERBURY PARK 7 mile Rd. corner Mayfield between Farmington & Merriman Rds. 473-3983 775-8206
Model open daily 9-5 except Wednesday

Madison Heights

GREAT APTS. GREAT LOCATIONS \$50 Security Deposit For 1 Bedroom Apts.

RENT INCLUDES HEAT

CALL FOR SUPER SPECIAL ON FIRST MONTH'S RENT

6 month or 1 year lease. Well maintained. New 1 & 2 bedroom apts. Air conditioning, refrigerator, range, smoke detectors, laundry facilities & extra storage. Swimming pool. Cable available.

ALSO 2 BEDROOM APTS.

LIVONIA VILLAGE

PET SECTION AVAILABLE

1 bedroom apts. from \$445 - 175 and 14 Mile Opposite Oakland Mall 585-4010

PRESIDENT MADISON APTS. 1 Bedroom Apts. \$450 1 Block E. of John R. Just S. of Oakland Mall 585-0580

HARLO APTS. 1 Bedroom \$450 Warren, Mich. West side of Mound Rd. Just N. of 13 Mile Opposite GM Tech Center 939-2340

NORTHVILLE 1 & 2 bedroom apts. and townhomes. Private entrances, individual washer/dryers, microwaves, carpets, vertical blinds, pool, jacuzzi, tennis, exercise equipment. Small pets welcome! Come visit the peaceful, quiet & beautiful CEDAR LAKE Apartments located on Six Mile between Hagerty & Northville Rd. DECEMBER RENT FREE PLUS \$100 SECURITY DEPOSIT CALL FOR DETAILS 348-1830

Madison Heights

WINTER SPECIAL 1 & 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS

- Stove & refrigerator
- Carport
- Intercom
- Newly decorated
- Smoke detectors
- Sprinkler system
- FROM \$405

175 and 14 Mile Next to Abbey Theater 589-3355

OAK PARK - Beautiful 1 & 2 bedroom apts. starting at only \$495! Too good to be true? Wait there's more... Vertical blinds Fully equipped kitchen Private patio/balcony Exciting new Clubhouse with large screen TV & Video library Exercise room with sauna Great location - near 96, 996 & 275 Only \$500 security deposit

349-8200

Limited time offer! Call now they won't last long!

NOVI RIDGE On 10 Mile between Novi & Meadowbrook Rds. Novi...Meadowbrook & 10 Mile

Tree Top Meadows \$70 PER MO. RENT REBATE SPECIAL On 2 bedroom from \$595 Call for Details

These spacious newer 2 bedroom apartments feature oversized rooms, large balcony or patio, central air, deluxe kitchens, vertical blinds, double bath. Beautiful grounds, walking distance to shopping & places of worship. Easy access to 3 expressways. Lease. EHO. Seniors Welcome

Also available: 1 bedroom from \$535 OPEN SAT. 1-5 OR CALL FOR APPOINTMENT THE BENECKE GROUP 348-9590 347-1690

OAK PARK LINCOLNBRIAR 1160 sq. ft. 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, with balcony, blinds, central air, dishwasher, self-cleaning oven, push carpet - HEAT INCLUDED. \$591 968-4792

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PLYMOUTH - AFFORDABLE Senior Citizen Special. Spacious 1 & 2 bedroom apartments in quiet adult community. Walk to shopping. Central air, dishwasher, vertical blinds, carport, pool. Available to qualified applicants. 453-9811

PLYMOUTH MANOR 1 & 2 Bedroom Apts. lots of charm.

HOLIDAY SPECIAL PAY NO RENT UNTIL 2/1/92

455-3880

York Properties Inc.

PLYMOUTH Mayflower Hotel. \$750 month. Daily room service, 24 hour message service. Color TV. No leases. Immediate occupancy. Croon or Marie. 453-1820.

PLYMOUTH Spacious 1 bedroom, all appliances, ground floor, heat included, immediate, 1 yr. lease. \$457/mo. 453-9811 or 453-9885

ORCHARD LAKE ROAD near Telegraph. Beautiful wooded setting. 1 bedroom apt. Carpet. Air conditioner, heat included. FROM \$375

ORCHARD WOODS APTS. 334-1878

REDFORD AREA - Joy/Telegraph. Clean 1 bedroom, carpet, air, locked entrance. \$335. Fenced parking available. No pets. 273-5551

REDFORD AREA Telegraph-5 Mile. 1 & 2 bedroom, clean, decorated, quiet, carpet, air conditioner, blinds, heat included. For tenants, professional people with references. From \$375.

PARKSIDE APTS. 532-9234

PLYMOUTH

The MOST space for YOUR \$\$\$ NOTHING can compare

Enjoy the lifestyle you deserve in a quiet, mature, residential neighborhood. Exclusive 1 and 2 bedroom apts. starting at ONLY \$495.

- Fully equipped kitchen
- Vertical blinds
- Large closets
- Laundry facilities
- 24 hr. emergency service
- Bike/jogging trails
- Convenient to expressways and Downtown Plymouth
- Small pets welcome

ONLY \$200 Security Deposit (Limited time only)

453-2800

TWIN ARBORS (Limited no. of apts. available)

REDFORD AREA \$399 Moves You In (On Selected Units)

- FREE HEAT
- Clean, Quiet Building
- Large 1 & 2 Bedrooms
- Walk-in Closets
- Intrusion Alarm System
- Senior Discount
- Telegraph 1/2 mile S. of I-96

GLEN COVE APTS. 538-2497
Managed by Kaffen Enterprises

REDFORD TWP. AREA COUNTRY HOUSE

- Heat
- Carpet
- Verticals
- Kitchen Appliances
- Cable ready

FROM \$430 1ST MONTH RENT FREE 533-1121
Hours Mon.-Fri. 9-5

PLYMOUTH HILLS Apartments 746 S. Mill St. 455-4721 278-8319

- Washer/Dryer in each unit
- Easy Access to I-275
- Air Conditioned
- Fully Carpeted
- Walk to Downtown
- 1 & 2 Bedroom

2 Bedroom From \$500 1 Month Free
OPEN 12 - 6PM

400 Apts. For Rent

REDFORD TWP. LARA PARK MANOR A charming & quiet apartment community in Redford township has a spacious 1 bedroom apartment available.

FREE HEAT & WATER

Swimming pool and picnic area. Cable TV & Carports available. UNDER \$500/MO. Please call 255-0932

ROCHESTER HILLS RIVERS EDGE LUXURY TOWN HOME 3 Months Rent Free! 2 Bedroom luxury townhome rentals starting at \$750. Resort living on the Clinton River. 1200 Sq. Ft. Three carport, and nature trails. Hamlet/Crooks Rds. (Below Streamwood). Minutes from M-59 & I-75. Immediate occupancy. CALL: 682-8060

ROMULUS - WHAT A DEAL We are in the process of remodeling and looking for tenants to help us brighten up the place. Special offer and reduced rates. 595-7940

AMBER APARTMENTS PERFECT FOR PET LOVERS! 1 & 2 bedroom units in Royal Oak From \$495 including heat. Beautiful setting across From huge park & golf course 280-1700

ROYAL OAK - DOWNTOWN FREE HEAT Spacious 1 & 2 Bedroom Walk-in Closets

FROM \$475 LAFAYETTE COURT 11 Mile & Main Ave. 347-2053
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GRAB! A Great Deal in Apartment Living. Special Offer! Lease an Apt. at Cayle Tower Now & Pay No Rent until February, 1992! Seeing is Believing! Spacious 2 Bedroom Apartments Office Hours Mon-Fri: 9 am - 6 pm Saturday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm (313) 559-2111

EXTRA, EXTRA LARGE APARTMENT Luxurious 1 bedroom apartments in a premier Southfield location. Carport included in rent. Pool, sauna, weight room, clubhouse facilities.

WALDEN WOOD APARTMENTS 1 1/2 bks E. of Telegraph on 10 Mile 353-1372

ROCHESTER City of - Beautiful 1 & 2 bedroom apts. air, carpeting, etc. 1 bedroom from \$450, 2 bedroom from \$550. 686-4896, 254-6592

ROCHESTER VILLAGE APTS. OF ROCHESTER

CLOSE TO DOWNTOWN Quiet park-like surroundings. 1 bedroom apt. available. Rent includes: heat, water, appliances, laundry & storage facilities. 1 mo. security + \$445 per mo. Call 9-5pm. 686-8744

ROMULUS OAKBROOK VILLA 2 and 3 bedroom townhouses Ranging from \$399 to \$500 Includes all utilities

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15001 BRANDT, 941-4057

Royal Oak/Cleaveland/Troy Variety, Variety, Where art thou Variety? At Amber Apartments! 280-1700

ROYAL OAK/CLEAVELAND/TROY "One-Stop" apartment shopping. Open House Sun., Dec 29th, 1-4pm. Office building at 4000 Crooks. Royal Oak or call for appointment. Pet? Ask! AMBER APARTMENTS 280-1700

SOUTHFIELD - 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Large spacious floor plans, 860 - 1200 sq. ft. Abundant closets and extra storage space! Central air, carports, window coverings, clubhouse, pool. Small pets welcome. Short term leases. Excellent convenient location! Come visit us at CRANBROOK CENTRE APARTMENTS, located on Southfield Rd., just South of 13 Mile Rd. Call and let us tell you about our HOLIDAY SPECIALS. Rentals starting at \$595/MO. 642-2500

SOUTHFIELD 2 BEDROOM/2 BATH APTS. FROM \$695 SECURITY DEPOSIT \$150 Includes washer, dryer, carport, private entrance & lots of storage. Civic Center Dr. Between Lathrop & Telegraph

PARKLANE APTS. 355-0770 *selected units only - 1/yr. lease

SOUTH LYON New Construction 1 & 2 Bedroom Luxury Apartments FROM \$425 Call: Oxford Manor Apts. 486-1736 Equal Housing Opportunity

SPECIAL Curlew Creek Apartments Farmington Rd. at 8 1/2 Mile 1 bedroom \$515 to \$535 2 bedroom \$555 to \$575 473-0365

This Classification Continued in Section B.

OPEN THIS SATURDAY

December 28th

Now Through December 31st

2.9% FINANCING

"YEAR END BLOW OUT SALE"

SPECIAL OF THE WEEK

\$302**

per month 24 MONTH END LEASE



NEW 1992 AEROSTAR XL WAGON

XL trim, 7-passenger, dual captain chairs, air, privacy glass, deluxe paint stripe, speed control, tilt steering wheel, automatic overdrive transmission, clearcoat paint, electronic rear window defroster, electric AM/FM stereo cassette/clock, power convenience group, power steering, rear anti-lock power brakes, tinted glass, fold-away mirrors, spoiler, rear window washer/wiper, interval wipers, driver side airbag, courtesy lights, instrumentation, scuff plates, super cooling. Stock #12637.

OR BUY FOR

WAS \$19,388 NOW \$14,453*

2.9% FINANCING

\$197**

per month 36 MONTH LEASE



NEW 1992 RANGER 4x2

Overdrive transmission, radio with clock, power brakes, tinted glass, fold-away mirrors, spoiler, dome light, side window defroster, instrumentation, scuff plates, interval wipers, rear wheel anti-lock. Stock #11377.

OR BUY FOR

WAS \$9251 NOW \$7666*

\$209**

per month 36 MONTH LEASE



NEW 1992 FESTIVA GL

Rear window defroster, air, body-side moldings, monochrome paint, aluminum wheels, cargo cover, console, gauges, courtesy lamps, reclining bucket seats, power brakes, side window defroster, AM/FM stereo, rear window wiper/washer. Stock #1796.

OR BUY FOR

WAS \$9308 NOW \$8004*

\$208**

per month 24 MONTH LEASE



NEW 1992 TEMPO GL 2-DOOR SEDAN

Air, light group, dual mirrors, tilt steering wheel, front center airvent, rear window defroster, front & rear roommates, power lock group, electronic AM/FM stereo cassette/clock, polycast wheels, automatic transmission, tinted glass, power steering & brakes, moldings, interval wipers, clearance metallic paint. Stock #2026.

OR BUY FOR

WAS \$11,828 NOW \$8782*

\$248**

per month 36 MONTH LEASE



NEW 1992 ESCORT GT

Rear window defroster, air, luxury convenience group, tilt steering wheel, speed control, tachometer, instrumentation, power steering, AM/FM stereo cassette, tinted glass, aluminum wheels, rear spoiler, moldings, dual electric remote control mirrors, cargo area cover, console, light group, illuminated visor mirrors, sport performance bucket seats, power brakes, 4 wheel disc brakes, side window defroster, sport handling, mirror groups, leather wipers. Stock #18087.

OR BUY FOR

WAS \$13,544 NOW \$10,574*

\$260**

per month 24 MONTH LEASE



NEW 1992 F-150 STYLESIDE PICKUP

3.5, 5.0, forged aluminum wheels, AM/FM electronic stereo/clock, overdrive transmission, convenience package, air, sliding rear window, argent rear bumper, power steering, rear anti-lock power brakes, chrome front bumper, cargo box light, tinted glass, moldings, removable tailgate, courtesy light, 5-spoke wheels, dome light, AM/FM stereo, scuff plates, vent windows, leather wipers. Stock #18087.

OR BUY FOR

WAS \$15,806 NOW \$11,824*

\$269**

per month 36 MONTH LEASE



NEW 1992 PROBE GL 2-DOOR HATCHBACK

Rear window defroster, tilt cluster column, dual illuminated visor mirrors, tinted glass, convenience group, automatic overdrive transmission, air, power door locks, tinted glass, body-side moldings, luxury wheel covers, console, side window defroster, performance instrument cluster, AM/FM stereo, dual reclining bucket seats, power brakes, power steering. Stock #18083.

OR BUY FOR

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