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Homeless tickets shift to church



The First United Methodist Church of Plymouth isn't off the hook yet. The Rey. Kevin Miles had been ticketed following the visit of 60 homeless people. The church is now named as the defendant in the dispute with the township.

BY MELISSA PREDDY

Charges were dropped Tuesday against the pastor of a Plymouth Township church and refiled naming the church itself as defendant.

The pastor, Kevin Miles, had been ticketed following the October visit of

60 homeless people to the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth on North Territorial Road. The church participates in an annual program that buses homeless people from Detroit to the church, for an overnight visit including meals and activities.

Miles received six tickets, charging

that the church was violating ordinances that require occupancy certificates and adequate toilet facilities. Attorneys for the township and the church had been scheduled to argue the merits of the case before Judge James Garber in 35th District Court on Tuesday.

"We dismissed against Kevin Miles because we wouldn't have been able to prove that Kevin Miles violated any ordinance," said attorney for the township Tim Cronin, who de clined to comment further.

The tickets were reissued to the

First United Methodist Church of Plymouth. Once the church is formally served, there will be an arraignment and pretrial hearings before Judge John MacDonald. If convicted, the church could face fines and a court order prohibiting the homeless program.

The church is represented by attorney and judge-elect Ron Lowe, who says the dismissal is the township's attempt to keep him out of the case.

Lowe takes over the district court

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Saying goodbye



Hanging up the robes: Retiring 35th District Judge James Garber treated defendants and attorneys alike with respect.

Garber's full-time days on bench wind down

BY M.B. DILLON STAFF WRITER

It was one of the last days on the bench for retiring 35th District Judge James Garber, and the defendant before him was charged with driving with open intoxicants
— an offense punishable by 90 days in jail, two points, fines and costs.

"I don't know if you noticed those fellows dressed in brown out in the hall," Garber told the defendant, speaking of sheriffs escorting pris-oners to the Hillsdale County Jail, "but they're taking those folks on an all-expense-paid vacation to Hillsdale County.

The defendant was wearing jeans and a wrinkled flannel shirt with holes in it. His long hair wasn't combed or washed.

"Sir," asked Garber, "Is your girl-

friend going to post bond for you?"
"I hope so," he answered.
Garber could have sentenced him to jail, but said the court would take

his driver's license in lieu of bond. One of the next defendants was a heavy-set Detroiter in shirtsleeves and gold chains, charged with driv-

The man replied he had, at Alabama State. Garber gestured toward Richard Jackson, "Our court officer was an athlete at Alabama State."

ing with improper plates. Before get-

ting down to business, Garber re-

marked, "You're big enough to be Mr. T. Did you play some ball?"

After his trademark kibitzing, Garber said, "Technically, driving with improper license plates carries 90 days in jail. Usually, 45 is enough." The defendant was relieved to hear Garber wasn't going to

would be assessed instead. Leaving the court, the man's wife said, "That judge seems fun and jolly and reasonable. I thought he would be more stricter.

Even though his days in district court were winding down, the 61year-old Garber wasn't acting out of character.

"Judge Garber is funny but serious, and fair but firm," said Jackson. "I've seen him joke with people, but when it's time to put his foot

See GARBER, 4A

Friends say goodbye to respected jurist

BY M.B. DILLON STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth community laid to rest one of its favorite sons with an emotional farewell Wednesday.

Paying their respects to Judge Dunbar Davis at First Baptist Church of Plymouth was a large con-

A salute: Officials including 35th District Judges John MacDonald and James Garber paid tribute to Judge Dunbar Davis, who served in the district court from 1968 to



Donations

Donations are being solicited for next spring's radio suction at WSDP (88.1 FM).

See JURIST, 4A

The traditional fund-raiser for the school-owned station will air on May 15. Students and volunteers will call local businesses with information about donating items, which in the past have in-cluded hotel packages, flags from state and na-tional capitols, and even sirtime as a guest disc

ckey on WSDP. The auction was a regular event for WSDP in seeing 1980s and was brought back last year. ging in over \$5,000 for the station, which is I operated by the Plymouth-Canton ity Schools.

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Those interested in becoming an auction sponsor or volunteer should call station manager Bill Keith at (313) 416-7732.

Volunteers sought

The Community Literacy Council is seeking

volunteers will to tutor people who need help with reading, writing, and speaking skills.

Tutor training will be Jan. 25-26 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Training to teach English as a second language will be offered on Jan. 30 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The training programs are open to all people wanting to teach literacy skills. To get in-

volved, call the Literacy Coucil at (313) 416-4900.

AIDS night

Four non-profit groups have teamed up to organize the "First Annual New Year's Eve Extravaganza For People Who Care About AIDS." The benefit will be held at the YWCA (formerly the University Club) at 1411 E. Jefferson in Detroit. Creative formal wear is suggested, and the \$75per-person cost includes appetizers, a champagne toest, dancing, and a breakfast buffet

The party is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 31, from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. and is sponsored by Kids Like Ual, The Names Project, Health Emergency Lifeline Program (HELP), and the Association for AIDS Education and Prevention, Inc. For more information (313) 832-3300.

Music poster features an ice festival theme

International lce Sculpture Spectacular can take home more than memories - for \$5 they can pur chase a limited edition commem orative poster.

The poster is a first for the ice show, "hopefully the first in a long series," said Mike Watts, president of Watts-Up Inc., the producers of the Ice Sculpture Spectacular

It features Jim Hindi's dramat ic after-dark photo of "Be Bop," last year's award-winning sculpture. The grouping of jazz musicians was carved by Swiss exchange students and finished in the top three during the competi-

The poster is intended as a souvenir for visitors and a fund raiser for the ice show

Most people don't realize that the ice show is totally self-supporting - it's not paid for by the city or the chamber of commerce, Watts said. "We're printing 3,000 and it would be really nice to sell ■ The poster is a first for the ice show, "hopefully the first in a long series," said Mike Watts, president of Watts-Up Inc., the producers of the Ice Sculpture Spectacular. It features Jim Hindi's dramatic after-dark photo of "Be Bop," last year's award-winning sculpture. The grouping of jazz musicians was carved by Swiss exchange students and finished in the top three during the competition.

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A portion of proceeds from the poster will go to the Plymouth-Canton high school Marching Band Band members will staff sales booths during the ice show

The following businesses will also help out by handling poster sales at their Plymouth locations: Uncle Frank's Chicagos and Coneys, Plymouth Coffee Bean,

Engraving Connection, Mayflower Hotel, Sir Speedy Printing, Wild Wings, Creative Framing, Frameworks, Hands-On Leather, Penni man Showcase and the Plymouth Community Chamber of Com-

Trade Graphics donated services for the design and layout. Printing will be done by Litho Services and underwritten by the Plymouth Observer



Festival poster: The limited-edition Ice Sculpture Spectacular poster features last year's award-winning carving "Be Bop." The commemorative poster will sell for \$5 and all proceeds will benefit the ice show and the Plymouth-Canton high school marching band.

Teens explore plight of homeless

Monday was boxing night at Geneva Presbyterian in Canton.

No one wore gloves. But it was for a good cause, to raise money for the Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS) in Detroit and the Plymouth Salvation Army.

Some 30 senior high school students spent Monday night in the church parking lot to learn first hand how the homeless struggle to survive.

The kids bundled up and spent the night in boxes from 9 p.m. to 7

Calling all tenors, basses and

baritones: In its 21st season, the

Plymouth Community Chorus is

holding open auditions at 7:30

p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, with pre-

scheduled auditions at 7 p.m. on

Church," said Dave Willerup, a pastoral intern from New Brunswick Theological Seminary in

when people collect alms and clothing for the poor in the boxes. that their gifts came in.

"Some people here may think of it as the day when you take everything back," Willerup joked.

He and the students had to find

subsequent Tuesdays.

outh Township.

their own appliance/refrigerator their houses for the night. Willerup's came from ABC Warehouse

The group had only the clothes on their backs, a sleeping bag and their boxes.

"We want to make it rough enough, but we don't want to make them sick," Willerup said. The boxes insulate very well.

night, but Willerup predicted the experience will stay with them a lifetime. "We want to bring home the fact that it is not just crazy

The chorus is preparing for its

April 29-30 and for its

spring concert, "Remember the

Washington tour June 22-26, as

well as its upcoming compact disc

and cassette recording to be re-

less," he said.

Willingness to bear another's burden is another lesson stressed.

"This season has been rough on charities," Willerup said. The absence of snow and harsh weather makes people less apt to empathize with the continual needs of the homeless," he said.

Snow clothes, toys and nonperishables are sought for COTS. For more information, call Sister Cecilia Mark at (313) 831-3777.

Likewise, the Plymouth Salvation Army is also soliciting donations. Call (313) 453-5464.

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New Brunswick, New Jersey. The activity took place on Box ing Day, a Canadian and English holiday the day after Christmas,

Willerup also spent the night.

The chorus meets in the sanc-

tuary of the First United Method-

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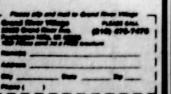
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Gathering: Richard Suetterlin of Canton met his siblings for the first time last July. They are (left to right) Margaret Saunders, Fred Young, Gladys Woods, and Richard Suetterlin.



Reunion: Richard Suetterlin displays photos of his birth mother, Ida Young. Suetterlin was adopted as an infant and waited 64 years to meet his brother and sisters.

Reunion with family makes Christmas special

BY MELISSA PREDDY

Richard Suetterlin received a Christmas present from his big brother Fred this year for the first time ever - at age 64.

The gift, a bag of peanut brittle, was delivered in person to Suetterlin's Canton house by 78year-old Fred Young. The two had never met before last summer, when Suetterlin found his longlost family in Bay City, Mich.

His mother, Ida Young, was 38, a widow with seven children, when she gave birth to him on July 19, 1930. She couldn't make ends meet on the \$18 a month she received from the government and most of the children were living with relatives or in a juvenile home. She didn't tell them of her pregnancy or the newborn baby she named John Edward. When he was 12 days old, he was given to Lottie and Oscar Suetterlin of

Detroit to raise as their own.

Re-named Richard Suetterlin, the boy's adoptive mother died in 1941 and he learned he was adopted in 1944. He'd had suspicions earlier, when neighborhood children taunted him.

Suetterlin waited 50 years to search, he said, because he didn't know the exact circumstances of his birth. Thinking Ida might have been a young unwed mother, he stayed away rather than disrupt her life.

"Put it this way - would you want your child busting in when you were happily married and no one knew you ever had a baby?" he asked.

Married in 1952, Suetterlin and his wife, Sue, kept busy raising five children. The first-born was called John Edward. "I named him after myself, you might say," Suetterlin smiles

Tragically, John Edward died

at the age of 29 in a 1983 auto accident - a sad source of irony to his father, who worked on seat belt design at Ford Motor Co. for more than 25 years. The couple's four other children, now in their 30s and 40s, have presented their parents with seven grandchildren

Retired three years ago, Suetterlin had more time to consider searching for his birth family. It wasn't a decision he took

"It's something you sit on. Some kids today think they need to rush out and find their roots right away. I didn't need any roots. I was very well established with my father and stepmother, he said.

Sue Suetterlin supported her husband's search. "I couldn't even imagine what it felt like,'

In the spring he received his

records from the Lutheran Children's Home in Bay City, where the adoption was handled.

The file includes a handwritten log that describes "Baby John" as 'a fine healthy child, mentally apparently real bright."

Later entries note that the child was placed in an "ideal home" and "in every way turning out fine." The log ends when the adoption became official in 1932.

The file also identified Suetter lin's birth parents and siblings. He and his wife drove to Bay City to hunt for Ida Young's grave, and a sympathetic cemetery director copied the Young listings in the phone book. There were two Fred Youngs listed, but it took Suetterlin awhile to get through to the right one.

'We went back and forth three times on the darn tape deck," he said. "Finally I told him what time I'd call him and that he'd better be there!'

Young was finally home, and Suetterlin identified himself. "I just knew there was another child," Young responded. He said all the children thought that there was a secret in the family.

Finally, on July 20th, 64 years and one day after his birth, Suetterlin and his wife drove directly to Young's Bay City resi-

"Fred met us at the door. "He said, 'Hello, little brother!" recalled Suetterlin. "They just took me right in.

The resemblance between the two men was striking.

Sisters Margaret, 75, and Gladys, 80, were also on hand to meet their brother. Another sibling, Marie, 76, lives in Florida. James, Floyd and Ethel Mae have all

Suetterlin planned to take the group to lunch, but Young also

wanted the privilege. They quibbled until Young jokingly told Suetterlin "pay attention to your big brother.

'So I let him pay," Suetterlin said.

The newly found family members have exchanged several visits, including one to Marie in Florida. They keep in touch with : calls and letters. "Fred calls me " every week, or I call him," said Suetterlin. "Marie calls me every two weeks from Florida.

A big family reunion is in the works for 1995.

Suetterlin was touched to receive several photos of his birth mother, dating from her old age all the way back to her turn-ofthe-century childhood.

"They just opened up their albums and gave me everything they had," he said. "Some people would clamp down and say, hey, why should we let him in.

Family ties prompt them to pursue U.S. citizenship

BY M.B. DILLON STAFF WRITER

If there's a local family tailormade for celebrating Christmas American-style and Boxing Day in the Canadian tradition, it's the Kovacheffs of Plymouth Town-

Home for the holidays were brothers Gregory, Jonathon, George and Steven, all residents of Canada who recently obtained U.S. citizenship through their dad, Stan Kovacheff.

The elder Kovacheff was born in the U.S., but lived and raised his children in Windsor before moving back in 1990. Kovacheff's first wife, the boys' mother, died in 1975, and Kovacheff moved back to the U.S. after remarrying.

Although his sons are still officially citizens and residents of Canada, "they're entitled to 'derivative' citizenship because I am an American citizen," said Kovacheff, a Plymouth Township resident. "They are, in effect, entitled to dual citizenship because they retain their Canadian citizen-

The youngest son, Steve, was the first to pursue U.S. citizenship in 1993.

"I always thought I might want to move here, or take a couple years and travel," said Steve, who is taking time off from college to start up an advertising company in Windsor. He's enrolled at the University of Western Ontario, studying economics and business.

The idea appealed to Jonathon as well. An attorney working as a consultant for Ernst & Young in Toronto, he said, "With the world becoming smaller, the more you can cross borders into integrated markets, the easier it is. It's a real benefit to be able to move be-



Father and sons: Stan Kovacheff (second from left) threw a party for his four sons (from left) Steven, Jonathon, Greg and George after the Canadian residents became

tween the two greatest trading partners in the world. It's a big asset for me.

The eldest son, Gregory, has an established dental practice in London, Ont., but also wanted to become a U.S. citizen.

"I'm pretty settled in Canada, but why not keep all your options open?" he said. "Not many people get the chance to become a citizen of two countries. You never know where a window might open, even if it's not until the time of retire-

George, enrolled in chiropractic college in New York, is grateful he'll have the choice of practicing in Canada or the U.S. after he

There wasn't much fanfare at Toronto's U.S. Consulate where citisenship was granted after the

brothers presented documents, filled out forms, paid a \$65 fee, and were sworn by an official who asked each of them to raise their right hand and take an oath from behind a pane of glass.

Stan, however, commemorated the occasion with flair at a celebration at his house Thanksgiving weekend, 1993. A banner emblazoned with American flags read, "Congratulations, Fabulous Four." Four flags decorated a red, white and blue cake, and red, white, and blue carnations graced

Among the hardships of having strong ties to the U.S., the brothers agree, is suffering among the ranks of weary Lions, Pistons and Tiger fans. "We need a therapist as a result," said Gregory.



Jurist from page 1A

gregation that included statesmen, jurists, community leaders, court personnel, longtime friends, family members and stalwarts of

Davis, 81, was elected to the community's first district judgeship in 1968 and served for 16

years before retiring in 1984. He died of cancer in Sarasota, Fla., Dec. 22, leaving his wife, Martha; daughters Kay Cole of Arizona and Susanne Steffes of Livonia; and six grandchildren.

The North Carolina born Davis was eulogized by the Rev. Paul F. White and former U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, his friend and tennis partner.

A police escort comprised of seven law enforcement agencies led the funeral procession - interrupted by a train - to Riverside Cemetery. As many noted, it is a fitting place for Davis to be buried. Riverside sits in the shadow of the hall of justice that bears his name, and it's one of the

places where the physically-fit judge did his daily runs.

A Southern gentleman in the truest sense of the word, Davis was known for dispensing justice with large doses of compassion, common sense and fairness.

"If you knew Dunbar for more than five minutes, he quoted a poem, Scripture, or part of a hymn for you," said White. "The day before he died, he kept singing over and over the words to the hymn 'He Touched Me': "Shackled by a heavy burden, 'neath a load of guilt and shame, then the hand of Jesus touched me, and I am no longer the same.

"His wife, Martha, said Dunbar never lost heart," said White. "His secret wasn't who he was, but who he served. He loved life because he lived in love. He had so many friends. That's why so many of you are here. What a great world this would be if each of us made the effort to be a bit more like Dunhar

Pursell said Davis, his closest friend for 50 years, "was an example to my family of what leadership was all about. In almost a Christ-like manner, he lived a simple lifestyle and was respected by everyone who knew him.

Davis — who graduated in 1933 from Indiana's Eartham College where he played baseball and tennis, and from the University of Michigan Law School in 1936 was well-respected by his peers.

Retiring Judge James Garber, who like Davis served the 35th District Court for 16 years, practiced law before him and served on the bench with Davis for six years.

"He was the old Southern gentleman. That was his persona, and his judicial persona. I don't know that Dunbar Davis always followed the exact letter of the law; his overriding concern was to

Garber recalled discussing with Davis an arcane Supreme Court decision. "Dunbar told me, 'I always found it was better to let the Supreme Court run their court the way they want to, and for us to run this court the way we want to. They're just another group of people with the same degree we

Davis's philosophy was to "give people their day in court, and then decide the thing," said Garber.

Retired 17th District Judge John Dillon was sworn in with Davis in 1968. "I always thought he had a good courtroom demeanor. He listened well and treated everyone with respect," he said. "He knew the law, and was always prepared. He kept decorum in his courtroom; all the things I tried to do."

Court officer Walter Abick called Davis "the nicest guy in the world."

Judge-elect Ron Lowe - to be sworn in Jan. 5 as the newest 35th District judge - considered Dayis his mentor.

Davis was Lowe's Sunday school teacher, and Lowe later became Davis's court officer. "In Sunday school he taught me to trust in God, and in the courthouse, he taught me to be fair," said Lowe, whose father bought Davis's law practice after the 1968 election.

"I will miss him, but I guess I can take peace from the thought that our community's loss heaven's gain."

Davis was born and raised in Southport, N.C., and once described his youth on the shores of the Atlantic as "sort of like Mark Davis served with the Army's

military police at Fort Custer during World War II. He came to Plymouth in 1939 and started a law practice, working as an attorney for 30 years.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church or the Kiwanis Club.



A Southern gentleman:

Judge Dunbar Davis was known for his gentility and

Garber

down, he puts his foot down. Attorney Kurt Riedel appeared

before Garber the same day. "He takes a very serious situa-

tion and has an ability to make it tolerable for all of us, not only for the attorney, but for everyone who uses the court. He's able to come down from that lofty position and identify with people," Riedel said.

Garber's court reporter, Carole Goodfellow, agreed. "He would be the judge that I would want my friends and family in front of, because he is so fair," she said.

Attorney Dennis Shrewsbury dropped in to say goodbye to Garber last week. "Judge Garber always greets you by name and makes you feel welcome in the court," Shrewsbury said. "He has a wealth of experience and historical knowledge of this area. We'll miss him.

Deciding to retire

After serving three terms, Garber chose not to seek re-election last November. He said it's time for new blood in 35th Dis-

trict Court. "If I haven't used all my ideas by now, it's about time someone else had the chance," he said during a break from packing boxes and visiting with well-wishers in his chambers Tuesday. (Among them was Judge-elect Ron Lowe, whom Garber will swear in Jan.

"I've been a lawyer almost 37 years and on the bench for 16. That doesn't mean I'm not going to sit," he said.

After a vacation with his wife Marianne, Garber will hear a medical malpractice case in Wayne County Circuit Court. In April, he'll assist Oakland County Circuit Court with its drug dock-

The likelihood is I will be sitting 15-20 weeks out of the year," said Garber, who's received offers from five or six law firms since announcing his retirement.

Regrets? He's got a few

"This court is really more like an extended family than anything else," said Garber. "It was a tradition started by Dunbar Davis kept alive by (Judge) John (Mac-Donald) and me. People pretty much know what's going on in everyone's lives."

Some of Garber's friendships date back decades, such as that with Judy Richardson who joined the court 20 years ago and has worked her way up to chief clerk. 'It's the people more than anything else that I'll miss," Garber

Richardson said it's mutual. "Judge Garber is a very warm person. He brings us candy from the bulk food store and stops in to talk to us before he takes the bench. He's that nice. Those are some of the cherished moments I'm going to miss. They're hard to come by.

His fortes

Court administrator Marion Belding said Garber is "unique among judges in that he has this administrative ability to see where the court should go. He can visualize those types of goals and move toward them. I'm going to miss him because he is so open; easy to have fun with; be frank with; and still accomplish a lot."

Westland District Judge Gail McKnight has valued Garber's leadership and willingness to help newly elected judges.

"He's been our senior adviser: the person many of us go to. He's the kind of judge everyone wants to be just like," she said. "When I was first elected, I went to see him. I know I wasn't the first, and that I won't be the last. I hate to see him go.

To the hall of justice

A graduate of Detroit Central High School, Albion College and the University of Michigan Law School, Garber worked as a staff attorney for the Wayne County Road Commission, special counsel for the Wayne County Board

of Supervisors and chief trial attorney for the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. He also served as chief of the prosecutor's office criminal division and executive director of the Criminal Justice Institute. He was managing partner of the Garber, Haslick and Bramlage firm before running for judge in 1978.

Garber, husband of Marianne, father of three sons and grandfather of seven, convinced the five municipalities served by 35th District Court to build in Plymouth in 1981, rather than continue operating out of makeshift offices in Canton, Northville and Plymouth. The Dunbar Davis Hall of Justice has grown to become one of the few financially self-sufficient district courts in the state.

Bypassing Hollywood

Garber passed up a chance to become part of TV movie history after handling the Leonard Tyburski case, in which a Canton

man was accused of murdering his wife and hiding her body in his basement freezer.

We had Reuters, CNN and the National Inquirer in the courtroom," recalled Garber. "I even got calls from producers of TV movies.

"Things will go on quite well. I leave with a great deal of satisfaction that the court is in good shape. I'd like to think it's in better shape than when I got here 16 years ago, and that it will be in better shape yet 16 years from now. I'm sure John MacDonald and Ron Lowe will ensure that things go very well. The future looks extremely bright for 35th District Court.'

After the judge took his 96year-old mother, Helen, to the dentist, Marianne Garber stopped by to take her husband to lunch and help him pack. "I'm kind of happy he's retiring," she said. "I think it's time to smell the roses.

Homeless

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bench of retiring Judge Garber next week. At that time, he will be ineligible to either represent the church or preside over any hearings related to the case.

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Lowe acknowledged that there was also a legal basis for dismissal of the charges that named Miles as defendant. "But we asked them to file against the church when the tickets were issued." he said.

The issue was first raised around Christmas three years ago, when the church sought township permission for a similar visit by homeless people.

Township officials rejected the request, and then-Supervisor Gerald Law said that once the church asked for permission, the township government had to follow its ordinances.

Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy has said the issue is not rejecting homeless people but maintaining a safe environment in buildings.

The township government

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maintains that the church is not approved as a dwelling for people to live in. Lowe has rejected that argument, saying youth groups are routinely allowed to have sleepovers at various township

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SC building, power plays, GOP win mark 1994 news

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW

Among the big events in 1994 were an unsuccessful attempt by the county executive to take over environmental regulation in Wayne County, completion of Schoolcraft College's \$7.8 million student services center and the November elections, which put three Republicans on the county board for the first time ever.

January

Veteran U.S. Rep. William Ford surprised many people by announcing his retirement. The 30-year congressman stepped down at the end of 1994.

Among the candidates to replace Ford was then-Wayne County commissioner Bryan Amann, who announced his candidacy on Feb. 10 and was considered a heavy favorite to win. But Amann pulled out of the race March 14, saying he wanted to spend more time with his wife and two daughters.

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North Central Association of Schools and Colleges

Schoolcraft College trustees chose Livonia resident and former Livonia Board of Education chairwoman Carol Strom to fill a board vacancy. Strom will be up for election in June.

The managers of the SMART bus line solicited the suggestions of employers as to how bus routes might be changed to accommodate workers who don't own their own vehicles.

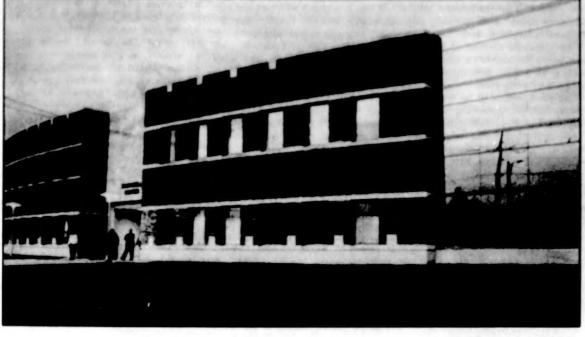
March

The Wayne County Commission voted to require county government employees to live in Wayne County (Commissioners Amann, Thaddeus McCotter and Michelle Plawecki opposed the rule while Kay Beard favored it.) At the time only 439 individuals out of 5,137 employees lived in other counties.

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara continued a bid to take over much of the regulatory functions of the state Department of Natural Resources, but the enabling legislation he needed was bottled up in Lansing.

May

The county government unveiled the HealthChoice program, in which area hospitals pay



JIM JAGDFELD/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Growing college: In October, Schoolcraft College completed work on its newest building, a \$7.8 million edifice called the Richard McDowell Center, named after the current college president.

one-third of the cost of health insurance for employees of small businesses. Employers and employees are required to pay onethird each.

Madonna University's sixth annual Around the World Scholarship Dinner Auction raised approximately \$250,000 for the university's scholarship fund.

The Wayne County Commission passed an ordinance requiring McNamara to put commissioners' names on signs that he puts his own name on. (Plawecki and Beard favored the ordinance. McCotter and Amann opposed it.)

Gov. John Engler addressed graduates at Schoolcraft College despite the opposition of Schoolcraft's faculty. Teachers were upset with Engler over his handling of education-related issues.

The

The SMART bus system saved an estimated \$500,000 by consolidating four major routes with the Detroit Department of Transportation's bus service. DDOT took over sole service on the Woodward/John R route and a second route Downriver. SMART got full responsibility for routes on Michigan and Jefferson avenues.

July

Wayne County chief assistant prosecutor George Ward won a decision of the state Court of Appeals. The court backed up Ward's assertion that parolees who commit felonies must serve the remaining portion of the sentences they were paroled for before beginning their second sentence. The Department of Corrections later appealed the ruling.

The primary election on Aug. 2 revealed few surprises, as almost all incumbents running for reelection won their nominations. In the race to replace retiring Rep. William Ford, Republican John Schall and Democrat Lynn Rivers emerged victorious from their primaries.

Schoolcraft College trustees approved a four-year contract with the faculty union that gives teachers annual raises of 3.5 percent each.

The county commission ordered Ameritech to charge its customers a 4-percent fee on phone bills to pay for 911 emergency phone service. (Voting for the fee were Plawecki and Beard. McCotter voted against it.) October

Schoolcraft College completed work on its newest building, a \$7.8-million edifice called the McDowell Center, named after the college president, Richard McDowell.

Citing budget problems, McNamara and the county commission slashed \$500,000 from the county parks budget for fiscal 1995. Commissioners vowed to find additional funding for parks, but none has been turned up so far.

November

The midterm elections turned out great for Republicans nationally, but many Michigan Democrats held their seats. McNamara was re-elected to a third term. Democrat Lynn Rivers beat Republican John Schall for the honor of replacing retiring congressman Ford.

On the Republican side, Canton Township resident Bruce Patterson was elected to the county commission. With the addition of Patterson, there are now three Republicans on the 15-member board.

ember board. Later in the month the county

Winner: Democrat Lynn Rivers beat Republican John Schall for the honor of replacing retiring U.S. Rep. Bill Ford.

commission voted to replace resigning Chairman Arthur Blackwell, D-Detroit, with commissioner Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit. Solomon named Redford Township's commissioner, Michelle Plawecki, as chair of the coveted Committee on Roads,

McNamara proposed putting a casino at Metro Airport for passengers to gamble in. The idea is under study.

Airports and Public Services.

December

In his last meeting as a county

GOP gains: With the election of Canton Township resident Bruce Patterson, there are now three Republicans on the 15-member county commission.

commissioner, Bryan Amann had the rules changed so he could continue to receive health insurance after leaving the board Dec. 31. Amann, 37, threatened to sue the county if the minimum age requirement of 45 years wasn't dropped.

The U.S. Department of Justice accused Wayne County government of widespread civil rights abuse at the county youth home for juvenile offenders. Federal investigators say the home is overcrowded and the residents are poorly treated.

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Merriman Road drivers will face rerouting through mid-1995 as construction of an underpass at the CSX railroad tracks begins in January.

The long-awaited, \$9 million project will eventually mean a smoother road and uninterrupted drive on Merriman between the I 96 expressway and Plymouth Road, said Livonia Mayor Robert Bennett

We will have to put up with the dirt, the traffic congestion and inconvenience during construction, but I know that the longterm benefits of smoother truffic flow, less air pollution and a more attractive and safer road condition will make it all worthwhile," Bennett said.

During most of the construction period, existing traffic on Merriman will be carried around the project on a temporary, fourlane road. A total traffic shutdown on Merriman is tentatively scheduled for 30 days in May-June, 1995.

Once construction is completed drivers will so through an underpass, similar to the one on

Middlebelt, as they cross the railroad tracks. The underpass will eliminate delays and backups on the heavily traveled road.

The one-mile stretch of Merriman provides access to Livonia's main post office, Ameritech and other area businesses. The road will also be widened

Galindo, Livonia city engineer. The project cost includes engineering, right-of-way acquisition, relocation of utilities, bridge con-

and resurfaced, according to Raul

struction, road construction, inspection, testing and project man-

Livonia's share will be paid out of a \$12 million bond issue for road improvements approved by voters in 1989. Federal and Wayne County funds are also being used.

Bennett said the project, first announced three years ago, became more complicated largely because of right-of-way acquisition and and relocation of utili-

C.A. Hull Co. will act as the contractor under the supervision of Wayne County.

Canton hunter gets three deer

Phil Soupis of Canton got three deer this season — a doe on Nov. 16, an eight-point buck on Nov. 18 and a second doe Nov. 20. They were all taken near Menominee

Soupis, who had hunted near Cadillac the past 25 years, said he didn't get a deer the last three years. "I made up for it in one year, I was pretty happy,"

The Observer uses the names of successful deer hunters in its Buck Pole column, a regular feature of the newspaper that runs through the various deer seasons.

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OBITUARIES

MILDRED D. TRUCKS

Arrangments for Mildred D. Trucks, 89, of South Lyon, for merly of Plymouth, were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home. Burial was at United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth. She was born in Detroit and died in Providence Hospital in Southfield. She was a stenographer for many years with Ford Motor Co.

She is survived by her daugh ters, Karyl Ann Buff of Reed City,

and Erna Ruth Kienbaum of Albuquerque, N.M.; sisters, Thelma Bondville of Plymouth, Goldia Osborn of Plymouth, and Ruth Gillham of Arizona; brother, Kenneth Masak of South Lyon, five grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

JOHN F. GRUSS

Services for John F. Grubb, 76,

were Dec. 23, at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, with the Rev. Bryan D. Smith officiating. Burial was in Knollwood Memorial Park.

Grubb came to this community in 1956 from Pontiac. He was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, and died Wednesday, Dec. 21, at his residence in Plymouth Township. He was in the U.S. Army, and worked at General Motors, Hydramatic Divison in the purchas ing department, and retiring in

1976. He was a member of the Plymouth Lions Club and the Plymouth Seniors.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth V. Grubb; sons, Paul E. Grubb of Dallas, Texas, Robert K. Grubb of Hartland, Mich., and Glenn A. Grubb of Brighton, Mich.; sister, Dorothea Thum of Lake Mary. Fla.; and nine grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Community Hospice Services, 32932 Warren Road, Suite 100, Westland, Mich.

ARNIE MILLER MACFARLANE

A chapel service for Arnie Miller MacFarlane, 96, formerly of Plymouth was Tuesday, Dec. 27, with Dr. James Skimins, of the First Presbyterian Church, of Plymouth officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, in De-

He was born in Thornliebank, Scotland, and died Wednesday,

Dec. 21, at Charlestown Nursing Center, in Catonsville, Md. He was a lunch room manager for the Detroit Board of Education, retiring after 20 years. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth and Plymouth Eastern Star.

He is survived by his son, Donald R. MacFarlane of Maryland; sister, Mina Webster, and two grandchildren.

MILITARY NEWS

To submit your military announcement, send the material, printed or typewritten, to: Bridget Moran, Plymouth-Canton Observer, 744 Wing, Plymouth, Mich. 48170

E RETURNED TO GULF

John A. Brock, Navy petty officer 3rd class, son of Donald F. Brock of Canton, recently returned to the Persian Gulf aboard the air craft carrier USS George Washington in response to another crisis in Iraq. Brock is one of more than 5,000 sailors and marines assigned to the carrier and its air wing. He recently traveled from the Mediterranean Sea, through the Suez Canal and Red Sea, to the Persian Gulf. The 1990 graduate of South Sumter High School

in Bushnell, Fla., joined the Navy in July 1990.

E DEPLOYMENT

Navy Petty Officer 3rd class Larry S. Ferguson, son of Larry G. Ferguson of Plymouth, is midway through a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian oceans with the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, based in San Diego. Ferguson's ship is the lead ship of its battle group, consisting of an aircraft carrier with nine aircraft squadrons, three guided missile cruisers, a guided missile frigate, an ammunition ship, a replenishment oiler and two attack submarines. The USS Kitty Hawk Battle Group deployment not only provides a forward deployed presence in an area of stra tegic importance, but it also rein-

forces commitment to U.S. allies in the Pacific. The 1990 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School joined the Navy in June 1990.

DEPLOYMENT

Navy Fireman Stephen P. Hoffman, son of Adrian G. and Marie T. Hoffman of Canton, is midway through a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian oceans with the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk, based in San Diego. The 1987 graduate of Bishop Borgess High School of Redford joined the Navy in November

E BASIC TRAINING

Navy Seaman Recruit Scott H. Schlusler, son of Henry A. and Holly S. Schlusler of Plymouth, recently completed U.S. Navy ba-

sic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

ENLISTED

Ryan P. Gaines, a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton, the son of Less and Samuel Gaines of Canton, enlisted in the United States Army for a four-year, 17-week tour of duty in the infantry. He is scheduled to report for active duty in February 1995, and is slated to receive training at Fort Benning, Ga.

S GRADUATED

Marine 2nd Lt. Albert K. Kim. son of Jung M. and Sook H. Kim of Canton, recently graduated from The Basic School. He is a 1987 graduate of Plymouth Salem

High School. Kim is a 1993 graduate of Michigan State University, with a bachelor of science de-

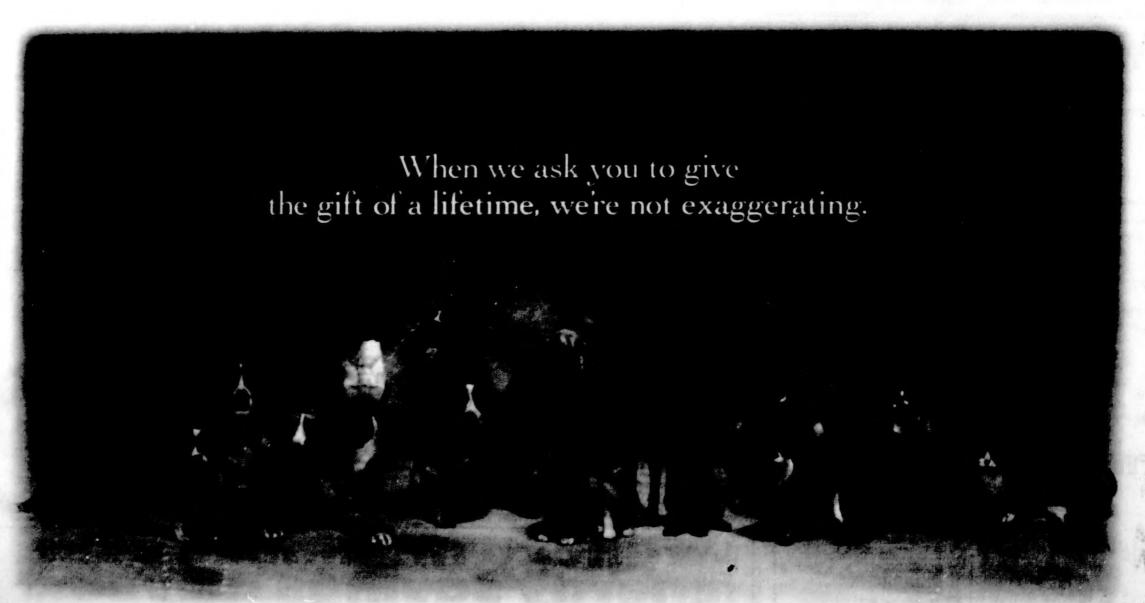
DEPLOYMENT

Marine Pfc. Joseph M. Hayes, son of Thomas D. and Kathy T. Haves of Canton, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Indian Ocean with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit while assigned to the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group. Hayes's involvement in the deployment is an example of how the Navy-Marine Corps team is designed to operate overseas and respond quickly when needed. Whether delivering humanitarian assistance, cargo, or troops from the sea, these highly-trained naval forces

provide a unique crisis-response option, which can be withdrawn quickly when no longer needed. The 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School joined the Marine Corps in February 1993.

DEPLOYMENT

Navy Lt. William C. Murphy, son of William and Ethel Murphy of Plymouth, has returned home to San Diego from a six-month deployment to the Indian and Western Pacific oceans and the Persian Gulf with the amphibious transport dock USS Cleveland. The 1977 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School joined the Navy in April 1985. Murphy is a 1981 graduate of Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., with a bachelor of science degree.



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temperatures have arrived, and although animals do not have calendars, they can anticipate the arrival of winter and a corresponding de-crease in food by

monitoring the length of day-TIMOTHY light. Shortening laylight periods forecast the approach of cold weather

Animals that are active during winter in southeast Michigan prepare by growing more and longer hair, or more feathers. A layer of fur or feathers is their first line of defense against cold temperatures. There are physiological adaptations, too, but they may not have to be used if the fur and feathers are effective.

Hair of white-tailed deer in winter is two or three times longer than their summer hair. This added length allows a thicker layer of air to be trapped underneath. Trapping the warm air produced by the body insulates the animal and minimizes the energy needed

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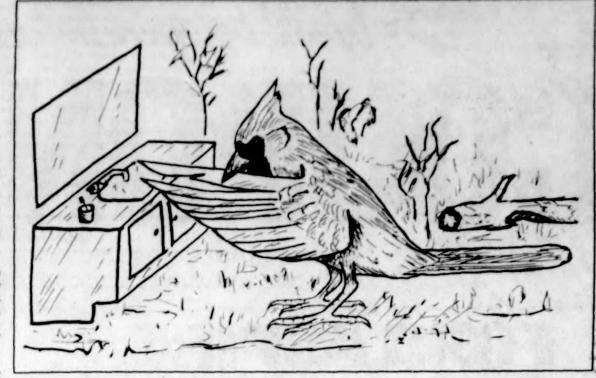
Keeping feathers in good condition so they can ward off snow, rain and cold is a full-time job. Birds spend hours preening, or grooming their feathers. They will regularly take a feather between their mandibles and stroke it from the base to the delicate tip. This procedure seals any gaps that may have developed. By

stroking the feather it "zips" the small hooks that keep the feather

Some birds will put oil on their bill first before they preen. This helps with repelling water. They get that oil from a gland at the base of their tails, on the top side.

If something should damage their feathers, they must wait for new feathers to grow. They can't go to Kmart and get a new coat. So they spend many hours maintaining their feathers when they are not eating.

Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence Oaks County Park in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia. You can leave him a message at 953-2047, Mailbox 1874.



Preening: Birds preen their feathers so that they can stay warm when temperatures drop in winter time. In this Tim Nowicki drawing, a cardinal tends to its wing next to the forest's bathroom sink.

Light shows continue in new year

Holiday light shows continue through the New Year holiday. The Wayne County LightFest

is open through Sunday. Enter Hines Drive at Merriman Road in Westland and proceed one-way to the exit at Warren Av-

enue in Dearborn Heights. A \$5 donation is requested. The annual "Christmas Light Display" is open 6-10 p.m. through Sunday, Jan. 8 at Domi-

no's Farms. Admission is \$5 per car. Among the attractions this year

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t's just two days away. I can't believe it! I just can't believe it, 1994 went by so fast.

For me it was a really, really good year. One of the best. I loved being in the "Family Room" with you every week. I've loved sharing the little things, the mostly pretty insignificant things, the we're-all-in-this-together things, the real things of real life. I've also loved the times when you've shared back. The calls (except maybe one), the letters (again, except maybe one) and the chance meetings have all inspired me and fueled me. Thanks for making the "Family Room" part of your home.

So with the old year ending and all, I thought it would be neat to see where the "Family Room" has been in 1994. And then I thought that just giving a run-of-the-mill summary list wouldn't be any fun. So I invented a contest. Actually, it's a test and a contest, and end-of-the-year final exam. If you do really well on the exam, you can win a cool prize. I'll tell you about that in a jiffy. First

The Rules

 On a piece of blank paper, print the following information: Your name. Your address.
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2. Number your paper 1 through 10. You will be taking a multiple choice test.

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Putting her mark on 'XTINCT'

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Five years after graduating from Livonia Franklin High School, Anne Marie Kanakis now knows she made the right decisions about her college education. She has a job, a husband and the opportunity to produce her own full-length film.

BY KYLE GREEN



Twenty-fouryear-old Anne Marie Kanakis refused to attend her five-year class reunion last summer. The 1988 Livonia Franklin

High School graduate thinks she had good reason.

"I figured I really had nothing to discuss," Kanakis said, a member of the 500-member graduating class who described herself as the "soccer player, theater and straight A" student type.

"My group of friends in high school were really unique people. We were all focused and had ideas planned out and we were all just really driven," she said, adding that her immediate friends are all university graduates. "We are waiting to go back to our 10th (reunion) so we can discuss all of our accomplishments."

Since June 1988, Kanakis has done a lot. She earned a bachelor of arts degree in film and television production and communications from the University of Michigan and currently works as a production assistant for Academy Award winning documentary film maker Sue Marx. In June she wed her boyfriend of four years, Mike Pacitto, and bought a home in Troy.



Nary a moment: While rehearsing goes on behind her for the film "XTINCT," producer Anne Marie Kanakis uses the brief down time to make a few phone calls.

Come the next class reunion, Kanakis will have plenty to discuss, she said. Since midsummer, she has been producing Pacitto's independent film "XTINCT," a visual attack on the Generation X films that will expose the realistic morals and attitudes of the nameless generation.

The full-length film has been on a weekend-only production schedule since the end of August and is being shot on locations throughout metropolitan Detroit, including alleys in Royal Oak, the Wayne State University campus, and a gas station near Tiger Stadium. It's scheduled be completed in the spring.

With the correct marketing and audience target, Kanakis hopes "XTINCT" will launch her and Pacitto into the film industry.

An aspiring producer since she was in high school when she worked on the Detroit-based public television program "Club Connect," Kanakis enrolled in Wayne State's Law School this past fall term simply because she thought she wanted to do so, she said.

"I was in law school for all the wrong reasons and I would not have been happy until I produced a movie, and this was right under my nose," she said.

Obvious as it might have been to her, some convincing was required

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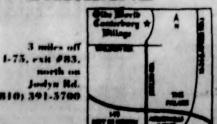
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read your col-

I'm 42 years old. I'm married with two children; a son, 17, and a daughter, 16. My husband is a firefighter. I've been a hairdresser for 20 years, and now I'm starting to change my career. I'm working in the public school with special education.

For the past three years I've taken classes for sign language and finally am able to use it with these special education

I'm also involved with the prison ministry with my church. It involves singing for the prisoners. I'm curious to see what you have to say about my handwriting.

Thank you for reading.

A very special young woman begins to move into focus in today's left-slanted handwriting. This slant was never taught in American schools. From this fact we know it is a change that she consciously made. So we must consider the reasons for doing it.

Research tells us that leftslanters have usually been raised in a strict atmosphere where much, possibly even perfection, was expected of them. When we combine this with the total picture of her handwriting, we begin to see someone who perceived some rejection as she was growing up. Outwardly she learned to con-

reserved to others. Inside, however, there is emotional activity at work, I believe.

Our writer forms friendships carefully because she has been hurt in the past. She seeks approval from her relationships to compensate for this deprivation. Once a friendship develops she can be loyal and devoted. At times, however, she may feel a little jealous of outside friendships.

Having been exposed to considerable criticism our writer is quite sensitive to criticism of a personal nature. She may even expect it when none is intended. Compliments would be music to her ears, especially from a certain male.

There is worry and some mood fluctuation in this handwriting. At times she is friendlier than at other times. This can be confusing to those who do not know what she may be experiencing.

bivalent feelings. She does not want to be held back by past roots. Often she has an inner struggle between reaching out to others and taking care of her own needs. This contradiction can cause indecision for her.

Her desire to move into the world and be helpful is confirmed in many ways (both from the letter and in her handwriting) where she reaches out with love and caring. This can also bring needed benefits by way of approval and appreciation. Someone once said, The scent always remains on the hand that gives the rose."

To her credit, she has overcome a great deal, but her ego still can use a little positive reinforcement.

Our writer has a good mind that is constantly probing for answers. She is inclined to investigate and analyze to find answers for herself. Then she decides what she

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For years Ave read you but have never taking to So finally & made mys Low to write you live o interested to see what in

can accept and what she cannot. She has been exposed to some of the finer things in life.

If you are a regular reader of my column you know of my love of humor. It can be an asset in keeping one's perspective. I am pleased to see the humor in this handwriting sample. I know it can ingratiate her to others. Readers Digest says that "Laughter is the best medicine." I agree, don't you? Here's one with both humor and wisdom. "The cat and what

you give away always come back to you.

If you would like to have your handwriting analyzed in this newspaper write to Lorene C. Green, certified graphologist at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Age, signature and handedness are all helpful. Feedback is always welcomed.

'XTINCT'

from page 9A

to convince Pacitto that the time was right. He gave in knowing his work rests in good hands, she

Her present production assistant role with Sue Marx not only "XTINCT," but granted her solid experience and references, she said.

As writer and director, Pacitto has a large responsibility next to the camers and working with the 'twentysomething" actors and crew members.

Kanakis describes her positions as a behind-the-scenes role "organizing" schedules, crew members, public relations tactics, equipment, location and food even before the cameras roll.

"It's a little like making sure all the props are there," Kanakis said with a hand gesture in midair and a wrinkled nose. "I'm sort of treading on new waters on my own, but you don't know what to do until you do it.

"What I do on the set is to make sure that everyone is there and comfortable.

During a shooting in the coupa's modest Troy home's back yed late one evening. Kanakis drive, you will get what you want. was the X-ers' Mother Teresa,

granting sincere gestures of loving care while roaming through cast and crew members, answering questions and making sugges-

During the shoot, questions of extra electrical cords and possible lighting location ideas left Kanakis scrambling for the answers, but always with a smile and a

"thank you." "My worst attribute as a director," said Pacitto, "is stroking people. I don't yell at people, but my mind is so cluttered I forget to say, 'Hey, thanks,' " said Pacitto, 24, of his wife's role.

Six years ago Kanakis dreamed of attending New York University Film School, which would have allowed her an easy avenue to the film industry, but her parents persuaded her to attend the University of Michigan, Kanakis

Today she views it as good ad-

"I do know people who attended NYU and are \$80,000 in debt and without a job," she said. "I kind of believe that if you have the persistence and you have the

"Am I too optimistic?"

Family Room

5. The deadline is Jan. 5, 1995.

6. Enter as many times as you'd like, but be sure each entry is sent in its own envelope.

The Exam

1. Cajase is a) an illegal substance which is very bad for you: b) a new dance originating in Miami; c) an acronym for Crumbs and Junk Accumulated Since Easter: or d) Cajun-style milk

2. The day Joe got his first pair of glasses he a) yanked them off his face a bunch of times and wouldn't wear them; b) developed hideous deep red grooves on either side of his head because the glasses were way too tight; c) ate maggots; or d) all of the above.

3. Halloween Night '94 was a) clear and mild and a lot like a night in Hawaii; b) snowy like Alaska: c) cold and rainy like Michigan; or d) cold and rainy and without electricity and heat like Michigan 100 years ago.

4. "Blurp" and "bluck" are

I I thought that just giving a run-of-the-mill summary list wouldn't be any fun so I invented a contest. Actually, it's a test and a contest, and end-of-the-year final exam. If you do really well on the exam, you can win a cool prize.

words referring to a) the act of barfing, b) two egg-shaped characters in a children's play; c) the next door neighbor's dog and cat; or d) Mackinac Island fudge fla-

5. Karen Meier goes to rock concerts at the rate of a) once a week; b) once a month; c) once a year; or d) once a decade.

6. On July 20, 1959, a) men landed on the moon for the very first time; b) there was a beach party at Long Lake; c) a certain columnist turned 12 years old; d) all of the above; or e) none of the

Spoon wars, sugar pyramids, baptisms by pop, See-Food episodes, exploding diapers are a) hilarious elements of a really good

frat party; b) code names for various military operations; c) activities children engage in in restaurants which make parents avoid going out to dinner at all costs; or d) "Saturday Night Live" skits.

8. Karen Meier shops for lipstick and blush a) once a week; b) once a month; c) once a year; or d) once a decade.

9. Paying \$62.09 for a motel room 30 miles west of Cedar Point was a) a really good deal; b) the biggest rip-off ever in the history of mankind.

10. Anna of Green Tarp is a) a sales clerk at a camping outlet store in Birch Run; b) a distant cousin to Anne of Green Gables; c) an old friend from Grand Rapids who prevented the camp coffee and sausages from floating away into Grand Traverse Bay; or d) a character in the old "Batman" TV show.

That's it. You're all done.

The Cool Prize

Now for the information about the cool prize. If you get 100 percent, you win. I'll call you and tell you the good news. And then, here's the cool part, I'll make you the feature of an upcoming "Family Room" column. So be ready with some sort of story about your life. Remember, it can be an insignificant type of story, a we'reall-in-this-together sort of story. You know, a real story from your

In the event a bunch of you qualify for the top prize, I'll probably call all of you. And you'll get a chance to tell your story. In separate. It'll be like a talk show, in the newspaper! Move over, Oprah!

If you have a question or comment for Karen Meier, call her at 953-2047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.



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Boice-Claar

Raymond and Joyce Boice of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Frances, to Adam Jeffry Class. son of Lealie and Helen Claar of Novi, formerly of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Troy High School in Troy, N.Y., and Oakland Community College in business.

Her fiance is a graduate of North Farmington High School and Lawrence Technological University in engineering.

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A May wedding is planned in Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Plymouth.



McLaughlin-Ringer

Rose and William McLaughlin of Ypsilanti announce the engage ment of their daughter, Kimberly, to Dennis Ringer, the son of Rita McGuire of Plymouth and Douglas Ringer, also of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a senior at Eastern Michigan University and is employed at Parisian in Livo-

Her fiance is production manager at Marino Engineering in Ypsilanti.

A May 1995 wedding is planned at Cobblestone Farms in Ann Ar-



Jordan-George

William and Margaret Jordan of Trafford, Pa., announce the en gan Elizabeth, to Kenneth Alan George, the son of James and

Mary Ellen George of Plymouth. The bride-to-be earned her bachelor of arts degree from the University of Pittaburgh at Johnstown and her master of education degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She is employed by Albion College as an assistant director of campus programs and organization.

Her fiance graduated from Albion College with a bachelor's degree and is employed by Forest Hills Central High School as an English/communications instructor. He is also boy's varsity basketball head coach.

A July wedding is planned at



the Lincoln Country Club in Grand Rapida.

Send us your wedding, engagement news

Local wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements are an important part of the Community Life section of the Observer.

Residents of Livonia, Redford, Garden City and Westland should send their wedding, engagement or anniversary information, along with a photograph, to The Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Residents of the Plymouth area and Canton Township should send information

to The Observer, 744 Wing St., Plymouth 48170.

Preprinted forms that outline the information needed for your wedding or anniversary announcement are available at either office.

For more information, call Sue Mason in Livonia at (313) 953-2131, or Bridget Moran in Plymouth at (313) 459-2700. For a recorded message with complete information on submitting announcements, call (313) 953-2065.

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Resolutions

A Plymouth agenda for 1995

ith the New Year less than a week away, it's time to make some resolutions for the coming year.

We have our lists for Plymouth Township and the city of Plymouth. They include items that we hope will happen in the coming year. We hope that in 1995, Plymouth Township:

- Reconsiders and provides sledding for kids. The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees earlier this month banned sledding because officials are worried that accidents could lead to lawsuits. It's time for public officials to stand up to the lawyers and provide recreation for residents. Nearby Canton Township is in the process of building a \$13 million recreation center that will include swimming pools and workout rooms. Chances are there is more potential for accidents and lawsuits at such a facility than there is at a sledding hill.
- Makes other progress on the subject of recreation. Let's hope that the playscape proposed for Plymouth Township Park is constructed in the coming year.
- Welcomes Temple Baptist Church. There would be more recreation sites available to Plymouth Township residents if the township would allow Temple Baptist to locate in the community. The township is racking up big legal fees in its fight to keep the church from locating at a 56-acre site at Ridge and North Territorial roads. It's a waste of money. The church has promised to put in play fields and jogging trails as part of the project.

Wins out on cable television. Plymouth

Township officials are right on this one. Omnicom wants to stick the township and city with a 15-year contract. Public officials want a three-year pact. That makes sense. Technology is changing at a rapid pace and residents should have access to it and not be stuck with a long contract.

And for the city of Plymouth, we hope it:

- Quickly completes the streetscape project scheduled for the downtown area. The project has been on the drawing board for several years, and suffered a setback when financing became a casualty of Proposal A. But now things are back on track, and work will start in the spring. Let's just hope the work isn't too disruptive for businesses, residents and shop-
- Gains more restaurants to boost interest in downtown Plymouth. A mid-priced family restaurant would be welcome.
- Gets musical. How about more live music to boost Plymouth's night life?
- Finds a good development at the former Farmer Jack store.
- Sees a development on Jack Wilcox's downtown property that would complement the downtown

So, when Dec. 31, 1995 rolls around, let's hope we look back and list these goals as accomplishments for the year.

Happy New Year.

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LETTERS

Different picture

our article on hiring practices within the Plymouth-Canton Schools was poorly researched and filled with gross inaccuracies. No attempt was made to discern facts which show a very different pic-

An interview team of 11, including two parents who are our PTO president and treasurer, and nine staff members, interviewed 10 candidates last summer for a teaching posi-

In an anonymous ranking process (no interview team member knowing how any other had voted), Miss O'Donnell was ranked num-

Your article did a disservice to a fine young educator who won a recommendation for hire because of her talent. It also maligned those of us who work to bring bright, talented people into the school system in a fair and equitable manner.

> Barbara Young, principal Fiegel Elementary School

Chamber thanks

ith the hustle and bustle of the holiday season it is so easy to miss the opportunity to thank the people who go out of their way to benefit others.

Scott Pengelly

coach Geoff Baker

assistant coach Dave Hamway

A very special thank-you goes out to Mary Kay Siebel of Days Gone By, who orchestrated Santa's Plymouth visit, from managing his transportation to feeding the reindeer. Mary Kay is the one who keeps everything running

This year First of America Bank and Sealant Equipment and Engineering sponsored Santa's Plymouth visit. They made sure all his expenses were covered.

On behalf of Santa and all the good boys and girls of Plymouth, we send Mary Kay Siebel of Days Gone By, First of America Bank, and Sealant Equipment and Engineering a great big thank-you.

For years to come we will be praising Randy Maycock, Plymouth city firefighter, for building such a beautiful Santa House, and thank you to Bezaire's in Old Village, who do nated his time and the beautiful decorations inside the Santa House.

Fran Toney, Plymouth Community Chamber

Drivers: Heed MADD's message

hanks to Mothers Against Drunk Driving and law-enforcement agencies throughout the state, the message, it seems, is finally getting through.

We are talking about drinking and driving. Tougher law enforcement and the Mothers Against Drunk Driving-sponsored public awareness campaigns over the last nine years are credited with helping to reduce the number of fatal accidents in Michigan during the New Year's holiday weekend.

Nine years ago MADD started its holiday awareness campaign distributing red ribbons and the slogan of "Tie One On for Safety" to promote sober, responsible driving during the holiday season.

The red ribbons tied on vehicle antennas, mirrors and doors have a special meaning beyond festive decoration: that motorists support

As another New Year approaches, we echo MADD's message and urge motorists to join the Red Ribbon force and resolve to only drive

As Bethany Goodman, executive director of MADD Michigan, points out, we've come a long way from a time when holidays were an excuse for irresponsible, intoxicated driving. But we have a long way to go. Drunken drivers are a year-round problem. Continued efforts by civic groups, law-enforcement agencies and the courts are needed in the battle to make our highways safe.

The holidays are still high-risk. If you're hosting a party, MADD offers some tips to folAs another New Year approaches, we echo MADD's message and urge motorists to join the Red Ribbon force and resolve to only drive alcoholfree.

- Before any drinking begins, make sure there is a designated driver (one who only friends have a sober ride home.
- Serve high-protein food to slow alcohol absorption
- Offer plenty of non-alcoholic beverages for guests who prefer them.
- Close the bar at least an hour before the end of the party and serve dessert and coffee instead — but remember, coffee doesn't sober; only time does.
- Call a cab or offer a free ride home for those without a designated driver.
- Don't let guests mix their own drinks. Choose a reliable "bartender" who will responsibly pace serving.
- If, in spite of your efforts, you have an impaired guest, take away the car keys.

As Goodman notes: "Goodwill is at the heart of the holiday spirit. So take the message to heart and 'tie one on for safety.' It's a message of courtesy and caring.

Celebrate in a responsible manner and resolve to "tie one on for safety."

Running help

e, the undersigned, would like to thank the following businesses for their generous contributions and support in helping Scott Pengelly, from Plymouth Salem High School, go to the National Cross Country Championship in Reno, Nev., on Dec.

Scott came in 10th out of 250 runners from all over the United States. It was a difficult course with an altitude of 4,800 feet and steep hills, but Scott handled it well. The first 25 runners were automatically named All-Ameri-

Without the generous contributions and support from Draugelis and Ashton, Community Federal Credit Union, Plymouth Office Supply, Roadside Marketplace, McDonald's of Canton, Roman Forum, Frankenmuth Fundraising, Lee's Chicken, Station 885, Hines Park Lincoln Mercury, Livonia Trophy and Screen Printing, Canton Jaycees, Dave Edwards, Larry Miller and the many people of the community of Plymouth and Canton that contributed returnable cans, bottles and money, it would not have been possible for Scott to attain this All-American status.

Thank you again for your contribution.

School help

n behalf of the IPSEP staff I would like to thank the following local merchants who so generously donated to our annual holiday party at Tanger School. Without their help, it would not have been possible to provide such a special evening for so many families with handicapped preschool children.

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Archer's agenda needs the patience of a saint

ennis Archer must envy St. Stephen of Hungary. Stephen converted the Magyar tribe to Christianity in the year 1000. As king, he had a certain advantage. He decided one day that everyone would adopt the Christian faith, snapped his fingers, and it happened.

Or so the books say. Suburbanites have a strong interest in Detroit, even though fewer and fewer of my neighbors go there any more. Nearly half of the city's revenue comes from state and federal aid, and the income tax on commuters is a big chunk of the "local" revenue. Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, is investing there. Consumers of Little Caesar's pizza are seeing the owner's profits invested in Detroit's theater

Archer, as mayor of Detroit, needs to turn around the city bureaucracy's anti-business, anti-customer attitude. I've heard war stories for many years.

district, hockey and baseball teams

Suburban industrialists who formerly were in Detroit say - off the record that the reasons for their moves were (1) the hostility of residents toward their work force and (2) the never-satisfied response of city inspection teams. A vendor of trash haulers says off the record — that Detroiters treat him like dirt.

Lawyers who practice in courts in Detroit say - off the record - they are

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treated shabbily by court personnel. Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair is asking the state Supreme Court to trim the wings of Detroit Recorders Court judges who too quickly release defendants from jail on habeas corpus

And my brother newsmen who file Freedom of Information requests with the city are treated like spies for South

Archer knows it. In the glut of jubilant celebration over Detroit's designation as an "empowerment zone," a little-noticed news item said he is appointing teams to eliminate city red tape for obtaining permits — a process that currently requires months and visits to as many as eight city departments. The job will require the qualities of a St. Stephen.

President Bill Clinton's "empowerment zone" program has three noteworthy points:

 It embodies Republican Jack Kemp's idea of "enterprise zones," where you cut taxes drastically for businesses who will invest.

■ It puts up \$100 million in old-fashioned Democratic "social programs." As a Detroit newsman put it, Archer didn't just bring home the pork, he brought "the whole hog." That money will be consumed without a trace.

It requires cooperation among the city, neighborhood groups and subur-



TIM RICHARD

ban investors putting up \$1.9 billion in job-producing enterprises.

The final point is most important. When Alexander Hamilton was designing an industrial economy 200 years ago, his first step was to woo and win the confidence of business investors. Archer is emulating Hamilton's move.

I took part in a Channel 7 program you can see at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 1, with Archer and several Detroit newspeople. Listen closely to Archer when he talks about the role of "grassroots" efforts. Listen when he praises how "the business community weighs in." Pay attention when he acknowledges the support of U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Hills. Note well the mayor's comment that "I cannot do it all by myself."

One of my favorite movie speeches comes from Marlon Brando in "Viva Zapata" in which the Mexican revolu-



Archer role model? An equestrian statue of St. Stephen keeps watch over Matthias Church in Budapest.

tionary, walking away from political power, tells his followers: "You're always looking for leaders, strong men without faults. There aren't any. They change. They desert. They die. There are no leaders but yourselves. A strong people is the only lasting strength."

Archer appears to understand that turning around Detroit's anti-business culture will be a major project that he

must lead, but which ultimately is up to the bureaucracy and the people. He has tons of admirers in the suburbs, Lansing and Washington. Now he needs to convert the home folks.

May the spirit of St. Stephen be with

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

Crystal ball shows an eventful 1995 in public schools

UESTION: With the new year upon us, what predictions do you have for education in 1995?

ANSWER: Predictions for 1995: Gov. John Engler, with the momentum he has, will come down on the Michigan Education Association as hard or harder in 1995 - defined any way you want. However, Engler will soften his language when speaking about teachers - all of whom vote, most of whom are moderates, and many of whom are (closet) conserva-

Sooner than one would expect, one of the private charter schools will be involved in a money scandal; that is, to where did the money disappear? It happens every time private entrepreneurs are seen as the light at the

end of the tunnel - the saviors of public education.

■ I predict the empowerment of various parent and citizens groups will continue to grow - that is, grow until something goes drastically wrong. Then the empowered groups will disappear and dump the issue back on the local boards of education and superintendents' desks.

 Special education issues will be revisited - such as pupil/teacher ratios because the cost is now overwhelming. Indeed, I've seen special education classes of LDs (learning disabled) of five and six children with a full-time teacher's aide, while the teacher next to the class (with 33 slow learners) is at his/her wits' end. The "C" students are getting stiffed with not having enough money available for massive vocational



DOC DOYLE

and industrial, computer-driven programs as are found in other countries. Insightful educational leaders will soon come to the realization that foreign language, started at the elementary level, should become an educational

■ The Michigan Department of Educa-

tion will revise its unrealistic MEAP standards for school accreditation. According to some educational sources, only about 10 percent of our school districts in the state will receive accreditation under the present plan.

The MEA leadership will have its share of issues:

■ Teacher strikes, for a period, will become history with the \$5,000 penalty fee per day for each day out on strike now part of the law.

■ MESSA insurance, the insurance plan of the National Education Association, could become history. It is excellent insurance but teachers will not strike for it.

■ Certain "teachers" whose function in life it is to confront administration will turn their anger toward the local MEA

leadership - those who took them to the professional financial and contractual level they now enjoy. These teachers have short memories. It's the "What have you done for me lately?"

In closing, I predict that the overwhelming majority of teachers will perform competently on a daily basis, caring for our children and will contribute to the fact that public education in the United States is the finest in the world.

James "Doc" Doyle was formerly an administrator in Troy Public Schools and a teacher in the Plymouth-Canton school district. He currently serves as an education consultant. He lives in Northville Township.

School weapons law fires blank

BY BOB NEEDHAM

Now that the tumult of the election has faded and the newly enlarged Engler family is home enjoying its first Christmas season together, maybe we can all take a deep breath and rethink this guns-in-school nonsense.

We have a new state law which mandates expulsion of any student caught bringing a weapon to school. The proposal sailed through both houses of the Legislature and straight into the Michigan Compiled Laws, stopping only briefly on the governor's desk for a signature. After all, hobody wants guns in school, right?

Well, of course not, though I don't see what that has to do with this law.

There's certainly no deterrent here, since any kid determined to bring a gun to school is hardly likely to see a yearlong vacation as punishment. But if the kid brings in the gun, he gets expelled, and that at least removes one problem, making that school that much safer. Yes?

No. There's nothing to stop that same kid from coming back to school with a weapon. Name me one school in your neighborhood, or anywhere in the state, where it would be hard for a kid of the appropriate age to enter the school grounds or the building itself without being noticed. If that kid - expelled or not really wants to get a gun into that school, he'll do it. And it will be, if you'll excuse the expression, child's play.

The few times this issue was debated during the campaign, supporters uniformly accused opponents of being more concerned about the rights of the punks (to stay in school) than the rights of the rest of the kids (to learn in a weapons-free atmosphere). What they either didn't understand or chose to ignore was that opposition to this law has nothing whatsoever to do with the "rights" of the punks.

You break a law, you give up some rights; we all understand that. Being concerned about the punk's future has nothing to do with his right to in education; it's about considering what he's likely to do once he's no longer in school.

Think about it. The type of kid who carries a nes around is probably a kid lacking parental m and a stable home. He's the type of id who is likely to commit a crime. Kicking it of school frees up a whole lot of time for t kid to spend vandalizing, robbing, expering with drugs, and worse. And all the he's getting better and better at his new — the curser which his expulsion gives

■ The type of kid who carries a gun around is probably a kid lacking parental supervision and a who is likely to commit a crime. Kicking him out of school frees up a whole lot of time for that kid to spend vandalizing, robbing, experimenting with drugs, and worse.

him little choice but to pursue.

Of course, the new law doesn't prohibit local districts from setting up alternative programs to handle the problem students. But neither does it require such programs. And anyway, who would pay for these things? The local districts, which now have little or no control over their own finances? Or the state, which is already taxing us to the constitutional limit while budget pressures mount on all sides?

There's more. What about the kid who simply doesn't think? As long as a student found carrying a weapon realizes it's dangerous, he's out. Think about the kindergartner who finds Daddy's unloaded pistol in a drawer and brings it in for show and tell. Does she deserve expulsion? What about the Boy Scout who leaves his fishing knife in his book bag? Does he?

Don't tell me that those are extreme cases in which common sense would prevail. This law has no room for common sense. Which brings us to the final major problem with it: It removes almost all local control in these matters.

No longer can the school board decide whether a certain case warrants expulsion. The local district - certainly a better judge of a child's character and a given situation than is the Legislature - is no longer a factor.

I see this law as creating a situation where dangerous future criminals get put on the fast track in their careers, where innocent kids get thrown out of school for no good reason, and where the number of weapons in schools remains level at best. This cannot be what the governor - or anyone in Michigan - wants for young Hannah, Margaret and Madeleine. It ought to change.

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Holiday season of sharing, caring

At Greenmead: Pauline Schweiger (left) and Peggy Still decorate the yule tree after adding greenery throughout Greenmead Historical Village, Eight Mile at Newburgh, to prepare the village for public tours during the holiday period. The village was open on three Sundays in December with special musical attractions. The last Christmas tour was held yesterday (Dec. 28)





Helping hand: Mayor Robert Thomas was one of many municipal employees and officials who helped the Salvation Army's Christmas campaign by serving as a bell-ringer at Westland Center. Money raised will be used to provide holiday food and items for needy families.



Teens at work: John Apple (from left) of Farmington Hills, Nora Hardin of Westland, Tim O'Keefe of Canton and Lisa Turner of Livonia work on flower arrangements for the holiday for residents of the Angela Hospice Home Care Center in Livonia. The activity was part of a new teen volunteer program involving Angela Hospice Home Care of Livonia and Community Hospice Services of Westland.



Yule concert: The Burger Center Choir, made up of singers at the Garden City school for autistic students, enjoyed a visit from Santa Claus after singing traditional Christmas music recently at Westland Center. Other stops on their tour during the holiday season included Wonderland Center and the Northwest Airlines terminal at Metro Airport.



Display: Students in the Plymouth Canton schools got a preview of what's to come when J.R. Lorentz, a carver, visited the schools before the holiday break.

Plymouth's getting ready for ice show

The 13th Annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular will take place Jan. 11-16 in downtown Plymouth.

Hundreds of thousands of pounds of ice will be transformed into dazzling displays by culinary artists who specialize in this rare and magical art form. Some of America's finest professional and student ice artisans as well as competitors from all over the world will create one-of-a-kind displays throughout the town square area of this quaint Western Wayne County community.

One of the highlights of this year's event will again be the team competitions. At 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, Plymouth will host a two-person professional team competition. Each team will receive 10 blocks of ice and will carve for 20 continuous hours, judging will take place at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14.

The college and high school team competitions will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, in Kellogg Park. Each of these teams will receive three blocks of ice and will have five hours to carve their work of art.

Other competitions this year place at 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 16.

include the college and high school individual student competition from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, and the nonprofessional individual competition from 9 a.m. to noon, and 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15. All carvers will compete for thousands of dollars in money and prizes.

Also showcased during this year's event will be a spectacular light show that will turn the ice sculptures and downtown Plymouth into a winter wonderland.

"Fantasyland," a themed ice display, will be highlighted in the Gathering. This week long display will incorporate theatrical lighting that will amaze, amuse and appeal to kids of all ages.

Cooking demonstrations will be held at Sideways on Forest Avenue and gingerbread houses, cake decorating contests and displays will be hosted by Westchester

A middle school art student ice sculpture contest will be held in conjunction with the festival, with the winning designs being carved by a professional carver. An award presentation will take



Pride: Winners of the middle school ice carving design contest pose with their awards in front of the Kellogg Park fountain. They are (from left) Ashley Bowsman, Tim Bruce, Jeremy Borsos and Carrie Dzialo.

NEW VOICES

JAMES YOUNGQUIST of Pontiac and KIMBERLY YOUNGQUIST ans birth of KITRINA LEE Oct. 13. She has a sister, Kirsten, 5, and a brother, Jarrett, 3. Her mother is a captain in the U.S. Air Force, stationed at Charles stationed at Charleston Air Force Base, S.C. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roger Dean of Livonia. Great-grandmother is June Hicks

KEN and LORI BESSINGER

Mich. Great-grandparents are Rev. and Mrs. Nelson Kennedy of Sterling, Mich.

ROBB and **POLLY** LaCHAP-PELLE of St. Paul, Minn., announce the birth of CURTIS JUDD Oct. 24. Grandparents are Ed and Ruth Judd of Plymouth and Gene and Mary Lou LeChappelle of Marquette, Mich.

SHARON WILLIAMS of Livenia samounces the arrival of ALEXANDRA TREASE JUDE lept. 13. She was born June 29 in leatomale. She has a sister Kait-ra, 314, also born in Gustomale.

and JACKIE

birth of KEVIN MICHAEL JR. Nov. 16, at St. Joseph Mercy Hos-pital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Julian and Judy Phelps in Livonia and Dennis and Ann D'Arcy in Livonia. Great-grand-parente are Evelyn Renaud in Livonia, Callie Pheips in Westland and Mary Ports of Tennes-

STEVEN and MARIE BARNES of Plymouth announce the birth of ALEXANDER HILLP Nov. 4 at St. Joses lercy Hespital in Ann Arbor.

GARY and CHERYL ZUZO

Perelli of Dearborn Heights. Great-grandmother Elena Perelli of Dearborn.

NABIL and CHERI ANN RAHAL announce the birth of SARAH NOEL Nov. 22 at Botaford General Hospital in Farmington Hills.

KEN and DIANE HARRI-SON of Plymouth announce the birth of RACHEL MARIE at birth of MACHIEL MARIE at Catherine McCauley Health Cen-ter in Ann Arbor. She has two brothers, Chris, 5, and Brett, 3. Grandparents are Ruth Smith of Saline and Mr. and Mrs. David Bays and Mr. and Mrs. Rose Har-rison, all of Bettle Creek.

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nounce the birth of BRETT DANIEL CORNELIUS Nov. 16 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He has a brother, David, and a sister, Christen. Grandperents are Mr. and Mrs. W. Niemczyk of Garden City and Jane Stringer of Farmington.

DAVID and MICHELLE HOULE of Plymouth announce the birth of DAVID EUGENE JR. Oct. 10 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

FRANK POWERS and MARY FRIES POWERS of Pinckney announce the birth of CHRISTOPHER THOMAS Nov. 12 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Tom and Rose Fries of Red-

VINCENT and JAHNA KOTCHER of Canton announce the birth of CHRISTOPHER JAMES Nov. 2 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

RON and TETRAULT of Garden City announce the birth of CAMERON LEE Nov. 16 at Annepolis Hospital in Wayne. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leo Tetrault of Naples, Fla., and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dryden of Livonia.

DONALD and DARLENE WILK of Redford announce the births of ALEXA KRISTINE and DANIEL JOSEPH Oct. 25 at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Grandparents are Joseph and Zenia Kosh of Beverly Hills, Pla., and Anne Wilk of Rast-

Let's go to the Movies

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1994

ON THE MARQUEE



KEELY WYGONIK

Sing out this year, let your voice be heard

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a happy holiday. Let's Go!

Let your voice be heard this year, join a community chorus. The Livonia Civic Chorus, which is celebrating its 30th season this year, will be holding auditions 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10 and 17 at Frost Middle School on Stark Road, north of the Jeffries Expressway.

They're especially in need of altos, tenors and basses. The chorus, sponsored by the Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation and directed by Jim Whitten, draws members from Livonia, and surrounding communities. For information, call (313) 421-0527.

■ Schoolcraft Community Choir, also celebrating it's 30th season this year, is holding auditions for new members 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road (west of Inkster Road) in Livonia. Director Donald Stromberg invites experienced singers of all voice parts to audition. To schedule an appointment, or for more information, call choir president, Shari Clason (810) 349-8175 or Schoolcraft's Continuing Education Services department, (313) 462-4448.

Rehearsals for the ninth season of the Plymouth Oratorio Society begin 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 9 at St. John Nuemann Church, 44800 Warren Road, between Sheldon and Canton Center roads in Canton. The selected works to be performed on May 7, 1995 are "Gloria" by F. Poulec and "Requiem," by G. Faure. No auditions required, members must pay for their music scores or supply their own. For information, call (313) 761-2991

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WILLIAM HANSEN

Filming: Filmmaker Mike Pacitto and his wife Anne Marie Kanakis work a scene from "XTINCT."

BY KYLE GREEN SPECIAL WRITER

No artillery shells have been launched, but there's a revolution going on in the movie industry. Small budget movies with no named stars or solid plots are grossing as much as glossy no topic, bright stared productions in

mass release. Independent movie productions are nothing new in the industry except now there are more of them. "Clerks," a loose fitting comedy, which focused on life in a convenience-food store, has drawn almost \$1 million at the box office. It was filmed on a \$27,600 budget.

Like "Clerks" which draws its cast from Generation X — people born from 1965 to 1975, many independent productions tackle ap-

athy and laziness.
"I hate when people say that 'Generation X' is not a label," said 24-year-old Mike Pacitto of Troy, who hopes to declare his own revolt with his independent film "XTINCT."

"Generation X like to act rebellious, but they didn't have to

fight or know what it is like to go through war," said Pacitto. "They don't know how to fight because there is no true role model to fight for. We're not all unmotivated, Nine Inch Nails lis-

Pacitto hopes to expose the plights of Generation X in his

Armed with a solid script he wrote, his main character Thunderbird, is a mid-20 something businessman who becomes tangled up with a crowd that tries to exploit him.

In the movie, characters reveal Generation X traits - lack of authority, and a bleak view of life. Pacitto hopes audiences will

identify with, and use the film as a self-awareness tactic.

"I wanted a beginning and an ending to the scenes, a conflict and a resolution," he said. "With the "Crow" it was as if the audience was a baby and the "Crow" just fed you with (open plot). It was so redundant and the script was predictable. That movie was

shot so many times in the 1970s." A 1992 University of Michigan graduate with a bachelor's degree in English and communications, Pacitto works at the Ford Motor Company plant in Utica. He works on his production every spare moment he has, planning and plotting movie details.

Even with his wife Anne Marie Kanakis, who grew up in Livonia producing, Pacitto said he has little time to do much of anything.

Scenes have been shot throughout metro Detroit every weekend since August. Locations have including alleys in Royal Oak, the basement of an East

See REVOLT, 2B

Personal stakes high in gamble to make movies

BY KYLE GREEN SPECIAL WRITER

Many aspiring independent filmmakers and silver screen stars hope sweat, hard work, lack of sleep, large financial loans and maxed out credit cards will pave their "Yellow Brick Road" to Hollywood

Assuming both the assistant producer and a staring role in "The Incorporated," an action/adventure drama, has not only widened Livonia native Stave Gibbons' understanding of the movie industry, but inspired him to continue to perform

"It's interesting to see it from both sides of the camera. I hear the actor's end, then the next day I hear it all from behind the lens," said Gibbons, 23, a 1989 Stephens High School graduate.

Gibbens plays Sean Feez in the production. Behind the scenes he is responsible for public relations and other production roles. After production is completed he intends to move to New York City.

m going to walk away with something," he
"If this movie does well I will walk away
hat of mency. If not I will simply walk



Steve Olbbone



Freeling, an over-focused inventor on the brink of a revolutionary energy source when his bene-factor pulls its financial support.

"I'm normally casted as the bad guy," said Reneaud, 33. "See, I work construction and I do roofing and my arms and shoulders are larger them a normal lead character's. I guess everyone thinks a small guy can only play leads. The people who have used me (in this production) have gone out of their way to use me."

Renessed is grateful to have his role which he hopes will apark further feature rejes, but he foresses balancing acting and construction over



in the act: John Reneaud (left) is Alan Freeling and Jeff Boerger (Robert) in "The Incorporated," an action/adventure drama.

Revolt

Point ber and Picatto's backyard in Troy.

With a cast and crew of up to 50 people, a majority of which are in their mid 20s, Picatto's inspiration only takes life once the cast is put into motion.

The stereotypical traits of Generation X are easy to visualize, but at times difficult to exploit, according to Mike Passion, 24. As Bobby he is the film's main protagonist. He has the aspiring ambition to do nothing.

Passion views his character as a true generational reflection.

The one thing I like about this guy is that he has no moral structure, and he can do as he pleases," said Passion, who has no acting nor theatrical training. "He just walks through life with no care of attitude. This shows no respect for no rules of life .

there are boundries that you need to have in life, but so many young punks I see walking around today have no respect for such things.

Movie production is much harder than many might perceive, according to 26-year-old Ron Wick who maintains that volunteering his time is just the dues he has to pay.

This is not as easy as it

looks," Wick said, A.K.A. Thunderbird, the successful young businessman. "A lot of it is sitting around, then before shooting it's rehearsing your lines. Once you shoot, you may have to do it more than once. It is not as easy as people think it is."

Wick, a 1992 Oakland University graduate, has modeling and stage experience. He was an extra in the movie "The Renaissance Man." But his scene, which was shot at Tiger Stadium, was cut from the film.

Long hours and hard work are the only way to get experience, said to Adam Leichtam of West Bloomfield.

"Learning stuff in the field is a lot different then learning is in a classroom or from a book apposed to doing it for yourself with the long hours," said Leichtman, 22, a recent Wayne State University graduate with a bachelor's degree in film and performing art who hopes to find a notch in movie production.

Two years ago he acquired a production assistant position on the Washington D.C. crew of the comedy film "Dave," but this time around he hopes his up to 200-hours of volunteer work on "XTINCT" will make him more marketable.

The two productions are quite similar, but with some minor alterations, he said.

"It is a big money and time restriction with the big productions, but with the lower production we are having fun and it's a bit more easy going," he said. "It is as stressful because you want to produce a quality production. On a big production if something goes wrong, everyone is in trouble, but if something goes wrong we just all laugh."

Laughing is shared, but held to a minimum. Little time is wasted. Pacitto tries to uphold the old idea that time is money. Because, after all, money is the key to his and all independent movie productions.

With maxed out credit cards and a near empty bank account, Pacitto estimates his production, which he hopes to release this spring, will cost up to \$25,000.

To anyone who makes movies as a living, what we are spending is what they would spend to feed a hairdresser for a day," he said.

By recruiting volunteers, asking for food donations and production items, and using inex-



Setting the scene: Director Mike Pacitto (back to camera) gives some final tips to actors (left to right) Ron Wicks, Mike Passion and James Smith.

pensive film, Pacitto is able to hold down costs.

"I am pretty confident that 'X'

will make it some way regardless if it is a cult release or not. It is a sure bet that I will get my money

back if not with currency, but some how I will get repaid," he N

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from page 1B

 Add Plymouth Community Chorus to your list of outstanding community theater and music groups. I accidentally left them out of my Dec. 22 column, which discussed the abundance of local talent in our communities.

The 145-member Plymouth Community Chorus received standing ovations at their Dec. 1, 2, 3 and 4 concerts. They are now busy rehearsing for their spring concert to be presented April 29 and 30. The chorus has been invited to sing at the National Cathedral and Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. in June.

Stay tuned to Let's Go! for more information about the Plymouth Community Chorus, and other local theater and music groups.

■ Take a stroll down memory lane at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. There's still time to see the dazzling Christmas tree at Henry Ford Museum. During the winter season, Jan. 2 to March 14, a single ticket is good for admission to both the

museum and Village. The buildings are closed in the Village, but visitors can still enjoy picturesque walks and narrated carriage rides or sleigh rides (weather permitting).

The Village's newest restaurant, A Taste of History, will remain open for lunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 12 to March 11. Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village is at Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road in Dearborn, just west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Ave. Admission is \$11.50 adults, senior citizens, 62 and over, \$10.50; youth ages 5-12, \$5.75. For information, call (313) 271-1976.

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Movies

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Ten years from now "The In-■ The production has corporated" writer and producer Kenneth Guertin and co-producer David Baker hope to be working in Hollywood. For now they are just pleased they were able to find

We went from the lowest level of filmmaking you can go (but now) we are blowing up mobile homes, we have helicopter shots, we have car crashes. This stuff is cool," Baker, 27, said, who is currently on leave from a FOX affiliate in Cadillac where he won an Emmy Award for his work as a script writer.

a financial backer, Baker said.

The production has caught the attention of Detroiter Robin Browne who is acting as director of photography and has the "Sec-

caught the attention of Detroiter Robin Browne.

tret Garden," "Ghandi" and "Gorillas in the Mist" to his credit.

Baker estimated that the production will cost over \$37,000. He has invested \$15,000 of his own money into the production which is predicted to end shooting in early spring, but he is confident about the film's future.

"Not only am I spending my own money, but I believe this will make money so this is an investment in my future," he said.

Entertaining Choices

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Theater

MICY CHEWN

"The Music Man," opens 8 p.m. Satur-day, Jan. 7 at the Jewish Community Cen-ter in West Bloomfield and runs week-ends to Jan. 29.

MLE PLAYERS

Vigel Coward's "Til Leave it To You," 8 p.st. Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 6 to Jan. 21 at Upstage, 21728 Grand River, H of Jahren Tickets SR with die course for seriors, students and groups. (3)37 532-4010

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repecting Carol," a holiday comedy that a small Midwest theater company and to get through its annual production "A Ohristmas Carol," continues 1/3) 875-8284 THE I Did Last Summer," by A.R. Gur-

opens 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27 at the open's born, 32332 W. 12 MMe, Farm-

Auditions

PLAYER'S GUILD OF DEARGORN Youth Theatre auditions for "Cinderella

5-7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3 at the play-house, 21730 Madison, near Outer Drive and Monroe. Ages 8 to 18, come pre-pared to sing and dance, bring sheet mu-sic or tape. Call Usa Andres. (313) 427-1775

Youth ages eight to 19 for "Aladdin" 7 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 17-18. Auditioners will be required to read a one-minute monologue or poem and song. Call Community House for appoint-

(810) 644-5832

'Rip Van Winkle" 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, Player's Club, 3321 E. Jefferson, Detroit. All auditioners ages 8 to 18 should be prepared to sing. Readings 1-(800)-824-8314

PREST THEATRE CHELD

uditions for "Namia," a musical version f "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardof "The Lon, the Witch and the Ward-robe," story by C.S. Lewis, 2 p.m. Sun-day, Jan. 8 in Knox Auditorium, First Pres-byterian Church, 1669 W. Maple, Bir-mingham. Actors, singers, dancers, musicians and back stage helpers are needed. Anyone interested in either being cast or helping out is invited to come and

hear more information. At 3 p.m. those will be asked to stay, read lines, and per-form a short song. A second audition will be held 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 9 in room 229 of the chruch. (810) 644-2040

Children

CRAHBROOK ART MUSEUM Story-teller Judy Sima spins tales of dra-gons, clowns, animals and more, 2, 3 and 4 p.m. Dec. 29-30 at the Cranbrook Art Museum, 1221 N. Woodward, between Lone Pine and Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills.

(810) 645-3312

AMBERSON CENTER THEATRE Hansel and Gretel" continues through Dec. 31 at the theater inside Henry Ford (313) 271-1620, Ext. 405

MARQUES THEATHE

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tures continues through Jan. 6. Open: Daily 5-8 p.m. Admission: \$3 adults, \$1.50 for children. Children under two free, parking is free. (810) 398-0900. Tickets available at the door or through Ticketmaster (810) 645-6666.

■ The 1994 theme of the Domino's Farms display is "Christmas Lights Up the World," and the display offers a decidedly international flavor.

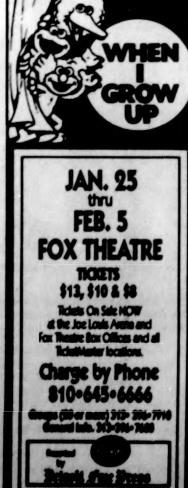
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Smoke-free restaurant guide is larger this year

BY BRIAN LYSAGHT

Nearly 1,200 Michigan restaurants have decided that smoking and dining are like oil and vinegar they don't mix.

From Calumet's Copper Kettle Family Restaurant to Southfield's Downstairs Deli, many eateries that ban cigarettes are listed in a new edition of the "Guide to Smoke-Free Restaurants," published by Tobacco-Free Michigan Action Coalition, an umbrella group of anti-smoking, organizations. The guide was organized and subsidized by the Michigan Department of Public Health.

Copies of the guide are available by calling (800) 537-5666.

Coalition and state health de partment officials said they made their best effort to compile a complete list in this second edition. The Michigan Restaurant Association said the list is not complete.

There are no Livonia restaurants listed, and in restaurantrich Royal Oak, the 13 listings are heavy on the fast food (two McDonald's) and light on the more substantive places.

Actually, that's the case in most towns, according to the guide. The Golden Arches, Burger King, Arby's, Wendy's and Subway are well-represented in the

Larry Fischer, a co-chair of the tobacco-free coalition, said he was somewhat disappointed that more fine-dining establishments are not on the list.

"The fast food places are important because they set standards and there are so many of them and so many people frequent them," said Fischer, who is director of Michigan State University's Institute of Environmental Toxicology.

He said that he got involved in the organization because he recognizes the risks posed by cigarette smoke. He said those dangers are especially borne by restaurant workers.

The federal Department of Health and Human Services said

'Fresh air' restaurants

Here's an alphabetical list by city of local smoke-free restaurants:

Canton - Chuck E. Cheese, 42001 Ford (313) 981-0333; Subway, 40341 Michigan (313) 728-8361; Subway, 43687 Ford (313) 981-7300; Wendy's, 41465 Ford (313) 981-0183

■ Farmington Hills — Marvin's Marvelous Museum 31005 Orchard Lake (810) 626-5020; McDonald's 24020 Orchard Lake (810) 477-2011; Silverman's, 27701 Orchard Lake

that secondhand smoke kills 3,000 nonsmokers from lung cancer each year and causes respiratory discomfort in many other

nonsmokers. The Old Woodward Grill in Birmingham is unusual among the restaurants in the guide because it is both a full-service restaurant and a bar. The owners

(810) 553-7007; Silverman's Cafe, 30894 Orchard Lake (810) 626-6029; Taco Bell, 29925 Orchard Lake (810) 626-2118

■ Plymouth — Arby's, 575 Ann Arbor (313) 459-6765; Sweet Afton Tea Room, 985 N. Mill (313) 454-0777; Wendy's, 655 Ann Arbor Road (313) 455-1616.

■ Redford — Arby's, 14555 Telegraph Road, (313) 538-

■ Westland — Arby's, 8068 N. Wayne Road, (313) 421-5230.

wanted the policy when they the Old Woodward nearly four years ago, said general manager Sai Aluzzo.

"I think most people appreciate it, especially a lot of younger professional women." said Aluzzo. The love it because they don't go home smelling like smoke."

"Let's face it, if you're in most

bars for a certain amount of time. you clothes, your hair is going to smell like smoke."

Michael Cregar, owner of Cafe Express in Rochester Hills, said his cafe has banned smoking for several years and that it doesn't cause problems for his clientele, mostly white-collar workers over 30 who work in a nearby industrial office area.

"I think more and more of those people are not smoking," said Cregar, who decided to continue the policy started by previous owners.

"We changed a lot of things, but that's not one of the things we're going to change," Cregar

At the Sweet Afton Tea Room in Plymouth, there is a similar policy. Phyllis Ikegami, an owner, said the ban makes sense for a small restaurant - there are 32

"We're a small facility and we just feel that people can go with-out smoking for a while," Ikegami

Several fast food restaurants implement smoke-free policies in recent months, including McDonald's, Taco Bell and Arby's, the coalition said. Rob Gifford, executive director

of the 3,000-member Michigan Restaurant Association, said his organization has complained to the state health department di-rector because the directory is incomplete and, in effect, is using public money to promote certain restaurants.

He said fast-food restaurants are more able to go smoke free because customers are in and out faster.

"The longer you are in a place, the more likely you are to want to have a cigarette," Gifford said. Some restaurants think they can establish a niche for themselves by banning smoking. A lot of restaurants don't want to do it because they think they would be losing customers.'

Restaurants who want to be listed in the next guide can caff (517) 335-8376.



Restaurant Specials

Send items to be considered for publication to: Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax (313)591-7279.

Festive events

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The restaurant at 30175 W. 10 Mile, Farmington Hills, is celebrating New Year's Eve with a limited menu, seatings at 4:30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Party begins 9:30 p.m. with disc jockey, dancing in garden room, 6-course dinner, champagne, party favors, cost \$65 per person, reserved seating, depositions. it required. (810) 474-3033

HORMAN'S ETON STREET STATION Special New Year's Eve menu includes appetizers, entrees such as fliet mignon,

stuffed jumbo shrimp and whitefish. Mel Rancher performs at the piano 5:30-8:30 p.m. followed by dancing with music by David Myles and the Myles-tones. (810) 647-7774.

MACHUS RED FOX

Special menu, accompanied by noise makers, party hats and midnight toast. The restaurant is at 6676 Telegraph, at Maple in Birmingham. Hours on New Year's Eve will be 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. Call for

MOREL'S - A MICHIGAN BISTRO

Romantic New Year's Eve on the menu at the restaurant, 30100 Telegraph, Bing-ham Farms. Five course, prix fixe menu followed by festivities. Elizabeth & Taylor

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will supply music, and Moreis' the party favors and champagne toast at midnight. Cost is \$55 per person. (810) 642-1094

Five course, prix fixe menu, followed by

party favors, midnight toast. Cost \$44 per person.(810) 649-6625

TRATTORIA BRUSCHETTA After dinner, at the restaurant inside the Hotel Baronette, Novi, music for dancing will be provided by "Sterling" in the hotel's ballroom. Midnight champagne toast and party favors included in the \$55 per person price. Optional overnight stay package can be arranged. (810) 305-5210

Banquet Style dinner, live entertainment, strolling musicians from Moscow, party favors, cost \$95 per person. Advance tickets on sale nov

The restaurant at 26053 Town Center Drive, Novi, is offering gift certificates.

Year's dinner-movie package. Call for de-(810) 380-8460

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New Year's Eve celebration begins 6:30 p.m., Mel Ball and Colours, performs. Cost \$349 per couple, includes champagne toast, party favors, keepsake photo, overnight accommodation. Cocktail attire or black tie optional. World's Smallets. New Year's Eve party for children ages 5 10, \$30 per child. New Year's Day buffet, live entertainment, assortment of fruits cheese, caviar, seafood, pastries, en-trees, \$30 per person, children ages 6-10. \$15. (313) 441-2100.

OPUS ONE Three dinner seatings on Saturday, Dec. 31, beginning at 5 p.m. The third at 9:30 or 10 p.m. is \$75 per person and includes a four-course dinner, ordered off the menu, plus dancing to the Mutual Admira(313) 961-7766

BOTSFORD HIN Jack Brokensha Quartet, 8 p.m. Thursdays, at the inn, 28000 Grand River, north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills. Admission \$5 per person with a two drink

Jazz Duo, Marvin Kahn on alto clarinet and Keith Vreeland, piano, Thursday nights at Le Metro, 29855 Northwestern,

(810) 353-2757

COUNTRY EPICURE Wilbert Peagler, piano and Bob Barnes Sax, 6:30-10:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. Wilbert Peagler jazz Quartet featuring vocalist Renee Jackson, Fridays and Saturdays. The restaurant is at 42050 Grand River, Novi. (810) 349-7770 College restaurants

OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Ridgewood Cafe in J-305 of Tirrell Hall.
Oakland Community College, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Student-run restaurant is open for lunch 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday
(810) 471-7786

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE New Gourmet International Buffet offered by the college's restaurant, American Harvest, 6-8 p.m. Thursdays, beginning Jan. 19. The cost is \$15 per person. Call

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Festive events welcome new year

Year's Eve?" - if you haven't made plans yet, here are some

Ring in 1995 with a festive and romantic New Year's Eve tradition called "Night in Old Vienna" 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. This concert features the Detroit Symphony Orchestra led by Leslie B. Dunner, performing the music of Vienna, along with internationally famous soprano, Kaaren Erick-

During the concert, professional ballroom dancers, Glenn Clarke and Cyndy Geralds, and Steven and Susan McFerran will whirl across stage to the beautiful waltzes of Vienna. After the performance, concertgoers are invited to dance on stage to the sounds of the Mack Pitt Orchestra. The New Year will be kicked off with

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"What are you doing New party favors and a champagne toast at the stroke of midnight. Tickets range from \$20 to \$38, box tickets are \$80. Call (313) 833-3700 or Ticketmaster, (810) 645-

Nancy Gurwin will present her new musical review, "They vors, and dancing to the Stopped the Show," at a very spe cial evening to welcome in the new year, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31 at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield. Tickets are \$40 per person or \$75 per couple and include dinner, show, dancing and party favors. Call (810) 352-3729 or (810) 352-2797 or Ticketmaster, (810) 645-6666 for reservations

Put another quarter in the jukebox, break out the go-go boots, mini skirts, pink fishnet stockings, and hairspray and prepare to rock the night away this Year's Eve and celebrate the

100th performance of "Beehive," the 1960s musical now playing at the Gem Theatre in Detroit.

Performance times for New Year's Eve are 7 p.m. (show only, \$26.50) and 10 p.m. - show, champagne, desserts, party fa-Beehive" band (\$49.50) Call Ticketmaster or (313) 963-9800.

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Comedians share resolutions

Everybody makes them. Everybody breaks them. It's just a fact of life during this time of year.

I'm talking of course, about

New Year's resolutions. Even for comedians, New Year's resolutions are no laughing matter. It takes mass quantities of "resolve" to stand in front of a group of people armed with only a microphone and sharp wit, and attempt to entertain

A number of performers I spoke with had resolutions related to life in the stand-up profession. Joel Zimmer of Plymouth, who recently completed a three-month national tour doing comedy on college campuses, resolved to spend less time in vans." During the tour, Zimmer extimated that he logged over 28,000 miles and spent the equivalent of 22 days inside a van.

Jim McLean of Westland resolved "to keep my phone bill under \$500 a month." Arranging

Comedy clubs offer laughs for new year

Ring in 1995 by checking out the following headliners at comedy clubs around the area.

- Chris Barnes Chaplin's West, 16890 Telegraph, Detroit, (313) 533-8866.
- Leo DuFour— Joey's Come dy Club, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia, in Stoyan's Restaurant, (313) 261-5500.

bookings across the country and

speaking with talent coordinators

can run those bills up quickly.

However, the work McLean put in

during 1994 may pay off in 1995.

He recently made a trip to Los

Angeles that included some script

reading for CBS, Warner Bros.

and Disney, and a stand-up show-

case for HBO scouts at the Ice

Lisa Goich of Warren is also

looking to take her career to the

House.

Randy Lubas - Joey's Comedy Club, 5070 Schaefer, Dearborn in Paisano's Restaurant, (313) 584-8885.

■ Kirk Noland - Miss Kitty's Comedy Club, 595 N. Lapeer Road, Oxford, (810) 628-6500.

Kenny Rogerson - Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, (810) 540-

next level. She resolved "to move

somewhere like New York or Los

Angles because it's awfully tough

Sometimes, a good rule of

thumb with New Year's resolu-

tions is to keep them simple. Tim

Lilly of Ferndale wants "to make

more money than I did in 1994."

Mark Ridley, owner of The Come-

dy Castle in Royal Oak, resolved

to "shed enough ugly body fat to

get down to my original fighting

to get discovered here.

tel, 110 Battle Alley, Holly, (810) 634-5208.

 Kirkland Teeple — Mainstreet Comedy Showcase, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, (313) 996-

■ Christopher Titus — Chaplin's East, 34244 Groesbeck, Fraser, (810) 792-1902.

weight of eight pounds, eight ounces.

Detroit's Darwin Hines had some initial difficulty with the resolution concept saying he was pretty much perfect already. After racking his brain for a moment, though, he resolved "to be sweeter than I was in 1994 - I'll brush my teeth more.

Kevin Kramis of Garden City, who did a stint with McLean as Ameritech's "Phoneheads" pro-



Jim McLeen

moting the new 810 area code earlier this year, resolved to "try not to dance too much in Styrofoan maybe I can graduate to rubber." Citing his shortness of stature, Kramis said he hoped 1995 could see him achieve two of his biggest dreams — "playing Joey Law-rence's stunt double on 'Blossom' and being able to touch my feet on the ground on my Harley!

The most creative resolutions award (if there could be such a thing) would probably go to Gary George of Redford. This guy must



Joel Zimmer

have spent some time coming up with these items: "To try not to stare at people who are blatant cross dressers. To go back to school to finish my correspondence course in laser eye surgery. To limit my use of profanity that way, I should have one helluva year.

And finally, the number one resolution, by George: "I resolve not to return calls from Kelly Le-Brock or Cindy Crawford. Just because they're available doesn't mean I am.

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women are the subject of a PBS special "Makin Rhythm" coming up in

In their "pick" of the pans, Chenille.

Shuffle is not something the Chenille Sisters do just on Channel 4. Nor does the hokey trio

poke around with just advertisements. These funky

March, a children's radio program scheduled for February on WDET, a pilot children's public television series, and a regular on Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion.

"People Magazine" compared the Chenille Sisters to the Andrews Sisters in a review of one of the group's Red House CDs "Mama, I Wanna Make Rhythm" with a sound "sublime enough to demand a more upscale fabric than

But, if their name seems to make them a cheap imitation of the famous sister's group, the comparison ends with that Chenille's just released CD "True to Life," a collection of mostly original material commenting on American life and culture sung in

Make 'First Night' of 1995 memorable

ly accessible locations throughout formances. central Birmingham 2 p.m. to mission is a \$7 button (admission

Headliners include: the Chen-

Welcome 1995 at First Night, a Shari Kane; Ursula Walker and and art lovers decided to bring in non-alcoholic festival of the arts Buddy Budson, bluegrass artist the New Year "intoxicated with for all ages in Birmingham. The Neil Woodward; Merlin the Magi- the pleasure of the arts." Since its celebration, which features over cian; two puppet troupes; and inception, the First Night arts 20 performers, takes place in easi- children's interactive theater pre- festival concept has expanded to

ille Sisters, Southern Exposure, Night originally began in Boston vance, \$18 at the door. Call (810) Mr. "B," Peter Madcat Ruth and in 1976 when a group of artists 646-4950.

over 100 North American cities.

A "Hoedown Countdown to La Casa Music Series will presmidnight, Saturday, Dec. 31. Ad- Midnight" will take place in ent a New Year's Eve Double Fea-Shain Park to "rope" in the New ture with Lynn Miles and Fred J. for children ages 3-5 is \$1; chil- Year, showcasing the foot-warm- Eaglesmith and the Flying Squirdren 2 and under are admitted ing, knee-slapping, toe-tapping rels, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31 at free). For information, call (810) country music of Southern Expo- the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 N. Woodward (at Now in its fifth year, First Lone Pine). Tickets \$15 in ad-

beautiful close three part harmo-

Undoubtable, it will be the source for many of their songs used in their "adult" shows at 4 p.m. 5 p.m. 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31 at Seaholm High School during Birmingham's

First Night Celebration. "I don't mean to make our adult shows sound X-rated. It is merely our way of differentiating them from our children's shows,' said Grace Morand, the hat wearing spokeswoman for the usually

mismatched untasteful thrift shop toting tunesters.

Another publication "Utne Reader" suggested the women may be "Michigan's best contribution to music since Motown blew out for the West Coast."

The Chenilles are not moving. The blond and two brunettes have no intentions of leaving Michigan although their 100 yearly engagements now are primarily outside of the state.

"We love Ann Arbor," said former hair dresser Morand, who is

married to Tom Hogarth, a bookbinder at the University of Michigan. Morand's colleagues are Cheryl Dawdy, is a former library assistant who designed the group's latest CD cover and usually sings the upper harmony, and Connie Huber, a music major and speech pathologist, who usually sings the lower harmony.

Starting out 10 years ago in Old Town Tavern on Liberty Street in downtown Ann Arbor without enough material to sing a set, within a year they were on nation-



Featured performers: The Chenille Sisters, Grace Morand (left to right), Connie Huber and Cheryl Dawdy will help bring in the New Year on a musical note at First Night in Birmingham.

al radio with Keillor. Five years later, the trio quit their day jobs.

"We are all goal setters," said Morand. "I guess we just went shead and did what we wanted to. When it is no longer fun, we will hang up our chiffon scarves.

By that time, their scarves will be silk.

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American movies highlight this year's best



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took me to task earlier this year for my tepid reaction to "For-rest Gump." Not surprisingly, it didn't make my list of the year's best films. Actually, up

en irate callers

until last week, I was having trouble coming up with the requisite 10 until a bold new Christmas release came in just under the wire. Note that "The Snapper," which premiered at the Detroit Film

list last year. "Heavenly Creatures." New Zealand's Peter Jackson followed his spiffy horror comedy "Dead Alive" with this psychological study of two girls in the 1950s who form an "unnatural" attachment to each other. By far the year's prettiest-looking film, with outstanding camera work.

Theatre in January, was on my

"Naked." Like its main character, this relentlessly depressing and fascinating account of a misogynistic young drifter also has a great amount of wit and charm. The best and darkest yet from English director Mike Leigh, whose "Life is Sweet" and "High Hopes" have been tops on previous best-of-year-lists.

"Pulp Fiction." It took a second viewing to fully appreciate how funny Quentin Tarantino's Los Angeles gangster comedy really is. No masterpiece, but a freewheeling, supercharged lark, especially when the Detroit Film Theatre premiered it, volume cranked up to 11, during its new Monday night series.

"Ed Wood." As a longtime fan of the notorious schlock director, can't imagine a better screen treatment of his life. Wood's optimism of spirit, awfulness of execution, and poignant relationship with Bela Lugosi all came through in this, Tim Burton's most mature work. Beware Martin Landau at the Oscars.

"Bitter Moon." Roman Polanski was back in fine form with this dark, dark comedy about a passionate relationship that fizzles into indifference and cruelty. Disturbing and poignant, it makes me look all the more forward to Polanski's latest, "Death of the Maiden.

"Go Fish." This low-budget lesbian love story, filmed in the streets and flats of Chicago's north side, has more truth than a dozen Hollywood movies. The acting was amateurish, but its combination of heart and cutting edge hipness should have rewarded it a wider audience.

"Dazed and Confused." Where were you in the summer of 1976? According to director Richard Linklater, getting stoned. The di-rector of "Slacker" beat the sophomore slump with another funny and surprisingly complex movie about nothing — and everythic Great soundtrack too.

"Quiz Show." Robert Redford's entertaining account of the 1950s quiz show scandal that lost AmerJohn Turturro and Ralph Fienes brought complexity to both of the contestants and Rob Morrow was effective as the investigator, even when he couldn't hold his Kennedy-style accent.

"What's Eating Gilbert Grape?" Swedish director Lasse Hallstrom's study of a bizarre family in the cornbelt avoided the usual Hollywood manipulation while mining genuine emotion. With this and "Ed Wood," Johnny Depp stands as the coolest actor of 1994.

"The Wonderful, Horrible Life of Leni Riefenstahl." This stunning documentary, based on interviews with the 92-year-old director herself, asks this question: Can you make a movie like the Nazi propaganda masterpiece "Triumph of the Will" and still remain an apolitical artist?

ners up: "Ready to Wear (Pret-a-Porter)," "Bullets Over Broadway," "Four Weddings and a Funeral," "Interview with the Vampire," "Hardboiled" and "A



Good movie: "Ed Wood," one of John Monaghan's top 10 movies for this year, stars Johnny Depp (right), Bill Murry (left), and Sarah Jessica Parker, (center).

Better Tomorrow'

Some disappointments: "Natural Born Killers," "Francois Truffaut: Stolen Portraits," "Mary Shelley's Frankenstein," "Fresh," "The Last Seduction," "Faraway,

If you have a comment for John Monaghan, call him at 953-2047, mailbox 1866, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write to him care of Street Scene, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 School-craft, Livonia, MI 48150.



A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.

MAGIC BAG THEATRE 22918 Woodward, Ferndale. Call 810-544-3030 for information. (\$6)

Spike and Mike's Sick and Twisted Festival of Animation. 8 p.m. Dec. 29; 9, 11 p.m. Dec. 30. Beavis and Butthead made their Detroit debut during an earlier edition. So you can imagine what's in store in this new compilation, featuring such titles as "Home Honey, I'm High," "Brian's Brain," and "Lloyd's Lunchbox." Not for the weak at heart - or stomach

"The Life and Times of Allen Ginsberg" (USA - 1993). 8 p.m. Jan. 4 - 5. A new documentary about the Beat poet and activist is highlighted by photos and films from his personal collection that

sheds new light on the lives of not

only himself, but colleagues Wil-

liam Burroughs and Jack

MAIN ART THEATRE, 118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call 810- 542-0180 for information and showtimes. (\$6.50; \$4 students and matinee; \$3 twilight)

"The Last Seduction" (USA -1994). The follow-up film noir from John Dahl, director of "Red Rock West." This time Linda Fiorentino stars as a ruthless femme fatale who double crosses her husband, then hides out in a Smalltown, USA

'Bullets Over Broadway" (USA 1994). Woody Allen's latest, set in the 1920s, finds an ambitious

playwright (John Cusack) offered the chance to direct his own play. The only hitch: he has to cast a mobster's girlfriend in a key role.

"Heavenly Creatures" (New Zealand - 1994). The tale, based on a true story about two imaginative girls who find themselves involved in something they can't control. An acclaimed new movie from Peter Jackson, the director of "Dead Alive."

MAPLE THEATRE

4135 W. Maple, Bloomfield. All titles play through at least next Thursday. Call 810-855-9090 for information. (\$6; \$2.95 twilight)

"Little Women" (USA - 1994). Yet another screen treatment of Louisa May Alcott's American classic about a woman and her four daughters. Susan Sarandon, Wynona Ryder, and Gabriel Byrne star. Directed by Gillian Armstrong ("My Brilliant Ca-

"Nell" (USA - 1994). Jodie Foster tries for a third Oscar in this sometimes moving, often sappy story of a woman facing the world after growing up alone with her mother in the woods. Liam Neeson and Natasha Richardson help

her along. Opens Dec. 23. "Mrs. Parker and the Vicious Circle" (USA - 1994). Alan Ru-dolph ("The Moderns") seems well-suited to resurrect Dorothy

Parker and the other literary lumina ies who held court over lunch and drinks at New York's Algonquin Hotel. Jennifer Jason Leigh stars. III MICHIGAN THEATRE

603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call 313-668-8397 for information. (\$5; \$4 students/seniors)

"Heavenly Creatures" (New Zealand - 1994). Through Dec. 31 (call for showtimes). See Main Art Theatre listing above.

Coming Attractions

There's something for everyone at the movies. Here's a list of what's in the wings:

Opening Friday, Jan. 6 "Safe Passage" - Drama based on the novel by Ellyn Bache, about a family with seven sons, one of whom is presumed Stars Susan Sarandon and Sam

"Houseguest" — Action-comedy about a dysfunctional suburban white family who takes in a he is not who he is supposed to be. Stars Sinbad, Phil Hartman, Kim Greist and Jeffrey Jones. ■ "Cobb" — Sports writer is con-

tacted by baseball great Ty Cobb to write his life story, and finds the dark truth behind the legend. His dilemma, write the real story or maintain the myth. Stars T my Lee Jones.

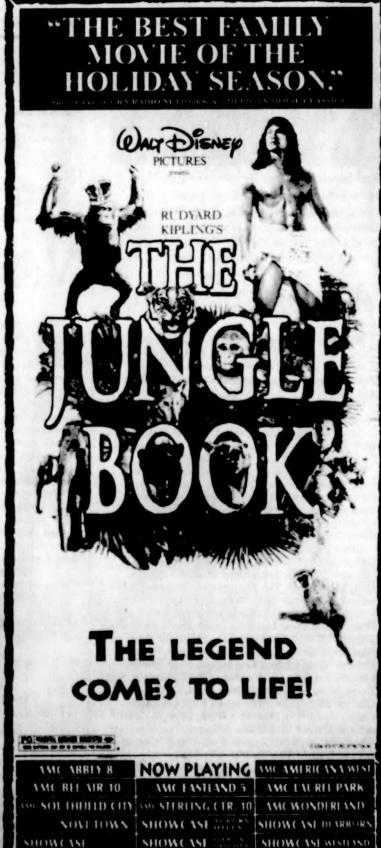
■ "Immortal Beloved" — On of history's great romantic mysteries: the search from among scores of women for the one whom the mercurial musical genius Ludwig

Van Beethoven called his "Immortal Beloved.

Opening Wednesday, Jan 11 "Higher Learning" - From the streets of South Central to the college campus, the locations may be worlds apart, but some of the stories remain the same.

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Readers prove music matters

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO STAFF WRITES

The support of local music is strong and Observer & Eccentric readers proved it. They filled our mailbox and hotline with nominees for this year's Band of the Year. Here's a sampling of what they had to say:

John Swain of Livonia on last year's winner The Verve Pipe: "Me and my buddies, we've been to about 20 (of their) shows over the year. They get better and better every time we see them and they're pretty accessible before and after shows." Lisa Hajduk of Westland on rock band Station Nein: "They do write a lot of their own songs. I just think they're really, really good."

Kim Wilson of Rochester on industrial mavens HAL: "They're one of the best local bands in Detroit. They put on a great show when you go and see them live.

Norma Smith of Livonia on Robb Roy: "(Their music) is very personable and hand-written.

■ Westland resident Barbara Pohl on the modern country band Waco Band: "It plays great country music and also plays other alternative music."

 Beverly Hills resident Bonnie Davis, a self-proclaimed "middle-aged housewife sort of a person," voted for Discipline: "I was impressed by the talent of the young people writing their own music and the artistic way that they present their mu-

■ Vicky Kilius of Redford on the East Lansing band rock and reggae band Global Village: "They're really fun to watch. There's always things going on. The horn section is really cool. They're always dancing around."

 Bonnie Sparks of Westland on rockers Blue-Eyed Soul: "I think they're great. They've done a lot of things. They've come a long way . . . I've (only) missed five shows."

■ Eleven-year-old Heather White of Southfield on her brother rock musician Teddy Richards: "I like his kind of music because he's my brother, but that's not really the reason. I like the beat and the rhythm and the lyrics.

■ Thelma Goldstein of West Bloomfield on the rock band Beer Whores: "They're good. They've played a lot of big clubs. They're a good bunch of kids and they deserve a break.

Other nominees included: Higher, The Exceptions, Steve King and the Dittlies, Upper Level, Hoolapoppers, The Yesmen, Walk on Water, Full House, Emperor's New Clothes, The Sillies, Outrageous Cherry, Rootbox, Immigrant Suns, Punch 'n' Kitty, Tearjerks and the Vudu Hippies.



Fan favorite: Ann Arbor-based gothic rock band Wig got a lot of family support on the Band of the Year hotline. Grandmother Carol Walitalo of Livonia and sister Katie Jimmerson of Canton gave the band thumbs up.

A look at 1994

Breakups — The Hannibals, BOP (harvey), The Opaque, Asian Love Pimp, Red C, Urban Voodoo Juice, Tickweesel, Wouldshed, Plastic Porest, Jignew Jungle, Sweeterfish and Rhythm

and Rain.

New bands — Nineteen Wheels and Tearjerks
(both featuring ex-Hannibals), Rootbox (with exUrban Voedoe Juice), Daddy Longlegs (with exBOP harvey) and Immortal Whines of Soul (from
The Generale and Culture Bandits).

Releases — Sponge, Big Chief and Wig all released their major label debuts. The avant-garde
jazz band, Blue Deg, released its debut for John
Zern's Knitting Factory label. Higher's second
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Band of the Year



Big sound: Big Block will perform with with Goober & The Peas, Tearjerks and The Verve Pipe on New Year's Eve at St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit

Big Block supercharges music



Super-charged rock, laced with harmonies and realistic lyrics, has made Big Block the poet laureates of Detroit's rock scene and the choice for The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' 1994 Band of the Year.

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO

Big Block guitarist/lyricist Kenny Tudrick is a most unlikely rock star. The shy Tudrick and his profound sense of innocence shuffle into a coffeehouse, ski hat pulled tight around his mop-top hair. When asked about his lyrics, he just smiles and shifts around in his seat nervously.

Everything he and vocalist/guitarist Nick Lucassian are able to talk about, Tudrick said, they say through Big Block.

Their musical form of therapy has allowed them to vent their frustrations about living without phones and other luxuries but with rats, getting little respect and broken relationships. They're the poet laureates of Detroit's rock scene.

The band is one of the future as a result is The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' 1994 Band of the

Big Block's supercharged rock drags along lyrics like "I'm the least

wanted reaction on a carnival attraction. Feel like a town that no one wants to be . . . I'm sad and disillusioned jumped down all the wrong conclusions. Feel like a town where no one wants to be.'

In "Under Construction," Tudrick has written eerily prophetic lyrics: "I got my tape in my pocket, goin' to number 1, should be shootin' like a rocket." The kings of the three-minute pop rock songs, they don't waste any time on their debut CD "Guardrail" (Rustbelt). The 11song CD is 35 minutes long and a record company talent scout's dream.

There's a lot more to Big Block than Tudrick and Lucassian's lyrics. Lucassian has proved with Big Block and through his acoustic shows with Crossed Wire's Chris Moore that he has one of the most flitters between his "smoked too many cigarettes" emotionally raw vocals and its flawless step-brother.

"Guardrail" explodes from the opening song "Release" and contin-

ues the energy through "Beautiful." The cascading and swirling guitar solos show no mercy. There's no ignoring Big Block. Listeners to 89X apparently feel the same. DJ Vince Cannova played a song from "Guardrail" as the "Catch of the Day" and the response was feverish. Not bed, considering Tudrick didn't

"We dropped it off and they put it on three hours later," Tudrick said. 'We didn't even get to hand it right to Vince. We gave it to a secretary and said, 'You're sure you're going to give it to him?"

even think the station would play it.

Feverish" can be used to describe Big Block's live shows as well. Lucassian (a future Sassy magazine pin-up if I've ever seen one) commands his guitar like his audience - it's never out of the control and always in his grasp.

Kim Garrett of Westland first saw Big Block a few years ago as part of an acoustic showcase at St. Andrew's Hall and immediately bought their single "Beautiful/Grounded."

"I just thought they were awesome. I bought it and kind of forgot said Garrett, who plans on spending New Year's Eve at their St. Andrew's Hall gig. "I try to see them as many times as I can.

"I can't really explain why I like

them. There's just something about them. They have catchy lyrics like the Gin Blossoms, but rock like the

Big Block has always been one of Detroit's best-kept secret. Forming only a few years ago, the band which also includes bassist Joe Proper and drummer Scott Mac-Donald - quickly made a name for itself with its high-speed yet melodic, two-guitar assault.

Struggling to make ends meet, the foursome lived together in a rat-infested home which later proved to be inspirational. To give fans a sampling of their talents, the band included new songs and some from that time on "Guardrail." (Another new song, "New Day," appears on the "Riot '67" compilation which benefita Angela Hospice in Livonia.)

"Those are good songs. Those are really big part of what we are," Tudrick said. "It represents where we were and where we are."

Big Block plays St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, with Goober & The Peas, Tearjerks and pers' 1993 Band of the Year, The Verve Pipe, on New Year's Eve. Tickets are \$17.50. For more information, call (313) 961-MELT or

Verve Pipe: Unsigned but hopeful in '95

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO

Billboard magazine this week picked up on what The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers readers knew last year: East Lensing's The Verve Pipe is one of the top unsigned acts in the nation.

Pictured on the cover of the international music industry magazine, The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers' 1993 Band of the Year is lauded for its "often dark melodies buffeted by Brian Vander Ark's lush, thick vocals. Add stylised guitar flourishee amid layered harmonies, and you get a song

With major labels lurking, Verve Pipe drummer

With major labels lurking, Verve Pipe drummer Donnie Brown hopes the feature will get a record deal rolling. Singer/guitarist Brian Vander Ark added that although they receive a fair amount of attention in their home state, the nod from Bill-board offers added credibility.

"It's different attention as far as what you're doing in your home state and how many albums you've sold," said Vander Ark, who was nominated for Best Guitarist at the 1994 Detreit Music Awards. "It doesn't make any difference what kind of following you have (in your home state). To

'93's winner: The Verve Pipe will play St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit on New

Year's Eve with The Observer & Eccentrie

1994 Band of the Year, Big E increasing awareness of The Verve Pipe outside of Michigan has become the band's main

friends. We'd like to get some national buzz going."
The "buzz" is definitely on. The Verve Pipe has

Brown was just as shocked as WHYT listeners to hear that The Verve Pipe has so much support in Detroit.

focus.

record labels, it just looks like you have a bunch of

The "busz" is definitely on. The Verve Pipe has sold more than 21,000 copies of their two releases "I've Suffered a Head Injury" and "Pop Smear," Sales jumped after the single "Senator Speak" by the quintet, which also includes guitarist A.J. Dunning, baselet Brad Vander Ark and new percussionist Don Corella of Walled Lake, was added to radio station WHYT's playlist shortly before it changed its format. "Senator Speak" became a top-requested hit and subsequently listeners chose The Verve Pipe as a participant in its "Dream Lolla-

"I think it's because of the music and not because we gave it a big push or anything. They heard it and they thought it was very viable," Brown said. "It was beautiful for us, knowing that your stuff is worth it. It's very gratifying."

Aside from playing clubs, The Verve Pipe played the H.O.R.D.E. Tour at Val Du Lakes near Lake Michigan alongside acts like Sheryl Crow, Blues Traveler, Big Head Todd and the Monsters, and the Allman Brothers in mid-July.

Increasing awareness of The Verve Pipe outside of Michigan has become the band's main focus. The group performed during the South By Southwest Music Conference in Austin, Texas, last March. They got a boost from the "Aware II" disc which features two Verve Pipe songs, "Spoonful of Sugar" and "What You Wanted."

So far, touring has been good.

"It's been extremely favorable in St. Louis and really good in Chicago. I think it's because our songs are accessible. It's not hard to figure out the end," Brown said.

In between a few gigs in Milwaukee after. Thankagiving, the band found time to record at "Joe's Studio" run by ex-Violent Femme Victor. DeLorenco. Demos from those sessions, produced by Carnival Strippers' Mike Hoffman, show a more laidback, stripped down (so to speak) sound. On songs like "Drive You Mild" and "Photograph," Vander Ark's grab-you-by-the-threat vessle as well as The Verve Pipe's trademark gaping-mouthed harmonics are more subdeed.

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An adult discussion group meets 7:30-

11:15 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month in First Unitarian-Universal-ist Church, 1917 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor. The program is not church-affiliated. The group is open to those age 21 and older. Admission is \$5 per person and \$2 for volunteers. Snacks are served (313) 996-0141

The Metro Minglers, a singles group for people with disabilities ages 21-35, is sponsored by the Easter Seal Society. (313) 338-9626 or (810) 646-3347.

The Activities Group is single adults par-ticipating in a variety of activities on an organized year-round basis. They are not affiliated with any self-help group, relig-ious or political organization. Membership

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EXPLORERS St. Edith Single Explorers meet at 7:30 p.m. the first Friday of each month at St. Edith Church, on Newburgh south of Five (313) 464-2027.

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The Livonia-Redford Chapter 130 of Parents Without Partners meets the first and third Thursdays of the month at the Cadillac Cafe, 30555 Grand River, Farmington Hills. Orientation is 8 p.m., the general meeting 8:30 p.m., followed by dancing. (313) 464-1969.

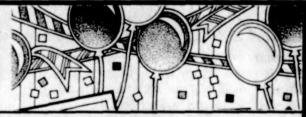
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month in the Wayne AMVETS Hall, 1217 Merriman, Westland. Meeting is 8-8:30 p.m. Dance is set for 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Admission is \$4 before 9 p.m., \$5 after 9 p.m. New members welcome. (313) 525-6937.

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BY MARY QUELEY



It doesn't take detective to discover the treasures in mittenshaped Michigan's southwest-

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Gather the kids, sweatshirts and snacks, and point the van westward on I-94 to St. Joseph (twin city to Benton Harbor).

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During warmer months, you can take off our shoes and climb, crawl or creep to the top edge of the sand hills at Warren Dunes State Park in nearby Bridgman. Or, just sit at the bottom and enjoy the spectacular lake view.

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ings of a nuclear plant? A 26-foot scale model rotates in Theater II. Visitors stand on a platform watching and listening as flashing yellow bulbs highlight the plant'smajor systems.

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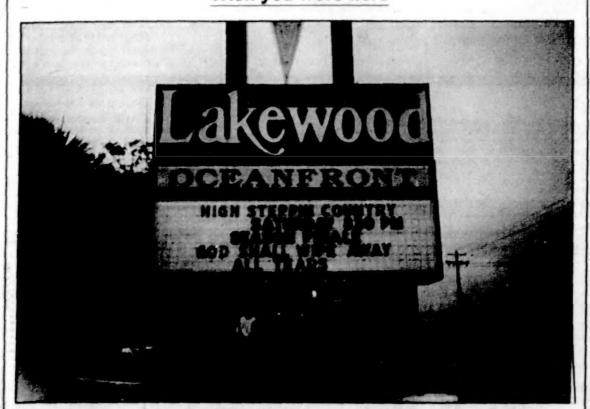
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COOK ENERGY INFORMATION CENTER

Educational getaway: Everything you always wanted to know about nuclear energy is cleverly explained at the Cook Energy Information Center in Bridgman. Handson exhibits like this one, make it a popular family destination.

Wish you were here



Vacation memories: The Kardel family of Canton sent us this picture taken in August 1994 at Lakewood Camping Resort, right on the ocean, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. The three boys in the picture are Matthew Kardel, 12, Kevin Kardel, 11, and Steven Kardel, 8.

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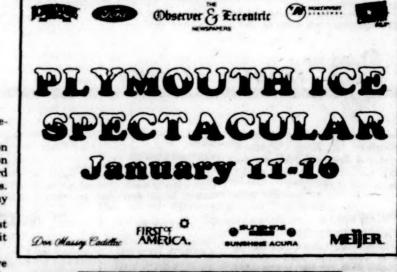
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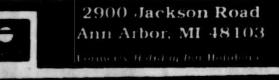
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Wish You Were Here

Not that Telego: Joan Flohr of Livonia is a travel agent who says her business is her hobby. Not a bad hobby either. This picture shows Flohr looking over the old walled city of Toledo, Spain, which she visited in November.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1994

SPORTS

Indoor soccer champs

he Livonia Youth Soccer Club Wings, an under-12 boys team, recently captured the first indoor session at Total Soccer in Farmington Hills with a 7-0-1 record.

Members of the Wings, coached by Frank Baker and Jim Davis, include Frank Baker, Greg Boothroyd, Matt Daly, Dan Davis, Chris Derrig, Brian Hagan, Matt Isner, Adam King, Jared Kullman, Kris Landis, Nick LaPlaca, John Leannais, Chad Lloyd, Justin Palmer, Mike Reid, Brandon Vandette, Ryan Vandette and Ryan Zajac. The team manager is Paulette Baker.

■ The Livonia YMCA Premier Soccer Club '85 Michigan Wolves, coached by Joe Knoerl, finished 8-0 at Total Soccer.

Members of the Wolves include Tim Allen, Michael Borowiak, Mike Budd, Josh Churella, Brian Clement, Brady Crosby, Jeff Ehehalt, Wesley Fann, Keith Mullins, Matt Okopny, Brian Popeney, Jerred Schell, Mike Simons, Josh Van Cleef and Tony Zenn. Assistant coaches include Pat Frederick and Andy Shiner. The team manager is Edward Allen.

College sports note

issouri Valley College cross country runner Dana Keller (Livonia Churchill) competed in the NAIA women's championships, Nov. 19 in Kenosha, Wis.

The senior's personal best time for 3.1 miles was 19:47, good enough for a third place finish in the Heart of America Conference.

Keller, a Summa Cum Laude graduate in math and elementary education, also lettered three seasons as a goalkeeper for the women's soccer team.

Good sports are winners

he Michigan High School Athletic Association has announced the recipients for the Good Sports Are Winners! awards for the recently-completed 1994 fall season.

The following Observerland schools were hon-

BOYS SOCCER: Plymouth Canton (Class A district). FOOTBALL: Livonia Stevenson (Class AA regional). GIRLS BASKETBALL: Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevensor (Class A district), Plymouth Canton (Class A district, regional); Westland Huron Valley (Class D district).

St. Mary cools off CC, 67-50

■ Redford Catholic Central suffered its first cage defeat of the season when highly-regarded Orchard Lake St. Mary Prep came . away with a 67-50 victory.

BY BRAD EMONS



Redford Catholic Central lost more than a basketball game Friday.

Adding insult to injury in a 67-50 home-court defeat to

Orchard Lake St. Mary Prep, the Shamrocks also will be without the services of starter Justin Hoener.

The junior point-guard will be out the next eight weeks with a broken

Hoener, who sat most of the first half because of a disciplinary suspension handed down by the Catholic League, landed awkwardly on his right leg on a drive to the basket late in the third quarter.

"It was just a regular play," Hoener said. "I just landed on it the wrong way. When I came down I heard it crack.

"It's surprising it came in basketball. I've had a few broken bones, but never my leg or ankle.

Hoener's cast was set that night at Henry Ford Hospital. "All I can do is study and lift

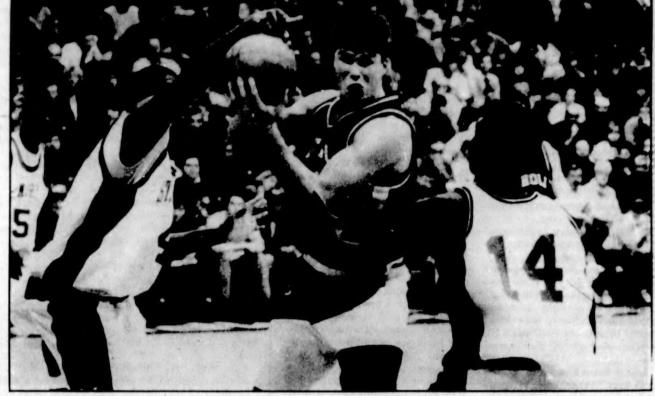
(weights)," Hoener said. "My season is pretty much lost." The Shamrocks, who suffered their

first defeat in five games, simply couldn't handle the athleticism of unbeaten St. Mary (3-0), which returns several key players off last year's state Class C runner-up team.

The Eaglets came out strong, jumping out to a 17-8 first-quarter lead before CC trimmed the deficit to four at intermission, 28-24.

"At halftime I felt good because we started out slow and came back," CC first-year coach Rick Coratti said. "I thought we'd give it a run.

That run ended abruptly in the



ANN HEALEY/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Tight squeeze: Catholic Central's Eron Kosmowski (with ball) finds himself surrounded by Orchard Lake players David Bowens (left) and Kylo Jones (right).

third quarter as St. Mary grew redhot, making 11 of 13 shots from the

floor during a 23-12 surge. "Patience was the key," Orchard Lake coach Denny Butcher said. "We jumped on them early because we got the ball inside, but then we went away from that.

"We got too fast and a little out of control. It was one pass, shot . . . one pass, shot . . . but when you make that extra pass, you get lay-ups, and that shows.

CC, despite three straight free throws by Ryan McKenna to start the fourth quarter, never came closer than 13 points the rest of the way.

Sophomore point-guard Kylo Jones led a balanced St. Mary scoring attack with 14 points.

Then came the team's three heralded athletes - 6-4 David Bowens, 6-3 Diallo Johnson and 6-3 Daryl Adams contributing 13 points apiece.

It was nearly a repeat of the football encounter earlier this fall between the two schools. The talented trio gave CC fits in a 20-0 win. Bowens, a 215-pound linebacker

who recently committed to Michigan in football, also grabbed 13 rebounds and five assists.

Johnson snared nine rebounds, while Adams had five steals.

Kyle Baldwin chipped in with eight

"These guys are ready to play," said Butcher, whose team started late during the preseason because of St. Mary's 13-0 championship run in football (resulting in a Class CC state

Mike Ridley and Chris Misiak scored 16 and 11 points, respectively. to pace the Shamrocks.

For the game, CC connected on just 20 of 55 shots from the field (36.3 per-

"We just didn't hit the shots," Coratti said. "And we had some good shots, but they just didn't fall."

Coratti, however, knew his team was up against a talented St. Mary

"They could play," the CC coach said. "Except for Ypsilanti, they were quicker than any of the other three teams we've faced. But they're more

YEAR IN REVIEW: '94

Observerland flashed its muscle and grit in 1994

You can pretty much nutshell the 1994 Observerland year in sports in three words: comebacks, championships and coaching

changes. Thirteen area coaches either left voluntarily or were given a bit of a shove. Area teams won state titles in four sports and five individual titles were claimed. As for comebacks, few could top the courage shown by Clarenceville football coach Chuck Donaldson, former Livonia Stevenson allstater Bryan Morrison and Joe Brodie, son of Plymouth Salem basketball coach Bob Brodie.

We offer the top 10 Observerland sports stories of 1994:

1. State champions: Observer-land really flexed its muscle in 1994. Redford Catholic Central won the Class A title in hockey. Redford Bishop Borgess won its second straight Class C girls basketball title. Farmington Harrion won its second straight Class A football title, the seventh under Coach John Herrington. Plymouth Canton won its first ever

Class A boys soccer title.
Individually, Plymouth Canton
freehman Katey Gilles stole the show at the state gymnastics meet winning all-around honors. Livoin both the 200-yard individual medley and the 800 freestyle. Another double-event state swim champ was North Farmington's Jon Kershew, who won the 100 and 200 freestyle events.

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Bye-bye Bernie: Long-time Catholic Central coach Bernie Holowicki, he of the 600-plus victories, was one of 13 area coaches to bid adieu in 1994.





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Lady Crusaders' Koenig nets 28 in cage victory

Vikki Koenig illustrated why practice makes perfect Tuesday scoring a game-high 28 points to go along with 17 rebounds in Madonna University's 79-64 women's basketball win over West Liberty

Madonna, which has won four of its last five, improves to 7-8 overall.

West Liberty State, located near Wheeling, W.V., falls to 4-3. Koenig, a 6-foot senior center from Sterling Heights, tied the school single-game high point total held by Cheri Sangregorio. She

hit 11 of 17 shots from the floor

before fouling out with 5:21 to go. Koenig, who's been averaging 14 points and 10 rebounds per game, put things in high gear during the opening half, pouring in 21 points as the Crusaders enjoy-

ed a 44-38 halftime advantage. "Vikki had a great practice yesterday (Monday) and I knew she'd be hot today," Madonna coach Bill Potter said. "I was just hoping it would carry over.

She's been our most consistent and steady player. If we need a rebound or bucket, she'll get it."

Madonna, playing hawking man-to-man defense, held West Liberty to only six field goals (in 28 attempts) during the second

"Our defense has been good the whole year," Potter said. "Playing tougher competition earlier in the year made us mentally tough."

West Liberty sophomore pointguard Joanna Bernabei, an NAIA All-America, suffered through an off-night with only nine points and six assists.

They (Madonna) did a great job on our point-guard" fourthyear West Liberty coach Lynn Ulom said. "They took her out of her game. Their guards pushed us out-of our (offensive) sets.

"We had heard that they (Madonna) play hard and get after it. I'm real disappointed, not so

Some of the Redford Union

boys basketball players wore T-

shirts beneath their jerseys dur-

ing Tuesday afternoon's game at

Sweatshirts might have been

With the International Hockey

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BY STEVE KOWALSKI

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2-18 record last season.

Myerchalk led Lincoln Park

with 14 points and teammates Jim Kurille and Corey Keil added

12 points each. Senior guard Brian Berryman had a game-high 19 points and senior forward Mike Brown added 10 for the Panthers,

who were out-rebounded 24-14 in

the second half. Junior guard Billy Morrie also played well, scoring

iz points.

Senier Jeremy Rule, the Panthur's tallest player at 6-5, said the risyers forget about the chilly mulitions after the opening top.

"It was fun — a bigger court," Rule said. "It was not quite that

of the fame, who kept ster coats on at courtside,

RU loses at Palace

BASKETBALL

much by the effort, but by the lack of execution. But Madonna played solid defense, especially when they're trapping the ball."

West Liberty, however, played somewhat short-handed

Sophomore center Christy Pea body, an 18-point per game scorer, missed the game with a sprained ankle. Another 18-point scorer, junior forward Robin Marple, was suffering from the flu. She wound up with just three points and two rebounds

Not to make excuses, but our offense is built around her (Peabody)," Ullom said. "And her back-up had a broken finger. But that's no excuse. We didn't execute well.

Molly McGuire led West Liberty with 19 points, while Carrie Ross contributed 12.

Koenig, meanwhile, had plenty of help from her teammates.

Junior forward Mary Bieniewicz (Farmington Hills Mercy) and freshman forward Dawn Pelc each contributed 14 points. Senior forward Stephanie Crelley chipped in with eight.

Bieniewicz scored 10 points in the second half, including a key rebound basket with 2:02 left, giving Madonna a commanding 70-58 lead. Bieniewicz hit seven of 10 shots from the floor.

Madonna returns to action 7:30 p.m. Friday at home against Adri-

The Lady Crusaders are slowly building confidence heading into the NAIA portion of their schedule. They've also had to adjust without sophomore guard Meegan Marlatt, who was lost for the season in early December with a knee

"We've were beaten by some good teams early," Potter said. But now we have great confidence playing against NAIA and (NCAA) Division III teams. We're now playing teams more on

er to help seal RU's fate. The

Panthers missed seven of their

last eight shots and Myerchalk

came out to block a three-point

(tall) guy, but I thought we'd han-

dle it because we have three that

can rebound," RU coach Tip Smathers said. "You always hate

to lose a starter (to foul trouble),

because they're important guys.

Brown is a scorer, shot blocker

Lincoln Park had six turnovers

"We knew they had the one

shot in the final minute.

1994

Mulcahy, Livonia Stevenson hockey, seven years, resigned; Jack Grenan, Schoolcraft women's basketball, 11 years, resigned.

3. Bernie Holowicki: Talk about gratitude. Holowicki, the third winningest coach in Michigan prep basketball history, won his 600th game, took a team of meager talent to its seventh Catholic League title and into the regional tournament, and won Observerland Coach of the Year honors, only to be asked to leave by the Catholic Central administration.

Still, Holowicki bowed out gracefully and with all the class and poise his teams showed through the years. By the way, he's still at work in Observerland. He is serving as Chuck Henry's assistant at Wayne Memorial.

4. Profiles in courage: On June 27, 1993, Chuck Donaldson lost the use of his legs and very nearly his life in a horrific car accident. In August of 1994. Donaldson was back on the sidelines coaching the Clarenceville football team.

"I have the fear of seeing the kids not reaching their goals," said the 26-year-old. "And if it doesn't happen, I'll take it upon myself because I am their coach and leader. My priorities are for the kids. I want to see them succeed.'

And they did. Clarenceville posted a successful 5-4 season.

On June 17, 1993, Bryan Morrison dove into the surf off the coast of France and broke his neck in two places. In July of 1994, the former all-state swimmer, who had been paralyzed from the waist down and

had no feeling in his left hand, began walking and swimming. Doctors termed his recovery

On Feb 24, Plymouth Salem basketball coach Bob Brodie learned that his 14-year-old son Joe suffered a potentially fatal injury while skiing. Joe Brodie's skull had been separated from the brain stem when he crashed into a safety fence at Riverview Highlands.

In December of 1994, just 10 months after surgery, Bob watched his son play basketball on the junior varsity team at Flat Rock High School.

"The other day," Bob Brodie told Mick McCabe of the Detroit Free Press, "I was watching him play and I thought: Boy, there are a lot of players out there better than Joe Brodie; but he's the most remarkable

5. DRC cancels Michigan Mile: It was one of the longest standing traditions in these parts, the running of the Michigan Mile at DRC. The purse had grown to \$250,000. But last June the DRC pulled the plug on the tradition. Citing dwindling crowds and the inability to compete with casino gambling in Windsor, DRC cancelled the Michigan Mile.

6. Mark Beaufait, Olympian: As a kid growing up in Livonia, Mark Beaufait plastered his bedroom walls with posters of the 1980 Miracle on Ice U.S. Olympic triumph. In 1994, Beaufait was a member of the U.S. Olympic hockey team. The team failed to win a medal, but

Beaufait, former Northern Michigan standout and IHL All-Star, was one of the team's leading scorers.

He currently plays for San Diego in the IHL.

7. James Head: A sad tale. Plymouth Salem's James Head signed a binding letter-of-intent to play basketball at the University of Iowa in November of 1993. In late August of 1994, just as Head was preparing to head west, he was told by university officials that he was denied admission for academic reasons. This even though Head had fulfilled all NCAA require-

Student-athletes with far less academic achievement and acumen than Head have been admitted to Iowa. That's a plain fact. But those students were perceived to be more of a surething athletically. And that, more than any other reason, was why lows did not accept him.

Head will be fine, though. He is part of a strong Eastern Michigan University team.

8. Big Valley: Actually, this turned out to be a non-story for 1994. School officials sat down and tried to put together a mega conference featuring the 12 Western Lakes schools, the seven Kensington Valley Conference schools and the two Ann Arbor public schools. The conference would have spanned four counties, ranging from Howell to the west, Hartland to the north, the Livonia schools to the east and Ann Arbor to the But, alas, the 12 Western

Lakes principals voted in August to keep the status quo, at least for this year. The officials agreed to pursue more crossscheduling opportunities between the two conferences.

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"I think everybody at the meeting came away with a positive outlook on this item," said Churchill's Rod Hosman. "We have all kinds of options, but the timing is not right now.

Perhaps this will be on the top 10 list in 1995.

9. Madonna softball: In 1993, Jerry Abraham put Madonna University athletics on the NAIA map by taking his volleyball team into the NAIA final eight. In 1994, Abraham took over a struggling softball program at Madonna. Guess what? He took it to the NAIA World Series. The team won 40 games, including two in the Se-

10. Garden City Collegiate Baseball: Ouch. The first-year Livonia Collegiate Baseball League team won 11 of its final 12 games and appeared to be a good bet to win the league playoffs and a berth in the national tournament in Altoona,

Unfortunately, due to a clerical error by coach Fred Holton, the team was banned from the post-season tourney.

Player Marcus Saranovsky was ruled ineligible because the proper paper work wasn't delivered to the league until July 8, seven days after the league deadline.

Albion's Curtis wears gold watch for national title

BY STEVE KOWALSKI

People wear watches to tell

The gold watch Kevin Curtis received recently will be for reminding him of the time he played on the Albion College football team that won the 1994 NCAA Division III national championship.

Curtis, a 1993 Garden City High School graduate, isn't one to boast so he won't be wearing the watch often. It'll be displayed much like a trophy.

"I have an MIAA (Michigan Independent Athletic Association) championship ring, but I don't wear much jewelry at all," said Curtis, a 6-foot-2, 220-pound sophomore who played a key role for Albion on special teams and as a reserve outside linebacker. "The watch will be more of a memory type thing. I don't want to show it off, be known as a star

That humbleness is a trait Curtis says is shared by his teammates, who despite owning a 28game MIAA winning streak and six straight league champion**FOOTBALL**

ships, don't like to talk about their accomplishments.

The Britons put the finishing touches on their 13-0 season with a 38-15 victory over Washington & Jefferson College in the championship game played before 7,168 fans at Salem, Va.

Several thousand fans followed the Britons to the national championship game and gave them an appreciation day when they returned. It seemed only a matter of time before the Britons would achieve Division III's highest honor, since they are 87-24-2 overall under coach Pete Schmidt and lost in the 1993 Division III playoff quarterfinals to Mount

"We have a great coaching staff that has been around and knows focused," said Curtis, who majors in business. "We have a real humble team, too. There's not too much talking they just get things

done. We have a lot of respect for one another.

Curtis, who played on special teams and saw limited action as a freshman, was the top reserve at both outside linebacker positions behind MIAA defensive player of the year Jim Davis and Jared Wood.

Wood, a former defensive back, played mostly in passing situations, while Curtis was a regular against run-oriented teams and during running situations. Curtis started one game and finished the season with 32 tackles, including one sack. He had six tackles in each of the Olivet, Kalamazoo and Augustana games.

Curtis said he learned a lot playing behind Davis, who also excelled on special teams.

The poor guy only got off the field when the offense was out there," Curtis said. "I can see myself, if I get the starting job, staying on special teams. I take pride in them, going down making the big hit now and then.

"I've got some big shoes to fill.

Jim's got a great attitude, that's what I learned most.'

Curtis was a linebacker and wide receiver at Garden City, but started out as a tight end at Albion. Curtis said he was one of about 12 trying to make a first impression with the coaching staff. Fortunately for Curtis and the

Britons, his time at tight end was short-lived.

They had just lost an All-American tight end and really recruited tight ends that year, Curtis said. "I played wide receiver, slash wide receiver and linebacker in high school. They saw I liked to hit, even though I was playing tight end, and gave me the opportunity to move.

"We liked how aggressive he was, he had good size and the ability to get to the ball," Schmidt said. "We found a tight end that would start the next two behind him. Kevin's a good football player, and we wanted to move him where he would contribute the quickest."

in the second half, while RU committed 11, including three beas well as Lincoln Park, which cause of offensive fouls in the beld on for a 56-49 win in the or something. opening game of the Mega Conferfourth quarter. RU led 19-17 after one quarter ence White Division season. and 28-25 at halftime. The half The game was one of three high ended with Berryman hitting his school contests played prior to the head on the padded basket sup-Pistons' game against Milwaukee. port after blocking a Lincoln Park Lincoln Park overcame a 9-2 layup. deficit and some frigid shooting Berryman returned in the secearly in the game. ond half, but the Panthers had We missed a lot of easy shots, another scare when junior Mike it was just a matter of adjusting McCrea left the game with a back to the building." Lincoln Park injury after an offensive charge in eoach Rick Smith said. "We were the fourth quarter. trying to establish an up-tempo McCrea was expected to go to ame. As big as this floor is and the doctor after the game or on shooting with no background, it's Wednesday. hard to do." Lincoln Park, now 3-2 overall, Move ever, Ken Calvert: RU athletic has nine returnees, including 6-

and rebounder."

director Jim Gibbons was the game's pubfoot-8 junior center Shaun Myeric address announcer, getting assistance on press row from Palace account reprechalk, from a team that recorded a

sentative Mary Rogers.
Like Calvert, the Pistons' P.A. men and radio personality who's had to get used to new names on the Pistons' roster, Gibbons took a crash course in learning the Lincoln Park names and pronunciations store the game. It was a perfect opportunity for Gibbons

to capture an audience for one of his joines, but Globons refrained.

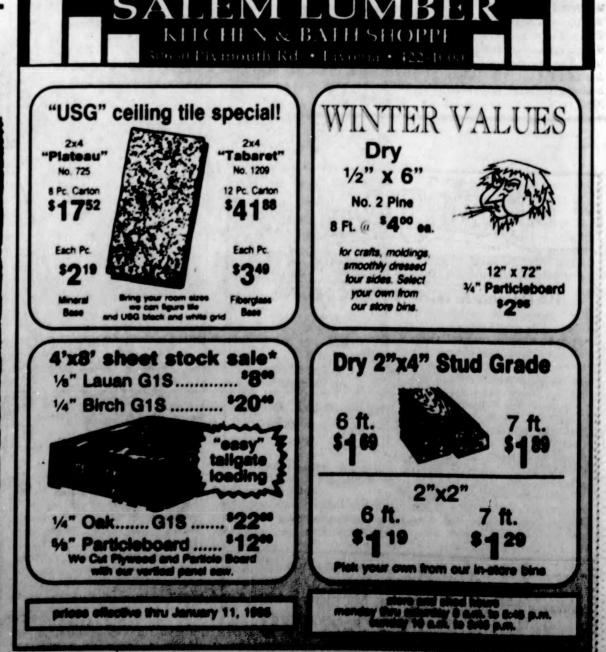
"I have the classic style, no fills, just cts," Gibbons said.

If One and only: RU might be the only school in the state to have played a foot-ball game at the Stivendome and a bas-

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The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednes day of each month at the Maple wood Center in Garden City, 477-3816. Bob Mitchel will be the featured speaker at the January meeting. Mitchel will cover the basics of ice fishing, including the latest equipment, techniques, safety and local hot spots.

B MICHIGAN PLY FIGHING The Michigan Fly Fishing Club

meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School, (810) 478-1494.

- METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Garden City High School, 420-2965.

SHOWS AND **EVENTS**

B DETROIT BOAT SHOW

The 37th annual Detroit Boat Show, featuring more than 300 exhibitors with all the latest boats and boating equipment, will be held Feb. 4-12 at the Cobo Center.

- OUTDOORAMA

The Michigan United Conservation Clubs' Outdoorama, featuring exhibits and merchandise booths, seminars, displays, outfitters, contests and more, will be held Feb. 24 to March 5 at the Novi Expo Center.

SHOOTING RANGES

PONTIAC LAKE

The shooting range at the Pontiac Lake Recreation Area, 10 miles west of Pontiac off M-59, is open Friday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., (810) 666-1020.

BALD MOUNTAIN

The rifle and handgun range at the Bald Mountain Recreation Area, three miles north of The Palace in Lake Orion, is open 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. The shotgun and archery ranges are open noon to sunset on Tuesday and Thursday, and 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday, (810) 814-9193 or (810) 693-6767.

MEETINGS/ CLASSES

The Wayne County Sportsman's Club in Romulus will sponsor the NRA's Personal Protection Program, developed by the NRA's Women's Issues committee, beginning Jan. 9, (313) 532-0285.

B NUNTER EDUCATION

The Wayne County Sportsman's Club will offer several DNR Hunter Education classes in 1996. The first class will be held Jan. 28-29 at the WCSC Clubhouse in Romulus, (313) 532-0285.

SEASONS

Statewide through Jan. 1.

Statewide through Dec. 31.

Through Jan. 1 in the Lower Peninsula.

Statewide through March 31.

Statewide through Jan 1. METROPARKS

E A WINTER MONT HIKE

Explore nature's winter wonderland after dark and learn about plant and animal survival during the cold season during this evening hike, which begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, at Indian Springs.

I NEW YEAR'S BIRD COUNT

An annual winter census of the park's bird population begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Kensington. Led by experienced birders, groups will spend the morning locating, identifying and counting birds. Participants should bring binoculars and a lunch.

PRESCRIPTION FOR WINTER HONCHAG

An indoor slide presentation covering the fundamentals of winter hiking followed by a hike along one of the park's longer trails begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Kensington.

- HIBERNATION - THE DEEP SLEEP

A program for ages 15 and older in which participants will learn the hows and whys of hibernation and which animals truly use it begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, at Indian Springs.

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free, while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

OAKLAND **COUNTY PARKS**

E TUNNE YOUR TOT INTO WINTER Children ages 3-6 will learn about the wonders of winter through stories, songs, a snack and a craft in this program, which begins at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 4 and Jan. 5, at Independence Oaks. The program will also be offered at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7.

FINE PEATHERED PRIENDS

Learn about bird identification. feeders, food and behavior while observing many types of birds from the comfort of the Nature Center in this program, which begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at Independence Oaks.

E COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

Bassmasters hit Nashville



PARKER

professionale and several ameteurs from the OAE area, competed in the Michigan BASSMAS-TER Top 100 bass tournament, Aug. 24-27 on Lake St. Clair.

Kyle Green of Bloomfield Hills won the amateur division championship with a four-day total of 16 fish that weighed 33 pounds, 2 ounces. Kim Strickler, of Howell, won the pro division with 19 bass that tipped the scale at 61 pounds 15 ounces. If you missed the tournament you can catch some of the action you missed on Jan. 22 when The Nashville Network (TNN) broadcasts the tournament on its weekly series, THE BASSMASTERS.

THE BASSMASTERS series begins Sunday and features the worlds' top-ranked pros as they compete in a wide variety of fishing water.

Lake St. Clair, a shallow, weedy, sandy lake with a 24mile-wide surface area is one of the best smallmouth fisheries in the world.

 Speaking of bass fishing, a pair of local pros recently hit the national circuit. Patrick Van-Tiem of Plymouth and Rick VanTiem, of West Bloomfield, both competed in the \$195,000 BASSMASTER Georgia Eastern Invitational, Dec. 1-3, on Lake Lanier in Buford, Ga. Unfortunately, neither angler placed in the money.

Hooked on fishing

Sportfishing, environmental

conservation and drug educa-

It doesn't seem like these three topics have much in com-mon, but an effort by the Future Pisherman Foundation, the educational arm of the Sportfishing Association of America, has linked the three in an effort to educate youth about the pitfalls of drug abuse.

A parents guide to "Hooked on Pishing-Not on Drugs," a booklet published by the Puture Fisherman's Foundation, is available to interested parents.

The program is used by schools, churches, police departments and other organizations to provide a healthy alternative to enhance the development of life skills that divert children from using drugs.

For a copy of the booklet send \$2 to: Future Fisherman Foundation, 1033 N. Fairfax St., Suite. 200, Alexandria, VA. 22314 or call (501) 484-0055.

Safe, successful season

According to a preliminary report from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the 1994 firearms deer season was the safest on record. In addition, the overall harvest was up approximately five percent.

This year's centennial of Michigan's first licensed deer season has been the safest in the state's history," said DNR Director Rollie Harmes, "I commend the 2,500 volunteer hunter safety instructors who conduct courses and certify about 32,000 new hunters each year. We have them to thank for the improvement in safety statistics.'

Although this season was the safest on record, we can still do better. Despite the success of

grams there were still 18 acci-dents this year including three

Barly estimates indicate hunters took 226,000 whitetails during the Nov. 15-30 season compared to 215,670 last year.

Harmes said there was a 9percent increase in the buck harvest this year, up to 168,000 from last year's kill of 154,560. For the second year in a row, the southern Lower Peninsula led the northern Lower and the Upper in terms of buck harvest. Upper Peninsula hunters took 42,000 bucks, northern Lower Peninsula hunters took 61,000 and southern Lower Peninsula hunters took 59,940.

Harmes attributed this in crease in the buck harvest to excellent hunting conditions which "allowed hunters to spend more time afield," and a large number of 11/4-year-old deer in the herd.

A reduction in the number of antierless licenses issued by the DNR resulted in a 5-percent decline in the antierless harvest.

This year's firearms season is estimated as the seventh best in the state's history.

The harvest is estimated by a survey of southbound hunter traffic through the 16-day firearms season. The survey has provided an early and accurate estimate for more than 30 years. Final harvest numbers, based on a mail survey of this year's hunters, will be released in July.

Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI. 48009. Fax information to (810) 644-1314 or call Bill Parker at (810) 901-2573.

COLLEGE SPORTS

Items for the Sports Roundup must be submitted by noon Fri-day (for Monday edition) and noon Tuesday (for Thursday edi-tion). Items run once only.

Walparaiso University fresh-man point-guard Mo Drahishi (Livonia Btovenson) recently had 14 points, nine assists and seven steals in the Crusaders' 89-63 women's basketball triumph over Aurora (III.). B Adrian College sophemore guard Chriscy Duly (Livenia Churchill) tossed in 10 points in a 66-64 women's basketball defeat Dec. 17 to Concordia College.

The Bulldogs (3-5) return to action Friday at Madonna University. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

Ferris State junior linebacker Mike Brooks (Churchill) set a school record with 104 solo tackles this season.

Daly is averaging 10.6 points per

Brooks, who was selected first-team All-Midwest Intercollegists Football Conference for the second straight year, also tied the Bulldogs' record for total tackles in a season with 202 (he shares the record with Monty Brown of the Buffalo Bills).

THE WEEK AHEAD

Priday, Bac. 20 (Superintendents' Tip GH Clacelo at Betrell's Cabe Areas) ass Tech vs. W.L. Central, 4 p.m. Vestland Glenn vs. Det. Denby, 6 p.m. Aurray-Wright vs. Femdale, 8 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Thursday, Dec. 29 Medonne at Tiffin Tourney, 6 & 8 p.m. Pridey, Dec. 30 Southwestern CC at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m Min (Ohio) Tourney, 4 & 6 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Friday, Dec. 30 Adrian College at Madonna, 7:30 p.m.





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E LIGHT DISPLAY

Visit the Christmas light display at Domino's Farms. See the live nativity scene 6-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday through Jan. Information, 930-3123.

B HOLIDAY CARDS

Michigan Cancer Foundation holiday greeting cards are half off on Wednesday, Dec. 28 and Thursday, Dec. 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 744 Wing St., in Plymouth. Hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. They offer several designs ranging from the traditional to the contemporary. Proceeds from card sales will support the Foundation's research, education and patient care programs.

E AUDITIONS

Plymouth Community Chorus open auditions will be held 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 3, with prescheduled auditions 7 p.m. on subsequent Tuesdays as required in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Road, west of Sheldon in Plymouth Township. Information, 455-4080.

B SOCCER REGISTRATION

Registration for spring soccer will begin at the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department Jan. 2-31. This is open to boys and girls ages 5-18. The cost is \$40 per player and you must bring a birth certificate and Social Security number when registering. 455-6620.

PLYMOUTH LIBRARY

Registration for the Toddler/Parent programs for children 2-314 years old will be held at 10 a.m. in person and 10:30 a.m. by phone Tuesday, Jan. 10. Registration for Family evening storytimes for children 2-314 years old will be at 7 p.m. in person, 7:30 p.m. by phone Jan. 11. Siblings and other family members may attend. Registration for children 31/4 to 5 years will begin at 10 a.m. in person, and 10:30 a.m. by phone on Jan. 11. 453-0750.

The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth is conducting its second annual \$1,000 a month raffle. Ticket cost is \$100. This entitles you to a chance at a drawing for \$1,000 each month of 1996. If you are a winner your ticket is laced back in for future drawings. It is possible it rould be drawn again for another \$1,000. Information, 453-7001.

Arnoldt Williams Music on Canton Center Read, in Centon, will start Kinderik classes the week of Jan. 9 and Jan. 23. Begin nings (18 months-346 years), Growing With Kindermusik (314-414 years), and Year 1 (414-7 years.) Classes run through May 5. To register, call Norma Atwood at 981-5969 for Beginnings and Growing with Kindermusik) and Charlene Bork at 459-5515 (Year 1 Instructor).

I THRIFT SHOP

The Presbyterian Women Thrift Shop will be open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, and is accepting men's, women's and children's used clothing for resale (also small appliances). The profit goes to mission work. 459-1250.

II NEW MORNING SCHOOL

Preschool has openings in Monday, Wednesday, and Friday preschool for 4- and 5-year-olds. Classes meet 9-11:45 a.m. at New Morning School, 14501 Haggerty, Plymouth Township. All programs emphasize planning and goal-setting, individualized instruction and active student participation. 420-3331.

S CHILDREN'S NURSERY Plymouth Children's Nur-

sery Co-op has openings for morning and afternoon sessions for children ages 3-4. Sessions are 9:15-11:15 a.m. and 12:45-2:45 p.m. Classes include storytime, art games, play and musical activities are held at 5825 N. Sheldon Road. 451-0213 or 455-6250.

COED VOLLEYBALL

Plymouth Parks and Recreation coed volleyball registration is under way. Teams are allowed as many nonresidents as they wish. A resident is any player who lives or works full time in the city of Plymouth or Canton Township. There is a limit of 16 teams for the league. \$250 plus \$15 per non-resident player. 455-6620.

COUNTRY/WESTERN

Seniors' line dance lessons will be 1-2:30 p.m. every Thursday through June at the Plymouth Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. Everyone welcome. \$4 per class.

B ART SALE

The Plymouth Community Arts Council's Art Rental Gallery is having a "Sell It So We Don't Have to Move It" sale. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

B ENTERTAINMENT BOOK '96 books are on sale by the

Plymouth Optimist Club. 100 percent of proceeds will be used for children's causes throughout southeast Michigan. Entertainment books offer up to 50percent sevings on dining. movies, special events, thester, travel, car washes and more. Price is \$40. Homedelivered. Call Ken Pisher at 728-7619 or Bill Von Glahn at 453-8253.

- CHILDREN'S SUPPORT Community Hospics Ser-

Ice time



Festival: The 13th annual Plymouth Ice Spec tacular will be Jan. 11-16. For more information about the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, call Watts-Up Inc. at 459-6969.

vices is offering a free Children's Grief Support Series. To register, call Vicki DesJardins or Joan Johnson at 522-4224.

E CLOTHING BANK

The Plymouth-Canton schools' clothing bank will be open Tuesdays only. Hours are 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m. during the school year. To make an appointment or for more information, call 416-6179 during open hours. The bank accepts donations of clothing in good condition during open hours.

E PLAYSCAPE PROJECT

Volunteers are needed to organize the various committees involved in the building of a wood play structure in Plymouth Township Park next spring. 454-9614 or 454-

CLUBS

I NEW YEAR'S DANCE V.F.W. Post 9885 and the

Date and Time:

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location:

Telephone:

Ladies Auxiliary are sponsoring a New Year's Eve dinner dance on Saturday, Dec. 31. The doors will open at 6 p.m. for cocktails, dinner to follow 8-9 p.m. There will be dancing until 2 a.m. with music provided by D.J. Bob Hayden, formerly of "Honey Radio." For tickets, call the post at 728-3231.

SINGLE PLACE Bowl New Year's Eve at 8

p.m. at Novi Bowl and at 11 p.m. move to the Akropolis Cafe in downtown Northville for dinner. Cost is \$30 if reservations are made before noon Friday, Dec. 30, and \$34 after that. Call (810) 349-0911 to dicate at that time your choice for dinner: steak, barbecue ribs or shark steak.

E 66 PLUS

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The 60 plus club will meet Tuesday, Jan. 3, at First United Methodist Church. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass for

The Phymouth and Canton Observers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit com-

munity groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print

the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth Observer, 744 Wing.

Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 313-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon

Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

the potluck. Program will follow.

The first Plymouth Woman's Club meeting of the new year will be 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6, at the First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth Township. The program will be "If You Can't Change the Latitude, Change the Attitude. Carol Fink, president of Happy Trails, will be the speaker. Dues for 1995 are

The Plymouth Community on Aging monthly meeting will be held 2 p.m. Monday, Jan 9, at The Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street, in Plymouth. Topic: "Your Attitude/Your Most Prized Possession," by Michael Davis and "State of the City and the Township" by Steve Walters and Kathleen McCarthy. 453-1234, Ext. 236.

The Plymouth Newcomers general meeting will be noon luncheon, at Waterclub Seafood Grill, 39500 outh. The speaker will be Scott Lorenz, a Hot Air Balloon Pilot. Bev, 454-

Livonia-Redford Chapter No. 130, Parents Without Partners, is meeting at the Cadillac Cafe, 30555 Grand River, Farmington Hills. They meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Parent and family activities are planned. New members welcome at 8 p.m. for orientation. General meeting at 8:30 p.m. After the meeting, they go into the lounge for dancing to music played by a D.J. Diane, 464-1969.

W YEAR CLASSES

FORM

Step Aerobics Fitness Class: Session I: Jan. 4-II: Feb. 15-March 27 (6 II: March 6-April 29 (7

weeks) omit week of 4/17); Stop Smoking/Weight Control: 6-8:30 p.m. Mon-

E WOMAN'S CLUB

E COUNCIL ON ASING

B PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS

held Thursday, Jan. 12, at 11:30 for hospitality, with a Ann Arbor Road, in Plym-3663 or Kathy at 455-8336.

SPECIAL

Feb. 13 (6 weeks), Session weeks); Youth Muscles in Motion: Session I: Jan. 9-Feb. 25 (7 weeks), Session

noon or 1-3 p.m.; 14 pints in the Kitchen: Saturdays, Jan. 7-Feb. 11, (6 weeks); Preschool Indoor Soccer: Session I: Week of Jan. 9-Feb. 17, Session II: Week of Feb. 21-April 7, omit week of Feb. 28; Youth Volleyball: Session I: Week of Jan. 9-Feb. 17; Youth Basketball League: Session I: Jan. 9-Feb. 18, Session II: Feb. 20-April 8 omit week of Feb. 28; Floor Hockey Travel League: Session I: Beginning Jan. 12 and Session II: Beginning March 2; Basket Skills: Session I: Jan. 10-Feb. 14, Session II: Feb. 21-April 4; Floor

day, Jan. 16; Kreatives:

Jan. 9-Feb. 23, 10 a.m.-

Jan. 9. 453-2904. SPECIAL EXHIBIT

Hockey Skills Session I:

Jan. 12-Feb. 16. Session II:

March 9-April 13; Indoor

Soccer Travel League: Ses-

sion I: Beginning week of

Local artist Sharon Lee Dillenbeck of D and M Studio will be exhibiting her award-winning oil painting "Forgotten Friends" at the Plymouth Historical Museum's special exhibit at Christmas for children and children at heart. The painting will be displayed with the original cast of bears set in a Victorian setting. The exhibit will run until Jan. 31, at 155 S. Main in Plymouth. 455-8940.

E OPEN SKATING

Open skate time for all those looking to kill a lunch hour or looking to get a little exercise. The ice arena has open skate at the following lunch hours: noon to 1:20 p.m. Monday; 1-2:30 p.m. Tuesday; 11:20 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. Wednesday; 1-2:40 p.m. Thursday; 11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. Friday. Fees for city residents are \$2.75 adults, \$2 children; \$1.50, seniors; \$1.25, skate rental. For non-city residents: \$3.25, adults; \$2.50, children; \$2, seniors.

B OPEN ICE SKATING

The Plymouth Cultural Ice Arena, at 525 Farmer in Plymouth, has open skating Mondays - 8:40-9:40 a.m., noon to 1:20 p.m., 7-8 p.m.; Tuesdays - 9:40-11:30 a.m., 1-2:30 p.m.; Wednesdays - 8:30-10 a.m., 11:20 a.m. to 1:20 p.m.; Thursdays - 8:40-11:40 a.m., 1-2:40 p.m., 4-5:20 p.m.; Fridays - 9:40-11:40 a.m., 11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m., 7-8 p.m.; Sunday - noon to 1:20 p.m., 1:30-2:50 p.m. Fees for city residents are \$2.75, adults; \$2, children; \$1.50, seniors. For nonresidents - \$3.25, adults; \$2.50, children; \$2, seniors. Skate rental is \$1.25. Open Skate Line, 455-1782.

Rehearsals will be held 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Newburg Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor

Trail in Livonia. They are looking for men to sing four-part harmony. Tenors, leads, baritones, and basses.

B SWEET ADELINES

Spirit of Detroit Sweet Adelines, a women's chorus devoted to the singing of four-part harmony, barbershop style meets yearround, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays, Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, I-96 and Inkster Road. Reading music is not a requirement. Jan, (313) 534-4468.

MALL WALKERS

Twelve Oaks Mall is open for walkers 8 a.m. Monday through Saturday and at 10 a.m. Sunday. (810) 348-9438.

III HANDS-ON MUSEUM

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum is offering many winter activities, including exhibitions and demonstrations. 219 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor. (313) 995-5439.

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- VOLLEYBALL

First Presbyterian Church of Northville is sponsoring adult volleyball, 6:30 p.m. every Sunday or 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Cost is \$1. (810) 349-0911.

FOR KIDS

CARAVAN, CHIPPEWA

Caravan and Chippewa programs for 4-year-olds through sixth-graders 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Plymouth Church of the Nazarene, 45801 Ann Arbor Road. This is a scouting-type program where children will be involved in spiritual, mental, physical and social development activities.

E LEADERS CLUB

National YMCA program for kids ages 11-15 meets 7-8:30 p.m. first and third Wednesdays, Plymouth YMCA office, 248 S. Union. 453-2904.

B HURSERY SCHOOL

Creative Day Nursery School, at the Canton Free Methodist Church, has openings. Programs are half day, for children ages 214-5, and include: learning games and songs, art and musical activities, sharing and storytime. 981-3990 or 981-6470.

HEALTH

Annapolis Hospital offers

free cancer screenings monthly. Pap screenings for women, colorectal screenings for all adults and prostate screenings for men, (includes a physician exam and PSA blood test). 33155 Annapolis Ave., Wayne. Call for an appointment, 467-5555.

To submit your academic honor or graduation an-nouncement to Campus Notes, send the material printed or typewritten to: Bridget Moran, Plymnted or typewi outh-Centon Observer, 744 Wing St., Plymouth, Mah. 48170.

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regrams, admissions, financial aid and acholar-

E ANN SAMULEON, a Hope College senior from Plymouth, was one of 21 college students from Michigan to receive the MAHPERD (Michigan Association for Health, Physical Education, tion and Dance) Award during a lunche at the Renaiseance Center in Detroit recently.
Semesteen is majoring in physical education and
German and plane to attend physical thorapy
school. She was meminated to receive the award by
the department of physical education at Hope. the department of physical education is supported by the Philips at Hope have included Data Rose (houseney Garman society), Morter Beard and house society), the Language Club and

the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She is the daughter of Norman and Janet Samueloon of Plymouth, and is a 1990 graduate of Southfield Christian High School.

B KATHERINE BASER, daughter of Jim and Nan-oy Bahr of Plymouth, has been elected for mem-

rohip into Tau Bota Pi, the national engin honer society. The Bote Pi represents the highest honer which can be achieved by an engineering student. Membership is everded on the basis of high achelesthip and exemplary character. She is a junior at the University of Michigan and expects to graduate with a degree in matchenical engineer-ing in Descenter. She graduated from Plymouth Conten Mich School in 1980.



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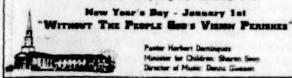
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RELIGION CALENDAR

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue.

SINGLE PLACE

Single Place Adult Ministries will play volleyball 9-10:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30, at the Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main. Northville. Cost is \$3 per person.

On New Year's Eve, Saturday, Dec. 31, Single Place members will go bowling at the Novi Bowl at 8 p.m., followed by dinner at 11 p.m. at the Akropolis Cafe in Northville. Dinner choices are steak, barbecue ribs or shark steak. Cost is \$30 for reservations made by noon Friday, Dec. 30, and \$34 after that deadline. For more information and tickets, call (810) 349-0911.

Single Place Presents at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4, will feature David Blake talking about "Dabbling in Dating." The program will be presented at the church; a donation of \$4 will be requested.

WORLD HEALING DAY

Annually, on New Year's Eve millions of concerned people around the world gather at noon Greenwich Time to meditate and pray for peace in the world. Locally, people are invited to participate in the prayer service at 7 a.m. Saturday. Dec. 31, at St. Linus Church, 25500 Hass, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call (313) 274-7735.

'GOD'S FAVORITE'

The Tr- City Christian Center will present the drama, "God's Favorite," as a dinner theater at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, and as a drama only at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 4, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, at the center, 39390 Michigan Ave., Wayne. Wendy Sielaff is the drama coordinator and Kathy McNamara director. Tickets are \$15 for the dinner theater and \$1 for the productions. For more information, call (313) 326-0330.

II NEW YEAR'S SERVICES

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church will have New Year's services at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, and 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1. The church is at 17810 Farmington Road, Livonia. St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Westland will have a New Year's Eve service with communion at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, and a New Year's Day service

with communion at 10 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1. The church is at 5885 Venoy, Westland.

E WATCH MONT

Nathan DiGesare will perform during Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church's New Year's Eve celebration. The evening will begin with fellowship, dinner by res ervation, and a Watch Night Service at 10:40 p.m. For more information, call (313) 422-1826. The church is at 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia.

E CREAT STORY

Evangelist Rick Amato, founder of R.A.M. (Rick Amato Ministries), will speak at Temple Baptist Church, 23800 West Chicago, Redford, at 11 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1. Amato, who went from the welfare ward of a Detroit Hospital and the depths of heroin and cocaine addiction to presiding over an effort by believers of all denominations to place 1 million scriptures in Eastern Europe, was the first evangelist to conduct a Christian evangelistic crusade in the Kremlin. He also took a group of Christians to Cube in May. For more information, call Temple Baptist at (313) 255-3333.

E BETHANY-WEST

Bethany-West Chapter, a nonprofit Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced and separated Christians through peer ministry, will have Larry Herren as the guest speaker at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, West Chicago, east of Inkster Road, Redford. He will speak on "Becoming Able to Love and Be Loved." Cost will be \$3. For more information, call Karen at (313) 261-3602 or Kathy at (313) 584-1158.

E FUND-RAISER

Clarenceville United Methodist Church of Livonia is conducting a fund-raiser. It has 1995 Entertainment Passbooks available for a donation of \$40. They are available by calling Jim Robinson at (810) 347-1535 or the church office at (810) 474-3444.

E SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church plays volleyball at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the church gym. Ward Church is at Farmington and Six Mile roads, Livonia. For more information, call 422-1854.

B WEDNESDAY SERVICE

St. Paul's Prosbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia, has a new 7 p.m. Wednesday service open to all people, especially those who cannot attend regular Sunday worship services. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-1470.

M NEWSURG MIGHT OUT

Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, will present an eightweek program on Thursday evenings Jan. 12 to March 2. There will be activities for people of all

An inexpensive dinner will be served 5:30-6:30 p.m., followed by classes in beginning conversational Spanish, living with stress, troublesome Bible passages, "First Do No Harm" — a book study of life and death medical issues and Christian ethics - and a series which will use Bill Moyer's "Great Ideas" videotape interviews on contemporary issues, all for adults.

There will be choirs for children and youth and drama groups for children, youth and adults. Noah's Ark, a program involving stories, crafts and supervised free play, will be available for younger children. Child care also will be provided. For more information, call 422-0149.

B NEW CHURCH Crossroads Church of Livonia, a new church of about 70 adults and children, is looking for people to be part of its nucleus. If you are searching for a church home and enjoy contemporary worship, relevant Bible teachings and small groups, call Rob Eddy at (313) 981-7163.

E CHARISMATIC PRAYER

A charismatic prayer group meets at 6 p.m. Sundays in Patio Classroom 1 on the ground floor of the University Center at Madonna University, Schoolcraft and Levan roads, Livonia. For more information, call Shawn at (313) 464-9057 or Julie at (313) 464-

A group also meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays for praise Scripture and singing at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. The group meets in the church meeting room. (Use rear entrance 2.) Call Sandy at (313) 462-2243.

St. Theodore Church's Spirit of the Cross Prayer Group meets at 8 p.m. Wednesdays in the social hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call John at (313) 422-5611 or Margaret at (313) 427-9125.

III LOOKING POR A CHURCH? An open invitation is extended to

anyone inquiring about membership in the Catholic Church by St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland. For more information, call Claudia at (313) 729-4411.

MEN'S PELLOWSHIP

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church sponsors a men's fellowship group at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month in Garden City. For more information, call the Single Point office at (313) 422-1854.

SEMOR 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 more information, call (313) 525-3664 or (313) 261-9276.

FRIENDSHIP

Friendship Connection, a personal growth and support group, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 13439 Marion, Redford, for discussion, questions and answers, fellowship and Bible study. For more information, call (313) 534-

M ALCOHOLICS

The Alcoholics for Christ, Meet Your Needs Group, meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Tri-City Christian Center, Michigan Avenue at Hannan in Canton. Alcoholics for Christ is a nondenominational, nonprofit Christian fellowship for alcoholics and their families. The group's chief goal is to direct alcoholics, family members and other concerned people to a dedicated, sincere relationship with Jesus Christ. For more information, call (313) 326-0330.

E NEW WORSHIP

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia, has started an informal worship experience 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays. The program, led by the Rev. Wendy

Bailey, is geared toward people of all ages who are unable to attend on Sunday morning because of work schedules or other commitments. It is designed to attract those who desire a more contem porary approach to worship. Child care will be available. For more information, call (313) 422-1470.

BWE Main Street Baptist Church, 8500

N. Morton Taylor, south of Joy, Canton, has a ministry to assist people whose lives have been affected by substance abuse. SAPE (Setting Addicts Pres Eternally) Recovery Group meets 7 p.m. each Tuesday.

For more information or individual counseling, call the Rev. Michael York at (313) 453-4785.

Seminar focuses on 'Authenticity'

The Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church in Westland will host a Church Satellite Network broadcast of a live, interactive seminar, "Seven Steps Toward Spiritual Authenticity, Saturday, Jan. 7.

The noon to 3:30 p.m. seminar will feature internationally known Christian teacher Jack Hayford, Focus on the Family's H.B. London, and speaker/author Carol

More than 5,000 pastors, lay leaders and church members will join the trio in placing priority on integrity of heart, making forgiveness a lifestyle, giving praise its proper place in our lives, refusing the temptation to judge others, cultivating a circle of accountability, keeping the invisible world in focus and deepening the personal intimacy with Jesus.

This broadcast will challenge believers to think through what integrity means in daily life and ministry. The two 90-minute sessions will guide participants in what to stand up for, confirming the progress they have made to date, and offering specific steps for the coming months

Hayford, senior pastor of the 8,000-member Church on the Way in Van Nuys, Calif., is known for his integrity and uncompromising approach to the teaching of God's word. Any given month you will find him speaking to several thousand pastors and Christian leaders or serving a key role for a number of Christian organiza-

tions.

More than 100,000 of his cassette teachings are distributed annually, and he is the composer of more than 400 songs, including the widely sung "Majesty."

London has a background of 31

years of pastoral ministry, spanning three pastorates in California and Oregon. In 1991 he was invited to join Focus on the Family in Colorado Springs, Colo., where he is currently vice president of ministry outreach/pastor ministries.

London has co-authored two books and communicates regularly with hundreds of pastors and church leaders through the "Pastor to Pastor" cassette and newsletter.

Kent, featured on the cover of the January 1995 issue of "Today's Christian Woman" magazine, has been a radio show cohost in Port Huron, a director of women's ministries for a Baptist church in Fort Wayne, Ind., and studio guest with such groups as Focus on the Family in the U.S. and 100 Huntley Street in Cana-

She has written several books and travels throughout North America as founder and director of "Speak Up With Confidence" seminars.

The seminar costs \$30 and registration forms are available by calling Cheryl Bippus at (313) 458-7301. Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church is at 33445 Warren Road, Westland.



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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1994

ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA CHOMIN

Book details the history of stained glass

t was love at first sight for Therese Duffy from the moment she laid eyes on the antique stained glass windows installed in the parish chapel of St. Valentine School in Redford Township. The eight artworks transform the rays of early morning sunlight into translucent paintings of gold, ruby red and blue.

Originally made to decorate a similar chapel in St. Joseph's Retreat, a hospital for the mentally insane opened in 1885 in Dearborn, the windows enchanted Duffy so, she spent seven months of her life researching the history and recording it in the softcover book, "Behind the Window.

They're gorgeous and they're 105 years old, but this isn't just a story about windows. It's a story of Sister Mary DeSales who had this vision," said the 68- year-old Duffy

"I began writing the book after I fell in love with Sister DeSales. There was no one else who could write it, because no one else felt the way I did. It was my personal project. I wanted people to know what she had done. I titled it 'Behind the Window,' because without the windows there would be no story. At the time Duffy first heard about the win

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Stained glass: The windows represent the Joyful Mysteries of the rosary including Jesus in the Temple at his Bar Mitzvah.

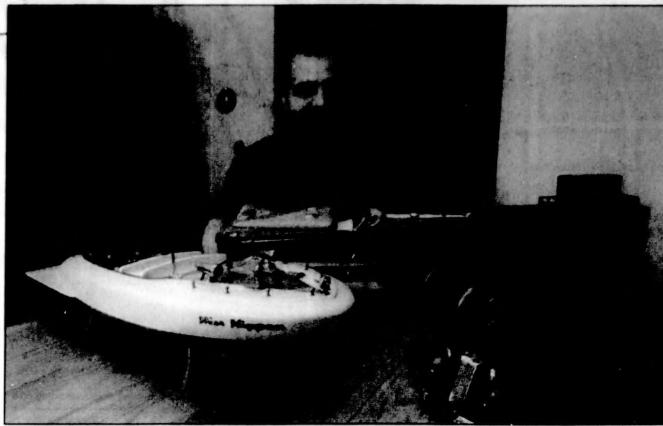
LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Creative Living next week:

- Going for the cold. Ice is the medium at the 13th annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.
- Victoria Diaz writes about local authors in her Book Break column.
- Exhibitions, art gallery listings.

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Westland collects boats, ships and cars from the turn-of-thecentury to the 1960s. Featured here are Miss Nippon (front), Chris Craft Cobra, 1936 Packard (front) and an all metal car made in Germany by Carette.

Toys: Dave Hudson of

oys bring out the kid in all of us. More than 150 dealers from as far away as British Columbia and Germany will display antique wind-up, pressed steel and iron toys, pedal cars, penny toys, promo cars, GI Joe's and Barbie dolls, collectibles, "Star Wars" and "Star Trek' items and memorabilia associated with antique toys including buttons, pins and posters at the fourth Dearborn Michigan Antique Show Saturday, Jan. 7, in the Dearborn Civic Center, 15801 Michigan Ave., west of

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the magic and wonder of toys is sure to evoke memories and bring out the kid in you. Admission is \$4 for adults; children under 12, free.

"Don't throw out those Christmas toys from years past because they're appreciating in value and their expected price today would be a shocker. Toys right now are the hottest selling antiques in America," said show producer, Kevin Hauser.

Hauser should know. For the last seven years he's owned and operated Hauser Antiques in Royal Oak. A third generation collector of antique toys, he spent many an afternoon as a child attending shows.

Keep those toys

Christmas is a time of toys and dreams. Now that we've wrapped up another year, whatever you do don't throw out those toys. They could be worth a lot of money in the future. They could even pay for a few of your dreams.

"A Japanese GI Joe in mint condition goes for \$700. Hot Wheels played with 25 years ago sell for \$50 to \$1,000," said Hauser.

Bill and Karen Portman began collecting Hot Wheels cars nearly two years ago after buying a price guide on them at an antique show. It since has become an insatiable hobby consuming both money and time. The Westland husband and wife spend untold hours scouring toy stores, hobby shops and even the local Target in search of rare paint jobs on the 25-year-old Mattel toy phenomenon. They have about 3,000 of them in their collection.

You had them when you were a kid, now you have a kid and collect them. It's like going back to your childhood," said Bill Portman, 29.

"It's like a treasure hunt. It's a challenge to find them. I even went back to my mother's house to look for cars," said Karen, 31.

Popular cars Mattel Inc. began marketing

Remember that special toy you loved when you were a kid? You'll more than likely find one just like it at the fourth Dearborn Michigan Antique Show on Jan. 7.

by Linda Chomin, special writer



ectors: Bill and Karen Portman began collecting Hot Wheels cars nearly two years ago after buying a price guide on them at an antique show. They have about 3,000 of them in their collection.

these marvels in 1968 as the U.S. answer to British Matchbox cars. Today, a Volkswagen Bus Beach Bomb from that era goes for \$1,500 to \$2,000. The Wall Street Journal even did a story on them in mid-November when Christie's International auctioned off a collection of Hot Wheels in New York City. There are Hot Wheels publications, an annual convention, and clubs where members race the cars on "Fat Tracks.

A Motor City Chapter Meet is set to take place Jan. 15 at the Wayne-Ford Civic League Arena in Westland. There will be Hot Wheels racing with first, second and third place trophies awarded.

The average collector is between 30 and 40 years old and tends to have a son," said Portman.

"The date on the bottom is not the date it was made. It's the copyright date. They have to be in mint condition to get top dollars. A scratch on a tire can make it less valuable.

The Portman concentrate their own collection on the years 1968 to 1977. At the show they will sell Hot Wheels from 1978 to the current year ranging in price from \$5 for a 1992 model to \$200 for a vacuummetalized gold, special edition Lamborghini Countach.

Dave Hudson collects boats, ships and cars from the turn-of-thecentury to the 1960s. His Westland home is a haven for die cast Oldsmobile, Cadillac, Edsel and Mercedes Benz one-eighteenth scale cars, tin clockwork ships from the early 1900s, tin cars from early 1900s to the 1950s and 1960s, and battery operated wood boats manufactured in Japan in the 1950s and

"It's a collectible field. The toys were very popular back then but only the well-off could afford them," said Hudson, who travels to 22 shows a year trading and selling antique toys.

One entire glass enclosed hutch is filled with a 1958 Edsel, 1959 Rambler and Buick and a 1960 Ford.

"Cars have always been a love of America. The late 1950s and 1960s are my favorites," said the 37-yearold collector.

Hudson began collecting antique toys 10 years ago after attending a swap meet and car show in Pennsylvania. It was then he spied Western action figures from television programs popular in the 1940s and

See TOYS, 3D

Exhibit will showcase special artists

BY LINDA ANN CHOMEN STAFF WRITER

Very Special Arts Michigan Southeast is seekng artworks for an exhibit it is sponsoring March 10 to April 9 at Urban Park-Detroit Art Center in Trapper's Alley in Greektown.

Very special visual artists including children and adults disabled by hearing, sight, mobility, development and emotional impairments will take part in the second annual exhibit at the downtown Detroit gallery. All participating artists will be invited to the opening reception on March 10 when each receives a VSA certificate of recognition.

We're looking for paintings done with poster

paints, prints, drawings the usual things that school kids do," said Jack Olds, exhibit chairman and a former member of the Livonia Arts Commission.

Last year, all of the state was involved, but 1995 will cover a seven county region of southeastern Michigan. We'd like to get the Livonia schools to participate.

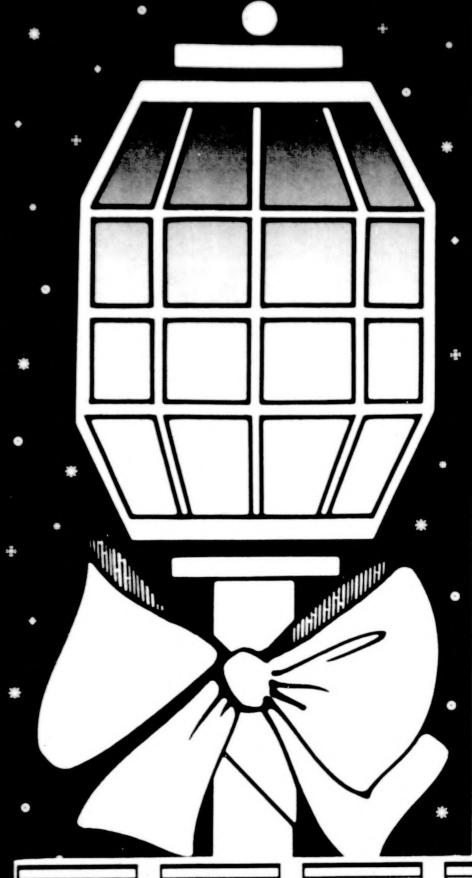
Schools in Garden City, Westland, Redford, Plymouth and Canton should consider entering this worthwhile event. Last year's included artworks ranging from a quilt made by a Holland, Mich. group to a disabled student whose work ended up

on the front of the commemorative T-shirt. Each art entry must be accompanied by a completed form signed by the artists and parent or guardian if the artist is under the age of 26. Deadline for entry is Feb. 1, 1995.

Artists may enter up to three works including the mediums of crayon, felt-tipped pen, ink, tempera, oils on canvas on board or stretchers, acrylic, finger paint, collage and block prints. Quilting, embroidery and other craft techniques are also acceptable.

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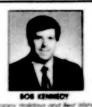


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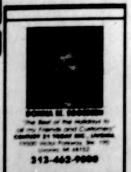
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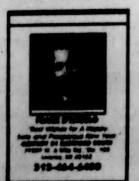
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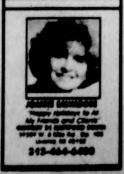


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LIVONIA LIBRARY

Through Dec. 30 - The Livonia Arts Commission presents a collection of Barbie dolls owned by Livonia resident Marty Fishman. The 50-doll exhibit is on display in the Livonia Civic Center Library showcases, Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 1-5 p.m. on Sunday.

MELSON'S GALLERY

Through Dec. 31 - Director Laura Hardy presents her annual Art as Gift show featuring smaller, reasonably priced gift art now through Dec. 31 at the gallery 16376 Middlebelt between Five and Six Mile in Terrence. An open house takes place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10. This year's show spotlights 13 artists working in a variety of media from painting and glass to jewelry and clay. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday though Friday, and 10

a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. E G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY

Through Dec. 31 - "Scrapple from the Apple," an exhibit of works on paper and monoprint by Vincent Smith, will continue to Dec. 31. Opening reception for the artist 6-9 p.m. Friday. Smith will lecture on his work 2 p.m. Sunday; call the gallery at (810) 642 2700 for reservations. The show concentrates on Smith's jazz images. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1-4 p.m. Sunday, 161 Townsend, Birming-

E SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES PEACE CENTER AND GALLERY

Through Dec. 29 - La Raza, a Canadian artists collective, will be presented in an exhibit called "Urban Realities" continuing to Dec. 29. Opening reception for the artists 5 p.m. Friday. The group of large paintings focuses on difficulties in urban living - homelessness, current economic, political and social crises and the breakdown of the family unit. Hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 33 E. Adams, Detroit, (313) 965-

I JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSEUM/GALLERY

Through Jan. 12 - A retrospective of internationally acclaimed artist Samuel Bak will continue through Jan. 12. Opening reception, which Bak will attend, 7 p.m. Saturday; Bak will speak 1 p.m. Sunday and sign copies of his catalogs and books noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Bak's work reflects his experiences as a survivor of the Holocaust. His beautifully rendered paintings contain a visual vocabulary addressing universal themes and the plight of the human condition. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, in the

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dows, she was a member of the Redford Township historical Commission and as such, investigated the windows' history. But the story doesn't begin with the windows, it begins with Sister Mary DeSales Taylor, a member of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent DePaul.

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In 1854 Sister DeSales Taylor was one of the administrators at St. Mary's Hospital in Detroit.

In those days mentally ill people were kept hidden. There was nothing being done for them in the way of medical help. Sister DeSales made room for five mental patients at St. Mary's. As their conditions improved, additional space was sought to assist others like them.

The Sisters of Charity owned 20 acres of land located at the corner of Michigan Avenue and 24th Street in Detroit where an existing building was expanded. Sister DeSales was now able to house 20 mental patients. This small wooden building called the Michigan Hospital for the Insane was the first mental hospital in Mich-

Back at St. Mary's, Michigan beds for their patients, more than likely causualities of the Civil War as this was the late 1860s. All of the money incurred from these patients was set aside and saved because Sister DeSales had a plan.

She would build a new hospital, a five-story brick building at Michigan and 24th opened in 1870 and was solely owned by the Sisters of Charity. The recovery rate for mental patients rose, and even those who never improved had a place to spend the rest of their lives. In 1885, an even larger St. Joseph's Retreat was built in Dearborn. In the lobby four beautiful stained glass windows were installed, and in the chapel another eight.

Eight feet high by four feet wide, the richly colored images tell a joyful story of Jesus' birth and life. For 78 years, St. Joseph's Retreat served the mental patients and their families. By 1962 however, it became obsolete and was closed. The windows were perceled off and sold.

There was stipulation when the hospital closed that the win-

dows and all the religious artifacts would go to Christian people," said Duffy.

All 12 windows were purchased by St. Clements Church in Dearborn, but conflicted with the architectural style of the building so were sold to St. Martha's Catholic Church. The windows remained in the Dearborn church until it was renovated and the old stained glass windows replaced with new

Four of the windows, including the one of St. Martha, were saved. The other eight were stored in the Fifth. Call (810) 546-6770. garage. The pastor of St. Martha's eventually offered the eight windows to Father Tom Belczak, pastor at St. Valentine's where they remained in storage until enough money was saved to restore and install them in the parish chapel in 1993, the 45th anniversary of the church

Therese Duffy was born in Detroit. She attended Holy Redeemer High School, and was a member of St. Gabriel's parish in Southwest Detroit for more than 40 years. She moved to Redford Township eight years ago after raising four children. I first met her while doing a story about the senior citizens taking art classes from surrealist painter, Carl Angevine at the Redford Semor Cen-

Ed Berger photographed the windows for Duffy's book. Pastoral assistant Jerry O'Neill handled the printing out of love for the windows that survived so

" The windows represent the Joyful Mysteries of the rosary including the Annunciation, the Visitation, the birth of Christ or Christmas and Jesus in the Temple at his Bar Mitzvah," said O'Neill. "When we got the windows it turned the chapel into something special, into even a more special sacred spot."

Duffy's book is available at St. Valentine's rectory for a cost of \$2. All proceeds benefit the Redford Township Historical Com-

Linda Ann Chomin is a free lance writer specializing in the visual arts. Her Artistic Expressions column appears the last Thursday of the month.

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sidered original art and may not be displayed. All paper should be 100 percent rag cotton if possible.

Very Special Arts was founded for children and adults who are not physically or mentally capable of participating in the sports of Special Olympics. Through yearly mini-grants, VSA/MI pro-vides opportunities for disabled people to create, communicate people to create, communicate and develop through the arts, thereby furthering their self-esteem. VSA/MI promotes the power of the arts to triumph over disabilities. Their annual regional festival which will be held April 28 and 29 at Wenderland Mall in Livenia is meant to educate the community about the artistic talents, performing and visual of

disabled persons.
VSA/MI is the state chapter of Very Special Arts, an international organisation founded by Jean Kennedy Smith in 1974 to enrich the lives of the disabled by encouraging creativity. VSA/MI supports programs in dance, drama, literary and visual arts as well as music in schools, therapeutic and nursing centers. It is associated with Special Educa-tion Services Michigan Depart-ment of Education, and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

For more information on the art shibit, or an entry form write ack Olds, 14542 Huff, Livonia 48154, or call (313) 591-0842.

Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple at Drake in West Bloomfield, (810) 661-7641.

E WOODWARD GALLERY

The gallery at 1357 Davis in Birmingham is the only dealer in the United States authorized to sell a limited edition series of photographs of jazz legends Miles Dayis and Dizzy Gillespie. Gallery president and owner Dan Winter took the Davis photos. The Gillespie series spans this jazz great's career. Also available are original prints and paintings by more than 300 artists, including Peter Max, Karel Appel, Robert Indiana, Romare Bearden and Agam; an unusual collection of sports photos and posters; and vintage photos and newspaper articles. Call (810) 642-1357.

THE MOLE HOLE Local photographer Karen Lueck has brought life and vibrancy to her photographs the old-fashioned way: She paints them the way they used to be before color film was developed. Lueck's work is on display at the gallery, 128 S. Woodward in Birmingham. Among the scenes and landmarks captured are Quarton Lake, the Birmingham Theatre, the falls at Quarton Lake, St. James Church and the Hunter House. Custom work is available. (810) 644-8233.

GALLERY: FUNCTIONART "The Spirit of CCS," the first in the gallery's Design School Exhibition series, continues. The show features works by Matthew Norris, Gonzalo Rodriguez, Dave Gillespie, Jeff Tilley, Jessica Ingolia, Jason Coffer, Greg Hanson and Vincent Tingler. The gallery is at 23-B W. Lawrence in Pontiac. Call (810) 333-0333.

E DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

To Jan. 8 — "So You Want to Build a Museum," at 5200 Woodward, includes plans, drawings and renderings of the 1888 Detroit Museum of Art by James Balfour and the 1927 Detroit Institute of Arts by Paul Cret. Call (313) 833-

THE ANDY SHARKEY GALLERY This Royal Oak art gallery offers an unusual collection of Michigan artists featuring painted furniture, pottery, glass, jewelry, a Kids' Corner, custom painting

and more. The gallery is at 204 W.

action figures like this one from the '50s show "Wanted Dead or Alive" launched Dave Hudson into toy col-

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1950s. Two years ago Hudson finally completed his collection of these heroes which includes not only the Western figure but the original box they came in.

"Everyone in their 30s, 40s and 50s will remember Bat Masterson, Bret Maverick, Sgt. Preston of the Yukon, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, and Johnny Yuma

from the Westerns," said Hudson.
"All of the good Westerns they made a figure. There are 35 different ones, 10 of them riding."

Of course none of Dave and Madelyn Hudson's three children including sons, Nick, 13 and Josh, 11 or daughter, Sydney, 7 are allowed to play with any of the antique toys. They're an investment for his future retirement from a general supervisor position at one of the Big Three automobile manufacturing plants in Ypsilanti.

Investing in toys

"From boats to cars to battleships, antique toys are a great investment. Although most of the sources for the turn- of-the-centu-



Classic cowboy: Western



Hot Wheels: From front to back, the Iron Man from 1981, the Custom AMX from 1969 and the Mighty Maverick

ry toys has dried up, there's still an opportunity to collect the cars from the late 1950s and 1960s. I relate to a lot of the toys, but I love the cars. Since you can't have real ones because they take up too much room, they're great." Hudson's inventory at the show will range in price from \$10 for a matchbox car to \$4,500 for a battery operated Space Patrol (a moon vehicle) in the original box. He will also have antique tin cars

from \$100 to \$3,500.

"I think if people come, they will have a lot of fun to look around and remember," Hudson.

"They might even start collecting antique toys. A good part of it is everybody can relate to toys. Everybody played with them as a kid so that's something joyful and fun, and everybody needs a little

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Kathleen Coon was named general manager of Century 21 East in Rochester Hills. She has been in real estate for

more than four years. She serves as vice chairwoman community services committee for the Birmingham-Bloomfield, South Oakland and Rochester Area Realtors and in 1995 will head the Realtor Associ- Coon ates Committee for the Rochester Area Association of Realtors.

MEW STATE LEADER

Alice McIntyre of Real Estate One in Bloomfield Hills was elected 1995 Michigan governor of the Women's Council Realtors.

McIntyre has been on the WCR board, an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors, for six years, serving as the state chapter president in 1993 and before that, the local chapter president in 1989.

As a WCR governor, McIntyre will be responsible for increasing membership and overseeing the council's annual Phoneathon membership cam-

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TALK RADIO

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Meisner, whose offices are based in Bingham Farms, focuses on condominium, real estate and

Compiled by Becky Burns

Commercial Realtor of Year'

BY GRETCHEN A. VAN CLEAVE

When Southfield Realtor Scott Elliott came to Michigan in 1987, he didn't know his dedication to commercial real estate would triumph in ghis earning "Michigan Commercial Realtor of the Year" honors for 1994.

The Michigan CCIM Chapter presents the annual award to a Certified Commercial Investment Member. "It is great to receive an award like this," said Elliott, 38, who lives in Farmington Hills.

Michigan boasts Elliott about 1,000 commercial Realtors. Elliott is one of 90 designated CCIMs. said Robert Andrus, Michigan CCIM chapter president.

CCIM certification is awarded to commercial real estate agents who

courses in commercial investment real estate. Other criteria include the sis-caliber reports, exams and sales and leasing volume requirements. It usually takes four to five years to be certified, Andrus said.

"It's like a master's degree in commercial real estate," Elliott said.

In addition to his CCIM designation, Elliott is a Society of Industrial and Office Realtors member. There are only a few others in Michigan who hold both designations. "It takes a lot of effort, time and experience to do both," Andrus said.

Factors that helped Elliott earn Realtor of the Year honors include his cooperativeness with other real estate brokers, his professional production and his effort to expand opportunities for commercial real estate in Michi-

Elliott has been a tremendous as-

set to the commercial real estate business, Andrus said.

"I've never won an award like this before," Elliott said. "It is an honor to receive the award since it comes from my peers.

Elliott, a California native, became interested in commercial real estate 19 years ago, during his days at San Diego State University.

Commercial real estate involves office buildings, retail stores, industrial and other income-producing commercial properties, Elliott said.

Elliott joined Coldwell Banker in 1980 and became a sales manager in 1985 in Kansas City. Coldwell Banker's commercial division became CB Commercial in 1991 and is the nation's largest commercial real estate company. It's headquartered in Los Angeles.

Today, Elliott is senior vice president and managing officer of CB

Commercial Real Estate Group, Southfield. In 1993, he was instrumental in founding the Detroit Area Commercial Board of Realtors, a member of the National Association

Outside real estate circles, Elliott has devoted time to local community and civic groups. He's on the advisory board of The Salvation Army. And he's a member of the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce Business Attraction Group, serving on the committee that prepares marketing pieces and information on Detroit.

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Elliott serves the Boy Scouts of America through his son's troop.

After seven years, Elliott will step down at year end from the board of directors of the Detroit Commercial Investment Division, now the Detroit Area Commercial Board of Realtors. He plans to devote more time to his real estate business.

Note managing agent's role; share ideas on-line



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Q. I am a former managing agent basically fed up in what I see as an abuse by some management companies. They promised cheap contractors and lawyers cheap without disclosing to the association the relationship between the law-

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Q. Several people on our board have heard about a new community bulletin board system for the Community Associations Institute. We are already familiar with some of the big general-interest services such as Prodigy and Compuserve, but we are excited at the thought of a national network dedicated to

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the needs of community associations. How do we get involved?

A: Community Associations On Line's development is spearheaded by the Community Associations Institute, a national nonprofit organization based in Washington. The service started in early December. This column and I were selected to be part of the project and I soon will be able to correspond with readers via the network.

You will find the system beneficial to community associations as it allows community association professionals and volunteer readers from throughout the United States to meet on line, chat in electronic conference rooms, post messages, exchange Email, unload and download files, and access a vast on-line library.

The records, I am advised, will include 20 years of publications from CAI as well as actual example materials from other associations. There are special form areas for managers, board members, attorneys CPAs and

There are also news and feature areas where subscribers can stay abreast of industry trends and activi-

ties. I am advised the system makes use of a graphics environment that can be navigated as easily as clicking

A simple text-based environment is available for those who prefer the keyboard to a mouse. The system can be accessed by virtually any personal computer using a modem and a standard telephone line. Pre-enrollments are being accepted. For information about features and pricing, call Community Associations On-Line: 1 (800) 248-1325.

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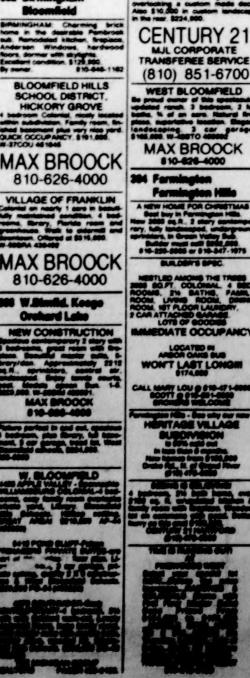


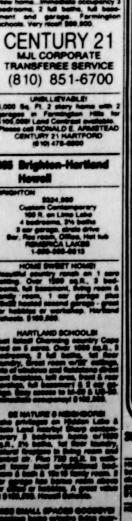
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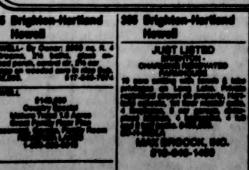
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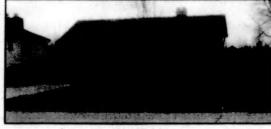


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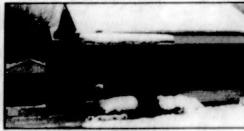
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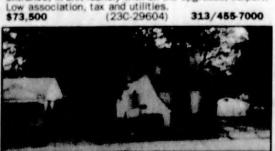
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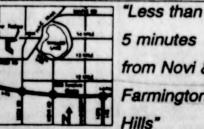
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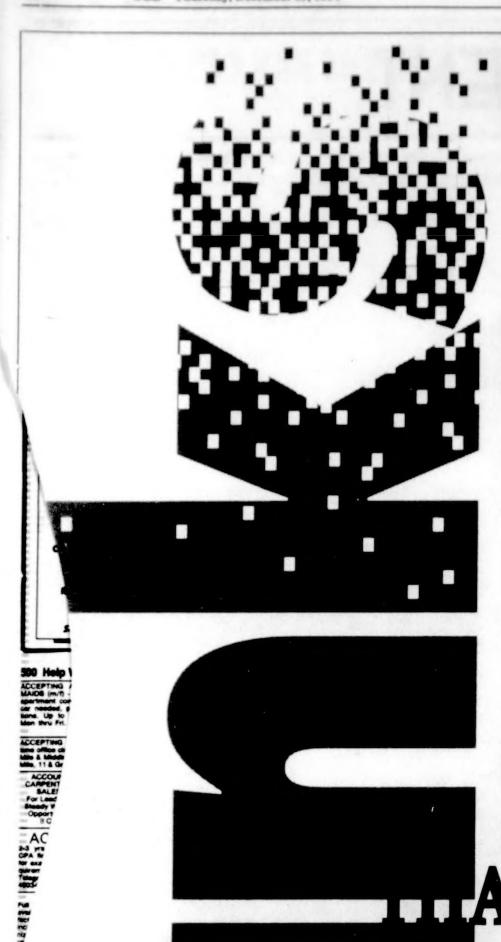
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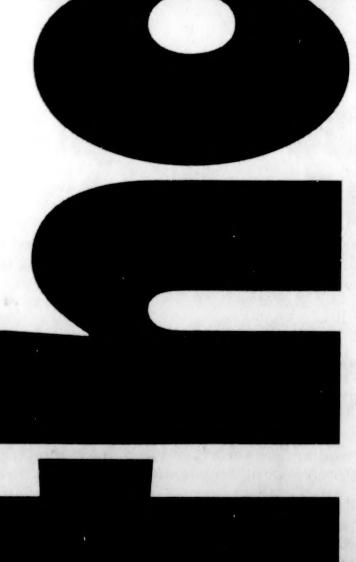
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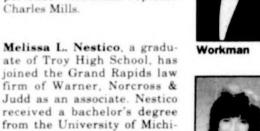
BUILDING & BUSINESS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings and other key personnel moves within the suburban business community. Send a brief biographical summary - including the towns of residency and employment and a black-and-white photo, if desired - to: Stars, Building & Business, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279

Charles E. Mills has been named director of business development for the Michigan Group Realtors effective Dec. 12. Mills, a native Detroiter and graduate of Wayne State University, has been an active Realtor for 31 years. Mills resides in Livonia with Elizabeth, his wife of 34 years



Michael Workman has been named the general sales manager for the Livonia office of the Michigan Group. Workman has 23 years of real estate experience. Workman replaces Charles Mills.



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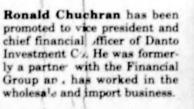
Gary Topolewski of West Bloomfield and managing partner of creative for the Detroit office of Bozell Worldwide Advertising has been awarded the "Close the the Customer" award, the highest coporate honor within the agency. Topolewski has been honored this year at Cannes and the Caddy Awards as for his creative direction the on the Jeep

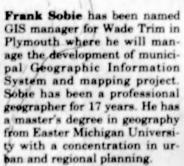
"Snow Covered" commercial.



Topolewski

Susan S. Zinger has been promoted to executive vice president and general manager of the Michigan Design Center by the Danto Investment Co. Zinger joined the Design Center after 13 years with Hudson's. She is an allied member of the American Society of Interior design.







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Remodeler lets clients stay home

■ People who develop deep roots in a community sometimes add on to or remodel the homestead rather than move. A few companies in this area. including one in business nearly 30 years, specialize in major renovations at the upper price end.

BY DOUG FUNKE STAFF WRITER



Most of us think about remodeling in terms of updating a kitchen or bath-

Bob Stern of West Bloomfield specializes in renovations and restorations of a much higher magnitude. He deals with projects starting at \$50,000 and ranging up to \$250,000 in upscale communities like Birmingham, Franklin and Bloomfield

His clients generally have either a very strong desire to stay in the neighborhood or to create a living environment that stirs fond remi-

"My customer is a 40-some-yearold contemporary professional doctors, lawyers, auto executives," Stern said. "Business is great when they get their bonuses.

My typical project would be a master bedroom suite with a whirlpool bath and walk-in closets or a new area consisting of a kitchen extension with an extremely large breakfast room and sitting area," he said.

Like Dorothy Gale in the Wizard of Oz, clients who spend a lot of money on a remodeling really come to believe that there's no place like home. Their roots run deep with attachments to neighborhood, church

"I liked where I was and didn't want to move," said Linda Roszak, a Bloomfield Hills resident. She and her husband, John, contracted for a new kitchen, larger family room and a hot tub.

"We back up to a school playground, the kids were happy and we had enough backyard to use." Linda said.

An average job takes 12 to 14 18 a year and most of his clients continue to live in the house while work progresses.



Big jobs: Bob Stern specializes in major remodeling projects.

"They're always supervising," he said. "Everyone who lives in the house, the mothers and fathers of the homeowners, the sister-in-law, the cousin who was a carpenter once. We're masochists.

Actually, Stern said, interaction with clients is a great joy for him. "I enjoy the one-on-one with customers. I like dialogue. They know what they want. They don't know how to express it. You pull it out of

"Step A is someone calling. They want an estimate. We go out and assess. It's almost like a feasibility study, a diagnosis and prognosis,' Stern said.

"Then we sum it up. We can do it or you shouldn't do it. Maybe they should just sell."

The general rule of thumb for major renovations is that the work should already fit the existing neighborhood or how the neighborhood is evolving, said Stern, who's been at it nearly 30 years.

But if money is no object and a client has his heart set on a project, land is available, municipal codes can be met and persuasion to buy somewhere else and remodel is

unsuccessful, the job gets done.

"It has to with who you are, what you are and how you see it," Stern said of the decision to spend big money on remodeling. "Most people who call us really don't want to move. They're comfort-

Stern identified his major competitors as Kellett Construction of Bloomfield Hills and Mosher, Dolan & Cataldo of Birmingham. He said his biggest problem with clients is extras.

"That's where the customer buys a specific amount of work for a specific amount of money and while you're here, will say, 'Can you do this, can you do that.' That really busts up schedules. My next customer is waiting and I don't have

Stern's major problem on job sites is dealing with minor variations in all of the municipal build-

The codes keep changing and they're stiffer and stiffer," he said. "I think some are getting out of hand. Is this a necessity? Why doesn't every manufacturer do this? You learn by doing.

Houses built from the 1950s on are easier to deal with than more vintage models - due to building codes - but Stern said he hasn't yet encountered any problem which couldn't be overcome into a job.

"Nothing is insurmountable," he

"You can do anything you want if you pay," Stern added. "A lot of times, you can compromise, get the same feel for a little less. You do it a little smaller, a little different."

But Stern admits that he won't skimp on quality.

"The only way people hire me back is service. That's all that remodeling is. You can't serve without profit. People I work for never bought me because I was low bidder. You can't do it on sale. You can't give it away."

Most of his business is repeats and referrals, Stern said.

Pat and Laurence Ribiat have hired Stern on three different occa-

"They do the job quickly. They clean up after themselves daily, she said. "The guys working are really nice. Workmanship, the guys really care."

Local architects get professional accolades

AIA Detroit, a chapter of the American Institute of Architects, cited several local professionals with special accolades during annual award ceremonies.

Honorees include Maurice B. Allen Jr., a Bloomfield Hills resident, who received the AIA Detroit gold medal, its highest honor.

Allen was recognized for consistent high quality design and distinguished years of practice. He retired last year from TMP Associates Inc. in Bloomfield Hills and continues to serve the firm, consulting on performing arts centers.

Allen's career included contributing to projects as far ranging as the General Motors Technical Center in Warren, the U.S. Embassy in Oslo, Norway, and the Lincoln Center of the Performing Arts in New York

His design interests have led him into positions of teacher, juror, public speaker and counselor to state government

You can't look at a building by itself," Allen said. "Architecture for me runs the gamut from city plan to space between buildings to buildings themselves to furniture. You never look at what's before you but the next largest context.

"Architecture very definitely shapes our lives," Allen added. There's a subliminal effect on people. It lifts your spirits if you go into a nice place.

What we do lasts a long time." he said

A member of the Environmental Arts Advisory Panel of the Michigan Council for the Arts, Allen has served on numerous committees with that organization throughout

Leo G. Shes of Bloomfield Hills received the AIA Detroit Charles Blessing Award.

The award is named in honor of Detroit's longtime visionary city planner who dedicated his life's work to the pursuit of increasing the quality of urban life through excellence in city planning and urban design.

It is presented to the individual who has exemplified the broad vision, commitment and steady effort demonstrated by Blessing, now deceased.

AIA Detroit recognized Shea's leadership in planning and civic issues that have resulted in positive improvements to the urban environ-

Through his efforts, AIA Detroit established the Urban Priorities Committee in January, 1993. As chairperson of the committee, Shea's goal was to increase the public awareness of architects and the profession.

Shea was instrumental in presenting an architectural agenda to civic organizations and governmental leaders.

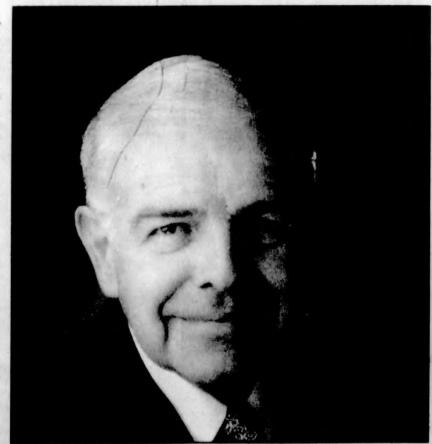
He played a key role in presentng AlA Detroit's perspective to Mayor Dennis Archer's land use task force. She currently serves as vice pres-

ident of operations with Kughn Enterprises, Inc. in Chesterfield. Victor Saroki, a Farmington Hills

resident with a practice in Birmingham, is this year's AIA Detroit Young Architect. This designation was established

to recognize exceptional contributions to the profession by licensed architects 40 years of age and

A graduate of Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Saroki established a partnership upon graduation that led to his go-ing solo in 1983. Today, Saroki &



Maurice B. Allen, Jr. gold medal winner

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Just two years after graduation, Saroki was personally honored by LTU at its 50th anniversary celebration. The 20 outstanding graduates of the School of Architecture were recognized and he was the

Katherine Bishop Eckert has en named AIA Detroit Honorary Affiliate member. Membership is

bestowed upon someone not eligible for AIA membership but who has rendered distinguished service to the profession.

Eckert is historic preservation officer for the State of Michigan. An architectural historian for twenty years, she has traveled throughout the state to study buildings and cultural landscapes. Her first book, Buildings of Michigan, was published last year.

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Remember from last week that the Web uses hypertext (highlighted word(s) to access documents using starting points called Home Pages. Like Gopher or Telnet, sometimes when you use Web to access a site the attempt is unsucessful because that site is too busy at that time. The only thing you can do is try

On O&E On-Line we use Lynx to access the WEB. The addressing domain of Lynx requires a forward slash right before the colon and is followed by two backward slashes after the colon. In the last column, I erred in describing the construction of the Web domain. If you see a heart symbol (V) in a Web address in this column, substitue the forward slash where the heart (V) appears.

The FBI is offering a \$1 million reward for information about UNABOM - 14 bombings in the U.S. Background and update information about UNABOM is shared at the FBI Home Page which can be accessed UNABOM

through the Web with this Universal Resource Locator (URL): httpV://naic.nasa.gov/fbi.

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O&E On-line user Frank T. shares a Web site he discovered that is a movie database for film-goers. It contains information on Academy Awards, actors and actresses, and movie The URL is httpV:// reviews. www.cm.cf.ac.uk/Movies/moviequery.html. Note from the domain that this site is in the United Kingdom. Frank shared other sites which I'll pass on once I get a chance to take a personal visit.

The Observer & Eccentric is building its own Web site on the Internet and will be offering all 12 O&E newspapers at a WWW Home Page. The O&E Home Page is still under construction but is on the Internet and can be accessed via O&E On-line. System operator Greg Day has his own list of Web Hot Spots which users will enjoy visiting. Visit our the O&E Home Page at http♡:/eonline.com. Be patient, though, because not all features are completed.

Our friendly IRS has added a Web site on the Internet as part of its ever-expanding customer service efforts. The address is almost as long as the regular 10W40 so type carefully when you access this URL: httpV://www. ustreas.gov/treasury/bureaus/irs/irs.html. When finished this site will include tax forms,

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Employment Opportunities and Job Reources on the Internet is updated periodically and can be accessed through FTP, Gopher or WWW. The Web URL is: httpV:// www.lib.umich.edu/chhome.html.

There also is a Web site devoted to radio scanner frequencies offered by someone called Paul Nash. The Home Page offers choices of state police frequencies, government agencies, weather frequencies, and several others. The URL is http♡://dice.dac.neu.edu:80/ Homepages/paul/freqs/.

Access Atlanta is an exciting Home Page where several items of interest may be found. Among them is the whole series of Internet correspondence courses offered via e-mail at Patrick Douglas Crispen. Find this site with with httpV://www.america.net.

Another interesting site is an electronic mall built by Jon Zeff in Ann Arbor. Zeff, 32, has been involved with the Internet for about 10 years but after Mosaic was developed in 1993 he constructed an Electronic Shopping Mall using Mosaic. He now has some 75 shops from the Ann Arbor area and from across the U.S. represented in his malls. Orders can be placed on-line and deliveries made. The mall can be accessed by those with Mosaic or through the Web using Lynx. The address is httpV://branch.com.

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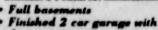
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Bob Carris, Livonia representative for Edward D. Jones & Co. hosts a free satellite broadcast of the firm's 1994 Year in Review and Outlook for 1995" 5-6 p.m. at his office, 28915 Seven Mile. For reservations, call (810) 442-7425.

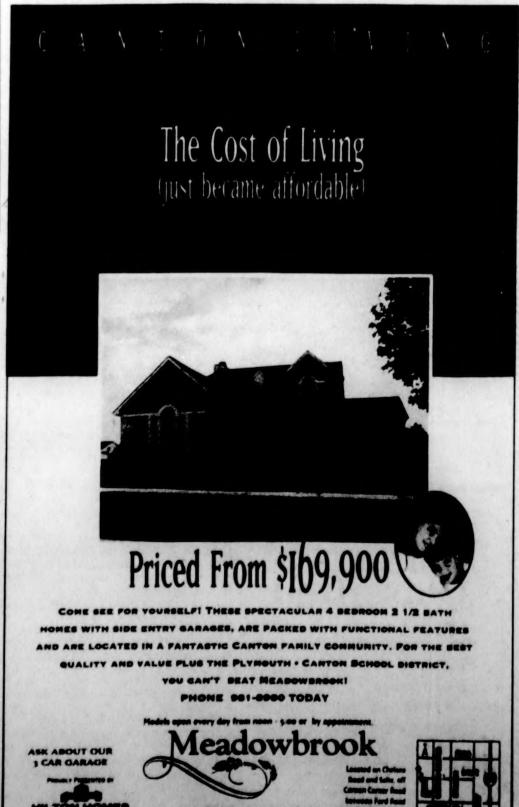
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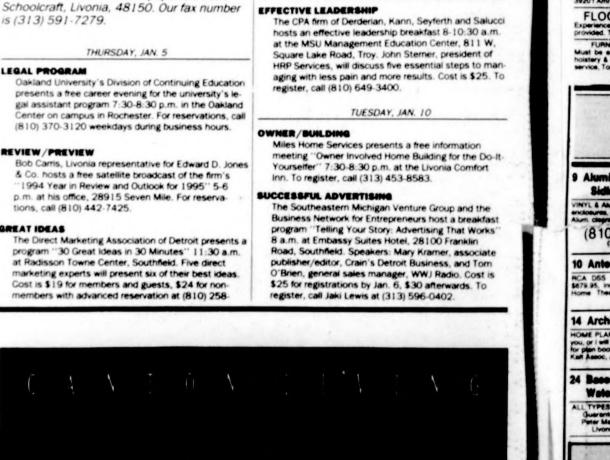
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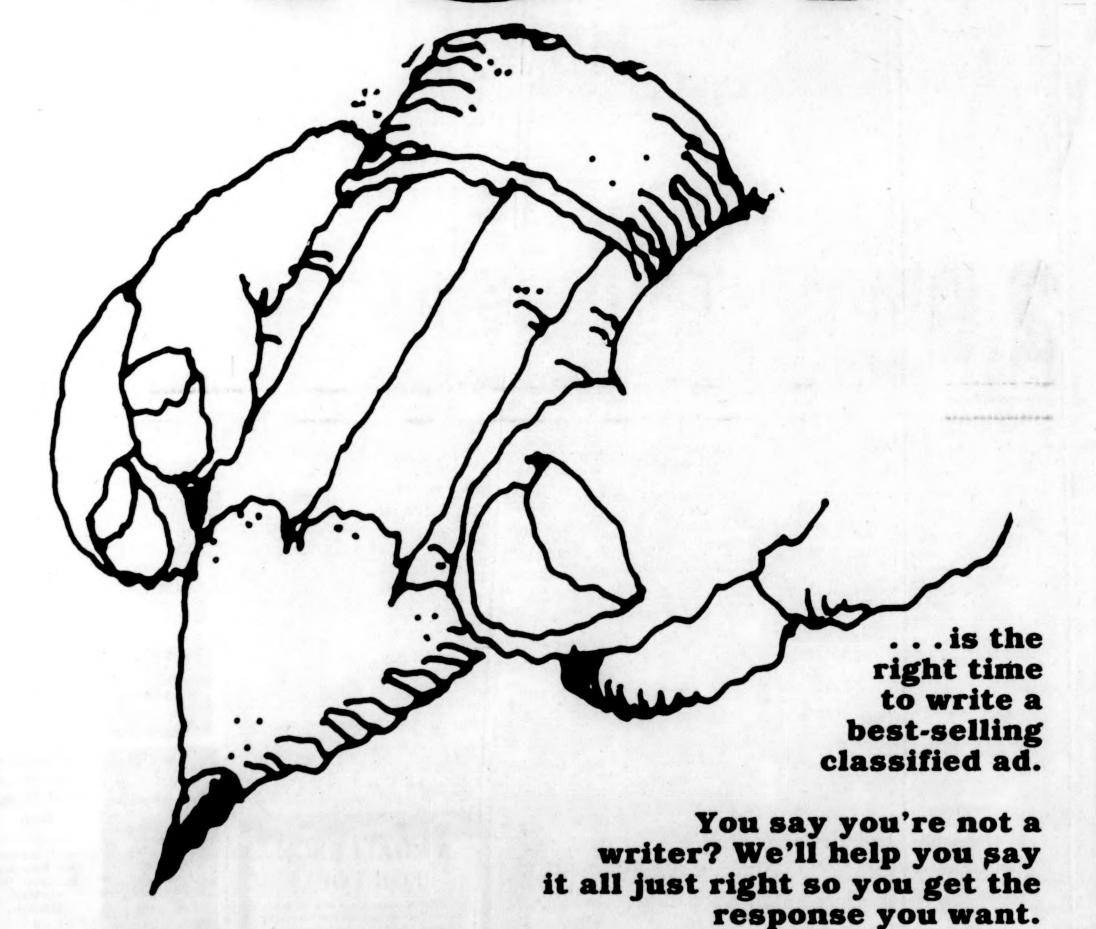
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SW7 I'm 36, Catholic, 516", with blonde hair & green eyes. I'm an artist & entrepreneur. I love antiques, arts, movies, the outdoors, animals, movies, travel & fun. I'm seeking a man with intelligence, honesty, respectfulness, humor & who is a hard worker. If you bolieve that despite at this is a wonderful life, then call ms. Call Ext. 32430

PRETTY

SWF I'm 50, 513", nosely proportioned blonde. I'm

church, loves thring in & out. Call Ext. 32274

LUTHERAN FEMALE

DWF I'm outgoing energetic, 51 years old & a health care professional. I'm 5'2, with green eyes & am a lot of fun to be with. I have 2 grown chadden & my interests are many. I do enjoy the theater, dancing, music & concerts, collecting antiques & discovering new places. If you have good communication stolls, are adventuresome & a clean cut, good looking, professional, 45-55, with similar interests, then I think intendship could be created. Caf Ext. 32250

LOVE TO GO TO CHURCH

SBF 25. I'm looking for a single Black male, who also loves to go to church. Preferably, a professional who is attractive & intelligent. Call Ext. 32236

NYTERESTED IN TALKING

SF I'm a born again Christian gentieman between the ages of 37-47, who is tall & professional. Call Ext. 32225

HUMOR IS A MUST

SWF I'm 20, 5'4, physically fit, with blue eyes, brown hair & a two year old son. I'm looking for the almost perfect guy, ages 20-30. Someone who is charming, intelligent & romantic. Call Ext. 31779

TEACHER

SWF I'm 50 & 5'8. I'm interested in all types of actives. I'm looking for someone who is collected.

Call Ext. 32409
SLEEPLESS IN MONROE
SWF I'm 20, 5'4", with brown eyes. I am physically fit
& have a two year old son. I'm looking for the almost
perfect guy fun loving, humorous & romantic a must.

out, camping & staying home, Call Ext. 31934
ATTRACTIVE & ENERGETIC

SF I'm 28 & outgoing, with brown hair & eyes. I have
a fabulous smile, am 53° & 110 bs. I enjoy golfing
outdoor activities, concerts, traveling & most of all
dancing. I'm seeking an attractive, intelligent, professional 28-35, with a good sense of humor. Someone who values friends & family. Call Ext. 31925
RED HEAD

WWF I'm 57°, medium to full figured & attractive. I
work full-time as a medical secretary. I have a
variety of interests including golfing, crocheting &
spending time at my home. I'm basicality a home
body type person & very easy to get along with. I'm
looking for someone 55 or older, talt to extra tall & big
to extra big. Call Ext. 31819
FAIR LOOKING & HONEST

SWF I'm a born again Christian, 59, 5'3° & 155 lbs.
I'm looking for a gentleman 59-52, who likes to
dancing, dining out, taking long ndes & watching t.v.
Someone who is honest, fair looking, warm hearted
& carrig, Call Ext. 3249

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SWF I'm looking for a down to earth Christian male
40-55, for friendship. I have long torown hair & try to
keep myself physically fit. I enjoy sports & long
walks. I'm a sincere person looking for the same
criteria. Cal Ext. 32367
FRIENDS-HP/RELATIONS-HP

SWF I'm 31 & a Christian. I'm seeking a single White
male 30-38, who is adventurous, fun, romantic &
enjoys life. Cal Ext. 32363

PROFESSIONAL BAPTIST

SBF I'm 43 years of age, with a full figure. I like
watching movies, dining in, dining out & a variety of
other activities. I'm looking for a Black male 40 plus
& 6 or taller. Cal Ext. 32274

YOUTHFUL SPIRIT

SWF I'm 26, 57, with brown hair & eyes. I enjoy most

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Cetholic men 25-32. Call Ext. 32309

BF I'm 43 years old, 573, with dark hair & dark eyes. I'm a Catholic who loves children & am family oriented. I would like to meet someone 39-46, who has the same likes, beleves in honesty, communication & trust. Call Ext. 31984.

HOSSECWINER

DWF I'm 58, 514 & a born again Christian who really loves the Lord. I enjoy traveling, cooking, biking, gardening, etc. I'm a nonsmoker, non drinker & employed. I wish to meet a born again Christian male 55-65, who is romantic, self-caring & has similar interests. Call Ext. 32387

GREEN EYES & RED HAIR

DWF I'm 28, attractive & lull figured. I'm an educated, self-supportive, single mom. I'm looking for compensionening & special friendship. I'm intelligent & enjoy the finer things, but I also have a wild side that face at know how to sincerely treat a lady, please call. Call Ext. 32394

GOOD WOMAN

DWF 46, 515, blue eyes & red hair. I'm looking for a Black gentlemen over the age of 30. Someone who is interested in starting 1969 with a good woman. I like indoor & outdoor activities. I would prefer this person to be honest & caring. Call Ext. 32316

ROMAN CATHOLIC

SWF I have brown her & eyes. I'm seeking a male companion to go to church with, movies, sporting

tille indoor & outdoor activities. I would prefer this person to be honest & caring. Call Ert. 32316

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SF I'm 39, with brown har & brown eyes. I'm looking for a companion to go to church with, out to dinners & movies. Call Ert. 32398

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DOF I'm 5'6, 160 bs., 47 years of age & a professional Christian. I'm seeking a 40-50 year old, employed gerdeman for a long term monogamous relationalsty. Children are okay, Cad Est. 32272

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SWF I'm 28 years old, full figured, with brown hair & brown eyes. I like sporting events, playing softball, going to the movies, watching movies at home & bowling. Children are welcome. I'm looking for a White male, single or divorced & 25-35 years of age. Call Ext. 32270

WHOLESOME RELATIONSHIP

SBF I'm 43 & a professional. I'm looking for a Black male 40 & up. 6' tal 8 up. 5 mesone who goes to church, loves dring in & out. Call Est. 32274

LUTHERAN FEMALE

DWF I'm outgoing, energelic, 5' lyears old & a health

TEACHER
SWF I'm 50 & 5'8. I'm interested in all types of activities. I'm looking for someone who is college educated, has similar interests & very good Christian values. One who is caring, open & has a good sense of humor. Call Ext. 32/17!

INDEPENDENT WITH NO CHILDREN
SBF Age 29, 6' tall, 215 lbs. & a Baptist. I enjoy swimming, reading, lootball, motorcycles, bowling, quiet evenings, black & white movies & traveling. I'm seeking a male who is 6' tall or taller & can be honest with me. Call Ext. 32/164

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HONEST & SINCERE

DWF 33, Catholic, mother of 2, go to church regularly. I enjoy playing board games, cooking, I love to play sports, taking long walks & anything outdoors. I am looking for someone with the same interests who loves kids & for companionship. Call Ext. 31875

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE SPECIAL

SWF 18, blonde hair, blue eyes, 5'10, Pentecostal. I enjoy scenic drives, bowling, movie, skating, shooting pool & just having a good time. I am seeking a tall man between 19-25 who has smilar interests & who can make me laugh. Call Ext. 31914

FRIENDSHIP IS VERY IMPORTANT

DWF 42, 5'9, medium build, no children, own my own home, employed, financially secure, born again Christian of Baptist stafn. I love music, singing in the choir. I am looking for someone who has a good sense of humor, is caring & honest. Call Ext. 31899

CHRISTIAN VALUES

SWF 44, 5'4. I enjoy dancing, plays, concerts & sporting events. I am seeking single White males, 35-50 in the Downriver area with similar interests & enjoys studying the Bible. Call Ext. 31835

MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIP

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LET'S MEET FOR COFFEE

SWF 68. I am looking for a gentleman partner who would like to learn baltroom dancing & line dancing, ages 65-75. I also would like going out to dinner, ravel, shows & family gathers. Call Ext. 31829

ALWAYS ON THE GO

SWF 18, 5'3, considered attractive. Looking for a male 18-24 who is of Catholic religion as I am. Must like sports & long walks. Looking for a friendship to develop into a possible relationship. Call Ext. 31815 SLEEPLESS IN MONROE

Call Ext. 31778

GOOD BASIC CHRISTIAN VALUES

SWF 50, 5'8, educator. I am interested in movies, plays, travel, music, art, nature walks, visits to the zoo, rides to small fowns, reading, home life 8 life's simple pleasures. I am looking for a man 6' or taller, college educated, nonsmoker, nondirisker, non substance abuser, financially secure. Call Ext. 31786

SBF 36, employed. Lenjoy reading watching a good

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DARK WARM BROWN EYES

SF 54 years young, brunette, 5%. I work out every
day & take care of myself. I like everything, movies,
skining, outdoors & entertaining people. I am looking
for a sweetheart to share my life with. Call Ext. 32027
CHRISTIAN OF NONDENOMINATIONAL
SBF 40, have 2 children, 5%, 120 lbs, black hair,
brown eyes. I enjoy dining, theater, plays, museums, exercising & reading. I am looking for a single
White male, between the ages of 40-50, educated,
professional for companionship & to share the joys
of life with. Call Ext. 32015
CATHOLIC

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DWF 41, blue eyed blonds. Looking for a born again
Catholic who loves the Lord & is looking for companionship & fun times. I enjoy eating out, theater,
movies & staying in sometimes. Call Ext. 31944
SERIOUS COMMITMENT WANTED

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SERIOUS COMMITMENT WANTED

SF Single mom, 26, blue eyes. I am looking for a single or divorced White male, 26-32 for a serious commitment. Call Ext. 31941

SINGLE MOM OF 1

SWF Catholic, 22, 58, medium build, green eyes, long blonde hair. I am a social drinker à a smoker. I am looking to a single White male, 21-26 for meaning the comment of a single White male, 21-26 for meaning the single white male and single white male. am looking for a single White male 21-26 for mean-ingful & serious relationship. Call Ext. 31909 SHARE LIFE

SF 26, blue eyes, 5/6. I am looking for someone around ages 26-32 for a relationship & someone to share life with Call Ext. 31924 NONSMOKER, OCCASIONAL DRINKER

NONSMOKER, OCCASIONAL DRINKER
DWF Blonde, blue eyes, flight attendant, and have 1
child in college. I enjoy entertaining, gardening,
movies, travel and working out. I love animals.
Call Ext. 31842
POSSIBLE SERIOUS RELATIONSHIP
SWF32, Lutheran. I am seeking a single White male,
30-35 to share furitimes together. My interests
include bowing, long walks, movies, romantic dinners & socializing with friends & family. Nonsmoker
a must. Must love children. Call Ext. 31825
CARING & SINCERE
SF 58, 5'6, 138 lbs. & a Christian. I'm looking for a
special, sincere friend. Someone who is furn to be
with, who likes dining out & in. Call Ext. 31842
SOMEONE TO SHARE LIFE WITH
YWF 50ish, 57, medium to full figure, very neat &
attractive nonsmoking red head. I always dress very
attractively. I'm extremely affectionate, caring &
loving. I am employed full time, am Catholo & do
attend Mass. I prefer someone medium tall to tall, big
to extra large. Can be 55-65. Call Ext. 31819
ART TEACHER
SF 34, 5'4. I have never been married. I enjoy art,
music, revenience and teasion moves. Looking for a

SF 34, 5'4. I have never been married. I enjoy art, music, traveling and seeing movies. Looking for a thoughtful, sincere professional to develop a relationship. Call Ext. 31810

ARE YOU THE MAN?

SF Sweet, slim, beautiful blonde who's seeking her equal in a handsome, fit, refined gentleman, 48ish. A man who like myself is degreed 8 is a workd traveler also enjoying the finer things in life. Call Ext. 31793

DO YOU HAVE SIMILAR INTERESTS?

SWF 38, mother of 2. My interests include flea

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NONDENOMINATIONAL

SBM 21. I like to read, write poetry, short stories, listen to music, go to the casino's, watch movies & hang out. I'm looking for a grif who is mature, open minded, non judgmental, reasonably attractive, intelligent & possesses common sense. You must have a sense of humor, be fun & talkative on the phone. Call Ext. 32278

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DRUMMER

SM I'm 27 years old & a born again Christian. I'm seeking a nice Christian guy who loves the Lord, 20-30 years of age & who is preferably a brunette. I enjoy Christian activities, outdoor events, concerts & movies. Call Ext. 32303

SENSE OF HUMOR

SWM I'm 24, 57, college senior who is employed. I have a love for the outdoors, music & quiet evenings. I'm looking for a woman 20-30, who has values & similar interests for triendship leading to a relationship. Call Ext. 32324

NONSMOKER/NONDRINKER

SWM I'm 23, 510, 168 lbs., with dark hair & a mustache. I'm attractive & in very yood shape. I enjoy weight lifting, bowling, volleybail, dinners out & movies. I'm seeking a serious relationship with a single White fernale 20-26, with similar interests. Kids are okay, but no head games. Call Ext. 32289

LONG TERM RELATIONSHIP

SWM Slim, 38, 572, 145 lbs., with brown hair & green

RELATIONSHIP SWM I'm 23, 185 lbs., 61, brown hair & blue eyes.
I'm a nice guy who is outgoing, a nonsmoker & nondrinker. I'm seeking a female 18-25. Call Ext. 32200
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MA 48, 6/3, 2/10 lbs., blue eyes & brown hair. I'm financially & emotionally secure. I'm intelligent, sensitive & caring. I can be very romantic with right person. I enjoy hiking, camping, swimming, bicycling, landscaping, movies, ballets, plays, music, sports, holding hands & puttering around the house. I have two sons I am very close to. I'm a Christian, but feel too many people are warpped up in denomination rather than just serving God. Call Ext. 32268
SHARE TIME TOGETHER.

SWM I'm 22, 5/7 & 210 lbs. I like the outdoors & sporting events. I'm looking for a girl 19-23, who is sincere, honest, attractive, down to earth, with a nice personality. Call Ext. 32307

SWM 24 & 6' tall. I like sports, movies & having a good time. I'm looking for an attractive woman in her 20's, who likes to have fun. Call Ext. 32305

A hazel eyes. I have an above average build a average looks, lenjoy church, dancing, working out, horseback riding, movies, etc. I'm looking for someone with similar interests who is sincere & straight forward. Call Ext. 32282

DRIVE A SPORTS CAR

SWM I'm 47, 5'10, 165/lbs. with brown hair & brown eyes. I give up looking for a woman who is not looking for a movie star, someone who is rich & will lam a average person. Someone who enjoys just being with that special someone, holding hands, walks in the park, movies & spending time at home. Someone who does not have to be entertained & who is not materialistic. Call Ext. 31314

FUN LOVING & AMBITIOUS

DBM I'm 38 years of age, 5'11 & 175 fbs. I'm seeking a slim Christian young lady who is not atraid to laugh, love & live life to its fullest. I have an enormous amount of love, care & affection for the special lady who enters my life. Call Ext. 31464

SM 26. I'm looking for a woman 22-30 to spend some time with, I'm 5'8, 155 lbs, with blonde hair & blue yes. I'm looking for a someobody who is physically if & willing to spend quiet time in front of the frequient.

sM 29, 577, 180 lbs., nice body, employed. I'm active in church, love camping, hunting, canceing, you name it. have a nech bouse & a great persons of the control of the co

à his values. Call Ext. 2004

LET'S ATTEND CHURCH TOGETHER

SMI 29 good looking. I am looking for a woman 2540 who is witing to attend church with me on Sundays à in return I will attend her church with her. I am
looking for a woman who is sim, athlete à who likes
to go out à have a good time. Call Ext. 2009

SMALL BUSINESS OWNESS.

SMM 25, 673, 185 lbs. nonemoker, social direker. I
enjoy the outdoors. I am looking for someone with
the same interests, possibly to spend some time
together. Call Ext. 2007

SMI 20, 200 IDs. 615, work out at the gym, nonsmoker.
I am looking for a single White lemate 18-24. I enjoy
playing video games à going to church every week.
Call Ext. 31888

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SMI 510, 170 lbs. Intelligent, good sense of humor,
financially secure, college educated. I like dancing,
traveling, theater à movies. I'm in search of an
attractive, sim temaine, 25-40 who likes to be treated,
tike a lady à is looking for a friendship à possible,
relationship. Call Ext. 2008

LOOKING TO HEAR PROM YOU

SMI 32, 59 170 lbs, dark brown hair, blue eyes, i am
looking for a nice relationship. Call Ext. 2002

I'M NOT INTO SPORTS

DM 36, 6, brown hair, blue eyes, full head of hair. I
enjoy fishing, bilong à walling but of course it would
be much better if I had a partner to do it with. I siso
enjoy going to more restaurants. Call Ext. 20012

HAVE NO DEPENDENTS

SSMI Attractive, 36, 62, muscular, professional. I
enjoy exercising, lifting weights, sporting events.

on a regular basis. I like working out, biking, movies, dining out, theater, concerts & doing things with a special. I'm seeking a Black ternale who's a Christian, slim to shapely build. Call Ext. 31886

HONEST & RESPONSIBLE

DWM 57, 170 lbs, attractive single dad, very athletic, great sense of humor. Open to anything. I am seeking nonsmoking, single divorced femule for fun & friendship. Call Ext. 31809

SWM 50, 59, 185 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes. I like fishing, bowling, going for walks & keeping in shape at the gym. I like listening to Christian music, sing in church choir & attend Bible study. I'm romantic at

for a beautiful, attractive, young lonely girl to scend time with, keep me company. Call Ext. 31751

SEEKING A FEMALE

SWM I am looking for a girl that enjoys bowling, movies & dancing. Ages 20-40. Call Ext. 31743

AGE IS OPEN

SM Employed, 40, 5:6, 150 bs, brown hair & eyes. I am looking for a woman who's medium to thin build, who likes the ouddoors. I love to dance & attend church. I would also like a woman with a nice build. Call Ext. 31741

ATHLETICS TEACHER

SBM 35, 6:2, 245 bs., prolessionally employed, with a muscular build. I'm interested in meeting a single female 24-35, under 150 lbs., height not important. I enjoy plays, movies, athletic events, Bible studies & church concerts. I'm interested in meeting someone for friendship & a possible long term relationship. Call Ext. 31711

WILLING TO MEET NEW FRIENDS

SM 23, 5:8, dark hair, blue eyes. I enjoy the outdoors, hunting, fishing, camping, canceing & spending time with my friends. I am looking for a single White female 18-25 who enjoys life & likes being around people. Call Ext. 31812

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SM 41, 5, 180 lbs, handsome, dark hair & a mustache. Christian with a Cathoic background. I am looking to develop a good friendship & a lasting relationship with an attractive woman that takes good care of herself, loves chidren, has good values & believes in God & desires a very happy farmly life. Call Ext. 32067

GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR

SM I'm in my 30's & a born again Christian. I have a great sense of humor. Call Ext. 31694

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SM Looking for a woman of the Pentecostal persuasion. I would prefer you to be 5'4-5'8, not over 135 bs., with a stender build & attractive. Most important someone with a beautiful character on the inside as a result of your Christian experience. Call Ext. 31600

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SM 6', 191 lbs, 41, I am seeking an attractive, sincere, honest & communicative lady. One who is interested in a one on one monogamous relationship, Race is unimportant. Call Ext. 31975

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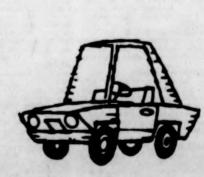
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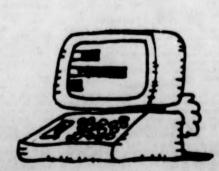
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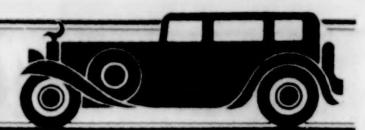


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