Church to pay for roadways

A plan for Temple Baptist Church to pay for road improvements adjacent to its new worship center was approved Thursday by Plymouth Township trustees.

The improvements call for the paving of Ridge and North Territorial which front the church at the southwest corner, and installation of a traffic light at the intersection.

The cost to Temple Baptist is to be no greater than \$325,000. Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy said the actual cost will be determined once bidders on the project are selected.

By creating a special assessment district, the church will be allowed to pay for improvements

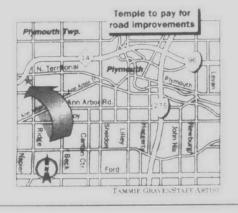
Temple Baptist attorney Joseph Galvin said the

church has the option before spring to find a private contractor that can perform the work. Regardless of who does it, the work is to be fin-

ished by Aug. 30. There is no cost to the township for the project Road improvements will include some grading of the intersection, as a car now traveling through it at the posted speed can become airborne, town-

ship officials said. Autos don't have an opportunity to test this currently, as there are stop signs at the intersection.

The improvements include deceleration lanes at church entries and all curb and gutters.



City officials track possible railway mix

BY KEVIN BROWN

Could railroad crossing backups get worse?

A proposed CSX-Conrail railroads merger has Plymouth city officials wondering if this will mean increased train traffic - and even longer backups

"An operation plan is being developed by CSX and Conrail," said CSX spokesman Rob Gould, adding a merger application will be filed in the spring with the federal government. A decision on whether to approve the merger could take

"It's been portrayed as a merger of equals," Gould said. A name for the merged railroad company has yet to be determined.

City Manager Steve Walters said the only word on the proposed merger presented so far to the city comes from Wayne County government which passed on a survey being done by Dames &

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Competition from local and regional ice rinks could force the Plymouth Cultural Center ice arena to close sometime in the future. This month, revenues at the ice arena decreased from what was budgeted.

The ice arena at the Plymouth Cultural Center could be on its way

It won't happen this year, city officials say But after that, no one's too

The reason? Competition - not just from the Compuware arena in Plymouth Township, but from new or proposed ice rinks in other suburbs including Canton, Novi and Farm-

"My perception is that it's not that imminent," said Mayor Ron Loiselle, adding that ice rentals cover expens-

"But as utility costs go up and more ice rinks open up there's more competition, it could go by the wayside," he said.

Recreation Director Tom Willette reported this month that ice arena revenues were down by \$20,000, from what city officials had budgeted. That's because some late night ice time was opening up as some were renting ice elsewhere.

"I assume it will operate at least one more year as an ice arena," said City Manager Steve Walters, adding the city administration and city commissioners will be watching the

Talk about possibly closing the ice arena comes amidst a broader assessment of general recreation

services. Walters said that at a recent 1997-98 budget study session, discussions on recreation funding took nearly two hours.

"There were some tentative decisions made that we're going to have to increase revenues, we cannot operate in a deficit," he said. The cost to operate the ice arena - over and above the cost of running the cultural center - is around \$200,000. City officials plan on implementing a 15 percent increase in ice rental fees, to help lower that cost.

The city and township govern-

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Precision

Skaters bound for glory

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI STAFF WRITER

ammy Doroshewitz got on ice skates at 18 months old so it's no surprise that you'll find her on an ice rink for more than 10 hours a day showing the way for other

On Tuesday, March 4, Doroshewitz of Plymouth Township, will again show the way when she takes her juvenile precision skating team - Pizzaz - to national competition in Syracuse, New York. The competition runs

"Our goal is to skate a good, clean program, said Doroshewitz, who also coaches the adult Pizzaz precision skating team and is the program manager for the John Lindell Memorial Arena in Royal Oak.

The best way to understand precision skating is to picture precision swimming. It's about the same thing but on ice.

"There are no jumps or spins. They skate in unison. It is a team sport," Doroshewitz said.

The juvenile team which includes kids 11 years and younger, took second place in the 1997 Pacific Coast Championships. The team of 15 includes two Plymouth Township members, Kristen Doroshewitz, 12, who attends Plymouth Christian Academy, and Karli Brandt, who attends

West Middle School. "It's a lot of fun," said Kristin. "You get to

make a lot of friends." The adult team took sixth place in the same competition, was an alternate for the nationals and ranked as ninth top team in the country.

When the all-girl juvenile team hits the ice in Syracuse it will represent the culmina-

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On ice: Tammy Doroshewitz spends about 10 hours on ice coaching and teaching skaters, some of whom are headed to national competition this

week.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL





day: Fifthgrade teacher

goes over a lesson plan with

her students at Plymouth Christian

Academy.

EDUCATIONAL

Parents seek new approaches to learning

STAFF WRITERS

When George and Mary Davinich moved to Plymouth seven years ago, they needed to find some kind of program for their daughter, Christine. "She was 4, going on 5," Mary said. "Not quite ready for kindergarten, but she had been in day care for a while and I wanted something more than that."

school or trying one of the newer

Whether home schooling, choosing a traditional parochial or private charter schools in Michigan, Parents continue to research educational choices for their children This week, the Observer Newspa-

pers look at several of these alternatives in our area

Today, we feature an overview about these alternatives and look

Families who home school in Canton and Livonia

■ Surfing the Internet to research home schooling.

■ The private New Morning School in Plymouth Township.

■ Gaudior Academy - a public charter school in Redford. And on Thursday Families who choose Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton,

United Christian in Garden City and Agape Christian in Plymouth and Canton. Traditional parochial schools: A look at Catholic Central High School in Redford and St. John Lutheran School in Westland and

Mary had just taken a full-time job with Williams International in Walled Lake and George worked for Progressive Stamping Co. in Royal Oak. A source at Schoolcraft College suggested they check out New Morning School, a private, parent cooperative school on Haggerty Road in Plymouth Township offering programs from preschool through grade eight.

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"I liked what I saw," Mary said. "I liked their approach to learning and the program met my needs."

New Morning offered before and after-school programs, in addition to a full school day in between.

"And it was right on my way to work. The preschool opened at 7 and I had to be at a sub-

had to be at work at 7:30."

Now, seven years later, Christine, 11, is a fifth-grader at New Morning and Mary is president of the school's board of directors. Both she and George work with the annual auction, the school's major fund-raising activi-

And like other parents who have

Morning School, they have nothing but praise for the school's "unique pro-

schools like New Morning are one of the educational options being reviewed in the Observer this week.

> Though nonpublic school enroll-

Michigan has held steady at around 10.5 percent for



Learning about language: Cheerleaders for the Plymouth Christian Academy pay close attention in their German class. Pictured are 10th-grader Carrie McCoy and Leigh Archibald, a ninth-grader.

renewed concern over the quality and nature of public education has led many parents to look for alternatives. These include traditional parochial and private schools, home schooling, the newer Christian schools and charter schools, essentially state-funded public schools which are privately run.

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qualifies as a low income area by testeral regulations which provide grants for improving such areas Walters stressed the railroad's impact there

The CSX switch vard activity major road crossings within the home schooling. She has providvehicle traffic delays at these crossings," he wrote.

The delays regularly exceed statutory time limit permitted for blocking streets (7 minutes which results in a major enforcement problem for the city

They re the most expensive to

Officials would also see a better rent to expense picture if the ice arena was closed, he said.

amount of revenue." Walters

"You have approximately 20,000 square feet in operating area, and no support posts. When you take the ice rink out you have a pretty good exhibit hall, a large space for possibly a series of shows," Walters said.

He said Recreation Director Tom Willette is looking at other kinds of sports at an ice-less arena - including skate boarding. in-line skating or indoor soccer

"The issue with any of those very large cost elimination by not having to pay for the Zamboni, the operator, ice, and the cost of power for having to maintain a floor made out of ice.

The issue in the long run is built around us. At some point to charge the rate we need to, we could be forced out of ice rink business in the next few years."

"The city commission has given some pretty clear direction. We need to develop a recreation budget next year that does not run the risk of a deficit again," he added.

Interest continues

Nonpublic school enrollment reached a peak in Michigan in 1965-66 with 361,348 students. The closing of many Archdiocese of Detroit Catholic schools in the late 1960s and early 1970s led to a steep decline in private schools by 515 percent between 1965-66 and 1990-91 They ranged from a low of 9.8 percent of all Michigan students in 1978-79 to a high of 11 4 percent of students in 1983-84.

But new trends in education and new forces in society have renewed interest in alternative education

Michigan Department of Education consultant Jean Shane especially with its many street fields calls from parents interestrossing* within the city and its ed in nonpublic schools and township - creates very long ed information and often acted as a sounding board for parents over the past eight years. Despite statistics kept by the department, Shane said it's hard > to pinpoint the reasons why peo- organize a public school academy that there are few other regulaple make the choices they do.

"I think the numbers of calls have gone up," she said. "What I hear most frequently is there's an in and out - people try something for a year or two, then try something else.

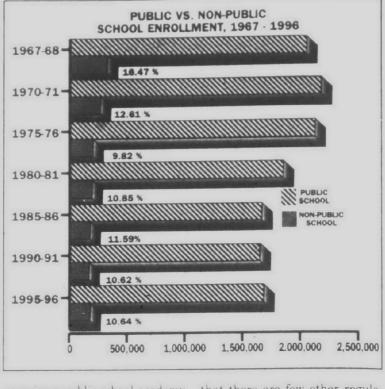
"I think parents are just concerned about their kids and just want what's best for them. Now provide and generate the least they have more choices."

In the mid-1970s, several fundamentalist Christian churches concerned about what they perceive as the moral decline in public schools joined the traditional Catholic and Lutheran parochial schools by creating their own schools offering a Bible-centered curriculum

Some parents, including many fundamentalist Christians began teaching their children at home, away from what they believe are the distractions and dangers of public schools. The state Department of Education says 735 children are home schooled in Michigan, but Shane cautioned that as of July 1, new state legislation allows home activities is you would have a schooling families the option of not registering with the state. This will skew future numbers, she said.

Seeing this movement away from public schools and a steady decline in achievement tests, political leaders began to suport several ideas for funding alternatives to public schools.

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more commonly known as tions for nonpublic schools and charter schools - under the that there is no one available to authorization of a local school help parents who make a bad board, intermediate school choice. The law does not preboard, community college or pub-scribe what textbooks must be lic university. The nonprofit used, for example. Schools are school operates independently required to meet safety stanbut is responsible to the entity dards for fire and sanitation and authorizing it and receives a grant from the state - between \$4,500 and \$5,500 for each pupil. Central Michigan University has taken the lead in this movement, sponsoring more than 60 percent of the charter schools in the

Charter schools include everything from ethnic-centered schools to special trade schools. This program excludes churchaffiliated schools.

Buyer beware

Nonpublic schools in Michigan are regulated under the Nonpublic School Act of 1921. The act was passed to regulate health, academic standards and teaching qualifications.

The law requires that "the courses of study shall be of the same standard as provided by the general school laws. Although the curriculum must be comparable to public schools, the state does not prescribe exactly what is taught or how it is taught.

The curriculum must include mathematics, reading, English, Under a 1993 state law, an grades and in high school, the

Consultant Shane cautions

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"There are a lot of good non-

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said. "The key phrase is 'Buyer

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"Parents need to keep their

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of Education to comply with state law nonpublic schools: must report to the Michigan Department of Education on a yearly basis; report enrollment figures by grade; must use certified or otherwise qualified teachers (anyone holding a bachelor's degree) unless the nonpublic school or home school family declare sincerely held religious belief objecting to teacher certification (if such a belief is declared, the minimum teacher qualification is waived); must provide the comparable curricu-

Staff writer Casey Hans contributed to this story

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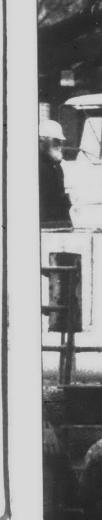
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Despite rescue efforts, trapped diver feared dead

BY MATT JACHMAN STAFF WRITER

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Dive teams and ground patrols continued searching for the body of a construction diver believed drowned after being trapped under the Newburgh Lake dam.

Frank Zimmerman, 48, who had been clearing debris from a partially open sluice gate about 12 feet under water, reported trouble about 10.30 a.m. Thursday, a Livonia Police Department report said.

Co-workers lost radio contact with him after one of them started closing the gate in an attempt to slow the strong current thought to have pinned Zimmer-

"No, don't close it, open it. You're crushing me," Zimmerman said, according to police. The worker started to open the gate, but voice contact was lost, the report said.

Rescuers were called to the scene, at Newburgh and Hines Drive, and continued searching for Zimmerman throughout the day. But divers were not immediately used, said Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano, because they would have been risking the strong undertow that caught Zimmerman.

A temporary dam diverting water in the lake, which is conthe Rouge River, made that cur- underwater teams went back in rent even stronger, Ficano said.

by recent heavy rains

Hopes for a successful rescue were high at first, as Zimmerman's diving suit was attached to a hose pumping him air, and another circulating warm water.

At some point in the afternoon, however, the connection was

The search for his body resumed Friday with sheriff's department horseback patrols of the banks of the Rouge River for about three-quarters of a mile east of the lake.

In the afternoon, when the nected to the middle branch of water table was at its lowest. around the area of the dam, said enced diver, and his company from the county and the Detroit several drownings.

Conditions were also worsened Nancy Mouradian, Ficano's started work in October after the Police Department, fire departspokeswoman

> Zimmerman, of Romulus, the owner of Divtec Corp., was working on the first phase of a \$10 million Newburgh Lake restoration project. Divtec had repaired the sluice gate in previous dives. and Zimmerman was using a high-pressure air hose to remove debris from around the gate.

Previously, the gate had not worked in at least 20 years, said Jim Murray, director of the county's Department of Environ-

The gate is actually a solid wall about 4 feet by 4 feet.

Zimmerman was an experi-

county awarded it a \$227,568 contract.

Ficano, whose department has its own dive team, said divers can never be too careful.

"You always tell them to take precautions, but sometimes they're going into unfamiliar territory," he said at the scene, which is adjacent to a sheriff's department substation.

The rescue effort Thursday drew scores of reporters, cameramen and curiousity-seekers. Police closed Newburgh between Ann Arbor Road and Plymouth Road.

The effort brought in divers

ment life-support crews from Livonia. Westland and Northville Township, sheriff's deputies and Livonia police. A University of Michigan Hospital's helicopter ambulance stood by, but left about 2:30 p.m.

Divers from Oakland and Washtenaw counties and Detroit Metropolitan Airport joined the search Friday, Mouradian said

T've never seen such cooperation from so many agencies, said Livonia Sgt. Ken Marlow, who was at the dam most of the

The lake has been the scene of



Diver was almost finished with dam

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

Frank Zimmerman was just about one day from wrapping up contractual work as he dove underwater Thursday to clear soil near a sluice gate on a dam on Newburgh Lake

Jim Murray, director of Wayne County's Department of Environment. believes Zimmerman went in a waterfilled spillway area between a cofferdam and a sluice gate, trying to remove silt or sediment that may have piled in front of the gate

"He may not have wanted the silt there, but who knows, I really don't." Murray said. "We believe he opened the gate a couple inches to let the soil

Zimmerman's contractual work on the dam was the first phase of a \$10 million restoration project of New burgh Lake That project includes the draining of the lake and the excavation of contaminated soil and sedi ment Eventually, the lake will be refilled and game fish restocked

Zimmerman's firm. Divtec Corp. of Romulus, had already constructed a cofferdam, a temporary diversion in front of the sluice gate. Zimmerman. Murray said, "He had several years

complete the project for \$227,568.

On Thursday, while Zimmerman was under water, he was communicating with other members of his work crew. He indicated he had a problem, and he had them open the sluice gate.

They lost contact with him at about 10:30 or 11 a.m.," Murray said. "He may have been disoriented, but I don't know. Nobody knows.

The river's conditions were murky and currents were strong, bolstered by several days of rain. Zimmerman's equipment included a helmet, insulated wet suit, a tether and an air hose.

Workers tried to pump hot water into the spillway area so if Zimmerman was nearby, it would prevent hypothermia, Murray said. But Zimmerman could not be found.

Rescue workers continued to look for him on Friday, but he was presumed drowned. Murray said Zimmerman was just about finished with the dam. The lake

was to be drained on Monday, but the project will be delayed until the state investigates the construction accident.

"It's extremely dangerous work,"

started work in October after he bid to experience doing this, and had all kinds of documents that he had completed this work.'

> Murray said Zimmerman had completed most other portions of the contract, including the cofferdam. That water diversion was built in front and adjacent to the sluice gate and dam.

> The dam contained a lengthy sluice extending under the dam under Newburgh Road to allow for water to flow.

The cofferdam channeled water alongside the dam and sluice gate, but water still flowed behind the cofferdam and adjacent to the sluice gate in

Zimmerman also was successful at getting the sluice gate to operate. The gate on the dam had been inoperative for at least 20 years, Murray said.

The sluice gate needed to be functional to drain the lake for contractors to excavate soil contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)

Constructed in 1933, the dam was built adjacent to a cider mill owned by Henry Ford. At about that time Newburgh Lake was deeded by Ford to

Skate from page A1

tion of hours, weeks and months - jures up a different mind set and - the girls to respect each other. The girls will skate to a "Beauty and the Beast" theme.

For competition, the team will be judged on unison, difficulty of moves, formations and how skaters illustrated their theme They must complete a threeminute program that will include about 16 formations.

The costumes the girls will wear didn't come off a rack or out of a box Doroshewitz made

"I'm extremely picky. When I'm choreographing, I can picture - practice 2-3 times a week And the hair, the costumes. It's just unlike the juvenile team, there easier to make them," the coach

About half of the juvenile precision team also figure skates. another sport Doroshewitz coaches. And both are considerably different sports "I enjoy the balance," she said

Precision skating certainly has its demands but they are unlike that of figure skating, which con-

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of practice and more practice competition As a figure skater. Doroshewitz practiced eight hours a day while a tutor came to the rink for her schooling

> "We don't have that with preci sion skating The girls learn to make friends. They build friend

Nonetheless, committment and practice are required. The team practices together three days a week. Members who are also figure skaters practice another 1-2 days

The adults, on the other hand. are male members

"It's not typically a male sport," Doroshewitz said

But her son, Michael, 14. serves as the Pizzaz team's official mascot, wearing in this case the costume of the Beast - to games accompany the theme

Precision skating definitely requires teamwork. "We do a lot of things together off-ice. We get

Doroshewitz said "When we at competitions, the girls stay with each and they are responsi-

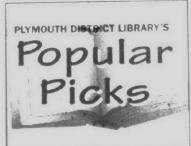
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Precision skating is gaining in popularity and will be an exhibition sport at the next Olympic

"People should support their teams. Go out and take a look at what precision skating is all about." Doroshewitz said.



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Bond wish list does something for every school building

BY M.B. DILLON STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' wish list for the proposed \$79.7 million bond issue originally included items with a total price tag of \$120 million

"A lot of things didn't make the bond issue under \$100 million; ness and operations "It was lage under 2 mills, he said pared down to \$80 million anticipating the community's willingness to pay

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• Two computers per classroom

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· Equipment replacement · Complete computer lab

· Two computers per classroom

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• Remodel with American Disabilities Act

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· Update electrical system for computers

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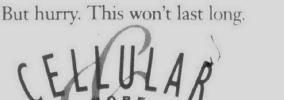
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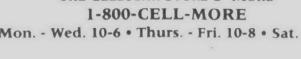
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Parents as teachers

Canton and Livonia families are at 'home' in this school setting

BY MARIE CHESTNEY

Classroom settings are sprouting up in homes throughout the Observer area as parents choose to home school their children.

Families like the Jensens in



Livonia and the Clearys in Canton are choosing h o m e schooling for varied reasons, but both say they want

the education for their children. State figures show that 735 Michigan children are educated in this manner.

David Jensen started school at Coolidge Elementary in Livonia. But when tests showed he had an IQ of 130, his parents transferred him to Gibson School in Redford.

Then one day, the Jensens broke the news to their sixthgrade son: From now on, school would be the family's home on Six Mile in Livonia. His teachers would be his mother, Debra, a licensed practical nurse, and his father, Paul, a plant manager with Quality Metalcraft. His classmate would be his sister, Heather, a second-grader at Coolidge.

Home schooling for the two began in September 1992. Today, David, 15, is doing 11thgrade work. Heather, 12, is now doing eighth-grade work.

The first year, the family chose a curriculum from a Californiabased company then switched to the Ann Arbor-based Clonlara School. Although a Christian and member of Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia, Debra Jensen said she didn't pick a Christian-based curriculum because her husband is agnostic.

At first, the Jensens were fearful that a truant officer would show up at their home. They're now relaxed because they have their children's school records and grades from Clonlara to prove the work they have done. They also have Clonlara's school legal defense insurance.

School day for the two is unstructured. Classwork also includes outings to the library, field trips to museums and pro-

er. David wants to be a computer school work is Bobbie Cleary, a programmer. Heather loves English and wants to "do something either with animals or kids.

A different view

School day for the Cleary girls begins at 8:30 a.m. in the living room of the family's Canton

Each child - Christine, 11, Jessica, 10, Karen 7, and Kimberly, 4 - sits at one of the four desks in the big room and tackles her first lesson. None have ever attended a public school.

Kimberly wiggles around more because she's only 4, just beginning the task of learning how to read. The other three girls silently stay glued to their seats until their lesson is done. Daniel, almost 2, floats in and out among his four sisters.

Overseeing her children's Bible and Christian values. And our founding fathers would have

chemical engineer who earned her degree from the University of Nevada but who long ago quit working to stay home and take care of her children. That parental care includes home schooling in a Christian tradi-

"I home school because God has put the responsibility of raising my kids on me. I believe God has called me to do this.

Bill Cleary, a sales representative for Nalco Chemical Co., provides the income that allows his wife to postpone her career, stay home and teach their children.

the family belongs to Trinity Presbyterian Church. Two philosophies undergird their vision of home schooling: The children must be schooled in the

Both parents are Christian;



they must be schooled in the learned it in a one-room school,

reading, writing and arithmetic. "They're learning English as

kind of basic education American the way Abraham Lincoln would students would have gotten two have learned it," Bobbie Cleary centuries ago: emphasis on said. "We believe our children should be able to diagram the eight parts of speech.

The Clearys also believe read-

ing is the foundation on which all other learning takes place. Books line the walls of their living room. Bobbie Cleary often visits Christian book fairs, poring through textbooks to find the one that does the best job of pre-

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senting information. For example, the family uses a back-to-basics Mennonite-based curriculum to teach grammar. Questions in the English lessons reinforce Christian values, the love of God, good manners, and biblical history.

But the Clearys turned to a more colorful, Christian-based curriculum for history and science that presents the material with more splash.

Bobbie Cleary has a solid background in math and science. A friend who home schools is excellent in English. Both are now talking about trading classes when their children get older and need more in-depth teach-

Family life is important to the Clearys. "Public school sends kids in different directions." Bobbie Cleary said. "They get all divided up and too peer dependent. Socialization begins at home, getting along with your brothers and sisters.

In the living room is a grand piano. When the girls finish one course, they take a break by playing music. The day's lessons end sometime between 2-4 p.m.

The girls are active in their church youth group. They take art lessons from artist Don West, who attends the church.

"The longer I home school, the less worried I am about how well they're doing." Bobbie Cleary

Parents can find information on the Internet

hey're natural partners, like macaroni and cheese, Mutt and Jeff, Scotch and soda. One's been around for generations, the other is a relative youngster. But they were fated to meet, a match made in ... I have to say it ... cyber-

Home schooling has met the Internet. It was bound to happen.

For parents who decide, for whatever reason, to educate their children at home, resources are limited. Few homes can match the holdings of even a modest school

And where do you find the other educational materials you'll need? How do you select a curriculum, what are the state regulations for home schoolers, which colleges will accept students who have been taught at home? What if you just want to talk with other parents in similar situations? How do you locate them?

Enter the Internet. With a home computer, a modem and an account with an Internet provider, there is literally a world of resources at your fingertips. And you won't have to leave home to find them.

A search of Yahoo

http://www.yahoo.com) for "home schooling" returned more than 50 "hits" of sites devoted to the subject, everything ranging from downloadable software to curriculum packages to chat rooms where you can talk live with other home schoolers.

MEL, the Michigan Electronic Library, has a World Wide Web page with many links to home schooling resources. You can



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access it at http://mel.lib.mi.us/education/eduhome.html. From there you can jump to such sites as the "Christian Homeschool Forum," "Everything You Need to Know About Home Schooling," "Home Schooling Resources," "Homeschool World" or the "Home Education Resources Center

HERC, which you can access directly by pointing your browser to

http://www.cts.com/~netsales/herc/, offers links to many other sites plus a catalog from which you can order home school supplies. You can also find home schooling regulations for all 50 states or get a state-bystate list of home school support groups. For parents who are concerned about what their children might stumble onto on the Internet, HERC offers a list of suggestions called "Keeping Your Kids Out of Adult

For parents who might be troubled over what their children might encounter on the ty Network. You can access it at http://www.learnathome.com/. Some of the links on this site, such as the one to "Legal Issues," are still (in Internet lingo) "under construction," but there are

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"Learn@Home," and it's sponsored, signifi-

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many, many links to excellent sites that anyone interested in doing research from home would find valuable. "Carrie," a fulltext electronic library at the University of Kansas, allows you (if you have the patience, a fast modem and a big hard drive) to download complete books. While there are several links to other

"Christian" sites on "Learn@Home," you won't find any proselytizing here. In fact, if you weave your way through this tangled World Wide Web, you'll find links to the "Islamic Educational and Muslim Home School Resources" page (http://www.ici.net/cust_pages/taadah/taada

h.html) and the "Jewish Home Educator's Network" (http://snj.com/jhen/links.htm). And, as a reminder that this is the

WORLD Wide Web, point your browser to http://www.3dproductions.com.au/homeschool/ and you'll find yourself at the Australian Home Education Resources Page. It may be called "home schooling," but

there's a whole world of resources available Jack Gladden is a copy editor for the Observer & Eccentric and lives in Canton You can leave him voice mail at 953-2047, Ext. 2124, or e-mail to

gladden@oeonline.com.

Parental involvement is critical at this 'progressive' school

New Morning School in Plymouth Township is an anomaly of sorts

On the one hand, it's a throwback to the one-room school of the past. Students in grades one through five work together in one classroom, as do students in grades six through eight. It's part of the school's philosophy of "cooperative learning."

On the other hand, New Morning is the type of school that is often labeled "progressive," although executive director Elaine Yagiela eschews that label or

"I'd rather talk about what we do than be labeled," she said. "We individualize and personalize the programs for

New Morning School is a private, nonprofit parent cooperative for students

1973 by Yagiela and her husband, 'Dale, then as now the director of Growth Works, a youth services agency, in Plymouth. Both graduated from the University of Michigan with degrees in special education.

"It was his idea," she said. "He wanted to start his own school. The first year we started with nine children and six families." Elaine was one of the first

New Morning began with kindergarten through grade five. The middle school grades - six through eight - were added four years later. In 1981, the preschool program was started.

Today the school enrolls about 110 students during the September to June school year, has eight full-time and ics.

from preschool through grade eight about four part-time teachers and many which Yagiela says is the only such parents working in various capacities school in Michigan. It was started in through the co-op program. That program is a major element of the school's philosophy that "parental involvement is critical to a child's education.

It also helps keep the student-teacher ratio low. Typically, Yagiela said, the ratio is about 12 students per teacher. But with parent aides, that drops to as low as 4-to-1 in preschool and 6- or 7-to-1 in middle school

And New Morning operates from a strong philosophical base, relying heavily on the ideas of Jean Piaget, the Swiss psychologist who was the first to conduct scientific studies of how children learn. Piaget is often referred to as the father of "developmental learning." a concept that Yagiela says has been distorted and given a bad rap by some crit-

That philosophy includes beliefs that manager for New Morning Her hus paces, that learning should be individualized as much as possible, that children learn best by doing and that they should learn to be responsible for their learning and their behavior.

That's partly where the multi-age classroom concept comes in.

"Kids don't fit in little boxes." Yagiela said. "I have a concept of what a first-

grader is, but I've never met one. Parents seem to like the approach.

Joan Barrett of Plymouth, Whose daughter, Beth, 8, is in the second year of the Elementary Program, says the multi-age classes are particularly beneficial to learning. "She learns from other children and then is able to help teach others." Barrett said.

As part of the co-op program, Barrett works 25 to 30 hours a week as business the near future.

different children learn at different band, David, who works for Telecellular in Plymouth, is on the school's board of

> "I really like the low student-teacher ratio," Joan said. "I get to participate. It's a very 'family' atmosphere.

> That feeling is shared by Debbie Brunk, who has two children enrolled. Rachael, 4, is in preschool and Leah, 7, is in the second grade.

> "I like the individual approach the school offers," she said. "The teachers are passionate about working there."

She also likes the fact that parents are involved. Debbie is an engineer who works for Ford. Her husband is a Plymouth attorney. As a parent aide, she leads the computer technology program for the school and has plans to get New Morning hooked up to the Internet in

Students like personal approach at Redford charter school academy

BY CASEY HANS STAFF WRITER

Students at the Redford-based Gaudior Academy say they like being able to call teachers by first names, that they are challenged academically and that the school is small enough for close friendships

"I like to get to know everybody - here, it's a teacher-student relationship and you're close," said Mallori Thomas, a seventh-grader and student council member at Gaudior - one of the 75 charter schools which now dot the state of Michigan in 47 school districts, and one of 26 which are open in metro Detroit. ∧ Some 11,000 students representing less than 1 percent of all school enrollments are in charter schools. State officials say more than 100 more schools are expected to open before the end of this year.

"It's pretty cool here - you learn at your own level. In my other school, you had to do what everybody else was doing," added Zach Gysel, a secondgrader and council member at Gaudior. The school converted this year

to a publicly funded charter school from a five-year-old private elementary school, which means anyone can apply to attend, although they have a waiting list of about 200 stu-

They rent space in the basement of St. James Church on Six Mile east of Telegraph in Redford, but are quickly outgrowing the space and are seeking other quarters. They currently have about 74 students, but hope to double that amount by next year. Gaudior is sponsored by Eastern Michigan University, and was that college's first charter school:

Parents who used to pay some \$5,400 per year for each student's tuition, now pay nothing; the school is reimbursed the same \$5,200 per student received by Redford Union school district according to school director Rosemarie Gonzalez.

"We want to take that enthusiasm that the kindergartner has



At Gaudior Academy: Student Council members Zach Gysel of Redford (right) and Mallori Thomas of Southfield confer about why they like their school.

and keep that until they graduate," she said, explaining the school's philosophy.

Of the 26 charter schools in the metro area, "we all have our own twist," Gonzalez said. "We don't feel that any of us are the best - we're just different."

small teacher-student ratio, and students are taught life skills, like how to solve their own problems. They are also encouraged to team with students of other grade levels for all-school pro-

Many of the charter schools -At Gaudior, two teachers are also known as public school assigned to each classroom for a academies - are getting together

to discover how they can share items like office equipment, Gonzalez said. They are also sharing experiences, as many find them- to get public funding. selves alone in this new, uncharted territory.

Minnesota started the charter school movement, passing the first charter school law. Since then, 25 other states have fol-tional public school counterlowed suit.

According to information from the state Department of Education, Michigan first passed charter school legislation in December 1993. Following a challenge from the Michigan Education Association, the Ingham County Circuit Court struck down the original law. The state Legislature then enacted a new charter school law in 1995 taking the

court ruling into account. They receive per-pupil public funding, may not charge tuition, may not teach any religious affiliation and must use certified K-12 teachers or university or col-

lege employees. Critics of the charter school movement charge that the new

resources and possibly capital offer transportation or hot lunches, for example - and that this is simply a way for private schools Other criticisms have been lev-

eled at the schools and their recent state standardized test scores, or MEAP scores, which were generally below their tradi-

Gonzalez and others in the field believe the criticism is unfair, and that the procedure for setting up the schools could have used more review.

"Charters are being unjustly looked at now - we're testing kids we just got (from other schools)." She said in a few years, the Gaudior philosophy will begin to show in test results.

"We are offering families choices they didn't have before. They no longer have to take whatever was there," she added. "I just" wish somebody would have . thought the whole thing out." -

Chrysler engineers are township-bound

Nearly 350 Chrysler engineers are must be completed on both the interior a Plymouth Township facility.

The workers are coming from the Chrysler facility at Plymouth Road and Schaefer in Detroit, said Scott Fosgard. Chrysler engineering public relations man-

"Primarily it's office space for engineers. The popularity of our Jeep Grand Cherokee, Dodge Rams and Dodge Dakotas means we have outgrown our facility and we need more space," Fosgard said.

The building at 41605 Ann Arbor Road, the former Howmet facility, contains 47,000 square feet.

Before the engineering staff can be moved in by an April I target date, work testing materials.

scheduled to move in April from Detroit to and exterior of the building. No rezoning is needed to occupy the site, for which Chrysler has signed a three-year lease.

The engineers being moved to Plymouth will ultimately be moved to a Chrysler facility in Auburn Hills, at a date yet to be determined, Fosgard said.

While they're here, "It should be good business for restaurants and shops in Plymouth," he added.

He said the Plymouth site was chosen because it's close to I-275 and also relatively close to the Detroit facility.

Township Community Development Director Shirley Barney said the facility is to consist of an office with a small shop for

"It will be a better interface with the resident neighborhood," she said. Before the former building occupant moved, nearby residents complained of banging noises in the night coming from the facility. A township noise ordinance was established to help ease complaints.

The Chrysler facility would be the second Big Three facility in Plymouth Township. Ford Motor Co. produces air conditioning and heating systems at its Sheldon Road plant.

Auto seat maker Johnson Controls supplies parts for all Big Three automakers, from its Plymouth Township facility.

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something in this for everyone."

bond issue, the proposed \$79.7 million bond issue contains a high school that will cost roughly \$46 million.

Asked how decisions were reached on improvement projects for each school, Birchler said "Roy G. French (the district's bond consultant) assisted us at each building, along with the principal and sometimes the plant engineer, in identifying a list of things they were looking

"We got into furniture; computers; computers in the classroom; and filling up the comput-

did with the 1991 bond for er labs, which was also being remodeling, there was still a con- discussed as part of the forums cern that we needed to have as well," said Birchler. About 70 individuals participated in com-Unlike the \$59 million 1991 munity forums, making bond recommendations.

"There were a lot of majorsingle big-ticket item - a third type items of high cost we weren't going to be able to do. A few buildings wanted work done on things like traffic patterns, traffic flow, and drop-off areas. That one didn't make the cut," he said.

Computer purchases "will get us a long way toward" completing construction of the super information highway launched with Plymouth-Canton's 1991 bond issue, Birchler said. "We have the infrastucure, and are using the rest of the 1991 bond to complete connections of the individual buildings to each other, to administration, and to Wayne County RESA (the iTntermediate school district.) It's a long process to do all that.

"The next piece of the puzzle," he said, "is where we will have connections to the Internet, for example. Right now, we're going over the technology policy guidelines, how it will be set up, and how individual buildings will be connected.'

Judy Evola, community relations director, said the bond would enable the district to bring the number of computers in labs in each building from 15 to 30. With the two computers that would be installed in each classroom, "students, if they're working on a project in the lab, will be able to access it from the classroom," she said.

"The computers for the high schools' computer labs really needed to be updated. They are out of date," added Evola. "We need to give students the opportunity to learn so it will benefit them as they go forward.

Birchler said he met with Dan Menghini, director of maintenance and operations, to prioritize needs. They evaluated the necessity to replace items such as roofs and doors at one school versus another.

The district's last millage election was in June of 1995. Voters aproved an 18-mill renewal for 10 years, but defeated a 2.3-mill enhancement mill increase. The new mills would have funded "the three T's," teacher training, tools and technology.

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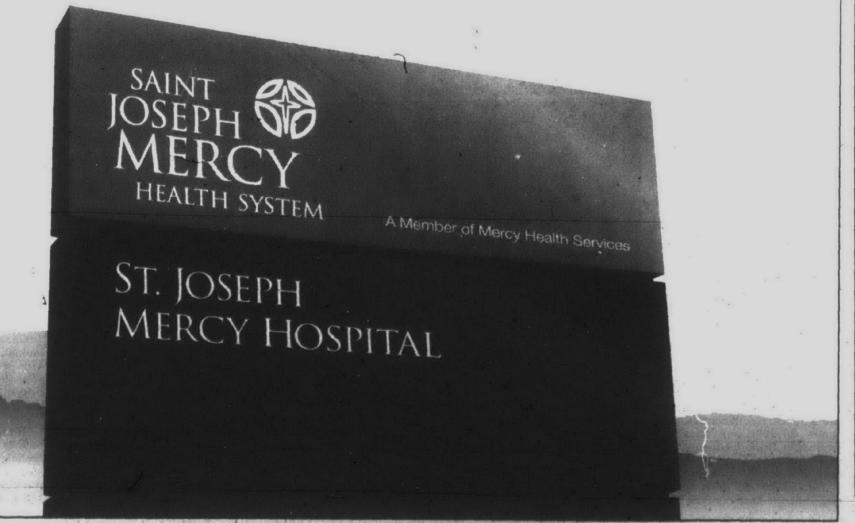
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School-to-work is a bipartisan

Democrats on the House Education Committee like everything about the bill to set up a statewide system for teaching trades in public schools except the department that would be in charge: the Jobs Commission, Gov. John Engler's pet.

"If there's one thing that's political, it's the Jobs Commission," said Rep. Ed LaForge, D-Kalamazoo, as the House Education Committee otherwise nodded in agreement over the bill. "I

House bill will adjust school year

School districts would find it easier to calculate whether to add days to the school year under a bill winding through the Michigan Legislature with bipartisan support.

The House Education Committee gave it 17-0 approval Feb. 26 and sent it to the House floor. The bill would change the dates that inflation is calculated so that local school budget makers can do less guessing when they hold public hearings in spring.

Here's how it works: The revised School Code (PA 289 of 1995) increased the school vear from 180 days to 190 between 1996 and 2006. But the increase can't take effect unless the state foundation allowance (about \$5,500 per pupil) keeps pace with inflation (defined as the consumer price index).

'We won't know the CPI until the middle of July," said Tellman. So House Bill 4329 requires the use of the previous calendar year's CPI. Thus, the factor for fiscal 1997-8 school year would be the CPI for calen-

This bill corrects an oversight in the school code," said Education Committee chair Sharon Gire, D-Macomb County.

April 7 is deadline to file for SC

Nominating petitions currently are available for people who wish to run for two seats on the Schoolcraft College board of trustees.

Voters will decide on two sixyear terms in an election on June 9. Currently those seats are held by trustees Dick DeVries and Carol Strom.

Petitions are available in the president's office and must be returned to the secretary of the Schoolcraft College District, in the president's office, by 4 p.m. Monday, April 7. The office is in the Grote Administration Center and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays

Candidates must be residents of the College District and registered voters. The district include the Wayne County portions of K-12 districts of Clarenceville and Livonia Public Schools; the Northville district; Novi Community Schools, excluding the portion covered by Oakland Community College; and portions of Plymouth-Canton school district.

The signatures of not less than 50 nor more than 200 qualified voters are required for nominations.

There is no charge for filing petitions nor is there compensation for those elected trustee.

For further information, call the college at (313) 462-4460. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road.

S'craft to host bunny breakfast

The Easter Bunny just put Schoolcraft College on his busy schedule and has promised to stop by for a visit Saturday, March 29 from 10 a.m. until

The annual Bunny Breakfast, sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa, will feature a breakfast. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$12 for

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will not support this bill if it's under the Jobs Commission."

"It's logical to put it under one hat," said the bill's sponsor, Rep. Glenn Oxender, R-Sturgis. "I'm trying to keep this nonpartisan. But I realize there's skepticism of the Jobs Commission out there. Other people in the state share your concern.

"But consolidation of all jobs programs under one department is good," said Oxender, a former math teacher who is making his

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Three years ago, Engler took about half the Department of Education staff and put its vocational rehabilitation functions under the Jobs Commission. The same employees sit at the same desks on the fourth floor of the Hannah Building but report to a different department.

Third try

Oxender started his project six years ago with then-Rep. Bill Keith, D-Garden City. Keith retired at the end of the 1994 term. Now Oxender's Democratic co-sponsor is Rep. Jim Agee, D-Muskegon, a former school superintendent who is ambitious

to run for governor. Oxender opened the discussion Feb. 26 with an appearance before the 17-member panel that has many suburban legislators, including Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, Penny Crissman, R-Rochester, Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville, and Alan Cropsey, R-

D-Macomb County, held off taking any votes. Asking for a chance to speak were the Michigan Association of School Administrators, Michigan Edu-cation Association, Michigan

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Association of School Boards and Small Business Association. "This bill has been through this committee at least three times in six years," she recalled. Each time it died in the Senate.

But 1997 may be "this year" because Gov. John Engler endorsed the idea in his State of the State address, though he gave credit only to Republican Oxender. Engler also put \$30 million for two years into his school aid budget to start the program.

Put it into law

Cropsey asked: "What's to pre-

you to put it into legislation. The governor wanted to set this up with an executive order. The governor will change in two years or six years. Executive orders can come from any governor. It's important to get this up before passing the K-12 (school

To soothe LaForge's qualms about the Jobs Commission, Oxender noted that one-fourth of the cabinet would be composed of educators.

"The purpose is to analyze all vocations and trades; to determine what skills are needed; to set standards; and to provide

review the business tax break for apprenticeships we passed

"Sixty percent of our students don't need to go to a four-year

There are local programs across the state, but Oxender said there's a need for "more uniformity" to fit the programs together and make them available to 100 percent of students.

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One result he expects is spe-

cialized charter academies to provide job training. "But those can't operate under the foundation grant of \$5,500 or \$5,700," he said, referring to the basic state aid per pupil allotted to each district. "Vocational academies will probably cot

LaForge said trade unionoperated apprenticeship schools see Oxender's plan for vocational academies as "a threat." He cited the pipefitters, building and electrical trades.

Community colleges would

have a role in the system, Oxender added

The job skills cabinet would have 23 members: five state officials and representatives from eight industries. Organized labor and education would also send members.

The group would have nine months after the law is enacted to produce a statewide system for gathering and disseminating data on employment needs and for determining the skills and skill levels of education needed to hold the jobs

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Sappy maples sure sign of spring

hen the sap begins to run from the maple trees, Michigan spring cannot be far behind. The alternating warm days and cool nights of March and April are ideal for producing and collecting sap from maple trees. Sap will flow daily as long as the freezing and thawing continues; however, Mother Nature has the last word on this.

Maple syrup and sugar are among the oldest commodities produced in the United States.

Events

■ Maple Syrup Festival - 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through March 16, Cranbrook Institute of Science, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Admission included in regular museum admission, \$7 adults, \$4 children ages 3-17 and senior citizens 65 and older. Children under 3, free, (810) 645-3200.

■ Maple Syrup Time - 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays, March 8, 15, Lloyd A. Stage Outdoor Education Center, on Coolidge Highway between South Boulevard and Square Lake Road, Troy. No charge, (810) 524-3567

■ Maple Syrup Magic - 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 8, University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn. Meet at the Henry Ford Mansion Terrace. Program begins on the hour at 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. No charge, (313) 593-5338

Maple syrup is truly one of nature's most flavorful sweets. Originally, the greater portion of the annual sap was processed into sugar while today most is marketed as syrup. It takes about 40 gallons of maple sap to make one gallon of maple syrup. The sap is heated and the water evaporated until it reaches the correct sugar

density (thickness). Unopened maple syrup can be stored for 12 months in a cool, dry place. Once opened, store maple syrup in the refrigerator or freezer. If you open a large container of maple syrup, heat the excess to 190

degrees F. and re-can in hot, sterilized jars and seal. Process 10 minutes in a hot water bath. Store in a cool, dry, dark place. It is better to store maple syrup in glass rather than an open tin can. If a sugary crust forms on the bottom of the container, set the container in a pan of hot water until the sugar dissolves. If maple syrup is left open, mold will grown on the top. If this occurs, skim off the mold and heat syrup to 190 degrees F. and skim off any remaining foam. The syrup will taste as good as it did when you pur-

Maple syrup is widely used as an ingredient in a variety of other food products. Because of its high sugar content, it can be substituted for sugar in many recipes.

Sugar substitute

When substituting, use three-fourths cup of pure maple syrup for each cup of granulated sugar. When maple syrup is substituted for all the sugar in a recipe, reduce the amount of all liquid by three tablespoons for each cup of syrup substituted

If the container is labeled 100 percent pure maple syrup, it must be just that. There are maple-flavored blends, cane and corn syrup with the maple, so read the label to know what you are buying.

A variety of sugar and confection products can be made from maple syrup by additional heating, stirring, and cooling procedures. The more common products are hard or soft maple sugar candy, granulated sugar, maple creams, and fudge. Of course, many cookbooks have recipes for main dishes, breads, cakes, cookies, pies and more using maple syrup.

To add a little different flavor to whipping cream, add a little maple syrup after the cream has been whipped. Serve on angel food or white cake. Pour a little maple syrup over baked apples, sweet potatoes or carrots for an interesting flavor. Maple syrup can be used for a glaze on baked ham, ham loaf, pork chops, roasts or chicken. The next time you make baked beans, add maple syrup to the brown sugar before baking. One tablespoon maple syrup is about 50 calories, which is comparable to other syrups.

Candy

The quickest and easiest candy to make is called a maple nugget. Boil 1 cup maple syrup until it forms a soft ball (236 degrees F.) when tested in water. Remove from heat, add 1 tablespoon butter and beat until it thickens. Add 1-1/2 cups of puffed rice cereal. Mix thoroughly and drop on wax paper. So simple, but great tasting.

Lois M. Thieleke of Birmingham is an exten-

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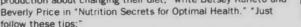
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Changing your diet

If you make good food, chances are your family won't miss the meat. "You don't have to overwhelm your family or make a production about changing their diet," write Betsey Kurleto and Beverly Price in "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health." "Just



follow these tips: ■ Make familiar dishes meatless by replacing the meat with vegetables, beans, or graips.

· Stuffed peppers with brown rice and mushroom filling · Spaghetti with a chunky marinara sauce

· Vegetarian chili with beans and bulgur

 Franks and beans using tofu hot dogs and vegetarian baked beans • Buritos filled with vegetarian refried beans

· Spanish rice, lettuce, tomato, onion, guacamole, and salsa • Vegetable lasagna stuffed with spinach and mushrooms (tofu can replace the ricotta or cottage cheese)

 Nachos with baked tortilla chips, vegetarian refried beans, onions, tomatoes, black olives and salsa • Pizza loaded with green peppers, hot peppers, mushrooms, olives, tomato slices, onion, and broccoli (if you can order a cheeseless pizza from a restaurant, ask for extra sauce to keep it from tasting a bit dry).

■ Sneak more vegetables into your meals. Add a package of frozen chopped broccoli and/or cauliflower to macaroni and soy cheese.

• At mealtimes, have carrot sticks or bell pepper strips available, as kids generally prefer raw vegetables to

. Make vegetable soups and puree them for a creamy texture. · Try vegetable noodle soup instead of chicken noodle.

Don't warn your family beforehand when you're trying something new. Just do it - maybe no one will notice. But if you say beforehand "I used tofu instead of cottage cheese in the casserole," voracious eaters may then look at the food with disdain.

Dietitians dish it out

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

ome women are married to, or know men who cook, and even grocery shop. But in most cases, "women are the gatekeepers who control what comes into the house," said registered dietitian Betsey Kurleto of Troy. "Ninety percent of the time, women do the grocery shopping. We have a lot of control, and tremendous responsibility."

She and Beverly Price, authors of the newly published "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," (Tall Tree Publishing Company, Farmington Hills, 1996, \$19.95) don't want women to feel guilty, but to become more aware.

Their objective is to help people take control of their lives, stay healthy, and prevent health problems by eating bet-

ter and exercising. "You have to take responsibility for weight loss," said Price. "People are looking for a gimmick. You have to learn to eat when you're hungry, and stop when you're full. It's hard to change overnight. You have choices, and responsibility for

your health. It's a commitment." Both vegetarians, Betsey and Beverly met at Michigan State University, and didn't always practice what they preach. The redhead and I soon

discovered that we both had the same college major (dietetics) and, of course, the same poor eating habits," writes Price. They didn't change their junk food ways overnight.

They received bachelor's degrees in dietetics from MSU, and continued their education. Kurleto earned a master's in exercise science from Western Michigan University, and Price a master's in the science of human movement (exercise physiology) from Wayne State Univer-

Kurleto switched to a vegetarian diet in 1988. Price soon followed. Hungry for information, they found little. In 1992 they started writing

"Nutrition Secrets," to share what they learned. According to the authors, "Heart disease is only one of a number of common ailments that lead to either death or poor health in America. Diet plays a role in contributing to non-insulindependent diabetes, digestive disorders, cancer and rheumatoid arthritis. Obesity is linked to five out of the 10 top leading causes of death in our society: heart disease, atherosclerosis, stroke, diabetes and some cancers. It is estimated that some 35 million Americans are overweight to a degree that affects their health."

In Michigan, the statistics are alarming. The Governor's Council on Physical Fitness Health and Sports reveals that 29 percent of Michigan adults are significantly overweight. Michigan children are among the heaviest in the nation, one-third of Michigan school children are over-

Price, who is married and the mother of a 2year-old, operates "Living Better Sensibly," a

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Explore alternatives to chardonnay

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD

Today, chardonnay is so popular that it has become the generic equivalent of white wine. Great white Burgundies are 100 percent chardonnay and it is the white grape of the Champagne region. On its own, the grape does not have a big aroma or flavor profile. It serves as a blank canvas on which a winemaker can imprint style through a variety of techniques including aging in oak barrels. It then yields rich, well-balanced wine with a distinctive aroma and superb, lingering aftertaste.

Don't be mistaken, we like chardonnay too, but wine drinkers are becoming more adventurous, branching out to new experiences. In white wines there are several from which to

Dry chenin blanc: From France's Loire Valley, this may be the world's most versatile, work-horse white. It can be made dry, sweet or in-between such as a Vouvray. It also makes a sparkling wine in the Loire. In California, 25 years ago, chenin was very popular. It made a good wine in a Vouvray-style. It fell from favor as Americans began to prefer dry wines. Only a few California wineries make it in a dry style today and have great success with it. Our favorite is 1995 Dry Creek Vineyard Chenin Blanc

Pinot blanc: First observed in Burgundy in the late 19th century, it is believed to be a mutation of the

white grape pinot gris, itself a mutation of the red varietal pinot noir. For many years in Europe, no distinction

was made between pinot blanc and chardonnay because the two vines and their grape bunches are so similar. It is a stylish alternative to chardonnay and, in our opinion, offers a better balance of flavors, especially when matched to food. Try: 1995 Murphy-Goode Pinot Blanc \$15.

Pinot gris: It is the belief of wine historians that a mutation of pinot noir occurred in Burgundy during the Middle Ages and that in the 14th century, White Burgundies were produced from pinot gris. From France, vine cuttings were first carried into Switzerland and from there throughout central Europe. By the 18th century, a vine ended up on the German Palatinate property of Johan Rüland. In his honor, propagation of the grape that made a wine he enjoyed, was christened rülander.

Pinot grigio is the name attached to the variety in Italy and is becoming a popular moniker in California. In 1965, the first American planting of pinot gris was made in Oregon. Today, pinot gris is the fastest growing varietal in Oregon. We suggest: 1995 King Estate Oregon Pinot Gris

Semillon: is popular in Washington state as a dry, varietal white wine. Yet, in most other growing regions around the world, semillon is one of the most unheralded white



Betsey Kurleto

grapes, generally blended into sauvignon blanc and more recently, with chardonnay. Is it destined to play the role of

partner? Not in the opinion of several Washington state producers, many of whom believe it is the best white wine made at their winery. Tops on our list is: 1995 Hogue Cellars Semillon, Columbia Valley, Washington \$9

■ Viognier: Ten years ago, little viognier was planted in France. In the northern Rhone, Condrieu and Chateau Grillet are small appellations with slightly more than 100 acres of viognier total. In 1984, there were no bearing viognier vines in California. Today, there are around 300 acres with a domestic total about 350

Virginia has a total of 32 acres and is second to California, but Horton Vineyards is the only commercial viognier producer in that state. It's not available in Michigan, but if you travel and can buy a bottle of the Horton, don't hesitate. We like 1995 R.H. Phillips EXP Viognier, Dunnigan Hills Estate Bottled \$15 and from France 1995 Reserve St. Martin Viognier, Vin de Pays d'Oc \$10.75

White meritage: This is a trademarked name for American wines made from a blend of Bordeaux varietals. In the case of whites, that blend is sauvignon blanc and semillon. Hands down the winner in this category is 1995 Venezia Bianco Nuovo Mondo Meritage, Alexander

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44 percent semillon, 10 percent chardonnay and one percent viognier. Generous fruit is complemented by vanilla oak and toastiness from a large percentage of new French oak.

Alluvium Red should appeal to merlot lovers and aficionados of French wines from St.-Emilion and Pomerol. It is 75 percent merlot with the balance cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc and petit verdot. Aged in French oak for 20 months, it fits well into the family of highly touted reds from Beringer with its big, generous, plump, fleshy, berry characters and depthful, spicy finish.

Look for Focus on Wine on the first and third Monday of the month in Taste. To leave a voice mail message for the Healds, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1864.

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Vegetarian dishes sure to please picky eaters

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Recipes from "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," by Betsey Kurleto and Beverly Price, (Tall Tree Publishing Company, Farmington Hills. 1996, \$19 95) Recipes developed for the book by Registered Dietitians Nanette Cameron.

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dash black pepper

1/4 cup fresh cilantro

16 ounces firm tofu

2 1/4 cups salsa or picante sauce

Drain tofu well with paper towel. Saute onion and green pepper in a nonstick pan with water until tender. Add garlic and cook for 5 minutes.

In a large bowl, combine the onion, green pepper, garlic, tomatoes, chilies, cumin, cayenne, black pepper, cilantro, tofu and 1/4 cup salsa; mix well.

Place approximately 2/3 cup of tofu mixture down center of each tortilla; roll up. Put tortilla, seam side down, in a 13 by 9-inch baking dish, coated with nonstick cooking spray

Pour remaining salsa over tortillas and cover with aluminum foil. Bake at 350 degrees F. for 25 minutes or until hot. Garnish with salsa, if desired. Serves 10.

Per serving: 160 calories, 3g fat. 6g protein, 27g carb, 0mg chol, 301mg sodium, 2g fiber.

MEXICAN PIZZA

1 large Boboli pizza crust 8 ounce jar taco sauce or picante sauce

16 ounce can refried beans 1 large onion chopped

1 cup soy shredded cheddar

1/4 to 1/2 small head let-

tuce, shredded 2 tomatoes, chopped

1 cup soy shredded Mexican

flavored cheese

1/2 cup chopped black olives Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Sprinkle cheddar cheese over beans mixture. Bake until cheese melts, about 2 minutes. Remove from oven; top with lettuce, tomatoes and flavored

In a large skillet saute onions with a small amount of water. Add refried beans and taco sauce. Mix well and cook until warm. Spread over pizza crust and sprinkle with cheese. Put in oven and bake until cheese melts. Top with lettuce, tomato and olives. Serves 8

Per serving: 292 calories, 8g fat; 13g protein, 30g carb., 0mg

chol., 763mg sod., 5g fiber. Look for soy cheese at health food stores.

RASPBERRY-BANANA PUDDING

1/2 frezen ripe banana 8 ounces unsweetened frozen

raspberries or strawberries 8 ounces soft tofu

2 tablespoons brown rice

SYTUD Blend all ingredients in food

processor or until smooth. Serves 4 Look for brown rice syrup at

health food stores Per serving: 98 calories, 2g fat, 3g protein, 17g carb., Omg chol.,

WALDORF SALAD

1 1/2 cups chopped red apple (about 1 large)

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1/2 cup chopped celery

1/2 cup halved seedless

grapes 1/4 cup raisins

3 cups torn Romaine lettuce leaves (about 1/2 pound)

1/4 cup nondairy mayonnaise

1/4 cup nondairy plain yogurt 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Salt and pepper to taste

In a large bowl, combine apple, celery, grapes, raisins and lettuce;

toss well. In a small bowl, whisk together mayonnaise, yogurt, lemon juice, salt and pepper. Pour over salad; toss well. Serve immediately.

Serves 4 generous portions. Per serving: 131 calories, 3g fat, 2g protein, 24g carb., 0mg chol., 29mg sod., 3g fiber.

Dietitians from page B1

private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills and is seeing

"It's important to look at where you're at, and not let an illness be a motivater for changing your eating habits," said

patients in their 30s and 40s

who are having heart attacks.

"People have control over their risk factors," adds Kurleto, a nutrition supervisor who specializes in weight control and pharmaceutical research at Beaumont Nutritional Medicine Clinic in Birmingham.

Their advice is simple: "If you want to be radiantly healthy. stop eating red meat, poultry and junk foods. Focus on a plant-

centered, whole foods diet and you'll never look back! Vegetarians have lower rates of coronary disease, hypertension, noninsulin- dependent diabetes, obe sity and certain types of can-

COOKBOOK

"The majority of people aren't concerned about health, and don't take time to plan meals," said Kurleto who is engaged. "They're not getting enough fresh vegetables, fruits or whole grains. I have a very busy job, but I make time.

"Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health" will satisfy your hunger

for information about making a transition to a vegetarian diet, losing and keeping weight off, antioxidants, vitamins and minerals, women's health issues such as menopause, macrobiotics, and meal planning. There are easy-to-follow recipes, mail order sources for vegetarian foods, and a list of vegetarian organizations and publications.

The authors take care to make nutrition information easily digestible with lots of charts and glossaries. There are practical tips for stocking your pantry, grocery shopping, and a chapter on "The Art of Throwing A Meal

A comprehensive bibliography provides another source of information for people interested in overhauling their diets. March is National Nutrition Month, and this book will help you make some healthful changes to last a

"Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," is available at local

To place a fax order for the book, call (810) 539-9426 or call (810) 539-9624. Address postal orders to: Tall Tree Publishing Co., 28592 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 305, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2905. The cost is \$19.95 plus six percent tax, \$3 shipping for the first book, \$1.50 for each additional book

Maple syrup recipes celebrate spring

recipes from Cranbrook Institute of Science. See Lois Thieleke's column on Taste front.

JAMOCHA MILK SHAKE 2 tablespoons pure maple

syrup

1 cup milk 1 teaspoon instant coffee

1/2 pint ice cream

Combine ingredients in blend container. Blend on high speed until smooth. Makes 2 cups,

OATMEAL MAPLE PANCAKES

1/4 cup maple syrup

3/4 cup milk 1 egg

1 cup pancake mix

1/2 cup quick cooking oat-

2 tablespoons melted short-

Combine syrup, milk and egg. Add pancake mix, oats and shortening. Beat lightly until blended. Cook on hot, greased, griddle. makes about 1 dozen, 4-inch pan-

MAPLE SPRING CHICKEN

1 chicken, 2 1/2 to 3

pounds, cut-up

1/4 cup melted butter 1/4 cup maple syrup

1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind

1 teaspoon salt

Dash of pepper 1/4 cup chopped almonds

2 teaspoons lemon juice

Place chicken pieces in a shallow, buttered baking dish. Mix remaining ingredients and pour evenly over chicken. Bake, uncovered, 50-60 minutes, at 325 degrees F.

Baste occasionally. This baked chicken is especially good served with rice.

MAPLE BREAD PUDDING

7 slices white bread

3 cups milk, scalded

2/3 cup maple syrup 2 eggs, well beaten

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon cinnamon 1/2 cup raisins

Break bread into pieces in a buttered baking dish, and pour scalded milk over it. Mix in the remaining ingredients and bake 1 hour in a 350 degree F. oven. Serve hot with thin cream or whipped cream

OATMEAL-MAPLE SYRUP DROP COOKIES

1/2 cup shortening 1 cup maple syrup

1 egg

1 1/2 cups flour 1 teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons baking powder

1/4 cup milk 1/2 cup seedless raisins

1 1/2 cups oatmeal

1/2 cup chopped nuts Beat shortening, maple syrup

and egg. Sift together flour, salt and baking powder. Add to syrup mixture alternately with milk. Mix well. Add oatmeal, raisins and nuts. Drop by spoonfuls on greased cookie sheet. Bake 350 to 375 degrees F. for about 15 minutes.

QUICK MAPLE SYRUP CAKE

1 package yellow cake mix

1/3 cup sugar 1 teaspoon cinnamon

1 cup maple syrup

1/2 cup chopped nuts

Bake cake in a 13 by 9 by 2-inch pan as directed on package. Cool 5 minutes. Cut cake into large diamond shapes.

Mix sugar and cinnamon and sprinkle over top of cake. Heat maple syrup slightly, pour over cake. Sprinkle with nuts. Let stand a few minutes. Serve warm or cold.



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the gold for Karen Gonzales of Glendale, Ariz. in the 7th annual Quaker Oatmeal "Bake It Better With Oats" Recipe Contest. Gonzales's scrumptious Maple Pecan Oatmeal Bars dazzled the judges and won the \$10,000 Grand Prize.

The cookie category continues to be the most popular category. But unlike the elaborate cookie creations seen in past contests, "back to basics" best described this year's cookie entries. Shortbread, refrigerated slice and bake cookies, drop cookies and bars featured fewer preparation steps and classic flavors - lemon, dried fruits, sweet spices, chocolate, molasses, nuts, coconut and

While coffee's current "hot status" was reflected in many of the cookie recipes, it was maple that took top flavor honors this year. Contestants experimented with maple syrup, maple-flavored pancake syrup and maple flavoring with abandon. Her mom's maple pecan rolls, which she describes as "out of this world," were all the inspiration Gonzales needed to create her winning bar cookie. Maple pancake syrup flavors both the moist and chewy oatmeal cookie base and the candy-like pecan top-

Gonzales, a self-employed medical transcriptionist, recruited friends and family to taste her Maple Pecan Oatmeal Bars. "I even passed them around at my kids' school and got people's opinions," she said.

The enthusiastic response she received made her a believer in baking with oats. "I like the texture oats give," Gonzales said. "In soft bar cookies like my maple bars, they add an appealing chewiness and naturally nutty flavor."

In addition to the cookie category, the 7th annual Quaker Oatmeal "Bake It Better With Oats" Recipe Contest featured a Muffins/Bread category and a Just For Kids category. Sixty prizes were awarded, including the \$10,000 Grand Prize, three \$2,000 first prizes, six runnersup prizes of \$500, and 50 honorable mention prizes of Quaker



Chewy cookle: This moist and chewy oatmeal bar cookie has a delicious buttery maple flavor and candy-like maple-pecan topping.

heritage cookie tins and cookbooks. Quaker also donated \$1 for every entry received in this year's contest to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to granting wishes to children with lifethreatening illnesses
MAPLE PECAN

OATMEAL BARS

- 3/4 cup (1-1/2 sticks) butter or margarine
- 2-1/4 cups Quaker oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 cups firmly packed brown sugar
- 3/4 cup shredded coconut (optional)
- 1 teaspoon baking soda 1/4 teaspoon salt (optional)
- 1/3 cup maple-flavored pancake syrup
- 1 egg, lightly beaten 1 teaspoon vanilla

- 1-1/2 cups chopped pecans (about 6 ounces)
- 1/4 cup firmly packed brown

1/3 cup maple-flavored pancake syrup

- 1. Heat oven to 350°F. Lightly spray 13x9-inch baking pan with no-stick cooking spray.
- 2. For bar, melt butter; set aside to cool. In large bowl, combine oats, flour, brown sugar, coconut, baking soda and salt; mix well. In small bowl, combine melted butter, syrup, egg and vanilla; mix well. Add to oat mixture; mix well. (Dough will be stiff.) Press dough evenly onto bottom of pan.

3. For topping, combine pecans and brown sugar in small bowl. Sprinkle evenly over dough; press down lightly. Drizzle syrup evenly over pecans. Bake 35 to 38 minutes or until edges are set but middle ik soft. (Do not overbake.) Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Cut into bars. Store tightly covered. Makes 32 bars.

Nutrition information for 1 bar: Calories 190, Calories From Fat 70, Total Fat 8g, Saturated Fat 3g, Cholesterol 20mg, Sodium 85mg, Carbohydrate 27g, Dietary Fiber 1g, Protein 2g.



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Juell Kadet, guest columnist

Pearls top sales in jewelry stores

The most commonly asked question of a jewelry designer like myself is "What's the hottest trend this year?"

Trends in jewelry change as frequently as fashion because they are intimately linked. Your taste in jewelry is really a reflection of your fashion sense, the way you like to dress. So, no matter what is really "hot," I have found that fashion-conscious people will instinctively wear what they know looks best on them.

Every year jewelry has its important pieces. For 1997 an old favorite is resurfacing - pearls! We're seeing them everywhere and in many new forms. Black pearls, for instance, became popular as a result of Hollywood. One of our biggest stars, Elizabeth Taylor, marketed a new perfume, Black Pearls, and suddenly no one could keep them in stock!

Pearls were worn by stars in several blockbuster movies like The First Wives Club and Tin Cup. The pearl necklace worn by Tin Cup star Rene Russo has now become an actual style of its own - the Tin Cup Pearl Necklace!

What's great about pearls is that they absolutely go with everything. They are a fashion staple like blue jeans and the simple black dress and can be worn with either. Available in all lengths and combinations, pearls can be worn close to the neck as a multi-strand choker, long and knotted, with a jeweled slide for interest, or in a simple strand.

Keep it simple Another trend in jewelry is toward

look.

unpretentious pieces. Because

top fashion design-

ers like Armani

and Donna Karan

are selling us on

the minimalist

reflects the same.

Some of the

biggest sellers are

diamond stud or

eurowire earrings,

small close fitting

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features more than 1 2 carats at Rogers & Hollands.

"huggie" hoop earrings, diamond tennis bracelets, gold omega necklaces and pearls. Suits have become increasingly popular and

tend to be the favorite of working women. With suits come pins which are always a favorite of mine. I'm thrilled to see pins of all sizes and shapes coming back into vogue. Nothing adds character to a suit like a pin. Whether it's art deco or a cute little bumblebee, set with diamonds or fashioned in two-toned white and yellow gold, pins offer variety, interest and in my opinion, never go out of style.

Black onyx is another popular stone for 1997. It offers high style when set with diamonds in a fabulous pendant, looks understated and elegant in a men's ring, and is really breathtaking when fashioned into an unusual shape. Since we wear so much black, onyx is a fashion necessity.

The rebirth of platinum has truly become a phenomenon. Consumers have not been made aware of its beauty and remarkable durability until recently when more and more designers began incorporating this precious metal into their collections

We are seeing fabulous platinum engagement, wedding and anniversary rings. Of course anniversary bands have continually stayed in demand, now featuring unusual combinations of colored stones and diamonds or diamonds alone of different shapes all fashioned in platinum. I believe this trend will continue to grow and expand for quite sometime.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention that diamonds in general are always in style. They remain the stone in greatest demand with the highest perceived value and durability far outweighing any other stone. No matter what you are wearing, diamonds are always right and as far as I'm concerned you can never have too

Juell Kadet is executive vice-president and designer for Chicago-based Rogers & Hollands Jewelers, which opened last year in Michigan at Somerset Collection North, Troy. Rogers & Hollands is an 85-year old family-owned and operat-

Among her many talents, Juell is also a gourmet cook who makes her award-winning recipes available to anyone who asks. Juell can be reached for a recipe, or a jewelry question by writing her at: Rogers Enterprises, 5 Centre, Park Forest, IL 60466.

Shoppertainment

Developer puts 'wonder' back in Wonderland



The region's "second oldest shopping cen-ter." Wonderland Mall in Livonia, gets a Plymouth Road in south Livonia upscale family restaurants and ter," Wonderland Mall in Livonia, gets a new lease on retail life as owner/operator Schostak Bros. pumps \$10 million into renovations to transform the mall into a family fun center.

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO

Malls aren't just for shopping any-

They're about providing, "pleasant, educational, entertaining experiences" for every member of the

So says Robert Schostak, president of Schostak Brothers & Co. of Southfield, which counts among its many properties Wonderland and Laurel Park Place malls in Livonia; Macomb Mall in Roseville, Point Plaza in Grosse Pointe Woods, Shelby Corners in Utica, the Volkswagen of America Headquarters in Troy, and the Chrysler Technology Center in Auburn Hills

Schostak is about to break ground on a \$10-million Wonderland Mall renovation in the west-wing that will "provide families with a place to relax, spend time together, enjoy a meaningful educational experience while at the same time providing an environment to buy athletic shoes, computer paper and household

Specifically, Wonderland has a four-part plan that includes: a new to-the-market multi-media store; a remodeled food court designed by Wah Yee Associates; an expanded movie theater complex; and a children's entertainment center.

Although no lease has been signed, Len Hoppe of Jeepers!, a division of Jungle Jim's Playland, confirms the company is looking at locations in the Detroit market, Wonderland among them.

Jeepers! would provide Wonderland Mall with a center for games, rides and hands-on activities for kids 2-12, including an on-premises Pizza Hut for birthday parties.

Other improvements call for a center court carousel and additional family-interest programs scheduled through the mall's promotions department.

Shostak said a key element of the remodel will be relocating the management offices, public family restrooms, security center and community rooms to the middle of the mall to make the shopping center more customer-friendly. In the parking lot, traffic patterns and lighting

will be improved.

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derland in

1984 and

"We are repositioning Wonderland Mall for the next decade, the next century," he said. "In this competitive market, developers must provide retailers with dynamic means

and Office Max joined the line-up.

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to present their con- 'A vibrant, viable mall stimulates cepts, and complementary development in the customers immediate community acting as a with a shopvaluable resource — as a neighborping environment hood towncenter, source of jobs, that is safe and an important source of tax revpleasant and interesting." enue for the city.' Schostak

- Update, a Schostak publication

Instead of turning immediately changed the former airthe property into "a low scale disport-turned-open air-retail center. count center," they bided time until into an enclosed shopping mall for Jacobson's, then Parisian, could about \$17-\$20 million. Back then, come on board. Montgomery Wards and Federal's Department Store were the anchors. Schostak hinted that more devel-Another renovation came in 1989 opment at Laurel Park Place is on

when Target, Service Merchandise the corporate drawing board. He hopes the mall's improvements will serve as a catalyst for more

Wonderland Mall will remain open during the remodeling process which could take a year and a half to complete according to Schostak.

spend considerable capital. They

have kept their promises to the city

and have demonstrated that they

have the interests of the community

at heart."

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Mayor Jack Kirksey agreed.

retailers who specialize in household goods or family apparel. Wonderland Mall is the keystone "I see these changes as a winning of that merchandising strip of town," situation for all concerned," he he said. "I will work in partnership with Schostak to keep that property insisted. "They're part of the evolution of business. We're not sitting vital. They are an outstanding corback to fall to our competition. We're porate citizen. They're willing to investing in the community, raising

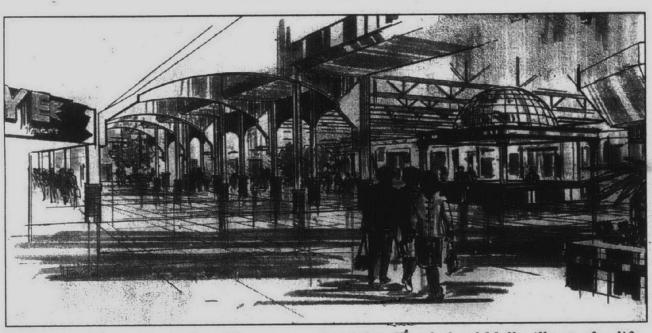
> Wonderland Mall is located at the southwest corner of Plymouth and Middlebelt in Livonia. (313) 522-

the stakes, operating outside the

Schostak The mall provides support to a rode out a range of community groups includrecession. ing the Livonia Heartfund, Ameriunable to can Red Cross, Livonia Goodfellows, develop Livonia Family YMCA, and annual-Laurel ly awards college grants to local Park high school seniors through an essay Place for a number of

Wonderland Mall provides a fitness walking club and hosts dozens of community service programs each

The mall is currently hosting "Cyberspace Safari" a high-tech hands-on romp through the Internet in cooperation with The Detroit Science Center. The exhibit was created through a partnership with Ameritech, Intel Corp., MicroAge Infosystems Services; MicroSoft Corp., Online Marketing, Personal Computer Rentals and WOMC



Mall update: To remain vital and improve marketability, Wonderland Mall will get a facelift adding several new retailing concepts to attract shoppers and more upscale tenants.

Retailers blame slow month on foul weather

Michigan's retail sales were chilled by January's snow and ice. Thirtynine percent of retailers reported increased year-to-year sales for the month, while 45 percent saw sales decline, and 16 percent reported no change, according to the Michigan Retail Index, a joint project of the Michigan Retailers Association and the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.

The 39 percent was the lowest number reporting increases since the monthly Index was launched in July 1994. It followed a softer-than-expected December, when only 46 percent of retailers boosted year-to-year sales.

While heavy after Christmas discounting boosted sales across much of the nation, we believe that the weather worked to keep sales down in Michi-

gan," said Larry Meyer, CEO of the retailer's association. "However, retailers remain optimistic. They believe that sales will warm up and return to last fall's brisk pace.'

The weather, always an important factor in retailing, was colder and snowier in many parts of the state during january, according to the National Weather Service. In Grand Rapids, for example, the 45.5 inches of snow that fell made it the snowiest January on record and the second snowiest month of all time. Temperatures also hit sub-zero levels across the state.

Electronics and computer retailers - which experienced a relatively poor Christmas - topped other stores during January.

News of special events of interest to shoppers is included in this calendar. Send promotion information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o The Observer & Eccentric 805 East Maple, 48009; or fax (810) 644-1314. The deadline is Wednesday at 5 p.m. for publication on Monday.

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

Cyberspace Safari

Explore the Internet and discover facts about dinosaurs through a program running until April. Co-sponsored by The Detroit Science Center and seven computer-related companies. Fees. Reservations suggested. School groups welcome. Near Service Merchandise entrance.

Wonderland. Plymouth/Middlebelt. Livonia. (313) 577-8400, ext. 417.

MONDAY, MARCH 3

Senior Dance

First Monday Dance for senior citizens begins at 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Refreshments served at 12:30 p.m. Lower level auditorium. Newcomers are welcome.

Westland Center. Wayne/Warren. (313) 425-5001.

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

Doghouse design exhibit Somerset Collection has joined the Detroit Artists Market to present a collection of specialy-designed homes for Fido (including a Pewabic Pottery House) in the North Grand Court through March 16. The doghouses will be auctioned off during the "Spots for Spot" brunch 11 a.m. March 16 to raise funds for the DAM. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$10 for children.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Somerset Collection North. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (313) 393-1770.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

Petite fashion show Hudson's showcases the Liz Claiborne line for petites 12:30 p.m. Complimentary show and Oakland Mall. 14 Mile/John R. Troy.

(810) 597-2200.

THURSDAY, MARCH 6 Spring Fashions show

Neiman Marcus presents its annual tribute to the designs of spring "The Art of Fashion" on the third level beginning with hors d'oeuvres at 11:30 p.m. to benefit Hospice of Southeastern Michigan. Reception follows the runway show in the Couture salon. Tickets are \$35, \$50 and

Somerset Collection South. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy.

Zoran Trunk Show Henri Bendel's shows a new collection from Italy "Zoran" through March 8 from 11 a.m. to p.m. Informal modeling/fashion consultations.

Somerset Collection North. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (810) 816-8575.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7 Fine jewelry sale

Jules R. Schubot hosts its annual spring sale through March 15 with 30 to 70-percent off hundreds of items including fine jewelry, watches, gift ware.

3001 W. Big Beaver. Troy. (810) 649-1122.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8 Low fat cooking show

Williams Sonoma hosts Jim Barnett, executive chef with Unique Restaurants Corp. demonstrating recipes low in fat/high in taste.1:30 p.m. Somerset Collection South.

Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (810) 643-6360.

SUNDAY, MARCH 9 **Nutrition expert visits**

"Ask the Nutrition Expert" sponsored by the American Heart Association noon to 4:30 p.m. Registered dietitians available for personal consultations. Mock grocery store tours, blood pressure screenings, body mass analysis and exercise demonstrations.

Tel-Twelve Mall.

12 Mile/Telegraph. Southfield. (810) 353-4111.

MONDAY, MARCH 10

Resale shopping show

The Michigan Professional Women's Network presents designer resale fashions from member Nicole Christ's Garden City store, "Nicole's Revival" at its monthly meeting open to newcomers. Networking 6 p.m. Dinner 6:45 p.m. Fashion

presentation 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$23.

Birmingham Community House. 380 S. Bates. (810) 375-1795.

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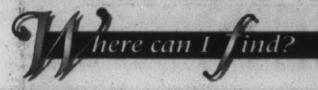
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hanks to all the readers who phoned in locations for the hard to find items listed last week!

lere's what we found:

A reader called with some interesting information for Avon customers. (First, a bit of history. From 1886 to 1929 Avon was known as The California Perfume Company. Items from this era are worth hundreds of dollars, especially if in original boxes. In 1929 Avon came on the scene

Bud Hastin publishes an Avon encyclopedia which includes, photos of items, market values, trade show schedules, and more. To obtain a copy write: Bud Hastin, P.O. Box 9868, Kansas City, MO. 64134

A reader wondered whatever happened to Sophie's Pierogis on Maple in Troy. Two callers report that the owner passed away a few years ago and her children closed the company.

Another caller recommends Jennie's Pierogi's in Garden

City on Middlebelt between Wayne and Ford roads. "They're absolutely home-made and delicious," she said.

Linda Lang reports that Well Savored Passage by Marjorie

Braser was printed by Peach Mountain Press, Ltd., Route 2, Box 195, Charlevoix, MI 49720.

Two callers were willing to sell their Santa Bears to Sandy

We're still looking for:

A retailer who sells Permknit Sportswear for "Cynthia" of A good source for used lumber (1 x 12).

Stores with vast selections of Beanie Babies for a Redford Shirley McCauley is looking for a retailer who specializes

clothing for overweight boys, explaining "The clothing availe in the Husky sizes still don't fit in the waist.' A special request from Diane Hackman.of Garden City for

elementary school readers from the 50s and 60s: "As a student at the old St. Hedwig's School I recall using blue-covered Polish readers, about 10-inches by 5-inches, with the Christ Child on the cover that listed words in both Polish and English. I'm also hoping to locate those old Dick and Jane

Ann Oswald needs a cross stitch pattern "Solitary Skater" by artist P. Buckley Moss offered through Jane Griggs.

Elizabeth Gordon of West Bloomfield is looking for the recipe (or a local restaurant that serves) a chocolate cake with rum and whip cream topping that was made popular by "Northwood Inn.

If anyone has an old mangle in their basement, Karen Harte recently opened a business and needs a large mangle (rollers 27-30 inches) She is anxious to buy a used one.

 A CD of saxophone artists Body & Soul by Verve for Jim. Sandi of Troy wants a 1990 edition of Hudson's Santa Bear to complete a collection. Rev. Alice Lister-Worth of Dearborn needs "The Safe Place,

-But what did I put in it?" • Veronica Stevenson needs a copy of the manual for the Viking Sewing Machine, model 6030. She does not want the company's entire product line manual, just the pages that

apply to her machine. "Debra" needs an instruction manual for a Necchi sewing machine model 522.

· A Polyperk Electric coffee pot that makes 6-8 cups for

Terry Leszczynski of Garden City. Megaware from France for Sandy Crocker. "I bought it about 10 years ago from Farmer Jack's and I want to purchase

• Karen Gustafson of Troy hopes to buy anyone's old "Lorelei" pattern china by Noritake. Her set is 30-years old and she wants to add more pieces

 Marylou Kulakowski of Beverly Hills hopes to find a store that sells Milwaukee's caliente (hot and sweet) fresh pack pickle slices from Vlasic.

"Josephine" wants to find a stepper, "it looks like a large

pillow" for exercising.

· Rose Marie Windelski is looking for fresh onion bread that she used to buy from Chatham's that you put in the oven and bake. "It's not frozen," she insisted. "It's delicious with ham and I want it for Easter."

• Robert Kunz hopes to find two NASCAR collectibles 1/64 scale: #8 Kenny Wace "Red Dog" and #98 the RCA car. Call him at (313) 427-3914

· A woman is looking for cassette tapes called "Song of Praise" Volumes 1-3 by now-defunct Servant Publications of Roz Novak needs a copy of Danny Kaye singing "Momma

Give Me a Drink of Water · "Mrs. Ray" is wondering if there is any market for the old

Avon articles she's collected from catalogs of the past.

If you've seen any of these items in your travels, let Malls & Mainstreets know and we'll print the answers. Please call (810) 901-2567 (and relate your message and phone number slowly

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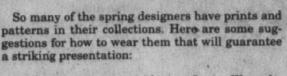
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A guide to wearing spring patterns



1. Stay in proportion with your figure. Wear the boldest print on those areas you want to highlight and smaller prints for the areas you want to

2. For an impacting presentation mix patterns. Checks with plaids, combinations of thin and wide stripes are a powerful standout and truly sophisti-

Points of view: (At left) From the Worth Collection, sold through home vendors, a skirt and blouse of silk chiffon and poly georgettte in a cascade of ruffles. To order (212) 223-3757.

3. For a successful mixing of patterns, stick to two or three with similar tones.

4. Don't let your look become dizzying. You must

balance the scales of the patterns. 5. Patterned scarves can cheer up even the drea-

6. Glen plaids, houndstooth checks, paisleys, polka dots, tweeds and pinstripes are always smart choices because they never go out of style. 7. When wearing patterns, your jewelry should

be soft so it's not competing with your outfit. 8. Choose your polka dots' size carefully. Small pin dots create an all over pattern which works for fuller figures. Larger dots are fun for tall, slim

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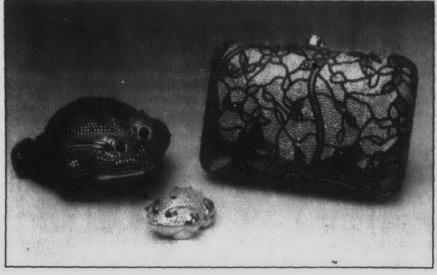
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	March 27 – 9:00 AM	Location:	War Memorial 32 Lake Shore Drive Grosse Pointe Farms		

Refreshments will be served at the informational meetings. Reservations are recommended. Call (800) 810-1699 for reservations or to schedule a home appointment. No cost or obligation,

March 21 - 10:00 AM

Times: March 7 - 10:00 AM

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New handbags are high on style

Handbags demand attention this season in shapes, fabrics and colors that elevate them from mere carry-alls to works of

Every design is out there from mallets-on-a-string to back-packs and duffles. And although many prefer their purses have shoulder straps, bags

leather and wood, offer a dressy alternative.

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- Susan DeMaggio



Bag it: From Escada, silver mesh tote with separate, micro fiber cosmetic bag at Saks Fifth Avenue.

A shopper's lament:

What happened to service?

BY PATRICIA SHEA

Shame on all you ivory tower

Shame on you for spending millions of dollars on advertis-

Shame on you for thinking that high priced displays would sell your wares.

You sit in big offices and lavish board rooms trying to figure out how to sell your stuff, but the next time you gather around your mahogany board tables sipping your specialty coffees, examining charts, think about this: Shoppers want help, service and guidance. Period.

You need to put employees on the sales floor and train them.

If I were the executive wringing my hands over why my stores are always on the brink of bankruptcy, I'd put on a pair of sweats and go shopping. The following incidents happened to me over the recent holiday shopping

1. At one national discount retailer eight days before Christmas

Me: "Pardon me, do you sell snow cone makers?"

Stuporous salesperson in a red smock, pointing: "Try aisle 3."
Me: "Do you know if you sell them or not?"

Salesperson: "I don't know." Me: "Is there anyone who does

Salesperson: "He's on break," and he walked away.

With one ounce of assistance I could have parted with a thousand dollars, been done with my

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Patricia Shea of Bloomfield Hills.

shopping, and able to enjoy the rest of my holidays. When this retailer bites the dust, I'll shed

2. A sporting goods store Dec. 12, 1996.

I can just hear the board room squawk "We should get into the metro Detroit market, lots of discretionary income. We'll spend \$15 million build a beautiful store, stock it to the teeth, advertise like mad in all the high-priced papers! But let's be careful, not too many \$5 an hour employees, payroll can kill a business. We'll make up for it with hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of point of sale displays.

But you're so wrong! So, so long! Your days are numbered.

I couldn't find one sales employee in the entire store.

just one desperate, lost cashier. 3. A national teen apparel shop eight days before Christmas:

A nice new twist, four employees on the selling floor. Three in a circle, folding things and having a wonderful, yet personal

conversation.

Me: "Pardon me, do you have this sweater in a large?"

Folding employee: "That's the last one," and back to her interesting conversation.

Ten minutes later after having reached the point of "I'll pretty much take anything just to get it over with," I send my daughter to break up the conversation, My kid: "Excuse me, (she's

very polite) do you have jany more of those sweaters? She points to me holding the sample sweater in the wrong size.

Salesperson: "If we do, it's over there." Pointing to me. in Unbelievable!

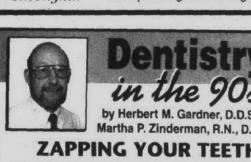
I can actually visualize your beautiful board room. . . "Well sir, the figures indicate a swing in the. . ." Who gives a darn.

You are not doing your jobs. Your stores are not even complacent mediocrity, they're pompous bad business.

Take your enormous bags of advertising money and split them into thirds. Spend a third on advertising and two thirds on sales personnel and training. And take your management personnel and put them where they belong, on the sales floor.

It's the same in every store. Get a clue retailers.

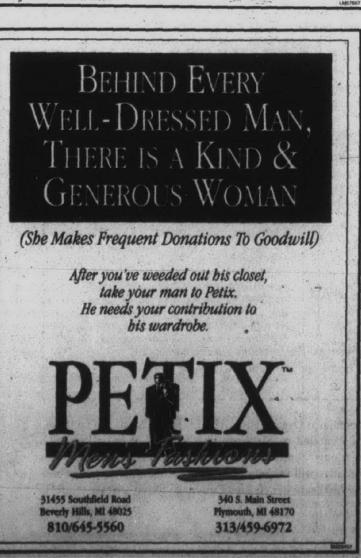
You're welcome.



Having whiter teeth is high on the list of Having whiter teeth is high on the list of anyone who wants to look younger. Now, that desire has been greatly helped along with FDA approval of lasers for tooth bleaching. The procedure involves the application of a bleaching solution and the use of two different kinds of lasers, the blue-light argon and the heat-intensive CO2. Approval came after two years of clinical trials showed that the teeth of over 2,000 subjects were demonstrably whiter and that the procedure was safe. The first suspicion that lasters might be effective in this recard came

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RUTH EILEEN EDWARDS

Funeral services for Ruth Eileen Edwards, 80, of Canton were held recently at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, in Ply-

She was born Oct. 15, 1916, in Longmont, Colo. and died Sunday, Feb. 16, in Plymouth. She was a waitress. She came to the Westland community in 1988 from Colorado.

She is survived by her son, Robert Bauer of Canton; stepsons, Gene Edwards, and Gary Edwards of Colo.; sisters, Leona Everett of Washington, Nora Rotolo of Denver, Colo.; six grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur Edwards.

DALE FREDERICK HOUGHTON

Funeral services for Dale mouth were held Friday, Feb. 28, at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Peter Bert officiating. Burial was in Knollwood Cemetery, in

He was born Oct. 20, 1938, in Plymouth, and died Wednesday, Feb. 26, in Plymouth. He was an accountant for Audio Alert systems for six years. He was a lifelong Plymouth resident. He was a member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Plymouth. He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1956 and Cleary College in 1961. His hobby was computers. He enjoyed being a notary public.

He is survived by his wife, Jean of Plymouth; sons, Jeffrey of Westland, and Jonathon of Westland; one grandson; sister, Marilyn Parmenter of Hartland.

Memorials may be made to St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, in Plymouth.

ROY FEATHERSTONE KINCADE

Funeral services for Roy Featherstone Kincade, 82, of Livonia were held Friday, Feb. 28, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. The Rev. Arthur Magnuson officiated with burial in Oakland Hills Cemetery.

He was born May 4, 1914, in Highland Park, and died Tuesday, Feb. 25, in Livonia. He retired from Ford Motor Company after 40 years of service. He was a machine operator at the Rawsonville Plant. He came to the Livonia community in the early 1950s. He served in the U.S. Army in the European The-ater during World War II. He served with Valor, receiving five bronze stars. He served in the Battle of the Bulge.

He is survived by his sisters, Viola Smith of Mayville, Mary Timcoe of Plymouth, LaVerne Paddock of Livonia, and Tessa Roy of Belleville; many nephews, nieces, and cousins also survive.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Helen L. Memorials may be made to the

charity of choice.

THOMAS L. MCINERNEY

Funeral services for Thomas L. | McInerney of Plymouth; six

McInerney, 94, of Plymouth were held Saturday, March 1, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. John Sullivan officiating.

He was born Feb. 15, 1903, in Detroit, and died Saturday, Feb. 22, in Plymouth. He was an inspector for the health department for 42 years. He came to the Plymouth community in 1987 from Detroit. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth. He was a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He had been married 56 years.

He is survived by his wife, Rosemary V. of Plymouth; daughter, Elizabeth Csicsila of Dearborn Heights; son, John T. grandchildren.

MARIETTE GOODALE

Funeral services for Mariette Goodale, 89, of Westland were held recently. Local arrange-ments were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, in Ply-

She was born Aug. 4, 1907, in Plymouth, and died Monday, Feb. 24, in Westland. She worked for the Red Cross in Plymouth for several years. She was a life-long resident of Plymouth. She lived at the Mayflower Hotel in downtown Plymouth from 1988 until she had to go to a nursing home in Westland. She loved to oil paint

CHOOL BOND INFORMATIONAL **MEETINGS**

formational meetings scheduled for the public discuss the Plymouth-ton Community Schools' bond proposal that will be on the ballot Saturday,

administrators will present the scope of the bond project, its financing, district enfollment projects and other pertinent information.

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The meetings will give voters a chance to ask questions about the bond issue.

hosting a bond presentation for a civic group, homeowners association or other organization, call Christina Bair, 844-7235 or the school district community rela-

The following meetings

General meetings:

"Other informational

7 p.m. Tuesday, March 4; Hulsing Elementary

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School - Hulsing PTO.

■ 1 p.m. Thursday, March 6, Carriage Park

■ 1 p.m. Friday, March 7, Plymouth Rotary.

7 p.m. Monday, March Allen Elementary School - Allen PTO.

■ 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 11, Field Elementary School - Field PTO.

■ 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 11 Eriksson Elementary School - Eriksson PTO.

■ 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, Summit at the Park - senior citizens.

■ 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, St. Thomas A'

■ 7 p.m. Thursday, March 20, Hoben Elementary School - Hoben PTO.

. 7 p.m. Thursday, March 20, Central Middle School - Central PTO.

for elementary, junior high, and high school students, a musical A session on teaching Piano Concerti is the featured topic for and technical chronology of these the Wednesday, March 5, meetconcerti, and performances of ing of the Livonia Area Piano some of this literature by young students from her own teaching

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

NOTICE OF HEARING

ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE OF HEARING given that the Plymouth Township Board of

Hearings are by appointment, please call 453-3840, Ext. 267, between 8

All persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to

appearing before the Board. A personal appearance is not required.

The Board of Review will be held in the Board Meeting Room of Plymouth
Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. *Except
Tuesday, March 11, where it will be held in the East Wing Conference Room

Please come prepared as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board of Review will be strictly adhered to.

Review will meet on the following dates and times

a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for an appointment.

Tuesday, March 4 9 a.m. - NOON 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Monday, March 10 9 a.m. - NOON

Tuesday, March 11 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday, March 15 9 a.m. - NOON

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed

Teachers Forum.

The meeting will begin 9:30 a.m. in the recital hall of dammell Music 15630 Mid fiebelt, Livenia, All area piano eachers. Livonia. All area piano are invited.

Guest speaker Mary Siciliano, successful area biano teacher, will offer concert ideas suitable

Learn how to teach students piano concerti

Siciliano earned a bachelor of music degree in piano perfor-mance from Michigan State University and a master of music degree in piano performance from University of Michigan.

Organization Meeting

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She was honored as Teacher of the Year for Michigan in 1991 and received that award again in

Her students excel in all areas and consistently win awards in concerto competitions. Many students have successfully per-

formed with orchestras. Siciliano, a Livonia resident, serves on the East Central Divi-

on Board of Music Teachers.
For more information, call
10-427-1579. sion Board of Music Teachers.

810-427-1579.

Citizens and district

If you are interested in tions office, 416-2755.

are scheduled:

7 p.m. Monday, March 3; 10 a.m. Saturday, March 15; all at the E.J.McClendon Educational Center.

Publish: February 23, 27 and March 2, 1997

1997 CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARINGS ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will convene in the City Commission Chambers, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, for an Organiza, onal Meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 1997 at 12:00 Noon.

The Regular Board of Review session will begin:

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1997 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 1997

12:15 TO 6:00 P.M. 3:00 TO 9:00 P.M.

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

Hearings are by appointment only. COMPLETED 1997 BOARD OF, REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY and must be submitted to the Front Office, located on the First Floor of City Hall before an appointment can be made. The "DEADLINE" for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the Board of Review is Wednesday, March 5, 1997 by 9:00 P.M.

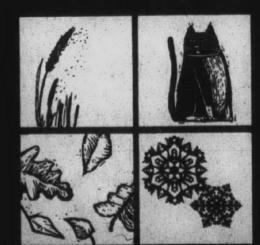
A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative, agent must have written authority to represent owner, by Monday, March 17, 1997.

Copies of the notice stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted on the official public bulletin boards of the City and also in the local All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the

"Open Meetings Act". If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review, you may call (313) 453-1234, ext. 223.

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Mon. March 10 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Managing Your Stress

Get plenty of practical ideas on how to gain control of

your stress—before it gains control of you.

Tues. March 11 6:30-8 p.m.

Motivational Tips for Exercise

Great Ideas and tips to keep your exercise spirit alive!

Tues. March 18 7-8:30 p.m. Maneuvering Through Midlife

For women in their late 30s, 40s or early 50s: Understand

and prepare for the changes that occur before and during menopause. (Register by March 14.)

Thurs. April 3 7-9 p.m.

Exercise Stride Analysis We'll videotape your walk/run on a treadmill and offer you personalized tips to make the best of your exercise stride. Also learn to pick athletic footwear to match your needs.

Wed. April 9

7-8:30 p.m.

Parenting Skills: Avoiding Power Struggles "No I won't and you can't make me!" Sound familiar? Learn ways to end power struggles with your children

and to stop them even before they start.

thinning disease. (Register by April 7.)

Thurs. April 10 7-8:30 p.m. Osteoporosis: What Every Woman Should Know Learn about risk factors and prevention as well as the latest information on diagnosing and treating this bone-

Registration required. Please call (313) 712-4106 or register in person at the Summit

Please note: You do not need to be a Summit passholder or pay the laily entrance fee to the Summit to attend any of these programs.

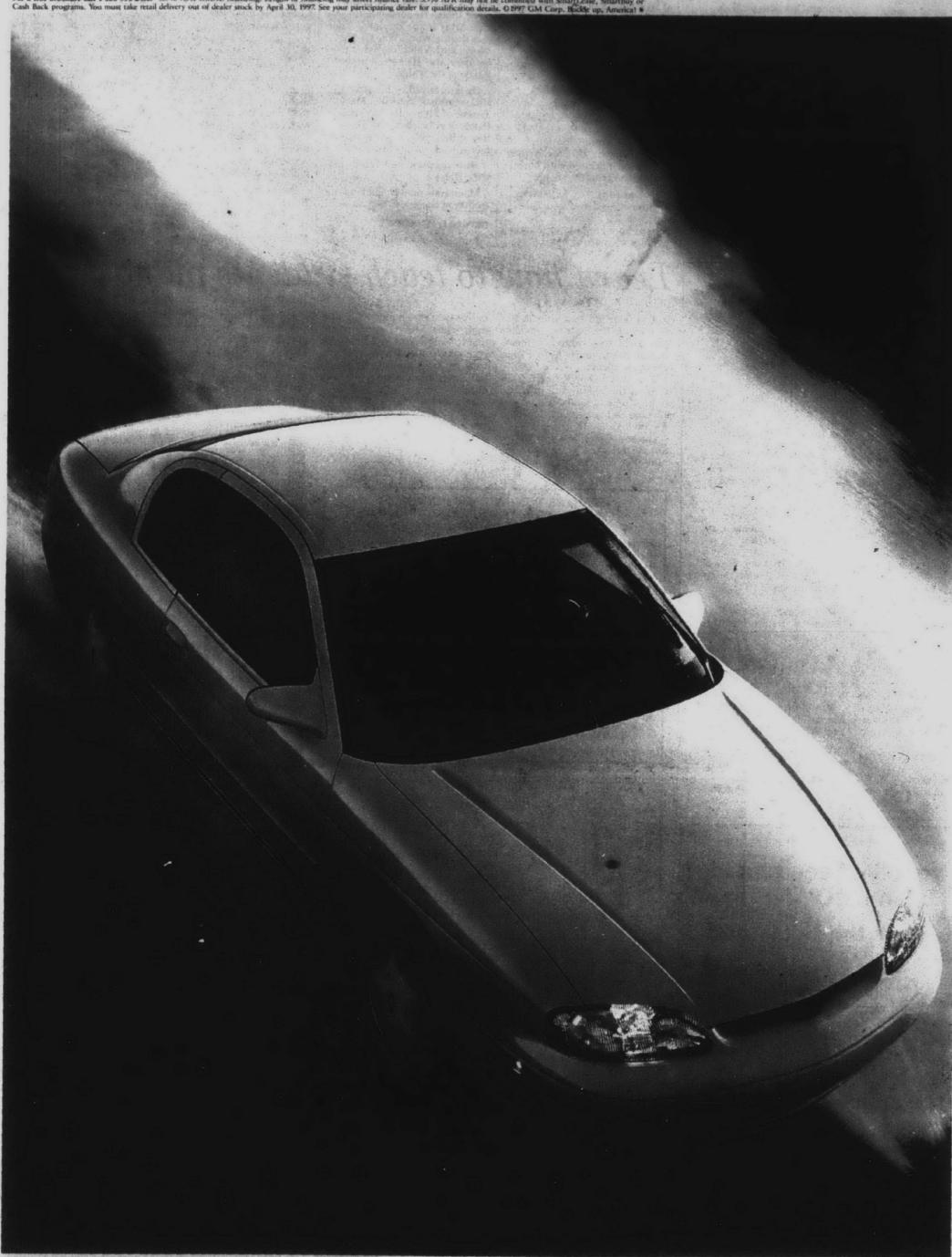


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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Canton Project Arts needs more volunteers to help

on-profit groups share one problem in common: the lack of volunteers. Canton Project Arts is no exception. Hosting events like "Evening on Broadway" with the Michigan Opera Theatre on March 8 require volunteers to usher, sell tickets, and get the word out so people will

At their meeting on Feb. 27, Canton Project Arts board members talked about the lack of volunteers to help with various projects.

Canton Project Arts offers several programs throughout the year including a visual arts exhibition, fine arts show during Canton's Liberty Fest, and

An Evening of

Broadway Music What: Canton Project Arts spotlights the Michigan Opera Theatre in a cabaret-style per-

formance. When: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 8. Doors open 6:30 p.m., refreshments served at 7 p.m. Where: Summit on the Park, 46000 Parkway,

Canton. Admission: Tickets are \$20 and available at Arnoldt Williams Music, Dearborn Music and the Canton Township Administration Building, or at the door the night of the performance. For more information call Kathleen Salla, (313) 397-6450.

an annual concert featuring artists from Michigan Opera Theatre

They plan to host artist of the month exhibitions in the near future, as well as, a vouth series consisting of theater, storytelling and puppetry beginning January. As part of the youth series, Canton **Project Arts**

will also offer puppet making workshops and other activities

Quality of life

"In Canton, we talk a lot about quality of life within a community," said Thomas Yack, Canton supervisor. "There's public safety and having good schools. One more important element to ensuring quality of life is the arts: culture and cultural activities.'

Yack, together with township treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter, founded Canton Project Arts in 1993. It is funded by a \$5,000 stipend from Canton Township and additional money from non-profit organizations such as the Canton Foundation.

"We're looking for artists and others who may have a love for the arts," said Elaine Kirchgatter. Canton Project Arts also needs people who are good organizers, managers, and have suggestions for programs.

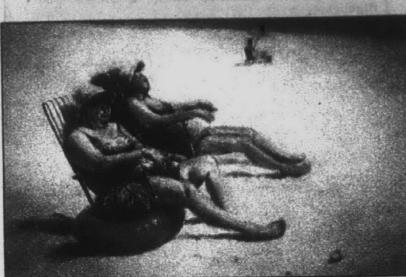
Yack believes the Plymouth arts community already does a good job of providing arts programming in the area

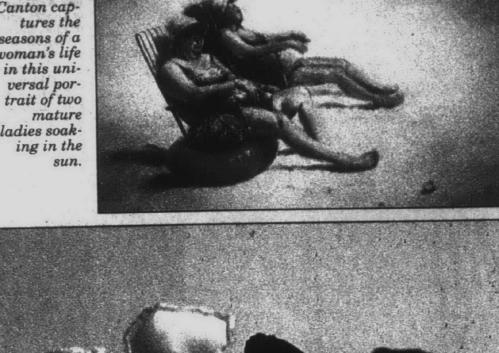
"It's important not to duplicate what's already being provided," he said. "We felt there was still room to add to the menu of arts offerings."

The Plymouth Community Arts

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On the beach: Vana Beginin of Canton capseasons of a woman's life ladies soak-







Guests at the opening reception for "Michigan Women Artists" knew the minute juror Marilyn Zimmerman shed her chic red cape to reveal a purple and yellow dinosaur suit this exhibition was a horse of a different

Presented by Henry Ford Community College's Focus on Women Program, the show concentrates on women's issues and coincides with HFCC's second annual Women's Recognition Month and the national observance of Women's History Month. It continues through March 5 in the Sisson Gallery on campus.

From motherhood to violence against women and child abuse, the two- and three- dimensional art works

Michigan

Women Artists

What: In celebration of

Women's Recognition

Month at Henry Ford

Community College,

the Focus on Women

Program spotlights an

exhibition of two and

three-dimensional art-

work by women from

Styles and subject

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When: Through March

5. Hours are 10 a.m.

Thursday and Friday, until 7 p.m. Tuesday

Where: Sisson Gallery

in the MacKenzie Fine

Evergreen in Dearborn.

For more information call (313) 845-9629.

Arts Center at Henry

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the second annual

address many unpleasant themes. Created by women artists from Kalamazoo to-Detroit, Oakland and Wayne County artists Deborah Friedman of West Bloomfield, Joyce Brienza, Birmingham, and Connie Lucas and Vana Beginin of Canton do their share by tackling the subjects of divorce, suicide, illness,

racism, and aging. "We want not only to bring attention to special problems and to give honor and recognition to unsung women's vide a forum for women to display their art. It's not a small goal. Statistically, we know there are more women artists than men, yet we know men exhibit more frequently than women," said Grace Stewart, Focus on Women Program

After shocking the audience with her antics, Zimmerman verbally made the point that society's disrespect for women was as ancient as dinosaurs. As an artist, feminist and asso-

director during the reception.

ciate professor of art at Wayne State University. Zimmerman told the audience part of her value system as an artist was being informed. As she continued to speak she fluctuated between carrying her tail and dragging it on the floor.

Though her look was incongruous, her rhetoric remained harmonious with the observance. She commented on how times had changed from the loose life styles and newly found feminism of the 1970s to the conservatism brought about by the threat of AIDS in the 1990s. She never did get around to talking about why she chose the works but no one seemed to mind.

The reason there's a month for women is because we have discrimination the other 11 months of the year,"

Joyce Brienza was awared the \$600 first place award. She works on a large scale to drive her messages home. Rendered in varying degrees of abstract style, both of her paintings contain representational imagery. "Antidote to Suicide/Brother Rescue" focuses on a woman from the shoulders down receiving solace as she cradles a dog and cat in her arms. Running around the painting's rim is the text "Just Needs a Loving Home."

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DANCE

Performance will benefit young dancer

Benefit Dance Performance

What: Youth Dance Project will join Ann Arbor-based Jazz Dance Theatre for a program of classi-cal, lyrical and contemporary jazz to benefit Stephanie Smith. When: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Thursday, March 13, Power
Center for the Performing Arts,
121 Fletcher Street Ann Arbor.
Tickets: \$12 adults, \$8 stuce Theatre Studio, 711 N.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

For the last two months dancers, in the newly formed Youth Dance Project, have sacrificed Saturday nights to rehearse for a March 13 benefit performance for fellow dancer Stephanie Smith.

After two years of chemotherapy, the 8-year-old Belleville youth is now undergoing experimental treatment at St. Jude Hospital for a rare auto-immune disorder. The treatment, expected to cost \$500,000, is not covered by insurance.

The Smiths have raised \$500,000 through a variety of fund-raisers,

but the family still needs money for living expenses so they can remain with Stephanie during the procedure. There will also be medical

Racism: Canton artist Connie Lucas created this Lucite cube filled with

fabric dolls of all colors to send the message, racism is wrong.

expenses following treatment. On March 13, Youth Dance Project will join Ann Arbor-based Jazz Dance Theatre company for a program of classical, lyrical and contemporary jazz dance at Power Center for the Performing Arts in

Ann Arbor. Formed in 1985, Jazz Dance Theatre instituted the Youth Dance Project last November

"We formed the youth project because although studio work is

important, young dancers don't get performing experience," said Adam B. Clark Jazz Dance Theatre artistic

Clark auditioned 68 dancers for the Youth Dance Project. The 24 dancers involved in the project attend a variety of metro Detroit schools including Churchill, Franklin, Catholic Central, Mercy

This is the Youth Dance Project's first professional performance. Clark choreographed the contemporary part of the program to music

and Plymouth Canton high schools.



Benefit: Jazz Dance Theatre along with members of its youth project will perform March 13 at the Power Center for Performing Arts in Ann Arbor.

Nativity Episcopal Church celebrates creative spirit

For 51 weeks of the year, an inverted wooden hull ceiling hovers over the congregation at Nativity Episcopal Church. During the upcoming fourth week of Lent, however, the vessel design will be turned rightside up, at least metaphorically.

The transformation of the church into a ship of art is popularly known as Nativity's annual Festival of the Arts, an assemblage of visual and performance artists. For the next week, the church will look more like a crowded art gallery, filled with paintings, photography, pottery, jewelry and delicately blown

"Art is a spiritual commitment," said Julie Wortman, festival chairwoman. "The festival is an expression that the God we

believe in is a creative force. Choosing the fourth Sunday in Lent is symbolic, said Wortman. Lent is 40 days of fasting and

tians, beginning on Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. "Midway through Lent, there's a moment to relax your penitence," she said. "We figured that an ideal time to celebrate the treativity all around us."

Within the modest space of the church, lobby, commons and adjacent parish hall, 48 artists will display their works for three

days, beginning Friday, March 7: Set amid a tranquil residential area on West 14 Mile Road in Bloomfield Township, the church is an unsuspecting place to bring together the diverse talents of local jazz pianist Henry Feinberg, Native American dancers, and an Irish folk dance band, not to mention an eclectic range of fine artists from Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Farmington Hills and Southfield.

Participating artists from Livonia include: Reggie Pettibone, Native American dancer; Elaine Major, watercolor "Festival of the Arts"

When: noon to 5 p.m. Friday, March 7; noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 8; noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 9.

Where: Nativity Episcopal Church, 21220 W. 14 Mile Road, between Lahser and Evergreen) Bloomfield Township. Cost: Donation \$5. For more information, call (810) 646-4100. Highlights

Artist reception, 7-10 p.m. Friday, March 7.

■ Saturday, March 8 Native American Dance performance - 3 p.m.

"A Gallery Event" - 7-10 p.m. featuring Celtic harp and dulcimer music performed by Cecelia Webster.

■ Sunday, March 9

Inis-Ceol will perform traditional Irish music during the 10:30 a.m. service, and throughout the day.

painter; Valerie Pentz, watercol-

The festival started in the early 1970s. Back then, the liberal-minded Episcopal church followed other nontraditional congregations in integrating multicultural influences into liturgical celebrations.

During earlier festivals, an abstract structure was placed in

front of the altar, poetry was read and plays performed. That Dionysian setting has been replaced by more of a community atmosphere with a decidedly inclusive message.

In the early 1990s, after a suspension of several years, the festival was revived by Rector Anne

"Historically, we've always had

"We want to acknowledge the necessary role of creativity in our lives.

With open-ended sermons where parishioners engage freely in discussion, Nativity has sought to make the church experience "more accessible," said Cox. The emergence of the festival is another way to recognize

how ardent support of the arts-

cultivates spirituality in every-

day life, she said. Visitors to the Festival will

view more than 400 pieces of artwork. Notable artists include Girija Viswanath of Bloomfield Hills, Lori Solymosi and Joan Dee Wilson of Rochester, Raenette Franklin of Troy and Jane McKanna and Henry Friedman of West Bloomfield. Wilson, whose exquisite bronze sculpture figures represent the finest work in the show, is also currently on exhibit at the Lawrence Street Gallery in Pontiac.

Martha Comi, a parishioner

art in the Church," said Cox. and Bingham Farms resident, selected the entries. Her watercolor paintings are also included in the exhibit. "It's not like an art fair," she said. "It's more like art in a sanctuary."

Beginning on Monday, Cormi and other volunteers will begin to place pieces of art in nearly every possible space in the church. They'll transform the meeting room into a shop where artists can sell posters and other small items. And, they'll arrange the rector's office into a cashier

The physical transformation may only last for three days, but the art lovers at Nativity hope the spirit of the festival carries on long after Lenten season.

"We look to keep the level of hope higher than the level of despair," said Wortman. "Through the creative spirit, we believe that there is a healing approach to life.'

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Council sponsors an annual dinner theater. Canton Project Arts hosts the Michigan Opera Theatre concert.

This is the fourth year, Canton Project Arts is offering the concert, which is also part of MOT's community outreach program.

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On March 8, Mark Vondrak, Betsy Bronson, Maria Cimarelli, and Karl Schmidt will sing music from "Phantom of the Opera." "Les Miserables," "Evita," George and Ira Gershwin and Cole Porter. Dianne ers such as MOT in the next few Lord, pianist for the Livonia, years.

Symphony Orchestra, and Kevin Bylsma will accompany them.

Yack hopes to build a performing arts center to feature theatrical productions, concerts, and musical productions by perform-

There has been some controversy of late that funding for the community theater was tied in to a March 22 special election to approve a \$79.7 million bond to build a new high school, elementary school, and to refurbish existing school buildings. It is

The only activity currently associated with future development of a performing arts center is a study being conducted by

Plante & Moran to determine seating capacity, location and

"The theater is under exploration at this point and has nothing to do with the schools' bond issue," said Yack.

If you're interested in volunteering for Canton Project Arts, call township volunteer coordinator Kathleen Salla, (313) 397-

"The more volunteers we have," said Canton Project Arts president Gene Hammonds, "the more arts programming we can offer to the community.'

Linda Ann Chomin is the fine arts writer for The Observer Newspapers. Her Artistic Expressions column appears weekly in the Arts & Leisure section. To leave her a voice mail message call (313) 953-2145.

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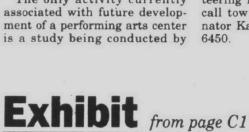
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Brienza's nine by six foot painting "Red Room/Moist Thymus" deals with Myasthenia Gravis. She has suffered from the disease, characterized by muscular weakness, for the last 15 years. Some days she needs the assistance of a cane to walk.

"I hope to touch an emotional yet can construct their own story," said Brienza, who earned a master of fine art degree from Rutgers University in New Jer-

Connie Lucas uses a Lucite cube filled with dozens of fabric dolls in a rainbow of colors to send the message, racism is wrong. Lucas frequently seizes on topics political and social in her work.

"The dolls represent human beings, either/or men and women. The idea was when people get together to have fun, it doesn't matter what color or sex you are," said Lucas.

Deborah Friedman, assistant director of the Susanne Hilberry Gallery in Birmingham, offers three mixed media monotypes from her body of work entitled "Tear Stories." Friedman plans to include these works in her one person show scheduled for late May at the Clique Gallery in Royal Oak.

It's a fact of life. Marriage involves more than two people. That's the idea behind "One Too Many," created with black oil on plexiglass. Friedman outlines her scenes like so many cartoons then she applies watercolor. Once dry, the scenes are cut out and pasted on foam board. Afterwards, she uses colored pencil to define the edges. "The works were started

because of a family member's divorce. It helped me work through," said Friedman, who earned a bachelor of fine art degree in printmaking and drawing from Wayne State Universi-

Beginin's "On the Beach" captures the seasons of a woman's life with a universal portrait of two overly plump mature women soaking in the sun.

A Serbian who immigrated to this country from Yugoslavia 40 years ago. Beginin has a master of education degree. She taught art for 10 years in Lakeview

"I'm always fascinated by how people relate, how they enjoy life and how they don't," said

Ellen Moucoulis's acrylic on crayon painting of a mother rabbit is truly moving. It features the nursing animal sprawled on her side, her nipples raw and exposed. Moucoulis took second place (\$400). f Nadine Slowik's acrylic on

polyfoam wall sculpture entitled "Oddity Series #2" combines colors and abstract shapes to form a sea or space life. The work reaches out to viewers and challenges them to imagine what it.

There's no doubt that child abuse is the underlying theme in Joan Painter Jones two assemblages. Spikes protrude threateningly from the old, battered child's chair and crib created from found objects.

Works like Jones', and the other works mentioned above, make for a strong show, one not to be missed.

The first Women's Recognition Week took place at HFCC in 1975 as a celebration of Women's History Week. A year ago the college expanded the event to a full month. Women's Recognition Month runs through March 27. The intent is to bring attention to the special problems and

unsung achievements of women.

Several activities including the

art show, a series of lectures and

Walk for Women will take

place during the celebration. The March 27 walk will benefit scholarships and other programs for HFCC women stu-

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by Madonna and Enigma. In addition to Youth Dance Project dancers, the program will feature the Jazz Dance Theatre company, and solos by company members Kelly Crandall and Kim Stec, a former Rochester resident, and current holder of the Miss Washtenaw County

Clark is also planning a morning performance on March 13 at the Power Center, and hopes elementary, middle and high school students in the area take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about dance. He sent hundreds of flyers to area schools to let them know about the benefit performances.

Clark believes young dancers need performing experience as well as instructional time in the studio to grow and thrive as

Angela Corsi, a student at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, was one of those chosen during auditions. She, like many of the other dancers in the youth project, began dance stud-

ies at Miss Harriet's School of -Dance in Livonia where Clark has taught for the last four years. Corsi, who is 15, started taking dance lessons when she was 2 1/2

"I'm excited to perform any chance I get, and I'm especially looking forward to this event because I know it is going to help someone," said Corsi who lives in

Christie Hatt, like Corsi, began dancing at an early age. "Even though I've been dancing since I was three at Miss Harriet's recitals, I'm looking forward to performing in Ann Arbor at the Power Center because it's a new experience," said Hatt, a Franklin High School student.

Jamie Law of Livonia thinks she'll learn new techniques watching the Jazz Dance The-

atre company dancers perform.

Lara Polteraitis, a 13-year-old student at St. Edith School, hopes to perform before her class at the morning show. "I think they'll look differently at me because I'm usually the silent

type," said Polteraitis who takes six dance classes a week.

The rest of the Youth Dance Project consists of Michael Marchand of Catholic Central in Redford; Rebecca Haase, Churchill High School; Gina Neubaur, Plymouth Canton; Emily Putnam, Crestwood, and Tiffani Cann and Jessica Rimmer, Mercy High All study at Miss Harriet's

with the exception of Neubaur who takes classes at Miss Bunny's Dance Studio in Livo-

This is the second annual benefit concert by Jazz Dance Theatre. At their first concert, Jazz Dance Theatre raised nearly \$500 to benefit breast cancer research. Clark plans to raise more than that this year. He said last year's benefit, which coincided with spring break, suffered from poor attendance.

"We get a lot of community support. We want to give something back," said Clark.

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BIRMINGHAM UNITARIAN CHURCH

To March 2 - An exhibit by three members of the Gilleran family continues at Woodward and Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills: (810) 647-2380. Featuring drawings, oil and watercolor paintings and retablos, the display chronicles the pictorial interests of father Peter J., son Peter C. and daughter Breon. All three are seasoned artists who have shown in New York, Washington, Baltimore and Chicago. A watercolor by Peter Crow Gilleran is in the 50th anniversary exhibit of the Michigan Water Color Society now at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

SISSON ART GALLERY To March 5 - "Focus on Women" in the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center at Henry Ford

Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn; (313) 845-6490. CARY GALLERY

To March 8 - "Wild Flowers: The Edge of Beauty," an exhibit of oil paintings by Mary Hatch, at 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (810)

THE SYBARIS GALLERY Through March 8 – "Enduring Spirit: Collaborative Works by Lillian Elliott and Pat Hickman," a basketry exhibit, at 202 E. Third, Royal Oak; (810) 544-3388. ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through March 9 – "New Visions," a selection of works by current master of fine arts students and newly graduated master of fine arts students, at 117 W. Liberty, between Main and Ashley in Ann Arbor; (313) 994-

DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY Through March 9 - "Woman by Women," in which 10 women artists interpret the female form in clay, fiber and wood, at 104 Fisher

Building, Detroit: (313) 873-7888. DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS To March 9 - The Michigan Water Color Society 50th Anniversary Exhibition at 5200 Woodward; (313) 833-7900. The juried show of 50 watercolor works from almost 600 entries by Michigan artists includes works by

award recipients Barbara Schulman Dorchen and Nancy Schulman Raitt of Farmington Hills. A companion exhibit is at the Center Galleries ("Water, Water Everywhere," to **SWANN GALLERY** To March 9 - "Progression of Masters," an

exhibit of paintings by Lyle Morris, "Artists That Teach II," an exhibit by the Detroit Art Teachers Association; "Throw Mama From the Train," a show of artists addressing issues; and "Small Figurative Works I." a group show by gallery artists; at 1250 Library, Detroit; (313) 965-4826. WILDLIFE INTERPRETIVE GALLERY

Through March 9 – "Ecotoons: Our Endangered Planet," an exhibit featuring edi torial cartoons that focus on the global environment and conservation of the Earth's nat ural resources, at the Detroit Zoo, 10 Mile and Woodward, just off I-696 in Royal Oak;

Through March 10 - An exhibit of master works by Donald Sultan, Carol Hepper, Ken Walker, Heather McGill and Donald Lipski at 407 W. Brown, Birmingham; (810) 540-9288.

SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY Through March 14 – Southfield doll designer Dorothy Holt displays her collection of dolls at 26000 Evergreen, between 10 and 11 Mile; (810) 948-0461 or (810) 948-0470.

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665-9889. This is the artist's first one-man U OF M MUSEUM OF ART To March 16 - "Ellen Driscoll," an exhibit by the renowned Boston-based artist who works

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To March 19 - Works on Paper by David Becker, Susan Campbell, G. Jesse Gledhill, Thomas Humes, Michel Erussard, Mitchell Cope, Douglas Semivan, Konstantin ch mutin, Mary Potts, Mel Rosas and Radislav Hanka.

THE WETSMAN COLLECTION To March 18 - Works in ceramics, textiles.

BUNTING GALLERY

wood, glass and metal from a variety of the gallery's artists at 132 N. Woodward, Birmingham: (810) 645-6212. SHAW GUIDO GALLERY Through March 22 - "Thom Bohnert: Small Sculpture and Drawings" reflects a sense of tension, positive and negative space, fragility and resilience held in a delicate balance. Recently. Bohnert received a Guggenheim Fellowship in sculpture, Located at 7 N.

Saginaw in Pontiac. Hours: 11-6 p.m.; (810) 333-1070 ANDERSON GALLERY To March 28 - "Mask Or Mind," featuring mask artists Michael Bradley. Ruth Fash, Alison marks, Gwynn Popovac. Located at 7

N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (810) 335-4611. CREATIVE ARTS CENTER To March 29 - A collection of functional and ceremonial objects such as masks, chief's mantel, jewelry, spears and sculpture from various regions of Africa. The celebration of

African-American heritage is located at 47 Williams St., Pontiac; (810) 333-7849. LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY Through March 29 - Works by six local artists from Birmingham, Waterford and Clarkston represent a range of art forms and techniques. Located at 6 N. Saginaw,

Pontiac: (810) 334-6714. UZELAC GALLERY Through March 29 - Collages, paintings, wall sculptures of Michigan artist Nancy Raitt. Located 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac, (810) 332-

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LUDA ART GALLERY

The gallery at 103-B E. Fourth, Rochester, presents for the first time a completely new collection of paintings of nudes by artist Luda Tcherniak, whose talent transports the viewer beyond the images and lines of her works into a focus on emotions and feelings. Call (810) 652:7052 for an appointment. NATIVE WEST GALLERY

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The gallery at 1467 S. Woodward, Birmingham, has expanded its collection of European original and reproduction oil paintings. Renoir's festive "The Boating Party" and Cot's romantic "The Storm" are two of the reproductions now on display. In addition limited edition serigraphs by renowned artists Don Hatfield, Henri Plisson and Roy Fairchild shown. Call (810) 647-6655.

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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 Davis and Dizzy Gillespie. Gallery president and owner Dan Winter took the Davis photos. Also available are original prints and paintings by more than 300 artists, an unusual collection of sports photos and posters, and vintage photos and newspaper articles. Call (810) 642-

THE ANDERSON GALLERY

The gallery in the Oakland Arts Building, 7 N. Saginaw in Pontiac, offers distinctive textiles and fiber art. It features the works of local, national and emerging artists, such as Robert Alexander, Doris Bally, Sonya Clark, Julie Greinke, Rosemary Gratch, Anne Marie Kenny: Urban Jupena, Laura Militzer Bryant and Lyn Perry. Call (810) 335-4611. THE ANDY SHARKEY GALLERY

The shop at 204 W. Fifth, east of Washington in Royal Oak, represents more than 100 artists, most of whom live in Michigan. It features pottery, ceramics, wood, glass, silks, dolls, children's clothing and jewelry. Owner Andy Sharkey will paint used or fiew furniture, wall murals, doors, commercial businesses and bric-a-brac. She has an assortment of old furniture on hand that you can select to be painted. Call (810)

THE ART EXPERIENCE

The new experimental studio at 17 W. Lawrence, Pontiac, offers classes, workshops and support groups, and art and creative therapies by appointment. Call (810) 332-

THE ARTIST'S OUTLET

A Utopian Art Salon, featuring artists' visions of Utopia, is presented at 17627 E. Nine Mile, Eastpointe, Call (810) 777-6985. ASHLEY-CHRIS GALLERY

Sculptures by Janice Trimpe of Grosse Pointe Park are exhibited at the gallery on Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313)



Discovering Ellis Ruley: Grapefruit Picking Time, one of the 60 paintings by African-American folk artist Ellis Ruley, is on display at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit through April 27. "Discovering Ellis Ruley" is the first national tour of works by this artist.

Write the gallery at 208 N. Bridge, Linden 48451; call (810) 735 1393

THE CEMENT SPACE

The gallery is dedicated to presenting con temporary work by emerging artists; artists are encouraged to call about exhibit space and upcoming shows. The gallery is at 1501 . Woodbridge, Detroit, Call (313) 259-9800. CLIQUE GALLERY

The gallery of Eve and Elaine Redmond at 200 W. Fifth, Royal Oak, always features photography, especially by young, emerging sion from artists that say something special, something that "clicks." The Redmonds believe that people who are willing to spend time looking at and appreciating what others create are a breed apart, in a special kind of clique. Call (810) 545-2200.

DOS MANOS

The gallery at 210 W. Sixth, Royal Oak, has been renovated and expanded. Its newest folk art of Latin America includes high-fire ceramics and dinnerware from Mexico, handcrafted "oil drum art" from Haiti, earrings and jewelry from Peru and Mexico, colorful 'arpillera' tapestries from Chile and miniature scenes called "retablos" by Nicario Jimenez of Peru. Many of the crafts are hand selected, bought directly from family and producer groups whenever possible. The gallery welcomes school groups, to introduce them to the rich folk art traditions of Latin-America, Call (810) 542-5856.

FAITH GALLERY

A photographic exhibit of Michelangelo continues at 315 Center, Royal Oak. (810) 541-GROSSE POINTE GALLERY

Still life oil painting monoprints by Anna Jaap at 19869 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods; (313)

JANE SPEAKS MODERN ART The gallery at 23 W. Lawrence, Pontiac, is the only one in Michigan that shows video and installation art exclusively. Call (810)

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ON THE MOVE

7th Generation Studios Inc. has moved its Troy-based photography and digital imaging studio to 206 Walnut Blvd. in downtown Rochester. Works of core artists Jeff Lapossy Gaydash, Daniel Eller and Lisa Alfelt are on display. The 3-1/2-year-old company offers commercial and fine art photograp services with a strong emphasis in digital technology. Call (810) 651-2116.

PONTIAC GLASS COMPANY GALLERY The gallery at 23 W. Lawrence, Pontiac, features the local talent of Michigan Glass Guild members displaying blown, fused and flat glass sculpture, decorative and architectural tems. Call (810) 332-6619.

A show of acrylics and pastels by Bloomfield Township artist Suzanne Bauman at 3426 E. West Maple, one-half block west of Haggerty in Commerce: (810) 926-9555. SPIRIT IN THE PARK GALLERY The gallery at 635 Beaubien, near

Greektown in Detroit (formerly in Harmonie

Park), features an ongoing exhibit of paint-

ings, drawings, batiks, masks, textiles and quilts from local, national and international artists. Call (313) 965-4919.

ANIMAL ODYSSEY Animals of the wild have been vividly caught in stained glass by Plymouth artist Jenna, animal-theme gift shop at 971 N. Mill,

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Plymouth: (313) 453-5764. The highlight of the exhibit is the work entitled "Panther Eyes," made of semi-antique and full antique glass. Prices range from \$15.95 to \$550. ARCHIVES A.D. The eclectic and exciting gallery at 114 W.

Third, Rochester, offers hand-painted furni-

ture, art pillows, faux painted walls and

columns, murals and screens, recycled metal garden stakes, sculpture, and handmade amp-work glass beaded earrings and pins by

Peter Gierak, Call (810) 651-1485. ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS The studio in the Adams Plaza at 725 S. Adams, Birmingham, is filled with silk and dried flora in unusual containers. Owner/artist Patricia Ray line-dries handarrangements, both large and miniature. Colorful flower paintings by artist Marilyn

Stockwell line the walls. Call (810) 644-

ARTQUEST GALLERY The gallery at 185 N. Woodward. Birmingham, offers contemporary works of art for the home. Gift certificates and bridal registry available. Call (810) 540-2484

The gallery at 303 E. Maple, Birmingham, specializes in reselling fine art works and antiques; representing individuals, museums and galleries. It also has local and regional art works ranging from \$60 up, a selection of Arts and Crafts furniture, historic Pewabic tiles and a large group of African artifacts. and specializes in unusual lamps for the home. Call (810) 258-1540.

AVENUE GALLERY

Michigan's only Thomas Kinkade signature gallery is at 167 N. Woodward, Birmingham. The gallery represents Kinkade, "The Painter of Light," exclusively: offering limited edition canvas lithographs, collectibles and gift items from America's most published artist. Kinkade's newest painting, "Teacup Cottage," third in his Sweetheart Hideaways collection, now on display. Also on view is the seventh and last in Kinkade's San Francisco series, "Hyde Street Cable Cars and the Bay." Call (810) 594-7600.

CONNOISSEUR GALLERIES

Connoisseur Galleries, provider of fine art es and services, has relocated its office to 2025 W. Long Lake Road, Suite 106, Troy. Connoisseur has been in Troy since 1989, providing private sales, appraisal and consignment services throughout the United States, Canada and Japan, Call (810) 641-

COWBOY TRADER

Michigan's only Wild West gallery offers owboy and Indian antiques and collectibles, ncluding saddles and chaps, Western art; , Navaho rugs, Plains Indian artifacts, turquoise and silver jewelry, books and rare photos and antique firearms. The gallery is at 251 Merrill, Suite 209, in Birmingham, Call (810) 647-8833.

DEGRIMME GALLERY The deGrimme Gallery in Michigan Design

Center, 1700 Stutz in Troy, specializes in European, American and Latin American original oil paintings. Its unusual collection ncludes original lithographs by Graciela Rodo-Boulanger, Alvar and Marcel Mouly; and one-of-a-kind, reverse, hand-painted, signed, copyrighted and numbered lamps, chandeliers and sconces by Ulla Darni. The gallery has an exclusive line of Louis XV and Louis XVI style furniture imported from Europe, and imported, ready made baroque and ornate frames and mirrors. Free art consultation provided for individuals, corporations and law firms. Call (810) 649-4664.

EUROPA ART GALLERY

The gallery at Orchard Mall, 6335 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, features pieces ranging from cubism to contemporary, from the early 1900s through today. Rare original oils, pastel drawings and select sculptures from European and American artists are highlighted, Call (810) 855-2160.

FORM AND FUNCTION

The gallery at 406 Main in Rochester specializes in glass art, contemporary lamps, metal art, furniture, jewelry and many other decorative accessories. Custom orders avail-FRAMES UNLIMITED

Bloomfield Hills artist Paula Lombardo has several pieces on display at 1914 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Lombardo's style has gone through many intricate changes in the more than 15 years she has been an artist. Inspired by early cave drawings and religious and folklore symbols, Lombardo translates the essence of them into her work. She finds beauty in the letters of the alphabet and the repetitive strokes of mathe matician formulas. To her, they are in them-

GALERIE BLU

The gallery at 568 N. Woodward, Birmingham, features new works by the Prince of Pop Art, Romero Britto; (810) 594-0472. Recognized for his contributions to the Absolut Vodka advertising campaign, Britto will be at the gallery in May. In anticipation of the show, Galerie Blu is exhibiting new original and limited edition releases by the

G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY To March 29 - Works by Charles Alston at 161 Townsend, Birmingham; (810) 642-2700.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY Through March 29 - "Visions '97," an exhibit of new visions in realism featuring paintings by Vincent Desiderio, Ron Isaacs, Joseph Raffael, Dennis Wojtkiewicz and Larry Rivers,

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY Through March 29 - *Defining Space: Vessels by Thomas Madden," a show of pewter vases by the Ohio artist, at 1719 W.

14 Mile, east of Woodward in Royal Oak;

at 107 Townsend, Birmingham; (810) 642-

810) 549-3016. THE HALSTED GALLERY To March 31 - "Women Photographers" 560 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (810) 644-

ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY Through March – The gallery at 4520 N. Woodward, Royal Oak, which marked its 26th anniversary Feb. 14, exhibits its finest American, British and French works of the 19th and 20th centuries. Call (810) 647-

THE FRAMESPACE GALLERY Through March - An art show and sale of original "Star Wars" and "Star Trek" marquee posters at 4326 N. Woodward, Royal Oak;

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART Through March – "Art Until Now," an exhibit celebrating modern art's greatest names, from Picasso to Pollock, from De Kooning to Hirst, at Detroit's first contemporary museum of art, 23 W. Lawrence, Suite 101, Pontiac; (810) 334-6038.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSEUM OF

To May 4 - "The Museum Collects: Recently Acquired 20th Century Works on Paper," a first glimpse at what's newest at the museum and a tribute to the patrons who make it ssible, at 525 S. State, Ann Arbor; (313)

AUDITION

PAINT CREEK CENTER

dance, music and theater ensembles for the annual Arts & Apples Festival, held in Sept Individual artists are also encouraged to

Send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Art & Apples - Performing Artists, Paint Creek Center for the Arts, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, 48307. Applications must be received by April 4. Call (810) 651-7418, or (810) 651-4110.

CLASSICAL

SOUTHFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

March 9 concert features Grammy nominated violist Pip Clark, 7:30 p.m. at St. Hugo of the Hills church in Bloomfield Hills. Clark will per form Mendelssohn's Hebrides Overture. A St. Patrick's concert will be held on March 16, 7:30 p.m. at St. Hugo's. Tickets: \$10, adults: \$7 seniors and students. Call (810) 424-9022, or (810) 851-7408.

CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD

A recital by the St. Lawrence String Quartet nd Canadian cellist Shauna Roiston or March 11, at 8 p.m. in the library of Cranbrook House, Tickets: \$20, Call (810) 751-2435.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE

The Julius Chajes Concert Series presents Jeffrey Zook with Michelle Cooker on March 16 at 4 p.m. at the Maple/Drake Building on the campus of the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, W. Bloomfield, (810) 661-7649. Minimum contribution: \$250.

STEPHAN BRUCE BECKER 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 9, Oak Park Library. 14200 Oak Park Boulevard, Oak Park. Free. (810) 691-7480

With the Musicale's string ensemble, 1 p.m. Thursday, March 13, Birmingham Community House, 360 S. Bates St., Birmingham. (810) KAM-LUNG CHENG AND VIRGINIA WECK-

STROM Violinist and pianist perform Schubert, Brahms, Heifitz, and Sarasate, 8 p.m. Thursday, March 13, Kerrytown Concert

House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$5-\$12. (313) 769-2999 DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA With Conductor Yan Pascal Tortelier, pianist Cecile Ousset, Women of the Madrigal

Chorale of Southfield, Women of the A Capella Chorus of Michigan Christian College, and Women of the Choral Union of the University Musical Society, & p.m. Friday March 7, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 8, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 9 (\$16-\$40), Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-3700

Pianist, 8 p.m. Friday, March 14, Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. \$16-\$42. (800) 221-1229 ROCHESTER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Featuring Eric Lewis of the Manhattan String

RICHARD GOODE

Quartet, 8 p.m. Friday, March 14, Varner Hall, Oakland University campus, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. (810) 651 4181

LOGAN SKELTON

Planist performs noon Wednesday, March 12. Forum Recital Hall, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia, Free. (313) 462-5218

SOUTHFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA With two-time Grammy Award nominee Pip Clarke performing works by Wleniawski, Dvorak, and Mendelssohn, 7:30 p.m. March 9. St. Hugo of the Hills Church, 2215 Opdyke (north of Woodward Avenue), Bloomfield Hills. \$10; \$7 students and seniors. (810)

424-9022/(810) 851-7408 PAUL VONDIZIANO Classical guitarist celebrates release of his

CD *J.S. Bach: Tzhe Four Lute Suites," 8 p.m. Friday, March 15, Kerrytown Concert House. 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$5 students; \$8 general admission; \$12 assigned seats. rows 1-5. (313) 769-2999

RECEPTIONS

ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY

Student art from the Visual Arts Program of the Bloomfield Hills School District of Tuesday, March 4 at 6-8 p.m. Exhibit runs through March 15. Located at 536 N. Woodward, Birmingham, 48009; (810) 647-

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY Sixth annual "Emerging Artists" exhibit and sale on Thursday, March 6 at 6-8:30 p.m. Show features paintings, photography, ceramics, glass and mixed media from artists considered up-and-coming. Gallery is located inside the Jewish Community Center, 6600

W. Maple in W. Bloomfield: (810) 661-7641.

CENTER GALLERIES Exhibit spotlights from seven diverse collect tions from the metro area opens with recep-

tion on Friday, March 7 at 5-7 p.m. Collections range from aesthetic refinement to ordinary objects, from high art to refrigerator magnets to postcards. Exhibit runs to April 11. Center Galleries is located in the Park Shelton Bld., Woodward at Kirby; (313) 874-1955.

DELL PRYOR GALLERIES "The Art of Jazz," a multimedia exhibit that

captures the spirit of jazz with visual arts, will continue through March 22 at 1452 Randolph in Harmonie Park, Detroit; (313) 953-5977. Ralph Armstrong and Trio will perform Friday, March 7, 6-8 p.m. Featured artists, inspired by the music, include photog-raphers Adger Cowans, Kwabena Shabu, Gail Jones, Larney Frazier, Bill Sanders and Hugh Grannum; and painters Melvin Clark, Andrew Turner, Arthur Roland, Matt Corbin, Saffell Gardner, Michael Kelly Williams, Lester Johnson, Joe Overstreet, Barbara Brown King,

Aaron Ibn Pori Pitts and Donald Calloway. REVOLUTION Opening reception for three artists on Saturday, March 8: Tony Hepburn, head of ceramics at Cranbrook Academy of Art. painter Rebecca Quaytman, and sculptural. installation artist Ron Leax. Hepburn and

Quaytman's work will run to April 19 while

Leax's installation can be seen to June 7.

Gallery located at 23257 Woodward in Ferndale; (810) 541-3444.

Solo exhibit of Rick Lieder features photography, sculpture and collage. Opening reception for the artist on Saturday, March 8 at 6-10 p.m. Lieder, an active member of the local. arts community, has been exhibited at many metro area galleries. Gallery located at 211 N. Woodward, Second Floor, Birmingha

(810) 644-2991. SWANN GALLERY Latest paintings from Lyle Morris on Friday,

Detroit; (313) 965-4826. SOMERSET NORTH GRAND COURT Local artists, architects and students display innovative doghouses on March 16. Brunch, auction and raffle with proceeds to the Detroit Artists Market. Tickets: \$50 adults.

March 14. Located at 1250 Library St.

\$10, children. Call (313) 393-1770.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY Catherine Opie's "Photography" exhibit opens Saturday, March 15. A reception to meet the artist will be Saturday, March 22 at 4-7 p.m. Opie's recent work examines the social tension and obsessions of LA culture. Her work has been exhibited through the US and Europe. This is her first exhibit in the metro area. Located at 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (810) 642-8250.

EXHIBITS

NATIVITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CREATIVE RESOURCE

The church at 21220 W. 14 Mile in Bloomfield holds its annual Festival of the Arts on Friday-Sunday, March 7-9. Painting. photography, sculpture, pottery, glass, textile and jewelry of local artists. Friday: 12-5 p.m. with artist reception at 7-10 p.m. Saturday: 12-5 p.m. Dance performance at 3 p.m. Sunday: Service at 10:30 a.m., complement ed with music of Irish traditional/folk band. art show at 12-4 p.m. For more information, call (810) 646-4100.

Birmingham, (810) 647-3688. PROGRAMS

Through March 31 - "Walk on the Wild Side"

by John Wawrzonek, combines vivid color,

rich texture and repetition of natural ele-

ments. Located at 162 N. Woodward,

LECTURE AT CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM Bill Harris, curator of "Seven Vices, The Enemy Within," lectures on the provocative exhibit on Thursday, March 6 at 7:30 p.m. Located at 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield

Hills; (810) 645-3312.

DETROIT ARTIST MARKET Lecture on Friday, March 7 on all media exhibition that showcases Michigan artists. Exhibit runs through March 28. Located at 300 River Place, Detroit; (313) 393-1770.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH A lecture and workshop, "Figures in Cloth," by doll collector Kathleen Bricker on Tuesday, March 11 at 9:30 a.m. Sponsored by the Needlework and Textile Guild of Michigan. Located at 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham; (810) 642-9772, or (810) 689-4478.



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'Donnie Brasco' a mob movie with a quiet, thoughful tone

BY HILLEL ITALIE ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

"Donnie Brasco" is a mob movie _ a very good mob movie and very different. It's the kind of film that takes some getting used to.

Based on a true story, "Donnie Brasco" stars Al Pacino as Lefty Ruggiero, a low-level hit man who recruits a promising young thief (Johnny Depp) and comes to think of him as a son. The prospect, who calls himself Donnie Brasco, is an agent for the

Pacino. Depp. The Mob. At first, the film seems disappointing. The story's too obvious. The banter isn't that funny. The mobsters aren't all that colorful. Worst of all, the pacing feels wrong. Instead of pounding away like "GoodFellas," the new movie simply floats.

But while "Donnie Brasco" never does speed up, eventually you slow down. You get involved, deeply involved, and the predictability and the inevitability of what happens makes it that much more powerful. This is one mob film that can make you cry.

Think of "Donnie Brasco" as the inverse of "The Age of Innocence." In the latter film, Martin Scorsese adapted his nervous energy to the drawing rooms of Edith Wharton. The former film was directed by Mike Newell, an Englishman known for the gentle art-house comedies "Enchanted April" and "Four Weddings and a Funeral."

With a strong script by Paul Attanasio ("Quiz Show"), Newell's film is less about action than about character. It's methodical, but never detached. Even the violence feels intimate. Watching mobsters pitilessly beat up a waiter might have seemed funny in a Quentin Tarantino movie, but in "Donnie Brasco" you simply feel sickened.

Pacino's performance is as sur-



Drama: Lefty (Al Pacino, left) takes Donnie (Johnny Depp) under his wing and schools in him in the inner workings of the Mafia in the true life drama "Donnie

prising as the film. At first, he seems tired, spent. His belly sags, his voice is hoarse, his face looks even craggier than usual. We're not used to seeing him play this kind of character. He's a nobody, a company man watching younger men getting promoted ahead of him. This role ranks among Paci-

no's best. He turns 57 in April and, in "Donnie Brasco," he's playing his age. There is power in this performance, but a more mature kind of power. He never has been this moving.

Playing a character who is as moody and as closed-in as Pack no's is open and vulnerable, Depp balances and completes the acting of his co-star. It's fitting they relate to each other as father and son because Depp at of the past.

times reminds you of a young Pacino in the first "Godfather" Only the supporting cast keeps

this film from greatness. Outside of Michael Madsen, as a young mobster who becomes Pacino's boss, and Anne Heche, as Depp's neglected wife, the other actors are at best forgettable, at worst embarrassing. No one has it worse than

Bruno Kirby. As a simple-minded gangster with a squeaky voice, he's playing a stock character, one well-defined by Joe Pesci in "GoodFellas."

Kirby never does get beyond a Pesci imitation, one of the few ways in which "Donnie Brasco" doesn't measure up to mob films

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Angry Journalist: Keith Richburg has written a riveting and angry book about Africa.

Writer confronts African heritage

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

Washington Post correspondent Keith Richburg grew up on Detroit's west side in a racially mixed neighborhood. He attended University Liggett School in Grosse Pointe where he was one of only a few black students.

This background lays a foundation for Richburg's controversial new book "Out of America: A Black Man Confronts Africa" (see review above). Richburg rejects the identification African-American in favor of celebrating his American heritage, with all its problems.

"I went to Catholic Schools, I went to St. Leo at Grand River and 15th and it was always an integrated school, majority white with Asians, blacks and Hispanics and then increasingly black," Richburg said in an interview Friday during a recent visit home to promote his book.

"I always grew up around whites and there was never any trouble, at least among us kids there was no trouble. It seemed that the problems started much later. After the riot a barrier came up between the two."

Richburg said that at University Liggett he was always defending the city to his white suburban friends and defending the suburbs to his city friends.

"There is such misperception on both sides," he said. "Why do

you have to take sides?" Richburg writes about growng up in Detroit as prologue to his lacerating book on his disillusionment and disgust during three years as the Post's Africa bureau chief.

While commenting about race relations in Africa, he also writes about the problems he saw while in Detroit, which he left in 1980 after graduating from the Uni-

versity of Michigan. Richburg said he has a friend who works for the city of Detroit and that things seem to be improving.

"The new mayor is working. with the suburbs rather than against them. But I sense there is still an underlying rasial ten-

sion," Richburg said. The racial problems Richburg 50% TAX DEDUCTIBLE

saw in Detroit and other American cities did not prepare him for

Richburg blames a lack of leadership and a passive acceptance of strong men dictators.

the tribal conflicts he confronted

Richburg said in Asia, people have taken to the streets to protest dictators and won concessions. And even when when stopped as in China and Burma, they have protested.

But that kind of popular uprising, I have yet to see in Africa," he said.

Richburg said the horrors he saw in Africa were different in kind from the similar "tribal" conflict in the former Yugoslavia.

"Look at the people killed and compare the numbers," he said "In Rwanda a million people were killed in three months and they were killed by machetes and hand tools. It takes a special savagery to take an ax or a garden hoe to kill somebody. I saw death up close."

Richburg expected strong negative reaction to his book.

"It's been more positive than I thought. I've been to book signings and on radio program talk shows and many people have called to say 'You're right.'

Richburg is critical of African leaders who repress and exploit the African population. He is also critical of American civil rights leaders who have given assent to these tyrants.

"They are backing the wrong horses," he said. "They don't know what's happening. Leaders of the American civil rights movement shouldn't be shaking hands with people who suppress free speech."

Richburg, who for the last two years has been the Post's Asian bureau chief in Hong Kong, said he does not object to teaching children about African history or culture, but for himself-he prefers emphasizing the long

history of blacks in America., "When we say we don't belong here, we lessen and cheapen the contributions we've made," he said.

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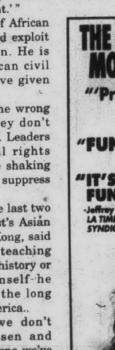
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Journalist takes searing look at Africa

"Out of America: A Black Man Confronts Africa" by Keith Rich-burg. A New Republic Book, Basic / Books. \$24. BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

Keith Richburg's book is bitter, angry and written in an almost feverish pitch because it deals so intensely with his search for his own identity.

Richburg is a native of Detroit who attended Grosse Pointe's University Liggett. For three years from 1991 through 1994, Richburg was the Washington Post's Africa bureau chief.

He went with an expectation of finding his heritage and finding welcome in his ancestral home. Instead he found famine, civil war, corruption, tyranny and death, lots of death. He describes bodies floating down a river in Tanzania, so many bodies they don't count them. He learned to reject the idea of himself as an African American. He came to hate Africa.

He writes in his introduction that even growing up in racially divided Detroit is preferable to anything in Africa, "... most of all I think: Thank God my ancestor

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got out, because, now, I am not

"In short, thank God I am an American.

"Out of America" is a courageous book because for many years black leaders have romanticized Africa and bridled at every criticism of Africa's neverending succession of tinpot dictators. Richburg won't have any of it. He was there for the insane civil war and its subsequent famine in Somalia, he was there for the savage fighting between the Hutus and Tutsis in Rwanda ? and watched the famine and disease it caused spread to other countries, he was there for the fighting in Liberia, he was there to witness one corrupt dictator after another.

He never felt welcome in African countries. He writes that black American journalists usually have more difficulty covering Africa than white journalists. He found that tribal differences, not racial differences, fueled much of Africa's agony.

That and a passive willingness to allow brutal dictators to rape the land worse than the former colonial masters.

He writes vividly of his loss of identity: "Maybe I would care more if I had not been here myself, if I had not seen the suffering up close, if I hadn't watched the bodies tumbling over the waterfall, smelled the rotting flesh. Yes, perhaps from a different vantage point, I would still have the luxury of falling back on the old platitudes. Maybe if I had never set foot here, I could celebrate my own blackness, my 'Africanness.' Then I might feel a part of this place, and Africa's pain might be my own."

Richburg has been criticized by black journalists who claim his reporting is selectively negative. He has, likewise, been embraced by some right wing columnists who see justification for their views in his book.

But Richburg anticipates these reactions in the book itself and has some interesting observations about black American leaders excusing the violence and madness of Africa for their own

ends and about the use that conservatives make of African corruption. If he is selective, he has many choice examples and the positives are few and far between in Africa.

BOOKS

He has also been criticized for ignoring the years of colonialism and white repression. But he doesn't ignore them. He addresses them directly and in doing so also discusses race relations in the United States.

Richburg talks poignantly of his upbringing in Detroit and his unusual situation of living in the city and attending an exclusive school in a white suburb. This background contributes a lot to Richburg's perceptions of whites, black-white relations and apartheid (American and South African).

For suburban Detroiters, Richburg has as much to say about Detroit as he does about Africa.

Richburg writes with wrenching emotion about being an alien both in America and in Africa. He writes about always being under suspicion when growing up in Detroit. But he concludes that Africa and Africanism is not the answer. He has seen Africa.

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■ "Hamtramck: An Urban Community of the Global Village" lecture by anthropologist Dr. Paul Wrobel of St. Mary's College, and geographer/urban planner Dr. Bryan Thompson of Wayne State University, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 6.

■ Barnes and Noble Fiction Reading Group discusses Wally Lamb's "She's Come Undone," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 6. Debi Gliori's "The Lion at

Bedtime" will be read during story time, 10 a.m. Monday, March 10, and 7 p.m. Tuesday,

March 11, at the store, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. (810) 626-6804

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■ Author Julia Boyd discusses and signs copies of her book Embracing the Fire," 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 10.

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Authors in town as part of the conference "The Gifts We Offer. The Burdens We Bear: the Vocation and Ministry of Gayand Lesbian Persons in Church and Society" will be part of a reception and book signing, 6-8 p.m. Friday, March 7.

-Former Republican congressman Steve Gunderson and his partner Rob Morris, with whom he wrote "House and Home: The

Political and Personal Journey of a Gay Republican Congressman and the Man with Whom He Created a Family," along with authors Robert Graetz, Melanie Morrison, Krister Stendhal. Mark Alan Powell, and Jack Anderson are also expected to be

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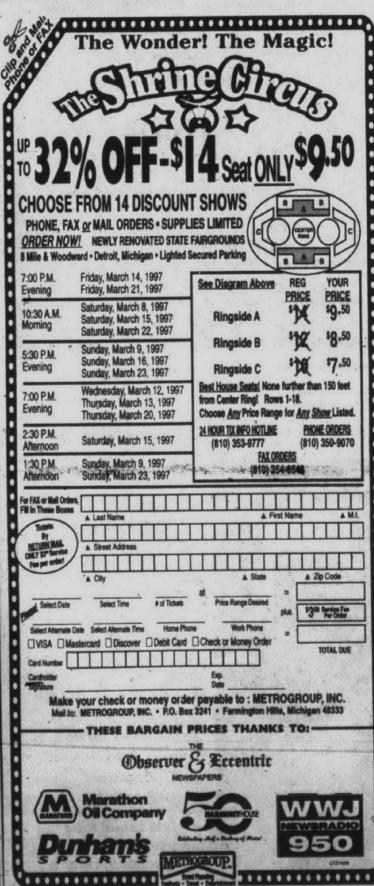
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SPOTLIGHT ON ARTISTS

The Livonia Arts Commission spotlights the work of Livonia Public School students through March 21 in the second floor showcases and fine arts gallery at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington. An array of media is on hand including 2- and 3dimensional works, jewelry, ceramics, and computer graph-

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Monday through Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and

1-5 p.m. Sunday. ■ Artifacts, a Livonia-based art club, takes over the lobby of Livonia City Hall through March 27. This annual show features, watercolor, acrylic and oil painting, colored pencil, pastel, and mixed media. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

LECTURE SERIES

"A Gardener's Kaleidoscope," a series of lectures focusing on design and the history of gardening will kick off the 1997 Ann Arbor Flower and Garden Show Sunday, March 9 in the Mendelsshon Theatre. Admission is \$25. Reservations are necessary. Call (313) 998-7002.

Beginning at 12:30 p.m. Dr. David Michener, assistant curator of Matthaei Botanical Gardens, will focus on garden development in France, England and Scotland since the industrial revolution. This pictorial overview will provide the background for understanding how American gardens reflect our culture and

James van Sweden, author of the book "Gardening With Water," will use slides to illustrate his own Georgetown garden, public projects, private gardens, and a combination of paintings and sections of gardens to illustrate points at 2

gardener at the University of Delft, The Netherlands after receiving a bachelor of architecture degree from the University of Michigan in 1960. He and his partner Wolfgang Oehme are revolutionizing American garden design. Breaking away from formal gardens, manicured lawns and clipped evergreen shrubs,

urban designer and landscape

the New American Garden blends interesting and intricate patterns close to the house while movement into the landscape and beyond increases in simplici-

At 3:30 p.m. landscape historian and antique bulb specialist Scott Kunst will explore the types of flowers used in Midwestern home landscapes from the scanty pioneer gardens of the early 1800s through Victorian carpet-bedding and the old fashioned perennial borders of the early 1900s.

The Ann Arbor Flower and Garden show runs April 3-6.

ART AUCTION

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to Late Antiquity," an exhibit running March 14 to June 15 at the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, draws from Kelsey's own collection of Egyptian artifacts and items from the University of Michigan Library Papyrology

The exhibit will open at 7 p.m. March 14 with a lecture by Wayne State University professor Jennifer A. Sheridan entitled "Not at a Loss for Words: The Economic Power of Literate Women in Late Antique Egypt" in Angell Hall Auditorium C. A reception will follow at the Kelsey Museum of Archaeology. For more information about the exhibition or tours call (313) 647-

Women occupied a unique position in ancient Egyptian society, with greater legal, social and economic autonomy than anywhere else in the ancient world. The exhibition explores issues relating to the construction and definition of gender in both pharonic and Graeco-Roman Egypt. It features artifacts from the site of Karanis, Terenouthis and Damai excavated by U of M during the '20s and '30s. The collaboration between Papyrology and the museumoffers a unique opportunity to combine artifacts with textual

information.

Both biological sex and socially constructed gender were key factors in a person's life in ancient Egypt... The exhibition will examine the importance of gender in Egyptian culture, how gender was represented in Egyptian art and the definitions of gender and gender roles in ancient Egypt. The impact of gender on political power, religion, economic status, mortality, private life and sexuality in ancient Egypt can be deduced from different categories of evidence, many of which will be on

display in the exhibition. Birth certificates, tombstones, coins, papyri, grave goods, fertility figures, amulets, and other objects all combine together to help scholars understand the

importance of gender in Egypt. The exhibition is co-sponsored by the University of Michigan Institute for Research on Women and Gender.

CULTURAL IMAGES

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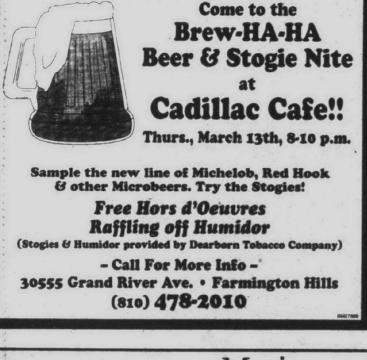


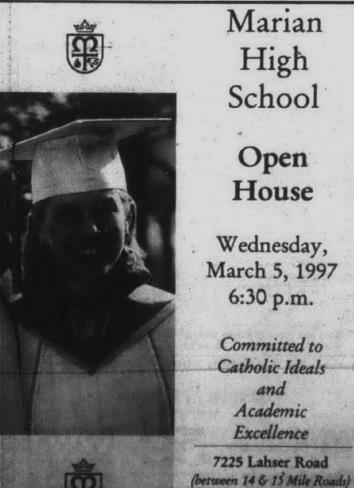


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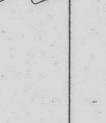


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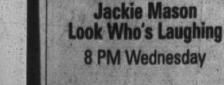
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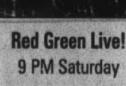








How Serious is This? with Loretta LaRoche 9 PM Friday





Winter tourism prospects improve, professionals say

MARQUETTE, Mich. (AP) -So, where are you going for win-

For many Americans, the answer is always the same: If they take a winter trip at all, it's to Florida, the Bahamas or some other warm locale.

But things are changing, industry representatives said recently during the World Winter Cities '97 gathering. Better traveling conditions and rising popularity of sports such as snowmobiling and mushing are fueling growth in cold-weather

It could be an economic boon for northern cities that handle the situation well, said Tom Altemus, technology director for Travel Michigan, the state tourism agency. Analysts predict tourism worldwide will double in the next decade, and travel spending is expected to jump from \$373 billion in 1995 to \$1.5 trillion in 2010.

"Winter cities have an enormous advantage right now, Altemus said. "They're working with a clean slate. Winter as a tourism destination is very new."

Reasons vary for the surge in winter travel. Road clearing has improved, and cars such as sport-utility

vehicles are better equipped to

handle snowy conditions. The role of winter sports is evident in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, where only a decade ago villages that attracted heavy traffic during warm seasons were virtually shutting down in

"They made their money in the ummer and ran," said Rita Hodgins, an economic development specialist with Michigan State University Extension.

Now, the resurgence of snowmobiling has transformed the region. Dog sledding, snowshoeing and skiing are picking up as well. Some U.P. business owners



Snow train: Winter can be enjoyed in many ways in Michigan, including a snwo train through the UP's Agawa canyon.

winter than in summer.

New products are making cold weather more bearable. In recent years, lightweight synthetic jackets have hit the market, enabling people to stay warm without sacrificing freedom of movement.

"Years back, you had to wear the heavy wools and canvas that were so bulky you could hardly move," said Paul Schurke, cofounder of Wintergreen Dogsledding Lodge in Ely, Minn. The new idea is "layering" - adding or removing layers of lighter gear with changes in pace and

emperature. "Once you make people more comfortable and confident about the cold, the rest is icing on the cake because the winter activities themselves are great fun," he said. "No bugs, no rain. There

say they get more customers in are significant advantages over

The challenge is to develop tourism opportunities, package them in a way that meets travelers' needs, and get the word out, Altemus said. One approach is for businesses and local governments to put aside rivalries and work together to attract winter visitors on a regional basis, he

"It's a hardthing to come up with the communication and the trust for a collaborative network," said Greg Swevel, president of Trek & Trail of Bayfield, Wis. "But the communities that do it - team up for marketing, lodging associations - can really take off.'

He said winter businesses should cater to the needs of seasonal tourists.

Virginia visitors discover vino from state's vintage wineries

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(NAPS) - Julius Caesar may have said Veni Vidi Vici (I came, I saw, I conquered) but visitors to one of America's most beautiful states could improvise and say Veni, Vidi Vino (I came, I

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Airways supersonic airliner, will

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flight usually cost \$5,000 alone.

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saw ... wine). Virginia offers more than beautiful scenery and historical tourist attractions. It also impresses visitors as a vintage state in which to visit wineries.

Visitors are discovering that touring Virginia wineries can fit into many vacation plans or be a vacation in itself since wineries dot the countryside across the

scenic state When John Locke of Burke, Virginia, visited Virginia's wineries last year, he "discovered some great wines, met some

interesting people, saw some beautiful scenery" and learned

about local wineries. "Each winery is unique and worthy of a visit. The saying 'once you've seen one, you've seen them all,' just does not

apply," said Locke. Scott Delewski of Hamburg, Pennsylvania visited several wineries during a four-day stay in Virginia last year and also found that "many of the wineries were unique and some resembled wineries which we have seen pictures of from Europe. The trip was very relaxing and

To make it easier for visitors, the Virginia Wine Marketing Office offers a free guide, which lists information about 49 winer-

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events including festivals. The brochure features directions and maps to the wineries along with a chronological listing

of wine festivals Also included is the 1997 Virginia Wineries Passport. Nearly 700 people took part in the passport program last year as they collected stickers at each of the wineries they visited, affixed the stickers to their passports and redeemed the stickers for prizes.

Free Brochure For a free guide, call 1-800 VA VINES (800-828-4637) or write the Virginia Wine Marketing Office, Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, P.O. Box 1163, Richmond, Virginia 23218.

PI I'S BACK

Every weekday in March, Casino Windsor will give away one new 1997 Chevrolet Cavalier. You could also win one of 4 separate cash prizes ranging in value from \$500 U.S. to \$1000 U.S. Winning ticket numbers will be drawn each weekday at 8:00pm. Drop your ticket in the specially marked drums at either Casino

Windsor or Northern Belle Casino before 7:30pm and look for your ticket number on the prize board. The winning ticket numbers will be posted on the prize board until 7:00pm of the following day. If a winner is not declared by such time, only the car prize will be carried forward and be eligible to be won the next day of the contest.



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WE'RE GIVING AWAY A CAR EACH WEEKDAY IN MARCH!

Readers find comfort and joy when cruising

BY HUGH GALLAGHER

Cathy Clough, director of bereavement for Arbor Hospice in Ann Arbor, was looking for a way to help widows and widowers deal with the loss of their spouses. The answer was a cruise.

"The first year I planned the cruise to help my bereaved group members find something to look forward to after the holidays and to provide them an opportunity to travel since many would not travel alone and lost their traveling companion," Clough wrote.

Clough of Plymouth was one of several readers who responded to a request to tell us about their cruises. Based on the responses, our readers love to cruise. For many the cruise marked a special anniversary. And the cruise was usually better than antici-

This year Clough's group went cruising Italian style on the Costa Victoria.

"The elegance of the atrium lobby, the layout, the European flair and the pasta were exceptional. Nick Weir, the Cruise Director and his staff made all shipboard activities fun and festive," she wrote.

Clough said in a telephone conversation that the cruise has helped widows and widowers deal with their loss and discover they could get on with their

"The first year we had 24 on the cruise," she said. "Some have come back year after year, it's their winter vacation. Usually they don't come in the first year, that would be too much too soon, but the following year. It's a good next step for them. It helps them to stretch and some won-



On board: A group organized by Plymouth's Cathy Clough sailed this winter on the Costa Victoria. This group is Anna Mary Postma, Donna Kennedy, David Pendleton, Jean Kurcynski and Bonnie Lauts of Northville.

derful friendships have formed." She said the cruise has grown. Last year the group included 70. This winter's cruise had 49, but that's because a second cruise is planned for later this year to

The group is open to widows and widowers throughout the area and many come from Northville, Livonia and Troy. The cruises have been throughout the Caribbean, this year departing from Fort Lauderdale to Key West, Cozumel and Jamaica.

"It's been very favorable. People find out they can do things without their husbands or wives. They learn how to reach out and be more assertive in various things," Clough said.

The cruises are arranged through The Travel Store in Ypsilanti, where co-owner Dee Philips helps to arrange discounts. For information on next winter's cruise, call Clough at 1-

800-783-5764: Cruising has been a balm and an enrichment for others as well:

Lucile Pearson of Troy: "Our first cruise: a 50th wedding anniversary gift from our chil-dren - a week's paradise to the Southern Caribbean. The total experience thrilled us: cozy cabin, impeccable service, elegant meals, magnificent shows, fun classes and games, casino excitement, bingo (winnings!), shop-browsing and six island tours (places we'd never have visited otherwise).

"We did EVERYTHING: Up at 6 a.m., into bed at 2 a.m. Returned home as happily exhilarated and exhausted as honey-

"It's for everyone."

Richard F. Fret of Livonia: "It was better than we ever expected. The ship (Carnival Lines) was very large and very clean. Food was fantastic and in a portion you wanted. Met people from around the world, so we never had a dull moment. The shows were great and there was always something to do. St. Thomas is picture postcard beautiful and we got some good deals on jewelry although you do have to shop. We have booked our second cruise for the near future."

Kathy and Jeff Johnston of Troy: "Our family just returned Feb. 17 from a FANTASTIC Bahama cruise on the Oceanic Big Red Boat!

"The food was superb! "We went to Salt Cay (Bahamas) where 'Gilligan's Island' was filmed! It was beautiful! We also went to Port LuCaya and went on a dolphin

excursion. Great experience!

"Looney Toon characters were all over the boat! Our 5- and 7-year-old kids had a great time!

"We'd strongly recommend this

Janice Karrer of Plymouth: Experience the real adventure of the 'Pirates of the Caribbean' aboard a Windjammer Barefoot Cruise. Sail through the British Virgin Islands including Treasure Island, me hearties, aboard the 'Flying Cloud.' Lend a hand raising the sails on a restored antique vessel. No tuxes required, just shorts and Tshirts. Snorkel and swim by jumping off the ship's deck. Food is simply grand and informally served. The British captain, in uniform but bare feet, is quite willing to let you take the wheel and sail off into the sunset."

Jim Hawkins, of Lakes Area Travel in Commerce

Township: "I once knew a guy who vowed no one would ever catch him on a Caribbean cruise.

"Too confining,' he groaned whenever the subject came up. Too fancy. Too structured. Too expensive. This guy employed all of the standard excus

"I know because I was that foolish fellow. And like so many others who stubbornly eschew the 'cruise experience,' I didn't know what I was talking about.

"I didn't know about the impeccable service, of the endless array of incredible food, of the first class accommodations, of the diverse destinations where every day brings a different adventure, of the casino and shows and entertainment every evening - all included in the basic price.

"There simply is no vacation quite like a cruise. As a former skeptic, I must confess, I'm hooked. Try one and I promise you will be, too."

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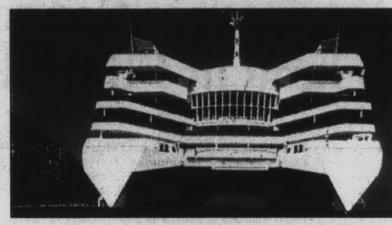
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RISH TRAVELOGUE

Travel journalist Hal McClure farrates "Ireland," a "heartcatching" travelogue through the Irish countryside, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13, at Macomb Center for the Performing Arts. The program is sponsored by DiSanto Travel Center. All tickets are \$5. Call the Macomb Center box office at (810)286-2222 Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. McClure's program goes from Blarney Castle to the lakes and gardens of Killarney.

200 ADVENTURE EXPEDITIONS

The Detroit Zoological Society is sponsoring a "Passport to Adventure" travel program. The adventures include:

Amazon Voyage: (April 12-19, 1997)'An Amazon riverboat expedition to some of the most remote and unspoiled reaches of the Amazon. Terry DeRosa, the zoo's director of collections and sengers at a cost of \$2,298 per person based on double occupancy from Miami.

Costa Rica: (June 28 to July 6, 1997) A journey to Costa Rica's dense rain forest where there are more species of birds than in all of North America, 1,000 species of orchids and nearly 600 species of mammals. Harry Ward, zoo associate curator of herpetology, will escort the group at a cost of \$2,495 per per-son from Detroit or \$2,150 per person from Miami.

Kenya: The Great Migration Safari: (Aug. 8-20, 1997) An African adventure to the Masai Mara for the annual migration of wildebeest and zebra, led by Chuck Hammond, the zoo's executive director. Cost, \$4,695 per adult from Detroit and \$3,695 per child from

Botswana the Beautiful: by aircraft, mokoro, land rover and foot through sands and savannas in a private safari for 16 only. Cost, \$5,795 per person from Detroit.

Anarctica: The Earth's Last Frontier: (Jan. 17-30, 1998) Glaciers, midnight sun and abundant wildlife and birdlife are just a few of the wonders in this polar exploration with Tom Schneider, the zoo's curator of birds. An ice-strenghtened ship will sail by magnificent birds and humpback whales. Travelers will got ashore on a Zodiac landing craft. Cost \$3,995 to \$4,995 per person, double occupancy

from Miami (plus port taxes of bird habitats, wildlife art anad

Galapagos Adventure: (Feb. 17-25, 1998) Trace Darwin's evolutionary theory during a five day cruise of the renowed Galapagos islands led by Andy Snider, the zoo's curator of herpetology. Cost, \$2,895 per person, double occupancy from

Polar Bears of Churchill: (November 1998) A trip to Churchill, Manitoba for wildlife enthusaists. Cost to be determined.

For information and itineries, contact Lisa Brancato Mauck at the Detroit Zoological Society, 810-541-5717.

BLUEBIRD FESTIVAL

The 13th annual Bluebird Festival and Wildlife Art Show in Jackson is 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 15-16. The program includes guided walks to blue-

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artists, storytellers, wildlife speakers on everything from sharks to rainforests to woodlands. The festival also includes food. The program is at the John and Mary Dahlem Environmental Education Center at Jackson Community College, 7117 South Jackson road, eight miles south of I-94 exit 138. For more infor-

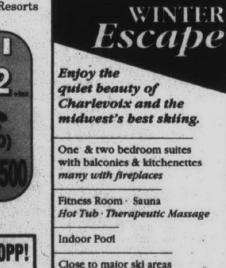
BOYNE HOLIDAY

Boyne Mountain is hosting a St. Patrick's Weekend Carnival, March 15-16 featuring a costume party, live bands and a Wet n Wild Slush Cup. Boyne Highlands Krazy Days March 15-16 features a wacky costume contest and an obstacle slalom. For details, call Boyne USA Resorts at 1-800-GO-BOYNE



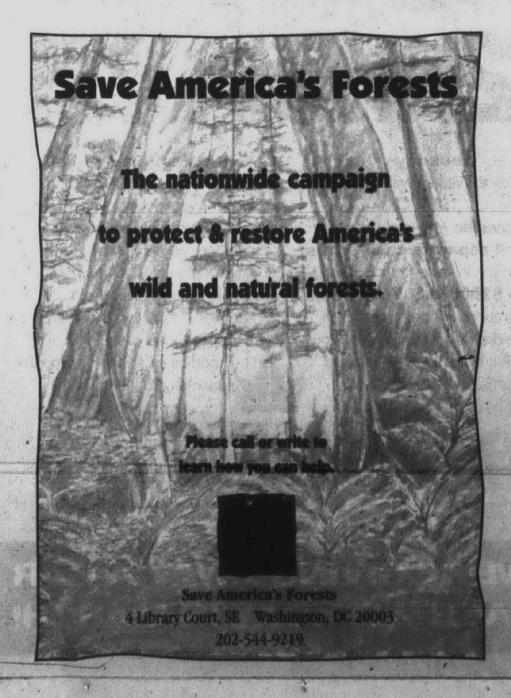


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Preps on PASS

Live coverage of the state boys high school basketball finals highlights the PASS Sports menu of prep winter sports state championships.

PASS will also show girls competitive cheer, hockey, Lower Peninsula individual wrestling and girls volleyball.

The Class B-C-D hockey finals will be shown Monday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. and the Class A finals on Wednesday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, March 22, PASS will have exclusive live coverage of the boys basketball finals. The Class D game begins at 10 a.m.; Class C at noon; Class A at 4 p.m.; and the Class B finals at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 29, features the Lower Peninsula girls volleyball championships. The Class D match is at noon; Class C at 1:30 p.m.; Class B at 3 p.m. and the Class A finals begin at 4:30 p.m.

At 6 p.m. that same day (March 29) the Lower Peninsula Division I individual wrestling championships will be shown. The Division II finals are telecast at 7 p.m. The Division III and IV finals will be telecast April 5 at 6- and 7 p.m.,

Scholar-Athlete nominees

Two Plymouth residents who attend Detroit Catholic Central, Ryan Schrieber and Yale Jallos, are among the nominees for the Michigan High School Athletic Association Scholar-Athlete Award sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance.

Schreiber was nominated in cross country and Jallos in skiing.

Jackson fourth

Hope College sophomore Kari Jackson (Plymouth Canton) finished fourth in three-meter diving at the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association women's swimming and diving championships to help the Flying Dutch win their sixth straight league title.

Jackson scored 368.25 to miss third place by slightly more than five points.

She had already qualified for the NCAA Division III championship meet in the one-meter event with a school record 380.50 points for 10

Jackson's best scores for six dives in a meet this year were 261 at one-meter and 224.95 off the three-meter board.

PCJBL registration

The Plymouth Canton Junior Baseball League will hold its second registration period for the 1997 season on Wed., March 5, from 7-9 p.m. in the Canton High School cafeteria.

The league is adding a Senior League for boys 16-18 and will field at least two teams for girls ages 16 and under for a new area girls fast-pitch softball travel league Buck Horn is forming for western Wayne County.

Players new to any PCJBL league should bring birth certificates. Cost for boys and girls ages 7-8 is \$65, all others in the house leagues \$75 with a family house league limit of \$160. Travel team participants pay \$325.

The PCJBL plans to have raffle tickets for a 1997 Chevrolet Malibu available for sale along with the opportunity for prepaid signup for baseball clinics.

For additional information, call Boys Vice President Dave Goethe at 455-1402 and Girls Vice President Ray Barnes at 981-5170.

Fund-raiser run

A five-mile "No Frills, All Thrills Trail Run" will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 22, at Huron Meadows Metro Park in Brighton to raise money for the Schoolcraft College Women's Cross Country Team scholarship fund.

The course will pass lakes, swamps and rolling hills with a portion of the \$12 entry fee being donated to the scholarship fund. The first 200 entrants get a pair of running socks.

Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female runners in addition to age-group winners. Huron Meadows Metro Park is two miles south of Brighton on Hammel Road. A Huron Clinton Metro Park entrance fee is required.

For more information, call the run's sponsors, Brighton Area Road Striders, at (810) 496-1824.

Canton softball

Canton Parks and Recreation Services is taking adult softball team registrations for men, women and coed leagues. The latter two are run

jointly with the City of Plymouth.

Men's returning teams register March 4-14 with new teams signing up March 17-28.

Women's teams register March 3-April 4. Returning coed teams register March 4-14 with new coed teams eligible to sign up March 17-28.

Teams register at the Parks and Recreation offices at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton. For more information call (313) 397-5110.

Fees for men's teams are \$280 per team. Cost for women's teams of \$360 and coed of \$320 include \$50 refundable forfeit fee.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (313) 591-

Quick-striking Rocks ruin Rockets

If basketball was reliant solely upon physical skills, the game between Westland John Glenn and Plymouth Salem Thursday would have

As it turned out, it wasn't anyway — although the results didn't favor the talent-laden. Problem was, the team with probably the best physical talent in the Western Lakes Activities Association didn't have the mental toughness to challenge Salem.

The Rocks had all the necessary ingredients in this consolation game of the WLAA playoffs. They jumped all over the Rockets from the start, turning what should have been a close contest into a rout by halftime.

The final: Salem 76, Glenn 55.

Salem enters the Class A district tournament

with a 15-5 record. Glenn finishes its regular season with an 8-12 mark.

"We came out of the blocks fast," said Salem

coach Bob Brodie. "We shot the ball well, we passed the ball well, and defensively we played

"That's a big, strong (Glenn) team. You hold them to 23 points in a half and you're doing

What the Rocks got was a different go-to guy in every quarter, one reason they had five play-ers score in double figures.

They opened by digging a 29-13 hole after one quarter for the Rockets to deal with. Mike Korduba had eight Salem points in the period, with Andy Power and Andres Lopez adding six

Glenn's deficit grew to 45-23 by halftime. The Rockets never mounted a challenge after that.

Power led Salem with 15 points. Matt Mair chipped in with 12 — 10 in the fourth quarter — Lopez had 11, and both Korduba and Tony Bernhardt finished with 10.

Brad Wilde paced Glenn with 16. Justin Berent netted 12 and Devin White had 11. Dave Jarrett, Glenn's top gun, was held to six.

Despite Salem's success this season, Brodie won't predict a continuation in the state playoffs. For openers, the district tournament will be tough indeed — for the Rocks to advance, they'll almost certainly have to beat either Livonia Franklin or Plymouth Canton.

Salem is 0-2 vs. Franklin and 0-1 against

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. "There's parity in college basketball and now there's parity in high school basketball," said Brodie. "It's never easy." At least Salem goes into the state tournament

on a high note.

Chiefs regain WLAA title

Plymouth Canton used a double dose of Big D to win its fourth consecutive championship in Western Lakes Activities Association boys basketball Friday.

First of all, the Chiefs played outstanding team defense to stifle Farmington Harrison and claim a 43-30 victory at Livonia Churchill.

At the offensive end, senior Donte Scott came up big, accounting for nearly half of Canton's total with a game-high 21 points.

Scott, who missed six regular-season games because of a knee injury, including a 55-52 loss to the Hawks, had a major impact in the rematch.

"He's made a big difference, just having him back on the floor," Canton coach Danny Young said. "He's calm; he shoots the ball well, and he's a very good defender.

"He's a total player right now. The kids who put in the time end up playing big at the end - and he

Senior Nick Hurley contributed 13 points as well as a good floor game for the Chiefs (14-6).

Both teams were minus starting forwards due to injury - Canton's Matt Ammons, who re-injured his back in the previous game, and Harrison's Justin Snow, who sprained an ankle in practice.

Junior Jared Hopkins had eight points and junior Brian Lewis six to lead Harrison (16-4). Junior Matt Derocher, the team's leading scorer, was scoreless on 0-for-5 shooting.

It was a slow, defensive game all the way as both teams emphasized defense and played it safe on offense. Canton held Harrison to 0. for-6 shooting in the first quarter and 11 first-half points.

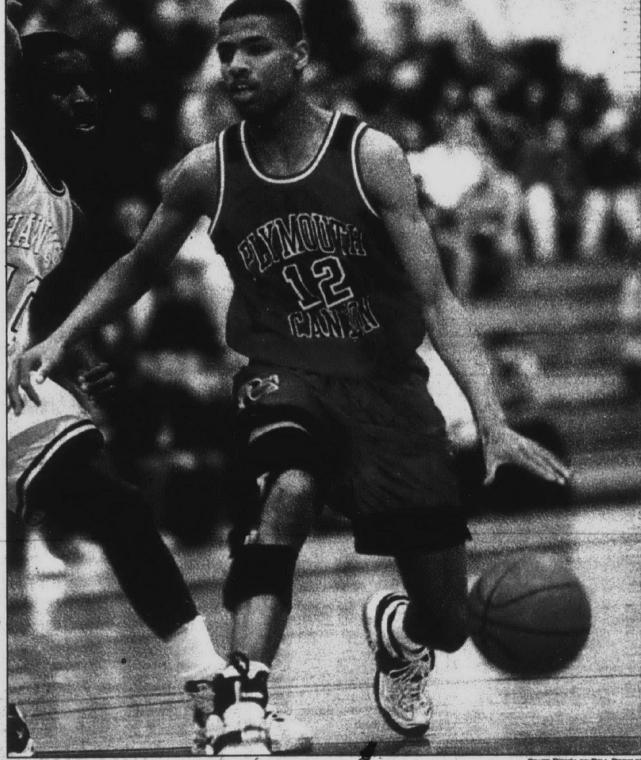
"We tried to control the (offensive) tempo, so we'd have enough energy defensively," Young said. "If you're going to work so hard defensively, you have to take your time offen-

"That's our philosophy but especially so because of our injuries.

"We said 'Hey, (Ammons) is out; it's going be hard; let's really focus on defending. We got ready to play team defense, and it worked out.

Lewis gave Harrison its only lead with two free throws to start the

See CANTON HOOP, D4



No stopping him: Donte Scott (with ball) was Farmington Harrison's greatest nemesis in Friday's WLAA Tournament championship game, pouring in a game-high 21 points to lead Canton to its fourth-consecutive tourney crown.

Salem's Power, Canton's Hurley honored

One word could summarize the Western Lakes Activities Association boys basketball season: Balance.

There were no true powerhouses in the league this season, and that's reflected in the WLAA's all-conference and all-division teams

Perhaps the perfect example: Walled Lake Central emerged as the league champion, losing just one game during the regular seas

That loss, however; was to Livonia Stevenson, a team that barely making the top eight in qualifying for the WLAA Tournament. And in that tournament, Central was routed by the defending playoff champ Plymouth Canton, losing by 28 points.

That's why the six players chosen to the all-conference team hail from six different schools.

Included among them are Plymouth Salem guard Andy Power, a junior, and Plymouth Canton guard

Nick Hurley, a senior.
Other all-conference selections are junior guard Todd Negoshian, from Central; senior forward Matt Bau-

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man, from Livonia Franklin; junior forward Matt Durocher, from Farmington Harrison; and senior guard Dave Terakedis, from Northville.

Named to the all-Lakes Division team was senior forward Andres Lopez, from Salem; senior guard Brad Burlingame, from Central; sophomore forward Cory Heitsch, from Central; senior forward Dave Jarrett, from Westland John Glenn; senior guard Tyrone Davidson, from Stevenson; and senior guard Julian Cochran, from North Farmington.

The all-Western Division team includes Canton senior forward Rob Johnson; Harrison senior guard Kevin Bambenek; Harrison junior guard Kareem Smartt; Northville senior forward Jeff Arenz; Franklin senior guard Nick Mongeau; and Walled Lake Western senior guard Mike Massey.

39 and counting

Perfection is hard to match.

But Plymouth Salem's junior varsity basketball team managed it. The junior Rocks trudged through their 20-game season without a loss, matching the perfect season the 12 players posted as members of Salem's freshmen team a year ago.

That's right — the 12 sophomores who dominated the action for Salem's JV are thus far 39-0 in high school ball.

"They were truly a dream team for a coach," said the guy who should know, coach Rick Wilson. "The thing that characterized this team the most was, most of them grew up together.

They come from five different middle schools, but a lot of them have been playing together quite a

Tops on the team in scoring (12.9 points) and rebounding (6.0) was Rob Jones. Aaron Rypkowski was next in the scoring parade (10.8 per game); he also led the Rocks in free

throw shooting (81 percent). Adam Wilson proved to be the best

perimeter shooter, nailing 22 threepointers at a 31 percent rate. Wilson also led the Rocks in overall field goal shooting (53 percent), assists (3.8) and steals (2.7) while averaging 9.6 points per game.

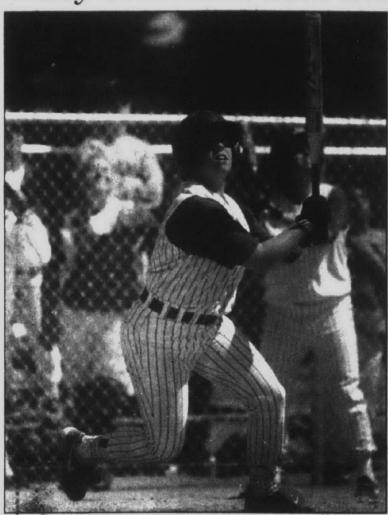
Other team members throughout the season were Jake Gray, Chris Mason, Mike Spencer, Sean Galvin, Chris Longpre, Andy Brandt, Justin Carls, Eric Peterson and Gordon

Perrin Such success indicates a bright future for Salem, right? "We hope so," said Wilson, who has coached the Rocks JV for 15 years. "But there are no guarantees. They need to continue to work, and they're the kind of kids that know that and will

Adding to their promise: Two of that sophomore class' best players have been members of Salem's varsity for the past two seasons: Mike Korduba and Tony Jancevski.

The future does indeed look

Lady Crusaders have what it takes to make a run to the NAIA Championships



Big bat: Jeanie Baxter, a senior from Redford St. Agatha, will be counted on to provide offensive firepower for Madonna.

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

Not much has changed with Madonna University's softball team.

The Lady Crusaders are loaded, just like last year and the year before that. They're

almost certain to win 30 games - again. But as good as they are, don't go making reservations for the NAIA Tournament in mid-May. There are still plenty of potholes

dotting the road to national fame. "We've had a lot of good teams here, and this will be another one," predicted Madonna coach Jerry Abraham.

And there are qualities this team has that previous Crusader squads lacked. "We've got more depth than ever," said Abraham, who guided Madonna to the national tournament in '95. "And we've improved our team speed it's like night and day from last year."

But there are some problems. Three key players from last year's 31-17 team have graduated: catcher/designated hitter Jennifer Pinter, outfielder-pitcher Lynda Weichel and shortstop Michelle Birchmeier. All three were four-year starters.

Birchmeier was second on the team in runs batted in last season, and Pinter was third: Weichel had a 3-1 mound record.

Also gone for the season is starting first baseman Courtney Senger, a junior. Senger suffered a knee injury while playing for Madonna's basketball team.

The holes at short and first will be the toughest to fill. "Our defense will be a question mark at first and short because the players we have haven't played their before," said Abraham. "But we'll be strong at second, third, catcher and in the outfield.

One other place the Crusaders won't be lacking happens to be the most dominant position in softball: pitching.

"The key to college softball is pitching," stated Abraham. "We have more depth there than ever, but do we have the one kid who's great pitcher — that's the question."

Leading the returnees is Shanna Price (formerly Streng), a junior who posted a 16-10 record with a 2.52 earned run average. Price's strength: In 167 2/3 innings, she walked just 21

"She's not a great strikeout pitcher, but she's got great control. She's very deceiving, and she mixes up her pitches real well."

But although Price did a solid job as Madonna's top pitcher last season, her role this year isn't guaranteed. Challenging for mound time are sophomore Janell Leschinger, who was 7-1 with a 2.01 ERA and had 37 strikeouts and just six walks in 49 1/3 innings; junior Angie VanDoorn, 5-5 with a 3.36 ERA; and freshman Stephanie

Abraham said VanDoorn "could be a dominånt-type pitcher when she's on;" Leschinger puts "a lot of movement on the ball - she's deceiving and she sets up batters well;' while Dye "probably throws harder than any of our other pitchers.'

Behind the plate will be junior Stacey Piontkowski (.308, nine RBI, three errors) and freshman Vicki Malkowski, a first team allstate selection from Royal Oak Kimball. Both are strong defensively and can hit.

Veterans return at second and third. Senior Jamie Vickers will be at second (.242, two home runs, 10 RBI, 29 runs scored, 10 errors) and senior Dawn Shaffer, the team's leading offensive threat, is back at third (.385, three homers, 11 triples, 15 doubles, 38 RBI, 36 runs, 17 errors).

In the outfield, Abraham has four key veterans to choose from: senior Melissa McGue (.303, 24 runs, two homers, 13 RBI) in center, senior Jeanie Baxter (Redford St. Agatha), who will also be the designated hitter (.339, seven doubles, two triples, one homer, 22 RBI); junior Christy Riopelle in right (.220, one homer, 14 RBI); and junior Jamie Cook (Westland John Glenn) in left. Cook missed most of last season with appen-

Dye will also see time in the outfield. So will sophomore Ann Bagazinski (Livonia Franklin), junior Cindy Richards, junior Kasey Steinberger and sophomore Marissa Mittleman.

Which leaves the holes at first and short. Abraham is looking at junior Shawna Greene, a transfer from Oakland CC, to fill in at short, although she has limited playing time there. At first, freshman Stephanie Dick, a Class C all-stater at Petersburg Summerfield HS, will get the initial shot at starting. Junior Jamie Heins will provide infield depth (.484, one homer, eight RBI).

If the spots at short and first can be adequately filled, and the defense improves -Madonna made 93 errors last year, an average of nearly two a game - the Crusaders should excel.

However, getting to the NAIA Tournament won't be easy. The College of St. Francis (Joliet, Ill.), the team that eliminated Madonna in the Great Lakes Regional last season, returns nearly all its starters. And then there's Shawnee State, the team that knocked off St. Francis and went on to finish second in the NAIA.

Those constitute major potholes. But Madonna has the talent to elude them.

The Crusaders open their season today in Florida with games against Mercyhurst and

New coach, new lineup — will it help Madonna?

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

Brand-new coach. First time ever as the top man. Taking over a winning program. Has nearly the entire team returning, with plenty of veterans.

So you figure he might take it a bit easy to start with, right? After all, he's got an experienced lineup with starters back at nearly every position, including the bulk of his pitching.

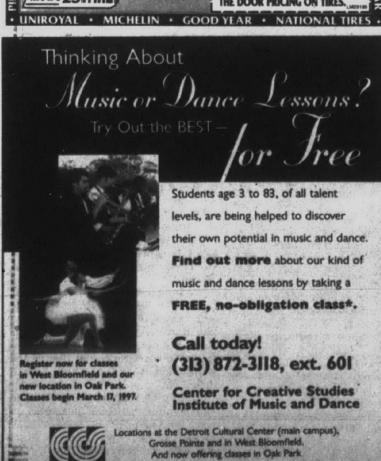
Why mess with a winner? Greg Haeger doesn't think

that way.

The new Madonna University baseball coach made changes the first day of fall ball last September. He knew all about the Fighting Crusaders; he had been their pitching coach the past two years, under Mike George. When George resigned, Haeger took







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Although Madonna had a respectable 29-26 record last season, its 1-2 mark in the postseason tournament was far short of expectations.

At least far short of Haeger's expectations. He coached the pitchers to a very respectable 3.29 team earned run average; in 397 innings, they issued just 136

But the defense lagged. Madonna surrendered 75 unearned runs, so even though its team ERA was more than two runs better than their opponents' ERA (5.41), they won just three more games than they lost.

"I wasn't happy with our defense last year," said Haeger bluntly. "We made quite a few errors. Quite honestly, with the pitching staff we had, I feel if we had played better defense, we would have gone farther in the post-season.

So the shuffling began. Dan Taylor, the starting shortstop

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the past two seasons, was moved; he'll be a part-time starter at third base for Kurt Wilczynski, whose injured elbow will sideline him for the season.

Although both were veterans a year ago, neither Taylor nor Wilczynski distinguised them-selves in the field. They combined for 32 errors on the left side of the infield; Madonna committed 88 as a team.



Jeff Gutt veteran at first

Haeger still has big plans for Taylor: "He'll fill a myriad of roles for us. Dan has the ability to help us in so many places he'll be the glue of our team."

Offensively, Taylor hit .293 with 26 runs batted in.

Moving to shortstop will be junior Eric Marcotte (from Plymouth Canton), a starter at second base last year. "He's pretty much a pure shortstop," said Haeger of Marcotte. "I just moved people based on what I thought they could do." Either Brandon Jaskolski, a

junior who backed up Marcotte at second last season, or Mike LaPointe will start there this year. In limited action, Jaskolski hit 364 in '96 Taylor won't be alone at third,

either. "There are a lot of people rotating through that door," said Haeger. One is sophomore Ed. Roman; another is freshman Ian

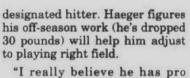
At first, junior Jeff Gutt (Redford Catholic Central) and sophomore Jeff Warholik will share time. "Both are great defensively, so whoever's hitting best will play," said Haeger. Gutt played a lot last year, hit-ting .305 with two homers and 21 RBI.

In the outfield, the only loss is Tim Kasubowski, who opted not to return this season. Still, there's been some shuffling.

Kevin Foley, a junior, will be back in center field. A strong defensive player (zero errors), Foley must improve at the plate; he batted just .222 last season, striking out 20 times in 90 at-bats. He had 12 RBI.

Junior Pete Quinn (Redford Thurston), a .324 hitter with four homers and 27 RBI last eaon, moves from right field to left. In right, Haeger will primarily use sophomore Aaron Shrewsbury, the team's top offensive threat in '96.

Shrewsbury led Madonna in average (.350), homese (eight), doubles (16) and RBI (33) as a



potential," said Haeger, a University of Michigan graduate who played in the Tigers' farm system.

Bob Mason, a sophomore, Bob Hamp, a freshman, and Taylor will also see time in the outfield.

Catcher was the team's biggest question mark going into '96. It turned out to be one of the team's biggest strengths, and Delano Voletti (Westland/Dearborn Divine Child) and Daryl Rocho, both sophomores, return. Voletti got the most at-bats: He hit .323 with three homers, nine doubles and 21 RBI. Rocho hit .364 with 13 RBI.

"I think that's one of the strongest assets on our team," said Haeger of his catchers.

Another would be the pitching. Some key players have graduated: Gone are Joel Fabris (1-2, five saves, 1.25 ERA), Joel Hillebrand (5-3, 2.87) and Jason Dubey (2-2, 2.05).

But Haeger has his rotation set going into Saturday's seasonopener against Rollins College on the 11-game Florida spring

It includes senior righthander Eric Butler, a team-best 7-2 with a 1.78 ERA; senior righthander Craig Benedict (Plymouth Canton), 3-5 with a 4.37 ERA; senior righthander Dan Pydyn, 4-3 with a 2.68 ERA; and junior lefthander Mark Serra, 3-2 with a 2.91 ERA.

Others could squeeze into that lineup, however - like redshirt freshman lefthander Mitch Jabczenski, sophomore lefthander Eric Crawford, and a pair of junior righthanders, Jason Carter (Livonia Churchill) and Tim Holland.

Also, Haeger plans to use both Warholik, a lefty, and Mason, a righthander, on the mound.

"I think our pitching will be about the same as last year, predicted Haeger. "We lost a lot, but we have some young kids who can step in."

The key to the season? Improved defense and "team chemistry," said Haeger. "I think there's a lot of talent here.

"But everyone has to play together, for a common goal. The teams I've been on that won championships won because of team chemistry - not just nine people, but 27 pulling together."

Haeger has spent a lot of time trying to inspire his players to do just that. If he does it, if they believe in his system and their own roles within it, Haeger's first year as the top man could be a highly successful one.

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Michigan has little or knowledge of the vast and magnificent natural resources which make up

the state. The cresting whitecaps of a rolling river, the majestic deer and bear, the tiny warblers, the tasty morels, the great white pine and the world class hunting and fishing opportunities all go unnoticed by a majority of the state's residents.

Bruce Matthews hopes to put an end to that shortcoming. Matthews was hired in Decem-

In this age of ber as chief of the new Office of Clubs), which is one of the pre- Changing trends Information and Education for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The new office is actually not new, rather the resurrection of an old branch of the DNR that had been idle for the past decade or so.

A great opportunity

"Back in the '80's the information and education office of the Michigan DNR was world class," explained Matthews, who was a member of Cornell University's Department of Natural Resources and the director of the New York Sportfishing and Aquatic Resources Education Program before landing at the Michigan DNR. "My mandate is to create another world-class information and education office.

"I saw this as a tremendous opportunity. You've got MUCC (Michigan United Conservation

miere sportsmen's clubs in the country in terms of their efforts in education. You've got two colleges (Michigan State University and the University of Michigan) with extensive research and resource programs.

This is the premiere state in the nation in terms of natural resources and I've got the full backing of the department. I'm

excited about the opportunity."

The DNR's new Information and Education Office is a direct result of the Hunting and Fishing Heritage Task Force which Governor Engler formed a couple of years ago to address the state of Michigan's rich hunting and fishing heritage.

One of the top recommendations put forth by that task force was the need for more education and information on our natural

in Michigan have gone fishing by the age of eight, but we have to keep them fishing. It's great to take a kid fishing, but we have

In recent years, the percentage of the population which partici-pates in hunting and fishing has

decreased and the average age of

the hunter and fisher has

One of Matthews' goals is to

reverse this trend by bringing

more youths into the outdoor

sports - not just hunting and

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Matthews.

"It takes five things to keep kids interested in hunting and fishing. Number one, they have

to keep taking them," explained

to have the initial experience. They also have to have access to suitable equipment, access to the resource, access to a guide or mentor, and they have to have appropriate social support.

"In other words it has to be cool to go fishing, or cool to go hunting. You find that social support in many rural areas, but not as much in urban areas. You gain that social acceptance through education and things like community conservation

Some old, some new

Matthews plans to continue the popular DNR programs including Becoming an Outdoors Women workshops, Fishing in the Parks programs, interpretive programs at the state parks, and Project Fish, which is a 4H program that teaches adults how to

work with children in the out-

He also plans to establish better internal communication links within the DNR, to offer better community access to the DNR and its personnel, and to expand access to the DNR through the

"I'd like to see us (DNR) have" a viable presence throughout the state and I'd like the people of the state to know they can turn to the DNR for support," added Matthews. "As a long term goal I'd like to see informed citizens participating in the process of managing wildlife resources."

Anglers and hunters are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI. 48009. Fax information to (810) 644-1314 or call Bill Parker evenings at (810) 901-2573.

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The 5th annual Novi Boating Expo will be held March 12-16 at the Novi Expo Center. WILDLIFE ART FESTIVAL

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Wildlife Art Festival will be held March 14-16 at the Southfield Pavilion. Call (517) 882-3630 for more information.

BANQUETS

BIG GAME HUNTERS

The Michigan Big Game Hunters Association will hold its ninth annual banquet and fund raiser beginning at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 22, at Red Fawn Hall in Allen Park. Call (313) 513-7471 for more information

SEASONS/DATES

RABBIT

Statewide through March 31.

WATERFOWL STAMPS Michigan artists have until April 21 to submit their artwork for the Michigan DNR'S 1998 waterfowl hunting season stamp. No entry fee is required. Call (517) 373-9313 for more information.

FISHING CLUBS

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call (313) 420-4481 for more informa-

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Maplewood Center in Garden City. Call Sam Pilato at (313) 420-0521 for more information.

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The Lady Ocelots have enjoyed

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Several winter indoor leagues are forming at Red Oaks Archery in Metamora. Red Oaks features a Dart Tunnel, an indoor 3D range with a moving buck, and a standard target range. Call (810) 628-1661 for more information.

The Oakland County Sportsman Club will hold a 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday, March 9, on its walk-through course in Clarkston. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information. A pancake breakfast begins at 8 a.m.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

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BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun, rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to sunset, Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd. (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

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ORTONVILLE RECREATION

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Sundays. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

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craft College can say after defeating OCC in the MCCAA tournament Wednesday at SC.

OCC beat Schoolcraft twice during the regular season but this time the stakes were a little higher. This time, the loser went

31-22 halftime lead and held off the Raiders. OCC is 10-18. Esther Ross scored 18 points, tops in the game, to lead School-

West led OCC with 17 points,

It seems to be the theme this season for the Schoolcraft Col-

At least that's what School-

The Ocelots jumped out to a

semifinals added two free throws to provide the winning margin.

points while Kristi Engel (Redford Thurston) netted 10 for Schoolcraft. Chrissy Harmon and Schmidt scored nine apiece and Alana Carver got seven.

won despite making only 12-of-

Schoolcraft 65, OCC 59: This

pointers, all by Harmon, and

craft and 10 of those came in the second half. She had a basket plus two free throws down the stretch while Julie Schmidt Sheilah Coulter scored 12

The Ocelots had three three-

The Raiders stayed in the game by making 18-of-25 shots from the free throw line but only had one triple, by leading scorer

Jacklyn Pilkiewicz scored 16 and Keona Smith 14. Carrie May had six while Kendra Schafer and Martie Matthews had three each. Pilkiewicz scored 12 of her points in the second half.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MHSAA TOURNAMENT BOYS BASKETBALL DISTRICT DRAWS

CLASS A at REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL Monday, March 3: (A) Detroit Henry Ford

vs. (B) Southfield, 6 p.m.; (C) Livonia Stevenson.vs. (D) Redford Catholic Central, 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 4: Redford Union vs.

Detroit Redford, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 5: A-B winner vs. C-D

winner, 7 p.m. Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7

p.m. (Winner advances to the Southfield regional vs. Detroit Cooley district champion.) at GARDEN CITY

Monday, March 3: (A) Garden City vs. (B) Westland John Glenn, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 4: Romulus vs. Belleville 6:30 p.m

Wednesday, March 5: Wayne Memorial vs.

p.m. (Winner advances to the Jackson regional vs. Temperance Bedford district champion.) at NORTHVILLE

Monday, March 3: (A) Livonia Churchill vs. (B) Plymouth Salem, 6 p.m.; (C) Northville vs. (D) Plymouth Canton, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5: Novi vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.; Livonia Franklin vs. C-D winner, 7:30

Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Southfield-Lathrup regional vs. Ferndale district champion.)

eat BLOOMFIELD HILLS LAHSER Monday, March 3: (A) Bloomfield Hills

Lahser vs. (B) Farmington, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 5: West Bloomfield vs.

A-B winner, 5 p.m.; Farmington Hills Harrison vs. North Farmington, 7 p.m. Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7

p.m. (Winner advances to the Southfield-Lathrup regional vs. Southfield-Lathrup district champion.)

CLASS B at WILLOW RUN

Monday, March 3: (A) Willow Run vs. (B) Dearborn Heights Annapolis, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 4: (C) Dearborn Heights Crestwood vs. (D) Dearborn Heights Robichaud, 6 p.m.; (E) Dearborn Divine Child vs. (F) Inkster, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 6: Redford Thurston vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.; C-D winner vs. E-F winner, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the River Rouge regional vs. Ypsilanti Lincoln district champ

CLASS C at PONTIAC NOTRE DAME PREP

Monday, March 3: (A) Detroit Commerce vs. (B) Detroit Benedictine, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 4: (C) Pontiac Notre Dame Pren vs. (D) Livonia Clarenceville, 6 p.m.: (E) Redford Bishop Borgess vs. (F) Lutheran High Westland, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5: Southfield Christian vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.; C-D winner vs. E-F winner, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher regional vs. Riverview Gabriel Richard district champion.)

CLASS D at WYANDOTTE MOUNT CARMEL

Monday, March 3: (A) Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian vs. (B) Taylor Baptist Park,

Tuesday, March 4: (C) Taylor Light & Life vs. (D) Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, 6 p.m.; (E) Wyandotte Mount Carmel vs. (F) Westland

Huron Valley Lutheran, 6 p.m. Friday, March 7: Ecorse vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.; C-D winner vs. E-F winner, 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 8: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Auburn Hills Oakland Christian regional vs. Center Line St. Clement district champion.)

at SOUTHFIELD FRANKLIN ROAD

Monday, March 3: (A) Plymouth Agape Friday, March 7: Championship finaly 6:30 Christian Academy vs. (B) Redford St. Agatha. 6 p.m.; (C) Southfield Franklin Road Christian vs. (D) Bloomfield Hills Roeper, 7:30 p.m.

> Tuesday, March 4: Plymouth Christian Academy vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.; Oak Park Academy of Detroit North vs. C-D winner, 7:30

> Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Auburn Hills Oakland Christian regional vs. Hamtramck St Florian district champion.)

COLLEGE BASEBALL Monday, March 3

Madonna at Webber, Fla. (2), 3 p.m.

Tuesday, March 4 Madonna at St. Leo, Fla., 7 p.m. Thursday, March 6

(at St. Thomas, Fla.) Madonna vs. Kean College, noon. Madonna vs. St. Thomas, 2:45-p.m

Friday, March 7 Madonna at Barry, Fla., noon

Madonna at Nova S'eastern, 2:45 p.m. Saturday, March 8 Madonna at Barry, Fla., noon.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL Monday, March 3

(at Lee County, Fla. Complex) Madonna vs. Assumption, 1 p.m. Madonna vs. Saginaw Valley, 4 p.m.

Madonna vs. Regis, Mass., 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 4 (at Lee County, Fla. Complex)

Madonna vs. Gannon, Pa., 9 a.m. Madonna vs. Ferris St., 4 p.m. Madonna vs. Regis, Mass., 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 5

(at Lee County, Fla. Complex) Madonna vs. Rochester Tech. 9 a.m. Madonna vs. Ohio Northern, 11 a.m. Madonna vs. Rochester Tech. 1co m.

Thursday, March 6 (at Cape Coral, Fla. Complex)

Madonna vs. Regis, Mass., 9 a.m. Madonna vs. St. Thomas, Fla., 11 a.m.

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scoring. Hurley tied it and Scott scored the next 10, including the last eight of the first period.

"I just recognized the open shots and started taking them," Scott said. "You want to come out here and play your best.

"We just came out and got after it. I wouldn't say (revenge was a motivating factor), but deep down we wanted to get them back. They're a good team; we just came to play tonight."

Scott had 13 of Canton's 19 first-half points. The Hawks didn't have a field goal in the first nine minutes, and no Harrison starter scored a basket until Hopkins did with 26 seconds left in the half. "They had their defense

turned up big-time," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said. "We had some awfully good looks at basket in the first quarter and the comeback. "It's not like we stunk. Forty-

three points is good enough

defensively to win the game, but

their defense was a smidgen bet-

Canton extended its lead to 32-19 after three quarters, but Har-

rison rallied in the fourth to make it interesting. The Hawks scored the first

eight points of the finale to get within four with 4 1/2 minutes remaining. Young used a timeout to tell his players 'Don't play not to lose. You're in a situation where

you can win this thing. We put

in a tremendous amount of time; let's get it done. "I thought we got tentative, and they came after us. We wanted to keep playing hard and

maintain a flow

The Chiefs answered with the next seven points to build their lead to 39-28 with just over a minute left. The big basket was Scott's triple that made it 37-28 as the clock reached 2:16.

Teachman had only seen Scott play on a tape he had of the Canton-Walled Lake Central game, and he was definitely more impressed with the Scott he saw

'On film you can't tell how quick he is or how good an offen-sive rebounder he is," Teachman

"Scott did look like the only guy who didn't play a full season. He looked fresh. I can't emphasize enough, while he was hurt, he was also resting - and he was the guy jumping out

Free throws by Hurley and Jason Meagrow, the replacement for Ammons, made it 39-28. Kevin Bambenek scored the last Harrison basket, and the Chiefs finished up with four free throws.

Canton made 16 of 39 field goals, Harrison 13 of 40. The Chiefs sank eight of 14 free throws, the Hawks two of seven.

W.L. Central 71, Franklin 55: Brad Burlingame scored a gamebest 33 points, including five threes, as the Vikings overcame an incredible two point first quarter to win going away.

Todd Negoshian added 21 for the winners, 16-4, while Corey Heitsch contributed eight. Negoshian had three treys in his

Franklin, 10-10, lost its second straight game after knocking off Plymouth Salem in its WLAA tournament opener.

The Patriots got 16 points from Matt Bauman. Jay Fontaine had 10, Nick Mongeau nine and Kevin Biga seven.

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Northville 60, Stevenson 51: Balanced scoring brought the Mustangs the victory Thursday in a WLAA consolation game for seventh and eighth place in the WLAA tournament.

Visiting Livonia Stevenson ended the regular season with a 6-14 record.

Mike Potempa, with 15 points, was the only Spartan to reach double figures while the Mustangs (10-10) placed their starting five at seven points or more.

Jeff Arenz, with 17, was the only one to reach double figures.

Guys-N-Gals - Tim Hicks, 269/667; John

Crossno, 267; Steve Hille, 266/721; Dawn

Johnson, 245; Lynne Wegener, 236/619;

St. Paul's Men's - Mike Silardi, 267/661;

Country Keglers - Walt Ullrich, 253; Mark

Wednesday Knights — Tom Jenkins, 267;

Dan Cohen, 260; Mike Cundle, 265/691;

Steve Schoenberg, Jr. 259; Dave Fehrenbach,

Martin, 245/630; Lee Burk, 245/643; Ron

Krahn, 242; George Vann, 242/700.

Norma Pope, 233.

John Gautherat, 244.

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Woodland Lanes (Livonia) Guys & Dolls (seniors) - Stella Dattilio,

207-215-220/642.

Gay 90's (seniors) - Men's Trio - John Wodarski, Sr., 289/674; John Weiss, 278/723: Mark Payne, 267/732; Jim Knoll, 277/731; Jeff Adamczyk, 278-278-/760; Dave Meyers, 300/766.

Livonia Strikers — John Lalik, 295. Saturday Nite Warriors (youth Jrs.) - Joe

Chambers, 279. Dukes of Dale - Debbie Seeman, 610 (her first 600)

Swinging Seniors — Olga Kwasniuk 232/556

St. Edith's - Roger House, 749.

Bators Bar - Mary Gadde, 238/659; Jeep Newton, 248/686; Ron Stuart, 255/725; Keith Elwert, 275; Len Singer, 235/670. Local 182 Retirees - Bill Kappen, 242, Frank Bertani, 257.

L.E.A. Mixed - Mike Howard, 254; Nancy 248/665; Lee Onkla, 243/625. MacPherson, 225.

Ford Parts — Joe O'Connell, 267/688; Ken Warren, 288/673: RobertThomas, 737: Dan Gustus, 715; Rick Hillier, 684.

Senior House League - Mike Larocca, 279/749; Jeff Roche, 279/780; Rick Patton, 278/751: Paul Gadomski, 268/672; Rob Schepis, 258/684; Jim Johnson, Jr.,

Woodland Midnight Mixed - Joe Swingle, 269-268-205/742; Chuck Rual, 237-238-236/711: lim Hyatt 243/661: Bill Moreau. 255/645; Paul McMurry, 277.

Cloverlanes (Livonia)

St. Aldan's Men's - Bob Racey, 224-

226/645; Ed Harden, 224; Dave Weber, 235; Dave Golen, 235; JohnGolen, 230-215/603.

Detroit Edison Men's - John Alarie. All Star Bowlerettes - Gwen Finley, 244-

227-279/750; Karen Hagan, 236-278-235/749: Annette Wilson, 233-214-255/702: Lisa Keough, 213-232-239/684; Renee Tesner, 224-257/672; Teri Taylor, 266/671.

Merri Bowl Lanes (Livonia)

Senior House - Ryan Wilson, 279/737; Jack Treloar, Sr., 279/718; Tom Manatine, 290; Craig Bederka, 277; Sam Genna, 279.

Lost Weekenders (Sunday 10:30 a.m.) -Paul Dust. 277/730: Jim Dust. 266/735: Bill Weed, 243/689; Martin Lunceford, 268/713; Kim Kelm, 259/676; Bob Trent, 246/685.

Mayflower Lanes (Redford) Senior Men's Classic - Paul Temple

256/678; Jim Webster, 267/607; Tom Pawlowski, 257/617; Ernie Segura, 233-

Paula Sitarski, 218-208/596; Dawn Weigel, 200; Helen Bialo, 198.

Garden Lanes (Garden City) St. Linus Classic - Brian Jonea, 210-232-

290/732; Dan Bollinger, 248-300/719; Rick Borges, 214-245-234/693; Marv Gadde, 246-205-238/689: Ed Stephenson, 225-203-257/685; Jim Kowalski, 226-237-218/681. Westland Bowl (Westland)

St. Mel's Mens - WardWilcox III, 279 (his highest ever, 124 pins o/a); Tom Popek 288/665; John Auty, 265/640; Nick Cirino, 256/647; Chet Popek, 245/660.

Town 'n Country Lanes (Westland) Friday Men's - Jason Parillo, 300; Jeff

Thursday Men's Trio - Jim Gains, 300. Tuesday Nite Junior Classic - Marty Meszaros 300: Darm Oliver, 300. Friday Mixed — Ray Leper, 299. Thursday Airlines - Chris Little, 297

Thursday Morning Men's - Mike Wrobel, 300. Tim Magyar, 299; Jim Zickler, 297. Super Bowl (Canton)

Thursday Nite Men's - Steve Berry, 300. Double Nickel (seniors) - Ferris Barnes,

551 (110 pins o/a). Friends & Neighbors - Mike Remington, 289 (101 o/a).

Country Lanes (Farmington) Ladies Singles - Vicki Ingham, 238/623; Lynne Wegener, 213; Jill Fehrenbach,

218/577; Wendy Lord, 203/575. Suburban Prop. Men's Travel - Lou Ivancik. 277/696: Robert Custard, 276: John Hurley, 268/726; Tony Ballarta, 267; Paul But-

Suburban Prop. Ladies Travel - Michelle Gill. 237/633: Patty Jaroch. 215/557: Janet Doering, 214/614: Iris Monie, 213/551; Viv

Waldrep, 203/541. University Men's - Mark Abele, 279/736: B. Murray, 279;719; B. Mueller, Ray Vander-

will, 268/658; J. Weiss, 263/659. Tuesday Mixed Trio - Al Bohne, 279; Keith Kingston, 258/736; Tammy Arnt,

211/579; Dennis Eder, 297. Loon Lake - Joe DeClemente, 253/641; Curt Caloia, 233/ 560; Bill Seeley, 225; Larry

Gauthier, 227/640: Don Wagner, 227/628. Greenfield Mixed - Debbie VanMeter 234- 235 293-213/640; Mark Silverstein, 255/611; w, 259/637; Chuck O'Rourke, 237,

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235/533; Lin Huber, 226/609; Katie Szonye, 220/530; Julie Dunn, 209; Sue Sczepaniak,

214/632; Todd Wortinger, 224-213.

237-245/671; Tony Varnas, 236-250/631.

Monday Midnight Men - Joe Carmo, 288;

Joe Landry, 243/601.

Bel Aire Lanes (Farmington) Our Lady of Sorrows - John Pitera, 211-211/611; Rusty Lynch, 226-222/627; Dennis

202/609; Bill Skibinski, 204-225/608. Michigan Bell Men's - Dan Winkel, 237-246-224/707; L. Reiman, 225-236/657; Gene Syverson, 254-232/626; K. Rundel, 239,-201/624; Jeff Funk, 201-235/618.

Yaros, 205-231/612; Leif Olsen, 214-

Novi Pinpointers - Gail Gross, 224/517; Rosemary Banish, 213/580; Debbie Lukasiak, 204-203/579

Early birds — Joycee Elwert, 213-213. Novi Bowi (Novi)

Westside Lutheran - Don Johnson, 685; Bill Mueller, 655; Randy Mobius, 645; Bill Bryant, 631; Mike Mockeridge, 624.

Plum Hollow Lanes (Southfield) Friday Nite 4-\$um - Reggie McGee, 298 Nite Train Express - Harvey Reid, 223

212-205/640; LaSalle Gipson. St. Michael's Women's - Theresa Fodale

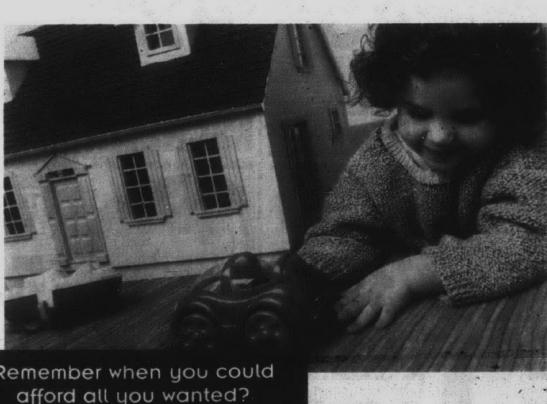
Sat. Youth (Majors) - Demetri Givens,

Troy Lanes (Troy)

Saturday All Stars - Mark Bunting, 276;

Country Janes - Joye Patterson, Kamax Dupont - Cary Fletcher, 258/759. Silver Strikers — Jack Converse, 234/609;

Over The Hill Classic - Clyde Williamson, Sunday Goodtimers - Mark Buchalter, 257/713; John Cedar, 252; Larry Dagenais, 222-202: Ralph Davis, 225/628; Mike Lan- 279; Jerry Kamanski, 237; Steve Atkeson, ning, 226/600; Mark Silverstein, 224- 236.



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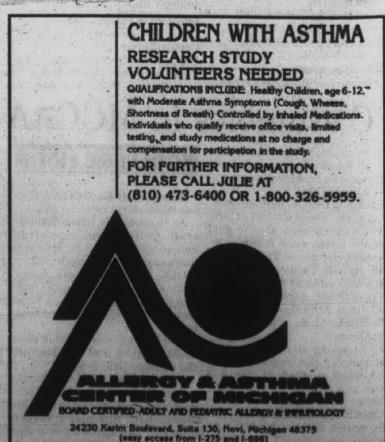
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Future columns will highlight other area runults and running news to "On the Run,"

"I ran an ad in the Observer saying, 'The Redford Roadrunners meet at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Redford Community Center.' The next Tuesday, a lot of people showed up," said Randy He let them in on a secret. "It was the first time the Roadrunners had ever met. I told them we were just looking for people to run with," recalled Randy, who with his wife has competed in

Hawaii's Ironman and numerous marathons. The club - which includes about 100 runners and walkers - has thrived ever since. Roadrunners meet for weekly runs, go to races together, and socialize. They recently returned from a week in St. Lucia and a ski trip to Boyne. In April, a

NATURE NOTES

People are attracted to animals

with proportionately big eyes. I

to human babies that have big eyes in proportion to their heads.

think it comes from our response

These qualities often cause a caring and attractive response which is beneficial because it

usually drives parents to care for

When we see an animal with

big eyes it generally elicits an "Ah, isn't that cute?" kind of

their young.

response, much like we do when we see a baby. Big eyes in animals are generally a sign the

animal is nocturnal. Large eyes allow more light

One of the most nocturnal of animals in Michi-

gan is the flying squirrel. It has large eyes in pro-

portion to its head and often causes people to say

pointed nose shrew and you will react differently.

Flying squirrels are so nocturnal that few people have ever seen one, even though there are two

The southern flying squirrel is found in south-

It was sitting on a squirrel feeder eating ker-

Southern flying squirrels have a whiter belly

ally found north of

As I watched it at

the feeder, it did not eat the entire ker-

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After finishing, it climbed to the top of

ON THE RUN

If you're someone who tires of

stand how Kathy and Randy

Step felt in 1983.

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"At the time, we were training

We'd see all these people out

It gave the couple an idea.

tons of miles alone," said Randy.

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than the northern flying squirrel, which is gener-

the supporting pole for the feeders and glided to a

to glides that have been measured at 120 feet.

stretching the skin that connects the front and

back feet, creating a little "sail." Controlling the

glide direction is the flattened tail that serves as

These docile little squirrels are fairly common

and may be in your back yard, if you have some trees with holes that they can roost and nest in. A

small one-inch wide opening is all they need. Tim Nowicki is a naturalist at Independence

Oaks in Oakland County. He lives in Livonia.

A short distance like that is nothing compared

When gliding the animal spreads its four feet,

Compare a flying squirrel to a small-eyed,

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night at a feeding station.

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contingent will compete in the Boston Marathon. Redford romances continue to blossom. The Steps figure they've been to "at least 20 weddings. The babies keep popping," says Randy. For 14 years, the club has run on Tuesdays from St. Robert's School on West Chicago at

Inkster, and met afterward for pizza. This week on a trial basis, the club is switching locations. Redford will run from the former St. John Provincial Seminary at Five Mile and Shel-

don roads, Tuesday, March 4. A tour of the gym is set for 6:15 p.m., followed by a run in a lit, paved industrial area west of Sheldon Road. After the workout, runners will refuel at the Timber Creek restaurant on Northville Road south of Seven Mile. There'll be no charge to use the St. John facility, now a center for youth and family.

"We've asked everyone to come for a trial run and to tell us what they think," said Randy. If the new site goes over, the route will be switched to

Hines Park as spring approaches. "The route is six miles out and back, so you can go any distance you want. We have people who walk two miles, and people who run as far as eight miles," said Randy. "The pace ranges from walking to as fast as you want to run.

The Steps, who own Running Fit stores in Northville, Novi and Ann Arbor, welcome smaller sups to their stores for runs on other nights. One group meets at 6:30 p.m. Mondays for a mile run from Novi Town Center's Running

At 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, a group meets at the orthville Running Fit on Main Street for a five-iler. In nice weather, the Thursday group runs trails in Maybury Park. They meet at the Beck

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Blg show: Debbie Fazica of Plymouth will be showing her Airedale terriers at the Detroit Kennel Club Show at Cobo Hall. Above, she poses her dogs and daughters Danielle, 8; and twins, Amanda and Allyson, both 7.

GOING TO THE DOGS

Suburban breeders head to show

BY KEVIN BROWN . STAFF WRITER

old still, Rover, and somebody pass that dog brush - it's time for the Detroit Kennel Club Dog Show. The Westminster Dog Show

may rule cable TV every winter with its haughty parade of pam-pered pooches and yup-scale

But the Detroit show on Sun-March 9, offers a real live look at plenty of dog breeds. And you can leave the fur coat and diamonds at home.

Last year, more than 65,000 people turned out for the daylong event. "It's a lot more crowded now than it used to be," said Mary DiPerna of Redford.

A longtime show goer, she breeds pugs and shows them at the Detroit Kennel Club Show.

The Detroit show, in the 600,000-square-foot Cobo Center, features a benched format. That means dogs entered in competi-tions are displayed on benches when they're not competing. For dog shoppers, this provides a good opportunity to look and ask estions of breeders.

What's best about the show? "Just winning your class, Wes, keep on trying," DiPerna said. Her mother raised and showed

poodles for 45 years. DiPerna shows pugs, because, "They're lovable. They never see a person as a stranger. They go to

anybody. "Most people say they're so homely they're beautiful," she said. She plans on showing up to nine dogs at the show, working with

her daughter Jessica, 13. DiPerna's brother shows dachshunds and schnauzers. Feature events and demonstra-

tions throughout the show include jumping, sheep herding and retrieving. Officers from the Michigan

State Police Canine Unit will be

on hand to demonstrate their

dogs' abilities in narcotics and explosives detection. This year's show also features an information center staffed by judges and breeders. Literature is also available on all dog breeds

plies Debbie Wade of Canton shows three different Belgan breeds, 4 including the Belgian sheep dog. Her son, 14, and daughter, 16,

and retail booths offer pet sup-



DOG SHOW

also get involved. "We're also involved in search and rescue. One of our dogs is involved with Paws with a Cause," she said. We're trying to educate people on the

Debbie Fazica of Plymouth Township, who owns Executive Kennel, will show her Airedale terriers at the show.

usefulness of dogs.

"I have six of them. They don't shed, they're a medium to large size, they're very sturdy, very tough, they have very little breed problems," she said. Four of her dogs are breed champions.

"I like going to the DKC," she said. "It's a good place for new puppy people to buy puppies, to go around and talk to people see them and touch them. You get a lot of ideas about temperament and stuff.'

While the dogs must stay all day long, "They just love to be petted," Fazica said.

When it comes to winning ribbons, having a dog that meets breed standards is one big factor. "How you present your dog has a _lot to do with it," she added.

While Fazica said she doesn't feel confident showing dogs in the ring before judges, that can be a plus. "Pets usually respond better for somebody else than you," she said.

Chris Samuels, who works with Canine Clippers and Jan's Pet Grooming of Redford, doesn't show dogs at the Kennel Club show. But she goes just to watch.

"I go to see the giant schnauzers, I own them. I really like that show because they do a lot more work, they pay a lot of attention to details and there are vendors. They answer questions about purebred dogs, a lot of that stuff you can't get at local shows," she said.

Show hours

The show runs from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., when the Best of Show winner is named. Ticket prices include a family ticket plan that admits two adults and three children for \$25. Individual ticket prices are \$9 for adults and \$6 for kids under 12 and senior citizens.

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TEN PIN ALLEY



The western portion of Wayne County has some of the area's bowling centers within the boundaries of the Tri City Women's Bowling Association which operates independently of the Detroit Women's Bowling Association.

Although they are a smaller group, they do have a strong field of bowlers. This all came to light last week at the "600" Tourna-HARRISON ment at Wayne Bowl.

During the tournament, two women rolled perfect 300 games, Kristi Troy of Canton and Carol Ferguson of Redford.

Garden City's Sandy Nowlen had a high series of 47, followed by Sandy Zurecki with 741. Kristi Troy had a 726 and Deborah Brown tallied a 713 series during the event, won by Brown as her handicap added up to a winning number in total

Zurecki took second place, Nowlen third and

Troy finished fourth overall.

The Tri City women also held its "700" tournament at the same house later and Donna Urton

The "700" would seem to attract a higher scoring field of competitors, but it's a "scratch" event and Donna's 683 total was enough for the title and first-place money.

The bowlers establish eligibility for the two events by having bowled a 600 or 700 series in league play within the association.

It was an oddity that the 600 tournament produced higher scores than the 700, as the scores were actual scores without the handicap.

It seems like we can go for many months without getting any "triplicate" results.

A set of three games with the same scores result in an ABC or WIBC award. Any triplicate is recognized, whether it's 115 or 267 or the three 300s which were recorded recently by Jeremy Sonnenfeld in Nebraska.

Now it seems to be "raining" triplicates as Brian Brennan had a state record-tying set of 279-279-279 at Bowl One Lanes in Troy, followed a few days later by Jim Zelek of the Ford Engine Engineering League at Ford Lanes with 267-267-267 (801).

Now, another high triplicate took place again at Ford Lanes as Roy Moebs registered a threesome of

234-234-234 (702). Pity the pins: I just received my latest copy of

"Bowling Digest" magazine. There are a lot of new balls on the market. There are full page ads for the latest entries: Ebonite's Red Wolf and a pearlized version of the same, AMF's Bull whip, a sequel to the Whip.

Storm Products has produced a ball, Blue Thunder, with more blasting power. Last year, the firm came out with Thunder Storm, which was rated the

1996 Ball of the Year. Sports Tec has the Inferno, Cyber X and Cyber XR. Brunswick has the Combat Zone, and Columbia the Rage, which they refer to as "controlled chaos. From Track, Inc. comes Triton, which has a nucleus of tritium, which is a component of hydro-

gen bombs. Are you as confused as I am about these new balls? It's because each one is so much better than

the others. Those poor bowling pins just don't stand a chance, anymore, if you read the ad copy.

Al Harrison has been writing a bowling column for the Observer Newspapers since 1987 and is a member of the Bowling Writers Association of America. He has been bowling for 38 years in several local leagues and has bowled one 300 game and one 299 game.



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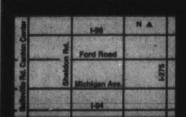
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Diet and breast cancer

Dr. Zora Djuric, Ph.D., is looking for a few good

Djuric and her colleagues at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute are looking for premenopausal women ages 21-50 who have a mother, daughter or sister with breast cancer, to participate in the Nutrition and Breast Health Study, a 12-month study to determine whether diet can reduce the risk of breast cancer.

"Evaluating the importance of diet in breast cancer risk is difficult," said Djuric. "That's why research studies, such as this one, are needed to determine if certain dietary changes are benefi-

Djuric notes the approach is a promising prevention strategy - women can change their diets without harmful side effects. The study, one of only a handful nationally to study the effects of diet on breast cancer risk, is supported by a grant from the National Cancer Institute.

Study participants will be required to meet with a registered dietitian, as well as keep a detailed record of their food intake. Blood samples and breast fluid samples will also be required.

For more information or to enroll, call 1-800-KARMANOS (527-6266).

Scientists at the institute are also studying the role of dietary fat in breast cancer recurrence when the disease returns after initial treatment. The Women's Intervention Nutrition Study is a national effort to examine this factor.

Breast cancer survivors in the study are randomized into one of two groups - one following a diet according to current USDA guidelines, the other a low-fat diet (15 percent of calories from fat). The effectiveness of the low-fat diet will be measured by the number of women whose cancers recur. All participants will receive an analysis of their current diet.

To participate, women need to have had breast cancer surgery within the last year, be age 48-78, and be willing to participate for at least three years. For more information or to participate, call Erica Anderson, 1-800-KARMANOS (527-6266).

Remember your eyes

The American Optometric Association generally recommends that infants have their eyes screened for congenital eye disorders and disease at birth before leaving the hospital. Eye examinations for children are recommended at 6 months, 3 years and before the child enters first grade.

The association recommends school-age children and teens should have their eyes checked every one to two years as recommended by a professional. Annual eye examinations are a good idea for those over age 60.

Save Your Vision Week, March 2-8, is a good time to schedule an eye examination, according to the association. The week is proclaimed by President Bill Clinton and Michigan Gov. John Engler to heighten the public's appreciation of vision and an awareness of the importance of eye care.

Service for employers

Oakwood Occupational Healthcare Network can provide employers health risk appraisals to reduce costs and address employee needs.

Many employers are turning to health risk appraisals, along with work site health promotion programs, as a way to reduce health care costs and build goodwill with employees. Oakwood Occupational Healthcare Network provides health risk appraisals for employers located throughout southeastern Michigan.

As part of the appraisal, each individual participates in a health screening including blood pressure, cholesterol, weight, height and body frame assessment. Each person is also asked to complete a questionnaire regarding lifestyle choices and risk factors relating to family history.

Once the appraisal is completed, employers receive an aggregate report detailing their employees' health risks, as well as proposed health education programs to help employees counter these risks. In addition, each employee receives a confidential summary of his or her health status with suggested steps to take to improve health.

With this information in hand, employers can work with health care professionals to develop focused health screenings and education programs. For assistance in conducting a health risk appraisal and establishing a workplace wellness program, call the Oakwood Occupational Healthcare Network at 1-800-2-OAKWOOD.

The Oakwood Occupational Healthcare Network is part of a comprehensive regional network which serves residents over a 500-square-mile

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Companies pitch prescription drugs to consumers

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

n image of a baby sleeping snuggled in a blanket would be a dream come true for someone with frequent nighttime urination problems. This magazine ad for Cardura, a prescription medication, would seem mighty tempting. Lengthy print ads like this one and slick television spots tugging at emotions, like one featuring a father and his son on the need to keep cholesterol levels in check, are among an avalanche of promotions for prescription medicines promising to make us healthier, more attractive and at the very least able to live more comfortably

These direct-to-consumer prescription ads will ease our allergy symptoms, erase our wrinkles, fill in the bald spots and much more. But we can't jot down a name, hop in the car and pick these drugs up at the local convenience store. We can't call an 800 number or write to a P.O. Box to place our orders,

Do these ads give us the information we need to make a solid decision about our medical health? That depends on the ad and who you ask. And before we get our prescriptions we have to make appointments with our doctors explain what we saw and convince them that the drug is right for us.

If they agree, they will write the necessary prescriptions. Doctors are affected by direct-to-consumer advertisements more than anyone, because they are on the front line when people react to what they're

"They (patients) come in and say 'This is a great drug' and they don't know it's an advertisement, according to Dr. Vijay Goburdhun, who practices internal medicinecardiology in Livonia. "The public isn't educated enough to read medical advertisements. Patients come in and say 'I've read about such and such a thing, is it good for me?' and I say 'No, take what you're taking, because it's cheaper or it's better.'

The promotions should be through medical avenues and not the public, he said. "It's (direct-toconsumer advertising by pharmaceutical companies) a bad principle," Goburdhun added.

Dr. G. Gannod, a family practitioner in Canton, said he had mixed feelings about these ads. Patients regularly ask him about medications they've heard about on television or seen in a newspaper or magazine, he said.

"Sometimes it causes confusion," Gannod said. One patient, for instance, asked for a weight reduction prescription and it wouldn't have been an appropriate drug. "They don't have all the information available to them in the advertisement," Gannod said.

These doctors aren't alone in their frustration. Years ago, the American Medical Association was

against direct-to-consumer prescription drug advertising. Five years ago, however, the organization reversed its stand. A survey by Scott-Levin, a pharmaceutical consulting and research firm, found that physician opposition to direct-to-consumer ads is falling, according to The American Medical News.

Benefits seen

In fact, a Scott-Levin survey found that doctors believed the direct-to-consumer ads for prescription drugs were beneficial when patients, with illnesses like allergies were intimately involved in their treatments

Although we see these advertisements more than ever before, they're not new. The first advertising dollars that went into direct-to-consumer prescription drugs came to us in the early 1980s when pharmaceutical manufacturers applauded the value of less expensive generic drugs. By 1983, the Food and Drug Administration stopped the advertising practice and two years later it withdrew the ban.

One of the first and most celebrated direct-to-consumer pharmaceutical advertisements was the promotion of Rogaine, the hair replacement system. Today, the direct-to-consumer ads by pharmaceutical companies have soared. In fact, last year \$600 million was spent on these ads compared to \$12 million spent in the late 1980s, according to The American Medical News.

media and community relations for Parke-Davis, a division of Warner-Lambert with worldwide pharmaceutical research facilities based in Ann Arbor, points out that direct-to-consumer ads by pharmaceutical companies differ drastically from conventional ads and describes them as being more akin to public service announcements. And a lot of that comes from rules set by the FDA that make it difficult for pharmaceutical companies when they're spending money on direct-to-consumer

For instance, the FDA says companies can't use the drug's brand name and its purpose on television. Print ads include a detailed description of the drug's side effects, precautions that should be taken, studies regarding the drug and other sometimes frightening information and it's all written in the tiniest of print, usually on a page following the ad. Many of the pharmaceutical company ads focus on the medical condition and might not even mention the company's name

A newer area

Warner-Lambert's direct-toconsumer advertising has mostly been in print ads and press releases on various medical conditions, like high cholesteroly Mock said. "It's (direct-to-consumer ads) a newer area for pharmaceutical companies and it makes information available to consumers," Mock said. "The whole purpose is to educate and to raise awareness. Stephen Mock, director of You're not selling products, you're

making information available. Just because you see an ad on TV doesn't mean you need a treatment or that you will use the com-

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A recent edition of Reader's Digest, for instance, had an eightpage glossy tear-out advertisement on prostate cancer by America's Pharmaceutical Research Companies. Another month, another similar tear-out ad was in the magazine, but this time the information was about AIDS.

Jeff Warren, spokesman of Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America representing some 70 major pharmaceutical companies across the nation, said the goal of direct-toconsumer ads is not to educate the patient of a particular drug so he or she can buy it after seeing it advertised.

"The whole purpose is to refer the patient to the physician who is the only one who can prescribe the medicine," Warren said.

Pharmaceutical companies are finding that direct-to-consumer ads are successful. A 1995 survey by Scott-Levin found that of 3,000 consumers talked to, 13 of 17 drugs advertised directly to consumers were recognized 10 percent of the time. That's compared to 1989 when one drug was recognized 10 percent of the time. More change is on the horizon since the FDA is currently reviewing rules for direct-to-consumer advertising and is expected to revise those standards later this year.

Study examines stroke risk among blacks

The Detroit Medical Center is one of only two medical centers in Michigan to participate in an extensive study of stroke prevention medications for African-Americans. The African-American Antiplatelet Stroke Prevention Study is designed to accomplish what few other large stroke studies have done: produce data exclusively about African-Americans, who are twice as likely to have a stroke from the general population. African-Americans also suffer more complications from stroke.

"There have been numerous studies about stroke, but in many cases the African-American population was not well-represented," said Dr. Seemant Chaturvedi, M.D., Harper Hospital neurologist, co-director of the acute stroke unit and assistant professor of neurology at Wayne State University. "With this study, we will focus on that portion of the population that is at the highest risk for stroke.

The multi-year study is designed to compare the effectiveness of two medications, aspirin and ticlopidine, in the prevention of recurrent stroke. Both are approved by the Food and Drug Administration for that use. These medications belong to a group of drugs that render platelets, a component of blood that is important for clotting, less sticky, decreasing their tendency to form clots within blood vessels. Most strokes are the result of a blood clot formed in the brain or from the heart

that blocks an artery to the brain. Once accepted in the study, patients will be randomly assigned to one of the stroke prevention treatments of either aspirin or ticlopidine. "We can be very assured that the data we are collecting is

quite accurate. Also, in cur study every patient receives medication that has been shown to be a good treatment for preventing another stroke." added Chaturvedi.

The study is seeking a total of 1,800 participants who have suffered a stroke up to 90 days prior to entering the study. Potential participants will be screened to determine their eligibility. Study participants may quality for free medical care related to the study. Medications and lab tests pertaining to the study are provided free of charge.

For more information about the study or to become a participant, call (313) 745-4244. The study is sponsored by Hoffman-LaRoche Inc. and the National Institutes of Health.

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communicating with clients. She previously was a case manager for Home Care, a program administered by the Ministry of Health of Ontario, Cana-

Sinai physicians

The Detroit Medical Center's Sinai Hospital has welcomed physicians in the practice of primary care at Sinai's Primary Care Center.

Dr. Patricia A. Martin, M.D., returns to Sinai after serving as the director of medical education at the University of South Alabama. She is also an assistant professor of medicine at Wayne State University School of Medicine, from which she graduated

Dr. Khalid A. Rao, M.D. came to Sinai to complete his residency in internal medicine after serving as a medical officer at the Fatima Medical Center in Pakistan. Rao graduated from the Nishtar Medical College in Multan Pakistan

Dr. Joseph L. Blount, M.D. came to Sinai from the Metro Medical Group where he served as chairman of the Infection Control Committee. Blount graduated from the University of Michigan School of Medicine.

Dr. Ronald A. Charles, M.D., has been a member of Sinai's Internal Medicine staff since 1993. He is also an assistant professor of medicine at WSU School of Medicine, from which he graduated.

Dr. A. Robert Arnstein, M.D., has been a member of Sinai's Internal Medicine staff since 1993. He is also an associate professor of medicine at WSU School of Medicine. Arnstein graduated from the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. Marc A. Feldman, M.D., has been a member of Sinai's Internal Medicine staff since

1987 and currently serves as the director of the Primary Care Center. He is also an assistant professor of medicine at WSU School of Medicine, from which he graduated.

Specialist-in-chief



Kushner, 0 FACOFP, has been appointed associate specialist-in-chief for The Detroit Medical Center's Department of Family Medicine. In

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this role, Kushner will expand primary care throughout the medical center. His office is at The DMC's Grace Hospital in Detroit. Kushner continues to see patients at his clinical practice in Northville.

Kushner came to his new position from Sinai Hospital, where he was chief of the family practice department.

A graduate of Detroit's Cass Technical High School, Kushner received a pre-medical degree from the University of Detroit and a medical degree from the College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons in Des Moines, Iowa. He completed an internship at the Zieger Osteopathic Hospital in Detroit.

He is a clinical instructor of

family medicine and clinical assistant professor at Wayne State University School of Medicine. Kushner is also assistant clinical professor of family medicine at Michigan State University, College of Osteopathic Medicine in East Lansing.

New associate

Mary Finn of Belleville has joined Henry Ford Health System as a senior associate in Physician Practice Development. The department develops opportunities for private practice physicians to align with Henry Ford and develops support services to meet the needs of private physicians.

Finn was previously the administrator of Oakwood Hospital Beyer Center-Ypsilanti since 1987. She earned a bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology and a master's degree in health services administration from the University of Michigan.

She is a member of numerous professional and community groups.

Pharmacy director

Longtime Oakwood employee Rick Hillbom, current acting administrator at Oakwood Hospital Beyer Center-Ypsilanti, has been named corporate director of the new systemwide pharmacy.

Hillbom will be responsible for

the implementation of a systemwide pharmacy service that continues to expand Oakwood's capability for clinical and costeffective market growth and patient satisfaction. He will also be responsible for the development and maintenance of all pharmacy policies, procedures, goals and objectives. Additionally, Hillbom will serve as a liaison between the pharmacy department and other departments, medical staff, administrators and the community.

Hillbom has been employed at Oakwood since 1983 and had served as acting vice president and administrator at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has assumed his new position while continuing as acting administrator at Oakwood Hospital Beyer Center-Ypsilanti until a new administrator is appointed.

Lipidologist on staff

Lipidologist James J. Maciejko has joined Botsford General Hospital's Lipid Clinic, a division of the Botsford Cardiovascular Health Center.

Maciejko is an associate professor of medicine at Wayne State University School of Medicine, and an adjunct assistant professor of medicine at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas. He earned master's and Ph.D. degrees in physiology and metabolism from Michigan State University, and trained in lipidology at the Mayo Clinic.

His responsibilities include identifying those at risk for cardiovascular disease through an assessment of their genetic predisposition for the disease.

Assistant director



M.D., of West Bloomfield has been appointed assistant medical director and physician-incharge of

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Henry Ford Medical Center-Detroit Northwest. Stokes will continue in his current role as division head of obstetrics and gynecology for the Henry Ford medical centers in the Detroit

Stokes received his undergraduate degree from the University of California at Los Angeles and a medical degree from the University of California at San. Francisco. He also completed a residency at an affiliate of

Before joining Henry Ford in 1996, Stokes was a staff physician at Kaiser Permanente in Cleveland, Ohio.

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QUIT SMOKING

City of Livonia

St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a two-week, four-session class on Smoke-Free Living 1-3 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays in the Pavilion Conference Room A of the hospital, Five Mile at Levan in Livonia. Instructors cover the effects of smoking, benefits of quitting, what to expect

when quitting, coping techniques and strategies on staying smokefree. The \$25 price covers all materials. To register, call 1-800-494-1650.

TUES, MARCH 4

BACK TO WORK

Oakwood Occupational Healthcare Network will sponsor a "Return to Work" seminar 8-11:30 a.m. at Oakwood Support Services, Pizzimenti Conference Room, 4420 Venoy, Wayne. Registration and continental breakfast will be 8 a.m. Price is \$25 and checks, payable to Oakwood Occupational Healthcare Network, should be sent to 33000 Annapolis, Suite 210, Wayne 48184. To register, call 1-800-2-OAKWOOD.

GOOD NUTRITION

St. Mary Hospital will offer a free CareLink "Let's Talk ..." lecture on healthful eating entitled "Eating for Your Heart's Content" 1-3 p.m. in the hospital auditorium, Five Mile at Levan in Livonia. Registered dietitian Stephanie Nagy will discuss proper nutrition and how to prevent heart disease. A cooking demonstration will be included. Advance registration is requested. To register, call 1-800-494-

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

St. Mary Hospital will offer a course on Basic Life Support for health care providers 6-10 p.m in Pavilion Conference Room B near the south entrance, off of Levan Road at Five Mile in Livonia. This refresher course includes one- and two-person rescue of the adult victim and one-person rescue of the child

and infant during a cardiac emergency. Instruction also includes management of an obstructed airway in this American Heart Association course. Price is \$25. To register, call (313) 655-2922.

WED, MARCH 5

CANCER SUPPORT

The "Focus on Living" self-help group for cancer patients and their families will meet 7-8:30 p.m. in the hospital auditorium at St. Mary Hospital, Five Mile at Levan in Livonia. The group is co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society and meets the first Wednesday of each month at the hospital. Registration isn't required and there is no charge. For information, call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650

MENOPAUSE SUPPORT

The Marian Women's Center Menopause Support Group will meet 7-9 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room A of St. Mary Hospital, Five Mile at Levan in Livonia. Speaker and support group facilitator Debra Madonna will discuss "What Is Menopause?" There is no charge and advance registration isn't required. For information, call 1-800-494-1615.

CHILD CPR

A class on child and infant CPR will be offered 7 p.m. at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster ween Ford and Warren roads. Infant/child resuscitation and obstructed airway techniques are taught in the threehour class, approved by the American Heart Association. To register or for information, call (313) 458-4330. The class is

offered monthly.

MARCH 5-6 **BLOOD DRIVE**

Oakwood Healthcare System and the American Red Cross will sponsor blood drives. One will be 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March 5 at the Detroit College of Business, on the plaza level of the Village Plaza Building, 23400 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. To make an appointment, call (313) 278-5151. The second will be 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. March 6 at Oakwood Hospital Medical Center-Dearborn (Adray A-G conference rooms), 18101 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. To make an appointment, call (313) 593-

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MARCH 5, 12, 19

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer "Community First Aid" 6-10 p.m. March 5, 6-9 p.m. March 12 and 6-9 p.m. March 19 at the Red Cross Dearborn Service Center, 25001 Michigan Ave. Dearborn. Artificial respiration, CPR and choking techniques for infants, children and adults will be covered. Price is \$43. To register, call

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Oakwood Healthcare System Community-Focused Health Promotion Network, in collaboration with the Dearborn Lions Club, will sponsor a "Heart Health Screening" 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Dearborn Civic Center, 15801 Michigan Ave. The screening will include a total cholesterol test and blood pressure measurement. It is free. For information, call 1-800-543-

MARCH 6, 13

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer "Standard First Aid," including adult CPR. Price is \$33. It will meet 6-10 p.m. March 6 and 6-9 p.m. March 13 at the Red Cross Dearborn Service Center, 25001 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. To register, call (313) 274-5450.

MARCH-APRIL

ACTIVE PARENTING Oakwood Healthcare System Community-Focused Health Promotion Network will sponsor a class on "Active Parenting of Teens." Sessions will be 7-9 p.m. March 5, 12, 19 and 26, and April 2 and 9 at the Oakwood Healthcare Center-Westland, 2345 Merriman. Topics will include sex, drugs, self-esteem, obedience, courage and respect. Price is \$35 and there is no charge for spouses who attend. Advance registration is required and may be done by calling 1-

SAT, MARCH 8

CANCER SURVIVORS The Metropolitan Detroit Com-

800-543-WELL.

munity Coalition for Cancer Survivorship will present the sixth annual symposium for cancer survivors 8:45 a.m. at the Costick Activities Center, on the campus of Mercy High School at 11 Mile and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. The program is free, but registration in advance is requested. To register for the half-day program, call Sharon Cure, 1-800-527-6266.

PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

A "Great Expectations" seminar will be held 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for prospective parents at Botsford General Hospital, 28050 Grand River Ave. in Farmington Hills. It will cover a range of topics, including fertility signals. childbirth options, emotional aspects of preparing for parenthood, and a presentation on stress management and family life. Cost is \$15 per couple or \$7.50 per individual, and

advance registration is required. To register, call (810) 477-6100. The seminar will also be offered Saturdays, June 7, Sept. 13 and

MON, MARCH 10

CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION

A six-week course on childbirth education will begin 6 p.m. at Garden City Hospital. It will provide information on pregnancy, labor and delivery, newborn care and postpartum care. Early registration in pregnancy is recommended and may be completed by calling (313) 458-4330.

MARCH 11-14

The American Cancer Society will hold the 12th Annual Great American Lock Up. For \$25, you can have someone "arrested" by calling 1-800-543-JAIL. Prisoners will then make phone calls to raise their "bail." Last year's event raised more than \$800,000.

WED, MARCH 12

WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

A quarterly forum for women, ages 40-60, to discuss issues and concerns dealing with mid-life changes will be offered from 7-8:30 p.m. at Botsford General Hospital. A physician will speak on perimenopause issues. Botsford General Hospital is at 28050 Grand River, Farmington Hills. Call (810) 477-6100 for more information.

HEALTHY EATING

Oakwood Healthcare System Community-Focused Health Promotion Network will offer a class on "Healthy Eating for the Whole Family" 7-9 p.m. at Henry Ford Community College. Cost is \$12. Advance registration is required and may be done by calling (313) 845-6403. The class will offer guidelines for providing healthy meals for the whole family. It will address children's nutrition issues, including breakfast, snacks, brown bag lunches and dealing with picky

DIABETES SUPPORT

St. Mary Hospital will hold a Diabetes Support Group meeting 7-8:30 p.m. in the hospital auditorium, near the Five Mile entrance at Levan in Livonia. Speaker Janice Wheeler, a certified diabetes educator at the hospital, will discuss "What To Do When You Can't Eat." Registration isn't required and there is no charge. For information, call (313) 655-2922 or 1-800-494-1650.

TRAUMA NURSING

Henry Ford Hospital will host its fourth annual trauma nursing conference, "Excellence in Trauma Nursing: It's No Accident," at the Holiday Inn Fairlane, Conference Center, 5810 Southfield (service drive), Detroit. Speaker will be Marilyn Sawyer Sommers, Ph.D., R.N., CCRN, associate professor at the College of Nursing and Health at the University of Cincinnati. EMS providers are also encouraged to attend. Price is \$75, including continental breakfast and lunch For registration information, call (313) 876-1098 or (313) 876-

MARCH 13, APRIL

BEYOND OVEREATING

A program on "Beyond Overeat-ing: The Food-Brain Connection" for health care professionals will be held March 13 at the Northfield Hilton, 5500 Crooks in Troy, and April 11 at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft in Livonia. Both sessions will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Price is \$56. To register via credit card, call 1-800-937-6878. For general information, call (510) 450-1650.

MARCH-MAY

LEAGUE FOR NURSING The Michigan League for Nursing will offer continuing education programs. "Delegation: The Changing Face of Nursing" will meet March 14 at Schoolcraft College. "Advanced Medical/Surgical Skills for Intensely Ill Patients" will meet April 30 at Schoolcraft College. "Home Health Nursing: It Can Work for You" will meet May 21 at Schoolcraft College. Early registration is recommended. To register, call (313) 427-1900.

SAT, MARCH 15

SPINA BIFIDA

A Spina Bifida meeting will be 9 a.m. to noon at MedMax, 35600 Central City Parkway, across from Westland Center in Westland. Those attending will meet others to discuss issues within the support group. There is no charge. For information, call (313) 458-7100.

MON, MARCH 17

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP Botsford General Hospital continues its monthly educational meetings with speakers on prostate cancer. The group will receive encouragement and learn about its treatments, the physical and emotional issues involved. The free meeting starts at 7 p.m. in Botsford's East A Conference Room, 28050 Grand River, Farmington Hills. For more information, call (810) 477-

TUES, MARCH 18 STROKE, ANEURYSM

A group for those who have had or have a cerebral aneurysm or stroke will meet at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road. between Ford and Warren roads. Family members and friends are welcome. For information, call (313) 458-4396.

MARCH 18, 20

A fitness class for expectant mothers is offered by Garden City Hospital in conjunction with the Wayne-Westland Family YMCA. Tuesday sessions featuring land exercise are held in the gym of the hospital's Health Education Center. Thursday classes featuring water exercise are held at the YMCA. Both sessions start 7 p.m. and the first classes of four weeks start March 18 and 20. To register. call (313) 458-4330.

MARCH 18-APRIL

PARENTING

ADULT RESCUE

An Adult Rescue (Heartsaver) CPR class will be offered 7 p.m. at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster, between Ford and Warren roads. Participants will learn one-person rescue through a film, lecture and demonstrations. The course is approved by the American Heart Association. Advance registration is required. To register, call (313) 453-4330.

MARCH 20, 27

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer "CPR for the Professional Rescuer" 6-10:30 p.m. at the Red Cross Dearborn Service Center, 25001 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. Price is \$60. To register or for information, call (313) 274-5450.

WED, MARCH 19

A parenting class will be offered

by Garden City Hospital and the Garden City Public Library at

the library, 2012 Middlebelt, two

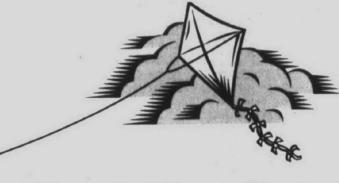
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blocks south of Ford Road.

vices at (313) 458-4330.

"Active Parenting Today" will

is required by calling Garden City Hospital Community Ser-



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WHY BE ALONE?
Good-looking, thoughtful/caring, affectionate, honest WM, 50, 57, 180lbs, enjoys dining out, movies, ravel, warm vacations, holding hands, long walks. Seeking petite/medium-sized, warm, caring woman, 35-50, for LTR/monogamous relationship, \$\frac{\text{T1175}(\text{exp43})}{\text{SEEKING MS. RIGHT}}\$

SEEKING MS. RIGHT
SWM, 29, 5111, 6; brown/blue, caring, honest, considerate, good sense of humor, likes all types of sports, cooking, dancing, theater. Seeking caring, honest WF, 24-35, with similar interests, for LTR. \$\frac{\text{TR}}{2}\$
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WOMEN SEEKING MEN

FRIENDS FIRST 50, 5'5", auburn/her SWF. 50, 5'5", auburn/hazel, pretty, enjoys, music, dining out, socializing, sense of humor, seeks same SWM, NS, ND, 45-55. For conversation and friendship. 171183(exp4/3)

DOWN-TO-EARTH

Humorous, conservative SBPF, 40e, average height, slender, no dependents, enjoys conversation, travel, music, theater, drining, walking, and sports. Seeking compatible SM, 4557, must be employed. \$\mathbf{T}\$1177(exp.476)

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT

DVF. 29. attractive. 5'4". 123lbs. brown/brown, likes dancing, animals Seeking a man with a sense of humor. 30-45. 121004(exp4/3). MARRIAGE-MINDED CATHOLIC Romantic, Italian SWF. N/S. 37, 5'4'. slender, brunette, westsider enjoys movies, travel, dining, music, walking, hookey, classic cars, events. Seeking financially secure, Catholic SWM. 35-40, N/S. desiring family life. 121173 (exp4/3).

POET SEEKING ... new inspiration DWF, 40, N/S, attractive, intelligent, seeks open honest, preferably educated, gentleman, for romance, fairy tales, and a hug any time of the day just because.

Widowed WF, 68, petite, attractive, comantic, caring, enjoys movies, walks, seeks fun partner for love and lots of affection. Will answer all calls T9625(exp4/3)

WOMAN OF SUBSTANCE

Attractive, intelligent, romantic, DWF. #9503(exp3/13)

Attractive, intelligent, romants DWF, 45, 5'3". H/W proportionate, with morals, honest communicator Seeking professional DWM, 45+, N/S, N/Drugs, no head games, friends first \$\frac{1165}{(exp4/3)}\$ SLENDER, SHAPELY ...

sophisticated, blonde beauty, seeks companionship/chemistry with handsome, fit gentleman, 50s. We are: in shape, refined, cultured,

Attractive, intelligent, fun-loving SBF, intelligent, enjoys working out, romantic evenings, candlelight dinners, seeks good-looking SBM, 27+, intriguing, well-built, sense of humor, for serious relationship.

humor, for serious relationship.

1162(exp4/3)

SURPRISE ME

SWF, mid-40s, seeking SWM, mid30s-mid-40s, my interests bowling, bingo, auto races, spectator sports, walking, funny movies. 11159(exp 4/3)

S/DWM, 45-55, N/S, social drinker.

59°+, H/W proportionate, who enjoys dancing, music, romantic evenings, etc, for LTR. 21156(exp4/3)

PRETTY PROFESSIONAL

33.5°T, slim, long dark blonde, sense of humor, independent, like sports, dining, dancing and travel. Seeking thoughtful, classy, single white gentleman, 29+. 379902(exp3/27)

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SOPHISTICATED AND LOOKING
It's time to settle down and become

It's time to settle down and become serious about finding you. If you are a refined gentlernan, late 40s-early 50s, college educated, N/S, who enjoys life's finer moments, look no further \$\mathbf{T}\$9891(exp3/27) SEARCHING FOR TRUE LOVE

Well-rounded, humorous SWF, 43, 57°, brown/hazel, N/S, enjoy sports, jazz, C&W, quiet times at home.

jazz, C&W, quiet times at home Seeking honest, romantic, hymorous, mature S/DWM, 38-52, 5'7*, N/S, who can appreciate me, for possible mariage, 179890(exp3/27)

SEXY, WELL-BUILT BLONDE
5, 130lbs, green eyes, 50lsh, seeking bad boy look, no pot-bellied, married, men with thinning hair who drink or smoke too much. Ready to rock and roll with S/DWM, 40-50, 179813(exp 3/27). CINNAMON SPICE

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Attractive, outgoing nice sincere, female, 36, looking for intelligent, honest, handsome, financially secure SBM, for real frendship/maybe more. If this fits you, give me a call. 1279812 (eur.) 327) (exp3/27)
PRETTY BRUNETTE
DWF, 48, 5'7", physically fit, dec

PRETTY BRUNETTE
DWF, 48, 57°, physically fit, degreed, family-oriented, enjoy concerts, sports, movies, dining out, travel, walking, quiet evenings, laughter. Seeking professional gentleman S/DWM, N/S, social drinker, with similar interests, possible LTR. 97 9811(exp3/27)
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Attractive, witty professional
vegetarian DWF, active physically,
mentally and spiritually. Seeking
active, intellectual SDWM, N/S, 45-53, prefer rigged good looks, but
emotional maturity and spiritual
swareness a must #9807(exp3/27)
SOULMATE WANTED
Petite blonde, 40s, 5'5', 118lbs, on
quest 1'or best friend/partner,
physically fit, enjoys golf, tennis,
romantic candielit dinners, college
grad/successful professional, 45-55,
made the journey through his sout, is
ready for commitment. #9879(exp
3/27)

Fun, feelings, and interests including: travel, arts, skiing, PBS, and your interests. Attractive, slender SF, 5'5', seeks, companion, 50-59. 22'9584

seeks, companion, 50-58. 2 9584
(exp3/20).

WANTED: YOUNG MAN.
or young-at-heart man, 45-7, can
understand/appreciate the attributes
of older woman, late 50s, tall,
attractive blonde, intelligent, classy,
physically fit, financially secure, would
enjoy sharing/caring with someone.

179582(exp3/20)

NEEDS COMPANIONSHIP
DWF, 58, enjoys movies, dining out,
camping, animals, quiet evenings,
sense of humor. Seeking males, with
same interests. 279578(exp3/20)

THE RIGHT CHEMISTRY?
Attractive, classy, down-to-earth
DWF, 50, 5'4", traditional values,
seeks professional somewhat
assertive, NS DM, 45-55, to start the
reaction for possible LTR. 279665(exp

CHARMING & CHEERFUL
Pretty, playful DF, 53, 5°s', blonde/
flue, physically fit, with many
tlerests, seeks attractive, interesting,
aring, NS gentleman, with a sunny,
mile, for meaningful relationship.

WHO'S THAT LADY? It's me, Jewish, blue-eyed, blor It's me, Jewish, blue-eyed, blonde, in this immaterial world, age 54 but doesn't know it, mysterious, dress like Madonna sometimes, terrific cook, good dancer, loves life's adventures. Needs understanding male. TP9659 (exp3/20).

I KNOW YOU'RE OUT THERE! SWF, 34, 510°, 130lbs, independent homeowner, enjoys sports, outdoors, movies, good food, friends. Seeking SWM, 30-40, 6+, with similar interests, who can have fun and laugh at himself. Must love pets. \$2,9656 (ass/320).

(exp3/20)
SEEKING SINCERE GENTLEMAN
Romantic, attractive SWF, 48, 5/7,
1201bs, brown/brown, selectively
seeking professional sincere
gentleman, for friendship, laughter
and adventure, leading, laughter seeking professional sincere gentleman, for friendship, laughter and adventure, leading to more Health-conscious and N/S. Interests: travel, theater, jazz and nature. \$\overline{\pi}\$ 514(exp3/13)

RAYEN-HAIRED BEAUTY

RAVEN-HAIRED BEAUTY
Classy DWF. 40, 57, 125lbs, honest,
sense of humor, no dependents,
music, mails, good conversation.
Seeking tall, handsome, fit, financially/
emotionally secure, gentleman, 35-45,
for friendship, going out, and see if
there's chemistry. \$79508(exp3/13)

Petite brunette, 54, seeking rewarding
friendship with \$7DM, 54+, who enjoys
movies, fine dining, quiet evenings.
N/S. \$79505(exp3/13)

N/S T9505(exp3/13)

CLASSY BLONDE

Professional, 40, 5'8", N/S, enjoys fine drining, theater, movie, boating, tennis, seeks handsome, outgoing DWM, 38-50, N/S, degreed professional, for long-term committed relationship

HOPELESS ROMANTIC.

SWF 28, H/W proportionate, adventurous outdoors-type, one child, seeks someone to enhance my life Someone 25-36, easygoing, financially secure, who knows how to have a good time. #9502(exp3/13)

ATTRACTIVE PROFESSIONAL.

Classly, educated, 5'6', N/S, perky blonde/blue, anxious to meet Tail, N/S, 54'63, silver (or no haired) romantic, successful professional, with vaned interests (theater, football, travel, water, animals, values). New memories await. #9501(exp3/13)

One-of-akkind BF, 40, enjoys music

ONE-OF-A-KIND
One-of-akind BF. 40, enjoys music (especially jazz), sports, concerts, theater, and quiet evenings at home. Call me, let's chaft 179405(exp2/13)
DWF. 38 (tooks younger), 5'2'.
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university degreed, N'S, no dependents, recently returned from 5 years in Europe, interests: music, art, book, theater, cinema, seeks attractive single/divorced WPM, 28-42, for friendship/LTR, 179403(exp3/13)
OUTGOING FRIEND
SWF. 19, brown/blue, enjoys outdoors, horseback riding, movies, spending quality time, seeks SWM, 19-27, with similar interests, N/S, N/Drugs, looking for friends first.
179401(exp3/13)
VIVACIOUS

Petite, fun-loving DWF, late 40s, feel 18. 5', blonde/brown, no dependents, enjoys movies, dancing, shows, etc, seeks fun, loving S/DWM, over 44, to seeks fun, loving S/DWM, over 44, to seeks fun, loving S/DWM, over 44, to share time with, for possible relationship. \$\mathbf{T}\$\$ \$00(exp3/13)\$

A LADY OF SUBSTANCE
SBF, 40+, full-figured, enjoys jazz, plays, dining, traveling, and movies. Seeking financially secure SM, 6'+, race unimportant, sincere only reply. \$\mathbf{T}\$\$ \$7488(exp3/13)\$

race unimportant, sincere only reply. T9488(eyg3/13)

OAKLAND COUNTY

SBF. 38, seeks SM, who is sincere, honest, fun, loves to travel, dine out, for companionship. T9484(eyg3/13)

STRONG AND TENDER

DWF, 30-something. Professionally, I'm confident, intelligent, career/integrity driven. Privately, I'm tender, creative, very much a woman. You are, confident, aggressive, successful, professional, and not afraid of me. T9481(exp3/13) professional, and 19481(exp3/13)

NEW FROM CAPE COD

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One tall, sophisticated man, 48-60, away from the one i'm looking for I I'm tall, smart, traveled, trim, 53. Happy and full of energy. Ready to live and love the night man, 29479(exp3/13)

BE MY VALENTINE
DWF. 518*, 130lbs, N/S, wishes to meet a tall gentleman, 45-55, who knows how to treat a lady. You must enjoy dancing, music, sports, quality time. 29477(exp3/13)

NEW TO AREA
SWF. young 60, enjoys walking,

NEW TO AREA

SWF. young 60, enjoys walking, movies, dining out, animals, seeks companionship with widowed or DM, 60s. Would like to meet for coffee and conversation. 27 9255(exp4/3)

STILL LOOKING FOR ROMANCE

DWF. 48, parent, slim build (5'4', 112lbs), active, enjoys physical as well as mental challenges. Appreciates male who has taken care of physical/mental side. 27 9245(exp 4/3)

of physical/mental side. \$\mathbf{T}\$9248(exp 4/3)\$

BE MY VALENTINE

Classy SWF, mid-40s, petite 52°, not a blue jeans girl, great personality, big smile, enjoys everything from shooting pool to theatrical theater. Seeking active, kind gentleman, great personality, family-oriented, 5° 7°, 50-60, N/S, N/D, financiality/emotionally-secure. \$\mathbf{T}\$2690(exp4/3)\$

SEEKING LOVE IN LIVONIA Pretty SWF, 42, H/W proportionate, brown/hazel, seeks happiness with fun, easygoing, family-oriented man who has potential. \$\mathbf{T}\$8598(exp4/3)\$

LET'S QQ

Good girls go ip heaven, bad girls go

Good girls go to heaven, bad girls go everywhere. Stractive lady, 40s, seeks romantic, interesting, smiling DWM, 42-52, to go places with.

8599(spA/3)
MOTHER OF ONE
SBF, 23, student, seeks N/Dfugs, N/S
male, 18-30. Seeking befreet, educated, employed, sensitive, familyoriented, and romantic. 29/9245(exp
4/3)

PLEASANT SUPPRISE
Awesome, petite, brunette, seeks for sparks. You are mid-40s to early 50s, with hair, secure, mentally, physically, financially, with sense of humor. 22
9238(exp.43)

COSMIC FEMALE STARSEED

COSMIC FEMALE STARSEED
Seeks peace-loving, sacred male
playmate, grounded in his own
wisdom, to surf the Millennial
Madness beyond social hypnosis, to
freedom and ecstasy. \$\mathbf{T}\$9226(exp4/3)
SHE'S THE ONE
Sweet, sensuous, smart and gorgeous too, \$77*, 130fbs, MA degreed,
early 40s, childless, well-read, into
bike touring, antiquing, cuddling and
laughing. Seeking good-looking, welleducated, articulate, outgoing-guy,
N/S. \$\mathbf{T}\$9225(exp4/3)

COMFORTABLE TO SE WITH
Adventurous, fun, European-born
DWF, passionate, pretty, young 52,
seeks tall, honest, available, intelligent
gentleman, 50s or younger, to enjoy
life's pleasures with. \$\mathbf{T}\$983(exp4/3)

CUTE ITALIAN
Sincere, warm DWF, 61, 5'2', enjoys
movies, walks, reading, and conversation. Seeking good-natured, honest
SWM, NS, 5772, \$\mathbf{T}\$9142 (exp3/27). Swm, Nesang, and conversation. Seeking good-natured, honest SWM, N/S, 57-72. 19142 (exp3/27)

DWF. 44, 5'8', blonde/green, sensual, romantic, full-figured, likes comedy clubs, theater, movies, dining out. In search of tall, large build, fun-loving S/DWM, for serious LTR. 19051 (exp3/27)

GREEN-EYED BRUNETTE
Attractive, 35, 515°, 110lbs, professional, very optimistic, carefree, successful, N/S, no children, enjoys all seasons and has varied interests. es to laugh. Seeking down-to-earth n, late 30-early 50s. 179049(exp

UPTOWN LADY Seeking sharp-dressing man. Passionate, attractive, spiritual SW lady, 50, loves dancing, art, laughs and snuggling. Seeking handsome, romantic, secure, honest, affable, N/S gentleman. #9046(exp3/27).

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Humprous, conservative SRPE 40s.

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Humorous, conservative SBPF, 40s, average height, slender, no dependents, enjoys conversation, travel, music, theater, dining, walking, and sports. Seeking compatible SM, 40-55, must be employed. \$\mathbf{T}\$9140(exp.3/27) LET'S DO COFFEE

LET'S DO COFFEE

SWF, 22, 5'2', brown/hazel, seeks
S'WM, 25'-35, who enjoys conversation, honesty and fidelity, welleducated. For friendship, fun and
possible LTR. T9139(exp3/27)

"ONE OF A KIND"

I'm a petite DWF, very active,
outgoing, enjoy golf, bowling, cards,
people, travel, football. Seeking a
kind, sweet man with family values, no
couch potatices please. T9132
(exp3/27)

HONEST, ROMANTIC

Attractive DWF 49, 5'6", 135lbs,
blonde/green, seeks financially secure

Attractive DWF 49, 5'6", 135lbs, blonde/green, seeks financially secure S/DWM, 45-55, N/S, social drinker, 5'10"+, HW proportionate, who enjoys dancing, music, romantic evenings, etc., for LTR. 19128(exp.3/27)

CLASSY, HONEST, ROMANTIC describe us both, SWF, 58, lady of substance, seeks quality, trim, emotionally/financially secure SWM, N/S, to share dancing, travel, movies, dining out, and more. 19126(exp.3/27)

Feminine, slender, sweet, blonde beauty, seeks companionship/chemistry with handsome, fit gentleman 50s. We are in shape, refined, cultured, successful. Enjoys world travel, country club golf, beaches, life's finer things. 379125(exp347).

GO FOR HAPPINESS...
With a cute, fit, humorous, athletic, honest DWF, 45, who enjoys movies, walking, sporting events, dancing, theater. Isobking for companionship, possible LTR. 379124(exp3/27).

HOME-COOKED MEALS
SWF, 47, attractive redhead, 5'2', curvy figure, good shape, easygoing, honest, sincere, affectionate, inancially secure, no dependents.

honset, sincere, affectionate, inancially secure, no dependents. Seeking companion to share happy home life, good cooking, movies, dancing, NS preferred, 43-55. Pets welcome. TF9123(exp3/27)

WHO CAN ITELL?

Blonde, green eyes, 5'6', trim, early-50s, sweet, warm, educated, I don't even know you, I need to bring my dpaams to life, with understanding man, polite and wonderful charming. TF8095(exp3/27)

man, polite and wonderful charming.

T8095(exp3/27)

SEEKING
SOMEONE SPECIAL
Easygoing, down-to-earth, good sense of humor, caring and affectionate, blonde hair, 5'5", enjoys bingo, dinner. Seeking someone caring and mature, neat and clean, giving, 55-65. T8393(exp3/27)

BROWN-EYD GIRL.
DWF, happy, petite blonde, 39, 5'2", enjoys dancing, movies and dining out. Seeking honest gentleman, 37-42, N/S, with sense of humor, for friendship, possible LTR. T8394 (exp3/27)

WHERE'S "THE ONE"

(exp3/27)

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DWF, 34, 57", 127lbs, N/S, attractive, fun, affectionate, very nice, down-to-earth, one child. Seeking eventual LTR, with caring, fun, financially secure SWM, N/S, 36-48. 178395

(exp3/27) SATISFACTION GUARANTEED Attractive SWF, 23, 4'11', 160lbs,

blonde/blue, enjoys movies, quiet evenings, skating, long walks, hockey and football. Seeking SWM, 25-35, who is looking for a LTR. \$278399(exp. 2727)

who is looking for a LTN.
3/27)

FLOAT YOUR SOAT,
make your day. Entrepreneur, 50, successful, giving, loving, seeks her knight in shining armor, a sincere, successful WM, 43-70. Please reply.

SUCCESSIU WARM
STAY WARM
It's cold outside. I need a warm,
handsome, fun S/DWM, 30-42, to
keep this DWF, 39, warm and toasty.
8085(exp3/27)

FREE HEADLINE:

(25 characters or less)

FREE 30 WORD AD:

Looking for love in all the wrong places? I'm the answer to your prayers. For a good time with a bad girl, call mel \$7822(exp3/27)

TIRED OF LOSING
DWF, 23, 55°, 114lbs, brown/blue,
enjoys dancing, dining, movies,
romantic evenings. Seeking S/DWM,
23-26, with family values, sense of
humor, financially secure, must own
vehicle. 378072(exp3/27)

GORGEOUS
Attractive SBF, intelligent, hard-working, enjoys working out, movies, candlelight dinners, seeks good-looking SB/Indian male: 27-37, intelligent, well-built, for special relationship. TB8075(exp3/27) **PRETTY WOMAN**

Attractive SF, 5'7', dark complected, dark eyes, seeks someone, 5'8"+, who likes to go out and have fun, novice, depoint takes care of movies, dancing, takes care himself, for LTR. 28242(exp3/27)

SIMPLICITY WITH CLASS
Intelligent, attractive DWF, short
bionda/blue, younger looking, early
50s. Seeking rewarding triendship
with S/DM, 50+ who enjoys fine
dining, theater, scenic drives. \$\mathbf{T}\$7818
(acc) 4777.

(exp3/27)

UPBEAT

Very attractive SWF, 5'7", slender, auburn/hazel, no dependents, N/S. Enjoys fitness, cooking, music. Seeking fit, outgoing, intelligent SM, 46-56. Western Wayne County. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 7819(exp3/27)

NEW YEAR'S WISH
SWF, 33, wants to start 1997 with special guy. New Year's resolution is finding someone to share lasting morning someons to share lasting memories of friendship, family, home. Look no further. Seeking SM, never married, 33-39. 137820(exp3/27)

EUROPEAN WIDOW

Attractive, bright female, 46, blonde/blue, seeks Tom Cruise/Tom & Jerry hype, for prancing and great wild fun! 137935(exp3/27)



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BROWN-EYED GIRL

Attractive, intelligent SHF, 31, enjoys dancing, romance, movies, hockey, working out. Searching for a hardworking, fun-loving and sinceregentleman who will make my heart smile. 127737(exp3/27)

LONELY TOO LONG

One last chance to get this lady...
DWF 24, long brown/blue, seeks S/DWM 27-32, employed, honest, sincere...going, going, gonel 127668 (exp3/27)

LIKE SHOPPING FOR A PUPPY Self-supporting, good-looking WF, petite, good sense of humor. Seeking best friend and companion. Tan day trial period, if you don't fall in love...you may exchange. 12 8245 (exp3/27)

COWBOY WANTED!!

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Yee Haw!! Howdy! Blonde haired, blue-eyed SWF, loves country life, horses, outdoors and all that good stuff. If you're a SWM, 21-26, would love to meet a country girl, please call, ASAP! \$\forallow{TP}\$ 12-26, would love to meet a country girl, please call, ASAP! \$\forallow{TP}\$ 12-26, would love to meet a country girl, please call, ASAP! \$\forallow{TP}\$ 12-26, would love to meet a country girl, please call, ASAP! \$\forallow{TP}\$ 12-26, would love to meet a country girl, please call, ASAP! \$\forallow{TP}\$ 12-26, would love to the country of two, varied interests, horseback riding, car races, romantic evenings, traveling, Seeking \$M, 35-50, financially secure, fun-loving caring, N/D, N/Drugs, smokers ok. \$\forallow{TP}\$ 23-27, seeks \$\forallow{TP}\$ 3-28, for companionship/possible relationship. \$\forallow{TP}\$ 23-38, for companionship/possible relationship. \$\forallow{TP}\$ 23-28, for companionship/possible relationship. \$\forallow{TP}\$ 24-26, would look and \$\forallow{TP}\$ 24-26, would lo

MEET FOR COFFEE
Attractive professional, affectionate, outgoing, independent, peopleoriented, SWF, 40-something, loves to laugh, enjoys movies, the outdoors, dining out, meeting with friends. Seeks intelligent, professional, humorous SM. 27920(exp3/27)

BLUE-EYED LADY
Hagiltry, honest, loyal SWF, 60, 5'3', 150bs, enjoys most sports, the outdoors. Seeks male with similar interests. 27922(exp3/27)

FRIENDS FIRST

SWF, 42, 5'1', red/blue, enjoys music, long walks, camping, fishing. Seeking SWM, 35-45, N/S with similarinterests, good sense of humor.

27817(exp3/27)

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SPORTS & INTERESTS

MEN SEEKING

YOUNG AND FUN

SWM, 38, 58*, 160lbs, blond/blue, no
dependents, homeowner, selfemployed, health-conscious, extremely
active, mentally/financially secure.
Seeking slim, vibrant, open-minded
S/DWF, 25-40, for friendship, LTR.
12**1184(exp4/3)**

HANDSOME, THOUGHTFUL
DWM, 54, 5'8*, 180lbs, likes golf,
dining, cards, movies, dancing,
cooking, romantic evenings: Seeking
S/DWF, 35-55, who is romantic and
fun to be with. For friendship or LTR.
Please call again, messages lost.
12**1182(exp4/3)**
TIRED OF BLIND DATES?
Handsome DWM, 40, 6'2*, 185lbs,

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Handsome DWM, 40, 6'2", 185lbs,
blond/blue, athletic, respectful,
affectionate, seeks beautiful S/OWF.
Do you appreciate intelligence,
sincerity, and loyally? \$\overline{T}\$1181(exp4/3)

WHY SETTLE?

sincerity, and loyalty? \$\text{T1E8}\$ sincerity, and loyalty? \$\text{T1E8}\$ l can be your intellectual equal, your spiritual connection & your sensual counterpart. Sim, trim \$JM, 44; seeks relationship-oriented, non-smoking \$WF, 33-42. Interests include: movies, dancing, ethnic dining, and bookstores. \$\text{T180}(exp4/3)\$

**COMPATBILITY?*

SWPM, 41, 5'8", fit, Catholic, no dependents, humorous, communicative, introspective, seeks trim, educated, emotionally available \$WF, 30-40, to share happy, healthy relationship. \$\text{T1905}(exp4/3)\$

**SEEKING ASIAN BEAUTY...

you are very attractive, under 40, romantic, i'm a white male, 40, attractive, muscular and clean cute. Seeking relationship. \$\text{T179}(exp4/3)\$

WOMAN INSIDE ME

DWM, 40, Asian born, 5'7", 160lbs, sensitive, professional, seeks proportional, non-materialistic, spiritual, non-religious, intelligent \$WF, 28-41, \$\text{T2178}(exp4/3)\$

OLDER WOMAN WANTED!

Handsome, romantic, athletic, confident, passionate, clean-cut \$WM, 25, 6', dark hair. Seeking attractive, service, sexy WF, 25-45, for heaventy friendship/relationship, that will keep you smilling. \$\text{T176}(exp4/3)\$

Aspiring black entrepreneur with Pentium-speed mind and sleek notebook, seeks cyber-literate friend, with ample hard drive and RAM. E-mail address a must. Web page optional. \$\foatsymbol{T}\$1155(exp4/3)\$

EASYGOING

SWM, 48, 5'5", 165lbs, seeks SWF, for frendship and/or more. Should be 35-45, around 5'4", 125lbs, also easygoing, and enjoy Harleys and boating. \$\overline{T}\$9816(exp3/27)\$

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Creative SWM, 30, 6'1", 180lbs, handsome. Seeking warm, passionate, unpretentious Persian or Asian professional female, 26-33, who loves life, music, the arts, travel. Must be ambitious and athletic with sense of humor. \$\overline{T}\$990(exp3/27)\$

NATURE LOVER

SWM, 28, 5'9", 150lbs, attractive, traditional, affectionate, and romantic. Enjoys rollerblading, fishing, autumn. Seeking proportionate, cute SF, comfortable in jeans/-shirts, and likes dogs, for LTR. \$\overline{T}\$9901(exp3/27)\$

TEETIME

Early retired, white, auto executive, mid-50s, 6', 180lbs, enjoys fitness, country club, golf, and travel. Seeking sim, attractive female, to share rhy passion for golf, and rawel. Seeking sim, attractive female, to share rhy passion for golf, and rawel. Seeking sim, attractive female, to share rhy passion for golf, and rawel. Seeking sim, attractive temale, to share rhy passion for golf, and rawel. Seeking sim, attractive female, to share rhy passion for golf, and rawel. Seeking sim, attractive temale, to share rhy passion for golf, and romance. \$\overline{T}\$900(exp3/27)\$

PREFECT GENTLEMAN

Seeking pretty SWF, 21-35, slim with family values, relocate to NY suburbs, by homeowner SWM, 34, 6', 180lbs, great looks/personality. \$\overline{T}\$999(exp 3/27)\$

great looks/personality. \$\overline{\textit{T9899}}(\text{exp} \) \frac{3\text{27}}{PROFESSIONALLY} \text{EmpLOYED}

Tall and athletic SWM, likes dining, concerts and sporting events, seeks a SWF, 20-35, who likes simple things in life and wants a relationship and a great best friend. \$\overline{\text{T9898}}(\text{exp} \text{3/27})\$

NEVER BORING

Attractive SM, 41, biond/blue, enjoys challenge, excitement, learning, exploring, candlelight, music, fires, cocking and romantic evenings, seeks intelligent, fun-loving woman, 35-40, who values friendship, passion and integrity. \$\overline{\text{T9995}}(\text{exp} \text{3/27})\$

HONEST AND SINCERE

Healthy, energetic DWPM, 5'11", 195ibs, biond/blue, N/S, N/D, enjoys social activities, seeks honest, sincere female interested in LTR. \$\overline{\text{T9893}}(\text{exp} \) (exp3/27)

MANDSOME
AND HOUSEBROKEN
Handsome, spontaneous DWM, 6',
50s, brown/blue, sports-minded,
enjoys dancing, dining out, golf, seeks
foxy and fit female. If you like so
dance/have fun, with a sense of
humor, please call. \$\mathbf{T}2892(exp3/27)\$

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gamous relationship. \$\mathbf{T} 9814(exp 3/27)\$

SEARCHING FOR YOU I'm looking for a friend, who will spend time, with a nice young man, and try to build on faith and trust. So call mel \$\mathbf{T} 988(exp 3/27)\$

HANDSOME BLUE-EYED MAN Fun-loving DWM, 34, N/D, smoker, enjoys the outdoors, music, movies, spending time together, seeks S/DF, honest, trustworthy, sensitive, with similar interests, for possible LTR. \$\mathbf{T} 988(exp 3/27)\$

TRIPLE A WINNER

Athletic, attractive, affectionate SWPM, 6'1', 190lbs, financially secure, college degree seeks SWF, who like me is honest, romantic, spentaneous, outgoing, affection, Enjoys sports, travel, outdoors, theater with someone special. \$\mathbf{T} 9810(exp 3/27)\$

MOON SHADOWS

Visions of life the way it is supposed to be. SWM, 6' handsome, trim, professional, N/D dreams of SWF, 40e, petite, witty/wise, at peace with past. Smoker ok, Lakes area. \$\mathbf{T} 9809(exp 3/27)\$ DANCER
CAW and ballroom dancer, 5'8'.
180lbs, very active, not into sports, enjoys other things too, but dancing is my main hobby and good exercise too! Also taking cha-cha lessons.

21171(exp4/3).

CHIVALBY LIVES!

SWM, 25, partner of company.
Seeking intelligent, romantic, independent, goal-minded, classy, possibly conservative Ms. Right, stays up on current events, knows when to be immature and professional, loves the outdoors. 21170(exp4/3).

NEW TO GARDEN CITY
Seeking SWF, 21-33, for friendship/companionship, affectionate SWM, 26, 6'5', 220lbs, blond/blue, well-built, loves movies, exercise, sports, outdoors, music, cooking, quality time with someone special. 21169(exp4/3)

outdors, music, cooking, quality time with someone special. \$\frac{\textbf{T}}{169}(\text{exp} 4/3)\$

RETIRED
POLICE OFFICER

Good-looking BM, 47, athletically built, eats healthy, weight trains, seeks a very good-looking, athletically built, professional BF, for committed relationship, possibly later living together. \$\frac{\text{T}}{1168}(\text{exp} 4/3)\$

LIFE IS TOUCHING

Cuiet Jewish gentleman, 5'8', trim. My life was meant to be shared with a sensitive, sweet, down-to-earth lady, I subscribe to happiness, laughter, and a magical encounter, how about you? \$\frac{\text{TT}}{1716}(\text{exp} 4/3)\$

VERY GOOD-LOOKING...

White professionals, 5'9', 150lbs, thick dark hair, great shape, well-balanced, compassionate, fun-loving and romantic, seeks attractive, slender-average, woman of character, 30-seefry 40s. \$\frac{\text{TT}}{163}(\text{exp} 4/3)\$

DOWN-TO-EARTH

Handsome, caring, hornest DWM, 39. N/S, enjoys movies, music, travel-neture, quiet evenings, having fun. Seeking attractive, available \$\frac{\text{CWF}}{3}\$

BELIEVE IN MAGIC

Attractive SWPM, 37, 6'2', blond/blue, for sech other. Seeking attractive, slender, 30-40 year-old WM, seeks warm, outgoing WF, 50+, for friendship, companionship and laughter. Enjoy dining out, movies, theater and quiet evenings at home. \$\frac{\text{TT}}{157}(\text{exp} 4/3)\$

LADY SOUGHT

Aspiring black entrepreneur with Pentium-speed mind and sleek notebook, seeks cyber-literate friend, with ample hard drive and RAM. E-mail address a must. Web page THERE IS ONE LEFT
Good guy, very honest, sincere, fit
SWPM, 38, family-oriented, active,
fun, never boring, Looking to shake off
winter's chill with cute, fit, warmhearted female, 25-42. 17 9808(exp
3/27)

Name of the mate, 25-42. \$\text{T}\$808(exp. 3/27). SIND-HEARTED SBM, 42, 57". 170lbs, medium build, easygoing, knows how to treat a lady, seeks S/DWF, 35-50, for friendship and fun. \$\text{T}\$9805(exp3/27). SINCERE Tail DWM, 6'4", siender, 53, in good physical condition, honest, sense of humor, N/S, self-employed, would like to meet a slender, somewhat attractive lady, 41-49, for companionship, possible LTR. \$\text{T}\$9887(exp. 3/27).

3/27) TAKE MY HAND...

"Take my whole life too, for I can't help falling in love with you." The man of your dreams awaits, if you're Jewish, 21-37, and under 5'7"!! 22

of your dreams awaits, if you're Jewish, 21-37, and under 5.7*!! 27 9886(exp3/27)

SINCERELY FUN
Attractive DWM, 40, 5*10*, 170lbs, N/S, dad, seeks attractive DWF, who enjoys movies, travel, friends and good times, for eventual LTR, 27 9885(exp3/27)

CANT HARLEY WAIT...
for Spring? DWM, 6*, 190lbs, brown/blue, smoker. Looking for that special lady who loves to ride and travel, 27984(exp3/27)

MODEL PERSON
Charming, witty SBM, 32, college educated, athletic, adventurous, and creative, enjoys weekends, live jazz, dancing and romancing. Seeking physically fit female, 20-36, for companionship, 279883(exp3/27)

TALL FIT. HANDSOME

TALL, FIT, HANDSOME
Kind, sincere, romantic, active
DWPM, 36, 2 children, with many
interests, seeks active, attractive
S/DWF, 28-40, H/W proportionate,
N/S, who has traditional values and
wants a LTR. \$\textit{T9862}(\text{exp3/27})\$
LOOKING FOR LOVE
SBM, 30, 5'11', 160lbs, financially
secure, new to area, enjoys movies,
walks in park, Bell Island, seeks
employed SWF, 19-30, for LTR. Kids
ok. \$\text{T9881}(\text{exp3/27})\$
BRIGHT, BALD, ACTIVE, WITTY
If you have three of these attributes,

BRIGHT, BALD, ACTIVE, WITTY
If you have three of these attributes, are under 50, attractive, and would like to meet a DWM, 49, 59°, 185bs who also enjoys bridge, tennis, golf, try mell £79880(exp5/27).

NEW TO MICHIGAN
Altractive, financially/emotionally secure, affectionate DWM, 41, 511', 185bs, seeks attractive, proportioned lady, 25-45, who enjoys fine wine, sunsets on the lake and intimate moments. £79673(exp3/20)
30 WORDS OR LESS1?
How can I get your attention in 30 or less?! I'm single! I love kids (2 or less!) Me? 6'3°, nice build, blue, big, happy, fun! Call now! Whew! £79672(exp3/20)

SLENDER BLONDE WANTED

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Charming, athletic, very attractive, romantic, confident, sincere SWM, 23, 6°, dark hair, enjoys working out, outdoors, having fun. Seeking slim, athletic, blonde, romantic SWF, 18-30, for friendship, possible relationship. \$\mathbf{T9871}(exp3/20)\$
FRIENDLY, DOWN-TO-EARTH Friendly SJM, 54, retired salesman, N/S, 5'10°, 175 bis, likes long walks, and movies. Seeking SWF, friendly N/S, with similar interests. \$\mathbf{T9870}(exp3/20)\$

SWM. 35. N/S. N/D, honest, hardovrking, employed, enjoys camping, 4-wheeling, gardening, bowling, darts, concerts, movies, dining, quiet nights at home. Seeking SF, 29-37, honest, open-minded, sincers. \$\overline{x}\$ 9583(exp \$\overline{x}\$)201

S20) LOVES TO LAUGH
SM, 42, 611, 190lbs, enjoys music, reading, bowling, and hockey, seeks cute, frim SF, 27-42, for serious relationship. Westland/Livority area: 279580/expd/20) T9530(exp3/20)
HANDSOME BUT NOT CONCETTED
SWM, 38, 6', 200lbs, muscular build,
dark brown/green, olive complexion,
considered handsome, but not
conceited, homeowner, enjoys
concerts, comedy clubs, theater,
Seeking SWF, 25-35, 575+, in good
shape, great personality. 379579(exp
3/20)

shape, great personality. \$79579(exp 3/20)
PERCEPTIVE, AWARE, SPIRITUAL
...describes us both. Healthy,
andsome, open-minded SWM,
young 34, with depth, seeks similar
woman 21-34, with pleasant voice,
who's understanding, compassionate
and free-spirited. Pretty, playful,
painted toes a plus. \$79667(exp3/20)
HOW CAR YOU LOSE?
SWM, 23, 5'10'', physically fit,
handsome, mature, caring, generous,
fun and professional. Enjoys the
outdoors, sports, movies and romance.
Seeking attractive, stimulating, its SWF,
19-27, for a meaningful relationship.
\$79666(exp3/20)
BODYBULDER
Attractive, European SWM, 30, N/S,
N/D, trillingual, enjoys reading,
running, screenwriting, Seeking
sincere, warm-hearted angel, \$79663
(exp3/20)

Very sincere, gentle, loving and attractive SWM, never married, medical professional, sesks genuine, female, no kids, Jewish preferred, but open to change encouraged. 279651

(exp3/20)
YOURS FOR THE ASKING
DM, 45, 5'8",175lbs, dark/blue
college-educated, enjoys reading
movies, and music. Seeking
movies, and music. Seeking
melligent, attractive SVD, 35-45, wit
likes adventure. Friendship first,
possible LTR. \$79884(exp3/20)

5'11". 190lbs, ábove average looks, good personality, humorous, sensitive, very romantic, loves outdoors, animals, children. Seeking fit SWF, 28-38, for best friends and romance. 12'9815(exp3/27)

WESTERN WAYNE CO.

SWPM, 34. 6', black/green, N/S, ready for something new, outgoing, intelligent, homeowner, seeks proportionate SWF, 25-35, for monogamous relationship. 12'9814(exp 3/27). Handsome, intelligent, honest SWM, 24, with coal personality, enjoys writing, the outdoors, mountain biking. Seeking slim, attractive, lively, attletto neking slim, attractive, lively, athletic WF, 20-28, caring, sincere and your sic all-around sweetheart. 279857

(exp3/20)
SENSITIVE & CARING
Nice-looking DWM, 54, 5'9", 145lbs,
degreed, N/S, social drinker, Livonia
resident, enjoys golf, sports, movies,
theater, long walks, quiet talks, seeks
trim S/DWF, N/S, social drinker, 4050, for possible LTR. \$2 9655(exp
3/20)

VIP
Spontaneous, fun-loving, outgoing SWM, 36, 5'8", 165ibs, blond/blue, blinded due to accident, never married, no kids, financially secure, enjoys dining out, dancing, animals, travel. Seeking adventiuresome, spontaneous, down-to-earth, honest SWF, 30ish, for friendship/possible LTR. T9954(exp3/20)
ENJOYS MUSIC
Romantic, active DWM, 57, fully employed, thoughtful, considerate, good communicator, searching for special white leady to fill void in my life, interests include country music, craft shows, family, some sports. T9653 (exp3/20)

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SEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL

Serious BM, mid-30s, seeks special lady, 27-45, for meaningful relationship and hopefully marriage. Must be serious, sexy, sincere, attractive and down-to-earth. Serious replies only. \$\mathbf{T}\$9688(exp3/20)

LETS SHARE DREAMS

SWM, 28, 577, 160/lbs, physically fit, enjoys exercise, rollerblading, bike riding, diring out, travel, and sunsets. Seeking SWF, 27-34, for good, honest relationship. Let's make dreams come true. \$\mathbf{T}\$9251(exp3/20)

ITALIAN DESCENT

SWM, 577". 165/lbs, brown/brown, dark-complected, mustache, good shape, trustworthy, professionally employed, enjoys movies, dining out, concerts, dancing, pool, Seeking SF, who wants a monogamous relationship. Friendship first. \$\mathbf{T}\$9513(exp3/13)

CREATIVE MUSICIAN
Good-looking SWM, 23, dark/green,
unique, romantic, open, communicative, athletic, clean-cut, deepthinking, song writer/drummer. Seeking pretty, slender, creative, spontaneous, sweet SWF, 18-32, who also loves music. \$\frac{\pi}{279512(\text{exp3/13})}\$

A GREAT CATCH

Handsome, college-educated, professional SWM, 34. I am kind, intelligent, H/W proportionate. Seeking SWF, 22-32, with similar qualities. All responses answered. 179407(exp3/13)

THE ULTIMATE MAN

THE ULTIMATE MAN

Extremely attractive, romanic, honest, passionate, saxy SWM, 24, 6', great kisser, seeks slender, attractive, active SWF, Age unimportant. If you like being swept off your feet, give me a call. T99510(exp3/13)

NOVENTUROUS

SWPM, 27, 5'10'. 155lbs, dark hair and eyes, good-looking, outgoing, fun, enjoys sports, sikling, comedy clubs and much more. Seeking an outgoing, un, attractive woman, 19-27. T9509 (exp3/13)

SLIM, SEXY, MUSCULAR

Very attractive, financially secure,

SLM, SEXY, MUSCULAR
Very attractive, financially secure, degreed professional, 6. 160lbs, N/S, N/D, varied interests, seeks elender, attractive SWF for meaningful relationship. 179507(exp3/13)

NO GAMES PLEASE
DVM 29, 611, hard-working, sincere, honest, loyal, shy, with family values, enjoys movies, cuddling, holding hands, nature walks and hockey. Seeking outgoing SF, 25-33 with similar interests, for possible LTR. 179504(exp3/13)

ATHLETIC ADVENTURIST
Very social SWM, 29, 6'2', 215lbs,

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Very social SWM, 29, 6'2', 215lbs, enjoys working out, animals, dining out, golf, and social activities, rustrated with dating scene, seeks tall, fit, honest, warm, comfortable temale, 2-28, for friendship, possible relationship. 279404(exp3/13)

SWEET & NICE

Attractive, affectionate SWM, 37, honest, sincere, good sense of humor, or dependents, enjoys boating, leng walks, etc. Seeking SWF, 25-38, HW proportionate, for serious relationship.

279400 (exp3/13)

LOCKING FOR "THE ONE"

Attractive, never married WM, 43, 5'10', 165lbs, blond/blue, Catholic, degreed, N/S, humorous, honest, Appreciates; class/style, walks, fire signs, music, small towns. 279499 (exp3/13)

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Professional SWM, 38, 5'10', 185bs, into country drives, rock.comerts, playing guilars, seeks special lady, no kids, to enhance our lives. Not into singles bars or games; into family.

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have been made in the electronic edition of the Observer Eccentric Newspapers.

The first major shift was a move of what was the Newstand to its own Web server, which necessitates having its

own domain name. And so to access our revamped online newspaper, point your Web browser to http://observer-eccentric.com.

Upon arrival, you will notice our online edition has been completely redesigned. Our electronic newspaper now has the appearance of our sister print editions while maintaining all the convenience of a Web prod-

uct. The home page has an Observer & Eccentric flag across the top. At the left, taking advantage of borderless frames design, is a scanner-type device which lists the major areas of

In the center is a full-color photograph with accompanying text and a link to whatever story(ies) go with it. In the tables at left are clickable choices such as Main News, Sports & Recreation, Taste, Arts & Leisure, Real Estate, Health and Busi-

Here's where the convenience of frames comes to play. For instance, when you click on Main News the center of your screen will display a list of stories and features (updated weekly) from our 15 newspapers in Wayne and Oakland counties. The list of subjects remains in position in the table, so you can always click on Taste or Real Estate without

having to "return" to an earlier page. No matter where you surf on our site, you can access any other available page with a single click.

Your old favorites are easily found at the new site. Go to Health and Business and find Sid Mittra, to Real Estate and find David Mully, Subdivision News, and Closing Prices. At the top of Main News are links to Phil Power, Tim Richard, Emory Daniels, Jack Gladden, and Alice McCarthy. Sports and Recreation still carries Al Harrison and Bill Parker with Marybeth Dillon being added. Restaurant reviews, Taste recipes, 8 Days a Week listings are easily accessible as are automobile and employment reports.

A handy search tool is offered to look stories about any subject vou wish. The Excite search tool, a popular search engine on the Internet, makes it easy to do a

search on any subject.

Past print editions have been archived since the first of the year using PDF format. Users need Abode Acrobat software to view archived papers so down-load a version if you don't have one among your Internet arsenal of tools. I went to the Wall Street Journal site and downloaded

When you select a paper, you get a view of the entire page exactly as it appeared in the newspaper - with all stories, photographs, captions, etc. Anyone with an inkjet or laser can easily print out a page which can be easily read. This archiving service is available for O&E Online subscribers.

A new Web chat service has been added, along with links to send E-mail messages to the newsroom or system operator. Other features make it very easy to subscribe to any one of our 15

papers while online, to place a classified ad, or to search our

Right now the former Newstand site on oconline.com is linked to the new server. But when it's convenient, you will want to change your bookmarks to add observer-eccentric.com. The site is compliant with Netscape and Microsoft Explorer although almost any browser can be used without any major viewing problems.

Global Education

From our early days on, O&E Online has enjoyed a supportive relationship with the Global Village program Ceil Jensen is running at Rochester Adams High. In a nutshell, she is engaging her students in shared projects with students in other countries through the Internet.

Her program recently received national attention in a national story featuring the Global Vil-

tion issues. She holds a bache-

lage Web site, hosted by O&E Online. The article, called the Web Master School, can be read pointing http://www.edweek.org/ew/21we

Ceil recently published a Lesson Plan Book for teachers interested in starting a similar Global Village project. Several other school districts have contacted her and are interested in implementing this curriculum. She recently shared with us a video from Australia regarding the Adams' Global Village Project Web site.

So it's good to hear Global Village is still is thriving at Adams.

Emory Daniels may be reached E-mail emory@oeonline.com. Past columns are may be accessed at h t t p : / / o b s e r v e r . eccentric.com/main/emoryd/arc

BUSINESS PEOPLE

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 residence and employment and a black-and-white photo, if desired, to: Business People, Observer Business Page, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

Nylok appointments



appointed Tim Paulson to the new position plant superintendent at the company's Macomb manufacturing facility.

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The announcement was made by Ken Dusky, plant manager. Paulson has had more than 18 years experience in the fastener manufacturing field, and joins Nylok from Detroit Heading Company, where he was tool room leader. He had previously held quality control and manufacturing management positions with the International Screw

division of Microdot and Ever-

Fastening Systems, VMC

and Cold Heading Company.

Nylok has named Cecil Couch to the position of national sales manager. with responsibilities for all non-automotive sales and market-

ing functions. The announcement was made by Max Dorflinger, president.

Couch has more than 30 years sales, marketing and administrative experience in the fastener industry, including 10 years as national director of sales and marketing for the Nucor Corporation's fastener division. He has also been active in trade associa-

New member

Thomas Payne of Livonia has been approved as a new member by the board of the Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association. Payne joins more than 900 other nursery and landscape industry business owners and individuals seeking to further their professional development through continuing education, networking and informational three children.

The MNLA is a statewide trade association representing

gan's nursery and landscape industry.

Accounting firm

James M. McAuliffe has joined the Bloomfield Hills accounting firm of Jenkins, Magnus, Volk and Carroll, P.C. His previous work experience includes being a senior internal auditor at SPX, a Fortune 1000 company, and audit/tax manager for the Southfield CPA firm of Follmer, Rudzewicz & Co., P.C.

Staffer lauded

Leon W. "Bill" Williams of Livonia has been selected as a member of the 1996 President's Club at The Ohio Company. The announcement was made by Curtis E. Stumpf, executive vice president and general sales manager.

The club recognizes top investment executives for sales excellence. This is Williams' third vear as a member.

The Detroit native has been a member of The Ohio Company staff since 1992, serving as a vice president-investments out of the Plymouth office. He is a graduate of the University of Detroit and a Korean War veteran. Williams is married and has

Top employees

Michigan Sales Employee of the Year for Shearer's Foods Inc., based in Brewster, Ohio. Others honored are: Arnold "Buddy" Pitsenbarger, Production Employee of the Year; Gary Krueger, Brewster Warehouse Employee of the Year; Rick Bretean, Brewster Sales Employee of the Year; and Mike Shannabrook, Youngstown Sales Employee of the Year.

Elected to council

Wendy Brickner has been elected to the PostNet National Franchisees Advisory Council. She is owner of Mail Works Plus, a member of PostNet Postal and Business Services in the Simsbury Plaza in West Bloomfield.

Tax associate

Mary LeDuc of Farmington Hills, a certified public accountant, has been promoted to tax associate with Plante & Moran, an accounting and management consulting firm. She is a member of the International Services Group, which provides audit, tax and management consulting services to companies doing business in the international mar-

manage tax engagements for , work of local offices. manufacturing clients and Mark Price has been named clients with international taxa- agency's Executive Committee, the University of South Florida.

lor's degree in accounting from the University of Michigan.

Vice president

Benny J. (Joe) Hill has been appointed vice president of operations and a member of the board of directors for Bing Manufacturing Inc., a Detroit-based automotive supplier of body and trim components. The announcement was made by Forest J. Farmer, president and CEO.

Hill is responsible for all BMI manufacturing operations as well as quality, sequential part delivery systems to General Motors and Johnson Controls Inc.; and joint venture operations with Detroit Automotive Interiors and TrimTech.

Hill had previously worked as a manufacturing consultant since 1992 for Nissan Motors in Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Regal Plastics in Roseville. He lives in Richmond with wife Mary Jane. Hill has five children

Customer service

David E. Laster has been named deputy director for Customer Service for the Michigan Employment Security Agency. His duties will include operation As an associate, LeDuc will of the agency's statewide net-

which helps guide administration of the state agency. Laster is a graduate of Waterloo Lutheran University in Ontario and earned a bachelor of laws degree from Osgoode Hall Law School at York University in Toronto and a master of laws degree from New York University Law School.

Laster joined MESA in mid-1992 and had been acting deputy director for Customer Service since November 1995.

Executive assistant

Colleen Grotsky of Dearborn has been named executive assistant to the chancellor at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. She previously was director of the Institute of Business, Industry and Government at Manatee Community College in Florida.

She will work with Chancellor James C. Renick to support and advance university goals and objectives.

Before her work at Manatee Community College, Grotsky was director of community relations for Newman Memorial Hospital in Oklahoma.

She earned a bachelor's degree at the University of Oklahoma and a master's degree in education at Phillips University in Oklahoma. She earned a Ph.D. He is also a member of the in curriculum and instruction at

BUSINESS DATEBOOK

Business-related items are welcome from the Observer area and should be sent to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

MARCH

STRESS MANAGEMENT Several one-day seminars on

stress management for women will be offered by the Institute for Professional Businesswomen. Sessions will be March 26 in Ann Arbor, March 21 in Dearborn; March 25 in Detroit and March 20 in Farmington Hills. Price is \$79. For registration information, call 1-800-255-6139.

MON, MARCH 3

SUBURBAN WEST Suburban West Business and Professional Women will meet 6 p.m. for a new member informational meeting at the Holiday Inn-Livonia, in North Laurel Park at I-275 and Six Mile. Hors l'oeuvres will be served and Sharon Johnson, state BPW president, will give an introduc-tion to BPW. There will be a video on First Step renovation.
For information, call Jeanne Foster, (810) 887-5723, or Eunice Taylor, (810) 737-5778. The group meets the first Monday of

TUES, MARCH 4

every month.

LEGAL UPDATE The Greater Detroit Interfaith ound Table, the Detroit Chapter of The National Conference continues the "Challenges in the Workplace" Breakfast Dialogue series with a legal update with George Wirth, staff attorney, Michigan Department of Civil

Rights. The session starts 8 a.m. and continues to 9:30 a.m. at the Greater Interfaith Round Table office, 150 W. Boston Blvd., at Second Avenue in Detroit. Advance registration is preferred. For registration information, call (313) 869-6306.

WOMEN BUSINESS OWNERS

The Women Business Owners of Southeastern Michigan will meet 6:30 p.m. at the first floor of the 777 Building on Eisenhower at State Street in Ann Arbor. Attorney Carol Shepherd will discuss "Your Contract to Suc-

cess: Avoiding 10 Common Legal Pitfalls in Contracts and Busianess." The 6:30 p.m. business mixer will be followed by the 7-8:30 p.m. meeting. Price is \$10 for non-members and reservations are required. For reservations, call president Monica Milla at (313) 944-2133.

WED, MARCH 5

JOB FAIR

The City of Detroit's Employment and Training Department is sponsoring "Project: Jobs II" Expo/Job Fair from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Ambassador Room of the Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center, One Washington Blvd., in downtown Detroit. The event, geared toward helping the welfare population, is free. Call (313) 872-1228 for more information.

SUPPLY CHAIN

The Sales and Marketing Executives of Detroit will meet 5 p.m. for a look at the automotive supply chain, "Supply Chain Chal-lenges and Options for Action." It will include dinner and will be held at the Michigan State University Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. The program will be presented by Lee Sage, national

director of Automotive Industry Services for Ernst & Young. Advance registration is required. Tickets are \$35 for members, \$45 for non-members. To register, call (810) 643-6590.

March 5-6

ISO INTERNAL AUDITOR

The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer an ISO Internal Auditor course 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus, Farmington Hills. Price is \$395. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext. 4165.

MARCH 6, 20

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING

The Business Development Center at Schoolcraft College will offer a "Government Contracting Seminar" 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the college, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia. Those attending will learn to navigate through the bureaucratic requirements and win government contracts. Seminar fee is \$25. To register, call (313) 462-4438.

MARCH 10-14

ISO LEAD ASSESSOR

The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer an ISO Lead Assessor workshop 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (ending time varies) at the Industrial Technology Institute-Ann Arbor. Price is \$1,350. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext. 4165.

TUES, MARCH 11

The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer a QS-9000 overview 8 a.m. to noon at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Price is \$125. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext. 4165.

MARCH 11, 18 SMALL BUSINESS

Schoolcraft College is offering courses for small business owners or aspiring entrepreneurs.

Courses are 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays. Remaining sessions are "Marketing Your Product or Service" March 11 and "Legal Issues for the Entrepreneur" March 18. Individual course fee is \$39. For registration information, call (313) 462-4448. Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia.

WED, MARCH 12

ACTIVITY-BASED COSTING The Michigan Manufacturing

Technology Center will offer a program on Activity-Based Costing 8 a.m. to noon at the Industrial Technology Institute-Ann Arbor. Price is \$95. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext. 4165.

THURS, MARCH 13

The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer QS-9000: Documentation & Implementation" 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Schoolcraft College in Livonia Price is \$225. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext. 4165.

SERVING RESPONSIBLY
The Michigan Licensed Beverage Association will bring its Tech-

niques of Alcohol Management program to the Detroit area. A seminar will be held 10 a.m. at Snookers Pool and Pub, 27630 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Others are scheduled in March in the Detroit area. To register employ ees or for more information, call 1-800-292-2896.

SMALL BUSINESS

The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer a Small Business Development Center/Finding Finance program 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Price is \$225. For reservations, call Cathy Danhoff, 1-800-292-4484, Ext. 4224

NOVA AWARDS

The 1996 NOVA Awards will be presented at the Innovation Celebration Banquet at Laurel Manor in Livonia with keynote speaker Peter Ellefson, construction manager at E.I. duPont de Nemours & Co. Tickets are \$175 per person or \$1,200 for tables of eight. Call the Construction Innovation Forum office at (313) 995-1855.

TUES, MARCH 18 PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer "QS-9000: Preventive Maintenance Management" 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus Farmington Hills. Price is \$150. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext.

WED, MARCH 19

ACTIVITY-BASED QUOTING
The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer a seminar on "Activity-Based Quoting" 8 a.m. to noon at Oak-

land Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus, Farmington Hills. Price is \$95. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext.

THURS, MARCH 20

AWARD LUNCHEON The Greater Detroit Chapter,

National Association of Women Business Owners, will hold its fourth annual award luncheon at. the Ward Conference Center, University of Detroit Mercy, 8200 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, Michigan's Top 25 Women Business Owners of Distinction will be honored. Networking will begin 11:15 a.m., luncheon at noon. A panel discussion will be moderated by Jennifer Moore, former WDIV business editor. Tickets are \$25 for members. \$30 for non-members. For reservations, call (313) 961-4748.

SAT, MARCH 22 TAX ASSISTANCE

The Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA) will offer free answers to Michigan and federal tax questions from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Callers will be limited to two questions each once calling 1-800-795-2CPA. Information given to callers is not intended to be all-inclusive and had not been approved or disapproved by the MACPA.

THURS, MARCH 27

NTERNAL AUDITOR The Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will offer "QS-9000: Internal Auditor" 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Schoolcraft Col-

MARKETPLACE

Marketplace features a glimpse of suburban business news and notes, including corporate name changes, new products, office openings, new affiliations, new positions, mergers, acquisitions and new ways of doing business. Items for Marketplace should be submitted to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. The fax number is (313) 591-7279.

Amigo conference

Amigo Mobility Centers have selected Corpus Christi, Texas, as the annual convention site. Amigo Mobility Center owder Donajane Lapinski will attend the annual Amigo Mobility Center conference April 17-20 in Corpus Christi.

The Amigo Mobility Center, at 11940 Middlebelt, Suite H, Livonial provides mobility equipment for walking-impaired individuals. The franchiser, Mobility Center Inc. in Bridgeport, Mich., has been recognized by both Entrepreneur and Success Magazine as a leading health care franchising opportunity.

Barton Malow

Barton Malow Company, the Southfield-based construction services firm, has won a National Association of General Contractors, Build America award for its involvement on the General Motors-Truck Product Center project in Pontiac.

The awards competition, open to all AGC-member contracting firms, recognizes excellence in construction throughout the United States.

Part of study

New Era Translating Technology, a full service translation company, has been selected for involvement in the Michigan Small Business Development Center's "Internet Marketing Study." The study, continuing over 18 months, will examine the pitfalls and successes of study

participants as they market on the Internet. Findings will be published and made available to other small businesses as they attempt to market on the Inter-

Automotive suppliers

Prince Automotive Systems
Division of Johnson Controls
Inc. of Plymouth was lauded as
Large Supplier category winner
of the 1997 Ernst & Young/Automotive News PACE Awards.
Gov. John Engler acknowledged
the awards ceremony by declaring Feb. 23 Automotive Suppliers Day in Michigan.

The Small Supplier category winner is Gentex Corporation, Automotive Products Group, Zeeland, Mich. The Medium Supplier category winners were the Spicer Transmission Division of Dana Corporation of Toledo, Ohio, and Bosch Automotive Motor Systems Corporation of Farmington Hills. The Service Company category winner is Rapid Design Service Inc. of Dayton, Ohio.

Anniversary celebrated

The National Women's Automotive Association (NWAA) marked its one year anniversary in Detroit recently with its Second Annual North American International Auto Show Breakfast Event. The fact that the group had reached its goal of 500 members in just one year was also celebrated.

Lorraine Schultz, executive director, founded NWAA with an intent to represent all facets of the automotive industry ranging from the corporate side to dealerships to suppliers.

NWAA holds educational and networking events throughout the year and raises scholarship funds for women seeking to improve or launch careers in the automotive business. Scholarships are distributed through Northwood University, NWAA's

Speakers discuss health subjects

Access to health and wellness information has moved into the neighborhood in the form of a new Speakers Bureau, sponsored by Henry Ford Health System.

The bureau is a panel of volunteer health care experts available to educate and address computative groups on a variety of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional matio other response to the property of least tional mation.

The Speakers Bureau is a central access point for neighborhood schools and organizations of 15 members or more which would like to request experts on subjects ranging from alcohol and substance abuse to sports and fitness.

"Henry Ford Health System is committed to continuously promoting healthy living to the communities we serve," said Janiki Darity, Henry Ford's vice president of community development. "We created the Speakers Bureau as a community educational resource to generate information regarding health and other related topics."

Experts are available in the following subject areas:

- Alcohol and substance
- Business of health care; ■ Medicine;
- Men's and women's health;Mental health;
- Seniors; ■ Sports and fitness;
- Women's issues; and

■ Youth and adolescents.
Henry Ford Health System
has experts from hospitals, med-

has experts from hospitals, medical centers and other facilities throughout southeastern Michigan.

Community groups interested in requesting an expert from the Speakers Bureau may call (313) 874-6200.

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lege in Livonia. Price is \$225. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext.

THURS, APRIL 3

HUMAN EXCELLENCE
The Study of Human Excellence
Seminar will be held 6:30-9:30
p.m. at the Novi Hilton, 21111
Haggerty. It is designed to
improve relationships,
sales/business, communication
and finances. Price is \$35.
Advance registration is required.
Refreshments will be served 6
p.m. For information, call (313)

EUROPEAN MARKETS

255-7777.

A seminar and dinner on "The Emerging European Markets" will be sponsored by the Schoolcraft College Export Assistance Office. The seminar will explore current marketplace trends in Eastern Europe, business protocol and cultural diversities and traditions. Keynote speaker is Clarence Rivette, president of Amigo Mobility International. A panel discussion hosted by George Frank, U.S. Department.

George Frank, U.S. Department of Commerce international trade specialist, will close the evening. Fee is \$60. For reservations, call (313) 462-4438. The college is at 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile.

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

IOR FAIR

Michigan employers are invited to take part in the 19th Michigan Collegiate Job Fair 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft in Livonia. The fair is co-sponsored by Wayne State and Eastern Michigan universities and promoted by more than 70 other four-year and two-year institutions. ESD, The Engineering Society, is a supporting sponsor. Employer registration materials should be submitted by March 21. For information, call Nannette McCleary at (313) 577-3390 or Ken Meyer of EMU at (313) 487-0400.

SAT, APRIL 12

CAREERS FAIR
The Westland Chamber of Commerce Annual Jobs & Career
Fair will be 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at
Westland Shopping Center. The
Observer & Eccentric is the
major sponsor.

Businesses are encouraged to make reservations early. Sponsorship cutoff date is March 17 and table rental deadline is April 11. For information, call the shamber office (212) 326-7222.

MONDAYS

BUGINESS WOMEN

Suburban West Business and Professional Women meet on the first Monday of each month at the Holiday Inn at Six Mile and I-275. Networking is 6-6:30 p.m. and dinner is 6:30-7 p.m. A short business meeting is then conducted. Cost is \$13 and reservations need to be made. For information, call Laura Hathaway at (810) 669-3547.

WEDNESDAYS

GROUP MEETS

NAWBO West meets 7:30-9 a.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 N. Territorial, west of Plymouth Township. The network is for women who own and operate their own businesses to provide support and share solutions. Cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for guests, which includes a continental breakfast.

BUSINESS NETWORK

The Laurel Park chapter of Business Network International, a networking organization specializing in business referrals among members, meets at Richard's Restaurant, 39305 Plymouth Road at Eckles, at 7 a.m. every

Wednesday. Call Tim Rosiak, (313) 459-3781, or Al Mughannem, (313) 427-5355.

FRIDAYS

BUSINESS NETWORK

The Livonia chapter of Business Network International, a networking organization specializing in business referrals among members, meets at the Comfort Inn on Middlebelt Road near I-96 at 7 a.m. every Friday. Call (810) 357-0430 or (313) 844-3432.

TUES-FRI

HELPFUL TIPS

The Southeast Michigan Career Service routinely holds no-cost sneak peaks on the job market of tomorrow. Topics discussed include: the job market, present and future; the traditional resume and why it no longer works; and traditional job search techniques, which are considered obsolete.

The 1 1/2-hour sessions are held: 12:30 p.m. Tuesday; 6:30 p.m. Wednesday; 12:30 p.m. Thursday; and 8:30 a.m. Friday at 29444 Northwestern Highway, Suite 500, Southfield. Reserve a spot by calling 1-888-JOBOLO-GY.



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NEW HOMES

Sierra Heights builder vows eye for detail

Bruce S. Silver, the developer and builder at Sierra Heights in Canton, continues to tinker with floor plans at the platted residential subdivision off Cherry' Hill between Haggerty and Lil-

Silver will duplicate the current model, a three-bedroom colonial of 2,145 square feet used as the sales office, for \$197,900. But he's not really pushing it.

Silver's found that some prospects prefer more wow appeal: two-story foyers, volume ceilings. So he's building another model, a four-bedroom colonial.

Whatever buyers decide, Silver promises attention to detail.

"I'm personally supervising construction of every house myself," he said. "It makes a difference to me. I'm here every day.

Four floor plans now promoted range in price from \$206,900 for a colonial of 2,355 square feet to \$229,900 for a colonial of 2,475 square feet. Each contains four bedrooms.

A Cape Cod of 2,325 square feet with the master bedroom suite on the first floor and two bedrooms and a bonus room or three bedrooms up is available at a base price of \$214,900.

A three-bedroom colonial of 2,240 square feet can be had at a base price of \$209,900, an additional \$5,000 for a fourth bed-

"We're giving them a lot of standard features I don't think others are - a high-profile shingle, 50-gallon hot water heater," Silver said. "We even put ceiling lights in bedrooms. We give R-30 ceiling insulation."

"I think we offer a lot of house for the money," said Lynn Hurley, sales rep at Sierra Heights. "As far as design goes, we're offering a flashier home. Our lots are really nice."

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also is a strong selling point.

"We're centrally located," Hurley said. "If you work in Ann Arbor, we're a great location. If you work in Detroit, we're a great location. If you work Downriver, we're a great location. If you work in Novi, we're a great location "

"That's what's nice about Canton," Silver said.

The new model under construction, a four-bedroom colonial, is the largest and most expensive in the sub.

The main floor will contain a great room, kitchen with island, family room with sloped ceiling and dining room.

A two-story foyer and plant shelf going up the stairs will bring a sense of spaciousness to the front entry.

The master suite will have a separate tub and shower, a pair of walk-in closets and a built-in entertainment center. Three other bedrooms and a full bath also will be upstairs.

The laundry also will be built into the upper level.

"Notice the bedrooms aren't small. I have big closets," Silver said. "My kitchens are good. I make sure there's plenty of room. All of my garages are at least 20-by-20. I didn't undersize. I know people have a lawn



Sierra Heights: This Cape Cod model, with the master suite on the main floor, features an upstairs option with three bedrooms or two bedrooms and a bonus room.

"For people nowadays, big is here has kids," Silver said. better," Hurley said.

All of Silver's plans include at standard price a two-car garage, fireplace, basement and dishwasher. Primary exterior materi-

als are vinyl siding and brick. Sierra Heights is serviced by city water and city sewers. The sub is within the Plymouth-Canton school boundaries. The community of 47 lots will have sidewalks.

"Everybody who's been through

The property tax rate currently is \$31.22 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation, half of market value. That means the owners of a \$210,000 house would pay about \$3,300 the first year.

Ken Montemayor and fiance Lynn Nikkila ordered the Amberwood, the current model.

"I went through every single (new sub) in Canton. That was the first house we went through that everything wasn't extra,'

Montemayor said.

The house we selected had incredible use of space. There's a small foyer, nice-sized bath, big family room. It's a great layout. There's not a wasted foot in that

Montemayor said he revised the original floor plan to eliminate the dining room and extend the kitchen/nook.

Bruce was easy to work with," Montemayor said. "Everything Heights, (313) 397-0271, is open." we wanted, he usually had an

answer within 24 hours. It was real easy to trust him." Darren and Debra Honegger,

transferees, selected the plan with a first-floor master during their whirlwind house-hunting weekend here. "We liked the great room," we

liked the bonus room," Debra said. "The lot really sold us ... trees.

The sales office at Sierta 1-5 p.m., closed Thursdays.



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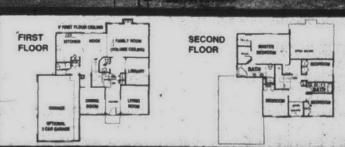
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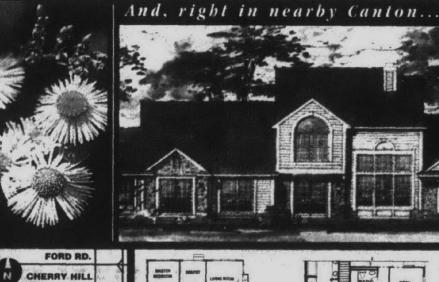
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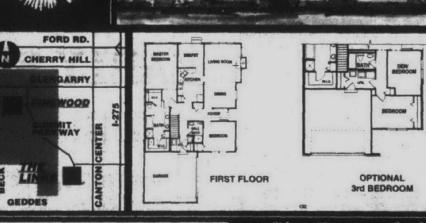
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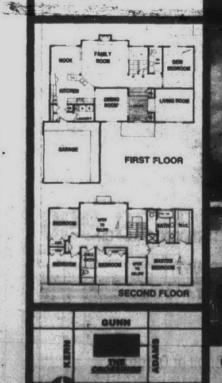


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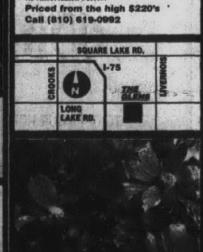
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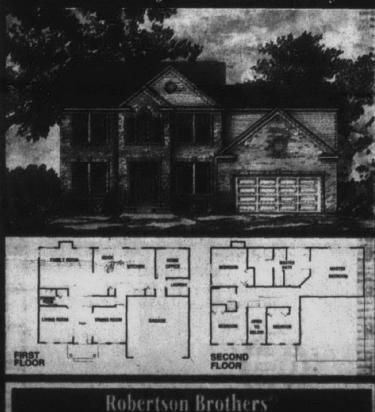
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Construction problems abound at all price levels



of a nice quality home has gone way up ,and along with these new price tags has come lots of new features but unfortunately features are equated not with quality. Some of these

new features include the use of nine-foot-high ceilings extensive crown moldings, fancy trim materials, granite and extremely large rooms.

A feature is a simple object that does not have a relationship to quality - in fact, certain features even disguise the quality of construction through concealment, e.g. crown molding disguises the vertical-to-horizontal joint in the drywall.

As a buyer, it is easy to check

for features but nearly impossible for the novice to check for quality of construction. Even for the skilled inspector or architect, it is difficult because siding and drywall go a long way toward concealing the flashing at windows, the sturdiness of the rough construction, the quality of excavators' work, etc.

Quality construction starts with drawings and specifications that clearly spell out how and what should be used to build the dwelling. This quality is maintained through the construction period by careful inspection of the work being done. Not all homes being built have architec~ tural-grade specifications nor do their owners have architects not. working for them. If this is the case, there are a few things to

Here are just a smattering of critical issues:

The foundation is the bearer of quate lumber is weak corners,

the weight of the home and must floors and the like. be designed for both the soil type

Look for extra framing members under heavy point or linear loads such as major built-ins, Jacuzzis and islands. This will keep the floors flat and keep ceramic tile, if used, from crack-

Good construction practices require that wood members and enclosed volumes such as soffits be kept away from moisture (siding should be eight inches above the soil line) but should also be allowed to breath and vent properly. This is accomplished through soffit venting, where cool air enters these volumes and ridge venting or "mushrooms" for the release of hot air. Insulation must not touch the plywood deck because it will limit proper air flow.

Nicely built homes do not vibrate when a heavy front door is quickly closed. This is a complex problem that is tied both to

the rigidity of the frame and the strength of the wood skin that is placed over the frame. Until recently, all houses used plywood, but today the story is different, and some use OSB (oriented strand board), and some use no wood products at all just foil-backed Styrofoam.

I believe in using 1/2-inch plywood on 2x6 framing as this gives maximum rigidity and the opportunity of using R-19 insulation in the walls. Sure, it costs more in the short term, but as you may have guessed by now, I believe that a house is a longterm investment and that the true price of a house must include life-cycle accounting.

In general, fine home building requires spending money on lots of non-pleasurable items. Look for high-efficiency furnaces in the 85-92-percent range. Look for special waterproofing membranes to enclose the basement

walls. Look for non-rotational humidifiers in the heating sys-

Look for mudset tile floors. real wood cabinets, genuine finishes on top of real metals as opposed to shiny plated surfaces. Look for repairable materials such as solid hardwood floors and solid-core doors.

Keep a sharp lookout for vinyl and plastics because they can not be easily modified or repaired and only wind up in the landfill within a short period of

Steve Sivak is a licensed architect in private practice and an adjunct professor of architecture at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, He specializes in well-crafted residential and commercial architecture and can be contacted at (313) 769-

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Home buyers workshop

Vicky S. Love, mortgage consultant with Tranex Financial presents a home buyers workshop 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, March 6, at the Southfield Community Education Center, 18575

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Michigan. Empire Doors & Windows of Redford captured best of show with its display. Best kitchen and bath display went to Kurtis Kitchen & Bath Centers of Livo-

Trevarrow of Auburn Hills won best use of space for large displays and Pioneer Cabinetry of Davison earned best use of space for small displays.

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play and Oxbowindow of White Lake for best window display.

Criteria for judging included efficient and creative use of space, informative display, creative use of product, service, props and lighting, variety, consistency in concept and materials, finishes and colors.

RE/MAX expansion

RE/MAX Detroit Metro added nine independently owned and operated offices in 1996 - a new record for the franchiser of RE/MAX real estate offices in Oakland, Wayne, Macomb and Monroe counties.

Expansion included Bloomfield Hills, Birmingham, Canton, Troy, Westland, West Bloomfield.

"The average RE/MAX agent in metro Detroit closed \$2.9 million in sales volume and helped 23 families with their real estate needs in 1996," said Peter Luft, regional director.

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The service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. A Norwest loan officer will follow

Century 21 Chalet

Century 21 Chalet in Livonia got a head start on its Valentine's Day festivities by hosting its eighth Red Cross blood drive. Thirty-seven sales associates

worked on the event. "For the past five years, we've

been recognized within the Century 21 System as an office that offers top quality service to our customers," said Debbie Shamma, Chalet manager.

We wanted to show that our commitment to service reaches beyond real estate, and that we truly are dedicated to serving the community in which we do business," she said.

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Experts offer tips to help get most from tools

You're in the middle of a repair ob that requires just the right to When you go to your toolbox to it, you find the tool is broken, rust shut or missing a piece. Or, worse yet, you can't find it at all. Dejectedly, you head to the hardware store to buy a replacement.

According to professional mechanics, however, a little care and maintenance can help break this costly and frustrating cycle. Just ask Lawre Colwell of Hernando, Fla., an automobile and aircraft mechanic of more than 40 years. While working at a service station in 1939, Colwell purchased his first pair of Vise-Grip Locking Pliers from a traveling salesman working out of his trunk. Fifty-seven years later, he still uses the same pair of pliers.

"Every part of the tool is still original and in good working order," says Cotwell, who admits the pliers are "a little beat up."

While not every tool can withstand 60 years of use, high-quality hand tools that are properly used and maintained should last for years. Here are some suggestions from the experts at American Tool Cos. on how you can get the most out of your tools.

■ Keep it simple: Proper handtool maintenance begins with a dry rag. Simply cleaning and drying a tool after using it goes a long way toward increasing its life. Store tools in a low-humidity environment, and avoid leaving tools outside at all costs.

Let it flow: Tools with moving parts need to be lubricated periodically. A penetrating spray or light oil will deter rust and keep tools working smoothly.

Leave your mark: Often the greatest challenge to keeping tools in working order is simply keeping them. Contrary to popular belief, tools do not grow legs and march off by themselves. To cut down on accidental (and notso-accidental) loss, don't just toss them in your trunk or kitchen junk drawer. Give your tools a permanent home where they should be placed after every job. Expert advice on how to keep your tools hale and hearty

- Keep all tools clean
- Keep them lubricated
- Mark your tools
- Don't abuse them
- Don't ask a tool to do more than it can

Use a distinctive-color tape or paint to mark your tools, so they can be easily identified when mixed with others. For added security, use a punch set with your initials to mark your tools in case the tape or paint wears

■ Use, don't abuse: Hand tools will last much longer if they're used only for their intended purpose. While using a wrench handle as a hammer may seem convenient in a pinch, improper use of tools is dangerous and dramatcally reduces the life of the tool. Adding leverage extensions to wrench handles, using screwdrivers as pry bars and cutting wire with tip snips are other

■ Know when to say when: No hand tool is indestructible. Using damaged hand tool is not only dangerous, but often will damage your workpiece. Inspect your tools frequently, looking for small cracks, chips, and loose or worn rivets. When hammer handles start to crack or fray and screwdrivers start to strip screws, it's time to discard them.

Finally, as you purchase new tools, remember that quality is better than quantity. If you can't afford to purchase good tools now, be patient. You're far better off buying a tool that will last for years than purchasing a tool you'll need to replace in six

New tool eases garden work

(NAPS) - The flammer, possibly the oldest tool known to humans, is now making an appearance in the garden.

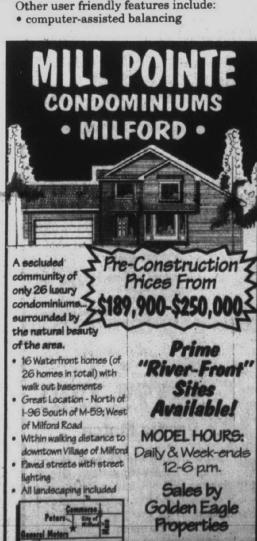
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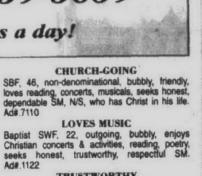
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DANCE WITH ME SWM, 42, outgoing, romantic, warm-hearted, likes Catholic SWM, 42, warm-hearted, understanding, likes the outdoors, art museums, old cars, theaters, music, seeking physically fit, attractive, professional, family-oriented SF. Ad#.2158 the outdoors, boating, fishing, family times, seeks long-term, monogamous relationship with slim, trim SW/AF. Ad#.2315

CHURCHGOER Religious SWM, 46, quiet, gentle, attends Christian concerts and activities, enjoys sports, SWM, 27, Nazarene, kind of quiet, active, fun-loving, likes going out with friends, repairing cars, seeks goal and family oriented SF. Ad#.4803 ARE YOU SINCERE?

SWM, 40, 6', 190lbs., Catholic, warm, fun-loving, thoughtful, likes theater, movies, weekend getaways, seeks slim, attractive, intelligent, compatible SF. Ad#.2323 Catholic SWM, 41, humorous, creative, articulate, attends church, enjoys biking, jogging, music, the outdoors, seeks kind, compassionate, humorous BELIEVES IN GOD

Catholic SWM, 23, easygoing, attends church, enjoys hockey, working on cars, seeks attractive, funny, petite, goal-oriented, drug-free SF, N/S. MARRIAGE-MINDED

Catholic SWM, 37, warm, sincere, romantic, enjoys museums, art, history, romance, seeks intelligent, slim, trim, attractive, thoughtful SF. Ad#.1956 caring, collects fire engines, enjoys outdoor activities, horseback riding, white water rafting, seeks honest, happy, positive SF. Ad#.5708 WITTY MAN SWM, 38, 6', 187lbs., employed, sincere, faithful, humorous, enjoys art museums, the ballet, skiing, movies, seeks faithful, sincere, romantic, affection-

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Easygoing, Catholic SWM, 35, enjoys plays, theatre, sports, seeking SF who enjoys similar interests for friendship possible relationship. Ad#.9966

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Catholic SWM, 28, fun, enjoys fishing, hunting, staying fit, seeks honest, articulate SF, who is goal-oriented. Ad#.4426 **CONSTANTLY ON THE GO!**

Cheerful SWM, 71, N/S, social drinker, enjoys exercising, concerts, travel, volunteering, art, seeks Episcopalian SF, with common interests. MARRIAGE-MINDED

Upbeat, humorous SM, 33, can be serious, smok-er, enjoys golf, fishing, hunting, camping, seeks kind-hearled SF, for serious relationship. Ad#.3690 GOES TO CHURCH Bubbly SWM, 38, happy, easygoing, enjoys out-door sports, hockey, seeks spirited, honest, reli-gious SF. Ad#.6589

SWM, 21, Catholic, black hair, brown eyes, nice, enjoys swimming, reading, cars, seeks loving, caring, blue-eyed blonde SF Ad#.8381 BELIEVES IN GOD

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Catholic SWM, 36, 6', 180lbs., fun-loving, sincere, enjoys the theater, ballet, romance, travel, seeks marriage-minded, slim, trim, physically fit SW/AF. Ad#.9876 EXTROVERTED

Catholic SWM, 39, self-confident, attends Christian activities, enjoys photography, computer software, seeks sincere, trustworthy, intelligent SF.

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Catholic SWM, 27, enjoys sports, music, dining out, dancing, seeks sincere, loving, caring, honest SF. Ad#.5226 BOO BOO BEAR

Catholic SWM, 41, kid at heart, enjoys biking, hiking, the outdoors, animals, seeks good-hearted, cute, sensitive, passionate, caring SF. Ad#.4822 ADVENTUROUS

Catholic SWM, 23, fun-loving, easygoing, attends Christian activities, enjoys movies, romantic din-ners, seeks fun-loving, easygoing SF, no game players. Ad#.7373 GOOD UPBRINGING

Catholic SWM, 30, humorous, spontaneous, attends Christian activities, enjoys travel, golf, bowling, seeks bubbly SF, 25-35, with good morals. Ad#.6759

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Religious SWM, 39, outgoing, attends Christian activities, enjoys travel, walks, quiet times, seeks honest, faithful, articulate SF. Ad#.8273

THOUGHTFUL SWM, 40, Catholic, sincere, romantic, likes the outdoors, athletics, seeks intelligent, honest, family-oriented, slim, fit, sincere SF for long-term relationship. Ad#.4444

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Methodist SBM, 43, brown eyes, loving, sensitive, gentle, enjoys bowling, movies, concerts, dinner for two, seeks loving, spontaneous, independent SF. Ad#.5571 VARIOUS INTERESTS

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SWM, 53, enjoys volunteer work, children, cooking, dancing, seeking sharing, creative, exciting, communicative SF, Ad#.3853 UP FOR A CHALLENGE? Well-rounded SWCM, 40, enjoys daily exercise, reading, the Bible, theater, cross-country skiing, seeks caring, empathetic, communicative SF.

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ENJOYS LIFE SWM, 60, easygoing, good sense of humor, likes the outdoors, flea markets, dining out, doesn't dance, seeks honest SF, with similar interests. LET'S PICNIC

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One level up are two generous bedrooms with walk-in closets, a full bath with steam shower and whirlpool tub, plus an open study area, playroom or office area. The lower level walk-out affords three additional bedrooms, one with private entry, and two full baths; a family room with full kitchen; media room; and indoor spa. High tech security, mechanical and sound systems, as well as abundant storage areas and three car garage complement the lifestyle of this unique property.

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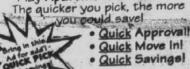
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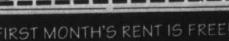
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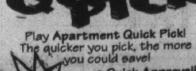
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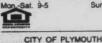
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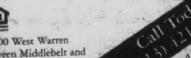
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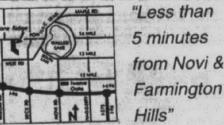
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Commenting on the data, Alan Schonberg, president of SCI, said, "We've been conducting our hiring surveys since 1982 and never in all that time have we seen new hire projections to rival those for the first half of 1997

If you're wondering which industries are doing the most hiring, according to the survey. the electronics field tops the list. Just over seventy three percent of the hiring executives surveyed in that industry plan to hire during the first half of this year. Ranking second and third nationally were the printing and telecommunications industries at 73.1 and 71.3 percent. Chemical, financial services, and information technology companies also projected above average hiring levels of 71.1, 69.6, and 64.6 percent respectively

Geographically, the Western region of the country led in planned hires with nearly 68 percent of executives surveyed from the region indicating plans to add sales and marketing staff. The North Central and Middle Atlantic regions came in second and third respectively with 62.0 and 61.7 percent of their surveyed executives projecting additional hiring.

Regarding the regional data, Schonberg said, "What is most extraordinary is that no region is below the fifty percent mark. The strength of the economy encompasses the entire

Remarking on sales hiring in her region, Carol Bielski, vice president of sales and marketing for The Porter Group, a Columbia, Maryland recruiting firm specializing in sales placement, said, "Last year and again this year, we're seeing a big increase in hiring over previous years, particularly in the high tech arena by telecommunications and information technolo-

Christy Cummings, a certified senior account manager for SCI of Orange, California puter software and hardware companies to those in the printing, telecommunications and

industrial equipment fields. Cummings says most of the jobs she's being asked to fill are due to expansion, not replacement of sales staff. Michael Bryant, branch manager for the Los Angeles, California office of SCI says many of the companies he's working with are adding sales positions to reverse the erosion of market share they experienced after downsizing their sales ranks during the

last recession. Although these recruiters say companies are hiring sales staff from the entry level on up, their clients are looking for people with experience. The most sought after candidates, according to Cummings, are those with 3-5 years of

"The only problem," she points out, "is that there's a vacuum of these people. No one was hiring entry level sales people three years ago during the recession, so there's a scarcity of them.'

That's turning out to be good news for sales professionals with less than three years experience or more than five. "Companies are more willing to take the two year person today," says Cummings. "They'll also take a person with seven or eight years sales experience and raise the pay scale to attract that type of person."

For those seeking to change products, Cummings has more encouraging news. "There's definitely crossover potential," she says. "Companies have learned they can train someone how to sell a particular product." As a result, Cummings says, "employers are more

is selling to than the product they sold. We have much more flexibility right now regarding a candidate's background

Bielski concurs, particularly when it comes to high tech products. The products and technologies being sold are often so new, says Bielski, no one expects people to have experience selling them. "They do however, look for people with similar sales experience or experience selling to the same type of buyer," she adds. If, for example, someone sold something to accountants, Bielski says, "that person could be an attractive candidate for a company that sells accounting software.'

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How to buy a franchise without getting burned

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Come-ons like these tempt many corporate refugees to buy a franchise. What they get is an instant business with name recognition that could attract

customers. What they don't get is any guarantee of ever seeing a profit. Consider Ann Dugan. A management consultant at a Pittsburgh accounting firm during the mid-1980s, she bought a Four Star Pizza franchise as an investment. But Dugan soon found she couldn't get good help to run the shop. She ultimately gave up her slick office and a \$50,000-a-year

salary to stand behind a counter and take pizza orders. After a three-year struggle to stay afloat, Dugan sold out to another franchise in 1989. Though able to recoup her initial investment, she earned less than minimum wage during her fast-paced, fast-food days. She figures her earnings of \$15,000 to \$18,000 a year were fairly typical for a single

unit franchisee (\$35,000 would be considered good). Dugan is now director of the Small Business Development Center at the University of Pittsburgh, and advises potential franchise buyers on how to avoid getting burned. Here are some steps she and others recommend:

• Take a hard look at the industry and the company. Before starting any business, you need to think about whether there's a lasting market for the product or service. All the more so with franchises, where the typical contract can run from 10 to 20 years.

Then scout for a company that's profitable and was in business at least five to 10 years before it started selling franchises, says Susan Kezios. president of the consumer-oriented American Franchisee Association in Chicago. Choose one that's been franchising for several years

· Read the franchisor's disclosure papers. Federal Trade Commission rules require franchisors to supply you with specific information about what you're getting into. You'll find it in a hefty document called the "Franchise Offering Circular." Among other things, it has to include a financial statement, tell you about charges to start and continue the franchise, and give you names of current franchisees. Most companies make no claims about earnings (they're worried about lawsuits by franchisees who fall short).

• Tally up expenses. Your costs begin with the one-time upfront fee that you pay to the franchisor (from \$5,000 for a home-based franchise to

\$150,000 for a fast-food joint in a shopping center). Add to that equipment purchases and renting, buying, or building a storefront.

Meanwhile, you'll need cash for everyday expenses like inventory supplies, and utility bills. And whether or not you're making a profit, you'll have to pay the franchisor's yearly royalty fee (typically between 5 and 15 percent) plus advertising charges (3 to 8 percent), both based on gross (not

· Talk to other franchisees. Some questions to ask each of them: How have your earnings compared with what you expected? Did the contract and disclosure documents accurately describe your relationship with the franchisor? How effective has the franchisor's advertising been in bringing you business? Have you had occasion to renew the franchise agreement (if so, were there any problems)?

· Consult the pros. Before you sign on the dotted line, you'll want a good accountant to examine the offering circular, and a lawyer to scrutinize the circular and contract. Choose an attorney who chiefly represents franchisees. The American Franchisee Association, (312) 431-0545, can provide

Unfortunately, federal and state rules don't prevent many widespread practices that, in effect, keep franchisees from making a profit: opening a competing unit nearby, imposing onerous terms when the contract's up for renewal, and forcing franchisees to buy supplies at greatly inflated prices. Many artfully worded offering circulars and contracts leave open these pos-

The agreements themselves tend to be "take it or leave it" propositions Which is not to say you shouldn't buy a franchise-just go into it with your eyes open. Chances are you're not buying a cash cow. More likely, you're buying yourself a job. And it can be a very low-paying one at that.

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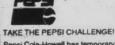
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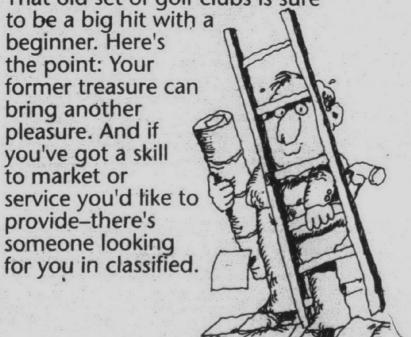
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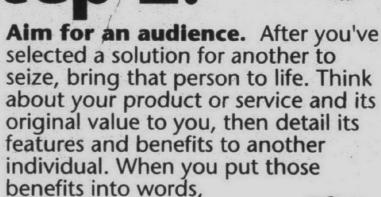


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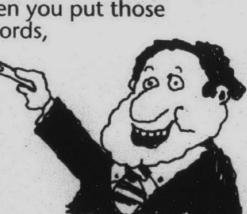








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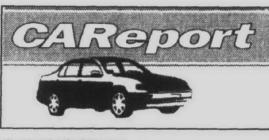
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1997 Mazda Protege delivers power, value





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For some reason, maybe it was the way the light was hitting it, the 1997 Mazda Protege looked smaller on the outside than last year's

It isn't smaller, that's for sure. And the inside, well, it's better and roomier than it

ever was. It's a bit more comfortable than last year's model, as well. You know what I like about this car the most?

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where you have to go in a bit of comfort, with the ease to get in and out of it in a hurry and enough trunk space (13.1 cubic feet) to fit a whole baseball team's gear

Mazda designers call the interior of the Protege OptiSpace. No, it's not Japanese. OptiSpace describes the creation of a vehicle with driving and riding comfort in mind.

Just how much space are we talking about? Try 95.5 cubic feet of interior room in what's a true 5-passenger sedan.

That's more interior space than the Toyota Corolla, Honda Civic and Nissan Sentra. Even with a toddler seat in the back, three kids can fit back there in comfort -- and without complaint.

The 1997 Mazda Protege has been revised this year. Styling changes include front bumper, fenders, grille and headlights. All are much improved and look real-

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der -- the same puppy found in the Miata. The entry-level DX and better-equipped LX are outfitted with a 1.5-liter dual overhead cam-16-valve inline 4 cylinder. Top horsepower is 92.

The 1.8-liter won't jerk your head back taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light, but it's got and taking off from a stop light of taking of takin enough spunk to let you have just a little bit of fun with it. Don't expect it to perform like it does in the Miata, either. This engine is pulling twice the car here.

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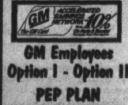
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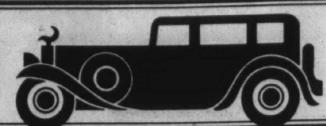
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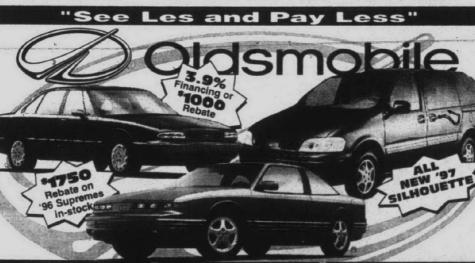
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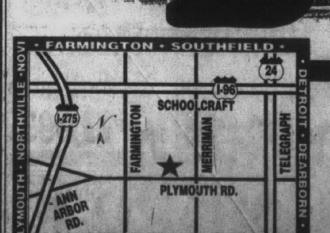
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