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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 over 10 years.

Temple Baptist attorney Joseph Galvin said the church has the option before spring to find a private contractor that can perform the work.

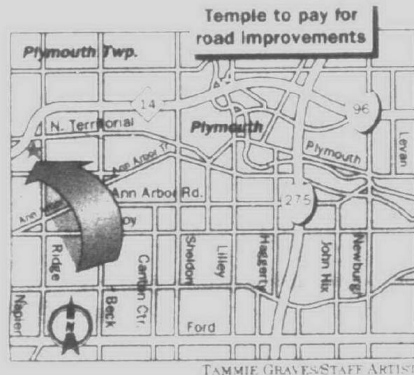
Regardless of who does it, the work is to be finished by Aug. 30.

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, township 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
STAFF WRITER

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 at crossings.

"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 months.

"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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Ice arena future is uncertain



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.

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

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

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

The reason? Competition - not just from the Compuware arena in Ply-

mouth Township, but from new or proposed ice rinks in other suburbs including Canton, Novi and Farmington.

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

"But as utility costs go up and more ice rinks open up there's more competition, it could go by the way-

side," 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 situation.

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

Tammy 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 skaters.

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 March 5-8.

"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-

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

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STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER



Planning the day: Fifth-grade teacher Rhonda Pew goes over a lesson plan with her students at Plymouth Christian Academy.

EDUCATIONAL CHOICES

STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

Parents seek new approaches to learning

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
AND JACK GLADDEN
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."

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 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 activity.

And like other parents who have

chosen New Morning School, they have nothing but praise for the school's "unique program."

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

Though nonpublic school enrollment in Michigan has held steady at around 10.5 percent for many years (173,452 students for 1994-95), a 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.



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.

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Solar disturbance periods will occur soon throughout North America, affecting television viewers in this area March 2-8.

"Solar interference" is an inherent part of satellite technology and occurs about this time every year, as well as for about

10 days in the fall.

Solar interference takes place when the orbital positions of the sun and individual satellites are in one line. Satellite dishes on earth receive signals from both, but the more powerful sun subdues the satellite signal, causing

a degradation and loss of picture, sound and descrambling capabilities.

The interference will occur sometime in the mid-afternoon, affecting individual satellites and satellite-delivered networks for about a half-hour a day.

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Moore in Illinois town.

The federal government requires such surveys, with results passed on for review before a permit application is approved.

In responding to the survey, Walters wrote, "There would be serious adverse impacts on the city of Plymouth if CSX Central rail traffic increased within the city limits."

"The impacts would include increased delays in major vehicle traffic, increased public safety risks for the public and emergency services, and increased negative impact on the environment within the Plymouth Old

Village area," he continued.

Walters said there is no specific indication a merger will mean increased rail traffic here.

"I would be more expecting that there would be an increase in traffic," he said.

In seeking responses to the survey, the company asked municipalities if they had concerns over land use, including effects on agriculture, endangered species, water resources, including wetlands, and flood plains.

The firm also asked for comments on how the railroad affects low-income areas. Because the Old Village area

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

"The CSX switch yard activity, especially with its many street crossings within the city and its major road crossings within the township, creates very long vehicle traffic delays at these crossings," he wrote.

"The delays regularly exceed the statutory time limit permitted for blocking streets (7 minutes), which results in a major enforcement problem for the city government," he said.

"They're the most expensive to provide and generate the least amount of revenue," Walters said.

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

"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 skateboarding, in-line skating or indoor soccer.

"The issue with any of those activities is you would have a 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," Walters said.

"The issue in the long run is that other ice rinks are being built around us. At some point we could find ourselves not able to charge the rate we need to, we could be forced out of ice rink business in the next few years," he said.

"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 51.5 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 fields calls from parents interested in nonpublic schools and home schooling. She has provided 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 people 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."

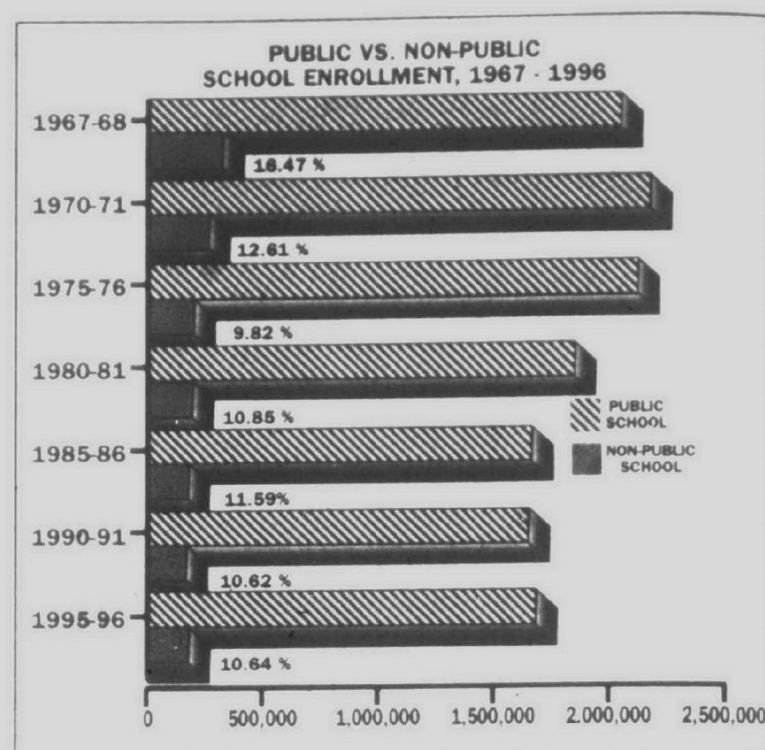
"I think parents are just concerned about their kids and just want what's best for them. Now they have more choices."

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 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 support several ideas for funding alternatives to public schools.

Under a 1993 state law, an individual or organization can



organize a public school academy - more commonly known as charter schools - under the authorization of a local school board, intermediate school board, community college or public university. The nonprofit school operates independently but is responsible to the entity 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 state.

Charter schools include everything from ethnic-centered schools to special trade schools. This program excludes church-affiliated 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, science and social studies in all grades and in high school, the state and federal constitutions. Consultant Shane cautions

that there are few other regulations for nonpublic schools and that there is no one available to help parents who make a bad choice. The law does not prescribe what textbooks must be used, for example. Schools are required to meet safety standards for fire and sanitation and are regulated under the State Fire Safety Board.

"There are a lot of good nonpublic schools out there, but there are others that aren't," she said. "The key phrase is 'Buyer beware.' We tell them to go to the school and talk to the teacher and talk to the principal. If they promise a certain pupil to teacher ratio and they don't deliver, then they've (the parents) bought the package."

"Parents need to keep their eyes and ears open."

According to the Department 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 curriculum.

Staff writer Casey Hans contributed to this story.

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ments will conduct a recreation survey next month, to get an idea of what recreation people want government to provide. But in the meantime, city officials are planning their new fiscal year budget.

While city officials want the township to kick in more money

for recreation programs at the cultural center, township officials say no. So with recreation survey results yet to be determined, city officials still plan to end several recreation programs that cost money - including classes in exercise, dance, bridge, and arts and crafts.

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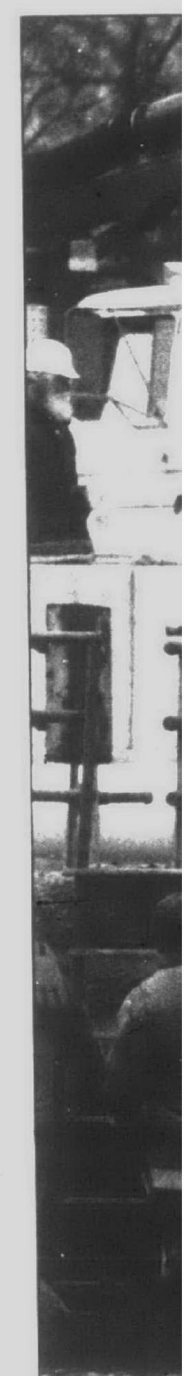
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Despite rescue efforts, trapped diver feared dead

BY MATT JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

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 Zimmerman.

"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 connected to the middle branch of the Rouge River, made that current even stronger, Ficano said.

Conditions were also worsened 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 lost.

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 water table was at its lowest, underwater teams went back in around the area of the dam, said

Nancy Mouradian, Ficano's spokeswoman.

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 Environment.

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

Zimmerman was an experienced diver, and his company

started work in October after the 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 curiosity-seekers. Police closed Newburgh between Ann Arbor Road and Plymouth Road.

The effort brought in divers from the county and the Detroit

Police Department, fire department 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.

"I've never seen such cooperation from so many agencies," said Livonia Sgt. Ken Marlow, who was at the dam most of the day.

The lake has been the scene of several drownings.

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 water-filled 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 run downstream."

Zimmerman's contractual work on the dam was the first phase of a \$10 million restoration project of Newburgh Lake. That project includes the draining of the lake and the excavation of contaminated soil and sediment. 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

started work in October after he bid to 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," Murray said. "He had several years

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.

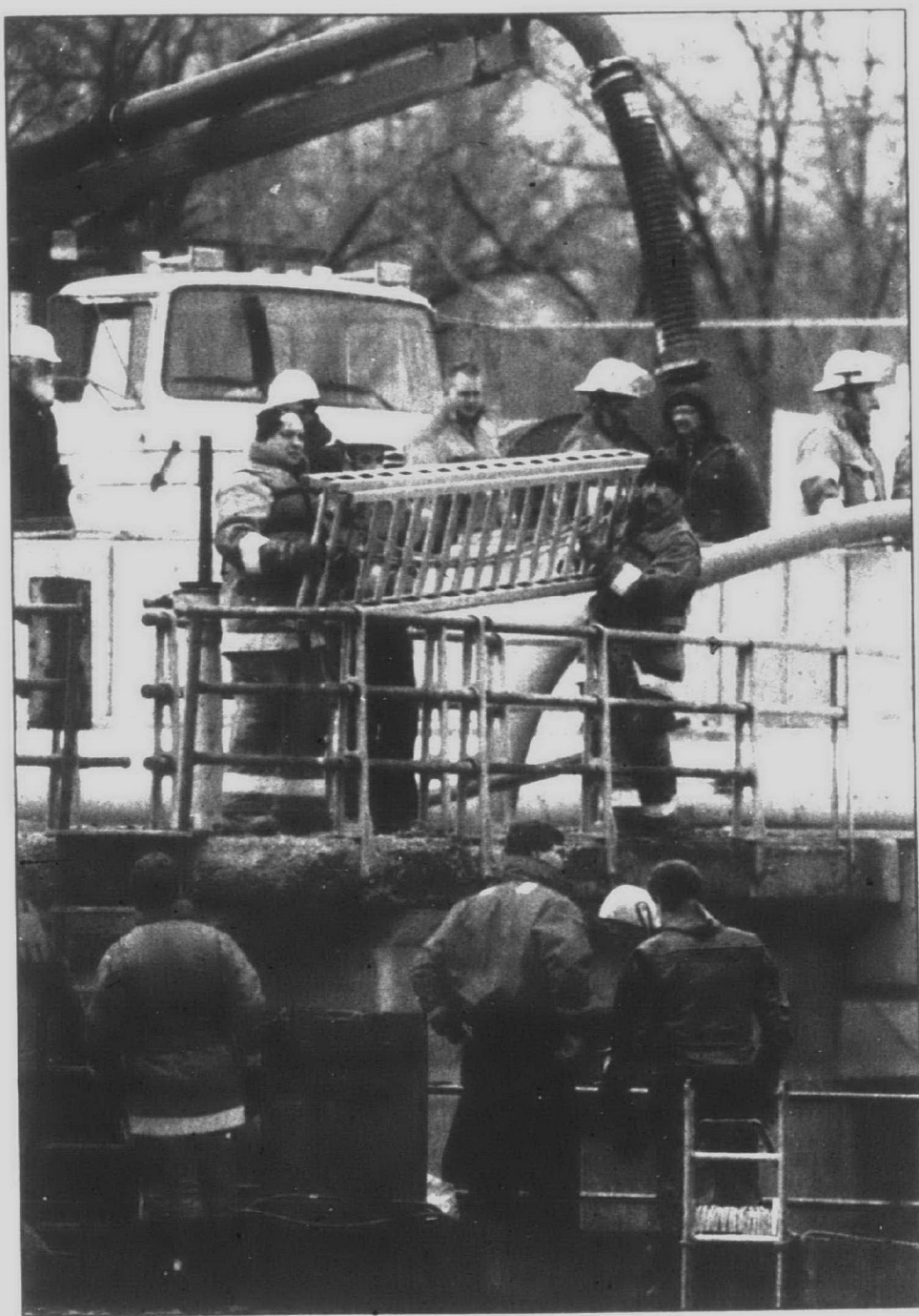
The dam contained a lengthy sluice extending under the dam under Newburgh Road to allow for water to flow.

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

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 Wayne County.



Rescuing: Rescue crews work on top of the dam at Newburgh Lake where Frank Zimmerman was trapped.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRETHER

Skate from page A1

tion of hours, weeks and months of practice and more practice. 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 three-minute 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 them.

"I'm extremely picky. When I'm choreographing, I can picture the hair, the costumes. It's just easier to make them," the coach said.

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-

duces up a different mind set and 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 precision skating. The girls learn to make friends. They build friendships that last."

Nonetheless, commitment 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, practice 2-3 times a week. And unlike the juvenile team, there 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 accompany the theme.

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

the girls to respect each other," Doroshewitz said. "When we are at competitions, the girls stay with each other and they are responsible for each other. I feel it carries over onto the ice."

When the Pizzaz team heads to Syracuse Tuesday night, rules are in effect. The girls are required to eat well, meaning no sugar or grease. Their personal appearance and behavior are also required to be at a premium, as well as their manners.

"This is sort of a government class too. We learn about a dictatorship and a democracy," Doroshewitz said, as team members acknowledged their coach as the boss.

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

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

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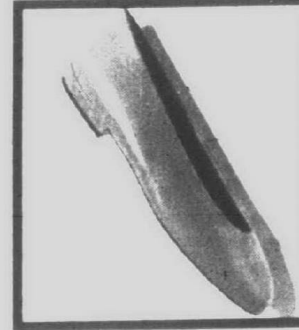
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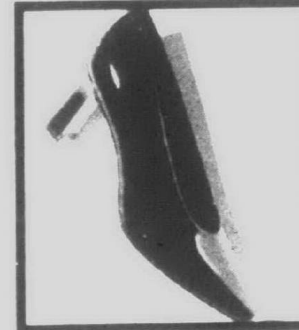
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Bond wish list does something for every school building

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 cut," said John Birchler, the district's executive director for business and operations. "It was pared down to \$80 million anticipating the community's willingness to pay."

The intent was to keep the

bond issue under \$100 million, the district's total millage under 4 mills, and the increased millage under 2 mills, he said.

Voters will go to the polls on Saturday, March 22 to decide the issue, the sole item on the ballot.

A priority of the bond steering committee was equity. "There was a concern that we need to

try to do something for every building," said Birchler. "While we knew we couldn't do - based

on parameters - as much as we

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ALLEN ELEMENTARY

- Door replacement
- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom

BIRD ELEMENTARY

- Door replacement
- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom

FARRAND ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Boiler replacement

FIELD ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Add walls in pod classrooms
- Boiler replacement

HOBEN ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom

ISBISTER ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Add sump in boiler room

BENTLEY ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom

ERIKSSON ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Add walls in pod classrooms
- Boiler replacement

FIEGEL ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom

Complete computer lab

- Two computers per classroom
- Wrap supply lines

GALLIMORE ELEMENTARY

- Door replacement
- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Fully partial roof replacement
- New heat system piping

HULSING ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Add walls in pod classrooms
- Boiler replacement

MILLER ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- New heating system piping

SMITH ELEMENTARY

- Door replacement
- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- New heating system piping

TANGER ELEMENTARY

- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Remodel with American Disabilities Act hardware
- Make lavatories barrier free
- Add boiler back-up
- Replace electrical outlets

TONDA ELEMENTARY

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Protect cooling tower with face

CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Full/partial roof replacement

LOWELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement

Complete computer lab

- Two computers per classroom

PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom

STARKWEATHER

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Full/partial roof replacement

EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Door replacement
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- Equipment replacement
- Complete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom

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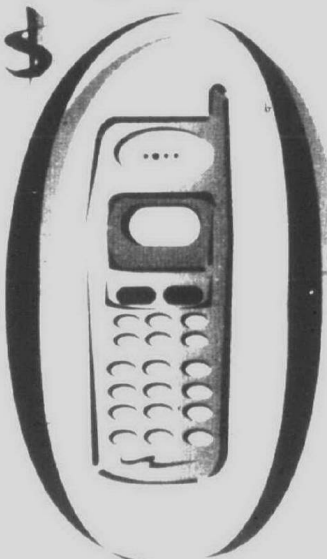
- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Replace one obsolete computer lab
- Two computers per classroom
- Replace pool piping
- Remodel media center
- Remodel kitchen
- Remodel locker rooms
- Replace staff parking lot
- Remodel stadium for Americans with Disabilities Act compliance
- Remodel restrooms for Americans with Disabilities Act compliance

SALEM HIGH SCHOOL

- Update electrical system for computers
- Furniture replacement
- Equipment replacement
- Replace two obsolete computer labs
- Two computers per classroom
- Replace pool piping
- Remodel media center
- Remodel locker rooms
- Modify locker room heat system
- Recondition gym floors
- Remodel restrooms for Americans with Disabilities Act compliance
- Remodel pool roof support
- Replace exterior building concrete

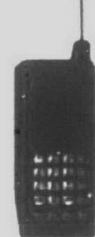
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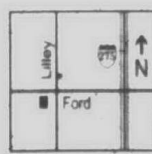
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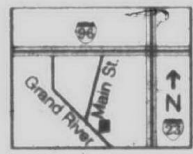
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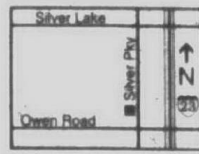
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Parents as teachers

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

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

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 home schooling for varied reasons, but both say they want the best 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 sixth-grade 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 11th-grade work. Heather, 12, is now doing eighth-grade work.

The first year, the family chose a curriculum from a California-based 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 truancy 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 projects done on the home comput-

er. David wants to be a computer 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 home.

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

school work is Bobbie Cleary, a 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 tradition.

"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.

Both parents are Christian; the family belongs to Trinity Presbyterian Church. Two philosophies undergird their vision of home schooling: The children must be schooled in the Bible and Christian values. And



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

they must be schooled in the kind of basic education American students would have gotten two centuries ago: emphasis on reading, writing and arithmetic. "They're learning English as our founding fathers would have

learned it in a one-room school, the way Abraham Lincoln would have learned it," Bobbie Cleary said. "We believe our children should be able to diagram the eight parts of speech."

The Clearys also believe read-

Learning at home: In Livonia, Deborah Jensen goes over a lesson with her son, David, 15, and daughter, Heather, 12, as part of their home schooling program.

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 presenting 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 teaching.

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 said.

Parents can find information on the Internet

They'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... cyberspace.

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

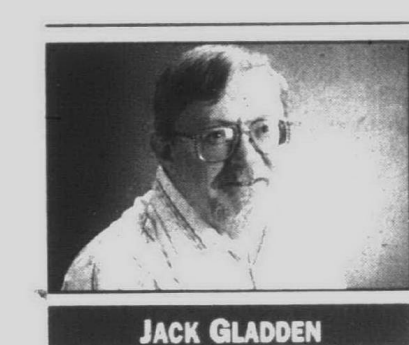
For parents who decide, for whatever reason, to educate their children at home, resources are limited. Few homes can match the holdings of even a modest school library.

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/education.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)."

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-by-state 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 Areas."

For parents who might be troubled over what their children might encounter on the

Net, one of the best home schooling sites is "Learn@Home," and it's sponsored, significantly perhaps, by the Christian Community 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 many, many links to excellent sites that anyone interested in doing research from home would find valuable. "Carrie," a full-text 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/taadah.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/home-school/> 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.

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Parental involvement is critical at this 'progressive' school

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

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 any other.

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

New Morning School is a private, non-profit parent cooperative for students

from preschool through grade eight which Yagiela says is the only such school in Michigan. It was started in 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 teachers.

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

about four part-time teachers and many parents working in various capacities 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 critics.

That philosophy includes beliefs that different children learn at different 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

manager for New Morning. Her husband, David, who works for Telecellular in Plymouth, is on the school's board of directors.

"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 the near future.

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 second-

grader 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 students.

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 kindergarten has



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'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."

At Gaudior, two teachers are assigned to each classroom for a

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 projects.

Many of the charter schools - also known as public school academies - are getting together

to discover how they can share resources and possibly capital items like office equipment, Gonzalez said. They are also sharing experiences, as many find themselves alone in this new, uncharted territory.

Minnesota started the charter school movement, passing the first charter school law. Since then, 25 other states have followed 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 college employees.

Critics of the charter school movement charge that the new

schools are elitist - most don't offer transportation or hot lunches, for example - and that this is simply a way for private schools to get public funding.

Other criticisms have been leveled at the schools and their recent state standardized test scores, or MEAP scores, which were generally below their traditional public school counterparts.

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 scheduled to move in April from Detroit to 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 manager.

"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 1 target date, work

must be completed on both the interior 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 testing materials.

"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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did with the 1991 bond for remodeling, there was still a concern that we needed to have something in this for everyone."

Unlike the \$59 million 1991 bond issue, the proposed \$79.7 million bond issue contains a single big-ticket item - a third 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 for.

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

er labs, which was also being discussed as part of the forums as well," said Birchler. About 70 individuals participated in community forums, making bond recommendations.

"There were a lot of major-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 infrastructure, 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 Intermediate 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 approved 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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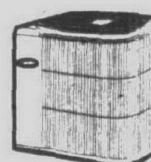


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Dems balk at Engler's plan to oversee school-to-work

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

School-to-work is a bipartisan idea - almost.

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

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

third attempt to guide the idea into law.

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-DeWitt.

Committee chair Sharon Gire, D-Macomb County, held off taking any votes. Asking for a chance to speak were the Michi-

gan Association of School Administrators, Michigan Education Association, Michigan

See DEMS, A8

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 year 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 calendar 1996.

"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 six-year 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 noon.

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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.

review the business tax break for apprenticeships we passed last year.

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

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.

Academies needed

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 cost more."

LaForge said trade union-operated 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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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 assessment (testing) tools. It will

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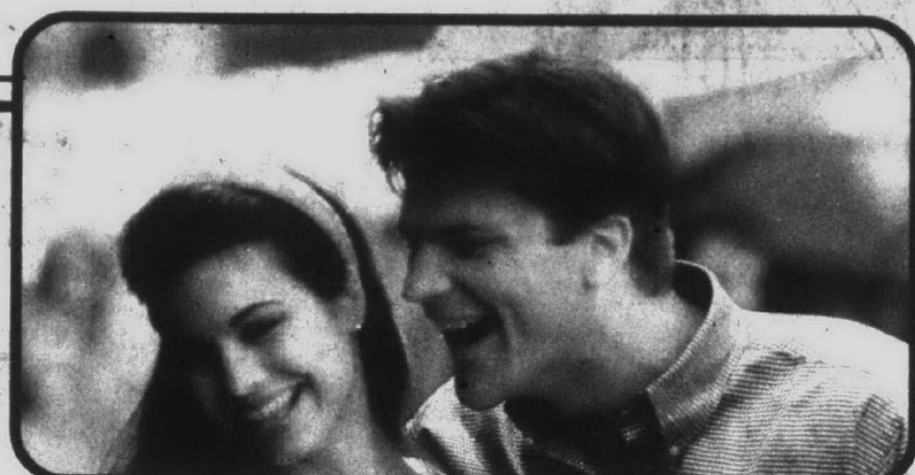
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Unopened maple syrup can be stored for 12 months in a cool, dry place. Once opened, store maple syrup in the refrigerator or freezer. If you open a large container of maple syrup, heat the excess to 190

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 grow 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 purchased it.

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 extension home economist for Michigan State University Extension - Oakland County.

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Nutrition Secrets FOR OPTIMAL HEALTH



Food for thought:
Registered dietitians
Betsey Kurleto and Beverly Price share "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," in their newly published book.

BY
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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 grains.
- 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
- Burritos 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 cooked.
- 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.



Beverly Price



Betsey Kurleto

Dietitians dish it out

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Some 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 better 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 University.

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-insulin-dependent 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 overweight.

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

See DIETITIANS, 2B

Explore alternatives to chardonnay

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
SPECIAL WRITERS

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 choose.

■ **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 \$7.50.

■ **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 Ruland. 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 \$13.

■ **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



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 acres.

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 varieties. 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

Valley \$20.

New wines from Beringer

■ 1995 Beringer Knights Valley Alluvium Blanc \$14

■ 1993 Beringer Alluvium Red Table Wine \$26

Named after the stony alluvial soils and Mediterranean climate of Beringer's Knights Valley Vineyard, these debut wines reap the results of work Beringer has been doing in its research winery for a decade. Rocks in the alluvial soils of the vineyard are as large as cobblestones and reminiscent of the great gravel of France's Medoc which stresses vines leading to exceptional fruit concentration.

The white Alluvium is a unique blend of 45 percent sauvignon blanc, 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.

Vegetarian dishes sure to please picky eaters

See related story on Taste front.

Recipes from "Nutrition Secrets for Optimal Health," by Betty Kurlito and Beverly Price, (Tall Tree Publishing Company, Farmington Hills, 1996, \$19.95). Recipes developed for the book by Registered Dietitians Nanette Cameron.

Join Beverly Price and Nanette Cameron for their vegetarian cooking class series 6:30-8 p.m. Thursdays, March 6, 13, 20 and 27. The cost \$85 per person, includes sampling and recipes. Call (810) 539-9424 to register, or for more information.

QUICK AND EASY ENCHILADAS

10 8-inch whole wheat tortillas or flour
1 cup chopped onion
3-4 cup chopped green pep-

per
2 medium tomatoes, chopped
1 4-ounce can green chilies, chopped
2 cloves garlic minced
3/4 teaspoon cumin
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
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. Sauté 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 cheese

1/4 to 1/2 small head lettuce, 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 cheese.

In a large skillet sauté 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 frozen ripe banana
8 ounces unsweetened frozen raspberries or strawberries
8 ounces soft tofu
2 tablespoons brown rice syrup

Blend all ingredients in food processor or until smooth. Serves 4 (1/2 cup).

Look for brown rice syrup at health food stores.

Per serving: 98 calories, 2g fat, 3g protein, 17g carb., 0mg chol., 4mg sod., 3g fiber.

WALDORF SALAD

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

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 patients in their 30s and 40s who are having heart attacks.

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

"People have control over their risk factors," adds Kurlito, 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-

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centered, whole foods diet and you'll never look back! Vegetarians have lower rates of coronary disease, hypertension, non-insulin-dependent diabetes, obesity and certain types of cancer.

"The majority of people aren't concerned about health, and don't take time to plan meals," said Kurlito 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 Together."

A comprehensive bibliography provides another source of infor-

mation 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 lifetime.

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

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

Here are some maple syrup 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 oatmeal
2 tablespoons melted shortening

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 pancakes.

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. Serves 8.

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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Maple Oatmeal Bars moist, chewy

Three quintessential American ingredients - maple syrup, pecans and oatmeal - captured 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 coffee.

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 topping.

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 runners-up prizes of \$500, and 50 honorable mention prizes of Quaker



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Chewy cookie: 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 life-threatening illnesses.

MAPLE PECAN OATMEAL BARS

BAR

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

TOPPING

1-1/2 cups chopped pecans (about 6 ounces)

1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar

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 is soft. (Do not overbake.) Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Cut into bars. Store tightly covered. Makes 32 bars.

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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.



Dream ring: This design 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 many!

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 operated business.

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.



BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO
EDITOR

Malls aren't just for shopping anymore.

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

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 items."

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.

Schostak 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.

"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

to present their concepts, and customers with a shopping environment that is safe, pleasant and interesting."

Schostak bought Wonderland in 1984 and immediately changed the former airport-turned-open air-retail center, into an enclosed shopping mall for about \$17-\$20 million. Back then, Montgomery Wards and Federal's Department Store were the anchors.

Another renovation came in 1989 when Target, Service Merchandise and Office Max joined the line-up.

He hopes the mall's improvements will serve as a catalyst for more retail magic along the six miles of

Shoppertainment

Developer puts 'wonder' back in Wonderland

Plymouth Road in south Livonia that feed mall traffic.

Mayor Jack Kirksey agreed.

"Wonderland Mall is the keystone of that merchandising strip of town," he said. "I will work in partnership with Schostak to keep that property vital. They are an outstanding corporate citizen. They're willing to spend considerable capital. They have kept their promises to the city and have demonstrated that they have the interests of the community at heart."

Kirksey said Schostak rode out a recession, unable to develop Laurel Park Place for a number of years. Instead of turning

the property into "a low scale discount center," they bided time until Jacobson's, then Parisian, could come on board.

Schostak hinted that more development at Laurel Park Place is on the corporate drawing board.

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

The next step is to attract more upscale family restaurants and retailers who specialize in household goods or family apparel.

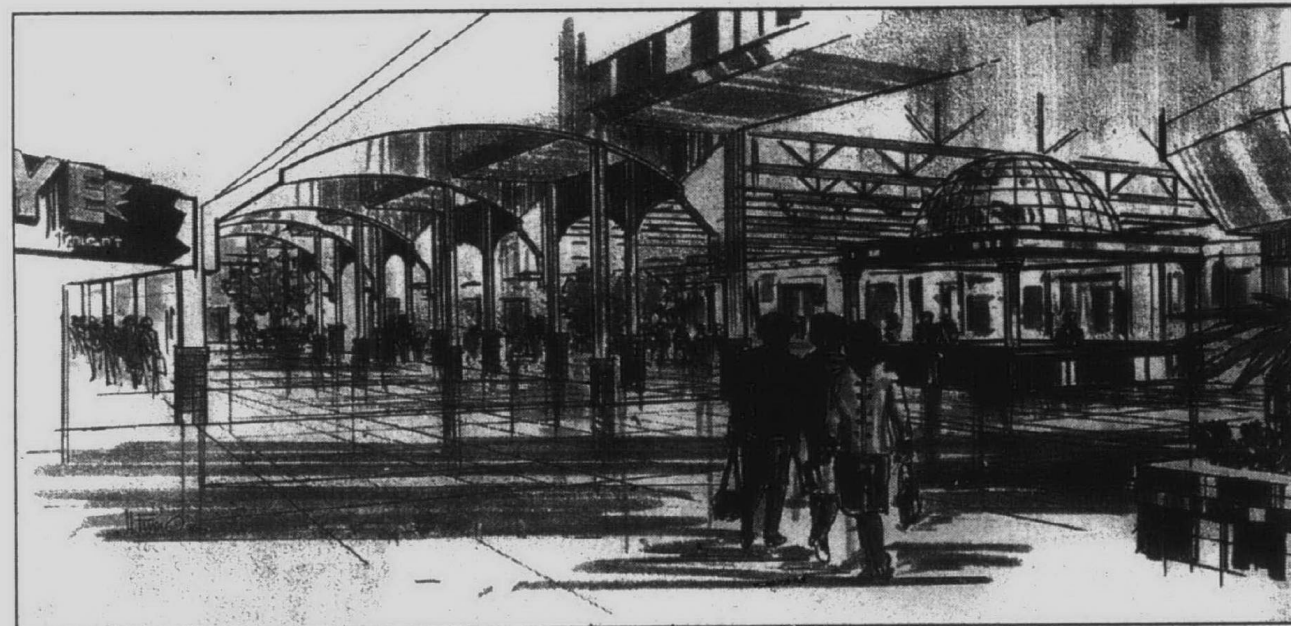
"I see these changes as a winning situation for all concerned," he insisted. "They're part of the evolution of business. We're not sitting back to fall to our competition. We're investing in the community, raising the stakes, operating outside the box."

Wonderland Mall is located at the southwest corner of Plymouth and Middlebelt in Livonia. (313) 522-4100.

The mall provides support to a range of community groups including the Livonia Heartfund, American Red Cross, Livonia Goodfellows, Livonia Family YMCA, and annually awards college grants to local high school seniors through an essay contest.

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

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 Radio.



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. Thirty-nine 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.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Somerset Collection North.
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5
Petite fashion show
Hudson's showcases the Liz Claiborne line for petites 12:30 p.m. Complimentary show and seminar.
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 \$100.
Somerset Collection South.
Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy.
(810) 443-5900.

Zoran Trunk Show
Henri Bendel's shows a new collection from Italy "Zoran" through March 8 from 11 a.m. to 8 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, giftware.
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.

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 specially-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.

Where can I find?

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

Here'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 Pierogi's* 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 of Troy.

We're still looking for:

A retailer who sells Permknit Sportswear for "Cynthia" of Birmingham.

A good source for used lumber (1 x 12).

Stores with vast selections of Beanie Babies for a Redford mom.

Shirley McCauley is looking for a retailer who specializes in clothing for overweight boys, explaining "The clothing available 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 readers."

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 by 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 more."

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 Ann Arbor.

Roz Novak needs a copy of Danny Kaye singing "Mamma 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 and clearly!)

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A guide to wearing spring patterns

So many of the spring designers have prints and patterns in their collections. Here are some suggestions for how to wear them that will guarantee a striking presentation:

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 downplay.

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

Points of view: (At left) From the Worth Collection, sold through home vendors, a skirt and blouse of silk chiffon and poly georgette 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 dreariest of outfits.

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 shapes.

9. For a heavier frame, vertical stripes downplay while big florals call attention to your size.

10. Color-blocking is a great choice to take inches from your torso.

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Times: March 5 - 9:30 AM March 12 - 9:30 AM March 19 - 9:30 AM March 26 - 9:30 AM	Times: March 5 - 2:00 PM March 12 - 2:00 PM March 19 - 2:00 PM March 26 - 2:00 PM	Times: March 13 - 2:00 PM March 27 - 2:00 PM
Location: Bakers Square Restaurant 36101 Warren Ave. Westland	Location: Bakers Square Restaurant 22373 Eureka Road Taylor	Location: Bakers Square Restaurant 5946 Canton Road Canton
Times: March 6 - 9:00 AM March 13 - 9:00 AM March 20 - 9:00 AM March 27 - 9:00 AM	Times: March 14 - 9:00 AM March 28 - 9:00 AM	Times: March 6 - 2:00 PM March 20 - 2:00 PM
	Location: War Memorial 32 Lake Shore Drive Grosse Pointe Farms	
	Times: March 7 - 10:00 AM March 21 - 10:00 AM	

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with handles of tortoise shell, leather and wood, offer a dressy alternative.

Colorful patent leather bags are on the scene in lime, lemon, sky blue, fuchsia pink and tangerine — guaranteed to brighten many a rainy spring afternoon.

Crocheted and mesh bags are for the fashion-forward and

those who don't mind having the contents visible.

Hard-edged clutch bags are back. Look for them at Hudson's.

— 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
SPECIAL WRITER

Shame on all you ivory tower retailers.

Shame on you for spending millions of dollars on advertising.

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 season.

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 know?"

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



Patricia Shea of Bloomfield Hills.

shopping, and able to enjoy the rest of my holidays. When this retailer bites the dust, I'll shed no tear.

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 any 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.

Unbelievable!

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

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by Herbert M. Gardner, D.D.S. & Martha P. Zinderman, R.N., D.D.S.

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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 Plymouth.

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 great-grandchildren.

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

DALE FREDERICK HOUGHTON

Funeral services for Dale Frederick Houghton, 58, of Plymouth were held Friday, Feb. 28, at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Peter Bert officiating. Burial was in Knollwood Cemetery, in Canton.

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 life-long 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 KINCAD

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 Theater 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, 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 Caisila of Dearborn Heights; son, John T. McInerney of Plymouth; six

grandchildren.

MARIETTE GOODALE

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

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 and travel.

SCHOOL BOND INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

Informational meetings are scheduled for the public to discuss the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' bond proposal that will be on the ballot Saturday, March 22.

Citizens and district administrators will present the scope of the bond project, its financing, district enrollment projects and other pertinent information. The meetings will give voters a chance to ask questions about the bond issue.

If you are interested in hosting a bond presentation for a civic group, homeowners association or other organization, call Christina Bair, 844-7235 or the school district community relations office, 416-2755.

The following meetings are scheduled:

General meetings:
■ 7 p.m. Monday, March 3; 10 a.m. Saturday, March 15; all at the E.J. McClen- don Educational Center.

Other informational meetings:
■ 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, Hulsing Elementary

School - Hulsing PTO.

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

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

■ 7 p.m. Monday, March 10, 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' Beckett.

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

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

Learn how to teach students piano concerti

A session on teaching Piano Concerti is the featured topic for the Wednesday, March 5, meeting of the Livonia Area Piano Teachers Forum.

The meeting will begin 9:30 a.m. in the recital hall of Ham-mell Music, 15630 Midfield, Livonia. All area piano teachers are invited.

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

for elementary, junior high, and high school students, a musical and technical chronology of these concerti, and performances of some of this literature by young students from her own teaching studio.

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

She was honored as Teacher of the Year for Michigan in 1991 and received that award again in 1996.

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 Division Board of Music Teachers.

For more information, call 810-427-1579.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARING ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE OF HEARING given that the Plymouth Township Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times:

Hearings are by appointment, please call 453-3840, Ext. 267, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for an appointment.

Tuesday, March 4 9 a.m. - NOON Organization Meeting

2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Hearings by Appointment

Monday, March 10 9 a.m. - NOON Hearings by Appointment

2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Hearings by Appointment

Tuesday, March 11 2 p.m. - 9 p.m. Hearings by Appointment

Saturday, March 15 9 a.m. - NOON First Come - First Served

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

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 of Township Hall.

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

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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 Organizational Meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 1997 at 12:00 Noon.

The Regular Board of Review session will begin:

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1997 12:15 TO 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 1997 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 newspapers.

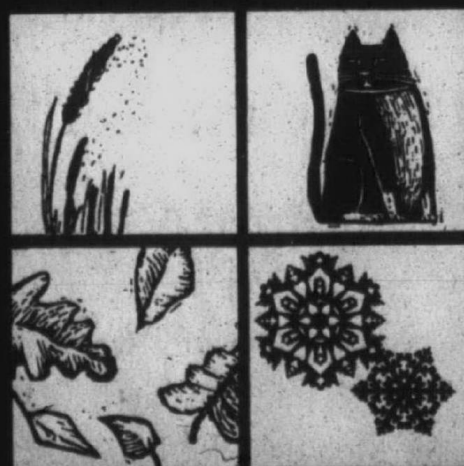
All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

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

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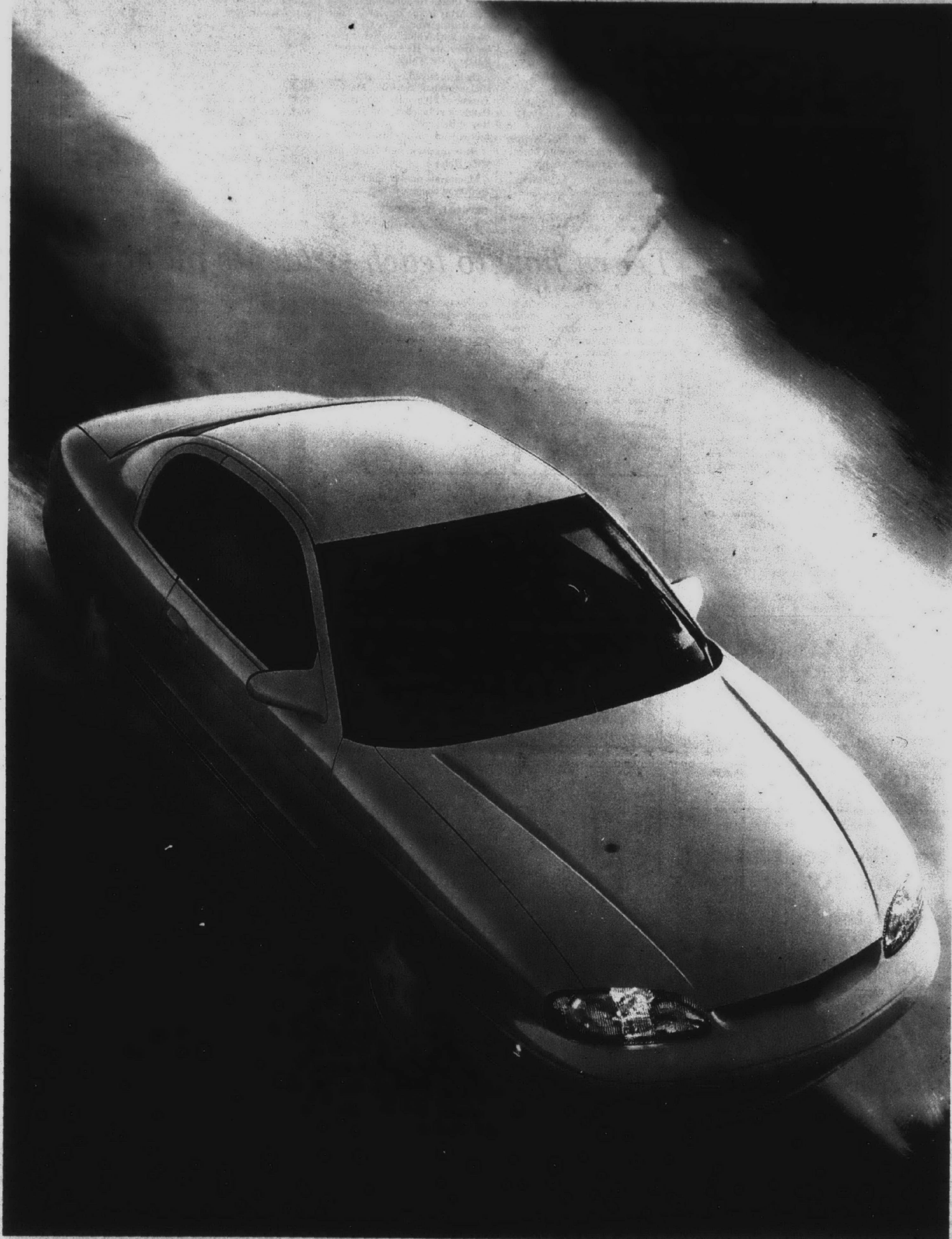
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Canton Project Arts needs more volunteers to help

Non-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 come.

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 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 youth series consisting of theater, storytelling and puppetry beginning next January. As part of the youth series, Canton Project Arts

An Evening of Broadway Music

What: Canton Project Arts spotlights the Michigan Opera Theatre in a cabaret-style performance.

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.

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.

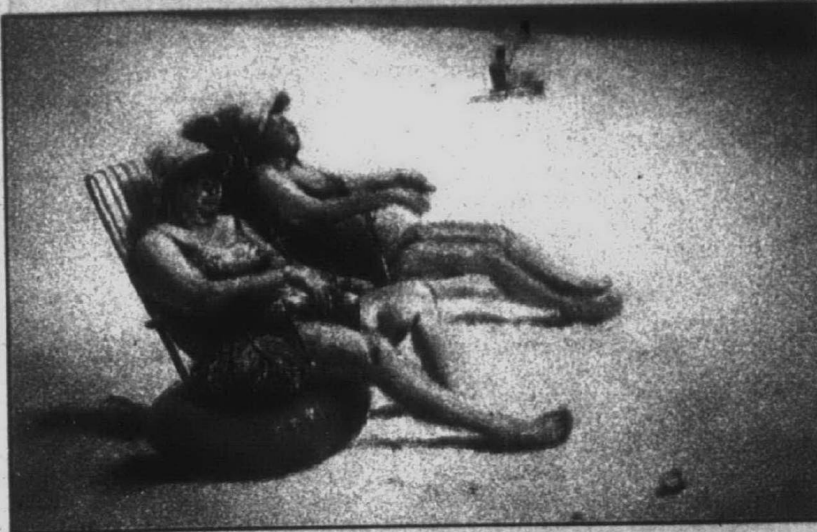
"It's important not to duplicate what's already being provided," he said. "We felt there was still room to add to the menu of arts offerings."

Concert

The Plymouth Community Arts

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On the beach: Vana Beginin of Canton captures the seasons of a woman's life in this universal portrait of two mature ladies soaking in the sun.



Racism: Canton artist Connie Lucas created this Lucite cube filled with fabric dolls of all colors to send the message, racism is wrong.

Emotion-charged exhibit celebrates women's art

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

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 color.

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 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 achievements but also to provide 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 director during the reception.

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 associate 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," said Zimmerman.

Joyce Brienza was awarded 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 classical, 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 students/seniors, available at Dance Theatre Studio, 711 N. University, Ann Arbor, or call (313) 995-4242.

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 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 director.

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 and Plymouth Canton high schools.

This is the Youth Dance Project's first professional performance.

Clark choreographed the contemporary part of the program to music

See DANCER, 2C



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

FINE ARTS

Nativity Episcopal Church celebrates creative spirit

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

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 glass.

"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

penitence observed by Christians, beginning on Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. "Midway through Lent, there's a moment to relax your penitence," she said. "We figured that's an ideal time to celebrate the creativity 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, watercolorist.

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 Cox.

"Historically, we've always had

art in the Church," said Cox. "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 everyday 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

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 center.

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.

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 Lord, pianist for the Livonia

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 performers such as MOT in the next few years.

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 not.

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 costs.

"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) 397-6450.

"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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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 chord that others can relate to yet can construct their own story," said Brienza, who earned a master of fine art degree from Rutgers University in New Jersey.

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.

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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 title.

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 artists.

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-

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 University.

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 Schools.

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

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).

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 is.

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 a Walk for Women will take place during the celebration.

The March 27 walk will benefit scholarships and other programs for HFCC women students.

Christie Hatt, like Corsi, began dancing at an early age. "Even though I've been dancing since I was three at Miss Harriet's, 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 Theatre 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 School.

All study at Miss Harriet's with the exception of Neubaur who takes classes at Miss Bunny's Dance Studio in Livonia.

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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ONGOING SHOWS

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) 651-3656.

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) 994-8004.

DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS
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 joined 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 Feb. 28) in Detroit.

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 - "Ecotons: Our Endangered Planet," an exhibit featuring editorial cartoons that focus on the global environment and conservation of the Earth's natural resources, at the Detroit Zoo, 10 Mile and Woodward, just off I-96 in Royal Oak; (810) 398-0903.

HILL GALLERY
Through March 10 - An exhibit of master works by Donald Sultan, Carol Hepper, Ken Price, Jackie Ferrara, Jene Hightman, John Walker, Heather McGill and Donald Lipski at 407 W. Brown, Birmingham; (810) 940-9288.

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.

GALLERY: FUNCTIONART
Through March 15 - The Fourth Annual Eclectic Electric, presenting a wide range of artistic lighting and other functional art featuring electricity from artists nationwide, at 21 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (810) 333-0333.

GALERIE JACQUES
Through March 15 - "Le Roi de Beaubourg," a show of paintings, drawings and sculptures by Jaber, at 616 Wesley, Ann Arbor; (313) 665-9889. This is the artist's first one-man exhibit in the United States.

U OF M MUSEUM OF ART
To March 16 - "Ellen Driscoll," an exhibit by the renowned Boston-based artist who works at the cutting edge of installation art, at 525 S. State, Ann Arbor; (313) 764-0395.

BIG SURF CYBERCAFE
To March 18 - An exhibit by Oak Park artist Randy Mory at 750 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (810) 433-3135.

BUNTING GALLERY
To March 19 - Works on Paper by David Becker, Susan Campbell, G. Jesse Giedhill, Thomas Humes, Mitchell Erussard, Mitchell Cope, Douglas Semivan, Konstantin chumrin, Mary Potts, Mel Rosas and Radislav Hanka.

THE WETSMAN COLLECTION
To March 18 - Works in ceramics, textiles, 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 Bohert: Small Sculpture and Drawings" reflects a sense of tension, positive and negative space, fragility and resilience held in a delicate balance. Recently, Bohert 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 Popowicz. 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 mantle, 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 at 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (810) 332-5257.

CREATIVE RESOURCE
Through March 31 - "Walk on the Wild Side" by John Wawronzek, combines vivid color, rich texture and repetition of natural elements. Located at 162 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (810) 647-3688.

THE FRAMESPACE GALLERY
Through March - Exhibit/sale of original Star Wars and Star Trek marquee posters. Located at 4326 N. Woodward, Royal Oak; (810) 549-1640.

AVENUE GALLERY
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GALLERY ANIMATO
Vintage and contemporary animation cells and drawings from animated film classics are featured at 574 N. Woodward in Birmingham; (810) 644-8312.

GALLERY NIKKO
Colorful hand-crafted gift items, home accessories and wearables. Located at 470 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (810) 647-0680.

GALLERY SHAANTI
The gallery at 361 E. Maple in Birmingham features arts and crafts of India. Call (810) 647-9202.

HAIG GALLERIES
The gallery at 311 Main in Rochester specializes in ancient, Asian and tribal arts. Call (810) 656-3759.

KAPUT KAPOT
The ceramic studios, which recently opened at 151 S. Bates, Birmingham, feature ready-made bisqueware. Paint freehand or use the studios' stencils, glazes and sponges. Call (810) 594-8423.

THE LOCAL SCENE
More than 30 artists help make the recently opened store at 425-1/2 Main, above King's Bikes in Rochester, a special place to shop for one-of-a-kind pieces, everything from jewelry to furniture. The entrance is on Main; call (810) 651-4690.

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
Handcrafted American artwork from the Southwest, including sculpture, pottery, sandpainting and fine sterling silver jewelry. Located at 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call (313) 455-8838.

OBJECTS OF ART
The gallery at 6243 Orchard Lake Road, just north of Maple in West Bloomfield, presents an unusual and eclectic collection of art to wear. The affordable items are from very well-known (and some "struggling unknown") designers in the country. Objects of Art also celebrates contemporary art with pieces ranging from tranquil glass creations to powerful metal sculptures, from whimsical statues to dramatic clay carvings, for both indoors and outdoors. Unusual collections represent both well-known and emerging artists from the local area and throughout the United States. Call (810) 539-3332.

PIERRE BITTAR GALLERY
World-renowned French Impressionist painter Pierre Bittar invites you to view his first original oil paintings of local Detroit area landmarks depicting Birmingham, Bloomfield and Grosse Pointe at 296 W. Maple, Birmingham. Paintings from northern Michigan, France and the Caribbean Islands are also displayed. Call (810) 433-9917.

RUSSELL KLATT GALLERY
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 Ciot's romantic "The Storm" are two of the reproductions now on display. In addition, limited edition serigraphs by renowned artists Dop Hatfield, Henri Plisson and Roy Fairchild are shown. Call (810) 647-6655.

THE SPORTS GALLERY
The sports memorabilia specialty store at 269 S. Woodward, Birmingham, showcases items including autographed photos from such professional athletes as Grant Hill, Barry Sanders and Ted Williams, as well as jerseys, lithographs, baseballs, bats, footballs, basketballs and display cases. Call (810) 642-0044.

STEWART AND STEWART
The printer and publisher of fine art prints since 1980 announces six new intaglio/montage prints by Catherine Kernan, the on site studies for which were done while sitting on cliffs in Ireland. Stewart and Stewart is at 5571 Wing Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. Call (810) 626-5248.

WILD WING
"Harvest Moon Ball" by Terry Redlin is available at the Birmingham gallery, 155 S. Bates. In this latest painting, a dozen vignettes showing the transitional America of the 1920s and 1930s are presented. Some have special meaning in the artist's life. Call (810) 645-2266.

WOODWARD GALLERY
The gallery at 1357 Davis in Birmingham is the only dealer in the United States authorized to sell a limited edition series of photographs of jazz legends Miles 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) 642-1357.

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 Jueana, 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 new 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) 546-6770.

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) 332-3920.

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 Tripp of Grosse Pointe Park are exhibited at the gallery on Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 824-0700.

BRIDGE STREET GALLERY
The gallery features Alaskan art and designer glass. It is seeking new artists of all mediums. Call or write for an appointment. Slides and resumes aren't required but welcome.



THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

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 contemporary work by emerging artists; artists are encouraged to call about exhibit space and upcoming shows. The gallery is at 1501 E. Woodward, 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 artists. It also shows other types of expression 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, hand-crafted "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) 541-3979.

GROSSE POINTE GALLERY
Still life oil painting monographs by Anna Jaap at 19869 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods; (313) 884-0180.

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) 334-6038.

NEXT GALLERY
The gallery at 23 W. Lawrence, Suite 102, Pontiac, offers contemporary art at its best for \$1,000 or less. Call (810) 334-6038.

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 Lapovsky, Gaydash, Daniel Eller and Lisa Aikett are on display. The 3 1/2 year-old company offers commercial and fine art photographic 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 items. Call (810) 332-6619.

SIEGEL'S DELI
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 Greentown in Detroit (formerly in Harmonie Park), features an ongoing exhibit of paintings, 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, who is displaying several of her pieces at the animal-theme gift shop at 971 N. Mill.

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 furniture, art pillows, faux painted walls and columns, murals and screens, recycled metal garden stakes, sculpture, and handmade lamp-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 hand-picked blossoms and custom creates arrangements, both large and miniature. Colorful flower paintings by artist Marilyn Stockwell line the walls. Call (810) 644-8349.

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.

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

CONNOISSEUR GALLERIES
Connoisseur Galleries, provider of fine art sales 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) 641-9901.

COWBOY TRADER
Michigan's only Wild West gallery offers cowboy and Indian antiques and collectibles, including 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 includes original lithographs by Graciela Rodó-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 available. Call (810) 656-8290.

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 mathematician formulas. To her, they are in themselves works of art.

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 artist.

G.R. N'AMDI 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, at 107 Townsend, Birmingham; (810) 642-3909.

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY

Through March 29 - "Defining Space: Vessels by Thomas Madden," a show of pewter vessels by the Ohio artist, at 1719 W. 14 Mile, east of Woodward in Royal Oak; (810) 549-3016.

THE HALSTED GALLERY

To March 31 - "Women Photographers" at 560 N. Woodward, Birmingham; (810) 644-8284.

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) 647-7709.

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; (810) 549-1640.

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CLASSICAL

SOUTHFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
March 9 concert features Grammy nominated violinist P. Clark, 7:30 p.m. at St. Hugo of the Hills church in Bloomfield Hills. Clerk will perform 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.

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With Conductor Yan Pascal Tortelier, pianist Cecile Ousset, Women of the Madrigal Chorus of Southfield, Women of the A Capella Chorus of Michigan Christian College, and Women of the Choral Union of the University Musical Society, 8 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

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STAR WARS: SPECIAL EDITION (PG)
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11:20, 1:30, 3:45, 6:20, 9:00
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11:30, 2:45, 6:00, 9:15
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1:45, 4:50, 7:20, 9:30
THE ENGLISH PATIENT (R)
1:25, 4:35, 8:00
SHINE (R)
1:35, 4:40, 7:40, 10:10
JERRY MAGUIRE (R)
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BEAUTIFUL AND THE BEAST (PG)
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1:00, 7:30
MOTHER (PG-13)
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MOVIES

'Donnie Brasco' a mob movie with a quiet, thoughtful 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 FBI.

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 Brasco."

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.

BOOKS

Journalist takes searing look at Africa



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 growing 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 University 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 racial tension," Richburg said.

The racial problems Richburg

saw in Detroit and other American cities did not prepare him for the tribal conflicts he confronted in Africa.

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

Richburg said in Asia, people have taken to the streets to protest dictators and won concessions. And even when he 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.

"Out of America: A Black Man Confronts Africa" by Keith Richburg. 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

got out, because, now, I am not one them.

"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 never-ending 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.

REVIEW

BOOKSTORE HAPPENINGS

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BARNES AND NOBLE BOOKSELLERS (WEST BLOOMFIELD)

■ "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

BORDERS BOOKS AND MUSIC (DEARBORN)

■ Author Julia Boyd discusses and signs copies of her book "Embracing the Fire," 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 10.

■ Dr. Paul Pearsall signs and discusses his book "The Pleasure Prescription," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13, at the store, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. (313) 271-4441

BORDERS BOOK SHOP (BIRMINGHAM)

■ Reception for the Pierce Elementary School Art Gallery, featuring the art work of students in grades 3-5, 10 a.m. noon, Saturday, March 8, at the store, 31150 Southfield Road, Birmingham. (810) 644-1515

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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 'African-ness.' 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.

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.

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 there.

■ Louise Kehoe will read from her memoir, "In This Dark House," to celebrate the book's release in paperback, 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 12; Reception for the release of University of Michigan's student paper "The Michigan Daily's" first literary supplement, 5-6 p.m. Thursday, March 13; Richard W. Bailey will sign copies of his book "19th Century English," 4-6 p.m. Friday, March 14, at the store, 311-315 S. State St., Ann Arbor. (313) 662-7407

■ Authors in town as part of the conference "The Gifts We Offer, The Burdens We Bear: The Vocation and Ministry of Gay and 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

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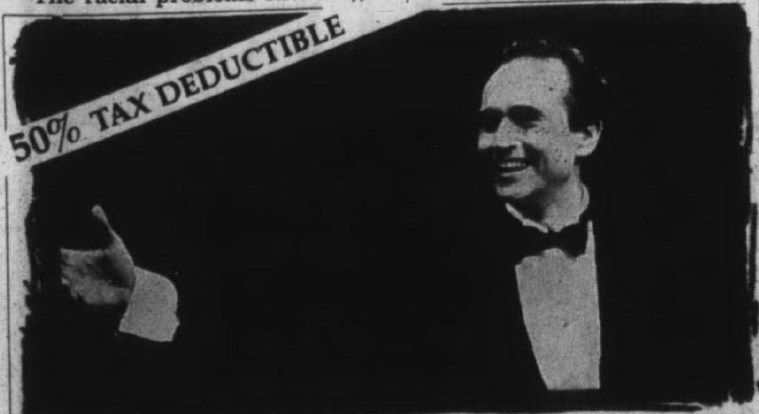
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A monthly television series, featuring Ann Arbor's most prominent artists, will spotlight Connie Lucas 9 p.m. Tuesday, March 4; 10 a.m. Thursday, March 13 and 4 p.m. Saturday, March 22 on Cable Channel 9 in Ann Arbor.

A Canton artist and member of the Ann Arbor Women Painters, Lucas is exhibiting two works in the "Michigan Women Artists" exhibiting continuing through March 5 at the Sisson Gallery in the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center at Henry Ford Community College.

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 3-dimensional works, jewelry, ceramics, and computer graphics.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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 Mendelssohn 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 times.

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 p.m. Van Sweden trained as an

urban designer and landscape 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, the New American Garden blends interesting and intricate patterns close to the house while movement into the landscape and beyond increases in simplicity.

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 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

The University of Michigan's Comprehensive Cancer Center's "Spring to Life" brunch and art auction will take place 12 p.m. Sunday, April 6 at the Morris Lawrence Building on the campus of Washtenaw Community College, 4800 East Huron River Drive in Ann Arbor. The benefit will feature an array of antiques, wearable art and collectibles

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Preview showings of the art will be held March 17 to 29 at Atys, Chris Triola, DeBoer Gallery, Jacobson's in Briarwood Mall, Selo/Shevel Gallery, and 16 Hands Gallery.

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KELSEY MUSEUM

"Women and Gender in Ancient Egypt: From Prehistory

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 Collection.

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 exhibit or tours call (313) 647-0441.

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 pharaonic 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 museum offers 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.

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Winter tourism prospects improve, professionals say

MARQUETTE, Mich. (AP) — So, where are you going for winter vacation?

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 tourism.

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."

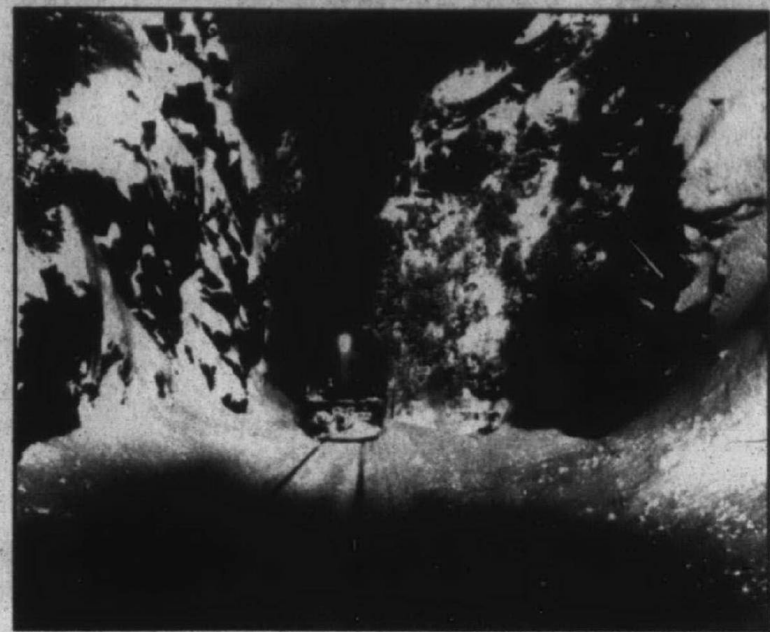
Reasons vary for the surge in winter travel.

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 winter.

"They made their money in the summer 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 snow train through the UP's Agawa canyon.

say they get more customers in 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, co-founder of Wintergreen Dogsledging Lodge in Ely, Minn. The new idea is "layering" — adding or removing layers of lighter gear with changes in pace and temperature.

"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

are significant advantages over summer."

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 said.

"It's a hard thing 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

(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 Vini (I came, I 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 fun."

To make it easier for visitors, the Virginia Wine Marketing Office offers a free guide, which lists information about 49 wineries

in Virginia and 200 wine 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.

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TRAVEL

Readers find comfort and joy when cruising

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

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 anticipated.

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 lives.

"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 Alaska.

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 dis-

counts. 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 children - 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 honeymooners."

"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 cruise."

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 T-shirts. 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

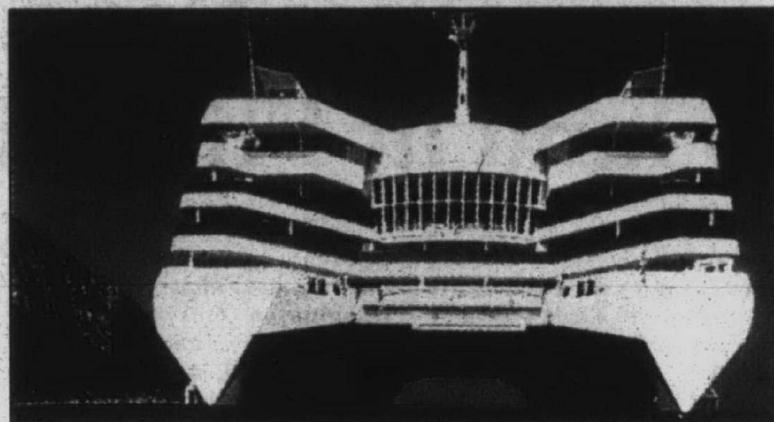
Township: "I once knew a guy who vowed no one would ever catch him on a Caribbean cruise."

"Too confining," he groaned whenever the subject came up. Too fancy. Too structured. Too expensive. This guy employed all of the standard excuses.

"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."

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IRISH TRAVELOGUE

Travel journalist Hal McClure narrates "Ireland," a "heart-catching" 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.

ZOO 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 conservation, will lead 28 passengers 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 person 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 Detroit.

Botswana the Beautiful: (Oct. 25 to Nov. 6, 1997) Explore 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-strengthened ship will sail by magnificent birds and humpback whales. Travelers will get ashore on a Zodiac landing craft. Cost \$3,995 to \$4,995 per person, double occupancy

from Miami (plus port taxes of \$495).

Galapagos Adventure: (Feb. 17-25, 1998) Trace Darwin's evolutionary theory during a five day cruise of the renowned Galapagos islands led by Andy Snider, the zoo's curator of herpetology. Cost, \$2,895 per person, double occupancy from Miami.

The Polar Bears of Churchill: (November 1998) A trip to Churchill, Manitoba for wildlife enthusiasts. Cost to be determined.

For information and itineraries, 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-

bird habitats, wildlife art and 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 information, call (517)782-3453.

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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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

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., respectively.

Scholar-Athlete nominees

Two Plymouth residents who attend Detroit Catholic Central, Ryan Schriber and Yale Jallos, are among the nominees for the Michigan High School Athletic Association Scholar-Athlete Award sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance.

Schriber 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 dives.

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 sign-up 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) 691-7279.

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 been no contest.

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

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coach Bob Brodie. "We shot the ball well, we passed the ball well, and defensively we played well."

"That's a big, strong (Glenn) team. You hold them to 23 points in a half and you're doing pretty well."

What the Rocks got was a different go-to guy in every quarter, one reason they had five players 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 apiece.

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 Canton.

"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

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

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 did."

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.

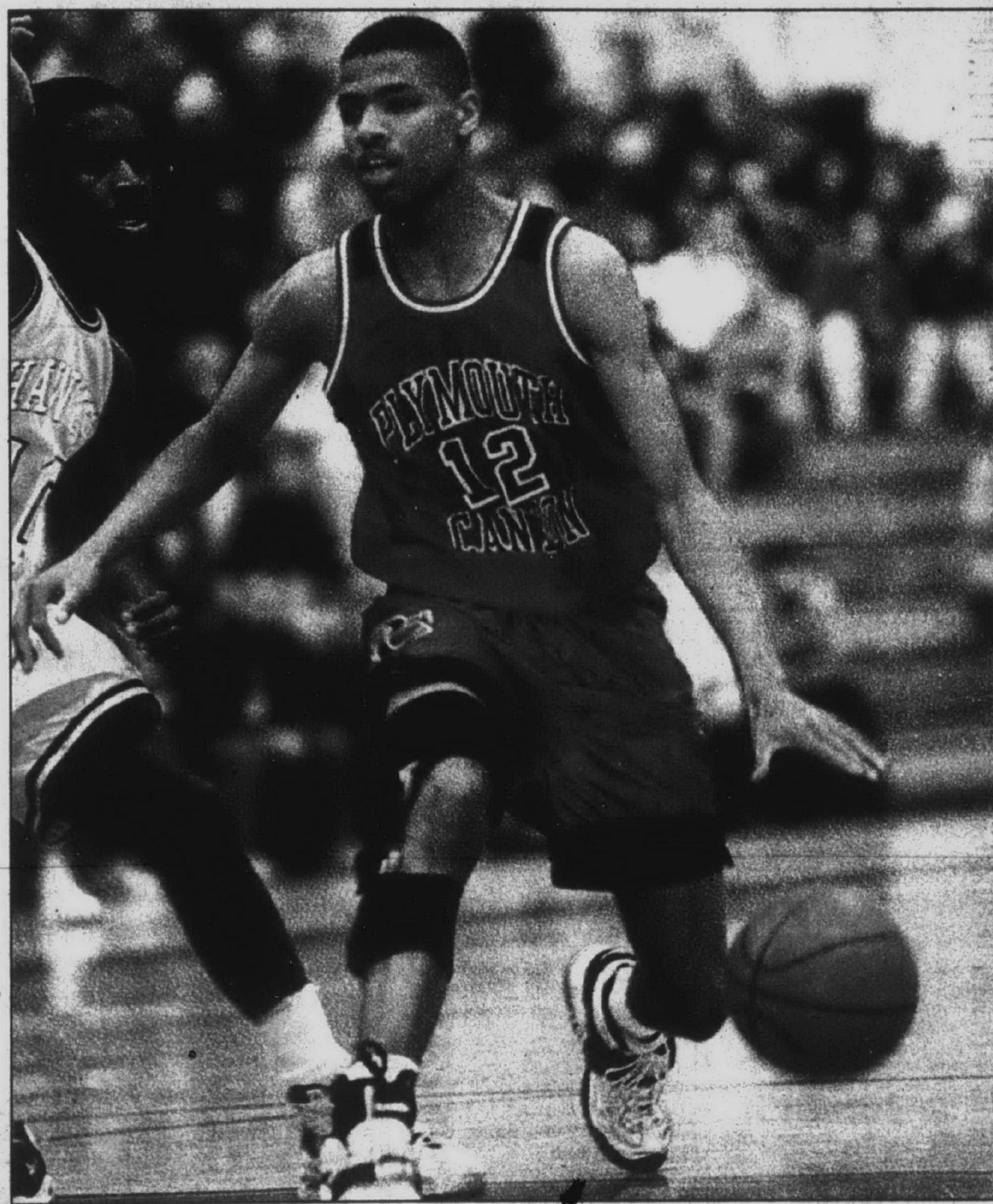
It was a slow, defensive game all the way as both teams emphasized defense and played it safe on offense. Canton held Harrison to 0-for-6 shooting in the first quarter and 11 first-half points.

"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 offensively."

"That's our philosophy but especially so because of our injuries."

"We said 'Hey, (Ammons) is out; it's going to 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



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

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.

See CANTON HOOP, D4

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 season.

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 Derocher, 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 while."

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 three-pointers 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 do it."

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 bright.

COLLEGE SPRING SPORTS PREVIEW

A bright outlook

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.

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"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 a 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 Dye.

Abraham said VanDoorn "could be a dominant-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 all-state 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 appendicitis.

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 Dijk, 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 Ohio Northern.

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

BASEBALL

over.

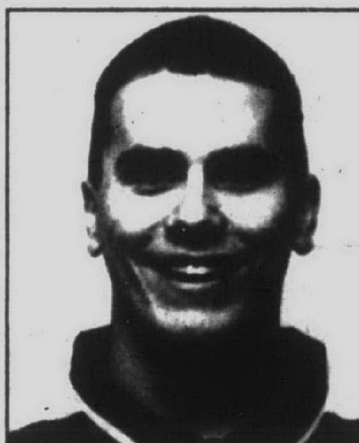
Although Madonna had a respectable 29-26 record last season, its 1-2 mark in the post-season tournament was far short of expectations.

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 walks.

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."

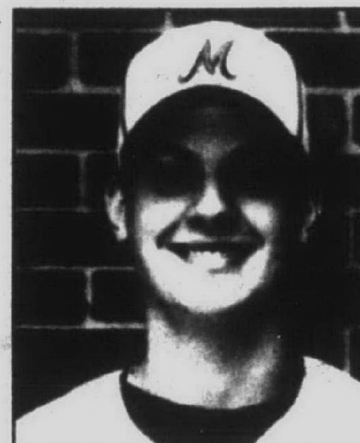
So the shuffling began. Dan Taylor, the starting shortstop



Craig Benedict
top hurler

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 distinguished themselves 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 Caldwell.

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, hitting .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 season, 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), homers (eight), doubles (16) and RBI (33) as a

designated hitter. Haeger figures his off-season work (he's dropped 30 pounds) will help him adjust to playing right field.

"I really believe he has 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 season-opener against Rollins College on the 11-game Florida spring trip.

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 Jabczynski, 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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New DNR official wants to reach out to the public

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



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In this age of information our natural resources seem to have been getting short-changed.

Mainstream Michigan has little or no 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-

ber as chief of the new Office of 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

Clubs), which is one of the premiere 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 resources.

Changing trends

In recent years, the percentage of the population which participates in hunting and fishing has decreased and the average age of the hunter and fisher has increased.

One of Matthews' goals is to reverse this trend by bringing more youths into the outdoor sports - not just hunting and fishing, but bird watching, hiking, camping, canoeing and all other aspects of outdoor recreation which utilize our valuable resources.

"About 80-percent of the kids 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 to keep taking them," explained Matthews.

"It takes five things to keep kids interested in hunting and fishing. Number one, they have

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 clubs."

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 outdoors.

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 internet.

"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.

SHOWS/FESTIVALS

OUTDOORAMA

The 1997 Outdoorama Sport and Travel Show runs through March 2 at the Novi Expo Center.

SPORTFISHING EXPO

The ninth annual Greater Detroit Sportfishing Expo will be held March 6-9 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

NOVI BOATING EXPO

The 5th annual Novi Boating Expo will be held March 12-16 at the Novi Expo Center.

WILDLIFE ART FESTIVAL

The 14th annual Michigan 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.

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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 information.

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.

FISHING BUDDYS

Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. Call (810) 656-0556 for more information.

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association,

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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.

3D SHOOT

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.

SHOOTING RANGES

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 Greenfield Rd. (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, shotgun and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

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Pointe Mouillee State Game Area in Rockwood has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. Pointe Mouillee State Game Area is located at 37205 Mouillee Road. Call (313) 379-3820 for more information.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free, while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

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OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

MAPLE EXPLORATION

Learn the process of maple sugaring during this program, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 8, at Independence Oaks.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area and

SC stumbles in MCCAAC semifinals

It seems to be the theme this season for the Schoolcraft College women's basketball team. Comin' up short.

The Lady Ocelots have enjoyed a superb season, but they haven't quite been able to get over the hump when it comes to a meaningful game. That theory held up last Friday, when SC was outgunned by Lansing CC 63-51 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association semifinals at St. Clair CC in Port Huron.

Two Lansing players in particular haunted the Ocelots. Ebony Dickinson riddled SC for 23 points and grabbed 12 rebounds; Vashika Batte added 21 points, 11 boards and seven assists.

SC enters this week's NJCAA Regional Tournament, hosted by Muskegon CC, at 21-8.

COLLEGE HOOP

Schoolcraft 65, OCC 59: This one counted.

At least that's what Schoolcraft College can say after defeating OCC in the MCCAAC 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 home.

The Ocelots jumped out to a 31-22 halftime lead and held off the Raiders. OCC is 10-18.

Esther Ross scored 18 points, tops in the game, to lead Schoolcraft and 10 of those came in the second half. She had a basket plus two free throws down the stretch while Julie Schmidt

added two free throws to provide the winning margin.

Sheilah Coulter scored 12 points while Kristi Engel (Redford Thurston) netted 10 for Schoolcraft. Chrissy Harmon and Schmidt scored nine apiece and Alana Carver got seven.

The Ocelots had three three-pointers, all by Harmon, and won despite making only 12-of-27 free throws.

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 Cara West.

West led OCC with 17 points, Jacklyn Pilkievicz scored 16 and Keona Smith 14. Carrie May had six while Kendra Schafer and Martie Matthews had three each. Pilkievicz scored 12 of her points in the second half.

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all

state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald

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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 p.m.; (C) Northville vs. (D) Plymouth Canton, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 4: Romulus vs. Belleville, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5: Wayne Memorial vs. A-B winner, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 7: Championship final, 6:30 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 p.m.

Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Southfield-Lathrup regional vs. Ferndale district champion.)

at 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 champion.)

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 Prep vs. (D) Livonia Clarenceville, 6 p.m.; (E) Redford Bishop Burgess 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.

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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, 6 p.m.

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 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 p.m.

Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Auburn Hills Oakland Christian regional vs. Hamtramck St. Florian district champion.)

CLASS E
at 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 F
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 champion.)

CLASS G
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 Prep vs. (D) Livonia Clarenceville, 6 p.m.; (E) Redford Bishop Burgess 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.

CLASS H
at 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 I
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 champion.)

CLASS J
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 Prep vs. (D) Livonia Clarenceville, 6 p.m.; (E) Redford Bishop Burgess 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.

CLASS K
at 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 L
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 champion.)

CLASS M
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 Prep vs. (D) Livonia Clarenceville, 6 p.m.; (E) Redford Bishop Burgess 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.

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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 better."

Canton extended its lead to 32-19 after three quarters, but Harrison 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

in person.

"On film you can't tell how quick he is or how good an offensive rebounder he is," Teachman said.

"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 there."

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 game-best 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 total.

Franklin, 10-10, lost its second straight game after knocking off Plymouth Salem in its WLLA tournament opener.

The Patriots got 16 points from Matt Bauman. Jay Fontaine had 10, Nick Mongeau nine and Kevin Biga seven.

Northville 60, Stevenson 51: Balanced scoring brought the Mustangs the victory Thursday in a WLLA consolation game for seventh and eighth place in the WLLA 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.

BEST IN BOWLING

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 — Marv 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 MacPherson, 225.

Ford Parts — Joe O'Connell, 267/688; Ken Warren, 288/673; Robert Thomas, 737; Dan Gustus, 715; Rick Hillier, 684.

Senior House League — Mike Larocca, 279/749; Jeff Roche, 279/780; Rick Patton, 278/751; Paul Gadowski, 268/672; Rob Schepis, 258/684; Jim Johnson, Jr., 258/679.

Woodland Midnight Mixed — Joe Swingle, 269-268-205/742; Chuck Rual, 237-238-236/711; Jim Hyatt, 243/661; Bill Moreau, 255/645; Paul McMurry, 277.

Cloverlanes (Livonia)
St. Aidan's Men's — Bob Racey, 224-

226/645; Ed Harden, 224; Dave Weber, 235; Dave Golen, 235; John Golen, 230-215/603.
Detroit Edison Men's — John Alarie, 279/641.

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 Keim, 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, 233-248/665; Lee Onkla, 243/625.

Paula Sitarski, 218-208/596; Dawn Weigel, 200; Helen Bialo, 198.

Garden Lanes (Garden City)
St. Linus Classic — Brian Jonca, 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 — Ward Wilcox 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.

Country Lanes (Livonia)
Friday Men's — Jason Parillo, 300; Jeff

Herzog, 300.
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 Butler, 246/703.

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 Vanderwill, 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, 234-293-213/640; Mark Silverstein, 255/611; Tom Dow, 259/637; Chuck O'Rourke, 237-237-245/671; Tony Varnas, 236-250/631.

Monday Midnight Men — Joe Carmo, 288; Jerry Kassa, 288; Michael Kassa, 278/735.

Country Janes — Joye Patterson, 235/533; Lin Huber, 226/609; Katie Szonye, 220/530; Julie Dunn, 209; Sue Szczepaniak, 209/525.

Sunday Goodtimers — Mark Buchalter, 222-202; Ralph Davis, 225/628; Mike Lanning, 226/600; Mark Silverstein, 224-214/632; Todd Wortinger, 224-213.

Guys-N-Gals — Tim Hicks, 269/667; John Crossno, 267; Steve Hille, 266/721; Dawn Johnson, 245; Lynne Wegener, 236/619; Norma Pope, 233.

St. Paul's Men's — Mike Silardi, 267/661; John Gauthier, 244.
Country Keglers — Walt Ullrich, 253; Mark Martin, 245/630; Lee Burk, 245/643; Ron Krann, 242; George Vann, 242/700.

Wednesday Knights — Tom Jenkins, 267; Dan Cohen, 260; Mike Cundie, 265/691; Steve Schoenberg, Jr., 259; Dave Fehrenbach, 256.

Bei Aire Lanes (Farmington)
Our Lady of Sorrows — John Pitera, 211-211/611; Rusty Lynch, 226-222/627; Dennis Yaros, 205-231/612; Leif Olsen, 214-202/609; 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.

Novi Pinpointers — Gail Gross, 224/517; Rosemary Banish, 213/580; Debbie Lukasiak, 204-203/579.

Early birds — Joyce Elwert, 213-213.
Novi Bowl (Novi)
Westside Lutheran — Don Johnson, 685; Bill Mueller, 655; Randy Mobius, 645; Bill Bryant, 631; Mike Mockridge, 624.

Plum Hollow Lanes (Southfield)
Friday Nite 4-Sum — Reggie McGee, 298.
Nite Train Express — Harvey Reid, 223-212-205/640; LaSalle Gipsen.

St. Michael's Women's — Theresa Fodale, 235.
Sat. Youth (Majors) — Demetri Givens, 217.

Troy Lanes (Troy)
Saturday All Stars — Mark Bunting, 276; Andy Uleck, 232.

Kamax Dupont — Cary Fletcher, 258/759.
Silver Strikers — Jack Converse, 234/609; Joe Landry, 243/601.

Over The Hill Classic — Clyde Williamson, 257/713; John Cedar, 252; Larry Dagenais, 279; Jerry Kamanski, 237; Steve Atkeson, 236.



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RECREATION

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

People are attracted to animals with proportionately big eyes. I think it comes from our response to human babies that have big eyes in proportion to their heads. These qualities often cause a caring and attractive response which is beneficial because it usually drives parents to care for their young.

When we see an animal with big eyes it generally elicits an "Ah, isn't that cute?" kind of 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 to enter the eye, especially at night when little light is available.

One of the most nocturnal of animals in Michigan is the flying squirrel. It has large eyes in proportion to its head and often causes people to say "Isn't it cute?"

Compare a flying squirrel to a small-eyed, 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 species found in Michigan.

The southern flying squirrel is found in southeastern Michigan and is what I saw the other night at a feeding station.

It was sitting on a squirrel feeder eating kernels of corn.

Southern flying squirrels have a whiter belly than the northern flying squirrel, which is generally found north of M-20.

As I watched it at the feeder, it did not eat the entire kernel of corn, it only ate the germ or the small embryo, the most nutritious part.

After finishing, it climbed to the top of the supporting pole for the feeders and glided to a tree about 20 feet away.

A short distance like that is nothing compared to glides that have been measured at 120 feet.

When gliding the animal spreads its four 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 a rudder.

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.



ON THE RUN



MARYBETH DILLON

If you're someone who tires of running by yourself, you understand how Kathy and Randy Step felt in 1983.

"At the time, we were training tons of miles alone," said Randy. "We'd see all these people out running."

It gave the couple an idea. "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 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 Sheldon 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 groups to their stores for runs on other nights. One group meets at 6:30 p.m. Mondays for a six-mile run from Novi Town Center's Running Fit.

At 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, a group meets at the Northville Running Fit on Main Street for a five-miler. In nice weather, the Thursday group runs trails in Maybury Park. They meet at the Beck Road entrance at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call Running Fit at (810) 380-3338, or (810) 347-4949.

Future columns will highlight other area running clubs. There are many to choose from!

We're anxious to hear from you. Fax race results and running news to "On the Run," (313) 459-4224, or write us at 794 S. Main, Plymouth 48170.



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Big 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

Hold 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 pampered pooches and yup-scale owners.

But the Detroit show on Sunday, 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 bench format. That means dogs entered in competitions are displayed on benches when they're not competing. For dog shoppers, this provides a good opportunity to look and ask questions of breeders.

What's best about the show? "Just winning your class. We 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 demonstrations 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 and retail booths offer pet supplies.

Debbie Wade of Canton shows three different Belgian breeds, including the Belgian sheep dog. Her son, 14, and daughter, 16,

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 usefulness of dogs."

Debbie Fazica of Plymouth Township, who owns Executive Kennel, will show her Airedale terriers at the show.

"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.

Parking is available around Cobo Center and in lots at People Mover stops. For more information, call (810) DKC-SHOW.



TEN PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

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" Tournament 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 747, 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 pins.

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 won it.

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 Moebis 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 hydrogen 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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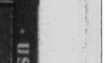




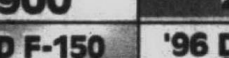
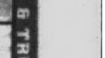
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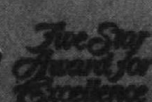
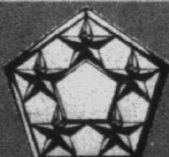
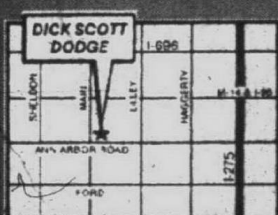
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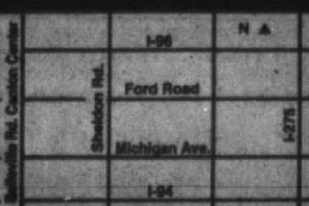
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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Diet and breast cancer

Dr. Zora Djuric, Ph.D., is looking for a few good women.

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 beneficial."

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 area.

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Companies pitch prescription drugs to consumers

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

An 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, either.

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 seeing.

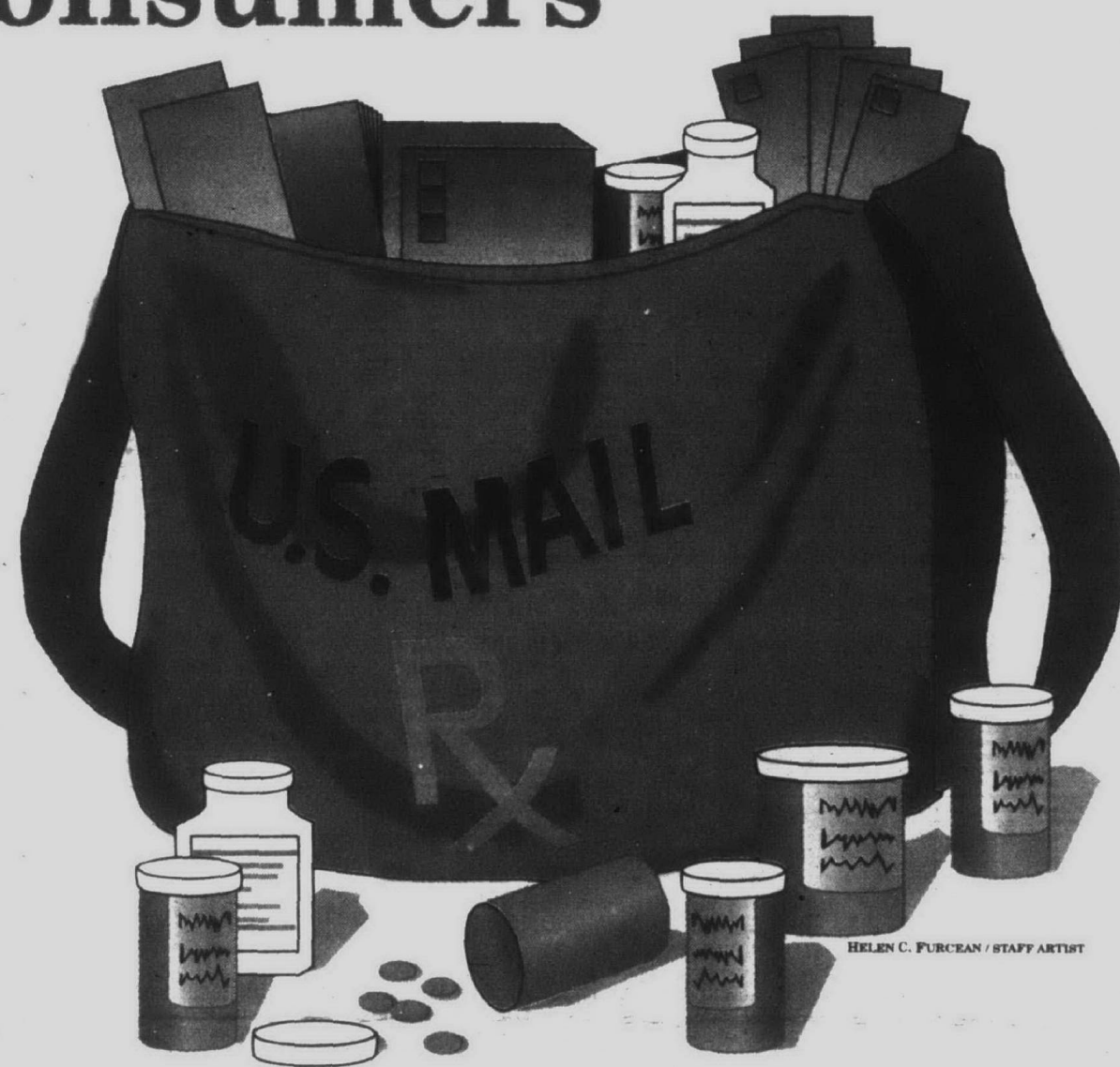
"They (patients) come in and say 'This is a great drug' and they don't know it's an advertisement," according to Dr. Vijay Goburdhun, who practices internal medicine-cardiology in Livonia. "The public isn't educated enough to read medical advertisements. Patients come in and say 'I've read about such 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-to-consumer 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



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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.

Stephen Mock, director of

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 ads.

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-to-consumer advertising has mostly been in print ads and press releases on various medical conditions, like high cholesterol, 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. 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 company's drug."

A recent edition of Reader's Digest, for instance, had an eight-page 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-to-consumer 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 our 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 qualify 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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MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

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VNA staffer



Brace

Visiting Nurse Association Inc. has named **Jean Brace** of Grosse Pointe director of operations for its private duty subsidiary, VNA Support Services. Brace will be responsible for overall operations of VNA Support Services, which includes staffing, insuring an effective system of communications throughout the organization, and representing the organization in communicating with clients. She previously was a case manager for Home Care, a program administered by the Ministry of Health of Ontario, Canada.

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

Dr. Sander Kushner, D.O., FACP, has been appointed associate specialist-in-chief for The Detroit Medical Center's Department of Family Medicine. In 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 Ziegler 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 cost-effective 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



Stokes

Dr. Womack Stokes Jr., M.D., of West Bloomfield has been appointed assistant medical director and physician-in-charge of 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 region.

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 UCSF.

Before joining Henry Ford in 1996, Stokes was a staff physician at Kaiser Permanente in Cleveland, Ohio.

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MARCH 3-13

QUIT SMOKING
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 smoke-free. 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 dietician 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 1-800-494-1650.

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 Road, between Ford and Warren roads. Infant/child resuscitation and obstructed airway techniques are taught in the three-hour 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) 593-7482.

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COMMUNITY FIRST AID
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 (313) 274-5450.

THURS, MARCH 6

HEART HEALTH
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-WELL.

MARCH 6, 13

FIRST AID
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 1-800-543-WELL.

SAT, MARCH 8

CANCER SURVIVORS
The Metropolitan Detroit Community 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 Nov. 8.

MON, MARCH 10

CHILD BIRTH 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

LOCK UP
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 eaters.

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) 876-7051.

MARCH 13, APRIL 11

BEYOND OVEREATING

A program on "Beyond Overeating: 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) 477-6100.

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

MOMS ON THE GO
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 22

PARENTING

A parenting class will be offered by Garden City Hospital and the Garden City Public Library at the library, 2012 Middlebelt, two blocks south of Ford Road. "Active Parenting Today" will meet 6:45-8:45 p.m. Registration is required by calling Garden City Hospital Community Services at (313) 458-4330.

WED, MARCH 19

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

CPR
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.

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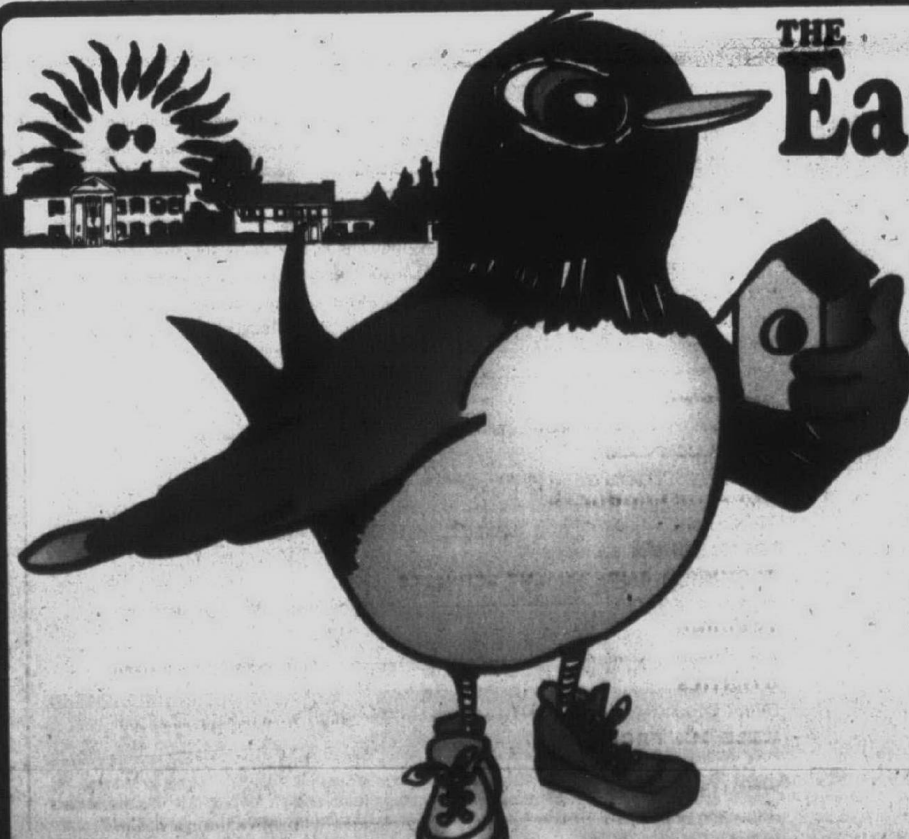
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WOMEN SEEKING MEN

FRIENDS FIRST

SWF, 50, 5'5", auburn/hazel, pretty, enjoys music, dining out, socializing, sense of humor, seeks same SWM, N.S. 45-55. For conversation and friendship. #1183(exp/43)

DOWN-TO-EARTH

Humorous, conservative SWF, 40s, average height, slender, no dependents, enjoys conversation, travel, music, theater, dining, walking, and sports. Seeking compatible SWM 45-57, must be employed. #1177(exp/43)

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT

DWF, 28, attractive, 5'4", 120lbs, brown/blond, likes dancing, animals, Seeking a man with a sense of humor, 30-45, #1004(exp/43)

MARRIAGE-MINDED CATHOLIC

Romantic, Italian SWF, N.S. 37-54, slender, brunette, westsider, enjoys music, travel, dining, music, walking, hockey, classic, good conversation, financially secure, Catholic SWM, 35-40, N.S., desiring family life. #1173 (exp/43)

POET SEEKING

new inspiration DWF, 40, N.S., attractive, intelligent, seeks open hearted, preferably educated gentleman, for romance, fairy tales, and a hug any time of the day just because. #1101(exp/43)

LONELY WIDOW

Widowed WF, 68, petite, attractive, romantic, caring, enjoys movies, walks, seeks fun partner for love and lots of affection. Will answer all calls. #255(exp/43)

WOMAN OF SUBSTANCE

Attractive, intelligent, romantic DWF, 45, 5'3", HW proportionate, with morals, honest, enjoys conversation, Seeking professional SWM, 45-55, N.S., no head games, friends first. #1165(exp/43)

SLENDER, SHAPELY...

sophisticated, blonde beauty, seeks companionship/chemistry with handsome, fit, fun, intelligent, successful, enjoys world travel, country club golf, and life's finer things. #1164(exp/43)

ALLURING...

Attractive, intelligent, fun-loving SWF, intelligent, enjoys working out, romantic evenings, candlelight dinners, seeks good-looking SWM, 37-47, intriguing, well-built, sense of humor, for serious relationship. #1182(exp/43)

SURPRISE ME

SWF, mid-40s, seeking SWM, 30s-mid-40s, my interests bowling, bingo, auto races, spectator sports, walking, funny movies. #1158(exp/43)

LOOKING FOR MY SOULMATE

Attractive DWF, 39, 5'6", blonde/brown, N.S., financially secure, SWM, 45-55, N.S., social drinker, 5'7", HW proportionate, enjoys dancing, music, romantic evenings, etc. for LTR. #1156(exp/43)

PRETTY PROFESSIONAL

33-57, slim, long dark blonde, sense of humor, independent, like sports, dining, dancing and travel. Seeking thoughtful, classy, successful, and gentleman, 29-39. #2902(exp/43)

SEEKING ROMANCE

I'm an attractive, intelligent, slender, tall, refined, fun, affectionate, 50, I'm not a 30s woman - so please be a traditional, tall, intelligent, handsome, 50+, who's got the goods. #2927(exp/43)

SOPHISTICATED AND LOOKING

It's time to settle down and become serious about finding you. I am a refined gentleman, late 40s-early 50s, college educated, successful, successful, life's finer moments, look no further. #2991(exp/43)

SEARCHING FOR TRUE LOVE

Well-rounded, humorous, 40s, 43-57, brown/hazel, N.S., enjoys jazz, C&W, quiet times at home, seeking honest, romantic, mature SWM, 40-50, who's got the goods. #2982(exp/43)

SEXY, WELL-BUILT BLONDE

130lbs, green eyes, 50s, seeking bad boy, not pot-bellied, married with fun-loving hair, sense of humor, smoke too much. Ready to rock and roll with SWM, 40-50. #9813(exp/43)

CINNAMON SPICE

Attractive, outgoing, sincere, female, 38, looking for intelligent, honest, handsome, financially secure SWM, for real friendship/marriage. #2983(exp/43)

PRETTY BRUNETTE

DWF, 48, 5'7", physically fit, degreed, family oriented, enjoys concerts, sports, movies, dining out, travel, walking, quiet evenings, laughter. Seeking professional gentleman SWM, N.S., social drinker, 40-50, similar interests, possible LTR. #9811(exp/43)

CHARACTER WITH CHARACTER

Attractive, witty, professional, vegetarian DWF, active physically, mentally and spiritually. Seeking active, intellectual SWM, N.S., 45-53, prefer rugged good looks, but emotional maturity and spiritual strength a must. #2977(exp/43)

SOULMATE WANTED

Petite blonde, 40s, 5'5", 118lbs, on quest for best friend/partner, physically fit, enjoys golf, tennis, romantic candlelit dinners, college grad/successful professional, 45-55, make the journey through life. #2979(exp/43)

LET'S SHARE

Fun, feelings, and interests including travel, arts, skiing, PBS, and your interests. Attractive, slender SWF, 5'5", seeks companion, 50-59. #9584 (exp/43)

WANTED: YOUNG MAN

or young-at-heart man, 45-57, 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. #2985(exp/43)

NEEDS COMPANIONSHIP

DWF, 50, enjoys movies, dining out, camping, animals, quiet evenings, sense of humor, Seeking male, with same interests. #2973(exp/43)

THE RIGHT CHEMISTRY?

Attractive, classy, down-to-earth DWF, 50, 5'5", traditional values, seeks professional/romantic relationship, N.S. DM, 45-55, to start the reaction for possible LTR. #9855(exp/43)

CHARMING & CHEERFUL

Pretty, playful SWF, 5'5", blonde/brunette, seeks attractive, interesting, caring, N.S. gentleman, with a sunny smile, for meaningful relationship. #2965(exp/43)

WHO'S THAT LADY?

It's me, Jewish, blue-eyed, blonde, in this material world, age 54 but doesn't know it, mysterious, dress like Madonna sometimes, terrific cook, good dancer, loves life adventures. Needs understanding male. #9659 (exp/43)

I KNOW YOU'RE OUT THERE!

SWF, 34, 5'10", 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. #9656 (exp/43)

SEEKING SINCERE GENTLEMAN

Romantic, attractive SWF, 48, 5'7", 120lbs, brown/brown, selectively seeking professional sincere gentleman, for friendship, laughter and adventure, leading to more. Health-conscious and N.S. interests. Travel, theater, jazz and nature. #9514(exp/43)

RAVEN-HAIRED BEAUTY

Classy SWF, 47, 125lbs, honest, sense of humor, no dependents, seeks handsome, outgoing SWM, 38-50, N.S., good conversation, financially secure, Catholic SWM, 35-40, N.S., desiring family life. #1173 (exp/43)

ENGLISH LADY

Petite brunette, 54, seeking rewarding friendship with SWM, 54+, who enjoys movies, fine dining, quiet evenings. N.S. #2503(exp/43)

CLASSY BLONDE

Professional, 40, 5'8", N.S., enjoys fine dining, theater, movie, boating, tennis, seeks handsome, outgoing SWM, 38-50, N.S., degreed professional, for long-term committed relationship. #2503(exp/43)

HOPELESS ROMANTIC

SWF, 28, HW 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. #2502(exp/43)

ATRACTIVE PROFESSIONAL

Classy, educated, 5'6", N.S., perky blonde/blue anxious to meet! Tall N.S. 54-63, silver (or no hair) romantic, successful professional, with N.S. 50+, financially secure, travel, water, animals, values. New memories await. #2501(exp/43)

ONE-OF-A-KIND

One-of-a-kind SWF, 40, enjoys music (especially jazz), sports, concerts, theater, and quiet evenings at home. Call me, let's chat! #2405(exp/43)

PETITE & FUN

DWF, 38 (looks younger), 5'2", 120lbs, blonde, outgoing, 130lbs, no dependents, recently returned from 5 years in Europe, interests: music, art, theater, dancing, travel, etc. Seeking SWM, 35-45, N.S., for friendship/LTR. #2403(exp/43)

OUTGOING FRIEND

SWF, 40, brown/blond, enjoys outdoors, horseback riding, movies, spending quality time, seeks SWM, 35-45, N.S., for friendship. #2401(exp/43)

SPICY & SWEET

Petite, fun-loving DWF, late 40s, 18, 5' blonde/brown, no dependents, enjoys movies, dancing, shows, etc. seeks fun, loving SWM, over 40, to share time with, for possible relationship. #2399(exp/43)

ADULT & FUN

SWF, 40, full-figured, enjoys jazz, plays, dining, traveling, and movies. Seeking companion, who is fun, intelligent, successful, and not afraid of me. #2398(exp/43)

NEW FROM CAPE COD

One tall, sophisticated man, 48-60, college educated, successful, successful, life's finer moments, look no further. #2991(exp/43)

BE MY VALENTINE

DWF, 58, 130lbs, N.S., wishes to meet a tall gentleman, 45-55, who enjoys honest, fun, loves to travel, dine out, for companionship. #2484(exp/43)

STILL LOOKING FOR ROMANCE

DWF, 38, blonde, 120lbs, 4'11", 112lbs, active, enjoys physical as well as mental challenges. Seeking handsome, financially secure SWM, 40-50, who has similar interests, strong moral values. #2926(exp/43)

PLEASANT SURPRISE

Attractive, petite, brunette, seeks for sparks. You are mid-40s to early 50s, with hair, secure, mentally, physically, financially, with sense of humor. #9238(exp/43)

BEAUTIFUL NATURE LOVER

SWF, 41, 5'7", 124lbs, steel-blue eyes, degreed, dog-owner, into hiking, birding, music, self-growth, healthy food, metaphysical, positive outlooks. Seeking imaginative, sensitive, kindred spirit, to share common interests, friendship, love of nature, possible LTR. #2925(exp/43)

ARTICULATE AND ACTIVE

WF, 48, N.S., brunette, 5'8", slender, active, intelligent, outgoing, and very active. Enjoys activities such as hiking, horseback riding, travel, golf. Seeking SWM, 50-58, who enjoys golf, has similar interests, strong moral values. #2920(exp/43)

OUTGOING & UPBEAT

SWF, 30, 5'5", down-to-earth, with spirit of adventure, enjoys music, movies, sports, dining out, seeks LTR. #2922(exp/43)

COULD CONNECT...

with tall, HW proportionate, secure, active, fun-loving guy with hair, 48-56, Pretty, dark-haired SWF, 40lbs, 5'4", 115lbs, with varied interests, great legs and good heart, would like to talk with you. #2927(exp/43)

COSMIC FEMALE STARRSED

Seeks peace-loving, sacred male, in this material world, age 54 but doesn't know it, mysterious, dress like Madonna sometimes, terrific cook, good dancer, loves life adventures. Needs understanding male. #9659 (exp/43)

SHE'S THE ONE

Sweet, sensual, smart and gorgeous, 57, 130lbs, MA degreed, early 40s, childless, well-read, into bike touring, antiquing, cuddling and laughing. Seeking good-looking, well-educated, articulate, outgoing guy. N.S. #9205(exp/43)

COMFORTABLE TO BE 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. #9663(exp/43)

CUTE ITALIAN

Sincere, warm DWF, 61, 5'2", enjoys movies, walks, reading, and conversation. Seeking good-natured, honest SWM, N.S., 57-62, #9142 (exp/43)

SEARCHING

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 SWM, for serious LTR. #9051 (exp/43)

GREEN-EYED BRUNETTE

Attractive, 35, 5'5", 110lbs, professional, 5'5", N.S., no children, enjoys all seasons and has varied interests, loves to laugh. Seeking handsome, fun, 30s-early 50s. #9049(exp/43)

UPTOWN LADY

Seeking sharp-dressed man. Passionate, attractive, spiritual SWF, 50, loves dancing, art, laughs and snuggles. Seeking handsome, romantic, secure, honest, affable N.S. gentleman. #9048(exp/43)

Humorous, conservative SWF, 40s,

average height, slender, no dependents, enjoys conversation, travel, music, theater, dining, walking, and sports. Seeking compatible SWM, 40-55, must be employed. #9140(exp/43)

LET'S DO COFFEE

SWF, 22, 5'2", brown/hazel, seeks versatile, honest and tidy, well-educated. For friendship, fun and possible LTR. #9129(exp/43)

ONE-OF-A-KIND

I'm a petite DWF, very active, outgoing, enjoy golf, bowling, cards, pool, travel, etc. Seeking tall, sweet man with family values, no couch potatoes please. #9132 (exp/43)

HONEST, ROMANTIC

Attractive DWF, 49, 5'6", 135lbs, book, theater, cinema, seeks attractive SWM, 45-55, N.S., social drinker, 5'10", HW proportionate, who enjoys dancing, music, romantic evenings, etc. for LTR. #9126(exp/43)

CLASSY

SWF, 40, full-figured, enjoys jazz, plays, dining, traveling, and movies. Seeking companion, who is fun, intelligent, successful, and not afraid of me. #2398(exp/43)

SMART SENSATIONAL

Feminine, slender, sweet, blonde beauty, seeks companionship/chemistry with handsome, fit, fun, intelligent, successful, enjoys world travel, country club golf, and life's finer things. #2397(exp/43)

GO FOR HAPPINESS...

With a beautiful, humorous, athletic, honest DWF, 45, who enjoys movies, walking, sporting events, dancing, theater, looking for companionship, possible LTR. #2396(exp/43)

HOME-COOKED MEALS

SWF, 47, attractive redhead, 5'2", enjoys figure, good shape, easygoing, honest, sincere, affectionate, financially secure, no dependents. Seeking companion to share happy home life, good cooking, movies, dancing, N.S. preferred, 43-55. Pets welcome. #2395(exp/43)

WHO CAN I TELL?

Blonde, green eyes, 5'8", trim, early 50s, sweet, warm, educated, I don't even know you, I need to bring my dreams to life, with understanding man, polite and wonderful charming. #2394(exp/43)

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL

Easygoing, down-to-earth, good sense of humor, to treat a lady, affectionate, blonde hair, 5'5", enjoys bingo, dinner. Seeking someone who is fun, intelligent, successful, financially secure, no dependents. #2393(exp/43)

BROWN-EYED GIRL

Attractive, intelligent, SWF, 31, enjoys dancing, romance, movies, hockey, working out. Searching for a hard-working, successful, sincere, intelligent gentleman who will make my heart smile. #2392(exp/43)

LOVELY TOO LONG

One last chance to get the lady. DWF, 24, long brown/blond, seeks SWM, 27-32, employed, honest, 5'10", enjoys going, going, going! #2391(exp/43)

LIKE SHOPPING FOR A PUPPY

Self-supporting, good-looking SWF, 30, 5'8", 120lbs, blonde, seeks best friend and companion. Ten day trial period. If you don't fall in love, you may exchange. #2390 (exp/43)

COWBOY WANTED!

Yee Haul! Howdy! Blonde haired, attractive, intelligent, SWF, 31, enjoys dancing, romance, movies, hockey, working out. Searching for a hard-working, successful, sincere, intelligent gentleman who will make my heart smile. #2392(exp/43)

HERE I AM

Pretty DWF, young 41, red/brown, 5'1", 150lbs, employed, homeowner, mother of two, varied interests, outdoors, outdoor activities, music, movies, and the local sports scene. N.S., seeks SWM, 28-38, for companionship/possible relationship. #2390(exp/43)

MEET FOR COFFEE

Attractive professional, affectionate, outgoing, independent, people-oriented, SWF, 40-something, loves to laugh, enjoys movies, all the outdoors. Seeking male with similar interests, possible LTR. #2389(exp/43)

BLUE-EYED LADY

Healthy, honest, loyal SWF, 60, 5'3", 130lbs, enjoys most sports, the outdoors. Seeking male with similar interests, good sense of humor. #2388(exp/43)

FRIENDS FIRST

SWF, 42, 5'5", red/brown, enjoys music, long walks, camping, fishing. Seeking SWM, 35-45, N.S. with similar interests, good sense of humor. #2387(exp/43)

LET'S STAY WARM

It's cold here! Need a warm, handsome, fun SWM, 30-42, to keep this DWF, 38, warm and toasty. #2386(exp/43)

GO FOR IT

Looking for love in all the wrong places? I'm the answer to your prayers. For a good time with a bad girl, call me! #2382(exp/43)

TIERED OF LOSING

DWF, 23, 5'8", 114lbs, brown/blond, enjoys dancing, dining, movies, romantic evenings. Seeking SWM, 23-26, with family values, sense of humor, financially secure, must own vehicle. #2380(exp/43)

GORGEOUS

Attractive SWF, intelligent, hard-working, enjoys working out, movies, candlelight dinners, seeks good-looking SWM/Indian male, 27-37, intelligent, well-built, for special relationship. #2379(exp/43)

PRETTY WOMAN

Attractive SWF, 57, slender, auburn/hazel, no dependents, N.S. Enjoys fitness, cooking, music. Seeking fit, outgoing, intelligent SWM, 48-58, Western Wayne County. #2378(exp/43)

NEW YEAR'S WISH

SWF, 33, wants to start 1997 with special guy. New Year's resolution is finding someone to share lasting memories of friendship, family, home. Look no further. Seeking SWM, never married, 33-39, #2370(exp/43)

EUROPEAN WIDOW

Attractive, bright female, 46, blonde/blue, seeks Tom Cruise/Tom & Jerry, fun, for prancing and great wild fun. #2365(exp/43)

SIMPLICITY WITH CLASS

Intelligent, attractive DWF, short blonde/blue, younger looking, early 50s. Seeking rewarding friendship with SWM, 50+ who enjoys fine dining, theater, scenic drives. #2364 (exp/43)

UPBEAT

Very attractive SWF, 57, slender, auburn/hazel, no dependents, N.S. Enjoys fitness, cooking, music. Seeking fit, outgoing, intelligent SWM, 48-58, Western Wayne County. #2363(exp/43)

WHY BE ALONE?

Good-looking, thoughtful/caring, affectionate, honest SWM, 50, 5'7", 180lbs, enjoys dining out, movies, travel, warm vacations, holding hands, long walks. Seeking petite, medium-sized, warm, caring woman, 35-50, for LTR/monogamous relationship. #2362(exp/43)

SEEKING MR. RIGHT

SWM, 29, 5'11", 6', brown/blue, caring, honest, sincere, good sense of humor, likes all types of sports, cooking, dancing, theater. Seeking caring, honest SWF, 24-35, with similar interests, for LTR. #2361(exp/43)

WAYNE BUSINESS Finance

Electronic newspapers offer news to use



EMORY DANIELS

O&E ONLINE

Major changes 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 the site.

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 Business.

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 you 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 Adobe Acrobat software to view archived papers so download a version if you don't have one among your Internet arsenal of tools. I went to the Wall Street Journal site and downloaded mine.

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 classifieds.

Right now the former Newstand site on oeonline.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-

lage Web site, hosted by O&E Online. The article, called the Web Master School, can be read by pointing to <http://www.edweek.org/ew/21webh16>.

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 thriving at Adams.

Emory Daniels may be reached via E-mail at emory@oeonline.com. Past columns are may be accessed at http://observer-eccentric.com/main/emoryd/arc_hive.html.

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



Paulson

Nylok Fastener Corporation has appointed Tim Paulson to the new position of plant superintendent at the company's Macomb manufacturing facility.

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 Everlock 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 marketing functions. The announcement was made by Max Dorfinger, 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 associations.

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 services.

The MNLA is a statewide trade association representing businesses involved in Michi-

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 year 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 three children.

Top employees

Mark Price has been named

Michigan Sales Employee of the Year for Shearer's Foods Inc., based in Brewster, Ohio. Others honored are: Arnold "Buddy" Pittsenger, 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 marketplace.

As an associate, LeDuc will manage tax engagements for manufacturing clients and clients with international tax-

ation issues. She holds a bachelor'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 of the agency's statewide network of local offices.

He is also a member of the agency's Executive Committee,

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 Grotzky 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, Grotzky 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. in curriculum and instruction at the University of South Florida.

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 d'oeuvres will be served and Sharon Johnson, state BPW president, will give an introduction 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 every month.

TUES, MARCH 4

LEGAL UPDATE

The Greater Detroit Interfaith Round 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 Success: Avoiding 10 Common Legal Pitfalls in Contracts and Business." 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 Challenges 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

QS-9000

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

QS-9000

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 employees 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. 4165.

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-

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

INTERNAL 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 owner 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, Livonia, 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 Internet.

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 sponsor.

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lege in Livonia. Price is \$225. For reservations, call Cristina O'Connor, 1-800-292-4484, Ext. 4165.

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) 255-7777.

EUROPEAN MARKETS

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 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

JOB 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 chamber office, (313) 326-7222.

MONDAYS

BUSINESS 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 Mughanem, (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-JOBOLOGY.

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 community groups on a variety of health-related topics.

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 abuse;
- 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, 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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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 Lillie.

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 bedroom.

"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."

Good freeway access via I-275



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.

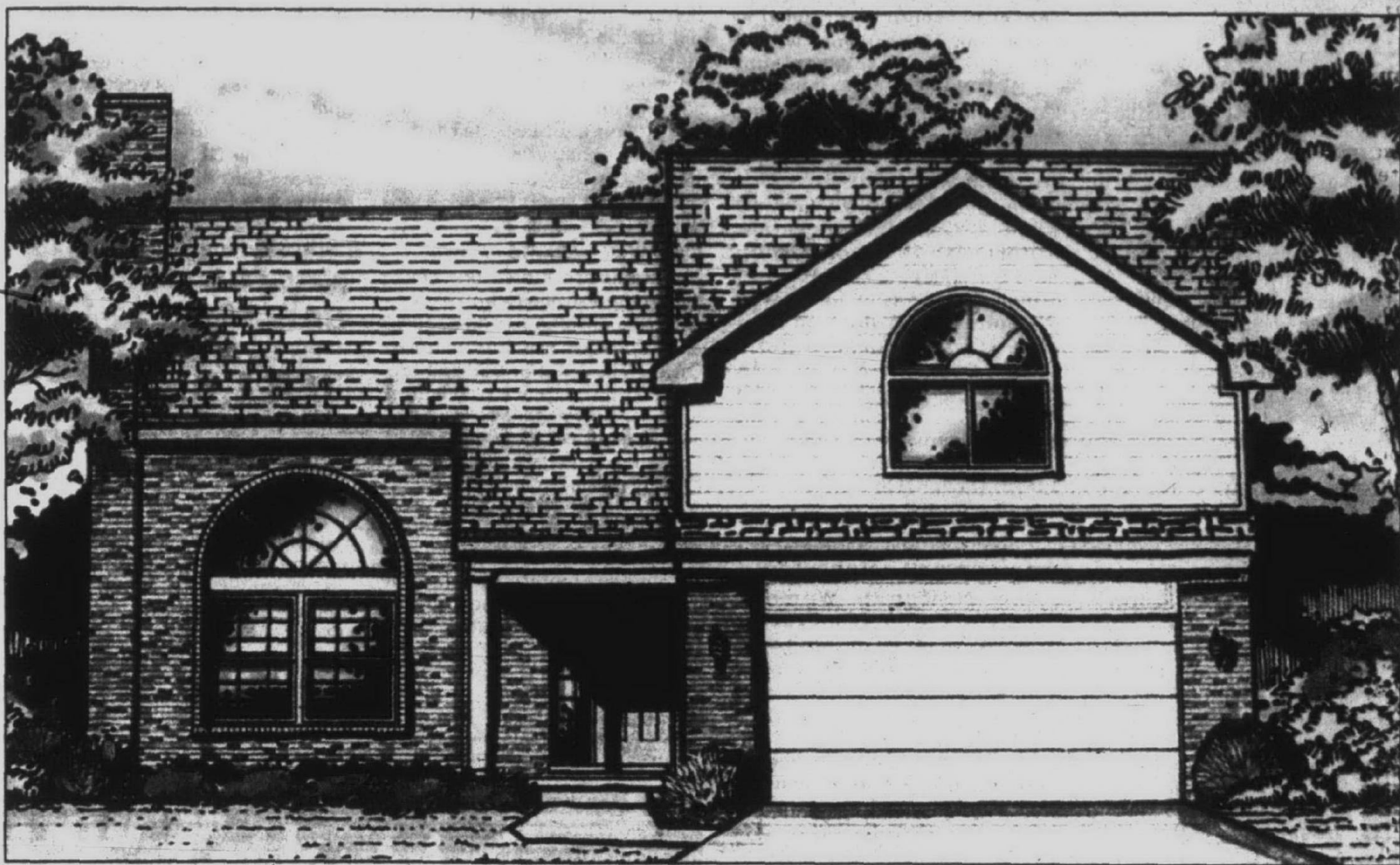
The main floor will contain a great room, kitchen with island, family room with sloped ceiling and dining room.

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 under-size. I know people have a lawn mower and bicycles."



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 better," Hurley said.

All of Silver's plans include at standard price a two-car garage, fireplace, basement and dishwasher. Primary exterior materials 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

here has kids," Silver said.

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 fiancée 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 house."

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 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."

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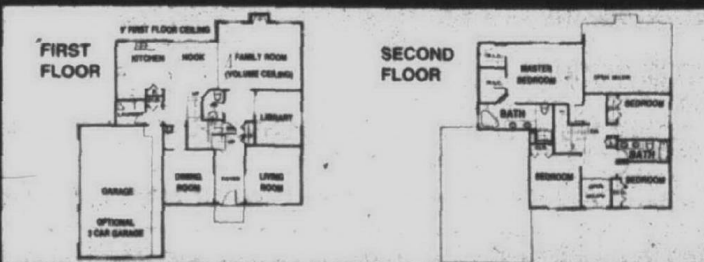
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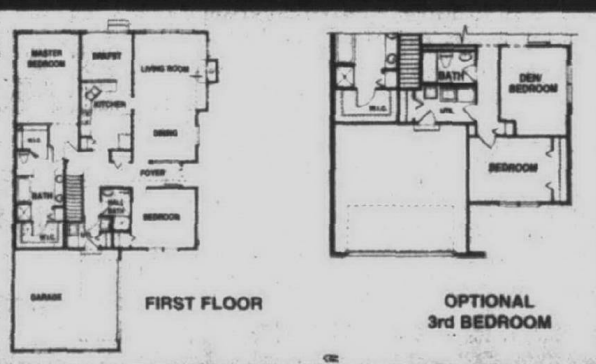
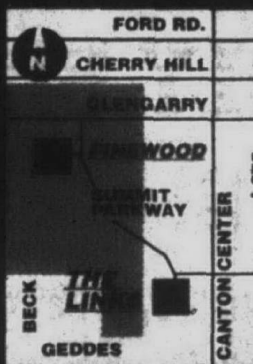
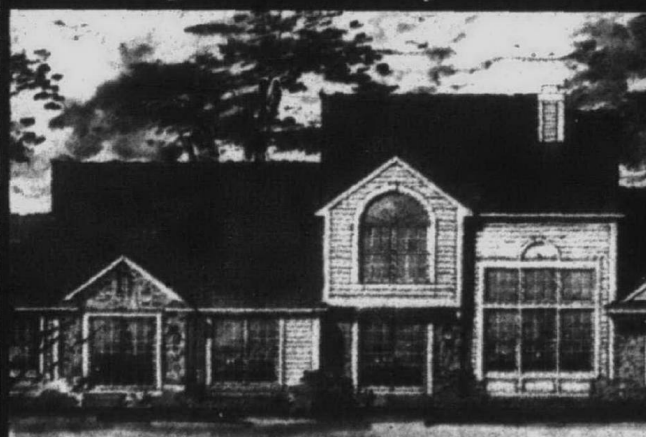
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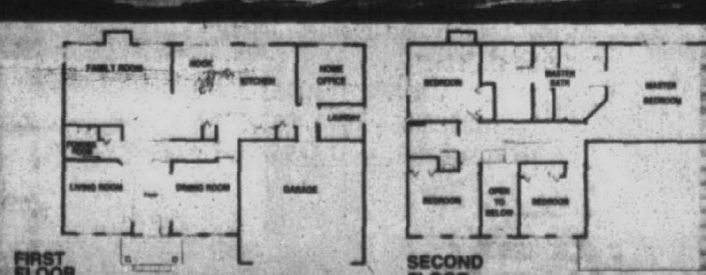


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Construction problems abound at all price levels



STEVEN SIVAK

The cost 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 not equated 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 architectural-grade specifications nor do their owners have architects working for them. If this is the case, there are a few things to look for.

Here are just a smattering of critical issues:

The foundation is the bearer of

the weight of the home and must be designed for both the soil type and the loads being applied. The concrete that is used must meet specifications and not be watered down prior to being set. The soil is critical if the footings are to remain stable through time. Movement in the footings means movement in the wood structure, which means cracks in the walls and humps in the floors. Avoid over-excavating unstable soils and shallow footings.

Proper lumber must be used. Ideally this should be kiln dried and of a grade to provide as straight a line as possible. It appears that some lumber yards sell good material and some do not.

Badly bowed material must be removed and replaced prior to the drywall being applied. Nails must hit their framing members — not all do. The result of inadequate lumber is weak corners,

floors and the like.

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 cracking.

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 breathe and vent properly. This is accomplished through soffit venting, where cool air enters these volumes and ridge venting or "mush-rooms" 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 long-term 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 system.

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 time.

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) 769-8502.

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Real estate investors

The Real estate Investors Association sponsors a program on women in real estate 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, at the South-

gate Holiday Inn, 17201 Northline one block east of I-75.

Cost for non-members is \$10. Beginning landlords interested in a free introductory package should call Wayne Koehler, president, at the landlord hot line, (313) 277-4168.

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 W. Nine Mile.

Topics include avoiding common mistakes, determining how much house you can afford, finding the right home, negotiating the best deal and overcoming bruised credit.

Cost is \$12. For reservations, call (810) 746-8700.

Creative exhibits

Several exhibits were honored for creative and innovative booths during the recent Spring Home & Garden Show in Novi sponsored by the Building Industry Association of Southeastern 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 Livonia.

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.

Peter's True Value Hardware of Milford won most creative display

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.

"Metro Detroit is ripe for RE/MAX, and we plan to add another 15 locations in 1997," he

said.

Norwest Mortgage

Norwest Mortgage of Troy has implemented a new phone-based mortgage pre-qualification service dubbed Rapid Connection, (888) 215 SOLD.

The service is free and usually takes less than five minutes.

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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.

The idea for a blood drive originally surfaced during the 1989

holiday season when public awareness of the need for blood was low.

KW Peterson & Associates

KW Peterson & Associates of Orchard Lake has been recognized as a leading broker of the finest residential real estate by Who's Who in Luxury Real Estate, an independent directory of the world's most prestigious brokerage houses.

Limited to 500 firms, each entry was selected based on reputation for performance, professionalism and quality service.

Kenneth W. Peterson is the broker/owner.

Construction web site

The Construction Innovation Forum announces a computer web site — <http://www.cif.org> — to promote its mission, membership and its NOVA Award.

The Construction Innovation Forum, an international non-profit, annually bestows NOVA in recognition of innovations in the construction industry that improve quality, efficiency and cost effectiveness.

Hartwig donates

Donna Hartwig, a sales associate with Weir, Manuel, Snyder & Ranke, has donated two videos to the Birmingham Public Library.

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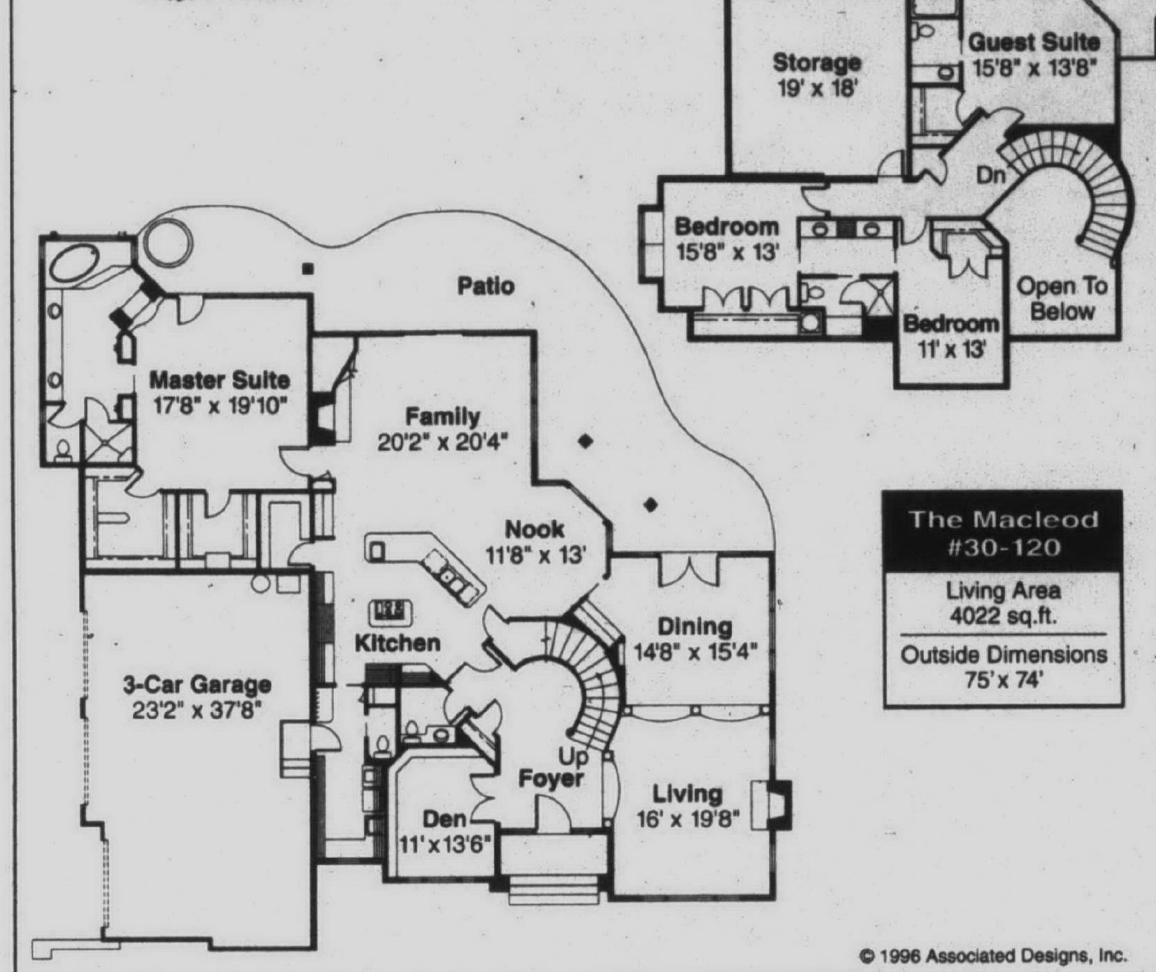
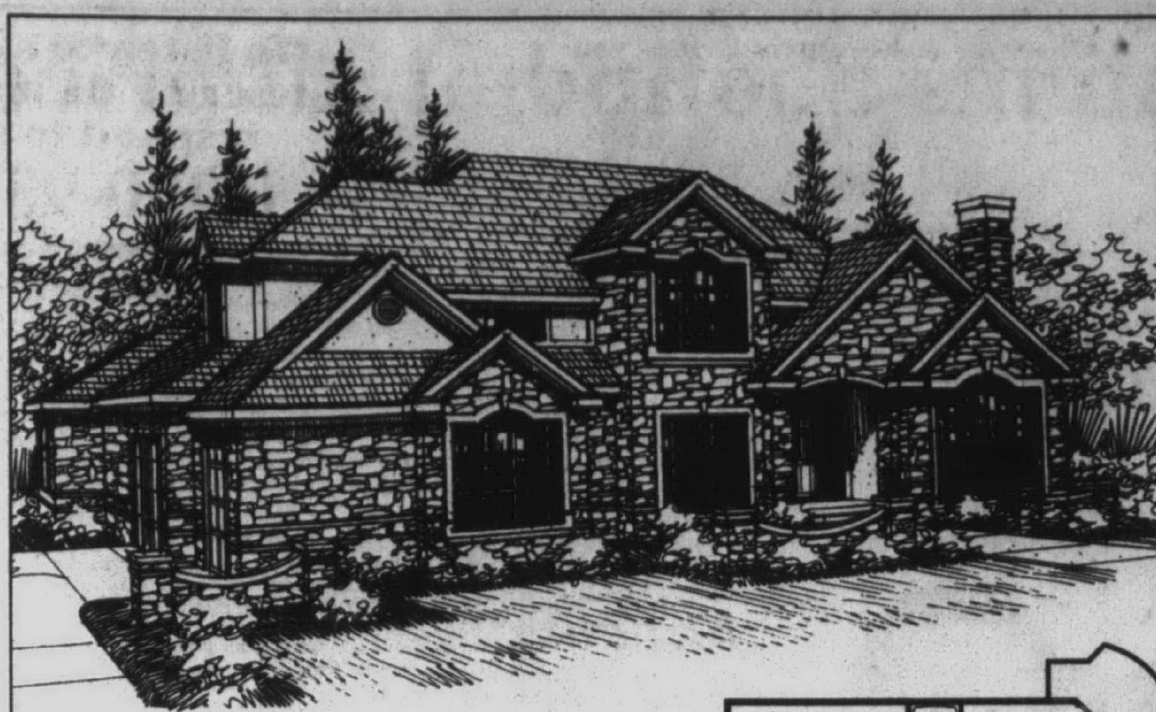
From the two-story foyer, a graceful stairway curves up to a landing that overlooks the space below. French doors on the left open into a den with a built-in desk and an entire wall of bookcases. Through the arched opening on the right is a living room with an 11-foot ceiling and brick fireplace.

A dining room with built-in hutch/buffet is one step up, through double arches. French doors open on a rambling patio that wraps across most of the rear.

The charming octagonal nook connects the formal and informal living areas. Kitchen amenities include: a walk-in pantry, work island with cooktop, and another long angled island/eating bar with sink, trash compactor, dishwasher, and prep sink.

Oven and microwave are built into cabinets close to a passageway that leads to a small toilet, three-car garage and sizable utility room.

Bathroom features in the sumptuous master suite include



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Experts offer tips to help get most from tools

You're in the middle of a repair job that requires just the right tool. When you go to your toolbox to find 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 Colwell, 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 hand-tool 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 not-so-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 off.

■ **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 dramatically 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 common no-nos.

■ **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 months.

New tool eases garden work

(NAPS) - The hammer, possibly the oldest tool known to humans, is now making an appearance in the garden.

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SBF, 46, non-denominational, bubbly, friendly, loves reading, concerts, musicals, seeks honest, dependable SM, N/S, who has Christ in his life. Ad# 7110

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Baptist SWF, 22, outgoing, bubbly, enjoys Christian concerts & activities, reading, poetry, seeks honest, trustworthy, respectful SM. Ad# 1122

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Catholic SWF, 45, quiet at first, hobbies are reading, gardening, movies, social events, seeking sensitive, caring, easygoing SM. Ad# 1028

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Compassionate SWCF, 42, good listener, great sense of humor, attends Christian concerts, enjoys playing guitar, crafts, seeks N/S, humorous, caring S dad, for give & take relationship. Ad# 5258

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Roman Catholic SWF, 47, outgoing, friendly, educated, enjoys horseback riding, biking, golf, walking, seeks good-natured, honest, sincere SWM. Ad# 4850

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Protestant SWF, 57, enjoys good conversation, plays, movies, dining out, walks, seeks caring, compatible, humorous, honest SM. Ad# 2121

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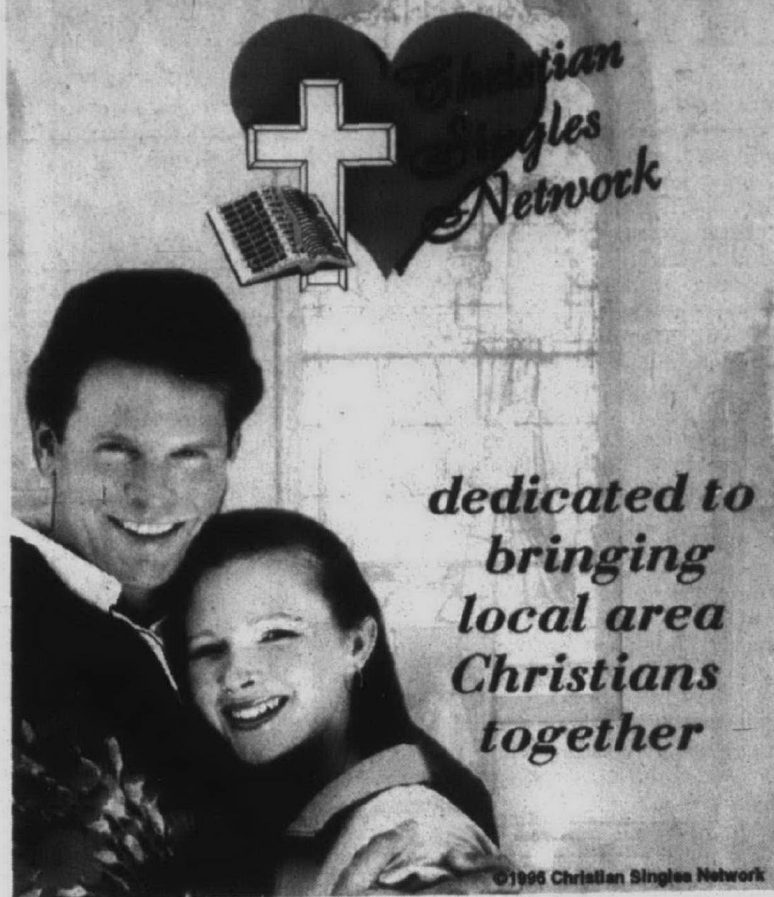
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Professional SWF, 27, loves long walks, fires, old movies, holding hands, seeking educated, N/S SM, 25-35, with similar interests. Ad# 5145

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When trimmed around bedroom windows, "Clouds," a wall mural by Environmental Graphics, allows you to create the whimsical illusion of windows in the sky. The billowy white clouds on a warm blue horizon are a perfect complement to any fairy tale or storybook decor. Or perhaps your children would prefer waking to the early light of

"Morning Forest" before heading out on a medieval adventure as one of Robin Hood's Merry Men.

If you've got a future astronaut on your hands, "Earthrise" takes spectators to the moon for an incredible view of the earth rising above the horizon and the lunar landscape unfolding before them. Or, "Shuttle in Orbit" provides an extraterrestrial look at the United States Space Shuttle in flight high above the earth's surface. Both murals measure more than 8' high by 13' 8" wide.

"Murals are an inviting backdrop for imaginative play," states Environmental Graphics. "They can inspire hours of amusement." To achieve these striking images, the Hopkins, MN-based company combines the skills of talented photographers with laser scanning, artistic lithography, and other techniques, to produce highly detailed images

that emphasize an illusion of texture and space.

"We've found that our World Map is also extremely popular among children," the company adds. "In addition to being very colorful, it's full of interesting details, such as world time zones, land elevation, topography, ocean depths, longitude and latitude, major international cities and current political boundaries."

Murals also provide inspiration for original decorating accessories. Real flags, as well as wallpaper borders, posters and other items depicting flags, are a natural complement to a world map, while baseball memorabilia is a perfect match for the stadium scene of "Play Ball". The possibilities are as boundless as your imagination!

Wall murals are currently enjoying a surge in popularity

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Hardwood mouldings dress up a room

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Mouldings and decorative woodwork direct the eye, add pleasing changes of scale within a room and can unify or divide a space. "Setting off one area with different mouldings can give you definition between 'rooms' where you may not have any walls," according to Chicago interior designer Marlene Rimland. "All it may take is a change of moulding on the ceiling or at floor level."

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Favorite decorating tips

• Moulding choices depend on the size and scale of your room. Crown mouldings, for example, work best in rooms where the ceilings are eight feet or higher. Choose narrower mouldings for smaller rooms; wider ones for larger rooms.

• Mouldings should be widest at the floor level, becoming progressively narrower as they approach the ceiling.

• If you want visual continuity and flow, continue the same moulding pattern in adjacent rooms - especially if there's an uninterrupted view from room to room. For example, extend the entryway mouldings to your formal living room.

• Hardwood mouldings add a

touch of class even to a plain drywall ceiling. For example, crown moulding in classic dentil design embodies sophistication and elegance.

• Running from 32 to 42 inches above the floor, chair rails protect walls from chair backs and can signal a change in wall covering. For instance, the upper half may be painted while the lower half is wallpapered.

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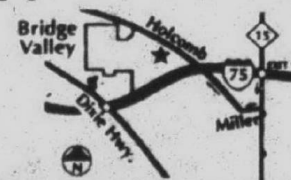
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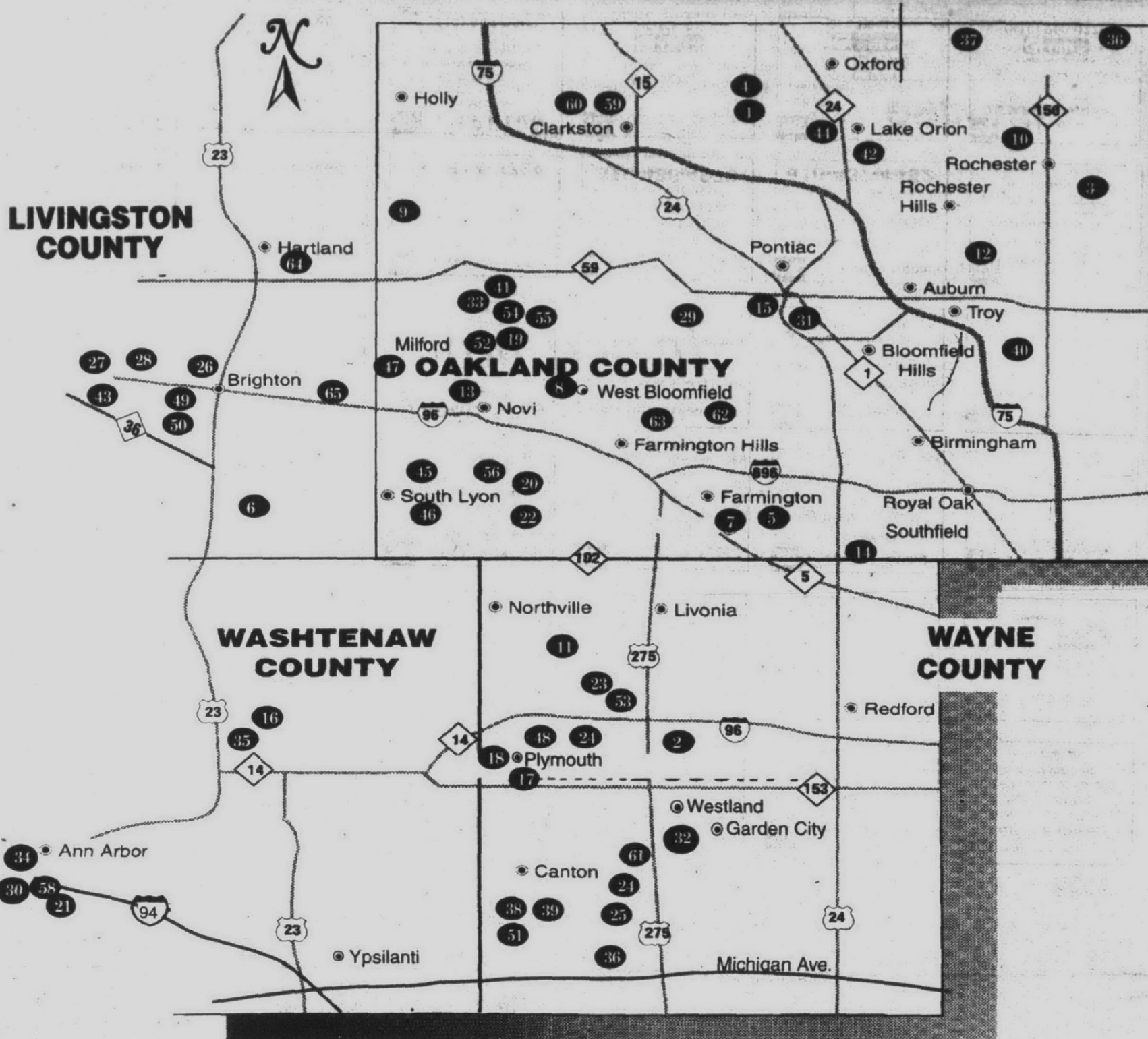
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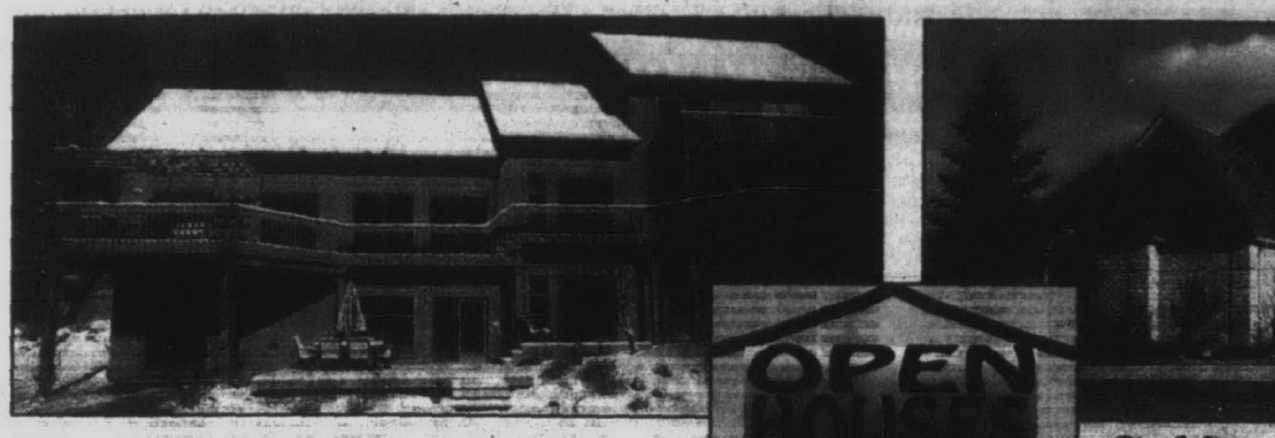
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**75 Brady Lane
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(N. of Lone Pine, E. of Cranbrook)
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\$1,150,000**

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The residence boasts 6 bedrooms, 4 full and 2 half baths. The first floor master suite offers "his & her" walk-in closets, work-out room (could be used as a nursery or library) and a luxurious bath complete with steam shower and whirlpool tub. Gracious living spaces and soaring ceilings, formal

dining area, gourmet kitchen and an office compose the entry level of the home.

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.

Professionally landscaped in 1995, the exterior of the home offers privacy and prestige. A recreational retreat complete with expansive tiered decking, in-ground pool, 10 person whirlpool, basketball court, playground and trees enough to make a walk to the neighbors like a Red Riding Hood trek to Grandmother's house. The gardens, balconies and landscape create a tranquil setting. Contact Lanie Hardy Cosgrove or Madelon Ward at Cranbrook Associates Bloomfield Hills, (810) 647-0100.

Open today, by appointment, noon to

**780 Brookwood Lane E.
Rochester Hills
(S. off Tienken, E. of Brewster)
Prudential Great Lakes
\$389,000**

The steep pitched roof combined with the traditional architectural details to create this elegant home. The side entry garage is oversized to handle two cars, plus your golf cart - and there is ample parking for your guests with the circular driveway.

Welcome your family and friends into the gracious foyer with cove molding trim and marble flooring... the den, warm and inviting with oak flooring and judges paneled wainscot boasts built-in storage and bookcases, plus a beautiful sunburst window. A perfect spot for entertaining, the great room is beautifully appointed with marble faced fireplace trimmed with carved, imported mahogany in a traditional manner.

Additional features include a cathedral ceiling, large bay window with French doors and transom over, wet bar with cherry cabinets, corian counters and brass faucet plus hidden

wine rack and a large adjoining formal dining room.

An exceptionally well-planned kitchen features cherry cabinets, white ceramic countertop, hardwood flooring, built-in cherry desk with file cabinet, pantry, Jenn-Air cooktop, Whirlpool oven and microwave, Broan trash compactor, GE dishwasher, TV shelf, oversized nook with view of first green at Brookwood Golf Club and doorwall to extensive decking.

Opulent first floor master suite beautifully appointed with 11 foot pan ceiling and a boxed-out nine foot doorwall that opens to the deck. The adjoining bath has dual sinks, brass faucets, sunken Jacuzzi tub, separate shower stall and linen closet. A second floor offers a cedar closet, Jack and Jill bedrooms with walk-in closets and built-in bookshelves.

A golf motif wall covering on the stairway leads the way to the lower level.

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300 Homes

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BEAUTIFUL - large all new white kitchen. Updated electric, plumbing & windows. Fantastic 1/2 acre lot in the heart of Livonia priced at \$99,500.

325 Livonia

BETTER HURRY or this opportunity will pass you by. Four bedrooms & two full baths in this brick ranch. New windows and an oak kitchen add to the comfort. \$118,000. RICH CHILDS COLDWELL BANKER SCHWEITZER Real Estate (810) 890-0780

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with finished basement on private
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\$227,000 (810) 661-9605.

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to this updated ranch with newer oak
floors, kitchen and bath, many updates,
kitchen and bath, many updates,
kitchen and bath, many updates.
\$112,900. (810) 644-9025

339 Southfield-Lathrup

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\$112,900. (810) 644-9025

339 Southfield-Lathrup

SPACIOUS
home on acre plus setting with 4 bed-
rooms, fireplace, dining room, some
hardwood, 1st floor laundry, base-
ment. \$225,000. (M293E)

339 Southfield-Lathrup

WELL MAINTAINED
3 bedroom Ranch with open floor
plan. Updated kitchen, newer win-
dows and furnace. \$114,900.
(D236E)

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BEAUTIFUL
home on cul-de-sac has dining room,
brary, finished lower level, land-
scaped and treed backyard.
\$359,900. (G405E)

339 Southfield-Lathrup



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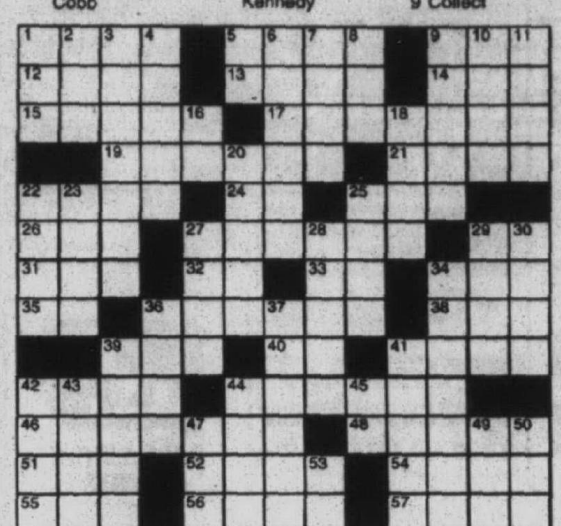
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345 Westland/Wayne

A RARE FIND!
Everything's been remodeled, new, new, new immediate occupancy, 3 bedroom ranch on huge lot.
\$42,999. What a buy!
CENTURY 21 GOLD HOUSE
313-451-9400
THE REAL ESTATE HOUSE

COUNTRY-SIZE LOT

close to the city. Lovely brick ranch with many updates waiting for you. Newer kitchen, finished basement & oversized 2 car garage. Even a home warranty. \$124,900 (ADM/LI)

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Hometown
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313-999-3808
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Southfield, MI 48034
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GRASS/CUSTODIAL
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CONTACT: Oakland County Personnel, 1200 North Telegraph Rd., Dept. 440, Pontiac, MI 48141-0440. 810-858-0530
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Survey indicates sunny scenario in sales

Are you a sales professional looking to change companies? If so, a recent survey offers some encouraging news for your search. Conducted by Sales Consultants International (SCI), a division of the nationwide recruiting firm Management Recruiters International (MRI), the survey polled 800 executives responsible for hiring sales and marketing professionals. Of those surveyed, 60.7 percent indicated plans to increase their sales and marketing ranks during the first six months of 1997. According to SCI, this represents an increase of 12.9 points over projections for the second half of 1996 which were already near a ten year high.

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 country."

Remarkably 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 technology companies."

Christy Cummings, a certified senior account manager for SCI of Orange, California

is seeing demand "across the board—from computer 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

sales experience and an impressive track record. "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

interested in the market or client base someone 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

"Be your own boss. Run your own business. Control your own destiny."

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 Franchise 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 net) revenues.

- 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 Franchise Association, (312) 431-0545, can provide referrals.

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 possibilities.

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.

Deborah Jacobs welcomes letters from readers and will address topics of general interest in this column. Contact her by e-mail (DJWorking@aol.com) or by letter at: Chronicle Features, 870 Market Street, Suite 1011, San Francisco, Calif., 94102. Please include your name, address and telephone number. (Copyright 1997 Deborah L. Jacobs; Distributed by Chronicle Features.)

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Observer & Eccentric Newspapers
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LINE MAINTENANCE/MECHANIC
Local beverage company is looking for Mechanical Technicians on the-line trouble-shooting and preventative maintenance. Knowledge of packaging equipment and/or other related equipment with 1-3 yrs experience would be an ideal candidate. Full time position with competitive wage and benefits. EOE. Send resume with work history.
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Plymouth, MI 48170

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Auto supplier/Westland. All shifts. Long term Apply 9-11am & 1-3pm. 34771 Ford Rd. (E of Wayne) Picture ID & SS Card Required. INTERIM PERSONNEL

MACHINE OPERATORS
With Lead Shift Experience. Also, Assemblers needed. Benefits package for days & evenings. Send resume:
Electro Corp, 12350 Belden Ct., Livonia, Michigan 48150

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Opportunity in fast paced growth oriented metal stamping company seeks maintenance person. Must be self motivated & have 2 years experience with stamping presses & support equipment. Apply in person at: E & E Manufacturing, 300 Industrial Dr., Plymouth, MI 48170

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Large apartment community needs experienced maintenance person. Must have experience in electrical, plumbing, & heating & cooling. This position can lead to an on-site position where apartment is part of salary. Call Jeffrey at 313-729-5650 or apply at the Landings Apartments in Westland

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need experience in small engines and 24 & 36 volt electric systems. Fax or mail resume & salary requirements to: Smith Chemical & Wax, 6480 Commerce Dr., Westland, MI 48185. Fax 313-729-1365

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Machine tool based panel wiring. Must have 12 years experience. Should know about relays, push buttons, motor starters. Should be familiar with National Electrical Code (NEC) and 110V/240V. Farmington Hills company.
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Experienced Northville shop. Ask for Patty. (810) 349-7445

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(At Ann Arbor Trail)

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Mgr. or trailers and truck related equipment. Immediate opening in steel & aluminum fab. blueprints, how to use electric, hydraulics, suspensions and brake systems. \$900/wk. O.T. premium, full benefits. Fax resumes to: (313) 525-4300, fax resumes to: (313) 525-5064

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PLUMBING SHOP

Person & Truck Driver. Local plumbing & heating company looking for motivated person to organize plumbing parts area and also be able to deliver parts to job sites. Send resume to: P.O. Box 4577, Redford Twp, MI 48239. Attn: Sharon.

POLICE OFFICER

The Charter Township of West Bloomfield is accepting applications for the position of Police Officer. Minimum qualifications include:
• U.S. Citizen
• Minimum age of eighteen years of age
• Two years of college in law enforcement or related field of study
• No felony convictions
• Normal hearing & color vision with any deficiency is a visual acuity in person or correctable to 20/20
• No physical, mental or emotional disability which precludes performing essential job functions of a Police Officer, as adopted by the West Bloomfield Police Department
• Possess a valid Michigan Operators license, good driving record, no serious misdemeanor convictions.
• APPLICANT MUST HAVE CURRENT PROOF OF HAVING PASSED MLEOTC PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTING, WRITING & PHYSICAL SKILLS TEST AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION
• Must fully comply with the employment standards published by the Michigan Law Enforcement Training Council.
1995 salary range from \$27,099-\$43,352 (currently in negotiations). All applicants must pick up an application packet in person between 9am-3pm, Mon-Fri at the Personnel Department, 4550 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield 48091-6800, ext. 509. DEADLINE TO RETURN PACKET TO THE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT IS: FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 1997 (not postmarked).
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Luxury apartment community located in Farmington Hills is seeking a full time Porter/Utility Person. Duties will include grounds keeping, general cleaning and light maintenance. Hours are: Mon - Fri and some weekends. Good starting wage and full benefit package. Interested applicants, apply in person at: Country Ridge Apartments, 30545 Great Forest, Farmington Hills, (810) 661-2299
Pressers & Counter Person
Dry Cleaners needs counter person, night manager. (313) 464-0003

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POLICE OFFICER EXAM
A written examination for the position of police officer for the cities of Birmingham, Madison Heights, Rochester, Southfield (when current list expires), and Troy will be conducted by Empco, Inc. To be eligible to take the examination, you must be have:
• 18 years of age
• At least a HS/GED
• A U.S. Citizen
• No felony convictions on record
• Acceptable vision, color vision, and hearing
• An acceptable driving record
• Be a Michigan resident for the last year
• Current MLEOTC Certification in Reading/Writing and Physical Skills
Each city has its own hiring criteria, generally former, explained in a Forms Packet.
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Established sheet metal fabricator in need of operator experience. To perform routine manual labor and maintenance work. Openings available to work on golf course, working a 40-50 hr. work week. \$6.50 per hr. Possession of current, valid Michigan driver's license and an excellent driving record with no more than two points. Applicant may be required to apply for State Driver's License, own expense, through the Secretary of State. Applications must be picked up at the Canton Township Personnel Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48186. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

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1997 Mazda Protege delivers power, value



BY ANNE FRACASSA
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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 model.

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? It's perfect for a mom and dad with a couple-three kids. You got more than three, you say? This car will not do for you.

It's a no-nonsense family car that gets you 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 in it.

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 really sharp.

On the inside, you'll find the instrument panel and door trim has been changed. Instrumentation is easy to read and understand. The heating/ventila-



The Protege cornered nicely and handled well both on surface streets and the highway. It's outfitted with variable power-assisted power rack-and-pinion steering.

tion/air conditioning system is much too low in the center instrument panel. You've got to take your eyes off the road for much too long to adjust the controls.

Driven was the ES model, the top-of-the-line Protege, that's powered by a 122-horsepower version of the 1.8-liter dual overhead cam 16-valve in-line four cylinder -- 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 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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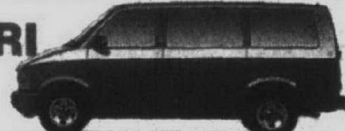
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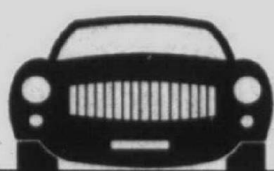
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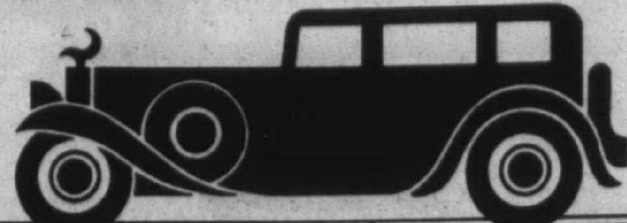
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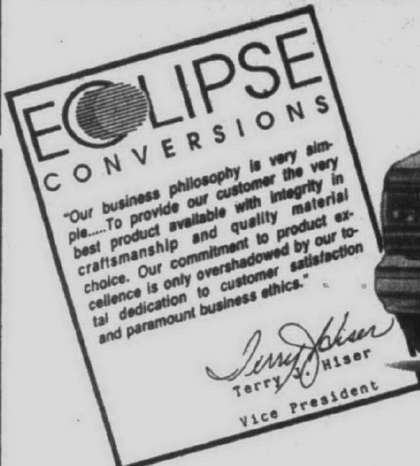
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4.0 liter V6, automatic transmission, air conditioning, splash suspension, chrome wheels, ABS brakes, speed control, tilt, dual air bags, sliding rear window, power windows, power locks.



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24 MONTH LEASE	10% Down \$2497	Per Month \$264**
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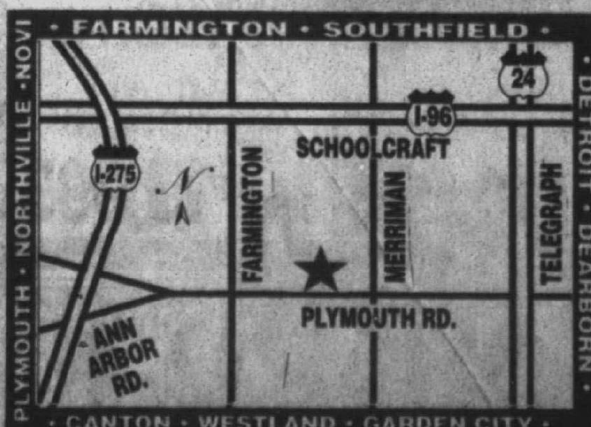
1997 ESCORT 4 DR.

317 Pkg., air, five speed, rear defrost, cassette, mats.

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	10% Down \$250	\$500
	10% Down \$225	\$2316
	10% Down \$300	\$600
	10% Down \$200	\$1850
	10% Down \$250	\$550
	10% Down \$275	\$3150
	10% Down \$400	\$800
		\$175 \$350

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