

Thursday
September 25, 1997

Plymouth Observer

Putting You In Touch With Your World™

HomeTown
COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

VOLUME 112 NUMBER 7

PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN • 80 PAGES • <http://observer-eccentric.com>

SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS

© 1997 HomeTown Communications Network, Inc.

IN THE PAPER TODAY

Warning: A federal law designed to help disabled students instead will require more paperwork, raise costs of compliance and backfire in its attempts to make schools safer, suburban districts are being told. /A5

COMMUNITY LIFE

Special folks: Jerry and Dee Webster proudly tell you they're foster parents, but instead of children, the couple is caring for two capuchin monkeys that one day will be helpers for the disabled. /B1

AT HOME

Hot stuff: Keep the home fires burning in a special way: with a portable 'campfire,' one of the products featured at the Novi Fall Remodeling Show that's opening today. /D4

ENTERTAINMENT

Music: Arianna String Quartet opens Cranbrook Music Guild's season 8 p.m. Tuesday at Cranbrook House, (248) 751-2435. /E1

Community Theater: Trinity House Theatre opens its season Friday with "An Inspector Calls." Curtain time is 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday; call (313) 464-6302. /E1

REAL ESTATE

Keeping them home: Apartment tenants are a valuable commodity, especially if they stay for a long time. Telling the truth helps retain tenants. /F1

INDEX

Obituaries	A8
Classified Index	F6
Real Estate	F6
Crossword	F7
Rentals	G3
Jobs	G6
Home & Service	H8
Automotive	J3
Sports	C1
Entertainment	E1
At Home	D4
Real Estate	F1

HOW TO REACH US

Newsroom: 313-953-2104
Newsroom Fax: 313-591-7279
E-mail: newsroom@oeonline.com
Nightline/Sports: 313-953-2104
Reader Comment Line: 313-953-2042
Classified Advertising: 313-591-0900
Display Advertising: 313-591-2300
Home Delivery: 313-591-0500

St. Peter's Lutheran Day School throws a party, A2

Tragedy leaves employees in shock

JOHNSON CONTROLS

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

What happened was tragic, but could it have been worse?

The gunman who shot and killed his former girlfriend then himself Monday at Johnson Controls had once threatened "to shoot up the place," an employee told her father.

And while Ernest Hall Jr. of Detroit packed a .357 Magnum with six bullets, he also brought along two six-bullet "speed loaders" to provide a total of 18 rounds of ammunition.

After Monday's third workplace shooting-suicide in Plymouth Township in less than three years, police sought answers to questions sparked by the shooting, and company managers considered what they could do to prevent a repeat.

Police on Tuesday said that while inside Johnson Controls, Hall called a friend and hinted he would kill his girlfriend.

The friend, Lance Mahone of Southfield, tried to talk him out of it but Hall hung up, police said.

"The friend used star-69 (redial) to recontact Hall...During the conversation he heard yelling and screaming. The friend heard a shot and Hall said, 'She won't die.'"

"The friend heard another shot. Hall told him, 'I have to kill myself, I don't want to go to jail,'" police said. The phone line then fell silent.

Killed Monday was Ingrid Marshall, 29, of Detroit, a transportation worker in the purchasing department described as "nice and well-spirited." She worked at the administrative building of Johnson Controls, 49200 Halyard in the Metro



STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL BREHLER

Preparing: In photo above Special Operations Team members prepare weapons and equipment while others check the floorplan of the Johnson Controls building Monday afternoon before they are aware that Ingrid Marshall and Ernest Hall were both dead. At right, employees are ushered from their workplace to safety across the street at Compuware Arena.



Workplace murder-suicide is third in 3 years for Plymouth Township

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

The murder-suicide Monday afternoon at Johnson Controls is the third incident of murder in the workplace in Plymouth Township in less than three years.

While the events are shocking, an associate director of the First Step shelter for domestic abuse says the

workplace is a predictable environment for violent solutions to domestic problems.

"The workplace is one place you know you have access to people," said Judith Barr, associate director at First Step domestic abuse shelter. "At home, you possibly have children there. When you are at work, most people know where you are at."

It also should not be surprising that violence finds itself in the workplace. "It's just an indication of the violence in our society," Barr said.

Today we all have more access to weapons, we solve problems with violence and we aren't learning skills - older generations were raised on - to

Please see HELP, A3

Name change allows for broader market

FORD SHELDON PLANT

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Visteon Automotive Systems is the new name for the long-time Ford Sheldon Road plant, still owned by Ford

Motor Co.

Plant management says the change means the plant is free to make more money, by providing its air conditioner-heater systems to other companies besides just Ford.

Plant labor representation says that's fine - as long as this isn't a repeat of what happened recently with General Motors Delphi parts subsidiary.

On Sept. 18, GM announced it would sell off 15 Delphi engineering centers and factories. "We are not going to allow us to become a Delphi situation," said Roger Caldwell, UAW local president.

"If the true intent is to open us to a broader market and give us more security, we're for it. Ford Motor Company is very important to us, that's what feeds our families," Caldwell said. "We

understand about being competitive."

"I want to see absolutely no job losses. They told us the Ford oval is going to stay where it is, as of this time we've been totally assured these things are going to happen," he continued. "We're not mind readers, we don't know what the future holds."

Plant Manager Paula Winkler-Doman said the name change signals

Please see FORD, A14

'Candle in the wind'

Admirers seek musical tribute to Princess Di



BY RICHARD PEARL
STAFF WRITER

For Plymouth fans of singer Elton John and admirers of the late Princess Diana, the wait finally has ended - for the most part.

Area merchants, from music-specialty outlets to discount department stores, generally were reporting brisk sales of "Candle In The Wind '97" by early afternoon Tuesday, the first day the singer's anxiously awaited tribute to his late fan and friend was available in the United States.

However, loyal customers of Plymouth-Canton's two music stores were finding copies in somewhat short supply.

Shipments arrived a couple of hours late at both Repeat the Beat in Plymouth and Dearborn Music in Canton and the copies were already spoken for, managers said.

They said supply couldn't match the massive demand - reportedly 6 million

copies ordered in less than 1-1/2 weeks - at Polygram Records, the manufacturer.

David Haupt, manager of Repeat the Beat on Penniman, got only 17 copies of the compact-disc single Tuesday, although customers had reserved 84.

He had to parcel them out one per customer, despite multiple-copy orders, he said. "I'm trying to come up with a way to be fair," he said, telling customers the company planned to have more copies available soon and even sending some to competitors such as Target.

"At first, we didn't think it was going to be as big a deal" as it's become, he said. "I know the manufacturer's numbers (on the CDs and cassettes) by heart now."

The store is carrying only the CD, priced at \$3.99 each.

At Dearborn Music on Ford Road, manager Brian LeAnnais also didn't receive

Please see DIANA, A6



St. Peter's is throwing a party

50TH ANNIVERSARY

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

After 50 years of being Plymouth's first parochial school, St. Peter's Lutheran Day School, on Penniman Avenue, is throwing a party Sunday, Sept. 28.

The golden birthday celebration begins at 9:15 a.m. followed by a 10:30 church service with dinner and a special program afterwards. The program includes showing a movie of the school's construction, which was completed in three stages, from 1947-1975.

"I was one year too old when school opened, but then my children went here."

STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL
BRENNER

Order: St. Peter's Lutheran Day School Principal Jerry Meier holds the doors for students on their way to recess. The doors are the originals and bear the wear and tear of 50 years of students.

I have four grandchildren here," said church member Ron Wendland, who is on the birthday committee.

The school, which is supported by St. Peter Lutheran Church, started out with two classrooms from kindergarten through sixth grade and a boiler room. Wendland said it took

volunteers from the congregation two years to build these rooms.

The school presently has six classrooms and a large gym for its 119 students. Enrollment is capped at 30 students per grade. "Our enrollment consists of members of the congregation and people searching for a church," said principal Jerry Meier.

Wendland said the original site for the school was near West Middle School. "People thought it was too far into the country for the kids to walk."

Although the family feeling the school was founded upon hasn't changed, tuition, like in parochial schools everywhere, has. In 1950 tuition was free to church members, \$75 for Lutherans and \$100 for non-Lutherans.

The current tuition is \$2,200 for non-members, regardless of religious denomination. "The congregation is willing to support the school without a tuition for members. Other schools don't survive because tuition is too high," said Wendland. The church has a membership of 800 people.

School secretary Sherry Benner of Canton is a St. Peter's alumna. She recalled the days before hot lunches and the new gym. "We did calisthenics in the parking lot, and we had hot dog day - hot dog, cupcake and white milk."

She also said throwing spitballs resulted in an automatic spanking. "They kind of took you out in the hall so everyone could hear you."

Seventh-grader Rebecca Smith, 12, Wendland's granddaughter, likes going to St. Peter's because "it's small and everyone knows everyone." However,

Throwing spitballs was an automatic spanking. They kind of took you out in the hall so everyone could hear you.'

Sherry Benner
—School secretary

she admits the school is strict - sort of. "You can't just walk out of a class or talk."

Fifth-grader Phillip Wendland, 10, said he has to keep his shirt tucked in and can't wear a hat in the building, run in the hallways or chew gum. Still, he's happy. "My friends and I like the basketball games we play and gym classes."

Rebecca Lohrmann of Canton has taught first and second grade at St. Peter's for 16 years. "When I came here I was single and this was family. It seems this was where God wanted me. It's still very family-like in church and in school."

Meier and Wendland hope that family feeling will entice 50 years of alumni to return for Sunday's celebration. The school's first principal, Gerhard Mueller, 95, is coming in from California. So far, planners have received 500 responses.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church has deep roots in Plymouth. It was founded in 1855 by a circuit minister on horseback. For many years it occupied the church building on Spring Street in Old Village that currently houses the Full Gospel Church of Plymouth.

Traditional: Daniel Abbott (left) uses the time-honored method of counting on your fingers. In photo below, Tyler Cording works as teacher Nancy Winkler reads to the 7-8 grade class at St. Peter's Lutheran Day School on Penniman.



Plymouth Observer

(USPS 436-360)
Published every Sunday and Thursday by Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Periodical postage paid at Livonia, MI 48151. Address all mail (subscription, change of address, Form 3569) to P.O. Box 3004, Livonia, MI 48151. Telephone 561-0600.

HOME DELIVERY SERVICE
Newsstands per copy 75¢
Carrier per month \$3.60
Carrier per year \$43.20
Mail yearly \$55.00

All advertising published in the Plymouth Observer is subject to the conditions stated in the applicable rate card. Copies of which are available from the advertising department, Plymouth Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. (313) 591-2300. The Plymouth Observer reserves the right not to accept an advertiser's order. Observer & Eccentric® ad-takers have no authority to bind this newspaper and only publication of an advertisement shall constitute final acceptance of the advertiser's order.

A NEW ANGLE ON COMFORT.



Comfort that will sweep your off your feet:

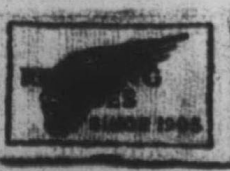
- Technologically Advanced Insole
- Cushion Urethane Outer Sole
- Unbeatable Comfort and Flexibility
- Anatomically Designed Oblique Toe

Red Wing Shoe Store

5948 N. Sheldon Rd.
(313) 454-4211

(In Harvard Squire Plaza at Ford Rd.)

Hours: M - F 10-7; Sat. 10-5



WORK HARD

Grand Opening!

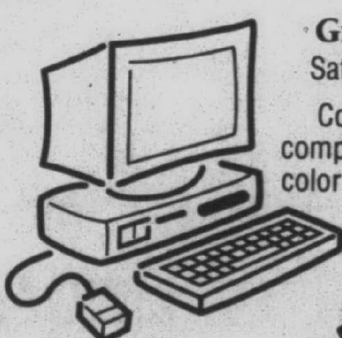
September 22 to November 3, 1997

We've moved into our new office at 500 S. Harvey in downtown Plymouth and we'd like to invite you to help us celebrate. Now through October 31, 1997 we'll be giving away weekly "Plymouth" prizes. Then on November 3rd, we'll pick the winner of our Grand Prize - A 200 MHz Compaq personal computer. So, stop by today for a great rate on a 1 year certificate of deposit and you could win...

Grand Prize Drawing

Saturday, November 3, 1997

Compaq 200 MHz personal computer complete with monitor, color printer, software and more!



Penn Theater Tickets, Dinner at the Box Bar & Coffee at the Coffee Studio



Plymouth Whalers Hockey Tickets & Dinner at Ginopolis' Restaurant

Golf at the Golden Fox and a Community Federal Golf Umbrella



\$100 Gift Certificate to Gabriela's in Plymouth



\$100 Gift Certificate to Wild Wings in Plymouth

1 Year Certificate of Deposit **6.50% APY** * With Checking Account



500 S. Harvey
Plymouth, MI 48170
313-453-1200

www.cfcu.org

* Rate subject to change without notice. Minimum deposit \$1,000, IRA minimum \$500. This special rate is only available to members who also have a Community Federal checking account or new members opening a checking account. Offer good at any branch office. Accounts federally insured to \$100,000 by the NCUA, an agency of the U.S. Government.

Mu

West Tech between Be Police sa upper thigh former lon After shoot the chest. At 7 a.m. Lt. Robert

VIC in th

The murder plant Monc third such Plymouth T Here's a br incidents:

■ **Ford Sh Aug. 18** Stephen walked i morning handgun ammunite were pur unarmed then turn Cox and together incident harassm occurred the victim security. ■ **Ford Sh Jan. 6, 2** On a col Michael husband, plant, sh killed he himself.

Hel

cope with p tion that's q Lt. Bob Sr chief, said l one at Johns

"If someo take another While sec Smith said, businesses f ness accessil Options a employees fi tic disputes.

"Everyone a safety pla know when y the better a Telling int problems yo long way ir environment workers, Bar

"It appear shall) did tel her problem victims offe going on. T will lose thei Smith ech "It's wise to there is a p is harassin lems. Keep y human resou said.

If an empl concerned ab ation, a desc ing spouse c may be disp vehicle desc may be reat potential vi Barr said.

"Employee seriously," sh

For exam emergency e place is a go driving a dif daily and p areas of the p "It sounds But in retros helped?" Bar

She also re protection. obtained th County Circ PPO, police k history. But blanket. Peop tive with the said.

Ingrid Ma PPO Sept. 1 ship police v

Murder from page A1



Waiting: Employees are evacuated when Ernest Hall enters the purchasing department. Counseling for employees was offered throughout the week.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRENNER

West Technology Park north of M-14 between Beck and Ridge roads. Police said she was shot in the arm, upper thigh and abdomen and killed by former longtime boyfriend Hall, 44. After shooting her, he shot himself in the chest.

At 7 a.m. the day after the shooting, Lt. Robert Smith, acting Plymouth

Township police chief, met with a group of Johnson Controls managers and counselors.

They included Dr. Ron Jones, psychologist with the Plymouth Canton schools who also serves as township police department psychologist, and counselors from Oakwood Healthcare System.

"They are having mandatory meetings today where they're told what's available to them, who they can talk to," Lt. Smith said. Counseling was to be offered through the remainder of the week.

"Certainly there were employees that were close to the scene that were disturbed," said Jeff Steiner, Johnson Controls director of marketing and communications.

"We reiterated the fact that security will be evaluated immediately. We'll look at potentially vulnerable areas," he said, and review the level of security staffing. A priest also addressed groups of Johnson Controls employees on Tuesday.

"If somebody is willing to take their

purchasing department. Badge ID's are not required at this entrance, so vendors can easily enter this department, Steiner said.

In this lobby-office area, described as fairly busy, Hall entered the building at about 1:15 p.m., dressed in a dark suit and red tie with his gun out of sight, police said.

Before the shooting

Marshall and Hall had lived together about 10 years and had a child together. They separated a month and a half ago.

Police said that on Aug. 19, Hall, a carpet layer, entered the building and told management who confronted him he wanted to see his girlfriend. "Mr. Hall asked if he should leave and eventually did leave without seeing Ms. Marshall," according to a Plymouth Township police statement.

On Aug. 21 he threw hot water at Marshall at her Detroit home. She filed before a judge for a personal protection order. "It is unknown at this time if Mr. Hall had been served with a copy of the personal protection order," Plymouth Township police said.

Lt. Smith said on Tuesday police were still trying to detail Hall's actions between the time he entered Johnson Controls and 3 p.m., when he and Marshall were found dead in an office adjacent to her work station.

Investigators said Wednesday Hall apparently threatened no one else inside the building with the gun. "He was directed toward her (Marshall)," said township police investigator David Hayes.

Police said Hall left his friend Mahone's Southfield home at 1 p.m. on his way to Johnson Controls.

"Before he left, Mr. Hall gave his friend a manila envelope," police said. Concerned with Hall's behavior, he opened the envelope. Inside he found a wallet, keys and a note reading, "Take care of my baby," police said.

Mahone called the Southfield Police Department, then drove to Hall's Detroit home and called Detroit police. Inside, Mahone found some ammunition but no weapon, and paged Hall, who called Mahone back from Johnson Controls.

Clearing out

After Hall entered the building, word was passed by facility managers to the 1,400 employees to leave the building. "The team here did a fantastic job, they deserve a Purple Heart," Steiner said. "They fanned out and asked employees to leave in a quiet matter."

"All I heard was there were shots fired," said Cass Haboian, a Johnson Controls sales director joining others on grassy areas along Halyard Drive at about 1:45 p.m. "We were in a meeting, they said some shots were fired they want us to get out."

Charles Evans of Ypsilanti joined the throng, looking for his daughter who works for Johnson Controls. He said she told him of threats made to a co-worker.

"I was driving by and saw the (TV) helicopters and knew it was Johnson Controls," he said.

By 2 p.m. an estimated dozen employees remained hiding in the building. After reviewing building layout and counting employees that had made it outside, the Western Wayne Special Operations Team entered at about 3 p.m., removing some more employees hiding inside. They proceeded to an office near purchasing, where both bodies were found.

Police said Hall had fired five shots, two soon after he entered and three more a few minutes later.

"We don't have any eye witnesses to the shooting. We don't have an exact



Planning: Acting Chief Bob Smith confers with Lt. John Sherman, leader of the Wayne County Special Operations Team.

timeline (of when shots were fired) at this time," Smith said.

"It's one of those situations we don't have an answer for," said Charles Harvey, Johnson director of human resources.

Joining about 15 Plymouth Township police on the scene Monday were 20 officers from Plymouth city, Canton and neighboring communities.

Plymouth Township police secured several Plymouth-Canton schools buses to take Johnson workers to nearby Compuware Ice Arena, where relatives could pick them up.

Some Johnson Controls employees who evacuated the building said security had been beefed up in February after a UAW strike at a Johnson plant northeast of the facility.

Based in Milwaukee, Johnson Controls designs and produces auto seating and other interior systems in Plymouth Township.

VIOLENCE in the workplace

The murder-suicide at Johnson Controls plant Monday afternoon marks the third such incident at workplaces in Plymouth Township in the 1990s. Here's a brief look at the previous incidents:

Ford Sheldon Plant

Aug. 18, 1996

Stephen Cox, a 30-year employee walked into the plant on a Sunday morning carrying a 9 millimeter Sig handgun and 60 rounds of ammunition. Seven of the rounds were pumped into the body of an unarmed plant security chief. Cox then turned the gun on himself. Cox and the victim were brought together earlier that month when an incident - resulting in a sexual harassment complaint against Cox - occurred between the assailant and the victim's daughter, also a security guard at the plant.

Ford Sheldon Plant

Jan. 6, 1995

On a cold, snowy Saturday morning, Michael Brattin, an estranged husband, walked quietly into the plant, shot and injured his wife, killed her boyfriend and then himself.



Worried: Charles Evans stopped at Johnson Controls because he was worried about his daughter, an employee.

Help from page A1

cope with problems. "Now everyone wants a solution that's quick," Barr said.

Lt. Bob Smith, acting Plymouth Township police chief, said he isn't certain incidents such as the one at Johnson Controls can be fully prevented.

"If someone is willing to exchange their life to take another, you can't stop them," Smith said.

While security at any building is important, Smith said, do you want to make companies and businesses fortresses? "You want to make a business accessible for customers," he added.

Options are available in the workplace when employees find themselves in the middle of domestic disputes.

"Everyone has to be willing and cooperative with a safety plan," Barr said. "The more people who know when you are in a potentially lethal situation the better a safety plan can be made."

Telling integral people, such as supervisors, the problems you are facing, goes a long way in providing a safer environment for yourself and co-workers, Barr said.

"It appears she (Ingrid Marshall) did tell some co-workers of her problems," Barr said. "But victims often don't say what's going on. They are afraid they will lose their jobs."

Smith echoed Barr's opinion. "It's wise to inform management there is a person out there who is harassing or causing problems. Keep your eyes open. Alert human resources people," Smith said.

If an employee has cause to be concerned about a domestic situation, a description of the offending spouse or significant other may be displayed, as well as a vehicle description. Offices also may be rearranged to put the potential victim near an exit, Barr said.

"Employees have to take it seriously," she added.

For example, developing an emergency exit plan in the workplace is a good idea, as well as driving a different route to work daily and parking in different areas of the parking lot.

"It sounds like its overdoing. But in retrospect, would it have helped?" Barr asked.

She also reminds that personal protection orders may be obtained through the Wayne County Circuit Court. "With a PPO, police know there is a prior history. But it's not a security blanket. People have to be proactive with their own safety," Barr said.

Ingrid Marshall obtained a PPO Sept. 11. Plymouth Township police were informed of it

Sept. 17. "But we cannot verify if it was ever served on him (Ernest Hall Jr.)," Smith said.

With a PPO, police can arrest a person if they so much as step on your property, Smith added.

The Plymouth Township police will conduct workplace violence seminars at businesses and review the physical security of buildings, Smith added.



Feelings: Judy Barr of First Step says employees will feel helpless and vulnerable in the aftermath of the murder-suicide.

How did we squeeze so much fun into shopping?

longer hours

Now you can shop

10 am to 9 pm

Monday through Saturday.

Noon to 5 pm Sunday.

Jacobson's

Birmingham • Livonia • Rochester

price break on in-season, wear-now select merchandise.

the time is ripe for a harvest of savings!

25% off and more original prices as identified by signs

Jacobson's

Birmingham (248) 644-6900 Livonia (313) 591-7696 Rochester (248) 651-6000

hours • Mon-Sat 10-9 • Open Sunday at Noon.

School employee's attorney seeks public hearing

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

The attorney for a Plymouth-Canton Community Schools maintenance director targeted for dismissal is insisting on a public hearing before the school board.

William Menghini, director of maintenance and operations for the district, was advised by school officials in August of a notice of intent to consider dismissal.

Menghini is accused of allegedly using school district equipment and employees for his personal gain, said his attorney Anthony Guerriero of Allen

Park.

The school board in an Aug. 6 closed session reportedly accepted the allegations brought by Superintendent Charles Little. That means the board agreed to conduct a procedure for examining the issue, including a hearing.

Guerriero said Menghini's future is governed by a dual procedure. Under his work contract, he has a right to a meeting with the school board before a hearing. Under the state school code, he has a right to a hearing.

Menghini was suspended with pay pending the outcome of a hearing.

"I will not allow these people (school officials) not to conduct this hearing in public and before the press," Guerriero said.

Judy Evola, school district spokeswoman, said school officials do not want to comment on personnel matters.

"They (Menghini and his attorney) want to make this public," Evola said. "A public hearing date has not been set yet. It may be a special meeting or part of a regular meeting."

Guerriero said he has had difficulty getting details of the allegations from school officials. "If they say Mr. Menghini used equipment, give me a date, give

me a time frame. This equipment just doesn't disappear from the district. Show me the logs. They cannot do it," he said.

Guerriero said there was little discussion at the Aug. 6 closed meeting. Board members had a typed motion ready to accept. A hearing officer also was named, but Guerriero objected.

"Based on my objections, they directed (Errol) Goldman (assistant superintendent for employee relations and personnel) to work with me on the hearing officer," Guerriero said. The attorney told the Observer that he already received from Goldman the name of an attorney

who will serve as a hearing officer.

The allegations against Menghini apparently involve two separate incidents, one in which he took scrap carpet for his home or cottage, and another in which he borrowed district chairs and tables for a graduation party. In both cases, he is accused of using district trucks to move the items.

"It was all done with the permission of supervisors," Guerriero said. "It was all done in the open. Other employees have done it. There is a regular practice of lending these items (tables and chairs) to the community."

Guerriero said he believes the allegations are part of retaliation efforts by other employees, in particular one who was seeking a transfer or promotion, and Menghini would not support him.

But Guerriero said he and his client are preparing for the public hearing. "There are a number of procedural items that need to be ironed out. We want to know why they have no records. I do want people in the district to start wondering why the superintendent is putting the district in a position to spend a lot of money on this."

Drum making will strike a beat at fair

ARTRAGEOUS

Native American drum making is flourishing in Plymouth.

Under the patient instruction of Kenneth Wright, business people, church leaders and students are crafting quality Indian drums for their personal use.

Wright, a certified teacher, conducts personal drum making workshops in his Plymouth Township studio. The studio is headquarters for Vision Moon Creations, a venture Wright formed to teach people the art of making personal spiritual objects, including drums and fetishes. The enterprise is an outgrowth of his longtime interest in Native American cultures.

Wright will be guest artist at Hands

on Leather, Sept. 26 -Sept. 28 during Plymouth's ARTrageous fair. He will demonstrate personal drum construction and has several for sale.

"Ken's drums are really beautiful in tone and looks and are constructed with quality materials," says Nancy Ball, owner of Hands on Leather in downtown Plymouth. "Wright has modified traditional drum making techniques so a lay person can produce a well-made drum."

"Current interest in drums spans all walks of life and ages," said Ball whose store stocks leather items including drums. "Proponents say the rhythmic beating of a drum relieves stress, brings joy to the psyche and may promote physical healing."

Ball knows of several drumming circles in the Plymouth area where partici-

■ 'Current interest in drums spans all walks of life and ages.'

Nancy Ball
—Hands on Leather owner

communal drumming sessions.

Nearly all cultures have valued the drum as a musical instrument. Native Americans attach more significance to drums, likening the drum to a tonic that instills peace and harmony to the user.

"Anyone who is reasonably adept with their hands can fashion a modern version of the true Indian drum. The surprise is how the process of making your own drum and playing it can impact your work and personal life," said Wright, who is employed full time as a systems analyst and technical support administrator for an Ann Arbor firm. "Some large corporations have turned to drumming circles as a means of reducing management competition and

encouraging teamwork for the benefit of all."

Wright provides prepared hides and steam bent oak frames for his workshop participants who focus on making a single skin drum similar to those used by Indian tribes living in California and up the northwest coast.

Deer skin is stretched over the frame and drawn tightly with rawhide lacing woven around the edge of the skin. Straps across the back of the drum provide further tension and a comfortable handhold.

Wright thumps a finished drum to demonstrate the deep resonance. "Some people say they can feel the sound permeating their whole body."

A drum's tone depends on the shape and size of the frame, the thickness of the skin and the tension on the surface. Wright added, "no two drums will have the same sound. Each instrument is an expression of the individual who forges it."

Drum making work-

shops span two days allowing a 24-hour drying period. "Our workshops incorporate Native American traditions of prayers and blessings. Making your own drum can be a meaningful spiritual experience that can have a profound impact on your life."

For more information look up Wright's web page at [HTTP://Members.aol.com/kwright84/index.htm/](http://Members.aol.com/kwright84/index.htm/).



Patience: Kenneth Wright demonstrates how to make a Native American drum.

Effective November 1, 1997, Ameritech will be adding new pay-per-view movie and event channels.

New *americast*™ pay-per-view channels will be offered on channels 101 through 109 in November and December. Thereafter, they will be offered on channels 101 through 108.

If you are currently an *americast* customer and have any questions regarding this upcoming change, please contact one of our Personal Assistants at 1-800-848-CAST™ (2278).

Ameritech

YOUR LINK TO BETTER COMMUNICATION™

©1997 Ameritech Corp.

BT-4201

PEOPLES STATE BANK

"SPECIAL BUSINESS CHECKING"

A MODEST AVERAGE BALANCE
MODERATE ACTIVITY ACCOUNT
WELL SUITED FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS

What is your bank offering?

**245 N. Main Street • Plymouth
(313) 455-1511**

Member FDIC

OPEN 24 HOURS

Vassel's
of Plymouth
Restaurant and Main Street Catering

"FALL SPECIAL"

20% OFF UP TO 4 PEOPLE

Must be used by October 2, 1997. Not valid with other offers. Excludes alcohol and taxes.

Senior Citizens!
Complete Dinners \$5.95
(includes beverage & dessert)

Breakfast From \$1.99 | Daily Homemade Dinner Specials | Chicken Pot Pie

Main Street at Ann Arbor Road • Plymouth • 48150-2666

Wild Bird Feeding Seminar

FREE!

Whether you're a beginner or long-time hobbyist, learn the latest information about feeding wild birds at your backyard feeders.

Endless varieties of birds remain in our area all year long, and you can attract them to your backyard feeder! For hours of relaxation and enjoyment, come and listen to a Lyric wild bird food expert explain what seeds to feed them, and what feeders best attract the different species.

Location: Plymouth Nursery
Date: Tuesday, September 30, 1997
Time: 6:45-8:00 pm
Refreshments • Please call to reserve your seat!

FREE OFFER!
Get a free bird food scoop filled with Lyric Supreme at the seminar. Offer good to the first 20 participants!

BIRD FEEDERS
30% off
any feeder with purchase of any Lyric Bird Food

GARDEN MUMS
Big and bushy
Buy 3 get one FREE
of equal or lesser value!

HOLLAND BULBS
Largest selection around!
Top size bulbs

Presented by
Lyric
Wild Bird Food

PLYMOUTH NURSERY and GARDEN CENTER

42 acres located at
9900 Ann Arbor Plymouth Rd.
7 miles west of I-275 • 1/4 mile south of N 14 • Corner of Gottfredson Rd.

453-5500
Fall Hours:
Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 6 pm
Sun. 11 am - 5 pm
Offers expire 10/1/97

DOWNING FARMS Golf Course

Announces that they now offer

18 HOLES

designed by Harry Bowers

Downing Farms Offer:

- A full clubhouse with liquor and complimentary
- Fall Specials
- 18 holes and cart weekdays \$23⁰⁰ weekends \$30⁰⁰
- JR and SR \$17⁰⁰ (weekdays only before 3:00)
- Openings for 1998 Morning Leagues

8145 W. Seven Mile Northville, MI (248) 486-0990

Real Estate Update

by John Goodman
Coldwell Banker Preferred

HOMEOWNERS GAIN CAPITAL WITH 1997 TAX BILL

If you are a homeowner expecting to have a capital gain on the sale of your home, Uncle Sam just gave you a big present. The 1997 federal tax bill completely eliminates the traditional system of "rollover" deferrals of tax liability on home sale profits. Here is what the new rules are, for principal residences sold after May 6, 1997.

Married home-sellers filing jointly get to enjoy up to \$500,000 in home sale gains tax-free, provided you occupied the property as your principal residence during two of the prior five years. Taxpayers who file singly (even if married) get a \$250,000 capital gains exclusion. Home-sellers are eligible for the exclusions for gains made on sales as often as once every two years.

The new law allows capital gain exclusions whether you "buy up" to a more expensive home or "buy down" to a less expensive one. Should you have a gain above the limit, it will be taxed at the new 20% capital gains rate, down from the current 28% rate. And starting in 2001, your capital gains rate drops to 18% for taxable gains on a principal residence you occupied for at least five years.

For professional advice on all aspects of buying or selling real estate, contact John Goodman, one of the top 9 sales agents internationally out of 60,000 Coldwell Banker agents for 1994, 1995 and 1996. Call 610-908-2799.

This Week's Featured Listings

Impeccable Country Ridge colonial, 4bd, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, open floor plan! \$334,900.

Jamestown Green Ranch, 3 bd, 2 car garage, recent updates, sidewalks in sub! \$159,900.

44644 Ann Arbor Rd.
COLDWELL BANKER

READER SERVICE LINES

Observer Newsroom E-Mail

■ Readers can submit story suggestions, reactions to stories, letters to the editor or make general comments to any member of our news staff through E-Mail via the Internet at the following address: newsroom@oconline.com.

Homeline: 313-953-2020

■ Open houses and new developments in your area.
■ Free real estate seminar information.
■ Current mortgage rates.

Classified After Hours: 313-591-0900

■ Place classified ads at your convenience.

Circulation Department: 313-591-0500

■ If you have a question about home delivery or if you did not receive your paper, please call one of our customer service representatives during the following hours:
Sunday: 7 a.m. - Noon
Thursday: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Fax Line: 313-953-2288

■ You can use a MasterCard or Visa to access the following information from our classified ads. This service is available by noon Wednesday and Saturday:
Item No. 9822:
Vehicles: used trucks, vans and all makes of automobiles. Cost: \$39.95

O&E On-Line: 313-591-0903

■ You can access On-Line with just about any communications software - PC or Macintosh. On-Line users can:
• Send and receive unlimited e-mail.
• Access all features of the Internet - Telnet, Gopher, WWW and more.
• Read electronic editions of the Observer & Eccentric newspapers.
• Chat with users across town or across the country.

■ To begin your On-Line exploration, call 313-591-0903 with your computer modem. At the login prompt, type: **new**. At the password prompt, press your enter key. At the key prompt, type: **9508**.

On-Line Hotline: 313-953-2266

■ If you need help, call the On-Line Hotline at the number above.

Your Observer office
794 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170

THE Observer
NEWSPAPERS

MPA 1996 General Excellence Award

Sc

BY TIM RICH
STAFF WRITER

A new fee help disab will requir work, rais and back make sch districts ar "It's go money," s former lve secret tan Assoc School Leg MAISL Thomas H. A. Lusk f Hills schoo Keller Tho to about 10 teachers at Livonia. M districts Oakland a Big sti Schwarze, provide fr education been suspe the school, ods of time That req "is in appa districts" the disabl 10 days" u

Double Trade-In

WA

Comforter Pillows, & B

50%

dro

IND

Carri

6 W

No P

FR

ESTIM

LEADER

DEAL

(313)

School districts told law will cost 'a ton of money'

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

A new federal law designed to help disabled students instead will require more school paperwork, raise costs of compliance and backfire in its attempts to make schools safer, suburban districts are being warned.

"It's gonna cost a ton of money," said Gerald Dunn, the former legislator who is executive secretary of the Metropolitan Association for Improved School Legislation (MAISL).

MAISL brought in attorneys Thomas H. Schwarze and Robert A. Lusk from the Bloomfield Hills school law specialist firm of Keller Thoma to speak Sept. 18 to about 100 administrators and teachers at a regional meeting in Livonia. MAISL's members are districts in western Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Big sticking point, said Schwarze, is that "states must provide free and appropriate education for students who have been suspended or expelled from the school," even for short periods of time.

That requirement, he went on, "is in apparent conflict with local districts' authority to suspend the disabled for not more than 10 days" under another law.

Parochial aid?

In addition, Congress is requiring states to share funds for educating the disabled with private and parochial schools. Last June, in a 5-4 decision, the U.S. Supreme Court permitted states to send teachers into parochial schools to teach remedial and supplemental classes. That case, called *Agostini v. Felton*, was a victory for New York City and the Clinton Administration and was praised by Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

Dissenting Justice David H. Souter said the effect would be to "authorize direct state aid to religious institutions, on an unparalleled scale." The lawyers did not dwell on the parochial implications of the new law.

What the court permitted, Congress now is requiring.

The core of the Schwarze-Lusk presentation: The schools' IEPs (individual educational program) committees will have to provide more details and more chances for parents of the disabled to challenge their judgments. More school funds will go for hearing officers and parents' lawyers.

"A (suspended) student must be kept in an 'interim alternative educational setting,'" said Schwarze. "Before, you used to be able to kick them (misbehav-

ing students) out of school. Now you can't."

"It looks like we're going to be in the alternative education business."

The lawyers' advice was highly technical, but their central theme was to persuade parents to agree to behavioral plans and avoid being dragged into a legal brawl.

Schwarze deplored a change that allows suspending a student who "carries" a gun or weapon to school. Standard legal wording would be to punish "possession" of a weapon. Thus, the new law will be harder to enforce if a student claims someone else carried the gun to school and handed it to him.

"I see suspensions coming to a halt," Schwarze said. "They (congressional committee report) said they'd reduce paperwork and make schools safer. That's a

crook."

"I share Tom's sense of outrage," Lusk told the educators. "I saw the shock on your faces."

He advised school officials to start using newer, more detailed forms for "informed consent" to re-evaluations of special ed students. There are more procedural notifications to parents."

Back room deal

The irony, they said, was that many members of Congress voted for the 1997 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act amendments thinking they were reducing paperwork and improving school safety. Most hadn't read it, Schwarze said.

"Can't we get it changed back?" asked one teacher.

Practically impossible, said Schwarze. "It was done in the back room in the middle of the

night. The people who wrote it knew exactly what they were doing."

For two years, the 104th Congress bogged down in "a legislative quagmire of proposed

amendments" from various interest groups, he said.

In the current 105th Congress, he said, drafters and committee leaders took the process behind

Please see LAW, A7

Excimer Laser Myopic Surgery

Now you can decrease your dependency on glasses or contacts at a great low price!

- First in Michigan to do RK Surgery
- First in Michigan to do Excimer Laser Surgery
- First in Michigan to make Excimer Laser Surgery Affordable



MICHIGAN EYECARE INSTITUTE
Where knowledge has real value.

Main Office: Southfield • 248-352-2806 • Branch Offices: Livonia & Dearborn

Dittrich's Double Trade-In

Now through Saturday receive a **Double Trade-In Allowance** On a New Dittrich Fur

Even your old mink stole is worth \$1,000 on the purchase of a new Dittrich Mink Coat

Plus Your Old Fur Can Be Your Down Payment

Dittrich
Since 1938
If it doesn't say 'Dittrich' you just don't know

Monday-Saturday: 10-6
Bloomfield Hills: (313) 873-8300
Thursday Till 8:30 7373 Third Ave. 1515 N. Woodward Ave.

Detroit Bloomfield Hills
(313) 873-8300 (248) 642-3000

Pre Christmas Sale
20-75% Off Entire Stock

• Mary Moo Moos • Golden Memories by Lladro
• David Winter Cottages • Raikes Bears • Anri Wood Carvings
• Plush Toys • Hummels • Cherished Teddies • Precious Moments
• Dolls • Pewter • Music Boxes • Miniature Bukova Clocks
• Lilliput Lane Cottages • Handmade Curios • Russa Trills
• Brownstone Bear Figurines • Cotton Candy Clowns

Viking Collectibles, Inc.
Gift Certificates Available 30175 Ford Rd. • Garden City • 421-5754 Free Delivery
Hours: Mon-Fri 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. • Sat 9 A.M. - 12 P.M. • Sun 12 P.M. - 4 P.M.

UNRESTRICTED PUBLIC SALE
3 DAYS ONLY

FRI., SAT. & SUN.
SEPT. 26, 27 & 28

Legitimate Savings On All Pool Tables, Bar Stools, Game Tables, Air Hockey, Foosball, Jukeboxes and More...

FACTORY REPS ON HAND TO OFFER LOWEST PRICES.

EAST SIDE
45160 Northpointe Blvd.
N. Of M-59, E. of Van Dyke
810-771-8181

Saffron
BILLIARDS

CENTRAL
23622 S. Woodward
At 9 1/2 Mile, 1/2 Mi. S. Of I-696
248-542-8429

Extended Sale Hours: Thurs. Preview 5-9, Fri. & Sat. 10-8, Sun. 10-4

6 DAYS!

SHERWIN WILLIAMS

WAREHOUSE OUTLET Everything Reduced to Move Out!

Comforters, Bedspreads, Towels, Rugs, Bath Accessories, Pillows, & Blinds, and much more!

50% to 70% OFF

INVENTORY REDUCTION SALE

Sept. 25th, 26th, 27th
Thursday Friday & Saturday

open 10am-5pm
12119 Levan
(313) 591-6061

drapery boutique

INDOOR WEATHER BULLETIN
Greatest Savings!!

Carrier Furnace and Air-conditioning completely installed for:

\$2584

Can be priced separately. Limited Offer.

6 Months No Interest No Payments

FREE ESTIMATES

Model 38CKB024

Model 58PAV070

SERVING METRO DETROIT FOR OVER 35 YEARS

Carrier

NATIONAL HEATING & COOLING

LEADERSHIP DEALER

CUSTOM MADE INDOOR WEATHER

* No payments and no interest for 6 months to qualified customers on the Carrier charge account. Account APR is 17.99%. Minimum finance charge is \$50.

(313) 464-3888 (313) 864-8443

WE'LL GIVE YOU \$10 OFF!
ON A PURCHASE OF \$50 OR MORE OF REGULAR OR SALE PRICE MERCHANDISE

SEPTEMBER
25 Thursday 26 Friday 27 Saturday
28 Sunday 29 Monday 30 Tuesday
Not all stores open Sunday.

\$10 OFF COUPON
SAVE \$10
on a purchase of \$50 or more of regular or sale price merchandise.

Retail sales only. Prior sales excluded. Sales tax excluded. Not valid in conjunction with any other offers or discounts. Present this coupon at time of purchase. Coupon has no cash value. Coupon expires 9/30/97. Coupon #253.

LET US PAY OFF YOUR MORTGAGE!
Enter our sweepstakes to win a mortgage payoff up to \$100,000 or \$25,000 in cash!

©1997 The Sherwin-Williams Company. Not responsible for typographical or artwork errors. Sherwin-Williams reserves the right to correct errors at point of purchase.

WHERE TO GET IT
Only at your **SHERWIN-WILLIAMS** Store

For the location of the Sherwin-Williams store near you, call
1-800-4-SHERWIN
1-800-474-3794

Fans



Favorite: Township kids show their support for the home-town team-Go Red Wings! From left, Daniel Cezat, Mark Dufresne, Sarah Robertson and Andrew Vance.

Diana from page A1

enough to immediately fill his 200 advance orders, but said he expected to do so by week's end. He said his firm was to get partial shipments throughout the week and have regular stock on hand by Monday.

LeAnnais, who fielded five calls about the CD in the first six minutes the store was open Tuesday, is offering the CD and cassette at \$3.49 each.

A Dearborn Music customer, Beverly Booker of Plymouth Township, said she was going to buy 10 copies and send them to friends "because I admired Princess Diana."

Two other customers, Bill Pike of Belleville and Maxie Lazaro of Canton, each acknowledged

watching Di's funeral - Pike said he stayed up all night. "She was a terrific woman inside and outside," said Lazaro.

At Repeat the Beat, customer Beau Somerville of Plymouth said even though he missed the funeral due to work and he has yet to hear the entire song, he was buying it because he admired her and because money from the sale was going to her favorite charities.

But another customer and Plymouth resident, Utanja Mijnsbergen, said she was avoiding all of it because she believes that buying such items helped support a commercialization.

A lot of people "feel the media got her killed" Mijnsbergen said, and she refused to read the tabloids or keep up on news stories.

"I always felt sorry for her," she said. "They should have left her alone to live her life."

The three major discount department stores in Canton had larger quantities of "Candle '97" Tuesday than the music stores and two of the three were reporting good sales.

The new Kmart Superstore on Ford had sold about half its 120 "Candle" CDs (\$3.59 each) and 80 cassettes (3.99 each) by noon Tuesday, according to Diane Porter, an electronics associate.

She said the store was already reordering. Sales are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Paul Chudyk of Target said his Ford Road store had sold 51 of its 300 CD singles (\$2.99 each) by noon Tuesday. It is not carrying the cassette single.

A clerk in the music section at the Canton Meijer's store on Ford said sales of the CD and cassette (\$3.36 each) were slow. The store had 200 CDs and 150 tapes on hand.

The "Candle '97" song, a

reworking by John and songwriting partner Bernie Taupin of their tribute to the late actress Marilyn Monroe, was first performed at the London funeral for the princess, who died in a traffic accident Aug. 31 in Paris.

It accompanies John's new single, "Something About the Way You Look Tonight," which is from his latest album, "The Big Picture." The album does not have "Candle In The Wind '97" on it.

Both stores also were trying to get a Canadian import that contains another song from John's new album, "You Can Make History (Young Again)," in addition to the two on the U.S. disc.

Levi's
\$28-\$39
 GUYS' & JUNIORS'
Levi's Jeans
 Reg. \$35-\$51

\$32-\$35
 STUDENTS'
SilverTab™ Jeans
 Reg. \$39-\$43

Levi's
SALE
 LIFE IS NO SIDELINE SPORT.

SILVERTAB™ JEANS
 SALE \$42-\$44!
 GUYS' & JUNIORS'

FOR HIM & HER
 Stonewashed • Bleached • Black
 Loose • Relaxed • Slim • Baggy

More Choices. **Levi's** More Savings.

Sagebrush
 LEVI'S HEADQUARTERS

Ypsilanti - 3815 Carpenter Road next to Meijer Canton - Next to Meijer on Ford Road at Canton Center

PAINTERS SUPPLY & EQUIPMENT CO.
 AND WOODKOTE PRODUCTS COMPANY PRESENTS:

FREE CLINIC
ON
WOOD STAINING & FINISHING
Saturday, Sept. 27
 BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M. - CONTRACTORS AND CONSUMERS INVITED

- Open to the Public
- Learn how to stain hard and soft woods, fiberglass, Masonite, particle board, composite surfaces, steal - including new and old work.
- Bring your stain and finish problems in and get easy solutions. Free!
- It's fun and easy
- Products demonstrated are available for sale at special demonstration day prices!

WOOD-KOTE PRODUCTS
 Manufacturers of Wood Finishes Since 1945

We invite everyone to see how simple and easy Wood-Kote Jel'd Wood Stains are to apply. No run or drips.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS FREE STAINING & FINISHING CLINIC CALL 313-445-5997

PLYMOUTH, MI
 1056 W. Ann Arbor Road
 313-445-5997

DON'T MISS CHEF Rocky's

AUTUMN FOODS Festival
 NOW THROUGH OCTOBER 31ST

Chef Rocky will be featuring some of his personal favorites including...

Grilled Pork Chops Persillade
 Twin chops encrusted in fresh herbs served with Rosemary Potatoes and garden vegetables.

Jaeger Schnitzel
 Sautéed veal medallions with a Sherry wine and sour cream sauce. Served with Spätzle and braised red cabbage.

Rocky's Feast
 One pound Maine Lobster, Mussels, Dungeness Crab, corn on the cob and redskin potatoes.

Grilled Chicken Carbonara
 Radiatore pasta, Prosciutto, peas, tomatoes, fresh cream and Parmesan cheese.

Stuffed Atlantic Swordfish
 With Florentine stuffing, served with rice pilaf.

Join us for lunch or dinner during Chef Rocky's

AUTUMN FOODS Festival
 and enjoy Rocky's personal favorites.

BRIGHTON
 5311 Brighton Rd.
 Brighton, Michigan
 (810) 227-7900

Rocky's

NORTHVILLE
 41122 W. Seven Mile Rd.
 Northville, Michigan
 (810) 349-4434

Before Kickoff... See Us For Great Seats!

6 Months Same As Cash*

High Leg Recliners from \$299
 La-Z-Boy Classics™ high leg recliners... from Queen Anne to Chippendale, distinctively styled, exceptionally priced.

▲ Recliners from \$369
 Genuine La-Z-Boy™ comfort and quality styled from traditional to contemporary!

Walker/Buzenberg fine furniture

240 North Main Street • PLYMOUTH • 459-1300
 Mon., Thurs. Fri. 10-9 • Tues., Wed., Sat. 10-6 • Sun. 1-5
 *With Credit Approval • Offer Ends 10-12-97

Fund created for development hasn't made a loan in three years

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Three years ago a fund was established to provide loans to assist Wayne County communities with development.

Three years later, no loans have been distributed, and county officials haven't outlined a process to distribute the loans, either.

Instead county officials have committed \$21.4 million from the 21st Century Fund — \$20 million for the Detroit Tiger and Detroit Lion stadium project and \$1.4 million for the Inkster Valley Golf Course — commitments which "may jeopardize" the fund, according to a report released recently to the Wayne County Commission by the commission's Auditor General Bren-

dan Dunleavy.

Commissioners referred the report last Thursday to the Committee on Audit.

"The financial commitments to these projects are, in effect, grants, not loans," the report stated. With the county's commitment to these two projects, the program "is not meeting its original loan intent and is depleting the funding source for future projects," the report stated.

Dewitt Henry, assistant county executive and director of jobs and economic development, acknowledged its use of grants, instead of loans, to allow "flexibility" with the program. "The executive and commission have thus decided to fund two worthy programs with grants, because grants were needed to make them work," Henry stated in a

letter.

While the county was receiving more than \$30 million in sales from the Northville properties, most of the land purchasers will be taking a 120-day diligence due period and will need two allowed extensions for planning approvals, which means the sales will not immediately yield much cash. The county also needs to complete negotiations with the state for the state to be reimbursed for improvements to the Northville properties.

"Not until both are completed will we be in a position to definitively inform the commission of the funds from the Northville sale that will be available for a loan program," Henry said. "We look forward to issuing a full status report at that time."

Please see FUND, A11

Law from page A7

closed doors, brought out a misleading report, rammed it through both chambers within days, and saw President Clinton sign it June 4.

Money mess

The federal law complicates an already messy problem Michigan faces in funding special education.

The state must pay \$211 million to 84 mostly suburban districts for shorting them in the Michigan Supreme Court's

Durant case decision. Lawmakers will address this issue when they return to Lansing Sept. 23.

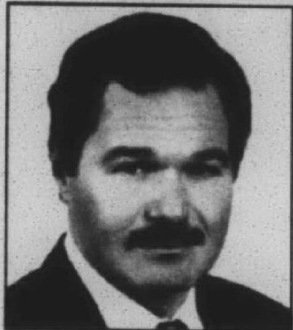
Meanwhile, MAISL last May produced a report showing the rise in special ed costs. Not only does each special ed student cost \$8,000 to \$12,000 per year more to educate, but the numbers of special ed students are rising disproportionately. Items:

■ As total enrollment dropped 21 percent — from 2.1 million in 1975 to 1.6 million in 1995 — special ed enrollment rose 31 percent — from 147,000 to 194,000

■ Special ed enrolls almost one pupil in eight — 11.8 percent in 1995.

■ The category of special ed called learning disabled has soared even more, from fewer than 20,000 in 1975 to more than 82,000 in 1995, or 316 percent.

In part, according to the professional literature, more babies are being saved who would have died in the past. Also, many parents are demanding special ed so their children can be in smaller classes.



LIVING TRUST SEMINAR

How to avoid probate, how to reduce taxes to your heirs, the advantages of a Living Trust — Question and Answer Session to follow.

Presented by Financial Advisor

Paul Leduc

Reg. Representative with Linsco/Private Ledger
Member NASD/SIPC

FARMINGTON HILLS
Wednesday, October 1st
1 p.m.-3 p.m.
The Longacre House
24705 Farmington Rd.
(Between 10 & 11 Mile Rd.)

LIVONIA
Tuesday, October 7th
1 p.m.-3 p.m.
Livonia Civic Center Library
32777 Five Mile Rd.
(E. of Farmington Rd.)

TROY
Tuesday, October 14th
1 p.m.-3 p.m.
Troy Public Library
510 W. Big Beaver
(Btw. Crooks & Livonia, E. of I-75 Civic Center Complex)

WATERFORD
Wednesday, October 15th
1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
Waterford Senior Center
6455 Harper

PLYMOUTH/NORTHVILLE
Friday, October 17th
1 p.m.-3 p.m.
Plymouth Cultural Center
525 Farmer Rd.
(Between N. Territorial & 5 Mile Off Sheldon Rd.)

WEST BLOOMFIELD
Monday, October 27th
7 p.m.-9 p.m. (evening)
West Bloomfield Twp. Public Library
24600 Walnut Lk. Rd. (W. of Orchard Lk. Rd.)
*Reservations necessary — (248) 682-2120

Reservations necessary for West Bloomfield only. ALL SEMINARS FREE.
For further information call (248) 540-8710 • 30400 Telegraph Rd., Suite 373, Bingham Farms, MI 48025 9/97

Beautiful Tiffany Lighting sale



The decor in your home is an expression of your good taste and style. Quoizel has the diversity you need to express yourself in so many creative ways.

Come in today and see the hand-crafted quality that has set the industry standard for over 65 years.

10% off
— our —
40%-50%
already discounted
prices
Sale 10 Days Only

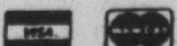
QUOIZEL
COLLECTIBLES

Window Art

Lighting Fixtures, Ceiling Fans & Clocks for Every Decor • Wiring Supplies & Light Bulbs

BROSE
ELECTRICAL
CONSTRUCTION, INC.

Mon., Tues., Wed., Sat. 9:30-6:00
Thurs., Fri. 9:30-8:00



37400 W. Seven Mile Road • Livonia, MI 48152 • (313) 464-2211

My Emergency. My Health. My Hospital.

**"St. Mary Hospital's
Emergency Center now
provides the convenience
of Prompt Care."**



My daughter fell off the jungle gym a couple of weeks ago and broke her arm. I'm so glad we chose St. Mary Hospital's Emergency Center, where she was treated in the new Prompt Care area. We didn't know it, but Carly also hit her head. The doctors — board certified in emergency medicine — were able to detect her minor concussion in time to prevent further damage.

St. Mary Hospital's Emergency Center has dedicated x-ray equipment and a casting room where Carly's arm was taken care

of quickly. While waiting, we appreciated the private Prompt Care area which shielded us from other people's emergencies. And, the staff was professional, kind and compassionate.

It was also comforting to know that if Carly's injury was more serious, or she needed to be admitted, we were already at our hospital of choice. Close to home.

Convenience in an emergency. That's why St. Mary Hospital is our hospital.

St. Mary Hospital's Emergency Center is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Prompt Care hours are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day.

Physician Referral Service
1-888-464-WELL

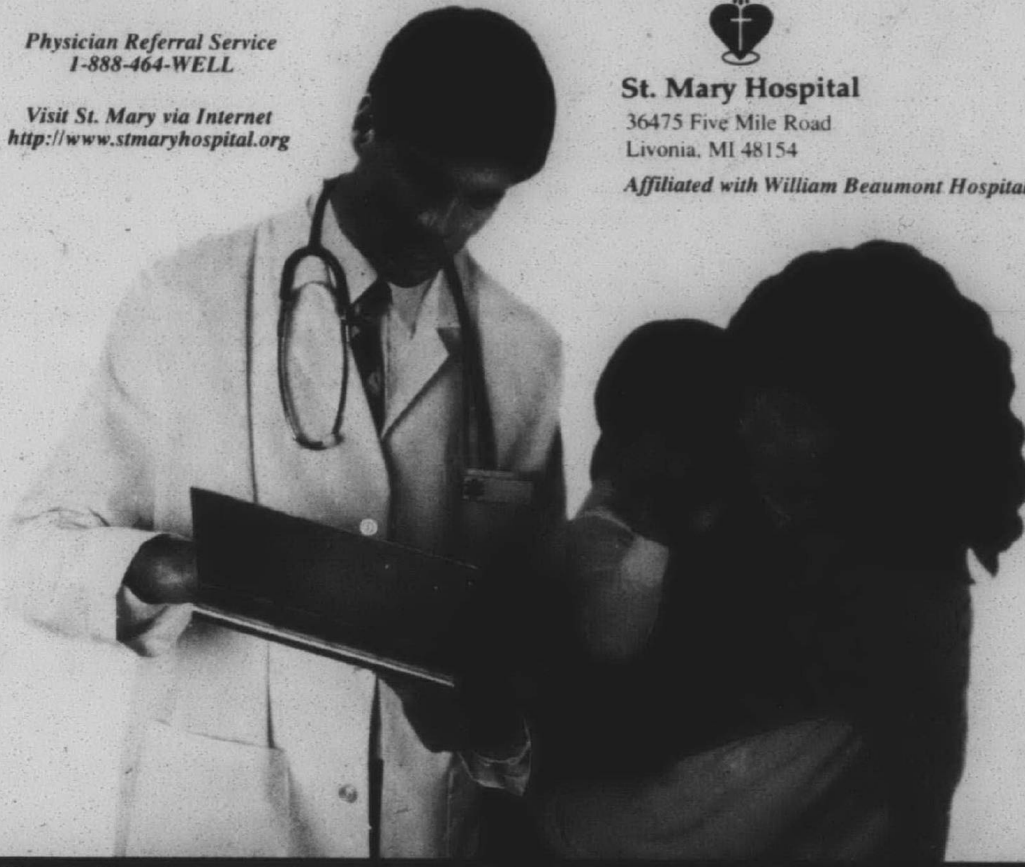
Visit St. Mary via Internet
<http://www.stmaryhospital.org>



St. Mary Hospital

36475 Five Mile Road
Livonia, MI 48154

Affiliated with William Beaumont Hospital



on your last legs?

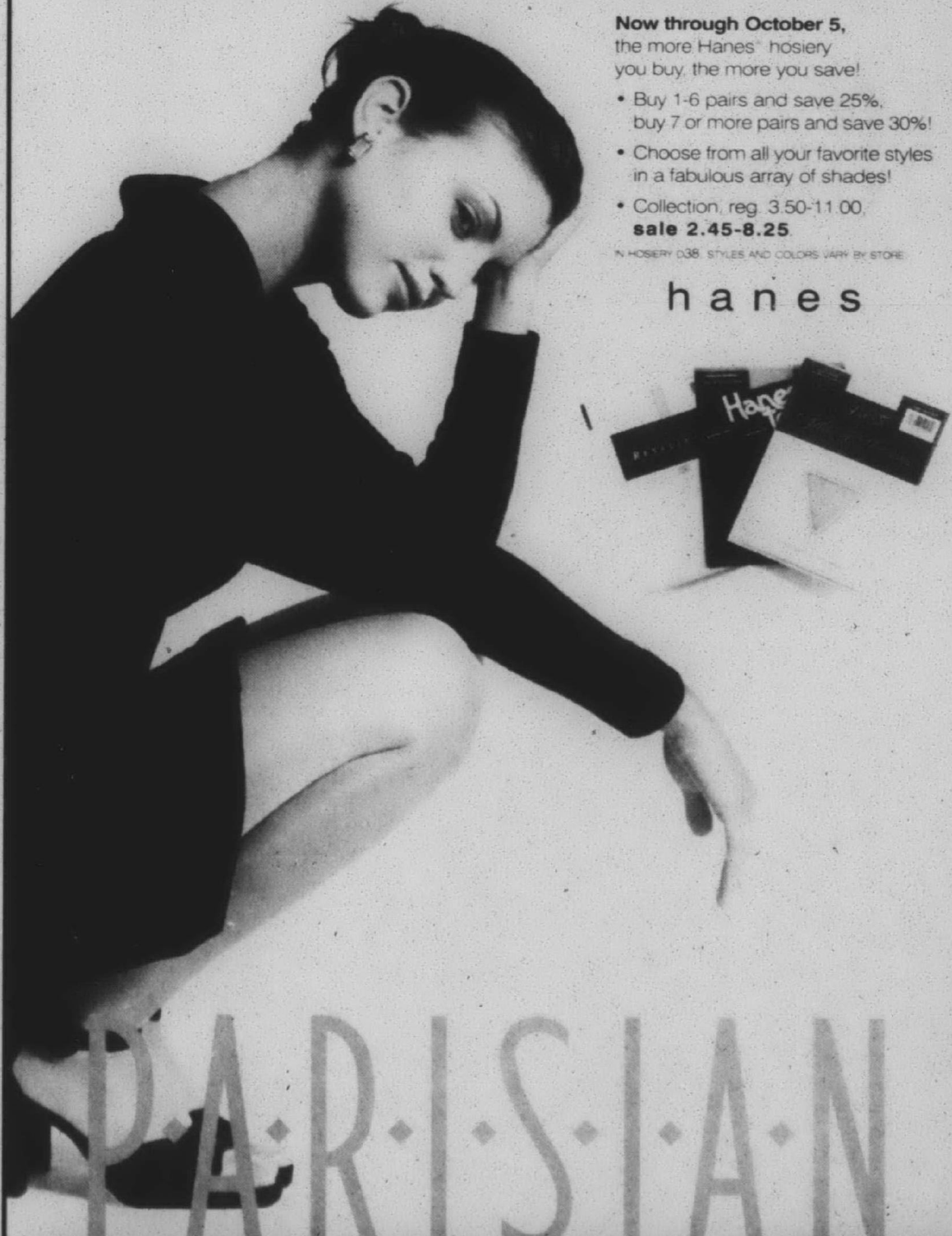
Save 25-30% on our entire stock
of Hanes hosiery during our Hanes Fall Sale!

Now through October 5,
the more Hanes® hosiery
you buy, the more you save!

- Buy 1-6 pairs and save 25%.
buy 7 or more pairs and save 30%!
- Choose from all your favorite styles
in a fabulous array of shades!
- Collection, reg. 3.50-11.00,
sale **2.45-8.25**

HANES HOSIERY ©38. STYLES AND COLORS VARY BY STORE.

hanes



get a good look at parisian.

Volunteers sought to assist in petition drive for the right to physician aid in dying

Merian's Friends Inc., a grassroots citizens organization dedicated to placing a "Right to Physician Aid in Dying" proposal on the Michigan ballot in 1998, is calling for additional volunteers to gather signatures and do mailings.

The group hopes to collect 350,000 signatures to deliver 247, 127 valid signatures — 8 percent of the 3,089,077 votes cast in the latest gubernatorial election — within the prescribed 180 days to secure a place on the

1998 ballot.

"We already have more than 3,000 members, with almost 1,000 out there collecting signatures across the state, but we need many more," said Carol Frederick Poenisch, Merian's daughter.

Poenisch said the campaign is growing, but much work needs to be done before cold weather sets in.

"Polls show more than 60 percent of Michigan voters favor Physician Aid in Dying," said

Poenisch.

Former Michigan governor William Milliken and Helen Milliken head the list of honorary co-chairs, which includes many well-known names from Michigan politics and labor.

Those interested in volunteering may phone Merian's Friends toll-free number, 1-888-217-0700 or write to Merian's Friends, PO Box 272, Northville, MI 48167-0272.

Class can help teachers maintain certification

A new class at Schoolcraft College enables Michigan teachers to gain practical teaching skills and earn State Board of Education approved Continuing Education Units to maintain their professional education certification, as required by the state.

Cultural Diversity in the Schools, a three-week course beginning Sept. 27, will provide opportunities to explore different

perspectives and beliefs and develop an understanding of how multicultural issues impact the classroom. Topics include learning to work with issues of identity, conflict, classroom expectations and educational leadership.

Participants will learn techniques for incorporating cultural differences into their classrooms. Michigan requires that teacher

certification be renewed every five years by earning six semester hours, 18 CEUs or a combination of both. The cultural diversity course is worth six-tenths of a CEU.

The course fee is \$72. For information, call (313) 462-4448.

Nominees sought for senior citizen awards

To honor seniors throughout Michigan and Indiana who give a large part of their free time to helping others, nominations are now being accepted for the ninth annual Citizens Insurance Senior Awards.

Ten nominees from across Michigan will be selected as award recipients for the Citizens Insurance Seniors Awards. Finalists will each receive a \$500 cash prize and a \$500 donation to the charity of their choice.

The deadline for nominations is Nov. 10. Citizens requires that nominees be residents of

Michigan who are at least 60 years old. Individuals who are paid for their community or charitable work are not eligible — only volunteers. Previous candidates can be nominated again if they were not award finalists.

Judging of nominations is based on a number of criteria including: the number of hours spent volunteering, the number

of people affected by the service and the genuine and selfless acts demonstrated.

Forms are available from participating independent Citizens agents, Area Agencies on Aging, local senior citizens centers or by calling Citizens Insurance at (800) 388-1300.

LEUKEMIA SOCIETY of AMERICA BENEFIT...

Sept. 27th
12 noon - 4 p.m.

at
Oak Plaza Mall
8020 N. Wayne Rd.
(next to Wendy's)

Raffle Tickets

at all Oak Plaza Merchants

1st PRIZE: 14kt Gold

Fashion Ring courtesy of Orin Jewelers, Garden City.

2nd PRIZE: Dinner Certificates for Cleopatra's Restaurant, Westland, Ernesto's Restaurant, Plymouth, and Water Club Grill, Plymouth.

3rd PRIZE: Color Television courtesy of Dr. Pai, D.D.S. office at Oak Plaza.

GRAND DRAWINGS at 4:30 p.m.

Have Your
Picture Taken
with your
FAVORITE MICE!
12 noon to 4 p.m.

at **Cleopatra's Restaurant**
Costumes courtesy of
Bee's Costumes
in Westland

LASER SHOOT-OUTS
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Sponsored by
Laser Quest

LIMBO CONTEST
3 p.m.

Sponsored by
Ms. Helen's Dance Academy

CAKE WALK
12 noon to 4 p.m.

at
Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe

PIZZA EATING CONTEST
1 p.m.

at **Toarmina's Pizza**

FACE PAINTING CONTEST
12 noon-4 p.m.

at **Fantastic Sam's**

David Nadeau
'THE MAGIC MAN'
12 noon to 4 p.m.



"Prof" the Clown & Her Fancy Balloons
12 noon to 4 p.m.
at **'Paperbacks & Things'**

Pack up the family...Come on over & join the FUN!

control

What does it

feel like to have power?

What does it

feel like to say yes?

To say no? To change?

What does it

feel like to be

in control?

To get control of your healthcare decisions, ask your employer or call

selecticare 800-332-2365.
we're changing healthcare. For Good.

SILO X
Call (888) 222-4088
beyond BOO!

FURNACE • BOILERS
PLUMBING • A/C
LENNOX
FREE ESTIMATES
FINANCING AVAILABLE
A.J. DANBOISE
Farmington Hills
477-3626

Bill Wilson 313/398-5156
Certified Electronic Technician
billwilson@juno.com
In Home Computer Repair
New Set Ups &
In Home Instruction
Monitor Hardware Memory
Repair Repair Upgrades
By Appointment Evenings & Sat.
10-6 Mon.-Fri.
Clip & Save

Parent/Child Projects
• Dollhouse Kits
• Classic Design Wooden Pedal Car Kits
• Lab Quality Microscopes
• Kids' Crafts & Learning Games
PLUS "You Name It Sale"
*20% off any one in-stock item.
Good thru 9/30/97
DOLL HOSPITAL
3947 W. 12 Mile, Berkley
(248) 543-3115
Mon.-Sat. 10-5:30
Friday 10-8
*Selected items not included.
*One item per person. 07/97/97

SINCE 1984
COMPUTERIZE INC.
INTEL PENTIUM PROCESSORS
INCLUDES: • 14" COLOR MONITOR 26" DP MONITOR
• CASE WITH TOWER/VIDEO DISPLAY
• 3.5" FLOPPY DRIVE 1.44 MEGA BYTE
• 2 SERIAL/1 PARALLEL PORTS
• 16 MEG EDO RAM - 32 MEG ADO \$70-
• 104 KEY WINDOWS 95 STYLE KEYBOARD
• SVGA VIDEO CARD 1 MEG RAM PCI MPEG
• 510K PSELED CACHE MOTHERBOARD
• 1.8 GIG HARD DRIVE - 2.1 GIG ADO \$25
• 3 YEAR WARRANTY PARTS AND LABOR
BUILT TO ORDER
NO PAYMENT
• 10 DAY RETURN
• FREE MEET OR BEAT COMPETITION PRICES
PENTIUM 100 \$850
PENTIUM 133 \$950
PENTIUM 166 \$1100
PENTIUM 200 \$1325
PENTIUM 233 \$1500
PENTIUM 266 \$1650
12X CD ROM, SBC 16, SPK, 31 TITLES \$150
13973 MIDDLEBELT, LIVONIA
313-427-0102
FAX: 313-427-7766
www.computerize.com

For a free demonstration of the clarity
of Ameritech's new ClearPath Cellular, have
someone read this ad into your ear.

AMERITECH OFFERS MORE FEATURES THAN ANYONE ELSE

	Ameritech ClearPath	AirTouch PowerBand
Most Advanced Call Privacy & Security	✓	✓
Long Battery Life	✓	✓
Nationwide Roaming	✓	✓
Caller ID	✓	✓
Call Forwarding, Call Waiting & 3-Way Calling	✓	✓
Voice Mail with Message Waiting Indicator	✓	✓
Text Messaging from a PC	✓	
Operator Assisted Text Messaging	✓	
Internet Text Messaging	✓	
E-mail Text Messaging	✓	
Numeric Paging	✓	✓
Voice Activated Dialing	✓	
One Bill for Home, Cellular & Paging	✓	
Detroit/Chicago Expanded Home Calling Area	✓	

CLEARPATHSM

SO CLEAR, IT'S LIKE YOU'RE THERE

FREE PHONE*
WITH \$45 MONTHLY SERVICE AND 125 FREE MINUTES
—OR—
PLANS FROM \$25 A MONTH WITH 50 FREE MINUTES

GIVE SOMEONE SPECIAL THEIR OWN PHONE? ACTIVATE CLEARPATH TODAY AND KEEP YOUR CURRENT PHONE WITH \$45 MONTHLY ACCESS ON IT FOR AS LONG AS YOUR CLEARPATH SERVICE REMAINS ACTIVE.

1-800-MOBILE-1

Available at over 260 locations!

Ameritech

ACT NOW AND GET FREE NIGHTS & WEEKENDS FOR SIX MONTHS

Some commissioners angry over use of 21st Century Fund

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Some Wayne County commissioners are unhappy with the use of the 21st Century Fund, a fund originally designed to help low-income communities spur redevelopment.

A report on the fund questioned whether the fund can collect enough funds to create a loan program to help communities with development once the state is paid for expenditures related to properties sold by the county in Northville Township. The report noted that no loans have been made, nor has a loan process been detailed.

Instead \$21.4 million was earmarked from the fund for the Detroit Lions and Detroit Tigers stadium project and the Inkster Valley Golf Course.

Commissioner Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, called the report "distressing."

"I was not a big fan (of the 21st Century Fund), and I would

have preferred if the communities helped themselves," Patterson said. "But I thought there was some merit to energizing certain communities."

"The only meritorious basis of the program (loans) has been eviscerated. You have the communities giving up hope to benefit a couple of millionaires."

Patterson also was critical because the fund was not audited.

Commissioner Michelle Plawecki, D-Dearborn Heights, whose district includes Redford Township and part of Livonia, hoped the commission could check with their legal counsel on the report. "I'd like to know what the administration's plans are," Plawecki said.

Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, whose district includes Plymouth and Plymouth Township, said the report "proves him correct" in opposing the establishment of the 21st Century Fund and expenditures

from it for the stadium fund earlier this year. He doubts if the commission will do much in reacting to the report, because the Detroit commissioners want the money to go to the stadium.

"(The report) is an eloquent statement as to why (the fund) shouldn't have been started in the first place," McCotter said.

McCotter opposed the fund because his constituent communities would not qualify for money and oppose any tax money spent on the stadium. "It's a total redistribution of wealth that adversely impacts the residents of my district," McCotter said.

McCotter believes the only way Wayne County could contribute funds was through the availability of money in the 21st Century Fund. "They overreached the fund. They didn't have the money for the stadium, and I think the only way to fund it was to use the 21st Century money."

Fund from page A7

Dunleavy's report estimates that at least \$850,000 in improvements were made by the state to the property.

The reports' authors could not determine whether the fund could function as intended with the \$21 million in commitments for the two projects.

"Even with the Northville sales, until a determination of the settlement is made with the state, we still can't determine whether enough leftover money will be available to administer the 21st Century Fund as it was originally designed," Dunleavy said.

The report recommends that the commission and County Executive Edward McNamara review the two funds, with the 21st Century Fund examined

after the Northville properties are sold to determine whether the loan program is feasible, and Project Saved reviewed for the same purpose.

Project Saved was created to assist community-based organizations in obtaining title to tax-reverted property and develop a loan program to provide funding necessary for these organizations to redevelop. It was intended for use in Detroit, Inkster, River Rouge, Highland Park, Ecorse and Hamtramck.

County Management and Budget officials also only established one special revenue fund to record the 21st Century Fund and Project Saved. As a result of one fund, the assets and liabilities are combined and interest revenue from the 21st Century

Fund was "inappropriately used to pay administrative costs for Project Saved."

Henry said the 21st Century revenue spent for Project Saved was "well-spent."

"While the commission approved a loan program in conjunction with Project Saved, most organizations have not needed it. We are still working to determine if the loan program is needed, and will report to the commission with our findings," Henry said.

Dunleavy and his staff recommend commissioners revise the current commission resolution to include "relevant and obtainable" objectives and completion dates. The resolution also should include methods to ensure compliance, Dunleavy said.

Choose the best place to park your money.

Short-Term Parking

5.55% APY*

6-MONTH CD

Long-Term Parking

6.05% APY*

15-MONTH CD



With a low minimum balance of only \$500.

*Annual percentage yields (APYs) are effective as of September 18, 1997. Penalty for early withdrawal.

Helping You Along The Way.™

Standard Federal Bank
Member ABN AMRO Group
800/643-9600

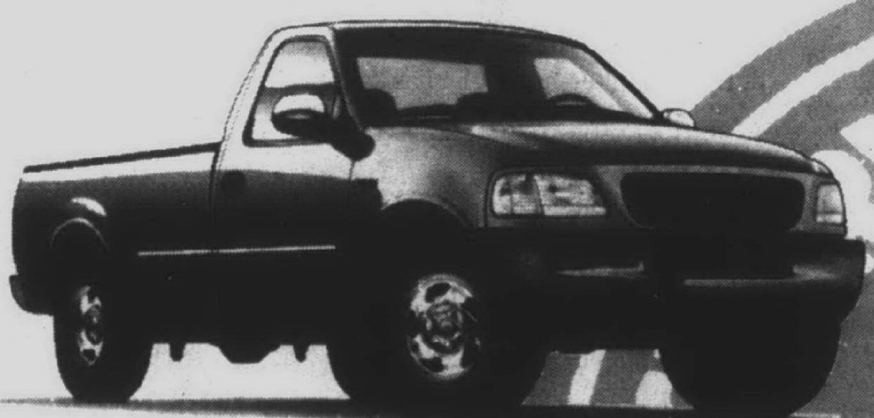


©1997 Standard Federal Bank



SUBURBAN FORD DEALERS

THE FORD FACTORY AUTHORIZED CLEARANCE IS ON NOW!



LEASE A 97 EXPLORER 2-DR SPORT

For as low as \$

288

FIRST MONTH'S PAYMENT
REFUNDABLE SECURITY DEPOSIT
DOWN PAYMENT
CUSTOMER CASH DUE AT SIGNING*

\$ 288.13
\$ 250.00
\$ 2,160.00
\$ 3,002.13

A MONTH (1) WITH
A 24 MONTH LOW
MILEAGE (2) RED
CARPET LEASE

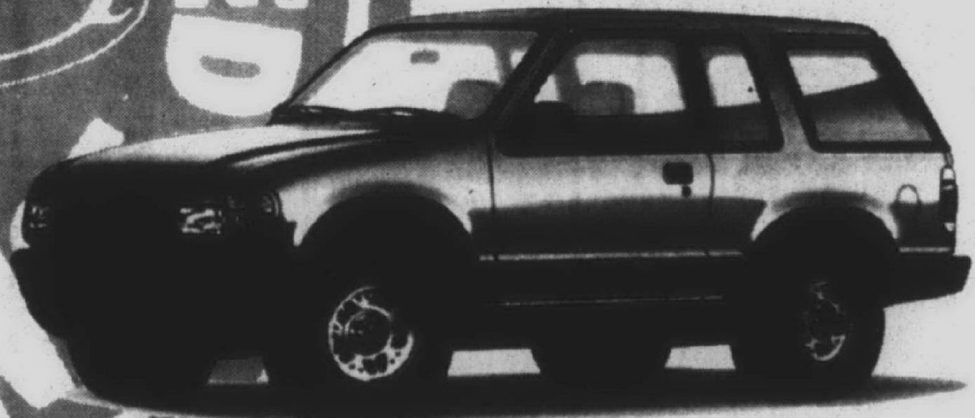
LEASE A 97 FORD F-150 XLT

For as low as \$

231

FIRST MONTH'S PAYMENT
REFUNDABLE SECURITY DEPOSIT
DOWN PAYMENT
CUSTOMER CASH DUE AT SIGNING*

\$ 230.56
\$ 250.00
\$ 1,860.00
\$ 2,340.56



OPEN SATURDAYS TO SERVE YOU BETTER

(1) 97 F-150 XLT with PEP 507A w/mantrans MSRP of \$18,350. 97 Explorer Sport with PEP 934B MSRP of \$26,890. excluding Title, Tax, License fee. Lease payment based on average capitalized cost of 94.08% of MSRP (F-Series) and 92.18% MSRP (Explorer Sport) for 24-month closed-end Ford Credit Red Carpet lease purchased in the Detroit Region through 7/31/97. Some payments higher, some lower. See dealer for payments/terms. Lessee may have option to buy vehicle at lease end at a price negotiated with dealer at lease signing. Lessee responsible for excess wear/tear and mileage over 24,000 at \$.15/mile. Credit approval/insurability determined by Ford Credit. For special lease terms, take new retail delivery from dealer stock by 10/01/97. Total amount of monthly payments \$5,533.44(F-150), \$6,915.10(Explorer Sport) See dealer for complete details. (2) 12,000 miles per year, 24 month RCL contracts only. *excludes tax, title and license fee.

**VARSITY
FORD, INC.**
ANN ARBOR
3480 Jackson Rd.
(313) 996-2300

**BRIARWOOD
FORD**
SALINE
7070 Michigan Ave.
(313) 429-5478

**ATCHINSON
FORD SALES, INC.**
BELLEVILLE
9800 Belleville Rd.
(313) 697-9161

S'craft College features predator birds on Oct. 6

Birds of Prey, a wildlife program featuring more than 10 live predator birds, will be presented Monday, Oct. 6, in Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College.

This program, popular with children and adults, will be repeated three times: at 1, 3 and 7 p.m. Joe Rogers, director

of Wildlife Recovery Association, relates facts about birds of prey and tells the stories of the rescued birds he brings to the show.

Sponsored by the Schoolcraft Activities Board and Phi Beta Kappa, the event is free and open to the public. For information, call (313) 462-4422.

Walk-in donors accepted at blood drive next Thursday

Schoolcraft College is sponsoring an American Red Cross Bloodmobile visit 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, in the Waterman Center. Appointments may be scheduled by calling (313) 462-4400, ext. 5050.

Walk-in donors are welcome.

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, just west of I-275 between Six and Seven Mile roads in Livonia.

Jobs, training and referrals entering a new era across state, Wayne County

By Ken Abramczyk
STAFF WRITER

The leader of the Michigan Jobs Commission hopes to eventually place 400,000 to 500,000 people into jobs, training and referrals without state involvement.

Douglas Stites, chief operating officer with the Michigan Jobs Commission, said at a conference Tuesday he expects workforce development boards to have expanded roles in moving that caseload as they take over roles of the former private industry councils and school-to-work programs. It is all part of Gov. John Engler's moves to empower local business owners and communities in the job referral process and a move away from a state-controlled employment service.

"I think we're seeing from the boards that are reaching out and defining what the scope of the board is," Stites said. "It is what you want to be."

Stites spoke to a crowd of workforce development board members, service providers and agency representatives at a Michigan Works for People conference at the Novi Hilton.

Over 1,000 assisted

See Phillip Power's column on Page 17A

Workforce development boards were created by Engler to ensure the workforce-related needs of employers and employees would be met.

"The governor wanted to create something different," said John B. O'Reilly, executive director of Southeast Michigan Community Alliance, an affiliate of the Michigan Works program. "He wanted the board to be broad-based, with 70 percent of its members from the private sector."

Since July 1995 SEMCA has assisted more than 1,000 western Wayne County residents under the Job Training Partnership Act and Work First program. Those include the following communities and totals: Westland, 587; Redford, 336; Livonia, 182; Canton, 130; Garden City, 106, and Plymouth, 54.

Just one call needed

The boards soon will administer a "no wrong door" approach to job training, employment and skills development services to everyone. Administrators have set up a system for a referral service to send people to a "one-

stop" center for an assessment or a service provider, such as a vocational education program, technical school or community college.

The program allows any customer to enter the system through any participating agency in the local system whether or not that participating agency is the right one to provide the service.

All of Wayne County except for Detroit and Monroe County is represented by the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance Workforce Development Board. The board is a successor to the private industry councils under the Job Training Partnership Act and oversees responsibilities formerly held by the School-To-Work board.

Board members generally hold key management positions in their own companies and understand the needs of other employers in their communities. These boards must integrate all programs through policies and target them to support state and local economic development efforts.

'All about jobs'

Pat Williams, owner of Michigan Induction Inc. in Canton, said "it's all about jobs."

Williams likes the changes, particularly the "no wrong door" program, that will include a single phone number — instead of people calling a bevy of governmental agencies — and an information service for everyone.

Williams said the old system overlapped or had gaps in providing employment services. The duplication cost the state money, and the state sought to cut these costs with the new program.

"I think (the new program) is awesome," Williams said. "We're creating an opportunity to educate competent employees and help those who have been displaced, to those who are looking to upgrade their jobs. It will help with those things as simple as a resume to where to go for training."

With 70 percent of its members from the private sector, the workforce boards check on how effective the referrals are. When a public agency that receives tax dollars for its referrals checks its own system for efficiency, it may have a conflict of interest.

Please see WORK, A15

FILO X
Call (888) 222-4088
beyond BOO!

THINKING ABOUT
A NEW
FURNACE
LENNOX
FREE ESTIMATES
(313) 525-1930
UNITED TEMPERATURE
8919 MIDDLEBELT • LIVONIA

DON'T SELL YOUR BABY!

If it's time for your "baby" to leave home, donate that precious old car, truck, or boat to Volunteers of America. Donating is simple, fast and easy. Gifts qualify as tax deductible contributions for those who itemize. Receipts issued. Volunteers of America has been serving southeast Michigan's needy since 1896. Funds derived from your vehicle can house a homeless mother and her children in our transitional housing program.

For more information, call
(800) 552-1515

Fall is the season to give with reason!
Donate Your Vehicle Directly to St. Vincent DePaul
• Free towing
• Any condition accepted
• Your donation is tax deductible
1-800-309-AUTO (2886)

CHIMNEYS ROOFS
• Cleaned
• Screened
• Repaired
• New
• Repaired
• Re-Roofed
• New
• Leaks Stopped
• LICENSED
• INSURED
• GUARANTEED
• Senior Citizen Discount
CROWN CONTRACTING, INC.
42910 W. 10 Mile, Novi
(313) 427-3981
SINCE 1952
(248) 344-4577

Olde World Canterbury Village
Cordially invites you to the
COLLECTOR'S SHOWCASE
Saturday, September 27, 1997
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Silent Auction to benefit Judson Center, serving the needs of children since 1924.
Prizes & Giveaways!
Photos with Precious Moments & Cherished
Teddies costume characters - \$5.00 a piece -
a portion of the proceeds will be
donated to the Judson Center.
Canterbury Village is located off I-75, Exit #83,
Jolsyn Rd., North. Just minutes from the
Palace of Auburn Hills.
For More Info: (248) 391-5700

Ameritech.net™

Recently, CompuServe® was sold to America Online®. And if this abrupt deal leaves you questioning whether you should continue to use their service, we have the answer.

yourname@aol.com

(As a CompuServe user, this idea is probably a little scary.)

It's called Ameritech.net™ Internet Access Service, and with it you can get the information you need — quickly, easily, and reliably. That's because today's Internet has so much more to offer than it did just a short time ago. So you can access stock quotes, sports scores, news groups, weather forecasts, and more — from a variety of sites, whenever you want. Best of all, you can do it without those annoying surcharges.

If the sale of CompuServe to AOL has left you feeling a little uncertain, not to mention betrayed, we invite you to try Ameritech.net™ free for 30 days. To download our software, visit www.ameritech.net. Or, call us at 1-800-NET-8775. (And have no fear: we promise you won't get a busy signal.)

Ameritech.

YOUR LINK TO BETTER COMMUNICATION™

©1997 Ameritech, Inc. All rights reserved. Ameritech.net™ is a service mark of Ameritech. CompuServe is a registered trademark of CompuServe Inc. America Online is a registered trademark of America Online, Inc.



SALE & CLEARANCE ENDS SUNDAY

Bavarian Village

SKI SALE

Ends Sunday Sept. 28th

A Great **96** Selection of **97** **SKIWEAR**

All The Top Brands. Jackets, Bibs, Sweaters, Pants, Vests, Suits, Stretch Pants, Headbands, Shells, After Ski Boots for Men, Women & Kids.

50% OFF

Tons Of New 97/98 Skiwear at 20 to 30% Off



YEAR END GOLF CLEARANCE

Ends Sunday Sept. 28th

1/2 OFF! \$149.99 Retail \$300
Graphite Drivers & Fairway Woods For Men & Ladies

\$49.99 Retail \$150
Lady Champagne Burner Drivers & Fairway Woods Steel Shaft

50% OFF

Tons Of New 97/98 Skiwear at 20 to 30% Off



SPRING & SUMMER

ALL GOLF CLOTHING 50% OFF

Excludes Greg Norman & Nike. Plus other New Arrivals at 20-30% Off RETAIL

ALL GOLF SHOES 50% OFF

Excludes Nike, Footjoy RETAIL

ALL SETS 50% OFF

3 WOOD & 8 IRON Excludes Junior Sets RETAIL

ALL LADIES GOLF CLUBS 50% OFF

Excludes, Callaway, TaylorMade, Armour, Cobra, Nicklaus RETAIL

ALL PUTTERS 50% OFF

Excludes, Odyssey, Callaway, Nicklaus, Armour, Titleist RETAIL

ALL GOLF BAGS 50% OFF

Excludes, Bennington, Callaway, TaylorMade, Armour, Titleist, Cobra, Daiwa RETAIL

NICKLAUS AIR BEAR
EST Vapor Graphite Drivers & Fairway Woods
Ref. \$290 **\$129.99**

TITANIUM AIR BEAR
Vapor EST Graphite Drivers & Fairway Woods
Ref. \$450 **\$219.99**

KING Ti
Titanium Graphite Drivers & Fairway Woods
Ref. \$500 **\$229.99**

Cleveland VAS
Titanium Graphite Drivers & Fairway Woods
Ref. \$382 **\$189.99**

ALL TOP BRANDS • ALL TOP QUALITY PACKAGE SETS 34 to 58% OFF

INCLUDING SKIS • BOOTS BINDINGS • POLES For Men, Women & Kids Here Are A Few Examples

Our Best Selection Ever!

If You've Been Renting...Now is the Time to Buy

ELAN • NORDICA • ELAN SRC 7.5 Blk/Red Skis \$275.00 • NORDICA 46 AFX \$200.00 • SALOMON Quad 5 \$150.00 • SCOTT Signature \$44.00 Total \$669.00 Crazy Like A Fox Package Sale Price \$259	K2 • SALOMON • K2 MSC 12.2 \$395.00 • NORDICA 56 AFX \$225.00 • SALOMON Quad 700 \$185.00 • SCOTT Signature \$44.00 Total \$749.00 Crazy Like A Fox Package Sale Price \$469	OLIN • SALOMON • OLIN DTSL Super SL/Super DTV \$500.00 • SALOMON 6.6 Optima ML \$310.00 • SALOMON Quad 700 \$185.00 • SCOTT Signature \$44.00 Total \$1039.00 Crazy Like A Fox Package Sale Price \$509	DYNASTAR • NORDICA • DYNASTAR Adv 4.1 \$400.00 • NORDICA 56 AFX \$225.00 • SALOMON Quad 700 \$185.00 • SCOTT Signature \$44.00 Total \$819.00 Crazy Like A Fox Package Sale Price \$309
ROSSIGNOL • SALOMON • ROSSIGNOL STS/STSL VAS Skis \$399.00 • NORDICA 56 AFX \$225.00 • SALOMON Quad 600 97 \$170.00 • SCOTT Signature \$44.00 Total \$838.00 Crazy Like A Fox Package Sale Price \$349	K2 • NORDICA • K2 USA SLALOM 8.3 \$395.00 • NORDICA 56 AFX \$225.00 • SALOMON Quad 600 97 \$170.00 • SCOTT Signature \$44.00 Total \$834.00 Crazy Like A Fox Package Sale Price \$389	ROSSIGNOL SET • ROSSIGNOL Energy S/S Skis \$469.00 • ROSSIGNOL Energy S/S Boots \$319.00 • SALOMON Quad 700 \$185.00 • SCOTT Signature \$44.00 Total \$1012.00 Crazy Like A Fox Package Sale Price \$469	

\$20 OFF ANY NIKE GOLF SHOE
Sale Priced Over \$94.99 • \$10 Off Any Nike Golf Shoe Sale Priced Over \$64.99 Valid Thru 9-28-97

\$20 OFF ANY GOLF BAG
Any Golf Bag Sale Priced Over \$135 Not Valid On 1/2 Off Merchandise Valid Thru 9-28-97

\$10 OFF ANY WEDGE
Sale Priced Over \$55 \$5 Off Any Wedge Sale Priced Under \$55 Not Valid On 1/2 Off Merchandise Valid Thru 9-28-97

\$3 OFF ANY DOZEN or 15 Pack GOLF BALLS
Limit 3. Not Including X-Outs. \$5.99, \$9.99 & \$15.99 Specials. Not Valid on 1/2 Merchandise. Valid thru 9-28-97.

SKI BLOWOUT UP TO 60% OFF

If You Plan To Ski This Winter Now's The Time To Buy!

Hourglass, Shaped, Parabolic You Name it, We've Got it

\$499 ROSSIGNOL Cut 9.9 Dualtec \$377
\$395 K2 Two Lady Parabolic \$249
\$400 DYNASTAR Big Max 3/3L Shape \$269
\$550 HEAD Cyber 24 \$387
\$450 ELAN PSX PC Men & Ladies \$279
\$565 OLIN Radius Shape \$397
\$625 K2 Four Smart Ski \$499

Our Expert Sale Staff is waiting to assist you in selecting the perfect ski, boot, binding combination.

SKI BOOTS

All The Top Brands • Top Quality Michigan's Largest Selection

26 to 56% OFF

NORDICA SALOMON LANGE ROSSIGNOL TECNICA

SNOWBOARDS

LAST YEAR'S MODELS AT DOORBUSTER SAVINGS

30 to 40% OFF

Plus a Great Selection of New Snowboards At Crazy Like A Fox Ski Sale Prices

Bavarian Village

INTERNATIONAL SKI & GOLF

Prices Good Thru 9-28-97

Other Bavarian Village Ski & Golf Locations
 Grosse Pointe • Mt. Clemens • East Lansing
 Dearborn Heights • Flint • Ann Arbor • Grand Rapids
 Traverse City • 1-800-442-2929

OPEN DAILY 10-9 • SATURDAY 10-6 • SUNDAY 12-5
 AMERICAN EXPRESS • VISA • MASTERCARD • DISCOVER • DINERS

Sale!



**We're blowing out
inventory on America's
best-built Lawn &
Garden Tractors!**

**SAVE
4
WAYS:**

HUGE Sale Prices
plus... **Extra Factory Rebates**
plus... **No Money Down**
plus... **0% Interest &
No Payments til April '98**

*Revolving Charge Plan available to qualified customers with no money down. No monthly payments & 0% interest until 4/1/98. After 4/1/98 minimum payment based on 1/36th repayment terms at prime plus 11% APR. Minimum Finance Charge 50 cents. Visit your dealer for details. Prices and tax may vary. Offer ends December 31, 1997.



SAXTONS GARDEN
CENTER, INC.

587 W. Ann Arbor Tr.
Plymouth • 453-6250

Peoples State Bank hosts grand opening

Peoples State Bank is pleased to announce the official opening of the Plymouth Regional Office in Charlestowne Square on Main Street just north of the Central Business District.

A ribbon cutting ceremony took place with a \$2 ribbon which was donated to the Plymouth Symphony Society, Plymouth Historical Society, and the Plymouth Arts Council.

The ribbon cutting was followed by a gourmet toaster drawing commemorating the grand opening. Four toaster winners were announced: Kriss Ratio, David W. Clor, Robert L. Scoggins, and Dick Rzepecki.

Peoples State Bank opens its local office with a five-person management team with a combined 70 years experience in banking in Plymouth and Canton.

"What really makes us differ-

ent is that we have taken experienced community bankers and assembled them on one team," said Michael Weaver, regional president.

"This office is part of one of the safest banks in the country which allows it to effectively serve the community with an array of competitive products," added Bill Graham, vice president.

Peoples State Bank in Hamtramck was formed in 1909 and was recently awarded the highest rating for the 21st consecutive quarter by Bauer Financial Reports, Inc.

Weaver said the bank plans to move to a permanent office site within two years. "We're going through the selection process with the goal of a location either in the city of Plymouth or Plymouth Township.



Benefit: The Peoples State Bank ceremonial ribbon cutting Friday benefited three community groups. Pictured from left to right, Mike Weaver, regional president; Bill Graham, vice president; Nancy Caviston representing the Plymouth Arts Council; Dan Le Blond, the Plymouth Historical Society; and Bonnie Holyoak of the Plymouth Symphony Society. Joe Koch, Plymouth city commissioner and Mike Weaver cut the ribbon into three.

Ford from page A1

"a fundamental refocusing of our business. We're looking at customers outside of Ford."

She said Visteon will emphasize that it provides air handling systems, rather than just radiators, heater corps or other components.

Asked if layoffs could accompany the change, Winkler-Doman said, "I can't speculate on how employment levels might change. We are hoping there will be opportunities for new and added business for the plant."

"Visteon" is a combination of

the words "visionary" and "eon." "We want to show that were innovative and we're also here to stay," Winkler-Doman said.

Production was halted Sept. 8 at the plant as the announcement was made to employees.

Visteon, described on company letterheads as "An Enterprise of Ford Motor Company," is now the second largest automotive supplier in the world with 74 plants and 78,000 employees. There are 2,100 employees at the

Sheldon Road plant.

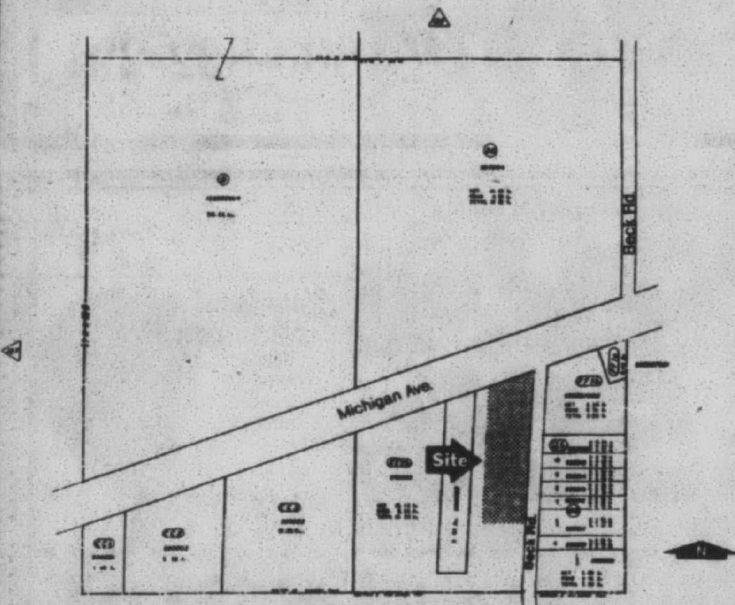
"I don't see any immediate change in the products we're producing at the plant," Winkler-Doman said.

"Ford Motor Company decided it was not fully capitalizing on its expertise in the components and systems business, so there was an effort made to provide a greater opportunity for that part of Ford's business," she said.

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Monday, October 6, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road to consider a request for the following special land use as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance.

MARATHON/TECH EXPRESS SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR AUTOMOBILE WASH ESTABLISHMENT, FAST FOOD RESTAURANT, AND AUTOMOBILE AND TRUCK FILLING STATION FOR PARCEL NO. 128 99 0006 703 AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 17.02B.3, 17.02B.8, and 17.02B.13. Property is located on the southwest corner of Michigan Avenue and Beck Road.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

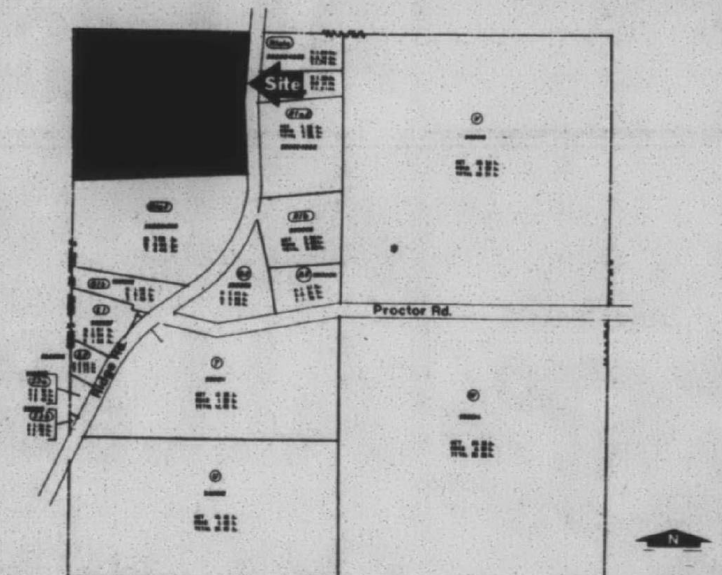
Publish: September 25, 1997

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 6, 1997 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

EHRLHART REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 075 99 0001 001 AND 075 99 0001 002 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL, TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the west side of Ridge Road between Cherry Hill and Proctor Roads.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: September 11 and 25, 1997

CANTON TOWNSHIP ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley
ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton
1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(313) 397-5435

Publish: September 11, and September 25, 1997

LT44976

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan 48188, will accept separate sealed bids for all or individual listed items up to 10:00 a.m., October 9, 1997 for the following:

- FURNITURE FOR NEW FIRE STATION**
- A. DINING/KITCHEN AREA**
- B. DORMITORY**
- C. DAY ROOM**
- D. MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM**
- E. OFFICE**
- F. REFRIGERATORS**
- G. WINDOW TREATMENTS**

Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Department. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: September 25, 1997

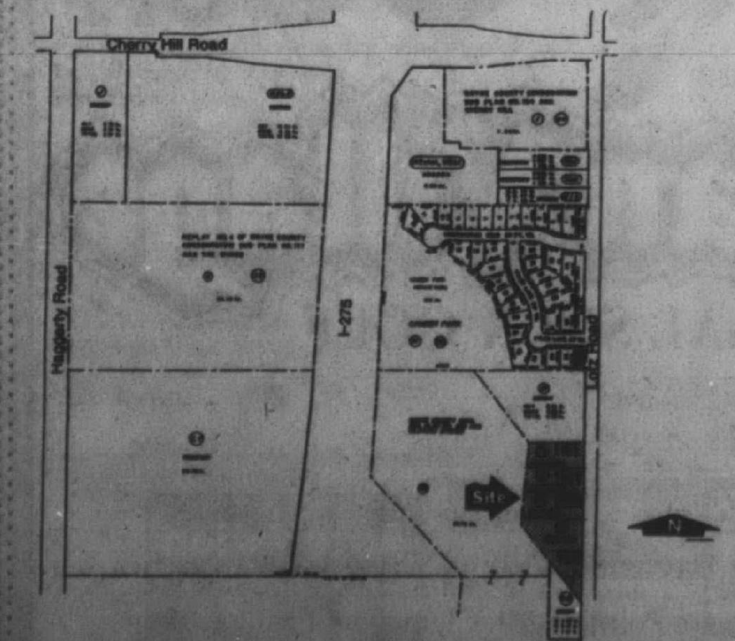
LT45042

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 6, 1997 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

KOWALSKI REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 094 99 0015 701, 094 99 0015 702, 094 99 0015 703, AND 094 99 0015 704 FROM R-2, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, TO R-4, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the west side of Lots Road between Cherry Hill and Palmer Roads. Rescheduled from September 8, 1997.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

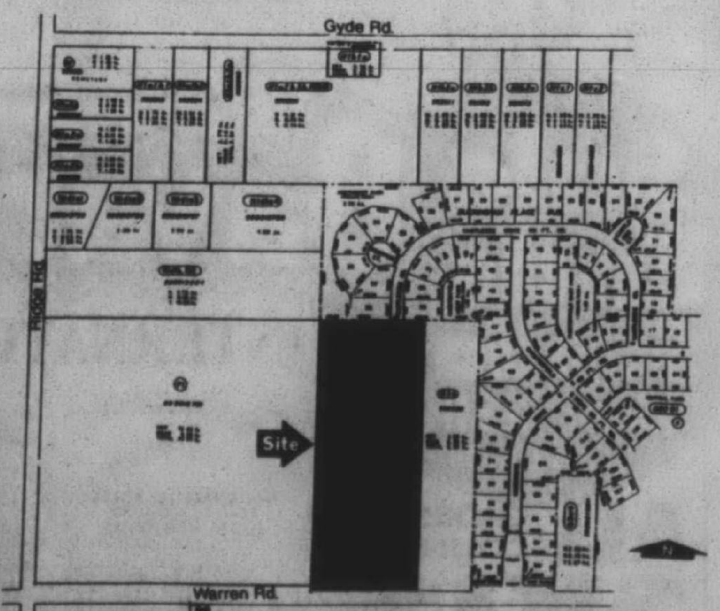
Publish: September 11 and 25, 1997

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 6, 1997 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

TRESS/KLINE REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 019 99 0017 000, 019 99 0018 000, AND 019 99 0019 000 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL, TO R-2, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the north side of Warren Road between Beck and Ridge Roads.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

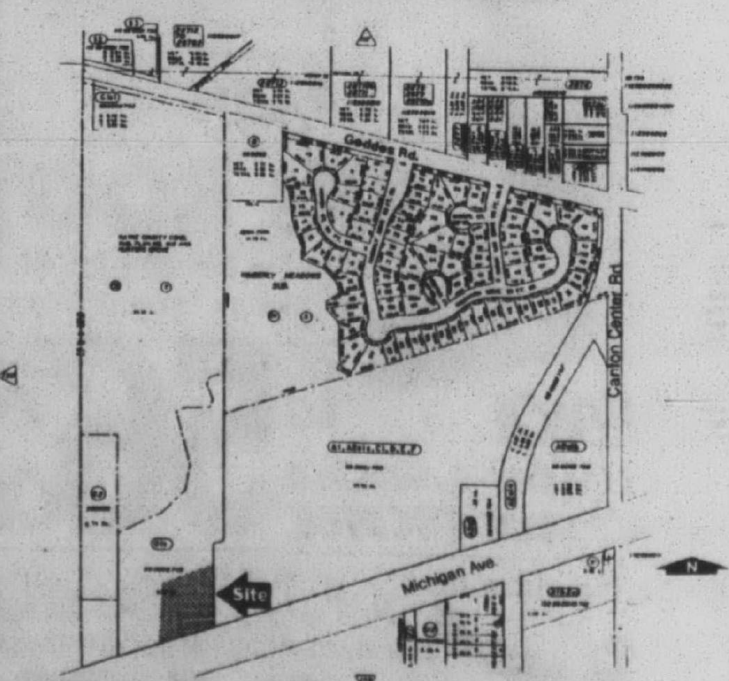
Publish: September 11 and 25, 1997

LT46073

CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Monday, October 6, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road to consider a request for the following special land use as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance.

WENDY'S RESTAURANT SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A FAST FOOD RESTAURANT AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 17.02B.8 FOR PART OF PARCEL NO. 129 99 0008 702. Property is located on the north side of Michigan Avenue between Canton Center and Beck Roads.



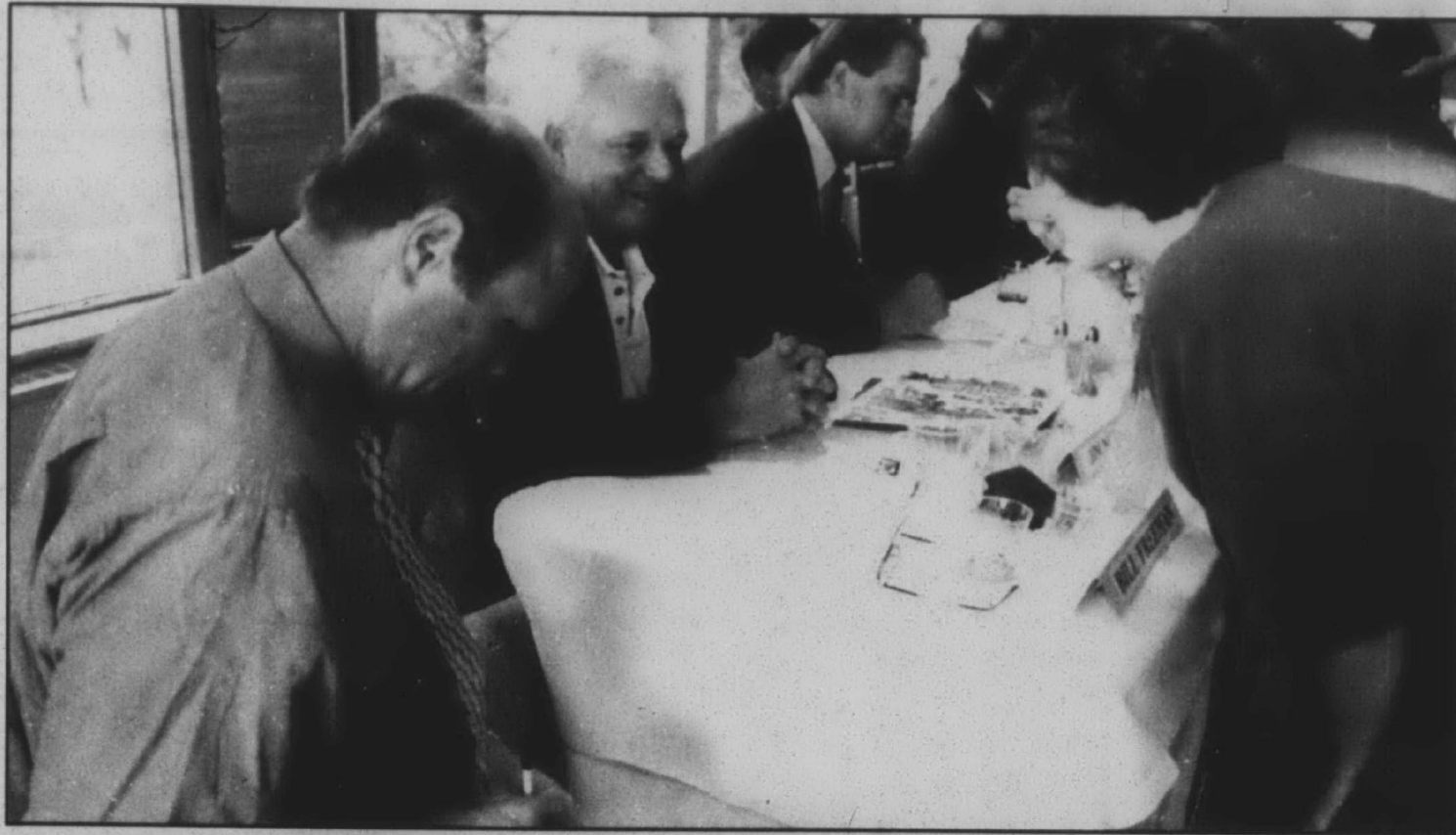
Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: September 25, 1997

LT46045

'Team education'



Special guests: Janet Berkemeier waits for autographs from former Tiger stars Bill Freehan and Jim Northrup at last week's Power Breakfast at Madonna University. The event, designed to show "team support for education," attracted a variety of residents, local and state politicians and business people along with university officials and faculty members. The breakfast replaces the annual visitations by members of the business community to solicit funds for the annual fund.

Work from page A12

Williams believes business owners, such as himself, can make the system more efficient.

"We have opinions on who we see coming out of high schools and colleges," Williams said. "We are the stake holders in this. What we do is provide some balance."

Frank Lopez, chairman of SEMCA workforce development board and owner of Aztec Manufacturing Corp. in Romulus, said the board will know the market needs, being in business themselves.

"It's driven by market demand," Lopez said. "Many areas in manufacturing are opening up. After the year 2000, more people will be retiring, and companies will need replacements and they'll have to come

with skills."

Board member Edward Baldwin, chief financial officer and controller of E & E Manufacturing Co. in Plymouth, said the board will look for ways to connect people to jobs. Baldwin was appointed in July to the board.

"The challenge is to find jobs for people," Baldwin said. "There are all kinds of ways to do that by connecting people with the right resources."

Board members won't encourage people to do one certain occupation. "You tell us what you want to do. If you don't know, we'll put you in touch with an agency," Baldwin said.

People can call 1-888-515-JOBS for more information.



University of Michigan School of Dentistry

is looking for volunteers with
Periodontal Disease

Volunteers aged 25 to 75 years who have gum disease are needed for a one year research study involving one periodontal surgery procedure and follow-up visits.

Eligible participants will receive dental cleaning and monetary compensation.

For more information, please call the Department of Periodontics/Prevention/Geriatrics, Graduate Periodontics Clinic.

(313) 763-3346
Monday - Friday
9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

O&E purchases Rochester Clarion

The best of a community newspaper about to turn 100 years old will continue as part of The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Purchase of The Rochester Clarion by The Observer & Eccentric was completed Tuesday evening, according to Steven K. Pope, Vice President and General Manager of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Pope also is Publisher of the newspaper group's Oakland County editions.

Pope said the Clarion will continue to publish for the next three to four weeks. After that, The Clarion will merge with The Rochester Eccentric. The Clarion-Eccentric will be one of the 15 community newspapers published by the Observer & Eccentric in Wayne and Oakland counties.

"We're taking the best of both newspapers and combining them into a much, much stronger product," Pope said.

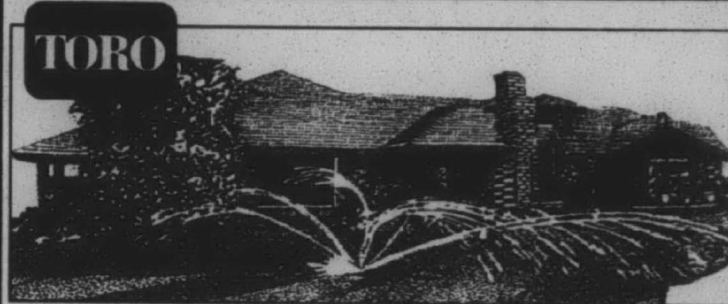
Justin Wilcox, publisher of The Clarion, said Wednesday he "was very excited. I think it's a great opportunity for not only the employees of The Clarion but for the citizens of the area."

Wilcox will join the Observer & Eccentric staff as associate publisher for The Eccentric's north Oakland newspaper editions in Rochester, Troy, Oxford, Lake Orion and Clarkston.

The Clarion-Eccentric will publish twice a week, on Thursdays and Sundays.

The 15 Observer & Eccentric newspapers combine to form just one subsidiary of Hometown Communications Network, Inc. That parent company owns and publishes 62 newspapers in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky, owns the Michigan Directory Co., Specialty Publications and Camden Publications, maintains two web sites, and just released Ad Village, The Internet's first on-line classified advertising system.

Sprinkler System Sale




Buy Now, Pay Later!

Get Your Toro Automatic Sprinkler System
Installed This Fall With
NO PAYMENTS For 6 Months!

Spartan Distributors **Call Today 800-822-2216**
Your **Toro** Distributor

At AutoNation USA, we thoroughly inspect all our cars.

We want you to feel comfortable and confident with the vehicle you buy at AutoNation USA.

So suffice it to say, all of our pre-owned cars have passed a thorough safety and mechanical inspection.  Which is why we can back them with our 99-day/3,300-mile limited warranty, 7-day/300-mile money-back guarantee and free 24-hour roadside assistance for one year (see store for details).

Whether you're interested in a sedan, coupe, sport utility vehicle, convertible or truck, we want you to be happy with your purchase. After all, the way that we see it, we don't just sell cars.

We also sell peace of mind.

Visit our megastore Monday through Thursday 9-9, Friday and Saturday 9-10. Automotive Service Center hours are Monday through Saturday 7-7.

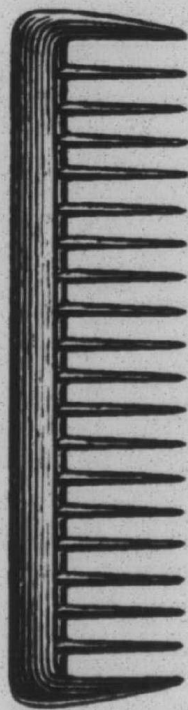


Fig. A. Comb.

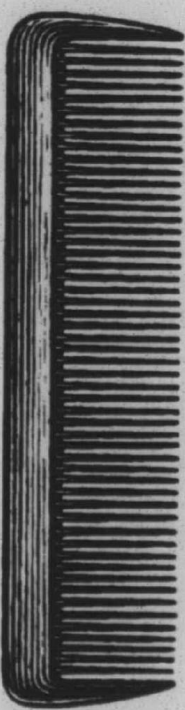


Fig. B. Fine tooth comb.

Myth #7: You can never tell how well used car dealers check out their cars.



Canton: On Ford Road, 1/4 mile east of I-275 (313) 844-6200



The Better Way To Buy A Car™

Plymouth Observer

OPINION

A16(P)

794 SOUTH MAIN, PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN 48170

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1997

Recreation

Discuss and plan in public

At long last results are in from a survey of residents and their feelings about recreation in Plymouth and Plymouth Township and who should pay for programs. Now comes the time for the two communities to discuss and decide what will be done in light of the information gathered from the survey of 301 township residents and 106 city residents.

According to the Schoolcraft College survey compilers, the survey showed strong support for recreational programs and that the government should have some responsibility for recreation provided to the tax paying public.

The results showed that 72 percent said local government should have some responsibility for providing recreation programs.

The survey also showed that 55 percent of the respondents would be willing to support a small tax increase for recreation.

On the other hand, the survey also showed, "there is a solid group of senior citizens and residents without children who would not support new taxes to either maintain or expand programs."

The survey results have been handed over to a subcommittee of city and township government representatives for further study.

That's great. But it would be appropriate if the results were discussed at a public meeting at which city and township residents could learn about the results and offer their opinions.

Increasingly, the heart of local government - all the thoughts and discussions leading to a decision - are handed to subcommittees. Some government officials must believe this is a more expedient and efficient form of government.

Life is busy. Issues seem tougher than ever before. And money is always tight. But there's still nothing better than good old-fashioned democracy. That's the kind of government where decisions affecting the public are made publicly.

Subcommittees - with less than a quorum of elected representatives - do not fulfill the mission of democracy, nor do they meet the spirit

Let's think about subcommittees. In the case of those formed jointly between the city and township, meetings are not posted and not open to the public. That means anything that is discussed certainly is not before the public and open for discussion.

of the state's Open Meetings Act.

Let's remember the purpose of the Open Meetings Act. It was enacted to promote governmental accountability and to educate the public on policy decisions and issues.

Under the Open Meetings Act, all decisions of a public body must be made at a meeting open to the public.

Let's think about subcommittees. In the case of those formed jointly between the city and township, meetings are not posted and not open to the public. That means anything that is discussed certainly is not before the public and open for discussion.

Arguments may be made by our local elected officials that the final decision on recommendations made by the subcommittees are brought back before the city commission and township board for a public vote.

But that really doesn't comply with the intent of the Open Meetings Act. The purpose is to allow the public to be a part of the deliberations; to understand the basis and reasoning behind government decisions. And if necessary, to speak in favor or opposition, not only to a final vote, but to the reasoning and basis for decisions.

The survey results were returned to the city and township in early September. And we are still waiting for both the city commission and township board to publicly review the results in an open public meeting.

Anything short of that is likely to leave us all wondering.

Show support with PedalFest

Helping to keep the Rouge River clean isn't just about volunteering on cleanup days, picking up debris or sloshing around in the mud. Supporting the efforts to educate the public about the Rouge River can be fun, too.

If you like to bike, in-line skate, run or walk - you too can support the cleanup effort by participating in PedalFest '97 this Saturday at the Nankin Mills Picnic Area in Westland.

People can ride bicycles, in-line skate, run or walk on Hines Drive to support environmental education and stewardship programs of Friends of the Rouge, a 12-year-old nonprofit volunteer community organization.

The route begins and ends at Nankin Mills with 10-, 20- and 50-mile rides offered to bicyclists along westbound Hines Drive and continuing onto Seven Mile and Beck roads with a turnaround offered at Maybury State Park. The 50-mile ride continues to South Lyon, where riders turn around to return to Westland.

The 50-mile ride and registration begins at 8 a.m. The 20-mile ride and registration starts at 9 a.m. The 10-mile ride registration begins at 10 a.m. Five-mile fun riders, bladders, runners and walkers register at 10 a.m. Bicyclists

If you like to bike, in-line skate, run or walk - you too can support the cleanup effort by participating in PedalFest '97 this Saturday at the Nankin Mills Picnic Area in Westland.

ROUGE RIVER

can start until 11 a.m., others until noon. The PedalFest finish closes at 4 p.m.

Individuals must pledge a minimum of \$15. Families must pledge a minimum of \$25, while teams (three to 10 members) must pledge \$30. PedalFest T-shirts and Sports Authority water bottles will be available for everyone who registers.

If the weather predictors are right, it promises to be a beautiful autumn weekend. So head for Hines Drive and have some fun while helping out your environment.

For more registration information, call Friends of the Rouge at 961-4050.

Saving a life



Rescue: Of dogs taken to shelters, 32 percent are purebred, just like this Bichon-Frise. There are three purebred dog rescue group coordinators in Plymouth and all are happy to help you rescue a dog in need. For more information call Linda Reider, president of Michigan Purebred Dog Rescue Alliance, 313-426-6788.

LETTERS

Frustrated by dispute

Our family supported the bond issue and worked for its passage along with a number of fine folks in this community. We don't know Jerry Vorva, personally, only what we've read about his stance on the outcome of the bond issue. What we do know is that now, every time we read about this issue, it does nothing but frustrate us. We believe we're not alone.

Healthy debate about this issue has been one thing. Certainly Mr. Vorva has the right to appeal Judge Rashid's decision. But folks, Judge Rashid is knowledgeable, skilled, trained, and has made a very reasoned decision. Why are we spending more of the taxpayers' money continuing to revisit this issue? Why can't we come together as a community and put this issue to rest? This whole fiasco makes us wonder why we aren't channeling our energies into something more constructive, something more constructive for our children. It is constructive for our kids to have this issue dragged out for a year awaiting the appeal process? As we see it, the choices here are either to support a civics lesson in how the judicial system works or implementation of a much needed package of new buildings, new buses, and more technology in our schools.

As a family, we try to impact certain beliefs to our children, i.e., they should root for the underdog, also if they believe in something strongly enough, they should act on it. But we also teach them there is a time to make concessions, to look at the whole picture, for unless we solve our differences, we will never have peace in our world. For our young people, this community is their world. Don't we have responsibility to our children to look at what is best for them and move ahead?

The school district won the vote on this issue. Although bitterness remains, we need to move forward as a community. In humble opinions, continuing with this appeal process will only divide the community further. The outcome of the bond issue goes beyond the construction of buildings. We need to rebuild this part of the world for not only our kids' sake, but for ourselves as well. Mr. Vorva, please drop this claim, and stake your claim in the future of Plymouth-Canton youth.

Karl and Mary Halewicz
Canton

Judge on achievements

As state lawmakers, we have a sworn responsibility under the Michigan Constitution to ensure equal protection and opportunity for all Michigan residents.

Documents obtained from the University of Michigan prove that the university is favoring less-qualified minority students over non-minority students, regardless of need, when determining admissions, grants and scholarships.

For example, records show that of recent undergraduate applicants who were in the same grade point, between 2.8 and 2.99 (B-), SAT scores, between 1100-1390, and ACT scores between 27-32, only 12 percent of non-minorities were accepted while 100 percent of the minorities gained admission.

The U of M's discriminatory policies must be challenged in court. We are seeking parents and students who may have been victims of minority preference programs at the University of Michigan who would be willing to participate in a class-action lawsuit. There may be remedies for students who were denied a scholarship, grant or admission due to minority preferences. Our multi-front probe into the University of Michigan's minority preferences includes legislation, budget amendments and possibly a subpoena to force the university to completely disclose their minority preference practices.

We urge parents and students to contact us at the addresses and phone numbers listed below to bring an end to this victimization of hard-working parents and their children. Michigan students should not have admissions, scholarship and job opportunities stolen by less-qualified students.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said, "I have a dream that some day my children will be judged by the content of their character and not the color of their skin." How sad that the University of Michigan is still judging students by the color of their skin, not their individual achievements.

Concerned parents and students can write to us at the State Capitol, Lansing, MI 48909.

Rep. Dave Jaye
Rep. Michelle McManus
Rep. Deborah Whyman
Rep. Greg Kaza

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

In view of the murder-suicide at Johnson Controls, Inc., do you believe the workplace is inherently unsafe?

We asked this question at the Plymouth District Library.



"It seems like the workplace should be more secure to see to it that people who don't work there can't get inside."

Nancy Allen
Plymouth



"No, it doesn't make any workplace unsafe. I work at the mall - who's to say that's not unsafe?"

Andrea Cook
Plymouth



"No, it's people who are unsafe."

Robert Rups
Plymouth Township



"No, if someone truly wants to get in, they'll find one way or another."

Kaye Grubaugh
Salem Township

Plymouth Observer

JOANNE MALISZEWSKI, COMMUNITY EDITOR, 313-459-2700
SUSAN ROSIEN, MANAGING EDITOR, OBSERVER NEWSPAPERS, 313-953-2149
PEG KHOSPEL, ADVERTISING MANAGER, OBSERVER NEWSPAPERS, 313-953-2177
LARRY GEIGER, MANAGER OF CIRCULATION, OBSERVER NEWSPAPERS, 313-953-2234
BANKS M. DISHMON, JR., PUBLISHER, OBSERVER NEWSPAPERS, 313-953-2100
STEVEN K. POPE, VICE-PRESIDENT/GENERAL MANAGER, OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS, 313-953-2252

HOMETOWN COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, INC.
PHILIP POWER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
RICHARD AGNIAN, PRESIDENT

OUR MISSION: "Because we publish community newspapers, we think about community journalism in a fundamentally different way than our bigger competition. They consider themselves to be independent from the stories and communities they cover, swooping in to write the unusual or sensational and then dashing off to cover something else. We regard ourselves as both accurate journalists and as caring citizens of the communities where we work."

— Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Businesses, neighbors can help to clean up Rouge

Imagine someone coming into your home and dumping trash in the middle of your living room. An outrageous act, don't you think? Is it any different than businesses or people getting rid of their garbage — garbage they cannot dispose of or are too lazy to dispose properly — into the Rouge River?

For years, the Rouge River has been a dumping ground, partially due to ignorance and partially due to people just not caring enough. But unlike our living rooms, the cleanup of the Rouge has not been as easy as pulling out the vacuum cleaner. Maybe one day it will be.

When I first moved to Detroit in 1971, my high school friends told me that the water in the Rouge River was badly polluted. Having been raised in a rural community where water was so important to our way of life, I found this hard to believe. Water was for playing or fishing in. Why throw garbage in it?

I have come to realize that things

like the water we drink and the air we breathe are taken for granted by too many of us. We as neighbors need to remember that these are limited resources that need to be protected in order for us to have them.

Owning and operating an auto business on Telegraph Road in Redford Township and having ingress and egress to the Rouge River is a challenge. My business is located in a flood plain. When heavy rains occur, the natural place for the storm water and the debris to drain is into the river.

I am very aware of chemicals that are on the property such as antifreeze or oil. Because my property is so near the river, I have to be extremely careful about what happens. I am able to educate my employees and make them as aware as possible of what is at risk. I remind them that pollutants that run off our property run into the water supply of our downstream neighbors.

We should not foul our own nest:



GEORGE BADEEN

That is why being introduced to the Rouge Friendly Business Program was a great thing.

Prior to working on this program, I had considered myself to be environmentally "in check," but I had no idea that what we do in our daily lives has such an impact on the river and the environment.

I always thought that it was the factories that polluted the most, but I have learned there is so much more than discharges from industry that

can cause problems to the environment.

The Rouge Friendly Business Program is an important yet painless way of educating all of us about the Rouge River. The river affects plants and wildlife along 127 miles of river.

In time, we can all begin to help the environment by helping the river and enjoy the fruits of our labor — a clean river for fishing, wading and other recreation.

The key to a cleaner environment is education, but most of this is not rocket science — it is common sense. Perhaps you have seen a storm drain with a fish painted on it. This is to let you know that nothing should be poured into this drain because it drains directly into the river.

Everyday there seems to be more and more pollution from all different sources. Some utility companies are discharging water from manholes along public roads directly into the Rouge River. By law, a discharge permit is required. Recently I observed

as many as five trucks at different locations pumping water from their manholes into a storm drain along our roads. I asked the crew if they had a pollution discharge permit that allows them to discharge the water. They did not know what I was talking about.

The Rouge Friendly Business Program and its partner, The Rouge Friendly Neighborhood Program, can help educate all of us about the activities that may not be environmentally friendly going on in our neighborhoods, at our businesses and along our rivers and roads.

George Badeen is owner of Midwest Auto Auction in Redford Township and president of the Redford Township Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Rouge Friendly Business Roundtable. To report illegal dumping in Wayne County, call 1-888-223-2363, anytime. For more information about the Rouge Friendly Business Program, call the Rouge Information Line, (313) 961-0730.

Mental health budget: checks, checks, balances, balances

They say ours is a government of "checks and balances." In Michigan it's one of checks and checks and checks, balances and balances. Little gets done to benefit the public, but politicians have fun.

Take the mental health budget.

Gov. John Engler announced early in the year his intention of closing three state mental hospitals: Detroit Psychiatric Institute, Clinton Valley Center in Pontiac and Pheasant Ridge children's center in Kalamazoo.

House Democrats objected and put money back in the budget to run them, although they have a total of just 200 patients.

Michigan governors have a constitutional line-item veto. So legislative Republicans simply agreed to restoring appropriations for the three institutions, figuring Engler would use his line-item veto.

He did. And there's no way in the world Democrats could raise a two-thirds majority in the House, which they control, let alone the Senate, which is in the GOP's grip, to override the vetoes.

So there is no appropriation to keep the three institutions open when the new budget year starts Oct. 1.

There also is no money for additional staffing at hospitals which will receive those patients — including Northville State Hospital and Hawthorn Center, both in western Wayne County, and Caro.

Rep. Judith Scranton, R-Brighton, GOP vice chair of the House appropriations committee on mental health, charged Democrats refused even to take up the fund request, leaving the Department of Community Health without funds for additional staff and patient transfer.



TIM RICHARD

"House Democrats are posturing for political gain, using vulnerable individuals and their families. The safe and orderly transfer of patients must come before politics," said Scranton, in a rather mild press release.

The Democrats did to the Engler proposal what U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms did to William Weld's nomination as

ambassador to Mexico: sat on it.

The argument went to the third branch of government last week. Wayne Circuit Judge J.W. Callahan last week issued a permanent injunction to block the three closings, ruling they violate the state constitution's requirement to "foster and support" public institutions.

So we wind up with:

■ A court order to operate three institutions with no budget money.

■ No money to transfer the patients and care for them in other hospitals.

The matter is likely to go to the appellate courts.

I recall from some Supreme Court rulings that Michigan courts are without the power to order a legislative appropriation. So Callahan's injunction may be reversed.

Besides, whether you adore John

Engler or not, he has a crack legal staff and rarely loses legal battles he starts. (The Durant case doesn't count because he didn't start it.)

So why is there such a three-pronged battle?

Are Democrats concerned about the patients? Or is their priority the members of public employees' unions, which are the backbone, wallet and larynx of the Democratic Party?

Are Republicans concerned about the patients — or about breaking the back, emptying the wallet and choking the voice box of the Democratic Party?

Take your pick.

A government of checks and balances? More like a Public Relations Staff's Full Employment Act.

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

Job agency story merits telling

Here's a story of a 15-year effort to reform a ponderous, unresponsive, authoritarian state bureaucracy that at last has been brought to good conclusion by the Engler administration.

It's a story totally ignored by the big city papers and TV. But it's a story that should be of concern to anybody who has ever been maltreated at a MESC office while trying to get an unemployment comp check or tried to work through the maze of the Employment Service to get job training or a better job.

Going all the way back to the 1980s when I was chairman of the Job Training Coordinating Council in the Blanchard administration, a major embarrassment of state government was MESC, the Michigan Employment Security Commission.

The creature of both federal law and state statute and governed by a clumsy and contentious board, MESC had two tasks. One was to run the unemployment compensation system, which in practice mostly meant beating up on people trying to collect their checks. The other was to administer the Employment Service, which was supposed to help folks out of work to get their jobs and job training. It did both badly.

Our thought back then was to wangle a way to get enough control over MESC to split the unemployment comp function away from the Employment Service. We couldn't pull it off.

But Gov. John Engler and Doug Rothwell, the head of the Michigan Jobs Commission, kept at it. They hired the respected accounting firm of Plante & Moran to conduct an independent organizational analysis of the MESC, now renamed the MESA(agency).

"Despite agency improvements, business and labor representatives expressed significant concerns over an employment services process which is cumbersome and not available for a statewide job matching function," said the Plante & Moran report. In other words, MESA still doesn't work.

Engler agreed. Praising the report, he said: "We have an agency filled with good people struggling to both process unemployment benefits and find people jobs. As a result of trying to regulate on the one hand and find jobs on the other, they're not doing either as well as we need."

And the governor issued an executive order drastically reorganizing MESA. The unemployment comp side was moved to the Department of Consumer and Industry Services (CIS), while the job search parts were put under the auspices of the Jobs Commission, where they will be largely devolved out to Local Workforce



PHILIP POWER

Development Boards.

Even better, because the administration's early retirement buy-out plan for state employees left a lot of holes to be filled at CIS, there will be no layoffs of MESA employees when the work is transferred.

And best of all, federal money from the unemployment service will go to Local Workforce Development Boards, where it will be combined with Job Training Partnership Act funds and Welfare to Work money. There it will be administered by one organization, operating under one brand ("Michigan Works"), staffed by local people (not state bureaucrats), working under empowered local management.

Rothwell has got it right when he said, "This reorganization will create a model system for other states to copy. It addresses the challenges posed by early retirement, and a smaller state workforce, through innovation and through empowering local communities. Job search will now be delivered at the local level, where it can be shaped to meet local needs."

"This reorganization will allow us to have one integrated system for people looking for a job, regardless of why they're looking. Whether you've been laid off, or on welfare, or ready to enter the workforce after staying at home for a few years, you'll have one place to go for help. People won't be going through the wrong door any more, because there will be no wrong door."

Give credit where credit is due. This is a serious, far-reaching and innovative reform of a segment of state government that resisted change for years. It deserves widespread notice and approval.

For western Wayne County, the Local Workforce Development Board is the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance, 15100 Northline, Suite 103, Southgate, Mich. 48193. Telephone (313) 281-0700.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (313) 953-2047 Ext. 1880.

SINCE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE IT FOR SO LONG, WHY NOT TAKE YOUR TIME PAYING FOR IT?

FREE SET-UP PREP & DELIVERY



LX173 Lawn Tractor

FINANCING OFFERS AVAILABLE FOR ALL OF OUR ATTACHMENTS

For a limited time, we're offering three ways to save on our full range of equipment and attachments. So while you have a choice of how you want to pay, there's only one way to take advantage of this great offer — see your John Deere dealer today.

NO INTEREST, NO PAYMENTS UNTIL MARCH 1998*

OR

7.9% FOR 12 MONTHS*

OR

10.9% FOR 24, 36 or 48 MONTHS*

*Offer ends October 31, 1997 and is subject to approved credit on John Deere Credit Revolving Plan. For non-commercial use only. 10% down payment required. After promotional period, for major purchases over \$5000, finance charge will begin to accrue at 13.90% APR. For major purchases between \$1500 and \$4999.99, finance charge will begin to accrue at 15.40% APR. For regular purchases, finance charge will be assigned at 19.8% APR. Rates in effect on July 1, 1997. Rates subject to change. See local dealer for current rates. 7.9% rate available only for 12 month term. 10.9% rate available only for 24, 36 and 48 month terms. A \$0.50 per month minimum finance charge may be applied to unpaid balances. Other special rates and terms may be available, including installment financing and financing for commercial use. Available at participating dealers.



Nothing Runs Like A Deere®

WEINGARTZ

Michigan's Largest Lawn, Snow & Outdoor Power Equipment Dealer

Utica

46061 Van Dyke
1/2 Mile North of M-59
810-731-7240

SINCE 1945

Best Price
Best Service
Best Selection

Farmington Hills

39050 Grand River
East of Haggerty
248-471-3050

HOURS: Monday & Thursday 8:30 - 8:00 • T-W-F 8:30 - 5:30 • Saturday 9:00 - 4:00

SEP 25

18A(0*)(20A-F)

The Observer & Eccentric / THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1997



Calvin Klein

shoes & bags

Opening Friday, September 26th
The Somerset Collection

Community Life

The Observer

INSIDE:
Bridal Registry
Page B3

PC Page 1, Section B

Sue Mason, Editor 313-953-2131

on the web: <http://observer-eccentric.com>

Thursday, September 25, 1997



JACK GLADDEN

The frig has a 'Lite' look

I'm making myself a lunch. Or trying to. There's a couple of problems. "Do we have any bread?" "It's in the freezer."

Naturally. We couldn't keep bread in the breadbox. It might get stale. And it wouldn't stay cold.

Let's see, what kind of bread do we have? Here's some. "Light Italian Bread. Low Fat. 98% FAT FREE." O.K. What else does it say? "See side panel for nutrition facts." I don't think so.

"What do we have to put on the bread?"

"Whatever you find."

"Do we have any lunchmeat?"

"No, you ate it all. Have some cheese."

"We're out of cheese."

"Then find something else."

All right, what else is there? Some carrots, a bag of parsley, some cucumbers from the garden. Hmmm. What's this? Cream cheese? "Firm. Lite. Low Fat."

Oh, yuck. It's tofu. "Silken Tofu. 50% less fat and 33% less calories than regular tofu. See nutrition panel."

"Good grief! How many calories can REGULAR tofu have anyway?"

"You stay out of that. It's for chili."

"Chili?"

"Yes. Chili con

tofu. We've had it before. You liked it."

"Sure I did. So

what can I make for lunch?"

"Peanut butter. Make yourself a

peanut butter sandwich."

"Oh, all right. Hey! This isn't

peanut butter."

"It is too."

"Is not. It says

Reduced Fat

Peanut Butter

Spread. 25% less

fat than peanut

butter."

"It's the same

thing."

"60% peanuts."

So what's the rest

of it?"

"I don't know. What's it say?"

"It says 'See back for information

about fat and other nutrients.' Let's

see. 'Peanuts, corn syrup solids, sugar

and soy protein.' This is nothing but

tofu in a jar."

"Oh, for heaven's sake. It tastes just

like regular peanut butter. Try some

of that fruit spread on it."

"Fruit spread? Don't we have any

jelly?"

"It's the same thing. It just ..."

"I know. It's got fewer calories. It's

low fat. LITE! See side panel for additional

information. Never mind. I'll

just use some of that It's Really Not

Butter butter. Or maybe some

All right, what else is there? Some carrots, a bag of parsley, some cucumbers from the garden. Hmmm. What's this? Cream cheese? "Firm. Lite. Low Fat."

■ Jerry and Dee Webster proudly tell you they're foster parents, but instead of children, the couple is caring for two capuchin monkeys that one day will be helpers for disabled individuals.

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

"Tell me we're not nuts," Jerry Webster says with a chuckle as he watches 11-year-old Buttons, a capuchin monkey, make a mad dash for a purse on top of the entertainment center.

A quick no from wife Dee redirects Buttons who dashes across the room and leaps onto the back of Webster's recliner. Buttons is an introvert, a "one-person monkey," unlike his fellow simian, Adam. The 4 1/2-year-old is the extrovert; he loves being around children and babies and enjoys washing and grooming the Websters' white rabbit.

"I tell people it's like having a two-year-old with five hands who can reach the ceiling," said Dee. "It's rewarding, it's fun, but it's also a job."

The Websters have learned a lot about the monkey business since signing on to be foster parents for Helping Hands, Monkey Helpers for the Disabled almost five years ago.

Founded in the 1977 by Dr. M.J. Willard, at the time a behavioral psychologist, the Boston-based agency provides specially trained capuchin monkeys to assist quadriplegics with simple tasks.

Foster parents like the Websters help socialize the monkeys before they are trained and paired with quadriplegics. The families care for the monkeys for up to five years before they are returned to Helping Hands for six months of training.

The monkeys are trained to respond to a beam of light that the quadriplegic directs from a mouth-operated laser pointer. The quadriplegic shines a beam on any object he wants the monkey to manipulate.

The monkeys learn to transfer drinks or sandwiches from a refrigerator to a feeding tray, place books on reading stands, put cassettes in a VCR, and retrieve fallen mouth sticks or any other tools a quadriplegic may use.

The monkeys are bred to be used as aides. One colony was set up on Discovery Island at Walt Disney World in Florida and a new colony has been set up at the Helping Hands headquarters in Boston.

The Websters got interested in Helping Hands when they saw a newspaper story that the organization needed foster parents. They volunteered, but were initially turned down because they both worked.

"When the monkeys are young, someone has to be home with them 14 hours a day," said Dee. "They have to be kept in a room where you spend 95 percent of your time because when

Monkey business

Couple shares their home with future 'helpers'



STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JAGGFIELD

What's that?: Curiosity gets the best of Adam, a 4 1/2-year-old capuchin monkey, who, with the help of "foster parent" Dee Webster, stretches out to get a closer look at the camera being used to take his photograph.

they go to the quad they will be with him 8-10 hours a day while the caregiver is gone."

When Jerry retired, they decided to apply again and were accepted. Adam was their first placement. He was 7 1/2 weeks old and weighed 15 ounces. Caring for him was like caring for a baby, according to Dee.

"It was like raising a baby with no instructions," she said. "We had to feed him Similac. He wore newborn diapers that were cut in half and he drank from a bottle."

Buttons joined the family in December 1996, much to Adam's delight.

To accommodate the dynamic duo, the Websters' living room has become utilitarian. Gone is the carpeting; instead there's two different styles of vinyl flooring, one showing signs of Adam's nimble fingers. Furniture is minimal — an entertainment center and Webster's recliner.

Along on a wall facing the picture window are two cages. Plastic crates, suspended from the tops, serve as sleeping areas. The pair have blankets and plenty of stuff toys to occupy their time, but some of their favorite travel items are the toys in fast food children's meals.

As foster parents, the Websters are responsible for food, cages and veterinary bills, a costly proposition since the monkeys can contract human diseases, including measles and chicken pox, and they need a tuberculosis test every year. Luckily, the Websters' vet has agreed to care for the animals free of charge.

Because monkeys' teeth are removed at a young age to avoid any possible problems related to a bite, they eat softened monkey chow. On occasion, Adam and Buttons have been known to smear their food on the

Please see ANNIVERSARY, B2

Hands proves its usefulness

Imagine having an itchy nose and no way to scratch, or dropping a spoon on the floor and not being able to retrieve it.

Helping Hands: Monkey Helpers for the Disabled is to paralyzed people what the Leader Dog School for the Blind is to blind. Leader dogs "see" for the blind, while monkeys are the arms and legs of the disabled.

And like the Leader Dog School, Helping Hands relies on the generosity of the public to pay for the \$25,000 cost of breeding, raising and training their capuchin monkeys.

The organization places its monkeys at 6 weeks of age with volunteer families who raise them for about five years. Monkeys that live as part of a human family from an early age are tame, affectionate and better suited to live with a disabled person.

When the monkeys are old enough and sufficiently mature, they return to the training center in Boston for their formal education. Over a period of a year, they learn a standard repertoire of obedience and helping tasks.

While the monkey has the opportunity to learn a wide variety of tasks, it is paired with a disabled person who needs those primary tasks it does easily and successfully.

By the time training is completed, the monkey's needs, abilities and personality are known. That along with information about the disabled recipient's physical abilities, personality and environment helps in determining the ideal match.

Once matched, the monkey is custom trained to perform specific tasks to assist the recipient. A trainer accompanies the monkey on the placement and works with the recipient, the family and attendants during their first week together.

The recipient also is trained in task behaviors and monkey care, and comprehensive feedback and support are provided to ensure the daily routine, problem-solving skills of the recipient and total adjustment of the monkey and the significant others are appropriate.

The adjustment period can take anywhere from one to six months after which ownership of the monkey is transferred to the recipient.

After the transfer, Helping Hands also provides lifetime behavioral and veterinary support for all monkeys in the program at no charge.

People interested in donating to Helping Hands or in being a volunteer family, and disabled persons in need of more information, can call the agency at (617) 787-4419, or write to it at 1505 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass. 02135.

His task is to equip special fitness room

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Telling Dave Gerlach that he can't do something is just asking for trouble.

Earlier this year, the adaptive physical education teacher at Plymouth Salem High School came up with the idea to raise funds to purchase stationary bicycles for his special education students. It was met with a less than stellar response.

"Someone said, 'That's a weird idea to do a fitness room; there's no way you can do that,'" said Gerlach who lives with his wife Jenny in Redford. "Don't tell me I can't do something. It becomes a competitive thing for me to prove everyone wrong."

"One of the big things I kind of preach to my kids is not to be a quitter. We never use the words 'I can't.'"

Gerlach's goal is to purchase 20 new Schwinn DX 900 stationary bicycles from Jerry's Schwinn Bicycles of Plymouth by Christmas for his adaptive physical education fitness room. So far local organizations and businesses like the Plymouth Rotary Foundation, Jack Demmer Ford and the Plymouth Kiwanis, along with a handful of groups from the high school have made donations.

Since the adaptive physical education fitness room doesn't have its own account, Gerlach is asking that all checks be made to Jerry's Schwinn Bicycles and sent to him in care of Plymouth Salem High School, Room 1604, 46181 Joy Road, Canton.

It should be specified that the money is for the Fitness Room Project. Each person or organization who donates money will be honored on a plaque that will hang inside the room. A tax donation letter also will be provided to the organization or business.

Please see BICYCLES, B2



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRENNER

Warming up: Ellen Stemmer, co-captain of the Plymouth Salem High School cross country team racks up a few miles on one of the Schwinn DX 900 stationary bicycles that have been donated to Dave Gerlach's adaptive physical education fitness room.

Jack Gladden is a copy editor for the Observer & Eccentric newspapers. This column is guaranteed to be 100% fat free. The same cannot be said of the columnist.

Bicycles

from page B1



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Old timers: Dave Gerlach checks out some older, less reliable exercise bikes that his students are making do with while he tries to raise money to purchase newer Schwinn versions.

For more information, call (313) 416-7708 or (313) 416-7740.

Meager beginnings

When Gerlach started at Salem High School four years ago, he was given as a classroom — “the dungeon” — a dingy room near the school’s weight room.

“The walls were all yellow; it was pretty nasty,” he said. “When you looked up you could see all the holes in the ceiling. What I did was I made it my ‘boys’ room.’ My wife doesn’t really let me have all the guys sports stuff all over the place. This was my way of getting into those things.”

Gerlach spent one Christmas vacation painting the room in the school’s colors of blue and white, and covering them with laminated posters. He used the covers of copies of Sports Illustrated magazines to cover the holes in the dropped ceiling tiles.

His dream is to fill the room with new stationary bikes and to cover the entire floor with indoor/outdoor carpeting.

“It’s something that keeps the noise down,” he said. “When the carpeting isn’t in here and all the kids are in here riding, it gets loud. They crank the radio.”

Gerlach began his drive in

June and “right off the bat” got six bikes. He started to get “all fired up thinking this was the easiest thing” when it slowed way down. He didn’t get much in the way of donations during the summer months.

“Now’s the time I have to start pushing things because we’re at a stand still,” he said. “The community was extremely helpful with these bikes. When it comes to fund raising for money, it’s extremely hard. My goal is 10 more bikes or \$4,000 more.”

The Schwinn bikes sell for \$450 each, but Jerry’s is offering Gerlach the bikes at \$350. The total fitness room proposition was for \$7,350 — \$7,000 for the bikes, \$250 for indoor/outdoor carpeting, \$50 for a plaque to honor the donors, and \$50 for miscellaneous equipment like batteries and oils.

Assistant Principal Joan Claeys called Gerlach’s project “a wonderful program that provides a fitness area for our students who are in adaptive PE. It’s a room that is equipped with fitness equipment that they are able to use.”

“He has taken a real leadership role in outfitting the fitness center,” she said. “It’s very professional looking. It looks like a business place, so that students feel good about going there.”

Gerlach, who is also the Salem

cross country coach, explained that his proposition has also been scrutinized.

“These bikes are used a fifth of the time for the cross country team after school,” he said. “What I’ve had is some people say ‘Well I’m not going to give money to you to support your team. Don’t lie to us and say this is just for special ed kids.’”

“The bottom line is I’m not going to have this stuff just sit here after school. Yeah, this is our team room as well, so we do use it. We don’t use it every day. We’re a cross country team, not a bike team.”

Besides his team, those he calls “regular ed kids” are not allowed in the room. The reason being is wear and tear.

“The more people you have on it, the quicker things are going to get broken and the more money we’ll need,” he said.

Gerlach has been interested in teaching since he was a child and has been “exposed to it my whole life.” His parents are both teachers.

His father, John, teaches art and religion at Lutheran High School in Westland, and his mother, Eileen, is a second grade teacher at Guardian Lutheran School in Dearborn.

After graduating from Lutheran High School in Westland in 1988, Gerlach enrolled in East-

ern Michigan University where he earned a degree in physical education with minors in health and coaching. He also has an “adaptive physical education endorsement” from the State of Michigan.

“Eastern Michigan is a great place for teachers; I fell into the hands of a great person, Michael Paciorek, my idol,” he said. “This guy was so fired up and so great, I learned so much in his classes. I found that was my niche, that was what I wanted to do.”

So far, he said, it has been a very satisfying career choice.

“A lot of people don’t understand why I do it,” he said. “The reason why I put this fitness room together was to give the special ed kids a room of their own, a place where they can be themselves, where they can yell and scream and crank the radio.”

“Here they can be themselves, they can have a good time. When you go to the gym, you’re in your own little world whether you’re listening to the radio or talking to people. Fitness is a great way to get to know people.”

The other reason, he added, is that some of his students are severely impaired and cannot ride two-wheel bicycle.

“Nobody’s given the opportunity to ride on something else,” he said. “What I tried to do is give them that opportunity.”

Collectibles

from page B1

Store, rubbing elbows with some of the world’s top fashion designers.

In 1979, he gave that up to open an antiques store in the village of Boyds, Md., north of Washington, D.C. But by 1982, he and his wife switched to selling affordable antique reproductions and wholesaling duck decoy reproductions when the

cost of purchasing original antiques took off.

Lowenthal would design, paint, antique, box and sell the decoys while his wife Justina handled the paperwork and shipping.

He also tried his hand at resin gnome houses before deciding in 1987 to design his own 12-inch, fully jointed wool bear named

after their son Matthew.

Lowenthal also has a Boyds Bear named for daughter Bailey. A new version is issued each year with the outfits changed twice a year, according to Schiesel.

Earlier versions of Bailey, which sold originally for about \$15, now sell for up to \$700 on the secondary market.

“Even the plushes people bought as toys or set on the shelf as a country accessory are now worth between \$3-400,” Schiesel said.

The idea for the resin Bearstones surfaced in 1992 and proved to be as popular as the bears.

“Now, it’s like the tail wagging

the dog,” said Schiesel. “He did the Bearstones to compliment his bears and they’re doing as well as the plush jointed bears. They have incredible detail and they all have worn patches on their clothing.”

“They’re a little off center, with lots of humor, and they’re inexpensive.”

And it has been a case of one thing leading to another. In addition to the Bearstones, there are Folkstones, music boxes, stationary, note cards, pillows, afghans and table runners in the distinctive Boyds Bears & Friends designs.

And Schiesel admits she carries all of it.

“We have no choice,” she said. “What are you going to eliminate. It’s all so cute.”

The Copper Cricket is at 7126 N. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call the store at (313) 7328-8910.



REAL ESTATE UPDATE
by
Chris Knight

RECOGNIZING WHEN YOU NEED HELP

Does your home have more than its share of dust bunnies? Do you have a “noticeable” kitty litter box and closets that are overcrowded? If you are planning to sell your home, don’t be offended by your Realtor’s suggestions about what you should do to prepare your home for the market.

One of the major challenges that sellers face is keeping their home in top showing condition while it is on the market. Many sellers are busy and, understandably, have a hard time managing this task. It’s not easy showing your home all the time. In such situations we strongly recommend that you get professional help. If you already have a cleaning person, you may want to increase the cleaning frequency. Remember that not all buyers have a lot of imagination. They usually react emotionally to what they see, not to the possibilities that your home represents. If your home looks like it will require a lot of work, they may elect to keep looking. If your goal is to get your home sold as quickly as possible, at a great price, hiring a professional cleaner can pay high dividends.

If you are considering a move, call **Chris Knight** at Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate, 313-453-6800.

LT17179

PUBLIC NOTICE NATIONAL MINI STORAGE

Pursuant to state law, a sale will be held at National Mini Storage, 6729 N. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI, on 10/09/97 at 1:00 PM. The following goods will be sold:
Space Number: E 195: Carls Kelley
Broken Arrow OK 74014
Queen mattress set, stool, dresses, vacuum, chairs, misc. boxes lamp, table, misc. household.
Space Number: B29: Leonard & Barb Dodd
Dana Pointe CA 92629
Bike, chairs, desk, misc. tools, roller skates, head board, drill press.
Publish: September 18 and 25, 1997
LT44971

DO-IT-YOURSELF WITH PLYMOUTH EQUIPMENT RENTAL!



WOOD CHIPPERS & SHREDDERS
VACUUMS • SEEDERS • SPREADERS
POWER RAKES • CHAIN SAWS
EDGERS • WEED WHIPS • AERATORS
WEED MOWERS • TRENCHERS • SAWS
TRIMMERS • LADDERS • TILLERS
STUMP GRINDERS • ENGINE HOISTS
SNAKES • BLOWERS • BACKHOES
SANDERS • CARPET CLEANERS
POWER WASHERS
PLUS MUCH, MUCH MORE!



**PLYMOUTH
EQUIPMENT
RENTAL**

(313) 981-0240

41889 FORD ROAD • CANTON

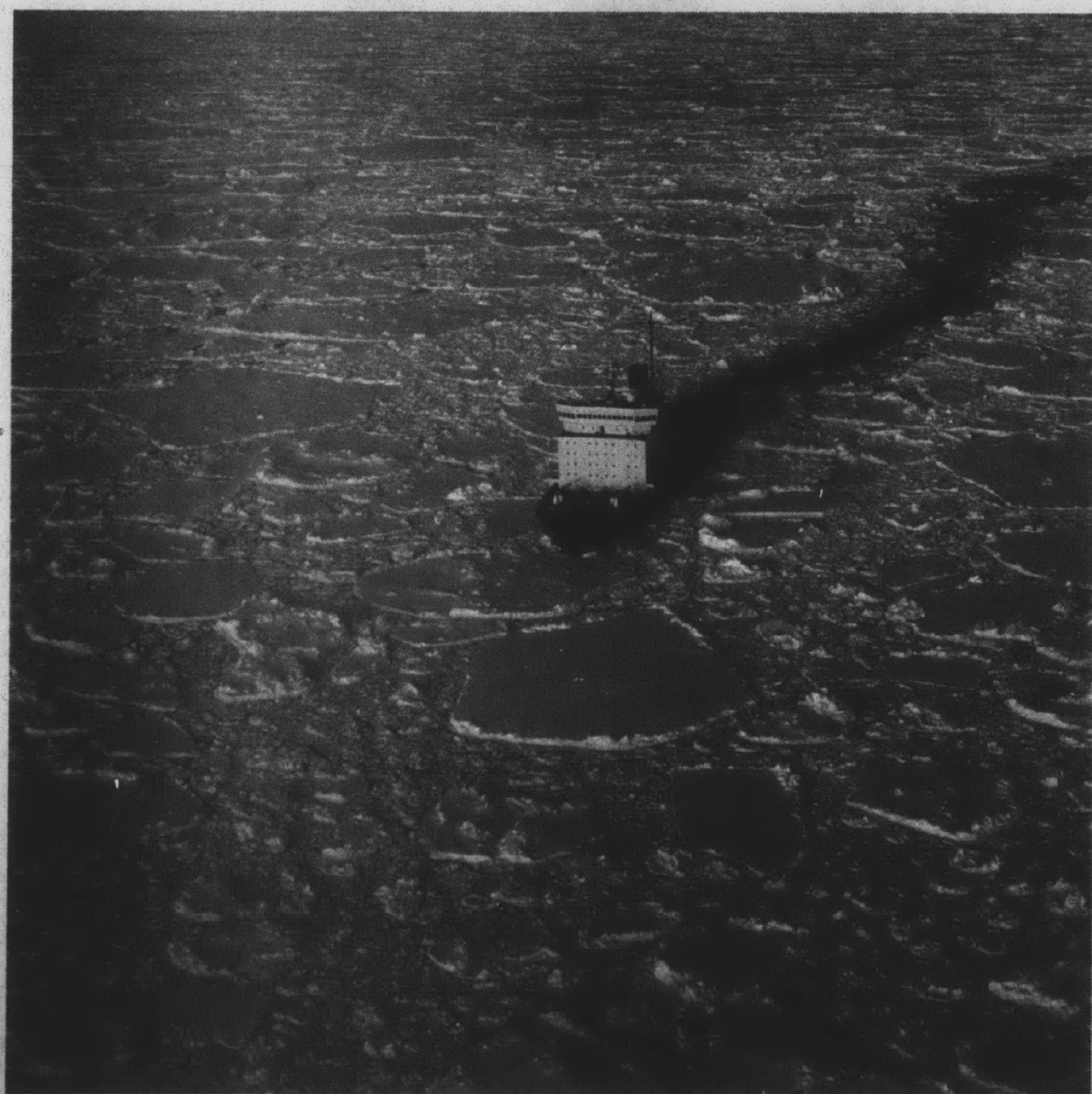
35th DISTRICT COURT NOTICE

The 35th District Court is accepting sealed bid proposals for the cleaning contract for the interim courthouse, to be located at 41100 Plymouth Road. The contract will be awarded from November 1, 1997 through October 31, 1999. (Dates subject to change based on beginning date of interim facility occupancy and permanent courthouse construction completion) the building consists of approximately 16,800 square feet. The courthouse must be cleaned on a daily basis after business hours. The cost of all supplies, paper products, soaps, etc. must be included in the proposed price. Bidders must be fully insured and bonded. Proposals shall also provide at least three professional references.

Proposals must be received by 3:00 P.M., October 15, 1997 at which time said proposals will be opened. Interested parties are invited to contact Kerry Erdman, Court Administrator for further information at (313) 459-4575. The 35th District Court is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Publish: September 25 and 28, 1997

LT40001



You're thinking...

a) That's a nice way to break the ice.

b) Crushed or cubed?

c) Is anyone breaking new ground in health care?

At HAP, we're developing new programs to help our HMO patients and their doctors better understand conditions like diabetes and asthma. And we've begun a new pilot program for electronic prescription writing to help you get your medications faster. Just the break you needed. After all, you shouldn't have to spend a lot of time thinking about health care. That's what we do. For more information, call us at 313-872-8100.

www.hapcorp.org

hap
Good Thinking™

Iles-Por

Ty Lawso and KellyA were marri Edith Catha nia by Deac

The bride GraceAnn M town, N.Y. of Waterfo son of Eilh Ill., and the

The brid laude fron State Univl or of arts d art. She is e ic designer departmen ences Corp.

The groo the Univers bachelor o civil eng employed a for Walbr Detroit and Chrysler Te ject in Aubu

The bride be her maid Cammack, I and Beth C

Lehner-

Gerald L Mrs. Harry announce their daug Lehner, to l the son of l Obendorf of

The bride uate of Ply School. Sh craft Colla scholarshi Florida wit very active diving. S employed by Her fianc of Venice F Internation tute in Si where he re in dry clear master cap his brother



Campb

Stephen s of Redfor engagemen Charlotte L worth, the s and June F Fla.

An Oct planned at MGM Studi

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Iles-Porter

Ty Lawson Iles of Royal Oak and KellyAnn Porter of Livonia were married March 8 at St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia by Deacon John Kenny.

The bride is the daughter of GraceAnn Makowski of Middletown, N.Y., and Richard Porter of Waterford. The groom is the son of Eileen Iles of Frankfort, Ill., and the late Lawson Iles.

The bride graduated cum laude from Saginaw Valley State University with a bachelor of arts degree in commercial art. She is employed as a graphic designer in the marketing department of Computer Sciences Corp.

The groom graduated from the University of Illinois with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering. He is employed as a project planner for Walbridge-Aldinger in Detroit and is assigned to the Chrysler Technology Center project in Auburn Hills.

The bride asked Patty Less to be her maid of honor with Lynda Cammack, MaryLu Sommerfeldt and Beth Clinton serving as



bridesmaids.

Gil Reppenhagen served as the best man with Brad Porter, Rob Washel and Pat McNally as groomsmen.

The couple received guests at a reception at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Following a Caribbean cruise and a visit to the Virgin Islands, they are making their home in Livonia.

Farnum-Czaja

Gerard and Diane Czaja of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen, to Daniel S. Cox, the son of John and Christine Cox of Livonia.

A 1990 graduate of Garden City High School, the bride-to-be earned a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Wayne State University in 1996. She is employed by Chrysler Industries in Plymouth.

Her fiancé is a 1987 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. He earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Wayne State University in 1995. He is employed by Lucas-Varity in Livonia.



An October wedding is planned at St. Raphael's Catholic Church in Garden City.

Cousino-Frederick

Jerome and Sally Cousino of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Elizabeth, to Jason Robert Frederick, the son of Robert and Deborah Frederick of Royal Oak.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Fairlane Christian High School. She also attended Schoolcraft College. She is working towards a degree in elementary education.

Her fiancé is a 1993 graduate of Royal Oak Dondero High School, he is employed by



Hawthorne Metal.

An October wedding is planned at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia.

Weaver-Tieppo

Charles and Gloria Weaver of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Cherie Renee, to Joseph Michael Tieppo, the son of Leo and Carole Tieppo of Allen Park.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1992 graduate of the University of Detroit with a degree in management information systems. She works as a systems engineer for Electronic Data Systems.

Her fiancé is a 1983 graduate of St. Frances Cabrini High School and a 1988 graduate of the University of Michigan with a degree in management information systems at the University of Michigan. He works as a Global Logistic Systems Coordinator for Federal Mogul Corporation.



A November wedding is planned for St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church in Allen Park.

Egan-Puz

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Egan of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Christina Marie, to Mark Lawrence Puz Jr., the son of Mark and Marsha Puz of Highland.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Ladywood High School in Livonia. She recently received a bachelor of science degree in exercise physiology from Central Michigan University. Currently, she is completing an internship at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, where she is working in cardiac rehabilitation.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Milford High School. He is employed by Pipefitters Local 636. He also serves as a volunteer firefighter for Highland Township.



A January 1998 wedding is planned at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Livonia.

Nowak-Sanchagrin

Tom Nowak and Angie Sanchagrin were married July 5 at St. John Neumann Church in Canton by the Rev. George Charnley.

The bride is the daughter of Fred and Annette Sanchagrin of Plymouth. The groom is the son of Jack Nowak and Janice Van Hollebeke of Rogers City.

The bride is a graduate of University of Michigan with a bachelor of science degree in biological sciences. She is a science teacher at North Kent High School in Grand Rapids.

The groom attended Davenport & Aquinas College. He works as a sales consultant for Circuit City in Grand Rapids.

Following a reception at the Fox Hills Country Club, the couple



left for a honeymoon in Ocho Rios, Jamaica.

They are making their home in Grand Rapids.

Ippolito-Long

Charles Ippolito of Ellicott City, Md., and Starla Levine of Columbia, Md., announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacy Marie Ippolito, to Sean Christian Long, the son of Michael John Long of Wichita, Kan., and Elizabeth Johnston-Long of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Towson University and the

University of Baltimore where she received her master of business administration degree. She is employed by Andersen Consulting.

A Wayne State University graduate, her fiancé works for Complete Business Solutions Inc.

A November wedding is planned at St. Isaac Jogues Church in Parkville, Md.

Lehner-Obendorf

Gerald Lehner of Canton and Mrs. Harry Polk of Venice, Fla., announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Nicole Lehner, to Mark Alan Obendorf, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Obendorf of Venice, Fla.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She attended Schoolcraft College on a two-year scholarship before moving to Florida with her family. She is very active in sports and scuba diving. She is currently employed by Venetian Cleaners.

Her fiancé is a 1988 graduate of Venice High School and the International Fabricare Institute in Silver Springs, Md., where he received his certificate in dry cleaning. He also holds a master captain license. He and his brother are the owners/operators of Venetian Cleaners, a family-owned and -operated since 1926.



A November wedding is planned at the Lakeside Lutheran Church in Venice, Fla.



Campbell-Ashworth

Stephen and Lillian Campbell of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Charlotte Lynn, to Jeffrey Ashworth, the son of Jack Ashworth and June Heidrich of Orlando, Fla.

An October wedding is planned at Walt Disney World MGM Studios in Orlando.



Waltonwood


Assisted Living Residence

Assisted Living at Waltonwood is a special combination of housing, personalized supportive services and health care. Waltonwood is designed to meet the individual needs of those who require assistance with the activities of daily living, but who do not need the skilled medical care provided in a nursing home.

Please call **810-375-9664**
for a free brochure or to arrange a tour

3280 Walton Blvd.
Rochester Hills, MI 48309
A Singh Community

Fall



Remodeling Show

• Two-man 'grilling buddies'
Mad Dog and Merrill offering practical tips and outdoor grilling recipes from hors d'oeuvres to desserts served with heaping helpings of comedy as seen on programs like CBS' This Morning

• Showcase of Distinctive Homes
pictorial display of new homes

• National Kitchen & Bath Association members Garage Sale of cabinets, counters and discontinued items plus proceeds will benefit Habitat for Humanity

IDEAS, IDEAS AND MORE IDEAS FROM OVER 200 EXHIBITORS

Kitchens • Baths • Doors
Windows • Spas • Remodeling
Arts & Crafts • Furniture
Electronics • Appliances
Heating & Cooling
Decorative Accessories • and More!

SPECIAL SHOW DISCOUNTS!

SHOW OPENS SEPTEMBER 25 AT 2:00 PM

Thurs. & Friday	2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Regular Admission: Adults \$6.00; Seniors \$4.00; Children 6-12 \$3.00; Children under 6 FREE

Special Family Ticket, includes 2 adults and all the children, \$9.00 - available only at Farmer Jack

NOVI EXPO CENTER • SEPT. 25-28 • I-96 AND NOVI RD

Hang on to your modem, we're putting your 1987 Chevy on the World Wide Web.

So you don't have a 1987 Chevy. How about your car, or bike, or the stuff that's been hanging out in the attic for more years than you'd care to admit?

We'll put whatever you've found on the internet in a hot new spot called "AD VILLAGE"—the first place where you can place an ad on the World Wide Web where it'll be seen by not hundreds, or thousands, but *millions* of people! If you're thinking: "This is going to cost a bundle," think again. It's reasonable. Economical. Affordable. Cheap.

And believe us when we say that getting this done is a heckuva lot easier than cleaning the attic.

All you do is call:

1-800-579-SELL

Or e-mail your ad to
welcome@advillage.com

Or FAX your ad to 313-953-2232.

It's your call.



THE INTERNET CLASSIFIED MARKETPLACE
A Service of Your Hometown Observer & Eccentric Newspapers

Visit the Village!

<http://www.advillage.com>

Welfare cuts are topic of League meeting

Luther Jenkins of the Coalition on Temporary Shelters and Marguerite Kowaleski of Oakland County's Welfare Rights Organization will be the guest speakers when the League of Women Voters of Livonia meets on Monday, Sept. 29, for its first membership meeting of the 1997-98 year.

The meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. in Meeting Room C of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road.

Jenkins and Kowaleski will speak on the issue of welfare

cuts.

Those attending should bring a donation of a new or gently used twin-sized sheets, towels, pillows, blankets, personal care products or sack of disposable diaper for the C.O.T.S. shelter.

In addition to Livonia, the LWV chapter represents seven neighboring communities - Canton, Northville, Wayne, Plymouth, Redford, Westland and Farmington Hills.

At the helm of the chapter's Board of Directors is newly installed president Paula Bowman of Plymouth. Bowman, who

has worked as a closing officer at Reinhart Real estate Company in Ann Arbor for many year,

received the gavel from Jean Cogill of Livonia, who served as president for four years.



At the helm: Jean Cogill of Livonia (left) passes the gavel to Paul Bowman of Plymouth, newly elected president of the League of Women Voters of Livonia.

Suburban West BPW hold monthly meeting

The Suburban West Business and Professional Women will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6,

at the Holiday Inn, North Laurel Park Drive west of I-275, in Livonia.

The social hour will be followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. and a presentation by Carolyn Arlen of Carolyn's Creations. Arlen will demonstrate easy ideas for decorating with flowers.

Capping off the evening will be a membership contest.

For more information about the organization, call Eunice Taylor at (313) 254-9617.

ANNIVERSARIES

Weycker/Saylor

Joe and Nancy Weycker of Canton and her parents, Frank and Norma Saylor of Taylor and Arab, Ala., joined together in celebrating their 25th and 50th anniversaries respectively.

The couples, along with the Saylor's daughter and son-in-law, Lori and Richard Milbank, took a trip to Orlando, Fla., and a cruise to the Bahamas, before gathering with family and friends in Arab, where the Saylor's have a retirement home, for a 50th anniversary party.

The trip was a gift of the Saylor's children, which include Karen Saylor of Taylor and LouAnn Smedsrud and husband Greg of Andover, Minn. They also have six grandchildren - Christopher and Susan Weycker, Meghan and Joshua Smedsrud and Jeremy and Tarah Milbank.

The Saylor's were married on July 5, 1947, in Alabama after he returned from serving in the U.S. Army during World War II. She is the former Norma Lee Estes.

They moved to Michigan after the war, so he could find work with one of the automobile companies. Both retired, he worked for American Sun Roof Corporation, while she was head cook for the Taylor School District.

High school sweethearts, the Weyckers exchanged vows on Aug. 26, 1972, at the Taylor Assembly of God Church, while they were students at Michigan State University.

Fifteen-year residents of Canton, they are teachers in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. They have two children.



Saylor



Weycker

Be part of the Town Meeting!

On Thursday, October 2, you will have a chance to participate in person or by phone in the live broadcast of "First Thursday Town Meeting"

Here is an exciting opportunity to talk with people who have the answers about traffic, schools and just about anything that's happening in the halls of your hometown government.

Sponsored by The Farmington Observer and WXYT-AM-1270, this public forum is open to everyone interested in the Farmington area.

Join co-hosts Jimmy Barrett, WXYT on-air personality, and Dave Varga, Editor of The Farmington Observer as they broadcast live from **Ginopolis on the Grill** (12 Mile and Middlebelt) in Farmington Hills. A panel of Farmington and Farmington Hills community leaders will be on hand to answer questions and discuss issues.

There is no admission or reservations; however seating is limited, so come on down early, take a seat and enjoy a rousing exchange of ideas and information.

Don't miss this opportunity to offer your opinion or ask that burning question in person or by phone! CALL 248-559-1270.

Broadcasting from 10 a.m. until 12 noon in Ginopolis on the Grill, 12 Mile and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills



Farmington Observer

LOOSE LOWER DENTURES? PARTIALS?

PERHAPS IMPLANTS ARE THE ANSWER!

LIVONIA VILLAGE DENTAL ASSOCIATES
HERBERT GARDNER, DDS
(248) 478-2110

THINKING ABOUT... AIR CONDITIONING

CALL TODAY FOR A
FREE ESTIMATE
(248) 476-7022

D&G HEATING & COOLING
19140 Farmington Road • Livonia

Festival of Savings

Take an Additional 20% Off

Heslop's Everyday Low Prices on Most Dinnerware,
Flatware, Stemware,
and Select
Giftware.



Heslop's brings you the largest selection of in-stock tabletop merchandise in Michigan.

Choose from among such famous names as Atlantis, Block, Christian Dior, Cristal J.G. Durand, Dansk, Fitz & Floyd, Gorham, Lenox, Mikasa, Nikko, Noritake, Oneida, Pickard, Reed & Barton, Rosenthal, Royal Doulton, Royal Worcester, Sasaki, Spode, Towle, and Villeroy & Boch.

Heslop's
China & Gifts

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

METRO DETROIT:
New Location! St. Clair Shores, 21429 Mack Ave.
(810) 778-6142 • (North of Eight Mile Rd.)
Dearborn Heights, The Heights • (313) 274-8200
(Ford Rd. between Inkster and Beech Daly)
Livonia, Merri-Five Plaza • (313) 922-1850 • (On corner of Five Mile and Merriman)
Novi, Novi Town Center • (248) 349-8090
Rochester, Meadowbrook Village Mall • (248) 375-0823

Sterling Heights, Eastlake Commons • (810) 247-8111
(On corner of Hall Road and Hayes Road)
Troy, Oakland Mall • (248) 589-1433
West Bloomfield, Orchard Mall • (248) 737-8081
(Orchard Lake and 15 Mile)
OUTSTATE:
Ann Arbor, Colonnade • (313) 761-1002
(On Eisenhower Pkwy., west of Briarwood Mall)
Grand Rapids, Breton Village Mall • (616) 957-2145
(Breton Rd. and Burton Rd.) • Open Sundays!
Okemos, Meridian Mall • (517) 349-4008

INTRODUCE THE BRIDE-TO-BE TO HESLOP'S BRIDAL REGISTRY—THE BRIDAL REGISTRY OF CHOICE

SUNDAY



Make plans to attend this year's

Livonia Symphony Orchestra Benefit

HOSTED BY

LAUREL PARK PLACE

Sunday, October 5, 1997 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
West Six Mile & Newburgh Roads • Livonia • 313-462-1100

THE EVENING WILL FEATURE:

- ♪ Performance by the Livonia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Volodymyr Schesiuk
- ♪ Tribute to LSO 25th Anniversary
- ♪ Special guest appearance by vocalist Stephen King
- ♪ Silent Action
- ♪ Suburban Taste Fest provided by area restaurants

Tickets are \$25 per person **in advance**
\$30 per person **at the door**

Make reservations by calling Lee Alankas at (313) 464-2741
Make checks payable to: Livonia Symphony Orchestra
501 (c) (3) Non-Profit Organization

LIVONIA **Marriott**

Laurel Park Place

SCHOSTAK
BROTHERS & COMPANY

NORTHWEST AIRLINES

TIME WARNER CABLE

Observer & Eccentric
NEWSPAPERS

NEW VOICES

Michael and Margaret Luibakka of Livonia announce the birth of **Erik Michael** July 8 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. He joins two sisters, Kellie, 5 1/2, and Jessica, 4. Grandparents are Paul and Janet Pinkava of Woodhaven and Kenneth and Julia Luibakka of Marquette. Great-grandparents are Veno Maves of Marquette and Marven Dickson of Wyandotte.

Kevin Coulter of Livonia and **Cathie Kovach** of Fort Wayne,

Ind., announce the birth of **Matthew James Coulter** July 15 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Beverly and Steve Coulter of Livonia and Patricia Kovach of Fort Wayne, Ind.

David and Susan Gibson of Livonia announce the birth of **Ryan David** April 10 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He joins two sisters, Katie, 3 1/2, and Kelsey, 2. Grandparents are Jerome and Sophie Forystek of

Livonia and Janet Gibson of Farmington Hills and the late Paul Gibson.

Chris and Kelly Grant of Livonia announce the birth of **Sara Allyson** July 9 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins three siblings, Kenny, 8, C.J., 5, and Brooke, 3. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Vallade of Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Grant of Belleville.

Jim and Cindy Riley of Redford announce the birth of **Vic-**

toria Lynn July 12 at the Family Birthing Center at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. She joins siblings Michael James, 14, and Monica Lynn, 10. Grandparents are Bob and Gail Isenegger of New Hudson.

Lloyd and Julie Conway of Ferndale announce the birth of **Olivia Jane** July 10 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins three siblings, Erika, 10, Halston, 8, and Anya, 7. Grandparents are

Robert Conway of Ferndale and the late Jane Conway and Ronald and Diane Gentz of Westland.

Bill and Lyn MacDonald of Livonia announce the birth of **Ryan Elizabeth** June 8 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are Darrell and Bernie Kidwell of Plymouth and Bill and Kathy MacDonald of Riverview. Great-grandmothers are Rose Ortiz and Agnes MacDonald.

Eric and Sherri Smith of Livonia announce the birth of **Rachel Michelle** June 23 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. Grandparents are Jim and Sara Copi of Livonia and David and Virginia Smith of Girard, Ohio.

Steven John and Marcella Elizabeth Frigerio of Garden City announce the birth of **Cory Steven John** July 3 at the

Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins two sisters, Whitney, 11, and Amber Wells, 9. Grandparents are Robert and Sandra Frigerio of Canton and Carl and Betty Johnson of Victoria, Texas.

Kevin and Susan Moutsatson of Canton announce the birth of **Carson Mavrick** May 14 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Dale and Veronica Schnurstein of Plymouth, John and Peggy Thodis of Lansing and George and Flo Moutsatson of Traverse City.

Brian and Susan O'Meara of Livonia announce the birth of **Katherine Elizabeth** July 20 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Ron and Judy Valenti and Tom and Judy O'Meara, all of Livonia.

St. Raphael's hold parish mission

St. Raphael's Catholic Church of Garden City will have a Parish Mission, "The Person of Jesus," Sunday through Wednesday, Sept. 28-Oct. 1.

The purpose of the mission is to touch the hearts of the people with a message of hope, forgiveness, healing and celebration from the heart of the gospel.

The Rev. Daniel Havron, coordinator of evangelization for the Archdiocese of Detroit, will conduct the mission and will speak at the 4:30 p.m. Mass Saturday, Sept. 27, and at 8 and 10 a.m. and noon Sept. 28, at the church on Merriman Road north of Ford Road.

Each evening the mission will begin at 7 p.m. and conclude around 8:00 p.m. Havron will preach on a special Gospel theme and then lead a prayer service that ritualizes the Gospel message.

The topic for the first evening will be "God Has First Loved Us" from John 4: 7-10, while the second evening he will discuss "Our Response to God's Love" from Ephesians 1:3-14 (thanksgiving for God's gifts) and Colossians 3:15-17 (in whatever you do give

thanks). Following the presentation there will be an evening of adoration and benediction.

The topic of the third evening will be "Repentance and Changing Our Lives," Luke 15: 11-13 (The Prodigal) and Matthew 5: 14-16 (Light of the World). Following the presentation there will be a Communal Penance Service.

The topic of the final evening will be "Go and Make Disciples," Matthew 28:18-20. There will be a closing Eucharistic Liturgy, followed by a farewell reception.

Havron also will speak after the 8:30 a.m. daily Masses on "Prayer and Spirituality" for about 45 minutes.

Havron received a master of theology degree in 1976 from the University of Dayton and was ordained to the priesthood with a master of divinity degree in 1977.

Ministerial experiences during his nine years of initial formation took Havron from the Bahama islands of Abaco to the

mountain villages of northern New Mexico.

In 1985, he joined the staff of the School of Evangelization at Duns Scotus College as assistant director and later as director. After the friars left Duns Scotus, he assumed the duties of pastor at St. Aloysius Church in downtown Detroit, serving there from 1992 to 1995.

He is currently coordinator of evangelization for the Archdiocese of Detroit. He also is responsible for ministering in the parishes.

For more information about the mission, call St. Raphael's at 313 425-5550.

He has been giving parish missions and retreats to laity and religious throughout North America for over ten years.

FILO X
Call (888) 222-4088
beyond BOO!



Rev. Daniel Havron

SOCIAL SECURITY

DISABILITY CLAIM DENIED?

Our Fee Paid After Case is Won
FREE CONSULTATION

4 CONVENIENT LOCATIONS

1-800-331-3530

BIESKE & JOHNSON, ATTORNEYS

Spicer Orchard CIDER MILL
• Macintosh, Red & Golden Delicious Apples
WEEK ENDS: Hayrides • Pony Rides • Petting Farm • Gyroscopes • Rides • Craft Shop • Farm Market • Doughnut Shop • Hayfort
9-7 pm Daily
(810) 632-7692 • Marie
North of Brighton, ON US-23, Clyde Road Exit.

Park-U-Pick Raspberry Farm
Acres of Red Raspberries
\$2.00 per quart u-pick.
Containers Furnished
One mile west of Pontiac Trail
1000 feet S. of 7 Mile Rd. at
8779 Dixboro Rd.
Phone (248) 437-1631
for farm information

MUELLER'S ORCHARD
1-810-738-7676
Music Fest
9 a.m. - 6 p.m. • Sat., Sept. 20
Classic Car Showcase
Sat., Sept. 27 rain date: Sun., Sept. 28
11:00 - 5 p.m. Show Cars

It's Cider Time.

The Fall season is here, and in Michigan that means "It's Cider Time"! So take a moment to relax and enjoy the harvest.

For information about advertising in this directory please call:
June 313-953-2099
Rich 313-953-2063

King's Court Castle Restaurant
Located in historic Olde World Canterbury Village

Located just 3 miles off I-75, Exit #83, North, Joslyn Rd.

EVERY SUNDAY!
ALL YOU CAN EAT! BRUNCH
11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

King's Court Castle Brunch features over 40 delicious items including made to order omelettes and carving station.

EVERY FRIDAY! ALL YOU CAN EAT!
FISH & CHIPS \$9.95 per person
11 AM TO 8:00 PM
Call: 248-391-5780

Adult Price \$14.95
Children 12 & under \$7.95
Children 5 & under FREE!

Children's '97 Directory

Children have many special needs... and because parents don't always have a lot of time, the Observer & Eccentric has created this unique directory to make life just a little easier. For more information about advertising Call June at: 313-953-2099

Activities

Haverhill Farms
English Riding Lessons
(248) 887-5645
Also: Pony Parties & Petting Zoo
Horses Bought & Sold

Day Care

Waldorf Kinder House
Ages 3-6
Half Day or Full Day
Call Now For Fall Enrollment
(248) 557-7761
27800 Southfield Rd. • Between 11 Mile & 12 Mile

MY PLACE
just for kids
Bring this ad in for 1 hr. free!
"Where Kids Can Have Fun!"
Quality hourly drop-in child care
Mon-Thurs 8am-10pm
Fri-Sat 1am-10pm
Sunday-Noon-8pm

2 months to 12 Years of Age
7305 Orchard Lake Rd.
N of 14 Mile 248-737-5437
3610 W. Maple Rd.
248-540-5702
2 hr. minimum stay. Limit one session per family per visit.
Expires 10/1/97

Educational

NORTH STAR ACADEMY
Grades K-12 • For Students With:
• Learning Disabilities • Attention Deficit Disorders
• 8 Students Per Classroom
248-557-8393
17050 Dorset • Southfield

The GRAND COURT

3 LOCAL RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES
Where you don't have to move miles away from the things you love...

Spacious Apartments
House Keeping
Laundry Service

Fun Filled Activities
Scheduled Transportation
Delicious Meals

THE GRAND COURT NOVI
45182 WEST ROAD
NOVI, MI 48377
(248) 669-5330

THE GRAND COURT FARMINGTON HILLS
36550 GRAND RIVER
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48335
(248) 476-7478

THE GRAND COURT WESTLAND
Formerly Abington Manor
37501 JOY ROAD
WESTLAND, MI 48185
(313) 451-1155

☐ Yes! Please send me more information on The Grand Court ☐ Novi ☐ Farmington Hills ☐ Westland

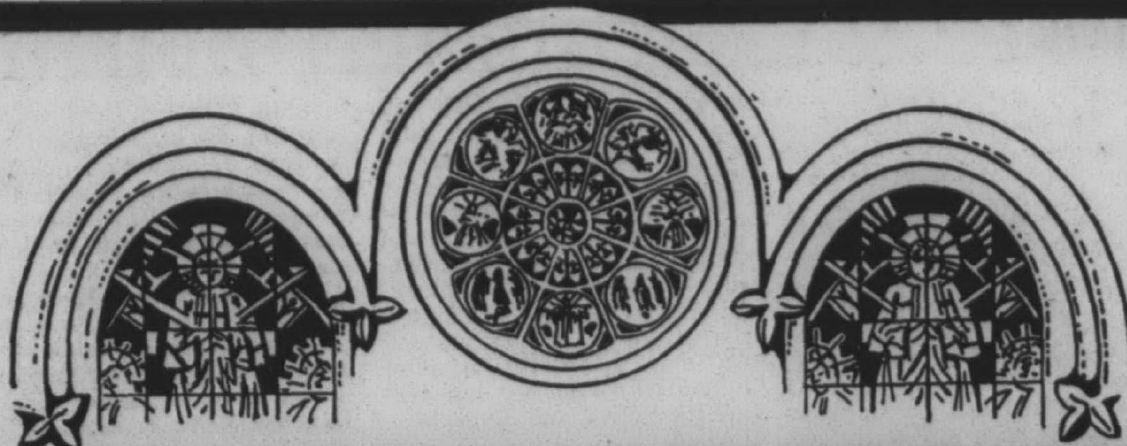
Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State/Zip _____

Phone _____



Your Invitation to Worship

Mail Copy To: OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS
36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150

FOR CHURCH PAGE COPY CHANGES PLEASE CALL FRIDAY. FOR INFORMATION ON
ADVERTISING IN THIS DIRECTORY PLEASE CALL: MICHELLE ULFIG (313) 953-2160

BAPTIST

INDEPENDENT
BAPTIST BIBLE
FELLOWSHIP



Pastor & Mrs.
H.L. Petty

BETHEL BAPTIST TEMPLE

29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia
525-3664 or 261-9276

Sunday School 10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.
Wed. Family Hour 7:15 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 28th

11 a.m. "Religion In Confusion"
6 p.m. "God's Created Creatures"

"A Church That's Concerned About People"

YOUTH
AWANA
CLUBS

LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 28th

"God is Great Enough To Keep Me Secure"

LIVONIA

14175 Farmington Rd.
(N. of I-96)
Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. &
11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
(313) 522-6830



CANTON

46001 Warren Road
(West of Canton Center)
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:45 a.m.
(313) 414-7422

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

20805 Middlebelt (corner of 8 Mile & Middlebelt)
Farmington Hills, Mich.
WORSHIP SERVICES
Saturday Evening 6 p.m.
Sunday Morning 9:15 a.m.
Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30
Pastor John W. Meyer • 474-0675

Risen Christ Lutheran

46250 Ann Arbor Road
(1 Mile West of Sheldon)
Plymouth • 453-5252
Worship Service 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Family Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Hugh McMartin, Lay Minister

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN

Church & School 5885 Venoy
1 Bk. N. of Ford Rd., Westland 425-0260
Divine Worship 8 & 11:00 A.M.
Bible Class & SS 9:30 A.M.
Monday Evening Service 7:30 P.M.
Gary D. Headspott, Administrative Pastor
Kurt E. Lambert, Assistant Pastor
Jeff Burke, Principal/D.C.E.

CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
42690 Cherry Hill Road, Canton
981-0286 Roger Aumann, Pastor
Worship 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.
Bible Class & SS 9:20 A.M.
Preschool & Kindergarten

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

MISSOURI SYNOD
25630 GRAND RIVER at BEECH DAILY
522-2295 REDFORD TWP.
Worship Service
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.
Sunday School
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.
Nursery Provided
Rev. Victor F. Halboth, Pastor
Rev. Timothy Halboth, Assoc. Pastor

HOSANNA-TABOR

LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
9600 Levee • So. Redford • 937-2424
Rev. Lawrence Witto
WORSHIP WITH US
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m.
Thursday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Christian School: Pre-School-8th Grade
937-2233

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA



New Life Lutheran Church
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
(with children's message/nursery)
Youth & Adult Education 9 a.m.
Our Lady of Providence Chapel
16115 Beck Rd. (between 5 & 6 Mile Rds.)
Pastor Ken Roberts (ELCA)
313 / 459-8181

Timothy Lutheran Church
6820 Wayne Rd.
(Between Ann Arbor Trail & Joy Road)
Livonia • 427-2290
Rev. Caria Thompson Powell, Pastor
9:00 a.m. Adult & Children's
Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Family Worship



CHRISTADELPHIANS

CHRISTADELPHIANS

Sunday
Memorial Service 10:00 A.M.
Bible Class
Wednesdays 7:30 P.M.
36516 Parkdale, Livonia • 425-7610

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

OF PLYMOUTH
291 E. SPRING ST.
2 Blocks N. of Main - 2 Blocks E. of Mill
SUNDAY Bible School 10:00 A.M.
WEDNESDAY Bible Study - 7:30 P.M.
Worship 11:00 A.M. AND 6:00 P.M.
(Nursery Provided in A.M.)
Pastor Frank Howard • Ch. 453-0323

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

AGAPÉ FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER

"A PRACTICAL CHURCH ON THE MOVE"

New Location and Service Times
45081 Geddes Road, Canton, MI 48188 • (313) 394-0357

Sunday Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday - Family Night - 7:00 p.m.

Agapé Christian Academy - K through 12

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

Brightmoor Tabernacle

Assemblies of God • Calvin C. Ratz, pastor
26555 Franklin Rd., Southfield, MI (I-96 & Telegraph) • 352-6200
9:15 a.m. Family Sunday School Hour • Wednesday 7:00 p.m. "Family Night"
10:30 AM Pastor Doug Rhind
6:30 PM Pastor Calvin Ratz
Join us every Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. for an all-church prayer meeting
24-Hour Prayer Line 810-352-6205

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN



TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth
5 Miles W. of Sheldon Rd.
From M-14 take Gottfredson Rd. South
Dr. Wm. C. Moore - Pastor
8:00
Praise & Worship Service
9:30
Lifeline Contemporary Service
11:00
Traditional Service
SUNDAY SCHOOL (NURSERY PROVIDED)
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST SERVED
8:00 - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School for All Ages

CHURCHES OF THE NAZARENE

PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
4689 W. Ann Arbor Rd. • (313) 453-1825
Sun. BIBLE STUDY & WORSHIP - 9:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening - 6:00 P.M.
FAMILY NIGHT - Wed. 7:00 P.M.
Arthur C. Magnuson, Pastor
NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN: 455-3196

Evangelical Presbyterian Church

17000 Farmington Road
Livonia 422-1150
Dr. James N. McGuire, Pastor
Worship Services
Sunday School
8:00, 9:15, 10:45 A.M.
and 12:05 P.M.
Evening Service
7:00 P.M.
Shuttle Service from
Stevenson High School
for All A.M. Services Except 8:00 A.M.
Nursery Provided
Service Broadcast
11:00 A.M.
WUFL-AM 1030

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

NATIVITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
9435 Henry Road at West Chicago
Livonia 48150 • 421-5406
Rev. Donald Untch, Pastor
9:15 Adult Class
10:30 a.m. Worship
Service and Youth Classes
Nursery Care Available
-WELCOME-

PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)

ST. TIMOTHY CHURCH
16700 Newburg Road
Livonia • 454-8844
Sunday School for All Ages: 9:30 a.m.
Family Worship: 11:00 a.m.
September 28th
"Showers of Blessings"
Rev. Dr. Janet A. Noble
Rev. Dr. Janet Noble, Pastor
A Creative Christ Centered Congregation

GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)
5835 Sheldon Rd., Canton
(313) 459-0013
Sunday Worship & Church School
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Education For All Ages
Childcare Provided • Handicapped Accessible
Resources for Hearing and Sight Impaired

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church (USA)
9601 Hubbard at W. Chicago, Livonia, MI
(between Warren & Farmington Rds.)
(313) 422-0494
Worship Service &
Sunday School
10:30 a.m.
We Welcome You To A
Full Program Church
Rev. Ruth Billington, Associate Pastor
Visit our Website at www.geocities.com/rostdale

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Main & Church • (313) 453-6464
PLYMOUTH
Worship Services 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Church School & Nursery 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Dr. James Skrimis Tamara J. Sedel
Senior Minister Associate Minister
David J.W. Brown, Dir. of Youth Ministries
Accessible to All

REFORMED

Reformed - Adhering to the
Westminster Confession of Faith
Presbyterian Free Church
30025 Curtis Ave., Livonia 48154
off Middlebelt between Six and Seven Mile
Sunday Services - 11am and 7pm
Wednesday Bible Study - 7pm
Pastor - Kenneth Macleod - tel 313-421-0780

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

PLYMOUTH SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
& SUPERIOR ADVENTIST ACADEMY Grades 1-8
4295 Napier Road • Plymouth
WORSHIP SERVICES
SATURDAY: Sabbath School 9:15 a.m.
Divine Worship 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Pastor Jason N. Presl (313) 981-2217
School 459-8222

UNITED METHODIST

Clareville United Methodist
20300 Middlebelt Rd. • Livonia
474-3444
Rev. Jean Love
Worship Services 10:15 AM, 6:00 PM
Nursery Provided
Sunday School 9 AM
Office Hrs. 9-5

ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST
30900 Six Mile Rd. (Bk. 16 & Middlebelt)
Chuck Bonquist, Pastor
10:00 A.M. Worship & Church School
11:15 A.M. Adult Study Classes
Nursery Provided • 422-6038

"Where You Belong..."

Worship 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.
Church School 10:00 am
• Help In Daily Living
• Exciting Youth Programs
• Child-Care Provided
Pastors: Dr. Dean Klump, Rev. Tonya Arnesen
First United Methodist Church
of Plymouth
45201 N. Territorial Rd. (West of Sheldon Rd.)
(313) 453-5280

Catch the Spirit at
Aldersgate United Methodist Church
10000 Beech Daly, Redford
Between Plymouth and W. Chicago
Bob & Diana Goudie, Co-pastors
313-937-3170

3 Styles of Creative Worship
8:00 a.m.-Cozy, Traditional, Basic
9:30 a.m.-Contemporary, Family
11:00 a.m.-Traditional, Full Choir
Scripture Focus: James 5:13-18
Prayer: Last Resort?
Rev. Bob, preaching
Sunday School
11:00 a.m.-Children-Youth-Adults

Worship Together

NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

36500 Ann Arbor Trail
422-0149
Worship Services & Sunday School
9:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
September 28th
"Shooting The Rapids"
Judy Mayo, Minister of Christian
Education preaching
Rev. Thomas G. Badley Rev. Melanie Lee Carey
Rev. Edward C. Colby



BAPTIST

First Baptist Church
45000 N. Territorial
Plymouth, 48170

Same Location Same Friendly People

New Meeting Times:
Sunday School
9:30 am
Morning Worship
11:00 am
The end of your search for a
friendly church!

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD



Need More
Direction In
Life?

Then join us this
Sunday. There really
is a better way.
Discover it.

TRI-CITY CHRISTIAN CENTER
MICH. AVE & HANNAN RD/326-0330
SUN. 9:00 A, 11:00 A, 6:00 P

EVANGELICAL COVENANT

FAITH COVENANT CHURCH

14 Mile Road and Drake, Farmington Hills
(810) 661-9191

Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Child Care provided for all services
Sunday School for All Ages - 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Activities for All Ages - Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
Youth Groups - Adult Small Groups

CATHOLIC

ST. ANNE'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Society of St. Pius X
Traditional Latin Mass
23310 Joy Road • Redford, Michigan
5 Blocks E. of Telegraph • (313) 534-2121
Priest's Phone (810) 784-9511

Mass Schedule:
First Fri. 7:00 p.m.
First Sat. 9:30 a.m.
Sun. Masses 7:30 a.m. & 10 a.m.
Confessions Heard Prior to Each Mass

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
1160 Penniman Ave.
Plymouth • 453-0326
Rev. John J. Sullivan
Masses: Mon.-Fri. 9:00 A.M., Sat. 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 8:00, 10:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M.

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
48755 Warren Rd., Canton, Michigan 48187
451-0444
REV. RICHARD A. PERFETTO
Weekday Masses
Tuesday & Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday - 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

EPISCOPAL

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
16360 Hubbard Road
Livonia, Michigan 48154
421-8451

Mon.-Fri. 9:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
Wednesday 6:00 P.M. Dinner & Classes
Saturday 5:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
Sunday 7:45 & 10 A.M. Holy Eucharist
10:00 A.M. Christian Education for all ages
Sunday Morning - Nursery Care Available

The Rev. Robert Clapp, Rector
Every knee shall bow and every
tongue confess that Jesus Christ
is Lord. Phil. 2:11

EPISCOPAL CHURCH of the HOLY SPIRIT
8093 Newburg Road • Livonia • 591-0211
The Rev. Emery F. Gravelle, Vicar
The Rev. Margaret Haas, Assistant
Sunday Services:
8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
& Sunday School
A Barrier Free Facility for the Handicapped

LUTHERAN CHURCH WISCONSIN SYNOD

PEACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
9615 Merriman • Livonia
Sunday Service 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Monday Service 7:00 p.m.
Bible Study/Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
School Grades
Pre-School - 6
Church & School office: 423-6900

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
17810 Farmington Road • Livonia
(313) 261-1360
May thru October • Monday Night Service • 7:30 p.m.
Sunday Worship
8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Bible Study & Sunday
School 9:45 A.M.



Loia Park Ev. Lutheran Church
14750 Kinloch • Redford Twp.
532-8655
Pastor Gregory Gibbons
Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Class 9:45 a.m.
Now accepting applications for 1997-98 school year.
WLQV 1500 SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.

Listings for
dar should
ing no later
the next Th
can be mail
36251 Sc
48150, or
7279. For n
(313) 953-2

ALL-YOU-CAN
Newburg
Church will
eat lunch 11
Thursday, S
church, 3650
Livonia. Cos
salad, veget
dessert and
beverage). P
the church n
SINGLE POINT
Single Poi
Ward Presby
have Grey C
talk about "S

A C A S
for
and
Pu
Every
Bring in you
Club card
purchase. (L
945190

Show A
F
(bet
Info

in
F
Show A
F
(bet
Info

in
F
Show A
F
(bet
Info

in
F
Show A
F
(bet
Info

in
F
Show A
F
(bet
Info

in
F
Show A
F
(bet
Info

in
F
Show A
F
(bet
Info

RELIGION CALENDAR

Listings for the Religion Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT

Newburg United Methodist Church will have an all-you-can-eat lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Cost is \$3.50 for entree, salad, vegetable, beverage and dessert and \$3 for carry-out (no beverage). Proceeds will benefit the church mission.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will have Grey Counts of Clarkston talk about "Stars - How they

Tell the Story of Jesus" Talk It Over at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, in Knox Hall of the church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia.

The group also will meet for a bicycle ride from Haggerty Field on Edward Hines Drive to I-275 and Plymouth at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27.

For more information, call Single Point Ministries at (313) 422-1854. Ward Presbyterian Church is at 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia.

RUMMAGE SALE

Aldersgate United Methodist Church will have its annual fall rummage sale 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at the church, 10000 Beech Daly Road, Redford. There will be a white elephant table, kitchen equipment, small appliances, toys and books for sale in Wesley Hall.

Clothing of all sizes will be sold in the fellowship hall with special women's garments sold in the boutique. Proceeds will be used for the church and district missionary projects.

Newburg United Methodist Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 4, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. There will be tools, clothing, housewares, domestics, furniture, toys, small appliances, Christmas shop and boutique.

Trinity Church of the Brethren's Women's Fellowship will have their annual fall rummage and bake sale 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at the church, 27350 W. Chicago, at Inkster Road, Redford.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The radio series, "What is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Sundays of WQBH-AM 1400. The topic will be "Basic Christian Science feelings about the Bible, Christ Jesus, 'Science and Health' and Mary Baker Eddy" on Sept. 28.

"The Christian Science Sentinel-Radio Edition" also can be heard at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. The conversational program discusses current public topics as well as shares healing through prayer from people all over the world.

MUSIC WORKSHOP

Yohann Anderson, a composer and creator of the popular "Songs song book used by many churches and Emmaus groups, will present a "Let's Sing Shop - The Art of Relaxed Song Leading" 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Participants will learn how to increase the participation, singing and communication in their groups. Participants will

experience a unique relational learning style that's fun for all ages.

The cost is \$15 (bring a bag lunch) and is designed for youth leaders, Emmaus musicians, children's ministries coordinators, choir directors and anyone who leads music. For more information or to register, call JoAnn at Songs and Creations at (800) 227-2188.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Men Who Make a Difference, a small group of Christian men dedicated to the biblical principles of building a "Godly Man," meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The group is open to men of all denominations who wish to diligently seek the face of Jesus. For more information, call 9313-421-0472.

BIBLE STUDY

A Post Abortion Bible Study will be offered in October. The Bible study is designed to see women freed from the bondage of guilt and grief that follows an abortion. For more information, call Jackie at (248) 449-3208. All contacts are confidential and non-judgmental.

CONGREGATION BEIT KODESH

The Congregation Beit Kodesh Sisterhood will hold high holy day services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur at the synagogue, 31840 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Rabbi Craig Allen will officiate.

Rosh Hashanah services will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, and 8:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 3. Yom Kippur services will be the Kol Nidre at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10 and at 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11.

For tickets and more information, call Marty Diskin at (248) 474-7616 or Jeff Kirsch at (248) 471-7389.

TERRIFIC TRIO

St. Priscilla Parish in Livonia will have three presentations on outstanding women of the past and present, beginning with St. Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face - often called the Little Flower - on Wednesday, Oct. 1.

Therese Price will talk about the life of St. Therese who has been a strong spiritual influence in this century and who was recently named a doctor of the church at the World Youth Gathering in Paris.

Mary Rice will look at the life of Mother Teresa who adopted her name from St. Therese, the patron saint of missions, on Wednesday, Oct. 8, and St. Teresa of Avila, who came "humbly" to conversion after many years of being a member of the Carmelite Order, on Wednesday, Oct. 15.

The series will be presented at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. at the church, 19120 Purlingbrook, Livonia. For more information, call the church at (248) 476-4700.

MUSICAL DRAMA

The Youth Department of the Full Gospel Temple of Westland will present the musical drama, "Live the Difference," at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, at the church, 34033 Palmer Road. People who attend will be challenged and inspired by the free presentation. For more information, call (313) 326-3333.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Registered nurse Jeanne Hess will discuss "Physical Effects of Grief" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, as part of "New Beginnings," a grief support group held at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. There is no fee for the discussion. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-6038.

LAS VEGAS NIGHT

St. Edith's Church, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia, will sponsor a Las Vegas Night 7:30 p.m. to midnight Friday and Sat-

urday, Oct. 3-4. Admission will be \$1 and the maximum payout will be \$500. For more information, call the church at (313) 464-1222.

CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

The Detroit Charismatic Renewal will sponsor an Archdiocesan Inner-Healing Day 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 at St. Mary Magdalen Church school building, 19624 Wood St., Melvindale. For more information, call Melinda Schindler at (313) 455-5402 or the Catholic Charismatic Center at (810) 777-7780.

PROCESSION AND MASS

St. Anne Roman Catholic Church, 23310 Joy Road, Redford, will have a procession, beginning at 9:30 a.m., followed by the First Saturday Mass on Saturday, Oct. 4. Fifteen decades of the rosary will be recited during the procession in honor of the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary. Members of the Holy Name Society will carry the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Rev. Nicholas Gruner of the Fatima Foundation will join in the procession and the celebration of the Mass. Rev. Gruner's Fatima statue will be at St. Anne's for veneration through 5 p.m. For more information, call the church at (313) 937-9730.

GUEST SPEAKER

Wayne Niles, a missionary to Haiti, will discuss why he left a high paying job at the Gulf Oil Company to pursue a degree in agronomy and how he is using that knowledge to help the Haitian people raise farm animals for food and maintain windmills to increase the availability of water at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at Alpha Baptist Church, 28051 W. Chicago, Livonia. For more information, call the church office at (313) 421-6300.

All You Can Eat Fish & Shrimp
for \$4.99
and Double Punches Every Sunday

Bring in your Silver Star or Healthy Diner Club card and receive 2 punches with purchase. (Limit 1 purchase per customer)

50¢ off Grilled Dinner

Dinners served on a bed of rice and include your choice of two delicious side dishes and a golden breadstick.

Limit 1 coupon per person. Not valid with any other coupon, special or discount. Price and participation may vary. Expires 10/1/97

ARTHUR TREACHER'S
Saturated Grills

Calico

Come celebrate our banner year!
It's Marian H.S.'s 22nd annual
Calico Arts and Crafts Show
Over 150 fabulous exhibitors

Friday, October 3rd: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday, October 4th: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm
Show Admission: \$3 per person (\$1 off admission with this flyer!)
Free Parking Shuttle Service Available

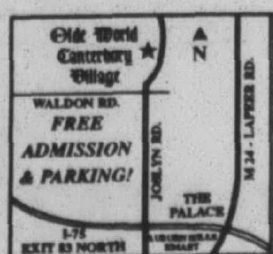
Marian High School, 7225 Lahser
(between 14 & 15 mile, east of Telegraph)
Info: (248) 644-1750 or (248) 644-4029

Olde World Canterbury Village
invites you to join us for
OKTOBERFEST

Saturday, October 4th &
Sunday, October 5th, 1997

Celebrate with great music
& authentic German foods!

Canterbury Village is located in historic Lake Orion off I-75, exit #83, North, on Joslyn Rd.



For more information, please call. (248) 391-5700.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Walter's TOSHIBA FACTORY
HOME APPLIANCES

UNAUTHORIZED SALE !!

**NO PHONE ORDERS
NO DEALERS PLEASE**

To all Walter's salespersons:
Walter's must sell \$250,000 of Toshiba products by Sept. 30th! Mark all Toshiba products below our normal sale prices!
Take all deals! No reasonable offer refused!

"Walter"

TOSHIBA 13" Color TV
25 key random access remote control, sleep timer
CF13G22
FREE DELIVERY ON ALL TOSHIBA TV'S 32" AND LARGER!

TOSHIBA 27" Stereo TV
Picture in picture, 36 key pre-programmed universal remote control, front surround sound, audio video monitor jacks
CF27G50

TOSHIBA 30" Stereo TV
30 key random access remote control, front surround sound, audio video monitor jacks
CF30F40

TOSHIBA Cinema Series 32" Stereo TV
2 tuner picture in picture, 37 key intelligent back lit universal remote control, front surround sound, sub bass system, audio video monitor jacks
CN32G90

TOSHIBA 61" Projection Stereo TV
2 tuner picture in picture, Dolby Pro Logic surround sound with 4-channel DSP complete with rear speakers, 68 watts total audio output, 52 key intelligent back lit universal remote control, audio video monitor jacks
TP61F90

TOSHIBA Cinema Series 36" Stereo TV
2 tuner picture in picture, 37 key intelligent back lit universal remote control, front surround sound, sub bass system, audio video monitor jacks
CN36G95

TOSHIBA 50" Projection Stereo TV
Picture in picture, 36 key pre-programmed universal remote control, sub bass system, audio video monitor jacks
TP50G50
FREE DELIVERY ON ALL TOSHIBA TV'S 32" AND LARGER!

**NO PHONE ORDERS
NO DEALERS PLEASE**

Save At All 4 Walter's Locations

Walter's HOME APPLIANCES

Brighton: 8180 West Grand River 1/4 Mile north of I-96 (810) 229-5000
Canton: 39915 Michigan Avenue 1/4 Mile east of I-275 (313) 728-9600
Dearborn: 21747 Michigan Avenue 1 Mile west of Southfield (313) 563-1900
Livonia: 34224 Plymouth 1/2 Mile west of Farmington Rd. (313) 427-7310

ALL STORES OPEN DAILY: 10AM - 8:30PM • BRIGHTON & LIVONIA STORES OPEN SUNDAY 12PM-5PM

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

WESTLAND CENTER

Westland Center will have an arts and crafts show during mall hours Oct. 2-5. There will be paintings, stained glass, metal sculpture, needle crafts, toys, floral designs, wood crafts and more. Westland Center is a Warren and Wayne roads, Westland.

SACRED HEART

Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic church will have a holiday craft show and bake sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 11, at the church, 29125 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, call (313) 522-3166.

ST. THEODORE

St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Women will hold their annual Busy Bee Boutique craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 11 at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Table rental is \$20. For information, call (313) 425-4421 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

GARDEN CITY AFOTC

Crafters are needed for the Garden City High School AFOTC craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 11 at the high school, 6500 Middlebelt Road, Garden City. For space information, call Jerry at (313) 427-2540.

MARSHALL ELEMENTARY

Space is available for Marshall Elementary School's 12th annual craft fair 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 11 at the school, 33901 Curtis Road, west of Farmington between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. Admission will be \$1. There will be a bake sale and lunch counter. For more information, call (248) 476-6234

or (248) 478-6421.

ST. RICHARD'S

St. Richard's Women's Guild will have its 25th annual craft fair 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Social Hall, 35637 Cherry Hill Road, Westland. There will be more than 300 crafters, refreshments and a bake sale. Admission will be \$1, which includes hourly door prizes. For more information, call Betty Shuck at (313) 722-9247.

ST. DUNSTAN

St. Dunstan Church will have its annual boutique 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 18, at 1616 Belton, Garden City. There will be more

than 100 craft tables, refreshments, bake sale and 50/50 raffle. Proceeds will be used for the Christmas Day dinner for people who eat alone.

ST. DAMIAN

St. Damian School will have a craft show 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 18, at the school, 29891 Joy Road, Westland. Tables are available. For more information, call (313) 981-2182.

FRIENDSHIP CENTER

Crafters are needed for the Senior Resources Department and Superior Arts sponsored arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 18 and 11 a.m. to 4

p.m. Oct. 19 at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh Road, Westland. For information, call the department at (313) 722-7632, Doris at (313) 326-0146 or Donna at (313) 453-5719.

ST. AIDAN'S

Crafters are needed for St. Aidan's Church's 14th annual craft show Oct. 18 at the church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Applications are available by calling (248) 477-8942 or (313) 427-1457.

FIRST UNITED-WAYNE

Table rentals are available for the First United Methodist Church of Wayne's fall bazaar Oct. 18. Cost is \$25 for one space, \$40 for two. For more information, call (313) 721-4801.

REDFORD SUBURBAN

Crafters are needed for the Redford Suburban League's annual Fall Festival of Fashion show, beginning at 10 a.m. Oct. 22, at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia. For an application or more information, call Peggy at (810) 477-8902 or Margaret at (313) 261-3737.

ST. ELIZABETH

St. Elizabeth Church will have its holiday bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25 at the church, 26431 W. Chicago, between Beech Daly and Inkster roads, Redford. There also will be a bake sale and luncheon. Tables are available for \$20 each. For more information, call Kathy at (313) 937-2880.

ST. JUDE CIRCLE

The St. Jude Circle of St. Robert Bellarmine Church will have a craft show Oct. 25 at the church, 271010 W. Chicago at Inkster Road, Redford. For more information, call Joann at (313) 937-0226 or Josie at (313) 522-2963.

ABUNDANT LIFE

The Abundant Life Church of God is accepting applications for table rental for its annual Angelic Boutique from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 25. For more information, call Elaine Chambers at (313) 595-0011 or (313) 595-8062, or Theresa Weaver at (313) 467-9046.

WILDWOOD ELEMENTARY

Crafters are needed for Wildwood Elementary School's annual arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25 at the school, 500 N. Wildwood, Westland. Admission will be \$1. There also will be a bake sale, raffles and lunch. For table information, call (313) 721-3454.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Crafters are still needed for the Livonia Churchill High School PTSA's sixth annual arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25 at the school, 8900 Newburgh Road, Livonia. For more, call Diane at (313) 422-4507 or Garret at (313) 464-7425.

ST. PAUL'S UNITED

Tables are available for St. Paul's United Church of Christ fall craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 25 at the church, 26550 Cherry Hill Road at John Daly. For information, call Pam at (313) 278-7270 until 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday or Judy at (810) 348-5887.

PLYMOUTH CANTON SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools cordially invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the purchase of waste receptacle liners. Specifications and Bid Forms can be obtained at the Purchasing Department, Board of Education Building, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, MI. Bids are due on or before 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, October 7, 1997. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the School District.

Board Of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
JACK F. FARROW, Secretary

Publish: September 25 and October 2, 1997

LT44080

CITY OF PLYMOUTH
CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR
GENERAL ELECTION,
NOVEMBER 4, 1997

Notice is hereby given that registration of Qualified Electors for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 1997, will be taken at the Office of the City Clerk during office hours as enumerated below:

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1997

DURING THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. UNTIL 4:30 P.M. at which time registration will close, and no further registrations will be received for said election. You may also register at any Secretary of State offices during their regular business hours. Qualifications of an elector for registration are as follows:

1. Citizen of the United States
2. At least 18 years of age
3. Resident of the State of Michigan for thirty (30) days
4. Resident of the City of Plymouth on or before thirty (30) days prior to the Election Day.

Qualified electors who are properly registered now with the City Clerk will not have to register or re-register. If you have a physical problem and cannot come into City Hall, please call and make other arrangements for registering to vote. The telephone number is 453-1234 X234 or 202. The offices are open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

September 18 and 25, 1997

LT44077

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, October 2, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI to consider:

- | | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Z-97-12 254 Irvin | Non-Use Variance Requested
Side Yard Setback
Zoned: R-1, Single Family Residential
Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. Peter Palazynski |
| Z-97-13 145 N. Union | Non-Use Variance Requested
Side Yard Setback
Zoned: B-3, General Business
Applicant: Edward L. Ochal |
| Z-97-14 302 W. Ann Arbor Rd. | Non-Use Variance Requested
Sign Area
Zoned: B-3, General Business
Applicant: Colony Car Wash |

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170, (313) 453-1234, Ext. 206
All interested persons are invited to attend.

Publish: September 25, 1997

LT44081

What has thirteen thousand legs, wears sneakers and can help you reduce your risk of heart disease and stroke?

If you said the American Heart Association's Metro Detroit

American Heart Walk, then you have the right answer. The

Heart Walk is a fun-filled day for the whole family at the Detroit Zoo. Not only will

you have fun walking with the animals and learning how to reduce your risk for heart

disease and stroke, but you can also make a difference. The funds raised during this

event help to support research and education programs in the Metropolitan Detroit Area.

So come join 6,500 walkers, the Detroit Lions' Robert Porcher, and Miss Michigan,

Kimberly Stec on Saturday, October 4, 1997. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the

walk begins at 9:30 a.m. Call (248) 557-9500, to find out how you can join the Heart

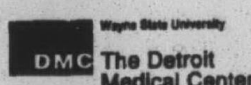
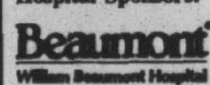
Walk or pick up a brochure at your local Rite Aid or Naturalizer Shoe Store.

The Heart Walk is sponsored by:

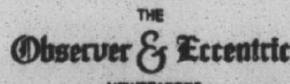
Major Sponsors:



Hospital Sponsors:



Media Sponsors:



DRIVE BIG.

PAY SMALL.

Stop dreaming. And start driving. We'll help you with lower monthly loan payments so you can drive the car or truck of your dreams. Whatever you need—home improvement, college

tuition, luxury vacation, new car, or debt consolidation—we can help. Come in or apply by phone today. And start living your dreams tomorrow. Call 1-800-OLD KENT.

OLD KENT

estland
119 New-
d. For infor-
rtment at
s at (313)
t (313) 453-

for St.
h annual
the church,
oad, Livo-
available
942 or

ilable for
hodist
ill bazaar
or one
or more
3) 721-4801.

for the Red-
ie's annual
ion show,
Oct. 22, at
7 School-
application
call Peggy
Margaret at

will have
a.m. to 4
urch,
etween
ter roads,
will be a
on. Tables
each. For
ll Kathy at

f St. Robert
will have a
the church.
t Inkster
ore infor-
(313) 937-
522-2963.

church of
ications for
annual Angel
a.m.-4 p.m.
ormation,
s at (313)
5-8062, or
(313) 467-

RY
for Wild-
hool's annu-
w 9 a.m. to
school, 500
nd. Admis-
e also will
s and lunch.
n, call (313)

ded for the
gh School
arts and
o 4 p.m.
8900 New-
For more,
2-4507 or
425.

for St.
n of Christ
a. to 4 p.m.
, 26550
John Daly
Pam at
1 p.m.
ay or Judy

THE 1998 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEES ARE IN!



(MUD, SAND, ROCKS, SNOW, AND
EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN.)

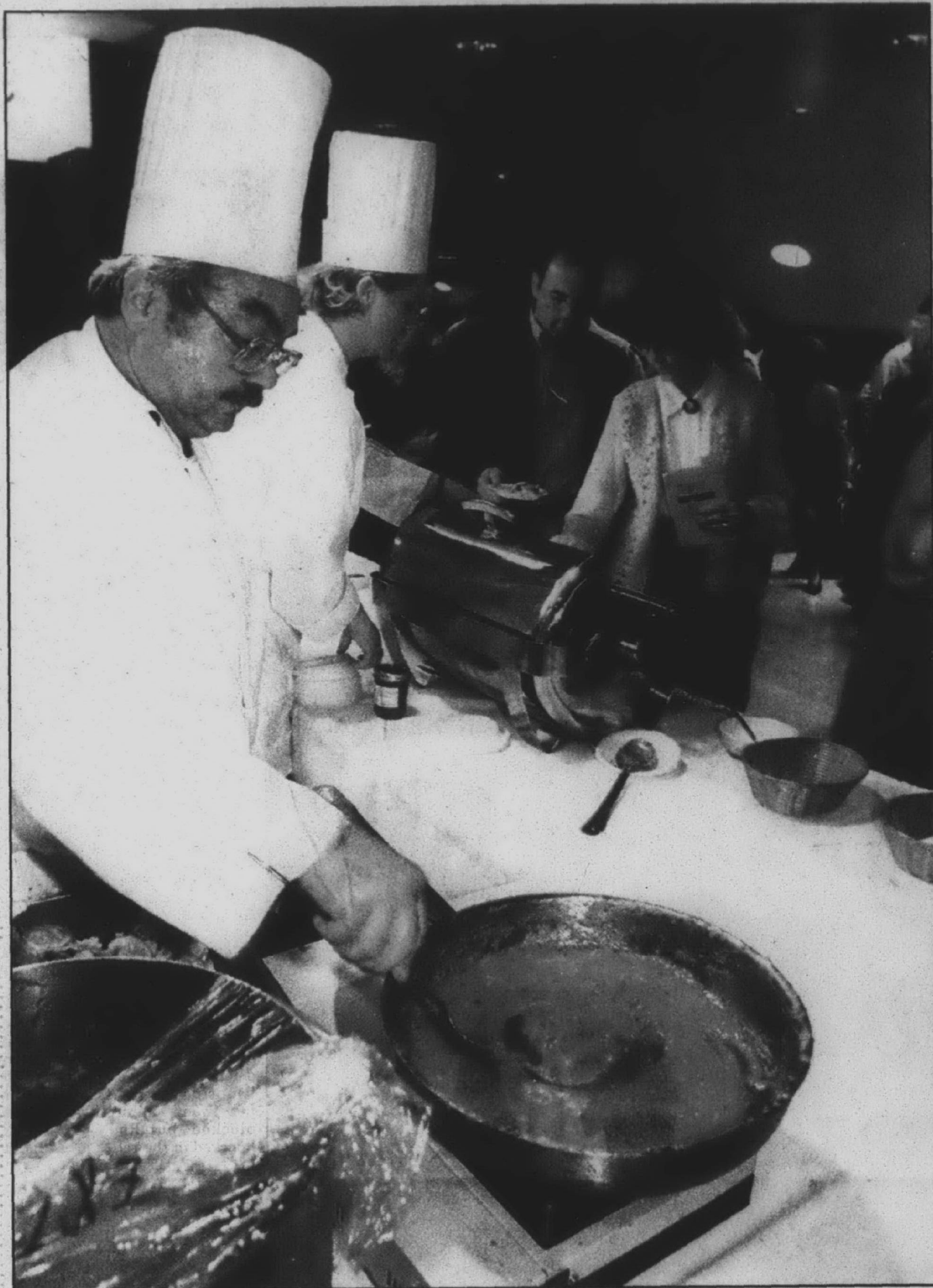
LEASE A NEW 1998
JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE
FOR JUST \$359 A MONTH* FOR 24 MONTHS.
\$1,733 DUE AT SIGNING.
PLUS TAX, TITLE, & LICENSE.



CHECK ONE OUT AT YOUR JEEP AND EAGLE DEALER.

*For qualified retail lessees. Based on MSRP example of Grand Cherokee Laredo 4-wheel drive with 26X pkg. Assumes \$1000 consumer lease cash and dealer participation of \$1,617 (which may affect final price). Pay for excess wear and mileage if vehicle returned. ACTUAL PRICES VARY. Fog lamps shown, extra. Dealer has details. Offer ends 10/6/97. Always use seat belts. Remember, a back seat is the safest place for children. Jeep is a registered trademark of Chrysler Corporation.

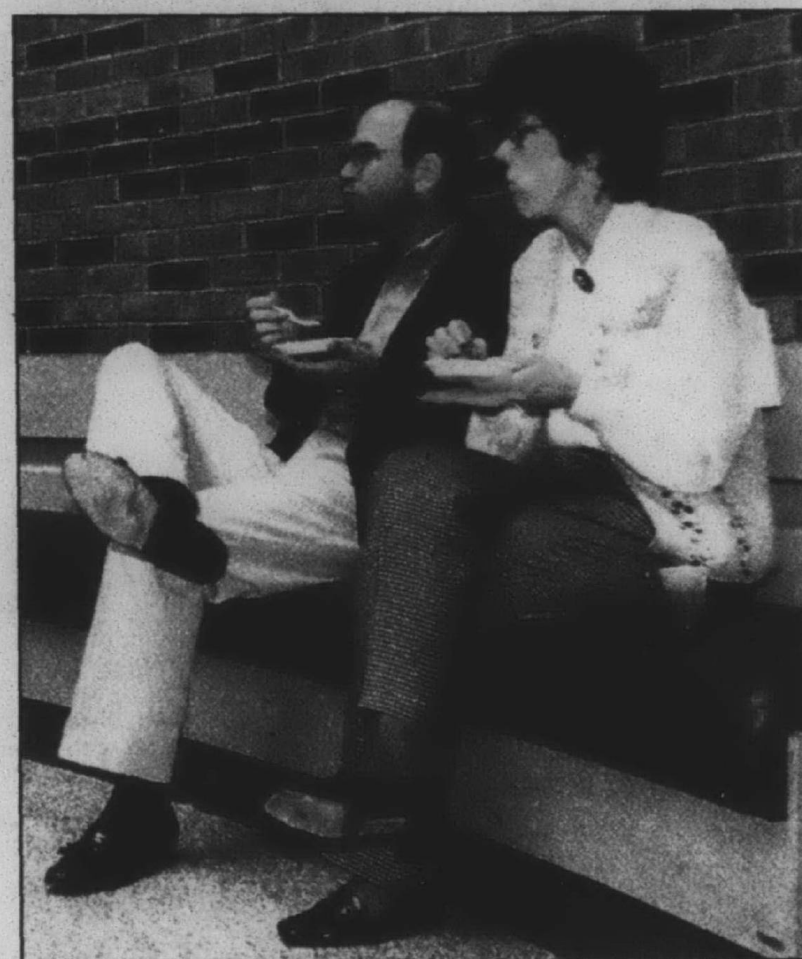
S'craft scholarship benefit is a tasty affair



Culinary creativity: Alfredo Nenciarini is a graduate of the Schoolcraft Culinary program. Here he is preparing the tomato fondue sauce that goes with the florentine ravioli served in the background.



Food fare: Jeff Bennett, top photo, left, and Brenda Kading use a railing as a convenient dining table. Jim and Sue Robinson, below, found an uncrowded spot to enjoy the sounds of the Vaughn Klugh Duo which provided music for the occasion.



PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFELD

Hundreds sample food, spirits provided by many area restaurants

The Schoolcraft College scholarship fund is more than \$138,000 richer this week thanks to a lot of hungry and generous guests at last Sunday's Sixth Annual Culinary Extravaganza.

More than 60 restaurants from southeastern Michigan were on hand to delight the taste buds of more than 800 patrons.

Restaurant fare ranged from crab cakes and wild game sausage to vegetable ravioli and seafood risotto. Dessert offerings included specialty cakes, cheesecakes, tortes, homemade chocolate creations.

In addition to the food samples, a silent auction for wine, a raffle drawing and mini seminars on food-related topics proved to be a big hit this year.

"It was a wonderful event," said Sandra Florek, dean of marketing and development at the college, adding "Schoolcraft College, said plans are underway for the seventh annual event for next fall."

Money raised enters Schoolcraft's scholarship fund. All culinary arts students receive a scholarship for helping with the event, Florek said.

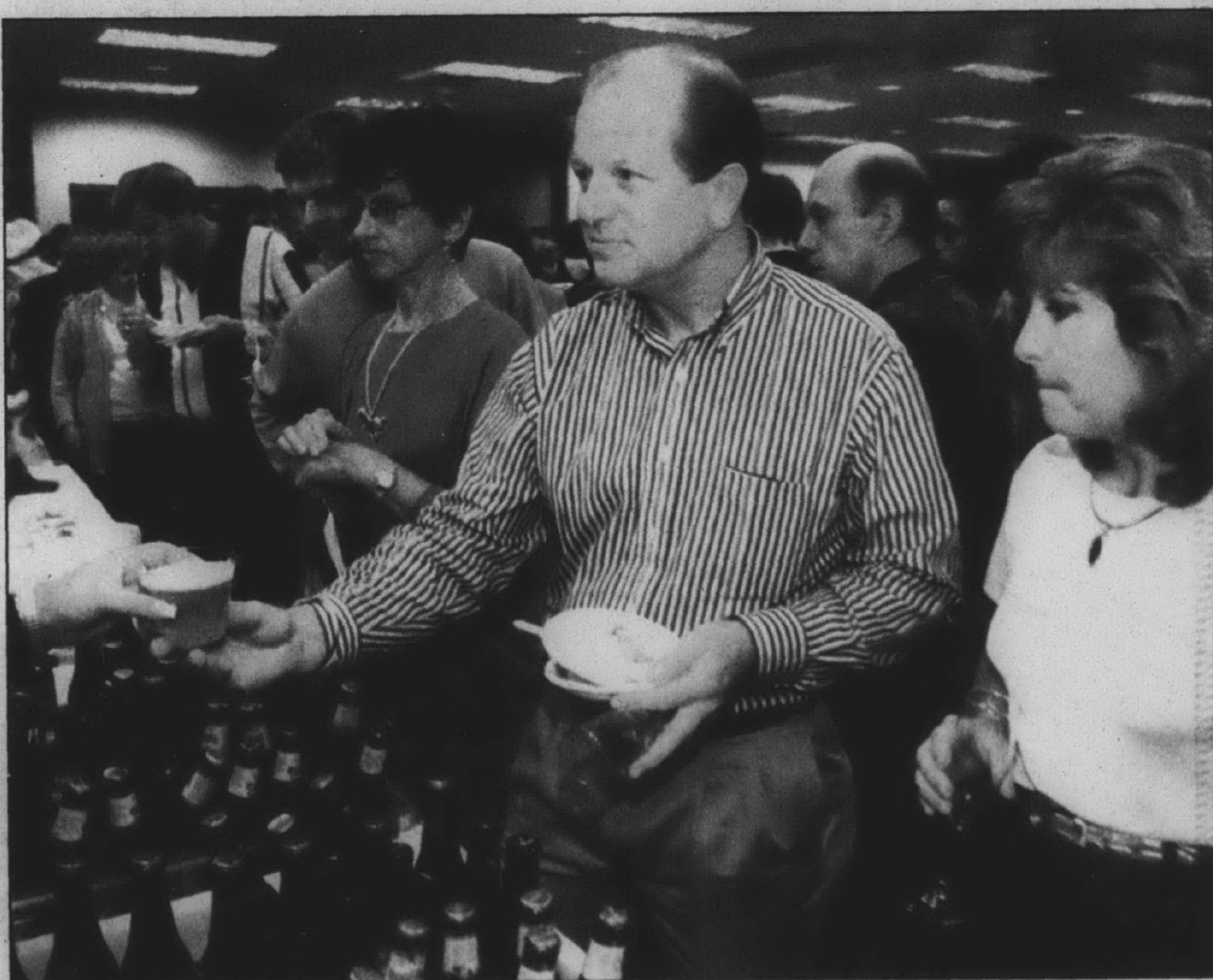
Honorary chair of this year's event was David Brandon, CEO of Valassis Inc., Co-chairs for the second consecutive year

■ The first-prize winner in the raffle, Richard Tod of Northville, received a framed jersey from the Detroit Red Wings, signed by team captain Steve Yzerman.

were Alberta Muzzin, owner of Dynamic People, Inc. and executive director of the South Lyon Chamber of Commerce and John Cleveland, owner of the Waterford Seafood Grill in Plymouth Township.

The first-prize winner in the raffle, Richard Tod of Northville, received a framed jersey from this year's Stanley Cup champions, the Detroit Red Wings, signed by team captain Steve Yzerman. Stuart Galbraith, of Livonia, won second prize, the lease of a Jaguar for two weeks from Jaguar of Plymouth. Third-prize winner Hazen Wilson, of Livonia, won a diamond and amethyst ring from Orin Jewelers. Rak Carpenter of Farmington Hills won a trip to Las Vegas for two, staying at the Imperial Palace, donated by Livonia Travel.

T. Deseavish of Redford won a weekend use of a Waterstreet condominium in Boyne City.



Tasting beer: John Darnbrook and Margaret Moore stand at the Central Distributing table where a variety of beers were available for sampling.

Observer Sports

The Observer

INSIDE:
Football, C2
Outdoors, C4

P/C Page 1, Section C

C.J. Risak, Editor 313-953-2108

on the web: <http://observer-eccentric.com>

Thursday, September 25, 1997

OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Good effort

Ryan Ostach, a junior wide receiver at Michigan Tech and a Plymouth Canton HS graduate, had a stellar day for the Huskies last Saturday, even if it was in a losing cause against Saginaw Valley State.

Ostach caught four passes for a career-best 100 yards, including a 66-yard touchdown catch — the longest reception of his collegiate career.

For the season, Ostach leads Tech with 12 catches for 211 yards and one TD. He currently ranks seventh in the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference in receiving.

Alas, his team is not doing so well. Last Saturday's 45-28 loss to SVSU dropped the Huskies to 0-3, both overall and in the MIFC.

Steelers: 2 out of 3

The Plymouth-Canton Steelers football club got victories from the freshmen and junior varsity teams last Saturday, but a comeback by the varsity fell short, preventing a Steeler sweep against the Farmington Rockets.

The freshmen remained unbeaten after three games with a 12-0 win over Farmington. Chris Rusin's 40-yard jaunt resulted in the Steelers' first touchdown; a 20-yard pass from Rusin to Brandon Hard scored the second. Steven Lehane, Dominique Washington and Deshon McClendon led the defense.

The junior varsity also improved to 3-0 with an 8-0 triumph. The game's only touchdown was scored by David Hoskins on a 20-yard pass from David Nicoloff. Tony Stott paced the defense with a safety; Dan Taylor, Mike Jones and Matthew Harman also had strong defensive games.

The Steeler varsity spotted Farmington a 16-0 lead in the first half, then bounced back to close to within 16-12 in the second. However, that's as close as it got, as the Rockets held on for a 16-12 win. Jeff Bennett led the Steelers in rushing and scored on TD; Ken Taylor scored the other on a 45-yard cutback run.

Schedule change

Plymouth Salem's girls basketball teams have announced a change in their game times for Saturday's contests against Adrian. The freshmen will play at 10 a.m., with the junior varsity following at noon and the varsity at 2 p.m.

The game times, originally scheduled for later Saturday, have been changed due to the Salem Homecoming dance scheduled for that evening.

Madonna sweep

The Fighting Crusaders of Madonna University continue to dominate the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference in their first season of competition.

Madonna has yet to lose a conference competition in their two current sports, volleyball and men's soccer. Last week, a pair of Crusaders were also honored as WHAC players of the week for both.

In soccer, Christian Emert — a senior midfielder from West Bloomfield (Walled Lake Central HS) — was selected for scoring three goals and assisting on another as Madonna beat league foes Siena Heights and Concordia, improving their record to 4-0 in the WHAC and 4-3 overall.

In volleyball, Karin Sisung — a junior outside hitter — was named player of the week after collecting 16 kills, four solo blocks, one block assist, 17 digs and three service aces in Madonna's wins over Tri-State University and Spring Arbor. The Crusaders, ranked 14th in the NAIA, improved to 12-4 overall and 2-0 in the WHAC.

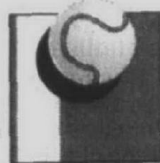
Dominating

Hope College continues to be the dominant force in men's soccer in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association. The Flying Dutch were 6-1 overall through last weekend, their only loss coming by a 1-0 count to Wabash.

In the MIAA, Hope is 2-0.

One of the top scorers for the Dutch is Lance Pellow, a junior midfielder from Plymouth Canton HS. Pellow has a goal and two assists, for five points. Through the weekend, he was tied for the MIAA lead in assists with two.

Gilles' net return takes her to the top



BY SCOTT DANIEL
STAFF WRITER

Chris Gilles could've led a very comfortable life as a computer programmer.

But the 1984 Plymouth Salem graduate decided instead to return to the thing she loves — tennis. After a six-year layoff, the former high school All-

It was six years ago that Chris Gilles figured it was time to move on and put the tennis racket she wielded so capably through college into her background. But times change; now Gilles is back doing what she loves best.

American, All-state and All-Big Ten player is back doing what she does best.

"Tennis is my passion," said Gilles, who recently took a job as a director of activities at country club in suburban Chicago. "To work in that is just great. Now when I come to work, I don't feel like I'm working."

After starring for the Rocks and the University of Wisconsin, She left tennis, got married and went to work. Instead of playing recreationally, Gilles gave the game up cold-turkey.

"It was my way of dealing with (not playing competitively)," she said. "Instead of watching my game deteriorate, I decided to quit."

It was quite a change for someone that grew up with a racket in her hands.

Gilles began playing tennis as an 8-year-old. Growing up near the courts at



On top: Chris Gilles, a Salem grad, is ranked No. 1 nationally.

Please see GILLES, C5

Salem rally ties Stevenson

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Before the kick of the first ball to start the soccer season, the first goal was sharply in focus for both Plymouth Salem and Livonia Stevenson.

Win that match between them.

Sure, there were other "big" games for both sides prior to this one. But none carried the repercussions.

Whoever won their match would win the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division crown, thereby earning a berth in the WLAA championship game.

And around here, a league championship is second only to a state championship. Considering the last three Class A state champs have all been WLAA residents, such expectations are natural.

Of course, it should be noted that the league champ doesn't always win the state title, too. So chins up, Stevenson — after Wednesday's 1-1 tie with Salem, the odds are against you to play for the WLAA crown, but the state tournament? That's a whole different ball game.

"Everyone knows what had to happen here," said Stevenson coach Walt Barrett afterwards. "A tie favors (Salem). Now we'll have to sit and watch and wait."

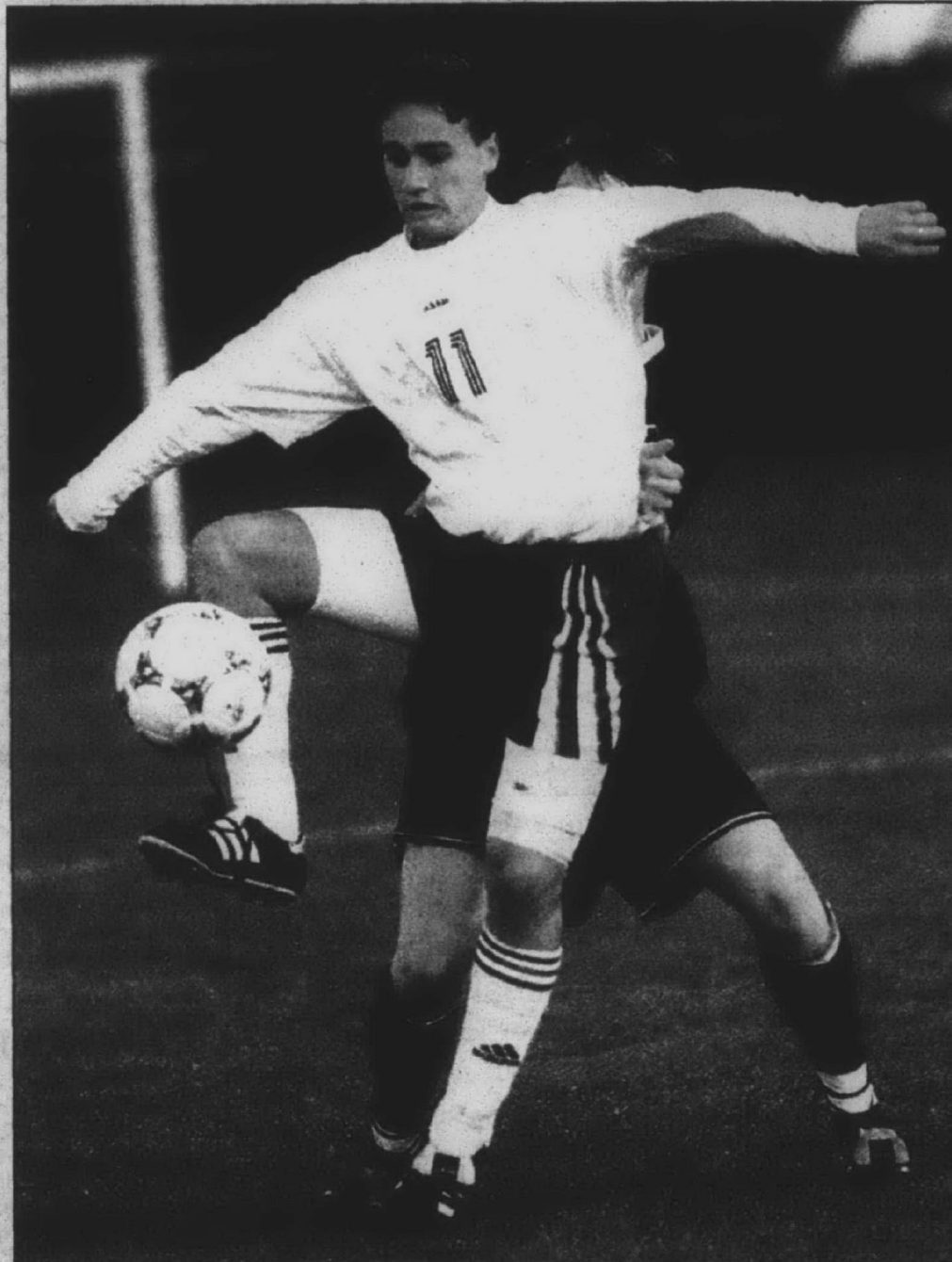
It's true. The team with the best record against Lakes Division foes plays for the WLAA title. Both should win their final divisional matches, which means they would be tied at 4-0-1.

The first tiebreaker is record within the WLAA, and that's where Salem has the advantage. At present, the Rocks have no losses and just the one tie; the Spartans have lost to Plymouth Canton and tied Livonia Churchill as well as Salem.

"A tie (against Stevenson) does us well," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy. "It puts us in the driver's seat, clearly."

But getting that tie took a tremendous comeback effort for Salem.

McCarthy, who had seen Stevenson surrender four goals in a loss to Canton two weeks ago, knew the Spartans would not surrender meekly, but



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Controlling: When Salem and Stevenson clash, maintaining control is never easy, although Salem's Tim Zdrodowski manages to do just that in front of a Stevenson defender.

their first-half tenacity surprised even him.

"Early on I was saying, 'Where'd these guys come from?'" the Salem coach said. "In the first 10 minutes, we were so flat. I was hoping we could

just get out of it and hold on."

But the Rocks couldn't. Before the match was eight minutes old, Sergio Mainella was sprung on a break behind Salem's defense. His shot was met, and stopped, by keeper Jeremy

Finlay. So was the rebound.

But Ryan Broderick reached the ball and pumped the third Stevenson try into the net, and with 32:34 left in the opening half the Spartans had a 1-0 lead.

The Rocks seemed stunned. For most of the first half, they were outplayed by the Spartans.

"They were ready," Barrett said of his team. "Everyone was focused. Our defense was tremendous and I thought our midfield, with (Naum) Popovski and Mainella, was exceptional."

The direction changed in the second half. Salem came out on fire, attacking at every opportunity. Free balls that had belonged almost uncontested to Stevenson in the opening half now went to the Rocks.

It seemed only a matter of time before such pressure would reap dividends, and it did. A Spartan defensive breakdown left the ball bouncing free in front of their net. Brent Mullin's attempt was blocked, but Rob Zdrodowski knocked in the rebound to knot it at 1-1 with 33:08 to play.

The better chances belonged to Salem in the second half, but the Rocks could not put another shot past Stevenson keeper Joe Suchara.

"Salem came out very tough in the second half," Barrett admitted. "But my boys played great, and with an effort like that you like to get a win."

Stevenson will have to settle for a tie, leaving it at 6-2-2 overall. Salem is 9-0-2.

Churchill 3, Northville 2: In a key WLAA Western Division game, Livonia Churchill struck quickly at Northville Wednesday, building a 3-0 lead then holding on for the victory.

The Chargers improved to 6-1-3 overall, 3-0 in the division. Northville is 1-1-1 in the division.

Rob Bartolletti did most of the damage for Churchill, scoring on a penalty kick 10 minutes into the match, setting up George Kithas for a second Chargers' goal, then drilling a 25-yard shot into the upper corner to make it 3-0 at the half.

Madonna edges SC

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

One could say everything is set up for Madonna University's men's soccer team to enjoy a highly successful first season in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Certainly that would be an accurate offensive assessment.

The Fighting Crusaders proved it in a non-WHAC game Monday, against city rival Schoolcraft College. Although the match was for nothing more than local bragging rights — in fact, although SC can (and will) include it in its won-loss record, Madonna will count it as a scrimmage — it was certainly emotionally charged.

And in the end, it was the Crusaders' ability to cash in on set plays that proved the difference in the 2-1 Madonna win at SC.

The Crusaders remain 4-0 in the WHAC, 4-3 overall. SC, with Saturday's 5-1 triumph over Orchard Lake St. Mary's, is 6-3-1.

Please see COLLEGE SOCCER, C5



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Collision: Schoolcraft's Matt Keller (in white) battles Madonna's Eric Stoecklein (middle) and Jason Roy (right) for possession.

Glenn slips by Canton

In a golf league like the Western Lakes Activities Association, it's unrealistic to think any school could win all 11 of its dual matches.

Plymouth Canton challenged that assumption by taking its first four matches to start the 1997 campaign. As they say, though, all good things must come to an end.

The Chiefs good thing came to an end Monday with a heartbreaking 215-215 loss to Westland John Glenn. The Rockets took the win on the sixth man tie-breaker.

"We're disappointed," coach Tom Alles said. "But we know it's a long season. I'm sure my guys can bounce back."

Canton played Farmington Hills Harrison yesterday and will face Walled Lake Western today at Bay Pointe Country Club.

The Chiefs fell to 4-1 in the WLAA with Monday's loss. West-

Please see GOLF, C5

Rocks tackle unbeaten Raiders

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

The hype began early in the week and is building toward kickoff at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

This week's Game of the Century has seven-time state champion Farmington Harrison playing at defending Class AA champion Walled Lake Western.

Both teams are coming off impressive victories in their Western Division openers last week and are 3-0 overall.

Harrison, the runner-up in Class A last year, is No. 1 in every Class A poll; Western is a consensus top-10 team in AA.

The Warriors did a number on the Hawks last year defensively, holding Harrison to a field goal in a 14-3 victory.

Based on results of the first three weeks, this year's game has the potential to be an offensive barnburner.

Western has only beaten Harrison twice — the other time being 1992. On each occasion, the Warriors have won the division and gone to the state finals in November.

In August, coach Chuck Apap said the Warriors would be bigger and better this year. The Hawks are bigger and look to be better, too.

It should be a heckuva game.

In the prediction contest, Dan O'Meara was 10-4 last week and improved his season record to 38-8. Brad Emons picked nine of 14 winners and is 34-12 overall.

It could be catch-up time for Emons since a lot of games this week can be considered toss-ups. Here's the story:

FRIDAY GAMES

(all times 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

Garden City at Lincoln Park, 7 p.m.: The Cougars (0-3, 0-1) will try to regroup following a 38-7 loss to Dearborn Fordson, but the Railsplitters will be an easy mark in this Mega-White contest. Lincoln Park (2-1, 2-0) has won two straight over Taylor Kennedy (14-0) and Taylor Truman (26-21) after dropping its first game to Livonia Franklin. **PICKS:** The Railsplitters lower the boom on the Cougars.

Thurston at Redford Union, 7 p.m.: Bragging rights in Redford Township are at stake in this Mega-Blue contest. The Eagles (2-1, 1-1) were stunned last week when Randall Jones appeared in the Woodhaven lineup and rushed for 309 yards and three touchdowns as the Warriors blanked Thurston, 32-0. That was a surprise to O'Meara and Emons, too, both of whom had the Eagles winning. Redford Union (0-3, 0-2) only played a half at Mega newcomer Ypsilanti because of bad weather, and the teams agreed to let Ypsi's 28-0 lead stand as the final score. **PICKS:** The Eagles are airborne once again.

Churchill at Franklin: Both teams have dropped two straight since winning their non-league openers. The Patriots (1-2, 0-1) suffered a lopsided loss to top-ranked (Class A) Farmington Harrison, 51-6. The

GRID PICKS

Chargers (1-2, 0-1) were in the game against Northville but lost a heartbreaker when Adam Tibble kicked a 36-yard field goal late in the fourth quarter, giving the Mustangs a 16-14 victory. The Patriots won big last year, 45-6, but this year's game should be a lot closer. **PICKS:** Emons sides with Churchill, but O'Meara favors Franklin.

John Glenn at Stevenson: The Rockets (3-0, 1-0) have only given up eight points in three games and haven't been scored on since the first week by Detroit Mackenzie. Furthermore, Glenn has senior quarterback Justin Berent back in the lineup. He was 12-of-20 passing for 139 yards and two touchdowns Friday in a 42-0 win over Farmington. The Spartans (1-2, 0-1) are coming off a 14-7 loss to North Farmington and face an uphill fight against the state-ranked Rockets. **PICKS:** Two votes for the senator from Ohio.

Canton at Northville: The Chiefs (0-3, 0-1) get a brief reprieve from their killer schedule this week. At last, Canton has a game it can win after playing three straight state-ranked teams. Walled Lake Western inflicted a 42-12 defeat in the second half of a suspended game Saturday, but now the Chiefs have a chance to prove themselves on a level playing field. Northville (1-2, 1-0) has momentum, even if it's only a little, on its side after a last-minute win over Churchill. **PICKS:** The Mustangs keep the Chiefs winless.

N. Farmington at Salem: The Raiders (3-0, 1-0) are enjoying their best start since 1988 when they won their first six games during a 7-2 season. A 95-yard touchdown drive in the second half Saturday gave North a 14-7 win over Livonia Stevenson. The Rocks (1-2, 0-1) pulled out a 21-14 victory at North last year when Jeff McKian recovered a loose ball, after a high punt snap, in the North end zone with 1:53 to play. The win was coach Tom Moshimer's 200th. Salem has beaten Northville but lost to Belleville and Walled Lake Central. **PICKS:** Apparently, the Raiders still need to do some convincing. Flip a coin; Salem wins.

Harrison at W.L. Western: If you like high school football, it doesn't get any better than this. The Hawks (3-0, 1-0) have outscored their opponents 127-49; the Warriors (3-0, 1-0) have won three games by a combined total of 141-43. Harrison has to contain Western's dual running threat of senior quarterback Frank Stanford and junior fullback Dave Johnson. The Hawks will counter with a balanced offense that features a big line led by Brian Lewis and Mike Fisher, a good passer in Jared Hopkins, hard-running tailback Chris Ghanam and deep receiving threat Ricky Bryant. **PICKS:** Both believe the Hawks will prevail.

Wayne at Southgate: One team will no longer be winless when this game is finished. Both are 0-1 in the Mega-Red and 0-3 overall. The Zebras have kept the score close the last two weeks against Fordson and Belleville. The Titans have played a tough schedule, too, losing to Allen Park, Belleville and Monroe, 107-28. Wayne has been outscored 64-24. **PICKS:** Wayne puts one in the win column.

Redford CC vs. Bishop Gallagher at Roseville Memo-

rial: Gallagher's introduction to the Catholic League's Central West won't be a very memorable event for the Lancers (2-1). It's their misfortune to draw the defending champions in their first division game, which makes us ask: What is Gallagher, from the far East Side, doing in the Central West? Gallagher beat Riverview Richard and Windsor Brennan in its first two games by a combined score of 84-0 but lost to Bishop Foley last week, 19-14. The Shamrocks (3-0) won last week's big game, 21-6 over Warren DeLaSalle. A long pass from Adam Tubaro to Joe Jonna set up the first CC touchdown, but the Shamrocks did it mostly with the running of Chris Dueweke and Josh Christensen. **PICKS:** CC deflects the Lancers.

St. Agatha vs. A.A. Gab. Richard at Ann Arbor Huron: St. Agatha (1-2) start Catholic League C-Section play against the Fighting Irish (0-3), who are struggling more than the Aggies. St. Agatha also lost a heartbreaker Saturday when Bishop Borgess kicked a late field goal and won 26-24. Richard has been shut out the last two weeks and has lost to Tekonsha, Petersburg-Summerfield and Ottawa Lake-Whiteford, 89-19. Jason Williams has rushed 48 times for 218 yards in three games. **PICKS:** The Aggies harvest a victory.

SATURDAY GAMES

(all times 1 p.m. unless noted)

W.L. Central at Farmington: The Falcons (1-2, 0-1) are back on more even ground after facing John Glenn and Walled Lake Western the last two weeks. But can Farmington keep from wearing down under Central's big offensive line? Can they stop Central's offense? The Vikings (2-1, 1-0) are coming off a 27-10 win over Plymouth Salem. Senior Joel Lewis will likely get the call at quarterback for the Falcons, who lost junior starter Scott Kneller to a shoulder injury at Glenn. **PICKS:** The Vikings plunder and pillage. And, hey, they win the football game, too.

St. Alphonsus at Luth. Westland: The Warriors (1-2) rose from the winless ranks with a 33-6 romp over Hamtramck, proving once again the Observer experts are not always so expert in their predictions. There's a real chance they could reach .500 this week, because St. Alphonsus (1-2) hasn't been tearing up the competition, either. St. Al beat Mount Carmel, 34-12, but has lost to Shrine and Detroit Loyola. **PICKS:** Emons says the Lutheran Westland makes it two straight; O'Meara says the Arrows have the Warriors quivering.

Bishop Borgess vs. E. Catholic, 7 p.m. at Garden City Jr. High: The Spartans (2-1) hope to avoid a repeat of last year. They were 2-1 but started a five-game skid with a 24-6 loss to East Catholic (1-2). These teams have something in common — big wins over Ecorse. The Chargers have lost to Detroit Loyola and Whitmore Lake. **PICKS:** Both give the Spartans an edge.

Clarenceville at Harper Woods, 7:30 p.m.: The Trojans (1-2, 1-2) face their biggest challenge when they visit Metro Conference favorite Harper Woods (3-0, 3-0). The Pioneers have demolished Lutherans Westland, Northwest and East by a 114-6 total. After two close games that ended in defeat, Clarenceville took its first win last week by beating Cranbrook, 18-6. **PICKS:** The Pioneers continue to blaze a trail.

Chiefs humbled

Friday's thunderstorms wreaked havoc on Plymouth Canton's and Plymouth Salem's football teams as both started games Friday night and had to finish them Saturday.

But even a rain delay couldn't help the host Chiefs in their Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division battle against defending Class AA state champion Walled Lake Western.

Junior fullback Dave Johnson scored on runs of 38, 4 and 71 yards, junior running back Eric Sage scored on a 7-yard run, senior quarterback Frank Stanford threw a 2-point conversion pass to junior Nick Caizza and junior Luciano Gonzalez kicked an extra point — and that was just on Friday as Western stormed out to a 27-0 lead before the game was postponed with 6:24 left in the first half.

When play resumed Saturday night the Warriors picked up right where they left off, putting the finishing touches on a 42-12 victory.

Johnson took a handoff on Western's first offensive play Saturday and raced 65 yards to pay dirt, then rambled home for a two-point conversion as the Warriors went ahead 35-0.

Following a 65-yard TD run by Canton's Larry Bastian, Stanford hooked up with sophomore Chris Payton for a 65-yard TD strike and Gonzalez booted the extra point as Western led 42-6 by halftime.

"We didn't play any starters after halftime," said Western head coach Chuck Apap. "It was nice to get some of our non-starters some playing time."

Western finished with 484 yards of total offense, including 365 on the ground. Johnson rambled for 201 yards on eight carries. Stanford completed 3-of-5 passes for 119 yards.

Adam Armitage, Chad Stevenson, Dan Thompson, Dorian Kilgore, Lorenzo Parker and Ryan Oren led a strong defensive effort that limited Canton to just 155 yards of total offense.

The Chiefs slipped to 0-3.

FOOTBALL

Western, 3-0 and ranked No. 7 in the state in Class AA, will face its toughest test so far on Friday when the Warriors host top-ranked Class A Farmington Hills Harrison, also 3-0, in a key Western Division showdown.

Central 26, Salem 10: The Vikings also started Friday and finished Saturday in this methodical dismantling of visiting Plymouth Salem in the Lakes Division opener for both teams.

Senior runningback Jeff Mathison scored on runs of 17 and 4 yards as the Vikings jumped out to a 12-0 lead before the game was delayed with 1:35 remaining in the first half.

Facing fourth-and four from the nine, Salem resumed play on Saturday with a 26-yard field goal by Rob Zdrodowski.

The Viking defense responded minutes later when senior defensive back Craig Atkinson intercepted a Salem pass and returned it 38 yards for a touchdown.

Junior quarterback Cory Heitsch threw a 1-yard touchdown pass to junior Nathan Bruce to cap the scoring in the fourth quarter.

The Vikings finished with 322 yards in total offense including 278 rushing. Bruce paced the rushing game with 132 yards on 23 carries. Mathison went 58 yards on seven carries and senior fullback Cliff LaFond covered 61 yards on five carries.

Heitsch completed 4-of-9 passes for 44 yards.

Behind strong defensive efforts from senior tackle Don Lipinski and senior defensive end James Fowler, Central limited Salem to 171 yards offensively.

Central is now 2-1 overall and 1-0 in the Lakes Division. Salem fell to 1-2 overall, 0-1 in the Lakes.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Modified champions

Basic Ideas of Plymouth recently captured the Down Home Days men's modified softball tournament in Mason with a 6-0 record capped by an 11-8 victory over Boichot Concrete of Lansing.

Mark Hamilton (Livonia), John Longridge (Plymouth) and K.C. Kirkpatrick (Plymouth) combined on a triple play to end the game, the first in the tournament history.

In preliminary play, Basic

Ideas defeated Rick's Auto Body of Midland (7-0), the Bandits of Lansing (9-5) and Derrer Oil of Mancelona (23-16).

In the quarterfinals, Basic Ideas ousted Derrer Oil, 16-9, and reached the finals with a 13-8 win over the Midland Thunder.

Pitcher Brian Murphy (Plymouth) won all six games.

Top hitters included Longridge, .643; Hamilton, .529; Nate Schroeder (Plymouth), .444 with three doubles and a homer; Kirkpatrick, .421; Shawn Hopper (Canton), .412; Doug Kirk-

patrick (Plymouth), .389; Steve Karas (Bloomfield Hills), .333; and Dale Robinson (Livonia) and Joe Joe Van Dommelen, .250 each.

Baseball tryout

Tryouts for a 9-10 year-old travel tournament baseball team, for next year, are getting underway. The team will play in the Little Caesars league, approximately 45-50 games a year. For tryout information, call (313) 562-4667.

Punt, Pass, Kick

The annual Punt, Pass and Kick contest, sponsored locally by Canton Parks and Recreation Services, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Griffin Community Park.

There is no entry fee. The competition will be in four age divisions, for both boys and girls: 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15. The top finisher in each division advances to the next level of competition, and the top two in each division receive awards. There are no residency

requirements. However, a copy of the competitor's birth certificate is required.

Registration will begin at 9:15 a.m. Saturday at Griffin Park. For further information, call (313) 397-5110.

Chili Pepper Run

Here's something worth running for: the second annual Plymouth Chili Cook-Off, scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 12. In conjunction with the Cook-Off, there will be a 10-kilometer run and a 1-mile walk/run through the streets of downtown Plymouth.

Awards will be presented to male and female winners in seven age divisions. Also, each entrant will receive a long-sleeved shirt.

Cost is \$14 before Oct. 6, \$17 after. The 1-mile event starts at 8:30 a.m.; the 10K run begins at 9 a.m. Race day registration and race packet pick-up will be at the parking structure across from Kellogg Park.

The proceeds benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan. For more information, call (313) 455-0510.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 26

Garden City at Lincoln Park, 7 p.m.

Thurston at Redford Union, 7 p.m.

Churchill at Franklin, 7:30 p.m.

John Glenn at Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.

Canton at Northville, 7:30 p.m.

N. Farmington at Salem, 7:30 p.m.

Harrison at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.

Wayne at Southgate, 7:30 p.m.

Redford CC vs. Bishop Gallagher at Roseville Memorial, 7:30 p.m.

St. Agatha vs. A.A. Gab. Richard at Ann Arbor Huron, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27

W.L. Central at Farmington, 1 p.m.

St. Alphonsus at Luth. W'sld, 1 p.m.

Bishop Borgess vs. E. Catholic at Garden City Jr. High, 7 p.m.

Clarenceville at Harper Wds., 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 28

Hamtramck at Luth. W'sld, 6:30 p.m.

Bishop Borgess at Mercy, 7 p.m.

St. Alphonsus at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.

Wayne at Garden City, 7 p.m.

Kennedy at Redford Union, 7 p.m.

Belleville at Thurston, 7 p.m.

John Glenn at Churchill, 7 p.m.

N. Farmington at Franklin, 7 p.m.

Stevenson at Northville, 7 p.m.

Farmington at Canton, 7 p.m.

Salem at Harrison, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 26

Saline Christian at Agape, 5:30 p.m.

C'ville at Lutheran N'west, 6:30 p.m.

Divine Child at Ladywood, 7 p.m.

Huron Valley vs. S'field Christian at Marshall Jr. High, 7:30 p.m.

PCA at B.H. Roeper, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27

Adrian at Salem, 2 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Thursday, Sept. 25

Southgate at Wayne, 4 p.m.

Luth. North at C'ville, 4:30 p.m.

Luth. W'sld at Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 26

DeLaSalle at Redford CC, 4 p.m.

Taylor Truman at Garden City, 4 p.m.

Redford Union at Thurston, 4 p.m.

Saline Christian at Agape, 4:30 p.m.

Baptist Pk. at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

PCA at Oakland Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Troy Athens at Churchill, 7 p.m.

N. Farmington at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27

Farmington at W. Bloom., 12:30 p.m.

Canton at Troy, 1 p.m.

Salem at Brighton, 1 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Saturday, Sept. 27

EMU at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.

Madonna at Aquinas, 7 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Sunday, Sept. 21

Kellogg at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 27

Schoolcraft at DuPage (Ill.), noon.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Sept. 25

Schoolcraft at Henry Ford, 7 p.m.

Wayne State at Madonna, 7 p.m.

You have your reasons.

Whether it's for education, retirement or simply for the peace of mind that comes from knowing your money will be there when you need it.

Ask your employer or banker about saving with U.S. Savings Bonds.



BURTON'S

Plumbing & Heating
BATH and KITCHEN REMODELING

- Licensed Master Plumber
- Ceramic Tile Installed
- Quality Materials and Workmanship

FREE ESTIMATES
Visit Our Full Kitchen and Bath Showroom

(Same location since 1975)
34224 Michigan Avenue
Wayne, Michigan 48184

722-4170

Authentic team colors and logo!

GRIDIRON

Tailgate Barbeque

GRILL

\$89.99*

Price does not include shipping & handling

Show your team spirit with a Gridiron Tailgate Barbeque Grill! Great for tailgate parties and picnics!

Order your U of M or Michigan State

Gridiron Tailgate Barbeque Grill Now!

Manufactured and distributed by Gridiron Company

To order call (800)533-6787



INDOOR WEATHER FLASH

Call Now
6 Months No Interest No Payments for a special pre-season trade-in allowance on your old, inefficient gas furnace. Save an extra \$100 on Carrier, the most totally efficient gas furnace* you can buy.

*No payments and no interest for 6 months to qualified customers on the Carrier charge account. Annual APR is 17.99%. Minimum finance charge is 5%.

TRU-TEMP
HEATING COOLING

CANTON TWP. 1-800-955-TEMP
GARDEN CITY 427-6612

*Model SMVFP Limited time offer. See dealer for details.

Carrier
CUSTOM MADE INDOOR WEATHER

Sa

With th
honors, P
country to
finish at th
day at Sha

The 23-
four-rank
Rockford
followed by
3 Travers
scored 127
ranked se
which plac
"That's
we've been
Salem coac
Ian Sea
ninth (16
(16:43) and
All three e
went to the
Salem's
Cushman
Anderson

Ro

Clash of

Plymouth
went up ag
ranked Ne

weeks ago
day at CEP
with a 1-1

The resu
the Rocks,
unbeaten r

11-1 thras
Western, S
Troy, whic
Rochester

was at 7-1-
That me
Rocks have
the state's

The Col
day, gettin
converting
the match.

Salem 4th at Jackson; Canton's Moore sparkles

With three runners earning medalist honors, Plymouth Salem's boys cross country team raced to a fourth-place finish at the Jackson Invitational Saturday at Sharp Park.

The 23-team race featured the top four-ranked teams in the state. No. 1 Rockford finished first with 42 points, followed by No. 2 Lakeland (76) and No. 3 Traverse City Central (109). Salem scored 127, upsetting the state's fourth-ranked squad, Ann Arbor Pioneer, which placed fifth with 157.

"That's the first time in a long time we've been able to beat Pioneer," said Salem coach Geoff Baker.

Ian Searcy led the Rocks, placing ninth (16:24). Jon Little was 16th (16:43) and Nick Allen was 20th (16:49). All three earned medalist honors, which went to the top-30 finishers.

Salem's other scorers were Bobby Cushman, 34th (17:19), and Matt Anderson, 48th (17:37). Dave Rowe

CROSS COUNTRY

placed 67th (17:57) and Trevor Davis was 91st (18:16).

Salem's 'B' team ran at the 13-team Shamrock Invitational Saturday at Cass Benton, placing 10th while racing against varsity opponents.

Andy Briggs (18:19) and Theron Stinar (18:27) both got medalist honors for finishing in the top 40. Other Salem runners were Adam Barbara (18:37), Manvir Gill (19:04) and Mark Bolger (19:17).

Host Redford Catholic Central won the race, scoring 55 points. Salem's total was 233.

The Rocks run against Western Lakes Activities Association rival Farmington Thursday at Cass Benton, then travel to the Dearborn Crestwood Invitational Saturday at Dearborn's Ford Field

Canton boys

Shaun Moore's strong individual performance helped Plymouth Canton's boys cross country team finish fifth out of 13 teams at Saturday's Monroe Invitational at Sterling State Park.

Moore placed third overall in 16:51. The Chiefs finished tied with Trenton for fourth, each with 105 points, but the Trojans finished ahead of Canton by virtue of their sixth runner.

The Chiefs' other scorers were Brian Boyd, 14th (17:56); Jerry Reynolds, 16th (18:00); Joe Niemiec, 34th (18:47); and Taggart Anderson, 40th (18:58).

Canton runs a dual meet against Northville at 4 p.m. Thursday at Cass Benton.

Salem girls

Even without one of their best runners, Plymouth Salem's girls cross country team managed a respectable 11th-place finish at the 35-team Spartan Invi-

tational Saturday at Forest Akers Golf Course in East Lansing.

Traverse City Central won the team title. The Rocks scored 264 points.

Evelyn Rahhal placed 23rd in a field of 465 runners to earn medalist honors (which went to the top 30); her time was 20:07. The Rocks other scorers were Alyson Flohr, 32nd (20:25); Rachael Moraitis, 44th (20:35); Erin Kelly, 66th (21:02); and Erin Lang, 106th (21:45). Shae Potocki was 109th (21:55) and Becky Phelan took 112th (21:56).

Ellen Stemmer, a senior co-captain and one of Salem's top runners, is out for the next week or two with a leg injury first suffered during track season last spring.

The Rocks run a Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet against Farmington Thursday at Cass Benton, then travel to the Dearborn Crestwood Invitational at Dearborn's Ford Field Saturday.

Canton Girls Take Fourth

The Plymouth Canton girls cross country team finished fourth Saturday at the 11-team Monroe Jefferson Invitational.

Livonia Churchill (35) won the meet, followed by Saline's B Team (74), Belleville (112), and the Chiefs (127).

Churchill's Ashley Fillon crossed the finish line first in a time of 19:52.

The top Canton runner was Lori Schmidt, who took 16th in 22:25. She was followed by Sarah Rucinski, who took 17th in a time of 22:28. Darcy Crain took 19th in 22:30.

Other Chief runners included: 34. Erin O'Rourke (23:14); 35. Lark Haunert (23:18); 42. Tara Kubert (23:42); and 43. Debbie Kaczmarek (23:51).

"We did as well as we could," Canton coach George Przygodski said. "We were hoping for a better finish, but it just wasn't there for us."

Rocks tied up with Troy

Clash of the Titans.

Plymouth Salem's soccer team went up against a team that was ranked No. 1 in the state two weeks ago — Troy — last Saturday at CEP Field and came away with a 1-1 tie.

The result wasn't negative for the Rocks. They maintained an unbeaten record with Monday's 11-1 thrashing of Walled Lake Western, Salem was 9-0-1 while Troy, which suffered a loss to Rochester Adams two weeks ago, was at 7-1-2.

That means — yes — the Rocks have vaulted to the top of the state's rankings.

The Colts scored first Saturday, getting a penalty kick and converting it two minutes into the match. Salem tied it at 1-1 before halftime on a goal by Dan Wielechowski. Giuseppe Ianni got the assist.

That's the way it stayed. Jeremy Finlay was in goal for the Rocks.

At Western Monday, Wielechowski scored two more goals as Salem rolled to its ninth win of the season. Brett Konley, Andy Power and Ianni also got two goals apiece, with Konley and Ianni each picking up assists as well.

Other goals went to David Swatosh, Scott Duhl and Kris Huston. Brian Wozniak was in

SOCCER

goal for Salem.

Canton 9, John Glenn 1: Steve Epley netted three goals and Shawn Kearney and Scott Wright added two each in Plymouth Canton's lopsided victory Monday over visiting Westland John Glenn.

Kearney also had two assists. Justin Fishaw and Pete Andreoli scored goals as well.

Doug Koontz was in goal for the Chiefs, who improved to 8-1-1 overall. They are 1-0-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division.

Last Saturday, Canton made its trip to Walled Lake Western a successful one, returning with a 2-0 triumph. Johnny Demergis and Kirk McKee scored the goals, with Ryan Dyer and Jonathon Johnson picking up assists.

Ben Davis was in goal for the Chiefs.

Redford CC 1, U-D Jesuit 0: In what may have been the most important match for Redford Catholic Central this season, the Shamrocks slipped by host University of Detroit Jesuit.

CC's next "biggest game of the year" is Thursday when they play Warren DeLaSalle for second place in the Catholic League. The top two teams in each division qualify for the post-season.

The difference on Tuesday was a goal by forward Joe Digrolamo five minutes into the second half. The senior tallied his first goal of the season after receiving a pass from Shaun Kahanec.

"This was a much-needed win for us," CC coach Dana Orsucci said. "It's such a tight race in the league that this was a crucial game for us. We had our backs up against the wall and needed this to stay alive in the hunt. And we played a solid and very disciplined game."

Matt Kessler stopped eight shots to record his sixth shutout of the season. The Shamrocks collected 12 shots on net.

CC improved to 3-2 in the Catholic League and 6-3-3 overall. U-D dropped to 1-3-1 in the league and 5-3-2 overall.

On Saturday, CC defeated visiting Ann Arbor Huron 4-1.

Pat Griffin scored a pair of goals as the Shamrocks posted the non-league victory over visiting Ann Arbor Huron (3-3-2).

Casey Cook and Josh Brooks also tallied goals for the winners.

PCA rips Franklin Road

Plymouth Christian Academy allowed Southfield Franklin Road Christian to hang around Tuesday for a quarter-and-a-half before taking care of business.

Southfield had narrowed the PCA lead to 15-12 in the second quarter before the visiting Eagles woke up and scored the final 13 points of the half.

PCA never looked back and went on to record a 55-34 victory in non-league action.

PCA, which improved to 6-3 overall, took a commanding 45-20 lead into the fourth quarter.

Junior center Jenny Sutherland led the Eagles with 13 points and 10 rebounds. Junior forward Carrie McCoy added eight points and five assists, while freshman guard Laura Clark chipped in with eight points and seven steals.

Junior guard Sarah Whitney tallied 13 points for Franklin Road (2-4).

BASKETBALL

Agape 76, Highland Milford 31: Four players reached double figures Tuesday as Canton Agape Christian routed host West Highland Milford.

Junior forward Charla Sexton paced the Agape attack with 17 points and five rebounds. Junior center Kim Ther had a good all-around game with 16 points, seven steals, five assists and four rebounds.

Agape (5-2) also received 11 points and six rebounds from sophomore forward Allie Major. Freshman guard Margie Henry added 11 points and four steals.

The Wolverines put the game away early by jumping out to a 19-4 lead. They extended the advantage to 35-9 at halftime.

Chansta Wheeler collected 14

points for Milford (1-3).

Ladywood 55, Regina 45: Trailing 26-23 to Harper Woods Regina at halftime, Livonia Ladywood turned up the volume on its offense and exploded for 27 points in the third quarter.

"The third quarter was the difference," Ladywood coach Andrea Gorski said. "We outscored them 27-10."

Sheryl Wroblewski led Ladywood (4-3, 1-0) with 15 points and six rebounds. Melissa Harakas added 11 points and five steals while Carly Queen had 10 points and nine rebounds.

Gorski said her team played excellent defense.

"We forced them into 36 turnovers for the game," she commented.

Sarah Judd led Regina (2-4, 0-1) with 16 points.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PAY YOUR 1995 AND PRIOR YEARS WAYNE COUNTY TAXES NOW AND SAVE

Beginning October 1, 1997, a \$10.00 charge will be added to each legal description in accordance with the State Tax Law. Delinquent tax notices for the year 1995 are being mailed now to last owner of record. If you owe 1995 taxes and have not received a notice, please contact:

RAYMOND J. WOJTCWICZ
Wayne County Treasurer
International Center Building
400 Monroe, Suite 520
Detroit, MI 48226-2942

Office Hours: 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM,
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

Telephone: (313) 224-5990

Published September 18 and 25, 1997

BRING HOPE HOME FOSTER or ADOPT

Michigan Family Independence Agency 1(800)632-4180

HIGH PERFORMANCE SAVINGS!

WHITE SPOKES  \$20 14X6 15X724.00 15X825.00	CHROME MODS  \$35 14X6 15X736.00 15X837.00 16X755.00
CHROME DIRECTIONALS  \$35 14X6 15X740.00 15X842.00	PRIMAX TYPE 362  \$75 14X6
AMERICAN EAGLE 24  \$65 14X6 15X670.00 16X7100.00 Polished add \$10 each	AMERICAN EAGLE 58 (POLISHED)  \$110 15X10 16X7115.00 16X8120.00

PERFORMANCE RADIALS!

4 FOR \$140 ANY SIZE LISTED! P175/70R-13 P185/70R-14 P185/70R-13 P195/70R-14	4 FOR \$160 PERFORMANCE BLACKWALLS ANY SIZE LISTED! P185/60R-14 P195/60R-15 P195/60R-14 P205/60R-15
4 FOR \$200 RWL PERFORMANCE ANY SIZE LISTED! P205/70R-14 P225/70R-15 P215/70R-14 P205/65R-15	

TIRE & WHEEL PACKAGE SPECIALS!

4 FOR \$200  4) P235/75R-15 ALL SEASON RADIALS & 15X7 WHITE SPOKES	4 FOR \$340  4) P235/75R-15 TRAILFINDERS & 15X7 CHROME MODS
4 FOR \$410  4) 30X9.50R-15 COMANCHES & 15X8 CHROME DIRECTIONALS	4 FOR \$420  4) P185/70R-14 PERFORMANCE RADIALS & 14X6 PRIMAX 362's
4 FOR \$420  4) P185/60R-14 PERFORMANCE RADIALS & 14X6 AMERICAN EAGLE 24's	4 FOR \$570  4) 31X10.50R-15 TRAILFINDERS & 15X8 ALUMINUM MODS (MACHINED)

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY
YOUR PERSONAL CHECK WELCOME
HOURS: MON-FRI 8:00-6 SAT. 8:00-5

AMERICA'S LARGEST INDEPENDENT TIRE CO.
DISCOUNT TIRE CO. INC.
ASK ABOUT OUR "Free Replacement" CERTIFICATE
PROUDLY SERVING YOU WITH OVER 330 STORES NATIONWIDE!

Layaways Welcome

TAYLOR • 374-8888
22048 Eureka Rd. (1/2 mile west of I-75)
WATERFORD • 881-2280
4301 Highland Rd. (E. of Pontiac Lake Rd.)
TROY • 888-8061
3439 Rochester Rd. (North of 16 Mile Rd.)
BYERLING HEIGHTS • 939-9790
40825 Van Dyke Rd. (Corner of 18 Mile Rd.)
HOW • 347-1501
42990 Grand River Ave. (E. of Novi Rd.)

FARMINGTON HILLS • 737-7812
30720 W. 12 Mile Rd. (E. of Orchard Lake Rd.)
CLINTON TOWNSHIP • 760-1500
30533 Gratiot Ave. (Ber. 14 & 15 Mile Rd.)
NEW BALTIMORE • 945-0280
28366 23 Mile Rd. (Next to I-94)
CENTERLINE • 810-754-1850
26805 Van Dyke
LIVONIA • 815-4210
18975 Middlebelt (2 Blocks South of I-94)
PORT HURON • 430-24th Ave. • (810) 385-8640

CANTON • 981-8800
41550 FORD RD (2 BLOCKS West of I-275)
SOUTHGATE • 285-0220
13560 Eureka (Across from Southgate Shopping Center)
YPSILANTI • 482-8801
1021 E. Michigan
E. ANN ARBOR • 971-3400
3451 Washtenaw
W. ANN ARBOR • 789-2188
2270 W Stadium

FINANCING AVAILABLE ON APPROVED CREDIT
90 Days Same As Cash
PREFERS VISA

STATE OR LOCAL TAXES AND, WHERE REQUIRED OR CHARGED, STATE ENVIRONMENTAL OR DISPOSAL FEES ARE EXTRA.

Smallmouth bass biting big time on Lake St. Clair

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



BILL PARKER

I know, I know! Archery season starts in less than a week and I do feel compelled to fill this space with something about the prospects for the upcoming season. But I also feel a sense of responsibility to pass along a hot tip about the season's best smallmouth fishing, which is taking place right now on Lake St. Clair.

(More on bow season later.) Local guide Art Ferguson of Livonia phoned on Monday night to tell me how good the bass fishing is right now on the lake.

"The smallmouth are on fire," said

Ferguson, a native of Rochester. "They're feeding in wolf packs right now. They're feeding on shad, which is their typical fall pattern."

Monday Ferguson took a group out and they caught "close to 40 smallmouths with 15 weighing over three pounds."

"They're feeding up for the winter right now and they're a lot easier to catch than in the middle of the summer," said Ferguson. "They'll stay this way until first ice. If you can find where they're feeding you can have a blast."

Tournament trails

Ferguson has been having a blast lately on the bass fishing tournament trails. With the backing of some major sponsors including Jan's Sport Shop, Triton Boats, Mercury Outboards,

Hamilton Chevrolet and Berkley Fishing Line, Ferguson recently competed in the year's first BASSMASTER Eastern Invitational tournament on the St. Lawrence River in New York. Fishing among 330 competitors Ferguson placed a respectable 50th with a three-day total of 11 fish that weighed 22 pounds, 11 ounces. He earned \$1,400 for his success.

"Actually I was a little disappointed," admitted Ferguson, "I screwed up and lost a few fish each day that I should have landed. I know I can do better."

Ferguson's cousin, Kyle Green of Bloomfield Hills, is also an accomplished professional bass angler and finished tied for 55th in the BASSMASTER Eastern Invitational with 13 fish that weighed 21 pounds 14 ounces.

When he's not fishing in competition

Ferguson guides on Lake St. Clair. To arrange a trip or for more information on the current fishing conditions call Ferguson at (810) 997-7702 or send e-mail to artoffish@aol.com.

Up next for Ferguson is the Tri-State Classic on Houghton Lake, Oct. 1-4, then the Red Man Regional on Kentucky Lake, Kentucky, Oct. 6-11.

Livonia's David Reault and Rochester's Brian Bishop will also compete in the Red Man Regional, from which the top 10 will qualify for the prestigious Red Man All-American.

Archery season on tap

By the way, the outlook for the upcoming archery deer season is very promising.

The statewide herd remains at well over 1.7 million deer and the DNR

issued a record 456,000 antlerless permits. The antlerless permits are stand-alone licenses this year and valid for all deer seasons starting with the early archery hunt (Oct. 1) right through the special late firearms season (in selected areas of the state), which ends Jan. 4.

Bow season opens Wednesday statewide. Get out and enjoy the outdoors. If you're fortunate enough to fill a tag be sure to give me a call (248-901-2573) and report your success.

Good luck and be safe!

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.

OUTDOORS CALENDAR

CLASSES

HUNTER SAFETY

The Wayne County Sportsmen's Club in Romulus will offer three two-day Michigan DNR Hunter Education Classes. The dates for the classes are Oct. 11-12, and Nov. 1-2. Preregistration is required. Call (313) 532-0285 for more information.

BIRDS AND BRUNCH

Adults can learn to identify fall birds during this class, which begins at 10 a.m. Sunday at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center in Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 339-3497 for more information.

NATURE SAMPLER

Learn a little about nature during this class, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center. Call (248) 339-3497.

BIRDS OF PREY

This wildlife education program featuring 10 live predator birds will be presented at 1, 3 and 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, in the Waterman Center at Schoolcraft College. Call (313) 462-4422 for more information.

FLY TYING

Bueters Outdoors in Northville still has openings for its fall fly tying classes. Call (248) 349-3677 for more information.

TOURNAMENTS

OAKLAND BASS MASTERS

Oakland Bass Masters will hold its final tournament of the 1997 season on Sunday, Oct. 12, on Pontiac Lake. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

SEASONS/DATES

BEAR

The 1997 bear season runs through Oct. 26.

DEER

An experimental antlerless-only deer season runs through Sept. 30 in Deer Management Unit 214 in south central Menominee County by special permit only. The early archery season for whitetail deer begins Wednesday, Oct. 1, statewide.

DUCKS

Duck season runs Oct. 4-Dec. 2 in the North and Middle zones and Oct. 11-Dec. 9 in the South Zone.

ELK

Michigan's second elk season runs Dec. 9-16 in designated areas by special permit only.

GOOSE

Canada goose season runs Oct. 4-Oct. 19 in the North and Middle zones. The season runs Oct. 11-19 and Nov. 27-Dec. 7 in the South zone outside the five Goose management units. Check the 1997 Michigan Waterfowl Hunting Guide for dates of the season in the GMU's.

PHEASANT

Pheasant season runs Oct. 10-20 in Zone I and Oct. 20-Nov. 14 in Zones II and III. A special late hunt will once again be offered in southern Michigan Dec. 1-15.

Check the 1997-98 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for exact boundaries of the hunt area.

TROUT

Trout season ends Sept. 30 on designated trout lakes and designated trout streams. The season runs through Dec. 31 on extended season trout streams. Check the 1997 Michigan Fishing Guide for a list of designated streams.

WOODCOCK

Woodcock season runs Sept. 20-Nov. 3 statewide.

ARCHERY

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.

OUTDOOR CLUBS

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the apprecia-

tion of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

FISHING CLUBS

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call (313) 420-4481 for more 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 Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. The guest speaker for the Oct. 1 meeting will be Joe Zawislak, who will discuss surf fishing for salmon in Lake Huron. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 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, a non-tournament bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Dearborn Civic Center. Call (313) 676-2863 for more information.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours through Oct. 12 are: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays; 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesdays; on Mondays and Tuesdays the rifle and pistol range is open 3 p.m. to sunset and the sporting clays course is open noon to sunset.

The range is closed Thursdays and Fridays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield 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, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Wednesdays through Sundays. The range will close at 5 p.m. beginning Oct. 26. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursdays through Mondays (closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays). Oct. 19-Nov. 15 the range will be open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Nov. 16-Dec. 22 range hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

POINTE MOUILLEE

Pointe Mouillee State Game Area in Rockwood has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Starting Oct. 15 the range will be open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, except during waterfowl season when the range will close one hour before sunset on Wednesdays and Sundays. Pointe Mouillee State Game Area is located at 37205 Mouillee Road. Call (313) 379-3820 for more information.

A Haunting Experience beyond Boo!

SILO X

A HAUNTED ATTRACTION

Two new locations

M-59 AT C.J. BARRYMORE'S

Call toll-free

SILO X-CHANGE:

(888) 222-4088

www.hauntedamerica.com

Now Open!

7:30 p.m. Thursday thru Sunday
Tuesday-Friday Halloween Week
Tickets: \$12 at box office

VOTED #1

Get Your Home Ready for Winter

Fall Home Improvement

Save On Screen Repair & Replacement!

Insulated Glass

Rake Up the Savings!

Storm Doors

Are Your Windows Energy Efficient?

Don't replace your windows replace your glass!

Insulated Glass Buy 1 Get 50% off The Second Unit

Must present this coupon at time of purchase. Previous orders excluded. *Additional charges may apply on custom installations. Offer expires 11/30/97.

Free Installation On Storm Doors

Must present this coupon at time of purchase. Previous orders excluded. *Additional charges may apply on custom installations. Offer expires 11/30/97.

A complete selection of styles, colors, glass finishes and hardware accessories!

Henderson GLASS

Your Glass Store. And More!

Auburn Hills 248-377-4044 2100 Walnut Blvd. Between Opdyke & Perry	Canton 313-459-6440 6196 Canton Center Road North of Ford Road	Farmington 248-476-0730 31205 Grand River At Orchard Lake Road	Southfield 248-353-1500 24055 W. 10 Mile Road East of Telegraph	Waterford 248-666-1690 6215 Highland Road Across from Pontiac Airport
Berkley 248-543-4046 2109 N. Woodward Between 116 & 12 Mile	Detroit 313-535-3600 19541 Grand River East of Evergreen	Livonia 313-261-9050 31550 Plymouth Road 1 Block West of Merriman	Troy 248-528-0900 3903 Rochester Road South of Warfles	West Bloomfield 248-855-3400 5731 W. Maple Road West of Orchard Lake Road

CALL 1-800-622-6854 FOR ONE OF OUR 33 MICHIGAN LOCATIONS NEAR YOU!

air

ntlerless per-
ts are stand-
d valid for all
th the early
through the
n (in selected
nds Jan. 4.
Wednesday
joy the out-
ough to fill a
all (248-901-
ess.

re urged to
ons and com-
Send infor-
Birmingham,
ion to (810)
er evenings at

Sundays.
at 5 p.m.
Pontiac Lake
located at
(810) 666-
nation.

ION
n Area in
pistol and
ilities.
a.m. to 5
ugh Mon-
s and
9-Nov. 15
n 10 a.m. to
Dec. 22
0 a.m. to 5
gh Sunday.
ation Area
dley Rd.
or more

e Game
s rifle, pis-
ting faci-
10 a.m. to
rough Sun-
the range
o 6 p.m.
waterfowl
ge will close
on
days.
e Game
05
313) 379-
ation.

On
en
&
ment!

S

plete
on of
colors.
ishes
dware
ories!

Gilles from page C1

Central Middle School in Plymouth, it wasn't long before Chris and her sister, Wendy, got serious about the sport.

Brian Gilles, the girls' father, recalled one Christmas day when the youngsters weren't allowed to play.

"They were crying because they couldn't get to the courts," he said.

By the age of 10, Chris was playing in U.S. Tennis Association tournaments. She continued to compete in the amateur organization through college.

Gilles, of course, had great success as a prep player at Salem. She captured a state title at second singles her junior year. She was also named All-American.

Her outstanding play drew the attention of the University of Wisconsin. She wound up receiving a full-ride scholarship to become a Badger.

Wendy joined her at UW her sophomore year. The sisters actually battled for the top singles slot in Madison.

"Her and I were doing that our whole lives," said Chris. "It was really nice having her there with me."

She also had an excellent college career. Gilles made all-Big Ten in singles four times and doubles three times.

"We played all over the country," she said. "California, Texas, Arizona. It was a great experience."

The Plymouth product had numerous other awards at Wisconsin.

She won the Big Ten medal of honor for academics and athletics in 1988. In 1992, Gilles was named to the Big Ten's team of the decade. She also was named a "Badger Legend" in 1994.

Gilles graduated from Wisconsin in 1988. As much as she loved tennis, she said getting away from it was actually the best thing for her.

"I think I appreciate it a little more now," she said. "I was burnt out. I didn't think about all it gave me."

Gilles returned to the courts

two years ago. It took a bit of time to get her game back up to snuff.

"It was about a year," Chris said, "of playing tournaments and practicing."

The game changed in the few years she was gone.

At the highest levels, Gilles said tennis is all about power now. Power serves, short rallies and playing more aggressive is key, she said.

"I've changed my game to go with it," added Gilles, who doesn't seem to mind much. "I like the short points now."

Since her comeback she has been playing in USTA 25 and over national tournaments.

Earlier in the month, Gilles captured her third straight title at the National Clay Court Championships. She now carries the division's No. 1 national ranking.

It's good competition, Gilles said.

"I run into a lot of people from college I played against," she added.

Gilles won the indoor title in May. She'll be shooting for the USTA hard court championship in November in San Diego.

Amateur tournaments haven't been her only domain since returning to tennis.

Gilles, 31, has competed in Women's Tennis Association Tour "satellite" events, too. She's played in two tournaments, but lost in the first round each time.

"I just play in those when I can," she said.

The Salem grad can't help but wonder what she might have done professionally had she given it a shot out of college.

"I definitely think I would've had a world ranking," Gilles said.

For now and on into the future, she'll be content to work and play the game she has loved so much.

"I'll keep playing in the national tournaments," she said. "As long as I'm healthy."

Whalers open season with a home ice split



the Plymouth Whalers past Windsor 6-5 at Compuware Arena Sunday night.

Babenko and Mark Cadotte each scored twice to help the Whalers even their record at 1-1 on the season. Plymouth plays its first road game tomorrow at London and returns home Saturday to take on Ottawa at 7:30 p.m.

The Whalers wasted no time jumping on Windsor Sunday. Julian Smith scored just 22 seconds into the contest as J. P. Lucick and Eric Goody assisted.

Cadotte got his first goal at 12:15 of the period unassisted. Windsor scored seconds later to make it 2-1 after a period.

The game was tied at four by the end of the second. Cadotte scored on a penalty shot, the franchise's first-ever, and Babenko got his first goal with 7:55 gone by in the period.

The Colorado Avalanche draft choice scored again in the third period to put Plymouth up 5-4. Legwand's goal made it 6-4 at 15:29.

Windsor scored about two minutes later, but couldn't get another to tie the game.

London 6, Whalers 4: Plymouth opened the season at home Saturday with a loss to the London Knights.

The visitors broke a 4-4 in the third period with a pair of goals. Julian Smith scored a two goals while Legwand and Cadotte also tallied.

Whalers' notes: After two games, Cadotte and Smith lead the Whalers with four points each. Both have three goals.

Jesse Boulerice, Harold Druken and Eric Goody each have two assists to pace the squad.

According to the August issue of Red Line Report, Legwand, a center, and defenseman Kevin Holdridge are rated as early draft picks in the upcoming 1998 National Hockey League Draft next June.

Golf from C1

land takes over first place in the league with a 6-1 mark.

Conditions were not ideal for the early season showdown, which was held at Hill-top Golf Course in Plymouth Township.

"It was windy and cold," Alles said. "The course was still wet. It did play a shot longer than usual."

Justin Allen led the Chiefs and had the match's low score with a 39. Ben Tucker and Derek Lineberry each shot 43, Matt Heiss finished with 44, Brendan Wheeler 46 and Austin Meibers, 54.

Westland's top scorer was Kyle Gierada, who notched a 40. Brian Reed shot a 42, Chris Tompkins and James Daniel each shot 43, Ryan Shamrock, 47 and Jeff Sosnowski a 49.

College soccer from page C1

"We're doing real well," said Madonna coach Pete Alexander of his team's uncanny ability to find the net on corner kicks. "We've scored in every game since we've been back (from the season-opening trip to California) on a corner."

Against SC, the Crusaders scored once on a corner and another on a restart from the same area as a corner.

"Those are not goals we should allow," said a perturbed Van Dimitriou, SC's coach.

The game's first goal was on the restart, with 12 minutes left in the first half. The ball was sent to Eric Stocklein (from Plymouth Salem), a former stand-out at SC, and he angled it into the box in front of the Ocelots' goal, where Jerome Beeler headed it in for a 1-0 Madonna lead.

The joy — and the lead — were both short-lived, however.

It took SC a minute to tie the match at 1-1, as Matt Keller (Rochester Hills) took a pass from Ryan Konley (Salem) on a quick break and tucked it into the Madonna goal.

"That's something we talk about," said Madonna's Alexander of the Ocelots' quick response. "They say the two easiest times to score a goal are when you've just been scored on or when you've just given up a goal."

SC proved that right.

It remained tied until, with 31:34 left in the second half, the Crusaders' Ryan Mollen put his corner kick right to Andy Makins (Salem), who headed it in for the eventual game-winning goal.

The end result upset SC's Dimitriou, but not as much as seeing his team run out of gas after Madonna's second goal.

"The only real negative I saw was that our kids lost their aggressiveness," he said. "They let Madonna control the ball."

"We're still a pretty young

team. We're still shoring things up. And we've got to improve our marking in the back."

SC 5, St. Mary's 1: Last Saturday in Orchard Lake, the Ocelots used a dominating first half to subdue host St. Mary's College.

Scott Hulbert got the scoring started for SC, knocking in a pass from Paul Graves at the 10-minute mark. Eight minutes later, David York was hauled down in the box and a penalty kick was awarded. York converted, making it 2-0.

Garrett Maki (Plymouth Canton) made it 3-0 at the half, scoring at the 38-minute mark. Mike Longlois assisted.

Ayman Atwa (Westland/Livonia Franklin) bumped SC's lead to 4-0, scoring out of a scramble in front of the net 32 minutes into the second half. St. Mary's got on the board shortly after, Max Sulla scoring, before Atwa scored again on a deflection for the Ocelots with five minutes left.

Master Fashion Lunch 9-21
"Secrets Day" Week 10/13-19
Hobo Halloween For Kids 10/25-26

The Star Clippers
Fine Rail Dining,
Travel &
Entertainment on
a Real Moving Train.

On Pontiac Trail
Near Maple Rd.
(Just 7 Min. N. of
Twelve Oaks Mall)

Reservations Required
CALL 960-9440
AAA Approved

\$2.00 OFF
General Admission
with COUPON

American Stitches
EXPO
FASHION SEWING, QUILTING
& NEEDLE ARTS

OCTOBER 3-5, 1997
NOVI EXPO CENTER
NOVI, MICHIGAN U.S.A.

- Exciting Seminars
- Shopping!
- Free Fashion Shows
- Fashion Sewing Contests
- Hands-on Classes
- National Needle Arts Exhibits
- Featuring International Sewing & Needle Arts Experts

For Info: 1-800-594-0939

Olde World Canterbury Village
cordially invites you to attend our
1st Annual Teddy Bear Collector's Day
September 27 & 28, 1997
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We welcome artists Lynda Kunz & Mary Holstad from Ganz Cottage Collectibles. Come in and have your special bear personally signed by these artists.

Prizes & Giveaways & MORE!

Canterbury Village is located off I-75, Exit #83, Joslyn Road North. Just minutes from the Palace of Auburn Hills.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL: (248)391-5700

FURNITURE & APPLIANCE

SEARS OUTLET

20-60% OFF
original retail prices!

**washers
dryers
ranges
refrigerators
sofas
recliners
mattresses
and more!**

One-of-a-kind, out of carton, discontinued, floor samples, dented, scratched and reconditioned merchandise. Items pictured are just a few examples of the hundreds of great values. Merchandise shown is representation only. Actual merchandise varies by store.

SEARS WAREHOUSE OUTLET
12001 SEARS AVE.
LIVONIA
1 MILE WEST OF MIDDLEBELT
OFF PLYMOUTH RD.

PHONE: 422-5700
Now more ways to buy at Sears

PREVIOUSLY SELECTED MERCHANDISE NOT INCLUDED

NEW SHIPMENTS ARRIVING DAILY!

Open 7 Days
Mon. & Fri. 9:30 a.m. 9:00 p.m.
Tues, Wed, Thurs & Sat. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
Sunday 12:00 Noon to 5:00 p.m.

CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND CANTON AND PLYMOUTH

AROUND TOWN

HOLIDAY MARKET

Limited spaces are still available for crafters, for the 13th annual Mulberry Holiday Market at the Livonia Family YMCA. The Mulberry Holiday Market will be 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 1.

CRAFT FAIR

Delta Kappa Gamma Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Oct. 18, at West Middle School, Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. Featuring more than 80 juried crafters with proceeds supporting scholarships.

RADIO REUNION

WSDP, 88.1FM, will hold a 25th anniversary alumni reunion Saturday, Nov. 1, at Canton's Summit on the Park. Tickets for the evening are \$25 and must be bought by Friday, Oct. 3. Dinner and a special program are planned for the evening. Tickets can be ordered by sending \$25 to WSDP, 46181 Joy Road, Canton, 48187. The station may be reached at (313) 416-7732.

COFFEE HOUSE

Damascus Road Cafe Coffeehouse is opening for the season, Saturday, Oct. 4. Operating hours are from 8-11:30 p.m., the first Saturday of every month. There will be live entertainment and coffee house style beverages. The Coffeehouse is located at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 10101 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. For more information, please call (313) 459-9609.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will hold a rummage sale 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, Oct. 3 and 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 4. The church is at 21355 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, between Eight and Nine Mile roads. For more information, please call Molly Dailey at (248) 477-1621.

MADONNA UNIVERSITY

Madonna University in Livonia will be marking its 50th anniversary with a very special celebration. The Golden Days Gala Homecoming 1997 will be 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 in the Activities Center on campus. The event is open to the public free of charge. It will feature a talent showcase, celebrity bake-off, decades fashion show, alumni get-together, food stations and much more. A classic car show will be 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the parking lot. For more information, please call (313) 432-5741. Prospective students are invited to Madonna University's Open House from 1-4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 1 in the Lake 5 Lounge. It will include tours, an opportunity to meet with faculty and staff, information on financial aid and scholarships, and much more. Transfer students are encouraged to bring their transcripts. For more information, please call (313) 432-5339.

CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The friends of the Canton public library are planning Murder and Mayhem at the Library on Friday, Oct. 10. "A Fatal Combination" will be performed after hours in the library along with a sumptuous catered meal. Tickets will be available at the library's reception desk for \$25 per person or \$45 per couple. For more information, please call Marcia at (313) 397-0999 weekday mornings at the library.

OSTEOPOROSIS SCREENING
Oakwood Healthcare Systems is holding a Osteoporosis Screening 10 a.m.-

2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 11 at the Oakwood Healthcare Center-Canton, 7300 Canton Center Road, Canton. The cost is \$5 for Oakwood Health Advantage members and \$10 for non-members. For more information, please call 1-800-543-WELL. Osteoporosis screenings are sponsored by Oakwood Healthcare System's Community-Focused Health Promotion Network.

POLISH FOLK DANCE

The PRCA Syrena Polish Folk Dance Ensemble is currently enrolling children ages 4-16 who wish to learn Polish folk dance and perform. Classes are held on Wednesday evenings. For enrollment information, please call Darlene Radowick, director at (313) 565-9865.

LIVING TRUST SEMINAR

A Living Trust Seminar will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Road, Plymouth, 1-3 p.m., Friday, Oct. 17. The seminar is open to the public free of charge. How to avoid probate; how to reduce taxes to your heirs; the advantages of a living trust; a question and answer session will follow. The discussion will be presented by financial advisor Paul Leduc. For more information, please call (248) 540-8710.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

All new '98 Entertainment Books offering 50% savings are now available from the Plymouth Optimists. Now only one edition covering Greater Detroit Area. Over 100 Fine Dine Restaurants, over 700 total restaurants, 5,000 hotels plus condo rental services. Plus wide range of services, special events, sports, and travel. All proceeds go to Children Causes in southeastern Michigan. Home delivered by Bill Von Glahn at (313) 453-8253 or Ken Fisher at (313) 728-7619.

The 1998 Ultimate Entertainment Book, offering 50 percent discount coupons at hundreds of restaurants and discounts for many other services and events, is available from the Plymouth Symphony League by calling (313) 453-3016. You also can pick up your copy at the Plymouth Symphony Office, 819 Penniman Ave. in downtown Plymouth (313) 451-2112. The Ultimate Entertainment Book is \$40 with all proceeds used to support the Plymouth Symphony.

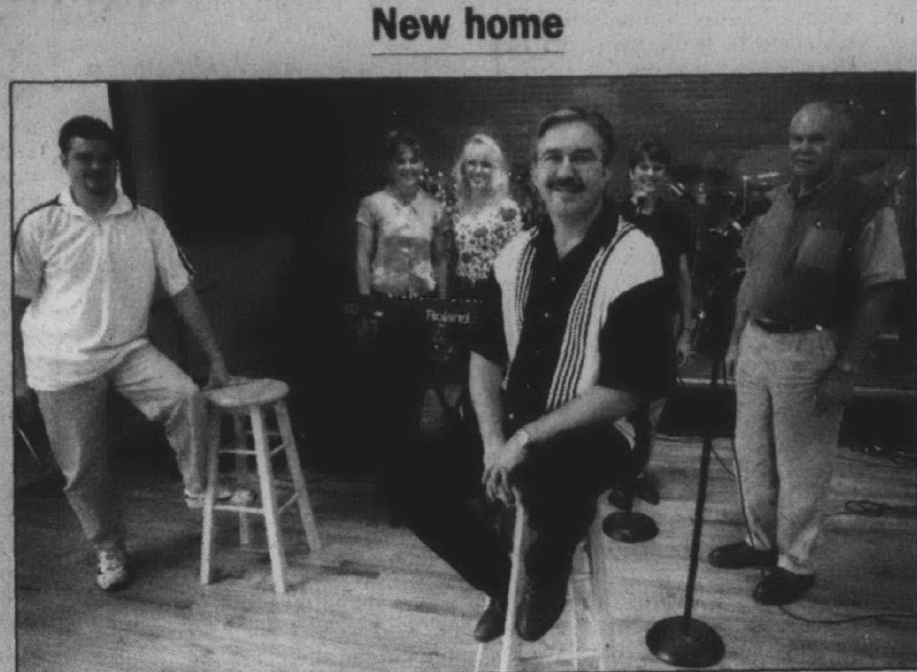
The Plymouth Business and Professional Women is raising funds by selling the Entertainment Ultimate book. Each book contains hundreds of two-for-one and 50% discounts on dining, travel, shopping, movies, special events, sports, and more. The books are just \$40, with a portion of the proceeds going to help fund scholarships for single head of the household, and family heads. To order, please contact Joanne Delaney at (313) 455-5171.

PLAY GROUP

Congregation Bet Chaverim, serving Jewish families in Western Wayne County, will host a play group for children under five years. Our first event of the fall will be Saturday, Oct. 25. For further information, please call the Congregation Bet Chaverim events hotline at (313) 480-8880.

BARN DANCE

The Salem Area Historical Society will hold its annual barn dance Saturday, Sept. 27 at the Moore-Moon Barn, 51825 Eight Mile Road in Salem Township. Doors will open 7:30 p.m. with square dancing 8-10



New home

Home sweet home: Leaders of the Canton Community Church have found a permanent home for their congregation at 41600 Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. They share the building with Michigan Theological Seminary. The leadership includes: Scott Peterson, student ministry; Kim Moore, creative arts director; Dianne Cassidy, worship leader; Eric Moore, pastor; Beverly Bubbs, office administrator; Gary Moore, small group director.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BREMER

p.m. This is a family event and square dancing instructions will be given. Admission is by contribution to the restoration fund for the Jarvis (Stone) School, which is located on the northwest corner of North Territorial Road and Curtis Road. Refreshments will also be on sale.

"MEET THE CANDIDATE NIGHT"

The VFW Post #6695 Auxiliary is sponsoring "Meet the Candidates Night" which is open to the public. Eight candidates for Plymouth City Commission will be invited to answer any questions from the public. "Meet the Candidate Night" will be at the VFW #6695 Hall, 1426 S. Mill St., Plymouth at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 30. For more information, please call Ann Smith at (313) 463-1529.

SALVATION ARMY

Women self-defense awareness courses are now being offered at the Plymouth Salvation Army at 9451 S. Main St. The five session, one-hour each course starts at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 7, in the gymnasium and will meet each Tuesday. The course is taught by senior Tae Kwon Do instructor Bob Stanczyk of the world Chang Moo Kwan Association of Plymouth. A certificate of completion will be presented at the end of the course. There is a small donation of \$20 to the Salvation Army for this course; teenage women through adult will benefit and all are welcome. For further information, contact the Plymouth Salvation Army at (313) 453-5464, ask for Martha.

Senior citizens of all ages, get your exercise and have a good time too, in the Senior Volleyball Program. The program meets 10-12 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. There is an

annual fee of \$10. For more information, please call the Salvation Army at (313) 453-5464 and ask for Martha.

The Salvation Army offers open gym time on from 1-4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. There is a \$1 per person fee. For more information, please call (313) 453-5464.

SOCCER

Wide World Sports Center is now accepting registration for its indoor soccer season. The season begins Oct. 20 and runs to Dec. 15. The registration deadline for all leagues is Oct. 14. Teams that register by Sept. 30 will receive a \$20 discount on team fees. Individual registrations are welcome. Instructional classes are also available for age levels. For more information, please call (313) 913-4625.

CIRCUS

Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a family trip to the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus, Saturday Oct. 4. Bus leaves Canton Township Administration Building parking lot at 10:30 a.m. and returns approximately 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$13 per person (includes reserved ticket and bus transportation). Children must be at least 2 years of age to go on trip. You may register at the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. (Non-residents registration begins on Monday, Sept. 29).

MEPPS

Michigan Emergency Pharmaceuticals Program provides qualified seniors with a month's supply of free prescription drugs that are available three times a year. Please call for an appointment 1-4 p.m. For more information, please call Frances Rudd, site manager at Plymouth

Township Hall clerk's office at (313) 455-7526.

PARK HAPPENINGS

In celebration of National Hunting and Fishing Day, Maybury state Park will host a "Family Fishing" program 1-3 p.m. Sept. 27. Join us at the Maybury Fishing Pond. A park interpreter will be on hand to demonstrate fishing techniques, equipment, and help in getting started. A limited amount of bait and equipment is available, however bring your own supplies if you have them. The Maybury Fishing Pond is located near the Maybury Riding Stable on Beck Road, one-quarter mile south of Eight Mile Road, Northville Township. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry.

Maybury Farm will hold its last Farm Stories program of the season in October. Join us for "Winter Stories" as the Farm prepares for the coming cold season. Meet in the Farm's Demonstration Building for stories, followed by a short activity. The program is at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 and is repeated at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5.

Maybury State Park will host a "Fall Color Hike" at 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 4. This guided hike will explore the fields and woodlots of Maybury in search of the leaves, wildflowers, and signs of the season. Meet at the park's concession building in the main parking lot. Maybury State Park is open daily 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Farm hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Most programs and events are free, however a state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry to the park. Additional information about programs or facilities may be obtained by calling the park office at (248) 349-8390.

EXHIBITS

ART SHOW

First Presbyterian Church of Northville is sponsoring "Sharing the Gift" 5th annual Juried Fine Art Exhibition. The 1997 entry forms are now available featuring Gail Mally-Mack, juror, and regional artists, Oct. 4-10 show at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. On-site jurying of multi-media works, including watercolor, oil, collage, sculpture, graphics, photography, clay and fiber. Cash awards from \$50-\$300. For more information, please call (810) 349-6474.

SUPPORT GROUPS

MIGRAINE

The Livonia Migraine support group will meet with the Ann Arbor support group 7-9 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 29. David Biondi, a board-certified neurologist specializing in headaches and pain, will discuss "The Coexistence of Migraine, Depression and Anxiety: Pure Coincidence or Common Biology?" For more information, call Nancy at (248) 486-1764 or Bonnie at (313) 662-4278.

NEW BEGINNINGS

The New Beginnings Grief Support Group meets every Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Church of Christ, 9301 Sheldon Road, just south of Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Anyone who is grieving a loss of a loved one is invited to attend. There is no charge. For additional information, please call (313) 453-7630.

DOWN SYNDROME

The Down Syndrome support group will meet from 7-9 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 25 at the Coffee Bean on Penniman in Plymouth. This evening we are hosting a speaker from Easter Seals Society. For more information, please call (313) 453-6745.

LIFE MINISTRIES

Have a problem? Want to talk? Call Life Care Ministries (313) 427-LIFE from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Confidential. No charge.

VOLUNTEER WORK

VOLUNTEERS

The Alzheimer's Association is seeking volunteers to provide companionship to people experiencing memory loss. Those who volunteer receive an excellent orientation that provides them with the information and skills to brighten the life of someone with Alzheimer's. To learn more or to volunteer, call Adam Sterling, 248-557-8277.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Are needed to transport area residents to meetings of the Western Wayne Parkinson's Disease Support Group. Meetings are 7-9 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Livonia Senior Center on Farmington Road, south of Five Mile Road. Parkinson's patients, caregivers and others are welcome to attend meetings which serve Plymouth, Canton, Westland, Livonia, Redford and Garden City. Interested volunteers may call 459-0216 or 421-4208.

CLUBS

MOTHER OF MULTIPLES

The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples club meets 7 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month. Call Barb at (313) 207-5224; Playgroup

meets every other Tuesday, call Sue at (313) 459-9324.

M.O.M.

Meet Other Mothers (M.O.M.) invites you to join us for guest speakers and discussion. We meet at 9:30 a.m., the second and fourth Friday of the month at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. Babysitting is provided. For more information, please call Kate at (313) 453-3675.

PROFESSIONAL SECRETARIES INT'L

Professional Secretaries International Office Professionals, monthly meeting of the Huron Valley Chapter will hold their meetings at the Sheraton Inn, Ann Arbor, this year. The next meeting will be held at 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2. An informational open house will be our topic this month with a chance to win a Microsoft Office Power Point software package. If you would like to attend the meeting, obtain more information about PSI or join the chapter, please call Marti Ruedger, CAM, at (313) 996-7519.

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets at the Livonia Senior Citizens' Activity Center, 15128 Farmington Road, (southeast corner of Five Mile and Farmington roads, behind the Golden Lantern Restaurant), Livonia. Meetings are scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month. All meetings are open to the public at no charge. A beginning genealogy class meets at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please call (313) 425-8832 or (313) 455-1122.

HOLY SMOKE MASTERS

TOASTMASTERS

Join the Oral Majority Toastmasters Club at 6:45 p.m. on Sunday nights, this September at the Friendly building, located at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. For more information, please call Marc Sullivan at (313) 455-1635.

WEST SUBURBAN STAMP CLUB

West Suburban Stamp Club holds its monthly meetings at 8 p.m., the first and third Friday of each month at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. On Oct. 17, club member Harry Winter will present a program titled "Currency Controls." What are currency control marks on covers? Come tonight and find out what this is all about. Along with this intellectually stimulating program we will have our regular mini-auction of 25 lots.

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L

Business Network International will hold its regular meeting, 7-8:30 a.m. Oct. 1, Laurel Park Chapter, Richards Restaurant, Plymouth Road and Newburgh. For more information, please call the BNI regional office at (313) 844-3432.

Business Network International will hold its regular meeting, 3 p.m. Oct. 2. Plymouth Chapter, Water Club Seafood Grill, Ann Arbor Road and I-275. For more information, please call the BNI regional office at (313) 844-3432.

Business Network International will hold its regular meeting, 7-8:30 a.m. Oct. 3, Livonia Chapter, Senate Koney Island, on Plymouth Road near Stark. For more information, please call the BNI regional office at (313) 844-3432.

CALENDAR FORM	
The Plymouth and Canton Observers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth and Canton Observers, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 313-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon. Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.	
Event:	
Date and Time:	
Location:	
Telephone:	
Additional Info.:	
Use additional sheet if necessary	

Kids Away From Home? Keep Connected By Phone!! FREE:

- **MOTOROLA PHONE!**
- **UNLIMITED LOCAL AIR TIME!**
(Peak/Off Peak up to 3 Months)

- **ACTIVATION!**

*Certain restrictions apply
Offer may expire without notice!!*

PAGETEC & AMERITECH have teamed up
to squeeze out these **GREAT DEALS**



**MOTOROLA
BRAVO FLX™**

16 Number With Time,
Beep & Vibrate

\$59⁰⁰
Plus Tax

ULTRA Express™

Expressly Unique. Expressly You.

\$69⁰⁰
Plus Tax



Special
Discounts for
AFL-CIO
and UAW
MEMBERS

**"NO CREDIT CHECK" PLAN
AVAILABLE WITH PHONES**

Starting As Low As **\$99⁰⁰**

PAGETEC

Michigan's Largest Ameritech Dealer...24 Metro Area Locations!
CALL 1-888-PAGETEC for a location near you!

ANN ARBOR
200 E. Washington at 4th
(313) 332-0000

GARDEN CITY
Coming Soon to
Warren & Inkster!!

SOUTHFIELD
26064 W. Twelve Mile
(810) 827-3000

CANTON
45200 Ford Road
(313) 455-5100

INKSTER
21525 Michigan
(313) 359-6400

WESTLAND
Corner of Ford & Wayne
(313) 641-8888

GARDEN CITY
31335 Ford Road
(313) 421-8000

INKSTER
1139 Middlebelt
(313) 595-7100

WESTLAND
Corner of Michigan & Merriman
(Inside Krogers)
(313) 728-5000

Ameritech

Authorized Cellular & Paging Dealer

Ocelots open conference with a win

The Eastern Conference volleyball season opened with a win for Schoolcraft College, which defeated host Oakland Community College 15-6, 15-2, 15-12 Tuesday at OCC.

The Lady Ocelots improved to 7-6 overall, 1-0 in the conference. The attack was paced by Sarah Gregerson with eight kills and two blocks. She also had a service ace and eight digs.

Megan McGinty (from Livonia Churchill) added six kills, two aces and a team-high 11 digs, while Kimmi Washnock (Farmington) had six kills, with a team-best .308 kill percentage, and two aces.

Stacey Campaign contributed 14 assists to kills and three aces, both tops among the Ocelots, and Amber Wells (Plymouth Canton) collected seven assists to kills, three kills and eight digs. Janet Hinz chipped in with 10 digs.

VOLLEYBALL

Madonna gets a win

It was a slow start for Madonna University's volleyball team on the road Tuesday at Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference rival Concordia College. But once the Lady Crusaders got going, they were unstoppable.

Behind an awesome power display by outside hitter Karin Sisung, Madonna rolled to a 13-15, 15-8, 15-8, 15-10 triumph in Ann Arbor. The victory kept the Crusaders unbeaten in their first season as members of the WHAC — in all sports. They are 3-0 in the conference, 13-4 overall.

Concordia slipped to 6-9 overall, 1-2 in the WHAC.

Sisung, named last week as the conference's volleyball player of the week, rattled the Cardinals with 22 kills and a .432 kill percentage. She also tied for

team-high honors in digs with Erin Gregoire, each with seven.

Brandy Malewski (from Redford Thurston) also had a superb outing for the Crusaders, collecting 11 kills (with a .333 kill percentage). Malewski also led Madonna with two solo blocks and four block assists.

Gregoire and Deanne Helsom each contributed five kills, with Gregoire also getting four block assists. Helsom, the Crusaders' setter, added 46 assists to kills (11.5 per game) and two service aces.

Rayna Vert chipped in with three kills, one solo block and four block assists, and Nicole Scharrer had four kills and three block assists.

Concordia's leaders were Amy Wilson, with 16 kills and two service aces; Becky Reeve, with 38 assists to kills; and Sarah Riske, with 14 digs.

SPORTS OFFERINGS

Soccer starts

The Canton Soccerdome has registration for its indoor season currently underway.

The first session begins Nov. 1. Cost for the nine-game season is \$695 plus referee fees.

Session No. 2 gets underway Jan. 3. An eight-game season, the registration cost is \$650 plus referees.

Session No. 3 starts in March, and it, too, is an eight-game season. Registration cost is \$650 plus referee fees.

Both male and female leagues are offered, from six-years-old to over-30 leagues (special pricing for teams in the eight-and-under brackets).

Team practice times are also available on the two indoor fields.

For more information, call (313) 483-5600, ext. 2 or 3. The Canton Soccerdome is located on Michigan, west of I-275.

Softball tryouts

The Michigan Indians Baseball Club will have tryouts for its summer of 1998 girls fast-pitch travel softball team, 12-and-under age division, 3 p.m. Sunday at Don Massey Field in Plymouth.

For further information, call Indians president Greg Lenhoff at (313) 455-0793. Massey Field is located at Haggerty and Plymouth roads.

Soccer sign-up

SoccerZone, in Novi, is accepting both walk-in and mail-in registrations for its first season of indoor soccer through Oct. 11.

Team cost for an eight-game schedule is \$695 plus referee fees (which vary by age group). For further information, call Tom Faro at (248) 374-0500.

Anyone interested in submitting items to *Sports Scene* or *Sports Roundup* may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (313) 591-7279.

UNRESTRICTED PUBLIC SALE 3 DAYS ONLY

FRI, SAT. & SUN.
SEPT. 26, 27 & 28

Legitimate Savings On All
Pool Tables, Bar Stools, Game
Tables, Air Hockey, Foosball,
Jukeboxes and More...

FACTORY REPS ON HAND TO OFFER LOWEST PRICES

EAST SIDE
45160 Northpointe Blvd.
N. of M-29, E. of Van Dyke
810-731-8181

CENTRAL
23622 S. Woodward
At 9 1/2 Mile, 1/2 Mi. S. of I-696
248-542-8429

Extended Sale Hours: Thurs. Preview 5-9, Fri. & Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4

SEARS PRE-SEASON CENTRAL HEATING OFFER

0% No Billing
No Payments
No Finance
Charges 'til January 1998

**Kenmore
HIGH EFFICIENCY
GAS FURNACE**
Sears Best

FULL 5 YEAR
PARTS WARRANTY
ON ALL
KENMORE
FURNACES

For Free In Home
Estimates And All Your
Plumbing & Electrical Needs
1-800-659-1174

Offer Expires Sept. 27, 1997
SEARS
YOUR HEATING & COOLING HEADQUARTERS

SUGARLOAF
3RD ANNUAL
FALL NOVI

ArtFair

OCT. 24, 25, 26, 1997

NOVI MICHIGAN
LOCATED IN THE
NW SUBURBS OF
DETROIT, MI

300 ARTISANS
from 39 states & Canada

Rated one of the
Best Shows in the Country!

DAILY ADMISSION \$4.00 • FRIDAY - SUNDAY 10-6
Under 12 FREE • Demonstrations • Entertainment
PARKING FREE COMPLIMENTS OF SUGARLOAF
No pets please • Strollers not recommended

DIRECTIONS: Located on I-96 northwest of Detroit at
Exit 162. Go south on Novi Road. Turn right onto
Expo Center Drive.

During festival call (248) 380-7003

FARMER JACK
ADMISSION COUPONS
AVAILABLE AT FARMER JACK
ON CALL 800-210-9900

SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN WORKS, INC. • www.sugarloafrcrafts.com

Attention Medicare Beneficiaries

Introducing Medicare Blue. . . a new alternative to Medicare coverage.

**Medicare Blue – more benefits than Medicare or
supplemental coverage combined!**

Blue Care Network, the HMO affiliate of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan, has a new health care plan for Medicare eligibles – Medicare Blue.

Medicare Blue combines your Medicare and supplemental coverage into one complete plan. You lose no coverage and gain many extra advantages such as preventive care, physicals and immunizations.

Medicare Blue offers you:

- ✓ No premium for basic coverage; premium of only \$30 per month for basic coverage plus prescription, vision and hearing benefits
- ✓ A growing network with thousands of doctors and 39 hospitals right in the community
- ✓ Travel benefits for up to six months

**Sound interesting?
For more details, call
1-888-333-3129
extension 900**

or mail the form below to request more information

Please mail this form to:
Blue Care Network – Medicare Blue
25925 Telegraph Rd. – P.O. Box 5184
Southfield, MI 48066-5184

Yes, I would like more information about Medicare Blue.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ 900

**Blue Care Network
Medicare Blue**

All Blue Care Network HMOs are independent licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

To become a Medicare Blue member, you must continue to pay your Medicare Part B premium, and live in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb or Washtenaw counties. You must receive your care from a Medicare Blue provider.

**Medicare Blue
Educational
Seminars**

Livonia
Wednesday, October 1
9:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 8
9:30 a.m.
at Bill Knapps
16995 S. Laurel
Park Drive

South Livonia
Wednesday, October 8
2:00 p.m.
at Bill Knapps
32955 Plymouth Rd.

Farmington Hills
Thursday, October 2
9:30 a.m.
at Bill Knapps
36650 Grand River Ave.
Thursday, October 2
2:00 p.m.
at Bill Knapps
27925 Orchard Lake Rd.

Entertainment

The Observer

Page 1, Section E

Keely Wygonik, Editor 313-953-2105

on the web: <http://observer-eccentric.com>

Thursday, September 25, 1997

THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



Casey Purcell (left to right), Zak Manfredi and Joe Hawley are featured in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of "Over the Tavern." Curtain 8 p.m., call (248) 377-3300 or (248) 645-6666.

SATURDAY



Cellist Wendy Warner makes her Detroit Symphony Orchestra debut with Neeme Jarvi on the podium, 8:30 p.m. at Orchestra Hall, (313) 833-3700.

SUNDAY



Celebrate Gilda's Day in Michigan 10 a.m. at the fourth annual Gilda's Club Family Walk and Block Party, Cobo Center, Detroit. To register, call (248) 544-9099.



Hot tix: Their Majesties King Morgan and Queen Eleanor invite one and all to partake in a weekend of sweet partings at the Michigan Renaissance Festival in Holly. Bakers from across the state will present their edible art for competition and sampling. For more information, call (800) 601-4848. Detroit Symphony

CELEBRATING THE BEAT

Bring in 'da Noise Bring in 'da Funk



Hittin': (Left to right) Baakari Wilder, Jimmy Tate, Savion Glover and Vincent Bingham hit it in a scene from the Broadway production of "Noise/Funk." Tate and Bingham will be bringing their electric tap style to Detroit.

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

It's all about rhythm and the stories the rhythms tell.

"Bring in 'da Noise, Bring in 'da Funk," the opening show in the Fisher Theatre's 1997-98 season, is a celebration of the beat and the African-American tap dance tradition.

"The strongest message we wanted to get across is that it was an African American art form developed from the early 1800s when slaves were denied the use of drums and they began to use their feet to keep the rhythm alive," said Jimmy Tate.

Tate is one of the original dancers from this hit musical that moved from off-Broadway's Public Theater to the Great White Way's Amba-

sador Theater to unanimous acclaim. A new style and voices of a new generation had come to Broadway.

The idea for "Noise/Funk" was conceived in 1992 when director George C. Wolfe was directing another dance centered show, "Jelly's Last Jam." He was inspired by the tap dancing of 18-year-old wunderkind Savion Glover. Glover was playing young Jelly to Gregory Hines older Jelly. Glover had previously appeared with Hines in the movie "Taps."

Hines, the leading tap dancer of his generation, has hailed the unconventional Glover as the greatest tap dancer of all time.

"The idea for the show was that George wanted to build something around Savion's dancing," said Tate, in a telephone interview while taking a break from rehearsals in New York. Tate said it was the intensity of Glover's dancing that inspired the show.

The show was developed improvisationally around Glover's choreography with music by Daryl Walters, Zane Mark and Ann Duquesnay (the show's original singer) and a book by Reg E. Gaines tracing in poetic language the history of the beat from early slave times to the present. The performers helped develop many of the show's ideas.

"We got together and talked about our experiences as black males, our friends, our conflicts. Little by little, simple experiences developed into numbers," Tate said.

For instance, one of the numbers spotlights the frustration many black males experience when trying to hail a taxi in New York City.

Tate, now in his late 20s, has been performing since he was a child, though he didn't start tap dancing until he was 13.

"My voice got me into the theater and then acting came along," he said. "Actually my mother was an opera singer who had given up a scholarship to Juilliard to raise a family and she got me into it."

In the fourth grade, Tate made an impression in a production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." He learned to tap for "The Tap Dance Kid."

"I love performing but I didn't always like the time it took from other things, like Saturday morning cartoons," Tate said with a laugh. "But I loved the response."

The response to "Noise/Funk" has been phenomenal. Critics have used words like "electrifying," "thrilling," "joyful" and "jubilant." Tate and his fellow dancers have also been singled out for praise. The show won four Tony Awards.

Tate got into the show through his friendship with Glover which began when both were touring in "Jelly's Last Jam."

"He had respect for me as a performer and an individual and he asked me to be part of the show," Tate said.

For Tate tap dancing came naturally. Even as a child he enjoyed watching the masters of the form such as the Nicholas Brothers.

"Watching them when I was young, they were so energetic, they put so much life into it," he said. "And, I admit, I used to love those splits. Now that I know more about dance, I know they weren't just flash, they were hittin'."

"Hittin'" is what it's all about. The splits, slides and soft shoes add a little showmanship but "hittin'" is the real art.

"It's to say something with your feet. It's not so much like dancing to

Please see NOISE, E4

Pressler recital highlights Music Guild season

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

Few other settings capture the intimacy of a chamber music performance better than the library of Cranbrook House, which compactly seats about 180. For the last 46 years, the Cranbrook Music Guild has transformed the historic home into one of the area's most extravagant and inspiring chamber music venues.

This year, an impressive lineup will perform amid the vaulted ceilings, lush paneling and ornate tapestry of the historic house on the Cranbrook campus.

"This is one of our finest-ever presentations," said Elaine DeWolfe, program coordinator of the Guild.

After opening their new season this



Legend: Menahe Pressler, founding member of the Beaux-Arts Trio, performs a piano recital in mid-October at the Cranbrook House.

Tuesday with the Arianna String Quartet, currently in residence at Eastern Michigan, the Guild presents one of the greatest chamber musicians of all time, Menahe Pressler.

Discussions with Pressler's representatives, the Melvin Kaplan Agency, began about five years ago, said DeWolfe. With a sudden opening in the pianist's hectic schedule, DeWolfe's persistence paid off.

Pressler is best known as one of the founding members of the 40-year-old Beaux-Arts Trio, which will perform in the Chamber Music Society's Dec. 17 concert at Orchestra Hall. He is the only original member of the trio.

But before arriving in Detroit with Beaux-Arts, Pressler will perform Oct. 22 at Cranbrook House in a piano recital featuring the music of Haydn, Schumann, Debussy and Chopin's 24 Preludes, Op. 28.

Please see GUILD, E4

Cranbrook Music Guild Chamber Series

What: Arianna String Quartet
When: 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30
Where: Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills (Free parking. Shuttle bus service from Christ Church Cranbrook.)
Tickets: \$120, patron season tickets; \$85, regular season tickets.

Upcoming Performances

- Menahe Pressler, piano recital - Wednesday, Oct. 22
- The Michigan Chamber Players - Tuesday, Dec. 2
- Talich String Quartet - Tuesday, Feb. 17
- Miah Im, pianist - Tuesday, March 17
- Borodin Piano Trio - Tuesday, April 21

NOTE: All concerts begin at 8 p.m.

COMMUNITY THEATER

Christianity expressed at Trinity House

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

In high school and college Elizabeth Ladd Lee performed in plays, but it wasn't until she joined Trinity House Theatre in Livonia that she began to grow and flourish as an actress.

"I was too insecure, too shy," said Ladd Lee who grew up in Birmingham. "I was so intimidated and spoke so softly I would never get cast. But at Trinity House Theatre my desire to act was encouraged, and my voice and ability strengthened. They're serious, without losing sensitivity toward their actors. It's very rewarding, and satisfying to put on a good show."

Founded in 1981 by Paul Patton and members of the Trinity Baptist Church in Livonia, Trinity House incorporated separately from the church as a non-profit theater in 1988.

Since then, Trinity House has produced over 50 plays and musicals, 20 of them were world premieres by local playwrights, and hosted arts seminars, acting classes and staged readings.

This summer they hosted their second Summer Apprentice Program, which offered students an opportunity to experience all facets of producing

and performing in musical theater. British theologian and philosopher John Peck was featured at an arts conference held in July to explore issues of integration of faith and art with the Christian community.

Run by a board of directors elected by members who pay annual dues of \$25, which includes a season subscription, Trinity House Theatre is rooted in Christian values, and seeks to present works that provoke thought about reality from a biblical perspective.

The theater board is made up of a diverse range of people including Ladd Lee, a multi-media artist who makes her living as a photographer at Mt. Clemens General Hospital, a science teacher, a retired patrol officer, dancer and editor of a construction magazine.

"The group is open to anyone in the community," said Ladd Lee. "To be out in the community learning things from people you've never met before in a theater setting is a very satisfying experience. We believe that creating quality theater and making it available to the community is of service to the community, and pleasing to our Creator."

This doesn't mean all the plays presented at

Trinity House are written by Christians, but rather that they are consistent with a biblical world view. Members are not required to be practicing Christians, but to respect the group's beliefs.

"They look for plays that have some social value. The characters go through some sort of realization that changes them. Hopefully, it will cause the audience to look at their lives in a different way too," said Ladd Lee.

Susan Vanden Brink a dancer, choreographer and director, and her husband Lloyd who works on the design team at Ford Motor Co., have been involved with Trinity House Theatre since 1985. Susan has served as president of the board for the last four years.

"We like to think of ourselves as progressive," she said. "We look for plays that promote a deeper understanding about moral laws, principles that we all interact with. We also talk about grace."

"An Inspector Calls," by J.B. Priestley opening Friday is described as a suspenseful tale of responsibility and revelation, which puts an intriguing twist on the traditional "whodunit."

It begins with the Birling family celebrating the

Please see TRINITY, E4



Rehearsing: Director Laura Gumina (center) discusses the social significance of the characters Eric (left, portrayed by Michael Keleman), and Sheila (Anessa Thompson). Guy Snyder of Livonia is in the background.

MOVIES

Smiley, Shakespeare suffer in 'A Thousand Acres'



JOHN MONAGHAN

Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Jane Smiley.

Directed by Jocelyn "Proof" Moorhouse, the movie tries to push all the emotional buttons, but ultimately leaves its audience unmoved. I heard very little Kleenex rustling and even less sniffing in the final scenes of a movie old Hollywood once would have called a "four hanky" picture. The movie gets into trouble early on with its coffee commer-

I've sat through gangster "Macbeth" and MTV "Romeo and Juliet." But nothing prepared me for "King Lear" down on the farm as retold in "A Thousand Acres," a misfire movie version of the 1991

Jason Robards plays the county's Lear-like landowner who, out of the blue, decides to divide his thousand acres of prime farmland among his three daughters Ginny, Rose, and Caroline. When Caroline, the youngest, says she wants to think about it, he takes it as a personal affront.

He bans her from the family home and splits the property with the other two. Soon his

already erratic behavior grows worse and the two women reluctantly send him packing on a stormy night. To complicate matters, there's the revelation (and I don't remember this in "Lear") that in the past dear old dad had sexually abused at least one of his daughters.

Jessica Lange and Michelle Pfeiffer are game enough to play the very unglamorous roles of the sisters. Lange's Ginny, who unflinchingly looks on the bright side, contrasts sharply with Pfeiffer's Rose, a bitter woman and breast cancer survivor who speaks her mind no matter what the consequences.

But there's still something false about two of the screen's most beautiful women slumming as Midwestern farm wives. You wish the movie was cast with less familiar faces instead of high-profile actresses apparently fishing for Oscar nods.

Jennifer Jason-Leigh, in one of

her most conventional film roles, underplays younger sister Caroline, who eventually takes the old man in. You can see her struggling with the various ways she has to play it: fragile sibling, business-like lawyer and daddy's little girl.

In his early scenes, the 77-year-old Robards looks so robust that you believe Ginny's observation (she narrates the story) that this is the man the other farmers turn to before making even the smallest decisions. Then he turns into a crazy man, running through cornfields in torrential rains, and the movie loses complete interest in keeping him even remotely believable.

The respective husbands fare

far worse, especially Ginny's libido-less pig farmer played by Keith Carradine. By keeping the narrative centered on Ginny, you never fully understand the others' motivations, including why he would take dad's side when the farm's ownership is contested in court.

Add to this soap opera scenario handsome Jess (Kevin Anderson), an old neighbor who wants to settle down and begin organic farming. This L.L. Bean dreamboat starts to flirt with Ginny and eventually the two are regularly coming back from the fields picking bits of straw out of each other's hair.

According to Hollywood reports, squabbles about the

integrity of "A Thousand Acres" surfaced throughout the shooting, as Disney insisted on brightening what is essentially a pretty grim novel. What's left is a movie from which even director Moorhouse reportedly wanted her name removed.

Fans of Smiley, fans of Shakespeare: You have been warned. Unless you're going solely to see Pfeiffer and Lange, expect a great disappointment with "A Thousand Acres."

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.

TV show looks at arts scene



ANN DELISI

Next Thursday, Oct. 2, at 9:30 p.m. — and every Thursday after that — the new season on Channel 56 will dig up the real surprises that await you in Detroit's art and performance scenes.

Last week, our Backstage Pass theater correspondent (the Anderson brothers — Gary and Blair) previewed the season at the Metro area's playhouses. Well, anticipation runs high for the visual arts' season, too. So I called our host-experts in the visual arts to preview the season in the Metro area's galleries.

They're looking forward to an exciting season overall. But, of course, I pressed them for highlights. Gerry Craig, the curator of the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery at the Detroit Zoo, took time to give recommendations. "The Detroit Artists' Market is having a great show, called 'Defining Crafts.' Also, the Center for Creative Studies is doing a show called 'Goddesses' through the end of October. Both Galleries are non-profits, and they're both really great shows."

Art critic Marsha Miro concurred with Gerry on "Goddesses" at the Center Gallery. "They have a great group of Detroit-area artists looking at how we pick and personify the 'best' of the female species." She had her own list, too. "The Leon Golub-Nancy Spero show at Wayne State's new gallery in Old Main is a great initiation. The artists have strong social consciences and see art as having relevance beyond wall decoration."

"And the Jim Chatelain-Ron Nagle show at Revolution in Ferndale. Chatelain gets the pulse of Detroit into his figures and still-lives. They're just weird! And Nagle, who's from California, can get more pop, funky, sun-drenched energy into a ceramic cup and still make it sophisticated, like Walt Disney visiting DaVinci — that's the kind of fusion he gets."

David Rau, the curator of education at the Cranbrook Art Museum, tried to be modest and avoid gushing about Cranbrook's season, but eventually my pestering won out. "Cranbrook is introducing its 'What's Next' season with three exciting shows: 'The Sound of One Bomb Clapping' features a remarkable collection of drawings, installations, taped performances and sculptural artifacts that document the

work of Swiss artist Roman Signer. Also in the series are the exhibitions "Do It," an exhibit of works made by people following step-by-step directions from a roster of international artists, and 'Ambiguous Signifiers: The Drawings of Claudia Goulette."

I let David select other highlights. "The Pontiac galleries continue to thrive with their great 'First Fridays' openings. Once you hook into that scene, you can visit a lot of galleries and see a lot of art, plus a lot of clubs and great places to eat."

All in all, it looks like another busy art season in the galleries. But, as Marsha points out, the seasonal overview shows trends both good and bad. "The works of major artists from all over the world are coming to town. That galleries are hosting significant contemporary artists across a whole range of media means the community is supporting that level of shows with both attendance and sales. At the same time, the galleries that show Michigan and local artists are struggling. We've even lost a couple. You don't want the local artists moving away because they're not being supported. Maybe we're finally seeing the downside from some of the major cuts in funding for the arts."

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

General Cinemas

Bargain matinee daily plus \$3.25 (Two-Lite) show daily

Canton 6

Ford Rd., 1 Mi west of I-275 • 981-1900

Advanced same-day tickets available

*Denotes MP restrictions

*Friday thru Thursday

*A SMILE LIKE YOURS (R)

*THE GAME

*AIR FORCE ONE (R)

*CONSPIRACY THEORY (R)

*MEN IN BLACK (PG13)

*KILL THE CONQUEROR (PG13)

*LEAVE IT TO BEAVER (PG)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Novi Town Center 8

Novi Rd., South of I-96

344-0077

Advance same-day tickets available

*FRIDAY THRU THURSDAY

*DENOTES MP RESTRICTIONS

*G.I. JANE (R)

*COPLAND (R)

*KILL THE CONQUEROR (PG13)

*FIRE DOWN BELOW (SR)

*EXCESS BAGGAGE (PG13)

*LEAVE IT TO BEAVER (PG)

*SHE'S SO LOVELY (R)

*MONEY TALKS (R)

*CONSPIRACY THEORY (R)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Keego Twin Cinema

Orchard Lake Rd.

at Cass Lake Rd.

682-1900

All Seats \$1.50 before 6 pm

*Family Matinee: Fri-Sat-Sun

*PICTURE PERFECT (PG13)

*FACE OFF (R)

*OUT TO SEA (PG13)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

National Amusements

Showcase Cinemas

Showcase

Auburn Hills 1-14

2150 N. Ophir Rd.

between University & Walton

Bvd

810-373-2660

Bargain Matinee Daily

All Shows until 6 pm

Continuous Shows Daily

Late Shows Wed-Thurs. Fri. Sat.

*THE GAME (R)

*FIRE DOWN BELOW (R)

*EXCESS BAGGAGE (PG13)

*KILL THE CONQUEROR (PG13)

*HOODLUM (R)

*G.I. JANE (R)

*MONEY TALKS (R)

*MIMIC (R)

*COPLAND (R)

*CONSPIRACY THEORY (R)

*AIR FORCE ONE (R)

*MEN IN BLACK (PG13)

*MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG13)

*HERCULES (G)

*Double Feature with

GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Showcase

Dearborn 1-8

Michigan & Telegraph

313-561-2440

Bargain Matinee Daily

All Shows until 6 pm

Continuous Shows Daily

*Late Shows Fri. & Sat. & Sun.

THE GAME (R)

FIRE DOWN BELOW (R)

EXCESS BAGGAGE (PG13)

HOODLUM (R)

G.I. JANE (R)

MIMIC (R)

MONEY TALKS (R)

CONSPIRACY THEORY (R)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Showcase Pontiac 1-5

Telegraph-Sq. Lake Rd. W. Side of

Telegraph

810-332-0241

Bargain Matinee Daily

*All Shows until 6 pm

Continuous Shows Daily

*EXCESS BAGGAGE (PG13)

*G.I. JANE (R)

*MONEY TALKS (R)

*COPLAND (R)

*AIR FORCE ONE (R)

*MIMIC (R)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Showcase Pontiac 6-12

2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of

Telegraph

810-334-6777

Bargain Matinee Daily

*All Shows until 6 pm

Continuous Shows Daily

Late Shows Fri. & Sat.

*THE GAME (R)

*FIRE DOWN BELOW (R)

*SHE'S SO LOVELY (R)

*HOODLUM (R)

*CONSPIRACY THEORY (R)

*MEN IN BLACK (PG13)

*HERCULES (G)

*Double feature with

GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Qm Yacht

Warren & Wayne Rds

313-425-7700

Bargain Matinee Daily

All Shows until 6 pm

Continuous Shows Daily

Late Shows Wed-Thurs. Fri. & Sat.

*FIRE DOWN BELOW (R)

*HOODLUM (R)

*MONEY TALKS (R)

*AIR FORCE ONE (R)

*HERCULES (G)

*GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE (PG)

*SHE'S SO LOVELY (R)

*MIMIC (R)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Showcase

Westland 1-8

6800 Wayne Rd.

One blk. S. of Warren Rd.

313-725-1060

Bargain Matinee Daily

All Shows until 6 pm

Continuous Shows Daily

Late Shows Wed-Thurs. Fri. & Sat.

*THE GAME (R)

*SHE'S SO LOVELY (R)

*EXCESS BAGGAGE (PG13)

*G.I. JANE (R)

*COPLAND (R)

*CONSPIRACY THEORY (R)

*MEN IN BLACK (PG)

*MY BEST FRIEND'S WEDDING (PG13)

*CONTACT (PG)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Star Theatres

The World's Best Theatres

Bargain Matinee Daily \$4.00 All

Shows Starting before 6:00 PM

Now accepting Visa & MasterCard

*Denotes MP Restriction

Star John-R

at 14 Mile

32289 John R. Road

810-585-2070

CALL FOR SATURDAY SHOWTIMES

*FRIDAY - THURSDAY

No one under 6 admitted for PG13 &

R rated films after 6 pm

*NP THE GAME (R)

*NP KILL THE CONQUEROR (PG13)

*NP HOODLUM (R)

*MIMIC (R)

*EVENT HORIZON (R)

*AIR BUD (PG)

*CONTACT (PG)

*MEN IN BLACK (PG13)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Star Rochester Hills

200 Barclay Circle

853-2260

*FRIDAY THRU THURSDAY

No one under age 6 admitted for

PG13 & R rated films after 6 pm

*NP THE GAME (R)

*NP FIRE DOWN BELOW (R)

*NP HOODLUM (R)

*G.I. JANE (R)

*COP LAND (R)

*CONSPIRACY THEORY (R)

*AIR FORCE ONE (R)

*CONTACT (PG)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Star Southfield

12 Mile between Telegraph and

Northwestern, Off I-696

248-353-STAR

No one under age 6 admitted for

PG13 & R rated films after 6 pm

*NP THE GAME (R)

*NP THE FULL MONTY (R)

*NP FIRE DOWN BELOW (R)

*HOODLUM (R)

*EXCESS BAGGAGE (PG13)

*MONEY TALKS (R)

*AIR FORCE ONE (R)

*CONSPIRACY THEORY (R)

*MIMIC (R)

*COPLAND (R)

*G.I. JANE (R)

*EVENT HORIZON (R)

*SHE'S SO LOVELY (R)

*2 FOR 1 DOUBLE FEATURE

HERCULES (G)/GEORGE OF

THE JUNGLE (G)

CALL FOR COMPLETE LISTINGS AND TIMES

Star Winchester

1136 S. Rochester Rd. Winchester

Mail

248-656-1160

No one under age 6 admitted for

PG13 & R rated films after 6 pm

*SHE'S SO LOVELY (R)

STREET SCENE

Country's Clay Walker gets back to his roots



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Country singer Clay Walker can honestly say that millions of people have heard his music.

BMI, a music publishing company, recently gave Walker a certificate acknowledging

that his song "Live Until I Die" has been played on the radio one million times.

"That is a big deal to me," Walker said via telephone from his Brenham, Texas, ranch where he lives with his wife, Lori, and toddler daughter, MaClay. "Live Until I Die" is a favorite of mine. I wrote that song about growing up on a small farm outside of the city limits of Beaumont, Texas. It's a personal biography that's why it's most special to me."

Having performed in front of millions of fans, Walker is now headlining the "Four Star Blowout," sponsored by the satellite television company PrimeStar. The tour, which comes to The Palace of Auburn Hills at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, also features sets by Kevin Sharp and



Coming to town: Country stars Clay Walker (pictured), Kevin Sharp and Mark Wills perform at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

Mark Wills. Originally advertised as part of the tour, Lee Ann Womack will not perform.

"I love Detroit. Every time we've come there so far the folks

treat us like we're at home. You don't get that everywhere," Walker said.

Walker explained that the "Four Star Blowout" concert tour was a collaborative idea between him and his management company.

"We wanted to do a tour with a sponsor and we had several offers from other companies. PrimeStar seemed like such a good family-style organization that we thought it would be a great pair," Walker said.

With his latest album "Rumor Has It," Walker returned to the country style that proved successful with his 1993 self-titled debut.

"I wanted this album to be even more country. I felt the sounds on the records were beginning to get a little stock and sounded, to me anyway, too predictable. I felt it needed to get back to a much more rural sound, like we had on my first album."

Like his first three albums for Giant Records - 1993's "Clay Walker," 1994's "If I Could Make a Living," and 1995's "Hypnotize the Moon" - "Rumor Has It" is approaching platinum status. Walker attributes that success to

radio and the ability to replicate the songs live.

"I feel like we've done well putting a good band together and making the live shows sound as close to the album as possible," Walker said.

As a fan, he added, he prefers to hear original versions of songs in concert.

"I've gotten used to singing along with certain songs on the radio. I want to hear it the same way in concert."

Walker described the "Four Star Blowout" as a family-oriented, high-energy show.

"There's a lot of fun going on. There's a lot of movement on stage. The band is really, really clean cut, too. Our band is real clean and just a good bunch of guys. They cut up tell jokes and just have a good time. Nobody's unhappy. That's one of the most wonderful things about being on

the road. We're all smiles. It's a team effort."

"I'm real proud of Kevin Sharp and the way his career is coming along. Mark Wills as well. People are going to get their money's worth."

Clay Walker, Kevin Sharp and Mark Wills perform at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, at The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. Tickets are \$22.50 and \$12.50 for the all-ages show. For more information, call (248) 377-0100 or (248) 645-6666.

If you have a question or comment for Christina Fuoco, you can write to her in care of The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, or you can leave her a message at (313) 953-2047, mailbox No. 2130, or via e-mail at CFuoco@aol.com

"MEET AN AMAZING FAMILY."
"A FEAST FOR YOUR SENSES. DON'T MISS THIS MOVIE!"

"SOUL FOOD" DELIVERS!
"Soul Food" is the kind of movie your soul is hungry for. Warm, poignant and funny with an electric cast!"

SOUL FOOD

STARTS FRIDAY AT THESE THEATRES!

AMC EASTLAND	AMC LAUREL PARK	AMC OLD ORCHARD
AMC SOUTHFIELD	AMC STERLING CTR.	AMC WONDERLAND
GCC NOVI TOWN CTR.	NORWEST	RENAISSANCE
QUO VADIS	SHOWCASE AUBURN HILLS	SHOWCASE PONTIAC 1-12
SHOWCASE STERLING HEIGHTS	STAR GRATIOT	STAR LINCOLN PARK
STAR ROCHESTER	STAR SOUTHFIELD 12 & TELEGRAPH	STAR TAYLOR
UNITED ARTISTS FAIRLANE	UNITED ARTISTS OAKLAND	UNITED ARTISTS 12 OAKS

"A MASTERPIECE."
"A MUST-SEE THRILLER!"

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SEVEN
THE GAME
SEAN PENN

PLAYERS WANTED

AMC BEL AIR 10	AMC EASTLAND 2	AMC LAUREL PARK
AMC OLD ORCHARD	AMC SOUTHFIELD CITY	AMC STERLING CTR. 10
BIRMINGHAM 8	GENERAL CINEMAS CANTON	SHOWCASE AUBURN HILLS
SHOWCASE DEARBORN	SHOWCASE PONTIAC	SHOWCASE STERLING HEIGHTS
SHOWCASE WESTLAND	STAR GRATIOT AT 15 MI.	STAR JOHN R AT 14 MILE
STAR LINCOLN PARK 8	STAR ROCHESTER HILLS	STAR SOUTHFIELD
STAR TAYLOR	UNITED ARTISTS 12 OAKS	UNITED ARTISTS WEST RIVER

FOR THEATRES & SHOWTIMES CALL 810 77-FILMS / 313 88-FILMS

"THE YEAR'S BEST MOVIE TO DATE."
A Thrilling Adventure That's Got It All. Hopkins And Baldwin Deliver Fascinating Performances!

THE EDGE

ANTHONY HOPKINS ALEC BALDWIN

STARTS FRIDAY!

AMC AMERICANA WEST	AMC BEL AIR
AMC EASTLAND	AMC LAUREL PARK
AMC SOUTHFIELD	AMC STERLING CTR.
GCC CANTON CINEMA	SHOWCASE PONTIAC 1-12
STAR JOHN R AT 14 MILE	STAR ROCHESTER
UNITED ARTISTS FAIRLANE	UNITED ARTISTS 12 OAKS

"THE BEST DRAMA OF THE YEAR!"

-Bill Zwecker, WMAQ-TV (NBC)

"Anyone Who Wants To See Two Of The Juiciest Performances Of The Year Shouldn't Miss It!"

-David Ansen, NEWSWEEK

"An Emotional Tour De Force!"

-Bob Healy, SATELLITE NEWS NETWORK

"Lange And Pfeiffer's Exquisite Performances Should Earn Them Both Oscar® Nominations!"

-David Sheehan, CBS-TV, Los Angeles

A Thousand Acres

Michelle Pfeiffer Jessica Lange

www.movies.com

©BUENA VISTA PICTURES DISTRIBUTION

AMC AMERICANA WEST	AMC LAUREL PARK	AMC SOUTHFIELD 4
AMC STERLING CTR. 10	AMC WOODS 6	BIRMINGHAM 8
GENERAL CINEMAS CANTON	GENERAL CINEMAS NOVI TOWN	SHOWCASE AUBURN HILLS
SHOWCASE DEARBORN	SHOWCASE PONTIAC	SHOWCASE STERLING HEIGHTS
SHOWCASE WESTLAND	STAR GRATIOT AT 15 MI.	STAR JOHN R AT 14 MILE
STAR ROCHESTER HILLS	STAR SOUTHFIELD	UNITED ARTISTS WEST RIVER

NO PATTERNS OR COUPONS ACCUMULATED

FOR THEATRES & SHOWTIMES CALL 810 77-FILMS / 313 88-FILMS

"...A RED-HOT THRILLER...."

-Peter Travers, ROLLING STONE

"Put it at the top of your 'must see' list."

...One of the best, most intelligent thrillers you will see this year."

-Jeffrey Lyons, WABC

CLONEY KIDMAN

THE PEACEMAKER

STARTS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

AMC LAUREL PARK	AMC OLD ORCHARD	AMC SOUTHFIELD CITY
AMC STERLING CTR. 10	AMC WONDERLAND	BEACON EAST
BIRMINGHAM 8	GENERAL CINEMAS NOVI TOWN	SHOWCASE AUBURN HILLS
SHOWCASE DEARBORN	SHOWCASE PONTIAC	SHOWCASE STERLING HEIGHTS
SHOWCASE WESTLAND	STAR GRATIOT AT 15 MI.	STAR JOHN R AT 14 MILE
STAR LINCOLN PARK 8	STAR ROCHESTER HILLS	STAR SOUTHFIELD
STAR TAYLOR	UNITED ARTISTS WEST RIVER	FORD WYOMING DRIVE IN

Sorry, no passes accepted for this engagement. Check theatre directories or call theatres for showtimes.

SNEAK PREVIEW SATURDAY

OF THE MOST ANTICIPATED THRILLER OF THE YEAR.

kiss the girls

based on the acclaimed best selling novel

morgan freeman ashley judd

A detective is searching for a deadly collector. His only hope is the woman who got away.

PARAMOUNT PICTURES PRESENTS A LIONEL LINCOLN PRODUCTION A DAVID LLOYD PEARSON FILM MORGAN FREEMAN "KISS THE GIRLS" ASHLEY Judd JAY L. SANDERS "MARK SHAW" WILLIAM STENHAM A.C.E. HARVEY KARPSTEIN A.C.E. MICHAEL ECKHART JAMES PATTERSON "DAVID KASS" DAVID DOWDY JR. JOE WOOD "DAVE FLEDER"

SNEAK PREVIEW SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

CHECK NEWSPAPER DIRECTORIES FOR THEATRES AND SHOWTIMES. Regular Engagement Starts Friday, October 3

Lois & Terry 'Together-at Last' on new CD

BY JULIE YOLLES
SPECIAL WRITER

Minnie Dews is a gospel singer who inspired her son Terry to sing when he was growing up in Inkster. But it wasn't until Terry was 17 that he first performed at a high school talent show. The next year, the baritone had his first professional gig — along with nine other 18-year-olds who called themselves the Master Movement — at the Twenty Grand nightclub in Detroit.

In Montgomery, Alabama, Lois Zeigler started singing in church when she was eight years old. She was also 18 when she got her first professional start as the only female singer in The Mod Soul.

For the next few years, Dews, from his home base in Michigan; and Zeigler, from her's in Alabama; toured with their respective bands until work and family commitments put their careers on hold for nearly 23 years.

When they first met at a karaoke night in 1992 at the Stardust Lounge in Inkster, no one would have ever probably suspected that it would be an "Endless Love" for the two.

"I had sung 'Midnight Train to Georgia,' because Gladys Knight is my favorite, and Terry sang a song from the Spinners," said

Lois Dews. "A lady in the audience then requested that we do a duet together. I said, 'I don't know him,' but thought 'ok, let's try it.' It was like we had been singing together for years. When we finished, we got a standing ovation."

Karaoke night at the Stardust Lounge became a weekly ritual for the two. Then in 1995, the singing duo made a permanent collaboration when they married and moved to Redford.

Lois and Terry are finally "Together at Last," the title track of their first CD, produced on their own label, Pa-Yo-Dews Records, and released in May.

More than two-and-a-half years in the making, the CD features original R&B songs written by the couple and their producer, Craig Erquhart, a Lathrup Village resident.

"The songs take you back to the way R & B used to be in the '70s and '80s — something that the middle class can relate to. Some of the songs have dance beats, which a lot of younger kids like," said Terry Dews.

"Lois & Terry: Together at Last" is available at Detroit Audio & Art in Detroit, Inktown Entertainment and E & B Records in Inkster, or by calling Dew Drop Productions at (313) 592-1857.

Guild from page E1

Appearing in recital isn't quite as common for Pressler as the world's other preeminent pianists. Although he had appeared many times in Carnegie Hall with the standard-bearing Beaux-Arts Trio, Pressler hadn't performed in recital on the reverent stage until February 1996.

Pressler's debut recital at Carnegie, at the age of 73, was called a performance that "breaks the mold" by *The New York Times*.

Since winning first prize in the 1946 Debussy Piano Competition, Pressler has been one of the most respected pianists in the world. Critics often cite his delicate touch and ability to vary tempo to complement the mood of a composition. His interpretation of Chopin's Nocturnes and Brahms' "Lullaby," among others, have set the standard by which other pianists are measured.

Known for his visceral playing, Pressler is also credited with introducing American audiences to the works of Prokofiev, Shostakovich, Paul Ben-Haim and Constant Lambert.

Since 1955, Pressler has been on the piano faculty at Indiana University, where he is Distinguished Professor of Music.

In addition to performing with Beaux-Arts Trio and in recital, Pressler has appeared as a soloist with the New York Philharmonic, the National Symphony, the Cleveland Orchestra, the Royal Philharmonic and the Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra.

From local to international

As chamber music performances continue in popularity amid sagging attendance at symphonic concerts, the Guild has put together a season that blends up-and-coming, interna-

tional, regional and legendary performers.

The Arianna Quartet, for instance, features one of the fastest-rising groups in the world. Three years ago, Arianna won first prize in three of the top competitions in the United States.

In early December, the Guild features five professors from the University of Michigan School of Music faculty in a concert of Schubert, Menotti and Dvorak.

The Guild also sponsors the annual Betty Brewster Scholarship at U-M. This year's winner, pianist Miah Im, will perform in mid March.

A distinctively European flavor distinguishes the remaining concerts — the Talich String Quartet and the Borodin Piano Trio.

Known for their string-quartet recordings of Mozart, Beethoven and Bartok, the Talich is consid-

ered one of Europe's foremost quartets. The quartet from Prague, Czechoslovakia, formed in 1964, began touring the United States in 1989.

The Guild will close its season in April with the Borodin Piano Trio from Russia. The ensemble, formed in 1976, features violinist Rostislav Dubinsky, founder of the acclaimed Borodin String Quartet, one of the finest groups during their 30 years of performances which ended in the mid 1970s.

The Borodin Piano Trio will perform the music of Brahms, Beethoven and Mendelssohn.

Appropriately, for the next seven months, the turn-of-the-century Albert Kahn-designed home and former residence of the Booth family will be home of sound, rather stunning worldly sounds.

Noise from page E1

an orchestra or needing an accompaniment. Now you don't need that, you should be able to come out and communicate with your feet."

"Noise/Funk" joins an explosion of popular dance and rhythm-centered stage productions. The Fisher season includes two more of these shows this season, "Tap Dogs" and "Riverdance." "Stomp" and "Lord of the Dance" have also been popular.

"We're doing something differ-

ent," Tate said. "Traditional shows like 'Crazy for Your,' '42nd Street,' or 'Chorus Line' have all been done before. These shows are offering a change. It's not the summer stock, community theater doing 'Fiddler on the Roof' for the 10,000 time. This is getting people out on their feet. It's really saying something and they're reacting."

Tate said many people have come make to the show several times because they didn't want

to miss anything.

For the touring company, the choreography has been reconceived with new steps. In addition to Tate, Vincent Bingham from the original company will be on tour. Savion Glover is not appearing in the touring production.

Tate said he is looking forward to arranging master classes in Detroit and passing on the traditions of tap dancing that have been such a rich part of the

African-American experience.

But Tate is also into the beat in other ways as well. The night of the interview Tate's funk/rock band Lapdog was playing the Elbow Room in Greenwich Village.

"I've always had a soft spot for rock and roll," Tate said. The freedom of expression. I enjoy it. I sing, I write lyrics and melodies and play guitar."

The beat goes on!

Trinity from page E1

It begins with the Birling family celebrating the engagement of their daughter Sheila. There's a knock at the door, it's a police inspector calling. Two hours ago a young woman died in the infirmary, a dreadful suicide. But that doesn't concern the Birlings.

Laura Gumina of Redford, a Trinity House Theatre member for 11 years, is directing the show. "The woman who kills herself is from the working class," said Gumina. As the story unfolds, the audience learns "what we do affects others," said Gumina. "We have responsibility toward each other."

Trinity House Theatre members practice what they preach.

"The people are kind and warm to one another," said Gumina who has more than 20 years of acting and directing experience. "I get support, and people care about my well-being, yet at the same time they are careful to look at every detail. They are concerned about excellence and authenticity, they are hard workers."

During the holidays, Trinity House is presenting a double-bill featuring Thornton Wilder's "The Long Christmas Dinner," a story about family relationships, and "The Second Shepherd's Play," from the Wakefield Mystery Play Cycle, which recounts the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem with a

slightly warped comedic retelling from the middle ages.

In February they'll present "Common Room," a variety of home cooked acts including improv, dance, stand up, storytelling, and performance art.

"It's a whole lot of fun," said Ladd Lee. "There's humor, singing, comedy, we always have a theme."

The season concludes with the comedy "Love All" by Dorothy Sayers, which provokes laughter, as well as reflection on the nature of faithfulness, marriage, work and life.

Godfrey Daybrook suffers writer's block and a lover's quarrel. To make matters worse, his drab

and sensible wife is "too" busy to divorce him. Tired of waiting he decides to take matters into his own hands only to discover the rules have changed.

New members are always welcome. "It's usually a good working environment," said Vanden Brink. "People are rooting for each other, there's not a sense of competition, and there's a willingness to take backstage roles, when you're not on stage. We always struggle, like everyone else, to put it together. Putting on a show is a lot of work, but we have fun. It's a place where artists can feel at home with other artists, and be encouraged in their work."

SUGARLOAF
3RD ANNUAL FALL NOVI
ArtFair
OCT. 24, 25, 26, 1997

NOVI MICHIGAN LOCATED IN THE NW SUBURBS OF DETROIT, MI
Novi Expo Center

300 ARTISANS
from 39 states & Canada

Rated one of the Best Shows in the Country!
by *Sunshine Artist Magazine*

DAILY ADMISSION \$6.00 • FRIDAY - SUNDAY 10-6
Under 12 FREE • Demonstrations • Entertainment
PARKING FREE COMPLIMENTS OF SUGARLOAF
No pets please • Strollers not recommended

DIRECTIONS: Located on I-96 northwest of Detroit at Exit 162. Go south on Novi Road. Turn right onto Expo Center Drive.

During Festival call (248) 380-7003

FARMER JACK DISCOUNT ADMISSION COUPONS AVAILABLE AT FARMER JACK OR CALL 800-210-9900

SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN WORKS, INC. • www.sugarloaforcrafts.com

AMERICAN FAMILY DINER
501 S. Wayne Road • Just S. of Cherry Hill • Westland
Open Mon.-Sat. 7am-11pm; Sun. 7am-10pm (313) 641-2859

You'll love our delicious homemade bread sticks!

Daily Breakfast Special \$1.95 Includes 2 eggs, 2 bacon or 3 sausage or 2 ham, hash browns, toast & jelly	B-B-Q Combo Special \$8.95 Includes ribs, chicken, shrimp, salad & side-you-choose-soup	Frog Legs Dinner Special \$6.50 regularly \$6.95
--	--	---

Alexander THE GREAT
34733 Warren Road (313) 326-5410
1 Block E. of Wayne Road in Westland

BBQ RIBS • STEAKS • BROASTED CHICKEN

Celebrating Our 20th Anniversary In Business

BBQ RIBS for 2
Fri. & Sat. 11-6: \$13.95
Sun., Thurs. any time

Lunch Specials M-Sa 11am-4pm \$3.95
Moyle & Dinner Package Available

SUBURBAN FORD

SEE WHAT'S NEW W



LEASE A 1995 FORD TAURUS GL

FOR ABOUT
\$205

A MONTH (1) WITH A 36 MONTH LOW MILEAGE(2) FRED CARPET LEASE

Capitalized Cost	\$11,020.00
First Month's Payment	\$ 205.12
Refundable Security Deposit	\$ 225.00
Down Payment (net of RCL Cash)	\$1,206.00
Customer Cash Due at Signing*	\$ 1,636.12



OPEN SATURDAYS TO SE

(1) Example lease payments based on average capitalized cost of 63.80% of the original MSRP of a 1995 Ford Taurus GL with PEP 204A, and 68.06% of the original MSRP of a 1995 Ford Contour GL with PEP 236A as provided by Ford Credit for 24-month closed-end used Ford Credit Red Carpet Leases purchased in the nation through 4/97 excluding tax, title and license fee and based on 12,000 miles per year. Actual prices of individual vehicles are determined by the dealer and will vary due to many factors including model, mileage, model year, condition of the vehicles and dealer participation. Lessee may have the option to buy vehicle at lease end at a price

Nos

"Over the through Sun theater in W University, V boulevards, Tuesdays-T p.m. Wednes Fridays (\$26 days (\$22), 6 urdays (\$32 (\$22), and (\$26.50), u seniors, stu (248) 377-330 BY BARBARA N SPECIAL WRITER

With "Over

Ne

BY SUE SUCHY SPECIAL WRITER
The Plymo opened its 1 Neil Simon's show continu urday, Sept. & 4. 6 p.m. Sept. 28. Wa Northville; (2 A luxury plaza in Ne common th three stories Simon's hu throughout outright com

'Mou

"The Mou day-Saturday p.m. Sunday, ater, 15138 E \$10, \$9 seni 531-0554 BY BOB WEIR SPECIAL WRITER

The Livon Guild's first son is Agath mystery "The tor Peter St ioned a show guessing wh spine-tinglin A group stranded in during a sn them is a mu Could it be a hyperactiv taste for tl about the m well, who se den agenda. avicini, the unpleasant h

Mr
\$5.9
Turkey din
dressing &
• Broiled Sc
• Spaghetti w

ART O
THURS., FE

VARSITY FORD INC.
ANN ARBOR
3480 Jackson Road
(313) 996-2300

BRIARWOOD FORD
SALINE
7070 Michigan Ave.
(313) 429-5478

ATCHINSON FORD SALES, INC.
BELLEVILLE
800 Belleville Road
(313) 691-9161

THEATER

Nostalgic comedy at Meadow Brook is a crowd pleaser

"Over the Tavern," runs through Sunday, Oct. 12, at the theater in Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays (\$22), 2 p.m. Wednesdays (\$22), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$26.50), 2 p.m. Saturdays (\$22), 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sundays (\$32), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$22), and 6:30 p.m. Sundays (\$26.50), with discounts for seniors, students and groups. (248) 377-3300
BY BARBARA MICHALS
SPECIAL WRITER

With "Over the Tavern," a nos-

tal family comedy by Tom Dudzick, Meadow Brook Theatre opens its 32nd season with a strong production full of depth and laughter. Under the able direction of Geoffrey Sherman, the cast is wonderful and the play a total winner.

In 1959, Rudy Pazinski (Casey Purcell) is a seventh-grader in a Catholic school in a working-class neighborhood. At a time when youngsters are expected to give blind obedience, Rudy questions everything, especially all the endless rules of his religion and the never-ending tension in his family life. "After all," Rudy

reasons, "even Jesus questioned his original religion."

Purcell, a seventh-grader in real life as well, is outstanding at capturing both Rudy's inquisitiveness and strong sense of fun. He makes his character both charming and totally believable and his facial expressions convey a lot even when he's not speaking.

Rudy cannot understand why his prayers do not bring relief from the two terrors of his life — corporal punishment from his teacher, Sister Clarissa (Margaret Goodman) and the ugly

moods of his father, Chet (Paul Hopper). "Why can't he be Robert Young for just one day?" Rudy asks.

The elderly Sister Clarissa is from the old Atilla the Nun school and believes the only way to help a lax student learn his catechism is to beat it into his palm with a wooden ruler. In time, she and Rudy reach a partial truce after she comes to have her own doubts about her behavior over the years.

Goodman's demeanor is perfect throughout, and she makes this holy terror into a credible, com-

plex character rather than the stereotype it could easily be.

Hopper is superb as the mean-spirited father, two self-absorbed to see or care about his children's growing pains. His face turns bright red as he rants and raves about his own frustrations, yet he can be just as convincing when he does show tender feelings toward his wife (Denise Dailley McCauley) and his retarded son George (Zak Manfredi).

Though loving and understanding to her four children, Ellen Pazinski is so caught up in her own struggles with Chet that

she is powerless to relieve their anxieties about their father's moods. McCauley is warm and likeable in the role.

Manfredi does a very fine job as George, and Jessie Franz and Joe Hawley are excellent as his teenage siblings uneasily trying to cope with their raging hormones.

The charming set by Peter Hicks adds to the sense of nostalgia, as does Jenk's costumes and the delightful hits of the '50s played before, after and between the acts. Overall, "Over the Tavern" is a true audience pleaser.

Neil Simon's 'Plaza Suite' is bittersweet comedy

BY SUE SUCHYTA
SPECIAL WRITER

The Plymouth Theatre Guild opened its 1997-98 season with Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite." The show continues 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26 & 27, and Oct. 3 & 4. 6 p.m. Sunday performance Sept. 28. Water Tower Theatre, Northville; (248) 349-7110.

A luxury hotel suite at the plaza in New York City is the common thread that ties the three stories together. While Neil Simon's humor is suffused throughout the play, it's not an outright comedy — the acts are in

turn, bittersweet, ironical and anxiety prone.

Act I, "Visitor From Mamaronock," is the least amusing of the three stories. Karen and Sam Nash are approaching a milestone anniversary, but they fight constantly about everything. They can't even agree on the day and year of their long-ago wedding.

The wife has contrived to have their house painted and has booked their honeymoon suite in an attempt to revive their relationship. The relationship, however, is at a crisis point, and the

realism will hit too close to home for anyone currently in a struggling relationship. Diana Wells, as the wife, Karen, and Thom Griffin, as the husband, Sam, lacked the chemistry as a couple that could have strengthened the act.

Wells, in her stage debut, needs to work on her comic timing as well as her overall delivery. She tended to rush her words. Marisa Kovach was excellent as Jean, the secretary willing to work overtime.

Act II, "Visitor From Hollywood," is the story of a Holly-

wood producer who wonders whether he could — or should — rekindle a romance with his first love, now married with three children. Tim Ray, as Jesse, and Shelli Pentimall, as Muriel, work wonderfully together. The talented duo portrayed the nervousness, lust, and anxiety with both empathy and humor. Their body language told as much of the story as their well-delivered dialogue.

Act III, "Visitor From Forest Hills" places two parents in a tizzy when their daughter, about to be married downstairs, inten-

tionally locks herself in the bathroom. Gail Mesner, as the mother and Thom Griffin, as the father, bring all their own anxieties out of the closet as they plead, cajole and desperately reason with their daughter, who utters not a sound.

The stress of the situation brings out the worst in parents — traits which, ironically, may have caused their daughter to have doubts about marriage. Mesner is versatile in her role, displaying a wide range of emotions. Griffin performed equally well. The set is beautiful, despite a

physically unlikely floor plan whereby the actors' blocking ignores the fact that the story is set in a two-room suite. The entrance and bathroom doors are in line with the two windows between them. There appears to be no room for a hall or bathroom. The few technical glitches opening night should be ironed out by the second weekend.

For the remainder of the run, the role of Sam Nash will be performed by Steve Blackstone, and the role of Roy Hubley will be played by Leonard Poma.

'Mousetrap' is spine-tingling murder mystery

"The Mousetrap," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. \$10, \$9 seniors/students. (313) 531-0554
BY BOB WEIBEL
SPECIAL WRITER

The Livonia-Redford Theatre Guild's first show of its 44th season is Agatha Christie's murder mystery "The Mousetrap." Director Peter Sonberg has fashioned a show that will keep you guessing who done it until the spine-tingling end.

A group of strangers are stranded in a boarding house during a snow storm. One of them is a murderer.

Could it be Christopher Wren, a hyperactive neurotic with a taste for the macabre. How about the mannish Miss Caldwell, who seems to have a hidden agenda. What about Mr. Paravicini, the foreigner with the unpleasant habit of making bad

jokes about death. Or perhaps Major Metcalf, he certainly knows about killing. What of the young innkeepers, Mollie and Giles Ralston — could there be something in their past best forgotten.

Debbie Pletzer brings a natural, bubbly, can-do attitude to her role of Mollie Ralston. She turns in a first-rate performance as a young married woman learning how to manage a boarding house.

Matthew Ripper, though a bit mechanical at times, is for the most part effective as an attractive husband, Giles Ralston.

Ron Williams, a senior at Redford Union, is very good as Christopher Wren. Williams is delightfully wild looking with his disheveled hair and gaudy clothing.

Tami Tabacchi, though a bit young for the role of Mrs. Boyle, creates a sharp-edged character. She delivers one of the better

performances, as a bad-tempered woman with a never-ending list of complaints.

Harold Lyons plays Major Metcalf with a low-key, laid-back approach that is almost too British. One might wish for more fire in the belly to make him a more viable suspect.

Catherine Jones scores as the impenetrable Miss Casewell. One is never sure just what her character is all about — perfect for a murder mystery.

Chuck Reynolds easily creates the most vivid characterization as Mr. Paravicini, the mysterious foreigner. It's always interesting to see actors take chances. His flamboyance, however, is almost too much on the Guild's small

stage. Perhaps some of it could be directed in making him more sinister and likely as a murderer.

Finally, we have Tony Lawry giving a splendid performance as Detective Sgt. Trotter. His is the most talkative role of the evening, as he questions the suspects. But Lawry's mannerisms and speech inflections keep it interesting. And he turns out to be a more clever character than you could imagine.

One quibble would be the setting. Rather than a creaky, drafty old manor house in need of painting, we are treated to a modern-looking room in which one could play a light comedy. However, the furnishings were excellent.

HIMALAYA RESTAURANT
 Fine Indian Cuisine • Cocktails
 Buy One Entree and Receive a 2nd Entree of Equal or Lesser Value...
1/2 OFF
 Daily Lunch Buffet • Carry-Outs (313) 416-0880
 44282 Warren Rd. at Sheldon • Canton

MICHIGAN'S FINEST
GUN AND KNIFE SHOW
BUY TRADE SELL **SEPT. 26-27-28**
 FRI 10-9 • SAT 9-9 • SUN 9-6
SUPER DEALS ON AMMO
 HANDGUNS • RIFLES • AMMO • SHOTGUNS
 KNIVES • MILITARY SURPLUS • HUNTING & FISHING SUPPLIES • SAFES AND MUCH MORE!
 FRIDAY IS SET-UP DAY. COME EARLY FOR YOUR BEST DEALS!
 Not All Dealers Participate On Fridays.
Gibraltar TRADE CENTER, INC.
 1-75 & EUREKA RD. (EXIT 36) TAYLOR • 313-287-2000
FREE
 FRIDAY ADMISSION TO THE TRADE CENTER
 WITH COUPON - FRIDAY SEPT 26TH ONLY

Mr. Z's STEAK HOUSE 537-5600
 27331 Five Mile Rd. (Corner of Inkster)
\$5.95 DINNERS - 4-6 p.m. - Your Choice
 • Turkey dinner w/mashed potatoes, dressing & veg. of the day
 • Beef Stroganoff over egg noodles
 • Baby Beef Bar w/australian onion, mashed potatoes & veg.
 • Broiled Scrod w/white plaid & veg.
 • Spaghetti w/meat sauce
 • Broiled scallop w/white plaid & veg.
ART OF FACT | BILL KAHLER & PSYCHICS
 THURS., FRI. & SAT. MON., TUE. & WED.

UNRESTRICTED PUBLIC SALE
3 DAYS ONLY
FRI., SAT. & SUN. SEPT. 26, 27 & 28
 Legitimate Savings On All Pool Tables, Bar Stools, Game Tables, Air Hockey, Football, Jukeboxes and More...
FACTORY REPS ON HAND TO OFFER LOWEST PRICES
SATRON BILLIARDS
 EAST SIDE 45160 Northpointe Blvd. N. Of M-99, E. of Van Dyke 810-771-8181
 CENTRAL 23622 S. Woodward At 9 1/2 Mile, 1/2 Mi. S. Of I-696 248-742-8429
 Extended Sale Hours: Thurs. Preview 5-9, Fri. & Sat. 10-8, Sun. 10-4

FORD DEALERS NOW WITH USED CARS

Dealers can now offer you both new and pre-owned cars. Now at your Suburban Ford Dealers, many Ford cars are available at very affordable lease rates. Over 30,000 miles and still carry the remainder of your lease. For big savings on a pre-owned Ford.

Call your Suburban Ford Dealer today!



LEASE A 1995 FORD CONTOUR

Capitalized Cost	\$9,707.00
First Month's Payment	\$ 174.71
Refundable Security Deposit	\$ 175.00
Down Payment (net of RCL Cash)	\$1,085.22
Customer Cash Due at Signing*	\$1,434.93

FOR ABOUT

\$175

A MONTH (1) WITH A 36 MONTH LOW MILEAGE (2) RED CAR*ET LEASE

FRIENDLY FORD, INC. MONROE
 1011 S. Monroe
 (313) 243-6000

PALMER MOTOR SALES, INC. CHELSEA
 222 S. Main
 (313) 475-1301

GENE BUTMAN FORD YPSILANTI
 2105 Washtenaw
 (313) 482-8581

FORD TO SERVE YOU BETTER

negotiated with dealer at lease signing. Credit approval/insurability determined by Ford Credit. Lessee is responsible for excess wear/tear and mileage over 36,000 at \$15/mile. For special lease terms and \$1200 RCL cash (95 Taurus GL), \$1300 RCL cash (95 Contour GL), take retail delivery from dealer stock by 10/1/97. Total amount of monthly payments is \$7,384.42 for Taurus GL and \$6,289.56 for Contour GL, plus prorated acquisition fee of \$155. See participating dealer for actual price and complete details. (2)12,000 miles per year, 36 month contracts only. (3)See dealer for a copy of the limited warranty. *Excludes tax, title and license fee.

8 days a week

A Guide to entertainment in the Metro Detroit area

THEATER

ALTERNATING CURRENTS

"Just a Phase (A Sapphic Tale)," a new romantic comedy by Royal Oak playwright Theresa Szymanski, 8 p.m. nightly through Sunday, Sept. 28, Trumbull Theatre, 4208 Trumbull, Detroit. \$6 advance, \$8 at door. (248) 541-8316/308-5777

BIG LEAGUE THEATRICALS

"How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road (at Hall Road, M-59), Clinton Township. \$29 adults, \$26 students/seniors. (248) 645-6666

FISHER THEATRE

"Bring in 'Da Noise, Bring in 'Da Funk," Tuesday, Sept. 30-Sunday, Oct. 26, at the theater in the Fisher Building, Detroit. Preview performances: 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, Wednesday, Oct. 1, and Thursday, Oct. 2 (\$20.50-\$42.50); 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2 (\$20.50-\$39.50), 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4 (\$27.50-\$52.50). Performances for Tuesday, Oct. 7-Sunday, Oct. 26: 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$22.50-\$44.50), 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays (\$25.50-\$48.50), and 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$27.50-\$52.50). (313) 872-1000

Dancers from "Bring in 'Da Noise, Bring in 'Da Funk" make a special appearance at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, Fountain Court Stage in Fairlane Town Center, 18900 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. Free. All ages. (313) 593-1370

1515 BROADWAY

"Punk," a performance work by Patrick Burton, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, and 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at the theater at 1515 Broadway, Detroit. \$13. (313) 965-1515

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

"Faisstos," through Sunday, Oct. 5, at the JET, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, 8 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays. \$13-\$23 with discounts for seniors, students and groups. No performances Oct. 1-2; 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, performance benefits the Michigan Jewish AIDS Coalition. \$35 includes performance and dessert reception sponsored by BackStreet. (248) 788-2900/(248) 594-6522 for benefit information.

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

"Over the Tavern," runs through Sunday, Oct. 12, at the theater in Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays (\$22), 2 p.m. Wednesdays (\$22), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$26.50), 2 p.m. Saturdays (\$22), 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays (\$32), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$22), and 6:30 p.m. Sundays (\$26.50), with discounts for seniors, students and groups. (248) 377-3300

THEATRE ARTS PRODUCTIONS

Celebrates its 2,000 performance of "Jazzmatazz" aboard the Michigan Star Clipper Dinner Train, Walled Lake, Saturday, Oct. 3. (248) 683-1827/960-9440

OPERA

VERDI OPERA THEATRE OF MICHIGAN

Fidan Kasimova and Huraman Kasimova, two sopranos from Azerbaijan, with baritone Dino Valle, pianist Chingiz Sadykhov, and the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15-\$50. (313) 833-3700/(248) 645-6666

COLLEGE

THE THEATRE COMPANY

"Zara Spook and Other Lures," by Joan Ackerman, through Sunday, Oct. 12, University of Detroit Mercy, 8200 W. Outer Dr. (at the Southfield Freeway), Detroit. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays. \$10, \$8 for seniors and students with ID. (313) 993-1130

COMMUNITY THEATER

AVON PLAYERS

"Gypsy," continues weekends through Saturday, Oct. 4, at the playhouse on Tienken Road (1 1/4 miles east of Rochester road), Rochester Hills. Performances 8 p.m. except for 2 p.m. Sunday matinee. \$13 with discounts for students, senior citizens and groups. (248) 608-9077

LIVINGSTON PLAYERS

"Chapter Two," 8 p.m. Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays through Saturday, Oct. 18, Millpond Theatre, 400 Cedar St., Brighton. \$7. (248) 227-3357

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN

"London Suite," 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at the theater, 21730 Madison (southeast corner of Monroe and Outer drives), Dearborn. \$20 with student discounts for Sunday performance. (313) 561-1115

PLANET ART

"Longley Planet," runs through Sunday, Oct. 28, at the coffee house, 2357 Cass, Hamtramck. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 6 p.m. Sundays. \$20. (313) 985-4848



Renaissance Festival: Last weekend to enjoy jousting and other festival activities, during Sweet Endings weekend 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27-Sunday, Sept. 28, on Dixie Highway, one mile north of Mount Holly between Pontiac and Flint. \$12.95 adults (\$11.50 advance), \$5.95 children ages 5-12 (\$5 advance). (800) 601-4848. Sweet Endings events include the Second Annual Tournament of Temptations, 1-3 p.m. Sunday, and Death by Chocolate 4-7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Fizzle the Dragon welcomes all children to his home in the Blue Care Network Children's Dell for magical fun on the new Fantasy Castle Playscape at 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD

"Plaza Suite," 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Sept. 26-27 and Oct. 3-4, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at the Water Tower Theatre, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road (between Hagerty and Northville roads), Northville. \$9, \$8 advance. (248) 349-7110

RIDGE DALE PLAYERS

"Rumors," 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25-Sunday, Sept. 28, Friday, Oct. 3-Sunday, Oct. 5, at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake Road (between Crooks and Livernois roads), Troy. 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 3 p.m. Sundays. \$11, \$10 Thursdays and Sundays for seniors and students. (248) 988-7049

THE THEATRE GUILD

"The Mousetrap," 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. \$10, \$9 seniors/students. (313) 531-0554

SPECIAL EVENTS/BENEFITS

ASTHMA AND ALLERGY FOUNDATION OF AMERICA

6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, performance by comedian Michael Grant, silent auction and dinner dance at the Hyatt Regency-Dearborn. \$100 donation. (248) 557-8050

BANJO RAMA

2-5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, cabaret-style show and dinner presented by Windsor Banjos at the Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave. (at Tecumseh Road), Windsor, Ontario. \$28 American, \$32 Canadian. (313) 282-6635/(519) 948-3367

BEAD BONANZA

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, imported, vintage, ethnic, and hand-made beads, supplies, jewelry findings, books, demonstrations at the Van Dyke Park Hotel, 31800 Van Dyke Ave. (between 13 and 14 Mile roads), Warren. \$2, bead auction to benefit The Bead Museum in Arizona. (248) 977-5935

BUNR PARK CHILDREN'S WET MEADOW PROJECT

Multi-media family concert by folk singer Walkin' Jim Stoltz, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at Ypsilanti Freighthouse in Depot Town (Farmer's Market Building). \$10, adult, \$5 children (4-12 years), \$35-\$50 benefactor. (313) 481-0397

DETROIT ASSOCIATION OF BLACK STORYTELLERS

"Storytelling Past, Present, Forever: Continuing the Tales," storytelling concert/workshop featuring LaRon Williams and Shanta, 6 p.m. Friday Sept. 26 (\$5 concert), 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. with concert at 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 (\$45 for two day concert/workshop) at the Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 867-7888

GILDA'S DAY

Celebrate Gilda's Day at Cobo Center, Detroit, Sunday, Sept. 28. Family Fun Walk and Block Party to benefit Gilda's Club scheduled to open later this year in Royal Oak. To register for the walk call (248) 544-9099. The \$20 registration fee includes t-shirt.

Day of event registration 8:30-9:45 a.m. Event begins 10 a.m. Block party follows walk at Cobo Center, entertainment, a magician, door prizes, refreshments.

REGIS PHILBIN

3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road (at Hall Road, M-59), Clinton Township. \$32 adults, \$29 students/seniors. (248) 645-6666

"PLYMOUTH IS ARTRAGEOUS"

Art walk featuring artists, sculptors and music, 7-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, 12-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 in downtown Plymouth. Free. (313) 455-8838/459-1980

"SUNDAY, SONGS & SYMPHONY"

6-9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, "Suburban Tastefest," silent auction, performance by Livonia Symphony Orchestra at Laurel Park Place, 37700 W. Six Mile Road (at Newburg Road), Livonia. \$25 advance, \$30 at door, to benefit Livonia Symphony Orchestra. (313) 421-1111/464-2741

FAMILY EVENTS

RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS

Featuring the Interactive Three Ring Adventure where patrons can try their hands at juggling, clowning, and trapeze; and performers The Human Arrow, Ariana; animal trainer Graham Thomas Chipperfield; The Flying Vargas and Flying Tabares; high-wire aficionados The Queros of Spain; Kenya's strongman Samson Power; acrobats from The People's Republic of China; K-9s in Flight; and the Kyrgyz Riders horsemen from Kyrgyzstan, Wednesday, Oct. 1-Sunday, Oct. 5, Joe Louis Arena, 600

Civic Center Dr., Detroit. \$25 (ring-side), \$15.50, \$10.50, and \$12.50. Opening night tickets are \$5 for children ages 12 and younger with the purchase of any adult ticket. Discounts are available for groups of 20 or more. (248) 645-6666/(313) 983-6606

HALLOWEEN

HAUNTED THEATRE

Friday, Oct. 3-Friday, Oct. 31 at Wayne Theater, 35164 W. Michigan Ave. (one block west of Wayne Road), Wayne. \$5 adults, \$2.50 children 12 and under. Proceeds to Historic Wayne Theater Restoration Fund. (313) 728-SHOW

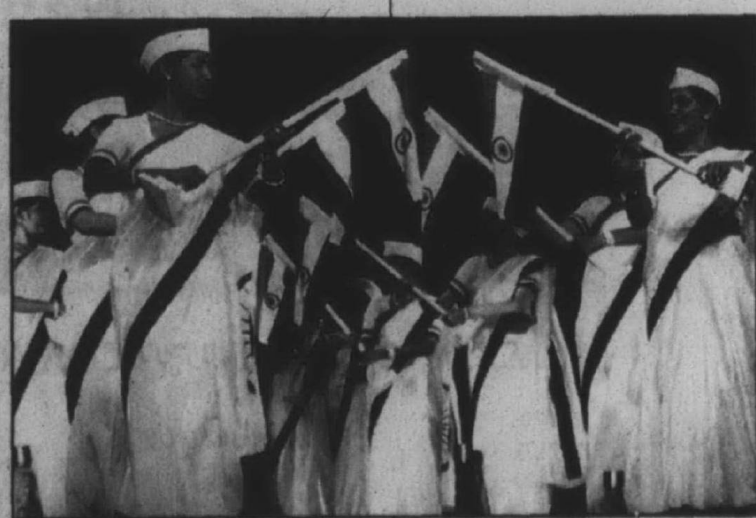
SIL0 X

A haunted missile silo with radioactive mutants controlling the military bases, 7:30-11 p.m. Thursdays and Sundays, and 7:30 p.m.-midnight Fridays and Saturdays through Monday, Oct. 27, and 7:30 p.m.-midnight Tuesday, Oct. 28-Friday, Oct. 31, C.J. Barrymore's, 21750 Hall Road (two miles west of I-94, and four miles east of Lakeside Mall), Clinton Township, and in a field next to the Hitch House in the 54000 block of Grand River Avenue (between Wixom and Milford roads), New Hudson. \$12, with \$2 discount coupons for Thursday and Sunday visits available at Little Caesar's stores. Recommended for children ages 9 and older. (888) 222-4088 or <http://www.hauntedamerica.com>

CLASSICAL

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor and pianist Christoph Eschenbach, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25; With Eschenbach and violinist Nadja Salerno-Sonnenberg, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26; Members of the CSO



Anniversary celebration: Celebrate India's golden anniversary of independence by attending "Bharat" 2 (\$10) and 5 p.m. (\$15) Sunday, Sept. 28 at Wayne State University's Community Arts Auditorium, 450 W. Kirby, (northwest corner of Cass and Kirby) Detroit. See original choreography of all 7 classical styles and rare folk dance in authentic costumes, which span India's history from Indus Valley to the present, (248) 642-6663.

perform chamber music with Eschenbach, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. (800) 221-1229

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor Neeme Jarvi and cellist Wendy Warner, performing Schuman's "New England Triptych," Haydn's "Cello Concerto in D Major," and Beethoven's "Symphony No. 4," 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit; With conductor John Mauceri, performing music from "Ben-Hur" and "Cleopatra," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at the hall. (313) 833-3700

HELEN ROTTENBERG AND SUSAN LAZAR

Guitarist and flutist, respectively, perform at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, Kresge Hall in Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. Free, donations to the music scholarship fund will be accepted. All ages. (313) 432-5709

WINDSOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"No Frills Friday," 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, and Friday, Nov. 3; "Finlandia: 50th Anniversary Tribute," 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Chrysler Theatre, Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. (800) 387-6579

BRASS

MARK E. WICKENS

Organist performs with DSO brass members Kevin Good, Stephen Anderson, Bryan Kennedy, Ken Thompkins, and Phil Snider, 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maple Road (between Southfield and Cranbrook roads), Birmingham. \$15 adults, \$10 seniors, \$7 students. Proceeds go toward organ restoration and development. (248) 644-2040

POPS/SWING

ATOMIC FIREBALLS

9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Mill Street Lounge below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (swing) (248) 333-2362

CHERRY POPPIN' DADDIES

With Swingin' Demons, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Mill Street Lounge below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$5. 18 and older. (swing) (248) 333-2362

PHIL MARCUS ESSER

8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3 in Lila Jones-Johnson Theatre, 739 S. Washington, Royal Oak. \$10. (248) 544-4903

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA

9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (swing) (313) 996-8555

AUDITIONS

CHRISTIAN LOVE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

Auditions for male and female roles of all ages for "Are You Ready?", 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, or 7-10 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29, at the church, 1601 Stamford (north of Clark), Ypsilanti. (313) 483-7967

CHRISTINA'S DANCE CLASS

Auditions adults with a minimum of two years experience in classical ballet for third-grade level class, 11:15 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, and Tuesday, Sept. 30, at 5526 Drake Road (between West Maple and Walnut Lake roads), Farmington Hills. Classes begin in October. (248) 473-1170/(248) 960-0778

FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Auditions for male and female roles for "The Heiress," 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, alternate time can be arranged for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1. (248) 626-8767

MILLENNIUM CENTRE

Auditions for "The Fantasticks," 7-10 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29-Tuesday, Sept. 30, Millennium Centre, 15600 J.L. Hudson Dr., Southfield. Roles available to men and women. Auditionees should prepare a comic and a serious monologue (no Shakespeare), and a contemporary musical theater. Performance dates are Thursday, Nov. 20-Sunday, Nov. 23 with a matinee on the Nov. 23. A stipend is included in the contract. (248) 552-1225

WYANDOTTE COMMUNITY THEATRE'S YOUTH THEATRE

Auditions for males and females from first grade through adult seniors (non-musical) for "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, and 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at First United Methodist Church, 72 Oak St. (at Bidde), Wyandotte. Performances Dec. 5-6. (313) 438-0126

WORKSHOPS

THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA-REDFORD

Is hosting a children's acting workshop for children in kindergarten through ninth grade for six weeks beginning Saturday, Oct. 4, at the playhouse, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. \$45. (313) 531-0554

CHORAL

GLENN DRAPER SINGERS

Thursday, Sept. 25, at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 adults, \$5 children under age 12. (313) 875-7407

JAZZ

DWIGHT ADAMS TRIO

8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

SEAN BLACKMAN

With John Arnold, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 544-1141

JACK BROKENSHA TRIO

With his quartet, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 drink minimum waived with dinner purchase. (248) 474-4800

AL DI MEOLA

8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Michigan Theater, 603 Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$20 reserved, \$30 gold circle. All ages. (jazz guitarist) (313) 668-8397

DALE GRISA TRIO

8 p.m.-midnight Thursday, Oct. 2, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

GROOVE COLLECTIVE

9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 advance. 18 and older. (acid jazz) (313) 833-9700

JEFF HAMILTON TRIO

9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25-Saturday, Sept. 27, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$15. 21 and older. (313) 662-8310

HANSOLO

With Acufuncture perform as part of "The Sessions," 9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-2747

KIMMIE HORNE

9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, and Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 7, D.L. Harrington's Chop House, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Cover charge. (jazz/pop) (248) 852-0550

BILL HYDE

9 p.m.-midnight Friday, Oct. 3, Agape Cafe, 205 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 25-cent surcharge on drinks during live entertainment. All ages. (248) 546-1400

MIKE KAROUB'S CELLO JAZZ

8:45-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Tuscan Cafe, 150 N. Center St., Northville. Free. All ages. (248) 305-8629

KOQ'S KATS

7-11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Bistro 313, 313 Walton Boulevard, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 332-7184

KATHY KOSINS TRIO

8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

SHEILA LANDIS

With her trio, 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25-Friday, Sept. 26, Lentine's Southern Barbecue, 41240 Hayes Road (north of 18 Mile Road), Clinton Township. Free. All ages. (810) 412-2233 (Latin jazz/jazz)

LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA

Presents an evening jazz with a host of performers including Sheila Landis. 7:30-11:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 872-7720/(313) 961-5451

MATT MICHAELS

8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2 with trumpeter Johnny Trudell, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner (6:30-9 p.m.). (248) 474-4800

SAX APPEAL

Friday-Saturday, Oct. 3-4 and Friday, Oct. 31 at Peabody's in Birmingham; Friday-Saturday, Oct. 24-25 at Sans Souci, Harsen's Island. (248) 889-8269

SHAHIDA NURULLAH TRIO

9 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

GARY SCHUNK TRIO

8 p.m.-midnight Thursday, Sept. 25, Edison's, 220 Merrill

8 days a week

Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Christina Fuoco; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (313) 591-7279

Continued from previous page

CELTIC CROSS
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at Dick O'Dow's, 160 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Cover charge, 21 and older. (Irish) (248) 642-1135

ALUSDAIR FRASER AND SKYEDANCE
8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (Gaelic/Scottish) (313) 761-1800

IMMIGRANT SUNS
With Fez, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (Eastern European) (313) 996-8555

IMMUNITY
10 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 368-7450

PAT'S PEOPLE
9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Cowleys' Old Village Inn, 33338 Grand River, Farmington. Cover charge. 21 and older. (Irish folk music) (248) 474-5941

DAVID RASTALL
2-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, Dixboro Dulcimer Store, 5740 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. Free. (renaissance/Irish) (313) 665-2357

FOLK

DERVISH
8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (313) 761-1800

TOM RUSH
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$16.50. All ages. (313) 761-1800

JO SERRAPERE
8:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, Royal Oak Brewery, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 642-9400/(248) 545-1141

THE REV. BILLY C. WURTZ
With RFD Boys, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (boogie/blue-grass) (313) 761-1800

POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

VERONICA CUNNINGHAM
Celebrates release of musical spoken word CD "I Can't Shut Up" with party and performance, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, Marygrove College's dining room in Madame Cadillac Hall, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit. (248) 788-6194

HERBERT WOODWARD MARTIN
Presents works of turn-of-the-century African American poet in "Paul Laurence Dunbar: The Eyes of the Poet," 7-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, in the Dr. Charles H. Wright Theatre in the Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. Free. (248) 244-1220

DANCE

ANN ARBOR CONTRA
The Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance presents an English Country Dancing from the 17th and 18th century English country houses and ballrooms, 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Webster Community Building, Webster Church Road, Ann Arbor. \$6. (313) 996-8359/913-0395; 7:30-9:45 Tuesday, Sept. 30 at Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road, north of Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. \$4. (313) 683-0744

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26-27, "On the Move," featuring choreographer Shane O'Hara. Tickets: \$12, general; \$10, seniors; \$6, students. Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills. (248) 362-9329.

JAZZ DANCE THEATRE
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4, premieres three works at the Lydia Mendelssohn theatre in the Michigan League, 911 N. University, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. \$12, adults, \$8 students/seniors. (313) 995-4242

MOTOR CITY JAM
Featuring Savoy Lindy Hop legend Frankie Manning, former World Swing Dance champion Debbie Ramsey, internationally known tapper Chazz Young, the premiere of Michigan Humanities Council/National Endowment for the Humanities funded "Jookin", An American Afrikana Suite," workshops and dances, Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 28, Italian-American Cultural Center, 28111 Imperial, Warren. \$109 for weekend pass, \$10-\$20 for classes only, \$35 Saturday night dinner and show. (313) 869-9385

COMEDY

BLUE OX COMEDY CLUB
Jeff Brannon, 9 p.m. Friday-Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27; Elliot Branch, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4 at Lumberjack's Tavern, 1655 Glenngary, Walled Lake. \$8. (248) 624-6007

BLAINE BOOSLER

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Orchestra Hall, 3700 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$75 single ticket-\$10,000 platinum benefactor level, benefits Kadima, a non-profit, non-sectarian mental health agency which offers residential, counseling and supported employment services to adults with psychiatric disabilities. (248) 559-8235.

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
Vic Dibetto and Derek Richards, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25-Friday, Sept. 26, \$12; Kevin Burke, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2 (free), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4 (\$10), at the club, 36071 Plymouth Road, above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. (313) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
Taylor Mason, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27 (\$12, \$22.95 dinner/show package), 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner/show package); Patrick Spring, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2 (\$8, \$18.95 dinner show package), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE
Wendy Liebman, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2-Saturday, Oct. 4 and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4, at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$10 Thursday, \$13 Friday-Saturday. (313) 996-9090

STEVE MOORE
The HIV-positive comedian who talked about his plight in the HBO special "Drop Dead Gorgeous (A Tragi-Comedy): The Power of HIV-Positive Thinking," 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (313) 761-1800

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
Craig Sholemaker and Ross Amicucci, Thursday, Sept. 25-Saturday, Sept. 27, \$15-\$17.50; Bob Nelson, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 (\$12); Totally Unrehearsed Theatre hosts open mic night 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays; Showtimes, unless otherwise noted, 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. (248) 542-9900

THIRD STREET SALOON
Eleven Marbles, 9:30 p.m. Fridays, 701 W. Forest, Detroit. (313) 831-3434

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM
September demonstration is "Seeds - What a Trip!" October demonstration "Firehouse to the Future," 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sundays at the museum; Celebrate Fall 1:30-3 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30, for ages 4-5, learn how plants and animals change (\$9 a session), 219 E. Huron St., Ann Arbor. Museum hours: 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays, and 1-5 p.m. Sundays. \$2.50 students, seniors, children, \$4 adults. (313) 995-KIDS

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
"Honey and Apples Festival," 1-4 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 27 and Oct. 4, and Sundays, Sept. 28 and Oct. 5, at the museum, 1221 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Museum admission \$7 adults, \$4 seniors/children ages 3-17. (248) 645-3200

DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY
"Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December 1998, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
"Backyard Monsters: The World of Insects" display runs through Sunday, Sept. 28, at the museum, at the science center, 5020 John R (at Warren Road), Detroit. IMAX movies include: "Super Speedway," 10 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. Mondays through Fridays; "Special Effects," 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 12:45 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. Saturdays, and 1:45 p.m. Sundays; "Destiny in Space," 12:45 p.m. Sundays. \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older, includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups to 10 or more. Hours are: 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400 or http://www.sciencedetroit.org

GREENFIELD VILLAGE FALL HARVEST DAYS
"Fall Harvest Days," featuring displays about the harvest including ox training, turning the soil, threshing, oats and buckwheat by hand, and making corn husk dolls, Saturday, Sept. 27-Sunday, Sept. 28, and Wednesday, Oct. 1-Sunday, Oct. 5, at the museum, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard (at Village Road), Dearborn. \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 seniors age 62 and older, \$11.50 kids ages 5-12, \$6.25 children younger than 5, members free. (313) 271-1620

MAYBURY STATE PARK
Fall guided color hike, 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4; farm stories, 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5 in Farm's Demonstration Building; bird hike, 8 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 11; harvest festival, 12-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12, wool spinning, basket weaving, cider pressing, rope making, blacksmithing, corn harvesting, horsedrawn hayride, at the park on Eight Mile, one mile west of Beck Road, Northville, Township. (248) 349-8390

the museum, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard (at Village Road), Dearborn. \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 seniors age 62 and older, \$11.50 kids ages 5-12, \$6.25 children younger than 5, members free. (313) 271-1620

POPULAR MUSIC

THE ALLIGATORS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 852-6433

JOCELYNN B. AND THE DETROIT STREET PLAYERS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Sisko's on the Boulevard, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. \$5. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 278-5340

BACKSTREET BOYS
With Le Click featuring Kayo Shekoni, and DJ Company, 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, Royal Oak Music Theatre, 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. \$17.50 in advance. All ages. (pop) (248) 546-7610

BAKED POTATO
9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (funk) (248) 338-6200

BIG SANDY AND HIS FLY-RITE BOYS
With Two Star Tabernacle featuring the Artist Formerly Known as Goobar, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Magic Stick in the majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$7 in advance. 18 and older. (roots rock) (313) 833-POL

THE BIZER BROTHERS
8 p.m.-midnight Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, and Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4, The Rattlesnake Club, 300 River Place, Detroit. Free. All ages. (pop) (313) 567-4400

BLACK FUZZ
10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Mount Chalet, 4715 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 549-2929/(248) 338-6200

BLUE CAT
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

BLUE SUIT FEATURING GENE MORGAN
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

JON BON JOVI
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Canceled. (rock) (313) 961-5451

BOTFLY
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (funk/rock) (313) 485-5050

BUDDY POPPS
9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (pop) (313) 996-2747

SUSAN CULLOWAY
With Motion Control and Mutes, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, The Groove Room, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. \$2 before 10 p.m., \$4 afterward. 21 and older. (roots rock/alternapop) (248) 589-3344

MARY CAUGHLAN
8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. 18 and older. (248) 335-8100

CHARLATANS U.K.
With Dandy Warhols, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$5. All ages. (Brit pop) (248) 334-1999

CLUTCH
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. All ages. (hard rock) (313) 961-MELT

THE COLONY
8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$6. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 335-8100

COWBOY MOUTH
With Treehouse, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$10 in advance. 19 and older. (alternapop) (313) 996-8555

THE COYOTES
10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

KELLEY DEAL 6000
With Star 80, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Magic Stick in the majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 833-POL

DELTA 72
8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431

E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. All ages. (roots rock) (313) 961-MELT

DETROIT MUSICIANS ALLIANCE
Hosts a fundraiser and listening party for 19 bands, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. \$2. 21 and older. (313) 875-6555

DJ SPOOKY
With Scanner, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (electronic) (313) 833-POL

DOMESTIC PROBLEMS
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (313) 996-2747

THE DRAGS
With The Hentchmen and The Dirties, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (garage rock) (313) 833-POL

THE DRIFTERS
With The Coasters and The Platters, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Peace Auditorium, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. (Motown) (313) 487-1221

GLEN EDDIE BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

ELEPHANT EAR
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5 in advance and at the door. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT

ENEMY SQUAD
Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, with special guest Psychedelic Funkification Project, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (funk/rock) (313) 832-2355

FLETCHER PRATT
6:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5 in advance and at the door. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961-MELT

FOOLISH MORTALS
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Mr. Sports, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford Township. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 534-7420/(810) 731-1750

STEWART FRANCKE
With Barb Payton, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Atwater Block Brewery, 237 Jos. Campau, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older; 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, Harmony House, 30830 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages; 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Borders Books and Music, 34300 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (rock) (313) 393-2337/(248) 626-4533/(248) 203-0005

SHIRLEY FRANKLIN AND THE DELTA BLUES
9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 451-1213

FRANKLIN STREET BLUES BAND
Featuring Tom Gonzalez, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 338-6200

FUNKY GREEN DOGS
Featuring The Munk Boys and vocalist Pamela Williams, with Kevin Sanderson and Alton Miller, 9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 18 and older. (house) (248) 334-1999

GRIN
9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 485-5050

THE HATCHMEN
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 852-6433

AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

CATFISH HODGE
With Jim McCarty and Mystery Train, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

HOWLING DIABLOS
With The Parka Kings, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (funk/rock/ska) (313) 996-8555

JULIO IGLESIAS
8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$50 and \$35. All ages. (pop) (313) 983-6611/(248) 433-1515

JILL JACK
With Nineteen Wheels, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (roots rock) (248) 543-4300

KILLER FLAMINGOS
9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues/rock) (248) 543-4300

MIKE KING
8:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21

and older; 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, Royal Oak Brewery, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 642-9400/(248) 545-1141

JOHN D. LAMB BAND
9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, Frigates, 1103 E. Lake Dr., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (singer/songwriter) (248) 624-9607

LARVAL
With Morsel and Ebling Hughes, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5. 18 and older. Slot is no longer in the line-up. (rock) (248) 544-3030

LESS THAN JAKE
4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance and at the door. All ages. (ska) (248) 333-2362

MAGIC DRAGON
With Professors of Faith, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 832-2355

JIM MCARTY AND MYSTERY TRAIN
With Catfish Hodge, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650

MOTION CONTROL
With The Mutes, 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, The Groove Room, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 559-3344

MOTOR JAM
10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Mr. Sports, 13090 Inkster Road, Redford. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 360-7450/(313) 532-7420

MUDPUDDY
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4, Memphis Smoke, 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300/(248) 855-3110

MU330
6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT

STEVE NARDELLA
9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

NECESSARY EVILS
With Bantam Rooster and The Dirties, 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POL

NOBODY'S BUSINESS
10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (248) 349-9110

ROBERT NOLL BLUES MISSION
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26-Saturday, Sept. 27, New Detroit, 655 Beaubien (at Fort Street), Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 963-3355/(313) 451-1213

ROBERT PENN
9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

ROD PIAZZA AND THE MIGHTY FLYERS
Celebrate release of CD with party and performance, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$15. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030

PRODIGALS
10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older.

DINING

Alexander the Great celebrates 20th anniversary

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

The baby's starting college this fall, and his parents, Pauline and Tom Tomovski are celebrating the 20th anniversary of their family restaurant, Alexander the Great in Westland.

"Some customers will ask 'how's the baby?'" said Pauline. "Zak is a freshman at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. My daughter Zana is a senior at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Our customers watched them grow up."

What makes Alexander the Great different from the franchise restaurants, which have popped up in the last 20 years around their establishment near Westland Mall, is their service.

"We are consistent, and try to welcome people," said Pauline. "We feel we provide old-fashioned service. We have customers who come in every day at the same time. We don't have a big turnover of wait staff. It's a family-like atmosphere, we treat each other with respect. The customers feel that."

Out of respect for their customers, Pauline and Tom have renovated the restaurant three times since opening on Sept. 20, 1977. Hanging plants, and bright color scheme, a rainbow of mauve, blue, green and yellow, makes Alexander the Great a welcoming place.

"We try to keep things fresh - new floor, window and booth coverings, and a colorful mural by a local artist," said Pauline. "Our atmosphere is upbeat. We want to perk up our customers after a long day of work to make them

Alexander the Great
Where: 34733 Warren, Westland, (313) 326-5410
Hours: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to 10 p.m. Sunday.
Credit cards: All majors accepted
Menu: Specialize in barbecued ribs, also offer steaks, seafood, Italian, broasted and barbecued chicken and other items. Cocktails, beer and wine available. Family restaurant. "Kid's Klassics" menu for children 10 and under.
Carry-out: Available; also offer large carry-outs of ribs, broasted chicken and mostaccioli for parties and picnics. Call ahead.
Cost: Whole slab of ribs for two \$16.95 served with coleslaw or salad, choice of potato, green onion and garlic bread. Entrees range from \$5.25 for two piece chicken dinner, (dark meat) to \$14.95 for a whole slab of ribs, New York Strip Steak or Steak & Shrimp. Sandwiches \$3.95 to \$6.45; salads range from \$1.95 for a tossed salad to \$7.50 for a large Greek salad.
Highlights:
■ Movie dinner package, \$26.95 - two tickets to Quo Vadis or Showcase Cinema, and dinner off selected menu, which includes 90 percent of regular menu, drinks and dessert extra.
■ Gift certificates for movie dinner package, or in dollar amounts.
■ Special \$3.95 luncheon menu, available 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Ask for a luncheon card, buy four lunches off the \$3.95 menu, fifth one is free.

happy." Pauline and Tom also want to satisfy their hunger. They added broasted chicken to the menu, and broiled fish when customers requested it.

People still think of Alexander the Great as an evening place, so the couple recently introduced a \$3.95 luncheon menu to draw customers.

Entrees are served with coleslaw, and salad, soup or fries are 95 cents extra. The lunch menu includes a rotisserie turkey sandwich served on a sourdough bun, tuna melt, Maurice salad, egg salad sandwich, spaghetti, chicken breast sandwich, Mostaccioli, Greek salad,

ham & cheese sub, fish sub, two piece broasted chicken, ground round, and half barbecued chicken.

Barbecued ribs, you can chew on, cooked in an open fire rotisserie machine, have been a specialty for 20 years. They have a person on staff who just cooks the ribs.

Alexander the Great is also known for their homemade spaghetti, mostaccioli with mozzarella cheese, veal and chicken parmigiana.

The spaghetti sauce recipe was created by Alexander the Great's first chef who got it from his Italian-born mother.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGOFF

Anniversary toast: Tom and Pauline Tomovski are celebrating the 20th anniversary of their restaurant, Alexander the Great, in Westland.

There's something for everyone on this menu - appetizers, salads, homemade soups, sandwiches, steaks, pork chops, shrimp, and broiled cod or orange roughy. Fish and chips are made to order, and a customer favorite. Save room for dessert, the rice

pudding is homemade, and popular with customers.

"We want to thank the city, and all of our customers who have been so nice, and loyal to us," said Tom. Sometimes you might find

Pauline, Tom, Zana and Zak working together at the restaurant. They call it family quality time.

Since 1977 they've spent a lot of time working together, and that's one of the reasons they're so successful.

WHAT'S COOKING

What's Cooking features theme dinners, menu changes, and restaurant openings. Send news items to: Keely Wygonik, Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Fall Feast

Friday, Sept. 26 at Trattoria Bruschetta (248) 305-5210, Saturday, Sept. 27 at Sebastian's Grill (248) 649-6625. Feasts begin at 7 p.m., \$36.95 per person, plus tax and gratuity, call restaurant for reservations. Menu features Roasted Butternut Squash Soup, Smoked Whitefish, Spinach & White Cheddar Strudel, Crispy Duck Confit & Wild Greens, Roasted Prime Tenderloin and McIntosh Apple Pie.

Cigar Dinner

To take place 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6 at the Gandy Dancer in Ann Arbor. Cost \$85 per person, reservations required. Call (313) 769-1162.

Benefit

Leukemia Society of America Benefit - noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, Oak Plaza Mall, 8020 N. Wayne Road, (next to Wendy's).

Day of fun at for the family to benefit the Leukemia Society of America. Activities include David Nadeau "The Magic Man," "Prof the Clown" and her fancy balloons; Cake Walk; Limbo Contest; Laser Shoot-Outs, Face Painting, Pizza Eating Contest, and photos with your favorite mice. Raffle tickets to win a variety of prizes including gift certificates for dinner donated by Cleopatra's Restaurant, which is also participating in the event; Ernesto's and Water Club Grill in Plymouth.

D. Dennison's

Through Monday, Sept. 29 patrons of D. Dennison's restaurant of Livonia can enjoy live Maine Lobster, corn on the cob, red skin potatoes and coleslaw for \$15.95. Reservations welcome, call (313) 464-9030 for more information.

American Harvest Restaurant

The restaurant operated by Schoolcraft College's renowned culinary arts department is open for lunch Tuesday through Fri-

day until Dec. 17 when the restaurant closes for final exams. They reopen in January. Call (313) 462-4488 for reservations.

International dinners prepared by second-year students in the International Cuisine Class, are also continuing this fall. Each Thursday evening, diners enjoy a five course meal drawing from the dishes of a particular country. Dinners are \$25 per person, and reservations are recommended because seating is limited. Call (313) 462-4488. Dinners include wine and brief presenta-

tion on the origin of both the food and wine.

Visit the Professor's Pantry, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday to purchase fresh bread, pastries, soups, pasta, salad and other products prepared by Culinary Arts students.

It's not too early to begin planning your Thanksgiving Day menu. The Culinary Arts Department will prepare a com-

plete dinner, ready for pick-up the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. You can order a Thanksgiving dinner starting Oct. 27 by calling (313) 462-4491.

The American Harvest Restaurant and Professor's Pantry are in the Waterman Center on the north end of Schoolcraft's Livonia campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

FRIDAY DINNER SPECIAL FISH & CHIPS
— All You Can Eat —
\$5.50
Includes cole slaw, fries, & garlic toast (Icelandic Cut Fish)

Have your graduation party, baby or bridal shower or any other party in our newly remodeled Banquet Room. It's beautiful and the perfect setting for your special day! — TAKING RESERVATIONS NOW —

Farmington Hills Beef House and Family Restaurant
(248) 477-5845
38975 Grand River (bet. Middlebelt & 8 Mile)

Buddy's RESTAURANT PIZZERIA

PLAN AHEAD for YOUR TAILGATE PARTIES
Make it easy... CALL BUDDY'S

Parties Welcome 15 to 100 - Call for Reservations - **LIVONIA**
33605 Plymouth Rd. (West of Farmington Rd.)
(313) 261-3550

Other Buddy's Locations
DEARBORN
22148 Michigan (Between Southfield & Telegraph)
(313) 562-5900
• FARMINGTON HILLS
• BLOOMFIELD
• ROYAL OAK • AUBURN HILLS
• DETROIT • WARREN • PTE. PLAZA

Bring this ad in for...
\$2 OFF
Any Large Pizza or Large Antipasto or Large Greek Salad

FRIDAY SPECIAL Fish & Chips
(baked or fried)
All you Can Eat
\$9.95
The Botsford Inn
Farmington Hills
(810) 474-4800

TAYLOR MASON
September 26, 27 & 28
Fri. & Sat. 8:15 & 10:45
Tickets \$12.00
Dinner Show Package \$22.95
Sunday 7:00 P.M.
Tickets \$10.00
Dinner Show Package \$20.95

Daiyanchi
Specializing in Authentic Asian Cuisine
CALL FOR RESERVATION TODAY!
584-9885
5070 Schaefer (Next to Midwest Health Center)

DON PEDRO'S
24366 Grand River (3 blocks W. of Telegraph)
OPEN 7 DAYS 537-1450

WAXATA WAXATA
Wednesday & Sunday
1.25
LUNCH SPECIALS... \$3.99
Tequila Party
Tue., Oct. 7th
6 - 9 p.m. + Win Prizes
MEXICAN-SAMPLER FOR TWO
Includes: Steak Fajita, 2 Tacos, Cheese Enchilada, El Padre, Burrito, Tostada, Guacamole Dip, Rice.
Dine-In • With Coupon • Expires 10/2/97
Not Valid With Any Other Offer
1/2 OFF DINNER
Buy 1 dinner, 2nd meal of equal or lesser value 1/2 price.
Dine-In • With Coupon • Expires 10/2/97
Not Valid With Any Other Offer

Mexican Gardens II
FAMILY RESTAURANT
Come feast on Farmington Hills
Finest Authentic Mexican Food!
Children's Menu Available
Party Room Available
Seats up to 35 people
Buy 1 dinner and receive 1/2 off a 2nd dinner of equal or lesser value (good Sun.-Thurs., only expires 10-31-97)
36600 GRAND RIVER AVE. between Halsted & Drake Rds. FARMINGTON
(248) 474-8417
CARRY OUT AVAILABLE
Mon.-Thurs. 11-10 P.M. Fri. & Sat. 11-11 P.M. Sun. 12-10 P.M.

MITCH HOUSEY'S
DINNERS from \$6.95
NOW APPEARING...LIVE THE SHOWCASEMEN WEDNESDAY through SATURDAY
COCKTAIL HOUR
MON. through FRI. 4-7 P.M. DAILY
BANQUET FACILITIES AVAILABLE
EVERY MONDAY - 7:00 P.M.
BILLY MARR GROUP / Pamela Smith, Vocalist
23500 Schoolcraft • Opposite Ladbroke DR • Livonia
125-5520 OPEN DAILY MON-SAT 11-11 P.M.

Fall Remodeling Show
IDEAS, IDEAS AND MORE IDEAS FROM OVER 200 EXHIBITORS
Kitchens • Baths • Doors • Windows • Spas • Remodeling Arts & Crafts • Furniture • Electronics • Appliances Heating & Cooling • Decorative Accessories • and More!
SPECIAL SHOW DISCOUNTS!
NOVI EXPO CENTER SEPT. 25 - 28 I-96 AND NOVI ROAD

OPENS TODAY AT 2:00 PM
Thurs. & Friday 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Regular Admission: Adults \$6.00; Seniors \$4.00; Children 6-12 \$3.00; Children under 6 FREE
Special Family Ticket, includes 2 adults and all the children, \$9.00 - available only at Farmer Jack

Two-man 'grilling buddies' Mad Dog and Merrill offering practical tips and outdoor grilling recipes from hors d'oeuvres to desserts served with heapin' helpings of comedy as seen on programs like CBS' This Morning
Showcase of Distinctive Homes pictorial display of new homes
National Kitchen & Bath Association members Garage Sale of cabinets, counters and discontinued items plus proceeds will benefit Habitat for Humanity