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## IN THE PAPER TODAY

**Open primary:** In an effort to open up the election process here, a Wayne County resident has organized Citizens for Fairness in County Primaries. The group wants a charter amendment on the August 1998 ballot which, if adopted, will allow voters to nominate one candidate for each county office, regardless of party. /A5

## REAL ESTATE

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## Police chief candidates set for interviews

Seven candidates for the Plymouth Township police chief job will be interviewed by township trustees in a session open to the public on Friday.

The candidates will be narrowed to a field of three on Saturday.

From those three, a final candidate should be chosen in the next two weeks and presented to the full township board for approval at their Oct. 28 meeting, said Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy.

Scheduled for interviews are Dave Nicholson, police chief in Mount Prospect, IL at 9 a.m.; Lawrence Carey, Troy police chief at 10:10 a.m.; Gary DeShelter, deputy chief in Southgate at 11:20 a.m. and James Webber, police chief in Dearborn Heights at 1:30 p.m.

Remaining candidates are Richard Lively, police lieutenant in Saginaw at 2:40 p.m.; Chris Magnus, police lieutenant in Lansing at 3:50 p.m.; and Robert Smith, acting Plymouth Township police chief at 5 p.m.

The interviews are to take place at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, on the northeast corner at Mill.

McCarthy said candidates could face follow-up questions at a 9:30 a.m. session Saturday. At that session, the township board of trustees is to narrow the field of seven to three.

The final three candidates will then undergo further managerial testing.

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## Officials eye tax proposal

City and township officials are thinking of ways to provide residents with upgraded recreation services. A half-mill is a possibility.

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER



Plymouth Township and city voters may be asked to pay up to about \$100 per year for upgraded recreation services.

A joint township-city recreation committee meeting Tuesday talked about presenting voters in greater Plymouth with a ballot issue. A community-wide recreation survey this summer found that many residents would support paying more for better recreation services.

## RECREATION

If ultimately approved for placement on a future ballot, it would ask voters to approve a half-mill for recreation.

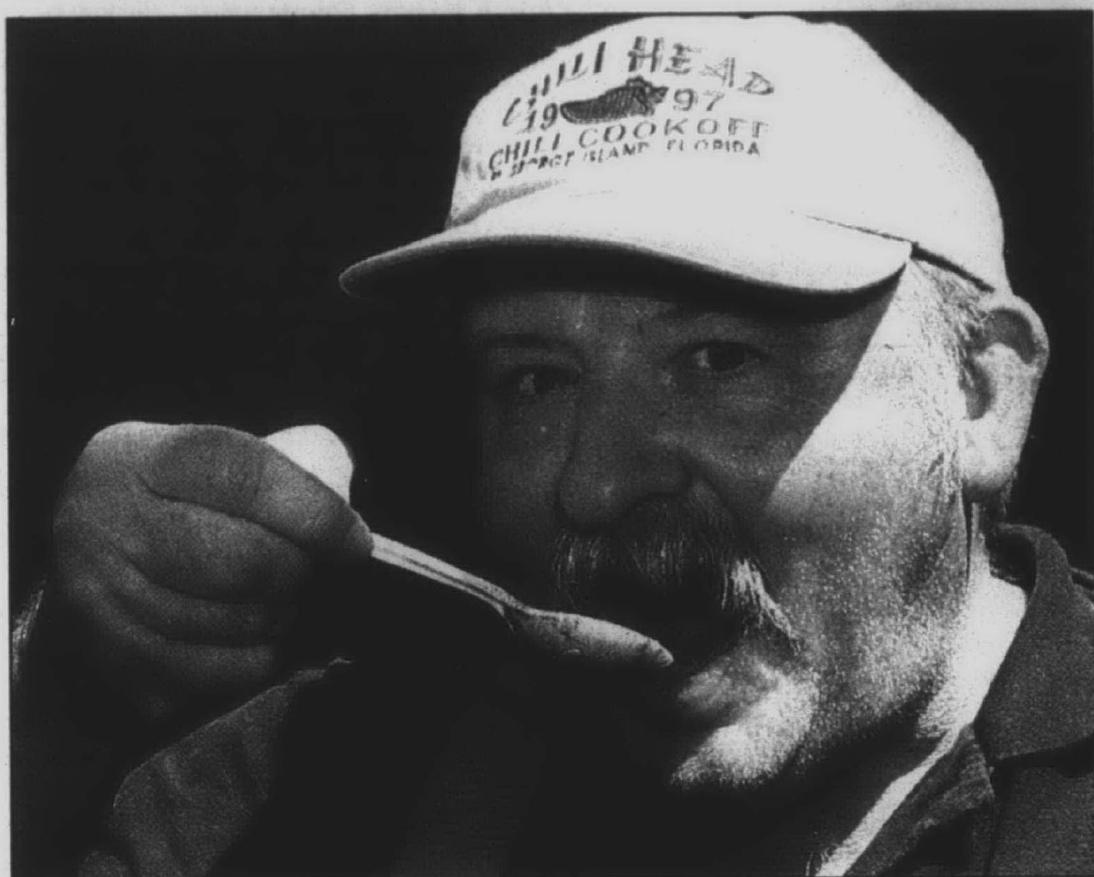
The millage, said City Manager Steve Walters in a report to the committee, could "allow for an expanded program and capital outlay improvements such as land acquisition, the construction of baseball and soccer field improvements on existing school and or private sites and the construction of new recreation facilities."

A half mill levied on a house valued at \$400,000 - or \$200,000 for tax purposes - would raise \$100 per year, Walters said.

The millage would generate about \$680,000. And with a proposed maintenance contribution from the city, \$172,670, and the township, \$236,163, the yearly recreation budget would be nearly \$1.1 million.

The recreation survey posed to residents community wide in the summer

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**Mmm' good:** Jim Weller samples his Macktown Chili during the Great Chili Cook-off in downtown Plymouth Sunday. The event's proceeds go to help support the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The cook-off and Harley-Davidson show drew some 20,000 visitors to Plymouth for the afternoon.

STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER

## Hot chili, cool Harleys

BY RENEE SKOGLUND  
STAFF WRITER

Chili and Harleys, the perfect combination," declared Annette Horn, who, along with husband Ken, organized Plymouth's Second Annual Great Chili Cook-off, in Kellogg Park on Sunday's sunny afternoon.

Crowd estimates, including the Harley-Davidson folks, the Cook-off's main sponsors, numbered close to 20,000. No one seemed to mind that, like last year, they're wasn't enough chili to go around. After all, the event raised \$10,000 for Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan.

"That was my goal," said Horn, owner of Native West Galleries.

Ray Fredericks, a chili head from Farmington Hills, won the \$500 first prize for his "Tiger's Bite" chili, a slightly sweet-tasting concoction with a special combination of spices from California and New Mexico. Fredericks was surprised he won, especially when Ken Horn announced Georgia Weller of West Bloomfield, last year's chili cook-off world champion, as third-place winner.

"I thought they might be going to a stronger taste," said Fredericks. "Then, holy cow, I beat the world's champion." Both Fredericks and wife Marilyn are veteran winners of regional chili cook-offs.

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**Biker:** Charlotte Milotz fires up her Harley on Sunday afternoon. She is a teacher at Pioneer Middle School in Plymouth.

## Where have all the students gone?

BY RENEE SKOGLUND  
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton school district could receive \$1.4 million less in state foundation grant money due to an enrollment count that fell considerably short of projections.

The district had projected an increase of 330 students for the 1997-

98 school year; preliminary figures, based on the Sept. 24 head count, indicate an overall increase of 92 students.

The enrollment increase is the lowest since 1994, when the district added 72 students. It was much lower than last year's increase of 368 students and 1995's increase of 371 students.

"We anticipated a lot more," said

John Birchler, executive director of business and operations. "We still think we're growing, but the number for this year is nowhere what we thought." He said the district was not "over aggressive" in determining the projected enrollment figure.

Birchler said head count figures are used as a basis for hiring teachers, pur-

chasing equipment and allocating space. "Our elementary class size is in great shape, 24.3 students per teacher."

This year, district elementary schools lost 45 students and the middle schools lost 43; however, the high schools

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**Construction site:** Rich McLaren of Ellis-Don contractors leads Mary Elizabeth Smith, George Smith, and David Campbell on a tour of the library under construction.



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

## New library Girders are only a hint

BY RENEE SKOGLUND  
STAFF WRITER

You didn't need your library card for Sunday's bare-bones tour of the new Plymouth library conducted by Friends of the Plymouth District Library, just your imagination.

For two hours Sunday afternoon library director Pat Thomas and Rich McLaren, the project's construction manager, led groups of people through the cavernous upper and lower levels of what promises to be a state-of-the-art library when com-

## HARD HAT PARTY

pleted by spring, 1998. Tour tickets cost \$10.

"I've got to be honest with you, it's going to be a beautiful place," said McLaren, who works for general contractor Ellis-Don Michigan, Inc.

Standing amid the soaring steel girders and dusty concrete floor, tour-goers visualized the main floor's skylight and main entrance fireplace.

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## Incumbent embraces long-term planning

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Don Dismuke who is running for reelection to the Plymouth City Commission has brought a total quality management concept, embraced in recent years by business, to city government.

The concept is to develop long-term goals to better meet residents' concerns and to review those goals annually for fine tuning, and to see if the planning effort remains on track.

"I think it can be a pretty powerful tool to get a lot of things accomplished," Dismuke said.

Of the current commission's record, Dismuke said, "we've accomplished a lot of things

Eight candidates, two incumbents, are seeking election or reelection to the Plymouth City Commission. They will vie for four seats on the commission in the Nov. 4 election. The top three vote-getters will win four-year term. The fourth highest will get a two-year term.

related to downtown development, but we need to be more aggressive, and do less micro-management."

On the issue of getting the township involved in paying for community-wide recreation services, Dismuke said, "the key was the recreation survey," adding that township trustees now realize some township participation is in order. He said joint recreation is a key issue to pursue in the coming term.

Dismuke said giving the YMCA a major role in heading joint recreation services - a concept being reviewed by a joint city-township government committee - "seems to be the best approach."

On the issue of consolidating the city and township governments, Dismuke said, "I'd have no problem putting it on the ballot. If that's what the people want, fine, so be it."

"The community is talking about it, it needs to be brought up again to see what the answers are. What's the

Please see DISMUKE, A6



Don Dismuke



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## HEADCOUNT

### Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Kindergarten	1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade	4th grade	5th grade	Special Ed. Homebound	Talented and Gifted	9/24/97 TOTAL	9/27/96 TOTAL
Allen	82	104	104	94	94	79	None		557	596
Bentley	100	130	109	129	115	92	None		675	638
Bird	103	80	75	80	70	81	None		499	507
Eriksson	92	111	109	99	75	87	None		573	579
Farrand	85	67	77	91	62	91	31		484	479
Fiegel	76	70	94	72	94	62	None		468	510
Field	81	102	92	69	73	90	None		507	498
Gallimore	79	91	81	79	81	57	18		486	445
Hoben	95	73	100	74	78	69	None		489	515
Hulsing	91	84	101	80	89	77	18		540	517
Isbister	97	98	112	81	95	96	None		579	560
Miller	60	68	65	49	66	58	None	150	516	537
Smith	70	70	81	66	70	70	12		439	465
Tonda	90	100	100	111	111	87	1		600	611
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,181</b>	<b>1,248</b>	<b>1,300</b>	<b>1,174</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>1,098</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>7,412</b>	<b>7,457</b>

MIDDLE SCHOOL	6th grade	7th grade	8th grade	9th grade	10th grade	11th grade	12th grade	Special Ed. Homebound	Talented and Gifted	9/24/97 TOTAL	9/27/96 TOTAL
Central	269	289	256	269	289	256	269	10		824	839
East	174	175	167	174	175	167	174	18	142	676	679
Lowell	240	250	237	240	250	237	240	21		748	743
Pioneer	203	207	236	203	207	236	203	14		660	707
West	247	252	252	247	252	252	247	1		752	735
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>3,680</b>	<b>3,703</b>

HIGH SCHOOL	9th grade	10th grade	11th grade	12th grade	Special Ed. Homebound	Talented and Gifted	9/24/97 TOTAL	9/27/96 TOTAL
Canton	641	597	547	504	45		2,334	2,284
Salem	676	614	575	493	48		2,406	2,276
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,317</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>1,122</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>93</b>		<b>4,740</b>	<b>4,560</b>

Source: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

Bottom line: '96/'97 comparison

## Count from page A1

gained 180 students. District spokeswoman Judy Evola emphasized that the high schools, with their 14 portable classrooms, remain overcrowded.

Evola said the school district arrived at its projected 330-student enrollment increase primarily based on a study conducted by Lansing-based Stanfred Consultants, one of two companies approved by State Department of Treasury for projecting enrollments for districts preparing bond applications.

Frederick R. Ignatovich, a principal with Stanfred Consultants and a professor in Michigan State University's Department of Education Administration, said there are two prominent variables that could account for the discrepancy: housing market fluctuations and people taking non-public school options.

He also said there may not be a variable; the less-than-projected enrollment increase could be an anomaly. "One year does not make a trend," Ignatovich added that projections are higher with facility building issues than with

**'We weren't speculating. We were using solid planning mechanisms.'**

*Judy Evola*  
—District spokeswoman

fiscal issues, where the bottom line is paramount. "To overestimate is not viewed as a fatal sin. To underestimate is the worst sin."

He said building to accommodate higher projections avoids the "high cost of retro-fitting" and allows for "utilization flexibility."

Ignatovich said the increase could be less than 92 students if the head count figures have not been audited by the county or state. In addition to the Stanfred data, the district conducted extensive community surveys and considered projections from their five-year-plan, according to Evola.

"We weren't speculating. We were using solid planning mechanisms. No one will dispute we

live in a high-growth area," Evola said.

School districts currently receive their foundation grant on a 50/50 percentage formula. Fifty percent of the grant is determined by the September head count and 50 percent is based on the previous February head count.

The Plymouth-Canton school district will receive \$5,986 per student from the state for the 1997-98 school year.

Earlier this year, the state Legislature approved a school aid bill that contained provisions which changed the formula to 60/40, with 60 percent of the foundation grant determined by the September head count. Growing school districts favor this formula as it puts more weight on a head count taken at the beginning of the school year, when more students show up.

Gov. John Engler line-item-vetoed the provision, but the State Attorney General Frank Kelly ruled that the governor improperly used his veto power.

## PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

### Seminar for women

An Investment Planning Seminar for Women will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road, west of Haggerty Road.

The seminar is hosted by Diane S. Farber, vice president with Prudential Securities. She is a certified financial planner and retirement planning advisor.

The seminar seeks to provide important investment information. Those attending are asked to arrive at 5:15 if they dine before the seminar.

To make reservations, call Lasca at 1-800-521-9463. Feel free to bring a friend.

### Artist paints mural

The Plymouth Coffee Bean Co. on Penniman downtown has commissioned Canton artist Adam Sweeny to paint a mural on the walls.

"Adam captures the spirit of this place," said owner Denise Staffeld. "His drawings of the business people, artists, housewives, seniors and younger crowd that come to talk and drink coffee are unique."

Some possible future projects for Sweeny are an original comic book and line of greeting cards.

### Performance set

One time Atlantic Records recording artist Michael King performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Plymouth Coffee Bean Co.

King is appearing in support of his new CD on the Zolar label. He brings world class guitar work, rich vocals and thoughtful lyrics together for the one-night engagement.

The Michigan native gained notoriety when his group Rebel Heels released an album on Atlantic Records. He has also written scores for film, and produced an album for James Whalen, declared "Album of the Year" by the Metro Times.

King also wrote music for

skater Katerina Witt, heard on TV's Wide World of Sports.

There is no cover charge for the show.

### Write-in rules

If you are thinking of being a write-in candidate for the Plymouth City Commission, know that a declaration of your intent to run must be filed by 4 p.m. on

the Friday preceding the election, Oct. 31.

This is according to a new amendment to election law, reported Plymouth City Clerk Linda Langmesser.

Forms are available for interested write-in candidates at the clerk's office, Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main St. For more information call 453-1234.

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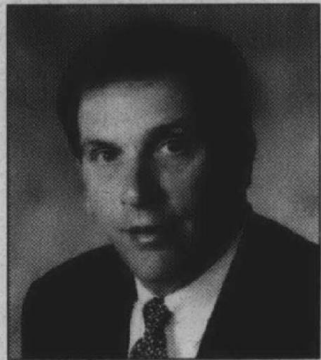


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At this point, the building gave only a hint of what was to come. "I have a degree in mechanical engineering. It's just interesting to see what's behind the plaster," said Steve Geddes, a University of Michigan student whose parents are members of the Friends.

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People asked questions as they toured, especially about the noise level. The floor plan calls for modular divisions. McLaren said both the vaulted ceiling and the fibrous material sprayed on the walls before painting would absorb much of the noise.

"Do you guys really eat baloney sandwiches and Twinkies for lunch?" asked Karen Berrie of Plymouth Township, as she peered into the brown bag containing her own baloney and Twinkie lunch prepared by the Friends.

McLaren said he'd had a few baloney lunches. Nan Cooper, secretary of the Friends, said the bread was Wonder Bread, not just any kind of white bread. "It sticks to the roof of your mouth. Wonder Bread does that, doesn't it?"

Berrie leads the library's Great Books Discussion Group. "We've been in Plymouth 29 years. I think this is a wonderful resource. It will be a great place to come," she said.

Thomas said the library's upper and lower levels are functionally different. The upper level is allocated for "the noisy kinds of meetings" and reading area, while the lower level will



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

**Lunching:** Judy Reynolds and library director Pat Thomas organize brown bag lunches.

house the computer lab and study and reference area.

Anne Alatalo, a media specialist from Bentley Elementary, said she loves the idea of dividing popular materials and research. "That's how it usually works, splitting between pleasure and work."

By the end of the last tour, there were two baloney and four peanut butter and cheese sandwiches left over. The Friends of the Plymouth District Library was \$490 richer.

Carol Davis, president of the Friends, called the day a success. "We're thinking of doing this again in the winter, once the bricks are on and the areas are better defined. I'm just not sure what we'll serve."

# Recreation from page A1

found that some wanted tennis courts and a swimming pool. Walters said a bond issue paid for by an expanded program could go for facility improvements.

A final version of the plan would require approval of the city commission and township board of trustees for placement on the ballot.

Before preparing a complete plan, recreation committee members said several items need to be determined.

They include a list of what facilities improvements will be sought, the cost of those improvements, a determination from soccer and baseball groups of what facilities they require, and a determination of how the schools would contribute to facilities.

Committee members said they also need to determine how much the YMCA can contribute financially, and the cost to expand the cultural center if this is needed to relocate the YMCA there from their current office on Union Street.

Joanne McCarthy, YMCA executive director, said she needed to determine at what level the YMCA can administer the program. The city and YMCA now run recreation activities out of the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Plymouth Mayor Ron Loiselle suggested that new facilities and improvements to be paid for through a recreation millage should be listed, to give voters a concrete idea

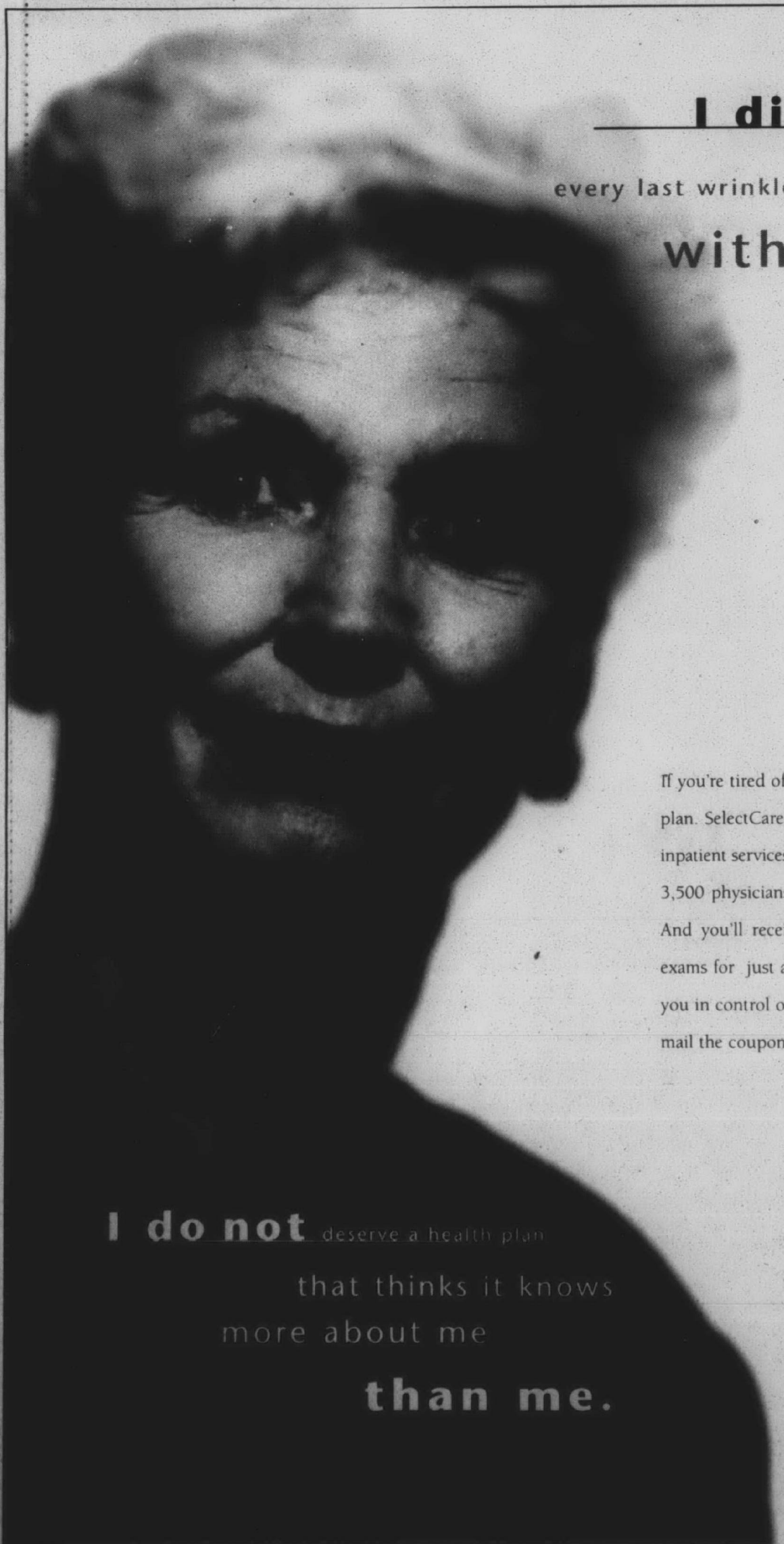
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of what they'd get for approving a millage.

"We need something more tangible than just a half-mill for recreation," he said. Loiselle said the city was successful in winning support for its street improvement program by listing specific streets and when they would be repaired.

Committee members are to gather more information for further discussion at the next recreation committee meeting at 4:30 p.m. Nov. 13.

Other members participating Tuesday, at the township board conference room, were Kathleen Keen McCarthy, township supervisor; Jim Anulewicz, township director of public services; and Rosemary Harvey, township finance director.



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## COP CALLS

### Suspects identified

Some potential suspects have been identified in a rash of car phone thefts, Plymouth Township police say.

Last week, a half-dozen car phone thefts were reported to township police. There have been more than 40 car phone thefts since the first of the year, police said.

Sgt. Jim Jarvis said the thefts have occurred around Plymouth Township, in industrial parks as well as subdivisions. He urged car owners to lock their cars, as many portable phones have been taken from unlocked cars.

Police speculate that thieves stealing the car phones do so to run up calls, before phone owners stop the process when they get monthly bills that list calls made on their assigned number.

**Great Pumpkin Caper is set for Oct. 30**

## DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH

Kids from the Plymouths and Canton are invited to trick or treat and join in a costume contest - "The Great Pumpkin Caper" - beginning at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30 in downtown Plymouth.

Kids are asked to stop at the band shell in Kellogg Park - actually Penniman Avenue - pick up a ticket and show off their costumes. At 7 p.m. the costume winners will be announced by ticket number.

After kids have shown off their costumes, they are encouraged to trick or treat the participating downtown businesses. Trick or treating runs until 7 p.m.

The event, which in the past has drawn as many as 3,000 trick or treaters, is sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, downtown Plymouth merchants.

Members of the Plymouth Rotary-Afternoon Club will serve as crossing guards to help keep kids safe.

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# Open primary

## County group seeks charter change

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

John Hand and many Wayne County voters remember the 1996 Republican primary election between Spencer Abraham and Ronna Romney for the U.S. Senate race.

It was a hotly contested race, and obviously important to all Michigan voters to choose the eventual Republican nominee on the November ballot.

But if you wanted to vote Republican in that race and vote for a Democrat in a county race, you may have felt frustration, Hand said. And if you voted for both, you may have spoiled your vote.

"If you voted in that (Senate race), you couldn't vote for county executive, prosecutor or county clerk if you wanted to vote for Democrats," said Hand, a Dearborn Heights resident and a former Wayne County charter commissioner.

"If a contested state or national primary happens to coincide with contested county primaries, many Wayne County voters are effectively excluded from a choice of county officers, because of their vote at the state or national level."

### Charter amendment sought

The closed primary election is nothing new for Wayne County voters, but the idea of an open primary appeals to Hand, who

now has organized and chairs Citizens for Fairness in County Primaries.

The group wants a charter amendment on the August 1998 ballot which, if adopted, would allow each voter in a county primary to vote to nominate one candidate for each county office, regardless of party.

There are a number of spoiled ballots that occur, Hand said. Some communities, such as Redford, have software that kicks the ballot back to voters when they cross parties.

Hand said charter commissioners didn't address this issue at all in the early 1980s.

"It's something we overlooked when we put the charter together," Hand said. "When (the charter commission) saw the elections were partisan, we just stopped there. We didn't appreciate that we could have had an open primary as part of the charter."

### Action soon?

Wayne County Commissioner William O'Neil, D-Allen Park, also serves on the citizens' group executive committee. He hopes to introduce a resolution on the charter amendment for commission action later this month or in November.

"I believe in fairness, and it's fair to have open primaries so people can vote for their favorite candidates," O'Neil said.

If the 15-member commission

cannot muster eight votes to support the resolution, the group will need 63,000 signatures on petitions from Wayne County registered voters to place the item on the August 1998 ballot, Hand said.

"That is a large undertaking," Hand said.

### Opposition looms

Not everybody is jumping on the open primary wagon.

Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, said he will vote against such a resolution if it is proposed to the commission. McCotter also chairs the Wayne County Republicans.

Wayne County candidates already go through a nominating process for the party to get onto the ballot and generally represent the ideals of that party, McCotter said.

"Why should a Democrat cross over and decide a Republican and a Republican cross over and decide on a Democrat?" McCotter said. That would allow for a potential for "mischief-making" in the primary, McCotter said.

For example, voters who may have political leanings toward one party and only one candidate in a particular race could cross over in an open primary to the other party and vote for an unknown or a candidate in that same race who they really don't support.

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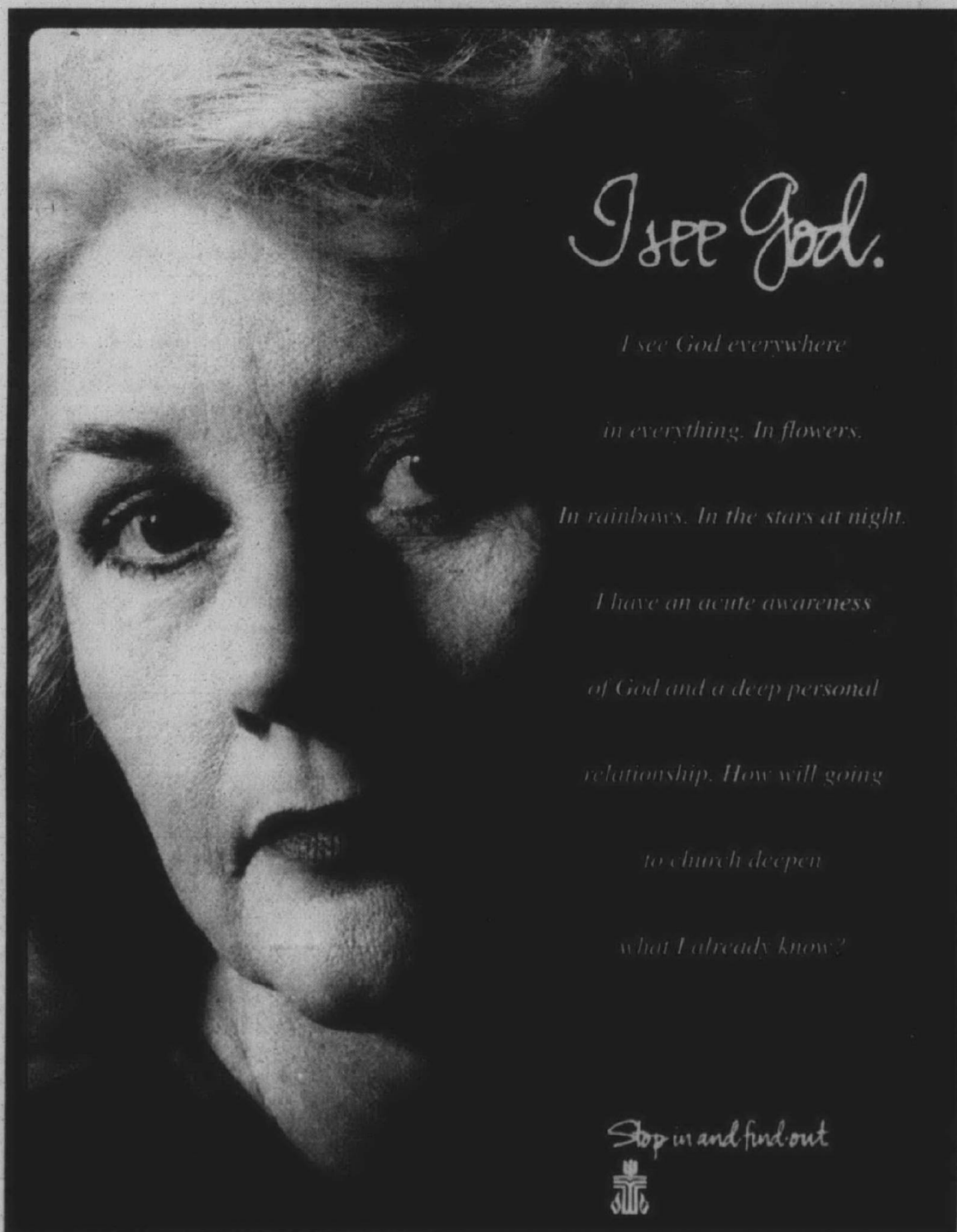
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## Dismuke from page A1

downside? -If people want it, it will go," he said.

"I personally am not for a merger. Plymouth is a small-town community with small-town charm. I would be too concerned to see that go. No one's going to want to see the police department leave downtown Plymouth," he said.

Dismuke said he's running in part to see the total quality management concept established fully. In his two years on the commission, Dismuke said he's learned how to be an effective commissioner.

"No matter what anybody tells you, the first year you're just learning how things work. You need to develop relationships," he said.

"I can almost remember it just clicked one day," he said.

The Plymouth Community Fire Department union has proposed replacing current ambulance services provided by Huron Valley Ambulance with advanced life support service provided by trained fire fighters.

Dismuke said the proposal is only in the early review stages. "We need to defer to the fire chief to get his opinion," Dismuke said, adding no time line has been set for accepting or rejecting the proposal.

In his campaign literature, Dismuke lists a range of supporters including Mayor Ron Loiselle, city commissioners Stella Greene, John Vos, Dennis Shrewsbury and Joe Koch, state Rep. Gerald Law and six former Plymouth mayors.

**Candidate profile**

**DON DISMUK**

- Three-year resident
- Work history: International tax consulting manager for seven years.
- Education: Accounting and economics, Western Michigan University; master's of science in taxation, Grand Valley State University.
- Political involvement: Zoning Board of Appeals, 1995; Plymouth City Commissioner, 1995-Present; delegate Michigan Republican Convention, 1996; member, finance committee - Wayne County Republican Party.
- Community involvement: member, St. Joseph Health System steering committee (interactive health education center campaign); board member, Plymouth Symphony Orchestra; finance committee member, Plymouth Symphony Orchestra; board member, Very Special Arts of Michigan; chairman, city of Plymouth budget and finance committee; Plymouth City Commission liaison to Zoning Board of Appeals; member, city of Plymouth Tax Abatement Review Committee; member, Michigan Association of CPAs-Federal Taxation Committee.
- Family: Wife, Jennifer, and daughter, Ashley Nicole, 6.

## Simpson closes Gladwin plant

Simpson Industries, Inc. of Plymouth will close its operation in Gladwin, Mich. by the middle of 1998 and transfer the business to other Simpson locations.

The plant manufactures noise and vibration products for automotive engines.

The company said that this action is a result of its continuing review of overall manufacturing operations to eliminate excess and redundant capacity. The company also said that it has no plans to close additional plants, but will continue to assess how operations fit with the overall strategies of the business as part of ongoing efforts to exceed customer and shareholder expectations.

Simpson said it has made the announcement to officials of Local 7603 of the United Paperworkers' International Union which represents the production and maintenance employees at the plant, followed by an announcement to the entire work force. About 170 employees will be affected.

Simpson said it expects an orderly shutdown and that it will negotiate the effects of the closing with the union.

Simpson said pre-tax charges associated with the closing are expected to be about \$4.5 million which will be included in the company's financial results for the third quarter ending Sept. 30, 1997.

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## Skating club hosts event

The Plymouth Figure Skating Club will host its first annual skating competition, Octoberfest, Oct. 17-19, at the Compuware Sports Arena, 14900 Beck Road.

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# Law, Bankes join Dems in vote on school payoff

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

Many suburban Republicans joined majority Democrats in passing the House of Representatives' plan to pay off school districts that won \$211 million from the Durant case.

The House on Oct. 7 approved 74-32 a bill to pay off the winners of a Supreme Court decision in one lump sum from the state's "rainy day" fund.

All area Democrats voted yes.

Joining them were Republicans Lyn Bankes of Redford Township, whose district includes part of Livonia, and Gerald Law of Plymouth Township who also represents Livonia.

All nay votes were cast by Republicans, including: Deborah Whyman of Canton.

The Supreme Court in summer ended a 17-year lawsuit by 84 mostly suburban school districts awarding them \$211 million that the state, under three

governors, had shorted them for special education and other budget line-items.

## House bill terms

The House plan, which speaker Curtis Hertel of Detroit called "a Democratic plan," would:

■ Pay the 84 plaintiffs \$211 million in a lump sum from the \$1.2 billion budget stabilization fund. The plan advocated by Gov. John Engler and passed by

the Senate spread the money over three years and took it from the school aid fund, essentially reducing state school aid.

■ Pay \$77 million a year over 10 years to districts that weren't plaintiffs in the Durant case but which are eligible to file claims. Engler and the Senate proposed to float a 15-year bond issue and pay off these claims in a lump sum; the money would be restricted to technology and infrastructure.

■ Not act on Engler's proposal to assume an 8.3 percent rate of return on school employees' pension fund earnings. Current rate is 8 percent. Democrats argued that if investment income falls below 8.3 percent, local districts would have to make up the deficit, draining local budgets.

Durant case winners include Livonia, South Redford, Northville and Plymouth-Canton in Wayne County, Birmingham, West Bloomfield, Farmington,

Novi, Walled Lake, South Lyon, Huron Valley and Troy in Oakland County; and Waverly in Eaton and Ingham counties.

"Ours is the better plan because it is simple and honest," said Rep. Bob Emerson, D-Flint, who chairs the House Appropriations subcommittee on K-12 school aid. "The governor's plan has so many gimmicks built in, no one really knows the substan-

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## Why do they wear what they do?

BY RENEE SKOGLUND  
STAFF WRITER

Ever wonder why Harley Davidson dudes dress like they do? I mean, all that black, those chains, that leather. Mike "Bugs" Sypula Dearborn, who does a lot of lobbying in Lansing for motorcyclists' rights, offered the following rationale for his duds:

"Why so much black? It's the cheapest color. Doesn't show dirt."

"Leather? Protects our skin." "Chain on a wallet? So we don't lose it."

"Bandannas? Keeps our necks cool. Acts as a dust protector. Or it could be a quick tourniquet."

"Boots instead of tennis shoes? Protects our ankles and feet from the exhaust pipe."

"Beards? Filters out the bugs." "Tattoos? That's personal."

## Chili from page A1

Chuck Hoff of Columbus, Ohio, took second place for his "Buck-eye Chili."

Several Plymouth residents were among the 35 chili-cooking entrants. City commission candidate Paul Schulz cooked up a batch of "A Candidate's Chili." Leonard Swartz simmered up some "Hot Head Chili," and Gary Wolinski did his best with "Moke's Smokin' Chili."

The 25 judges included Plymouth Mayor Ron Loiselle, Plymouth City Manager Steve Wal-dross and Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy. Their job wasn't easy.

They sniffed, dipped, and dallied as they circled the tables lined with quart cartons of chili samples. They cleared their palates with a "beverage of choice" and went back for more. Finally, they tossed away their spoons and cast their votes.

Interestingly, none of the chili samples contained beans. "True chili is defined as having no filler. Beans are considered filler. They do not add any flavor," said Annette Horn.

Who cared about the lack of beans. Chili heads enjoyed the country-rock music of Shotgun Willie and ogled the hundreds of shiny Harley-Davidson motorcycles that lined the streets.

Talk about spice, Harley-Davidson's participation added a lot. The sight and sound of all those Harleys, some with passenger seats as big as Lazy Boys,

**Cookin':**  
A local chef adds some flavor to his entry into the chili cook-off. Two hungry participants observe.



rumbling into Plymouth was something to behold. There were black leather chaps, bandannas, and tattooed biceps and other body parts everywhere.

The Harley guys and gals held a raffle and a fashion show with lots of leather, and they gave the crowd a chance to vote for the best-looking Harley. "The Dirt Man" (name unknown) won. Again, all proceeds went to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan.

"We want to give them credit for their charity," said Ken Horn.

Event sponsors included: the Observer Newspapers, Gourmet Jose Authentic Salsa, Harley Davidson Motorcycles, Krogar, NBD, the Box Bar & Grill, Blackwell Ford. Young Country 99.5 FM donated their time.

### CHILI COOK-OFF WINNING RECIPE

#### TIGER'S BITE CHILI

- 2 1/2 pounds chuck tender, cubed
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- 4 tablespoons chili powder
- 1 tablespoon paprika
- 4 tablespoons New Mexico chili powder
- 3 tablespoons cumin
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon onion powder
- 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1/4 teaspoon oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and chopped fine
- 1-14 1/2 ounce can beef broth
- 1-14 1/2 ounce can chicken

- broth
- 1-8 ounce can tomato sauce
- 2-4 ounce cans green chili's seeded and chopped fine
- Salt to taste

Mix all the dry ingredients together and remove 1/2 cup. Brown meat in a non-stick pan and drain the excess grease. In a chili pot, mix the remaining spices with jalapeno, beef and chicken broths, tomato sauce and green chilis. Bring to a boil. Add browned meat and cook 2 hours until meat is tender. Add the 1/2 cup of spices and cook 30 minutes longer. Salt to taste.

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# State audit

## SC makes minor changes for class waivers

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Schoolcraft College's enrollment system has allowed some students, whom counselors recommended for developmental courses, to enroll in college level courses without first completing the developmental course.

While that does not violate state law or the college's policy, the college has taken steps to improve waiver documentation from counselors from these developmental classes after the college received a performance audit in April by the Michigan Auditor General Thomas McTavish.

Schoolcraft officials have instituted steps this fall to correct some of the deficiencies. "We're now asking counselors to document when they make exceptions to that rule," said Butch Raby, vice president of business services. "We took issues with some of (the state's) numbers. In the past we've relied on their professional judgment.

They made a professional judgment and we've asked them to document it better."

A performance audit is an "economy or efficiency audit" or a program audit expected to provide an independent assessment of the performance of a governmental entity, program, activity or function. The audit is "conducted to improve public accountability" and for parties to initiate corrective action. The state conducts routine performance audits of all community colleges.

### Students reassigned

The state found that 1,181 of 2,048 students with low English placement scores did not complete developmental English courses before enrolling in college level English.

Sometimes those students enroll in college level classes once counselors discover that those students may not belong in those classes due to a bad test or a new assessment that indi-

cates a higher academic level.

The college responded that placement testing, counselor advising, course placement and counselor-approved waivers are all administrative procedures. The college has no policy requiring new students who score below college level to complete developmental courses.

The audit also reported that entry level college courses, such as English 101 and Math 112, also have numerous repetitive student enrollments, which could be, at least in part, be the result of "deficiencies" in the college's management information system, the report states.

But college officials called that a "value judgment" by auditors and that the finding "did not represent a violation of state, federal or college policy."

"The college does not have, nor does it wish to have, a policy which artificially limits the number of times one may enroll in a course," the report states.

### Several repeat classes

Raby said students may repeat a class to improve a grade, particularly when the entry level course is required for a particular concentration.

"Let's say you want to go to engineering school, and you need a B in math and you're getting C's," Raby said. "I'm not going to say that's the answer (why students repeat courses), but that could be part of it."

"We have people ranging from 18-year-olds to those in their 60s. Their course preparation could be lacking, or maybe it's been too long (since the student was in school) for them. Or maybe (the course preparation) never happened. There's a whole host of reasons."

The report concluded that the college's admissions and monitoring practices "were generally effective" in helping students successfully complete their classes and programs.

McTavish added three other

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## Primary

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### Questions linger

Redford Township Clerk Marilyn Heldenbrand has "more questions than answers" about any proposed open primary. Heldenbrand wonders what races the group wants open primaries in, how such a change would affect computer software used to count votes and what effect the change would have on township races. Redford Township candidates currently are listed by party in closed primaries.

"Primaries have always delivered the most favorite candidate," Heldenbrand said. "I'm not sure what they're trying to accomplish."

Canton Township Clerk Terry Bennett would be surprised if the resolution goes anywhere and wondered if state law would need changes before county primaries could be opened. Bennett believes the current system works in selecting final candidates for the respective political parties.

"I think that was the intent of the primary," Bennett said.

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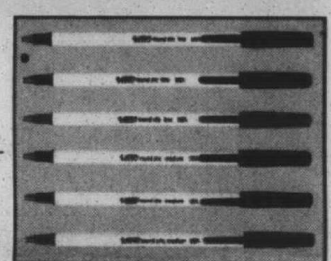
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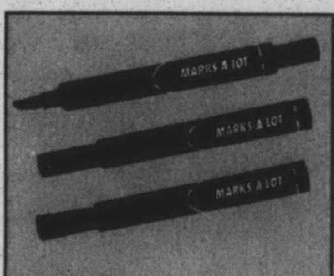
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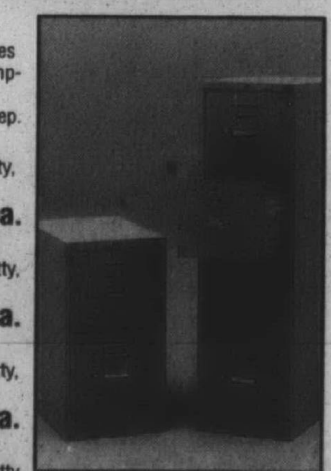
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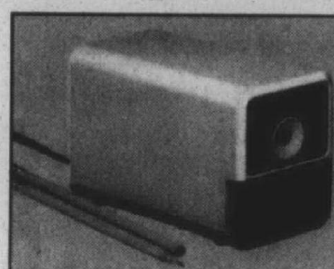


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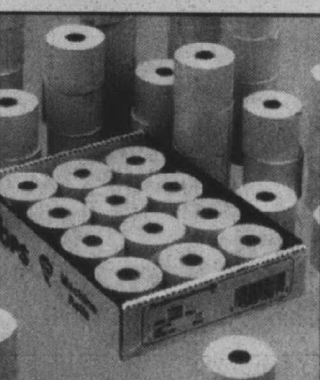
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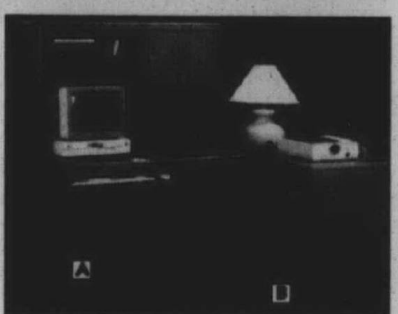
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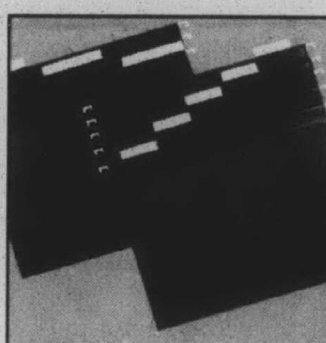


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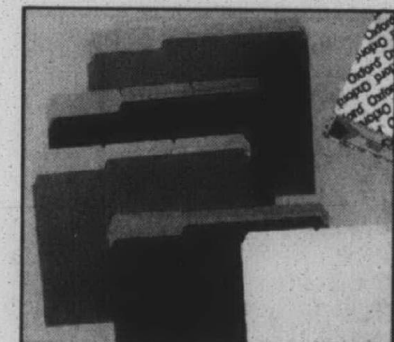
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The college often did not cancel low enrollment classes of less than 12 students, finding that 16 percent of classes from 1993-94 through 1995-96 were low enrollment classes. Auditors recommended more documentation to ensure compliance.

The college will develop a checklist form to indicate why a class with low enrollment was allowed to continue. Raby added: "We have a responsibility to offer this class if a student needs it to graduate."

Auditors believe the college did not accurately determine and report classroom and laboratory utilization in documents submitted to the state Department of Management and Budget. Documents "significantly overstated" campus wide classroom and lab utilization, auditors said.

Raby said the college corrected some data, but disagreed with the methodology of the time period. Raby said state auditors included traditional "down" times for classroom use, such as Friday afternoons and evenings, in their study.

"When we do a utilization study, we will use the times we can market," Raby said. The state used 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. hours for its classroom study, Raby said.

Auditors found the college did not seek legislative approval for the construction of a "self-liquidating" project that costs more than \$500,000. In November 1994, the college awarded a contract for the new construction of the Childcare and Development Center for \$497,545, which placed it under the statutory threshold. Change orders and an additional play area drove the cost to \$700,948.

The college expected the center to be self-supporting, but used \$62,698 from its general fund, which includes state appropriations, to support the center.

"They prefer we aggregate everything," Raby said. "We understand the rationale, and will do this in the future."

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the risk it carries."

Rep. Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville, objected to the House plan because "it treats the Durant districts in one year and the non-Durant districts only 1/10 of a payment with the hope that other legislatures will make the other nine payments."

The House plan is embodied in House Bill 5083. The Senate plan, is in Senate Bill 52.

The matter is unlikely to go to a joint House-Senate conference committee because different bills are involved. It could be brokered by the governor and the Quadant - the Senate and House Republican and Democratic leaders.

## Retirees roused

Rep. Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, will open hearings today (Thursday) on the Senate-passed bill to revise funding of school retirees' pensions. The 5 p.m. hearing will be in the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency building at 38500 VanBorn, Wayne.

DeHart chairs the House Public Retirement Committee and denounced Engler's plan as "bookkeeping gimmicks." She urged retirees to turn out and protest Engler's effort "to short-change those employees."

A headline on her news release said the Senate bill is "a bargaining chip in the Durant settlement."

Other hearings, all beginning at 5 p.m., will be Thursday, Oct. 23, in the Recital Hall of Saginaw Valley State University; Monday, Oct. 27 in the fourth floor of the Capitol Building in Lansing; and Monday, Nov. 3, in the Mawby Center of Kellogg Community College, 450 North Avenue, Battle Creek.

Replied House GOP leader Ken Sikkema of Grandville: "It appears the Public Retirement Committee chair intends to use this legislation as a bargaining chip in settling the school funding issue. That's unacceptable."

Sikkema also criticized DeHart for dragging out the hearings until Nov. 3 because "The Legislature has been back in session for three weeks. We need a resolution now."

# Unhappy consumers

## PSC chair gets an earful from Ameritech customers

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

The telephone company had a lot of angry callers who poured out their frustration to the state Public Service Commission - in public.

"When I hear that name - Ameritech -" said Marjorie Kurzman of Southfield, gritting her teeth. "There's nobody to talk to! When it was Michigan Bell, we had service."

Kurzman and eight other utility customers had an audience in PSC chair John Strand, a former Republican legislator, Oct. 14 in Pontiac City Hall. Strand promised nobody anything but said some complaints against Ameritech and Detroit Edison would be checked out.

Kurzman's problem was that the telephone company sold her a phone she didn't like but couldn't return because it had been delivered when she was out of the state, and the return period had expired.

"I'm getting billed while I'm in Florida. I never signed anything. They told me they couldn't take it back. Did you ever hear that from a department store? It's the

worst company I have ever dealt with. There's nobody to talk to," she said.

Carol Wayne, a Troy business operator, said her usual \$1,400 Ameritech bill leaped by \$1,300 in October. "They're billing me for something they did in January. I can't budget for it," she said.

"I can't track this bill (find the source of the charge). They're billing us for something that is not ours. I'm an accountant, but I spend 20 hours a week dealing with Ameritech issues."

Dominick DiFazio, a Shelby Township caller with a Rochester telephone number, said Ameritech gives him a North Oakland directory that doesn't contain numbers in his subdivision, his local government's or even the local fire department's - all in Macomb County.

"There's no way to convince them (Ameritech) that I'm not getting a local phone directory. They always send me a (local) directory after the fact (a complaint). They never send me it right away," DiFazio said.

He had more complaints about

the lack of items in his Ameritech bill and asked if the three-member PSC, appointed by the governor, had any power.

"We can't regulate what's put in the bill," Strand replied. "We can ask but we can't force. We do not regulate telephone as much as we used to," he said, citing a 1995 state deregulation law.

Michael Wayne, operator of a Troy Internet services company, said his firm tested Ameritech's directory assistance service one day to see if he could get his own business number. Results:

"My directory assistance is wrong. They don't give out my number. They give out five or six different numbers. But they're billing us for directory assistance."

"Their billing is a nightmare. I get billed for services I never ordered. I ask for services to be shut off. Every single order I've given them has come out wrong."

"They have me hostage. They can cut off the service but not the bill. I'm not upset about the prices."

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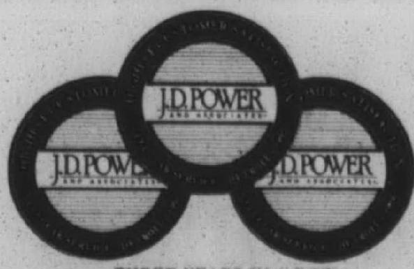
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# Hunters stand in line

## Merchants: Computers can't handle license demand

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

Hunters who must stand in line hours to buy state licenses are being poorly served by a new Department of Natural Resources computer system, say two powerful allies.

One group is sporting goods merchants.

"We had 150 customers in one line," said northern store owner James Knutson. "We were able to process seven per hour in two hours. Our big business is on the weekend when DNR workers (at the Lansing end of computers) are not in."

"And they started the sale of doe permits on July 4 — our

heaviest weekend of the year.

"It's too complicated, and there are too many licenses," said Phil Johnson, another northern merchant. "We were overwhelmed. Our parking lot was jammed. We couldn't make any other sales. One customer got so irate I thought we'd have to call the police."

The other group is state legislators.

The merchants told their tales Oct. 8 to the House Conservation Committee, whose chair, Rep. Tom Alley, D-West Branch, enjoys berating the Department of Natural Resources as much as many Michiganians enjoy hunting and fishing.

"We have a problem with the

(computerized) camping system reservation. Now we have a problem with the computerized hunting license sales. Do I see a pattern?" Alley asked.

Rep. Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, asked if there is a manual system for selling licenses when computers become jammed.

"None," said Johnson. "We have to do it all electronically."

"How much income to you get from licenses?" asked Rep. Tim Walberg, R-Tipton.

"Not much," said Johnson, "but I don't want it to be an expense, and that's what it is." He referred to his inability to sell other goods when hunters were jamming the store to get

slow-as-molasses service on their licenses.

Kelly Sobel, a DNR management employee, said, "The system is not finished yet. The system is still under development. We will triple our capacity by next year. There is a series of 13 phases."

Currently one terminal can handle seven licenses in an hour. By next year it can handle 21 an hour, she said.

Rep. Mick Middaugh, R-Paw Paw, was displeased that DNR set up the system with 33 telephone lines to a central computer when 400 lines were needed.

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## Hunters from page A12

noted that kids age 16 and under don't need licenses but are urged to buy a \$2 voluntary license to obtain newsletter information. But the youngsters can't be entered into the computer because they don't have driver's licenses. DNR's system no longer asks applicants their names, ages, addresses, hair and eye color but sells the sportsmen's license on the basis of the driver's license number.

Sobel said Michigan is on "the leading edge" of computer technology in handling sportsmen's licenses sales.

"I'm not so sure we're gaining a heckuva lot," Alley shot back. "I hear Michigan wants to be on the leading edge. I'm not certain that's a good place to be."

It was the second time this month Alley's committee has heard a storm of complaints about DNR and computers.

The State Park campground reservation system came under enormous fire for breaking down, overbooking campgrounds and assigning people to the wrong

campgrounds.

That system is operated under a three-year contract with a private firm, Consolidated Marketing Response of Charleston, Ill. Many complaints were about the company's lack of familiarity with Michigan park names.

In related business:

■ Turkey hunter Jim Maturen complained that DNR wouldn't give an accounting of what it did with \$2.1 million in turkey license fees that were placed in a restricted fund for turkey habitat management.

■ The committee unanimous reported out a bill to raise penalties for assaults on a conservation officer. An assault or battery that injures an officer would be a felony punishable by up to four years in prison and a fine of \$2,000. The bill was sent to the full House for action.

On the assault issue, refer to House Bill 4736, sponsored by Rep. Beverly Bodem, R-Alpena, when writing to your state representative, State Capitol, Lansing 48909.

## PSC from page A11

800 toll-free number to lodge a complaint. "I tell them my problem is Ameritech. I get transferred, and the next voice says, 'This is Ameritech.' I'm not very happy."

Like others, Wayne was unhappy at not being able to tell when a call outside his immediate exchange was or wasn't long distance.

Strand said the exchanges were set up decades ago when much of the area was rural and made little sense today. "Something is wrong if a call 20 miles away is free (local) and a call three miles away is long distance," he said, adding that such problems would be cured in time.

In response to an audience question, Strand said the PSC would rule on several electric rate issues at its Oct. 29 meeting in Lansing.

But it will take an act of the Legislature to decide on the question of "securitization" — whether Detroit Edison, Con-

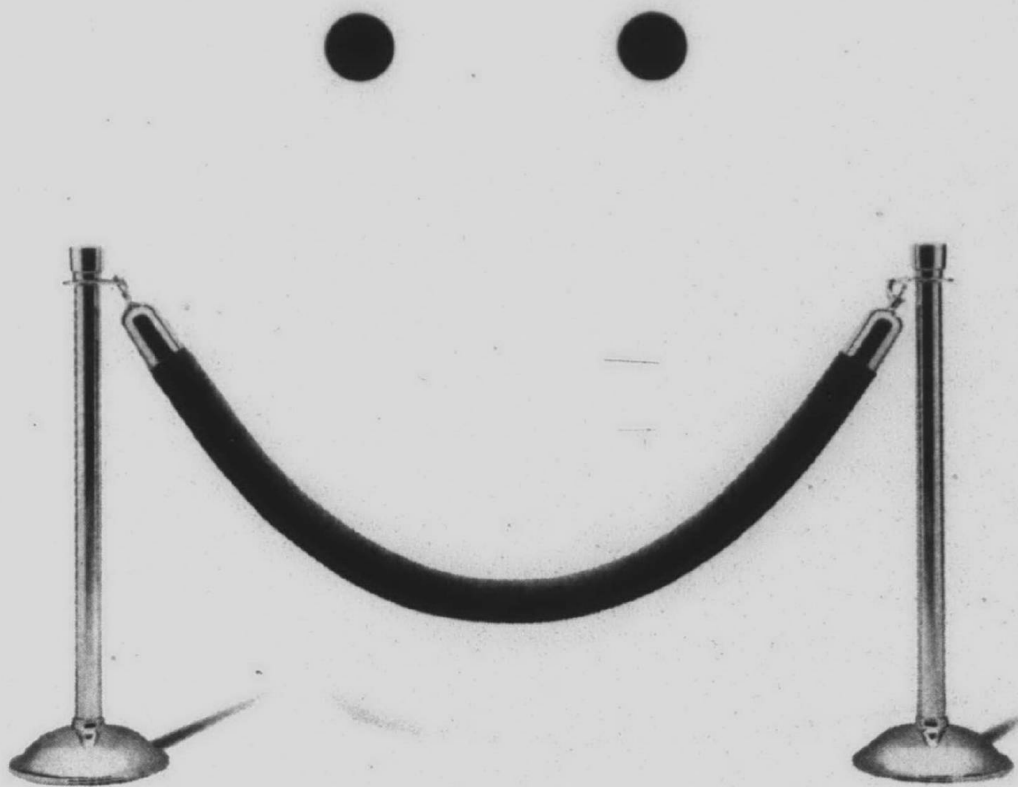
sumers Energy and other electric generators will be able to float bonds to cover so-called "stranded costs."

Stranded costs are capital investments that a utility can't use fully if, under competition, customers switch. Securitization would allow utilities to bill customers who switch for such costs. A consortium of business users is fiercely fighting Edison and Consumers on the issue. The businesses also are asking for immediate competition rather than the five-year delay the utilities propose.

Two more PSC hearings are scheduled in southeast Michigan:

• Thursday, Oct. 16 in Ann Arbor's Larcom Municipal Building, 100 N. Fifth.

• Tuesday, Oct. 21 on Detroit's near east side in the Coleman A. Young Community Center, 2751 Robert Bradby Drive (near Chene and E. Lafayette).



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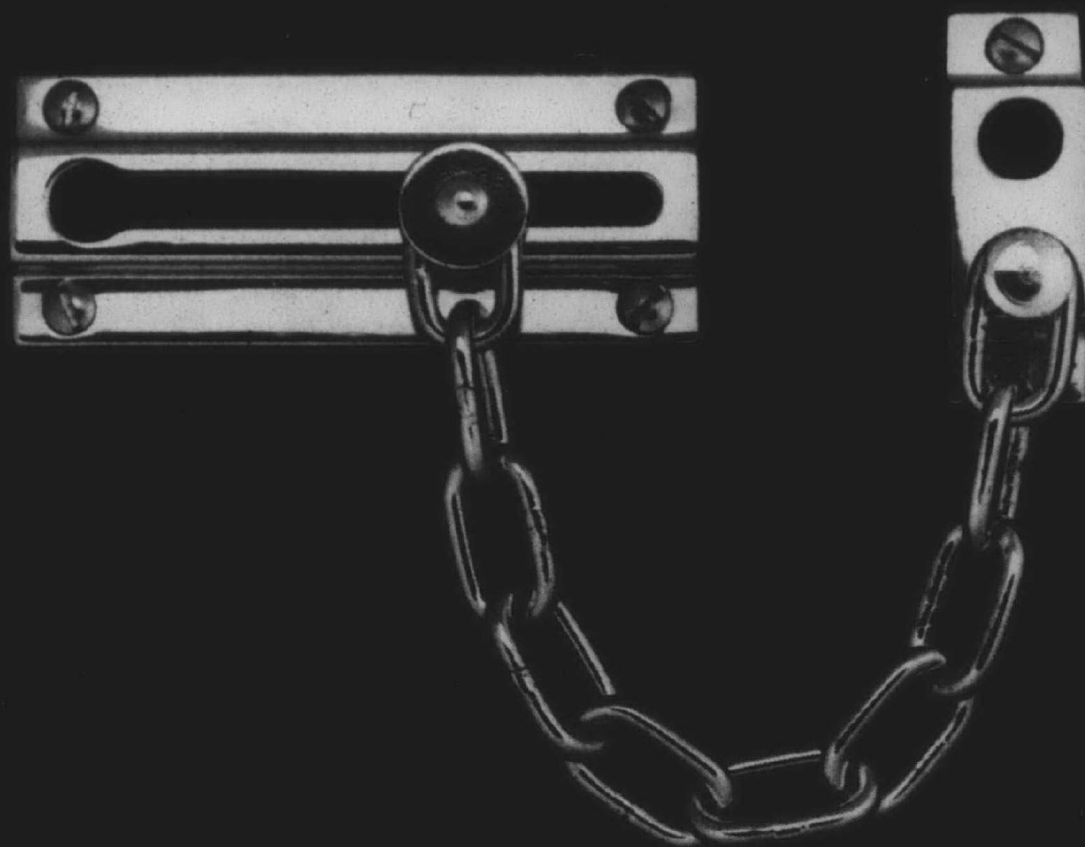
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The House vote was 89-11 with 10 absent. All area representatives voted yes.

"The young people who serve as election inspectors are certainly more likely to return to the polls as active voters when they turn 18," said the sponsor, Rep. Beverly Hammerstrom, R-Temperance.

The bill requires students to receive permission from their schools if the election falls on a school day. A student may work only where three other inspectors are of adult age (18). The student may not serve as poll chairperson.

The bill was supported by the Department of State, Municipal Clerks, County Clerks and Township Clerks associations.

Refer to House Bill 4951 when writing to your state senator, State Capitol, Lansing 48909.

## House bills

■ Rep. Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, has introduced a bill requiring the state Department of Education to develop a requirement for new teachers — that they be able to recognize and deal with reading disorders. "Too often, reading problems are not diagnosed because teachers are not adequately trained," said Brown, a member of the House Education Committee.

■ Brown also introduced bills to protect consumers from telemarketing scams by requiring to provide buyers a written contract. No sale would be final until the contract is signed. A companion bill would prohibit a credit reporting agency from giving out negative credit information without first verifying its accuracy.

■ In response to the June 13 limousine crash that injured three members of the Detroit Red Wings, Reps. Penny Crissman, R-Rochester, and John Freeman, D-Madison Heights, sponsored bills to increase penalties for driving on a suspended license. House Bills 5122-3 would make the offense a

15-year prison sentence if death results and a five-year term for serious injury. Each year 5 percent of Michigan drivers have their licenses suspended or revoked.

## Web page complete

The House of Representatives has set up an Internet site listing job postings, research, budget and revenue information available from the House Fiscal Agency. The site can be accessed at [www.house.state.mi.us](http://www.house.state.mi.us).

Hyperlinks are available to individual House members, 13 executive offices and various state agencies.

## Senate bill

Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, is sponsoring a bill to increase the state income tax exemption to \$2,500 for people who pay a city income tax. The personal exemption for a city income tax has been \$600 for 33 years.

His Senate Bill 711 also would allow tax credits for community foundation contributions. It has been sent to the Senate Finance Committee.

## Appointments

Gov. John Engler has appointed:

■ Judge Mary M. Waterstone to the Wayne County Circuit Court bench. Previously a 36th District Court judge in Detroit, Waterstone succeeds the late Judge Beverly Jasper. Waterstone had previously been an attorney for AT&T and Michigan Bell Telephone Co. She will have to run for reelection in November 1998 to serve out the balance of the term, which expires Dec. 31, 2000.

■ Kathleen Keen McCarthy, Plymouth Township supervisor, to the Michigan Community Service Commission, which administers grants to community service programs across the state. McCarthy represents local government. She is among 10 persons, including first Lady Michelle Engler, reappointed to the panel for terms expiring Oct. 2, 2000.

## Lecturer to present seminar on disabilities

The Regional Educational Service Agency of Wayne County will sponsor a seminar featuring Norman Kunc, a renowned lecturer in the area of diversity and inclusion, on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 30 and 31.

From 5-8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 30, Kunc will present "The Right to be Disabled." In this session, he will discuss his challenge to the perception that individuals with disabilities are deficient and their quality of life will be improved by minimizing their disability. Instead, he contends, people need to place less emphasis on "fixing" people and truly focus on the inherent assets and gifts that each person brings to the community.

The program will be repeated on Friday, Oct. 31, from 9 a.m. to noon, in conjunction with "Inclusion Education: Rediscovery of Our Right to Belong" from 1-4 p.m. This segment will include the attitudes, assumptions and fears which prevent students with disabilities from inclusion in the regular class-

rooms and the impact of the current emphasis of achievement, tracking and segregation on students' perception of membership in their school.

Kunc, a lecturer with the Principles Center at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and an associate of the Facilitated Communication Institute of Syracuse University, was himself born with cerebral palsy. He holds an honors degree in humanities from York University and a master's of science in family therapy from the University of Guelph.

RESA coordinates many of its programs with the 34 public school districts in Wayne County and provides services to the county's 34 public school academies and 212 private schools and some schools in other parts of the state.

All three sessions will be held at the RESA Annex, 5454 Venoy, in Wayne. For information or to register, contact Julie Woodhams at (313) 334-1523.

## Madonna will host international festival

Madonna University's International Student Organization, in cooperation with the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Center for International Studies, will hold an International Festival on Wednesday, Oct. 22, beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Take 5 Lounge on campus.

The festival will include the Open World Market which will be held until 9 p.m. Participants can learn about various cultures, taste authentic international cuisine and enjoy multicultural entertainment.

At 4 p.m. in Kresge Hall, graduate students from Africa will present a movie dispelling the Hollywood myth of Africa titled "Tarzan Doesn't Live Here Anymore."

A special feature at this year's festival will be the Alternative Health Lecture Series that will take place 5-7 p.m. in Kresge Hall.

The Mexica tribe will also have a booth at the "Open World Market" where they will be displaying and selling their jewelry and clay work. At 12:30 p.m. individuals will have the opportunity to have an informal lunch with the members of the tribe. Cost for lunch is \$15.

Benny Cruz of Cruz Records will provide live music at 7:30 p.m. in the Take 5 Lounge.

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# The value of credit union membership

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"Credit unions are cooperatives," according to Paul Fredenburg, Chairman of the Michigan Credit Union League, "they are owned and managed by their members. There are no stockholders like you find at banks." Fredenburg pointed out that credit unions are different from all other financial institutions: "Credit unions pay good dividends and at the same time

extend credit more freely (most often at lower cost) than other sources of consumer financing. That's because credit unions know their borrowers."

According to Fredenburg, hundreds of thousands of members play an active role in their credit union as volunteers. "They serve on a voluntary basis by giving their time to meet the needs of their fellow members, not to make money off them," he said, "Credit unions are for everyone."

**Who owns the credit union?**  
The members do. Once you deposit money in the credit union, you become a member and a shareholder. Eligible members can then vote for the credit union's board of directors on a one-member, one-vote basis. Officers and directors are chosen from the membership

and serve on a voluntary basis. Once a member, you're not only a member of the credit union but a part of a national financial system. Your credit union does not stand alone.

**Services available**  
A wide range of services is available in many credit unions. Credit union savings help people meet their financial goals and credit union checking accounts often earn interest. They often have low or no service fees or minimum balances. Members' savings accounts are insured up to \$100,000 by the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF), which has never had to take a penny of taxpayers' money. Many credit unions offer many services including credit cards, home mortgages, loans of all types and automatic payroll deduction for loan payments, checking and savings deposits.

**Who can join a credit union?**  
While everyone can join a credit union, not everyone can join every credit union. Most credit unions are associated with the workplace but others are affiliated with professional, civic, fraternal, or cooperative groups, with churches, or with labor unions. How can you find a credit union? Check with the

personnel department where you work or with your church, professional organization, or labor union. You can also call the Michigan Credit Union League at 1-800-474-JOIN. And once a member, you're a member for life, even if you move to change jobs.

## Is your money safe in a credit union?

Credit unions are usually more modest institutions than banks, which can sometimes lead to confusion. Few credit unions have imposing granite pillars at their front door or costly oak paneled board rooms where highly paid directors discuss billion-dollar transactions. Most credit unions are located in simple business offices. Sometimes this makes people think that credit unions aren't as safe as banks.

In fact, credit unions are the safest, most stable financial institutions in America. All deposits at a Michigan credit union are fully insured by the federal government up to \$100,000. Credit unions have always paid for their own insurance program and have never taken a penny of taxpayer's money.

# Banks attack credit unions and consumers

This is an interesting time for banks.

On one front, things couldn't be better. The banking industry is in its fifth year of record-breaking profits. Bank stock prices and dividends are soaring. The business pages are full of stories about mergers creating ever-larger banks that not only cross state lines but straddle the globe.

On another front, things couldn't be worse. Bankers are joining lawyers in their continuing loss of public esteem. Bankers seem to be in a contest to come up with the newest, highest and most creative service charge. Bank customers are being charged a fee to use an ATM, visit a teller or telephone the bank. Even the comic strips are filled with jokes about bank robbery -- only this time it is the bank robbing its customers with high fees.

Then there is the bank attack on credit unions. Of course, banks have always attacked credit unions. Ever since the 1930's when most credit unions were still making \$10 loans out of cigar boxes, banks have tried to destroy their small competitors.

Credit unions are different than banks. Credit unions are member-owned, democratically controlled, not-for-profit financial cooperatives. Banks exist to make profits from their customers and give the profits to their stockholders. Credit unions exist to provide services to their members.

Looking at the relative strengths, one would think banks shouldn't care much about credit unions. Banks hold sixteen times the assets held by credit unions. In fact, if you add up the assets of all 12,000 American credit unions combined, they would barely top the assets of just one large bank. Last year alone, the banking industry grew as much as all of the credit unions together had grown over the last hundred years.

But that didn't stop the banks from launching more than a score of lawsuits from Maine to Texas in an attempt to squash

credit unions. The banks lost every lawsuit but had plenty of money to appeal and eventually found one federal appeals judge who agreed with them. That judge issued an injunction overturning established federal regulations allowing employees of small businesses to join credit unions. If that injunction stands, credit union membership will be restricted to people who work for large corporations at a time when most Americans work for small businesses and job growth is coming from small business.

Why should people worry about being allowed to join a credit union? It's a matter of dollars and sense. Study after study has confirmed that -- as a result of their not-for-profit structure -- credit unions charge less for loans, pay more on savings and have lower service fees than do banks.

Banks will claim that's unfair because "credit unions don't pay taxes." Let the record show that credit unions do pay taxes. They pay payroll taxes, property taxes, federal excise taxes, state and federal unemployment taxes and more. The tax that they don't pay is the federal tax on profits. That is because credit unions are non-profit financial cooperatives. Bankers know this fact but choose to ignore it for propaganda purposes.

The real reason credit unions offer a better deal for consumers is that they are more efficient, don't pay such high salaries to top executives, don't pay their board of directors at all and -- most important -- don't need to make a profit. The battle between banks and credit unions is really a battle between banks and consumers.

If the banks get their way, who benefits? A handful of bank stockholders will get even higher dividends. Who loses? Millions of Americans will be denied the option to join a credit union if they wish.

The legal issue is currently being heard by the U.S. Supreme Court, which is expected to rule next Spring. Meanwhile, Congress is also taking up the issue.

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# How to avoid ATM surcharges Five ways to join a credit union

ATMs sure are convenient. You find them all over town, sometimes even at convenience stores. You can withdraw money, deposit money, pay bills and you can do it seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

For years now, people have been using ATMs more and more. In fact, ATM usage has never been higher. That's when surcharges began. A surcharge is a fee for using a specific machine in addition to whatever fee your own financial institution may charge you. Surcharges have ranged from less than a dollar to as high as five dollars.

ATM surcharges arrived in Michigan last October and have spread rapidly since then. Even the second largest bank in Michigan, which had proudly proclaimed last Fall that it wouldn't impose ATM surcharges, has since quietly done so. Surcharges have certainly stripped some of the fun out of using those convenient ATM machines.

But are you doomed to pay

those surcharging fees? Not at all. With a little care and planning, you can avoid most -- and maybe all -- ATM surcharges.

First of all, get a list of non-surcharging ATMs. The Michigan Credit Union League is developing a statewide directory which should be published soon but many credit unions and small banks will have lists available for their own areas. As a general rule, look for ATMs owned by credit unions or small banks. 99% of Michigan credit unions have refused to impose an ATM surcharge and many small banks are doing likewise.

Unless you travel a lot, you don't need to know how to find a hundred non-surcharging ATMs. Just find a few near where you live, near where you work and on your normal travel routes.

Having the list of non-charging ATMs is a good start, but a few more tips may prove helpful. For instance, only cash withdrawals are currently being surcharged. If you need to make a deposit or transfer, it doesn't

matter which ATM you choose.

Other ways to use ATMs economically include:

- Take advantage of "free" transactions through local merchants - especially grocery stores - that allow you to "withdraw" funds over your purchase price when you make a purchase with your ATM card.

- Plan your withdrawals more carefully - make fewer transactions for larger amounts. I used to take out \$60 or \$80 several times a month. Now I take \$200-\$300 once a month.

- Conserve your available cash by using checks or debit cards whenever possible. You can use charge cards too but be careful of running up high balances on your charge cards that you will have a hard time paying off when the bill arrives.

- Examine your receipts and statements carefully. Surcharges on withdrawals may be easily overlooked. Surcharges aren't large but if you forget to enter two or three \$1.50 charges each month, your checkbook will soon be out of balance.

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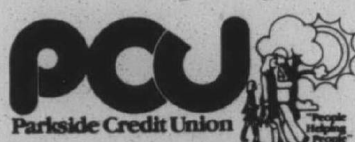
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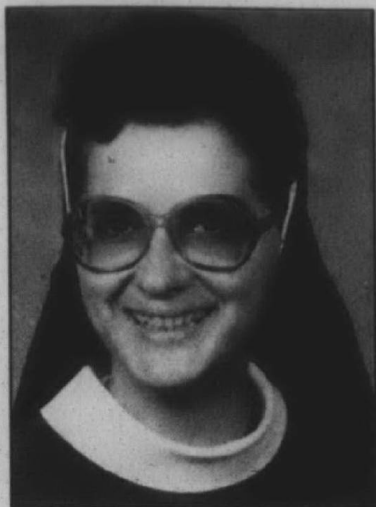
# Madonna names 5 trustees to university board

New board members have been selected to serve three-year terms on the board of trustees at Madonna University.

Appointed were Sister Mary DeSales Herman, director of vocations; Felician Sisters' Presentation Province, Livonia; Thomas Murphy, chairman of the executive committee, Virtual Systems, Wixom; William Phillips, chairman, Phillips Service Industries, Inc., Livonia; Sister Mary Carolyn Ratkowski, principal, St. Michael Elementary, Livonia, and Father Clarence Williams, director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministry in the Archdiocese of Detroit.

"Through the strength, inspiration and commitment of the board of trustees," Madonna University is able to fulfill its mission and will achieve its desired outcomes as outlined in our "Futuring and Visioning" document through the year 2000," said Sister Mary Francilene Van deVeer, Madonna University president.

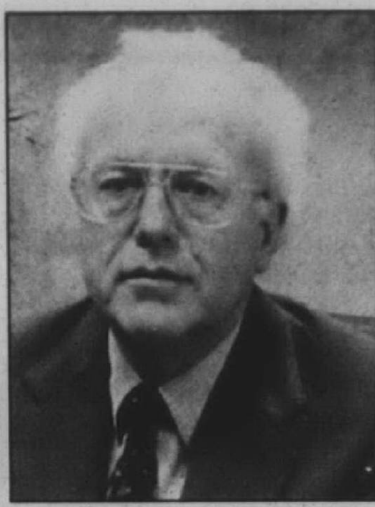
Sister DeSales Herman, of Livonia, a former member of Madonna University's board, received her bachelor's degree from Madonna College, master's degree in English from the University of Detroit and a master's degree in religious studies from St. Charles Seminary. As educator and administrator, she was principal of St. Michael Elementary School and Ladywood High



Sister Mary DeSales Herman



Thomas Murphy



William Phillips



Sister Mary Carolyn Ratkowski



Father Clarence Williams

School. From 1987 to 1989 she was an acting dean and director of campus ministry at Madonna University.

Rejoining the board after a year's absence is Thomas B. Murphy. A graduate of Boston College and the University of Michigan, Murphy first became a Madonna University trustee in 1990 and served as vice chairman. He and his wife, Jacquelyn, have five children and live in Bloomfield Hills.

William Phillips, who became a board member in 1983 and has been chairman of the board, has begun a new term as a trustee. Named an honorary degree recipient of Madonna University in 1995, Phillips is a graduate of

Lawrence Institute of Technology. He and his wife, Bridget, Northville residents, are the parents of eight children.

The principal of St. Michael's Elementary School for the past eight years, Sister Carolyn Ratkowski graduated with a bachelor's degree from Madonna College, a master's degree from Eastern Michigan University and did post graduate studies in administration at the University of Notre Dame. She previously

was the vocation director for the Felician Sisters and was principal at St. Joseph School in Jackson.

Father Williams earned a bachelor's degree from St. Joseph College, a master of divinity and master of arts from the Catholic Theological Union and a doctorate in education and

communications from the Union Institute. His accolades include: a lifetime achievement award from the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus, a 1993 Christopher Award for Religious Communications and the Rev. Martin Luther King Award in 1996.

The board of trustees consists of 25 members who advise and assist in advancing Madonna

University by determining priorities and policies with respect to reviewing academic programming, setting investment guidelines, planning and achieving resource development goals, and approving operating budgets.

## Area dentist endows scholarship at Madonna

A Livonia dentist has taken steps to make life a little easier for pre-dental and/or music major students.

Dr. Allen Rubin has established an endowed scholarship at Madonna University for qualified students pursuing those majors.

"I feel that most students have a difficult time financially during their college years," Rubin said. "I approached Madonna University because, as an institution of higher education, it served my ideals of community involvement and its goals are most in common with my own."

The \$10,000 scholarship will be paid over a five-year period.

Understandably, Rubin, as a dentist, would designate pre-dental majors for the scholarship, but his reason for including music majors goes back to his family history. His father was first chair in the Wayne State University Orchestra, one of his daughters received a University of Michigan flute scholarship and he, himself, has been a music aficionado his entire life.

Rubin's talents and interest extend even further.

"I also enjoy making jewelry," he said. "Just this past year I donated my handcrafted jewelry to Madonna University's auction."

Rubin's practice, known as Gentle Dental Care of Livonia, has been in existence for the past 31 years. His wife, Phyllis, is the financial coordinator.

The Rubins are residents of Bloomfield Township and have three daughters, all of whom have graduated with advanced

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## Winter semester signup slated at Madonna

Madonna University's open registration for Winter '98 begins Monday, Nov. 17 and continues through Friday, Jan. 2 for new and returning students.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and until 7 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, with the exception of Dec. 15, 18 and 22 when the office will close at 5 p.m.

All offices will be closed for Thanksgiving (Nov. 27, 28, 29 and 30) and Christmas (Dec. 24 - Jan. 1). Classes begin the week of Jan. 5.

Fax-in registration for all students is available and will be accepted until Dec. 22.

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# School district

## Time to reach disaffected voters

The 40 or so people who showed up last Tuesday to talk about an election which occurred some seven months ago sent a strong message to Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. The Observer only hopes administrators and Plymouth-Canton school board members were listening.

The public meeting was called by Jerry Vorva, a Plymouth resident and former state representative who is suing the school district over the election. Frustration over the March 22 school bond vote — which won narrow approval and saw more than 700 ballots discarded due to improper use of electronic, touch-screen voting — was the main topic on the agenda. But it became apparent from audience responses that there is a general dissatisfaction with the school district, at least in a portion of the community.

It's impossible to figure how many people harbor these feelings. It says something though that several dozen would turn out on a nice, fall evening to beat what essentially is a dead horse. There are likely others who don't like what is happening at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center but chose to stay home.

True, there will always be unhappy constituents, particularly in communities where a majority of taxpayers footing the education bill no longer have children in local schools. The time for the district to begin making the effort to understand these sentiments is now, before dissatisfaction swells into something more.

That's why we were disheartened to see that the district apparently chose not to send a representative to Tuesday's discussion. In their rush not to legitimize what critics see as

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Vorva's self-serving "sideshow," school officials lost out on the chance to initiate direct contact with disaffected voters, or at least provide some balance for those seeking additional information on the bond and other education issues.

The Observer has urged Vorva to drop his challenge, which is pretty thin when it comes to legal merit. Wayne Circuit Court Judge James Rashid agrees and has already dismissed the lawsuit. (Vorva is appealing the Aug. 22 ruling.)

In spite of the bond's passage, Plymouth-Canton school officials are dealing with a divided community. Voters in all 10 Canton precincts approved the \$79.7 million package, which included construction of a new high school at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park and elementary school in Canton. Voters in seven of eight precincts in Plymouth and Plymouth Township rejected the bond.

Superintendent Charles Little has stressed the need to find solutions to school problems on a community-wide basis. That includes people who may not be happy with the bond vote.

# Orchestra needs your support

While the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's funding woes and recent successes have received considerable media attention in the past couple of years, there are some other organizations right in our own hometowns that also need your support, both moral and financial.

These "unsung heroes" (in a manner of speaking) are the local symphonies, ballet companies and arts groups that produce quality performances here in Plymouth. In fact, the grand opening of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's 1997-98 season is at 8 p.m. Oct. 18 at the Plymouth High School Auditorium.

The guest conductor will be David Katz with violin soloist Geoffrey Applegate.

They may not have the world class stature of the DSO, but these community organizations offer suburban concert- and theatergoers a taste of everything from Bach to rock.

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra teamed up with the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan last month for a concert of "Opera Favorites" at the Italian-American Club of Livonia. The Livonia Symphony opened its 25th season with "An Afternoon of Opera at Orchestra Hall." And the Farmington Area Philharmonic, led by conductor Karen Nixon-Lane, has developed a reputation for its music-for-music's sake approach.

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Volodymyr Schesiuk, conductor of the Livonia Symphony, says it costs about \$12,000 for each concert performed by that organization and he's concerned about the orchestra's financial future. The same is true for other local symphonies.

They need the support of residents who patronize their performances, but, most important, they need the support of local businesses as sponsors and contributors. That's what puts the sense of "community" in "community orchestras." And that's an image that should not be shed.

## Price of growth



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**Goodbye:** Gene Settles herds dairy cattle to auction. The sale of Tom Gill's herd marks the end of dairy farming in Wayne County.

## LETTERS

### Provide analysis

If the Red Wings lost their first three games of the season, I would not doubt that some sportscasters in their editorials would begin to question the team and its chances at winning the season. Would that initial conclusion be accurate? No, because there is much more that goes into making the analysis, rating the team and making a conclusion about its season success.

I am not familiar with all of the factors that determine a winning team, but a good sportscaster will remind me of them and put them in perspective. Anyone who has been following sports and knows about the teams would know better than to give up on the Red Wings after only the first three season games.

Anyone who doesn't follow sports, or is a casual watcher, could easily be misled by an initial, unsupported, knee-jerk analysis. An initial conclusion that the Red Wings will struggle through the season is bad logic, weak analysis, misleading to the fans, and plays into some preconceived notion about the Red Wing's success for the season.

I feel that this superficial and misleading kind of logic is the same that Tim Richard is applying to non-public education (specifically Charter Schools) scores on standardized tests. His conclusions and reporting serve to play into his own seemingly preconceived idea about the failure of non-public schools. It appears he has a personal agenda and is using the editorial page to make a conclusion that readers will read and believe to be true without providing more background material about how he reached his conclusion.

In a recent editorial, Tim Richard continues to try and delude me with his idea that public schools are better because they scored higher on a standardized test. It's a fact that Charter School students obviously scored much lower than public school students, therefore, he says, the education of non-public school students is suffering and needs to be brought back into the fold.

I think that his editorial conclusion is creatively misleading without noting other supporting material to back up the claim. Comparing the two institutions, based upon a test score alone in the editorial is unacceptable reporting to me. How much more is the public curriculum and the test design dovetailing off of one another? Do Charter School students spend as much time studying areas that help pass this exam or do they spend time studying

other educational concepts? Are Charter School students being compared to public school students in the same region? Supporting answers to these and other questions are left out in the editorial, but should be at least noted in the editorial when making such a strong dismissal.

If non-public school students don't prepare for a standardized exam, how are they going to do well on it? As an undergraduate college student my education went from general to specific studies. I finally specialized in electrical engineering. Although I could become an engineer, I could not pass the CPA exam, for example, without spending a lot of time studying for it.

On the surface of Tim Richard's editorial I am inclined to reach the conclusion that non-public schools are in trouble. However, in addition to his editorialized conclusion, I would like to be made aware of his analysis and be provided with a more in-depth context against which his argument can be scrutinized.

Glenn A. Kremer  
Plymouth

### Secession fine

If citizen Jerry Vorva and the voters of Plymouth and Plymouth Township want to split off from the Plymouth-Canton School District, that's fine with me. However, the district would keep both Canton and Salem High Schools, which by the way are within the Canton Township boundaries. Overcrowding problem in the high school solved! Good luck Jerry in convincing the Northville School District to pass a millage for a new high school in Plymouth. Meanwhile the Plymouth students can still use the old Plymouth High School.

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## COMMUNITY VOICE

### QUESTION:

What is your favorite John Denver song?

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



"Thank God I'm a Country Boy." I really like the fact that he sang family-oriented songs."

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"I don't have one but my mother always liked 'Annie's Song' because her name is Ann."

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"Rocky Mountain High," and "Country Roads." They are the only John Denver songs I know."

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"Thank God I'm a Country Boy." It's got a lot of zip to it and it makes me feel happy."

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## POINTS OF VIEW

## Make a difference: let's fine tune Proposal A

While sitting with your family in a local restaurant on a cool autumn night, you notice the family seated across from you in Section A enjoying large, steamy bowls of homemade soup. From your table in Section B, your family places an order for the exact same soup.

But your eager anticipation of a nourishing bowl of the hearty soup turns to disbelief, resentment, and frustration as your waitress serves significantly smaller bowls of soup to your family.

Of course, you bring this to the attention of your waitress, expecting a plausible explanation. After all, you are paying the same as the family in Section A. The response comes back: "that's our policy. Section A receives

more, Section B receives less."

The comparison isn't a perfect one but helps us to visualize how the families and citizens of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are short-changed under the school financing reform known as Proposal A. We are not getting what we pay for.

Consider what we have received in return for the revenues generated in our local communities and sent to Lansing to fund our schools:

■ Our basic foundation grant per pupil (\$5,832 for 96-97) has been below the state's average for the past three years under Proposal A, and in all likelihood will remain there.

■ Under the blended count used for funding, high-growth districts such as ours receive money for only half of the new students enrolled in



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September. The other half of the students don't count until next year. Needless to say, the school district is not permitted to "defer billing" for costs of educating those students.

■ Plymouth-Canton ranks 29th out of 34 Wayne County districts in funding.

A member of our local Rotary Club asked when Plymouth-Canton schools

would "catch up" to the higher funded districts. The audience fell silent as the answer came back that it was unlikely to occur within the next 100 years.

When Proposal A was sold to the voters as the "more equitable way" to fund schools, it wasn't mentioned that money would be taken away from Plymouth-Canton and given to a district in the Upper Peninsula. But essentially, that is what has happened. It wasn't supposed to deprive local communities of having a say in reducing their class sizes, improving their curriculum, and providing technology training. But with no way to generate any enhancement revenues (except bonds for construction), Proposal A has severely diminished our community's ability to improve our own schools.

If we are unwilling to settle for less than our children's fair share of the soup, shouldn't we likewise be unwilling to settle for less than our children's fair share of this state's school funds?

Unless we are willing to speak up to the governor and our legislators and let them know that we want a voice in determining our educational system for our community's children, we will have no say.

If the people of this nation were able to amend the United States' Constitution 27 times, maybe the people of Michigan who care about their public schools, can find ways to amend Proposal A.

We must make a difference.  
Canton resident Martha Trafford is a former teacher.

## For kids' sake, consider closing some charter schools

More dismal news about the "charter schools," this time from Auditor General Thomas H. McTavish, CPA.

McTavish's office audited Central Michigan University's Charter School Office (CSO), which is supposed to oversee the academies it has chartered. CMU is our leading charter mill, having chartered 40 of the 78 PSAs (public school academies) operating as of May 31.

PSAs, many of them private in origin, get full public funding but zero voter surveillance. McTavish's troops examined CSO records for 13 academies Sept. 11, 1996 and June 5 and visited 10 sites. Unfortunately, they don't say which sites.

Usually, auditors are dreary writers who can turn a narrative of Custer's Last Stand into an opiate. But in the CMU charter audit, many items leap out at you:

■ "The PSAs had not obtained criminal records checks for some

employees. Also, eight PSAs did not hire some staff as conditional employees pending the results of criminal records checks."

■ "Eight PSAs employed individuals to teach who did not have certificates or permits to teach." (Remember, there are 13 in the sample.)

■ "One PSA was beginning to provide special education services at the time of our site visit. This PSA had students with special education needs who had been attending the PSA for more than one year without special education services being provided."

Here we come to the most glaring fault of PSAs. Required by law to provide special ed, many don't. As the friends of public education feared, PSAs want real public schools to be their dumping ground. PSAs want to skim the \$5,400 per pupil state aid cream but not the additional \$8,000 or so per pupil that special ed requires.

■ PSA boards are self-appointed,



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not elected. CMU is supposed to gather questionnaires from board members to check for potential conflicts of interest. There were no questionnaires for 23 board members, incomplete follow-up for 14 and a failure to identify nine potential conflicts of interest. These persons worked for the CSO or companies which had contracts with the CSO. Eight of the nine resigned.

■ PSAs are supposed to hold lotteries for enrollment. Two had "application periods that were less than the

suggested two-week period," suggesting less than a true open-enrollment practice—in other words, skimming.

■ CMU is supposed to send "regional representatives" to PSA board meetings. Reps to 12 of the 13 failed to attend the required number of meetings (three) and failed to collect information on insurance policies; board minutes, etc. CMU had to send six notices to one academy to obtain its insurance information.

■ CSO failed to ensure they had written procurement policies. This underlines a major flaw in the whole charter school concept—the possibility of a tiny school operated by insiders seeking favorable business deals.

■ "Two PSA boards did not appoint an individual to post meeting dates as required by sec. 15.265" of the Open Meetings Act.

And what does Central Michigan University have to say in reply? It agreed with 17 of the auditors' 19 rec-

ommendations, began to implement them, and acknowledged the other two. By the way, the CMU charter mill has been operating three years.

Currently, state law authorizes 100 public school academies. Their champions say the number should be unlimited.

Advocates of charter schools such as Gov. John Engler and gubernatorial wannabe Dick Posthumus ignore test scores, audits and how well the kids are doing. They say PSAs are good because the parents, parents, parents want them. Well, the parents, parents, parents are being taken for suckers, suckers, suckers.

Instead of chartering more, the state needs to think about shutting down a quarter of these PSAs—for the sake of the kids, kids, kids.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (313) 953-2047 ext. 1881.

## Proficiency tests are doing what they were intended

Last year 87,584 high schoolers took the first-ever Michigan High School Proficiency Test. An event of this magnitude inevitably will attract the attention of the ever-alert members of the Michigan Legislature.

Responding to the usual chorus of complaints whenever anybody tries to do something new with the schools, a special House subcommittee on the HSPT spent several months holding hearings to review a slew of proposals to tinker with the tests.

Some make perfect sense, such as requiring the Department of Education to provide detailed feedback to students, parents and schools and including MEAP and HSPT test scores in annual school improvement plans. Others are more problematic, such as replacing the terms "proficient," "novice" and "not yet novice" with numerical scores that may prove entirely meaningless without context.

The subcommittee has finished its work and reported to the House Education Committee, which has sent a bunch of proposals for perfecting proposals the HSPT to the full House for debate this week.

In the middle of all this, I received a letter from Dorothy Beardmore, a member of the State Board of Education and a standing monument to the notion that able people, volunteering their time and energy to a public purpose, are the essential ingredients in a democracy. I suppose over the years I've received six or seven letters from Mrs. Beardmore, each thorough, well-informed and persuasively put—just like her service on the State Board.

She begins: "Both the public and the media seem to have forgotten why the HSPT was developed in the first place, so they overlook that it is doing exactly what it was expected to do. The HSPT demonstrates that most Michigan students are doing well in these essential areas of learning."

Mrs. Beardmore then goes on to show that of the 87,584 graduates of the Michigan class of 1997, "from a third to half of them met the very high standards for endorsement (of diplomas). Only six to 11 percent were in the lowest category. The rest were doing well, but not yet at the proficiency level."

"For a first effort with such a rigorous assessment," Mrs. Beardmore concludes, "Michigan students, educators and parents should be pleased, even more so since we already know that the Class of '98 results show statistically significant improvement over the first year. In



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other words, the HSPT is a success!"

Absolutely! The most sensible method to improve schools does not require the application of rocket science.

It involves defining what kids are supposed to learn in order to be educated members of society and get a productive job (i.e., know the categories of math, science, reading and writing that are covered by the HSPT). It then includes assessing what kids actually know (i.e., taking the HSPT).

And it concludes by making the results public, so students, parents, teachers and administrators can improve teaching methods, change books, and so forth.

As Mrs. Beardmore puts it, "It identifies strengths and weaknesses in curriculum, instructional practices and student (and family) acceptance of educational standards to meet high standards."

Certainly the HSPT has provoked some (overblown by the media) criticism. Liberals don't like it that some kids will score badly; conservatives will whine that students are not assessed for familiarity with the Bible; some parents have tried to get their kids not to take the test for fear the scores will deprive their little geniuses their God-given right to attend Harvard or Vassar. Some representatives will try to eliminate the HSPT for any number of trumped-up rationalizations.

But the evidence so far is compelling. The High School Proficiency Test is doing exactly what it was intended to do. Any tinkering the House adopts should be around the edges, not at the core of an important and useful part of the school reform effort.

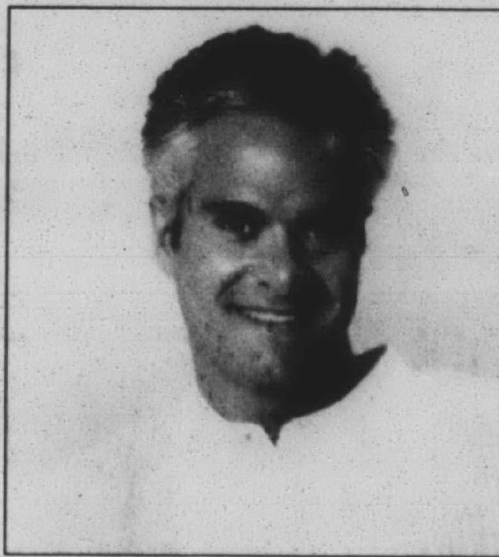
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## Washington trip

### Den 6 learns about federal government, history

On Friday, Sept. 12, Den 6 from Pack 1540- Isbister School in Plymouth boarded an airplane and flew with their fathers to Washington D.C.

All of the boys are 9 and first year Webelos. The members of the den that went were Brian Barton, Matthew Lazzaro, Charlie Nahra, Patrick Slavens and Nathaniel Wallace, all from Plymouth or Canton.

When they arrived in Washington D.C. they went, first of all, to the FBI Building where they observed more than 250 guns captured from various criminals including their favorite, a cane gun, which looks like a cane.

They also went to the Washington Monument and the Lincoln Memorial. At the Lincoln Memorial they saw an actual mask that had been put on Lincoln's face while he was alive and then used as the mold to create the Lincoln Memorial.

They went to U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers' office where they were met by Rivers' aides, Peter Brown and Donna Childers, who took them on a special tour of the Capitol. One of the real hits of the trip was a tour of the personal underground subway for the various congressmen and congresswomen. Rivers' aides arranged the tour.

The boys had the privilege,

thanks to Rivers' aides, of being allowed directly onto the floor of the House of Representatives, where they were permitted to sit in the seats of the various legislators.

The boys then went to the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum where they saw many of the space crafts that have been used in exploring space and that have landed on the moon.

The following day, Saturday, Sept. 12, the boys went to Antietam, Maryland, where they watched a Civil War re-enactment of the 135th anniversary of the Battle of Antietam. There were approximately 15,000 Civil War re-enactors. These men all pay for their own uniforms, rifles, cannons and swords. The rifles cost anywhere from \$400 to \$600. To be totally outfitted costs re-enactors a minimum of \$1,000-\$2,000.

The re-enactment included roaring cannons, slashing swords and deafening gunfire. The Cub Scouts quickly real-

ized that war is not the fun event that they see on television. They learned that it was mass confusion with each individual fighting to save his own life in the midst of all of the roaring cannons and gunfire and smoke.

Many of the Calvary were thrown not by the enemy fire or cannons, but by their horses hoof stepping into a gopher's hole resulting in a violent downfall of man and beast.

The re-enactment was two hours long. The boys learned that the Battle of Antietam was the bloodiest single day of the Civil War. Union losses were 12,410 and Confederate losses were 10,700.



Visiting: Members of Den 6 visit U.S. Rep. Lynn River's office. They are (from left) Brian Barton, Nathaniel Wallace, Patrick Slavens, Charles Nahra and Matthew Lazzaro.

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Another person is selling newspapers in front of a store. You walk up with money in hand to purchase one but realize you're 50 cents short. The seller just says, "Never mind, just give me what you have."

With newspaper in hand, you proceed down the street and notice a person across the street walking by all the expired parking meters and putting coins into each one.

To your right at the drive-thru bank, you hear the teller talking to a driver. Instead of talking into a microphone through bullet proof glass, the teller stands inside a screened window where he and the driver converse. "Normally we don't give out your statement in the drive-thru, Mrs. Jones, but I'll send through the statement you requested and hope you'll remember to come into our lobby the next time."

The aroma of baking bread catches your attention and you look to the left to see the bread store owner out in front of his shop giving away loaves of freshly baked bread.

A mom walks by you with her toddler in tow, trying to assure him that it's not much further to the bank. An acquaintance walks up behind her and tells her she, too, is going to the bank and wouldn't mind carrying the two-year-old the rest of the way.

A gentleman crosses the street to get into his parked car and signals the driver who's waiting for a spot to hold on just a second and his parking place will be available. But first he stokes the meter for him.

Are these common place practices you see often? Perhaps you are lucky enough to live in a community where this happens. Unfortunately, in this say and age, this is not the norm.

### Serving other people

Gregory Peck in the movie "Other People's Money," asked, "Whatever happened to people serving other people?" I do ponder that question a lot. It seems as though the more high tech we become, the more isolated we are. It's hard to help others when you're off "doing your own thing."

Families are isolated from their extended families more frequently, people seem to settle into neighborhoods ever so briefly, and less time is available to get to know other people when our schedules and our kids' routines are more hurried and harried.

In the book, "Tuesdays with Morrie" by Mitch Albom, Morrie made a poignant comment about dealing with people who came to visit him in the hospital while he was dying of Lou Gehrig's disease. He talked about how the visitors were struck by his ability to put them at ease when they sat with him. He told Mitch that "If I comfort you, I'm comforted, too."

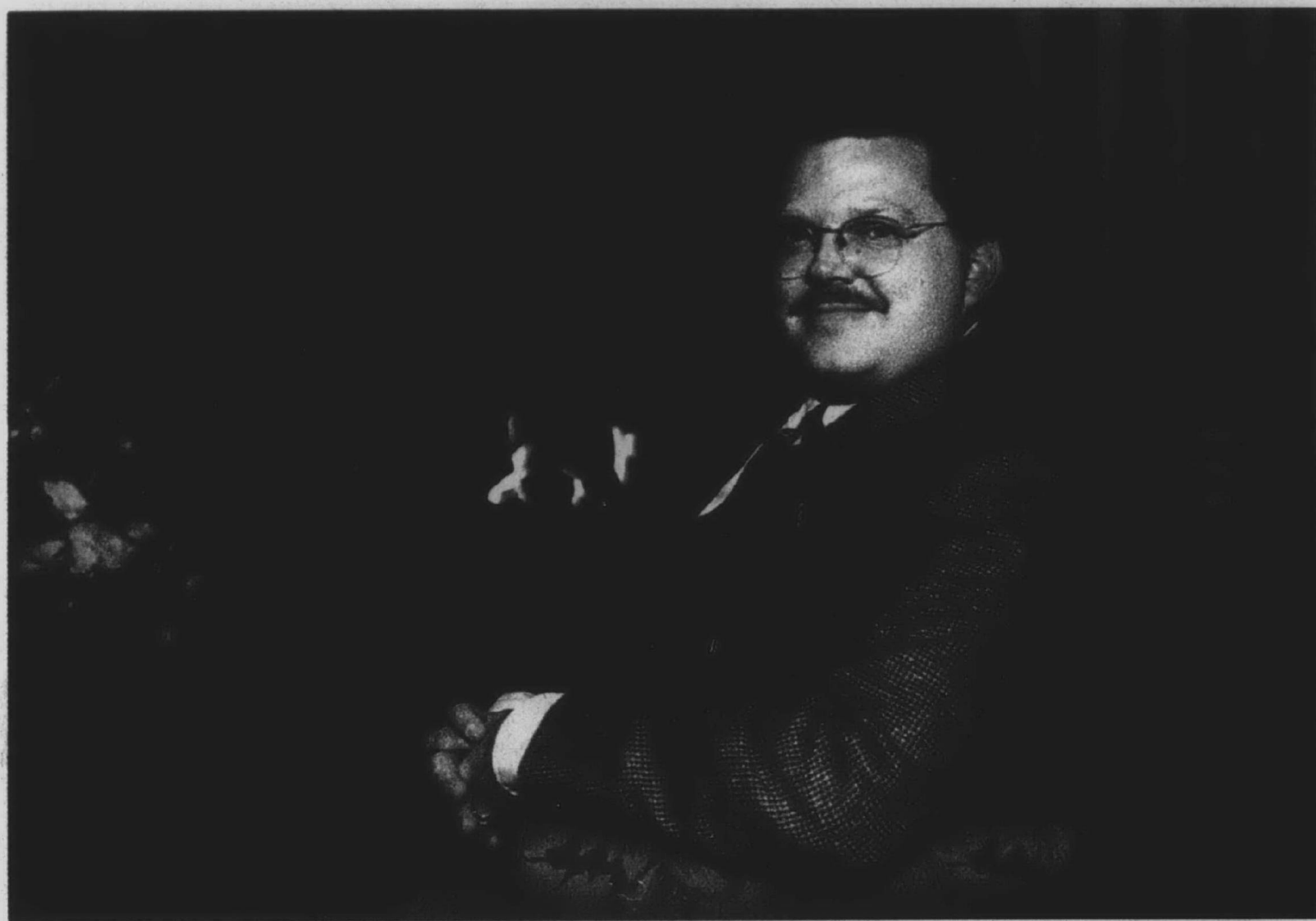
Do you agree that we've lost compassion for others? The slogan about performing random acts of kindness shouldn't be just a cute jingle. When I talk with people, they all believe in it, but how many times do they actually "walk the walk?"

What is the value in doing favors for others? The value is in the glow a person feels inside. You will never see a person who just helped someone walk away with a sour look on their face. You may even see them walking away with a new lilt in their step.

I've noticed the most profound change in people who are suffering from depression. There is something intrinsically healthy and uplifting when they step out of their loneliness and hopelessness and help someone else or volunteer in some capacity. Even when they find that the pleasures they used to get are no longer bringing joy into their lives, the need- edness and usefulness they gain when they give of themselves, brings them closer to a stable mood.

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## By the book ...



STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER

Page by page: After collecting some 8,000 books for the VA Medical Center last year, Kevin McCabe turned his sights on collecting books for the young patients at Children's Hospital of Michigan.

## Campaign gives kids something to read



**Kevin McCabe is a book worm of sorts. He gathers as many tomes as he can before donating them to places where they will get the most use - the VA Medical Center and Children's Hospital of Michigan.**

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

The scene was stunning and proved the bravery of the ill children in Children's Hospital of Michigan.

Kevin McCabe, the chief executive officer of McCabe Funeral Homes in Farmington Hills and Canton, spent most of the summer collecting donations of children's books as part of his "Summer Sunshine Storybook Drive."

In mid-September, he packed up a U-Haul truck with 1,000 books and drove to the hospital. McCabe described his experience at the hospital as inspiring.

"Every room has a crate with books in it; these kids really don't realize how sick they are," he said. "They were sitting there with the other sick kids playing. One girl was going down the hallway with an IV and she was using this thing as a skateboard."

Because the "Summer Sunshine Storybook Drive" was so successful, McCabe will continue to accept books at his Canton and Farmington Hills

funeral homes.

"It's too beneficial to everybody," he said.

Children's Hospital is in need of early reader, picture, board and pop-up books for children up to age 8. New or used books in good condition may be dropped off between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. daily at the McCabe Funeral Home locations at 31950 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, and 851 Canton Center Road, Canton.

The books go toward the hospital's "Reach Out and Read" literacy program, according to Laurie Dayton, the senior child life specialist at Children's Hospital.

"It's a couple different step program," Dayton said. "We have volunteers who read to the children in the waiting room. They're trying to model good literacy (habits). Then in the exam room, we have more books, so the kids can continue to read there."

"Through the use of donated funds, we purchase age-appropriate books for children between the ages of 0 and 5.

At each well baby visit (a normal visit), the physician gives you a brand new book so that this 2-year-old gets a brand new book appropriate for his or her age."

### Ongoing effort

Dayton added that McCabe's efforts allow for the 4-year-old program to continue.

"I think it was a great idea that his group wanted to do this for the kids at the hospital in support of the literacy program we have down here," she said. "It helped so that we could provide books and reading materials for the children while they wait for their doctors' visits. We try and have milk crates in the rooms and the books always go home in the hands of the kids."

"It's nice to have a donor who's willing to do something on an on-going basis so we can replenish this supply."

McCabe's "Summer Sunshine Storybook Drive" follows on the heels of the summer 1996 drive which provided 8,000 books for the VA Medical Center.

"Because of the wonderful response we received from last year's book drive to benefit the VA Medical Center, this year we thought we could help hospitalized children with the same enthusiasm," McCabe said. "Even in today's computer age, we feel the need to cre-

ate a love for reading in young children in their development as lifelong learners. And donating books to Children's Hospital is a great place to start."

McCabe was quick to add that he and his staff looked at organizations which would "benefit the most people and what wouldn't overburden the staff here. The families that we're serving always come first."

McCabe represents the fourth generation of his family to enter the funeral service. His great-grandfather Francis J. McCabe founded the business in 1893 at Cass and Grand River avenues.

Now with a 24,000-square foot facility in Farmington Hills, and a 12,000-square foot building in Canton, McCabe Funeral Homes provide for more than 350 funerals a year.

A 1981 graduate of Wayne State University's School of Mortuary Science, McCabe earned his license to practice mortuary science in Michigan the following year.

### Community minded

The former president of the Michigan Funeral Directors Association, McCabe has served as president of The Community Center Farmington/Farmington Hills, and the Kiwanis Club of Farmington Hills North. He is also a mem-

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## Dance troupe struts its stuff for charities

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

They range in age from 9 to 84. They like to line dance and enjoy doing it just for kicks, which happens to be the name of the dance troupe they belong to.

It's the name Jean Rowe came up with for the group that travels throughout the metropolitan area performing for the benefit of selected charities.

Rowe, the group coordinator, came up with the idea one night. She readily admits she gets her best ideas in the middle of the night and this is proving to be a very popular one.

A dance instructor on Monday evenings at the Senior Friendship Center in Westland and on Friday evenings at the Novi Civic Center, she decided to form a group that would put their best foot forward for a good cause. She ran it by her dance class and the response was overwhelming.

"I wanted the group to go out and have a great time ... go out, do good and have fun," said Rowe. "The word got out in the dance community and I started getting phone calls."

The troupe focus is to acquire, by its performances, funding for a variety of charitable organizations. In addition, it donates 100 percent of any compensation it receives to a charity of its choosing.

Just for Kicks organized in April, held rehearsals in May and did its first show in July at a neighborhood block party in Waterford. The money the dancers charged for the performance was donated to a 10-year-old Waterford girl in need of a bone marrow transplant.

"The first job they were going to pay \$150 but because we were giving the money to a local fund raiser, the subdivision group came up with another \$50," Rowe said.

The troupe has 45 members, mainly from Livonia, Westland, Redford, Novi and Northville. Dance isn't a requirement for



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Right foot forward: When Madonna University recently celebrated its 50th anniversary, the Just for Kicks charity dance troupe, under the direction of Jean Rowe (front row, left) provided two different performances, including its popular audience participation program.

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membership and fees are minimal. "Just \$3.20," said Rowe. "We had everybody bring in 10 stamps to mail out promotional stuff."

Rowe serves as the group coordinator and choreographer and works with two directors and a promotional committee.

Costuming also is simple - black pants, black boots and turquoise-colored T-shirt. The T-shirts were donated by one member's employer, Jet Electric, with the silk screening done by the Embroidery House.

The group is trying to come up with a logo for a second T-shirt and is hoping to find sponsors to pay for that as well as business cards. The first batch, done on Rowe's computer, "was an expensive way to go."

In the beginning the dancers rehearsed four times a month at the Novi Civic Center, but is now down to three-hour practices on Saturdays once or twice a month.

The troupe's repertoire is based on line dancing, but its repertoire isn't completely country and western. There's a dash of contra and circle dancing as well as a bit of the Oldies.

One medley features three different dances to one piece of music while another is eight minutes long and includes eight different pieces of music and eight different dances.

"Myself and a fellow instructor choreographed it," Rowe said. "The members call it the deadly medley."

Always looking for new members, Rowe would like to add a few men for an all male revue and a couple's demonstration team that would show off the country and western style two-step, swing and waltz, "so the

**■ 'The performances can be customized. The troupe is ready, willing and able to an all-performance show, a combination of performance and audience participation or just audience participation, one of the group's specialties.'**

Jean Rowe  
- Just for Kicks

performances can be more rounded."

"The performances can be customized. The troupe is ready, willing and able to an all-performance show, a combination of performance and audience participation or just audience participation, one of the group's specialties. The most popular has been a demonstration of line dancing to both oldies and coun-

try and western music with audience participation.

"A lot of the members are seniors and they have a lot of stamina," said Rowe, pointing out Eleanor Malachie, 84, who in addition to her Just for Kicks work teaches line dancing four days a week to seniors at the Novi Civic Center.


Word of mouth has helped get information out about Just for

Kicks. The troupe's services are available not only to charities, but businesses, school districts and organizations. The only requirement is that the check be made out to a charity.

As for the cost of the performance, that depends on how many dancers and how much equipment is provided by Just for Kicks.

"We want more jobs," said Rowe. "Everybody enjoys going out and doing this. We want our name known so we can help others. Obviously, we want to make the most we can for the charities, so we charge what we can."

People interested in joining Just for Kicks or booking a performance can contact the group at (248) 348-9116, or write it at P.O. Box 934, Northville 48167.



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by John Goodman  
Coldwell Banker Preferred


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How about:

- Shoveling snow off a neighbor's driveway?
- You and your child baking cookies for your child's class for no reason?
- Reading to a resident in a convalescent home?

- Babysitting for free for a single parent?
- Driving an elderly person to the store?
- Sending a note of appreciation to your mail carrier?
- Taking a walk and picking up litter?
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- Calling a shut-in and seeing how they are doing?

Giving the customer in front of you the change they need for a purchase?

Standing by the curb when the garbage truck comes by and giving them each a candy bar or apple?

One particular generous and altruistic mom said she often models for her children anonymous generosity by driving up to the toll booth to Canada and not

only paying for her car, but the car in back of her, too.

I'm impressed ... maybe it will spur me on to be a little more giving the next time I'm out and about. Maybe you'll be behind me!

If you have a question or comment for Jacques Martin-Downs, a prevention specialist and the director of Hegira Prevention

## Book drive from page B1

ber of the Farmington Elks Club, and while serving as a member and secretary of North Rosedale Park Civic Association Zoning Board, he received the group's

Distinguished Citizen Award.

In early May, McCabe was chosen as a runner-up for the Canton Chamber of Commerce's 1997 Canton Small Business

Person of the Year Award.

McCabe's charitable work extends far beyond Children's Hospital. He regularly donates money to the Farmington Hills library for the purchase of bereavement books.

"The Farmington Hills library has the largest collection of bereavement books in the country," said McCabe who lives in Farmington Hills with his wife Sandy. "We donate money to the library so they can purchase the books. They get a better deal (on books) than we can so they can buy more."

McCabe also does frequent speaking engagements and organizes a bereavement program at local libraries four times a year.

"We're humble; I don't do it solely for the recognition," he said. "I'd be lying if I said I don't want to be recognized. It's a matter of having the whole staff involved in something in the community."

## Collectors club hosts toy show

The fall 1997 Collectible Toy Show, sponsored by the Winross Collectors Club of America-Michigan Chapter, will be 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia.

The show will feature vendors with antique, collectible, farm and die cast toys, model care kits, promos, action figures, trains, sci-fi, Matchbox, Hot Wheels and any type of toy sure to catch the eye of the serious and not-so-serious collector.

In addition to local dealers, there will be dealers from Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York.

Admission will be \$2 with children under age 12 admitted free of charge. For more information, call (313) 747-7192 or (810) 795-8281.

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## WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

## Dittmar-Preston

John Thomas Dittmar and Barbara Kay Preston were married Aug. 2 at Rowe's Garden in Charlevoix by the Rev. Philip Schairbaum.

The bride is the daughter of Kenneth and Beverly Preston of Essexville. The groom is the son of Dr. Norbert and Violet (Dee Dee) Dittmar of Livonia.

The bride is employed as a secretary for the Livonia Public Schools curriculum department at Dickinson Center.

The groom is a graduate of Lawrence Technological University. He is employed as a project engineer for Dura Automotive Systems, Inc.

The bride asked Kathy Bickham to serve as matron of honor with Lori Symborski as the bridesmaid, Haley Bickham as the flower girl and Kim Connelly as hostess.

Brian Connelly served as best man with Blake Necker as groomsman.



The couple received guests at a reception at Stafford's Perry Hotel in Petosky. Following a trip to the Upper Peninsula, the couple is making their home in Livonia.

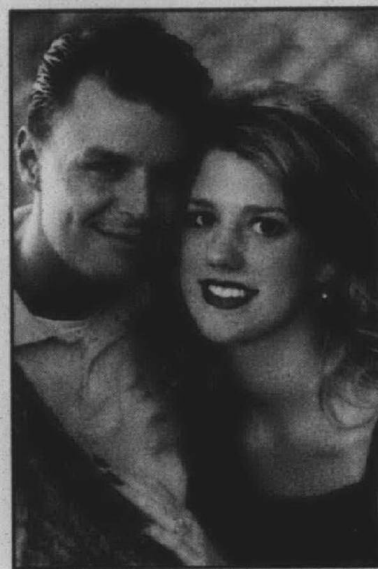
## Kappen-Berrey

Orville and Helen Kappen of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Kari Brooke, to Roger Vincent Berrey, the son of Earl and Linda Berrey of Charlotte, N.C.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School. She is employed by Standard Federal Bank.

Her fiancé is a 1986 graduate of Troy Athens High School. He owns Prime Cuts Meat Co. in Taylor.

A November wedding is planned at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia.



## Kaufman-Mullen

Sharon G. Kaufman announces the engagement of her daughter, Lisa Marie, to Kevin Michael Mullen, the son of Richard and Mary Mullen of Canton.

The bride-to-be, also the daughter of the late Dr. John W. Kaufman, is a graduate of Michigan State University and the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. She is employed by Gold, Lange & Majoros, P.C., where she practices bankruptcy law.

Her fiancé is employed by Techmatic Inc. as a valve technician and warehouse manager.

A July wedding in Plymouth is planned.

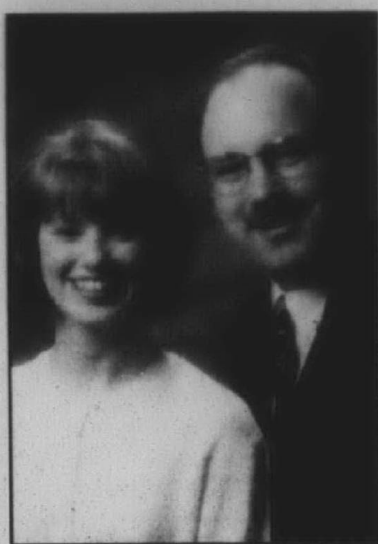


## Engel-Bartnicki

David and Sandra Engel of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Jody D., to Michael P. Bartnicki, the son of Patricia Bartnicki of Bloomfield Hills and the late Stanley Bartnicki.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. She is employed by Talbots Kids as a store manager.

Her fiancé is a 1984 graduate of Birmingham Brother Rice High School, a 1988 graduate of Albion College with a bachelor of arts degree in history, and a 1991 graduate of the University of Detroit School of Law with a juris doctor degree. He is employed as a partner in the law firm of Cameron Miller & Associates, P.C.



A November wedding is planned for Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth.

## Shore-Tjernlund

Mr. and Mrs. Richard and Janice Shore, all of Allen Park announce the engagement of their daughter, Pamela Ann, to Kenneth Richard Tjernlund, the son of Carol Tjernlund of Garden City and Mr. and Mrs. Richard and Jan Tjernlund.

The bride-to-be is a second-year nursing student at St. Vincent's School of Nursing in Toledo, Ohio. She is employed as a surgical technician at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

Her fiancé earned a bachelor of science degree in biochemistry at Eastern Michigan University. He is employed as a Wayne County Sheriff's deputy.

A November wedding is planned at St. Frances Catholic



Church in Allen Park.

## Thomas-Parker

Dennis and Carol Thomas of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Piper Jenay, to Timothy Quinn Parker, the son of Mary Ann VanHaverbeke of Albuquerque, N.M., and Kenneth Parker of Rochester, Minn.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. She attended Schoolcraft College before enlisting in the U.S. Air Force. She is a base supply apprentice, stationed at Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, N.M.

Her fiancé, a 1993 graduate of Sulphur High School in Louisiana, is serving in the U.S. Air Force as a computer systems operator at Holloman Air Force Base.



A December wedding is planned at Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

## Yaquinto-Bradley

Anthony James Yaquinto and Kristen Michelle Bradley, both of Livonia, were married April 25 at St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia by the Rev. James C. Scheick.

is the daughter of Michael and Carolyn Bradley of Livonia. The groom is the son of Don and Charlene Yaquinto of Livonia.

The bride is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. She will graduate this year from Madonna University with a degree in food service management.

The groom is a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School in Redford and Schoolcraft College where he studied culinary arts. He is the chef at The Sideline Sports Tavern at Fox Creek Golf Course.

The bride asked Kimberly Valetti to serve as her matron of honor with Leanne Bradley, Kelle Baker, Heather Taylor and Gina Yaquinto as bridesmaids. Alena Valetti was the flower girl.

Todd Yaquinto served as best



man with Butch Beslach, Andy Karlo, Eric Kostoff and Mike Firestone as groomsmen. Alex Beslach was the ring bearer.

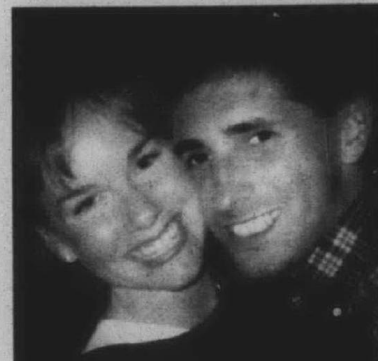
The couple received guests at a reception at Vladimir's in Farmington Hills before leaving on a Caribbean cruise. They are making their home in Livonia.

## West-Garby

Bonnie West of Canton and Richard West of Huntington Woods announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy, to Jay Garby, the son of Patricia and Patrick Redmond of Shelby Township and the late Doug Garby.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Lawrence Technological University. She is employed as an electrical engineer at Ford Motor Company in Dearborn.

Her fiancé, a 1993 graduate of General Motors Institute, is employed as a mechanical engineer at Textron Automotive



Company in Troy.

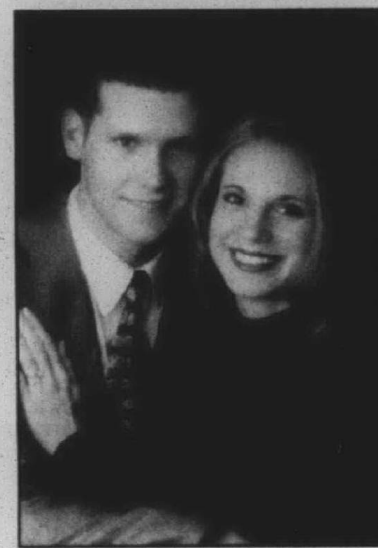
A September 1998 wedding in Plymouth is planned.

## Majeski-Whitney

Emil and Nancy Majeski of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Emily Jeanne, to Mark Albert Whitney, the son of Douglas and Barbara Whitney of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of Western Michigan University, earning magna cum laude status in elementary education. She is employed as a third grade teacher at Springfield Plains Elementary in Clarkston.

Her fiancé also is a 1992 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of Western Michigan University with a degree in marketing. He is employed by Ross Roy Communications Inc. in Bloomfield Hills.



A November wedding is planned at St. Colette's Catholic Church in Livonia.

## YW sponsors week-long observance

The YWCA of Western Wayne County is asking area individuals, government agencies, schools, businesses and community groups to join with the organization in the fall nationwide campaign of a "Week Without Violence" Sunday through Saturday, Oct. 18-25.

YWCA's nationwide are challenging every American to live for one week without perpetrating, participating in or observing violence.

The week is meant to focus attention on practical and sustainable alternatives to violence and heighten awareness of the opportunities to prevent and avoid violence and to help bring to life a vision of safer, healthier communities.

Each day of the week will have focus on a different issue. On Oct. 19, it will be a Day of Remembrance, followed by Protecting Our Children on Oct. 20, Making Our Schools Safer on Oct. 21, Confronting Violence Against Women on Oct. 22, Facing Violence Against Men on Oct. 23, Eliminating Racism and Hate Crimes on Oct. 24 and Replacing Violence With Sports, Fitness and Fun on Oct. 25.

Nationally, the YWCA has a long history of empowering women and families, fostering racial justice and preventing violence. The YWCA of Western Wayne County provides a wide range of program services, including child development and child care, prenatal healthy living choices, parenting and coping skills, youth mentoring, teen counseling, outreach to young children and youth who are at-risk and recreation.

For more information about the "Week Without Violence," call Corinne Vincent at (313) 561-4110.

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# Household products make for great Halloween looks

From products found on the kitchen shelf to those found in mom's makeup supplies and dad's bathroom cabinet, imaginative kids and adults alike can find everything needed to create a unique look for Halloween.

Yickie Sadler, a theater technician and adjunct lecturer in the University of Michigan School of Music's Theatre Department, says even the watercolors kids use for school

can be used to create an unusual and unique look.

The important thing, she said, is to be alert to the product's ingredients. The ideal are those products that have a water, lanolin or lotion base. Even a wax base will wash off easily, but beware of oil based products.

"The oils can become rancid and they will clog the pores in the skin," she said. "I never ask anyone to put something on

their face I wouldn't pout on my face."

Sadler recommends using flour or cornstarch mixed with a little water to form a light paste as a mask or to highlight areas such as the chin or cheek bones. For color, water-based makeup from mom's supply, a theatrical supply store or costume shop. Even the non-toxic water paints kids use in school will work on the face or other body parts.

"If it washes off your hands and out of your clothes, it will wash off your face," Sadler said.

A paint brush moistened in a little water and then dipped into colorful paints are great for accent lines or to color the entire face. Outlining the eyes or mouth can be done with this method. Scars can be added the same way. To set the colors, Sadler suggests a light dusting of baby powder, flour, cornstarch

or mom's makeup powder.

And be cautious with water-based colors. Since those products wash off with water, they will also run with sweating or in the rain.

Sadler advises using a light application of lotion or cold cream under really dark colors to help in the cleanup. A sponge can be used to apply the color or add texture as well as for cleanup. Dabbing the sponge and not wiping is the key to interesting texture.

Most hair products, except spray, can safely be used on the face. Hair gel or mousse will give the face a shiny effect. They can also be used for their original intent - to slick back or spike hair.

"Sketching out an idea can be a big help and using water-based products can allow for experimentation with color and design

before Halloween," Sadler said. "After all, it all easily washes away."

And don't forget to practice and to check the back of mom's makeup drawer where some free samples of wild and wonderful colors may be lurking. But skip the lipstick; it stains the skin, leaving red blotches for days.

If your tastes run to something a little more gory, Sadler suggests making some "blood" by mixing corn syrup and a little red food coloring. Because the coloring may stain, a little blue-colored laundry detergent may be added to darken the color and make the cleanup easier.

For a makeup base that's tasty as well as safe and inexpensive, slather corn syrup on the face, let it dry to become sticky and then apply pieces of facial tissue or cornmeal or oatmeal for a truly disgusting effect.

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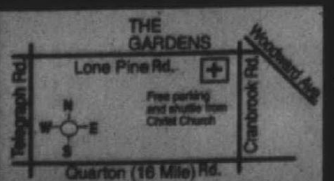
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# 'Spooktacular' Cabaret benefits Community Hospice

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

Break out your costume, put on your best scary face. It's time for a spooktacular time at the Community Hospice Foundation's fifth annual Cabaret dinner-dance Friday, Oct. 24.

The Cabaret will have a theme of Halloween Bash and partygoers are encouraged to come in costume. Prizes ranging from complimentary hotel packages to specialty gift baskets will be awarded for the best costumes.

This is the second year the Cabaret has had a Halloween theme. Last year proved so successful that the foundation decided to do it again, according

to Beth Lurtz, foundation president and Cabaret event chair.

"One man showed up in a nightgown with rollers in his hair and wearing fluffy slippers," Lurtz said. "To wear that all evening, we just knew he had to be the grand prize winner."

Other winners included two couples who showed up as double pinocchio, dressing as two jacks and two queens and looking like actual playing cards, she added.

The festivities will get underway at 6:30 p.m. at the Msgr. Alex Brunett Activity Center of St. Aidan's Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia.

The evening includes a cocktail hour, family style dinner and entertainment. Lance Loisel and his trio will perform during the cocktail hour and dinner.

Cabaret favorites, The Howards Band, with local artists Chris McCall, Stephen King, Lynn Neinhuis and Ray Schmidt, will perform the music of the 1950s and '60s. The group has been a popular musical attraction in the Detroit area for more than 20 years. This is the third year the band has headlined the event, according to Lurtz.

"They donate their time and energy," she said. "They're all from different bands and Ray Schmidt brings them together once or twice a year to perform. They enjoy jamming as all musicians do and that enjoyment rolls over onto the audience."

Cabaret tickets cost \$40 per person. "Gilded Pumpkin" tickets also are available for \$60 and include the evening's festivities, a gilded pumpkin at the table, recognition in the program and with a wall display.

The event usually attracts 160 partygoers and the committee is hoping to do better this year, reaching the 200 mark. That coupled with selling 20 Gilded

Pumpkins "would raise a lot of extra dollars" for hospice, Lurtz said.

In its fifth year, the Cabaret has raised some \$10,000 for the endowment fund for Community Hospice and Home Care Services. The fund covers the cost of uninsured patients and their families and helps to ensure that their ongoing needs are met when their funding is exhausted or to provide services, such as bereavement support, which are not reimbursable.

"Community Hospice is one of the few hospices that takes uninsured patients, so the cost of their medications are covered by the endowment," Lurtz said. "Some of the money this year also is earmarked for our own hospice home."

Community Hospice and Home Care Services has been serving the incurably ill and their families in western Wayne, southern Oakland and eastern Washtenaw counties since 1981. It has two offices at 127 S. Main St., Plymouth, and 32932 Warren Road, Suite 100, Westland.

Plans are to erect a hospice home on 3-5 acres of land in the area. But before the official fundraising begins for the home, CHHCS needs to find the property to either purchase or



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Foundation's  
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Oct. 24.

through a donation, which would "be fabulous," said Lurtz.

The Community Hospice Foundation got its start in 1993 as the result of CHHCS executive director Maureen Butrico's call for a group of citizens to support the work of hospice. The foundation has 13-14 active

members and has two major fund raisers each year - the Cabaret and a summer golf outing at the Dearborn Country Club.

For more information, about hospice or to order tickets, call CHHCS at (313) 522-4244 or (313) 459-0548.

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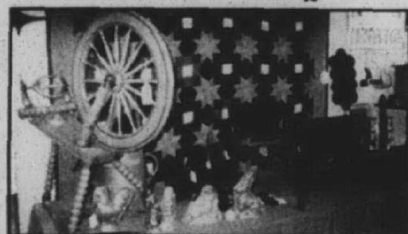
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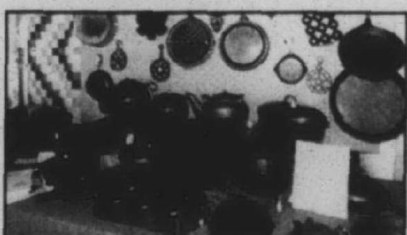
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## MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS

Agape Christian Worship Center will offer MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) the first and third Thursdays of the month October through May. The first meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 16. The meetings are 8:45-11 a.m. and offer mothers of preschoolers time for morning coffee fellowship, biblical based instruction on pertinent topics, crafts and sharing common concerns. For more information, call the center at (313) 394-0357.

## VIDEO PRESENTATION

Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church will host a video presentation on "What Does It Mean to Be Orthodox?" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, Westland. The video provides views from Billy Graham, Catholics, Protestants, "National Geographic" and a number of other

international institutions. The presentation is free. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call the church at (313) 525-6789.

## NEW PROGRAM

St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church is offering a new adult education program that encourages participants to come and learn about orthodoxy from 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays from Oct. 16-Dec. 11. Speakers and topics include: "What We Believe About Jesus Christ" by Father George Shalhoub Oct. 16, "What We Believe About Being Born Again" by Father Richard Peters Oct. 23, "What We Believe About Baptism" by Father Peters Oct. 30, "What We Believe About the Divine Liturgy" by Father Peters Nov. 6, "What We Believe About Sin" by Father Peters Nov. 13, "What We Believe About Icons" Nov. 20 by Jim King, "What We Believe About Scripture and Tradition" Dec. 4 by King, and "What We Believe About Heaven and Hell" by Father Shalhoub Dec. 11. The church is located at 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia. For more information, call (313) 422-0010.

## RUMMAGE SALE

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

will have its fall rummage and bake sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Oct. 16-17, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, at the church, 20805 Middlebelt Road, Livonia.

## 'KEEPING THE PROMISE'

Full Gospel Temple A/G's Christian Education Department is sponsoring a seminar for engaged or married couples called, "Keeping the Promise," 7-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18. The weekend, which aims at building stronger, more enduring marriages, ends with a "sweetheart banquet" from 6:30-10:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18. The cost per couple is \$25 for the seminar only, or \$65 for the seminar and sweetheart banquet. For more information or to register, call (313) 326-3333.

## BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 2-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, at St. Edith's Parish's church hall, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Call (313) 464-1222 for more information.

## SPIRITUAL FESTIVAL

Unity of Livonia will host a Fall Spiritual Festival 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, at the church, 28660 Five Mile

Road, Livonia.

The keynote morning speaker for the festival will be Rev. Argentina Glasgow of the Detroit Temple. She will speak on "Crowning the Year with Fullness."

The afternoon keynote speaker will be Cindy Saul, editor of Phenomena. She will speak on "How you can do, be and have everything and anything."

Also speaking will be Patricia Rollins on "Holography and the new healings paradigm," psychic Gloria Prischet on "What's going on in evaluating changes; opening up your lifetime karma," licensed Unity teacher Barbara Wade on "Angels everywhere" and the Rev. Gene Sorenson on "Prosperous Living."

Registration for the festival is \$20, including lunch, if made by Sunday, Oct. 12. For more information, call the church at (313) 421-1760.

## MISSIONS RALLY

"Everybody Needs Jesus" will be the theme of Memorial Church of Christ's 1997 Faith Promise Missionary Rally Sunday, Oct. 19, Wednesday, Oct. 22, and Sunday, Oct. 26, at the church, 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Duane Clark who represents

the dynamic Ambassadors for Christ Philippine Evangelism Mission, will speak at the morning services Oct. 19 while Levern Halstead who heads "Farsight," a mission to Haiti and other Caribbean islands, will speak at the international dinner at 6:15 p.m. Oct. 22. Tim Cole, who is helping start a new church in Virginia Beach, Va., will close out the rally at morning worship services on Oct. 26.

The 1997 Faith Promise goal is \$66,000. For more information, call the church at (313) 464-6722.

## SUNDAY LESSONS

The Church of Today West holds weekly Sunday lessons at 9 and 11 a.m. at Village Oaks Elementary School on Willowbrook, south of 10 Mile Road, between Haggerty and Meadowbrook, Novi. The lesson for Sunday, Oct. 19, will be "Fear Into Faith." On Sunday, Oct. 26, the lesson will be "Lighting the Path" with Melcolm Davis as the guest vocalist.

The church also offers youth education, a course in miracles at 7 p.m. Tuesdays and others courses in 4T, meditation and unity basics. For more information, call (248) 449-8900 or at its Web site, <http://www.cotw.com>.

## DIVORCECARE

DivorceCare, a special video seminar and support group for people experiencing separation and divorce, will begin its next 13-week session from 7:15-9:15 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 Sheldon Road, Canton. The series features nationally recognized experts covering a variety of relevant topics, including "Facing Your Anger," "Facing Your Loneliness," "Depression," "New Relationships," "Kid-Care" and "Forgiveness." Child care available for children up to grade 5. For more information, call the church at (313) 459-3333.

## THE HARMONAIRES

The Harmonaires of St. Stephen AME Church together with the Ward Chancel Choir will present a concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, in the sanctuary of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Organized by Bishop John E. Hunter, the Harmonaires are under the direction of Sylvia Turner Hollifield. They have performed in New York, Illinois, Indiana and at churches throughout Michigan and metropolitan Detroit. For the last five years, they have participated in the ecumenical Christmas program sponsored by the Michigan Council of Korean Churches.

The mission of The Harmonaires is to spread the gospel through message and song.

## CONSECRATION SERVICE

St. John's Lutheran Church in Redford will celebrate Consecration Sunday during the 10:30 a.m. worship service Sunday, Oct. 19, with guest speaker the Rev. Terry Daly. The Rev. Daly, the pastor of Cana Lutheran Church in Berkley, will speak about "the need of the giver to give." A Consecration Sunday dinner will be served in the fellowship hall following worship. To make a reservation, call the church office at (313) 538-2660. St. John's is located at 13542 Mercedes, one block east of Inkster Road, south of the Jeffries Freeway (I-96) service drive, Redford.

## TRANSFORMING VISIONS

The Rev. Dr. Joseph E. Lowery will preach from the pulpit of Central United Methodist Church, 23 E. Adams Ave. (Woodward Avenue at Grand Circus Park), Detroit, during the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, Oct. 19, as part of the church's 175th anniversary celebration. His topic is "Transforming Visions: Changing This World of Violence Into a World of Peace."

Lowery will continue the theme at 12:45 p.m. Sunday during a Church and Society forum and luncheon following the service.

For more information about the event, call the church at (313) 965-5422.

## 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 "Spiritual healing, how can I be sure it works?" on Oct. 19 and "Ministering and Ministers" on Oct. 26.

"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.

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## 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.

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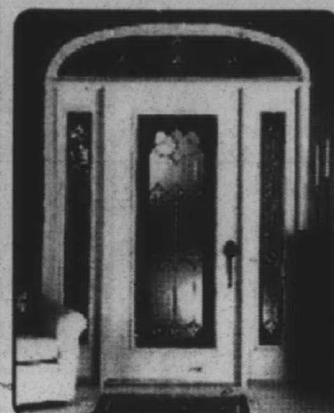
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## Holocaust horrors to be focus of talk

Vivien Spitz, a court recorder at the Nuremberg trials following World War II, still can't answer the questions that have haunted her for half a century: How could such atrocities happen in a civilized nation? And how could doctors, of all people, those who had taken the Hippocratic Oath to heal and cure, carry them out?

These are the questions she will not stop posing to anyone who will listen: "As long as there is any interest, I have to speak about this."

She is speaking about the Holocaust, the Nazi slaughter of 11 million people, including some 6 million Jews.

Spitz is not Jewish; she lost none of her family in the death camps and spent World War II safely inside the United States. But history gave her the opportunity to encounter face-to-face some of those responsible for Germany's crimes against humanity.

She served as a court reporter for two years from 1946 to 1948 at the Nuremberg trials of Nazi war criminals including the Nazi

doctor trials, recording verbatim the accusations of the prosecutors, the tragic stories of surviving victims and the defense of those accused.

Since 1985, she has been making presentations throughout the country concerning her experiences while reporting these trials. Her message is about basic human rights, dignity of life and apathy and indifference to suffering.

Beginning at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, Spitz will speak at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. The public is invited, however, due to the graphic subject matter, children are not permitted to attend.

In any way she can, Spitz won't let the world forget.

"We have to remember the lessons of the past to overcome our hatred and prejudice today," she said. "This is a historical example of what prejudice can do if people remain silent."

For more information about her presentation, call the church at (313) 422-1470.

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call Jackie at (248) 449-3208. All contacts are confidential and non-judgmental.

### VICTORIAN TEA

St. Matthew's UMW is hosting a Victorian Tea with the "Hat Pin Lady" Isamay Osborne, and "Memories," a string ensemble with May and Art Lang and Virginia Grzadzinski, from 12:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21, at the church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets are \$5. For more information, call (313) 422-6038.

### PUMPKIN PATCH PARTY

Children ages 3-9 are invited to a Pumpkin Patch Party 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 25, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church's Canton Campus, 46001 Warren Road, Canton. There will be lots of activities, including face painting, puppet shows and goodies. Parents should plan to accompany their children. Children wearing costumes will be eligible for door prizes. No occult themes, please. To register, call (313) 522-6830.

### LUTHERAN CHORAL FESTIVAL

"A Downtown Lutheran Choral Festival," featuring the choirs of Concordia College, Detroit Urban Lutheran, The Lutheran City Ministries Boys Choir, and Lutheran High Schools Northwest, Westland, East and North, will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, at the Masonic Temple Theater in Detroit. Tickets are \$10 for general admission seating with proceeds benefiting Lutheran City Ministries of Detroit.

### 'GODSPELL' AUDITIONS

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Wayne is holding open auditions for the spring production of "Godspell" from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, at the church located at the corner of Michigan Avenue and Third Street. Call Dr. Richard Schneider at (313) 729-2266 for more information.

### PRAYER GROUP

The Madonna University Prayer Group will have guest speakers Don and Carol McCain of St. Clair Shores when it meets at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, in Classroom No. 1 of the University Center, 14221 Levan, north of Schoolcraft, Livonia. For more information, call Cecile at (313) 591-3247 or John at (313) 422-5611.

### GOSPEL MEETING

Curtis A. Cates, director of the Memphis, Tenn., School of Preaching, will discuss "Christian Living" during gospel meetings at 10 a.m., 10:55 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, and 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27-Wednesday, Oct. 29, at Church of Christ, 1657 Middlebelt Road, Garden City. For more information, call (313) 422-8660.

### ALL SAINTS PARTY

Ward Presbyterian Church will host an "All Saints Party" 6-8 p.m. Halloween Night, Friday, Oct. 31, at the church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Featured will be game booths, face painting, dunk tank, refreshments and candy handouts. The event is free and open to all children through age 12. Costumes are encouraged. Children should be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call (313) 422-1836.

### LOOKING FOR A CHURCH?

An open invitation is extended to anyone inquiring about membership in the Catholic church by St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland. For more information, call Claudia at (313) 729-4411.

### 'IT'S HARVEST TIME'

"It's Harvest Time," the first annual Christian Woman's Advance, will take place from 6-9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31, and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at Metro Airport in Romulus.

This spirit-filled weekend of prayer, praise, encouragement, and self-discovery is designed to offer women an intimate forum to learn practical approaches to everyday living in life-changing workshop sessions. The registration fee is \$75 before Monday, Oct. 27. On-site registration is \$85.

For more information about the conference, call (313) 485-3549.

### CHRISTIAN CONCERT

Evangelist Gene Riley will perform as part of a Christian musical concert to benefit the Salvation Army's Golden Agers' Senior Program from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center, 23000 Venoy Road, Westland. Admission is free. Call Ms. Cobb at (313) 722-3660 for more information.

### NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings, a grief support group, continues with its monthly speaker series at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, when the Rev. Chuck Sonquist discusses "Dreams and Deeper Aspects of Grief," at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road (east of Merriman Road), Livonia.

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### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

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### BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance divorced and separated Christians, meets on Sundays for breakfast and Mass - 10 a.m. at the Redford Inn, Five Mile Road west of Beech Daly Road, Redford, and at 11:15 a.m. at St. Aidan's Church, Farmington Road north of Six Mile Road, Livonia - call Val at (313) 729-1974; and for coffee and conversation at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Archie's Restaurant, Plymouth Road east of Merriman, Livonia.

### HISPANIC CHURCH

The Hispanic Pentecostal Church conducts worship services at 2 p.m. Sundays at the Open Door Church, 33105 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. The Rev. G. Diaz officiates. For more information, call (810) 471-5282.

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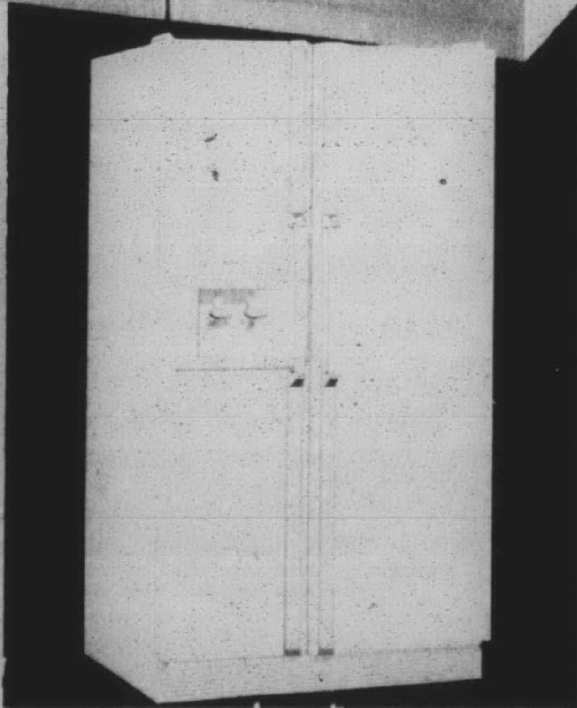
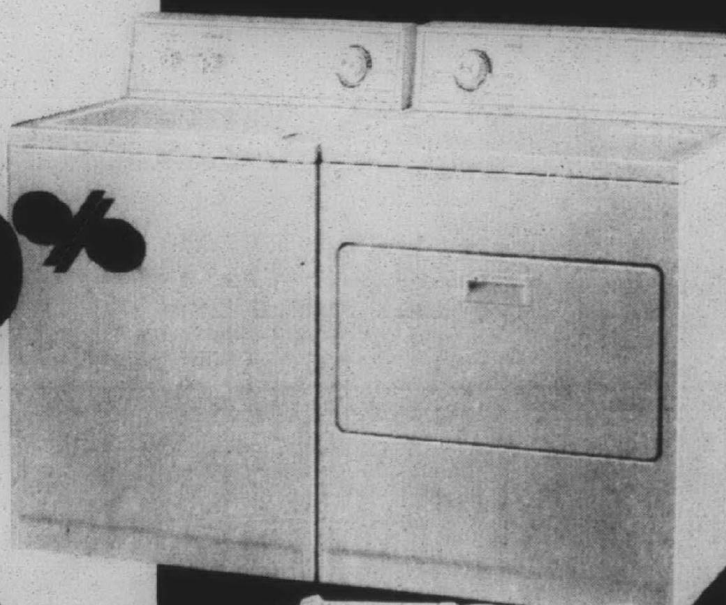
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**ST. RICHARD'S**  
St. Richard's Women's Guild will have its 25th annual craft fair 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 18 in the Social Hall, 35637 Cherry Hill Road, Westland. There will be 38 crafters, refreshments and a bake sale. Admission will be \$1, which 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. For more information, call (313) 981-2182.

**FRIENDSHIP CENTER**  
The Senior Resources Department and Superior Arts sponsored arts and crafts show will be 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.

**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA**  
Delta Kappa Gamma is sponsoring its annual craft fair 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 18 at West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. More than 80 juried artists will participate. Admission will be \$2 and lunch will be available. Proceeds will fund scholarships for students who plan to become teachers. For more information, call (313) 416-7550.

**ST. AIDAN'S**  
St. Aidan's Church's Women's Guild will have a craft show 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 18 in the activity center, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. There will be a bake sale, craft raffle and hot lunches. Admission will be \$1. For more information, call (248) 477-8942 or (313) 427-1457.

**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. Admission will be \$1. Tables at \$20 each are still available. 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 information, 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 more information, call Pam at (313) 278-7270 until 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday or Judy at (810) 348-5887.

**FROST MIDDLE**  
Frost Middle School PTSA will have its 21st annual holiday craft fair 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 1

at the school, 14041 Stark Road, north of I-96, Livonia. There will be more than 150 crafters, lunch room and bake sale. Admission will be \$2. For more information, call (313) 523-9459.

**ST. MEL'S**  
Crafters are needed for St. Mel's annual fall arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 1 in the school gymnasium, 7520 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights. There also will be a bake sale, raffles and lunch. For table information or an application, call (313) 261-6881 or (313) 274-6270.

**MADONNA UNIVERSITY**  
Madonna University will hold its 13th annual holiday arts and crafts showcase 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 1-2 in the Activities Center on campus, Schoolcraft and Levan, Livonia. Admission will be \$2 for adults and children under age 12 free. Special features include handmade arts and crafts, bake sale, photos with Santa Claus and a \$1,000 raffle. For more information, call (313) 432-5603. Madonna University is a Schoolcraft and Levan Road, Livonia.

**LIVONIA YMCA**  
The 13th annual Livonia Family YMCA's Mulberry Holiday Market will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 1 at the YMCA, 14255 Stark Road, Livonia. For more information and for applications, call the Y at (313) 261-2161, Ext. 310.

**LIVONIA STEVENSON**  
Crafters are wanted for Livonia Stevenson high School's Holiday Happening craft show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 1 at the school, 33500 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. 10- by 10-foot or 6- by 16-foot spaces are available for \$55. Chairs (no tables) are available

on request and a limited number of spaces with electricity are available at no additional charge. Bake sale and concessions foods will be available throughout the day and admission will be \$1. For more information, call (313) 464-1041 or (248) 478-2395.

**PRINCE OF PEACE**  
The women of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church will have their annual craft auction at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, at the church on Palmer Road west of Newburgh Road, Westland. People can browse and get a bite to eat at 6:30 p.m. An assortment of baked goods also will be available. The craft items are handmade. A full-sized quilt, made by the women, also will be raffled off. Raffle tickets cost \$1 each.

**GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN**  
Garden City Presbyterian Church will have its Angels and Hollyberry Bazaar 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Nov. 8 at the church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, Garden City. There will be a silent auction, white elephant room, cookie walk, arts and crafts, Christmas decorations, bake sale and activity room Cider and doughnuts also will be available.

**SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE**  
There will be more than 150 crafters at Schoolcraft College's holiday craft show 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 8 and 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 9 in the Physical Education Building of the college, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. Admission will be \$1.50 for adults and children 12 years and older, 50 cents for children 5 to 12 years of age and free for those under 5 years of age. For more information, call (313) 462-4417.

## Hauntingly good fun



For the family: Doug Scheer will bring his brand of magic to the Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn for a Halloween Spooktacular Saturday, Oct. 25. The live stage performance of magic and Halloween fun will be at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. in the Fountain Court. Scheer's protagonist is Gruzelda, a dim-witted witch who never learned to fly. With slight of hand and a lot of pizzazz, Scheer shows her the importance of studying hard and staying in school. And with the help from children in the audience, she learns good study habits and discovers the joy of learning. The presentation is part of the mall's Fall Family FunCentral. For more information, call the FunCentral hotline at (313) 593-3330.

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Players of the Week

Karin Sisung, a junior at Madonna University, was named the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference player of the week in volleyball.

An outside hitter, Sisung had 91 kills (four per game) and 58 digs in the Lady Crusaders' 4-2 week. She also had 19 blocks and 15 service aces, and was named to the all-tournament team at the University of Michigan-Dearborn Tournament last weekend.

Madonna was second in the WHAC with a 4-1 conference record, 17-9 overall entering the week.

### Lions prowl

Kerry Mills scored two touchdowns, including a 75-yard return to paydirt on the opening kickoff, to lead the Canton Lions varsity team to a 22-8 victory over the Ann Arbor Eagles Sunday.

Mills added his second TD in the second quarter, and Myron Covington iced it with a third Lions' touchdown in the final period. The defense was led by David Reeser, Marcus DeVilia, Scott Hewitt and Brian Tomlinson.

The Lions junior varsity was not as fortunate, suffering a 14-8 loss to the Eagles' JV Sunday. Jason Lewis scored the Canton team's only TD on a 40-yard, second-quarter run. David Lewis got the two-point conversion and defensively had an interception.

Reggie Joyner led the Lions' ground game with 100 yards rushing; he, too, had an interception. Other defensive standouts were Brandon Szejewski, Matt Reynolds, Drew Amble, Drew Bringley, Brandon Kilgore and Lewis.

The Canton Lions freshmen blanked their Ann Arbor Eagle counterparts, 13-0 Sunday. Quarterback Chris Drabicki tossed two touchdown passes, a 3-yarder to Nathan Rzeppa and an 18-yarder to David Scherbaty.

Alex Way and Jonathan Wood led the defense with fumble recoveries; Kirk Sadek added an interception.

### Steeler varsity rolls

The Plymouth/Canton Steelers varsity team ground out a 20-6 triumph over the Northville Colts Sunday.

Tyler Welch started the Steelers off by intercepting a pass and returning it 50 yards for the score. Later, Paul Aschmetat plunged in from 2 yards out for a touchdown and Mike Tomasaitis added another score on a quarterback sneak. Michael Tolhurst, Jeff Bennett and Tomasaitis were defensive standouts.

The Steeler JV is still unbeaten, but they couldn't beat the Colts, playing them to a scoreless tie Sunday in Northville. Defensively, the Steelers were led by Matt Bennett, Matt Harman, Michael Krul, Dan Taylor and Brandon Mancini, who intercepted three passes.

The Steeler freshmen improved to 5-0 with a narrow 7-6 win over the Northville Colts Sunday in Northville. A Chris Rusin-to-Brandon Hoard 15-yard TD pass gave the Steelers their only TD Andrew Case added the decisive extra point.

On Oct. 5, the Steeler varsity lost 21-14 to the Ypsilanti Braves; the Steeler JV was a bit luckier, tying the Braves 6-6, while the Steeler freshmen stayed perfect (at 4-0) with a 7-6 victory over the Braves.

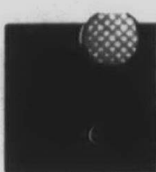
### Fall baseball champs

The Downriver Baseball Club, entered by ex-Detroit Tiger pitcher Jeff Kaiser, won the 1997 Fall High School Baseball League with a 10-0 victory over the Downriver Reds (10-0) after edging Trenton (2-1) in the semifinals Sunday at Madonna University Park.

Brent Zak (Redford Catholic Central) got the game-winning RBI double in the seventh inning to win the semifinal, while Mark Cole (Redford CC) pitched a one-hitter, fanning seven and walking five in the championship game.

Other area players in the DBC team, coached by Larry Cole and Bob Malek, include: Bobby Malek, Chris Woodruff, Adam Harris, Pat Lord, Steven Baker, Bill Zydeck, Mike Kosick and Mario D'Herin, all from CC; John Hicks, Livonia Stevenson; Kevin Tomasaitis, Plymouth Canton; Joe Rizzi, Plymouth Salem; Brendan Etue, Birmingham Brother Rice.

## CC's Peters wins region; state next



Imagine turning in a superb round in a major high school tournament, all the time thinking it might not be enough. Adam Peters wrestled with those emotions at last week's state regional, even though he had the best round in his region.

How well did Detroit Catholic Central senior Adam Peters golf in last Friday's Class A regional at the Pontiac Country Club?

Well enough to score a 9 on the par-5 18th hole and still finish first overall with a three-over par 75.

Peters, from Plymouth, finished one stroke ahead of Grand Blanc's Andrew Chapman and Matt Rykalski. Peters, who tied for the Catholic League individual championship, improved over his third-place regional finish in 1996.

Peters' effort wasn't enough to quali-

fy the Shamrocks for the state meet. They placed eighth in the team standings at 338. Grand Blanc won with 310, followed by Waterford Mott at 317 and Bloomfield Hills Lahser at 320.

The top three teams qualify for the state meet.

Peters is the Shamrocks' lone representative at the two-day state meet, which starts Friday morning at Forest Akers Golf Course at Michigan State University in East Lansing.

After recording consecutive birdies on the 16th and 17th holes, both par

3s, Peters self-destructed on the 18th.

He hit his tee shot into the water and suffered another penalty stroke after his fifth shot from the bunker sailed over the green out of bounds.

Peters, the first Shamrock to finish, showed frustration afterward, but for his team, not his own round. He thought his poor finish might leave the Shamrocks out of state qualifying contention.

Little did he realize the rest of the

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## Not so fast!

### Salem can't hold onto lead, ends up tying Churchill for title

BY C.J. RISAK  
SPORTS EDITOR

Everything was perfect.

The weather, the game's location, even the timing — no losses so far, right guys? — was all just perfect for Plymouth Salem. And the Rocks wasted no time Wednesday night, taking full advantage of their opportunities to score twice in a 34-second span of the first half.

All things considered — after all, Salem was the state's No. 1-ranked team, unbeaten this season; a previous meeting between these two teams had ended with the Rocks winning, 3-0; this game, for the Western Lakes Activities Association title, was on Salem's field; and the Rocks had not given up more than one goal in a match all season — seemingly stacked the odds high against their opponent, Livonia Churchill.

But then again, the Chargers are used to overcoming long odds. Which they did again, scoring twice in the last 23 minutes of play to forge a 2-2 tie with Salem, making them WLAA co-champs.

"There have been a few games we've played like this," said Churchill coach Chad Campau. "And we've consistently been scored on first. That's a dangerous habit. Fortunately, we've always been able to come back."

But against the state's No. 1-ranked team? A team that hasn't given up two goals in a game all season?

Sounds like a tall order.

But then, with just under 23 minutes remaining in the game, Churchill had a restart to the right of Salem keeper Jeremy Finlay. The ball was batted in front of the Rocks' net by Mark Sicilia, where Dan Ott got control of it and sent it past Finlay, cutting Salem's lead in half, to 2-1.

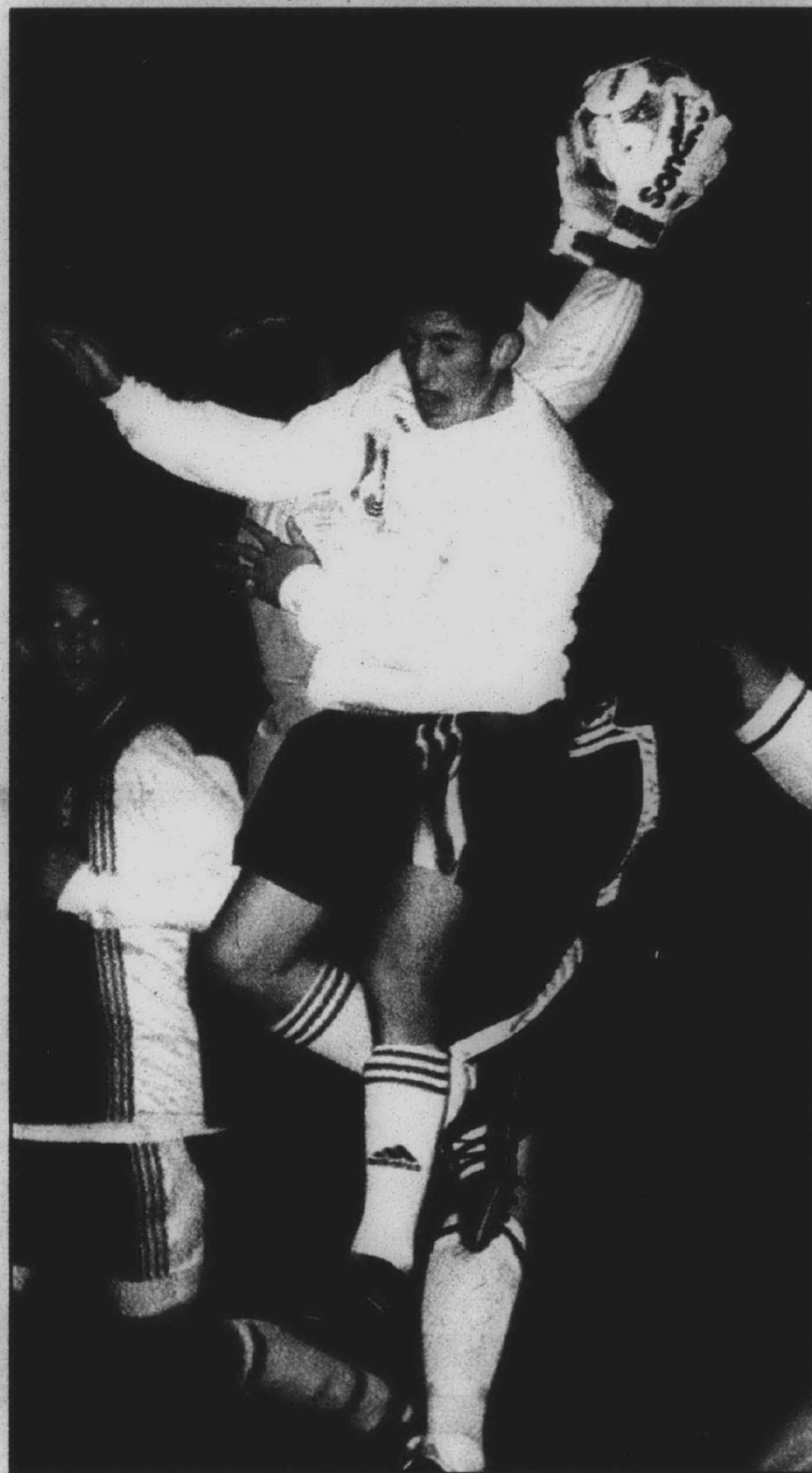
Now it was a game.

"Overall, I was pleased with the way we played," was how Salem coach Ed McCarthy prefaced his remarks. "Obviously, I've got to be disappointed to lose a 2-0 lead we had at halftime."

"Now we know we have to play 80 minutes."

Especially against a team like Churchill, ranked sixth in the state and now 12-1-4 overall. Salem is 14-0-3.

After the Chargers scored, it took Salem a while to regain any amount of control over the game. And the Rocks couldn't do it before another goal appeared on the Churchill side of



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Not this time: Salem's Andy Power (13) challenges Churchill keeper Mike Skolnik for the ball. Skolnik won this round, but earlier in the match Power knocked a shot past him for a goal.

## Skaters seeking world renown

BY NEAL ZIPSER  
STAFF WRITER

It was 1987 when Jeff Angiulli met Marie Hayden.

Only 10 years old at the time, Angiulli struck up a friendship with the 6-year old girl. The unique friendship was based on a common interest — roller skating.

Now, a decade later, the two friends will leave from Metropolitan Airport together on a plane headed for Reus, Spain to compete in the World Roller Skating Championships.

"She's like a little sister to me," Angiulli said of the 16-year old from Livonia. "I knew she always had it in her to make it this far."

And why wouldn't the junior at Livonia Stevenson have it in her? After all, the two trained together for several years before splitting apart to be trained by different coaches.

Now, back together again, the two have good chances of winning the World Championships, where they will be competing against about 40 skaters from 20 different countries.

Angiulli, a 1995 Plymouth Salem graduate who now attends Eastern Michigan University, has the odds in his favor.

For the past seven years, his coach Bud Patton, has been the mentor for the world champion in the Men's Senior World Class Figure division. And this year, Patton's only pupil is Angiulli.

"When I moved into the world class of roller skaters, I wanted to be the best. And to be the best you need to be coached by the best," Angiulli said of Patton, who owns the Rolladium in Waterford where Angiulli practices.

Now 20, Angiulli is in the prime of his career and feels he has a good shot at winning the title which features skaters about 18 to 25 years old.

Also aiding Angiulli's chances is experience. This will be the third consecutive year he will be competing for the world title. Two years ago, he finished fourth, and several mistakes resulted in a sixth place finish last



Medal-winners: Jeff Angiulli, from Plymouth, and Marie Hayden of Livonia have more medals in mind at the World Championships.

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## Chiefs, Rocks: Showdown!



The countdown has already begun. There's no stopping it now.

And it would require a monumental derailment tonight, when Plymouth Canton plays at Walled Lake Western and Plymouth Salem hosts a tougher Walled Lake Central squad, to make Tuesday's battle something other than it will be.

A championship clash. On Tuesday, both Canton and Salem breezed through their required Western Lakes Activities Association games, remaining unbeaten in league play in the process.

Unless one or the other is upended tonight, when Canton and Salem

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year.

If having one of the world's most renown roller skating coaches and experience isn't good enough, Angiulli can also take solace in the fact last year's world champion has retired.

"If nothing else, I'm getting to see the world," said Angiulli, who has competed in World Championships in Columbia and Argentina. "I do think I have a good chance of winning and I'd be extremely happy to place and come home with a medal."

"But just gaining the experience of competing at the World Championships and meeting new people and seeing new things is worth it. I would like to win the title before I retire, how-

ever."

One of primary competitors will be one of his friends, Toby Matthews, a 24-year old from Florida.

"We're friends away from competition, but once you're on the floor, you have no friends," Angiulli said.

Hayden laced up her first pair of skates when she was just three and the sport quickly became the love of her life. She began competing five years ago and has quickly established herself as a future star by winning the Junior Championship title the past two years.

"I'm pretty nervous," Hayden admitted. "It will be very hard winning the championship in my

first year, but I'd like to skate my best and finish in the top five."

Angiulli advanced to the World Championships by advancing past the regional tournament in Troy, and then qualifying at the national championships in Pensacola, Fla.

Like Angiulli, Hayden advanced to the World Championships by advancing past the regional tournament in Troy, and then qualifying at the national championships in Pensacola, Fla.

"She's very talented," Angiulli said of his 'little sister.' "She's won the Junior Championship the past two years so even though she's a rookie in the

senior class, she does have a lot of experience."

Hayden has also aligned herself with one of the sport's best coaches, Petra Dayney. Dayney travels from Toledo to train Hayden at the Riverside Roller Skating Rink.

Hayden skates with specially-designed artistic roller skates and will bring several different types of wheels with her to Spain. After gauging the slipperiness of the floor, she will choose the best wheels for the given conditions.

Hayden will have to perform three repetitions of several roller skating maneuvers and turns, including a figure eight.

According to Hayden, artistic

impression is not a judging criteria like ice skating. But similar to ice skating, Hayden will be wearing the traditional figure skating outfit.

"It's not my favorite part of the sport," Angiulli admitted about his performance apparel.

Angiulli is hoping roller hockey will eventually become an Olympic sport because of its popularity. If that was to happen, there is a good chance other sports in the same discipline may become Olympic sports.

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meet at approximately 7:15 p.m. Tuesday at Salem, on the line will be the WLAA crown. Both are currently unbeaten in the league.

Canton remained that way by trouncing Livonia Stevenson 63-29 Tuesday at Canton. The win improved the Chiefs' record to 9-3 overall, 6-0 in the conference; Stevenson slipped to 8-4 overall, 3-3 in the league.

"It really might have been a lot worse," said Canton coach Bob Blohm when questioned about the 20-6 first-quarter surge his team put on. "Easily, we missed four or five layups that could have given us 30 after one quarter."

"But we had good energy. We got off to a good start, then just got through it. And our defense was solid."

Three players accounted for the bulk of Canton's points: Nkechi Okwumabua with 18 (and six rebounds), Kristin Meyer with 16 (and five boards) and Melissa Marzolf with 12 (and 11 assists and five rebounds). Elise Thornell added eight points and a team-best eight boards.

Tops for the Spartans was Colleen Brenneman with seven points. Carolyn Courtright and Becky Smith chipped in with six apiece.

The Chiefs expanded their 14-point lead after one quarter to 18 (32-14) at the half and 32 (54-22) after three periods.

**Salem 55, W.L. Western 19:** Like their Canton counterparts, Plymouth Salem might have actually made things worse for host Walled Lake Western Tuesday, if things had worked out differently.

The Warriors trailed 10-2 after one quarter and 23-6 at the half — and at the end of both periods, they made a basket to narrow Salem's lead.

The win was the Rocks' ninth in a row and ran their record to 10-1 overall, 6-0 in the WLAA.

"We worked through it," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "(Western) played pretty hard."

Amanda Abraham had 14 points, 11 rebounds and four steals to pace Salem. Andrea Pruett chipped in with 12 points, seven boards and four steals, and Tiffany Grubaugh finished with nine points and six rebounds.

Carrie Kosmer's six points

paced Western.

The state-ranked Rocks now start navigating through a more difficult part of their schedule, with Walled Lake Central tonight and Canton next Tuesday, both in Salem's gym.

"We're right back into something that will be pretty decent," said Thomann.

**Agape 50, Ypsi Baptist 19:** Canton Agape jumped out to a 15-1 first quarter lead and never looked back in improving to 10-2 this season.

Kim Ther led all scorers with 18 and also had nine rebounds, four assists and six steals.

Marge Henry contributed nine points while Charla Sexton scored eight and had six rebounds, two assists and four steals. Freshman Kelly Hayes had six points.

Amy Bick led Ypsilanti Calvary Baptist with 10 points. Ypsilanti Baptist was held scoreless in the third quarter but owned a 13-6 fourth-period advantage.

**Harrison 76, John Glenn 14:** Mahogany Fletcher scored 19 and Ari Ault added 13 Tuesday night in Farmington Hills Harrison's home victory over West-

land John Glenn.

The Hawks led 19-4 after one quarter and 41-8 at halftime. John Glenn was shutout in the third quarter.

Samantha Crews and Roselyn Billberry each scored three points for Glenn, which dropped to 1-11 overall, 1-5 in the WLAA.

The victorious Hawks improved to 9-3 and 5-1.

**Divine Child 60, Ladywood 50:** Livonia Ladywood went cold in the fourth quarter Friday as the visiting Blazers lost their fourth consecutive game.

Dearborn Divine Child rallied from a seven-point fourth-quarter deficit and converted eight-of-12 free throw attempts in the final eight minutes to escape with the win.

"We just couldn't hit anything in the fourth quarter," Ladywood coach Andrea Gorski said.

The Blazers (6-7 overall, 3-4 in the Catholic League) were led by senior center Sarah Poglits, who tallied 16 points. Junior guard Erin Hayden and freshman guard Melissa Harakas added 13 and 12 points respectively.

Harakas and senior forward Jenny Lachapelle fouled out during the Divine Child comeback.

The Falcons, who improved to 5-8 overall and 2-5 in the league, received a game-high 18 points from senior center Mandy Jaeger.

# Golf from C1

Shamrocks were struggling mightily.

The other CC scores came from Greg Berger (87), Josh Davis (87), Erik West (89) and Erik Villa (92).

"I had a little disaster there," Peters said, recalling the 18th. "Right when that happened, I was scared that would hurt our team. I was still a little disappointed to take a nine. I knew there would be some tough competition, and as long as I play as I should I'd have a chance."

Peters' round included five birdies.

"He was one under going into 18 and could have shot 71 real easily," CC coach Phil Heyer said. "We've been out there the last 10 years and usually around the mid 70s will win it. His short game has gotten so much better, that's where he saves a lot of strokes. He's an excellent putter, too."

"He has a real good mentality with golf. He just doesn't get real upset. You never know if he's playing bad or good. He's got that way about him. That's what good golfers have to have."

Davis, a junior, was the only underclassman in the CC lineup.

"We laid a big egg, just didn't play well at all," CC coach Phil Heyer said. "I told the kids to qualify we have to shoot 320. Out at Lansing Forest Akers (earlier in the year) we shot a 315. It's just one of those years."

Peters said new clubs and playing 25 tournaments on the Power Bilt Junior Tour over the summer helped his game. He won one tournament and finished in the top five several times.

He's been playing competitively for several years, learning from his father, who has been his only instructor.

"My dad would come home from golfing and every once in a while I'd start chipping in the yard," he recalled. "I got addicted to that with my cousin (Ryan Wilmering) and best friend (Matt Buswinka). I never took a lesson. When I needed help I'd go to the range with my dad and he'd help me out."

He plays regularly at Hilltop and Fox Hills in Plymouth as well as Meadowbrook Country Club where he is a caddy.

Peters hopes for good weather at the state meet.

"My goal is to win," Peters said. "There are going to be some real good players there. As long as I stay around even par I should have a chance."

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# Canton vs. Churchill: A battle of the winless

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The unbeaten ranks in Observerland football have dwindled to two teams — both from the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The latest casualty among the unbeaten was Redford Catholic Central, which lost Saturday night to a speedy and talented Orchard Lake St. Mary's team, 24-20.

But in Class AA-Region III, the Shamrocks (5-1 overall) are still very much alive for one of the four playoff spots.

Only two unbeaten teams remain in that region — Westland John Glenn and Troy (both 6-0).

Others remaining in the hunt include Dearborn Fordson (5-1), which lost its first game of the season Friday to Monroe; Detroit Henry Ford (5-1), Detroit Redford (5-1) and CC (5-1).

Glenn, meanwhile, has its toughest game to date this Friday at Walled Lake Central (5-1) in what will determine the Lakes Division champion in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The winner will play Farmington Hills (6-0), Observerland's other unbeaten team, for the WLAA title Friday, Oct. 24.

As for your friendly (and sometimes confused prognosticators), the season-long race tightened a

## GRID PICKS

bit.

Yours truly went 12-2 last week and is now 70-18 on the season.

Dan O'Meara, the lucky Irishman, slipped a shade last week, going 11-3 (he picked CC over OLSM) and is 73-15 on the year.

Only three games separate the two.

Here is a sneak preview of this week's action:

### FRIDAY'S GAMES (all at 7:30 p.m.)

**Liv. Churchill (1-5, 0-4) at Ply. Canton (0-6, 0-4):** Churchill has dropped five straight after a season-opening victory over Redford Union. Canton, meanwhile, has played a very difficult schedule, losing to four state-ranked teams. Something's got to give. **PICKS:** Emons says Canton gets its first victory of the year; O'Meara differs and takes Sir Winston.

**W.L. Western (5-1, 3-1) at Liv. Franklin (3-3, 2-2):** Western's high-powered offense, led by speedy quarterback Frank Stanford, pinned a 49-30 loss last week on Northville. Franklin, coming off a 14-7 victory over Canton, boasts one of the area's top ball carriers in Anthony Grech and an All-State lineman in Matt Lawson. **PICKS:** Western has too many weapons.

**Ply. Salem (3-3, 2-2) at Liv. Stevenson (1-5, 0-4):** Salem is coming off a 7-0 win over Farmington as sophomore Matt Fair made his debut at quarterback.

Stevenson has not had much right go its way since defeating Franklin on the last play of the game during the second week of the season. **PICKS:** Salem doesn't need any witchcraft to win this one.

**Westland Glenn (6-0, 4-0) at W.L. Central (5-1, 4-0):** Clearly the two top teams in the Lakes are battling for divisional honors here. Central racked up over 600 total yards in destroying Stevenson last week, 54-7. Glenn's defense, meanwhile, has allowed just 35 points in six games. It could come down to the play of the special teams and who can stop the run. The Rockets could get a boost if fullback Antonio Gibson, who has been out the last couple of weeks, returns from an injury. **PICKS:** Both agree it's Glenn night.

**F.H. Harrison (6-0, 4-0) at Northville (3-3, 3-1):** Can anybody derail the Harrison express? Northville could get a share of the WLAA's Western Division title with a win, but this Harrison team appears to have all the pieces to the puzzle in place. The Hawks beat Northville last week, 56-7, while Northville lost to Western, 49-30. **PICKS:** Not even the reappearance of quarterback Ryan Huzjak could help the Mustangs pull this game out. It's Harrison in a walk.

**Taylor Kennedy (0-6, 0-5) at Garden City (0-6, 0-4):** The Cougars remain the only team in Observerland without a victory so this week's opponent, winless Taylor Kennedy, couldn't be better timing for GC first-year coach Mike Salter to gain his first win. Kennedy lost last week to 5-1 Dearborn Edsel Ford, 35-0, while GC fell to Taylor Truman, 48-7.

**PICK:** Flip a coin, both nominate JFK in this Mega-White crossover.

**Redford Union (1-5) at River Rouge (3-3):** Rouge defeated Scott Wiener's Dearborn Heights Annapolis team, 22-13, while RU picked up its first victory of the season on the road at Highland Park, 25-6. This is a Mega Conference crossover. **PICKS:** If you're talking basketball, it's definitely Rouge, but if you're talking football... Both stick with Rouge.

**Clarenceville (2-4, 2-4) at H.W. Lutheran East (2-4, 1-4):** It's a miracle East is even fielding a team. During the second week of the preseason, the Eagles had only eight players in uniform until the basketball coach came to the rescue. Meanwhile, Clarenceville was able to right a sinking ship last week by pounding Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, 47-0. **PICKS:** You've got to go with Clarenceville in this Metro Conference encounter.

**Bishop Borgess (4-2, 2-1) vs. S'gate Aquinas (4-2, 3-0):** Southgate Aquinas has done little to disprove it's the Tri-Sectional favorite in the Catholic League. The state-ranked Raiders, a Class DD playoff qualifier a year ago, whipped Allen Park Cabrini last week, 40-15, as Roy Williams scored three TDs. Borgess crushed Detroit Benedictine 42-8 last week as Kevin Jordan and Walter Malone combined for 300 yards rushing. **PICKS:** Aquinas gets the nod.

### SATURDAY'S GAMES (all at 1 p.m. unless noted)

**B.H. Cranbrook (3-3, 3-3) at Lutheran Westland (3-3, 2-3):** Cranbrook broke a three-game losing streak last week with a 12-0 win over Detroit Loyola Academy, limiting the Bull Dogs to less than 100 yards on the ground after they put up 88 points the week before against Taylor

Light & Life. Lutheran Westland's three-game winning streak came to an end against 5-1 Macomb Lutheran North. Looks like an even matchup. **PICKS:** Emons goes with the host Warriors, but O'Meara likes the Cranes.

**Wyandotte (2-4, 1-3) at Wayne (1-5, 1-3):** Wayne could be one of the state's best one-win teams. The Zebras led 15-0 late in the third quarter last week before falling to 5-1 Dearborn, 16-15, in a last-second field goal. Wyandotte is coming off a 41-27 victory over as senior tailback Joe Martin rushed for 139 yards in 12 carries. **PICKS:** It's Wayne's day on homecoming, Emons says, but O'Meara takes 'Da Bears.

**N. Farmington (3-3, 1-3) at Farmington (2-4, 1-3):** North started out the year 3-0, but has since lost three straight Lakes Division games to Salem, Walled Lake Central and Glenn. Farmington is coming off a 7-0 loss to Salem. Second-place in the Farmington School District is at stake in this one. **PICKS:** Emons likes North's chances to end its losing skid, but O'Meara is flying high with the Falcons.

**Redford CC (5-1, 1-1) at Univ. of Detroit-Jesuit (2-4, 1-1):** 1:30 p.m.: Its been a long, long time since the Cubs have beaten the Shamrocks. CC, smarting from its loss to Orchard Lake St. Mary's, should stay in the playoff hunt with a victory in this one. **PICKS:** CC rides high.

**St. Agatha (2-4, 1-2) at C.L. St. Clement (5-1, 2-1):** 1 p.m. at RU's Kraft Field: The Crusaders, ranked No. 10 in Class DD, defeated Royal Oak Shrine last week, 14-7, while the Aggies were bombed by unbeaten Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes, 40-6. Clement needs a win to stay a game behind Lakes in the C-Section race. **PICKS:** The Center Line is painted bright yellow.

## St. Mary's shocks CC

Detroit Catholic Central gained more yards than Orchard Lake St. Mary's on Saturday night, but the Eaglets won the battle that counts toward a more important race: The distance between first and second place in the Catholic League Central West Division.

St. Mary's won 24-20 to improve to 6-0 overall and 3-0 in the Central West, two games ahead of second-place CC. The Shamrocks are 5-1 overall, 1-1 in the Central West.

St. Mary's, outgained 368-357 in total yardage, enjoyed a 21-6 halftime lead at Livonia Clarenceville.

The Shamrocks cut the deficit to 21-14 through three quarters before the Eaglets added a field goal midway through the fourth. CC scored on the last play of the game to cut the final margin to four.

CC had trouble with St. Mary's speedy backfield tandem of Rico Epps and Washington, who combined for three touchdowns.

Epps had 129 yards in 16 rushes and one touchdown and Ty Washington 111 yards in 11 carries and two touchdowns, one rushing and one receiving.

## FOOTBALL STATE PLAYOFF POINTS

### MHSAA FOOTBALL PLAYOFF COMPUTER RANKINGS (area teams in bold)

**Class AA (Region II):** 1. Monroe (6-0), 100.000; 2. Brighton (6-0), 96.800; 3. Ann Arbor Huron (6-0), 90.667; 4. Clarkston (5-1), 84.333; 5. Walled Lake Central (5-1), 80.833; 6. Walled Lake Western (5-1), 79.500; 7. Belleville (5-1), 79.333; 8. Grand Blanc (5-1), 75.500; 9. Flint Carman-Ainsworth (5-1), 72.833; 10. Lake Orion (4-2), 66.833.

**Class AA (Region III):** 1. Troy (6-0), 100.000; 2. Westland John Glenn (6-0), 93.333; 3. Redford Catholic Central (5-1), 86.167; 4. Detroit Henry Ford (5-1), 82.367; 5. Detroit Redford (5-1), 75.867; 6. Dearborn Fordson (5-1), 72.833; 7. Birmingham Brother Rice (4-2), 61.381; 8. Southfield (4-2), 58.833; 9. Livonia Franklin (3-3), 47.833; 10. Detroit Cody (3-3), 46.533.

**Class AA (Region IV):** 1. Sterling Heights

Stevenson (6-0), 102.667; 2. Fraser (5-1), 84.333; 3. Detroit King (5-1), 83.167; 4. Clinton Township Chippewa Valley (5-1), 82.167; 5. Rochester Adams (5-1), 82.000; 6. Detroit Cass Tech (5-1), 76.667; 7. Warren DeLaSalle (4-2), 65.167; 8. (tie) Utica Eisenhower (3-3) and Sterling Heights Ford (3-3), 56.167; 10. Port Huron Northern (3-3), 54.167.

**Class A (Region III):** 1. Farmington Hills Harrison (6-0), 101.333; 2. Dearborn (5-1), 79.500; 3. Ypsilanti (5-1), 75.333; 4. Dearborn Edsel Ford (5-1), 72.667; 5. Ypsilanti Lincoln (5-1), 61.833; 6. Saline (4-2), 61.667; 7. Lincoln Park (4-2), 59.667; 8. Romulus (4-2), 57.333; 9. Waterford Kettering (3-3), 49.000; 10. Northville (3-3), 46.733.

**Class A (Region IV):** 1. Birmingham Seaholm (6-0), 94.667; 2. Birmingham Groves (5-1), 89.667; 3. New Baltimore Anchor Bay (5-1), 83.333; 4. Detroit Central (5-1), 76.500; 5. Southfield-Lathrup (5-1), 71.333; 6. Detroit

Southeastern (4-2), 64.167; 7. Warren Coudino (4-2), 59.500; 8. Hazel Park (4-2), 53.167; 9. Warren Mott (3-3), 51.500; 10. Royal Oak Kimball (3-3), 51.333.

**Class BB (Region III):** 1. Marshall (6-0), 94.667; 2. Orchard Lake St. Mary (6-0), 90.667; 3. Orionville Brandon (6-0), 85.333; 4. Gibraltar Carlson (6-0), 82.667; 5. Fowlerville (6-0), 78.667; 6. Battle Creek Harper Creek (5-1), 64.833; 7. Oxford (4-2), 64.000; 8. Fenton (4-2), 58.833; 9. Redford Thurston (4-2), 54.167; 10. Linden (4-2), 50.333.

**Class B (Region IV):** 1. North Adams-Jerome (5-1), 48.333; 2. Peck (4-2), 33.600; 3. Adrian Madison (4-1), 33.300; 4. Redford St. Agatha (2-4), 15.833; 5. Taylor Light & Life Christian (2-4), 13.167; 6. Wyandotte Mount Carmel (1-5), 9.500; 7. North Branch Wesleyan (1-5), 8.833; 8. Hamtramck St. Florian (1-5), 8.600; 9. Detroit East Catholic (1-5), 7.667; 10. Waldron (0-6), 1.933.



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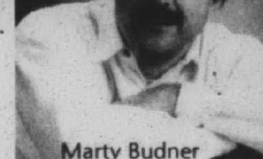
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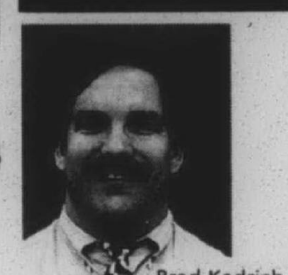
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## COLLEGE SPORTS

# Crusaders tie for 1st

## VOLLEYBALL

Madonna University's volleyball squad had a three-match win streak snapped Saturday.

But it didn't slow the Lady Crusaders down much.

On Tuesday, playing at Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference leader Cornerstone College, they kept their opponents off-balance throughout the night to claim a 15-7, 15-13, 8-15, 15-7 victory.

The win improved Madonna's overall record to 18-9, while Cornerstone slipped to 20-9. Both teams are now tied atop the WHAC with 5-1 records.

Karin Sisung led the attack with 18 kills and the defense with 20 digs. Erin Gregoire added 13 kills (with a .323 kill percentage) and 16 digs, while Rayna Vert contributed nine kills (.286 percentage), three solo blocks and two block assists, and Deanne Helsom had 45 assists to kills, two service aces and 10 digs.

Last Saturday, the Crusaders dropped a four-game decision to Taylor (Ind.) University in the finals of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Tournament.

The Crusaders dropped the first two games in the road match 15-11 and 16-14, but rallied to take game three, 16-14. Host Taylor then closed out the match with a 15-4 romp.

Karin Sisung played well in defeat for Madonna with 16 kills and two serving aces. Erin Gre-

goire added 10 kills and two aces.

Madonna swept Walsh (Ohio) College in three games to open the tournament, 15-7, 15-8, 15-10. Sisung had 14 kills in the match, while Deanne Helsom had 40 assists to kills.

In other matches last week, Madonna collected a pair of wins last Friday.

The Crusaders beat Grace (Ind.) College in three games, 15-2, 15-5 and 15-4. Sisung had 11 kills and Gregoire added nine.

Madonna needed four games to beat the University of Rio Grande (Ohio), 15-5, 15-2, 8-15, 15-6. Brandy Malewski (Redford Thurston) had a strong match with 15 kills while Jennifer Russell played well defensively with 21 digs.

## Sisung WHAC honoree

Madonna University junior outside hitter Karin Sisung was named Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Volleyball Player of the Week. The Monroe native had 91 kills and 58 digs in the Crusaders' 4-2 week. She also tallied 19 blocks and 15 aces and was named to the All-Tournament Team at the U-M Dearborn Tourney.

## Lady Ocelots go 2-4

Schoolcraft College posted a 2-4 record at the Jefferson (Mo.) Invitational Friday and Saturday.

The Ocelots opened with three straight losses. Host Jefferson beat Schoolcraft 15-9, 15-9 then fell 15-10, 15-12 to Brownsville (Tex.) and 15-11, 15-10 to Illinois CC.

Schoolcraft rebounded by winning two of three matches in the second day of the tournament. The Ocelots took a three-game win over Parkland (Ill.) 12-15, 15-8, 15-13.

Against Barton (Kan.), Schoolcraft fell 15-3, 15-0. The Ocelots closed the tournament by beating Johnson (Kan.) 15-10, 4-15, 15-13.

For the tournament, Northville's Sarah Gregerson led the Ocelots with 45 kills while Megan McGinty added 44. Amber Wells and Mindy Sullivan each had six serving aces.

On Oct. 7, Schoolcraft beat Flint Mott CC in three games on the road.

The Ocelots swept the match 15-10, 15-9 and 15-7. McGinty played a strong overall match with 14 kills, five serving aces and eight defensive digs.

Kimmi Washnock also played well with eight kills. Janet Hinz had four serving aces.

For the season, Schoolcraft has an 11-12 overall record and a 3-2 league mark.

# Late goal carries Madonna

Eric Stoecklein's goal with 4:43 remaining Saturday lifted the Madonna University men's soccer team to a 3-2 road victory over Spring Arbor College.

Ryan Mollien (from Livonia) assisted on the game-winner. Seamus Rustin and Charlie Bell also scored for Madonna.

The Crusaders improved to 8-4 overall and 8-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Madonna is in first place in the league.

Rustin opened scoring in the first half. He scored in the 29th minute unassisted.

Bell made it a 2-0 game with less than 10 minutes remaining in the game. Spring Arbor rallied to tie the contest with a pair of goals in less than three minutes.

Stoecklein (Plymouth Canton)

## SOCCER

gave Madonna the win with his late goal. The Crusaders hosted Concordia College yesterday and are off the rest of the week.

**SC 2, Toledo 1 (women):** Schoolcraft College's women's team was doing most everything right at the start of Saturday's match with visiting University of Toledo — except finishing.

And that nearly got the Lady Ocelots into trouble, even though their adversaries were one player short. Still, they regrouped and managed to put a couple into the net to earn their third win of the season.

SC is 3-7-1 overall. "They were in a similar situation to us, earlier in the season,"

said SC coach Bill Tolstedt. "Their numbers are down. They played one man short."

And yet, Toledo led 1-0 at the half before the Ocelots battled back. "There was nothing from a technical or tactical standpoint we didn't do well, we just had a great deal of difficulty putting on the finishing touches around the net," said Tolstedt.

SC tied it early in the second half on a goal by Lisa DeShano (Livonia Franklin), assisted by Lisa Tolstedt.

They got the game-winner from Jenny Worley with just one minute left; Nicki Pampreen (Livonia Ladywood) assisted.

"The quality of our shots can be drawn into question," said Tolstedt.

SC plays Saturday at Manchester College (Ind.).

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# Bass'n Gals crowned state bass fishing champs

## OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



BILL PARKER

Boy, oh boy! Take one short week off work and the mail and phone calls just pile up.

Tournaments results, successful hunter reports, training workshops and much more was awaiting my

attention upon my return to work Monday evening. I'll keep you updated as I filter through the mail...

### Fishing results

The top eight anglers from eight local bass clubs met on the Detroit River late last month to compete for bragging rights in the Michigan Bass Invitational. Each club entered four, two-man teams. The total weight from all

four teams was entered as the club weight and the club with the most total weight was crowned champion.

There were no cash prizes for the winners. The tournament was for bragging rights only.

When the fish were finally all weighed the Michigan Bass'n Gals were whooping it up as they won the tournament with a team total of 62.4 pounds. Oakland County Bass Anglers finished second with 59.8 pounds

followed by Wayne County Bass Anglers (59.4), Oakland County Bassmasters (53.4), Metro Bass Anglers (48.7), Tri-City In-Fishermen (46.3), Clinton Valley Bass Anglers (38.0), and Bass'n Bums and Babes (27.5).

"This was the first time we've won it and I think we've fished in it 10 years, maybe more," said Canton's Linda Bennett, a member of the Bass'n Gals team and the 1997 Michigan Bass'n Gals Angler of the Year. "When you

get a plan and work together as a team, anything can happen. We had a meeting, planned it out and had a strategy of what we wanted to do. Everybody had to catch fish and everybody did. It was a great time and a great day."

Bennett's partner was Ferndale's Sheri Gibson. The other members of the winning Bass'n Gals team were Patty Thompson (Romulus) and Billie Long (Dearborn Heights), Cindy Wiebel-

haus (Brownstown Twp.) and Mary McTaggart (Lincoln Park), and Judy Carr (Plymouth) and Inge Rose (Dearborn Heights).

"Since we won it we'll have to host it next year," explained Bennett. "It will be on Lake Orion, some time in late September."

### National Bass'n Gal

Canton's Mary Ashteneau wrapped up the season recently by competing in the National Bass'n Gals Classic Star World Championship. Fishing on the Coosa River in Neely Henry Lake, Alabama, Ashteneau couldn't quite find the right pattern as she finished 32nd in the 41-angler field. Ashteneau weighed two fish for a total weight of 2.68 pounds.

Arkansas Angler Diane Kegley became only the second amateur angler in the 21-year history of the event to win the Classic Star, which is the woman's equivalent to the BASSMASTER Classic. Kegley finished with a two-day total of seven fish that weighed 17.79 pounds. Janice Creek was the only angler to weight a two-day limit of 10 fish and finished second with a total weight of 15.66 pounds.

### Project F.I.S.H.

Intrigued by the thought of introducing a youngster to the sport of fishing? How about a whole group of youths?

Project F.I.S.H. Workshop, scheduled for Nov. 7-9 in Jackson, is intended to show adults how to organize a community youth sportfishing club.

"We're looking for adults who are serious about taking time to start a program for kids in their area," said Bruce Matthews, chief of the DNR's Department of Information and Education. "Today, kids have fewer opportunities to learn how to fish and there's a great need for mentors who are enthusiastic about working with kids. The rewards are tremendous - imagine helping a young angler catch that first fish, and at the same time learn an exciting skill that will last a lifetime. For many of us, the chance to mentor today's youth in fishing is the best opportunity we have to pass on the fishin' tradition as well as say thanks to those who passed the tradition on to us."

The workshop will be held at Camp McGregor and begins at 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7. Cost is \$60 per person and \$55 per person for a team of two or more. Fees include lodging and all teaching materials. Registration deadline is Oct. 31.

For a registration packet or more information contact Mary Jamieson and MSU at (517) 353-0308 or jamieson5@pilot.msu.edu.

### Successful hunters

Will Walker, of Bloomfield Hills, shot a 328-pound black bear on Saturday, Oct. 4. Walker was hunting behind hounds in Houghton County. On Friday, Oct. 10, Will's father Bill shot a 175-pound bear, also in Houghton County.

Oxford's Chad Wedge wasted little time filling his first archery deer license. The 1997 season was just hours old when the 15-year-old arrowed a dandy 7-point with a 16-inch spread. Wedge was hunting from a tree stand on private property overlooking a corn field in northern Oakland County.

Livonia's Mark Kyle arrowed a 4-point buck at 5:15 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 2. Kyle was hunting from a tree stand on state land in Emmet County.

Mark Goodell got a late start on opening day of the archery deer season and arrived at his tree stand "well after sunrise." His tardiness didn't seem to matter as the Rochester Hills archer shot a spike horn at 10 a.m.

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## OUTDOOR CALENDAR

## CLASSES

## SNOWMOBILE SAFETY

The DNR and Snomads Snofari Club will offer a snowmobile safety certification class beginning at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, at the Novi Expo Center. Call 248 681-7429 for more information and to register.

## FLY TYING

Bueters Outdoors in Northville still has openings for its fall fly tying classes. Call (248) 349-3677 for more information.

## EXPLORING AUTUMN

Children ages four and five accompanied by a parent will explore the autumn season during this program, which begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center in Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 339-3497 for more information.

## ATTRACTING BIRDS

Adults can learn how to attract birds to their winter feeder during this program, which begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center in Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 339-3497 for more information.

## OWL HUNT

Learn everything you want to know about owls and other nocturnal creatures during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, at the West Bloomfield Woods Nature Preserve. Call (248) 738-2500 to register and for more information.

## SEASONS/DATES

## BEAR

The 1997 bear season runs through Oct. 26.

## DEER

The early archery season for whitetail deer runs through Nov. 14. Firearms season begins Saturday Nov. 15.

## DUCKS

Duck season runs through Dec. 2 in the North and Middle zones and through 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.

## WOODCOCK

Woodcock season runs through 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 appreciation 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. 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 (skeeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are noon to sunset on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesdays. On Saturdays and Sundays the rifle and pistol range is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

and the sporting clays course is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. 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. 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.

## METROPARKS

## METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are

required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

## APPLE CIDER EVENTS

Learn how honey bees help turn apple blossoms into fruit, then make some cider on a hand-powered press during this program, which begins at 4 p.m. Thursday at Stony Creek. A similar program will be offered throughout the day on Sunday.

## HALLOWEEN PARTY

Skits, games, goodies and ghouls await first through fourth graders and their families in this program, which will be held Friday and Saturday at Indian Springs.

## WILD ENCOUNTERS

An evening family program for ages six and older in which participants will explore Halloween traditions and symbols through outdoor activities and encounters with characters and live critters will be held Saturday at Stony Creek.

## NATURE'S RECYCLERS

Find out how things in nature are reduced and reused and recycled during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday at Kensington.

## WALK IN THE PARK

Enjoy the hardwood's show of colors during this naturalist-led walk, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at Stony Creek.

## SEED TRAVELERS

Learn how plants spread their seeds during this naturalist-led walk, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Kensington.

## SNAKES

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Take an extended hike and learn about fall colors during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, at Independence Oaks.

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# Marching band sweeps double-header competition

BY DIANE HANSON  
SPECIAL WRITER

In weather made for marching, the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band, made a grand sweep of Flight I first place awards in a duet of competitions Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 11 and 12.

The band also recaptured both general high performance trophies and a best solo performance. Afia Ofori-Mensa received the trophy for "Outstanding Solo Performance in a Marching Band Competition," at the Huron Valley Invitational held at Lakeland High School in White Lake Saturday.

"I am so excited. I had no idea," said the elated senior tuba player. "A tuba player has never won a solo award since I've been here." Ofori-Mensa was chosen by band director David McGrath to play a solo part in the band's competition performance, "Where the Wild Things Are," a children's tale by Maurice Sendak.

Sunday's competition, the Michigan Invitational, was sponsored by the Flushing Marching Band at Atwood Stadium in Flint. "We were happy with what we had done," said color guard senior Erin Darichuk. Added Holly Graham, also a color guard senior, "we worked really hard, expecting the best." And that's just what they got.

The Plymouth-Canton marchers captured all Flight I caption awards; Best Winds, Best Percussion, Best Marching and Maneuvering, and Best Color Guard in both competitions along with both first place trophies for Flight I. Their high scores, 88.37 Saturday and 91.2 Sunday, assured that the two traveling trophies for overall high score would remain in the Plymouth-Canton trophy case for another year.

This is the sixth consecutive year the Plymouth-Canton band has won the Grand Champion Trophy at the Huron Valley Invitational and the third consecutive year they have captured the Governor's Trophy at the Michigan Invitational.

While McGrath and assistant director Pat Ruddy believed the first-place wins were well-deserved, they felt the Saturday performance was not up to par for the championship band.

"What lacked...was spark," explained McGrath. "It's part of the ebb and flow of the season. They go through some periods where there are natural let downs like this. I think they were on such a high last weekend that the Adrenaline couldn't kick in tonight."

Last weekend's trip to Toledo for the Bands of America Regional Championships netted them a third place with just 1.35 points

away from first. But it also netted them a 21-hour day of travel, practice and performance. "It's just been exhausting," said McGrath, who added that things are not about to let up. "We have six performances in nine days this week: Two football games, three competitions and a concert."

Of Sunday's performance in Flint, Ruddy said, "All in all, it was a much, much better job." McGrath agreed. He said, "this was a much stronger performance. What matters is the performance level is really improving. The kids are just doing a great job out there."

The kids could feel it too. Mark Squires, junior baritone player, said of Sunday's show, "I thought it was really good. It was a lot better than last night."

Ruddy pointed out that there is still much to do in the last five weeks of the band season. "The hardest part now is cleaning and being very technical...and still keep emotions - and we've got to ask 200 people to do it at the same time. 'You can get them to think, that's the technical. To get them to feel, that's the ultimate. They're more than on their way. They're doing great.'"

(Italics) The next competition for the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band will be right at home at the PCEP football field on Can-



PHOTO BY DIANE HANSON

On show: The Plymouth-Canton marching band took top honors again at the recent competitions this past weekend.

ton Center Road. The Great Lakes Invitational will feature 31 band performances and will run from 2-11 p.m. Saturday,

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## OBITUARIES

## HILDEGARD A. HAUDEK

Mrs. Haudek, 88, of Canton died Oct. 8.

She was born on Jan. 29, 1909, in Germany.

She was preceded in death by her late husband, Charles Haudek.

Survivors include her two sons, Ronald Haudek of Ohio, Gerald Haudek of Plymouth; two sisters, Clara Dauble, Freida Kobialka; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Local arrangements were made by The McCabe Funeral Home, Canton Chapel.

Services were held at The New Apostolic Church in East Pointe, Mich., with the Rev. Marvin Tessmer officiating. Burial was at the Cadillac Memorial Gardens East, Clinton Township.

Memorials may be made to the New Apostolic Church Youth Group.

## GORDON DELBERT THIEL

Mr. Thiel, 80, of Canton died Oct. 9.

Born on Feb. 25, 1917, in Waukesha, Wis., Mr. Thiel was a meteorologist for a national weather service. He served in

World War II. He was an Army veteran. He received his bachelor of arts degree from UCLA and his bachelor of science degree from LaCrosse State Teacher College of the University of Wisconsin.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth A. Thiel; his father, Frank W. Thiel; and his mother, Louise (Watt) Thiel.

Survivors include his two daughters, Alice E. Cordara of Canton, Andrea (Stan) Darden of Burke, Va.; one son, Thomas (Cheryl) J. Thiel of Roanoke Rapids, N.C.; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Dr. Jerry Yarnell officiating. Burial was at Fort Custer National Cemetery in Augusta, Mich.

Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

## LEE A. MILLER

Mr. Miller, 55, of Plymouth Township, died Oct. 9.

Born on Dec. 31, 1941m in Washington D.C., Mr. Miller was a salesman. He came to the Plymouth community from Monroe

in 1963. He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Ann Arbor.

Survivors include his daughter, Julie (John) Cork of Grand Rapids; his mother, Ruth Miller of Plymouth Township; his father, Howard Miller of West Palm Beach, Fla.; one sister, Carol (Dan) Bales of Romulus, Mich.; one niece, Rebecca; two nephews, Bob and Brian.

Services were held at the Scharder-Howell funeral Home with the Rev. Bradford K. Lewis officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery.

Memorials may be made by donors choice.

## JAMES H. SUTHERLAND

Mr. Sutherland, 60, of Plymouth died Oct. 9.

Born on Nov. 1, 1936 in New Brighton, Pa., Mr. Sutherland was employed with Kmart Corp. for 37 years. He retired in 1996.

Survivors include his wife, Carol A. Sutherland; one daughter, Lori A. Lisy of Strongsville, Ohio; two sons, Jeffery A. (Rebecca) Sutherland of Bay Village, Ohio, Steven D. Sutherland of Hamtramck, one brother, Dale E. (Frances) Sutherland of

Beaver Falls, Pa.; and one grandchild, Samantha N. Lisy.

Local arrangements were made by Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth.

Services were held at the St. Colette Catholic Church, Brunswick, Ohio, with the Rev. Thomas G. Montavon officiating. Burial was at Holy Cross cemetery, Brookpark, Ohio.

Memorials may be made to Ronald McDonald House, 3911 Beaubien Blvd., Detroit. 48201.

## ELIZABETH H. PALMER

Mrs. Palmer, 91, of westland died Oct. 10.

She was born on Feb. 26, 1906, in Water Town, New York.

She was preceded in death by her late husband, Donald H. Palmer.

Survivors include one son, Donald F. Palmer of Canton Township; three sisters; four grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the McCabe Funeral Home, Canton Chapel with the Rev. Jerry Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran

Church, Canton officiating. Burial was at the Glen Eden Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army.

## GILBERT T. LETOURNEAU

Mr. LeTourneau, 86, of Ely died Oct. 11.

Born on Jan. 24, 1911 in Gilbert, Minn., Mr. LeTourneau grew up in Hibbing and worked the gold mines in California during the depression. He moved to Duluth. He served in the Army for 2 1/2 years during World War II and for 37 years was an insurance agent for Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

He was a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Ely, and served as Grand Knight in the 4th Degree Order of the Knights of Columbus. He was a 57-year member of Rotary International and was honored with the Paul Harris Fellowship

Award, which is the highest honor that can be bestowed a Rotarian. He was also awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the Minnesota Rotary Governor.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Ruth.

Survivors include his wife, Sigrid LeTourneau; one son, Ronald (Mary) of Canton; two step-children, Thomas (sharon) Lind of Chisholm, Minn., Barbara (James) Crow of Deborah, Iowa; nine grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at Kerntz Funeral Home in Ely. Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Anthony's Catholic Church. Burial was at Ely Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Ely Rotary Scholarship Fund.

## Big band show comes to educational park

BY DIANE HANSON  
SPECIAL WRITER

The biggest band show ever to play at the Plymouth Canton Educational Park will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 18.

There will be 31 bands from across the state providing an afternoon and evening pageantry of dance, drama, color and spectacular music at the Great Lakes Invitational at the football field on Canton Center Road.

"Anyone who hasn't been to a marching band show in recent years should really try to come

out," said David McGrath, band director for the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band. "It's just amazing that these kids can play what they play while running around the football field."

The show will open with a presentation from the eighth grade band comprised of musicians from all the area middle schools. The Plymouth-Canton band will perform their award-winning program, "Where the Wild Things Are," in exhibition as hosts of the show at 10:30 p.m. Awards will follow.

Tickets for the entire day are \$5 adults, \$3 seniors and students.

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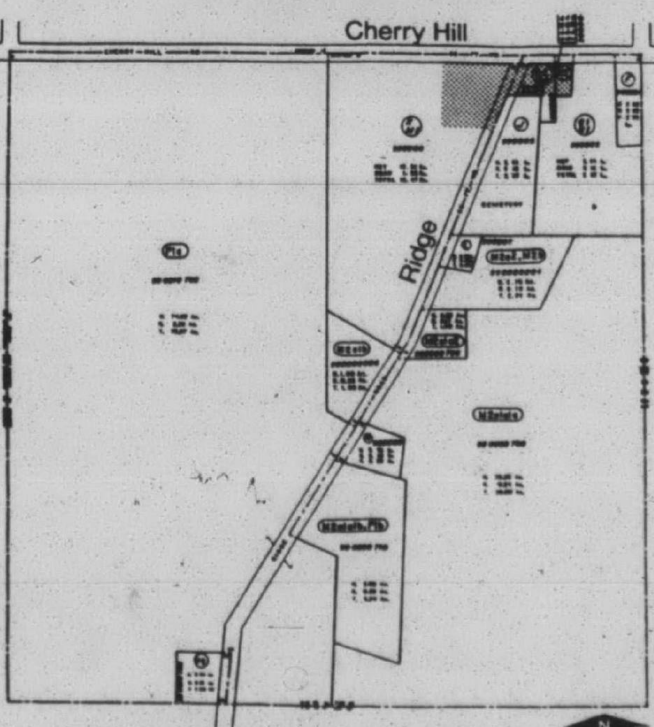
CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 17, 1997 at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

**CHERRY HILL/RIDGE TOWNSHIP INITIATED FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT - CONSIDER AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LOCAL SHOPPING FOR PARCEL NOS. 074 99 0003 000, 074 99 0004 000, AND PART OF PARCEL NO. 074 99 0006 000. Property is located on the southeast and southwest corners of Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads.**

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

Proposed  
Future Land Use Map Amendment

Very Low Density Residential to Local Shopping

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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CANTON TOWNSHIP  
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
SPECIAL MEETING  
October 23, 1997

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1997 AT 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag  
Roll Call: Cisek, Demopoulos, Johnson, Pandit, Redfern  
Acceptance of Agenda

1. Rick W. Keisker, Schultz Design Missouri, Inc., 1039 S. Duchesne, St. Charles, Missouri 63301, representing Kroger Company for property located at 1905 Canton Center N. Canton, MI 48187. Appealing Ordinance 120, Article 29.002, Section 2.7 regarding roof line. The request is for a variance in order to install Kroger signs. Parcel No.'s 061-99-0003 (Building) (Tabled from October 9, 1997 meeting)

TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: October 16, 1997

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## COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TEXT AMENDMENTS:

1. Update Statistical Information.  
2. Establish a Transition Zone around the Cherry Hill Historic District.  
3. Addition of New Policies and Strategies.

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

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1997  
INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION  
CERTIFICATE  
KEY PLASTICS, INC.

PLEASE NOTE: That on September 16, 1997, the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, received from Key Plastics, Inc., a request for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for the remodeling of the original office portion of the facility. The facility is located at 40300 Plymouth Road, Plymouth Township, County of Wayne, Michigan. A Plant Rehabilitation District was established on March 13, 1984, for this site.

The request of Key Plastics, Inc., is on file in the Clerk's Office for public review. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may consider the request.

The public hearing, commencing at 7:30 p.m., will be held in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, on Tuesday, October 28, 1997, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee meeting. Telephone number 453-3840 X 224.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC  
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

Publish: October 16, 1997

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**MICHIGAN AVENUE CORRIDOR (NORTH) TOWNSHIP-INITIATED FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT - CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:**

**FROM MEDIUM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL:**

PARCEL NOS.	125 99 0001 000	126 99 0003 001	126 99 0005 000
125 99 0003 000	126 99 0003 002	126 99 0006 000	
126 99 0001 000	126 99 0004 000	126 99 0007 000	
126 99 0002 000			

Property is located on the south side of Geddes Road between Beck and Denton Road.

**FROM MEDIUM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (RESEARCH PARK RECOMMENDED):**

**NORTH PART OF PARCEL NOS.**

127 99 0019 000	127 99 0020 000

Property is located north of Michigan Avenue between Denton and Beck Roads.

**FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL:**

PARCEL NOS.	126 99 0008 001	126 99 0011 000	126 99 0014 003
126 99 0008 002	126 99 0012 000	126 99 0016 000	
126 99 0009 000	126 99 0013 003	126 99 0017 000	
126 99 0010 000			

Property is located on the southeast corner of Geddes and Denton Road.

**FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (RESEARCH PARK RECOMMENDED):**

**PART OF PARCEL NOS.**

123 99 0003 000 (north part)	123 99 0015 000 (west part)

Property is located on the east side of Denton Road between Geddes Road and Michigan Avenue.

**FROM AGRICULTURAL TO VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL**

**PART OF PARCEL NOS.**

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127 01 0005 000	127 01 0006 000	127 01 0007 000
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Property is located north of Mott Road between Barr Road and the Washtenaw County line.

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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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# Entertainment

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## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



Oakland Community College Java and Jazz Series features Ursula Walker and Buddy Budson, 8 p.m. Smith Theatre, Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$12, call (248) 471-7660 or (248) 471-7700.

### SATURDAY



Youtheatre opens its 34th season with the new musical "Big Bad Wolf," 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door, (313) 963-2366, or (248) 645-6666.

### SUNDAY



Tour of World Gymnastics Champions, featuring all seven members of the 1996 Olympic Gold Medal winning U.S. women's gymnastics team, 3 p.m. at The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$35, \$27.50 and \$19.50, call (248) 645-6666, or (248) 377-0100.



Hot tix: Maestro Erich Kunzel and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra "Take Five" with jazzmaster Dave Brubeck in five Pops Series performances, Oct. 16-19 at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Concerts 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Oct. 16-17; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19. Tickets \$42 to \$17 (box seats: \$60), call (313) 833-3700.



JIM CALDWELL/HOUSTON GRAND OPERA

Opera: A scene from the Michigan Opera Theatre's presentation of "The Magic Flute." American author/artist Maurice Sendak designed the colorful sets and costumes.

## Artist brings Mozart's 'Magic Flute' to life

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Michigan Opera Theatre is presenting "The Magic Flute" for the fourth time, but this production, which features the costumes and sets of internationally celebrated American author and artist Maurice Sendak, promises to be magical.

Best known for his children's book "Where the Wild Things Are," Sendak has designed the sets and costumes like the characters in his books — bold and colorful, dark and fantastic.

"This show will be a lot of fun to watch and listen to," said Tony Lynch of Rochester Hills who is a member of the chorus. "The sets are very pleasing, and the music is wonderful."

"The Magic Flute is Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's final operatic masterpiece. MOT's production, which opens Saturday, Oct. 18, will be sung in the Andrew Porter English translation and feature English subtitles projected above the stage

for increased understanding. It was presented by MOT in 1976 and 1984 at the Music Hall, and in 1990 at the Masonic Temple Theatre.

"It's the first time I've done an opera in English," said Lynch, a bass who has performed in the chorus in seven other MOT productions. During the day he sells industrial tools. Performing in the chorus allows him to use his musical talents, and "it's lots of fun," he said. "There's usually lots going on."

Described as part fairy-tale, part morality play, "The Magic Flute," introduced ideals and rituals inspired by Freemasonry. Mozart was a member of the order, which preached the spirit of universal brotherhood.

With text by the actor (and manager of a small theater) Johann Emanuel Schikaneder, who asked Mozart to compose the work, this singspiel incorporates both song and spoken word. It premiered Sept. 30, 1791, at the Theatre auf

### "The Magic Flute"

■ **When:** Saturday, Oct. 18 to Sunday, Oct. 26. Performances 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19; 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22; Friday and Saturday, Oct. 24-25; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26.  
■ **Where:** Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway at Madison Avenue, Detroit.  
■ **Tickets:** Range from \$18 to \$95, call (313) 874-7464 or (248) 645-6666.

de Wieden in Vienna. Mozart died barely a month later.

Soprano Theresa Santiago is making her MOT debut as Pamina. Soprano Elizabeth Carter is also making her MOT debut as Queen of the Night, a role she has performed throughout the world.

The Three Ladies, attendant of the Queen of the Night, will be sung by Barbara Scherrer of Oxford, an Oakland University graduate, Julie

Please see **MAGIC FLUTE**, E2



Set design:  
Celebrated  
American  
author/artist  
Maurice  
Sendak  
designed the  
sets for "The  
Magic Flute."  
These are some  
of his draw-  
ings.

## S'craft offers performance and dinner

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Put some drama into your Halloween night — spend the evening at Schoolcraft College enjoying "A View From The Bridge."

"Ticket sales for that night are really low," said James R. Hartman artistic director of theater. "We're sold out already for opening night, Friday, Oct. 24."

Attending a play at Schoolcraft College in Livonia is a treat, which includes dinner; but hard work, not tricks, is the reason they're so successful. They have a mailing list of 6,000 people from as close as Livonia, Birmingham, Farmington and West Bloomfield, to as far away as Kalamazoo and Frankenmuth.

"I started at Schoolcraft College as a guest director in 1982," said Hartman who previously taught at the University of Cincinnati and Indiana University. "Dinner theaters were going on even before that. They used to serve dinner in the Waterman Center and then present the play on a portable stage. I told them, 'I will not do theater in a cafeteria. It's bad acoustically, and you have to take the stage down every night.'"

College officials told Hartman that people wouldn't come to his shows because they wouldn't want to walk across campus to the Liberal Arts Theatre.

"I told them, if you present good theater, they will walk," he said. "Besides the seats in the theater are more cushy and comfortable."

Hartman was right — he presented good shows, and people came. Sometimes shows sell out at Schoolcraft, which seats up to 174 in its theater, before they even open. Two shows are presented a year, one in the fall, the other in the spring.

"A View From The Bridge," by Arthur Miller, this season's opener, will be presented in dinner theater format four times, and theater only twice.

For the dinner theater shows, the audience dines at the Waterman Center at 6:30 p.m., then takes a short walk on campus to the Liberal Arts Theatre where the play is presented at

Please see **SCHOOLCRAFT**, E2

### On Stage

■ **What:** Schoolcraft College Theatre Department presents Arthur Miller's "A View From The Bridge," 6:30 p.m. dinner, 8 p.m. show, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 24-25; Oct. 31 and Nov. 1. Theater only performances 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8.  
■ **Where:** Dinner in the Waterman Campus Center, followed by show in the Liberal Arts Theatre on the main campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, (between Six and Seven Mile Roads) Livonia.  
■ **Tickets:** Dinner theater performances \$19 per person, theater-only performances, \$8. Call (313) 462-4409.  
**Season continues with:**  
• "Moon Over Buffalo," Ken Ludwig's hysterical farce — Friday and Saturday, March 20-21 and 27-28 (dinner theater); April 3-4 (theater only).

## MUSIC MEMORABILIA

### Exhibit recalls "A Hard Day's Night"

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Hard to believe, but John Lennon would have celebrated his 57th birthday this month. Lennon, who was murdered in 1980 on the steps of the Dakota in New York City, probably would be surprised to learn of The Beatles continuing popularity, or would he?

Now, the generation which grew up with The Beatles can relive the early years with an exhibition of 32 black and white photographs through Oct. 26 at Laurel Park Place, Six Mile Road and Newburgh in Livonia.

"The Beatles, Liverpool Days" brings back memories of screaming females thronging the fab four wherever they traveled. The rare photos were taken in 1964 by Astrid Kirchherr, fiancée of Stuart Sutcliffe, the Beatles' original bass player, and distinguished photojournalist Max Scheler on the set of "A Hard Day's Night" and at their family homes

in Liverpool. Kirchherr, an aspiring photographer, spent many hours watching the struggling band play clubs in Hamburg, Germany. She dated Sutcliffe and traveled with the group until he died at age 21 from a brain hemorrhage in 1962.

"I think it's a great show and has a multi-generational appeal," said John Sonego, spokesperson for Laurel Park Place. "I'm 39 and barely remember The Beatles. The photos are cultural history. People who grew up with The Beatles can now bring their kids. They've heard the music on the radio and now they can visually experience the phenomena and kind of major impact they had."

The Beatles first appeared on the music scene in the early 1960s. By 1964, they had just returned from America where they'd appeared on the Ed Sullivan show. Their songs dominated the air waves and anyone who was anyone imitated their famous "Teddy Boy" haircuts. "Astrid gave Stuart that haircut," said

Sonego. "A lot of French actors were wearing it and George Harrison walked in and said can-you cut mine like that. And that was one of their first claims to fame, the mop top look."

Assigned by the German publication Stern to capture Beatlemania, Scheler asked Kirchherr, a longtime friend of the group, to introduce him. The negatives were never used and sat in storage for 30 years before Kirchherr and Scheler collaborated on the book "Liverpool Days."

"The photos are not for sale," said Sonego. "They were published in Astrid's book in 1994. Only 2500 copies were made and now out of print, so this is a rare opportunity to see photos you're not going to see in other places."

So far, fans from San Diego to Florida have viewed the photographs. The images include Lennon and Paul

Please see **EXHIBIT**, E3



Fab four:  
Max Scheler took this photograph of The Beatles in 1964. An exhibition of 32 black and white prints from this era is at Laurel Park Place in Livonia through Sunday, Oct. 26.

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## Schoolcraft from page E1

8 p.m.

As director of a community college theater, Hartman says he has two roles to fill — first to train actors who might want to make theater their life's work and to educate the audience.

He does both by exposing students and audiences to a variety of theater styles.

"We've done light comedy, mystery, drama, Shakespeare, Greek tragedy and musicals," he said. "Comedies are the easiest to sell, Greek tragedy is the hardest."

Last year he presented "All My Sons" by Arthur Miller and Ken Ludwig's "Lend Me A Tenor."

Because "Lend Me A Tenor" was so successful, he looked at more of Ludwig's work, and obtained rights to his newest work, "Moon Over Buffalo," which is currently playing on Broadway.

"I convinced them that Livonia was far enough away from Broadway to compete with their audience," said Hartman. "I think this is the first time the show will be presented in Michigan. It's so hysterical, it's an exaggerated comedy, it's so funny. When I sit there and read Ludwig's plays I hear myself laughing out loud."

Because he chose another of

Ludwig's works, Hartman decided to present another work by Arthur Miller to give the season some symmetry.

"It's the first time I've chosen the same authors," said Hartman. "A View From the Bridge" is an intriguing story about immigrants coming to the U.S. It's a heavy drama, but I like the way he (Miller) develops characters, story and plot."

Unlike other college theater programs, which draw their talent from a pool of students enrolled in theater classes, Schoolcraft holds open auditions. Of 17 cast members in "A View From the Bridge," nine are stu-

dents.

"It brings experience to the show," said Hartman. "One lady in the show has a bachelor's degree in acting. Others have community theater experience. They learn from each other. The students benefit from the experience of people in the community, and people who have been involved in community theater pick up acting theory as I'm directing."

While many of the people on stage are college students, most of the audience is not.

"They're middle-age and above," said Hartman. "We are

still struggling to figure out how you get young people to the theater. Only a small percentage of our audience are college students."

On stage and behind-the-scenes, Schoolcraft College is a community theater, which relies on volunteers to help build the sets that Hartman designs.

When he's not busy directing plays, you'll find Hartman in the classroom.

He came to Michigan in 1982 to visit his college roommate, and ended up staying after he was cast in "The Devil's Disciple" at Meadow Brook Theatre in

Rochester.

The job at Schoolcraft turned into full time, and Hartman, who sometimes works 12-14 hours a day, is a happy man.

"I have total freedom to develop a theater program on the stage and in the classroom," he said. "We have a rigorous, and successful program. Many of our students transfer to four year universities — Western, Eastern, Wayne and Oakland are the most popular. It's a lot of work, but I enjoy it, and don't have to meet with other people for production meetings because I'm doing everything. I like the idea of having total artistic control."

## Magic Flute from page E1

De Vaere and Emily Benner. Scherrer recently performed the role of High Priestess in "Aida."

Tenor Joseph Wolverton, Tamino, appeared last season in MOT's production of "Faust." Baritone Jeff Morrissey is making his MOT debut in the role of the endearing bird catcher Papageno.

The role of Monostatos is played by lyric tenor John C. Pierce. Maestro Klaus Donath, featured in last season's "The Marriage of Figaro" returns to the podium for this production. "The Magic Flute" is directed by Dorothy Danner. Bass Kevin Bell portrays Sarastro.

Steven Vedder of Redford is

also in the chorus. "It's a really exciting show," he said. "It's usually sung in German, but we're singing it in English. There will also be English surtitles to help the audience follow along. It will be a great show."

Vedder said the costumes have an Early American, 17th-century look. "We get to wear powdered wigs," he said. "The director is great, she's done shows on Broadway."

When he's not performing in operas, Vedder, a baritone, attends Eastern Michigan University and waits tables at Mountain Jacks in Livonia.

"I love performing in front of a huge audience," said Vedder, who

sang in the chorus in five other MOT productions, "especially now that they have their own house."

Soprano Michaela Dionne of Redford "loves the sense of fun this director is putting into 'The Magic Flute.'"

"And of course, I love Mozart," said Dionne, a professional actress, and MOT chorus member for over 12 years.

Other local chorus members include: Louise Fisher of Northville, Rosalin Guastella of Plymouth, Peggy O'Shaughnessy of Troy, Fred Okins of Westland and Jim Wells of Garden City.



In the act: Cast members in a scene from Mozart's beloved, final opera, "The Magic Flute."

## Exhibit from page E1

McCartney collaborating on a song, Harrison on the set of "A Hard Day's Night" surrounded by beehive-haired fans, and Ringo Starr and Kirchherr dancing

together in Ringo's London flat. "The photos are being exhibited because of the interest in The Beatles with the anthology

released last year," said Sonogo. "It captures them at a point when they're really young and becoming famous around the world, yet it hasn't hit them yet. They're not jaded. They're at home with their parents. It's down to earth and fun."

Kirchherr remembers her first photo session with The Beatles at a fairground in Hamburg in 1960.

"When we did our first session together, I said, just sit there and look into the camera," said Kirchherr during a recent interview. "Of course John made remarks like, 'what do you want me to look like?' I said, 'you just be you' and he understood."

After Sutcliffe's death, Kirchherr traveled to the set of "A Hard Day's Night" where she and Scheler took a series of informal shots. The photos taken during the sessions form the nucleus of the exhibit.

Kirchherr, who now lives in Germany, is no longer taking photographs but is involved with music publishing. She assisted in writing the screen play for "Backbeat," a 1994 film focusing on her relationship with Sutcliffe.

Hours for the exhibition are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. Shout, a Beatles tribute band, performs sets 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18.

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BY BOB WEIBEL  
SPECIAL WRITER

Set in a Louisiana beauty parlor, SRO's production of "Steel Magnolias" is rich with small-town small talk, putdowns — and a wise bit of advice when tragedy strikes — "life goes on."

Director Joseph Haynes does a stellar job of molding his cast into an ensemble acting troupe. As the women joke and kid each other, one has the feeling they've known each other for years. They share their lives and enjoy living, giving, loving and being. So, they banter back and forth about anything and everything. Indeed, they feel cheated when one holds back the tiniest bit of gossip or news.

Barbara Walker is splendid as the proprietress, Truvey, who more or less keeps the pot boiling. Early she notes, "There is no such thing as natural beauty. Use plenty of hair spray."

Others observe that, "The only thing that separates us from the animals is our ability to accessorize." When wondering what is the appropriate gift for the 30th anniversary, another responds, "Valium."

Margaret Gilkes is eccentrically creative as Ouiser, a wise-cracking, bombastic complainer. Twice married — with three ungrateful children, she explains, "I'm not crazy. I've just been in a bad mood for 40 years."

Kathleen Monticello is most convincing as Clairee, the monied widow of the town's mayor. Nancy Segal scores as Annette. She undergoes an amazing change from a confused young woman to happiness as a born-again Christian and with a new husband.

The centerpiece of "Steel magnolias," however, is a mother-daughter conflict. M'Lynn wants newly-married daughter, Shelby, to adopt a baby. Doctors think a birth is too dangerous. Shelby,

however, says, "You cannot live a life if all you do is worry. I want a child of my own."

Stacey DuFord gives a strong, fully-textured performance as Shelby, a young woman willing to face the consequences of not respecting her mother's wishes because of her own maternal needs. (By the way, you can hear DuFord on WNIC's "Breakfast Club" on 100.3 FM 5-10 a.m. Mondays through Fridays.)

Kathy Booker is very good as the mother, M'Lynn and especially touching when she says after donating a kidney, "It was a chance to give my daughter life twice." It's no wonder she explodes with anger when the daughter dies. "It's not supposed to happen this way. I want to hit something." And so she does.

There is, of course, a limit to venting frustration over what is so unfair. In the end, one must be as strong as steel. Life goes on at the beauty parlor, if in a somewhat more somber mood.

Speaking of mood, the setting for the beauty parlor was excellent. Complete with running water, hair dryers and related accouterments.

## Playwright comes to terms with mom in drama

FRANK PROVENZANO  
STAFF WRITER

Since the days of Euripides, coping with the ever-present influence of mothers has made for compelling theater.

Sophocles' tale of Oedipus has caused more than a few restless nights' sleep for pubescent boys. As Freud shrewdly observed: sooner or later, we either run from our mothers, sound like them or end up doing both. Apparently, learning to cope — and affording therapy — are inevitable stops along the way.

Beginning next Wednesday, Meadow Brook Theatre presents a drama derived from a famous playwright's catharsis inspired by his oppressive and unlikable mother (although she is quite likable in the play).

"Three Tall Women" appeals to anyone who has or had a mother," said Geoffrey Sherman, who directs the cast of — *who else?* — three tall women in Meadow Brook's upcoming production of Edward Albee's 1994 Pulitzer Prize-winning play.

"There's an enormous amount of love in the play," said Sherman. "Albee has achieved peace with his mother, and in the play he shows the way."

The relationship between Albee and his mother, however, was far from blissful.

The cantankerous playwright has told interviewers that as an adoptive son, he never felt welcomed — or loved — by his socially

**What:** "Three Tall Women," a play in two-acts by Edward Albee

**Where:** Meadow Brook Theatre, Oakland University's Professional Theatre Company, Wilson Hall on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills.

**Previews:** 8 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, Oct. 22-24

**Opens:** 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25-Nov. 16

**Performances:** 8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 2 p.m. Wednesday; 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

**Tickets:** \$18-\$32; (248) 377-3300 or (248) 645-6666

ambitious mother. He left the house at age 17, and never went back, until the last days of his mother's life.

The play presents a modern-day allegory as much as collective therapy, a psychological journey in coming to terms with a maternal force that can neither be escaped nor denied.

"Three Tall Women" is a somewhat abstract play. The realistic first act is the superficial, impressionistic painting on which layers and layers of psychological insight will be heaped in act two.

In act one, a 90-something elderly lady spends time "smelling her mortality," alter-

nately sitting in a chair or being hustled to a bathroom. Amid lucid times, she reflects on her childhood, her marriage to an extremely wealthy and elfin man, and her alienation from her son.

Two younger women attend to the contentious geriatric: an eccentric, early 50s companion and a mid 20s woman who has come to help the elderly woman straighten out her finances and estate.

The women congregate in the older woman's opulent bedroom from Bloomingdales arranged against a black velvet backdrop. The set designed by Meadow Brook's Peter Hicks creates the impression that the drama is floating over an omniscient black void.

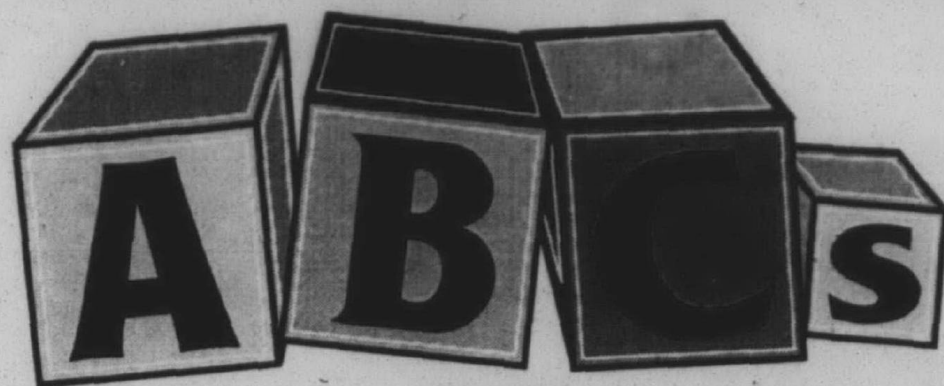
Appropriately, throughout Albee's four-decades of play writing, his work has been largely defined by how his characters define life by the proximity to death.

In Albee's distinctive style, the second act provides the interior world of the elderly woman as the three women on stage appear to be parts of the same personality at different ages in her long life.

Only a short interlude of her son's presence at her bedside disrupts the tri-dimensional dissection of the older woman's life of bitter regrets, resignations and bitingly humorous anecdotes.

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8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$28.50. All ages. (313) 668-8397

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10 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday, Oct. 17, Woody's Diner, 208 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 543-6911

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8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$5 for University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University students. All ages. (313) 761-1800

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8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students and seniors. All ages. (313) 761-1800

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8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22-Thursday, Oct. 23, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$17.50. All ages. (313) 761-1800

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9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, Royal Oak Brewery, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 545-1141

**GARNET ROGERS**

With Lucy Kaplansky, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12, \$11 members, students and seniors. All ages. (313) 761-1800

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## DANCE

**BALLET FOLKORIC ECOS DE CARACOL**

National dance group from Zihuatanejo Gro, Mexico, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$7 for students. (313) 761-TKTS/(248) 645-6666

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Latin and Argentine Tango Club of Detroit presents "Buenos Aires in Ann Arbor" with dancers direct from Argentina, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher Street, Ann Arbor. \$25, \$15, \$10 students with ID. (313) 763-TKTS

**FLAMENCO VIVO**

With Carola Santana Dance Company 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25 at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Hall (M-59) and Garfield Roads, Clinton Township. \$24 adults, \$22 students/seniors. (810) 286-2222/(248) 645-6666

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**SWEETEST DAY DANCE**

Featuring Latin Counts, and George Bedard and the Kingpins, 7:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, at Knights of Columbus Hall, 28945 Joy Road, Westland. \$15. (248) 542-5997/(313) 722-7907

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**BLUE OX COMEDY CLUB**

Bryan McCree, Friday, Oct. 17-Saturday, Oct. 18, Lumberjack's Tavern, 1655 Glengary, Walled Lake. \$8. (248) 624-6007

**COMEDY NIGHT VI**

With Michael Finney, Joey Kola, and Chuck Gaidica, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, at Music Hall, Detroit. \$25-\$10,000, benefits Forgotten Harvest. (248) 350-FOOD

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB**

Bob Golup and Keith Ruff, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17-Saturday, Oct. 18 (all shows \$12); Comedy Gong Show, 8 p.m. Sundays; Frank Roche and Mike Young, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23 (free), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24-Saturday, Oct. 25 (\$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**

Gary Valentine, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16 (\$8, \$18.95 dinner show package), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17-Saturday, Oct. 18 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package); Paul D'Angelo, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23 (\$8, \$18.95 dinner show package), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24-Saturday, Oct. 25 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

**MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE**

Spike Manton 8:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 16-18 (\$9), 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 17-18 (\$12), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (313) 996-9080

**MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE**

Jimmy Dore, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16 (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17-Saturday, Oct. 18 (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19 (\$6); Kathleen Madigan, 1995 Female Comedian of the Year, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22-Thursday, Oct. 23 (\$8), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24-Saturday, Oct. 25 (\$15), and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26 (\$8), at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900

**PENN AND TELLER**

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, Michigan Theater, 603 Liberty St., Ann Arbor. \$25 and \$35. All ages. (313) 668-8397

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"Generation X-Files" through December at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. The cast performs a free improvisational comedy set after Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday shows, and the late shows on Fridays and Saturdays. \$14 Thursdays, \$17.50 Fridays, \$19.50 Saturdays, and \$12 Sundays and Wednesdays. The show's title is reflective of current cultural trends, not necessarily the show's content. (313) 965-2222

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**THE AWAKENING**

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**PAT BENATAR**

8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$20 in advance, \$23 at the door. 18 and older. (rock) (248) 334-1999

**BENNY AND THE JETS**

9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24-Saturday, Oct. 25, Village Bar, 35234 Michigan Ave., Wayne. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 729-2360

**BLUE CAT**

10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 731-1750

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With Sensitive Clown, 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 Woodbridge, Detroit. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 567-6020

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With Motor Jam, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$12.50 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-9700

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Featuring Tom Gonzalez, 10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-9110/(248) 644-4800

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9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24, D.L. Harrington's Chop House, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248)



## MOVIES

# Despite detractors, 'Tibet' epic succeeds

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JOHN MONAGHAN

"Seven Years in Tibet" is the first of two high-profile films to focus on the Dalai Lama. And while it may fall short of its David Lean-like pretensions, this nearly two-and-a-half-hour epic remains one of the better films this year.

It's not surprising that a movie as politically motivated as this one should meet with controversy. No less than three distinct camps are protesting in front of it for three very different reasons.

Jewish groups question the appropriateness of lionizing Heinrich Harrer. The Austrian mountain climber who experiences a spiritual awakening in

the early 1940s was reportedly far more enamored with the Nazi party than either his post-war autobiography or this movie lead us to believe.

In the movie, Harrer reluctantly takes a tiny Nazi flag from his German sponsors. He refers twice to "that dreadful war" and can be seen mocking the Nazi "goose step" with a band of Tibetans.

He does retain his Nietzschean superiority early in the film, when he refuses to follow the orders of his fellow climbers, who will display German superiority by climbing where no man has climbed before. Harrer makes it clear that his only interest lies in the personal challenge.

When war breaks out with England, Harrer's team is captured and sent to an Indian prison camp. Harrer's many escape attempts finally succeed, and he infiltrates Tibet's holy

city of Lhasa to weather out the war. Someday he hopes to return to his wife, who he left pregnant and angry back home.

The film's second band of protesters might be called the Anti-Brad Pitt Society, primarily comprised of jealous boyfriends and pudgy film critics. This group refuses to take Pitt seriously as an actor, though I don't think his presence hurts the film at all.

Mountain man Harrer is the kind of part that Pitt loves and even thrives at. It's easy to lose your pretty boy looks when sporting five-month's worth of beard, scraggly hair, and eating the steaming liver out of your recently dead horse.

Then, when he arrives in this real-life Shangri-La, Pitt gets to take his shirt off while being measured by a pretty seamstress. He turns on a disarming smile when he warms in the

presence of the young Dalai Lama.

At first Harrer must lower his eyes and never stand above Tibet's teenaged spiritual leader (effortlessly played by Jamyang Wangchuk). Soon the two are good friends, with the boy curious about everything. "You know," Harrer points out, "there are other ways to construct a sentence besides a question?"

Harrer's other change of heart comes in the presence of a fellow climber (British actor David Thewlis) who embraces Tibet immediately, settles down and marries the woman that, in movies past, would have become Pitt's exotic love interest.

Director Jean-Jacques Annaud is no stranger to the great outdoors (he made "The Bear" in 1989) and fills the movie with stunning shots of the Himalayas. Despite some obvious computer-enhanced views of the ancient city, Annaud recalls the awesome sweep of David Lean, whose "Lawrence of Arabia" is still the high water mark for this type of epic.

Harrer's seven years in Tibet are that country's most tumultuous, as the newly formed Com-



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**Drama: The Dalai Lama (Jamyang Wangchuk) meets Heinrich Harrer (Brad Pitt) for the first time and is fascinated by his yellow hair in "Seven Years in Tibet."**

munist government wants to unify its holdings. Tibet, with its respect for the individual and policy of anti-violence, doesn't fit in with the plans, and China comes off as stoic and heartless invaders.

This is where the third group of protesters comes in. They are protesting not the film, but the Chinese government, which the deposed Dalai Lama has been trying to negotiate with ever since his ouster several years

ago. Like it or not, "Seven Years in Tibet" has opened the eyes of American moviegoers (myself included) to Tibet's struggles. And Harrer and Pitt have successfully prepared us for Martin Scorsese's trip across similar ground later this year.

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STREET SCENE

# The Volcanos, 3-D Invisibles plan explosive event



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If the instrumental surf band The Volcanos had its way, its set would include huge volcanos spewing lava behind him and pterodactyls circling over head.

The Volcanos are planning an explosive event anyway for Saturday, Oct. 18, when the group along with its alter ego the 3-D Invisibles will perform at Lili's in Hamtramck. For more information, call (313) 875-6555.

A stalwart in the Detroit punk music scene of the 1980s, the 3-D Invisibles made a name for itself with its sci-fi and horror film-inspired music and costumes.

"The whole punk thing was popular in Detroit. There were tons of groups. When the Ramones came along, the whole thing blew up here. We were a product of that. Before that I was into the better things in rock like Roxy Music," said The Volcanos' and 3-D Invisibles' guitarist/songwriter Chris Flanagan of Oak Park.

After a half dozen 45s, three albums, and one CD, the group agreed to take a break from playing for awhile in the mid-1990s after record companies didn't bite.

"We didn't want to keep putting out records by ourselves. (But) none of us wanted to stop playing. Even now, we really like playing in the group. We used to dress up as characters in our

favorite horror movies. That in itself was a lot of work having a new costume for every show."

Last year, three of the four 3-D Invisibles formed the instrumental surf band The Volcanos as a way of continuing music.

"The whole punk thing was filled with tongue-in-cheek type of songwriting. It was meant to be very simple, bashed-out rock 'n' roll. After awhile, it left us wanting a little more musically," said Flanagan who grew up in Troy with guitarist/songwriter Rick Mills of Clawson.

"We never really disbanded but the 3-D Invisibles are reuniting for the show."

Signed to Estrus Crunch Records in Bellingham, Wash., The Volcanos released its debut "Surf Quake," recorded at the Tempermill studios in Ferndale, earlier this year.

"It did really well. We sold about 3,000 copies. It's pretty good for a first album."

The Volcanos - who also includes drummer Bill Bowen of Ferndale and bassist Dave Fragale of Hamtramck - recently released a new three-song single "Pompeii," with lyrics.

"It's the kind of song you would find in a cheesy beach movie. We're not trying to make any real statements, or anything political. Even when we were in punk groups we're into more human things than politics."

The Volcanos are looking to release "Finish Line Fever," a new album on Estrus in January. Halloween weekend the band will travel to Washington state to perform as part of the 10th

annual Garage Shock festival which showcases 20 bands in three days. Festival alumni include Mudhoney.

"It's a really, really big show. It's been sold out since June. It draws people from all over the world," Flanagan said.

In the mean time, fans of The Volcanos and 3-D Invisibles can expect a big show on Saturday.

"You can expect something, especially from Rick. He knows everything about obscure black and white, B horror movies from the '50s."

Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise is achieving success on MTV with its video for "Once Upon a Time." The video won for "video of the day" on the station's new program "12 Angry Viewers" on Oct. 1, and "video of the week" on the same show on Oct. 3. Since Oct. 6, "Once Upon a Time" has been on heavy rotation on MTV. Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise, who playing dates out east with Taj Mahal, will

soon release a live EP. ... The now-defunct rock band Soundgarden will release its greatest hits package, "A-Sides" (A&M), on Nov. 4. The track list includes "Outshined," "Pretty Noose," "Day I Tried to Live," as well as "Nothing to Say," from its Sub Pop EP "Screaming Life," and "Bleed Together," a European B-side from the "Down on the Upside" sessions that hasn't been released commercially in the U.S. ... Continuing with the greatest hits theme, A&M Records is celebrating the 20th anniversary of Sting and The Police with a greatest hits package to be released on Nov. 4. It features 14 of the group's hits plus a the original version of "Roxanne" and remix by Sean "Puffy" Combs featuring Pras of the Fugees.

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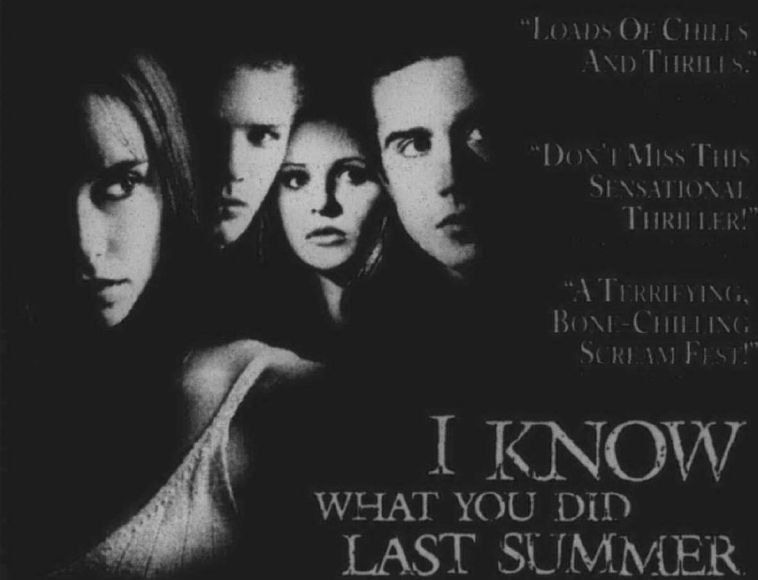


Playing Lili's: The instrumental surf band The Volcanos - from left, drummer Bill Bowen, guitarist Rick Mills, guitarist Chris Flanagan, and bassist Dave Fragale - performs Saturday, Oct. 18, at Lili's in Hamtramck. Three-quarters of The Volcanos will also perform as the 3-D Invisibles.

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## DINING

## Remodeled Golden Mushroom marks Silver Anniversary

BY ELEANOR HEALD  
SPECIAL WRITER

Sporting a facelift, The Golden Mushroom, a Southfield landmark, celebrates 25 years of upscale fine dining. Owner Reid Ashton has watched the restaurant business change over the last quarter century. Fine dining has disappeared from all but the top hotels and the bistro trend now appeals with its casual atmosphere and attire.

"There's always a need for high-quality restaurants," Ashton commented. "People still want caviar, champagne, foie gras and soufflés. When they order them, they want a refined, upscale atmosphere. The Golden Mushroom's loyal customer base exists not because we follow the latest trend, but because we don't."

Food has always been a passion for this Detroit native and Michigan State University hotel management school graduate who reflects his philosophy in the restaurant's name. Mushrooms are not trendy; they are always in style. And they have been golden for Ashton. During the spring season, about 4,000 pounds of Washington and Oregon morel mushrooms are purchased then frozen for use throughout the year. Morels are always a part of the \$12.50 popular seasonal wild mushroom appetizer.

Ashton opened the Golden Mushroom in late summer 1972 in what had been a deli upstairs with lower-level banquet room. This arrangement suited his still operative two-restaurants-in-one theme. Main level features elegant, full-service dining and downstairs, the Mushroom Cellar has a casual, pub-style ambience.

Renovations designed by Birmingham's Victor Saroki & Associates and executed by contractor Joseph M. Adamy & Associates have made more than subtle changes. New entry floor and circular host station welcome guests to the now open and spacious main dining room done in shades of brown, cranberry and cream. New chairs, reupholstered booths, new lighting and carpeting complement the color scheme and feeling of greater space. Four new, plush oval-shaped booths, seating six comfortably, have been added. Gone are the wooden dividers with the mushroom cutout, replaced by modern, decorative metal grills with etched glass.

Remodeling is complete except for two six-foot diameter dining room chandeliers and another smaller, metal and art glass light fixture to be placed over the hostess table later this month.

**The Golden Mushroom**  
**Where:** 18100 West 10 Mile Road, Southfield, just west of Southfield Road (248) 559-4230.

**Hours:** Monday through Friday, lunch 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and dinner 5-11 p.m. Saturday, dinner only 5:30 p.m. to midnight.

**Menu:** Eclectic and cutting-edge selection of difficult to execute dishes prepared with passion and attention to every detail.

**Cost:** Appetizers \$9.50-15.50; main courses \$28 on average.

**Reservations:** Preferred.  
**Credit cards:** All majors accepted.

Roller out this week is a new menu ably executed by Executive Chef Derin Moore who joined the Golden Mushroom in July. No stranger to the local dining scene, Moore spent eight years at Pontiac's Pike Street Restaurant before doing a recent, short stint at Bay Harbor Yacht Club in Petosky. In the kitchen, made famous by now-retired Chef Milos Cihelka, Moore sees himself as second generation passing on a legacy.

"Chef Milos trained Brian Polcyn (now chef/owner of Milford's Five Lakes Grill) and Brian trained me," Moore said. "It is rewarding to direct a quality kitchen where chefs want to practice the art of fine cooking."

Moore's autumn menu takes the Golden Mushroom to new heights. Lovers will still find the Golden Mushroom soup and Lobster Bisque along with Imported Fresh Russian Beluga Malossol Caviar, but two appetizers in particular can be described as cutting edge. Foie gras, nearly synonymous with the Golden Mushroom, has had the bar raised. Sautéed Hudson Valley Foie Gras now comes with a Pomegranate Spiced Doughnut, Kumquat-Red Onion Chutney and Port Wine Syrup \$15.50. Chevre Cheese Soufflé "Riverdale Meadow" Chanterelle Duxelle is in an edible Roast Sweet Onion Cup accompanied by Arugula Salad and Aged Sherry Vinaigrette \$12.50.

Among new entrees are Roast Ringneck Bratwurst Ravioli on Braised White Endive, Baby Onion Rings, Cracked Black Pepper and Warm Apple Cider Jus \$26.50. The bratwurst is made from pheasant leg meat. There's Hot Pepper Jelly Basted Indiana Duckling with Four Grain Blend, Glazed Brussels Sprouts and Wild Mushroom Potpourri \$23.50. The jelly, a blend of four



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**Landmark restaurant:** Executive Chef Derin Moore and restaurant owner Reid Ashton in the dining room of the newly renovated Golden Mushroom in Southfield, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary.

sweet to hot peppers, is used to baste and caramelize duck skin during roasting, thereby increasing the intensity and complexity of flavors.

Expressive of the learning curve Moore has been on during his tenure on the U.S. Culinary Olympic Team plus first place recognition and three gold medals for Mystery Basket Competitions this year alone, is his preparation of Roast Venison \$26.50. It's rubbed with a caramelized wild clover honey "candy" and served with rutabaga-yam hash, crispy parsnip chips and balsamic jus. For this

dish, honey and sugar are caramelized then star anise, juniper berries, allspice and a trio of peppercorns are added. This mixture is poured onto a marble slab to crystallize as "candy" then it's pulverized and used as spicing.

Among the roasted meats Porcini and Armagnac Injected Veal Chop, Roasted Garlic and Buttermilk Whipped Potatoes, Smoked Shiitake Sauce and Fire-roasted Carrots \$27 stands out. Porcinis are cooked in a mixture of armagnac, fresh herbs and spices to make a mari-

nade that's injected into the veal loin before chops are cut.

"I'm not reinventing food, but I am looking at different ways to increase flavors, complexity and intensity of everything on the plate," Moore commented. And this is his strength, multiple layers of flavors all harmonizing in dramatic, palate tantalizing focus. If you compare prices, the Golden Mushroom ranks as modestly priced for the level of culinary excellence and the service rendered by general manager

Kevin Frantz and his expert dining room staff.

In honor of the Golden Mushroom's anniversary, four special dinners with limited seating are planned - Tuesday, October 21, Game Birds \$75; Tuesday, November 4, Game Meats \$85; Thursday, November 20, Chef Derin Presents \$75; and Monday, December 1, a wine dinner with a yet-to-be-named California wine producer \$85. Prices exclude tax and gratuity. Phone restaurant for special menus.

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