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THE WEEK AHEAD

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TUESDAY

Attend: The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees study session is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at 42350 Ann Arbor Road.

THURSDAY



Theater: Park Players will present "Brighton Beach Memoirs," at 8 p.m. Nov. 6, 7 and 8, at the Salem High School.

SATURDAY

Plans: Plan to attend New Morning School's "Celebration of the Arts" seventh annual juried art and fine craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Northville Community Center.

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Connection is unnecessary, residents say

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

To residents in the Westbriar subdivision, a road connection is a lot more than just opening a road to an adjoining subdivision.

"We see it as it will turn into a thoroughfare for kids going to the high schools," said resident Sharon Vente, a resident of Westbriar I, north of Joy and west of McClumpha.

Vente lives on Woodberry and about a house over from where a new road will connect her neighborhood to the new Woodlore South subdivision, which borders Beck and Joy roads. And like her neighbors, Vente sees no good reason to connect the neighborhoods at Rockledge, which has long been a dead-end street in Westbriar I, immediately east of Woodlore South.

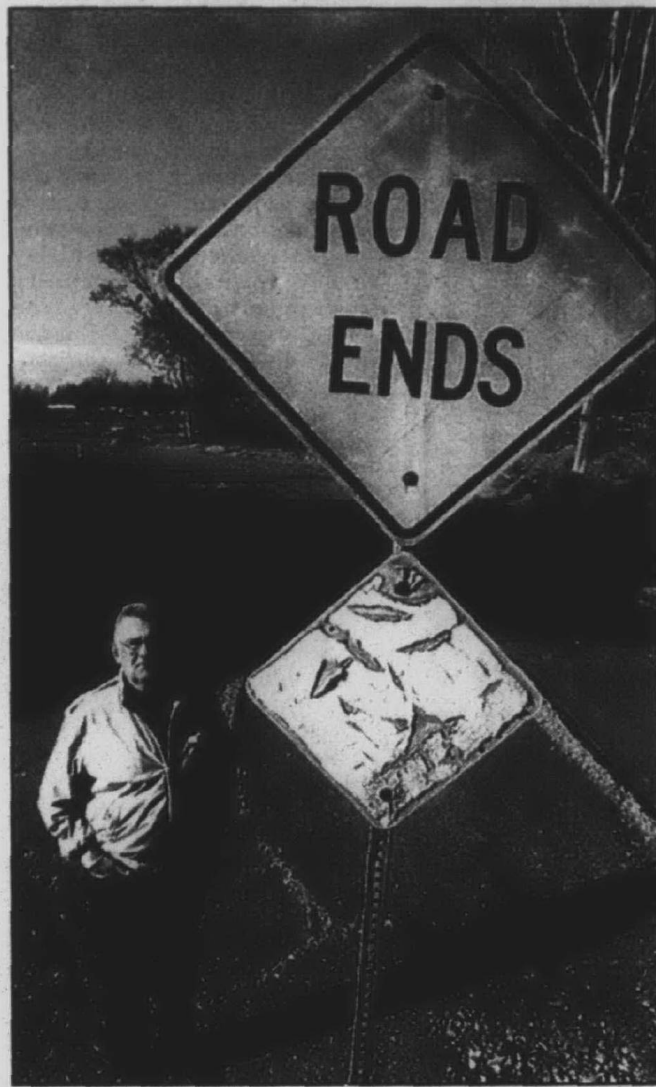
But Wayne County does. Though work is already under way on the connecting road, Westbriar residents are still waiting to be officially informed of the connection and still want to know why it's necessary.

"More than 50 percent of the residents here were against it," said Ron Mack, who lives on Muirland. "We believe the traffic pattern will increase. Our major concern is the high schools. This will make it convenient to get from one major road to another."

And that's why the county insisted on the connecting road. Gregory Harrison of the Wayne County Department of Public Services said the connecting road will provide for a more convenient and safer traffic pattern.

Safety cited

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STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Why? Ron Mack who lives in the Westbriar I subdivision, is among a number of residents who doesn't understand why the county insists on connecting to an adjacent new subdivision.

Court speeds appeal

■ The Michigan Court of Appeals agreed to expedite an appeal of the school bond issue, at the request of the school district.



BY VALERIE OLANDER
STAFF WRITER

The ongoing court battle over the narrowly approved \$79.7 million bond issue could be over by December - maybe.

The Michigan Court of Appeals issued an order granting a motion to expedite on Oct. 23. The motion was filed by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, which can't begin construction on a new high school or elementary school until the matter is resolved.

The order requires transcripts from a previous court ruling within 42 days. The district is required to file briefs within 21 days.

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Chuck Little referred a call from the Observer to public relations director Judy Evola.

"We are pleased to hear that the

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A bit of history Minerva's-Dunning's closing

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

After 47 years, Minerva's-Dunning's women's wear shop is scheduled to close.

Minerva Chaiken, who opened her shop in 1950, said she's sold the building and is closing the store because it's time to retire.

"It breaks my heart to give the business up," Chaiken said Thursday, her voice catching. But mostly, she's able to smile as she recalls loyal customers and "the girls," her current and former staff.

Chaiken had worked at Gamble Brothers department store in her native Philadelphia before moving here with her husband. She opened the store in 1950 at its original spot, across from the post office on Penniman.

A fire destroyed that building. "It was on a Sunday. They called us in, it

was the coldest day of the year. I remember the firemen - their buckles were frozen."

She moved in 1968 to the current location at 500 Forest, owned by Margaret Dunning.

Chaiken showed visitors a scrapbook with photos collected over the years, of staff, fashion shows and the Fall Festival chicken-flying contest, for which she once served as a judge.

What was special about running the business? "I just like the people, all kinds of people, pleasing the customers," she said.

Chaiken estimated it will be five to seven weeks before the store closes its doors. She said new owner John Thomas hasn't said what will go in the spot.

Minerva's-Dunning's will be closed early this week and will reopen Wednesday.



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Closing: After 47 years in business, Minerva Chaiken will close the popular Minerva's-Dunning's women's clothing shop. It's time to retire, she said.

Over the years, the store has been known for its emphasis on customer service, distinguishing it from some newer-style women's clothiers.

"I've been treated very nicely and I

hope I treated the public good," she said.

Is there any particular fashion period Chaiken favored? "I think the clothes

Please see CLOSE, A4

15 percent turnout expected on Tuesday

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

The quiet city election campaign ends Tuesday.

The only thing to shake up the sleepy nature of the campaign was one lone public candidate forum - back in



Plymouth City
Commission
ELECTION

September.

Candidates agree on issues including joint recreation talks with the township and further exploring of other shared services.

But there are questions bubbling under the surface: Who will be the new mayor? If some candidates win, will they make good on suggested changes at city hall?

Eight candidates will vie for four seats on the Plymouth City Commission in the election Tuesday. They are:

■ Mayor Ron Loiselle who cites experience, the city's progress during his tenure and a desire to see projects through, including joint city-township recreation.

■ Commissioner Don Dismuke who seeks to oversee the full implementa-

tion of his total quality management planning effort already approved by city commissioners. Borrowed from private business, quality management seeks to better anticipate residents needs.

■ John E. Thomas, prominent attorney and downtown landlord. Thomas

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Oooh, that's scary!

Werewolves of Plymouth: Nicholas Schreiber, 7, shows off his Count Dracula costume while waiting to cross Main Street during the Great Pumpkin Caper Thursday night in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. Approximately 3,000 kids trick or treated at downtown businesses. About 300 of them participated in a costume contest at the band shell.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER



Township reduces tax rate for new year

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

A nearly \$9.5 million 1998 budget was approved by Plymouth Township trustees Tuesday.

The budget calls for no major equipment purchases or spending on new projects for the next budget year, excepting periodic replacement of police cars and computer equipment.

The 1988 budget is up nearly \$100,000 from the 1997 budget of nearly \$9.4 million.

Trustees earlier this month approved a township millage rate of 3.56 mills for 1998, down .03 mill from 3.59 mills

this year. A taxpayer with a \$200,000 house assessed at \$100,000 will pay \$356 in township taxes next year.

Two millages that make up that total rate are staying the same: general operating and fire, .83 mill; and a separate police and fire millage, 1.66 mills.

The township's debt service millage dropped from .27 to .24 mill.

The biggest source of money to back the township budget is property taxes. The 1988 budget calls for more than \$3.62 million in property taxes, up from nearly \$3.31 million in 1977.

Township Finance Director Rose-

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Road from page A1

"Any street that terminates at a proposed plat should be connected so traffic has a circuitous travel," Harrison said, adding that Wayne County's decision to open the road is based on a guideline within the county's subdivision rules.

Harrison said the connection will allow motorists traveling from one subdivision to another to use the new road rather than travel on the major roads.

Westbriar residents took their

concerns and opposition to the township planning commission and later wrote to the county, including Ed McNamara, county executive, and Wayne County Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter.

"They took us through the motions. They let us speak our peace and then they went through with it," Mack said.

And what about a traffic study, residents asked? "Our office routinely when looking at

proposed preliminary plats studies traffic in an area. Yes, we did look at traffic patterns very closely. If the township did one, we would have been copied on that," Harrison said.

Originally, the county required that two connections be made - one on Rockledge which boasts large trees and one to the north. The builder appealed the county's requirement.

"The township did convey information to the county. We provided information from the police department and fire department that the connection was not needed," said Shirley Barney, township community development director. "Wayne County still required it." But the county did back off on the connection required to the north.

Still, residents expected and still expect the township to do something. But township officials say there was little that could be done.

Options limited

"The more important issue was that the township's hands are somewhat tied here. We were ordered by Wayne County," said Dennis Cebulski, planning commission chairman. "We went through the standards, letters to Wayne County."

The decision to connect roads, Cebulski said, is made on a subdivision by subdivision basis.

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Shirley Barney

-Plymouth Township community development director

"There is no blanket rule. They (Westbriar) had a stub street. The expectation was that there would be a connecting road there."

But residents are concerned about increased traffic through the neighborhood as motorists cut through to avoid the major roads, and an increased lack of safety, especially to children in the subdivision. Wittlesy in adjacent Westbriar II was closed at Joy Road to stop school traffic entering, according to residents.

Residents say they expect even more traffic once a third high school opens up on the southeast corner of Joy and Beck.

"Westbriar I and Westbriar II have been plagued with traffic and parking issues from the high school traffic," resident William Kornegay wrote to Ed McNamara, who did not respond. "Parking is banned during the school day to avoid our subdivisions becoming a parking lot."

Enforcement is at the expense of Plymouth Township with residents required to obtain special parking stickers just to park our own vehicles in front of our houses ...

"We strongly believe that the WCDPS guidelines is not appropriate in our situation and that someone in Wayne County needs to listen to the residents, voters and taxpayers instead of applying a bureaucratic guideline from the seclusion of the WCDPS offices," Kornegay continued.

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The only notice residents received that the road was being connected was the day the bulldozers arrived, Vente said. "I guess we were wishing the township would fight more. We have no problem with the new subdivision. But they are connecting the road without a good reason," Vente said.

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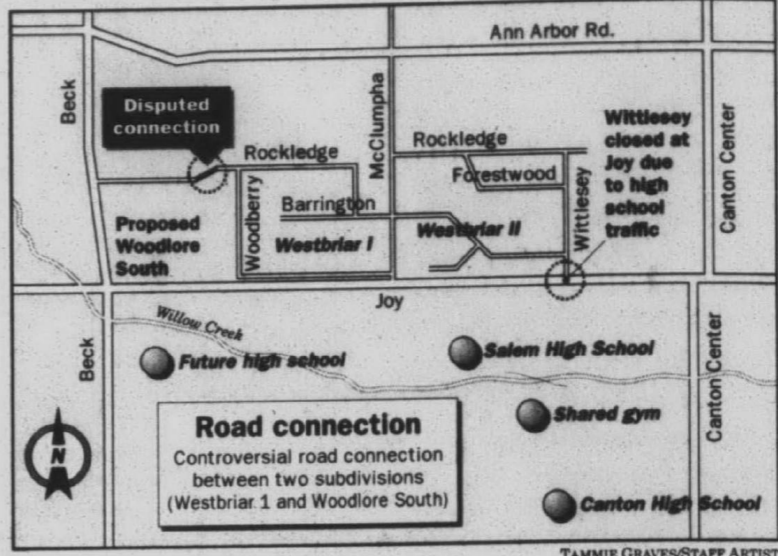
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mary Harvey said this 10 percent increase is anticipated "because of new construction for the most part," as the inflation rate remains at 2.8 percent.

The township's money coming from the 35th District Court is being cut by more than half this year, as the court is holding the money to pay for a new court building to replace the one destroyed by fire in July.

While \$225,000 had been expected this year, Plymouth Township is only getting \$104,000 in the wake of the fire - and no district court money next year.

Harvey said it will likely be two years before Plymouth Township again receives money from the court.

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information from the police department and fire department that the connection was not needed. Major changes in township spending categories include a 31 percent increase in the supervisor's office budget, to \$319,209. Harvey said the increase will allow the hiring of an administrative aide.

The accounting budget is up 12 percent to \$425,433, to allow

for replacement of several obsolete personal computers, Harvey said.

The budget calls for spending \$309,124 on the township park in 1998, down 46 percent from 1997. That's because the township government took care of some overdue road and parking lot paving in 1997 that won't be repeated next year.



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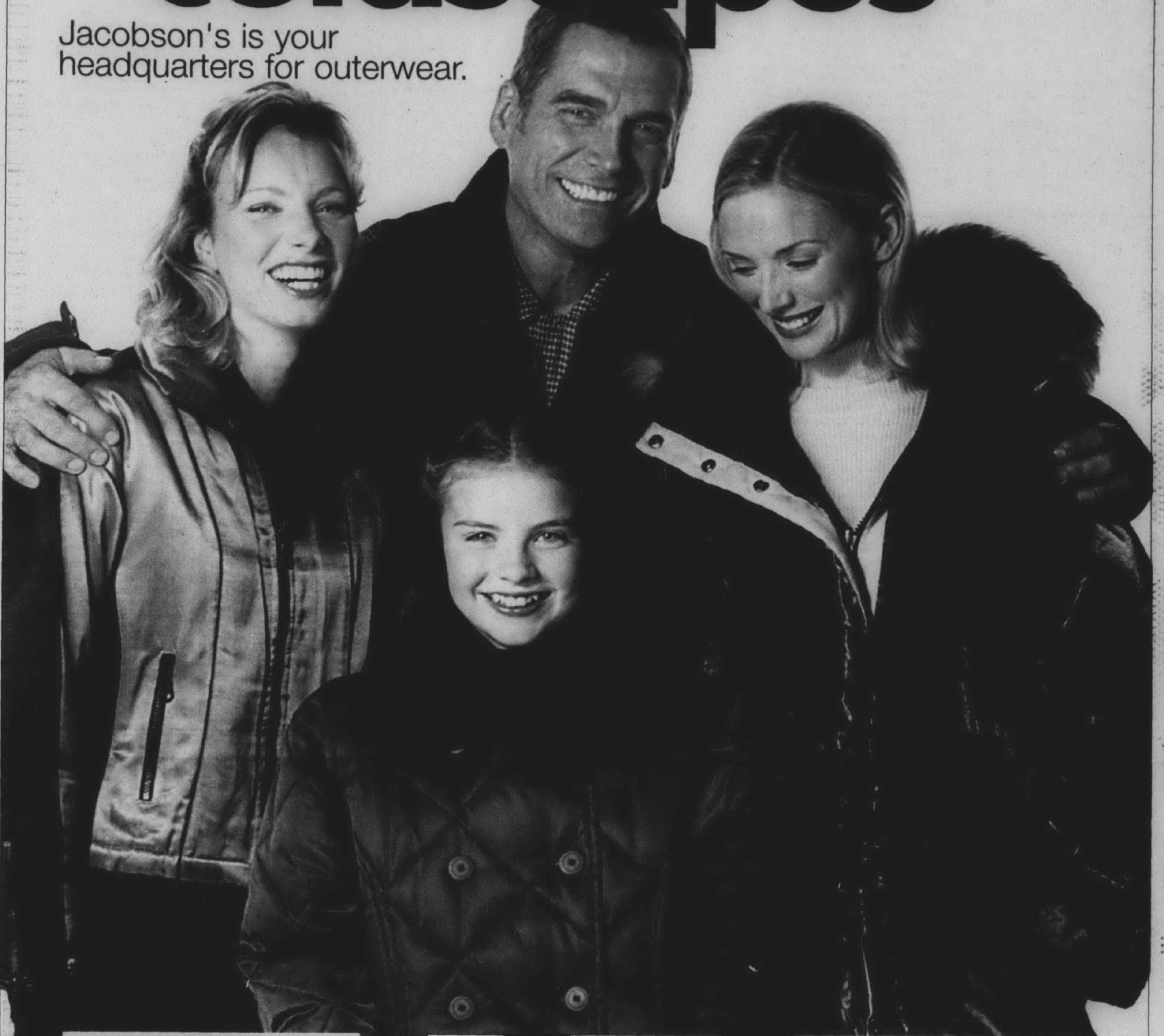
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Vote from page A1

lived in Canton Township when he filed to run for city commission. By an interpretation of the city charter by City Attorney Donald Morgan, Thomas had to prove city residency 30 days before the election, and Thomas has done so. He maintains some ordinances are anti-development and city government is too costly.

William Graham, former acting city manager and former city finance director. He cites knowledge of city government, a need to involve city department heads more in planning, and better communications between city commissioners and department heads to create a greater under-

standing of what's happening at city hall.

David McDonald, a zoning board of appeals member and retired Army officer who has said there's a perception about town that some city factions get more attention than others, adding this should change.

Colleen Pobur, new director of noise abatement for Wayne County's Department of Airports. She's a graduate of the Leadership Plymouth and general backer of the current commission's successes. "I don't think the city commission goes out of its way to find out what the senior citizens need," she said.

Paul Schultz, who works in

the video production industry and says he's running because young people should have an opportunity to participate in city government.

Fred DiIacovo, who has declined to return calls from the Observer to detail why he's running.

The polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

City Clerk Linda Langmesser said she expects an election turnout of roughly 15 percent of the city's 7,478 registered voters. She said the prediction is based on the number of absentee ballots sought so far, 600 by Thursday.

That would be down slightly

from the average turnout for a commission election.

Turnout for city commission elections in recent years has ranged from 10-25 percent of registered voters.

Voters for the first time will cast ballots on paper ballots scanned by machines. This Optech Eagle system replaces voting machines.

Voters in precincts 1,2 and 3 vote at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. Voters in precinct 3 vote at Central Middle School, 650 Church.

Absentee ballots should be returned to the clerk's office by Monday, but they can be turned in at precincts on Election Day.

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now are very attractive."

When she first opened, Chaiken recalled hats were popular, and matching gloves, shoes and purses.

Girls and young women heading back to school routinely bought dresses, now they opt for slacks.

When Chaiken first moved to the Forest Street location, there was a Stop and Shop on one side and the West Brothers car dealership on the other.

A drug store and hardware

store were across the street.

Chaiken, who lives in Livonia, said she'll continue to be active with the Plymouth Historical Museum, which is taking some of the store fixtures upon closing.

"I'll do some traveling and charity work. I'll miss the people and so will the girls, the ladies," she said.

"There's not too many independent stores any more, it's too bad."

Appeal from page A1

Court of Appeals has expedited (the case) ... because of overcrowded conditions. We're hoping this will be settled before the holiday season," Evola said.

However, Jerry Vorva doubts Wayne County Circuit Court will have the transcripts in time for the Court of Appeals to make a

ruling on the issue. Vorva is challenging Circuit Court Judge James Rashid's decision to uphold the March 22 election.

Vorva's suit claims the school district did not seek proper authority to use new electronic voting machines. The machines failed to register 716 ballots out of almost 11,000. The election won by a mere 96 votes.

"The (circuit) court is between slow and molasses and then, you have the holidays," said Vorva. "There's no way they're going to

have the transcripts to us so we can write our appeal."

Besides, he said, the school district could have settled out of court by agreeing to automatically send absentee ballot applications to individuals to whom Plymouth and Canton townships and the city of Plymouth automatically send ballot applications.

It would have cost the school district about \$5,000, Vorva said.

Vorva and his attorney, Steven Boak, offered the proposal to the

school district Oct. 7. The school board considered the offer Oct. 14 and declined the settlement.

According to a letter from Errol Goldman, general counsel for the district, the automatic mailing of absentee ballots "is not the issue of the lawsuit."

"Any senior citizen (aged 60 years or more) can request an absentee ballot at any time in writing or verbally (phone call or visit). This individual can request to be added to a permanent list ... This approach meets the statutory obligation, the needs of the citizenry and is fiscally responsible," Goldman wrote.

Based on the school district's rejection of the offer, Vorva called the schools' claims that the delay was hurting the children and costing the district millions "red herrings."

"It's about their ability to manipulate the elections rather than helping the children and saving taxpayers money," he said.

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Teamwork

Ilitch credits state, county, city cooperation for stadium success

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

A group of lions may be called a pride, but it was actually a group of Tigers who displayed plenty of it last Wednesday. Gov. John Engler, Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara and Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer joined the Detroit Tigers baseball club and other officials in breaking ground for the new ballpark at Woodward and Montcalm in Detroit, on the east side of Woodward across from the Fox Theater.

But the moment belonged to Detroiters, including the pizza baron and Tigers owner Mike Ilitch, who told the crowd he wants to maintain the traditions and memories of Tigers who have entertained audiences for generations in the new ballpark.

And that's exactly what he wants the new stadium to be named.

"Our facility will be called the Ballpark," said Ilitch. "It won't be a 'field,' it won't be a 'stadium' and it won't be 'fields.' It will be a ballpark."

The new park is scheduled to open in the year 2000 and is being funded by both private and public sources. The project costs approximately \$260 million — \$145 million in private funds from Ilitch and a bank consortium led by Comerica; \$55 million from the Michigan Strategic Fund, and \$60 million from the Detroit-Wayne County Stadium Authority.

"The ballpark will be constructed with brick and steel in an open-air style and is expected to seat approximately 40,000 people. It is being designed by the team of Smith, Hinchman and

Grylls of Detroit along with Hellmuth, Obata and Kassabaum Sports of Kansas City. International Facilities Group is the project manager of the new stadium and the general contractor is Hunt-Turner-White.

The park is also expected to give the spectators a dynamic view of downtown Detroit's skyline.

Ilitch credited elected officials working together at all levels in getting the stadium project rolling.

"Today I feel that teams that are successful, businesses that are successful, why it came together (for them) was bonding. We have had total bonding with the state, city and our county."

Ilitch reminded the crowd that the Tigers are a charter member of the American League, along with Chicago, Cleveland and Boston, all forming the league in 1901.

"We want to make sure the memories are fresh and vibrant in this stadium," Ilitch said.

County Executive Edward McNamara called it a wonderful day for Wayne County and the city of Detroit, and "miraculous" that the owners of the Lions and Tigers, elected officials in Detroit, Wayne County and Lansing could work together.

McNamara credited Mike Duggan, assistant county executive and Livonia resident, with his efforts in bringing the stadium and its plans to fruition. "We've had some problems with land acquisition and with banks who have changed quotes," McNamara said.

McNamara has not seen the plans yet. He expects some nearby buildings to be demolished

first.

"It's all coming together." McNamara also credited Democrat county commissioners who supported the project, including Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland and Commissioner Michelle Plawewski, D-Dearborn Heights, who also represents Redford Township and a portion of Livonia.

Engler introduced several state lawmakers he credited with working out state funds for the project, including House Speaker Curtis Hertel and state Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Redford.

Engler invoked some of the memories of Al Kaline throwing out a runner at home and great pitching outings by Mickey Lolich and Hal Newhouser and looked forward to the day the first pitch would be thrown in the year 2000.

Engler ended his speech with a joke as he made reference to a Little Caesar pizza ad slogan and what the stadium should be named.

"Mike, I thought it might be 'Ballpark, Ballpark,'" Engler said, in reference to Ilitch's 'Pizza Pizza' promotions.

County commissioners in attendance enjoyed the sunshine and the groundbreaking ceremony.

Vice Chair Kay Beard walked into the groundbreaking site dressed in a Tigers uniform, with the number 12 and her last name on the back of the jersey.

"This is an exciting day for the city and southeast Michigan area," Beard said, adding that the stadium will be important for development. "I'm happy to see this day finally here."

Rivers to host meeting on environment laws

Is there an environmental law you think need to be updated or changed? Are there loopholes or gaps in the law that need to be filled?

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-13th District, is holding an Environmental Task Force meeting

Monday, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor.

Rivers intends for the meeting to serve as a forum for constituents to bring their ideas directly to her.

Anyone who is interested and lives in the 13th Congressional District is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Rivers' district offices at (313) 741-4210 in Ann Arbor or (313) 722-1411 in Wayne.

GOP commissioners lead bid to cut county millage

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County commissioners may have approved a \$1.81 billion budget and a 7.929 millage rate Thursday on a 10-4 vote, but it isn't what two western Wayne County commissioners wanted.



Patterson

Commissioner Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, and Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, proposed cutting the millage to 7.679 mills. Commissioners referred the item to its Ways and Means Committee.

Patterson proposed the tax cut after Wayne County received word that the county's assessed value increased.

"Even with the same millage, we have \$23 million more," Patterson said. A quarter mill equates to about \$12.50 annually for the owner of a home assessed at \$50,000. The proposed rate of 7.929 mills would cost that same homeowner \$396.45. The resolution would cut that to \$383.95.

"It isn't much, but it's a step in the right direction," Patterson said.

Patterson and McCotter were joined by William O'Neil, D-Allen Park, and Susan Hubbard, D-Dearborn, in opposing the budget. Supporting the budget were Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon, D-Detroit, Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, and Democrat Detroit Commissioners Edna Bell, William Blackwell, Ken Cockrel, George Cushingberry, Bernard Parker and Jewel Ware, and Edward Boike, D-Taylor.

Michelle Plawewski, D-Dearborn Heights, who also represents Redford Township and a portion of

Livonia, was absent.

Next year's budget will last 10 months through Sept. 30, 1998 so that the county and state's fiscal years run simultaneously.

McCotter said he opposed the budget because "it raises residents taxes, while it does not increase services." (The millage rate remains unchanged from last year, but the increase in assessed value will increase property taxes.)

Wayne County has the highest county tax rate in Michigan, McCotter said.

"I believe that (County Executive Edward) McNamara and his staff have attempted to come up with a decent budget, but it won't help my district," McCotter said.

"Plymouth Township is paying \$8 million, but we're having trouble getting stop lights or roads widened."

McCotter wants a quarter-mill tax hike to offset the quarter mill levied now for county parks. While McCotter realized the millage rate was set Thursday, he doesn't want to let the issue die.

"Our job is to keep the issues alive," McCotter said. "Sometimes you have to keep the issues in front of the voters."

Patterson was pleased with several budget instructions that were adopted.

One will bring a satellite office for the County register of deeds, county clerk, county treasurer and other county agencies to western Wayne County. Another calls for advanced publication of quarterly reports of road maintenance and repair activities.



McCotter

Lighthouse group to meet at UM-D

Do beacons beckon to you? Lighthouse enthusiasts are invited to a Nov. 2 event sponsored by the Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers Association, a non-profit preservation organization.

Called the GLLKA Gathering, the event is from 2-5 p.m. today at the University of Michigan-

Dearborn Recreational and Organizational Center.

Lighthouse events will include: entertainment, live auction, quilt giveaway, information on the group's activities and items for sale. Open house tours of the group's nearby office are also included.

GLLKA is a 14-year-old light-

house organization of nearly 3,000 members worldwide and was founded in Michigan. The group is known for educational programs and the restoration of St. Helena Light Station in the Straits of Mackinac.

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College bonds

Some questions and answers on the new Michigan College Savings Bonds announced recently by Gov. John Engler:

Q. How do they work?

A. You buy them in denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000 or multiples. They are tax-exempt. There are no coupons – the interest accrues and is paid at maturity.

They are sold at a discount with face value paid at maturity, like U.S. savings bonds. For example, a \$5,000 bond maturing Oct. 15, 2000, would cost \$4,459 (at 4 percent interest); a \$5,000 bond maturing in 2012 would cost \$2,397 (at 5 percent).

Q. Must I use Michigan College Savings Bond for educational purposes?

A. No. You may use the proceeds can be used for any purpose.

The state will use the money for capital outlay projects, including some at public universities and community colleges.

Q. Can I give bonds to my children or grandchildren?

A. Yes, but it may not be advisable. You may prefer to be registered as the custodian for a minor.

Q. Will my child receive a tuition guarantee if I buy Michigan College Savings Bonds?

A. No. This is unlike the old "Michigan Education Trust" of the Blanchard administration. The new bonds are for investment only.

They're designed as a "buy-and-hold" instrument. Because denominations are small, there may be no active market for trading, and there may be tax consequences if you sell.

Q. How do I get an official statement on how to buy the bonds?

A. Contact a broker; most major firms have forms. The governor, who one day may have three daughters in college simultaneously, says, "I urge Michigan citizens to study this option, talk to their financial advisors and, if it's right for them, make an investment in the children's future." He didn't reveal whether he plans to buy any.

Q. Is there a deadline?

A. Bonds must be ordered by Nov. 12, 1997.

Source: Michigan College Savings Bonds pamphlet, available on the state's homepage at <http://www.migov.state.mi.us>.

New bills

■ Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville – SB 718 prohibiting convicted criminals from suing victims, police, prosecutors or "Good Samaritans" for personal injuries the convicts received while committing a crime. "We need to stop these frivolous lawsuits at the courthouse door," said Geake, a member of the Judiciary Committee that will take up the bill.

■ Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township – a bill to provide tax credits for individuals or businesses that donate computer equipment to schools. Michigan schools rank 44th among the 50 states in technology. The credits would be worth \$100 for an individual, \$200 for a joint return and up to \$5,000 for a business.

■ Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton – Senate Resolution 105 asking the Departments of Natural Resources and Environmental Quality to start a "Take-a-Minute" campaign encouraging users of forests, rivers and lakes, at the end of their activities, to spend one minute per hour picking up trash. SR 105 is in Bennett's Natural Resources Committee.

House OKs bill to toughen seat belt law

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

If at first you don't succeed, add a lot of water and try, try again.

That formula worked for state Rep. Frank Fitzgerald Oct. 28 as the Michigan House finally approved his bill making it a "primary" offense when motorists fail to wear seat belts.

Fitzgerald, R-Grand Ledge, saw his bill rejected in May on a 47-56 vote. This time it passed 63-44 with three absent.

"We're not denying people's constitutional rights," said Fitzgerald after the session.

Specifically he hopes the bill, now on its way to the Senate, will raise the rate of seat belt usage from about 70 to 85 percent. "That will save 100 lives a year and eliminate 3,000 to

4,000 injuries," he said.

Was it watered down? "Yes" was the firm answer from freshman Rep. Andrew Raczkowski, R-Farmington Hills. He cited three modifications:

■ "We sunsetted the bill by 2004," meaning it will expire that year and must be re-passed to continue as law.

■ "We put in warnings. When an officer pulls you over, they can only give you a warning. They put the person's name into a log and lien system. The second time (a driver is stopped), they can write you a ticket, but it has to be the same officer in the same jurisdiction."

■ Fitzgerald's bill is tie-barred to House Bill 4757, which will require insurers to reduce no-fault auto rates to reflect any reductions in deaths and

injuries. A "tie-bar" means that both bills must be passed in order to become law. HB 4757, sponsored by Rep. Burton Leland, D-Detroit, is on the House calendar but has yet to be voted on.

"It took us 10 years to get this far," said Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Redford, who voted for the original law to make seat belt violations a "secondary" offense. That means a police officer may ticket you for failure to wear a seat belt only after stopping you for another offense. "There's enough evidence that we need this."

Rep. Greg Kaza, R-Rochester Hills, was unconvinced by the safety statistics. "They (supporters) claim there is a correlation between seat belt laws and traffic death reductions. There are studies on both sides," said the

libertarian lawmaker, who voted no to reflect his district's views.

Rep. Dave Galloway, R-White Lake, a former police officer, scoffed that "we don't need another tool."

Here is how area lawmakers voted:


YES – Lyn Bankes, R-Redford; Bob Brown, D-Dearborn Heights; Eileen DeHart, D-Westland; Tom Kelly, D-Wayne; Gerald Law, R-Plymouth.

NO – None.

Excused absence – Deborah Whyman, R-Canton.

Opponents were almost equally divided between the parties – 23 Democrats and 21 Republicans. Detroiters were as likely to oppose it as "Yoopers."

Gov. John Engler said he would sign it.



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Mario Andretti's last year on the auto racing circuit was 1994. Call it serendipity if you like, it was also Joe Antonini's last year as chairman, president and CEO of K-Mart Corp.

Andretti and Antonini have teamed up, in of all places, the wine business. In today's competitive wine industry, name recognition is a must. They've got that. Wine consumers expect top quality every time they pull a cork. That's handled. Andretti Winery is on the fast track to success.

As a venture capitalist, Antonini is currently president of JEA Enterprises, an investment firm which he founded. Andretti, the famous race car driver, is also an entrepreneur. In

1994, Andretti organized a farewell from auto-racing tour where he gave out souvenir bottles of wine. It was organized by a less-than-savvy marketing group. To make a long story short, after the tour, Andretti was still interested in a wine concept, but the marketers lacked know-how. Antonini to the rescue. The two had met previously through a K-Mart promotion.

"Due to his ancestral history of winemaking in his native Italy, Mario has had a lifelong passion for good wines," Antonini said. "Together we know that reliance on a famous name to sell wine is not enough in today's market. It is our intent to produce world-class wine."

To accomplish this, veteran winemaker Robert "Bob" Pepi was hired. Pepi is well-known for his winemaking tenure at the family-owned Robert Pepi winery (which was sold to the Kendall-Jackson Artisans & Estates group a few years ago).

He is also recognized as a pioneer in sangiovese grapegrowing and winemaking as well as a developer of new-age sauvignon blanc. He headed the learning curve on growing this varietal and took it from a green, too-often grassy wine, to one with luxurious, ripe, tropical fruit.

For a 43-acre vineyard in California's Napa Valley, Antonini and Andretti have a three-pronged strategy to be implemented over the next few years. A major replanting of the vineyard is a third complete. A 6,000-square-foot house on the estate will be remodeled as a hospitality center with tasting room and a 42,000-case capacity winery will be built. Currently, the Andretti wines are being made

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

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- Main Dish Miracle

ON THE CUTTING EDGE



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

Prep work: Derin Moore was recently named Executive Chef of the Golden Mushroom. He follows in the footsteps of Chef Steven Allen and Certified Master Chef Milos Cihelka.

Attention to quality makes the Mushroom Golden

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Excellent food and service, no gimmicks, this is the Golden Mushroom's secret, the reason why they've stayed in business for 25 years.

"Keeping the customer coming back. Repeat business is the success, not looking for a fast buck," said Certified Master Chef Milos Cihelka who with owner Reid L. Ashton made the Mushroom "Golden."

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.

Special events:
■ Wild Game Dinner - 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4, \$85 per person.
■ Twenty-fifth Anniversary Dinner - 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, \$75 per person. Call (248) 559-4230 for information/reservations

in corporate real estate prior to opening his restaurant.

He chose the Golden Mushroom, formerly the Rascal House Deli, which was closed, for its location, and didn't have a concept in mind. Ashton leased the building and opened on Monday, July 31, 1972. It had been a deli upstairs and banquet

room downstairs.

Opening a restaurant is a lot like giving birth - there's a lot of labor involved, and not all of it easy. Coming up with a name was difficult. After months of thought he visited a friend who operated a restaurant in Grand Rapids. The friend explained how he made his mushroom soup by adding a little sherry to give it a nice golden color, calling it Golden Mushroom Soup.

"That clicked for me right there," said Ashton. "Mushrooms never go out of style. You even see them in Renaissance paintings of food. The word 'golden' adds that touch of class. It just kind of fit for me."

Building the Golden Mushroom's reputation, and customer base was his next task. The physical layout of the building lent itself to a two-restaurants-in-one concept. Ashton turned the upstairs into a fine dining room, and created the pub-like "Mushroom Cellar" downstairs with a menu that included hamburgers and sandwiches.

Next, he needed a chef. "Milos was the premier chef of Detroit, the best known in the Detroit area," said Ashton. Cihelka was working at the London Chop House in Detroit, and not looking for a job.

"At the time, the London Chop House was the most prestigious restaurant, and I had no intention of leaving," said Cihelka.

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Catering to customers

Good food, consistency, the Golden Mushroom is known for these things, but there is more.

"Our success involves more than elegant cuisine," said owner Reid L. Ashton. "We ensure that are our tablecloths are ironed properly; our valet holds the door for our guests; our hosting staff greets guests pleasantly; our flowers are fresh; they're all part of the big picture."

In a never ending search for excellence, Ashton recently upgraded the interior and exterior features of the Golden Mushroom. The main dining room is now one contiguous open space, highlighted by deep wood patterns. New lighting helps create a cozy atmosphere, and there are four new oval-shaped booths along the back wall.

The Golden Mushroom has always offered catering at your home or office, but they recently expanded their offerings to provide food service for the St. John's Conference Center, a part of St. John's Armenian Church, 22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. Their banquet facilities can hold up to 750 people.

For more information about planning a

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Accommodate family members, guests who don't eat meat

LIVING BETTER SENSIBLY



BEVERLY PRICE

It was a cold, snowy evening in November when I met my husband to be, David Price, at a vegetarian restaurant in Royal Oak. Because David was a vegetarian, and new in town, and I, too, a vegetarian, I thought that the Inn Season's Cafe was an appropriate choice for a first date.

Our first Thanksgiving as a married couple was spent at my in-laws. I was pleasantly surprised at how many of my husband's family members followed a vegetarian lifestyle. My brother-in-law, two of my husband's cousins, and a few close family friends, who were always part of family get-togethers, were also vegetarian. You may be wondering how did all these family members come to share the same food practices?

My mother-in-law, Esther Price, frequently reminds our family of how she used to support the local kosher butcher until her son, (my husband) David returned from a summer trip in Israel at the age of 16, and exclaimed, "Mom, I'm not going to eat meat anymore (which included poultry as well)."

The following summer, David's younger brother, Marty, returned from swim camp and told the family of his decision to give up meat as well. Marty simply became very sick on a piece of meat, and would never eat animal products from there on out.

David's two other siblings eventually gave up red meat, but continued to eat poultry.

So, how does a mom go from watching her kids eat "Dagwood sandwiches" (meat piled thick and high on a roll) to preparing vegetarian meals for them?

"We simply readjusted," said Esther Price. In addition, two cousins who attend most family holiday dinners became vegetarians for animal rights

reasons. Another close family friend began preparing only vegetarian dishes for our celebrations after developing heart problems. I also tried to become my father-in-law's personal dietitian as he had a long-term history of diabetes and desperately needed to reform his diet.

All of these special needs make our Thanksgiving Day spread quite interesting. Typical dishes include vegetarian chopped liver, vegetable stuffing, meatless lasagna, vegetable pasta, and many other mouth-watering, colorful vegetable casseroles, and of course, pumpkin pie.

At my first Thanksgiving with the Price family I tried to locate the turkey out of curiosity. After a long look, I found it sitting by its lonesome self behind the other dishes on the buffet table. The turkey looked untouched, dried out and not very appetizing.

As I loaded my plate with all of the wonderful vegetarian dishes, I realized that my stomach would be very content

after dinner. At typical Thanksgiving dinners on my side of the family, the emphasis was on turkey, and there was a lack of side dishes. I would usually leave the meal hungry and raid the refrigerator when I got home.

You may be able to identify with this situation - a family member suddenly has to radically change his diet for health reasons, or your daughter comes home from college and tells you she won't eat anything "with a face."

If this sounds familiar, you need to learn to break out of the mold ("but this is what we've always done"), and be flexible to accommodate your family members and guests. Here are some things to consider:

■ Don't take your health for granted. Many health professionals do a disservice to their clients when they tell them it's OK to splurge during holidays. Visits to the emergency room are highest at Thanksgiving, Christmas,

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Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find items in the marketplace. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement) please call Malls & Mainstreets at (248) 901-2567. Just leave a message and your phone number (slowly and clearly, please!) and each Sunday we'll print caller solutions and new quests.

What we found:

- Try ordering **Windemere rollers** and other products from the company at 1 (800) 557-9463, or write to: Windemere 5980 Miami Lake Dr., Miami Lake, FLA. 33014.
- Look for **Star Trek merchandise** at the **Sci Fi Shop** in Royal Oak, or the **QVC** shopping channel. Two catalogs that sell the "Communicator" are **Wireless** at 1 (800) 669-9999 and **Command Performance** at 1 (800) 873-8263.
- Several readers offered their **Seal-A-Meal makers, wooden playpens, wok rings** and old **Singer sewing machines**.
- A reader thought she spotted the Precious Moments statue "girl with presents" at **Misty's Card/Gifts** in Sheridan Square, **Garden City**.
- **Revlon eyebrow pencil refills** can be purchased from the cosmetic aisles at **Meijer's**, but light brown only, blond has been discontinued.
- A caller bought a **magnifying glass with 4x power** from **Dobbs Optical** inside St. Joe's Hospital in Ypsilanti, (313) 434-6230.
- **Nicky of Plymouth** reports that she called **Dial**, also seeking the deodorant, to learn that the company discontinued the item and got out of the deodorant business because of "too many government regulations."

Still searching for:

- **Terry cloth aprons**, but not the bib style.
- A **recipe** for pumpkin bar cookies from the 70's with nuts and crumb topping for Maureen.
- **Nehi cream soda**. (Sorry, several readers let us know we spelled it wrong last week! However, no one knows who still sells this old favorite or if it's even made anymore.)
- **Styrofoam sheets** 2-feet by 2-feet 1/4-inch thick for Ed Moross.
- A **Kidsister Doll** for My Buddy by Hasbro for Mary of Westland's granddaughter. She's also wondering if anyone has parts for a **McDonald's hamburger maker** she bought at a garage sale.
- **Fuzzy wuzzy soap bars** for Lisa of Redford.
- A **three-foot high wishing well** for Dianna's outdoor garden.
- **Foam pillows** with a hump that supports the neck for Jackie.
- **Replacement cutting blades** for the Hair Wiz for Ron Petrella.
- The old board game **Call My Bluff**, for Joe of Livonia.
- The old **Picture Picture game** for Brenda of Canton.
- **Luncheon plates, cups and saucers** in the Daisy pattern offered by the Spiegel catalog in spring/summer of 1996.
- A yellow, **Answer Finder**, to use with the **Scribbles Learn With Me Club** by Western Publishing for Sue of Canton.
- An **original cast recording** starring Albert Finney in **A Christmas Carol** for Bill Jacobs.
- A 1941 copy of **Jolly Jingle Picture Book** by Rand McNally for Sharon Gage.
- A source for **wedding bands** from Keepsake Jewelers for Mary of Plymouth whose husband lost his wedding ring on a golf outing.
- The **Together cassette** by The Hemphills for Wilma of Detroit.
- **Shaving cream Taylor of Old Bond St.** formerly available through mail order for Shari of Farmington Hills.
- A **TV tuner adapter** for Game Gear and a hockey game for Game Gear for Colleen of Redford.
- An instruction **manual** for the Apple LC II for Mary, Livonia.
- **Unicare hair conditioner** for Becky.
- **Small, Toni permanent rollers**, 4-inches long, for Mary Callahan.
- **Lenox #7, Seven Swans A Swimming ornament** for Sheila, Canton.
- **Bugle Boy elastic waist pants** and elastic ankles with Velcro closures in child's size **Large** for Jo.
- Two toys, **Weebels Treehouse** and **Don't Go With Strangers** book for Mary Ann of Canton.
- **Pique cologne** for Gail of Westland.
- A **rocking wooden kangaroo** for Mary of Livonia.

Retail Details features news briefs from the Malls & Mainstreets beat compiled by Susan DeMaggio. For inclusion, send information to: Retail Details, c/o The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, or fax to (248) 644-1314.

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To order a catalog call 1-800-443-9284. Look for them on the Internet at www.michigania.com. The company sells T-shirts, objects of art, puzzles, maps, food products, crafts and novelty gifts.

Sports Gallery opens a second location

Birmingham's Sports Gallery offers a second mecca for sports enthusiasts at the north end of the food court at **Tel-Twelve Mall, Southfield**. According to owner **Michael Fishman**, the store will carry autographed items from athletes as well as jerseys, lithographs, balls, display cases and Red Wings Championship memorabilia including pucks, sticks, hats and coffee mugs. All merchandise comes with a certificate of authenticity. For more details call (248) 642-0044.

Outlets add new stores

Nine West and Banister Shoe Studio are now open at **Horizon Outlet Center** in Monroe. The **Video Outlet Center** opens at **Horizon Center** in Port Huron.

Fashion Library marks 10th year

The **Fashion Group International** will hold an Open House at the Tavy Stone Fashion Library to commemorate the library's 10th year on the second floor of the Detroit Historical Museum across from the Hudson

Exhibit, Sunday, Nov. 16 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Featured will be a display of vintage hats and clothing from the private collection of Maureen Wickenheiser. Museum admission and parking fees apply. The non-circulating library keeps limited hours Wednesday-Friday. Phone requests can be made by calling (313) 832-0844.

Volunteer for Holiday Parade

The 15th annual **Livonia Holiday Parade**, co-sponsored by the Livonia Mall, needs floats, clowns, bands, inflatables and marching units for "Christmas Wishes" this year's theme, set for Saturday, Nov. 22 beginning at 9 a.m. at Six Mile and Middlebelt.

The parade will march down Middlebelt to Seven Mile. Corporations, businesses or groups with floats could win the float contest earning \$1,500 for first place; \$1,000 for second place; and \$500 for third place.

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Pledges of \$193.90 will allow officers from the Detroit Police Department to buy bicycles for disadvantaged kids in their precincts. Last year the radiothon produced \$53,000. Co-chairs are attorney **Richard Bockoff** of Birmingham and sportscaster **Don Shane** of WXYZ-TV. The broadcast runs from 6 a.m. on Nov. 6 through 7 p.m. on Nov. 7. For more details call **VARIETY** at (248) 258-5511.

Fairlane names new marketer

Lili Donaldson of **Clarkston** has been hired to direct marketing, public relations and special events at the **Fairlane Town Center** in Dearborn. Donaldson attended Fordson High School in Dearborn and has a bachelor's degree in journalism from U of M, and a masters in advertising from Michigan State University.

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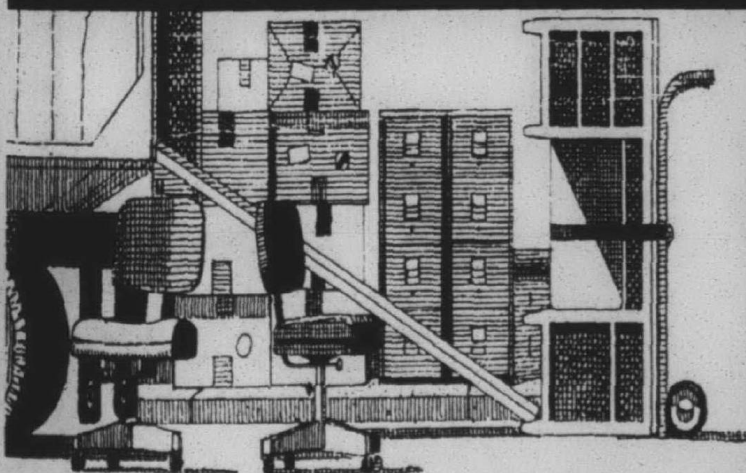
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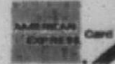
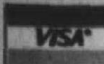
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Focus on healthy aspects of French cuisine

As nutrition-conscious cooks around the world change their cooking methods to create lighter meals, certain cuisines seem to present more of a challenge than others.

French food, with its customary reliance on cream, lard and butter is an obvious example. Yet, by emphasizing the inherently healthy aspects of French cuisine, including a focus on fresh fruits and vegetables in everything from soups to desserts, it's possible to enjoy all of its traditional flavors without abandoning a well-balanced diet.

Classic French cooking techniques such as sauteeing, for example, can be modified to produce lighter meals by using non-stick pans and very small amounts of olive oil, instead of lard or large amounts of butter. Many traditionally fried French dishes can be baked, steamed, poached and grilled, and leaner cuts of meat can be substituted and trimmed closely. When chicken dishes are on the menu, such as coq au vin, remove the skin to lose a significant amount of the dish's fat and calories.

The French are famous for "existing to eat" rather than "eating to exist." Their appreciation for the pleasures of food is mirrored in the broad range of herbs, spices and other season-

ings they use. They flavorings are a wonderful way for cooks in search of lighter fare to maintain flavor when reducing fat. The most popular French herbs are parsley, thyme, bay leaf, mint, rosemary, chives, chervil and sage. Flavored spices include fennel, coriander, cumin, caraway and juniper berries. The French also employ a spectrum of savory non-fat flavorings, including fragrant vinegars, garlic, mustards, and lemon juice.

Connoisseurs of French soups enjoy light vegetable-based potages, which can be made simply by cooking chopped carrots, leeks, potato, turnip and parsnips in chicken broth until the vegetables are tender, stirring in fresh sorrel to provide a fresh tart accent. If you prefer thicker soups, stir in pureed vegetables, which will also lend a deeper flavor without adding fat.

Fruit is a year-round French favorite for dessert. Make a macedoine, or marinated mixed fruit salad, by tossing thinly sliced apples and bananas with a tablespoon of lemon juice. Then add thinly sliced peaches, pineapple chunks, seedless red grapes and orange sections, and toss with 1/4 cup orange juice and a tablespoon of orange liqueur or white wine. Cover the salad with plastic wrap and

refrigerate, tossing occasionally, until well chilled.

Cold Lentil Salad is often served in French homes as a first course, or an hors d'oeuvre tray along with other selections. It makes an appealing accompaniment for grilled lamb.

COLD LENTIL SALAD

- 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon Dijon-style mustard
- 2 tablespoons olive oil, at room temperature
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 cups cooked lentils
- 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped flat leaf parsley
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped mint
- 1/2 cup very thinly sliced celery
- 2 scallions, white part only, cut lengthwise in fine strips

Stir the vinegar and salt together in a glass salad bowl. When the salt is dissolved, mix in the mustard until the mixture is smooth. Drop by drop, whip in the oil until the mixture is thick and pearly in



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Savory side: Cold Lentil Salad is a delicious first course or appealing accompaniment for grilled lamb.

appearance. Add the onion and stir together briefly.

Using your hands, dress the lentils with the onion vinaigrette, lifting the lentils softly and letting them drop from your fingers until all of them are coated with dress-

ing.

Add the lemon juice, thyme, parsley, mint and celery, working them through the lentils in the same fashion with your fingers. Scatter the scallion ribbons over the top, cover the bowl, and let the

salad sit in a cool place for 15 minutes before serving.

Each of the 4 servings contains 194 calories and 7 grams of fat.

Recipe and information from the American Institute for Cancer Research.

When thinking of pumpkin, think of dessert

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

For a delicious and easy alternative to traditional pumpkin pie, serve Pumpkin Pie Dessert. The recipe is made from packaged spice cake mix, solid pack pumpkin and spices. The pumpkin filling is layered in a crust and crowned with a delicious topping.

PUMPKIN PIE DESSERT

- Preparation Time: 15 minutes
- Baking Time: 45 minutes
- Cooling Time: 15 minutes
- For the crust:
 - 18-1/4-ounce package spice cake mix
 - 1/2 cup butter, melted
 - 1 egg
- For the filling:
 - 1/2 cup firmly packed brown

- sugar
- 2/3 cup milk
- 15-ounce can solid pack pumpkin
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- For the topping:
 - 1 cup reserved cake mix
 - 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar

- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- Whipped cream
- Heat oven to 350 degrees F. Reserve 1 cup spice cake mix for topping; set aside.
- In large mixer bowl combine remaining cake mix, butter and 1 egg. Beat at low speed until well mixed, 1 to 2 minutes. Spread in

- bottom of greased 13- by 9-inch baking pan. Set aside.
- In same bowl combine all filling ingredients. Beat at low speed until smooth, 1 to 2 minutes; pour filling over crust.
- In medium bowl stir to combine all topping ingredients except pecans; stir until crumbly. Stir in pecans. Sprinkle topping over filling. Bake for 45 to 50 minutes or

- until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 15 minutes. Serve warm or cool with whipped cream. Cover; store refrigerated. Makes 15 servings.
- Nutrition facts per serving: 320 calories, 4 grams protein, 42 grams carbohydrates, 17 grams fat, 70 mg cholesterol, 380 mg sodium.
- Recipe from: Land O'Lakes

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Water studied

Physicians will soon have a new resource in the diagnosis of naturally occurring arsenic in well water. Many patients have had questions about or symptoms of illness associated with this problem.

Physicians at Providence Hospital will have access to a document that provides specific guidance on the clinical evaluation and assessment of patients who may be potentially exposed to arsenic, created by Michael Kosnett, MD, who is considered by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the World Health Organization to be a leading expert on arsenic toxicity in humans.

Kosnett will be participating in grand rounds for physicians and deliver a presentation entitled "Toxicology at the Cutting Edge II: A Michigan Focus," at Children's Hospital in Detroit.

Hospital fundraiser

JEEPERS! A new 25,000-square-foot family-orientated entertainment/amusement/theme park is opening a site in Livonia's Wonderland Mall near the food court (Plymouth at Middlebelt roads). The entertainment park will include rides, attractions including: an indoor roller-coaster and train; and soft-play and interactive learning areas for children ages 2-12.

JEEPERS! celebrated with a ribbon cutting ceremony last week and a fundraiser for Children's Hospital of Michigan.

"It's a pinch of Disney World, dash of Discovery Zone and a smidgen of Chuck E. Cheese."

Celiac Sprue support

Tri-County Celiac Sprue Support Group is a support group for persons who have been diagnosed with Celiac Sprue and Dermatitis Herpetiformis, their families, spouses, and friends. Monthly meetings include information on gluten-free foods, label reading, recipe sharing, taste testing, ideas for children and information from professionals.

The next meeting is Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. at the Southfield Presbyterian Church, located at 21575 W. 10 Mile Road. For further information call M. Campbell at (810) 477-5953 or E. Lobbestael, (313) 522-8522.

Halloween can be tricky for diabetics

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

While the Halloween holiday is a treat for most children, it can be "tricky" for those with diabetes.

The traditional all-out consumption of sweets, whose main ingredient is sugar, can be a dangerous combination for juveniles who need to control their blood sugar levels in an effort to prevent serious and possible life-threatening complications of diabetes.

"Halloween can be a difficult time for diabetic kids," said Dana Stearns, Juvenile Diabetes Association of Michigan spokesperson. "You don't want to exclude children from enjoying festivities associated with Halloween but at the same time they can't really eat the amount of candy other kids might consume."

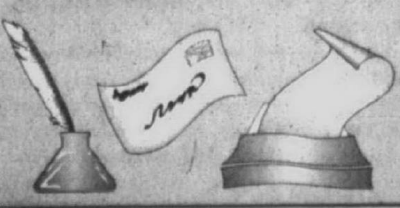
Diabetes is a disease in which the body does not produce or properly use insulin, a hormone that is needed to convert sugar, starches and other food into energy needed for daily life. Type

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Items for Medical Briefs are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to:

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THE SOUNDS OF SILENCE



Checkup: Certified Westland audiologist Barbara Douglas, shields her mouth while saying various words into the microphone for Louis Ventitelli to hear. He then repeats them to her to verify that he heard them during a hearing screening at the MedMax store in Westland.

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

Hearing loss can be devastating, whether the incident triggering the impairment is unforeseen or happens gradually over time. Individuals whose hearing is diminished or completely lost will tell you with much heartache about the value of hearing a telephone ring or the distress from an ailing car engine in contrast to the empty sounds of silence.

"After I got a hearing aid I realized it wasn't only the sounds of nature I had missed, but the ability to hear something *wrong*," said 65-year-old Joan Kilmer. "There was something wrong with my furnace that I hadn't been able to hear before and the gas company had to come out and fix it."

Kilmer, a 43-year resident of Garden City, is one of a growing number of Americans, an estimated 33 million, who have some degree of hearing loss whether the cause is medical in nature (tinnitus, Meniere's syndrome) or due to consistent exposure to high-intensity sound causing permanent damage.

The sad truth is that a large percentage of those people experiencing hearing problems wait an average of seven years before they seek treatment for their problem.

"People chalk up hearing loss to old age and figure it's par for the course," said Barbara Douglas, certified audiologist, "or they go to the doctor and take care of everything else but their hearing."

Helping hands

Douglas, who has been practicing audiology in the Detroit area since 1985, established the Personalized Hearing Care - Hear for Life Center in Westland where she provides professional audiological services such as hearing assessments, counseling for hearing-impaired people and their families, assistive listening devices, custom hearing protection, and a full range of hearing aids including programmable technology.

Ototoxic medications are those drugs that have the potential to cause damage to the inner ear structures which may result in temporary or permanent loss of hearing or an aggravation of an existing sensorineural hearing loss.

If you have an existing sensorineural hearing loss, regardless of the cause, when using ototoxic medications, you are more vulnerable to aggravation of that hearing loss. As a result of using ototoxic medications, the degree of hearing loss that occurs and the amount of recovery that follows depends upon the amount and duration of the use of that particular medication.

"Audiologists are vastly different than hearing aid salespeople," said Douglas. "Otolologists are ear specialists who are licensed and educated with advanced degrees in hearing science. Hearing aid salespersons have to be 18 years of age, have graduated from high school and be of good character. Most audiologists are educated up to or beyond a master's degree in hearing science."

Douglas said the misconceptions about the differences often lead people to hearing aid stores where their main focus is *hearing aid sales*. "It takes more than a quick fix to treat a hearing loss but the service and testing otologists provide can help people lead fulfilling lives in spite of their impairment."

"We're a well-kept secret."

In Kilmer's case, she was told after a diagnosis of Meniere's syndrome in the early 1970s that a hearing aid wouldn't do any good. The disease is a malfunctioning of the semicircular canal of the inner ear, characterized by dizziness, nausea, vomiting and buzzing. Kilmer said she suffered for five years before the symptoms were controlled in 1978.

Under the treatment of a physician at the University of Michigan, Kilmer said she was finally told a hearing aid might be of a benefit to her and was referred to a number of otologists before she was treated by Douglas.

In regard to the use of ototoxic medications, whether they are over-the-counter or prescription, there are several important facts you should know and several important rules you should follow:

- Always inform your doctor that you have a sensorineural hearing loss or never-type hearing loss.
- Always ask your doctor, when he or she is prescribing new medications, to inform you of any potential side effects, especially if the medication is ototoxic.
- Always read the labels or ask your pharmacist about the potential ototoxic effects of over-the-counter medications.

Please see **OTOTOXIC, C2**

"Barbara's level of knowledge and customer service made me feel like she knew what she was doing and cared more than others I had seen in the past," said Kilmer.

Their specialties

In addition to treatment, Douglas and other Hear for Life centers specialize in promoting better hearing, ear care and protection, education on hearing conversation and hearing aid repairs.

A great deal of the difference, emphasizes Douglas, is the needs assessment audiologists perform before making a determination of treatment. Not everyone needs a hearing aid, said Douglas. Treatments can include amplification devices for telephones, alerting devices, wax removal, new batteries for a hearing aid or altering the dosage of a medication that may be causing temporary hearing loss.

"A lot of consumers aren't aware that some over-the-counter medications, like aspirin, are ototoxic and have the potential to aggravate an existing sensorineural hearing loss or result in a temporary and sometimes permanent impairment," said Douglas.

There are several precautions that can be taken to avoid hearing loss such as informing your doctor about a hearing problem and making inquiries

Hearing loss can diminish joys of life

about the side effects if the medication is ototoxic. (Please see box.)

Kilmer, the mother of two grown daughters, said she's a different person since she received a single hearing aid for her left ear in June of 1996.

"What I missed most were the sounds of nature and hearing my children's normal voices without them having to shout," said the Garden City woman.

Working in the field of customer service until her retirement in November of last year, her hearing impairment was gradually worsening and having an impact on her job performance.

"I was having trouble distinguishing between 's' and 'f' when people were talking or relying on lip reading at times when it was very bad."

"I would tell people who think they have a problem not to hesitate to go see a doctor - it's nothing to be ashamed of. You're missing out on a world of sounds," said Kilmer.

The Westland audiologist says she recommends people see their family physician first to determine if there is a problem with wax buildup or if the impairment is a result of a sinus infection, cold, ear infection or an ear abnormality.

"Having your hearing checked should become a regular part of your yearly physical," said Douglas. "Don't let your world shut down completely before you seek help. It can have dramatic effects on your job performance and your relationship with family and friends."

The Personalized Hearing Care - Hear for Life Center is located across from Westland Shopping Center in Westland on the southeast corner of Warren Road and Yale. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and evenings by appointment. Barbara Douglas also performs hearing care clinics and seminars at MedMax in Westland and various senior centers throughout the Wayne County area. For more information, call (313) 467-5100.

Study says 1 in 5 Michigan adults live in pain

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

More than just a "pain in the neck," the results of the Michigan Pain Study reveal one in five adults, or approximately 1.2 million Michiganders, are suffering from some form of chronic pain caused by a gamut of illnesses and injuries that are having a major effect on our relationships, job performance and overall well-being.

Sponsored by the Pain Education Fund of Chelsea Community Hospital and conducted by the public opinion firm of EPIC/MRA of Lansing, 1,500 Michigan residents, age 18 and older, were surveyed regarding the "severity of the chronic pain problem, how people cope, access to treatment and the effectiveness of available pain care."

"While this isn't the first study of its kind, it's the most comprehensive look at chronic pain conducted in the United States," said analyst Ed Sarpolus, EPIC/MRA.

More serious than believed

The results of the study significantly identify pain as a major health problem throughout the state that has a direct and indirect effect on everyone

in Michigan.

"The costs to society are real in the form of lost productivity, repeat hospital visits and ineffective treatment. In addition, the situation is denying people and their families basic quality of life," said Sarpolus.

Of the 1.2 million people in Michigan who suffer from chronic pain - 42 percent say pain has affected their relationships with spouses, family members and fellow workers. Nearly half (48 percent) experience depression, 18 percent have overdosed on pain medication and 10 percent, or 120,000 persons, have contemplated suicide.

"We hope this information benefits not only individuals in pain but crosses health care practices and extends a hand so that people can come together on this and get help," said Sarpolus. "A lot of this has to do with a lack of public education in that pain can be treated with multiple therapies and not just medication, there are progressive sources to relieve pain, and they're not alone in their suffering."

Forty percent of the respondents admitted to being in pain constantly and 77 percent of these have experienced pain for more than one year.

A lack of understanding

According to Dr. Joel R. Saper, M.D., chairman, Michigan Council on Pain and director of the Michigan Head Pain & Neurological Institute in Ann Arbor, pain is real for millions of Americans. Not only those who find themselves suffering as a result of an injury or disease, but that some persons have "pain proneness" where pain tendencies are a genetic trait.

"Many doctors don't understand the problem," said Saper, a leading pain expert and educator. "Pain is an illness unto itself."

The Ann Arbor physician made reference to survey results that reinforce the belief that pain sufferers are not finding the necessary relief they desire as 77 percent said they still experience pain after treatment, 22 percent said treatment "only makes it worse," and 13 percent said they have been denied access to education, drugs, procedures, medical devices, and referrals to other health care professionals and pain sufferers.

Saper said not only education but proposed legislation will help "make

Michigan Pain Study results:

- Only seven percent report seeking help for pain "immediately," while 46 percent (approximately 552,000 adults) wait until it's "unbearable" or "interferes with other activities" to seek treatment.
- Younger men report the main reason for pain is "the result of an injury or accident" (56 percent) while the rest of respondents report "ongoing conditions" as the primary reason for pain.
- Sufferers in their sixth to twelfth month of pain appear to go through some kind of resignation or acknowledgment of their pain.
- The survey indicates that 10 to 15 percent of pain respondents could be identified at risk. Overdosing on medication, severe depression, drinking alcohol, working on the job impaired by their pain and being unable to get help for their pain.
- 22 percent feel uncomfortable talking about their pain with their doctors.
- 28 percent said their pain was severe enough to impact their ability to perform their job well that on more than 20 work days in the past year.
- 10 percent of respondents experiencing chronic, ongoing or recurring pain, said they have thought about committing suicide, representing 120,000 adults in Michigan.

Compiled by EPIC/MRA (Educational Political Industrial Consumer/Market Research Analysis) of Lansing. Random stratified sample of 1,500 Michigan adults (error margin +/- 2.5 percent).

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MEDICAL DATEBOOK

HEALTH News

OCT. 29 & NOV. 5

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ELDERLY FACE

One of the most difficult decisions that an older person faces is to consider whether they can safely maintain themselves in their own home. St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, is offering "When our Older Parents Face Leaving their Home," Oct. 29 and Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. This program will identify the types of home care services that may be available to help an older person remain in their home and also alternatives to remaining at home. This is a free program, but registration is required. The class will be held in the St. Mary Hospital Auditorium. Please use the Five Mile Road entrance. For more information, call 655-1676.

SAT, NOV. 1

PREMARRIAGE STD/HIV CLASS
State law requires individuals to receive counseling regarding STDs and HIV infections prior to applying for a marriage license. Pre-registration is required. The event begins at 10 a.m. in Romulus at a cost of \$25 per couple. Call Health Matters, (313) 513-6393, for more information.

MON, NOV. 2

ANGER, FORGIVENESS
Discussion regarding the effects of anger on the body, and spirit and examines various myths about anger, describe the jour-

ney of forgiveness, and the process of recognizing life events that are often vented as anger. Refreshments will be served. Preregistration is required by Oct. 28. Call, (248) 848-1750. This is an ElderMed program at Botsford for adults ages 50 and better.

Registered dietitian offers tips to make holiday foods fun, tasty and less fattening. Free. Call 1-800-543-WELL to register. The program is at the Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center - Wayne (7-8:30 p.m.).

Botsford Hospital. For more information call (248) 477-6100.

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

Instruction in adult, child and infant CPR. Certificates will be given upon completion of the course. The cost is \$25 - \$18.75 for OHA members. Call 1-880-543-WELL. From 6-10 p.m. at the Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center - Wayne.

THUR, NOV. 6

LINCOLN/JEFFERSON HEALTH FAIR
Jefferson-Barns Elementary School in Westland and Oakwood Healthcare System will team up for the Lincoln Jefferson Health Fun Fair. The fair will feature information stations on helmet/pedestrian safety,

dental, nutrition, proper hand washing, substance abuse, an opportunity to ask the doctor or pharmacist, flu shots, blood pressure screenings and an appearance by Oakwood's very own Nurse Rosy Goodhealth, who will pass out important health information. Call 1-800-543-WELL. The event will run from 3:30-7 p.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult/parent or legal guardian for them to participate in screenings.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

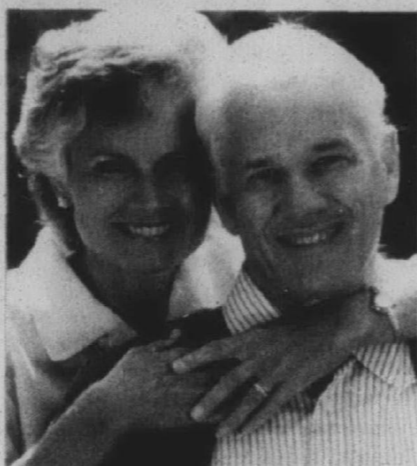
A bloodmobile at the Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia will be held from 2-8 p.m., 17000 Farmington Road. For appointments call, (313) 422-1150.

TUE, NOV. 3

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
A bloodmobile at the Aldersgate Methodist Church in Redford will be held from 2-8 p.m., 10000 Beech Daly. For appointments call, (313) 257-7764.

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Detroit
November 6 - 9:00 AM
November 20 - 9:00 AM

Bakers Square Restaurant
5946 W. Sheldon Rd.
Canton
November 6 - 2:30 PM
November 13 - 2:30 PM
November 20 - 2:30 PM

Family Health
19020 Fort Street
Riverview
November 4 - 10:00 AM
November 11 - 10:00 AM
November 18 - 10:00 AM

Bill Knapp's Restaurant
21000 Allen Rd.
Woodhaven
November 12 - 9:30 AM

Western Wayne Physicians
8600 Silvery Lane
Dearborn Heights
November 5 - 10:00 AM
November 11 - 10:00 AM
November 19 - 10:00 AM
November 25 - 10:00 AM



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Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, 48150 or faxed to (313) 591-7279.

THROUGH DEC. 4

LIVING WITH DIABETES

Learning to live with diabetes, its long-term complications and effects on your personal health can be overwhelming. Oakwood Healthcare System is offering a six-week series called "Life with Diabetes" Thursday evenings (except Thanksgiving Day) from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Oakwood Healthcare Center - Westland, 2345 Merriman. The cost is \$30; call, 1-800-543-WELL.

THROUGH NOV. 26

FLU VACCINE

Get your flu vaccine before the influenza season starts. Oakwood is offering the vaccine for only \$5. Immunizations will be given at various physician offices throughout the community from Oct. 1-Nov. 26. To find the physician's office near you, call 1-800-543-WELL.

WAYNE BUSINESS Finance

Wireless technologies

Less static, crystal clear

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

For years, cellular telephones have gotten a bad rap for poor voice clarity and unreliability when the caller is mobile. Progressive changes in wireless technology are now making it possible for the launch of a 100 percent digital and wireless network for personal communication services (PCS) nationwide.

In the forefront of global communications is Sprint Corporation, which recently unveiled its Sprint PCS network serving 65 metropolitan markets and more than 500 major cities, including the metropolitan Detroit area.

Currently, Sprint PCS is the largest "100 percent digital, 100 percent PCS, single-technology nationwide wireless network."

"This is a whole new value proposition for business and consumer mobile phone users," said David Graham, area vice president for Sprint PCS. "We're not just providing consumers with a better phone, we're providing them with a better connection that's more clear, more affordable and more secure than conventional cellular services."

Graham and Julie Fraser, Sprint PCS director of marketing, outlined several economic and benefit-based advances to Sprint PCS compared to other wireless services including clear, quality calls in which technology has virtually eliminated annoying cross-talk and static; encoded calls which dramatically reduces eavesdropping and cloning; and a basic service package that includes (at no additional charge) voice mail, caller ID, call waiting, three-way calling, detailed billing and more.

"Control has been vastly improved to reduce the likelihood that your phone number can be stolen and installed into another phone without your knowledge," said Graham.

In addition, Sprint PCS isn't requiring consumers to sign a cellular-style contract of commitment.

"Traditionally people have been confused by all the different approach plans, packages and three-year contracts with small print. We're offering the best deal for your dollar that's not only a great benefit to your wallet but you have the advantage of not being tethered to one



Hello: Scott Mitchell, Detroit Lions Quarterback, makes the first official Sprint PCS call in the Detroit area where the 100 percent digital, 100 percent wireless service is now available. His teammate, David Sloan (Detroit Lions tightend), was the lucky recipient.

location.

"You can drive through Wayne County all the way to the Blue Water Bridge or any of our other PCS service areas nationwide and your communications will be crystal clear without interruptions," said Graham.

Wireless technologies have increased competition subsequently lowering costs and thanks to a change in federal regulations, more providers are now being allowed to market cellular services nationwide.

Graham said he expects a growing number of people in the next decade not to see the need for different phone numbers for their cellular telephone, fax, pager, and personal computer.

"People will have one phone number that they can take with them anywhere in the country that links them to a variety of personal communication services," said Graham.

"PCS is state-of-the-art, next generation technology of the future," said Graham.

For more information about the Sprint PCS cellular telephones contact a RadioShack, Best Buy, Circuit City or Sprint PCS retail center in your area, or call 1-800-480-4PCS.

Use the Internet to find the right college, scholarships

Right now, across the country, some 2.5 million high school students are bogged down in college application paperwork. They are writing essays, filling in forms with their grade transcripts, calculating costs and investigating scholarships.



PC TALK

When it's all over, the average twelfth grader will have sent in 8-10 applications. Since the thick forms don't work well on computer printers, that means, to stand out, each kid must locate a typewriter and then wrestle those forms through the rollers, lining up each line just right and using up gallons of correct-o-fluid.

It isn't any fun... for the students or the parents.

But a free CD-ROM and a very slick World Wide Web site can make the process both painless and effective. The software is called Apply '98 (it comes in both Windows and Macintosh versions) and it is free from Apply Technology. If you don't have

Internet access, you can get a copy by sending a postcard with your name and address to Apply '98, P.O. Box 8406, New Milford, CT 06776-9848.

If you're really in a hurry, call them at 203-740-3504.

The easiest way to get the software, though, is through the Apply '98 Web site (www.weapply.com). You can order it online. The software, supplemented by the very complete Web site, is a gift, offered as a public service by the participating colleges and universities. To be sure, since each university charges pretty hefty fees with each application, they more than make their costs back.

Still, the convenience this CD-ROM offers is considerable, allowing students and parents to quickly and easily complete their college applications using a personal computer and printer. The program contains electronic applications from more than 600 colleges and universities. Through a very well done interactive multimedia presentation, it provides start-to-finish instructions on how to fill out the forms, answer the questions and even apply for financial aid.

The Web site and the CD help students define their interests

and narrow their search to colleges geared towards their particular interests and academic abilities. There are built-in links to the home pages of many of the universities, so students can take a "virtual tour" of prospective campuses.

The Apply '98 site is not the only spot on the Internet that students and parents need to check out.

Be on the CollegeEdge

Perhaps the most complete Web site aimed at helping kids prepare for college is called CollegeEdge (www.collegeedge.com). This site is organized around preparation, learning all you can about everything from applications to activities on campus.

It begins with a very well done section that explores career and major choices. A handy fill-in-the-blank search form allows you to type in occupations that interest you and then see what classes a major in that field requires. There are also lots of online interviews with professionals from a variety of careers who explain just what's involved and expected in the real world.

One of the strongest areas on this site is the Financial Aid section. Paying for college is no easy

There are also online links for specific scholarships ...

Mike Wendland
—PC columnist

task. This site claims it has information on 500,000 scholarship awards and offers a free search engine that matches a prospective student up with potential scholarship sources. You fill out an online survey about the area of study you plan to enter, your background, interests and expertise and it kicks back a list of potential revenue sources.

There are also online links for specific scholarships geared towards minority students, athletes, math, science and fine arts students.

Another source of financial aid information is the FinAid Web site (www.finaid.org). This isn't a very slick site. Don't expect multimedia and cool-looking animations. Instead, it's a collection of well-organized links to solid information and scholarship search engines from the data bases of several different organi-

zations.

The FinAid site is sponsored by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and offers some excellent advice. Best of all, it's free.

One of the biggest rip-offs out there involves scholarship scams. It's rare nowadays for a high school student not to receive unsolicited mail pitches offering "free money" or "guaranteed scholarships" from official-sounding organizations. They make it sound like a sure thing and offer, for a fee, to match you with a scholarship.

Don't fall for this nonsense. If someone claims "free money" or wants to charge you money to get money, trust me, it's a scam.

The sites we mentioned above allow free searches.

But if an outfit tries to charge you to search, toss the ad in the trash.

The FinAid site offers a very detailed report (www.finaid.org/finaid/scams.html) on scholarship scams. It's well worth the time to read.

One last place worth looking into is the College Choice and Admissions Resources site (<http://www.collegeguides.com/cgi/uide/default.html>). Run by an organization called Resource

Pathways, this site reviews and rates - with one to four stars, like movie reviews - all of the resources available, on the Internet, through software and in print.

They have a lot of information here. But don't rely entirely on their data. For example, I checked their CD-ROM and Web site listings and they didn't have anything on the free Apply '98 program. But they did have several CD-ROM data bases that offer profiles and detailed backgrounds on various colleges.

Few decisions have more lasting effect than the college we attend.

The Internet can put students and parents in touch with the information they need to make the right choice based on their individual situations.

Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations across the country and can be seen locally on WDIV-TV4, Detroit. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday afternoons on WXYT-Radio AM1270 and he is the author of a series of Internet books (call 888-222-1866). You can reach him through his Web site at <http://www.pcmike.com>

BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

Marketplace features a glimpse of suburban business news and notes, including corporate name changes, new products, office openings, new affiliations, new positions, mergers, acquisitions and new ways of doing business. Items for Marketplace should be submitted to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. The fax is (313) 591-7279.

Christian book/gift store

Ramon and Sarah Miller of Detroit recently opened their first business venture in Plymouth, **Life in the Spirit**, a Christian bible, book and gift store. Located at 710 N. Mill Street (between Haggerty and Sheldon roads - north of Plymouth road) the 1,000 square foot store retails a wide variety

of bibles; books; a complete children's section with activities, games, videos, puzzles and books; jewelry, ties, t-shirts, hats, coffee mugs, journals, musical boxes, night lights and many other items that would make great holiday or special occasion gifts. "We also have some beautiful Christian artwork from Italy," said owner Sarah Miller.

Miller said she and her husband, through thought and prayer, decided they would "love

to own their own business," but wanted to be involved in an endeavor that might offer some sense of religious fulfillment to the community and themselves.

Open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., the business is located in a yellow, corner house on North Mill Street. For more information call, (313) 414-6220.

New auto business

Superior Auto Enhancements and owner Rick Hanks,

celebrated their Westland grand opening Oct. 25, at their newest location, 1251 S. Wayne Road, south of Avondale.

Superior auto enhancements sells a wide range of products including sunroofs, alarms, window tinting, car audio equipment, as well as car and truck accessories, such as neons, ground effect, bed liners and tonneau covers.

Superior has been in business for two years, and recently moved shop locations for a larger

shop to better serve area customers.

Livonia firm expands

The expansion of EPI Printers Inc. of Livonia has been aided by a \$5.2 million tax-exempt bond approved by the Michigan Renaissance Fund. EPI Printers plans a 30,000 square foot addition to its existing manufacturing plant in Livonia, as well as the construction of a new facility in Battle Creek.

"It's encouraging to see a company like EPI Printers expand their operations in Livonia, as well as elsewhere around the state," said Michigan Sen. Bob Geake (R-Northville). "Not only will this create more jobs, but it will help boost the local economy."

The MRF can issue Industrial Development Revenue Bonds (IDRBs) to finance projects for manufacturers, solid waste/congregation companies and certain non-profit corporations.

Noah & Co. care center

Noah & Co. Child Development Center, soon to open in Redford Township, offers full day child care from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. The center is located at 25900 Dow and operates out of St. Valentine Parish.

Noah & Co. Child Development Center enrolls infants through 5 years old in a home-like setting of four classrooms, indoor gym, and enclosed outdoor play yard. Two snacks and lunch are provided daily.

Developmentally appropriate activities are planned for each age group in the safe and nurturing environment of the center. Children have opportunities to explore through a wide range of materials and activities that meet and challenge their learning abilities. If you wish to enroll your child in Noah & Co. Child Development Center or visit, call (313) 533-7828.

Innovative product

MasterCraft of Redford is celebrating a modern and innovative product - Cor-o-fect. A low odor coating, multi-color seamless wallcoating that is both aesthetically pleasing in appearance and ruggedly durable. It can be used as either a soft background or a decorative focal point, depending on the color selected and its location. Cor-o-fect is VOC compliant, odorless, and mildew resistant with a class A fire rating.

MasterCraft is located at 26927 W. Eight Mile Road, (800) 390-6351.

Supplier of Year

Standard Die and Fabricating, Inc. a metal stamping company in Livonia, has earned the G.E. Plastics 1997 Supplier of the Year award. Sponsored by General Electric in Pittsfield, MA, the award recognizes the commitment made by Standard Die to meet or exceed G.E. expectations in the area of cost, quality, delivery, customer satisfaction through a Six Sigma quality program.

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Dr. Simone is a graduate of the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. Prior to her Family Practice residency she completed 1 year of Internal Medicine. Dr. Simone is Board Certified from the American Board of Osteopathic Family Physicians. She is a member of the American Medical Association, American Osteopathic Association, and the Michigan Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Simone has been awarded the distinction of Who's Who in Medicine and Health Care, and Who's Who in America.

Dr. Simone's practice encompasses all areas of medicine with a special interest in women's health care. Dr. Simone's new office is located at New Horizon's Medical Center, P.C. in Livonia on Merriman Road just North of 7 Mile Road.

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Doctors Manber, Hrozencik, Valentini & Caron welcome Kathy Kise, a nurse practitioner who graduated from the University of Michigan. Kathy specializes in parent/child nursing and is certified in women's health.

The office continues to accept new patients for Obstetrics & Gynecology care with hospital privileges at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, University of Michigan & Chelsea Community Hospital.

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BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings and other key personnel moves within the suburban business community. Send information to: Business Professionals, Observer Business Page, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

"We selected downtown Walled Lake, because there seemed to be a need for an Ameritech distributor in the neighborhood," said Patty Gillissie.

CPA certification

Scott Koll of Canton, a CPA with Koll & Company (Business Valuation Specialists) has successfully completed certification process with the National Association of Certified Valuation Analyst (NACVA) to earn his designation of Certified Valuation Analyst.

Koll & Company have offices in Canton, 2200 Canton Center Road, Suite 160, and Troy.

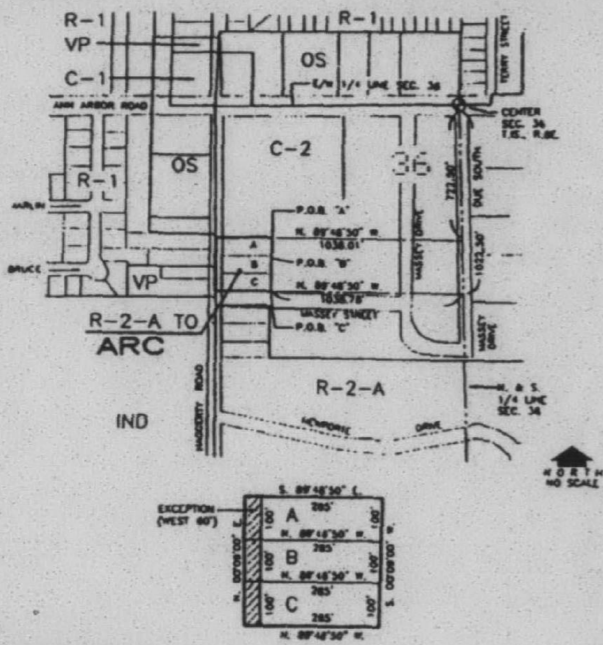
Sisters open franchise

Sisters Patty and Michelle Gillissie of Canton have opened a Pagetec franchise in downtown Walled Lake. Patty Gillissie has owned and operated a Pagetec store in Canton for five years. She saw an opportunity to expand her operations by going into partnership with her sister Michelle and was attracted by the high growth in Walled Lake.

PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 83.90

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP THE TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Zoning Ordinance No. 83 of the Plymouth Charter Township, is hereby amended by amending the Zoning Map, by changing those areas indicated on the Amended Zoning Map No. 97, attached hereto, and made part of this Ordinance.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PARCEL "A" (Tax I.D. #78-065-99-0017)

Situated in the Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan That part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 36, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, described as beginning at a point distant due South along the North and South 1/4 Section Line 722.50 feet and North 89 degrees, 48 minutes, 50 seconds West 1038.01 feet from the center 1/4 corner of section 36 and proceeding thence South 0 degrees, 09 minutes West 100 feet; thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 60 seconds West 286 feet to the center line of Haggerty Road; thence North 0 degrees 09 minutes East along the center line of Haggerty Road 100 feet; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 60 seconds East 285 feet to point of beginning except the West 60 feet thereof taken for highway purposes.

PARCEL "B" (Tax I.D. #78-065-99-0018)

Commencing at the center corner of Section 36, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, running thence South along North and South quarter line of said section a distance of 722.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 50 seconds West 1038.01 feet; thence South 0 degrees 9 minutes 0 seconds West 100.0 feet for point of beginning; thence continuing South 0 degrees 9 minutes 0 seconds West 100.0 feet; thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 60 seconds West 285.0 feet to center line of Haggerty Highway; thence North 0 degrees 9 minutes 0 seconds East along said center line 100.0 feet; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 60 seconds East 285.0 feet to the point of beginning, excepting the West 60 feet thereof. Subject to the rights of the public or any governmental unit in any part thereof taken, used or deeded for street, road, or highway purposes.

PARCEL "C" (Tax I.D. #78-065-99-0019)

In the Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at the center corner of Section 36, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, running thence South along the North and South 1/4 line of said section, a distance of 1022.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 48 minutes 50 seconds West 1036.78 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 48 minutes 50 seconds West 285.00 feet; to the center line of Haggerty Highway; thence North 0 degrees 09 minutes 00 seconds East along said center line 100.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 50 seconds East 285.00 feet; thence South 0 degrees 09 minutes 00 seconds West 100.00 feet to the point of beginning, excepting West 60 feet which is to be used for highway purposes.

ORDINANCE NO. 83.90 AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 97 PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Part II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.
Part III. EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on November 28, 1997.
Part IV. ADOPTION. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of Charter Township of Plymouth by authority of Act 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 194900, at a meeting duly called and held on the 28th day of October, 1997, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on October 28, 1997 Effective Date November 28, 1997

Publish: November 2, 1997

WAYNE BUSINESS Finance

Business-related calendar items are welcome from the Observer area and should be sent to Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

MON, NOV. 3

AUTOFACIT '97 GALA
A fundraising event for Partners-in-Education that are instrumental in the progression of technical education: Center for Creative Studies; Focus: HOPE; Henry Ford Academy of Manufacturing Arts & Sciences; Society of Manufacturing Engineers Education Foundation. The event will be from 7-9 p.m. at Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn. Call (313) 459-4540 for ticket information.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS MINGLE
All working women are invited to attend the "First Impression Network Mingle" sponsored by the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) at 6-8 p.m. at the Wyndham Gardens Hotel, 42100 Crescent Blvd. in Novi. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served. cost is \$10 per person, with proceeds to benefit the scholarship and education fund. No reservations are necessary. For further information call Nancy Butka at (313) 525-7390.

SUBURBAN WEST BPW
Suburban West BPW will meet for a social hour at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. with Sarah Chairamonte, who will provide party planning tips

for the holidays. Sarah shows us how to add sparkle to any event at the Holiday Inn - Livonia, N. Laurel Park near I-275 and Six Mile. For further details call Eunice Taylor, 254-9617.

TUE, NOV. 4

WBO MEETING
The meeting of the Women Business Owners of Southeastern Michigan will feature Julie L. Dunbar, in a program entitled "Small Business Organization: The Importance of Choice of Entity for the Start-up Company." She will focus on personal liability, taxes and the burdens of management with regard to owner's choice of business entity and will also present information on the changes to the tax code resulting from the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997. The meeting takes place on the first floor of the 777 Building on Eisenhower at State Street in Ann Arbor. Business Mixer begins at 6:30 p.m. The program follows from 7-8:30 p.m. The fee is \$10 for nonmembers and free for members. Reservations are required. To make a reservation or for more information on WBO, contact WBO President Monica Milla at (313) 332-0770 or through our web site at <http://www.wbo.org>.

WED, NOV. 5

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L
BNI's regular meeting is from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Laurel Park

BUSINESS CALENDAR

Chapter, Richards Restaurant, Plymouth Road & Newburgh. For more information call the regional office at (313) 844-3432.

CHANGING ENVIRONMENT
"Recognizing and Adapting to a changing environment. Honda's strategy for dealing with the ever-changing automotive environment will be presented by Desar Penaherrera, VP of Purchasing for Honda of American Manufacturing. The meeting will begin at 5 p.m. with a cocktail reception, followed by dinner and the presentation at the Novi Hilton Hotel, 21111 Haggerty Road (near 8 Mile and I-275). Call Meeting Coordinators at (248) 643-6590.

COMPANY LEVEL BENCHMARKING
Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center will sponsor a seminar on Company-Level Data & Benchmarking from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, Nov. 5 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Participants will learn internal controls and measurements required by QS-9000, and how to set up systems and measure results. Also learn how to benchmark your company against other companies of your size or type of parts you manufacture. The cost is \$105. Call Barbara Bartolatz at 1-800-292-4484 ext. 4165.

FRI, NOV. 7

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L
BNI's regular meeting is from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Livonia Chapter, meets at the Senate Koney Island, on Plymouth Road near Stark. For more information call the regional office at (313) 844-3432.

MON, NOV. 10

SMALL BUSINESS FORUM
Congresswoman Lynn Rivers along with U-M Business School, Business and Industrial Assistance Division will host a Small Business Forum from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Morris Lawrence Building, located on Washtenaw Community College campus. This event is targeted to technical, manufacturing, service and other types of business. The forum is open to any interested individual. Rep. Rivers ask that you pre-register for the event by calling Rivers' district office at 741-4210. However, those wishing to register at the event may do so.

NOV. 10-15

LAND ROVER GRAND OPENING
Join Land Rover of Farmington Hills for a weeks worth of celebrating with a different event each day. Located at 38200 Grand River, this is the largest

Land Rover Centre in Michigan with a full service department and an on site test track. Food, fund and entertainment include Equestrian Day (Monday); Fly Fishing demonstrations (Tuesday); 1998 Model Introduction (Wednesday); Hunting...Right in Our Showroom (Thursday); Camping for Everyone (Friday); and It's Wild...Bring the Kids (Friday). Highlights of the daily events include full size African Lions, Siberian tigers and other exotic animals (Nov. 15); rock climbing, outdoor gear demos and outfitting for camping and kayaking (Nov. 14); introduction of the all new 1998 Land Rover vehicles including the new Discovery LSE and the beautiful Range Rover. For more information call (248) 474-9900.

TUE, NOV. 11

RUNNING BUSINESS EFFICIENTLY
You may have a successful business, but are you running it efficiently? Learn how to improve your business performance by making use of technology. This class will cover how to analyze and evaluate your present organizational structure, plan and implement necessary changes, improve internal communications and personal administration. Scott Koll, CPA will facilitate the seminar. The class will be from 7-9 p.m. at the Summit on the Park, in Canton, in the Professional Development Center. To register, call, (313) 397-5110.

GENERAL ASQ MEETING
The American Society for Quality will meet at the Sterling Inn, Van Dyke & 15 Mile Road in Sterling Hgts., from 5:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ronald Atkinson will discuss "Statistical Compliance - It's Not as Bad as it Looks." He is a member of the Quality Statistical Resource Staff at GM Truck Group, of Pontiac. For more information fax inquiries to (248) 352-2142.

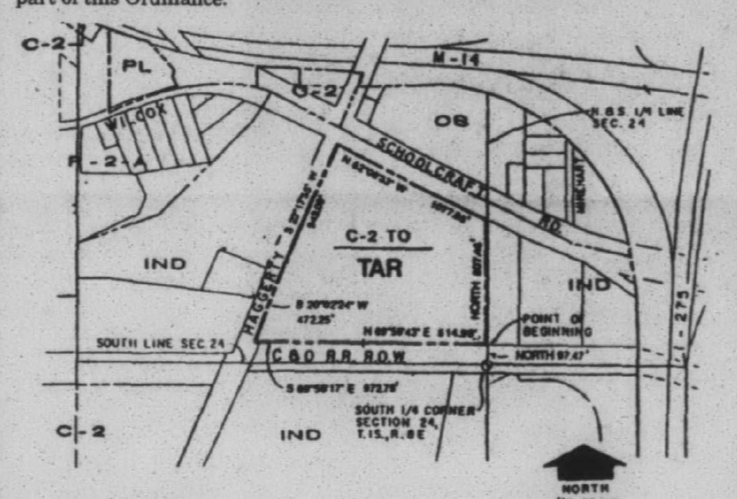
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PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 83.89

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP. THE TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Zoning Ordinance No. 83 of the Plymouth Charter Township, is hereby amended by amending the Zoning Map, by changing those areas indicated on the Amended Zoning Map No. 94, attached hereto, and made part of this Ordinance.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION: TAX I.D. #78-023-99-0030-000
Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 24, T1S, R8E, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point along the East line of said Southwest 1/4 which is North, 97.47 feet from the South 1/4 corner of said Section 24; thence from said point of beginning continuing North along said East line, 007.46 feet; thence N 62°08'33" W, along the Southerly right-of-way line of Schoolcraft Road (so-called), 1077.05 feet; thence S 23°17'55" W, along the Easterly continuing along said Easterly right-of-way line, S 20°02'24" W, 472.25 feet; thence S 89°59'17" E, along the Northerly right-of-way line of the original centerline of the main track) 972.79 feet; thence continuing along said Northerly right-of-way line N 89°59'43" E, 514.99 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 31.51 gross and net acres.

ORDINANCE NO. 83.89 AMENDED ZONING MAP NO.94 PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Part II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.
Part III. EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on November 28, 1997.
Part IV. ADOPTION. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of Charter Township of Plymouth by authority of Act 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1949, at a meeting duly called and held on the 28th day of October 1997, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

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LINDA ANN CHOMIN

'Torn Veils' uncovers two worlds

Vampires fascinate Irena Nagler. In fact, the multi-media production "Torn Veils" Nagler is producing began with a photographic session where models were used to suggest a communion between worlds, spiritual and earthly.

The avant garde production with photography by Michael Guzman, a former Plymouth resident, Ron DeMartini of Pittsfield and Joseph Page, Ann Arbor, questions what's real and what's not Thursday, Nov. 6, at The Gypsy Cafe in Ann Arbor.

Torn Veils

What: An exhibition of photography and a multi-media event spotlighting dance, music performances, choreographed poetry, and the screening of two artistic video programs. Admission is free. Those attending are encouraged to come in costume. For more information, call (313) 996-2405.

When: 6 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Nov. 6.

Where: The Gypsy Cafe, 214 North Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor. Call (313) 994-3940.

Transcend worlds to experience the overlapping of times, places and dimensions presented in "Torn Veils." A series of dances, music performances, choreographed poetry and the screening of two artistic videos promises to leave the viewer wondering.

"It was originally intended as an interpretation of vampire legends,"

said Nagler. "Since age 12, something has intrigued me about vampires. They're always presented in a negative light. Now with Ann Rice's books and the movie "Interview with a Vampire" it's being romanticized. Do they exist? The reality of the vampire might not be in this world, but the reality may be, anything is possible. They may exist in another time or world, or perhaps just on the dream level."

Imagery in the photographs may suggest shamans or priestly figures whose work it is to travel and mediate between worlds. "Torn Veils" itself is actually a meeting of two worlds. The project was initiated by the models who collaborated with the photographers to craft the images. Some of the photos were taken in a cemetery. Several of these photographs were later altered by Nagler using ink, paint, colored pencil and crayon.

"We experimented with different films and types of lighting," said DeMartini. "What I tried to show was a sad but inescapable life that had been handed to vampires."

On a livelier note, Matthew Rosen and Ajit Acharya will begin the evening's performances with music of India and dances by Katherine Marineau. Ara Topouzian, a Bloomfield Hills producer of recorded Middle Eastern music, follows on the 75-string kanun, a laptop harp, with Armenian-inspired music.

"I will play ancient Armenian troubadour music mixed with improvisation," said Topouzian. "It's a rare opportunity to hear this music in Michigan although it's very popular in Los Angeles and on the East Coast."

Aziza will then take to the stage

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Which-craft: Michael Guzman, a former Plymouth resident, uses the medium of photography to transcend worlds which overlap times, places and dimensions.



In relief: Redford sculptor Sergio De Giusti, one of six artists invited to exhibit in ArtShare '97 at the Southfield Town Center Friday, Nov. 7, is donating a portion of the proceeds from sales of his work to benefit abused children and families in crises.

Artists express art of sharing for children

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Looking for art that's easy on the wallet? ArtShare '97 offers a variety of ways to dress up your bare walls with an exhibition, sale and auction of fine art Friday, Nov. 7, at the Southfield Town Center.

The gala evening, hosted by Huel Perkins of WJBK Fox 2, will benefit the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center's programs for abused children and families in crisis. The sixth annual event (with music by Alexander Zonjic & Friends) is made possible by the Ford Motor Co.

"It's a great opportunity to buy wonderful art at reasonable prices and to help severely abused children at the same time," said event chairwoman Judy Rossman of Commerce Township.

"It's also a wonderful way to support the artists in the community," added co-chair Gaye Miller of Farmington Hills. "That's where the name ArtShare came from. It's a sharing by the artists with children."

Sergio De Giusti of Redford, one of six artists invited to exhibit at ArtShare '97, priced his relief and free-standing sculpture lower than usual to raise as much money as possible for the nonprofit Farmington Hills facility. Wall relief usually priced at \$400 by the Italian born sculptor is a steal at \$150.

De Giusti, a former Wayne State University professor and curator of the 40th anniversary retrospective for the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, has commissions permanently installed in locations ranging from the Church of San Vito in Maniago, Italy, to the State of Michigan Library and Archives Building in Lansing and the Drug Enforcement Administration Building in Detroit.

"Because I'm a real believer and I'm here to help, I think it's important to generate income for the center," said De Giusti. "I believe in what they do. It's one of the great



Designing Woman: Joanne Blau Bellet of West Bloomfield created this one of a kind silk jacket especially for ArtShare's live auction to benefit the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center in Farmington Hills.

ArtShare '97

What: A gala evening including an exhibit, sale and auction of fine art to benefit the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center's programs for abused children and families in crisis. Hosted by Huel Perkins of WJBK Fox 2, the event features music by Alexander Zonjic & Friends, hors d'oeuvres by Cravings Catering and wine by Outback Steakhouse.

When: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7.
Where: In the garden atrium of the Southfield Town Center's Tower 2000 at Ten Mile Road, Evergreen and the Lodge (U.S. 10) service drive, Southfield.
Tickets: \$50 per person. \$200 includes two tickets and pre-event mingle with artists and celebrities at 6 p.m. Benefactor \$300 includes four tickets and pre-event mingle. Call (248) 626-7527, Ext. 3115.

places in terms of helping others. What they do is really a work of charity."

De Giusti will talk about art 9:45 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 2. His comments will be aired live on WJBK Fox 2.

Surface design artist Joanne Blau Bellet of West Bloomfield will appear with De Giusti wearing a jacket she created especially for the auction. This is the fourth year Bellet will show her one-of-a-kind silk dresses, jackets, scarves, purses, hats, and neck ties at ArtShare. Bellet colors only enough material for one garment making them truly unique.

"It's really an honor to be invited to do this because it's such a wonderful organization," said Bellet, an instructor at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association. "I was a psychologist for Troy Schools 12 years and now teach at Athens High School in Troy so I've certainly seen children who need services provided by St. Vincent's. I know the wonderful work they do."

In addition to donating one work to the auction, the artists will donate 25 percent of their sales to the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center. Art chairperson Paulette White is excited about all of the works the event will offer for decorating homes, offices, and even yourself.

■ pottery by John Albert Murphy, a Redford resident and ceramics professor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia

■ glass blown by Frederick Birkhill of Pinckney

■ tiles and vessels by David Ellison, former Pewabic Pottery production manager for projects including the People Mover art. Ellison's commissions include a fireplace for actor Richard Dreyfuss, handmade tiles for commercial use in Brazil and Australia, and planters for Cranbrook Gardens and the University of Michigan's Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann

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JCC books authors for annual fair

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

A photograph in Leonard Garment's superb memoir "Crazy Rhythm" gives a clue to what unusual turns life can sometimes take.

At the far left is the young Garment, future Wall Street attorney and counsel and adviser to Richard Nixon, blowing intently into a saxophone. And on the far right, filling out the sax section, is an equally young Alan Greenspan,

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Jewish Book Fair Featured Speakers

Saturday, Nov. 8

• Michael Bloomberg, "Bloomberg on Bloomberg," 8 p.m. West Bloomfield Center, 6600 W. Maple

Sunday, Nov. 9

• Sarah Lamstein, "Annie's Shabbat," 11 a.m. Oak Park Center, 10 Mile near Greenfield
• Local author day, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oak Park
• 11 a.m. George Cantor, "Tigers of '68," West Bloomfield
• 1:30 p.m. Yosef Abramowitz, "Jewish Family & Life," West Bloomfield
• 1:30 p.m. Sarah Lamstein, West Bloomfield
• 2 p.m. George Cantor, Oak Park
• 3 p.m. Joan Nathan, "Jewish Holiday Baker," West Bloomfield
• 4 p.m. Philip Caplan, "The Puzzle of the 613 Commandments and Why Bother," Oak Park
• 6:30 p.m. Joshua Heinkin, "Swimming Across the Hudson," West Bloomfield
• 7 p.m. Neil Gilman, "Death of Death," Oak Park

Monday, Nov. 10

• 10 a.m. Jeff Zaslow, "Talk of Fame," West Bloomfield
• 1 p.m. Frieda Furman, "Facing the Mirror," West Bloomfield
• 3 p.m. Allen Hoffman, "Big League Dreams," Oak Park
• 6:30 p.m. Gil Mann, "How to Get More Out of Being Jewish Even If," West Bloomfield
• 8 p.m. Brad Meltzer, "The Tenth Justice," West Bloomfield

Tuesday, Nov. 11

• 10 a.m. Judith Leventhal, "Small Miracles," West Bloomfield
• 1 p.m. Elizabeth Ehrlich, "Miriam's Kitchen: A Memoir," West Bloomfield
• 1 p.m. Jonathan Kaufman, "A Hole in the Heart of the World," Oak Park
• 6:30 p.m. Jonathan Kaufman, West Bloomfield
• 8 p.m. Judith Leventhal, Oak Park
• 8 p.m. Frank Meisler, "On the Vistula Facing East," West Bloomfield

Wednesday, Nov. 12

• 10 a.m. Miriam Winter, "Trains: A Memoir of a Hidden Childhood During and After World War II," West Bloomfield
• 12 p.m. Mitch Albon, "Tuesdays With Morrie," West Bloomfield
• 1 p.m. Miriam Winter, Oak Park
• 3 p.m. Susan Berrin, "A Heart of Wisdom," West Bloomfield
• 6:30 p.m. Aryeh Lev Stollman, "The Far Euphrates," West Bloomfield
• 8 p.m. Allen Bodner, "When Boxing Was a Jewish Sport," West Bloomfield

Thursday, Nov. 13

• 1 p.m. Eilyn Bache, "The Activists Daughter," West Bloomfield
• 1 p.m. Allen Bodner, Oak Park
• 6:30 p.m. Leonard Garment, "Crazy Rhythm," West Bloomfield
• 8 p.m. Pete Hamill, "Snow in August," West Bloomfield
• 8 p.m. Gary Graff, "Essential Blues Guide," Oak Park

Sunday, Nov. 15

• 11 a.m. Rabbi Twerski, "Do Unto Others," West Bloomfield
• 1 p.m. Helen Epstein, "Where She Came From," West Bloomfield
• 2 p.m. Faye Stilton, "Heroes, Hooks and Heirlooms," West Bloomfield
• 2 p.m. Rachel Musieah, "Shared Blessings," Oak Park
• 3 p.m. Gabrielle Glaser, "Strangers to the Tribe," West Bloomfield
• 4:30 p.m. Edith Covensky, "Jerusalem Poems," Oak Park
• 6:30 p.m. Deborah Teluskin, "Master of Dreams," West Bloomfield
• 8 p.m. Beiva Plain, "Homecoming," West Bloomfield

All book events are free. Alan King will entertain book club participants 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, in West Bloomfield. Admission to his show is \$20 for Jewish Community Center members and \$25 for non-members. For information, call the Community Center (248) 661-7648.

EXHIBITION

Creative Ford designers show 'better ideas'

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Ford Motor Co. clay modeler Chuck Jones shapes cars of the future in Fiberglass, casting resin and, of course, clay in a group show in the Alfred Berkowitz Gallery. Could one of the models on display be the two-seater Thunderbird, Ford plans to introduce in 2001?

If you've ever wondered what automotive designers do in their spare time, stop by the University of Michigan-Dearborn to see the exhibition where Ford designers and modelers reveal a multitude of talents in painting, sculpture, wood carving and visionary fashion. As expected, acrylics and bronzes spotlight futuristic and vintage

Ford Corporate Design: Art After Hours

What: An exhibition celebrating the art works of 15 Ford Motor Company artists working in a variety of mediums.
When: Through Saturday, Nov. 15. Call the library for current hours (313) 593-5400.
Where: Alfred Berkowitz Gallery, third floor of Mardigian Library, University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn.

vehicles. The surprise lies in the stainless steel tie, wildlife paintings, and carvings that fool the eye into believing the objects are actual baseball gloves and golf shoes, not wood.

Nearly all of the works, including those generated on computer, hint of automotive design with its free and

flowing lines.

Located in Dearborn, Ford Corporate Design (formerly known as the Design Center) is where the designs for vehicles of the future are born such as Ford's two-seater Thunderbird, set to debut after the year 2000.

These artists live and work in the future. This is where clay modelers and designers start with concept sketches (90 percent of which are computer generated) and eventually build feasibility models. So it's only natural the art works reflect their day jobs.

"At the reception just listening to people's comments, people were surprised at the creativity and the type of

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Caribbean color: Dennis Moses captures women around the world in a series of photographs on display in the Alfred Berkowitz Gallery. The Bloomfield Hills resident uses color and line to create vibrant compositions.

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with a Middle Eastern dance. Nagler improvises next with her own version of sword dancing during a choreographed poetry reading set to the recorded music of Ann Arbor composer Suvonne Baker and Kudsi Erguner. April Kaileen and Gaewinn will read award-winning Detroit poet Donald Howard's work as well as poetry by Phil Rogers and Nagler. The videos "Dream On" and "Vampire: Angel and Predator" will be shown at 11:30 p.m. Due to language content in one of the videos, children under age 13 will not be allowed to view it.

"Dream On" produced and directed by Madalena Vaudum, is a challenge to the "thought police" who threaten the multidimensionally aware mind. The vampire video, written and directed by John Matthews and April Hilger-Hampton is a visual poem to the phenomenon.

"Torn Veils is about universal loves," said Hilger-Hampton, "Torn Veils" co-producer and a former Canton resident. Hilger-Hampton has a degree in composition from the University of

Michigan School of Music and publishes her work under the name Suvonne Baker.

"Torn Veils is a movement in itself, on the avant edge philosophically embracing anything from extraterrestrial beings to angels to ghosts to animals to creatures from other dimensions," said Hilger-Hampton. "It reaches out to love the alien and foreign both in this world and in other worlds."

Out of this world

Nagler chose the date of the performance to coincide as close as possible with Halloween and Nov. 5 of the old Celtic calendar.

"That's when the Days of the Dead are celebrated," said Nagler. "Our Halloween is actually the mid-point of autumn when the Celts welcomed their dead ancestors with a celebration."

Halloween grew out of man's earliest traditions more than 2,000 years ago, especially the ancient Druid pagan festivals during which Celtic tribes communed with spirits of the ances-

tral dead and offered them sweets. To avert malicious spirits, the Celts would hide themselves in ghoulish disguises so that the wandering spirits would mistake them for one of their own. Halloween's American roots can be traced to the Irish immigration of the 1840s and their celebration of All Soul's Eve.

Those attending "Torn Veils" are encouraged to come in costume.

"Torn veils is intended to dissolve barriers between worlds," said Nagler. "It deals with your fear of what's different in an atmosphere that's a little magical. Just as any artist, I wanted to express what I felt about overcoming these boundaries. For me, art is a necessity not a luxury. It's like food. We have an art deprived culture."

Linda Ann Chomin is an arts reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. If you have an interesting idea for a story involving the visual or performing arts, call her at (313) 953-2145.

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future chairman of the Federal Reserve.

"He was a good, reliable section musician," said Garment, with the true condescension of a jazz man. "He also attended to our books, payroll, withholding tax."

Garment will be one of the headliners for the 46th Annual Jewish Community Center Book Fair, Nov. 8-16, with events at the center on Maple just west of Drake in West Bloomfield and its branch in Oak Park on 10 Mile near Greenfield (see schedule). The fair will feature national headliners and local authors.

"We don't pay any of the writers," said Berl Falbaum, of Farmington Hills Faulbaum & Associates, who is handling publicity for the fair. "They think this is worthwhile."

Headliners in addition to Garment include financial expert Michael Bloomberg, who will open the fair on Saturday, Nov. 8; Pete Hamill, former editor of the New York Daily News; novelist Belva Plain; comedian Alan King; and two Detroit newspaper columnists who have written books, Mitch Albom and George Cantor.

"The books have to either be by a Jewish author or have Jewish content and published in the past year," Falbaum said.

The fair was founded by Irwin Shaw, then director of the Jewish Center, and was only 2 1/2 days long its first year. This year it features more than 3,000 titles over an eight day period.

Falbaum expects the turnout to exceed last year's 20,000 participants.

"They keep coming. This is one of the best book fairs in the country," Falbaum said.

in the 1940s. But he soon realized he would never compare with the Charlie Parkers and Dizzy Gillespies that were coming along.

However, Garment was quick to say, "I haven't given up music," and faxed an article from the Capital Style magazine about sitting in at the Washington One Step Down jazz club to prove it.

"I do it whenever I get a chance. Musically when I play depends on the kindness of strangers."

Garment's constant stream of good-natured quips come from his youthful days on MacDougal Street in the Village hanging out with Neil Simon, Woody Allen, Carl Reiner and Mel Brooks.

When he got serious, he went to law school, landed in a solid Wall Street firm and met Richard Nixon. It is Garment's careful consideration of his former boss and political mentor that give his memoir special appeal. Garment grinds no axes but gives a clear-eyed, well-rounded account of Watergate and the mysterious man who was president. He resists those who charge Nixon with being anti-Semitic.

"Golda Meir described Nixon as the best friend Israel ever had," Garment said.

Garment was introduced to a new world by Nixon. As a liberal voice in the administration, along with Daniel Patrick Moynihan, now a New York senator, he helped balance the influence of the young firebrand conservative Patrick Buchanan and others. He acted as a liaison to Israel, helped settle the Indian disturbances at Alcatraz and Wounded Knee, helped clarify the work of the National Endowment for the Arts and, finally, served as Watergate counsel.

"When I met him (Nixon) I spent a couple hours with him and he was easy and open. I felt more at ease with him than with the partners I had known for years and here was this Anti-Christ of liberalism. I realize that we were two outsiders who worked on the inside to achieve our goals," Garment said. "He was treated as a lumpen, coarse by liberals. And that cycle of hatred was always churning away."

He said in the end it was hard to have a final take on Nixon, but that young historians would make the call. He said one young man he met has written an essay calling Nixon the model of the President for the next century because of his intelligence and his ability to draw together diverse groups.

On other issues Garment has strong views:

On his Michigan friend Max Fisher: "He was working with Gov. Romney when Romney bunted into a double play in early 1968 and Nixon was the one, the only one left standing. Max became an important part of the organization, fund raising, specifically with the domestic Jewish community and as a message carrier to Israel... in the old days there were many community leaders that performed as such."

On the special prosecutor: "Awful, endless, the result of the Ethics in Government Act and one of the post Watergate sequels and it has become a tool for the out party to drive the in party a little crazy and it makes it difficult to function in the way politics requires, with a little bit of elbow room."

On the Endowment for the Arts: "The legislation that created the National Arts Endowment was to recognize the elite nature of the fine arts. But political demands and that kind of leveling would destroy the essential nature of the arts, which is elite rather than the mishmash of the lowest common denominator."

Leonard Garment will speak 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, at the West Bloomfield Center.

Marilyn Rowens

A spritely stick figure with curly hair and glasses helps Livonia's Marilyn Rowens put her philosophy of life into perspective.

For 22 years, she has been turning out tiny booklets featuring her delightful stick figures in numerous situations with short captions commenting on life's ups and downs. The most recent self-published booklet is "Finally... On-Line!"

"I learned from Shakespeare that brevity is the soul of wisdom," she said. "Everytime I expressed something it was with a caption."

She began by turning out her cartoons for the Birmingham Temple newsletter once a month. These eventually led to the first of several booklets, which have been used as fund-raisers for the Institute for Secular Humanist Judaism.

"I've been involved with creative dramatics and was creative dramatics director at the temple for 20 years," she said. "I've worked with children and philosophy students. I became very involved in expressing philosophy in short captions."

Her dramatics included a 15-year stint with a group WEDO, Women Employed in Dramatic Outreach, that offered a moderate response to feminist ideas beginning in 1978.

She admits the curly-headed figure is her alter ego.

"Whatever the crisis is the stick figure is able to come up with a caption that is healing, soothing and presents the ability to smile through adversity. It's a healing tool," she said.

She calls it cartoon therapy.

Rowens and other area writers will meet with the public 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9 at the Janice Charach Epstein Gallery at the West Bloomfield Center.

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Arbor. Ellison, of St. Clair Shores, is the featured artist.

weavings by Urban R. Jupena, art advisor for ArtShare, will warm any room from contemporary to traditional. The Pinckney resident is an art professor and chairman of the crafts department at Wayne State University.

A silent auction featuring tiles and vessels from Pewabic Pottery will benefit both organizations. Founded in 1903 by Mary Chase Perry Stratton and Horace J. Caulkins, the nonprofit Pewabic is a studio for the design and production of custom architectural tile and vessels as well as an educational center for the advancement of the ceramic arts.

New this year are exhibits by students from Southfield Lathrup High School and Detroit Public Schools, and African American artists Carole Harris, an internationally known quilt artist; Karmen Brown, dolls; Sheryl and Henry Heading, jew-

elry and painting; and a collection of art by African artists represented by Dana Cunningham of West Bloomfield which includes embroidered and batik wall hangings depicting the culture and life of the Yoruba people, reverse applique on coarsely woven white cotton, and Adire quilts from the traditional cloth of the Yoruba people (hand-dyed indigo).

"We wanted to get African American artists involved and students," said White. "What better way to keep the event going into the future than to invite students to exhibit. It gives them the opportunity to learn about showing their work but also about giving as it relates to art and how they can give to the community. It's children helping children. Students will donate one work to the silent auction and have one to sell."

There will also be jewelry from the Bag Lady in Hamtramck and from the Art Loft in Birmingham.

Sponsored by the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center, on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills, serves orphaned, abandoned and high-risk children and families. In 1996, the facility was a refuge for more than 100 children removed from their homes because of severe abuse.

"It amazes me the people who live and work in the area who have no idea of what the center is about," said Miller. "Some people think it's a home for unwed mother. They don't think of it as an orphanage."

ArtShare and the Garden Party in June are the center's two major fund-raisers. Last year, ArtShare raised \$36,000 to provide help for severely abused children, foster care for special needs children, an adoption program for special needs children, and services for young women who are pregnant or parenting in an effort to prevent child abuse and neglect. This year's budget of \$7 million dollars will help protect, care and support more than 1,000 infants, youth, mothers, and fathers in crisis.

"We hope people come so that they can get involved with a program like the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center, so they can feel the beauty of giving," said White. "Last year that permeated the air. I had friends come who weren't art lovers but they were music and jazz lovers and loved Alexander Zonjic. They enjoyed the ambience of the event. It was very friendly."

Leonard Garment

When searching for a title for his highly praised memoir, Leonard Garment, 73, was told he should choose a jazz tune and "Crazy Rhythm" came immediately to mind.

Garment's fully packed life has indeed been a crazy rhythm, from middle class Jewish boyhood in Brooklyn to jazz musician to Wall Street lawyer to presidential advisor and legal counsel during the Watergate scandal (or as he calls it "the Watergate mess").

A major theme is that Garment has been an outsider during much of his life - a white musician playing with the great black jazz masters, a Jew in the world of WASP Wall Street law, a moderately liberal Democrat in the Nixon entourage.

Garment joked, "I couldn't stand crowds."

Then he added, "Even as a kid I enjoyed looking at things, taking it all in, these dramas really are dramas when you're on the outside."

Garment's first love was jazz. He started by playing clarinet and then gravitated toward saxophone. He played with some of the best as a young man, including a very brief stint with Woody Herman, and he loved the "wild" bohemian life of a jazz musician



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BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Community orchestras based in Livonia and Plymouth will perform a kaleidoscope of concerts next weekend with selections ranging from opera to a "Carnival of the Animals." If you're a love of classical music, there's surely something on these programs for you.

In its second concert of the 1997-98 season, the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra takes the stage at Detroit Orchestra Hall with three baritones: Pablo Elvira of the Metropolitan Opera, and Quinto Milito and Dino Valle of the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9.

Tickets are \$20, \$15 and \$10 and available by calling (313) 451-2112. There is no difference in price for senior citizens and children's tickets.

An Afterglow to meet the artists will be held at the Roman Village Cucina Italiana, 9924 Dix in Dearborn. The cost is \$15 per person.

The three baritones will sing selections from the "Barber of Seville," "La Traviata" and "Carmen." Bayanist Peter Soave will also perform.

"Because it seems the higher voices have always been the featured ones, we decided to spot-

light the three baritones," said Dino Valle. "Pablo is one of the foremost baritones now. He's a star and a legend. He's been with the MET 20 years."

Elvira joined the Met more than 20 years ago. He has also

appeared with the Michigan Opera Theatre in numerous productions including "Tosca," "Rigoletto" and "The Barber of Seville." Last season, Elvira opened the new Detroit Opera House with a cast starring Luciano Pavarotti.

Valle, founder of the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, made his debut as "Conte Monterone" in the Michigan Opera Theatre production of "Rigoletto" by Verdi. He studied voice and music with Elio Gennari at Detroit Institute of Musical Arts, Madonna University and Indiana University

School of Music, where he attended opera workshops and master classes with Martha Lipton, Virginia Zeani and Metropolitan Opera coach Joan Dorneman.

Milito, a graduate of the G. Rossini Conservatory of Music in Pesaro, Italy, debuted at the Spoleto Festival in Italy under the direction of the late Thomas Schippers. Since then he sang in Europe and throughout the U.S. Milito is artistic director for Friends of the Opera of Michigan. He received the Enrico Caruso Medal Award, one of the highest awards given by the Enrico Caruso Museo in Milan, Italy in 1995.

Soave, a native of Detroit, is an internationally acclaimed virtuoso of the bayan. According to Soave, the bayan, a member of the accordion family, "is the accordion's classical music counterpart." In October 1996, Soave visited Russia to compete in the 12th International Festival of Bayan and Accordion Music in St. Petersburg. He studied music

under the tutelage of Lana Gore, one of the foremost bayan instructors in the U.S. and a member of the Wayne State University music faculty.

Fun for the family

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra Presents a "Klassical Kaleidoscope" 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 at Churchill High School Auditorium, 8900 Newburgh north of Joy in Livonia.

The opening concert features guest pianists Anna Sorokhtei and Virginia Weckstrom performing Saint-Saen's "Carnival of the Animals." The music of several composers is on the program including Copland's Dance Episodes from "Rodeo" and Shostakovich's "Symphony No. 5."

Tickets are \$12.50 and available at any Ticketmaster or may be purchased at the door. For more information, call the LSO's 24-hour recorded phone line at (313) 421-1111 or (313) 464-2741.

"This is officially the first concert of the season," said Robert Bennett, Livonia Symphony Society president. "The program's an interesting mix of music which opens with modern American composer Copland. In conjunction with the two

pianists playing the 'Carnival of the Animals,' elementary students from Livonia Public Schools are contributing drawings and paintings of animals to be on exhibit."

Ukrainian pianist Anna Sorokhtei debuted as a soloist at the age of nine with the Lviv Philharmonic Orchestra. At age 12 she again performed with the orchestra and her father Volodymyr Schesniuk, its conductor. She attended Lviv Special School for Gifted Children 11 years before attending and graduating from Lviv State Conservatory. She currently teaches piano at Lviv Special School for Gifted Children and frequently performs with the Lviv Philharmonic and other ensembles as a regular player and soloist.

Pianist Virginia Weckstrom, who earned a master's degree from Yale School of Music, served as chair of the piano department at the Neighborhood Music School in New Haven, Connecticut for 12 years.

She taught in the Pedagogy program at the University of Michigan and founded the Ann Arbor School for Performing Arts.

Weckstrom is active in solo and chamber music performances and was heard on National Public Radio with the Wall Street Chamber Players with whom she performed for 10 years. She was pianist harpsichordist for the New Haven Symphony 12 seasons and served on the faculty at the Aspen Music Festival 16 summers.

Last season, she appeared with violinist Kam-Lung Cheng of Gronigen, The Netherlands and was a guest pianist at Strings in the Mountains Festival in Colorado.

She also presented master classes at the Stoliarsky School in Australia. Weckstrom teaches students from the University of Michigan Residential College in her private studio.



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Anna Sorokhtei



Virginia Weckstrom

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work that is being done," said Bowman, a Redford sculptor and the only woman with work in the show. Her figurative sculpture "Sophia Kneeling" captures the lyrical, soft lines of the female anatomy.

"It's pretty exciting to see what artists can bring to the design industry, but it's interesting just to see the creativity that exists in the people who design our cars."

Bowman, after five years as a clay modeler, now works as a color specialist giving direction to suppliers for interiors and exteriors of five of Ford's luxury and large vehicles. By day, she works at Ford to pay the bills because it's nearly impossible for sculptors to make a living by working at their craft. Through the years though, she's always kept a hand in fine art. Earlier this month, Bowman won first place at the 12th annual Richard Kubinski art competition exhibited in the Galeria at Orchard Lake Schools.

"I don't miss the clay modeling because I do it at home," said Bowman. "But I do think clay modeling made me quicker, keeping up with deadlines. I can respond to volumes and judge my proportions faster and more accurately. My eye-hand coordination improved and finishing skills."

Camilo Pardo, a graduate of Center for Creative Studies and Rochester High School, is responsible for aesthetics, shape, form, and functionality of future Ford models. Pardo, who creates in a variety of mediums, shows a stainless steel "Tie," a steel wool vest, and a blue and white oil on canvas titled "Simona."

Art aficionados may remember Pardo as part of the group of artists comprising Propeller Studio. Propeller showed at venues such as the former Xochipilli Gallery in Birmingham, the Detroit Institute of Arts and Industry night club.

"The conceptual fashion is a crossing of fine art and design," said Pardo, whose paintings are on exhibit at Gallery Automania in Rochester. "In all my work I include a sense of humor, exaggeration. They're dynamic in a way. It's a way of communication. It's this I do naturally. There's this pleasure in creating."

Don Falardeau's fondness for the human form comes through in a bronze portraying the pleasures of physical love between a man and woman. The Plymouth resident is a design leader at Ford with 31 years on the job. Today, he works on future programs for Europe, but Falardeau began by drawing chalices for his catechism teacher at Precious Blood in Detroit. His interest in art continued through his days at Cooley High School. In later years, Falardeau took art classes at Center for Creative Studies and Cranbrook Educational Park in Bloomfield Hills. Like many of

the artists, Falardeau is exhibiting his pastel, oil on canvas, and bronzes for the first time.

"Last Friday's opening was exciting," said Falardeau. "This is fun."

Dennis Moses of Bloomfield Hills grew up in New York City. Undaunted by the fact he was born legally blind, Moses after many surgeries and physical therapy was able to see. The Bloomfield Hills resident uses composition and color to create vibrant photographs focused on the traditional "Women of Japan." His position in the Advanced Design Studio gave him the opportunity to live in Japan for a number of years and photograph Geishas as well as the average woman on the street. Moses' "Women of Dance" series goes to Thailand, China and Japan to capture styles ranging from ballet to flamenco. All of the images boast strong shapes and forms, obviously related to his work at Ford.

"As designers, we're fundamentally artists who design with the public in mind for an emotional response but with safety needs first; you always have the intended buyer in mind," said Moses. "What I enjoy most about the photography is using my composition skills to capture what women do around the world. I'm always fascinated with women's occupations and their growth and impact on the world."

A clay modeler working on the Explorer for 2001, Al Sanson carves mountain lions, rattle

snakes, birds, and polar bears. Give him a block of wood and Sanson will whittle it into a pair of well-worn golf shoes or baseball cleats. Bet you'll never know for sure whether the grass under the shoes is wood or not. Detail like this requires hours of the Dearborn carver's time. So why does he do it?

"It's the satisfaction of accomplishment," said Sanson. "Each is a challenge to me."

This is the debut exhibit for the new gallery designed by the Birmingham firm Victor Saroki & Associates on the third floor of the Mardigian Library. Kenneth

Gross, director of The Art Museum Project at the university, chose the theme as a way to reveal the range of creative energy and technical skills of Ford designers.

"We're interested in doing another exhibit like this next year but also to bring the artists to our campus with additional programs," said Gross. "The exhibit's very appealing and proves art communicates without language. These people love materials; they love tools."

The variety of media and subject matter in the show seems endless.

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TRAVEL

Blustery Irish weather doesn't deter area golfers

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

The winds whipped off the Atlantic Ocean at 40 to 50 miles an hour and the rain changed from misty fall to torrential downpour.

But that didn't stop the intrepid golfers from Oakland County who had come in mid September to challenge Ireland's legendary Ballybunion golf course. After all, a little foul weather was to be expected on the Emerald Isle.

"The caddy said in Ireland you experience all four seasons during a round of golf," said Frank Scheckell of Birmingham.

And golf Irish style was the primary reason for this trip, though seeing the ancient sights and enjoying Irish hospitality were also part of the deal.

Terry Page of Bloomfield Hills said he got the bug about doing the trip from Bud Erickson, who has been active on the local golf scene for many years and organized the U.S. Open at Oakland Hills in 1985. Page, an Oakland Hills member, contacted his friend and travel agent Vivian Paesano of Bloomfield Hills to make the arrangements.

"The thing Vivian did on this trip was to balance between playing golf and seeing Ireland. It was nicely balanced," Page

said. "Golf addicts could play a lot of golf. You had the option of playing as much golf as you wanted."

Others agreed that Vivian Paesano, who works at Gateway Travel in Southfield, did a good job of creating an interesting mix of activities as the group of 22 made their way through southern Ireland (with a side trip to northern County Down). And she went with the group to make sure everything came out right.

"I love doing the groups," Paesano said.

She arranged that group members would have a choice of playing eight, five or three rounds of golf on a mix of traditional Irish links style courses (unmanicured courses that use natural terrain) and parkland courses.

"Bud Erickson helped with the golf courses," Paesano said. "He has traveled in Ireland in the past and did a lot for us in picking courses. The majority of the people who went were good golfers. They knew what to expect with links courses, but the challenge was more than they had read about."

The golfers were greeted by foul weather and fair, sometimes all in one day. Nasty weather started at Lahinch and continued to get worse at Ballybunion.

"I like to golf, but I'm not real good. I found I'm a parkland

course kind of girl," said Margaret Scheckell. She and others opted to forgo the pleasures of playing golf in hurricane force winds. But most of the men played through.

"We had pouring rain, rain off the ocean, you could put a hat on and still get wet because it was blowing in sideways," said Page about Ballybunion. "But everyone was teasing off. You play in the natural conditions."

Even in less severe weather, the links courses can be "punishing," Page said at Royal County Down he "worked his tail off" to shoot a 94 and when he came back to Oakland Hills he breezed to a 79.

The links contain problems not usually found on American courses.

"You're dealing with heather and gorse and not many trees. Gorse is like a prickly bush. If you hit your ball into it, you might see the ball but you can't get to it," Page said.

Nancy and Jeff Peck of West Bloomfield liked the idea of combining golf with sightseeing.

"We went because it was going to be a golf and sightseeing trip," said Nancy. "We had been to Scotland two years ago, and my husband golfed but hadn't been able to do any sightseeing. It was fabulous and the courses were absolutely beautiful, though the weather was somewhat hindering."

Jeff Peck said he thought the Irish courses were more "interesting" than the Scottish courses.

"Some courses were like what we'd have here but top notch. Others were ocean courses that would rival Pebble Beach. They're real tough courses, courses where it's better to have a caddy. There was lots of wind on both the Atlantic and Irish Sea sides."

Everyone commented on the warmth of the Irish people and their eagerness to accommodate tourists.

Paesano said tourism is the No. 1 industry in Ireland and the country has made a concerted effort to create hotels and restaurants that provide quality service.



Pub fare: Sampling the simple cuisine and fine beer of an Irish pub are, left to right around the table, Carl and Bev Haas, Sheryl and Tim McConaghy, Mickie and Bud Erickson, Ann and Doug Povenz and Roe and Dick Gromacki.



Links course: Oakland County golfers take on Ireland's famous Ballybunion golf course, a natural links course cut through heather covered meadow.

"They knew they had to do something about the food," Paesano said. "In the restaurants they serve gourmet food and in the pubs they serve pub grub. Rack of lamb in the restaurants and lamb stew in the pubs. And the beer, the Guinness was flowing and the Irish whiskey."

She said it used to be that the dreamers stayed in Ireland and doers left, but now the doers are staying and most of the population is under 30.

"They wanted to impress you with how happy they were to have you in the country," Paesano said.

Group members made note. "They were so nice, courteous and polite. I never saw a bad attitude. They bent over backwards to be helpful," said Nancy Peck.

Margaret Scheckell said she'd go back in a heartbeat.

"We found we belong there, especially me," she said. "It's absolutely beautiful and friend-

ly." Even the cities won approval. "Dublin is beautiful, clean and, though there are signs 'ladies mind your purses,' we never felt anything but safe," Scheckell said.

The group stayed in a variety of accommodations from the quaint Kilarney Park Hotel to the Kinkora Lodge inland at Killoe to the Davenport Hotel in Dublin. They did the usual tourist things, as well, including kissing the Blarney Stone, visit-

ing other castles, going to Trinity College and taking in a cabaret show at Dublin's Jury's Hotel.

But it is probably the golf that will draw the Oakland County group back.

"You'd go back because there is so much more to see. If you're a golfer, so many more courses you want to play," said Page.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Madonna's No. 1

Actually, it comes as no surprise. Madonna University's soccer team clinched the No. 1 seed in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference playoffs weeks ago.

All that needed to be sorted out was, who else would be in the playoffs, and who would be playing who.

Now that's taken care of, too. The Fighting Crusaders will host the four-team tournament, starting next Wednesday. Madonna will meet Siena Heights at 2 p.m. at Schoolcraft College.

The winner of that match advances to the conference final against the winner of Wednesday's other WHAC semifinal, Tri-State-vs.-Cornerstone.

Should Madonna advance, it would host the WHAC final at 2 p.m. Saturday at Riley Middle School in Livonia (Five Mile, east of Merriman).

The WHAC champion will qualify for the six-team NAIA Great Lakes Regional, at a site and time to be determined. The regional tournament includes four conference champs plus the top-ranked independent team in the region, and one at-large team.

Young Rocks 2nd

It seems Plymouth Salem's girls cross country future is looking good.

And not just because Alyson Flohr, a freshman for the Rocks, qualified for Saturday's Class A state final.

Last Tuesday, the Rocks sent a team to the Lakeland Freshman-Sophomore Invitational, one of 13 schools to do so.

And the Salem squad came in second, scoring 81 points to 73 by winner Novi. Milford was third with 92.

Running first among the Rocks was Rachael Moraitis, who finished sixth in 21:41. Next best for Salem was Rachel Jones, 14th (22:14), followed by Shae Potocki, 16th (22:15); Miranda White, 22nd (22:28); Lisa Jasnowski, 23rd (22:30); and Aisha Chappell, 42nd (23:38).

Fun run/walk

The first annual Wayne County Light Fest eight kilometer fun run/walk will take place Tuesday, Nov. 18, beginning at 6 p.m. in Hines Park. Proceeds will benefit Friends of Wayne County Parks and The American Heart Association. For information, call (313) 261-1990.

The race will start at the Merriman Hollow picnic area, which is located at Merriman Road and Hines Drive, between Ann Arbor Trail and Warren Avenue in Westland. Race check-in begins at 4:30 p.m.

Cash prizes of \$100 will be awarded first place winners in the male overall, female overall and handicap overall categories. The first 500 contestants to enter will receive the official t-shirt of the race. There will be a raffle and post race food.

Tickets purchased on or before Nov. 7 are priced at \$14, \$8 for high school students or younger. Tickets purchased after Nov. 7 are \$16, \$10 for high school or younger.

Collegiate notes

Several Wayne County residents are leaving their mark on the Western Michigan University women's soccer team, which is 9-7-1 overall and 4-2-1 in the Mid-American Conference enter its regular season finale St. Joseph's (Ind.) before meeting Eastern Michigan Nov. 7 in the MAC tourney in DeKalb, Ill.

Sophomore midfielder **Kerri Verardi** (Livonia Churchill) is tied for second on the team with four goals and nine points. Second-year forward **Angie Pandoff** (Livonia Stevenson) ranks second in assists and recently set a school-record for consecutive starts (35) prior to suffering a season-ending knee injury on Oct. 19.

Backup goalkeeper **Liz Gunn** (Livonia Ladywood) is competing in her third varsity sport at WMU (volleyball and tennis), owning a 3-2 record with a 1.57 goals-against average in 457 minutes of action.

Defenders **Shawn Chipelewski** (Garden City) and **Amber Rebeau** (Plymouth Salem) have been part of five shutouts.

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On the job: Canton's Kristin Mayer wards off Harrison's Mahogany Fletcher. The Chiefs' overall balance was the difference.

Conference champs! Chiefs hold off Harrison for title

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Farmington Harrison coach Pete Mantyla marveled at what Plymouth Canton's girls basketball team has accomplished this season.

"To go through this league without getting beat, Canton had an unbelievable year," Mantyla said after the Chiefs had passed their final test Thursday with a 38-33 win over his Hawks.

The road victory enabled Canton to finish 11-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association and capture the regular-season championship outright.

Harrison finishes third behind Plymouth Salem with a 9-2 record.

"(The Chiefs) don't have a dominant Division I player, but they have some very good players who've been around a long time and they're well coached," Mantyla added. "(Canton coach Bob) Blohm is as good as they get."

Canton won this game as it does most with good execution and solid defense. It's always a team game for the Chiefs, and their scoring reflected that.

Janell Twietmeyer came off the bench to hit five of six free throws (the Chiefs were 14-of-18 overall) and lead Canton with nine points.

Melissa Marzolf and Nkechi Okwumabua scored eight points apiece, Kristin Lukasik seven, Kristin Mayer four and Elise Thornell two.

After the Chiefs (14-3) fought off a fourth-quarter rally that had the Hawks within a point, 34-33, Blohm called it "one of the truly great victories for Canton basketball."

"We did something people didn't think we could do. We weren't ranked very highly, and we were probably picked to finish third or fourth in the league."

"But these kids are very competitive and hard working. It got tough out there, and they hung in."

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Salem nudges past Canton

BY NEAL ZIPSER
STAFF WRITER

On a gloomy, muddy Halloween night, things appeared frightful for Plymouth Salem.

The Rocks' four-year football winning streak against their cross-creek rivals was in jeopardy. Trailing 7-3, Salem was faced with 94 yards to drive to keep its streak alive.

Twelve plays and four minutes later, the Rocks took the lead for good when senior Tony Bernhardt drilled an 11-yard completion to sophomore Andy Kocoloski.

The scoring pass gave Salem a 10-7 victory and its fifth-straight Sandmann-Cummings Classic title at CEP.

"This feels great," said Bernhardt, who came off the bench to engineer Salem's second-half comeback. "This is a big game for both teams and we both played hard tonight. I knew we could go 94 yards because I have all the confidence in the world in my teammates."

Salem finished the year 6-3, while the Chiefs completed a dismal 1-8 season.

"Again we ended up better than a lot of people thought we would," Salem coach Tom Moshimer said. "What you have to take into consideration is heart, and this team has played hard all year."

"This team suffered some injuries throughout the year but they hung together. This wasn't a great team, but a damn good one."

The heart that Moshimer talked about was displayed in the fourth quarter.

A punt by Canton's Eric Frazer was downed at the Salem 6. Two plays later, the Rocks faced a third-and-13 at the 3. But out of the shadows of the goal posts, Bernhardt hit a diving Jeff McKian at the 20. Canton was also flagged for roughing the quarterback.

"If I said that I wasn't worried, I'd be lying through my teeth," Moshimer said. "We just wanted to keep the down box moving and we were able to get some big plays."

Bernhardt completed passes of 11 and 16 yards to Kocoloski and Alan Hodge, respectively, and received another first down after the Chiefs were called for pass interference.

With 1:27 remaining, Bernhardt then made the winning toss to Kocoloski. Rob Zdrodowski made it



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Snared: Salem's Jeff McKian (with ball) latched onto this pass before Canton's Jason Carson could knock it away. In the Rocks' game-winning drive, McKian made a pivotal reception.

10-7 with the point after.

The Chiefs still had 1:27 remaining to move the ball, but committed a critical mistake on the ensuing kickoff when the kick went out-of-bounds after touching Canton's Clinton Harris at the 5-yard line. Canton failed to move the ball and the Rocks took over on downs.

"We were in good position, but when you allow a team to go 95 yards in three minutes it's very frustrating," Canton coach Bob Khoenle said.

Bernhardt, who has battled various injuries all season, made Moshimer look like a genius. The Salem coach inserted the senior into the line-up to begin the second half, despite Matt Fair completing all three of his first-half passes for 31 yards.

"Matt has been doing a great job for us, but Tony is a senior and I felt he deserved the chance," Moshimer said. "Tony definitely answered the challenge tonight."

Bernhardt completed seven-of-12 passes for 79 yards in the second half.

Salem held the advantage in total offense, 273-189 yards. The Rocks pounded out 163 yards on the ground, led by Eric Peterson (18 carries for 62 yards) and Charlie Schmidt (seven carries for 46 yards).

Frazer had an excellent first half for the Chiefs, completing four-of-five passes for 98 yards, but completed only one-of-six passes for five yards in the second half.

Frazer, who played his last game as a Chief, got Canton off to a quick start. In the first drive of the game, the Chiefs marched 75 yards in 12 plays and took a 7-0 lead on a 1-yard run up the middle by Nick Allen (13 carries for 72 yards). Matt Marcos added the extra point.

On the scoring drive, Frazer completed passes of 26 yards and 37 yards to Brian Musser.

The Rocks countered by putting together a nice 15-play drive, sparked by a 19-yard run by Jason Lukasik. The drive stalled, however, and Salem settled for a 23-yard field goal by Zdrodowski.

The Rocks later moved the ball but Canton's Phil Greenfell pounced on a Fair fumble to halt the scoring threat.

"You have to give Canton credit," Moshimer said. "They played with great emotion and did a great job con-

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Rocks gain region crown

BY C.J. RISAK
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It doesn't get any easier. Not at this time of year.

If Plymouth Salem had any doubts about that before Saturday's Division I regional soccer final against Monroe, at Salem, it doesn't any longer.

Oh, the Rocks prevailed — by a 3-0 count. But at no time could this be considered a runaway.

The victory puts Salem into the state semifinals against the winner of the Grand Haven-Portage Northern regional. The semifinal will be played at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Mehall Field in Jackson.

The Division I state final is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Bloomfield Hills Andover HS.

The difference between Saturday's opponents? Salem had more overall talent than Monroe, but

the Trojans knew the task that confronted them — and they played like it. Monroe certainly started the game with more fire.

But by the second half, the main difference between the two was easy to spot — a determined leader named Brett Konley.

The senior forward's name has been mentioned often as a contender for the state's coveted player of the year award. Against Monroe, he showed he deserved it.

After a scoreless opening half in which Konley narrowly missed scoring twice, first on a save by Monroe keeper Ben Starr and a second that banged off the crossbar, he asserted himself quickly. Brent Mullin, who also played brilliantly, took a pass from Giuseppe Ianni down the sideline and crossed it into the box.

Where Konley waited. He outmaneuvered two defenders and

knocked it in for a 1-0 lead just 1:06 into the half.

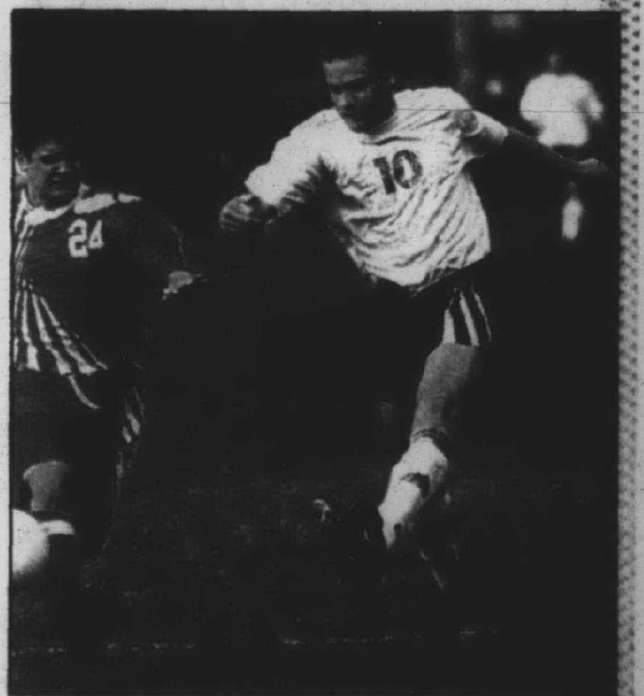
The issue, however, wasn't decided until Mullin sent a pass to Rishi Sinha in the right corner, and Sinha centered it to Andy Power for the goal with 6:15 left.

The final Salem marker was the best — a long pass from Scott Duhl to Konley, who somehow outmuscled three Monroe defenders and looped a shot into the right corner of the net.

"We were a little concerned at halftime," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy, his No. 1-ranked Rocks now 18-0-3. "But only because it was 0-0. We had a lot of opportunities, we just didn't cash in on them."

"The only difference in the second half was, we did."

One win: that's all that separates Salem from the state final.



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Goal-producer: Salem's Brett Konley (10) knows how to find the net — he did twice in a 3-0 win over Monroe.

Defense jump-starts Salem in Spartan thrashing

Good bet the Plymouth Salem girls basketball players start their day with donuts or a round-shaped cereal.

They love their zeroes, those Rocks girls do.

The Salem girls team has developed a habit of posting scoreless quarters in their recent basketball games.

They did it again Thursday night, holding Livonia Stevenson without a point in the first quarter while scoring 11 themselves en route to a 40-26 Western Lakes Activities Association victory.

Stevenson won the middle two periods, 20-18, but couldn't overcome the job Salem's zero heroes did defensively in the opening quarter.

The Rocks mixed a scoreless quarter into their loss to Plymouth Canton, came out against Westland John Glenn and threw up a zero in one period and

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missed a shutout quarter in their last start by one bucket. That's three scoreless periods in four games.

"Teams are holding the ball on us," Coach Fred Thomann of Salem said. "But they're kind of slowing themselves down."

"At the same time, we're maximizing our scoring opportunities. Obviously, the first quarter was the key to the game."

You have to be organized, have an idea of what to do and execute properly to beat Salem, the Rocks are so balanced and disciplined.

"Getting down, 11-0, to one of the

state's top-ranked teams is not the way to start out," Stevenson coach Wayne Henry said. "But it was not that we were playing poorly."

"As their scoring kept drifting up, I was telling the girls on the bench, 'You're playing a real good ballgame.'"

"It wasn't like we were playing horrible defense. We did a nice job of throwing the ball around. We just didn't make the shots."

"The girls were doing what they were supposed to do. They did a nice job defensively the whole game. We just didn't have a good shooting night."

Christine Phillips scored nine points for Salem to share scoring leadership honors with Tiffany Grubaugh and also had seven rebounds. Grubaugh added four rebounds and two assists to her point total.

Amanda Abraham and Andrea Pruett each put up eight points for the Rocks. Abraham had seven steals, six rebounds and six assists while Pruett had seven rebounds and four blocked shots.

"Once we got through the first quarter, it was just a matter of staying on top of the game," Thomann said. "And I thought we did a great job of that."

Carolyn Courtwright paced the Spartans with eight points, Lindsay Guskic scored seven and Stephanie Dulz had five.

"One of the nice things we did was doing a decent job on the defensive boards," Henry said. Cassie Ehlandt had nine rebounds, Dulz seven and Becky Smith five.

"It was a closer game than the score indicated," Henry said. "With less than

a minute left in the third quarter it was 25-20. They scored two baskets right near end of quarter to bounce it back up to nine points."

"Then I think we made a three at the start of the fourth to cut it back to six again. But I compliment the Salem girls. They did what they had to do to win the game."

Stevenson slipped to a 10-6 record overall, 5-7 in the WLAA while Salem topped its season's mark to 14-2 with a 10-1 league slate.

"We've had a wonderful season so far," Thomann said. "I think we have a lot of good games out there in front of us, too."

"We're looking forward to the opportunity to compete against some of the better teams in the area."

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trolling the ball and getting the big play.

"I was surprised we weren't able to move the ball in the first half because I thought our offense gelled last week. But I think Canton's emotion had a lot to do with it."

While the Rocks will celebrate their season, which included

losses to playoff contenders Walled Lake Central, Westland John Glenn and Belleville, the Chiefs will quickly look forward and forget about 1997.

"We played against four state-ranked teams and were in there against the other teams," Khoenle said. "I think we have a good group coming back but they have

to learn how to finish games and put teams away.

"It was a long year but we did the best with what we had. We didn't have a lot of speed, a game-breaking threat or a great quarterback, but we did our best."



Hammerin' away: Canton's Brian Musser (with ball) punches through the Salem line, picking up some tough yards during Friday's game. The Chiefs plowed through their Rock rivals for a touchdown on their opening drive of the game, but that's as good as it got for them. Canton did not score another point and was limited to a total of just 189 yards in offense. Salem didn't fare much better, but a fourth-quarter touchdown drive made winners of the Rocks.

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there. We persevered and I'm very proud of them."

Amy Roble and Mahogany Fletcher accounted for nearly all of Harrison's points. Roble scored 16 and Fletcher 12. Ari Ault's three with 1:56 remaining pulled the Hawks within a point; Cassie Jemison added a deuce.

"Offensively, Mahogany and Amy carried us," Mantyla said, "but other players took big shots, too. I think we were a big play or two away from winning the game. We executed well to get shots we considered good shots."

"Canton is a great defensive team, and you're not going to get easy shots against them. You have to work hard; I thought we did and had our opportunities."

Lukasik scored all of her points in the first six minutes of the game, and they helped a slow-starting Canton team find its feet in the early going.

Her two triples and a free throw fueled an 11-0 run to end the first quarter and put the Chiefs in front, 11-5. Canton extended its lead to 19-11 at halftime.

Though the Chiefs committed 12 of their 20 turnovers in the first half, Harrison's game-long pressure wasn't as great a factor as the Hawks would have liked.

Canton was forced to hurry a bit but beat the pressure with its execution and was never out of sync.

"Blohm's teams are always good pass-and-catch teams," Mantyla said. "They play with poise and composure."

"Where we got in trouble was in the half court, attacking their scrambling zone," Blohm said. "They have a lot of quickness on that team. Those kids fly around and make it hard to play against them."

The Chiefs led by as many as 11 points early in the third quar-

ter — a huge margin in a low-scoring contest — but Fletcher scored the last six points for Harrison to narrow the gap to five at the end, 26-21.

Canton seemed to have a fairly safe lead midway in the finale, 34-27, but Roble made three of four free throws and the Chiefs turned the ball over on consecutive possessions. Then Ault banked in her three to put the outcome in doubt.

The Chiefs committed a third straight turnover, but the Hawks misfired on their last three shot attempts — two of them threes.

Sandwiched between the Harrison misses were two free throws each by Okwumabua and Twietmeyer that clinched the Canton victory.

"Twietmeyer's free throws are about as big as they get," Blohm said. "The lead goes from three to five points, and now we have a little breathing room."

"I thought we would start holding the ball (when his team had a comfortable lead early in the fourth quarter) and making five or six passes before we looked to shoot it, but they came back; they closed too much."

"I thought we had to keep playing and see what happens. I didn't want the kids to back off; I wanted them to keep playing and attacking."

Canton was 11-of-28 from the floor, Harrison 11-of-40. Each team made two threes. The Hawks (13-4) sank nine of 12 free throws.

"We have a terrific group of kids who have improved a lot," Blohm said. "It was just a great victory for a great group of kids. We have seven seniors on this team, and we're happy to be division and conference champions."

"I'm also proud of Pete's kids. They came at us. Pete has

worked hard to improve girls basketball in Farmington, and they're worthy of being conference champions, too."

"The girls understand it's a big accomplishment to win seven in a row and have a chance to win the league championship," Mantyla said, adding his players are disappointed. "But I think we put ourselves in a position to win game, and things just didn't go our way."

Agape 39, Greater Life 38: Canton Agape Academy avenged its only Metro Christian Conference loss of the season by edging host Pontiac Greater Life Christian Friday.

Margie Henry hit the first of two free throws with 20 seconds left to give Agape its one-point advantage. She missed the second, but teammate Kim Ther rebounded and Agape ran out the clock.

Sara Chrenko led the Wolverines with 13 points, eight rebounds and two steals. Charla Sexton also had 13 points, with seven boards, and Ther finished with six points, eight rebounds, seven steals and four assists.

Agape and Greater Life finish tied for the MCC title at 5-1. Agape is 12-4 overall.

Bishop Foley 49, Ladywood 32: Livonia Ladywood went cold in the third quarter Wednesday as Madison Heights Bishop Foley (14-3) used a 14-4 run to beat the Blazers (6-10) and advance in the Catholic League Central-AA Division playoffs.

Junior guard Margaret Humiecki scored 14 points for the Ventures. Senior center Sarah Poglits scored nine of her team-high 13 points in the first half for the Blazers, who found themselves tied with Foley at intermission, 21-all.

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