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Don't forget: New Morning School will host its 7th annual juried art and fine craft show, "Celebration of the Arts," 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main, Northville. The show will feature an eclectic blend of more than 70 talented artists and craftsman from all over Michigan. Some of the medias include jewelry, fiber arts, pottery, glass and photography and painting.

Student beaten at game

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

A ninth-grade student was beaten by three other students and suffered a punctured eardrum last Thursday during a football game at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

The boy was sitting on a curb at Bartlett and Burgundy, intersecting streets just outside the school grounds, in a subdivision south of the complex at 8 p.m. when three students - two are 16 years old and one is 15 years old - approached him. One of the attackers reportedly accused him of talking behind his back.

"I met with the victim the following morning and he was taken to the doctor later that day," according to Ken Jacobs, Phase III assistant principal.

"He has suffered, according to the parent, a punctured eardrum as a result of the blows that were inflicted," Jacobs added.

There were no weapons involved and there was no retaliation to the attack, according to officials involved in the investigation.

The three attackers will be kept out of school during the school investigation, Jacobs said.

Meanwhile, the police investigation is still under way, according to Canton police Sgt. Eddie Tanner. Police are seeking aggravated assault charges, a two-year misdemeanor.

Four witnesses, interviewed by Canton police, reported that they saw the attackers kick, hit and spit on the victim.

One witness said she heard one of the attackers ask the victim if he

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STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER

Winners: Incumbent Don Dismuke (center) took the top spot in the Plymouth City Commission race Tuesday. Challenger Colleen Pobur (not pictured above) edged out others to take the second seat, while challenger Dave McDonald (left) took the third spot and incumbent Mayor Ron Loiselle (right) came in fourth.

Incumbent, challenger take top 2 spots in race

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Voters opted for incumbent candidates and challengers who worked hardest for support in Tuesday's city commission election.

The top vote-getter was incumbent Don Dismuke, with 798. Newcomer Colleen Pobur finished second with 744 votes.

Finishing third was David McDonald with 735 votes, succeeding in his second run for city commission. These top three finishers earn four-year commission terms.

Finishing fourth and earning a two-year term was Mayor Ron

Loiselle, with 691 votes.

"I'm very excited," said Dismuke. "I worked so hard, I thought that no matter what happened I'd be OK with it," he said.

Observers say Dismuke likely has enough votes to be elected mayor by his fellow commissioners. That vote is scheduled for Monday after the winning candidates are sworn in at 7 p.m. at city hall.

The mayor heads commission meetings and is the leader in setting an agenda of commission projects. Should Dismuke become mayor, it would likely boost the schedule for implementing his total quality management (TQM) future planning strategy.

"I want to solicit all the other commissioners' goals and identify some direction and let's get it going," Dismuke said.

"I feel very well about coming in second," said Pobur after her victory. "I'm confident we're going to have a very cohesive forward-looking commission," she said.

"I'm humbled. It might sound corny but that's exactly the way I felt," said McDonald, on learning of his victory. "I asked for the opportunity to serve, I hope I don't let them down."

Turnout for the election was 1,293 or 17.3 percent of regis-



Victory: Challenger Colleen Pobur stepped past other challengers and incumbent Mayor Ron Loiselle to take the second spot in the race, giving her a four-year term on the commission.

tered voters, an average turnout for a commission election, said City Clerk Linda Langmesser.

Finishing fifth was William Graham, former city finance director, with 636 votes. While his vote totals per precinct topped the fourth fin-

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97 ELECTION RESULTS

PLYMOUTH GENERAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, NOV. 4, 1997
Unofficial vote totals

PLYMOUTH CITY COMMISSION

The top three vote-getters will win four-year terms. The fourth highest will get a two-year term.

- Fred Dilacovo - 83
- Don Dismuke - 798 ✓ (four-year term)
- Bill Graham - 636
- Ron Loiselle - 691 ✓ (two-year term)
- Dave McDonald - 735 ✓ (four-year term)
- Colleen Pobur - 744 ✓ (four-year term)
- Paul Schulz - 140
- John Thomas - 425

Former seaman builds ships on Plymouth shore

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Making model ships is easier than going to sea, but it's still tricky.

Harry Haaxma, 83, served on merchant ships from the late 1930s into the 1940s.

And it's right around this time of year, when the weather turns cool, that Haaxma heads for "The Shipyard" - his downstairs workshop where he builds model ships that recall his Merchant Marine days.

While he eventually made a career as an engineer, Haaxma retained his fascination with the schooners he served on. The Plymouth Township man has built 50-60 model schooners.

While the ships are sometimes built with the help of kits, he fashions rigging and other parts by

hand.

Haaxma's interest in ships was sparked by his father, who served as a chef on the Holland-America cruise line. "When I was a kid I wanted to be a sailor," Haaxma said.

It was when he was about 16 that Haaxma began working on ships.

"You work your ass off. It's just the hard physical labor, the chipping and painting," he said.

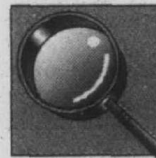
Did novice seamen suffer abuse at the hands of more experienced crewman? "Every minute," Haaxma said. "I had my turn too."

Then again, he didn't suffer the abuse that one new sailor did: "There was a guy who said he wondered if there was any college men aboard, because he was a college

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Speaker series to start in 1998

An economic club will start up in January to bring to the area well-known speakers talking about issues of the day.



BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

A new speaker series debuts in January at Plymouth Manor with Michigan Secretary of State Candice Miller.

The series is presented by the recently formed Tonquish Economic Club. Organizer Bill Joyner of Plymouth Township said the series is patterned after the Canton Economic Club speaker series he founded in 1991.

"There's a real need to bring together people to discuss the vital issues of the day," said Joyner, who stopped running the Canton series in 1995.

ECONOMIC CLUB

"We want to pursue and provide intellectual stimulation while focusing on the communities along the I-275 border and promote the Plymouth community, and thought a speaker series would be a perfect way to do it," Joyner said.

The noon luncheon series opens with Miller Jan. 28. Michigan Supreme Court Justice Conrad Mallett is scheduled for Feb. 18, former Assistant Secretary of Labor Doug Ross in March, and Michigan State Board of Education president Kathleen Straus in April.

University of Michigan Athletic Director Tom Goss is scheduled for May 20, and Florine Mark, president of Weight Watchers, in June.

Seating is limited to 200, and Joyner said 75 seats have already been booked for each event. Cost to join the Tonquish Economic Club is \$25 per year, and the cost to attend the yearlong series is \$140, which includes lunch.

While Joyner is also known as a Democratic Party activist in Republican-dominated Plymouth, he said, "this is clearly a non-partisan bipartisan series. It's only to enhance the intellectual discussion in our community."

Standard Federal Bank is sponsoring the Tonquish Economic Club speaker series. The club is an outgrowth of the nonprofit Tonquish Creek Yacht Club which offers scholarships to students and a citizen of the year award.

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STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Building: Harry Haaxma, 83, a former Merchant Marine builds model ships in "the shipyard" - his basement.

Garden Club's greens sale still in progress

The Plymouth Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association has its greens sale now in progress. Available from the club are wreaths, bows, cedar ropes and mixed greens.

You may play your order by contacting any garden club member or the following: Joann Harrell, 455-4224; Doris Richards, 453-4425; Karen Horton, 207-0563; before Friday, Nov. 7. The delivery date is Nov. 25.

The sale is a major fund-raiser for the organization, which uses the proceeds for civic projects.

The local branch is also participating in the Festival of Trees that benefits Children's Hospital of Michigan.

The event will be Nov. 23-30 in the Riverfront Ballroom of Cobo Hall.

Plymouth Garden Club members are ready to pack the holiday wreath for delivery.

The wreath will be displayed in the Isle of Wreaths at the Festival of Trees. It will be sold to benefit Children's Hospital of Michigan.

The Plymouth Victorian wreath is of white poinsettias, candied fruit, sugar plums, birds and Christmas balls brought together with gold striped bows and draped with gold beading and tassels. The wreath was created by Lisa Lepping.

The festival - "A Celebration of Angels" - offers holiday trees, wreaths, a gingerbread village, festival gift shop, Santaland for the kids and daily



STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARNEGIE

All set: Jill Ginder (from left), president of the Plymouth Garden Club, displays the club's holiday wreath with Aileen LaBret, state extension chairwoman, and Evelyn Erdelyi, club second vice president.

entertainment.

Admission is \$6 adults; \$2 children (12 and younger).

Rezoning creates 31-acre technology-research area

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

A rezoning to allow creation of a 31-acre technology and research district was approved Tuesday by Plymouth Township trustees.

The area, formerly zoned general commercial, is north of Plymouth Road and the CSX railroad tracks, south of Schoolcraft, east of Haggerty Road and west of I-275 near the township's east border.

Asking for the rezoning was Campbell/Manix Inc. Some trustees had questions for the developer and township planners, about the types of high tech and light industrial businesses that would be permitted. That's because the land is near subdivisions.

Township Treasurer Ron Edwards asked if a screw machine shop would be allowed. "I'm concerned about operations 24 hours a day," he said.

At a July 16 public hearing before the township planning commission, the developer sought a more intense use - industrial zoning. Some residents said they were concerned

about a resulting decrease in housing value, heavy truck traffic and generally increased traffic.

The township planning consultants at that hearing recommended technology and research district zoning, saying it was less intense and more compatible with surrounding areas.

In a technology and research zone, heavy industrial production is not allowed, as light production and office operations are encouraged.

With some residents saying they preferred the technology and research zoning, planning commissioners in July put the developer's request on hold.

Planning consultant Sally Hodges told township trustees Tuesday that individual business operations in the 30-acre area would be reviewed by the township planning commission for possible approval.

If business doors are left open at night while industrial operations happen inside, or if there is significant night truck traffic, the planning commis-

Rezoning approved
30.5 acres of land has been rezoned to create a technology and research district



TAMMIE GRAVES/STAFF ARTIST

sion could consider these matters in deciding whether or not to approve an operation.

A representative from Campbell/Manix said there have been inquiries from firms but no signed contracts yet.

Edwards was the lone trustee voting against the rezoning, saying he was still concerned about 24-hour industrial operations in the district.

"I don't think that's the type of facility that should be that close to a residential area. The quality of life goes down," he said.

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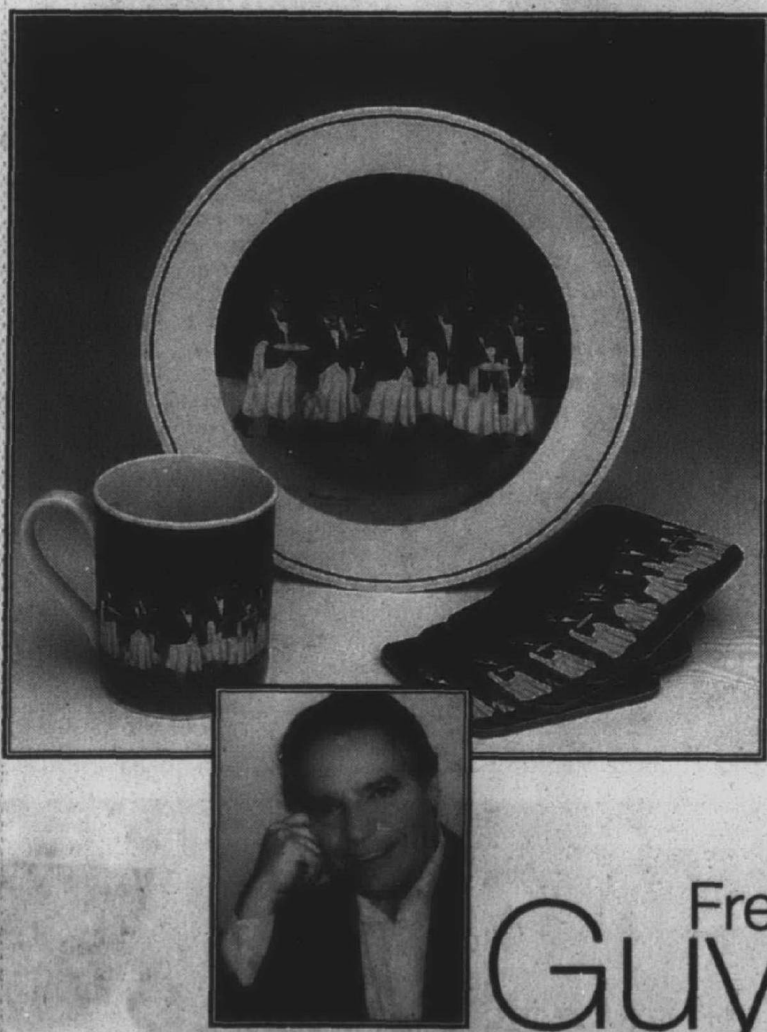
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Cultural experience

She earns recognition from Italian-American community

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Plymouth resident Maria Naurato Stante breathes life into the cultural aspect of the Italian American Club of Livonia, according to the people who work closest to her.

Active in the Italian-American community for 25 years, Naurato Stante is receiving a commemorative award from Boys' Towns of Italy for her exhaustive work in the Italian-American community, during a ceremony tonight at the San Marino Club in Troy.

"She's had a huge impact on the Italian American Club of Livonia," according to Bruno Petrucci, who serves on the Italian American Club of Livonia board of directors.

"She's basically a grassroots person and she has shared her cultural experience with a lot of the club members and their families," Petrucci said, adding that Naurato Stante has spearheaded many cultural programs, like

opera presentations and language classes for the members' children.

"We have 700-some family members and she is truly one of the backbones of the club in terms of adding cultural flavor and bringing the culture to the membership," Petrucci said. "She really is the ethnic part of the club."

Naurato Stante became involved with the Italian community through the Warren Cultural Center in 1976, which was also when she was introduced to the Boys' Town of Italy organization.

In the mid-1980s, Naurato Stante became a member of the Italian American Club of Livonia where she has served on the board of directors and for the last eight years as treasurer. Naurato Stante was also involved in the construction and designing of that building.

Year after year, she worked on the state Columbus Day celebra-

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Bruno Petrucci
—Italian American Club

tion and in 1992, when the world celebrated 500 years of Columbus' discovery, she was named by Gov. John Engler to serve on a commission supervising statewide celebrations.

Livonia is not new to Naurato Stante, who lived in the community for 25 years and raised her children, Antonello and Mario. During that time, she was active in the Livonia PTA. Naurato Stante also has eight grandchildren.

Meanwhile, she found the time

and energy to earn her high school diploma and an associate's degree in business administration.

Naurato Stante opened Stante Excavating in Salem Township in 1973. She owns the company with her sons and nephew, Donato Naurato. In fact, she was the first woman to become a member of the Association of Underground Contractors.

Born in Fossacesia in central Italy, Naurato Stante came to United States in 1962. Today, she lives on Maria Drive in a Plymouth condominium complex that her company built.

She doesn't only use brick and mortar to build, Naurato Stante uses support and energy to help strengthen organizations like Boys' Towns of Italy Inc. The nonprofit orphanage began on a Christmas Eve in 1944 during World War II when homeless children were sleeping in the cold.

In Italy, a dedicated Irish

priest, Monsignor John Patrick Carroll-Abbing, was determined to help the unwanted and abandoned youngsters. Supported largely by contributions from U.S. servicemen, he started the first shelter in a bombed-out villa. This was the first Boys' Town of Italy, a self-governing democratic community for children.

Boys' Town of Italy continues to be a refuge to victimized children from around the world. Its mission is: "Each child is given a chance in life." Headquartered in Rome, there are nine Boys' Towns throughout the country, a Girls' Town and 30 other children's agencies. Contributions are tax-deductible.

A Michigan building was dedicated in 1972 with funds raised by the state organization. Americans in every major U.S. city have continued the support started by the servicemen of World War II, through local chapters. Boys' Town of Italy cul-



Maria Stante

tivates spiritual, cultural and social talents of children, regardless of faith or national origin.

Meanwhile, people like Naurato Stante are working to keep the organization viable.

"She really does so much," Petrucci said in explaining Naurato Stante's contribution to the Italian-American community.

City manager gets 'very good' marks in review

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters earned a "very good" annual review from city commissioners who on Monday gave him a 2.3 percent salary increase plus a \$2,000 bonus.

Commissioners were asked to rate Walters on a one-to-five scale. The overall 3.93 rating he received nearly matches a very good rating category of four.

The review came on the eve of Tuesday's election. Some candidates had maintained Walters needs to give city department heads more say.

Commissioners said the rating, improved from the last review, showed the city manager had listened to earlier commissioner comments.

"I know our city manager has taken some heat," said Commissioner Doug Miller.

Miller said that when he served as mayor in 1993-95, "I had an opportunity to work with a number of other strong mayors and city managers. I can tell you that Steve Walters is held in high esteem by these people," he said, adding, "I think he's got to be in the top 5 percent."

"There was significant improvement," said Mayor Ron Loiselle. "Steve did take to heart areas we talked about."

Categories in which Walters got highest ratings included his work to draft the annual budget, 4.7, representing the city in employee negotiations, 4.5, and representing the city in meetings with citizens and others, 4.1 percent.

His lowest rankings by commissioners still rated above "good." These included assuming overall responsibility for city personnel management, 3.3, and assuring that terms and conditions of contracts are faithfully kept, 3.5.

Commissioners listed Walters'

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Doug Miller
—Outgoing city commissioner

strengths as strong analytical skills, excellent reasoning skills, keen financial mind, strong negotiating skills and consistent quality reporting.

Commissioners listed the city manager's development needs as delegation of work, public relations and employee relations.

Walters' base salary, \$74,217 by the contract expiring July 1 this year, was raised to \$75,924 for the term of the three-year contract approved by commissioners on Monday. That contract expires July 1, 2000.

By the contract, commissioners can dismiss him any time during the term of the contract, and give him six months severance pay.

Commissioners took some time Monday to discuss what sort of pay raise to give. They chose a 2.3 percent base salary increase, as that percentage was the same given to department heads, minus merit increases.

They chose the \$2,000 bonus instead of increasing the 2.3 percent raise and further increasing his base salary.

Commissioner Stella Greene said the next commission should prepare a review of other area city manager salaries before next year's performance review, to better see how Plymouth ranks in paying its city manager.

Toys and childhood memories catch spotlight at museum

In all societies and in all ages play things have served a valuable dual function, first as a means of entertainment, but more importantly to introduce the child to the realities of the world.

The vast majority of children's play things were homemade by mothers, fathers, grandparents. It was not until the coming of the industrial revolution in the 19th century that toys became readily available to a greater number of children.

The Plymouth Historical Museum announces the opening of a new special exhibit of the history of toys and other childhood memories. Included in this special display are antique dolls,

teddy bears, push-and-pull toys, trains, rocking horses and much more.

The museum is at 155 S. Main Street in downtown Plymouth and features a wide variety of family-friendly exhibits and activities including a special "hands-on" area for children, as well as the popular Museum Scavenger Hunt where every child wins a prize.

Hours for the museum are Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 1-4 p.m. and Sunday from 2-5 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students (5-17), children under age 5 are free and there is a family rate of \$5.

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Outgoing commissioners reflect on past challenges

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

In their respective eight years on the Plymouth City Commission, Doug Miller and John Vos helped direct plenty of changes.

Both attended their last commission meetings Monday, as the city charter states commissioners can only serve two consecutive terms.

"When I first came on we really didn't have any infrastructure-type of planning to maintain the water and sewer systems and street repaving and sidewalks," Vos recalled. Such planning was undertaken during his service.

"The other thing was to keep a

viable downtown," he said, as several storefronts were vacant.

Vos said the commission's passage of the streetscape improvement program was needed, despite some opposition. "O" he said.

"I've enjoyed it," said Miller of his commission service. Among successes, he cited the merger of the city and township fire departments, completion of the downtown streetscape program and the positive impact that's had downtown.

Miller also cited the establishment of a permanent home for the arts council, establishment of a historic district downtown, and creating "a funding mechanism

to help build our infrastructure."

To new commissioners, he said, "don't take any of it personally, ask a lot of questions and realize there are going to be lots of divergent opinions — use your best judgment."

Early in his tenure, Vos set up the first meeting with then-Mayor Dennis Bila and former township Supervisor Maurice Breen to discuss joint services. "We went back to our respective commissions, then we had the first-ever meeting of the city commission and trustees."

Despite a recall effort over his support of a measure for the city to maintain Mettetal Airport, Vos said he is glad the airport survived. "If not, it would have been another shopping center

■ They didn't see the benefit to the entire city to keep property values up. If we had a deteriorating downtown the rest of the community goes with it.

John Vos

—Outgoing city commissioner

competing with downtown Plymouth," Vos said.

"It is unique for a community to have an airport," he said, adding he regrets Bila's resignation during controversy over the issue. "He was a fine mayor."

Vos said he would advise new commissioners to attend Michigan Municipal League seminars that prepare them to serve in local government, and to talk to former commissioners and mayors. "Keep the budget under control, keep the tax burden down because we're kind of taxed out," he said.

"I think some of the new commissioners have brought some good ideas. It's good that we're getting some good ideas from some younger residents who want to run."

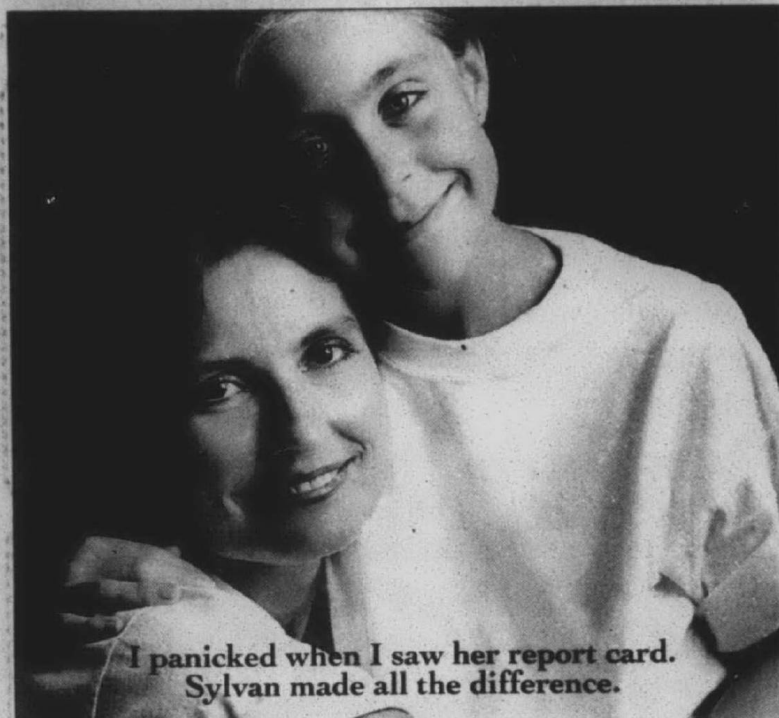
Asked if he'd run for commission again or serve on city boards, Vos said, "There's always the possibility of future involvement. It's not easy running."

"To tell you the truth I always ran hard, that's what you have to do."

Miller said challenges the new commission will face include balancing the quality and quantity of city services against what's available in the city budget. "There are challenges to maintain the uniqueness of Plymouth as things around us continue to grow," he said.

"I had the opportunity to meet and work with some really great people I wouldn't have had the opportunity to do so otherwise," Miller said.

Miller added that while he was looking forward to some free time, after a rest he'd like to continue to serve the city on boards or commissions.



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Road changes

The Michigan Department of Transportation is proposing several road jurisdiction changes. But city commissioners say the changes aren't clear, and they've asked the city manager to ask the state to clarify their proposal.

The state proposes giving up its jurisdiction of Ann Arbor Road and Plymouth Road from Mill Street east. The state proposes taking from the county jurisdiction of Mill Street from Plymouth Road to Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon Road.

City commissioners Monday said they'd like more information on the proposed changes, including what the rationale is. Walters said he'd seek that information and report back to city commissioners.

CPR-first aid course

The Plymouth Community Fire Department conducts an American Red Cross certified course in CPR and first aid 6-10 p.m. Nov. 11, 18 and Dec. 3 in the clerk's building at 42350

Arbor Road.

The fee is \$14.50 for the class, payable on the first night by check and one must attend all three classes to be certified.

Classes are for Plymouth city or township residents. To register or for more information call 453-3840 extension 221.

Church series

Plymouth Baptist Church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, concludes the drama series "Close Encounters of the Best Kind" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 9 with "The Prodigal Son."

Full nursery and preschool care will be provided. For more information call 453-5534.

New park policy

To head off loitering and littering at night at K of C Park at Holbrook and Spring streets in Old Village, the city commission on Monday approved a resolution for the park to be closed from sundown to sunrise daily.

"This has not been a problem at other park locations which are not in commercial areas," said City Manager Steve Walters in a memo to commissioners.

The policy was requested by residents in the area and is supported by the Old Village Development Authority.

New hiring policy

City commissioners on Monday approved a new hiring policy, which seeks to avoid the appearance of nepotism.

The new policy bans the hiring of relatives of the mayor, city manager, city commissioner or any administrative officer or department head.

The decision to create the new policy arose after the wife of Commissioner Joe Koch had become a finalist for a job in the city finance department.

The policy passed 6-1, with Commissioner John Vos voting no. "We're a small city," he said, adding a less restrictive policy had served the city well. "If Commissioner Koch's wife was the best candidate she should have been hired," he said.

Grill hosts 'Toys for Tots'

The Lower Town Grill in conjunction with the Marine Corps Reserve and the Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of American, Chapter 0528, will host a "Toys for Tots" effort noon-8 p.m. Nov. 16.

The event will be at the Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Donations are any unwrapped toy or \$5 per person. Live entertainment, 50-50 raffles and food will be available.

For more information, all the Lower Town Grill, 451-1213.

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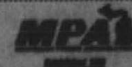
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Senate passes bills to soften state's 'lifer law'

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

There's a little light at the end of the prison tunnel for 220 inmates serving life sentences with no parole for drug dealing.

The state Senate has passed two bills softening the law that provides "death in prison" for those who tried to sell 650 or more grams of a controlled substance. The Oct. 30 vote was 30-6.

Some senators said the bill still is too harsh, and others said it's too weak.

"This law will send a clear message to drug dealers," said the sponsor, Sen. William Van Regenmorter, R-Jenison - "cooperation or permanent incarceration. It's their choice."

The bills go to the House, where adoption is probable.

They modify the 1978 law

under which persons dealing in 650 grams (2.2 pounds) of drugs were sentenced automatically to life behind bars with no hope of parole, and with no judicial discretion allowed. It's the harshest law in the nation and was roundly criticized when teenage "mules" were doomed to "death in prison," in the words of opponents.

How they voted

Area senators voting yes were Bill Bullard Jr., R-Milford, Bob Geake, R-Northville, George Hart, D-Deerborn, Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, Mike Rogers, R-Brighton, John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, and Alma Wheeler Smith, D-Salem.

Opposed were Mike Bouchard, R-Birmingham, Loren Bennett, R-Canton, and Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion.

"As a former police officer," said Bouchard, "I know the percentage for someone actually caught, convicted and sentenced for a crime is extremely low. A first-time offender is more accurately called 'first time convicted.'"

"Secondly, 650 grams is no small quantity. Its street value, depending on the strength, is anywhere from \$65,000 to \$200,000. A first-time 'mule,' meaning a carrier of drugs, is unlikely to be handed that amount unless they are trusted in known quantity to their associates."

Bouchard, who was joined by Bennett and Dunaskiss in the formal protest, quoted an Oakland County assistant prosecutor as saying, "I have not come across anyone who is a low-level player or a mule or a carrier, and I wouldn't characterize any

of the ones from Oakland County as low-level people."

Bouchard said one-third of those 200 serving 650-life sentences were convicted in Oakland.

A third reason Bouchard was opposed is that "it's known in the drug networks how severe Michigan law is." He said prosecutors already have power to negotiate down the charge in return for information from a defendant.

'Marginally better'

Sen. Smith voted for the bills but called them "only marginally better" than the 1978 law. "This bill leaves the prosecutors in charge of the system. They are the accusers, they are the triers, they are the people in control of the sentence."

Prosecutors, Smith said, effectively overrule the judge because it takes a prosecutor's recommendation to reduce a 650-drug dealing sentence to 15 years.

"I recommend the bill to the House for significant improvement," Smith added.

The 30-6 split revealed a significant split within the Senate's Law Enforcement Caucus, headed by Bouchard. Sen. Jon Cisky, R-Saginaw, a former police officer and college professor of law enforcement, said the law was wrong 19 years ago and needs modifying.

"A few years ago, the average sentence served for murder was 14 years," Cisky said. "Many of these people we've convicted for the rest of their natural lives have never been convicted of anything, ever."

Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, won approval of two amendments that will:

■ Send parolees back to prison if they test positive for illegal drug use.

■ Require that parolees charged with a new crime go immediately back to prison; they would lose any chance of parole if convicted of the new charge.

Peters agreed the law needed to be softened because "it was originally designed to put drug kingpins behind bars, yet has affected primarily one-time, non-violent offenders."

Bill's terms

The main bill would: ■ Make a convicted person eligible for parole after 15 years if he or she cooperated with law

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Park Players present 'Brighton Beach Memoirs'

Family: In a scene from "Brighton Beach Memoirs," by the Park Players, Kate comforts Jack after he loses his job, while Eugene, Laurie and Blanche deal with an asthma attack. Kate is played by Diana Riley, Jack by Jim Duggan, Eugene by Phil Boileau, Laurie by Michelle Vanston and Blanche by Amber Law. The Neil Simon play depicts a Jewish family in Brighton Beach, New York, as war breaks out in Europe. The play is believed to reflect Neil Simon's childhood.



The Park Players will present Neil Simon's popular comedy, "Brighton Beach Memoirs," at 8 p.m. Nov. 6, 7 and 8, at the Salem High School Auditorium.

The \$5 tickets are available at the Salem Theater daily 7 a.m.-6 p.m. or at the door on show nights at 7.

"Brighton Beach Memoirs" takes a peek into the lives of the Jerome family, a poor Jewish family in Brighton Beach, New York, in 1937.

The comedy centers on Eugene, 15, who loves the idea of becoming a major league baseball player but knows his true calling is to become a writer.

"What I'm telling you are my secret memoirs...It's called, The Unbelievable, Fantastic and Completely Private Thoughts of I, Eugene Morris Jerome, in this, the fifteenth year of his life, in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-

seven, in the community of Brighton Beach, Borough of Brooklyn, Kings County, City of New York, Empire State of the American Nation," the teen writes.

There is some thought that this play reflects Neil Simon's childhood.

A rather wise 15-year-old, Eugene reacts to problems in his family, including his father's heart condition, his seemingly cold, but devoted mother, his widowed aunt's first date, his crush on a cousin and his love-hate relationship with his older brother.

On top of the usual family problems, his family is faced with the growing torment of the rise of Hitler and what that means to the rest of their family in Germany.

In presenting this comedy, the Park Players were confronted with the challenge of creating a realistic two-story home that looks very lived in and



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Struggles: "You make me sick!" shouts Nora, played by Meg O'Karma, who pushes Stanley, played by Kyle Wardynski I.

the personality of the Jerome family.

The cast includes: Phil Boileau as Eugene; Amber Law as Blanche Morton; Diana Riley as Kate

Jerome; Michelle Vanston as Laurie Morton; Meg O'Karma as Nora Morton; Kyle Wardynski as Stanley Jerome; Jim Duggan as Jack Jerome. Gloria Logan is the director and Paul Bird is the technical director.

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As part of the anniversary celebration, Beyer's will have a contest focusing on their famous "drug jar."

For 10 years they have been saving out-of-date prescription medication, of every shape and color, in a large antique apothecary jar. Throughout November the store invites customers, old and new, to guess the number of pills in the jar. The true count will be announced Dec. 6 and the closest guess will win \$1,000 cash.

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The 8-kilometer Run/Walk will take place in Hines Park at the Merriman Hollow Picnic Area, Merriman Road and Hines Drive, between Ann Arbor Trail and Warren Avenue in Westland. Race check-in

begins at 4:30 p.m.

All proceeds from this event will benefit the Friends of Wayne County Parks and the American Heart Association.

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. 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.

Entry and ticket information may be obtained by phoning (313) 261-1990.

County budget

Beard wants to expand services here

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County Commission Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, hopes the new \$1.81 billion county budget can expand on services for western Wayne County residents.

But Beard doesn't know

whether the county can cut the millage for residents from 7.929 to 7.679 mills as proposed by Commissioners Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, and Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia. That proposal was sent to the commission's Ways and Means Committee. Commissioners approved 7.929 mills along with the budget last

Thursday.

"That kind of thing has been looked at before," Beard said. "That's something that needs a lot more discussion. There's have been a lot of cutbacks from programs that used to be provided by the state and the feds."

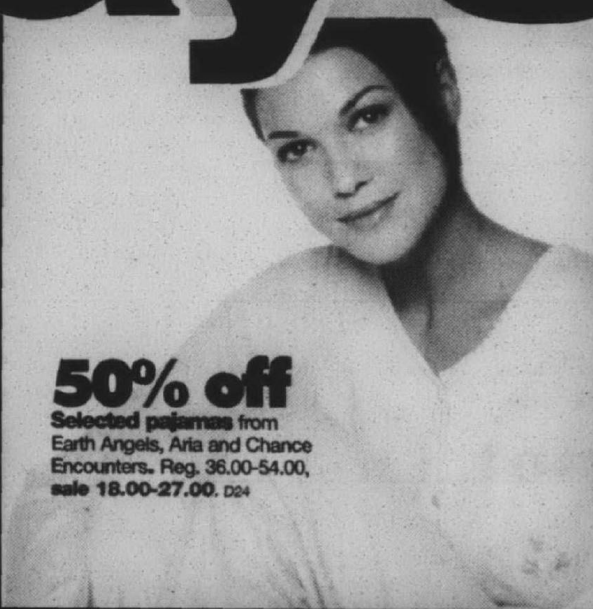
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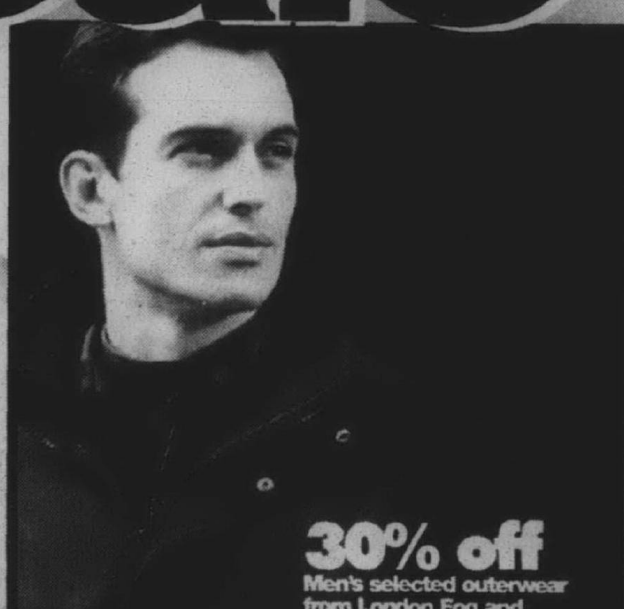
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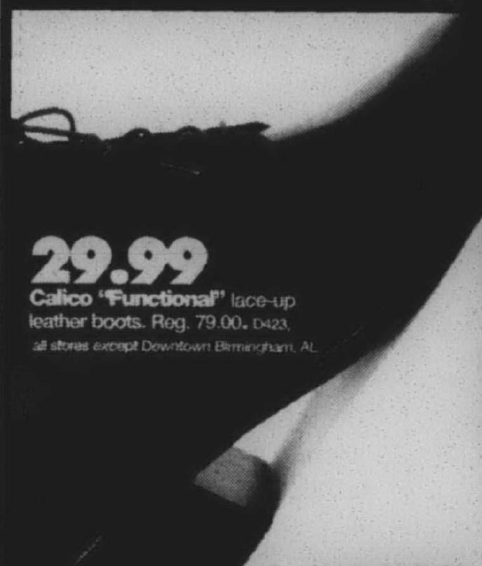
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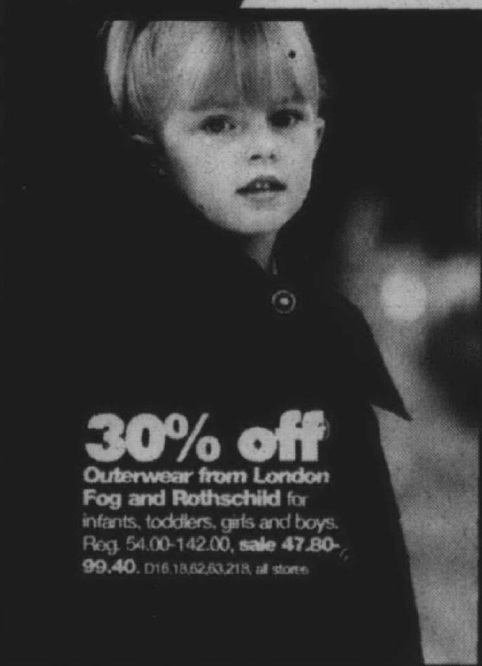
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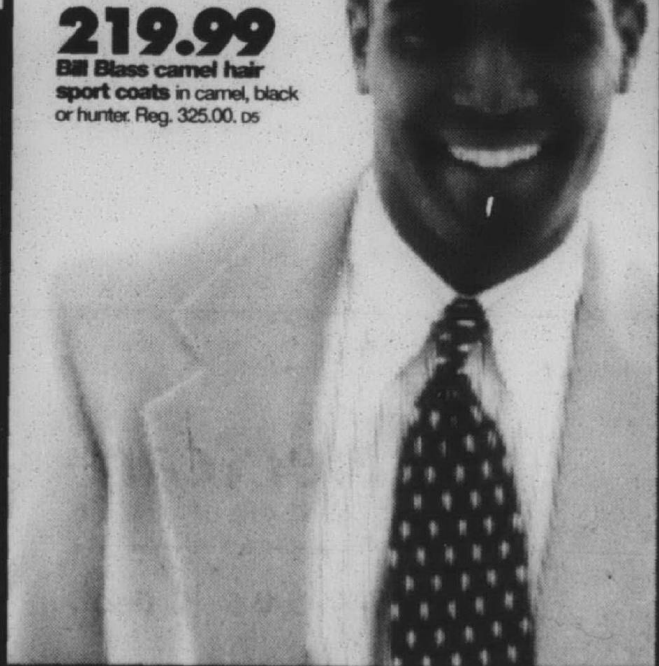
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isher, Loiselle, Graham got less absentee votes, 272 to Loiselle's 347.

Rounding out the field were John Thomas with 425 votes, Paul Schultz with 140 and Fred Dilacovo with 83.

Several voters leaving the Plymouth Cultural Center precincts Tuesday afternoon declined to tell how they voted. Others listed a range of choices. Lloyd Duston said he voted for Dismuke and Graham, adding, "I gave Colleen

'I think it's great, with seven names on the ballot, it will be interesting to see a full ballot.'

Craig Brass
—Voter talking about new system

(Pobur) a shot. From what I read she will do a good job."

One woman who declined to be named said she voted for McDonald, among her four choices. "I'm very interested in McDonald's championing of Old Village and agree with him that the city very often looks unfavorably at Lower Town."

She also voted for Pobur. "I want to see a woman on there, she seems to have very good experience in government." She also voted for Loiselle and Dismuke.

One Old Village resident said he voted for younger candidates: "Youth is good." Nancy Gregor said she voted for Pobur. "I liked her ideas."

"I just think we need some new people," said Mary Lou Boyd, who declined to name her choices.

Of the new connect-the-arrows voting system, Brian Watkins said, "It's fine, for the amount of choices. Craig Brass said, 'I think it's great, with seven names on the ballot, it will be interesting to see a full ballot.'"

He rated the new system supe-



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New system: Arlene and James McLennan receive voting instructions for new election equipment from poll worker Stephanie Calille. The McLennans were voting at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

rior to the school district's new touch-screen system. "You feel a little bit like you're sending your vote into hyperspace," Brass

said.

Of candidates, he chose just three - Dismuke, Pobur and McDonald. "I know Don, the oth-

ers I decided basically in talking

to some other people."

Club from page A1

Sheila Friedrich, motivational speaker with Weight Watchers International and president of the Tonquish Economic Club, said, "we have long felt that western Wayne County was ripe for the establishment of a solid speaker series."

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Sheila Friedrich
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She is joined on the club board

of directors by Dennis Donahue, Anne Musson, Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards, Linda Besh, Plymouth Township Trustee K.C. Mueller, Plymouth City Commissioner Dennis Shrewsbury and Jim Vassallo.

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Fight from page A1

'I'm working with the parents and other school officials to resolve this matter.'

Ken Jacobs
—Assistant principal

wanted to fight. When the victim reportedly said 'no,' the attacker kicked him.

"The school has conducted a complete investigation and the matter will continue to be investigated," Jacobs said. "There will be additional meetings held to pursue further disciplinary action."

"The school does not condone this kind of action," Jacobs said. "We take every case on a case-by-case basis. I'm working with the parents and other school officials to resolve this matter."

City tree program wins grant

Grants totaling \$160,809 have been awarded to 37 Michigan communities for forestry-related activities under the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Urban and Community Forestry Program.

The city of Plymouth's Tree Inventory project won a \$5,000 grant.

The grant program was developed in conjunction with the USDA Forest Service State and Private Forestry Program, Michigan Urban and Community Forestry Council, and the DNR's Forest Management Division. The goal of the program is to enhance urban and community forestry resources, improve education, and provide financial assistance to communities throughout the state.

Community forestry projects considered for funding under the program include local government and non-profit programming, Arbor Day and tree planting projects, and urban and community forestry educational activities.



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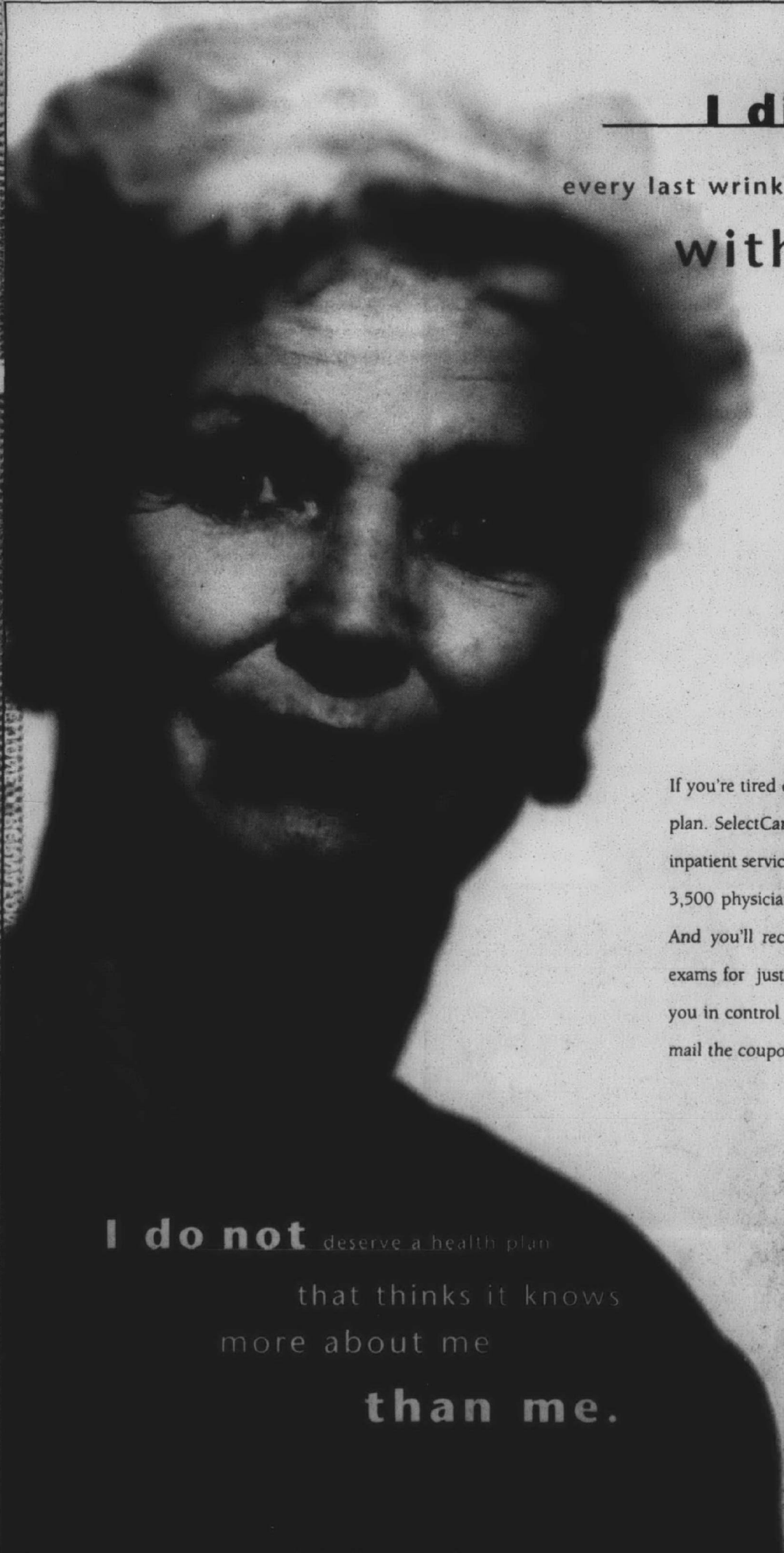
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Lifer law

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enforcement officials, had no convictions in the previous 10 years for a violent felony, had no other drug violation worth four years in prison, and wasn't part of an organized drug gang; provided the sentencing judge (or his or her successor) had no objection to parole.

■ Make parole available for persons already serving 650-lifer terms.

■ Allow a 25-year prison term as an alternative to life for a person convicted of possession of 650 grams or more.

■ Decrease from 25 to 20 years the minimum alternative sentence for a juvenile convicted as an adult for possession of 650 grams or more.

■ Reduce mandatory minimum sentences in several kinds of cases. For delivery or possession of 225 to less than 650 grams, the minimum would be reduced from 20 to 10 years. For delivery of 50 to 225 grams, the term would be cut from 10 years to five. The one-year minimum for delivery of less than 50 grams, and for possession of 25 to 50 grams, would be deleted.

■ Provide that the mandatory minimum wouldn't apply if the defendant cooperated with authorities.

VanRegenmorter's bill would amend the Controlled Substances Act. A companion bill by

Rogers would amend the Corrections Act to allow paroles. The bills are tie-barred, meaning both must be passed for either to become law.

In 1992 the Michigan Supreme Court struck down mandatory life sentences for simple possession. In 1993 the high court upheld the constitutionality of life without parole for dealers and those who conspired to deal.

Governors may commute life sentences, but the last two have done it rarely. Gov. William G. Milliken (1969-82) commuted 94 sentences; Gov. James Blanchard (1983-90), six; Gov. John Engler, three. The figures are for all crimes, not necessarily drug-related.

Refer to Senate Bills 280-281 when writing to your state representative, State Capitol, Lansing 48909.

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

A federal judge has scheduled a conference for next Thursday for community officials to discuss the Rouge River Wet Weather Demonstration Project, instead of conducting a show cause hearing that was slated for that same day.

That was a temporary reprieve for officials who worried that a show cause order would call for more judicial control and less control for communities over pollution controls of the river in the \$1.6 billion project.

U.S. District Judge John Feikens informed officials that he was keeping the same date and time of the court hearing (Nov. 13 at 10 a.m.), but instead, will make the hearing a conference.

"As part of the record, your (legal) counsel should be a part of the request that you make," Feikens said.

Feikens was responding to a letter signed by Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer and two county drain commissioners who attempted to discourage Feikens from imposing a new management authority over the Rouge River Wet Weather Demonstration Project and issuing a show cause order.

McNamara, Patterson, Archer, Oakland County Drain Commissioner George Kuhn and Washtenaw Drain Commissioner Janis Bobrin want the court to allow communities to determine watershed entities.

Cooperation cited

In a letter to Feikens, the officials requested the court rescind a proposed show cause order and give cities, townships and villages to provide proposals over the next 14 months for dealing with pollution problems they may be contributing to the Rouge.

"We believe there is a growing sense of cooperation among the cities, villages and townships and a demonstration that they

are willing to take ownership and responsibility for addressing the remaining pollution sources in the river," the letter stated.

"Now is not the time to impose a new management authority or to redirect expenditures away from other river restoration projects to solve problems already being addressed through cooperative efforts between the public entities involved."

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New center: Plans are under way to develop an interpretive Center at Nankin Mills, located on Hines Drive.



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Nankin Mills

County nature programs make comeback

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

A Potawatomi wigwam. A grist mill. Animal exhibits. Even herb gardens.

Carol Clements looks at a 160-year-old building where Thomas Edison once developed a prototype of the first hydroelectric engine and expects the Nankin

Mills Interpretive Center to be created there will expand on history and nature themes.

And as a naturalist, Clements hopes to bring children closer to the fields, trees and animals that roam the area.

"My biggest hope is to teach people about nature, because they're so removed from it," Clements said.

Clements' position at Nankin Mills, located on Hines Drive, just east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland, was added through the voter approval of the parks millage in 1996. She was hired last spring with the parks system and first worked at Crosswinds Marsh wetlands preserve.

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Beard

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which are now getting dumped in our laps."

Beard thought the move may be to get "good press."

"It's easy to do this, but you have to look at the consequences," Beard said. "Look what's happening with mental health. As a result (of state cuts), there are a lot of people in jails who are mental patients. We have to be more responsible."

Beard hopes the new budget will increase services in the building on Michigan Avenue in Westland that now bears her name. She hopes the building can house the Wayne County Health Department and offices for the county clerk, treasurer and register of deeds.

Beard looks at the move as another convenience for residents, who sometimes complain to her about the inaccessibility of downtown Detroit for them. "But it can't happen until the building is renovated," Beard said.

Instructions added to the budget last Thursday state that "specific attention" should be given to the development of a satellite office for service access for residents, so they can make payments, obtain records by fax, and conduct other business with the county.

Beard was appreciative of County Executive Edward McNamara's efforts to save the building.

Beard said she has also forwarded a letter to Hurley Coleman, county parks director, about the need for parks officials to work with county sheriffs to open up roads to better access Hines Park. Budget instructions call for Coleman to work with local police departments on the need to access park service roads for emergency services.

The budget instructions also included the following:

■ A \$250,000 expenditure from the court general appropriation to conduct a feasibility study for the construction of a new Courts Tower building in which to consolidate the Probate Court, the Third Circuit Court and related buildings. The study will include land surveys, costs and needed square footage.

■ A contract up to \$200,000 with the Wayne State University College of Lifelong Learning in conjunction with the Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services Street Law Program to develop a pilot program which demonstrates a savings to the present criminal justice system by providing literacy services to qualified citizens of Wayne County.

■ The Roads Division shall publish in advance and on a quarterly basis its maintenance and repair schedule for both primary and secondary roads, listed by community. This list shall be sent to the clerk of each community and to each county commissioner.

■ By no later than May 1998, the Roads Division will inspect bridges affected by detours utilized during the reconstruction of northbound I-275. Inspection reports will be forwarded to commissioners for review.

■ A mental health diversion program in which the prosecuting attorney and Department of Mental Health develop alternatives to incarceration of non-violent offenders who display mental illness. Evaluations will be used to reduce the number of incarcerated offenders.

■ In reference to the 21st Century Fund, the Department of Jobs and Economic Development will research to the Ways and Means Committee by no later than Jan. 1, 1998 a program to encourage a significant expansion of building trades apprenticeships within Wayne County public and private employment sponsors.

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in Sumpter Township.

Now that the Interpretive Center plans are underway, Clements now works at Nankin Mills and another naturalist was hired to work at Crosswinds.

The Interpretive Center will not officially open to the public with exhibits in the lobby until fall of 1998, but this fall school and scout group tours have taken trips.

On Nov. 8, the Wayne County parks staff will present a workshop there on creating traditional decorations the way it was done at the turn of the century. From 1-3 p.m. participants will learn how to identify some of the area's most favored flowers from dried samples.

Field trips highlighted

During field trips for students and boy and girl scout troops the county parks staff plans to reflect on the historical significance of Nankin Mills and the overall development of the region, stemming from the Rouge River.

The Native American era: It was considered a sacred meeting ground for the Algonquin Nation, which included three of the Michigan's Indian tribes: the Potawatomi, Ottawa and Chippewa. Tours will review plants and animals the Indians used for sustenance.

"This was a gathering place for the three tribes," said Kathy Lewand, executive assistant for Wayne County parks. "They would meet here every year and divide up hunting areas."

The European settlement era: Grist Mill: The original Nankin Mills building was under construction from 1831-42 and functioned as a grist mill until 1863 when it burned. It was rebuilt and used as a grist mill and cider mill until 1916.

The Henry Ford era: Ford purchased Nankin Mills for use

as a "village industry plant" in 1918. The village industry concept was designed to locate jobs in farming areas to allow farmers to stay on their farms and not move to cities for work during slower farming periods.

Ford hoped to use the same river power used by the grist mill as energy to manufacture automobile parts. Nankin Mills opened as a machine shop in 1922 and manufactured Model-T parts and rivets.

Thomas Edison built the first prototype hydroelectric generator, producing enough electricity to power the nearby village of Pike's Peak, making Nankin Mills the first public utility.

"We hope to get the generator going again, to show how water power works," Lewand said.

The Wayne County era: In 1948 Clara Ford donated Nankin Mills to the Wayne County Road Commission to be included in the Middle Rouge Parkway. It opened in 1956 as one of Michigan's first Nature Centers, with Mary Ellsworth as the naturalist. It closed in 1978 due to a lack of funds.

In 1980 the Parks Division relocated its headquarters here. Hurley Coleman, director of Wayne County parks, expects to spend \$1 million over the next five years on exhibits. "It is listed on the Register of Historical Places and we should take advantage of that," Coleman said.

Animals featured

Clements has designed a program explaining a basic understanding of the water cycle and habitats of the Rouge River, including live animals that depend on the water.

Clements has already hosted elementary students from Wayne-Westland and hopes to invite all Wayne County school

districts to visit.

"I have a few animals because it is such a good educator, and it gets their attention," said Clements.

She uses snakes — garter and hognose, but don't worry, no pythons — to demonstrate the importance of all living creatures to the ecosystem.

"I think (the nature programs) are crucial to Wayne County because we don't have a chance to enjoy the outdoors. Every child should experience it."

Clements said her father — a Livonia resident — opposed the parks millage because he believed it would not benefit Livonia. But Clements disagrees, saying that the parks are "for everyone."

With the age of computers and Nintendo, children need to spend time outside, Clements said. "They need somewhere to go," Clements said.

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and Washtenaw counties have "severe concerns" of a watershed authority.

Court order proposed

Feikens indicated in September he would issue the order on the following items:

■ Why a formal organization such as the Rouge River Watershed or Subwatershed Management Agency should not be created;

■ Why there should not be an advisory board to this formal organization made up of representatives from the communities and counties;

■ A major purpose of the Rouge project is to address non-point source problems in appropriate discharge permits so why an overall watershed geographic information system should not be created;

■ Why the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments should not be the database man-

ager of that information system;

■ Why the funding for that system should not come out of the Rouge Project funds.

Murray pleased

Jim Murray, director of Wayne County's Department of Environment, was pleased "right now" with the latest development.

"The court wrote back a letter and is inviting all the attorneys representing the communities and (the Department of Environmental Quality and Environmental Protection Agency) back," Murray said.

"The DEQ, EPA and SEMCOG support the 14-month request to put together a community response."

Roy Schrameck, district director of the surface water quality division of the Department of Environmental Quality, recently told Murray and representatives from Rouge River communities that the state "could easily support" the 14 month concept.

Murray said he believed that the communities support some coordinating watershed agencies and a GIS for the project. "They just need to come up with what that should be," Murray said.

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CLARIFICATION

A sentence in an article in Sunday's Observer Newspapers incorrectly indicated that Wayne County Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, wanted a quarter mill tax hike to offset a quarter mill now levied for county parks.

The sentence should have

indicated McCotter wants a quarter mill tax cut to offset a quarter mill tax hike for county parks. McCotter's support for the tax cut was noted earlier in the story.

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Book aims to help kids cope with violence

A new booklet to help kids understand and cope with domestic violence was introduced at "Summit III: Sustaining a Coordinated Community Response to Domestic Violence," a day-long domestic violence conference conducted in late October at Detroit's St. Regis Hotel.

The colorful booklet, "Sometimes it is Sad to be at Home...What is a Kid to do

about Domestic Violence," is filled with cartoon characters and will be used by domestic violence counselors, court personnel and shelter staff with children age 5 to 10.

"The text is written at a child's level," said Lynda Baker, director of the Wayne County Coordinating Council to Prevent Domestic Violence, the statewide conference brought together more than 300 workers from law enforcement, domestic

Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. "We wanted kids to know that they are not to blame for the violence. And we also stressed that the abuse they may be witnessing is against the law."

Sponsored by the Wayne County Coordinating Council to Prevent Domestic Violence, the statewide conference brought together more than 300 workers from law enforcement, domestic

violence shelters, batterers programs and judicial agencies. County Executive Edward McNamara presented opening remarks.

To find out more about the new children's domestic violence booklet or the conference, contact Lynda Baker at (313) 224-6994 or Carol Hopkins at (313) 224-5454.

Madonna to sponsor teaching workshop

Madonna University's Office of Multicultural Affairs and Education Department are sponsoring a workshop titled "Inroads for Teaching Success."

The focus is on testing and mentoring and is specifically designed for high school teachers, college students and higher education instructors.

The event will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15. Admission is free. The conference is made possible with funding from the Lilly Endowment Grant and the Michigan Department of Education, Office of Equity.

Reservations are a must. Carol Frisch, who has a doctorate and is a consultant specializing in learning and motivational systems, will present a lively and informative lecture focusing on "Building Student Test Success."

Frisch has 10 years of experience working as a psychologist and trainer of paraprofessionals in the mental health field and four years experience directing projects in a university setting, funded by the Office of Equity in the Michigan Department of Education.

These projects focused on improving the graduation rates of educationally and economically disadvantaged college students and assisted faculty in integrating new instructional and problem-solving strategies in their courses.

Several members of Madonna University's faculty will present "The Mechanics of Mentoring and Beyond." Presenters include Karen Obsniuk, associate professor in the education department, and Christine Brynski, adjunct assistant professor in the education department. Also presenting will be William Vanderwill, adjunct assistant professor in the sociology department.

Concurrent "Give-And-Take Sessions" will be offered in the afternoon. The topics include Building Test Success in High School, Building Test Success in College and Mentors: Make Yourself Necessary.

For more information or to make reservations, call (313) 432-5541.

Workshop addresses needs of elderly

"When an Older Person can no Longer Live Alone," a presentation sponsored by the University of Michigan-Dearborn Commission for Women, is scheduled from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20 in the Faculty/Student Lounge, University Mall, at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

The presentation, which is free and open to the public, will be given by Ruth Campbell, associate director for social work and community programs at the U-M Geriatric Center and the Turner Geriatric Clinic.

Since 1977, Campbell has been a social worker at the Turner Geriatric Clinic at the U-M Hospital, working with an interdisciplinary team of doctors and nurses who counsel and assess the needs of older patients and their families.

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JUST DON'T TELL 'EM WHERE I AM

Book party celebrates life, times of J.P. McCarthy



Kathleen McCarthy Dunlap



Jamie McCarthy



Susan McCarthy Woodring

BY SUSAN ROSIEK
STAFF WRITER

The morning after radio great J.P. McCarthy died, his producer Michael Shiels thought it would be a fitting tribute to "give him his radio show one more time."

Now, more than two years later, Shiels is once again paying tribute to his "leader, boss and friend."

Family, friends and longtime business associates from throughout the metro area gathered Monday at Jacobson's Laurel Park Place in Livonia to celebrate the life of Joseph Priestly McCarthy with the release of a new book "J.P. McCarthy Just Don't Tell 'Em Where I Am."

Written by Shiels, J.P.'s producer for five years, with a poignant forward by McCarthy's youngest son, Jamie, the book is an intimate and revealing look at Detroit's most-admired and much-loved radio legend who died Aug. 16, 1995 at age 63.

Monday's party was hosted by Jacobson's, a longtime sponsor of J.P.'s morning show and a company with which he maintained close ties and had great affection for over the years.

More than 300 people from the giants of industry and media to the late radio legend's list of what he liked to call "genuine people" attended.

"This isn't just a marketing event, it's a party, a celebration of his life and J.P.'s spirit is here," said one close friend. "No tears tonight."

But in fact, there were some tears. A special video tribute to the WJR radio great had everyone wiping their eyes.

"I listened to him for 30 years then I finally got to meet him. He was a great man," said Donna Flaherty, of St. Clair Shores.

Toast to J.P.

The presentation ended with a toast to the late, great voice of WJR and

Please see J.P., A15



STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFELD

Guests of honor: Author Michael Shiels is joined by J.P.'s widow, Judy McCarthy at Monday's preview party for the new book. Shiels was J.P.'s last producer. Judy McCarthy now heads the J.P. McCarthy Foundation to Fight Blood Disorders.



Special night: More than 300 guests attended the preview party at Jacobson's Laurel Park Place. Food, drinks and a special video tribute along with copies of the book were featured at Monday's gathering. Shiels, who lives in West Bloomfield Township, will be signing his new book 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Jacobson's store in Livonia.

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man," Haaxma recalled. The crew delighted in abusing him mercilessly during the voyage.

"The captain was first, then came God, then came everyone else," Haaxma said.

He recalled serving with the Merchant Marine off the coast of Africa Dec. 7, 1941, when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor. "Up until then we had a black hull and white decks, and a big American flag on the side. The next day we started painting everything gray."

Haaxma recalled serving on the ships during the war. "You'd see a streak (torpedo) coming and if it turned, it was a porpoise," he said.

"There are sailors that sail for fun on weekends. I never did that."

■ 'To me going to sea was work. I enjoyed the fresh air, the camaraderie.'

Harry Haaxma
—Model ship builder

"To me going to sea was work. I enjoyed the fresh air, the camaraderie."

He eventually returned to school at Lawrence Technological University, and worked as a plastics engineer. Haaxma and his wife raised three daughters.

It was shortly after leaving the ships that he began building ship models. "I'd do it sometimes from kits and sometimes from scratch." Often, ship drawings are sought out from sources including the

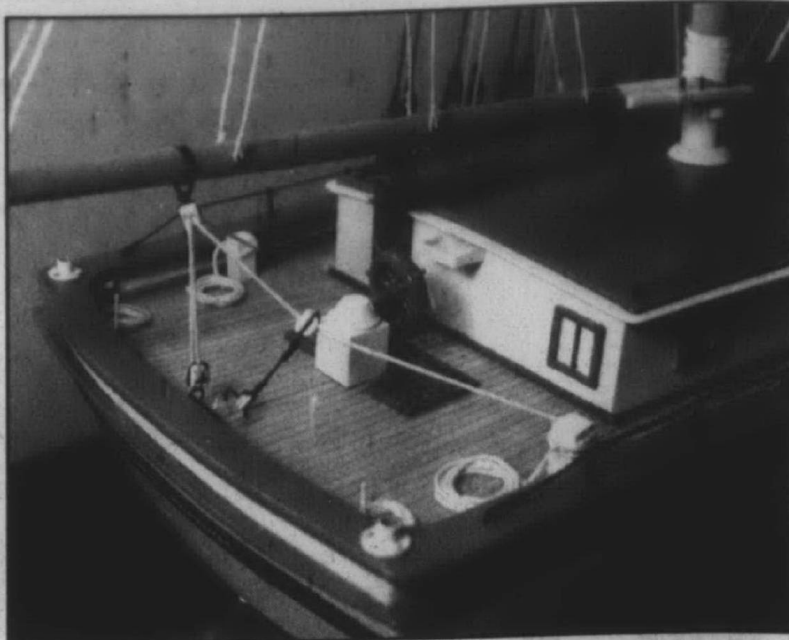
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Each takes around nine months to build, and he often works on two at a time. The work can include soaking horizontal wood beams or ribs in ammonia to bend them to shape, making oars from maple or basswood, and threading rigging through dead-eyes and lanyards.

"The rigging can be very frustrating, if you let it get to you," he said. "You learn a lot of patience."

While real ships face danger from the elements, Haaxma's model ships face their greatest peril when left in the reach of kids.

"Adults do the same damn thing," Haaxma said, recalling a relative who started turning a pulley to see if it really worked.



Model: This is an example of the type of the detailed model ships that Harry Haaxma builds.

WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 4:00 P.M., MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1997

Regular meeting called to order at 4:10 p.m.
Present: Thomas Yack, Karen Woodside, Kathleen Keen-McCarthy
Agenda - adopted as amended.
Minutes - regular meeting of September 22, 1997 - approved.
Operations and Maintenance Monthly report - received and filed.
Operations Manager's Report - received and filed.
Revenue/Expenditure Report for the 96/97 4th Quarter - received and filed.
Compensation Study - Alternative B approved.
Consideration of Short Term Disability - approved.
WTUA Personnel Policies revised October 27, 1997 - approved and adopted.
WTUA Administrative Procedures Manual revised October 27, 1997 - approved and adopted.
Requisition Certificate 210, Requisition Certificate 211, Requisition Certificate 212 and operating expenses totaling \$370,650.51 - approved.
Letter of Audit Engagement with Plante & Moran - approved.
Disposal of Surplus Office Equipment - approval to advertise sale.
Deed of Sale of Bonds - approved.
Closed Session - Discussion regarding attorney/client letter and leasing of real property/plant expansion.
YCUA Negotiations - approved.
The regular meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Chairman,
THOMAS J. YACK

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

Published November 6, 1997

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

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 17, 1997, in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT (97-2) - Consider request from Stuart Frankel, Centre Village L.L.C., 3221 W. Big Beaver, Ste. 106, Troy, Michigan 48064 to amend Article 26, Schedule of Regulations, Section 26.03, Requirements for Commercial and Office Districts, by adding Footnote (d) to allow a zero (0) foot side setback for buildings which are a part of a planned shopping center and share parking and driveway areas.

(2) Amend Article 6, Site Development Standards Applicable to Specific Uses, by adding Section 6.07, Site Development Standards for the Downtown Development District.

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

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Published: October 26 and November 6, 1997

Field Elementary Skills Camp spells success; attracts kids

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

When school ends in June, a lot of Field Elementary students can't wait to get back to school.

It's not because they're bored already, but they're rarin' to go to the annual Summer Skills Camp in July.

The camp targets children who are considered inexperienced in learning, but any Field student is welcome. "We don't just have Title I kids here. There is a wide range of kids. It's not just for kids who are in academic trou-

ble," said Linda Duvall, Summer Skills Camp coordinator.

In 1997, 250 Field students, kindergarten through fifth grade, attended the skills camp four days a week for four weeks in July. Students study math, reading and writing.

Compare that to 1993 when 32 students, all third graders, attended the camp. The following year the camp included second graders and by 1995 included first through fourth graders.

"This is not an enrichment program. This is basic reading skills," said Joanne Schlabach, a Field Elementary paraprofessional who works with the program.

The school can provide the summer program with the help of the Educational Excellence Foundation and the school district. Applications go out with the April report cards. Students are not charged for the program.

By the end of May this year, 190 children had already registered for the program. And the program isn't just something to keep kids busy for a month.

"We stress SQRRR - survey, question, read, recite, review," Schlabach said. Duvall added: "It's a way of teaching the kids how to organize the material they are learning."

For the past couple of years, the camp also gets teachers, who are graduate interns, from Eastern Michigan University. The camp provides one teacher to no more than three children. "The kids get continual attention. Everything is reinforced," Duvall said.

In fact, the program added fifth graders in 1997 because the fourth graders wanted to come back, Duvall said. "Our kids are our best public relations."

In the Skills Camp, the kids are always working. Rick Barbour, a Bentley teacher, teaches math at the camp. "All of his math stuff is hands-on," Duvall said. "He helps them learn the language, the terminology of math."

Kindergarteners and first-graders study reading, writing, science and math. "The kids go around to each subject," Duvall added.

In the fourth and fifth grades, writing takes on great importance. "They learn how to find information, how to organize it. We work on higher level thinking skills."

But it's still camp. The atmosphere is more relaxed. Adults, for example, wear shorts. And the rule is that everyone gets involved.

MEAP scores have been increasing, by the way. But principal Dave Farquharson said he can't tie the increases directly to the camp. "But we see one, two, three months of growth that is equivalent to one month in regular school," he said.

Since 1993, MEAP reading scores have increased at Field 16.3 percent and math, 19.2 percent.

The Skills Camp was started by former principal Larry Miller. "He wanted a way to accommodate the at-risk kids," said Schlabach.

Farquharson has carried on the enthusiasm. "This is not smoke and mirrors. There is no way to consistently get half of your school to come back without some kind of positive draw. Kids like it. They know they are learning and parents know it's good."

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with the bar still open and an Irish band playing outside the community room, the celebration carried on.

And that's how he would have wanted it, agreed those who knew him best and still miss him deeply.

In addition to members of the McCarthy family — including wife, Judy, who now heads up the J.P. McCarthy Foundation to Fight Blood Disorders, daughters, Kathleen and Susan and sons, John and Jamie, — others on hand included:

■ Former Ford Motor Co. Chairman Harold "Red" Poling and his wife, Marian.

■ University of Michigan football great Ron Kramer.

■ Restaurateur Joe Muer
■ Auto dealer Hoot McInerney
■ Attorney John Schaefer, lifelong friend and golf partner who delivered J.P.'s eulogy.

■ Singer Larry Santos, a member of the "McCarthy Rat Pack."

Also attending was Paul W. Smith, who now does the morning show on WJR. Following in J.P.'s footsteps might have been tough. But Smith, a native of Monroe whose career took him to Philadelphia and New York before returning home to Detroit, said the McCarthy family has been "very kind and supportive."

Author Shiels, who grew up listening to McCarthy's radio show, warmly greeted family and friends who shared their stories of J.P. for the book. Shiels said it took about a year to finish the book. He had special words of thanks

for McCarthy family members who helped in a variety of ways.

Memories of dad

Kathleen McCarthy Dunlap, transcribed some of her late father's radio tapes for Shiels.

"It was sad and sometimes very hard, but therapeutic, too," said Dunlap, who works as a marketing and advertising director in Troy.

Shiels offered the book as a tribute to his mentor. "He was my leader, boss and friend," said Shiels, whose very proud family including father, Dennis; uncle, Art; sister, Lori and grandma, Helen all turned out for Monday's special evening.

The morning after J.P. died, Shiels writes that he replayed some of J.P.'s shows and interviews. He hung his headphones on the microphone, placed



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGGFIELD

Special friends: McCarthy family friend John Schaefer chats with former Ford Motor Co. Chairman Harold "Red" Poling and his wife, Marian.

his glasses and coffee cup in their familiar spot and left J.P.'s chair empty.

"When the last few seconds of his theme song faded out at 10:00, I knew 'The J.P. McCarthy Show' had come to end, and it caused me to shudder,"

writes Shiels in the introduction to the book.

"It was an era made of voice ushered out in silence."

"I loved him, and if he knew I was writing this book, I'm quite sure he'd utter his famous regular quip. He'd say 'Michael, mention my name in the book ... just don't tell 'em where I am.'"

J.P. McCarthy *Just Don't Tell 'Em Where I Am*, written by Michael Shiels and published by Sleeping Bear Press (\$24.95), is available at Jacobson's and other metro area book doors. Shiels will be signing copies of his book from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at Jacobson's Laurel Park Place and 2-4 p.m. Sunday at Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham. Shiels will donate 100 percent of the purchase price of the first 1,000 books sold to the J.P. McCarthy Foundation.

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Video gaming bills stalled in House committee

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Getting up to date on the gambling issues in Lansing:

Non-casino gaming

No action yet on bills by Rep. Beverly Hammerstrom to allow video lotteries in licensed bars (HB 4409-10) and at horse race tracks (4411).
Ladbroke DRC in Livonia and Northville Downs sought HB 4411, which is locked up in the House Oversight and Ethics

Committee. As things are progressing, there is no committee movement.

Kelley's ruling

So much confusion resulted from Attorney General Frank Kelley's Oct. 21 opinion on Indian tribal gambling that he issued a clarification next day. It's not true that the status of 14 tribal casinos is in limbo. All existing casinos are safe. Nor does his ruling affect the non-Indian casinos voters

Big winners in the Michigan State Lottery will be able to collect their prizes in a lump sum through a third party under a bill unanimously passed by the Senate. Currently, major lottery prizes are paid in 20 annual installments. Winners can get a lump sum from a bank or other lender if they sell their rights, but to do so they need a judicial order.

approved for Detroit.
Four proposed tribal casinos

require a different sort of state action. Here's Kelley's ruling, which has the force of law until overturned by a court:
"Your (two legislators') inquiry

was prompted by a series of proposed Indian gaming compacts recently negotiated by the governor with several Indian tribes." Each compact depends on "endorsement by the governor and concurrence by resolution of the Michigan Legislature" (Kelley's emphasis). The lawmakers asked whether a resolution was sufficiently binding.

Kelley noted that in a federal case in California called Pueblo of Santa Ana v. Kelly (no kin), the court concluded:

"State law must determine whether a state has validly bound itself to a compact." Higher courts declined to take the

case.
Courts in Kansas, New Mexico and Rhode Island cases ruled the same. Kelley summed it up: "(T)he approval by a state of a tribal-state gaming compact under the IGRA (the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act) is legislative in character, thereby requiring the exercise by the state legislature of its formal law-making power."

The compacts, he went on, cover management, operations, types of gaming equipment, arbitration of disputes, liquor licensing, and tribal semi-annual pay-

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Commissioner wants classes for juvenile offenders

The jail and youth home statistics are staggering when it comes to being able to read.

Wayne County Commissioner George Cushingberry, D-Detroit, is looking at the county budget, finding a way to pay for a mandatory program to teach reading and writing to inmates. The largest single cost overruns in the county budget deal with juvenile delinquency and the criminal justice system.

"It is just pathetic that in this day and age, a full 75 percent of the people in our Juvenile Detention Facility and our Wayne County Jail cannot read at better than a third-grade level," Cushingberry said. "For all intents and purposes, these people are illiterate."

As the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee that oversees the county's \$1.9 billion budget, Cushingberry wants the county to take control of not only incarcerating offenders but mandating they learn to read and write, perhaps making them more attractive in the job market and less of a threat of becoming a habitual criminal.

Two things are in the works — one is a charter school to be set up at the youth home and the other is an adult education program where those in the Wayne County Jail who can't read must complete 450 hours of basic education. A student must complete 450 hours to receive state funding.

The Wayne County Commission is working with Wayne County Regional Educational Services Agency to establish a charter school.

"Of course, we can't do this on our own," Cushingberry said. "We're going to have to ask our judges to make attending classes a part of parole."

The maximum sentence to the Wayne County Jail is 180 days, though a few prisoners could complete the 450 hours in the 90-day sentence.

That time period could be completed while in jail or as a condition of bond or probation.

"If a judge considers releases early, we would ask that continuing education be a condition of parole," Cushingberry said.

Commissioners on the Ways and Means Committee heard testimony from officials at the jail and literacy teachers in putting together the plan. Cushingberry said that it will be another month before a solid program is adopted.

"We want to break the recidivism cycle. We want to give these people a chance. If you can't read, you don't have a chance."

Commission Vice Chair Kay Beard, D-Westland, also on the Ways and Means Committee, called the situation a disgrace. Beard also serves on President Clinton's School-to-Work Task Force.

"It's a national disgrace when you find out how many people are functionally illiterate," said Beard.

Commissioner Robert Blackwell, D-Highland Park, said the literacy programs would make incarceration more rehabilitative. "I'm sure the judges will cooperate with us on this one when we explain the program," Blackwell said.

Also on the Ways and Means Committee are Commissioners Christopher Cavanagh, D-Grosse Pointe; Bernard Parker,

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Absentee ballots

Schools should mail them out

Politics sometimes get in the way of a good idea. That's what has happened in the ongoing legal fight regarding the March school bond election.

Jerry Vorva - the former state representative who is suing Plymouth-Canton Community Schools over the large number of uncounted electronic ballots - has asked the district to automatically mail absentee ballot applications to qualifying residents as part of a settlement offer. School officials, citing costs and other factors, have declined. (The district currently mails applications only after a written, telephone or in-person request from a constituent.)

The Observer has repeatedly urged Vorva to drop his lawsuit so that the sale of \$79.7 million in bonds - narrowly approved by voters March 22 - can move forward and bonded projects, including construction of two new schools, can begin.

But the automatic mailing of absentee ballot applications for future elections makes sense. And if Plymouth-Canton officials are loath to adopt the policy because of its connection to the suit, the district should at least take an informal stance that the idea merits serious discussion at a later date.

We note that Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township already provide this service to residents for municipal elections. Municipal clerks have made easy, accessible absentee voting a priority in recent years. Numbers show that the percentage of absentee voters has been increasing steadily.

Participation in school elections, on the other hand, is often abysmal. Turnout for the bond election was about 22 percent and in the school board election last June, only 5 percent of the district's registered voters cast ballots. "I don't know what else we could do to get peo-

■ There is a perception, of course, that school districts in general don't want to encourage participation by senior citizens (the largest bloc of absentee voters), particularly on tax issues. Plymouth-Canton officials say this isn't true locally and point to outreach efforts in that segment of the community.

ple out to vote," school board president Mark Horvath said at the time.

School officials say mailing out the applications to all eligible residents would cost about \$5,000, which doesn't amount to much when you look at the district's annual budget of \$102 million. The district also says its current policy meets state guidelines and residents' needs.

There is a perception, of course, that school districts in general don't want to encourage participation by senior citizens (the largest bloc of absentee voters), particularly on tax issues. Plymouth-Canton officials say this isn't true locally and point to outreach efforts in that segment of the community. In addition, many older residents have adult children who still live in the district and grandchildren who attend local schools, they say.

The school district, like any other government entity, has a responsibility to the public in conducting elections in as open a manner as possible, guaranteeing the integrity of the process. Ensuring that all eligible voters receive an absentee ballot application should be part of that responsibility.



Kids night out: You can bet there was nothing cuter than some 3,000 appropriately dressed trick or treaters who attended the Great Pumpkin Caper in downtown Plymouth the night before Halloween. At left, Kyle and Aaron Williams were decked out in Tyrannosaurus Rex costumes, made by their grandma. The number of kids and their parents who turned out for the event is a testament to the popularity of downtown Plymouth and the activities offered to families. The event included a costume contest that drew about 300 kids and time to trick or treat at downtown businesses.

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LETTERS

Shocked by column

In all the years our family has read the Observer, I have never been so shocked as I was by the ignorance displayed by copy editor Jack Gladden in his column of Oct. 23, 1997. Apparently he was attempting to be sarcastically humorous about peanut and nut avoidance measures in the Rochester public schools in response to a student's allergic condition. I would like to believe none of your employees would intentionally make fun of those with a life-threatening disability.

Mr. Gladden, I have been a nurse in the Allergy Clinic at the University of Michigan for over 15 years, and have worked with children that have ended up being treated in ICU on a ventilator from exposure (not even eating) a nut. Now, granted this is very, very rare, but when it is your child you are attempting to raise like a regular kid, consider the impact of a world that may, at any time, contain something lethal in the air or on a surface, over which you have no control. Consider the lengths you would go to in protecting a child's life.

In your haste to be clever, you overlooked the impact of your "wit."

Anne Russell, RN, who is director of the local chapter of the National Food Allergy Network and mother of a peanut-sensitive child said, "what will the older kids (who have life-threatening reactions to nuts and peanuts) think? How will it make them feel to see how this is treated lightly by an adult in a newspaper column?"

The student in the Rochester schools had been identified as having had anaphylaxis to peanut exposure - not just a hunch or a suspicion, but an actual medical diagnosis. If she breathes in the air near someone eating peanuts, touches a pencil or pop can after someone who has eaten peanuts, or is coughed on by a peanut-eating person, she could have a reaction from which she could die. Now imagine this is your child, Mr. Gladden. Do you think that your child's life is less important than the rights of the students around her to choose peanut butter for lunch?

No, likely you'd agree about the priority in that situation. So it appears the issue seems to be your lack of belief that this is, in fact, an actual medical condition diagnosed through testing and history of system reactions. By including quotation marks around "life-threatening allergy," you make light of this disability and display your ignorance on the subject and a lack of thorough journalistic investigation. You do admit this condition does exist (if only in quotation marks), and that the percentage of children with this dangerous response is small, but real. So if you were

aware of that from the start, how could you use sarcasm in an effort to amuse at their expense?

I would urge you to do your homework on this issue by attending the local National Food Allergy Network chapter meetings held monthly at the Arbor Health Building on Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. You can get the date and topic of the next meeting from Anne Russell at 313-420-2805. And while you are talking to her, you might consider an apology for the thoughtless, public treatment of her son's medical condition.

Janet P. Zinn, RN, MSN
Plymouth

Vorva's real agenda

Jerry Vorva is doing his damndest to legally stall or even nullify the school bond election outcome. Why is he doing this? Does he really believe that the vote counting was somehow unfair or illegal and therefore he feels it is his duty as a model American citizen, to challenge the results? I don't think so.

Mr. Vorva is from Plymouth. The residents of Plymouth and Plymouth Township overwhelmingly voted against the school bond issue. Canton residents overwhelmingly voted for the school bond issue. If Mr. Vorva can get this bond issue overturned and get Plymouth out of the Plymouth-Canton School District partnership, he will be elected king of Plymouth for saving it from the dominating influence of big, bad Canton.

It is no secret that Canton and Plymouth do not see eye-to-eye on issues of school district development. There is nothing surprising about this. The two communities differ in many ways and therefore have different needs. The problem is what are we going to do about the current school bond issue? Canton wants it, Plymouth does not want it. Jerry Vorva will make sure we remain in a stalemate.

I think it is high time for some responsible officials to enter this fray and present options to both communities on how best to settle this matter. We cannot allow Mr. Vorva to hold our future hostage any longer.

Janusz M. Szysko
Canton

Club should be non-partisan

It's not a bad idea. In fact, it's an idea whose time has come for the Plymouth community.

A committee of community leaders - under the auspices of the Tonquish Creek Yacht Club - is forming a speakers bureau to be called the Tonquish Economic Club.

According to organizing members, the purpose is to "raise levels of consciousness regarding major issues of the day while providing a forum for community leaders to showcase western Wayne County, specifically the city of Plymouth and the charter Township of Plymouth."

Why not? It's a great idea and one designed to bring speakers of note into the community. Organizers are now seeking members to help support the club, which will meet 10 times a year.

On tap as one of the first speakers is Conrad Mallett, chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, who will speak in February. Also scheduled in 1998 is Doug Ross, former

commerce director under former Gov. James Blanchard and assistant secretary of labor for President Bill Clinton.

Throughout the suburbs, similar organizations, all under a variety of identities - economic clubs, town hall series, speakers bureau - have popped up over the years. Some have been successful, others not.

It is important to note, however, that the success of the Tonquish Economic Club will - as with any other similar group - depend on the quality of the speakers and the determination to maintain the club as a non-partisan opportunity for intellectual stimulation and discussion. It should not be the spot to support and publicize favorite politicians or holders of ideas prompted only by a handful of well-known community drivers.

What makes a true economic club interesting is the variety of speakers and fresh topics designed to foster education and discussion.

Leave school start dates alone

State legislators should scuttle a bill to prohibit school districts from starting classes before Labor Day. Lawmakers have better things to do for education.

School districts, like all local governments, are creatures of the state and have only the powers the state gives them. Nevertheless, Michigan has a tradition of granting wide latitude to local units, often called "local control" or "home rule."

When it revised the School Code two years ago, the Legislature gave most districts general powers: It gave the schools a job but left the methods to local leaders. For example, the state mandated proficiency tests but didn't prescribe curriculum, course content or textbooks, as do other states. That's good management.

The state doesn't tamper with local control unless the locals abuse their powers. It won't let cities and townships "zone out" state facilities or home music teachers. It requires local units to hold budget hearings and open meetings.

So what are school districts who start before Labor Day doing wrong? Are they violating anyone's rights to life, liberty and property? Are they harming education?

No. And so the state shouldn't be second-

guessing local schools by telling them when to start classes, as proposed in House Bill 4190.

We note that the impetus for this bill, sponsored by Rep. Pat Gagliardi, D-Drummond Island, came from resort operators, not school people. Its supporters never bothered to make a case that a post-Labor Day startup time was good for kids and schools.

At the outset, we said lawmakers had better things to do. One would be to set aside only three or four days a year on which elections could be held. It would stop the practice of schools' selecting oddball dates on which to hold bond and millage elections. School boards abuse their powers when they pick dates when only "their people" are likely to vote while others are in Florida. That abuse of power is one the Legislature should stop.

Legislators need to focus, focus, focus. Let school boards draw up their calendars of starting dates and holidays to suit local needs, as long as they get in the required 180-plus days. Let all elections be held on just three days per year - say, in May, September and November - so that voters aren't pestered to death with half-secret financial requests.

State government should allow local units all possible latitude. The state should not intervene unless something clearly is wrong.

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POINTS OF VIEW

Let's work from within to improve our schools

Let me congratulate Tim Richard for his in-depth analysis and intellectual honesty in regard to his evaluation of charter schools.

If charter schools are not accountable to the state and/or if they do not meet state educational standards, those charter schools should not receive taxpayer money.

Now, we read that the audit of Central Michigan University's Office of Charter Schools reveals that:

■ Eight out of 13 charter schools hired persons to teach who did not have certifications or permits to teach.

■ A majority of the charter schools did not provide special education, but chose to take \$5,400 per pupil state

tax dollar money.

■ The Charter School Law contained a provision that eliminated the Academic Core Curriculum.

I have no quarrel with Mr. Richard when he wrote that:

"The Charter School Law has spawned a bunch of taxpayer rip-offs and smacks of an unconstitutional payment to private and religious schools."

Let the schools be the schools and the churches be the churches. I encourage everyone to get out of bed on Sunday morning and go to a church of their choice.

Let's work from within to improve our schools. The state of North Carolina has recently implemented a

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JOHN STEWART

"team approach" to provide assistance to school systems.

From the headline article of the Charlotte Observer, dated Aug. 9, 1997:

"A team of teachers, administrators and education experts from the state of North Carolina have arrived to help four school systems. Carrying their own fax machines and telephones, they hope to set up shop in available space at the schools."

"Team members will be in the classroom, closely watching how teachers lead reading sessions or sketch out math problems on the board. They may even teach a lesson themselves. They'll talk with teachers and administrators to find out how active parents are in the school."

"With time, state organizers say the assistance teams will become so much a part of the schools, they will be barely noticed."

Why haven't we heard this type of approach from the state Legislature for Detroit, Benton Harbor and other schools throughout Michigan? Instead, the rhetoric has been "takeover," "voucher," "charter schools" and constitutional amendments that would allow parochialism.

My point is this - let's work from within, from the inside out - to improve and support our public school system. The state of Michigan has a long history and reputation for a tradition of excellence in public education.

Plymouth Township resident John Stewart is an attorney.

Everyone in school district is affected by bond delay

There is one person holding the progress of the Plymouth-Canton School District hostage. This person thrives on publicity so I will not get into a debate with him. However, I would like to explain what this means for all of us. Whether you have children in the public schools or not or whether you live in Plymouth or Canton. What is going on does affect everyone. First the facts:

1. A school election was held on Saturday, March 22, 1997. People voted in favor of issuing bonds to build a new high school, a new elementary school, purchase computers, buses.

2. This election was contested because some votes were not counted because of human error. A recount was done and the Board of Canvassers for the school district certified the election.

3. Another recount was completed by the Wayne County Board of Canvassers and they also certified the

election.

4. The Secretary of State for the state of Michigan wrote a letter indicating that the voting machines that were used were in compliance and nothing malicious or fraudulent had been done.

5. There was a decision by Judge James Rashid in Wayne County Circuit Court also indicating that the school district had done nothing wrong and there was no basis for a lawsuit.

6. Judge Rashid's decision is being contested in the Michigan Court of Appeals. The school district has filed a motion for expediency and it has been granted by the court.

The high school continues to be overcrowded. Parents of middle school age children, like myself, should be very concerned. This delay means that the new high school will not open for at least a year after what we had originally anticipated. This setback affects all Plymouth-Canton middle

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SUSAN KOPINSKI

school students.

The elementary school and buying of property for that school is affected. Everything is pushed back at least one year. It doesn't matter if you live in Plymouth or Canton because all schools have to absorb the overcrowded students. Anyone who thinks they're unaffected because they live in an area not overcrowded is kidding themselves.

Are you aware that many of our

children are being taught in portables that are not in good condition? There are 24 portables in the district, 13 at the high school, some of them 30 years old.

Are you aware that the average number of students who go to one of our high schools is 2,400? That compares with districts such as Farmington with an average 1,118; Livonia, 1,767; and Northville, 1,312.

You may be asking yourself: How does any of this affect me if I don't have kids in public school? The answer is really another question: What do people ask about when purchasing a home or property? The school district. It doesn't matter whether they even have kids. They know for resale value it is important to be in a good school district.

Again, this issue faces all of us. There is no Plymouth or Canton. It is one school district and will remain that way. All of us need to face these basic facts and what one person is

doing to obtain publicity for himself.

Like all of you, I am affected by this. My husband and I have a child in middle school and we're concerned about his future at a terribly overcrowded high school. We own a home and we're getting concerned about property values related to the school district. Will someone want to purchase our home vs. one in Northville or Farmington based on the school district and the overcrowding. We also do not like the fact that the district has paid approximately \$35,000 of our tax dollars for legal fees to fight this.

The fact that the passage of this bond issue brought hope and a promise of better things for all of us was wonderful and I looked forward to the future. The fact that one irrational, politically motivated person is holding everything hostage angers me and it should also anger you.

Susan Kopinski was the chairwoman of the Citizens' Election Committee.

Archer's re-election prompts hope that more good is coming

As elections go, it wasn't much of a horse race.

Crossing the finish line well ahead of Ed Vaughn, his essentially unknown and underfunded opponent, Dennis Archer was overwhelmingly re-elected mayor of Detroit on Tuesday without breaking a sweat.

His landslide victory confirms that Detroit, at least for the foreseeable future, will remain a functioning part of Michigan. That's more significant than it sounds, since Detroit's previous mayor, Coleman Young, and a host of folks mostly from the western side of the state were joined in an effective conspiracy during the 1980s to saw the city off from the mainland and let it drift downstream into Lake Erie.

Young gained enormous political popularity from his constituency by missing no opportunity to snarl at the suburbs and their residents, whose primary mission in life, he claimed, was to take over the city and steal its jewels. Reciprocating, much of Michigan's institutional leadership outside area code 313 devoutly hoped Detroit, at that point gaining national note as America's "first Third World city," would just go away.

For example, Young made it a practice during his 20-year tenure never to get near the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments or the Michigan Municipal League. I suppose he felt that associating with a bunch of other mayors would somehow contaminate him. Actually, he hurt the residents of Detroit by so doing because there were lots of mayors of cities around Michigan - Pontiac, Battle Creek, Albion, Jackson, Muskegon, Flint - who faced similar problems and with whom he could have made useful common cause.

So when Dennis Archer was elected mayor four years ago, most thinking people celebrated the end of a bad period and hoped, sometimes a little wistfully, that things might somehow get better in Michigan's largest and most troubled city.

Now, politics is a complicated business in which virtually nothing is impossible for those who aren't interested in taking personal credit for it. So I'm very hesitant ever to use the phrase "single-handed" when it comes to a large political matters.

But it's hard to resist the phrase in reflecting on Dennis Archer's achievements over the past four years.

The business community is finally making common cause with Detroit. General Motors will sink its corporate roots deep into downtown Detroit at the RenCen, while the old GM build-



PHILIP POWER

ing on West Grand Boulevard will likely become a new governmental headquarters.

Real estate, always the currency of long-term hope, is having something of a renaissance. Developers are building single-family homes instead of high-rise public housing, while from time to time you hear of retail store openings. Redevelopment around Grand Circus Park and even the old Hudson's is no longer the dream of visionaries.

Although many people remain skeptical that the real future of Detroit is to be an entertainment destination, a ton of capital is making just that bet. The litches broke ground of a new ballpark last week - an initiative that seems to my mind increasingly problematic.

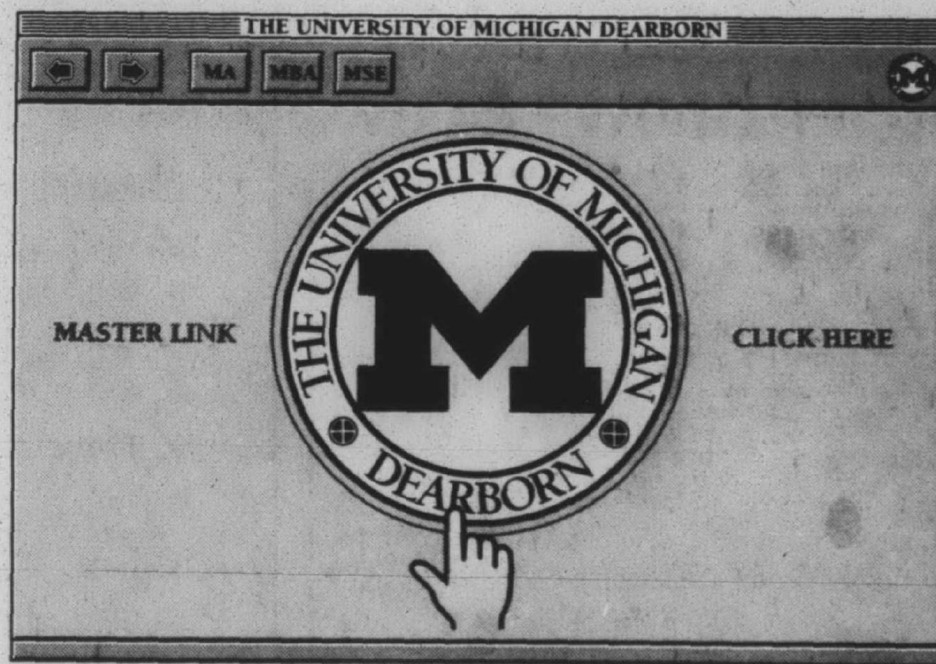
It's a terrific performance that Detroit's Archer has turned in as mayor, entirely worthy of a landslide and very much to the benefit of the rest of the state that no longer has to endure being associated with an utterly stagnant urban core.

There are problems aplenty, of course. The schools remain in a mess, with or without David Snead as superintendent. The Detroit City Council seems to have a fatal attraction for shooting itself in the foot when it comes to sensible things like letting the Founders' Society actually assume managerial responsibility for the Detroit Institute of Arts commensurate with its financial loyalty. City services are sub-par, almost certainly a result of spineless labor relations.

Second terms can be tough, especially when won in a landslide. And it's far too early for folks to start debating self-consciously whether Detroit is on the way to being a "world-class city."

But the city is beginning to achieve critical mass, and Mayor Archer's re-election is good cause to hope for more to come.

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D-Detroit; and Bruce Patterson, R-Canton.

As part of the overall concept, the Ways and Means Committee has been interviewing tutors and educators in literacy program to determine the best approaches for providing the service to the jail and to the youth home. Representatives from Wayne State University's College of Lifelong Learning explained how literacy programs not only improve skills but also self-esteem.

Cushingberry also is looking for state funding and grant money to offset the cost of the project.

"There's been a cutback in

state funding for literacy and adult education programs. We believe this is important enough to come up with funding," he said. "But we must be reimbursed through intergovernmental actions."

The Wayne County Commission also is reviewing programs for interactive training in conjunction with Wayne County RESA.

The commission's year-long learning culture initiative, Cushingberry said, will set literacy and personal growth as a key component of the proposed 1997-98 Wayne County budget.

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ments to the state and local units - "clearly legislative in character."

A mere legislative resolution is insufficient, he said.

Rep. Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti, who requested the opinion along with Senate minority leader John Cherry, D-Clio, praised the ruling. "I am especially pleased that we can now stop the excessive proliferation of these casino gaming opportunities... otherwise (we may have) a casino at every corner gas station."

Sen. Bill Schuette, R-Midland, also praised the ruling. He has been opposing Senate Resolution 71 to authorize four more compacts. SR 71 would require a simple majority of senators (20 of 38) while a law would require majorities in both the House and Senate, and the bill would have

to be in identical form.

Schuette called the previous procedure "informal and haphazard." He said a federal case in Florida involving Seminole Indians was won by Florida and "removed the (U.S.) Department of Interior's ability to unilaterally site new casinos."

Prizes clarified

Big winners in the Michigan State Lottery will be able to collect their prizes in a lump sum through a third party under a bill unanimously passed by the Senate.

SB 596, sponsored by Sen. Bob Geake, R-Northville, goes to the House.

Currently, major lottery prizes are paid in 20 annual installments. Winners can get a lump

sum from a bank or other lender if they sell their rights, but to do so they need a judicial order.

"The courts have been inconsistent in granting such orders," said Geake.

"This has caused problems for people such as the elderly or those needing to pay off large debts who would benefit from having their prizes paid all at once. If a person doesn't want to wait 20 years to collect a prize, and a third party is willing to pay them up front, why make them wait?"

The bill allows the Lottery commissioner to charge a processing fee to cover the state's costs.

'No fish, no chips'

The Kelley ruling prompted

state Rep. Dave Jaye, R-Macomb County, to renew his "no fish, no chips" campaign.

The gadfly Jaye's proposal: The state wouldn't approve new Indian gambling casinos unless tribal fishermen agree to stop using gill nets.

Indian tribes, with their sovereign nation status, have treaty rights which allow them to use gill nets. Many anglers say gill nets are ruining the Great Lakes salmon fishery.

Jaye's bill also would require Indians to purchase hunting and fishing licenses, obey fishing seasons, and pay taxes on their property, income and businesses. He cited the same New Mexico case Kelley cited in arguing that the Legislature has power to "rework the compacts."

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Schoolkids: their 'crimes,' punishments

A student in the Holly school district was suspended for 10 days last month after he brought a knife to school.

Doesn't sound unreasonable. Except that the student was a 4-year-old preschooler, who said he brought the kitchen knife to school to cut Play-doh.

In accordance with district policy, he and his parents appeared before the school board to discuss the "incident."

Once the board decided that the 4-year-old had no "malicious intent," he was allowed to return to school. But, because of the child's age, the board did discuss the possibility of setting up a "preschool weapons committee."

About the same time a 7-year-old first-grader in Ripley, Miss., was suspended for three days and the case turned over to police after he brought a 1-inch wide oval key chain to school. The chain contained a fingernail file, a bottle opener and a short knife blade.

And in Alexandria, La., an 8-year-old second-grader was expelled after bringing her grandfather's pocket watch to school. The gold-plated watch had a small knife attached to

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Life is foundation for her 'Living'

■ Noreen Owens used her own life experiences, including a stay on Alcatraz Island, to come up with *Adventurous Living*, an empowerment program for teens and adults.

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

One look at Noreen Owens, and you just know it's not true. No way did she spend time in prison. But she'll look you straight in the eye and tell you it's true.

Yes, she says, she's gotten up close and personal with a prison cell. But before you start thinking of her as an ex-convict, understand this: The cell door was open for her one-night stay ... in Alcatraz.

"It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience," said Owens. "I can go back there and visit again, but this time I slept in a cell, visit with people who lived there and talk to former inmates. As part of a group, they took us to areas where the general public doesn't go."

The prison, built on an island in San Francisco's Bay for the worst of the worst prisoners, was closed in 1963 and is now a federal park. Once a year, a reunion weekend is held for ex-inmates, guards, their families and relatives to spend a night on the island.

Owens landed a spot on the guest list through her friendship with three former inmates - Jim Quillen, Nathan Glenn Williams and Herb Juelick.

She toured the island with the trio and talked to them about their experiences, but only Quillen agreed to stay overnight, sitting in the cell next to hers. Williams and Juelick left; they had had their fill of that island life.

"They left the door open so we could go in and out," Owens recalled. "It was so comfortable to be with Jim; I knew I could leave in the morning. But it made me stop and think about what it was like to live in a cage, a cage for



Say cheese: Jim Quillen (left) and Herb "Lucky" Juelick did something they couldn't do the last time they were on the island. They sat on a bench with Noreen Owens to pose outside the walls of the prison turned federal park.

humans."

Checkered pasts

Quillen, whose criminal record included robbery, kidnapping, attempted murder and assaulting a police officer, spent 20 years in prison, 10 of them spent at Alcatraz. Since his release, he has written about his life and experiences on Alcatraz and how he got there. (Owens met him during a book signing, when she treated her

husband to a surprise weekend in San Francisco for his birthday.)

Williams also wrote a book about his entire life from getting involved in crime to designing a transportation system so families can visit their loved ones who are in prison that won recognition from then President Ronald Reagan.

Juelick earned the nickname Lucky because he was on Death Row for awhile for murdering a U.S. marshal.

"All three discussed how difficult it was to forgive themselves and to reintegrate into society because it is so judgmental," Owens said. "I also talked to Jim's daughter, Lori Routheau, who had a lot of good advice for teens about growing up with a father who was an ex-con. He really instilled in her the value of responsibility."

The interviews and visit to Alcatraz

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produced four hours of raw video footage that has been edited by Tim Flamboe into a half-hour video, "A Convicting Discussion," which Owens is using in her work as a speaker and trainer for her Adventurous Living, an empowerment program for adults and teens.

"It's important to show how important choices are on life," she said. "A study was done in the 1980s and it found that people's biggest fear was having had a life that didn't matter."

Adventurous Living came about as the result of Owens' own life experiences. The new kid in school in sixth grade, she was rejected by her classmates because she was "considered a goody-goody." Teased constantly, she was afraid to stand up to the other students.

After high school she went to Western Michigan University, where she accomplished things she didn't think possible. She majored in marketing and French, studying in France for five weeks and graduating from Honors College.

Although she still felt like she wasn't liked and wasn't worthy of the other students' friendship in college, through personal growth, she discovered four "keys" to getting results - choices, beliefs, actions and commitments - keys, that when used, can empower people and change lives.

"People play hooky with their lives and don't realize that it will affect them later on," she said. "I did. I tried on different costumes to find something other people would like."

Owens sees herself as a "life coach," here to assist people to personally grow and attain the results they want in life. She helps them define what they can and can't control and understand that "the past doesn't have to be the same as the future but the beliefs can be the same."

"Fear of success is a normal fear but it can be deadly when it stops us from realizing what we want in life," Owens said. "People think it's easy when they see someone do something, but they don't see their struggle, pain and

anxiety."

Owens charges \$200 per hour, with discounts available for non-profit groups. But the cost depends on the program. It can be customized or general in nature and run a few hours to a half day.

She has made presentations at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Vista Maria, Taylor Truman High School, Rotary clubs, busi-

nesses and youth groups, since forming Adventurous Living in March.

In her teen programs, she has participants list 10 things they like about themselves "because they always focus on what they don't like about themselves."

She also has them list five ways they can contribute to someone else and five ways to contribute to themselves, and 10

things they want to accomplish in life.

"It shifts their focus," she said. "It makes them feel good about themselves. I don't act as a parent or teacher and tell them how to live their lives. They can take what they want and use it or throw it away."

Owens still works in sales and does her presentations on the side. She hopes to begin

doing them full time by next year.

"This is something I have an absolute passion about," she said. "It's scary; this is something that takes time to develop. But it's growth, it's change."

For more information, call Noreen Owens at (313) 464-2526, by E-mail at ownsnr@msn.com or by writing to her at P.O. Box 530-277, Livonia 48153-0277.

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the fob, a violation of the school district's no-weapons policy.

It's the enforcement of these "zero tolerance" weapons policies, which were mandated by the federal government in 1994, that often make schools look more like gulags than educational institutions. And some administrators say they are as frustrated by the laws as anyone else.

If they try to enforce the letter of the law, they say, they end up looking silly at best; but they are often afraid to use too much discretion for fear of being accused of discrimination. So the suspensions and expulsions continue, and the students get labeled as troublemakers on their permanent records.

Like the high school freshman honor student in Gobles, Mich., who served a 10-day suspension after she took a kitchen knife to school to cut some brownies she

had brought for a friend's birthday. The 10-day suspension was imposed by the school board, which overruled the superintendent's recommendation that she be suspended for 33 school days and not be allowed to make up the missed work.

And in Columbus, Ohio, a high school senior who was suspended for 10 days for bringing a knife to school is suing the district to get his record cleared. He was nabbed after a police officer patrolling the school grounds saw the knife in the back of the student's car and searched it. Both the student and his father said the knife was part of a tool kit that the 17-year-old uses for an after-school job doing maintenance and cutting plastic for displays in his family's used clothing stores.

If knives are bad, guns are worse, even if they aren't real and you don't know you have

one. And you don't even have to be on school property. That was the case for a 16-year-old Northwest High School student in Jackson who was suspended for 10 days for bringing a plastic laser tag gun (which emits a light beam) to a cross-country meet in Mason.

The board of education voted not to expel the student, saying he didn't know the gun was in his gym bag. And a trustee said the youth was not on school property and was not representing the school at the race. Still he was suspended after an Ingham County deputy sheriff who attended the track meet saw the gun and notified Mason police and Northwest school officials.

Three first-graders, one in Georgia and two in Rhode Island, were suspended in separate incidents last year after bringing toy guns to school. The American Civil Liberties Union

filed appeals in the case of the Rhode Island students, who each received 10-day suspensions. Then there was the fifth-grader in Seattle who was expelled for bringing to school a 1-inch molded plastic toy gun that fit in the hand of a G.I. Joe action figure. The 10-year-old's father said his son didn't know he had the "gun" with him until he reached in his pocket to make sure he had his lunch money. A school spokesperson defending the expulsion (which was later changed to a suspension) said the "gun" was "displayed in a manner that was not appropriate."

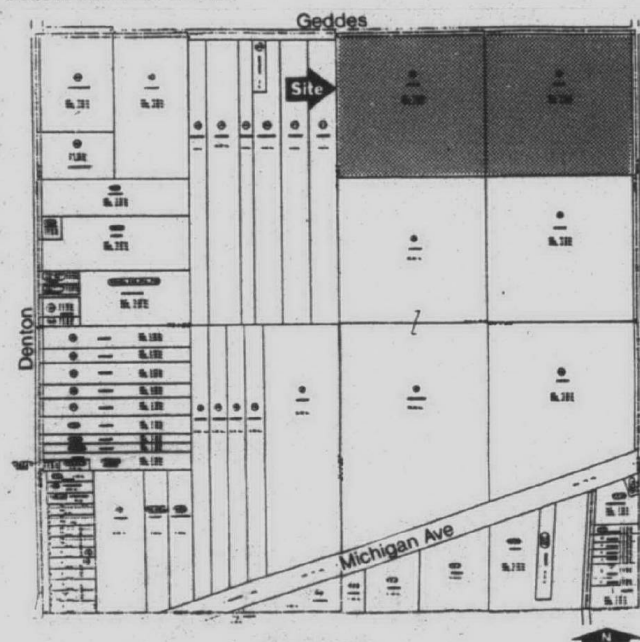
Well, I suggest that overreactions like these are not appropriate, either. But if key chain knives and toy guns get the schools in an uproar, wait until you hear how they react to drugs and sex. Next time.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 1, 1997 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

GEDDES BECK LAND COMPANY REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 125 99 0001 000 AND 125 99 0003 000 FROM RA, RURAL AGRICULTURAL, TO R-6, SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the southwest corner of Geddes and Beck Roads.



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

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: November 6 and 20, 1997

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS November 13, 1997

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1997 AT 7:30 P.M.** The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Roll Call: Cisek, Demopoulos, Johnson, Redfern, Williams
Acceptance of Agenda

1. Paul B. Deters, Metro-Detroit Signs, 23544 Hoover, Warren, MI 48089, representing Wendys International for property located at 40450 Michigan Avenue, Canton, MI 48188. Appealing Ordinance 120, Article 29.009, Section 9.7 regarding menu order and similar drive-through assistance signs. The request is for a variance in order to install a 41.94 Sq. Ft. menu-board, which exceeds the allowed 25 Sq. Ft. by 16.94 Sq. Ft. Parcel No. 099-99-0014-002 (Building) (Tabled from October 9, 1997 meeting)
2. Ronald R. Maas, Maas Enterprises, Inc., 5445 S. Sheldon Rd., Canton, MI 48188, for property located at 5445 S. Sheldon Road, Canton, MI 48188. Regarding Article 27, Section 05, Variances and Appeals, the applicant is appealing a decision by the Planning Commission relative to whether a specific use was permitted in the LI-2 zoning district pertaining to Article 22, Section 02, Permitted Uses and Structures. Parcel No. 136-99-0003-000 (Planning)
3. Greg L. Ash Surveyor, Inc., 1158 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, representing Mario Ferrante, Andy Kowalski, Charles W. Garris and Ronald Kowalski for property located at 948 Lots Road, Canton, MI 48188. Appealing Article 26, Section 02-b regarding lot dimensions and proportions. The request is for a variance to exceed the maximum width to depth ratio of 1:2.5 in the R-4 District, in order to create more reasonably configured parcels that remain consistent with the area. Parcel No's. 094-99-0015-701, 094-99-0015-702, 094-99-0015-703, 094-99-0015-704 (Planning)
4. Richard Connor Riley & Associates, 30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 420, Bingham Farms, MI 48025, representing AT&T Wireless Services, Inc., for property located on Lot 7 Warren/Lots Industrial Park. Appealing Article 6, Section S-1 regarding Radio, Television and Cellular Telephone Towers (Commercial and Public) Setbacks. The request is for a variance in the setbacks of the North and West property lines of 60 feet and 94 feet respectively. Parcel No. 045-99-0014-701 (Planning)
5. Jay Johnson, Johnson Sign Co. Inc., 2240 Lansing Ave., Jackson, MI 49202, representing Saint Joseph Mercy Health System for property located at 1600 Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188. Appealing Ordinance 120, Article 29.016 regarding Directional Signs. The request is for a variance in order to put two (2) directional signs at 6 sq. ft., mounted on the same two (2) pole structure; one sign to have logo with directional arrow and one sign to direct to the Urgent Care Services. Parcel No. 084-99-0004-700 (Building)
6. John Gargaro, 33527 Seven Mile Rd., Livonia, MI 48152, for property located on the south side of Koppernick Rd., between Haggerty and Ronda Drive (Parcel B-3). Appealing Article 26.04, regarding Requirements for Industrial Districts. The request is for a variance of 3 feet in the sideyard setback on the eastern property line in LI-2. Parcel No's. 008-03-0005-000 and 008-99-0002-705 (Planning)
7. Kevin Roark, 11694 Lehigh Ct., Plymouth, MI 48170, for property located at 3499 Canton Center Road, Canton, MI. Appealing Article 26.02, regarding Requirements for Agricultural and Residential Districts. The request is for a variance of 90 feet from the required 150 foot lot width in R-1, Single Family Residential. Parcel No. 107-99-0008-000 (Planning)

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of October 9, 1997
Approval of minutes of the special meeting of October 23, 1997

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

McGlinch-Cunningham

Juliet and Michael McGlinch of Farmington Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Karey Kathleen, to Chad James Cunningham, the son of Marlene and James Cunningham of Howell.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Central Michigan University with a bachelor of science in business administration. She is currently working on her master's degree and is employed as the marketing and advertising assistant for DMR Financial Services in Farmington Hills.

The groom earned his juris doctor degree from the University of Detroit Law School and a business administration degree from Pennsylvania State University.

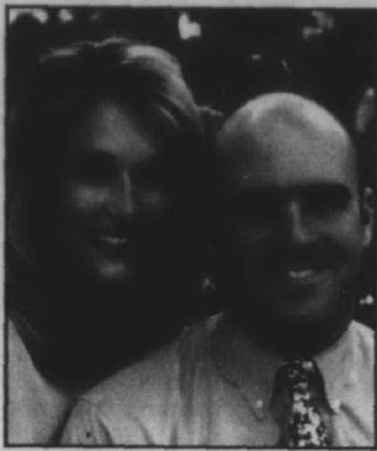
Wedge-Meyer

Leslie and Connie Wedge of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter Laura Marie to Christopher Michael Meyer of Redford, the son of Wayne Meyer of St. Clair Shores and Mary Reis of Chesterfield.

A 1991 graduate of Redford Union High School, the bride-to-be is a nursing student at Schoolcraft College. She is employed at Botsford General Hospital and Kinloch Clinic.

Her fiancé, a 1990 Lakeshore High School graduate, is employed as a firefighter for the Redford Fire Department.

A November wedding is planned at St. Matthew United Methodist Church in Livonia.



He is an assistant city attorneys for the city of Dearborn.

A November wedding is planned at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington.

Angiulo-Kuhn

John and Lana Angiulo of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Stefanie Marie, to Christopher Jason Kuhn, the son of Karl and Gloria Kuhn of Naubinway, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School. She is employed at Associates in the internal medicine department as a medical assistant. She also is attending Schoolcraft College.

Her fiancé, a Dearborn High School and a Michigan State University graduate, is an investment officer at NBD Bank.

A February wedding is planned in the U.S. Virgin Islands.



Cook-Hutson

Lisa Diane Hutson and Michael Stewart Cook were married July 19 at St. Philip Catholic Church in Battle Creek.

The bride is the daughter of Robert Hutson of Battle Creek and Diane Leighton of Fenton. The groom is the son of Richard Cook of Plymouth and Anne Kuhnle of Birmingham.

The bride is a graduate of Michigan State University. She is a first grade teacher at Cornerstone Elementary School in Detroit.

The groom also is a graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed as a financial consultant by Merrill Lynch in Bloomfield Hills.

A reception was held at The Marywood Golf Club in Battle Creek. The newlyweds honeymooned in Alberta and British Columbia, Canada, before making their home in Berkley.



The couple received guests at the Grosse Ile Yacht Club before leaving on a honeymoon to Longboat Key and Walt Disney World in Florida. They are making their home in Livonia.

Vaughn-Balon

Barry Craig Vaughn and Roberta Susan Balon were married Aug. 9 at Evangelical Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, Wis.

The bride is the daughter of John and Pat Balon of Milwaukee. The groom is the son of Bill and Shirley Vaughn of Livonia.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Denver and the University of Detroit Mercy. She is employed as an attorney for Burchfield, Park and Heddon, P.C.

The groom is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School, Schoolcraft College and Adrian College. He is employed as a marketing associate with Miesel/Sysco Food Service, Inc.

The couple makes their home in Brighton.



Nofz-Mutz

Rob Nofz and Melanie Mutz were married Sept. 6 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Detroit.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mutz of Centerline. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nofz of Livonia.

The bride's three sisters served as her bridesmaids, with her cousin serving as junior bridesmaid and the groom's cousin's daughter, Nicole Jacobs as flower girl.

The couple received guests at the Grosse Ile Yacht Club before leaving on a honeymoon to Longboat Key and Walt Disney World in Florida. They are making their home in Livonia.



Hoffman-Forrester

Gordon and Catherine Hoffman of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Darcie Annette, to Daniel Robert Forrester, the son of Bruce Forrester of Wixom and Laurie Wilson of Laguna Nigel, Calif.

The bride-to-be is completing her senior year of a marketing and management degree in the executive program at Northwood University. She is employed as an independent marketing associate.

Her fiancé is pursuing a degree in drafting at Oakland Community College. He is employed in manufacturing by Weather King of Farmington.



Rosewarne-Anderson

Brian Paul Rosewarne and Tracy Lynn Anderson were married Aug. 2 at the Rose Garden in Henry Ford Estate-Fairlane by the Rev. Carol Huston.

The bride is the daughter of William and Linda Anderson of Plymouth. The groom is the son

of Philip Rosewarne of Ann Arbor and Anne Rosewarne of Okemos.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of arts degree in English. She also received a teaching certificate from Eastern Michigan University in 1997. She is employed as a high school English teacher in Pinckney.

The groom is a 1995 graduate

of the University of Michigan and is self-employed as a furniture craftsman/designer.

The bride asked Katherine Anderson to serve as matron of honor, and Steve Rosewarne served as best man.

The couple received guests at the estate. Following a trip to Fortola and St. John in the Virgin Islands, they are making their home in Ann Arbor.

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WRC, Arbor Hospice offer healing grief seminar

By CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

Participating in support groups can be intimidating. Cathy Clough, founder and director of Arbor Hospice's adult bereavement programs, realizes this and hopes to ease grieving parents and spouses into her groups through the fourth annual grief conference, "When the Bough Breaks," Saturday, Nov. 15, at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

"What happens is people will come to this and it might be their first experience coming to something like this," she said. "They'll hear about our programs and get involved in the group. Some of the people who came to the seminars in the past are involved in other ongoing groups and leadership positions."

"Some people may be a little leery to come to a smaller group, but they'll come to a conference where they don't need to say anything. People can come together. If they came to a group they wouldn't bring anybody with them. Here, they feel they can bring a support - a friend,

mother, sisters or brothers - to this."

"When the Bough Breaks," co-sponsored by Arbor Hospice Bereavement Services of Ann Arbor and Northville and the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College, will take place 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at the college's Waterman Center, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

The cost of the all-day conference, including lunch, will be \$35. For more information or to register, call the Women's Resource Center at (313) 462-

4443.

This conference is designed for people who have experienced the death of a loved one and those who wish to support them in their grief.

The program includes workshops dealing with grief after suicide, grief after the death of a child, legal and practical issues, men and grief and helping children deal with the death of a loved one. Several other workshops are also being offered.

"It's designed to help the grieving individual," Clough said. "We offer workshops dealing with

specific loss. We have a panel that had lost someone to suicide."

"Another one is a 'Coping with Holidays' workshop. It's really catered more toward people in the earlier stages of grief, but not necessarily."

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Bill Ritter, minister of the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham. Ritter has experienced profound grief firsthand after his son, Bill, committed suicide in 1994.

"He's a really dynamic speaker and a bereaved parent; I'm really looking forward to him,"

Clough said.

Besides the healing grief seminar at Schoolcraft, Clough's organization offers a variety of programs, including Starting Over, a grief support group for people younger than 45 whose spouses, girlfriends, boyfriends or fiancés have died.

Starting Over, which Clough started in her Plymouth home after her husband died, celebrated its 10th anniversary in September. Starting Over also offers a companion group, "Care-ousel," a structured bereavement group for children and teens to

help them go through the grieving process.

The organization recently opened The Arbor Center at 200 N. Center St. in Northville which provides grief support services for children, teens and adults.

About 200 people are expected to participate in the conference.

"They can just come and listen," she said. "They don't have to participate, if they don't choose to. There will be lots of valuable information available here."

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

PRINCE OF PEACE

The women of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church will have their annual craft auction at 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 7, at the church, 37775 Palmer Road west of Newburgh Road, Westland. People can browse and get a bite to eat at 6:30 p.m. An assortment of baked goods also will be available. The craft items are handmade. A full-sized quilt, made by the women, also will be raffled off. Raffle tickets cost \$1 each.

CLARENCEVILLE BOOSTERS

Clarenceville High School Ath-

letic Boosters Club will present its annual Holiday Craft Boutique 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 8 at the high school, 20155 Middlebelt Road, north of Seven Mile Road, Livonia. There will be more than 150 juried crafters, bake sale and raffle. Babysitting will be available. Admission will be \$2.

NEW MORNING SCHOOL

New Morning School will host its

"Celebration of the Arts" 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 8 at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main. Lunch will be available. Admission \$2 to benefit New Morning School. More than 70 artist and craftsmen will be featured. For more information, call (313) 420-3331.

GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN

The women of Garden City Presbyterian Church will have its annual Hollyberry Bazaar 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Nov. 8 at the church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, Garden City. There will be a silent auction, white elephant room, cookie walk, arts and crafts, Christmas decorations, bake sale and children's activity room. A turkey dinner will be served 4:30-6:30 p.m.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

There will be more than 150 crafters at Schoolcraft College's holiday craft show 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 8 and 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 9 in the Physical Education Building of the college, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. The show will feature holiday decorations, cedar rocking chairs and pine furniture, hand-

craved stone figures, stained glass, jewelry, clothing and knitted items. Admission is \$1.50 for adults and children 12 years and older, and 50 cents for children 5-12 years old. Children under 5 years will be admitted free. For more information, call (313) 462-4417.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN

Crafters are needed for the 10th annual holiday craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 8 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt Road at Eight Mile Road. For more information, call (248) 476-0841 or (313) 591-0224.

SS. SIMON AND JUDE

The Mother Cabrini Guild of St. Simon and Jude Church will sponsor its 15th annual arts and crafts boutique 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 8 at the church, 32500 Palmer Road, west of Merriman Road, Westland. There will be crafts, a free raffle every hour, snack food, bake sale and 50/50 raffle. For more information, call Winnie at (313) 722-8098 or (313) 722-1343.

KETTERING ELEMENTARY

The Kettering PTA will have its 11th annual craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 8 at the school, 1200 S. Hubbard, Westland. For more

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Jimmy Launce entertains Town Hall with his radio bloopers

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

His first brush with broadcasting came during grammar school when he did an adaptation of "The Raven." In college, he majored in theology with a minor in broadcasting.

After graduating, he did time at WSTR in Sturgis and was the on-air personality for a Battle Creek radio station. But it's the 38 years that he spent at WJR in Detroit that drew Livonia Town Hall patrons to the St. Mary's Cultural Center last month.

"Let's get it out of the way first, you don't look anything like I thought you would," said Jimmy Launce, opening his talk with a series of quick jokes, ranging from the Jimmy Swagert and Jim Bakker starting a new magazine called Repent-house to his signing a new long-term contract with GM when he bought a car.

At times sharing the microphone with his wife, Brigetta, Launce entertained the audience with humorous on-air bloopers and jokes, along with the pain of losing J.P. McCarthy and his life after he "reluctantly retired" from WJR in June 1996.

"Words can look harmless in black and white," Launce said. "But when the human voice breathes life into them, anything can happen."

One radio advertisement for low-cost swimsuits for women let listeners know they could buy one for "a ridiculous figure," while an announcer transposed words in an anti-litter jingle, telling people not to "be litter birds, but join Lady Bug Johnson" in putting trash in its place.

Of course, there was the announcer who referred to Arnold Palmer at the "opium champ" and the weatherman who was reporting of the "cold mare's ass that came down from the north."

"I'd like to hear Jerry Hodak say that," said Launce with a chuckle.

Launce even found a blooper from his days at WELL in Battle Creek. One his features was his Eyewitness to the Weather, where he would open the close the window to do a check of the conditions.

"Instead of saying I'd be back after taking a look out the window, one morning I said peek," said Launce, acknowledging the audience's laughter. "I see you figured out what I said."

He also touched on interviews with people not used to being on radio, pointing out that those instances can scare a broadcaster to death.

"Mel Allen would offer the sponsor's cigars to guests," Launce said. "One sports guest said, 'No thank you, those things

make me throw up.'"

But when the laughter subsided, Launce got serious talking about his time at WJR. He joined the staff in October 1958 and was the mainstay of the station's afternoon programming until it decided to exercise an option in his contract.

"Why did I leave WJR ... they told me to," Launce said. "It was a bolt out of the blue. I literally had one day to say goodbye. I didn't get to clean out my desk. They broke into it and put my things in boxes that I picked up on the 10th floor of the parking structure."

While reluctant to leave, the Farmington Hills resident admits he likes his more relaxed lifestyle, dabbling more in tennis which he loves, and doing more charity work.

Launce is an avid tournament tennis player in both singles and doubles. He also does commercials for radio and television, voice-overs for cartoons and industrial films and, with Brigetta, has graced the runways as a celebrity model. In fact, Brigetta now manages Jimmy Launce Productions.

"If you want the real answer, come to me," Brigetta told the audience, who met Launce in New York. Both models—he did some announcing at the auto show—someone decided to put them together as couple. They



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Time to chat: Tammie Newcomb (from left) of Livonia and her mother, Beverly Coleman of Brooklyn, Mich., nabbed Jimmy Launce for a chat after his Town Hall talk.

have been married for 28 years.

"Brigetta helped raise my three children, so I thank her very much publicly and privately," Launce said. "When you're 25 and have three children and a

husband waiting in the church

more."

He also laments the lack of closure after McCarthy's death—the Launces were hosting an Alaskan cruise and were unable to get back in time for the funeral—and was noncommittal about joining Bob Hines at his new WYUR radio station that "will be everything WJR used to be."

When asked if Brigetta might join him, if he did, her response was "I don't know. I have an accent ... and it would cost a lot

more."

The next Livonia Town Hall will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia. It will feature Judy Knowles, a volunteer docent at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Single lecture tickets cost \$15 each and can be purchased at the door or by calling Joyce Silkworth at (313) 421-4326. Luncheon tickets are \$12 and must be reserved one week in advance by calling Emily Stankus at (313) 420-0383.

'Home for Holidays' helps McDonald Houses

Local giftware stores and Department 56 are offering customers holiday inspiration during the third annual "Homes for the Holidays" national decorating event through Sunday, Nov. 9.

Local Department 56 retailers are helping their customers turn their houses into "homes for the holidays" while raising money for the Detroit Ronald McDonald House.

Stores are hosting a variety of decorating seminars, demonstrations and family holiday activities during the event. A 24-page Holiday Idea Guide, filled with dozens of festive decorating and gift ideas, also is available free

of charge.

Department 56 also is using the event to introduce the Original Snow Village and Dickens Village Series "Start a Tradition Sets, all-in-one holiday scenes for decorating or gift-giving.

The sets include two lighted shops, accessories, trees and snow. The suggested retail price is \$75 for each set during "Home for the Holidays," and \$100 following the event.

Nationally, "Home for the Holidays" benefits some 150 Ronald McDonald Houses. Locally, retailers will donate proceeds from fundraising activities, using "The House That Love

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In addition retailers are donating \$1 from the sale of each limited-edition Ronald McDonald House ornament to their local house. The hand-painted ceramic ornament measure 3 inches by 3 1/2 inches and retails for \$7.50.

Participating are: Card and Gift Center at 29520 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia, and 37061 Grand River, Farmington; Kacey's Hallmark, 3330 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia; Plate Lady, 16347 Mid-

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Held at the Msgr. Alex Brunett Activity Center at St. Aidan's Catholic Church in Livonia. Elvis -

Steve King of Livonia (at left), accompanied by his wife Ann King - took time out from partying to perform with the Howards Band. Fellow rock stars Sonny and Cher - Don and Betty Liptow of Canton (bottom photo at left) - won a weekend get-away at a local hotel for their very retro and realistic costumes.

Cabaret chair Beth Lurtz of Plymouth, dressed as a witch, had the honor of recognizing the Gilded Pumpkin Circle members - Wayne County Commissioner Thaddeus McCotter (from left), Virginia Vreeland of Plymouth and immediate past president of CHHCS Board of Directors Angie Urban of Livonia and husband Joe - recognized for the generous contributions to CHHCS.



Stars turnout for CHHCS Cabaret



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information, call Kathy at 722-7433 or Jamie at 467-8085.

LIVONIA SENIORS

The Livonia Senior Citizens annual arts and crafts sale and show will be 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, at the Civic Park Senior Citizens Center, 16218 Farmington Road, Livonia.

All items offered are handmade. For more information, call (313) 466-2549.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

Listings for the Religion Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-1279. For more information, call (313) 953-2131.

NEW PROGRAM

St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church is offering a new adult education program that encourages participants to come and learn about orthodoxy from 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays through

Dec. 11. Speakers and topics include: "What We Believe About the Divine Liturgy" by Father Peters Nov. 6, "What We Believe About Sin" by Father Peters Nov. 13, "What We Believe About Icons" Nov. 20 by Jim King, "What We Believe About Scripture and Tradition" Dec. 4 by King, and "What We Believe About Heaven and Hell" by Father Shalhoub Dec. 11. The church is located at 18100 Merriman Road, Livonia. For more information, call (313) 422-0010.

YOGA CLASSES

The Unity of Livonia Church, located at 28660 Five Mile Road in Livonia, hosts yoga classes from 10-11:30 a.m. Thursdays throughout November and December. The class, taught by Linda Haught, is offered on a love offering basis. For more information, call the church at (313) 421-1760.

PILGRIM CHRISTMAS

The First Congregational Church of Wayne presents 51 years of Christmas traditions with "A Pilgrim Christmas," 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6-

Friday, Nov. 7, at the church. The event features aprons, country store, candy booth, attic treasures, a men's boutique, books, adult and children's boutiques, tree and Christmas decorations, and wreaths. The coffee shop opens at 9 a.m. with lunch served from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and dinner from 5-7 p.m.

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings, a grief support group, continues with its monthly speaker series at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, when the Rev. Chuck Sonquist discusses

"Dreams and Deeper Aspects of Grief," at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road (east of Merriman Road), Livonia. The program is free. Free resources are available and related books and may be purchased at cost. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-6038.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will have "First Call" with Bonnie Keen and Marty McCall, as part of Showcase at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, in Knox Hall of the church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile Road, Livonia. A free will offering will be accepted and child care will be available.

The group also will meet at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, at the Livonia Family YMCA, Stark Road north of Schoolcraft, for Bring Your Own Sneakers. A family activity, the cost is \$6 for adults and \$2 for children 14 years and younger.

Members will also gather at the church at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, and Saturday, Nov. 15, at Haggerty Field on Edward Hines Drive for a bicycle ride to Plymouth.

The group will host a "Where Do We Go From Here" seminar, exploring topics such as being single, personality and gender differences, building healthy relationships, and keeping things in perspective, from 7-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at the church's Lighthouse. The workshop, presented by Dick Bont, will cost \$10. Child care will be available for free and lunch will be provided on Saturday for those who preregis-

ter.

For more information about the activities, call the Single Point Office at (313) 422-1854.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will celebrate World Community Day at 12:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, at Grand River Baptist Church, 34500 Six Mile Road, Livonia. The program will be "Gathering Seed from a Medieval Motherroot." Participants should bring their love pillows.

PRO-LIFE TALKS

St. Kenneth Catholic Church will host the Rev. Richard Hogan, associate director of Priests For Life, for two talks on Friday, Nov. 7, and Saturday, Nov. 8. His visit is sponsored by the Gospel of Life Group. On Nov. 7, there will be Mass at 7 p.m., followed by his talk, "Better Off Dead? The Debate Over Assisted Suicide," at 8 p.m. On Nov. 8, he will speak about "Raising a Pro-Life Family in a Pro-Death Culture" at 7 p.m. The talks will take place at the church, 14951 Haggerty Road, south of Five Mile Road. For more information, call Mike Mitchell at (313) 420-2784.

VEGAS NIGHTS

St. John Bosco Church will hold a Vegas Night 7 p.m. to midnight Friday, Nov. 7, and Saturday, Nov. 8, in Sheltreau Hall, 12170 Beech Daly, Redford. There will be games of black jack, Detroit craps and roulette and hourly 50/50 raffles starting at 8 p.m. Admission will be \$1 and food and beverages will be available. For more information, call (313) 255-4577 or (313) 937-9690.

St. Bernadine of Siena, 31463 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland, is hosting its annual Vegas Party from 8 p.m. to midnight Friday, Nov. 7. Admission is \$5. For more information, call (313) 427-5150.

LINE DANCE LESSONS

Line dancing lessons will be taught 7:30-8:30 p.m. Fridays, Nov. 7, 14 and 21, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church-Canton Campus, 46001 Warren Road, Canton. There is no charge for the fellowship. For more information, call (313) 522-6830.

BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance divorced and separated Christians, is hosting a dance at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, at St. Gerald's in Farmington. The \$8 charge includes refreshments; and a Mass and potluck dinner at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at St. Kenneth's on Haggerty Road south of Five Mile Road. Participants should bring a dish to pass or pay \$4.

The group also meets on Sundays for breakfast and Mass - 10 a.m. at the Redford Inn, Five Mile Road west of Beech Daly Road, Redford, and at 11:15 a.m. at St. Aidan's Church, Farmington Road north of Six Mile Road, Livonia - call Val at (313) 729-1974; for coffee and conversation at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Archie's Restaurant, Plymouth Road east of Merriman, Livonia, and for pinocle at 7 p.m. every other Friday.

For information about the coffee and conversation, pinocle, dance or Mass and potluck dinner, call Rose at (313) 464-3325.

REMARRIAGE SEMINAR

Ward Presbyterian Church will sponsor a Remarriage Seminar 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 8, at the church, 17000 Farmington Road at Six Mile Road, Livonia.

The seminar is for couples thinking about remarriage and will cover such topics as the keys to a great relationship, warning flags, communication skills and blending finances and families. The cost will be \$5 per person, including the workbook and continental breakfast. For more information or to register, call the Remarriage Ministry at (313) 542-7747.

BENEFIT CONCERT

The Lansing-based folk group Second Opinion will offer their acclaimed a Capella harmonies at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, in a benefit for the Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery of Central United Methodist Church, Woodward Avenue at Grand Circus Park, Detroit. The event is presented as part of the church's three-month-long 175th birthday celebration.

The group also will perform at Saturday Night Central, Central's alternative workshop with the arts at 5:30 p.m. that day. Concert tickets are \$20 in advance and at the door. For more information, call the

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St. Mary's Antiochian to break ground

Members of St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church will gather on Sunday, Nov. 9, to break ground for a new church.

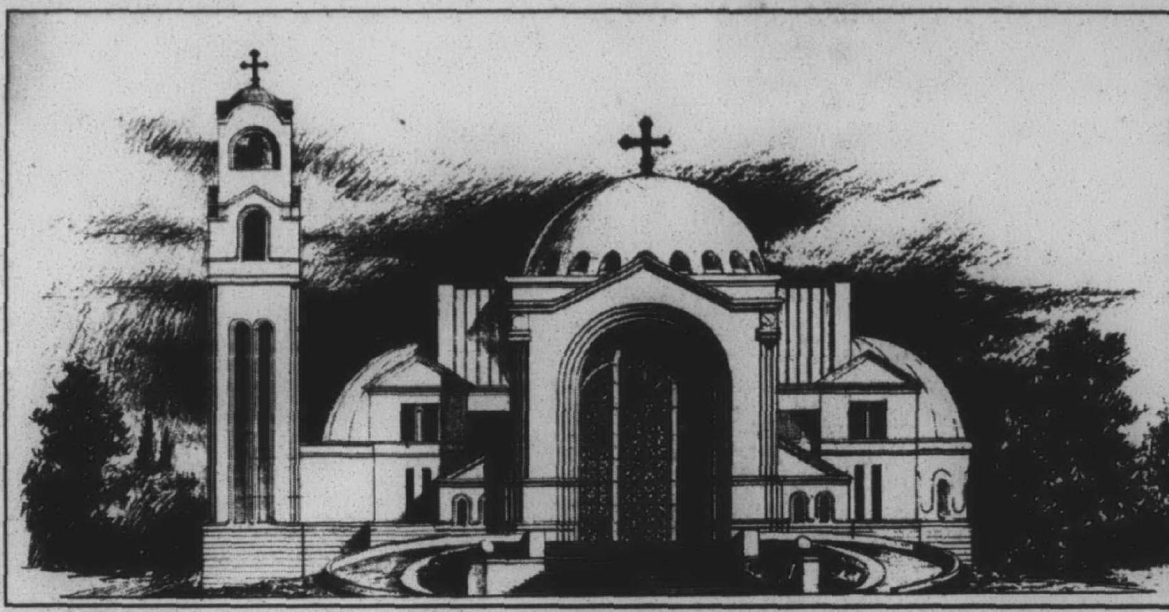
On hand for the ceremony will be his Eminence Philip Saliba, the primate of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America.

The new church will have features from the first churches ever built and will be a combination of Syrian and Byzantine architecture.

The entire church will be designed in the shape of a cross and will be crowned with a 40-foot wide dome at a height of 65 feet. The first level will house the St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church School Academy, which has classes for kindergarten through the eighth grade.

The church itself will seat 600 and there also will be an activity center.

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the entire edifice will be "The Bells of St. Mary" Tower. The 85-foot high tower will sit in the church courtyard. It will house a

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St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox

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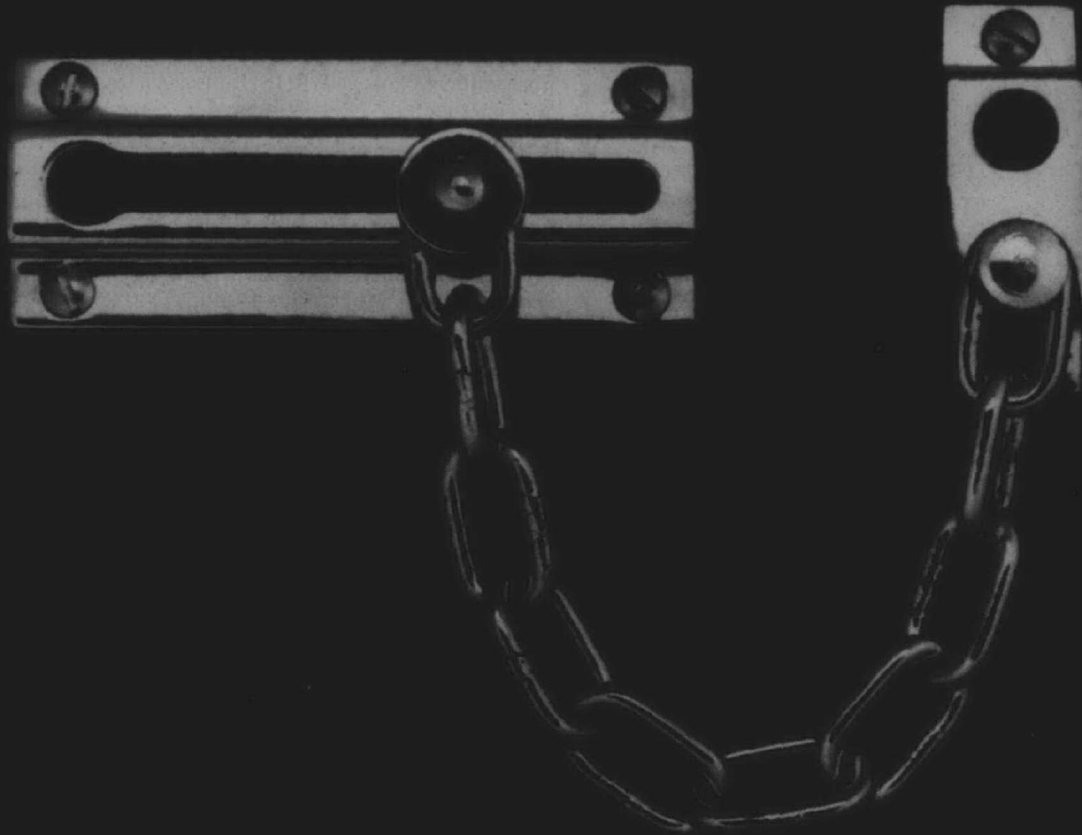
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church at (313) 965-5422.

UP WITH PARENTS

Parents looking for a fun night out are invited to "Up With Parents," an exciting, fun-packed evening of poking fun at parenthood and learning some extraordinarily helpful things about discipline and self-esteem, 7-9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 Sheldon Road, Canton.

The cost is \$8 per person and child care will be provided for children under age 10. To register or for more information, call the church at (313) 459-3333.

RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS

"Retirement: Mapping Your Journey," a branch program from the Aid Association for Lutherans, will be presented at noon Sunday, Nov. 9, at Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia.

The 60-minute educational program will help participants decide how they want to live in retirement. They will be given

positive and practical information about topics like housing options, leisure activities, volunteer opportunities and more. For more information, call the church at (313) 427-2290.

PAUL AND NICOLE

Best-selling authors and acclaimed actors Paul and Nicole Johnson will perform their original drama during the 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. services Sunday, Nov. 9, at Canton Community Church, 42600 Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. The couple's mission is to have "people to leave our performances challenged in the realm of their relationships." "Often times we take our relationships for granted," Paul said. "We don't realize that there is a depth that we can achieve within our relationships, if we just begin to understand how to give of ourselves."

Their best-selling book, "Random Acts of Grace," was published by Moorings/Random House in 1995. For more infor-

mation, call (313) 455-6022.

BIBLE STORIES

Plymouth Baptist church will conclude the drama series "Close Encounters of the Best Kind" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, at the church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail (1/2 mile west of Haggerty), Plymouth. This week's story is "The Prodigal Son," re-enacts one of the Bible's most powerful stories. Full nursery and preschool care will be provided. For more information, call (313) 453-5534.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The radio series, "What is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Sundays on WQBH-AM 1400. The topic will be "Why would anyone be a Christian Scientist?" on Nov. 9, "How can you say sickness isn't real?" on Nov. 16, "Where did Christian Science start?" on Nov. 23 and "Does your church have missionaries?" on Nov. 30.

"The Christian Science Sentinel-Radio Edition" also can be heard at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. The conversational program discusses current public topics as well as shares healing through prayer from people all over the world.

SINGLE PLACE

Single Place Adult Ministries of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville will present "Dating in the '90s: The Challenge of Reinvesting" at 7 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 9, 16 and 23, in the Youth Room of the church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. The cost is \$24 in advance and \$27 at the door. For more information, call (248) 349-0911.

TEAMKID

TeamKid, a unique club which blends activity with interactive learning, discipleship and Bible memory, meets 5:45-8 p.m. Sundays at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The program is for children in grades 1-6 and pro-

vides practical Biblical answers in a fun and interesting setting. For more information, call the church office at (313) 421-0472.

COAT/SWEATER SALE

Tried & True Lutheran Resale Store will celebrate its first anniversary on Nov. 15 with everything in the store at half priced. Store hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday. The store is at 5004 Michigan Ave., Wayne.

It also is having a coat and sweater sale through Tuesday, Nov. 25. All sweaters in all sizes cost \$1, coats are \$1-\$5.95. Dress coats, winter jackets, ski jackets, furs, leathers, children's, infants, men's and women's sizes will be available.

For more information, call (313) 728-9777. Proceeds go to the POBLO Lutheran Outreach.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Men Who Make a Difference, a small group of Christian men dedicated to the biblical principles of building a "Godly Man," meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The group is open to men of all denominations who wish to diligently seek the face of Jesus. For more information, call (313) 421-0472.

DRAMA OF SALVATION

Scott Thibodeau, a student at Sacred Heart Seminary, will be doing a Millennium presentation, "Drama of Salvation," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, at St. Raphael Church, 31530 Beechwood, Garden City. For more information, call (313) 427-1533.

PRAYER CONFERENCE

Calvary Baptist Church will participate via satellite link in the third annual Fasting and Prayer Conference Wednesday, Nov. 12-Friday, Nov. 14, at the church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton.

The goal of the gathering is to mobilize millions of God's people to pray consistently for personal, national and worldwide revival and the fulfillment of the Great Commission.

The meetings consist of 18 hours of concentrated prayer time spread over three days - three hours on the opening evening, 12 hours on the following day and three hours to close on the final morning.

The first evening is a time of personal preparation and includes slightly longer messages. The remainder of the meeting is broken up into approximately 20-minute segments. Specific topics for prayer will be introduced by Christian leaders in the first five minutes of each segment and the remainder of that time will be devoted to prayer.

Although fasting is encouraged, it is not required. For more information, call the church at (313) 455-0022.

CLARIFICATION

A story appearing in the Thursday, Oct. 30, edition of The Observer, should have indicated that the Rev. Dennis Bux is senior pastor at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church which has begun a search to fill the position of associate pastor, vacant as the result of the retirement of the Rev. Robert Seltz.



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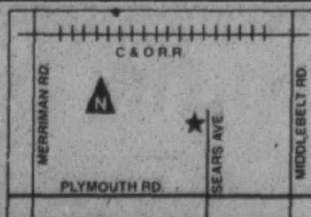
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Nuts about literacy: Debra Bonde (center) and her nonprofit Seedlings Braille Books for Children will be on the receiving end of money raised through Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County's annual Koeze nut sale. Joining Bonde at Seedlings' new offices on Farmington Road, are Evelyn Shaput, sale chair (left) and fellow Zonta member Candis Martin.

Zonta goes nuts for Koeze

Looking to get an early start on holiday gift buying? One place to shop is the Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County Area's annual Koeze nut sale.

Once again the group is offering a variety of nuts and chocolate-covered nuts in glass decanters or boxed refills at prices ranging from \$9 to \$25.

Great as gifts for family and friends, they also are ideal for business which, with minimum orders of 24 decanters, can have them mailed directly to clients. The cases also can be delivered to the purchaser for easy distribution.

People looking for a Thanksgiving delivery must place their orders by Friday, Nov. 4. The deadline for Christmas delivery is Friday, Dec. 12.

Orders can be placed by calling Candy Martin at (248) 348-1410, Debbie Trudeau-Jorgenson at (313) 336-8244 or Kay Diggs at (313) 459-8374.

Ruth Koeze, a member of a hospital guild in Grand Rapids, in 1960, came up with the idea of decorating jars filled with Koeze nuts and selling them at Christmas to raise money for the hospital. The fund raiser was successful and was the beginning of a fundraising business that has helped thousands of groups raise millions of dollars.

Among the organization's benefiting from Zonta of Northwest Wayne's sale this year will be Seedlings Braille Books for Children. Last year, the group was able to give Seedlings \$200 and hopes to give more this year, according to Zonta member Kay Diggs.

"We just discovered it last year," said Diggs, pointing out that the work being done by the non-profit Seedlings coincides

with Zonta's literacy project. "They really do a lot of nice things there."

The club also visits the Wayne County Family Shelter in Westland, taking books to read and leave for children whose families are housed at the shelter.

It also contributes money to Schoolcraft College's Women's Resource Center and the Amelia

Earhart Scholarship fund for engineering and aerospace-related sciences students through Zonta International.

Zonta is a service organization of executive women dedicated to world peace, providing community service and improving the status of women worldwide.

Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne supports women's, health and educational needs.

Premiere benefits AAUW

The Livonia Branch of the American Association of University Women will sponsor the premiere of "Power and Greed" when it's presented at 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

Participants at the buffet performance will help solve the murder mystery.

Tickets are priced at \$25 each and are available by calling (313) 464-2733. Profits from the fundraiser will be used for scholarships.

ANNIVERSARIES

Downs

John Jr. and Patricia Downs of Livonia are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a Mass and a dinner dance for family and friends at Madonna University in Livonia.

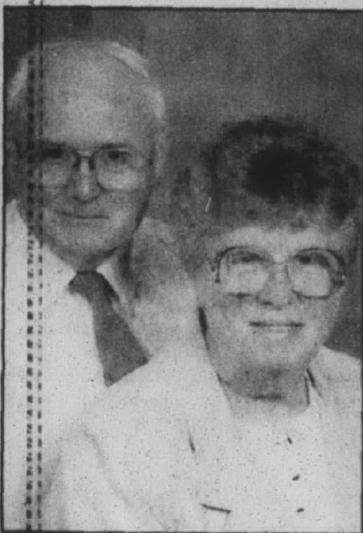
The couple married Oct. 18, 1947, at St. Mary's of Redford in Detroit. She is the former Patricia Barton.

They have five children - John III and wife Susan of Livonia,

Patrick and wife Mary Kay of Livonia, Thomas and wife Karmel of Clarkston, Daniel of West Bloomfield and Carolyn Downs and husband Keith Lang of Fox River Grove, Ill. They also have six grandchildren.

The couple have owned and operated Acme Heating and Cooling in Livonia for 50 years.

They enjoy gardening and spending time with their grandchildren.



Gask

William R. and Marjorie L. Gask are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple married Oct. 18, 1947, in Detroit. She is the former Marjorie L. Patching.

They have three children - Connie Gask of Brighton, Nancy Gask of Cave Creek, Ariz., and Timothy Gask and wife Tammy of Dundee - and five grandchildren.

Retired in 1986 from Western Electric, he serves on the board of TelCom Credit Union. She is active in Christ the King Lutheran Church in Livonia.



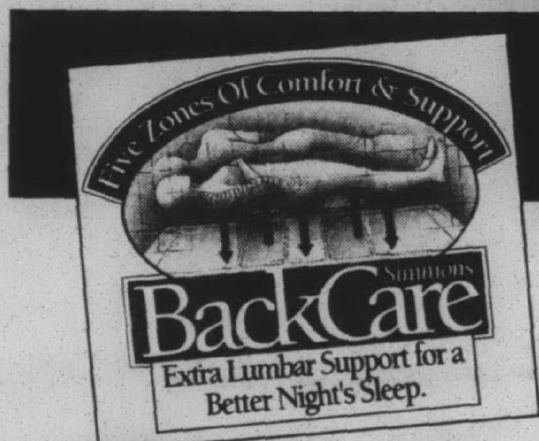
Brang

Robert F. and Helene M. Brang of Redford celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a party with family and friends at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia.

The couple married Oct. 4, 1947, at St. Scholastica's Church in Detroit. She is the former Helene M. Foley.

They have eight children - Kathleen, Robert F. Jr., Mary, William, Barry, Steven, Daniel and Patrick. They also have 12 grandchildren - Diana, Rob, Kallie, Laura, Amy, Adam, Pat, Beth, Sarah, Kaitlyn, Dakota and Austin.

He retired in 1990 after serving as a district court judge in Redford for 21 years.



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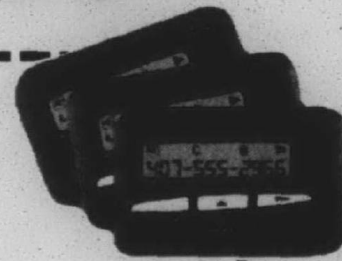
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Donnelly-Runnion run

The first finishers for both the men and women at Sunday's Trish Donnelly-Runnion Memorial 5,000-meter race at Plymouth Salem HS also happened among the youngest.

Erin Lang, a 17-year-old from Canton, clocked the best time among the women, finishing first in the 17-and-under division in 21:59.0. Katie Tighe (Plymouth) was next in that division (24:24.0).

In the men's race, Tim Jacobs (Milford) posted the fastest time, winning the 17-and-under division in 19:02.0.

Other winners in the women's race were, in the 18-30 division, Laurie DeMers (Canton), 25:45; in the 31-45 division, Theresa Brackenbury (Lake Orion), 25:45; in the 46-60 division, Lorrain Liszewski (White Lake), 35:09; and in the 61-and-over division, Marlene Runnion (Fenton), 1:00:15.

In the men's race, other division winners were: in the 18-30 division, S.C. Stryker (Lake Orion), 19:25; in the 31-45 division, Walt Reason (Canton), 20:56; in the 46-60 division, Jim Fitch (New Haven), 19:40; and in the 61-and-over division, Alvin Ravenscroft (Willis), 20:44.

In the 10,000-meter women's race, winners were: 18-30 division, Nichole Gallagher (Plymouth), 31:45; Denise Kutchins (Royal Oak), 49:26; and in the 46-60 division, Carol Bunch (Canton), 1:27.2.

In the men's 10,000-meter race, winners were: 17-and-under, Ryan Gall (Livonia), 48:25; 18-30, S. Stryker (Lake Orion), 42:53; 31-45, Stan Polkowski (Plymouth), 41:02; and 46-60, Craig Darow (Canton), 48:33.

Lions varsity blanked

The Canton Lions varsity got entangled in a defensive struggle with the Ann Arbor Wildcats in a Western Suburban Junior Football League game Saturday, and the Lions came up short, 6-0.

Jason Singleton led the defense with an interception and a blocked extra point. Offensive standouts were Chad Fuller, David Reeser and Kerry Mills.

The Lions and Wildcats are tied for first place.

The Canton Lions junior varsity tied the Ann Arbor Wildcats for first place in the WSJFL with a convincing 20-0 victory Saturday.

Jason Lewis scored two second-quarter touchdowns to pace the Lions. Reggie Joyner added a TD run in the opening quarter and the defense was outstanding throughout.

A strong first half helped the Canton Lions post a 32-13 triumph over the Ann Arbor Wildcats Saturday.

The Lions led 19-0 at the break. Julian Smith had scoring runs of 12 and 15 yards, while Chris Drabicki ran 2 yards for one TD and threw 22 yards to Nathan Rzepka for another.

Tommy Cooper paced the defense with two interceptions, returning one 40 yards for a touchdown. David Scherbaty also had an interception.

Steelers varsity rolls

The Plymouth-Canton Steelers, led by two touchdown tosses by Brendan Murphy, ripped the Garden City Chargers 40-12 Sunday.

Murphy hit Tyler Welch with a 40-yard scoring strike and Brandon Wilcox with a 65-yard TD pass. Other Steeler scores came from Paul Ashmetat, who returned an interception 35 yards for a score; Jeff Bennett on a 12-yard run; and Adam Johnston with a 6-yard run.

Danny Falk, Chris Gentry, Jonathon DeBono, David Hull and Mike Tolhurst anchored the defense.

JV cheerleaders medal

The Canton Lions junior varsity cheerleaders earned a bronze medal at the Western Suburban Junior Football League Cheerleading Rally Oct. 25.

Medal-winners were Meagan Bales, Ashley Cook, Emily Goldsmith, Courtney Hernandez, Kolina Mills, Abby Pitt, Kristin Reeser, Heather Richardson, Nicole Siegal, Lindsay Therrian, Jennifer Trombley and Courtney Hewitt.

The Lions' freshmen cheerleaders earned a blue ribbon WSJFL rally for a notable routine. Team members are Kaitlin Downey, Melissa Hamm, Lindsey Iseler, Sumon Joyner, Jennifer Louis, Jessica Louis, Rachel Thomas, Julie Trublowski and Heather Freeman.

Championship flight!

Salem routes Northern to reach the state final

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Geez, they had two years to come up with a solution. Instead, they discovered an even bigger problem.

How else can one describe what happened to Portage Northern in Wednesday night's Division I state soccer semifinal?

History first: In 1995, at the Class A (that's what they called it back then) state championship match, Plymouth Salem and Northern battled evenly, Salem emerging with the title in a 1-0 game, thanks to a goal by Brett Konley.

Fast forward to the present: Northern and Salem are meeting again, this time in the Division I (present terminology) state semifinal, played Wednesday at Jackson's Mehall Field.

More of the same? Another tough fight? This time featuring two best-player-of-the-year contenders (Konley and Northern's Ryan Seymour) going head-to-head?

Allow me to supply a single-word answer: No.

The Huskies could find no way to contain Konley. And complicating matters further, they couldn't handle any of his teammates, either.

Salem scored twice in the first four minutes of the match and put three more on the board before halftime. The second half was filled with talk like, "When does the mercy rule kick in?"

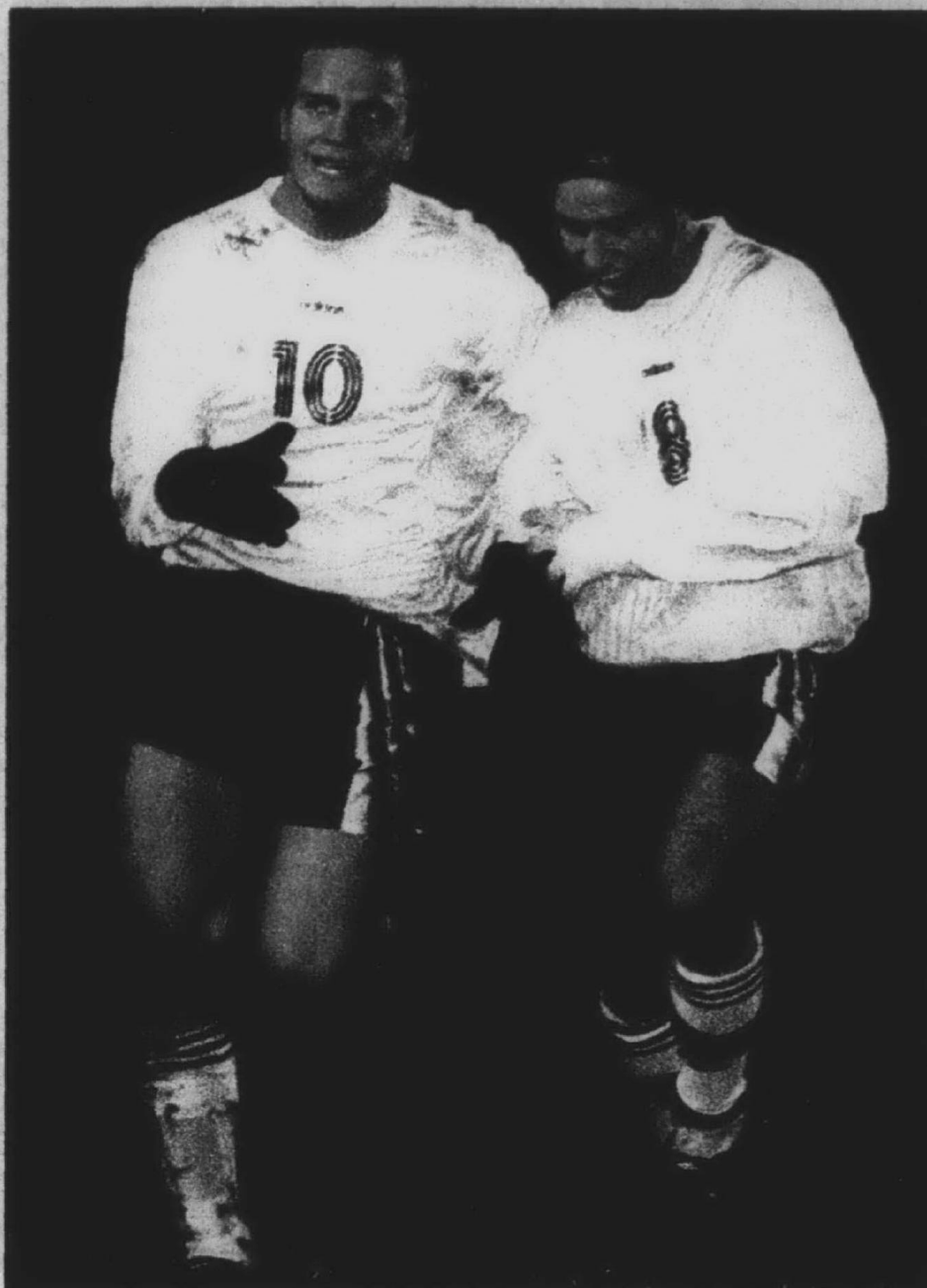
The final score: 8-1 Salem.

Which elevates the Rocks into the state final against Troy Athens, which edged Warren DeLaSalle in a shootout in Wednesday's other semifinal.

The Division I state final will be 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Bloomfield Hills Andover.

"We were expecting a tough game," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy, his No. 1-ranked team now 19-0-3. "So we came here ready to play. We were extremely motivated."

And it showed. With 3:40 of the match elapsed, Konley crossed the ball from the left corner through two Huskie defenders to Giuseppe Ianni, who flicked it past keeper Brad King for a 1-0 Salem lead.



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRENNER

Congratulations in order: Salem's Brent Mullin (right) gives teammate Brett Konley a pat on the back — and why not? Konley rattled Portage Northern, scoring three times.

The rout had started.

Northern, understand, did pay an awful lot of attention to Konley. After all, the Huskies can read a newspaper; they knew he was a best-player-of-the-year candidate.

his shot past King and off the goal post into the net. "I think Brett demonstrated he's the best player in the state," said McCarthy.

No one on Northern is about to argue.

Madonna tops Saints; league title up next

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
STAFF WRITER

One of the hallmarks of a good team is winning when you're supposed to.

Madonna University's men's soccer team did that Wednesday, defeating Siena Heights 2-1 in the semifinals of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference playoffs.

Top-seeded Madonna will host the winner of the game between Cornerstone College and Tri-State (Ind.) for the playoff championship at 2 p.m. Saturday at Whitman Center in Livonia.

"We had three guys out," Coach Pete Alexander of Madonna said. "We're still struggling. But we did what we had to do."

Madonna dominated play although

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Siena Heights sent some shivers through the Crusaders when it scored with 16 seconds left to play.

Both Madonna goals came in the first half, by Christian Emert with 34:30 showing on the clock and by freshman Jim Misajlovich (Livonia Stevenson) with 19:30 left.

Sophomore forward Jerome Beeler was foiled on a shot after the Saints failed to clear, but Emert drilled home a straight-ahead right-footer from inside the box to make it 1-0.

On the second goal, Misajlovich beat his man and got a clear chance deflect-

ed. However, he got a second opportunity right away and knocked it home.

Saints sophomore Jeff Teltow got behind the Crusader defense as goalie David Hart was caught too far upfield trying to keep the Saints from chipping the ball over everybody's head.

Teltow got around Hart and put a shot on goal that was somehow turned aside by a Madonna defender. Freshman Ryan Lucia met the rebound and kicked it home.

The clock was inadvertently allowed to run down to seven seconds after the goal and the referee ordered a full minute be put back on.

That could have led to a delicate situation had Siena Heights tied the score with more time showing on the clock

than when it recorded its first goal.

It didn't happen, though, because the Madonna defenders did a good job of getting the ball upfield for that last 60 seconds. Siena Heights didn't get off a strong shot in that span.

Madonna played without starting defender Eric Stoecklein (Plymouth Canton), who broke his leg in the last game, and junior Scott Emert, who was serving a red card suspension.

Sweeper Ryan Mollien suffered an ankle sprain in the first half and re-injured it early in the second, forcing him to miss the remainder of the contest.

Madonna (13-4) had beaten Siena Heights (10-9-1) by a 6-1 margin the first time they played and 2-1 in their second meeting.



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRENNER

Strong showing: Salem's Alyson Flohr, a freshman, finished 64th at the state finals despite the poor weather.

Rocks place 8th at state

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

It wasn't everything Plymouth Salem's boys cross country team had hoped for, Saturday's Class A state finals at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, but it sure as heck wasn't too bad.

The fifth-ranked Rocks finished eighth in the state, scoring 260 points — a very good showing. But in talking to Salem coach Geoff Baker, it was easy to detect a bit of disappointment.

"Our first three runners did their job," said Baker. "We had three all-stars and we never had that before. My next four didn't (do what was expected)."

Adding to the Rocks disappointment, Walled Lake Central — the only Western Lakes Activities Association team to beat Salem this season — edged them at state by four points. "Central had a better pack than we did, so it was understandable," said Baker.

Lakeland won the state title, scoring 62 points. Rockford was second (84), followed by Milford (189), Traverse City Central (206), Grand Ledge (230) and Dearborn Fordson (237).

Seventh-place Central scored 256; behind Salem were Ann Arbor Pioneer (265) in ninth, Wyandotte Roosevelt in 10th (277) and Redford Catholic Central in 11th (291) in the 27-team race.

The Rocks got great performances from Ian Searcy, who placed sixth overall in 16:25.4 in his best race of

the season. Nick Allen was 10th (16:29.2) and Jon Little finished 21st (16:46.3).

But the rest of the Rocks finished further back than Baker had hoped, partially due to the poor racing conditions. A day-long rain left the MIS course soggy; a full day of races — all four classes, both boys and girls, had their finals there Saturday — turned the course into a mud slide.

"If (the other Rocks) finish in the top 100, we're in the top five (at state)," he said. "But I guess it just wasn't meant to be."

Matt Anderson of the Rocks was 93rd among team competitors and 162nd overall with a time of 17:58.20. Adam Barbara placed 144th and 235th, respectively, with an 18:41.40.

David Rowe timed 18:43.90 and Bobby Cushman 19:08.60 to place 240th and 258th, respectively, in the individual race.

CC's top finisher was Matt Shannon (19th, 32nd) with a 16:56.50. Junior Jim Curtiss (31st, 54th) ran in 17:17.10; junior Dan Jess (46th, 82nd) clocked 17:32.00; Mark Coleman (79th, 140th) turned in a 17:50.80 and sophomore Jeff Haller (116th, 198th) timed 18:15.90.

Rounding out the Shamrocks' efforts were Joe Hubert, who ran an 18:17.00 to finish 202nd, and Wayne Brigue, whose 18:29.50 was good for 222nd

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Mason pulls away from Salem

For three quarters, Plymouth Salem kept it close in its girls basketball game at Mason Tuesday. Then the bottom fell out.

The Rocks were outscored 15-4 in that final period, allowing the Bulldogs to pull away to a 45-31 triumph.

The loss left Salem with a 14-3 record as it enters the Western Lakes Activities Association Tournament, hosting Walled Lake Central in a first-round game at 7 p.m. Friday.

"It was a decent ball game until late in the game," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "That's a tough gym to play in. And it was a good experience for our kids."

"It taught them they have to play every possession. I think they're beginning to understand how focused you have to be if you want to be successful."

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The game was knotted at 12-all after one quarter; Mason led 19-18 at the half and 30-27 after three periods.

Free throws played a pivotal role in the game. Salem was 3-of-5 at the line; the Bulldogs were 16-of-19.

Andrea Pruett paced the Rocks with 10 points; she also had five rebounds and two assists. Tracy Grubaugh added eight points and three steals, and Amanda Abraham totaled four points, four assists and five blocked shots.

Heather Oesterle's 15 points topped Mason. Lucy Demartin had 12 and Sandi

Oesterle scored 11.
Mason is 14-4.

Macomb Christ. 35, Agape 28: A 13-4 final-quarter run allowed Macomb Christian to overtake host Canton Agape Christian Monday.

The Wolverines (12-5) trailed 17-12 at the half, but used a 12-5 third-quarter surge to go up 24-22 entering the fourth quarter.

Sarah Chrenko's 13 points and 11 rebounds were best for Agape. Kim Ther had eight points, six boards, three steals and two assists before fouling out in the fourth quarter.

Jessica Wiegard had 12 points for Macomb; Robin Horton added 11.

Madonna faces a tough challenge

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

The first season in a league — so, how many things can go against you?

If you were associated with Madonna University's men's basketball team, the answer would be very simple, very obvious:

Don't ask.

Bernie Holowicki has been coaching basketball for the majority of his life, but he's never faced anything like this.

Where do you begin? The schedule?

The Fighting Crusaders' men's basketball program begins its fifth year Friday at the St. Francis College (Fort Wayne, Ind.) Tournament; this is Holowicki's third year at the helm.

Last year was the Crusaders' best. They posted a 9-20 record.

This year they enter the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference with a 29-game schedule (12 in the league). Madonna will host a total of eight games. Of those remaining, 5-to-7 could be at a neutral site (the Crusaders play at five tournaments).

Sound tough? Hang on — it gets worse.

HOOP PREVIEW

Madonna will appear at home twice before Christmas and five times before February. So if you want to see the Crusaders in action, plan ahead.

Now: What about that new conference?

To sum up briefly, it's a killer. Spring Arbor College is ranked second in the NAIA; Siena Heights is No. 4 in the country.

"It's a tough league," said Holowicki. "I like it, though. I just wish we had a more veteran team, with a few more big guys."

There's a good reason for Holowicki's wishes. Three of Madonna's biggest players from a year ago are gone, only one (Brandon Slone, from Plymouth Salem) to graduation.

Kristian Magro (17.8 points, 7.8 rebounds per game), a 6-5 forward, and Mike Maryanski (14.8 points, 6.34 rebounds), a 6-7 forward, won't be around. Magro, who hails from Australia, decided not to return.

That left Maryanski, an all-region player in 1996-97 who has

been developing steadily since his freshman year. With his other top two rebounders gone, a lot was expected of Maryanski.

Then . . .

"All he did was make a cut," explained Holowicki. "No one was near him."

Maryanski suffered a knee injury last Wednesday (Oct. 29) that could sideline him for the season. The extent of the injury may not be determined for another week.

"I thought we were going to have a great front line," said Holowicki, "with Maryanski, (Narvin) Russaw and Magro. Now, only Russaw is back."

"I almost threw the towel in when Mike went down. That's a crushing blow."

"We were picked to finish last (in the WHAC) with him."

Holowicki has regained his equilibrium since Maryanski's injury. Now he has to convince his team they can still succeed, although they face a steep, uphill struggle:

- With no returning starters and only three players with appreciable collegiate playing time;
- On a team that has never reached the .500 level.
- With only eight of 29 games at home;
- In one of the toughest NAIA conferences in the country;
- With a team whose tallest player (discounting Maryanski) is 6-5.

So what do the Crusaders have working for them? If they can

manage to keep a positive attitude in the face of such adversity, they'll be making great strides.

Freshmen to watch: 6-3 red-shirt guard Erick Giovannini (from Livonia Stevenson); 6-1 guard Matt Martinez (Redford CC); 6-0 guard Nick Hurley (Plymouth Canton); 5' guard Mark Mitchell (Walled Lake Western); 5-8 guard Cameron Newbauer (Fort Wayne, Ind., Leo); 6-4 forward Andres Lopez (Plymouth Salem); 5-11 guard Mark Hayes (Birmingham Seaholm); and 6-3 swingman Brad Wilde (Western John Glenn).

The few experienced players Holowicki will call upon are Russaw, a 6-5 sophomore forward/center who averaged 7.8 points and 7.3 rebounds in 12 games; John-Mark Branch, a 6-1 sophomore guard who averaged 7.8 points and two assists per game; Jason Maschke (Livonia Franklin), a 6-4 senior swingman; and Chad Putnam (Redford Thurston), a 6-5 sophomore forward.

"I can't complain about their work ethic," said Holowicki.

But he knows what lies ahead in his first year in the WHAC. "I guess they're licking their chops, eh? Well, that's OK."

"We're going to war with pistols instead of cannon. But what can you do? It got discouraging for a while, but we'll keep our heads up."

And hopefully, something good will happen. Soon.

Ocelots win regional; will host next round

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS EDITOR

Van Dimitriou doesn't deny the uncertainty he felt when the season started.

"I didn't know which way this team would go," the Schoolcraft College men's soccer coach admitted.

Last weekend at the NJCAA Region 12 Tournament hosted by Cuyahoga CC outside Cleveland, the Ocelots showed him.

Going against one of the best offensive players in the NJCAA in Sunday's final, SC managed to emerge with the region title and a berth in the NJCAA's Midwest Tournament, which it hosts this weekend.

The Ocelots, who improved to 14-5-1 with two shutout victories in Cleveland, will meet Flathead Valley College (Mont.) at 11 a.m. Saturday. Iowa Central and Springfield (Ill.) College battle in Saturday's first match at 9 a.m.

The tournament championship game will be at 11:30 a.m. Sunday at SC.

What made the Ocelots' success remarkable against Cincinnati State in the regional final were the odds that were seemingly stacked against them. SC scored the first goal 10 minutes into the match, when Paul Graves crossed the ball to Matt Keller. Keller's header missed, but Dave York was there to knock the rebound in for a 1-0 SC lead.

Things started to go awry for the Ocelots after that, however.

A hard tackle by Garrett Maki (Canton) on Cincinnati State superstar Joaquin Palomeque (from Mexico City) shortly after York's goal got Maki a questionable red card. That left SC short a man for the remainder of the match.

But the Ocelots remained relentless. Ten minutes after Maki's ejection, Matt Nyholm sent a pass from the corner to the far post, where York was stationed for a tap-in goal, his second of the game.

Playing a man short, SC had a 2-0 lead at halftime.

But Palomeque was still a

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concern.

"This guy is Mr. Moves," said Dimitriou of Palomeque. "I've been around as a head coach since 1984, and I've never seen an offensive player like this in my junior college career."

Mike Dean had the unenviable task of marking Palomeque, and Dimitriou said he did a good job although Palomeque still got his share of chances.

Eric O'Neil (from Livonia, Stevenson) was equal to all challenges, however. The freshman keeper stopped Palomeque on at least six different occasions, including a late-in-the-game penalty kick.

Ten minutes into the second half, York fed a pass through to Nyholm, and Nyholm beat his defender and the Cincinnati State keeper to increase SC's lead to 3-0.

But a short time later, Ryan Konley (Plymouth Salem) was red-carded for disputing a call. That left SC two men short for the final 30 minutes of the match.

But again, thanks to O'Neil's efforts and the rest of the SC defense, Cincinnati State could not penetrate.

"This is the team I thought I'd have sometime during the season," said Dimitriou. "Playing with the confidence we have now, well, I have to like our chances in the upcoming tournament."

Last Saturday, SC moved into the regional final by blanking Lakeland CC 2-0. Keller scored the only goal of the first half, with Nyholm assisting; Maki got an unassisted goal in the second. Cincinnati State advanced with a 5-0 win over Delta.

The Ocelots will play against Flathead Valley (11-8 record) Saturday without Maki and Konley due to their red cards.

And if they still win, they could face Springfield College, a team that decimated an injury-plagued SC squad early in the season, 5-0.

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STATE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PREVIEW

Will Shamrocks feast on Glenn?

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Parents of the Redford Catholic Central football players didn't throw a party when they learned the Shamrocks clinched a Class AA playoff berth in the eighth week of the regular season.

They just planned another Unity Night, which takes more preparation than most parties.

Every year since the late 1980s, the night before a game has been declared Unity Night, a time when the varsity team gathers for dinner and camaraderie at the home of one of the CC seniors.

Most would agree: feeding 60 football players is equal to a wedding party of 200. It's a big job to host, but parents probably got in line this time, knowing it meant another week of play.

The next one is Friday night, less than 24 hours before the Shamrocks host Westland John Glenn in a Class AA regional semifinal playoff game at Pontiac's Wisner Stadium.

CC is 8-1 overall and seeded second in Region III. Glenn is 7-2, seeded third. Kickoff is 1:30 p.m.

"Having 60 players in a house is a pretty scary thought, but they're so polite," said Kathy Sgroi, mother of CC senior linebacker Joe Sgroi and party host once this year. "You wouldn't believe there were 60 in the house. I've had adults over that made bigger messes."

Cleaning up on Glenn is a bigger task, but the Shamrocks are eager for a rematch of last year's thrilling regional semifinal won by the Rockets, 15-14.

Glenn's senior all-state quarterback candidate Justin Berent, who engineered the winning drive in the final minutes against CC, is out for the year with a knee injury.

That changes the Rockets' offensive game plan, but CC coach Tom Mach believes new quarterback Nick Hudson and running backs Reggie Spearmon and Antonio Gibson present problems.

"It changes, obviously, some of their thinking," Mach said. "But that might make it more confusing for us because we don't know what they're thinking. Glenn is well-coached, very sound, with real good backs and a good fundamental line."

Spearmon has speed to get

REDFORD CC

outside and Gibson, injured part of the season, gives the Rockets tough yards inside at fullback. The Rockets' offensive line is led by 6-5, 288-pound senior tackle Noah Swartz.

"We're concerned about their speed," Mach said. "They have good balance, hard, tough runners who can break tackles. They're very similar to the teams we play."

Unlike past CC teams that won three Class AA championships in the 1990s, the Shamrocks rely more on lateral quickness than size across the offensive and defensive fronts.

Nose guard John Abshire, a 6-foot-1, 190-pound junior, leads the Shamrocks with six sacks. Mike Carroll, a 6-1, 215-pound senior defensive end, has 5 1/2 sacks, while pressure also comes from the other end in 6-3, 185-pound junior Brian Beardsley.

Sgroi leads the Shamrocks with 70 tackles and the other inside linebacker, 6-3, 215-pound junior Casey Rogowski, has 59 stops.

Defensive back Dave Lusky, a 6-2, 195-pound junior, leads with five interceptions.

Carroll, who used to go by the nickname Crazy Legs, doesn't look like a defensive lineman off the field.

"He looks like he just came in from surfing (on the ocean, not the Internet)," Mach said. "Abshire plays with wreckless abandon."

The Shamrocks' offense has had a different look with more passing under the direction of quarterback Adam Tubaro, a 6-2, 198-pound senior.

Tubaro, who missed a game with a shoulder injury, has completed 60 of 120 passes for 902 yards, 10 touchdowns and one interception. It usually takes CC quarterbacks three years to accumulate that much.

Mach probably feels like he can't look Bo Schembechler in the face anymore.

"I still consider myself a running coach who passes," said Mach, almost defending his play calling.

The Shamrocks' two tight ends, 6-4, 225-pound Don Slankster and 6-4, 210-pound junior Nick Brzezinski, are threats to catch and block. Slankster leads the Shamrocks

with 19 catches for 378 yards and seven touchdowns.

Brzezinski has 11 tackles for 152 yards and two scores, while the top outside threat is senior wide receiver Joe Jonna with 18 catches for 263 yards and two touchdowns.

CC's 6-1, 225-pound senior fullback Chris Dueweke is the team's top ground gainer with 763 yards and 11 touchdowns in 171 attempts. The tailback, 6-1, 190-pound senior Josh Christenson, has 490 yards and five touchdowns in 109 carries.

The offensive line is led by seniors Chuck Spolsky (5-11, 215), Mike Davidson (6-0, 215) and Ben Herman (6-0, 240) and juniors Brian Parent (5-11, 225) and Broce Naysmith (6-0, 220).

Herman missed last week with an ankle injury and was ably replaced by sophomore Mike Morris (6-1, 230).

Shamrocks' notes

•Mike Smylie, a 5-10, 215-pound senior, has been a valuable player at wing back and defensive tackle for the Shamrocks. Wrist surgery limits his contributions as a receiver or ball carrier but he's the kind of guy who will fly to the bottom of the pile battling for a fumble.

"I love Mike Smylie," Mach said. "He's one of the best blockers we've ever had."

•Rogowski is one of the best athletes in Observerland and could earn all-state honors in football, wrestling and baseball before he's through.

He's already made his mark as an inside linebacker, but lately he's put fear in opposing defenses as a tailback. He rambled 48 yards for a touchdown last week against Southgate Aquinas and has 102 yards in 13 carries (a 7.8 yard per carry average).

"Casey is a big, tough back and when you come up to hit him, you feel him," Mach said.

•Most teams wish they had one capable tight end who can catch and block so imagine how Mach feels with Slankster and Brzezinski, the brother of Boston College starting offensive tackle Doug Brzezinski.

"They catch the ball and both can go the distance," Mach said.

•Undeclared Troy and Detroit Redford (7-2) are the other teams in Region III, and they'll also meet at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. History shows whoever wins this region has a good shot at the state title in Class AA.

CC has won the crown three times, last another time in the finals, and Dearborn Fordson and Troy have won one title apiece.

•CC has a strong kicking game, led

by punter Jason Hamilton and place-kicker Aaron Rock.

Hamilton averages 36 yards per punt and outstanding hang time. Rock kicked a 41-yard field goal into a strong wind in the final seconds of the Boys Bowl to beat Birmingham Brother Rice, 14-12.

•The Shamrocks have outscored their nine opponents, 248-89, with one shutout.

"We've had no 'big' names, but great kids who play great high school football," Mach said. "I really love coaching this team. They're getting better at the right time and I haven't had a bit of trouble with them."

•With the kind of winning percentage the Shamrocks have through the years, revenge isn't always one of their motives.

But several who played in last year's one-point loss to Glenn will have that on their minds.

"It's what everyone on the team has wanted since last year," Sgroi said. "Now we get our chance. They look real solid. I can't say we're not upset we're not playing against Berent. But with or without him I think we can contain their offense and control the ball. We'll see Saturday."



Plowin' through: One big reason CC is expected to win Saturday against John Glenn is Chris Dueweke.

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Can Rockets take flight?

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

They're the guys who don't get a lot of recognition going virtually unnoticed in the trenches throughout the football season.

And while skill players like Reggie Spearmon, Eric Jones and Justin Berent grabbed the headlines and spotlight most of the year, Westland John Glenn wouldn't be going into the state playoffs for the ninth time since 1985 if it wasn't for the blocking of the offensive line and the unselfish efforts of the tight ends.

Glenn (7-2 overall) plays Saturday against Redford Catholic Central (8-1) in a rematch of last year's Class AA-Region III playoff classic (won by Glenn 15-14).

Game time is 1:30 p.m. at Pontiac's Wisner Stadium.

The Rockets have averaged 27.7 points per game this season and it hasn't happened by accident.

And Glenn coach Chuck Gordon knows that doesn't happen without sound play up front on the offensive line.

All five offensive linemen

were back-ups a year ago when Glenn finished 11-1 and reached the state semifinals.

"The two best teams we played to date — Walled Lake Central (27-21 defeat) and Walled Lake Western (20-14 defeat) — each presented different problems as far as what they do on defense," Gordon said. "But in both losses we were able to move the ball well at times."

While junior Nick Hudson has taken over at quarterback for the injured Berent, the guy snapping the ball, 6-foot, 228-pound senior Louis Krause, has remained a constant throughout the season.

"I knew our guys had a lot of respect for him because he was elected one of our captains," Gordon said.

JOHN GLENN

don said of Franks. "He works hard, he plays hard and gives you everything he's got."

Glenn has also received sturdy play from a pair of senior guards — Ryan Franks (6-1, 235) and Adam Sulek (5-8, 212).

"Franks has been our most pleasant surprise on our team," Gordon said. "But not that we didn't think he was capable. He's been one of our most consistent all year."

"And people who look at Sulek may think he's a little small, but he plays with a lot of heart."

Lining up at left tackle is senior Bobby MacKenzie (5-9, 223).

"Before the season started he was going to play one of three places — defensive tackle, guard or offensive tackle," Gordon said. "He settled in at tackle. We knew he was going to play, it was just a matter of finding him the right spot. It hinged on the development of other people."

"You really have to admire his attitude. He just wanted to play. Just a tremendous team player."

The team's most talented offensive lineman is right tackle Noah Swartz, a 6-5, 288-pound senior.

"He's been a good player all year long, and he's been getting better and better," Gordon said. "He also kicks off for us and he plays some defense."

At tight end, Gordon rotates three players — sophomore Jake Tharp (6-2, 210), senior Sean Heard (5-10, 225) and senior Jason Crofton (6-1, 195).

"All three of them play defense and we try to spell them and share the playing time," Gordon said. "All three are very unselfish and they all pull hard for each other."

Heard has also filled in

admirably at fullback for the injured Antonio Gibson. He is also the Rockets' top tackler at linebacker.

"He's just a tough kid who loves to play the game," Gordon said. "Jake (Tharp) also plays linebacker as does Heard. And although he's a sophomore, he's playing his best football of the year. He's been solid all year."

Crofton, who saw considerable action last year, is a receiving threat.

"Jason can catch the ball and he also plays defensive end for us," Gordon said.

CC scouting report

The Rockets' offense will undoubtedly face their toughest defensive opponent of the year in Catholic Central.

"Defensively you know they will have good size with guy who have a good knack of finding the ball," the Glenn coach said. "They're tough and physical and extremely well-coached. They have now weakness."

"Their defense is similar to last year. Their scheme is sound. They won't gamble and take a lot of chances. They'll have good packages and all the gaps will be accounted for. They won't do anything crazy to weaken themselves."

Offensively, CC may pose some different challenges from a year ago when the two teams met in the first round.

"Their quarterback (Adam) Tubaro is very impressive," Gordon said. "He has a strong arm and moves well."

"And (Chris) Dueweke is a typical CC fullback. He's powerful and runs hard."

"And their tight end, (Nick) Brzezinski at 6-4, is a big target with excellent speed and hands."

"In the past, if you stopped the run, you have a chance, but this year they're more diversified and that's a major concern for us."

Whalers moving up, gaining on top spot



Two games, two more wins, and four more points for the Plymouth Whalers, as they continue their climb toward the top of the Ontario Hockey League's West Division standings.

The Whalers clobbered the Erie Otters 8-3 Saturday and then edged the Windsor Spitfires 5-4 Sunday. Both games were played at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

The two wins pushed the Whalers' record to 9-5-1, giving them 19 points. Sarnia (9-5-3) leads the division with 21 points; Erie (10-7) is next with 20. However, both have played two more games than Plymouth.

In the win over Windsor (3-14) Sunday, the Whalers built a 5-1 lead after two periods,

thanks to two goals from Andrew Taylor, a goal and two assists from David Legwand, and a goal from Randy Fitzgerald. Yuri Babenko added three assists.

Matt Euch scored twice for the Spitfires.

Goalie Robert Esche turned away 27 Windsor shots in picking up the win — he's 7-3-1 with a 3.16 goals-against average — for Plymouth.

In Saturday's victory over Erie, Babenko drove home two goals and assisted on two others to lead the assault. Eric Goody also had two goals, with Legwand adding a goal and two assists.

Julian Smith, Taylor and Joel Trotter contributed goals, and Jesse Boulerice, Shaun Fisher and Harold Druken chipped in with two assists each. Esche had 24 saves in goal.

Brett Gibson had two goals and an assist for Erie.

Madonna stays in title hunt

It was a good trip to Siena Heights College for Madonna University's volleyball team.

The Crusaders swept the Saints, 15-6, 15-5, 15-6, Tuesday to improve to 27-12 overall and 8-2 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Siena Heights, 25-13, is 3-7 in league play.

Leading the way with 16 kills in the three games was Karin Sisung. Erin Gregoire had nine, Brandy Malewski seven and Rayna Vert five.

Deanne Helsom had 27 assists in 66 set attempts while Erin Cunningham, Gregoire and Paula Dombrowski each had two service aces.

Gregoire had 13 digs while Jennifer Russell and Sisung had 10 apiece. Sisung (18) and Gregoire (15) were the leading service receivers.

Heather Hazard and Angie Kittle registered five kills apiece for Siena Heights. Kittle had 10 digs and Krista Purvis 21 assists.

VOLLEYBALL

Madonna University went to Clearwater, Fla., for two Oct. 31 matches and won both — winning a four-setter from Palm Beach Atlantic 15-3, 15-8, 13-15, 15-8 and trouncing Clearwater Christian, 15-10, 15-2, 15-2.

Against Palm Beach, Malewski and Sisung had 11 kills each, Vert recorded nine and Gregoire eight. Helsom went 37-for-81 in assists; Vert served three aces and Gregoire had 12 digs.

Against Clearwater Christian, Malewski and Sisung recorded 10 kills apiece while Gregoire had nine. Helsom was 34-for-84 in assists and Dombrowski served three aces. Russell had the digs lead with nine.

SC battles back

Schoolcraft College's volleyball team

fought back from the brink of defeat to edge the University of Windsor, 15-9, 10-15, 14-16, 16-14, 15-7 Tuesday at SC.

The victory put the Lady Ocelots season record at 16-18.

Sarah Gregerson led SC with a superlative effort. Gregerson totaled 22 kills, one solo block and 10 block assists.

Megan McGinty (from Livonia Churchill) returned to the Ocelot lineup after a bout of mononucleosis to contribute 16 kills, three service aces, 19 digs and three block assists, while Stacey Campain had 12 kills, two aces, 15 assists to kills, 11 digs and three block assists.

Kimmi Washnock (Farmington) chipped in nine kills, 13 digs and five block assists; Janet Hinz had 16 digs; and Amber Wells (Plymouth Canton) finished with 33 assists to kills, three aces and 16 digs.

Renewed intensity propels Warriors; Ladywood romps

BASKETBALL

Livonia edged out to a 10-7 start and the game was tied at 15 at the half as the Warriors played the first quarter with three starters sitting on the bench because they were late to practice Monday.

Two of the three didn't get in the game until the second half.

"We were a little sluggish at the beginning," Gentz said. "So I asked them at halftime, 'How's our intensity?'"

His team's answer settled the game.

Melissa Berry and Michelle Berry each scored six points for Clarenceville, 4-14 overall and 2-11 in the Metro Conference. Danielle Sledz added five points.

Lutheran Westland is now 10-7 overall, 10-4 in the

Metro Guard Cheryl Polkinghorne scored 12 points while Anna Scheweck had nine plus 10 rebounds.

Ladywood 71, Shrine 41: An 18-2 first quarter put the game out of reach.

Kelly Jeffery and Jenny Lachapelle each scored 12 points with Sarah Poglits contributing 11. Ladywood is now 7-11.

Ebony Vincent led Royal Oak Shrine, 11-8, with 11.

Cross country from page C1

overall. Livonia Stevenson's Rob Block finished 11th in the individual segment with a 16:32.30

Moore earns all-state

While Salem had team results to consider at Saturday's cross country finals, Plymouth Canton's Shaun Moore had only his own individual race to worry about.

And he didn't do much worrying. Moore, an individual qualifier at the regional hosted Oct. 25 by Ann Arbor Pioneer, was equal to the challenge confronting him. He finished 22nd overall to earn all-state honors.

"We were real happy (with his run)," said Canton coach Mike Spitz. "He met the challenge he was faced with — including the weather conditions."

"I told him before the race that a lot of guys are just going to check out (because of the weather). And I just told him to stay aggressive."

"He ran a smart race, he didn't go out over his head."

With the course deteriorating, Spitz wanted Moore to try and maintain his pace until the final half-mile, which was run inside the MIS stadium. Moore did; indeed, he improved three positions in that final half-mile.

Salem girls strong

The Salem girls who qualified for the state finals, Evelyn Rahhal and Alyson Flohr, both ran strong races Saturday at MIS, according to their coach, Dave Gerlach — although they did share a certain disappointment.

"They were disappointed, sure," said Gerlach. "They were disappointed the whole team

didn't come."

It's easy to understand why. Salem was stuck in the Ann Arbor Pioneer regional with five of the state's best teams; only three could advance to the state meet.

"I know we weren't the best team in the state," said Gerlach. "But I know we were better than seven of the other teams that were at state (from other regions)."

Flohr, a freshman, finished 64th in 20:39 on the muddy course. Rahhal, a senior, was 117th in 21:09.

"The winning time was only 19:08," said Gerlach. "This course was so beat up, there was no grass left on it. It was solid

mud.

"They both ran very, very well. They were ready, they were prepared. They placed about where I thought they'd place."

Livonia Stevenson totaled 169 points to finish behind Ann Arbor Pioneer (68) and Rockford (114) in the team race.

Eagles fly

Plymouth Christian Academy placed two individuals among the top 80 runners in the boys Class D race Saturday at MIS, and both should have better running days ahead.

Sophomore Jordan Roose ran 18:32.90 to finish 54th while freshman Alan Graf was 77th with a time of 19:06.10.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Saturday, Nov. 8

(Class A-Region III semifinal)

Edsel Ford at Harrison, 1 p.m.

(Class AA-Region III semifinal)

John Glenn vs. Redford CC,

at Pontiac Wiser Stadium, 1:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Nov. 6

Clarenceville at Liggett, 6:30 p.m.

Luth. North at Luth. W'sid, 6:30 p.m.

Huron Valley at Oak. Christian, 7 p.m.

Farmington at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.

John Glenn at Franklin, 7 p.m.

Monroe at Garden City, 7 p.m.

Ypsilanti at Thurston, 7 p.m.

Lincoln Park at Redford Union, 7 p.m.

Woodhaven at Wayne, 7 p.m.

CHSL East-West semifinals

at Ladywood, 6 & 7:30 p.m.

(Western Lakes playoffs)

Stevenson at Farm. Harrison, 7 p.m.

N. Farmington at Northville, 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 7

Huron Valley at Aquinas, 7 p.m.

PCA at Oakland Christian, 7:30 p.m.

(Western Lakes playoffs)

W.L. Central at Ply. Salem, 7 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Saturday, Nov. 8

Class A final at Andover, 1:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Saturday, Nov. 8

(NJCAA Midwest Championships

at Schoolcraft Community College)

Iowa Central vs. Springfield, 9 a.m.

Flathead Valley vs. S'craft, 11 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 9

Midwest final at S'craft, 11:30 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Friday, Nov. 7

(NJCAA District 6 Championships

at Schoolcraft Community College)

Iowa Central vs. Lewis & Clark, 2 p.m.

Schoolcraft vs. N. Oklahoma, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 8

NJCAA District 6 Semifinals

at Schoolcraft CC, 2 & 4 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 9

NJCAA District 6 Championship

at Schoolcraft CC, 2 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Friday, Nov. 7

Madonna at St. Francis (Ind.), TBA.

Madonna at St. Francis (Ind.), TBA.

Saturday, Nov. 8

Madonna at St. Francis (Ind.), TBA.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Friday-Sunday, Nov. 7-9

Schoolcraft at Big 8 Classic

in Durham, Ontario, TBA.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Saturday, Nov. 8

Cornerstone, Hillsdale

at Madonna, noon & 3 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Nov. 7

Whalers at Kitchener, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 8

Plymouth Whalers vs. Sarnia

at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 9

Whalers at Sault Ste. Marie, 7 p.m.

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It's a miss, but there are plenty of opportunities

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



BILL PARKER

Zippering up the front of his polar fleece camo jacket to keep out the assaulting south wind late Monday morning, the archer looked down through the quiet damp forest and considered calling it quits.

The wind had kicked up out of the cloudy, gray sky, which made sitting still an ongoing battle. Besides, lunch time was rapidly approaching — the constant growl in his stomach attested to that fact — and he hadn't seen a thing except a young button buck that had passed through the

area just after sunrise.

As the archer slowly turned his head for one last look to the west a warily moving object appeared in his peripheral vision. A six-point buck crept cautiously from beneath the cover of a brightly colored autumn maple and turned south on the well-traveled deer trail, parallel to the hunter.

"This is it," thought the archer, as he slowly drew his bow and took a deep, satisfying breath in an attempt to calm his nervousness. "Three more steps and he'll be right in my shooting lane." Abruptly, the buck stopped short of the lane. After taking a quick look around the buck began aggressively pawing at the ground as he created a fresh scrape.

The archer held on as long as he could, then relaxed his draw when it became apparent that the buck was preoccupied for the moment.

Watching intently, the archer observed as the buck reached up to the overhanging branch and nipped at the tips of the twigs, then pawed the ground some more before covering the scrape with his urine. He then turned toward a nearby sapling and began energetically thrashing the small tree with his string, sturdy antlers. He returned to the scrape, rubbed his forehead on the overhanging branch then dragged his antler through the fresh scrape to further personalize his calling card.

The buck then raised his head, took

one more look around the forest, then headed back in the direction he came from and disappeared beneath the canopy of the red and orange maple leaves.

The rut is on!

Archers have reported an increase of buck activity in Zone III in recent days as the rut begins to heat up. As the mating urge increases in bucks they become increasingly active and are more vulnerable than ever as they roam the forests and fields in search of a receptive mate.

Now is the time to spend as much time in the woods as possible if you're serious about connecting on a whitetail buck.

Safety on the hunt

Reader Jim Elmsan, of Birmingham, called earlier this week to make an addition to last week's hunter safety column. He pointed out, and I wholeheartedly agree, that hunters need to keep the safety on their firearm in the 'on' position at all times. Don't take the safety 'off' until you are ready to pull the trigger.

Anglers and hunters are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI. 48009. Fax information to (810) 644-1314 or call Bill Parker evenings at (810) 901-2573.

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

CLASSES

FLY TYING

Bueters Outdoors in Northville still has openings for its fall fly tying classes. Call (248) 349-3677 for more information.

ATTRACTING BIRDS

Adults can learn how to attract birds to their winter feeder during this program, which begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center in Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 339-3497 for more information.

OWL HUNT

Learn everything you want to know about owls and other nocturnal creatures during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, at the West Bloomfield Woods Nature Preserve. Call (248) 738-2500 to register and for more information.

DATES/DEADLINES

DEER

The early archery season for whitetail deer runs through Nov. 14. Firearms season begins Saturday Nov. 15.

DUCKS

Duck season runs through Dec. 2 in the North and Middle zones and through Dec. 9 in the South Zone.

GOOSE

The second part of the Canada goose season runs Nov. 27-Dec. 7 in the South Zone outside the five Goose Management Units. Check the 1997 Michigan Waterfowl Hunting Guide for dates of the season in the GMU's.

PHEASANT

Pheasant season runs through Nov. 14 in Zones II and III. A special late hunt will once again be offered in southern Michigan Dec. 1-15. Check the 1997-98 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for exact boundaries of the hunt area.

SQUIRREL

Fox and gray squirrel season runs through Jan. 1 statewide.

RABBIT

Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

WOODCOCK

Woodcock season runs through Nov. 3 statewide.

NATURAL HERITAGE GRANTS

December 1 is the deadline to apply Natural Resource Natural Heritage Program small grants from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. To receive an application contact the DNR at P.O. Box 30180, Lansing MI 48909-7680 or e-mail your request to sargen12@state.mi.us. The grant application and examples of past grants awarded are also available on the DNR Wildlife Division web site at: http://wildlife.dnr.state.mi.us/homemepages/Natural_Heritage/.

ARCHERY

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

TARGET LEAGUE

An indoor target league begins at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

OUTDOOR CLUBS

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more information.

FISHING CLUBS

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

FISHING BUDDYS

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

BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Dearborn Civic Center. Call (313) 676-2863 for more information.

SHOOTING RANGES

BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area

in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are noon to sunset on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and 10 a.m. to sunset on Wednesdays. On Saturdays and Sundays the rifle and pistol range is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the sporting clays course is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd. (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. The range will close at 5 p.m. beginning Oct. 26. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours through Nov. 15 are 10 a.m. through 5 p.m. daily. Nov. 16-Dec. 22 range hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

POINTE MOUILLEE

Pointe Mouillee State Game Area in Rockwood has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, except during waterfowl season when the range will close one hour before sunset on Wednesdays and Sundays. Pointe Mouillee State Game Area is located at 37205 Mouillee Road. Call (313) 379-3820 for more information.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

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

AUTUMN STAR GAZERS

Children ages 7-12 accompanied by a parent will paint fall start on t-shirts and view the constellations around a campfire during this program, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Indian Springs.

WILD TANZANIA

West Bloomfield naturalist Jonathan Schecter will take you on an unforgettable slide journey into the wilds of Tanzania during this program, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Stony Creek.

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU SAW AN AD FOR HIV THAT WAS POSITIVE?

We've all seen advertising that talks about the negative aspects of HIV. This time; let's talk about something positive for a change.

The good news is there finally is good news. People with AIDS are getting better and living longer. Improved drug treatments, increased prevention programs, early detection and better attitudes can all be attributed to the new trend.

But as you might imagine, this trend is better news for some people than for others. Many either cannot afford these new drug therapies or are not responding to them.

Your gifts to the United Way help support agencies like Aids Partnership of Michigan that offer counseling, education and financial aid to those affected by HIV.

Last year you helped fund five of those agencies with \$239,146. This year, the need is even greater. For every dollar donated, 90 cents goes directly to people in need. So your gift not only offers help to those affected by AIDS, it offers hope that they may be here for the cure.



United Way

*Give Help. Give Hope.
Give Now.*

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OBITUARIES

JOHN A. JARVIS

Mr. Jarvis, 82, of Plymouth died Oct. 28.

Born on July 21, 1915 in London, England, Mr. Jarvis was a senior sales representative for British Airways. He retired in 1982 after 36 years of service. He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth. He came to the Plymouth community in 1966 from England. He served in the British Army during World War II from 1939-1945.

Survivors include his wife Hazel B. Jarvis; two daughters, Linda (John) Hoffman of Houston, Texas, Anne (William) Brauker of Honolulu, Hawaii; one grandson, Jeremy Hoffman of Houston, Texas; two granddaughters, Margaux Brauker and Chelsea Brauker of Honolulu, Hawaii; and one niece, Frances Ridgely of Cambridge,

England.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. William B. Lupfer officiating.

Memorials may be made to the Kidney Foundation or the charity of your choice.

THERESA M. FECCO

Mrs. Fecco, 82, of Plymouth died Oct. 29.

Born on Aug. 9, 1915 in Detroit, Mrs. Fecco was a homemaker. She came to the Plymouth community in 1984 from Rosedale Gardens in Livonia. She was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church and was married to Lawrence for 57 years. She enjoyed crocheting.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Rose Bagnasco; and five brothers, Paul Bagnasco, Henry Bagnasco, Joseph Bagnasco, John Bagnasco, James Bagnasco.

Survivors include her husband, Lawrence J. Fecco; one sister, Erma Bommarito of Plymouth; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth with the Rev. Father Joseph S. Mallia officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

SHARON LYNN VANCAMP

Mrs. VanCamp, 54, of Canton died Oct. 31.

Born on Sept. 2, 1943 in Detroit, Mrs. VanCamp was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas L. VanCamp; two sons, Brian T. (Sandy), Paul L.; one daughter, Elizabeth L.; three grandchildren, Kris, Chelsea, Ben; three brothers, Loren, Donald, Wayne; and two sisters, Diane Hurst, Edna Sherman. Services were held at the L.J.

Griffin Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Armstrong from Warrendale Community Church officiating. Burial was at United Memorial Gardens.

JOANN M. VETTESSE

Mrs. Vettesse, 56, of Plymouth died Oct. 31.

Born on June 8, 1941 in Detroit, Mrs. Vettesse was an inspector at Ford Motor Company for 29 years. She came to the Plymouth community in 1948 from Detroit. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church.

Survivors include her sister, Janet (Bob) Breithaupt of Plymouth; one brother, Joseph (Cathy) Vettesse of Lambertville, Mich.; her mother, Helen Vettesse of Plymouth; and four nephews, Scott Vettesse, Jamie Vettesse, Jeremy Vettesse, Jason Vettesse. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell

Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Services were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Stanley Tokarski officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Squara Ederma Association.

ANITA J. ALDRIN

Mrs. Aldrin, 54, of Plymouth died Oct. 31.

Born on June 10, 1943 in Marion, Ill., Mrs. Aldrin was a homemaker. She came to the Plymouth community in 1969 from Highland, Ind.

Survivors include her husband, Richard F. Aldrin of Plymouth; three daughters, Laura (John) Hurley of Canton, Kelly (Gerhard) Schroter of California, Gretchen (Joseph) DeLano of Northville; one son, Adam of Plymouth; three grandchildren, Christopher Hurley, Patrick Hurley, Natalie Schroter; mother, Ruth Cox of Illinois; and two sisters.

Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Private funeral services were held.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

AARON J. SOLANO

Mr. Solano, 20, of Plymouth died Oct. 31.

Born on April 19, 1977 in Dearborn, Mr. Solano was employed at Belle Tire Company. He came to the Plymouth community in 1982 from Detroit.

Survivors include his parents, Gerard and Karen Solano of Plymouth; two sisters, Andrea, Kelly; one brother, Colin; grandparents, Marge and Lou Krieger and the late James and Ruth Solano; and his faithful companion, Lucky.

Visitation and arrangements were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Solano family.

CECIL D. PACKARD

Mr. Packard, 86, lifelong Plymouth resident, died Nov. 1.

Born on May 5, 1911 in Plymouth, Mr. Packard was a retired pharmaceutical machine

salesman. He attended the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, the Masonic Lodge in Northville, and the Elks Lodge B.P.O.E. No. 1780 in Plymouth. At one time he was a world-class athlete. He tried out for the 1936 Olympics in track. He loved gardening, playing cards and was a sports enthusiast.

He was preceded in death by his late wives, Elizabeth and Evelyn; and one son, Richard Anderson.

Survivors include his sons, Garry Packard of Plymouth, Gregg (Carol) Packard of Plymouth; two daughters, Tamera (Don) White of New Lothrop, Mich., Beth (Jim) Hurdle of Ypsilanti; and 10 grandchildren. Local arrangements were made by the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

Services were held at the First Presbyterian church of Plymouth with the Rev. Dr. James Skimins officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Memorials may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute of the charity of your choice.

MERLE B. STEVENS

Mrs. Stevens, 94, of Ft. Myers, Florida, formerly of Plymouth, died Nov. 2.

Born on May 14, 1903 in Free Soil, Mich. Mrs. Stevens was a homemaker. She attended The Methodist Church. She was a member of the Sportsman's Club of Cape Coral, Fla. She enjoyed many craft activities over the years.

Survivors include her daughter, Marilyn Korte of Plymouth; two sons, Robert B. Stevens of Florida, Keith Stevens of Indiana; nineteen grandchildren; one great-grandchild; one sister, Gwen Holcombe of Free Soil, Mich.; and one brother, Burt Tobey of Florida.

Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Roy G. Forsyth officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

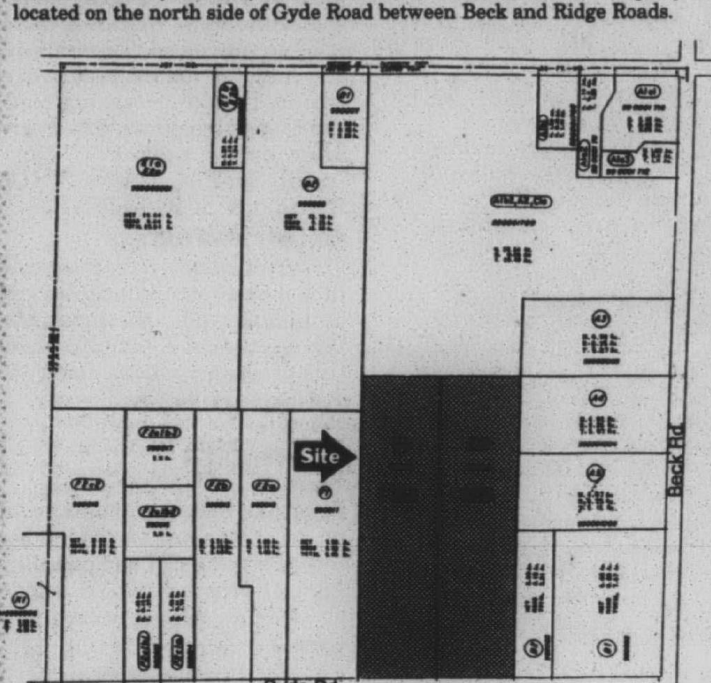
Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

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

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 1, 1997 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

BJS VENTURES REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 017 99 0005 000 AND 017 99 0006 000 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL, TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located on the north side of Gyde Road between Beck and Ridge Roads.



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

Publish: November 6 and 20, 1997

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 17, 1997 at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

MICHIGAN AVENUE CORRIDOR (NORTH) TOWNSHIP-INITIATED FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT - CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:

FROM MEDIUM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL:

PARCEL NOS.:
126 99 0001 000 126 99 0003 001 126 99 0005 000
126 99 0003 000 126 99 0003 002 126 99 0006 000
126 99 0001 000 126 99 0004 000 126 99 0007 000
126 99 0002 000

Property is located on the south side of Geddes Road between Beck and Denton Road.

FROM MEDIUM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (RESEARCH PARK RECOMMENDED):

NORTH PART OF PARCEL NOS.:
127 99 0019 000
127 99 0020 000

Property is located north of Michigan Avenue between Denton and Beck Roads.

FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL:

PARCEL NOS.:
126 99 0008 001 126 99 0011 000 126 99 0014 003
126 99 0008 002 126 99 0012 000 126 99 0016 000
126 99 0009 000 126 99 0013 003 126 99 0017 000
126 99 0010 000

Property is located on the southeast corner of Geddes and Denton Road.

FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (RESEARCH PARK RECOMMENDED):

PARCEL NOS.:
127 01 0001 000 127 99 0001 000 127 99 0010 000
127 01 0002 004 127 99 0002 000 127 99 0011 000
127 01 0005 000 127 99 0003 000 127 99 0012 000
127 01 0006 000 127 99 0004 000 127 99 0013 000
127 01 0007 001 127 99 0005 000 127 99 0014 002
127 01 0007 002 127 99 0006 000 127 99 0016 000
127 01 0008 002 127 99 0007 000 127 99 0017 000
127 01 0009 002 127 99 0008 000 127 99 0018 002
127 01 0009 004 127 99 0009 000

Property is located on the east side of Denton Road between Geddes Road and Michigan Avenue.

FROM AGRICULTURAL TO VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL PART OF PARCEL NOS.:

123 99 0003 000 (north part)
123 99 0015 000 (west part)

Property is located north of Mott Road between Barr Road and the Washtenaw County line.

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

Publish: October 16 and November 6, 1997

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR USE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL CONDITIONS PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission has received a request from Roth, Inc. to amend the existing Use Sub. ct to Special Conditions to allow an addition to the Saturn dealership at 9301 Massey Drive and to allow the dealership to expand to the west to accommodate Saturn used car sales and parking pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 83 as amended. The subject property is located at 9301 Massey Drive and at 9276, 9280 and 9300 Haggerty Road. The property is located east of Haggerty Road, north and west of Massey Drive, and south of Ann Arbor Road. Application No. 1487, Tax I.D. Nos. 065-99-0017-000, 065-99-0018-000, 065-99-0019-000, and 065-99-0021-000.

The Planning Commission seeks input to determine if approval of the Use Subject to Special Conditions should be issued under Section 34.2-3 of Zoning Ordinance No. 83. The land is currently zoned R-2-A, Multiple Family, and ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor District. The property zoned R-2-A, Multiple Family Residential has been approved for rezoning to ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor District with an effective date of November 28, 1997.

Questions regarding the request may be directed to the Community Development Department during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Planning Commission will consider the request at its regular meeting on November 19, 1997, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Written comments concerning the request will be received prior to the meeting. The meeting, application review and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Telephone Number 453-3840, Ext. 209.

CAROL DAVIS, Secretary
Planning Commission

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth, individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Supervisor's office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone number: (313) 453-3840, TDD users: 1-800-649-3777 (Michigan Relay Service)

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
BOARD PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held on Tuesday, October 28, 1997 at 1150 South Canton Center Road.

Motion by Shefferly, supported by LaJoy, to move from an open session to a closed session at 6:00 P.M. for the purposes of discussion of employee negotiations and litigation. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL - OPEN AND CLOSED SESSION

Members Present: Bennett, Burdick, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: None

Staff Present - Closed Session: Durack, Santomauro

Staff Present - Open Session: Durack, Minghine, Santomauro, Goulet, Rorabacher, Zevalink

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to return to an open session at 7:00 P.M. Motion carried unanimously. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 14, 1997

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of October 14, 1997 as presented. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Shefferly, to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Expenditure

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| General Fund | 101 | \$142,507.41 |
| Fire Fund | 206 | 13,898.76 |
| Police Fund | 207 | 30,473.60 |
| Community Center Fund | 208 | 20,484.06 |
| Golf Course Fund | 211 | 22,900.30 |
| Cable TV Fund | 230 | 16,008.02 |
| Community Imp. Fund | 246 | 234,684.00 |
| E-911 Emergency Fund | 261 | 629.43 |
| Special Invest. Fund | 267 | 741.50 |
| Federal Grants Funds | 274 | 9,943.49 |
| State Projects Fund | 289 | 166.17 |
| Retiree Benefits | 296 | 8.10 |
| Cap Proj. Bld Constr. | 402 | 1,239.63 |
| Bld. Auth. Constr. | 469 | 43,289.50 |
| Water & Sewer | 592 | 732,569.60 |
| Beck Rd. Paving Constr. | 814 | 3,241.36 |
| Total | | \$1,272,784.93 |

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, that the Board of Trustees appoint Greg Green as resident representative to serve on the Board of Directors of the Downtown Development Authority of the Charter Township of Canton for a term of 2-years. A term to expire on January 28, 2000. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to appoint David Williams and reappoint Gregory Demopoulos to the Zoning Board of Appeals for three year terms to expire on August 31, 2000. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve special event status for St. Thomas ABecket's craft show and permission to install signs advertising the event to be held on December 6, 1997. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve the following budget amendment in the Water & Sewer Fund to increase Overtime for water taps.

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| Increase (Decrease) Appropriations: | | |
| Overtime | \$592-441-708-0000 | \$10,000 |
| Maintenance & Repair- Sewer Lines | \$592-441-935-0000 | (10,000) |
| Total | | \$ -0- |

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to dispose of Township vehicles/equipment locally using the sealed bid process. The funds received would be transferred to the disposing department's Capital Outlay Account. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to set the public hearing for November 12, 1997 to consider the industrial facilities exemption application of Durcon Company for an amendment to Certificate #95-118 for their new facility located at 8464 Ronda Drive. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to adopt the resolution to grant final plat approval for Fairways West Subdivision No. 2. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk, acting on behalf of the Township, to execute the deed for the sale of a 3.7066 acre part of parcel no. 101-99-0011-001 to Hampton Homes (E.F. Partners, L.L.C., 27774 Franklin Road, Southfield, MI 48034). Motion carried.

GENERAL CALENDAR

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to grant final approval of the Heron Ridge Planned Development District (PDD). Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to amend the Agreement for Planned Development District for Heron Ridge by striking the following language in Schedule A, item (ii), Schedule of Improvements: "However, there shall not be any permanent entranceway signage at the Warren Road entranceway to Heron Ridge South except for the installation of a sign indicating the name of the entranceway street," making this issue contingent upon the site plan process. Further, to strike the following language in Schedule B, item 7, Schedule of Variances: "The use of ground lighting, in place of over head pole lighting, at each of the entranceways to the Developments, in sufficient quantity to provide illumination for vehicular and pedestrian traffic, is hereby authorized and approved," making this also contingent upon the site plan process. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the resolution to grant tentative approval of the preliminary plat for the proposed Vintage Valley Subdivision. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to grant tentative approval of the preliminary plat for the proposed Antique Forest Subdivision. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to approve the site plan for the proposed Canton Auto Wash. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to approve the request to conduct the special use for the proposed Wendy's Restaurant. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to approve the site plan for the proposed Romel Jewelry. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the bid received from U.S. Filter/Water Pro for Mueller brass water tap materials in the amount of \$77,150.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve the contract between Canton Township and the Canton Firefighters to run from July 1, 1997 through June 30, 2000. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to award the bid for the purchase of hose and couplings from the Apollo Fire Equipment Co. at a cost of \$11,556.50. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the following budget amendment in the Capital Projects Road Paving Fund for the Canton Center realignment and Hanford Road paving projects:

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| Increase Revenues: | | |
| Contributions from Other Funds | #403-000-676-2450 | \$166,478 |

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| Increase Appropriations: | | |
| Construction | #403-506-969-0000 | \$166,478 |

This budget amendment increases the Capital Projects Road Paving budget from \$922,205 to \$1,088,683.

Further, to approve a budget amendment in the Public Improvement Fund for this transfer:

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| Increase Revenues: | | |
| Appropriation from Fund Balance | #245-000-699-0000 | \$166,478 |

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| Increase Appropriations: | | |
| Transfer to Capital Imp. Fund | #245-265-965-4030 | \$166,478 |

This budget amendment increases the Public Improvement Fund budget from \$3,029,992 to \$3,196,470.

Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdick, to establish the Tonquish Creek Storm Sewer Improvement Special Assessment Construction Fund #804 and approve the following budget for 1997:

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| Revenues | \$107,500 |
| Appropriations | \$107,500 |

Further, to approve the transfer of \$106,000 from the General Fund to the Tonquish Creek Storm Sewer Improvement Special Assessment Construction Fund, to be repaid when special assessment bonds for this project are sold in 1998.

Further, to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund for this interfund transfer:

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| Increase Revenues | | |
| Appropriation from Fund Balance | #101-000-699-0000 | \$106,000 |

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| Increase Appropriations: | | |
| Cont. to SAD Drain Fund | #101-959-965-8040 | \$106,000 |

This budget amendment increases the General Fund budget from \$12,948,505 to \$13,054,505.

Motion carried.

OTHER

Supervisor Yack announced that the Mike Ager, Resource Development, would update the Board on transportation issues at the next meeting scheduled for November 4, 1997.

ADJOURN

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 P.M. Motion carried.

The above is a synopsis of actions taken at the Regular Board meeting held on October 28, 1997. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of the Board on November 11, 1997.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor
TERRY G. BENNETT,

MILITARY NEWS

To submit your military announcement, send the material printed or typewritten to: Plymouth-Canton Observer, 794 S. Main St., Plymouth, Mich 48170.

DEPLOYMENTS

Marine Cpl. Patrick R. Martinez, son of Ronald P. Martinez of Glengarry Road and Sharon K. Martinez of Canton, recently returned to Camp Pendleton, Calif., from a six-month deployment with Battalion Landing Team 2/4 as part of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable). He is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and he joined the Marine Corps in March 1993.

Marine Capt. Gary R. Fullerton, son of Graham A. and Norah I. Fullerton of Canton, recently returned to Camp Pendleton, Calif., from a six-month deployment with Battalion Landing Team 2/4 as part of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable). He is a 1986 graduate of Paul M. Dorman High School of Spartanburg, S.C. He joined the Marine Corps in May 1990.

Marine 1st Lt. Robert A. Kaminski, son of Gene V. and Diane R. Kaminski of Westminster Way, Canton, recently returned to his home base of Camp Pendleton, Calif., after a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian

Oceans, serving with the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), embarked aboard the ships of the USS Boxer Amphibious Ready Group.

He is a 1989 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School of Redford. He joined the Marine Corps in August 1993.

Marine Staff Sgt. Paul R. Kopjoe, whose wife, Julie, is the daughter of Henry G. and Sharon Granowicz of Woodleigh Way, Plymouth, is halfway through a six-month deployment with the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit, embarked aboard the ships of the USS Boxer Amphibious Ready Group.

COMMISSION

Navy Ensign Jay A. Bieszke, son of Eileen K. Hodges of Shadywood Drive, Plymouth, recently received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School (OCS) in Pensacola, Fla. He is a 1992 graduate of Portage Central High School of Portage, Mich. Bieszke is a 1997 graduate of Ball State University, Muncie, Ind. with a bachelor of arts degree.

COMMENDATION MEDAL

Army Capt. Allen A. Hing has been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal. The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army.

He is a 1983 graduate from Grace Bible Christian Academy, Ann Arbor, and received a bachelor's degree in 1988 from Eastern Michigan University.

BASIC TRAINING

Marine Pfc. Nathan M. Branin, son of Debra J. Lehner of Royal Pointe Drive, Canton, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. as an honor graduate and high shooter. Branin successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally. He is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

DEAN'S LIST

Air Force Cadet Laura M. Durham has been placed on the dean's list at the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo., for academic excellence

with a 3.0 or better grade point at the end of the semester. Durham is the daughter of Donald F. and Diane M. Durham of Canton.

GRADUATED

Army Spec. Mesha A. Cichon has graduated from the U.S. Army Primary Leadership Development Course (PLDC) at Camp Jackson, Ujiong-Bu, South Korea. The specialist is a signal intelligence analyst at Camp Humphreys, Pyongtaek-Gun, South Korea. She is a 1994 graduate of Waterford Mott High School, Waterford. She is the daughter of David A. Cichon of Waterford and Terri A. Boos of Canton.

ENLISTMENTS

Jason May, son of Donald May of Canton and Jeanie Lawrence of Redford, has enlisted in the Air Force. Upon successfully

completing the Air Force's six-week basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, he is scheduled to receive technical training in the general career field. May is a 1997 graduate of Thurston High School and will earn credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force while attending basic and technical training school.

Shannon Burkhammer, daughter of Leslie and Mark Burkhammer of Westland, enlisted in the Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program. Burkhammer, a 1997 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, is scheduled for enlistment in the Regular Air Force on Jan. 14. Upon graduation from the Air Force's six-week basic training course in San Antonio, Texas, she is scheduled to receive a technical training as a signals intelligence production apprentice.

Ryan Scott Dahlman of Canton has enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He will report to the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, north of Chicago. Upon graduation from nine weeks of basic training he will go to Pensacola, Fla. for aviation electronics training. Dahlman is a 1997 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. He is the son of Robert and Robin Dahlman and brother of Randy Dahlman.

COURSE

Army Capt. Scott R. Swartzwelder of Plymouth is attending the Advanced Officer Engineering course at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and simultaneously, completing his master's degree at the University of Missouri Rolla Campus for engineering. He is a 1989 Canton High School graduate, and a 1993 U.S. Military Academy graduate at West Point in New York.

CANTON INVITATION TO BID SALE OF VEHICLES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m., November 20, 1997 for the sale of the following Vehicles.

| ITEM NO. | YEAR | MAKE/MODEL | VIN NO. | MILEAGE |
|----------|------|----------------------|------------------------------|---------|
| 001 | 1985 | PONTIAC 6000,4DR | G2AF19R5F1285757 | 40041 |
| 002 | 1986 | CHEV CAPRICE,4DR | 1G1BL6966G161070 | 107876 |
| 003 | 1986 | GMC 2500 PU TRUCK | 1GTPC24HOGF720354 | 111532 |
| 004 | 1989 | GMC SAFARI CARGO VAN | 1GTD15Z1KB536191 | 98544 |
| 005 | 1973 | FORD, F-350 | F37YLS26314 | 151865 |
| 006 | 1995 | FORD CROWN VIC | 2FALP71W45X181280 | 44235 |
| 007 | 1994 | FORD CROWN VIC | 2FALP71W5RX178236 | 84975 |
| 008 | 1993 | FORD CROWN VIC | 2FACP71W9PX184036 | 111221 |
| 009 | 1990 | PONTIAC BONNEVILLE | 1G2HX54C1L1246087 | 97607 |
| 010 | 1994 | FORD CROWN VIC | 2FALP71W7RX178237 | 108165 |
| 011 | 1995 | FORD CROWN VIC | 2FALP71W6SX181278 | 76081 |
| 012 | 1984 | GMC S15 PU TRUCK | 1GTC514B4E0518306 | 102639 |
| 013 | 1997 | JEEP CHEROKEE | 1J4PJ6857VL603253(TOTALD) | |
| 014 | 1989 | FORD 755B,BACKHOE | D100125/2611 HRS PUBLIC WORK | |
| 015 | 1990 | FORD 655C BACKHOE | A411751/4258HRS PUBLIC WORKS | |

The equipment is available for inspection during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Contact Ed Olson at (313) 397-8066 for appointment.

Bid is to be submitted to the Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. Envelope should state "SALE OF VEHICLES AND INCLUDE ITEM NUMBER (S). All vehicles will be sold in an "as is" condition.

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

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

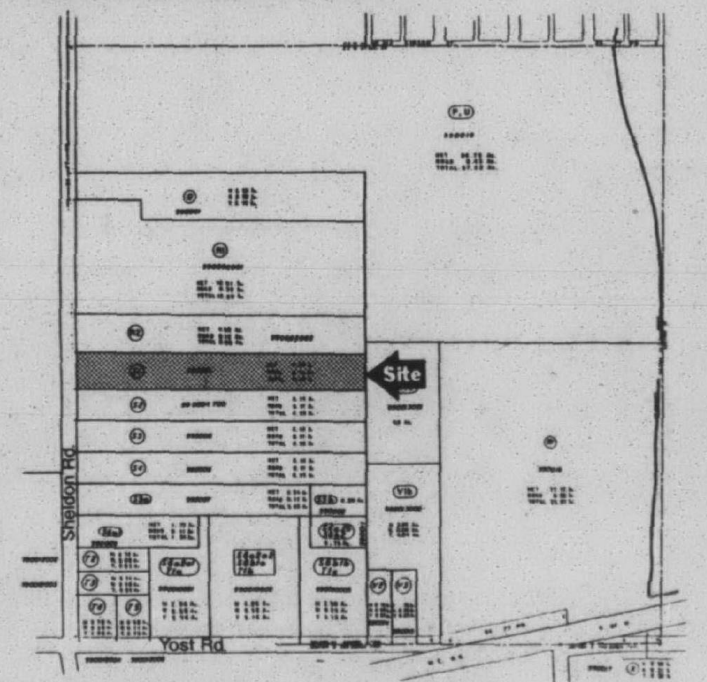
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CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 1, 1997 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

MAAS REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 136 99 0003 000 FROM LI-2, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, TO GI, GENERAL INDUSTRIAL. Property is located on the east side of Sheldon Road between Michigan Avenue and Yost Road.



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

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: November 6 and 20, 1997

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan will accept bids until 10:00 a.m., November 21, 1997, at the Office of the Clerk, first floor, Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan for the following:

Housing Rehabilitation: 1 single-family detached home

Specifications are available from the Financial Services Division at the address above. Questions may be directed to Resource Development Division, (313) 397-5392. This program is funded by CDBG, Department of HUD. The Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

Publish: November 6, 1997

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

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

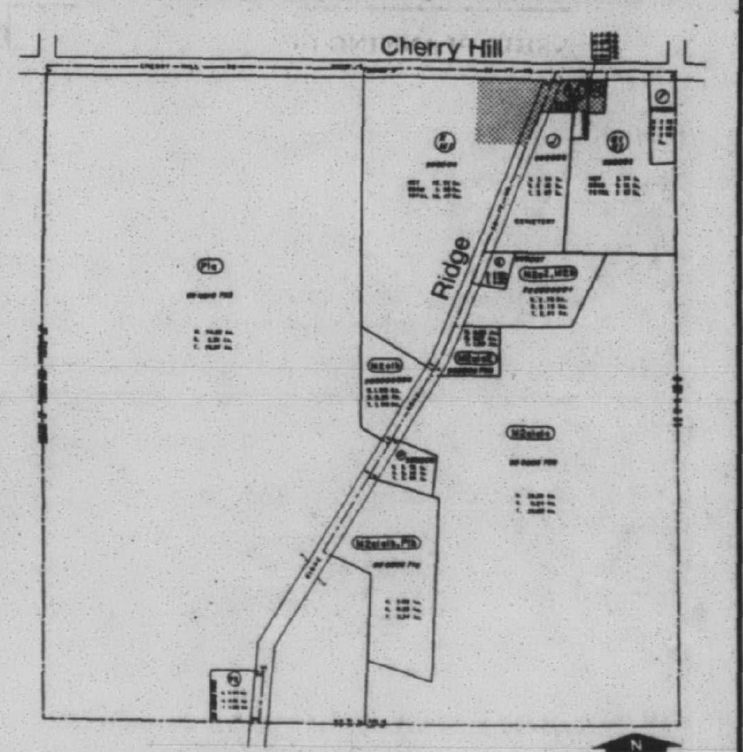
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 17, 1997 at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

CHERRY HILL/RIDGE TOWNSHIP INITIATED FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT - CONSIDER AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO LOCAL SHOPPING FOR PARCEL NOS. 074 99 0003 000, 074 99 0004 000, AND PART OF PARCEL NO. 074 99 0006 000. Property is located on the southeast and southwest corners of Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads.

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

Proposed

Future Land Use Map Amendment



Very Low Density Residential to Local Shopping

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

Publish: October 16 and November 6, 1997

City of Plymouth NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Establishment of Industrial Development District No. 5

Notice is hereby given that the Plymouth City Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 17, 1997, at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, to consider the following:

Establishment of Industrial Development District No. 5, to include the following industrial property:

Dunn Steel Building, 300 Dunn Street:
TAX ID #49-002-01-0622-005. Lot 622 EXC THAT PT DESC AS BEG S19 DEG 50M 31S E 21.06 FT FROM NE COR LOT 622 TH S19 DEG 50M 31S E 163.33 FT TH S 88 DEG 23M 15S W 132 FT TH N 13 DEG 07M 20S W 112.50 FT TO POB ALSO N 1/2 ADJ VAC DUNN ST - ASSESSORS PLYMOUTH PLAT NO. 17.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

Publish: November 6, 1997

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

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 17, 1997 at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Plan:

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TEXT AMENDMENTS:

1. Update Statistical Information.
2. Establish a Transition Zone around the Cherry Hill Historic District.
3. Addition of New Policies and Strategies.

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

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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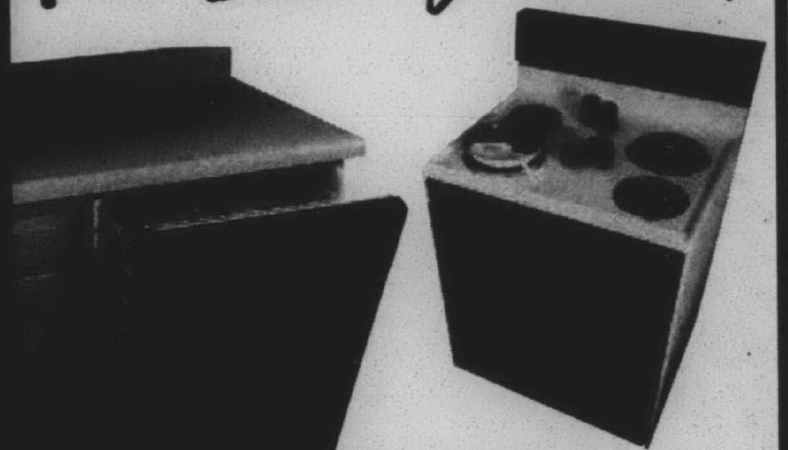
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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



The Players Guild of Dearborn presents "1940s Radio Hour," 8 p.m. at 21730 Madison, tickets \$12, (313) 561-TKTS.

SATURDAY



Meadow Brook Theatre's "Saturday Fun for Kids" series kicks off with Linda Arnold, 11 a.m. Tickets \$7.50, call (248) 377-3300.

SUNDAY



First Theatre Guild features Billy Dixon and Pam Miller in "Hansel and Gretel," 2 p.m. in the Knox Auditorium, First Presbyterian Church 1669 E. Maple. Tickets \$5, (248) 642-6712.



Hot tix: Chicago and The Beach Boys perform 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$25.25 and \$15.25, call (248) 645-6666.



Strategy: Producer Nancy Joslin discusses a scene with actor Jon Cryer on the set of "Plan B."

CHALLENGING Hollywood

Independent filmmakers prove 'It can be done'

By FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

The Brad Pitt rumors persist. And so do the undisputable facts behind the local Loch Ness tale: zero confirmed sightings and not a trace of a big-budget Hollywood film featuring the elusive heart-throb. Pitt may have spent seven years in Tibet, but he hasn't left a revealing trail in Motown.

What's easier to discern, however, is the trail of two new films by producers with deep local roots and expansive ambitions.

The films - "All of It" and "Plan B" - are being produced on shoe-string budgets by first-time filmmakers Jodi Podolsky, a former Bloomfield Hills resident, and Nancy Joslin, formerly of Northville and a University of Michigan Film School grad.

For the last several years, both producers have been immersed in the LA movie-studio scene. Podolsky, who attended Cranbrook and graduated six years ago from USC Film School, worked in development at Creative Artists Agency. Meanwhile, Joslin pursued the promotional angle in the publicity department at Columbia Pictures.

Until recently, both were living according to their respective "Plan B." Through sheer persistence and exceptional creative energy, they've joined the legion of independent filmmakers who are challenging the static formulas of established Hollywood studios.

"All of It" and "Plan B" not only share the independent badge of honor, but have set out to portray

■ **What:** Michigan premier of "Plan B," a film by Gary Leva, Nancy Joslin and Lulu Baskins-Leva

■ **When:** 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14

■ **Where:** United Artists Movie Theater at the Oakland Mall, Troy; (248) 585-7041

For information about "All of It," currently being filmed throughout the metro area, please contact Darren Gold, (248) 865-9684.

real-world dramas in character-driven stories. Whereas "All of It" deals with the relationship between a 25-year-old editor working in New York and her mother (Lesley Ann Warren), "Plan B" is a broader examination of five 30-something characters whose lives haven't turned out as they planned.

In Hollywood-speak, the films have been described as "Ordinary People" with a sense of humor and "A '90s 'Big Chill,'" respectively. But the films are about more than cliché references. They represent an honest work ethic that reflects a creative entrepreneurial spirit.

Today, both Podolsky and Joslin live in the LA area, and are consumed with their full-time film projects, which are at starkly different stages of completion.

A premier and still filming

For Joslin, who also holds an MBA from U-M, the primary task is to attract attention to her finished film for a Michigan premiere on Friday, Nov. 14, at United Artists Theaters in Oakland Mall.

"Plan B," which stars Jon Cryer ("Pretty in Pink," "Hot Shots," "Superman IV"), had its initial screening held over at the United Artist Center in Los Angeles. The film has been also recognized at smaller festivals earlier this year, winning best comedy at the Breckenridge Festival of Film, and the most promising filmmaker award at the Wine Country Film Festival.

Meanwhile, "All of It," which Podolsky also wrote and directs, is in the early stages of a 24-day shooting schedule, including several familiar local locations: the Townsend Hotel, the Franklin Cider Mill, Long Lake Market and Tam-O-Shanter Country Club.

On Oct. 29, the filming at Temple Shaarey Zedek in Southfield called for more than 1,000 extras on the set. Throughout the project, according to co-producer Darren Gold, a high priority has been given to involving the local production community. Upwards of 50 local crew members have found work on the \$500,000 project.

After a one-day shoot in New York later this month, Podolsky will spend several months editing and adding post-production touches.

"The idea is to have a finished film that we can sell," said Podolsky in between shooting scenes at the Tam-O-Shanter Country Club in West Bloomfield.

As independent producers, prospective buyers of the film will be the mega Hollywood studios, distributors of films or theater

Please see FILMMAKERS, E2

Metheny defies musical borders

By HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Pat Metheny is usually classified as a jazz guitarist. But he won't be tied down by labels.

"Musical idioms don't exist anymore," he said emphatically in a telephone interview.

The Pat Metheny Group is beginning a year-long world tour in November,

including gigs in Ann Arbor and Detroit. Metheny promises 2-3 hours of music including the richly exotic sounds of their new album "Imaginary Day" (Warner Bros.) and other Metheny favorites.

Despite presenting a United Nations of musical influences, Metheny said that he and composing collaborator and group keyboardist Lyle Mays are not consciously seeking out "world sounds."

"We didn't ask any questions," he said. "We don't go actively searching out things, but we do go through life with our antennas out. Also we have this opportunity of going around the world and going out banging into things."

"Imaginary Day" is a concept album. On notes for the album, Metheny explains, "We really decided we'd do a record that was about extended journeys, and even try to give a whole record that feeling of a story. You put on this CD and, I hope, it takes you

Please see METHENY, E2



Pat Metheny

SPECIAL EVENT

Ice show salutes Gershwins

By KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Princess Diana's sudden, unexpected death had the same effect on people as George Gershwin's did - "I don't have to believe it if I don't want to," said John O'Hara summing up the feelings of the time.

George Gershwin collapsed and died of a brain tumor on July 11, 1937, in Hollywood while he was working on the score of "The Goldwyn Follies." He was not quite 39 years old.

Gershwin died, but all over the world whenever someone "Strikes Up The Band," or sings about "My One and Only You," his music lives.

In a centennial celebration of the births of George, and his lyricist brother Ira, who died in 1933, the Detroit Opera House is presenting "The Memory of all That ... Gershwin On Ice," Nov. 8-9.

Dorothy Hamill and a cast of 10 skaters - five women and five men - with a singer/narrator bring memorable Gershwin tunes to life. A singer/narrator recalls highlights from the Gershwins' lives and sings a number of their songs while skaters perform individual pieces from Broadway musicals and films such as "I Got Rhythm," and "Let's

Call the Whole Thing Off." Music for the skating numbers features recordings by some of the artists in the original Broadway productions including Fred Astaire singing "Oh Lady Be Good!"

"Audiences are very surprised," said choreographer Robert Wagenhoffer, a national silver medalist. "People weren't aware of how talented these skaters are. They're professional show skaters - dancers on ice. They've studied dancing as well as skating."

In a tribute to the brothers who gave us "Rhapsody in Blue," "An American in Paris," and "Porgy and Bess," the ice show captures the spirit of their music.

"The pieces are descriptive of the songs," said Wagenhoffer. "The costumes are correct as far as the era. We pulled in choreography from the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s. We studied the movement and characters people were doing then."

Hamill is featured with the singer in "Foggy Day in London Town." She also performs a solo in "Rhapsody in Blue," and plays the main role in "Summertime" from "Porgy and Bess," co-written by George and Ira with DuBose and Dorothy Heyward based on the novel "Porgy," by DuBose Heyward.

Turning the Opera House into an "Ice House" for the event is an amazing technological feat.

"The process takes 24 hours from start to finish," said former Detroiters Carl Zahn, vice president of Florida-based Yontz Corp.

To create the 40-foot by 60-foot ice deck the skaters perform on, "we create a surface on top of the stage that has interlocking channels and laid within are refrigeration coils," said Zahn. "Once that is done, 6,000 pounds of crushed ice is poured on the surface. It is continually hosed down over a 24-hour period to create a solid ice deck that is 3 inches thick. A 6-1/2 ton refrigeration unit is parked in the theater loading the dock 24 hours a day to keep the ice from melting."

The refrigeration unit removes heat from the floor, so the surface stays cool. When the show closes on Sunday a demolition crew will hammer and chop at the ice, and

Please see GERSHWIN, E2



Dorothy Hamill

Filmmakers

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owners (exhibitors).

"Jodi, like the character in the film Amy, wants to do things outside the system which is set in its ways," said Gold. "But she also respects the system."

Meticulous on the set

The grueling three-week 15-hour a day schedule is a test of perseverance for Podolsky and Gold, who were classmates at Cranbrook and at USC Film School. While Podolsky studied screenwriting, Gold concentrated on learning "a little of everything," which translates, he said, to the knack of producing, where he needs to be both headmaster and lead diplomat.

"My job is just to get things done. I have a tremendous faith in the truth of this film," said Gold, who frequently returns

from LA to visit relatives in Birmingham. "I have to make sure that there's the proper space for Jodi to create and translate her vision."

Basically, that means a relentless attention to detail and setting the mood. For instance, Gold noted that Podolsky is a meticulous planner, making sure the colors of clothing and props reflect the emotional tension of the scene. Quite often, directors with a strong vision create a highly stylized or textured feel for their films, from John Huston's classics to Quentin Tarantino's "Pulp Fiction" to Ed Burns' "The Brothers McMullen."

Podolsky wrote the initial draft of "All of It" over three weeks while working on another independent film, "35 Miles

From Normal," with her current director of photography Ted Cohen, formerly of Bloomfield Hills.

To her credit, Podolsky is not only the creative dynamo behind "All of It," she has also raised the money and has assembled a highly recognizable cast, including Warren from "Victor/Victoria" and "Clue"; Alanna Ubach from "The Brady Bunch" and "Party of Five"; and NYPD regular James Rebhorn from "The Game," "Independence Day" and "My Cousin Vinny."

Yet despite the collaborative nature of filmmaking, "All of It" remains a highly personal story for Podolsky.

"Of course there are issues (in the film) about who I am and what I'm struggling with," she said. Podolsky has translated

those "issues" into a sophisticated drama between a mid 20s woman who returns home for a holiday visit and her mother.

Since the mid 1980s, Podolsky has written continually, filling 85 journals with her intimate thoughts and observations. These days, her long days on the set present a means to bring her interior dialogue to life.

"If you're going to bring your stories to life with that realism and authenticity then the project just turns into your life," she said.

And now for "Plan B"

Podolsky's outlook seems to be a common view held by ambitious independent filmmakers.

Last August, filmmaker Neil Mandt, formerly of Bloomfield

Hills, proved that an independently produced film could bypass traditional studio distribution channels. He appealed directly to theater exhibitors to show his latest work, "Hijacking Hollywood."

Many were impressed by Mandt's business savvy and off-beat film.

When it succeeds, Mandt's type of brashness is usually rewarded by Hollywood executives. His hell-bent method earned him recognition in LA and directorial assignments for the next two years.

Joslin and her co-producers of "Plan B," Gary Leva and Lulu Baskins-Leva, have followed in Mandt's marketing footsteps. They have attracted exhibitors to show their film with the hope

that soon a major studio will see the profit in assuming the distribution.

Just three years ago, the three associates came from a viewing of the independent film, "Clerks," with the inspiration that they could produce a low-budget movie that was about real people that everyone could relate to. In other words, a story not typically found in Hollywood.

"We started out making this film as our 'Plan B' because we couldn't devote all our time, but now we can," said Joslin, who financed the last part of the \$400,000 film from cash advances from credit cards.

"Sometimes 'Plan B' is definitely better."

Metheny

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some place, and maybe you'll even be a little bit different when it's over."

The album has Chinese, Iranian, Irish and blues influences. It also introduces new instrumentation, such as a fretless classical guitar.

"We had this Chinese opera, fretless guitar blues (on the title track) and we didn't question it," Metheny said. "We just follow each thing through and follow our aesthetic impulses."

Metheny said the world has "collapsed on itself" and that the

communications revolution of the last 40 years has erased borders and barriers. He said young guitarists from every part of the world come to play for him.

Metheny has always been an innovator since he first joined with vibist Gary Burton in 1974 when he was 19. He is the recipient of eight Grammy Awards and numerous other music awards and fan polls.

The fretless classical guitar is yet another Metheny innovation, to recreate a sound he has heard in his head since he was a

teenager.

"It's something I've been interested in and working on for the last six or seven years. I even made an attempt at it when I was still in high school when I ripped the frets off a guitar," he said.

The thin nylon strings at the top of a classical guitar made it difficult and resulted in the plinking sound of a banjo with no sustaining sound.

Finally, Canadian guitar maker Linda Manzer, working with Metheny, came up with the

right design using a cello bridge that created "a viable sustain."

"It's a classical guitar, but it ended up most effective in rock music with a fuzz sound. I put this classical guitar through a fuzz tone," Metheny said.

In addition to adding the fretless classical guitar, synthesizers and other unusual instrumentation, Metheny is also an innovative composer, working with keyboardist Mays.

"Lyle is just one of the most brilliant musicians I have ever met," Metheny said. "His insights into the nuts and bolts of how music works are a never-ending source of value in our collaboration."

Once Metheny and Mays have worked out a composition, the group gets together and other members add their improvisations, which keeps the "jazz" feeling alive.

Metheny is primarily a group leader, but he is more than happy to take a secondary position as he did last year with jazz saxman Kenny Garrett.

"I love being a sideman with a strong musician and Kenny is a great example. When you've been a leader, you're a good sideman," Metheny said.

Metheny called Garrett's band one of the best in the last 15 years. He worked with them on an album of John Coltrane music

and did a subsequent tour that he said was better than the album.

He will be continuing his collaborations with other musicians. In December he will be recording with his former leader Gary Burton and Chick Corea, Dave Holland and Roy Haynes. In February he will be featured in a new album by Bass Desires under the leadership of bass player Marc Johnson. Next summer he will record with guitarist Jim Hall.

For now, though, he said his total concentration is on his new music which he calls the most challenging group of tunes the group has ever had.

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Gershwin

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carry it out in wheel barrels.

Unlike ice shows in big arenas, this one is more intimate. "Our house seats 2,700 people," said David DiChiera, general director of Michigan Opera Theatre. "I think it will be really intriguing. Until now, there wasn't a stage

in Detroit big enough to accommodate an ice show."

DiChiera said MOT is already celebrating the Gershwin Centennial in its outreach program. "Porgy & Bess" will be presented at the opera house May 30 to June 14.

He thought the ice show added an interesting new dimension to shows offered at the Detroit Opera House. "The show involves dance, music and theater," he said. "I was quite impressed."

Funny 'Sylvia' theatrical treat

Farmington Players present "Sylvia" by A.R. Gurney, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8; Nov. 14-15 and Nov. 21-22; 2 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 9 and Nov. 16; and 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20 at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road (1 1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington Hills. Tickets \$8, call (248) 553-2955. BY BARBARA MICHALS SPECIAL WRITER

What's a man to do when forced to decide between his two lovers - his wife or his dog? That's the dilemma in "Sylvia" the delightfully funny A.R. Gurney comedy superbly performed by the Farmington Players.

Empty-nesters Greg (Chuck Fisher) and Kate (Mary Ann Tweedie) have just moved to Manhattan after 22 years of married life in the suburbs. Greg is facing a mid-life crisis, rapidly losing interest in his job of many years and searching for he-knows-not-what, while Kate is blossoming in her new teaching job, devoting all her attention to

it. Along comes Sylvia (Barbie Amann), a mix of poodle and lab that Greg befriends in the park. In need of a new home, Sylvia eagerly gives Greg her unstinting affection and attention, just what he's been missing from his wife lately. From her first meeting with Sylvia, Kate instinctively senses that the pooch is a threat to her marriage and plans for the future.

The hilarious twist is that Sylvia speaks to her humans throughout the play, acting first as the "other woman" and eventually as a very unlikely marriage counselor.

Amann plays Sylvia to comic perfection. Her delivery is so smooth and convincing that the audience easily suspends belief and gets caught up in the fantasy.

Fisher's wonderfully expressive face adds dimension to Greg's character, as does his deliberately understated manner of speaking. His interaction with Sylvia couldn't be better.

As Kate, Tweedie's performance is very strong and believable as one observes her increasing annoyance turn to anger and frustration at her husband's obsession with his dog.

Finally realizing she must fight to save her marriage, Tweedie gets down on the floor for a very humorous dogfight with her canine adversary.

The supporting cast also does fine work. Jack Grulke is all male ego as Tom, a dog owner who befriends Greg in the park and offers endless unsolicited advice. Cynthia Tupper is divinely pretentious as Kate's socialite friend Phyllis, unsympathetic to Kate's plight despite her own husband's unnatural attachment to his goldfish. Maureen Mansfield is amusing as the androgynous Leslie, Kate's gender-bending marriage counselor.

Under the capable direction of Dennis Broadhead and assistant director Cheryl Gordon Glicker, "Sylvia" is a highly-polished, irresistible theatrical treat.

'Hansel and Gretel' entertaining, charming

First Theatre Guild presents "Hansel and Gretel" in the Knox Auditorium of First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maple Road (east of Cranbrook) 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7-8; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9. Tickets \$5, call (248) 642-6712. BY LIBBY PRYSEY SPECIAL WRITER

Looking for an entertaining and charming play for your children to enjoy? "Hansel and Gretel," performed by the First Theatre Guild, is sure to hit the spot with sweet scenery, appetizing actors, candied costumes, and an over-all effect that will please everyone's taste.

As the theatergoer enters, the auditorium is surrounded by giant sized lollipops which gives a flavorful start to a cute production. The little actors and actresses work among well-constructed sets with delightful details and dressings.

The gingerbread house, home to the witch, is simple and cov-

ered with candies galore. In the background, four gingerbread men frown and pout when they come in contact with their enemy, the witch.

Adding to the ambrosial atmosphere is the acting ability of cast members. Andrea Cook who plays the Gingerbread Witch is an outstanding actress. A Birmingham resident, Cook uses exaggerated movements and an arresting well rehearsed voice to scare the children in the forest, she also succeeds in scaring the children in the audience. Her broom, a yellow scooter, adds humor to her entrances and exits.

A pair of characters Frick and Frack who serve the Gingerbread Witch, played by Amanda Walters and Matt Lipshaw of Birmingham, also do a fine job. Humorous lines and actions make the audience giggle and appreciate their presence on stage.

Blair Brettschneider, Allie

Walters, Lane Brettschneider, and Carmen Sollars are the creatures of the forest who add glimmer and sweetness to the dark scenes of the play. Among the youngest of the thespians, they seem interested in the action on stage and stay in character, no matter what the action.

Other area actors include Pam Miller (Gretel), Amber Bayraktar (Johanna), Caitie Egg (Kristen), Melissa Gullickson (Lydia), Ari Lipshaw (the mother), Mike Wicker (Father), Clare Gargaro (Katrina), Lauren Sherrard (Frau Rosmer), and Colin McDonnell (a cookie).

The costumes put the topping on this fine confection with feathers, hats, lederhosen, and other fashions of excellence. The Gingerbread Witch costume easily transforms her into a mean, old hag. Frick and Frack's costumes are clever.

"Hansel and Gretel" is surely a production most children would enjoy.

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OPENING RECEPTION

Madonna University holds a reception to meet artists Pamela Giurlanda and Anna Helkowsky 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 in the Exhibit Gallery on the second floor of the library building on campus, 36600 Schoolcraft and Levan, Livonia.

Giurlanda of Farmington Hills and Helkowsky of West Bloomfield are recent graduates of the university.

ART SHOW

The fall exhibit of the Farmington Artists club takes place Nov. 6-9 at the Spicer House in Heritage Park, 24915 Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads, Farmington Hills. Admission is free.

The public is invited to meet the artists at a reception 7-9 p.m. Friday. Viewing hours are 9-9 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.

The exhibit consists of four sections: a juried show, non-juried display, works done by the Farmington Seniors Painters group, and a wide assortment of

unframed, affordable pieces for sale. Media include oil, watercolor, acrylic, gouache, pastel, and printmaking.

Although the club is based in Farmington where it began, more than 150 members live throughout the metro Detroit area.

The club meets at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month on the lower level of the Farmington Hills Library, 32737 West 12 Mile between Farmington and Orchard Lake roads. Meetings are open to the public.

CAROUSEL ART AUCTION

One hundred carousel animals and figures go on the auction block at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Livonia Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Road at Six Mile and I-275.

Previews of the items will take place 7-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7 and 9-11 a.m. before the auction on Saturday.

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For more information, call Riewe at (810) 664-5648.

CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS

New Morning School in Ply-

mouth holds its seventh annual juried arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Northville Community Center, 303 West Main Street.

Admission is \$2 and benefits the preschool through eighth grade parent cooperative.

Among the local artists exhibiting are Judy Buresh of Garden City, pottery; Diana Licht, Plymouth, hand made children's and ladies' clothing; Marianne Akers, Livonia, soft sculpture Santas, angels, snowmen, elves, dolls; Sue Walton, Bloomfield Hills, hand-woven coats, jackets and scarves; Elaine Faba-McLeod, Birmingham, mixed media angels, fairies, dolls; Lorrie Love, Farmington Hills, functional and decorative clay; Veronica Tobey, Rochester Hills, hand painting clothing; Ed McCauley, Royal Oak, wood toys, rocking horses, and Andrea Anderson, Farmington Hills, hand-woven items.

For information, call (313) 420-1214.

DANCE WORKSHOP

Dance Gallery/Peter Sparling & Co. offers a six-week workshop with Denise Szykula, a Detroit-based choreographer and artistic director of Dance Nonce beginning Saturday, Nov. 8 at the studio, 111 South Third Street at Huron, Ann Arbor.

The fee is \$85 for ages 15 and up with experience in ballet,

modern or jazz. Call Julianne O'Brien Pedersen at (313) 747-8885.

The workshop focuses on Szykula's traveling technique combining the discipline of ballet and the vitality of modern dance. Students will learn thematic material from Szykula's award winning choreography and will perform at the Dance Gallery Studio Recital 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21. The recital is free and open to the public.

FROM HANDEL TO BRAHMS

Madonna University will present a piano and violin recital by Linette Popoff-Parks, music department chair and Velda Kelly, a Farmington resident and member of Michigan Opera Theatre orchestra, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9 in Kresge Hall, 36600 Schoolcraft and Levan, Livonia. Admission is by donation to the music scholarship fund.

The recital will feature works from Handel, Schubert, Chaussou, and Brahms. For more information, call (313) 432-5709.

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Colorful and cozy: Sue Walton brings hand-woven coats, jackets, scarves, and this silk coat to the seventh annual juried Celebration of the Arts Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Northville Community Center. Proceeds benefit New Morning School in Plymouth.

programs and activities 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14.

After a dinner of Italian meatballs and bread sticks, fennel-leek soup, salad, grilled salmon or chicken on a bed of fettuccine Alfredo, Italian green beans and tiramisu for dessert, the music begins with selections from Weill to Verdi performed by soprano

Valerie Yova, tenor Jack Morris, and guitar and vocals from Phil Esser.

Tickets are \$37.50 and available by calling (313) 462-4417/462-4413. Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile roads in Livonia.

SINGLES CALENDAR

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The Rev. Paul Clough leads scripture messages relevant to daily single living 10:45 a.m. Sundays in Knox Hall, Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile Road, Livonia. (313) 422-1854

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7-8:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday, in the Calvin Room. Free child care. Activities for children and parents to enjoy together every month.

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New Start (widows and widowers) meets 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month in the chapel. Speakers and discussion concerning death of a loved one and getting on. Activities throughout the month.

BYOS 8 p.m. every second Saturday of the month at Livonia Y. This is a family affair.

Game Night - 7:30 p.m. the third Friday of the month meets in Know Hall. Bring your favorite games and pay \$1 at

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SUNDAY SUBURBAN SINGLES

Sunday Suburban Singles holds dances 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. every Sunday at Bonnie Brook Country Club, Telegraph Road south of Eight Mile, Redford. Ages 21 and up. Proper attire. \$4 or \$3 before 8:30 p.m. (313) 842-7422.

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sion \$4 or \$3 before 8:30 p.m. (313) 842-0443

WEST SIDE SINGLES

West Side Singles Friday Dances 8:30 p.m. every Friday at Burton Manor, Schoolcraft Road, (west of Inkster Road), Livonia. Admission \$5; \$3 before 8:30 p.m. You must be 21 and older. Dressy attire, no jeans. (313) 981-0909

CLARIFICATION

The schedule for the Jewish Community Center Book Fair incorrectly listed the Local Authors Day, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday Nov. 9, at the Oak Park

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DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

"In the Sweet Bye and Bye," a comedy by Donald Driver, through Wednesday, Dec. 31, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15, \$40 for season subscription. (313) 868-1347

THE FISHER THEATRE

"Picasso at the Lapin Agile," a comedy written by comedian/actor Steve Martin starring Paul Provenza and Mark Nelson, through Sunday, Nov. 16, at the theater in the Fisher Building, Detroit. 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$18-\$38), 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays (\$12.50-\$32.50), 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$12.50-\$32.50), and 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays (\$12.50-\$32.50). (313) 872-1000

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

"Three Tall Women," a Pulitzer Prize-winning drama by Edward Albee, through Sunday, Nov. 16, at the theater, Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays (\$22), 2 p.m. Wednesdays (\$22), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$26.50), 2 p.m. Saturdays (\$22), 6 p.m. Saturdays (\$32), 8 p.m. Saturdays (\$32), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$22), and 6:30 p.m. Sundays (\$26.50). Student, senior and group discounts available. (248) 377-3300

PERFORMANCE NETWORK

"The Waiting Room," a sharp comedy that takes on medical ethics and sexual stereotypes, Thursday, Nov. 13-Sunday, Nov. 16, Thursday, Nov. 20-Sunday, Nov. 23, and Thursday, Nov. 27-Sunday, Nov. 30, at the theater, 408 W. Washington (2 1/2 blocks west of Main Street), Ann Arbor. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays. \$15, \$12 for students and seniors. "Pay-What-You-Can" on Thursdays. (313) 663-0681 or http://comnet.org/PNetwork

PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY

"Zora Neale Hurston," the theatrical biography about the life of the "Queen of the Harlem Renaissance" by Laurence Holder, Friday, Nov. 7-Sunday, Nov. 30, Charles Wright Theatre at the Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren (at Brush), Detroit. 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$18), 3 p.m. Saturdays (\$15), 6 p.m. Sundays (\$15), \$3 discount for students/seniors, groups of 20 or more can purchase a block of tickets for as low as \$5 each; community preview 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 (\$5). (313) 872-0279

THE PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY

"Escanaba in da Moonlight," a comedy about a family's deer hunting trip by Jeff Daniels, through Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Garage Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, and 3 p.m. Wednesdays Nov. 19, and Dec. 10. \$20-\$25. (313) 475-7902

REAL ALTERNATIVE THEATRE

"Maria In-Between," through Sunday, Nov. 9, at 1515 Broadway theater, 1515 Broadway, Detroit. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 4 p.m. Sundays. \$10 in advance, \$12.50 at the door. (313) 831-0665/965-1515

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Spend an evening dining on Italian regional cuisine and listening to popular show tunes and Italian, French and Spanish light opera, sung live at a Schoolcraft College dinner to benefit physical fitness programs and activities, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, at the college, 18600 Haggerty Road (between Six and Seven Mile roads), Livonia. The music includes selections from Verdi performed by soprano Valerie Yova, tenor Jack Morris, and guitar and vocals from Phil Esser. \$37.50. (313) 462-4417/462-4413

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

"L'Enfant et Les Sortilèges (The Child and the Enchantments)," a two-part opera by Ravel composed in 1925, and "Le Rossignol (The Nightingale)," Stravinsky's three-act opera written in 1914 and based upon a Hans Anderson story, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13-Saturday, Nov. 15, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$14, \$18. All ages. (313) 764-0450

WINDSOR LIGHT OPERA

"Annie Warbucks," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14-Saturday, Nov. 15, and Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, and Sunday, Nov. 23, Chrysler Theatre, Cleary International Center, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. \$20, \$18 seniors/students/groups of 20 or more. (800) 387-9181/(519) 974-6593

COLLEGE

HILBERRY THEATRE

"The Lady's Not For Burning," by Christopher Fry, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7; Saturday, Nov. 8; "Saturday, Sunday, Monday," a comedy exploring the inner workings of a middle-class Neapolitan family by Eduardo de Filippo, opens Friday, Nov. 14, and runs in repertory until Jan. 30, at the theater on the Wayne State University campus, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. selected Wednesdays and Saturdays (\$10-\$17). (313) 577-2972

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

"A View From the Bridge," by Arthur Miller, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7-Saturday, Nov. 8, Liberal Arts Theatre at the college, 18600 Haggerty Road (between Six and Seven Mile roads), Livonia. \$8. (313) 462-4409



In concert: The Beach Boys and Chicago perform 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$25.25 and \$15.25, call (248) 645-6666.

STUDIO THEATRE

"Angry Young Man," Thursday, Nov. 13-Sunday, Nov. 16, and Thursday, Nov. 20-Sunday, Nov. 23, at the theater below the Hilberry on the Wayne State University campus, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays (\$5-\$7). (313) 577-2972

THE THEATRE COMPANY

"Little Joe Monaghan," the story of Josephine Monaghan, a woman cowboy who passed as a man for almost her entire adult life, Friday Nov. 7-Sunday, Nov. 23, at Earl D.A. Smith Studio theater, University of Detroit Mercy campus, Livernois and McNichols roads, Detroit. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays. \$10, \$8 seniors and students with proper ID. (313) 993-1130

COMMUNITY THEATRE

ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE

"A Little Night Music," 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, from Thursday, Nov. 13-Sunday, Nov. 23, AACT Playhouse, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor. \$18, \$6 students and seniors. (313) 971-AACT (2228)

AVON PLAYERS

"Born Yesterday," a comedy which had one of the longest runs in history on Broadway and spawned two hit movies, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, and Thursday Nov. 20, and 2 p.m. Sundays Nov. 9 and 16, at the theater, 1185 Tienken Road (1 1/4 miles east of Rochester Road), Rochester Hills. \$11, student/senior/group rates available for Thursday and Sunday performances. (248) 608-9077

FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Adult comedy, "Sylvia" by A.R. Gurney through Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, (1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington Hills. 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays through Nov. 22; additional show 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20. \$8 (248) 553-2955

NANCY GURWIN PRESENTS

"The Sound of Music," 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, at Aaron DeRoy Studio Theatre, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. \$18, \$15 seniors, \$13.50 students. (248) 288-1508/(248) 354-0545

JACK IN THE BOX PRODUCTIONS

"Sex, Drugs, Rock 'N' Roll," a critically acclaimed play by Eric Bogosian featuring a series of contemporary monologues illustrating the disasters in store for people becoming involved with sex, drugs or rock 'n' roll, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 7-8, 14-15 and 6 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 9 and 16 at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. \$5. (313) 422-6-JKB

HURON CIVIC THEATRE

"Cabaret," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays Nov. 7-8, 14-15 and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 9 and 16 at Huron Civic Auditorium inside Huron High School, 32044 Huron River Dr., New Boston. \$10 adults, \$8 seniors/students. Due to the subject matter of this show, viewing is recommended for adult audiences. (313) 782-5380

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN

"1940s Radio Hour," by Walton Jones, 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 7-8, 14-15, and 21-22, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 16 and 23, at the playhouse, 21730 Madison (near Monroe and Outer Drive), Dearborn. \$12. (313) 561-TKTS

RIDGE DALE PLAYERS

"Showstoppers of the Musical Stage" featuring 30 numbers from Broadway's best shows including "Phantom of the Opera," "Grease," "Cats," "Oklahoma," "A Little Night Music," "Pippin" and "Showboat." 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 14-15, 21-22, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. \$15, call for

reservations. (248) 988-7049

ST. DUNSTON'S GUILD OF CRANBROOK

"70, Girls, 70," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14-Saturday, Nov. 15, and Friday, Nov. 21-Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 26, at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, West Bloomfield. \$15, \$12 students and seniors. (248) 644-0527

TROY PLAYERS

Present "The Foreigner" 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 14-15, Nov. 21-22 and 2 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 16 and Nov. 23 at the Hunter Community Center, 509 Fisher Ct., Clawson. Tickets \$8, senior citizens and children \$7, call (248) 879-1285.

YOUTH

DANCE CONCERT FOR YOUNG FOLKS

11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, 44th annual On Stage Dance Performances for Children presents "Body Language! Reading, Writing and Dancing," performed by the Wayne State University Dance Company at the Community Arts Auditorium on the WSU campus, Detroit. \$5 adults, \$4 children/students/seniors. (313) 577-4273

FIRST THEATRE GUILD

"Hansel and Gretel," 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7-Saturday, Nov. 8, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maple Road (just east of Cranbrook), Birmingham. \$5. (248) 642-6712

MARQUIS THEATRE

"Aladdin," 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, Nov. 15-16, 22-23, 29-30 and Dec. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28 and Jan. 3-4, and 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday Dec. 26, 29, 30-31 and Jan. 2, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville. \$6.50. (248) 349-8110

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE

11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, recording star Linda Arnold, the "Mary Poppins of children's music," kicks off the "Saturday Fun for Kids" series at the theater in Wilson Hall at Oakland University, Rochester. \$7.50, \$16 for the two performance series including Fred Penner on April 4. (248) 377-3300

NOVI THEATRES

Little People Players present "The Arabian Nights," 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 14-15, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi. \$8, \$7 seniors/children. Advance tickets discounted \$1. (248) 347-0400

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

"Freeing the Actor Within," classes for ages 10 and older with Laura Gurnina and Thomas Malcolm Olson, 4-6 p.m. Tuesdays Nov. 11, 18, 25, and Dec. 2 and 9, at the playhouse, 38840 W. Six Mile (E-1275), Livonia. \$50. (313) 464-6302

YOUTH THEATRE

"Good Driving, Amelia Bedelia," from Maximillion Productions, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, as part of the Wiggle Club Season for children ages 3-6, at Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. Group rates, birthday parties, season tickets, and drama workshops available. Children younger than 3 not admitted. (313) 963-7663

SPECIAL EVENTS

ARTSHARE

Gala reception, sale and auction of fine art with host Huel Perkins and music by Alexander Zonjic, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, in the Garden Atrium of Southfield Town Center, 2000 Tower, Southfield. Artists on exhibit include Sergio De Giusti, John Albert Murphy, Joanne Blau Bellet, Fredrick Birkhill, David Ellison, Urban Jupras, Pewabic Pottery, and students from Southfield-Lathrup High School and Detroit Public Schools. \$50, benefits the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center for abused children and families in crises. (248) 626-7527, ext. 3115

Foundation, The Patriot vs. Jim "The Anvil" Neidhart; No Holds Barred - Wrestler Must Win Via Pinfall or Submission with Ken Shamrock vs. Savio Vega, Headbangers vs. Kama Mustafa and D'LO with George "The Animal" Steel, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Cobo Arena, Detroit. \$12-\$22. All ages. (248) 645-6666/(313) 396-7902.

FAMILY EVENTS

AMERICAN GIRL DOLLS TEAD

"Welcome Josefina Tea" celebrates the arrival of the newest American Girl doll, 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, hosted by YWCA of Metropolitan Detroit at the International Institute, 116 Kirby St., Detroit. \$20 to benefit various youth programs, and camp scholarships for deserving low income kids. (248) 435-9100

SALLY ROGERS CHILDREN'S SHOW

Winner of 1990 Parents' Choice Gold Award, 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$5. All ages. (313) 761-1451

TEDDY BEAR TEA

With "Mr. Magic" Ronnie Cee, ventriloquist/humorist/author of "The Magic Telescope," Richard Paul, and Jean Cane "Mrs. Santa Claus," 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center, Detroit. \$10, \$8 for children younger than 12, includes admission to the Festival of Trees. Send a check payable to Festival of Trees, c/o The Teddy Bear Hotline, 1334 Shenandoah, Rochester Hills, 48306. Benefits Children's Hospital of Michigan. (248) 650-8733

CLASSICAL

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE

1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, "An Autumn Festival" featuring Grace Brockett, cello, Martha Pashmakova, pianist, Jan Rae Purdy, soprano with Doris Hall accompanist, and Elsie Watson, pianist at The Community House, 360 S. Bates, Birmingham. (248) 475-5978

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor Neeme Jarvi and violinist Isaac Stern, performing works from Beethoven, Stravinsky, and Tchaikovsky, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6-Friday, Nov. 7, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17-\$60. (313) 833-3700

HAKAN HAGEGARD

Baritone performs with pianist Warren Jones, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. \$15-\$40. All ages. (800) 221-1229

LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Klassical Kaleidoscope" featuring pianists Anna Sorokhtei and Virginia Weckstrom in Saint-Saens "Carnival of the Animals," 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, at Churchill High School Auditorium, 8900 Newburgh, Livonia. \$12.50. (313) 421-1111/464-2741

MADONNA UNIVERSITY

Piano and violin recital by Linette Popoff Parks, music department chairwoman, and Velda Kelly, a Farmington resident and member of Michigan Opera Theatre orchestra, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, the university's Kresge Hall, 36600 Schoolcraft Road (at Levan Road), Livonia. Donation to music scholarship fund. (313) 432-5709

URSULA OPPENS

Pianist performs as part of the first piano concert of the "Beethoven of Contemporary" cycle, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. \$16-\$30. All ages. (800) 221-1229

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Three Baritones, "Metropolitan Opera Legends," featuring Pablo Elvira, Dino Valle, Quinto Milito, and bayanist Peter Soave, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15, \$10. (313) 451-2112

PONTIAC-OKLAND SYMPHONY

Reverend Robert Bailey of Trinity Baptist Church (Pontiac) is the narrator for Benjamin Britten's "Young Persons Guide to the Orchestra Sunday, Nov. 9, the concert begins with a Musical Instrument Petting Zoo available for all to play beginning at 2 p.m. at Oakland University's Varner Recital Hall. \$12, \$6 students/seniors. (248) 334-6024

WINDSOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Klezmer/Scheherazade," 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Chrysler Theatre, Cleary International Center, 201 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor, Ontario. (800) 387-9181

POPS/SWING

ATOMIC FIREBALLS

9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (swing). (313) 485-5050

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With Rosemary Clooney, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, 8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14-Saturday, Nov. 15, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-3700

RICHARD FRACKER

Metropolitan Opera tenor performs selections from Broadway productions such as "Company," "Carousel," and "West Side Story," with soprano Julia Broholm, as part of "ENCORE: A Labor of Love," Friday, Nov. 7, Washtenaw Community College's Towsley Auditorium, 4800 E. Huron River Dr., Ann Arbor. \$25, \$5 for WCC students. (313) 973-3665

AUDITIONS

AVON PLAYERS

Auditions for "Dial M for Murder," 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9-Monday, Nov. 10, at the playhouse, 1185 Tienken Road (1 1/4 miles east of Rochester Road), Rochester Hills. Show dates are Jan. 9-11, 16-18, 22-24. (248) 652-9402

HAND BELLS CHOIR

Harbor Bells of West Bloomfield, an

English secular handbell choir, has openings for ringers who are 18 years or older and can read music fluently. Rehearsals are once a week from September through June. For more information, or to schedule an audition, call (248) 681-6453

HURON CIVIC THEATRE

Auditions for seven men and three women for production of "Fools," 7:30-10 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10-Tuesday, Nov. 11, at Huron Civic Auditorium inside Huron High School, 32044 Huron River Dr., New Boston. For performances Feb. 6-8, 14-16. (313) 782-5380

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN

Auditions for seven men and three women of varying age ranges for the comedy "Sly Fox," 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10-Tuesday, Nov. 11, at the playhouse, 21730 Madison near Monroe and Outer Drive, Dearborn. For performances Jan. 9-10, 16-18, 23-24. (313) 561-TKTS

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD

Auditions for males and females ages 20 and older for "Sweet Charity," 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10-Tuesday, Nov. 11, call-backs 9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road (one mile west of I-275), Northville. For performances Feb. 13-15, 20-22, 27-28. (810) 776-0891 or (248) 349-8582/349-7110

CHORAL

THE CHOIR OF ST. VLADIMIR ORTHODOX CHURCH

Performance of Russian sacred music, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, University of Michigan Museum of Art, 525 S. State St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (313) 764-0395

SECOND OPINION

A trio of women singers sing songs of peace and justice, Saturday, Nov. 8, Swords into Plowshares Peace Center, 23 E. Adams, Detroit. \$20, benefits the center and gallery, and Central United Method Church's 175th anniversary. (313) 963-7575

JAZZ

B'JAZZ VESPER

Featuring Judie Cochill & Friends 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16 in the gothic sanctuary of First Baptist Church of Birmingham, 300 Willits (at Bates Street, one block north of Maple, one block west of Old Woodward). An offering is taken for the musicians. (248) 644-0550

PAUL ABLER TRIO

9 p.m.-1 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (guitar/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

CLAUDE BLACK QUINTET

Featuring George Benson and Ramona Collins, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, Grosse Pointe. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. (313) 961-1714

GARY BLUMER TRIO

8:30 p.m.-12:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

DAVID FRIEDMAN AND DAVID SAMUELS

Double income percussionists along with jazz vibraphone and marimba performers, 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, McIntosh Theatre in the E.V. Moore Building, 1100 Bates Dr., University of Michigan north campus, Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (313) 764-0594

KIMMIE HORNE

Friday, Nov. 14-Saturday, Nov. 15, at D. L. Harrington's 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. (jazz, pop, blues) (248) 852-0550

8 days a week

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Musical revue: New York's Maximillion Productions featuring Christine Boger (left to right), Steve Bulger, Mindy Miller and Jonathan Gellert in "Good Driving, Amelia Bedelia," a Youtheatre presentation at Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave. (at Brush) in Detroit, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9. This musical revue brings Amelia and seven other "little book" characters to the stage including: Clifford the Big Red Dog and Screamy Mimi. Tickets are \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. Call (313) 963-2366. (No one under the age of 3 admitted to the theater).

John Bowman (as seen on "Seinfeld") 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 7-8, Lumberjack's Tavern, 1655 Gilegany, Walled Lake. \$8. 21 and over. (248) 624-6007

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
K.P. Anderson and Nick Swardson, Thursday, Nov. 6-Saturday, Nov. 8; Basile, Thursday, Nov. 13-Saturday, Nov. 15, at the club, above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays. (313) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
Musical Impressionist Finis Henderson 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner/show), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7-Saturday, Nov. 8 (\$12, \$23.95 dinner/show); Diane Ford, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner/show), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14-Saturday, Nov. 15 (\$12, \$23.95 dinner/show), 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner/show), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE
A. Whitney Brown from NBC's "Saturday Night Live." 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 (\$9), and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7-Saturday, Nov. 8 (\$12), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (313) 996-9080

MR. B'S COMEDY CLUB
Jeff Brannon and Manny Shields, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Mr. B's Roadhouse, 595 N. Lapeer, Oxford. \$10. (248) 628-6500

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
Keith Ruff and Jim Klein, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 (\$6); The Amazing Jonathan and Jim Klein, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7-Saturday, Nov. 8 (\$17.50), and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9 (\$15); Jim McLean and Gary George, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12-Thursday, Nov. 13, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16 (\$6); Dom Irrera, winner of the 1995 Cable ACE Award for Best Stand-Up Comedy Series or Special, with Jim McLean, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14-Saturday, Nov. 15 (\$17.50), at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900 or <http://www.comedycastle.com>

SECOND CITY
"Generation X-Files" through December at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. The cast performs a free improvisational comedy set after Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday shows, and the late shows on Fridays and Saturdays. \$14 Thursdays, \$17.50 Fridays, \$19.50 Saturdays, and \$12 Sundays and Wednesdays. The show's title is reflective of current cultural trends, not necessarily the show's content; Members of the troupe perform 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (313) 965-2222/(313) 761-1451 for The Ark show.

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM
"Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December 1998, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
IMAX movies include: "Super Speedway," 10 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. Mondays through Fridays; "Special Effects," 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 12:45 p.m. and 1:45 p.m. Saturdays, and 1:45 p.m. Sundays; "Destiny in Space," 12:45 p.m. Sundays, at the museum, 5020 John R (at Warren Road), Detroit. \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older, includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre

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BUGS BEDDOW BAND
9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 7,

and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups to 10 or more. Hours are: 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400 or <http://www.sciencedetroit.org>

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY
"Sacred Arts of Haitian Vodou," the first comprehensive exhibition to explore the arts produced within this religion, runs from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays through Sunday, Dec. 28, at The Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush St.), Detroit. "Sacred Arts" features a wide spectrum of art objects including sequined flags, sacred bottles, pots, painted calabashes, beaded rattles, bound medicine packets, dolls, cosmographs, musical instruments, multi-media assemblages and contemporary paintings. The exhibit is rated PG-13 as some of the images in Sacred Arts of Haitian Vodou may not be suitable for children ages 13 and under, or individuals sensitive to graphic images. Adult supervision is suggested. \$3 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. (313) 494-5800

OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER
"Get Lost" with naturalist Chuck Barnes when he reveals everything you ever wanted to know about navigating the woods 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, at the Lloyd A. Stage Outdoor Education Center, 6685 Coolidge Highway, Troy. (248) 524-3567

POPULAR MUSIC

AGNOSTIC FRONT
With Vision, Cold As Life, and Hate Breed, 5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance. All ages. (N.Y. hardcore) (313) 961-MELT

LUTHER ALLISON TRIBUTE CONCERT
Featuring The James Solberg Band, 9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans), Detroit. Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (313) 259-2643

BENNY AND THE JETS
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7-Saturday, Nov. 8, Wine Cask Inn, 22100 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn Heights. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 730-1627

THE BIZER BROTHERS
9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 7-Saturday, Nov. 8, Pages, 23621 Farmington Road, Farmington. Free. 21 and older. (248) 477-0099

BLACK FUZZ
9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge, 19 and older. (rock) (313) 485-5050

BLUE CAT
With Ken Murphy, 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BLUE EYED SOUL
3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Rock of Ages record store, 31015 Ford Road, Garden City. Free. All ages. With Son of Adam, 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 Woodbridge, Detroit. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 522-4590/(313) 567-6020

BONNE TEMPS ROULLE
9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11-Wednesday, Nov. 12, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

BROADZILLA
With Elephant Ear and Spincter, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, Viper Room (formerly The Impound), 17320 Harper, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 884-9441

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DAVID CROSSBY
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STREET SCENE

Former street singer finds herself in dreamland



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Singing covers of songs by Edith Piaf, Patsy Cline and Billie Holiday seems harmless enough, but torch singer Madeleine Peyroux learned otherwise after she was arrested for singing on a street corner in New York.

"I guess I was within 10 feet (of an ATM)," Peyroux said of the law that prohibits panhandling within 10 feet of an ATM.

"It was a law that had been around for six months. They could have told us to move around the corner, but they handcuffed us and wrote us all summons. When I showed up in court, they had to let me go because the other two people were let go," Peyroux explained.

For Peyroux, the last year has essentially been a "Dreamland" for her. After a few dates with Sarah McLachlan's Lilith Fair, the Canadian singer/songwriter hired Peyroux as the opening act on her entire fall tour, including Sunday, Nov. 2, at the Fox Theatre in Detroit.

"Not only is it like a really, really great tour because we're playing theaters, but there's a lot of (fan and press) attention to it. We're working with some of the nicest people. It's efficient and nice and everything you could hope for. I really appreciate it," Peyroux said.

The Georgia-born singer is touring in support of her debut "Dreamland" (Atlantic) which was released in October 1996.

Besides originals, "Dreamland" includes Edith Piaf's "La Vie En Rose," Patsy Cline's "Walkin' After Midnight," Fats Waller's "I'm Gonna Sit Right Down and Write Myself a Letter," the



Living in "Dreamland:" Madeleine Peyroux.

Ziegfeld Folies' "Was I?", Billie Holiday's "(Getting Some) Fun Out of Life," and Bessie Smith's "Muddy Water," "Reckless Blues," and "Lovesick Blues."

"She's one of my idols," Peyroux said of Smith. "She sang songs with a woman's character, and confirmed the fact that women have something to say in their own right. Just the sound of her voice tells you that."

Her backing band on "Dreamland" is noteworthy in its own right - Marc Ribot on guitars, banjo and Dobro; guitarist Vernon Reid, formerly of Living Colour; saxophone and bass clarinet player James Carter, a Detroit native; drummer Leon Parker; violin player Regina Carter; and pianist Cyrus Chestnut.

At the Fox, Peyroux, joined by a cornet and an acoustic guitar player, evoked memories of Cline and Holiday, as well as vaudeville acts. Dressed in a sparkling pink jacket, white shirt and baggy blue jeans, the robust singer easily transcended

the boundaries of torch ballads, folk and blues. When Peyroux started singing, her notes sliding off their bases, members of the audience were overheard describing her as "different."

"Being different is a great virtue," Peyroux said. "It's the theatrics of that type of singer that attracts me the most. I'm kind of theater oriented. Choosing songs and listening to singers is the dramatic aspect of it all. I was familiar with most of Edith Piaf and most of those kinds of singers while I was a child growing up."

Born in Athens, Ga., and raised between Southern California, Brooklyn, and Paris, Peyroux was performing by age 15, when she began busking throughout Paris in 1987.

"I started out just wanting to

get out of the house," Peyroux said. "So I took my guitar and learned some music."

Immediately, she was drawn to the Latin Quarter which is filled with jazz players and street performers.

By 1989, Peyroux was the hat-passer for a group of buskers called the Riverboat Shufflers. Eventually she persuaded the band to let her sing the only song that was in her repertoire - "Georgia." Soon she found herself singing a cappella in an impromptu street corner audition for The Lost Wandering Blues and Jazz Band.

"The leader of the band came up to me on the street and said, 'OK, sing a song for me right now.' So I sang 'Jeepers Creepers' and just snapped my fingers," said Peyroux, who was only 16 at

the time.

Busking, she added, proved to be a valuable lesson.

"Singing on the street was a life lesson. That's what allowed me to live with my music. I learned that your job is a part of your life. Your art should be part of your life. All of those things made it really special."

At age 21 she returned to New York and it was there that she was discovered by Yves Beauvais, an Atlantic Records vice president. She attributes her success to her years in The City of Lights.

"It's a very inspiring atmosphere. I often thought that if I never moved to Paris I wouldn't have learned to play music. If I were in New York City, it would be harder to find people to play

with. People in New York may have that spirit, but they don't have the resources. It's a lot more hardship and a lot less room for creativity," Peyroux said.

"Paris has changed a lot too. It's a lot harder to find musicians on the Right Bank. That's because of the law. The people or the police decide that they don't want to have that going on anymore."

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Gilby Clarke happy to leave Guns 'n Roses

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
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For guitarist Gilby Clarke, life without Guns 'N Roses is like visiting "Paradise City."

"I'm much happier. Look, it was a great band. We had a really great time. It was also very stressful. I never got to do anything. I pretty much just played rhythm guitar."

Now Clarke has the opportunity to try just about anything. On Sept. 23, he released his sophomore solo effort, "The Hangover," (Paradigm Records).

A raucous romp through glam rock ("Mickey Marmalade"), rock ("Wasn't Yesterday Great," "It's Good Enough for Rock 'n' Roll"), The Beatles' "Happiness is a Warm Gun," and David Bowie's "Hang On to Yourself," Clarke proves he was a talent hidden within the controversy of Guns 'N Roses.

"I love all that old '70s glam stuff. Some of my favorite artists are David Bowie and T-Rex. It's fun to play that kind of music. It wouldn't be fun to do a whole record that way," the Ohio native said of "Mickey Marmalade."

He calls "Wasn't Yesterday Great" a "three-minute version of what I do. If I died and I could only take one song with you, that song sums it up."

Clarke began his recording career with Los Angeles popsters Candy, whose only album "Whatever Happened to Fun?" was recently reissued by Mercury.

He performed with the pop-metal cult band Kill For Thrills until Guns 'N Roses singer Axl Rose asked Clarke to replace departing guitarist Izzy Stradlin.

Clarke, who left G 'N R in 1994, explained that Rose is the only person left in the band,

whose hits include "Paradise City," "Welcome to the Jungle," and "November Rain."

"I was just about to put out my first solo record ('Pawnshop Guitars') and take a long break from Guns before we started the new record. I figured I would make my own record, do a tour and just bide my time. During all that Axl wanted to change the sound of the band and the style of the band. He made it clear that I wasn't going to be part of the new sound."

After touring stadiums and arenas with G 'N R, the guitarist said that he's enjoying playing clubs once again.

"It was great. It's the first time I can be up close to the fans. I can relate and get a response from them. In Guns, you never really got to talk to the people who buy your records. It became a circus when you did talk to

them. I never really got a first-hand response from the people. Playing clubs, helps you stay in contact with them."

Clarke added that his show at the Magic Bag - which will include former Kiss member Eric Singer on drums - will be a "very live show."

"We're a bunch of old punk rockers. It's a very live show. We kind of go with it. We start it off and see how the audience responds. We feel it out and try to get the audiences involved. It's loud and we let the audience participate."

Gilby Clarke performs with special guest Beat Angels on Thursday, Nov. 6, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Doors open at 8 p.m. for the 18 and older show. Tickets are \$12 in advance. For more information, call (248) 544-3030.

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DINING

Schoolcraft grad showcases culinary talents at Fleetwood

By ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

If you thought that Royal Oak was only a casual dining haven, you haven't discovered Fleetwood on 6th. If you've tried the more casual ambiance of Royal Oak eateries and want the feel of white table cloth pampering with style, Fleetwood on 6th makes a good fit.

Believing that there was a fine dining void in Royal Oak, partners Keith Wadle and Ron Sarcevic, backed by Keith's father Ron, opened Fleetwood on 6th five months ago. No strangers to the restaurant scene, Wadle also owns Cadillac Cafe on Grand River Avenue in Farmington Hills and Sarcevic is part-owner of Vladimir's Banquet Facility, also in Farmington Hills.

Fleetwood is located in a building, originally renovated from a car wash by Benno Steinborn for his Benno's Restaurant which never formally opened due to Steinborn's illness. Under new ownership, it was called Daniel's, known for good food and a classic martini bar. It closed and the building was vacant until Wadle bought it last autumn and gave it a serious interior facelift. He knocked out walls, brightened others and created a more spacious, welcoming feel.

During lunch, a smaller room serves as a sandwich shop with a good selection of traditional favorites including chicken or tuna salad, club, reuben and Fleetwood burger. As meatless choices there's Portabella Burger or Veggie Sandwich.

During dinner, this room

Fleetwood on 6th

Where: 209 West Sixth Street, (between Main and Washington), Royal Oak, (248) 541-8050.

Hours: Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., Saturday 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday 4 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Menu: Lunch hour sandwich shop. At dinner, fine dining with continental cuisine and a large number of daily specials. All entrees include choice of soup or salad and bread basket. Kid's menu available upon request.

Cost: Sandwiches \$6-7; Appetizers \$7-9; Entrees \$10-17; Daily specials \$15-20.

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becomes the fine dining smoking area. A pianist and vocalist, specializing in blues and jazz, provide entertainment in the classy bar area Wednesday through Saturday evenings. The bar has plush stools plus high top tables with comfortable stools.

A principally California wine list includes more than a dozen wines at \$30 or less per bottle with most served by the glass between \$3.50 and \$6.50. Two dozen beers range \$2.75 to \$5.75.

Using the right-hand rule (the price column), entrees accompanied by choice of soup or salad are quite reasonable. Chef Marlene Fuhrman, a 1993 Schoolcraft College grad, showcases her talents with a varied menu complemented by daily specials.

"At Schoolcraft, Chef Dan Hugelier preached perfectionism," said Fuhrman. "Chef Dan taught me that this is a serious business, but I had to have fun cooking in order to be good. I tell everyone who asks that you don't have to go to the Culinary Institute of America in New York to get good training. A great culinary school is right in our back

yard."

And Chef Dan, one of five master chefs among the culinary instructors at Schoolcraft, remembers Fuhrman well.

"She is one of the two best students I've had in my eight years at Schoolcraft," he praised. "She is talented, self-motivated, determined and a firecracker. I tag her as the lady's version of the John Wayne attitude."

Among Fuhrman's most popular appetizers are Mushroom Essence, a combination of wild mushrooms sautéed with bacon and green onions and baked with blue cheese in a flaky pastry. Shrimp Kitty, named as such because it looks like cats tails, is a trio of jumbo shrimp wrapped in light phyllo pastry. Cajun Tenderloin Tips offer a tangy kick. Florida Crab Cakes are a double treat, prepared with snow crab and rock shrimp.

Among top-selling entrees are Honey Roasted Salmon, a 10-oz portion topped with an apple-walnut-raisin chutney served with roasted redskin potatoes and fresh vegetable \$15; Filet Mignon \$17; and Chicken



STAFF PHOTO BY DAN DEAN

Pampering with style: Carmen Young (left to right), Chef Marlene Fuhrman, Rebecca Wadle and Keith Wadle welcome customers at Fleetwood on 6th in Royal Oak. The newly renovated restaurant offers a fine dining experience.

Wellington, a twist on the beef preparation with garlic, spinach and mushroom duxell served with rich, garlic cream sauce \$15.

Catering to the 77 percent of Americans who say they eat pasta at least once each week is Perfected Pasta, creamy basil pesto tossed with roasted red peppers, sundried tomato, mush-

rooms and rock shrimp served over angel hair pasta \$10. There's also garden delight Roasted Tomato Linguine \$10.

The winter months will see Fuhrman work her way into what she calls "my heavy Michigan influences" in the menu. "There will be more dried cherries in sauces plus game birds and game meats," she said.

Also in the months ahead, Fleetwood will be offering dinner packages, winemaker dinners and Martini and Stogies nights (there's already a stocked humidor on premise and the smoking area is specially ventilated).

There's much about Fleetwood that appeals for a night on the town or extending the evening after theater.

Gobble up Thanksgiving Day at fine area restaurants

Spending time together is what counts on holidays, and for families who would rather leave the cooking to someone else on Thanksgiving Day, here are some options to consider. Reserving in advance is strongly advised and in some cases essential.

Wayne County

■ **Schoolcraft College** - The Culinary Arts Department will prepare a complete Thanksgiving Day dinner, ready for pick-up the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. Included with a 14- to 16-pound whole turkey are stuffing, a fresh vegetable, yams, relish and gravy. The meal will serve 8 to 10 people and cost between \$70 and \$80. Fresh pies and cheesecake can also be purchased to compliment the meal. Call (313) 462-4491 to place your order.

■ **Ernesto's** - 41661 Plymouth Road (west of Haggerty) Plymouth, (313) 453-2002. Open noon to 6 p.m., all day buffet includes traditional turkey with trimmings, ham, pork loin, Italian dishes, desserts, and more. Cost \$17.95 per person, children ages 6-12, \$8.95; children five and younger complimentary.

■ **Leather Bottle** - 20300 Farmington Road, Livonia, (248) 474-2420. Open 1-6 p.m., Thanksgiving Day menu features choice of turkey, baked Atlantic cod, glazed ham, beef, and chicken breast supreme. Cost \$11.95 per person, children's menu also available.

■ **Leon's Family Dining** - 28904 Seven Mile Road, Livonia (248) 478-7811. Open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Special Thanksgiving menu, turkey dinner, \$6.95 per person, \$4.95 children 12 and under,

includes soup, salad, turkey and trimmings, other menu items also available.

■ **Mama-Mia Restaurant & Pizzeria** - 27770 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (313) 427-1000. Open noon to 9 p.m. Whole turkey dinner for parties up to eight, carve it at your table, \$79, includes pumpkin or apple pie. Take home the leftovers. Single turkey dinners, and other menu items will also be available.

■ **Mitch Housey's** - 28500 Schoolcraft (opposite Ladbroke DRC) Livonia, (313) 425-5520. Seatings at 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner with trimmings. Parties of six or more can carve their own turkey at the table and take home leftovers. Cost \$9.95 per person plus tax, tip and beverages.

■ **Water Club Grill** - 39500 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, (313) 454-0666 - Open 1-6 p.m., Thanksgiving Turkey dinner with the trimmings \$10.95 per person, regular menu will also be available.

OAKLAND COUNTY

■ **Botsford Inn** - 2800 Grand River, Farmington Hills (248) 474-4800. Seatings for a

Thanksgiving buffet in the main dining room begin at noon and can be scheduled on the hour until 4 p.m. In the coach house, seatings are 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. The bountiful buffet begins with salads, relishes and vegetable crudité and includes, in addition to roast turkey with savory dressing and all the trimmings, sliced roast beef, smoked cider-baked ham or baked cod fish. Bread pudding, fruit and pumpkin pies are desserts. Cost is \$19.95 per person. Children age 10 and under half price.

■ **Charley's Crab** - 5498 Crooks Road, Troy, next to Northfield Hilton, (248) 879-2060. From noon to 9 p.m. Charley's Crab will serve traditional roast turkey with giblet gravy, yams, mashed potatoes and cranberry relish \$13.75. Children's portion is \$6.75. Also offered with fresh autumn side dishes are Canadian goose in natural sauce \$17.50 and Nantucket Cape Scallops \$20.

■ **Escalibur** - 28875 Franklin Road, (corner of 12 Mile Road and Northwestern Highway), Southfield, (248) 358-3355. Open for dinner 2-10 p.m. Service will be from the dinner menu and includes Thanksgiving specials.

Or pick up a complete dinner package for 6 to 8 people for \$110. The pre-cooked package comes with reheating instructions and includes a whole fresh-dressed Amish turkey, traditional stuffing, butter-whipped potatoes, sweet potatoes, gravy, cranberries, fresh broccoli, carrots, mixed organic greens, pesto pasta salad, rolls and flat bread, pumpkin and apple pie. This package must be reserved ahead and picked up between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Thanksgiving Day.

■ **MacKinnon's** - 126 E. Main, Northville, (248) 348-1991. From 1-5 p.m. roast Amish turkey & dressing with all the trimmings is \$22.95, but there's also a dazzling array of à la carte appetizers, oysters and crab cakes plus 10 other entrees in addition to turkey. If turkey is not the fowl of choice, duck with raspberry reduction \$26.95 or baked chicken strudel \$19.95 is offered. For the beef aficionado, there's herb-roasted Angus prime rib, Beef Wellington, both \$26.95 or 20-ounce char-grilled porterhouse \$29.95.

■ **Oakland Grill** - 32832 Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak (248) 549-7700. Tempting turkey-day palates will be Chef Louai Sharkas' elegant "feast for

the ages" buffet. Three seatings, 1:00 p.m., 3 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. at \$24.95 for adults; \$12.95 for kids under 12; and toddlers free. Beginning with crisp crudités, perfectly dressed salads and house-smoked fish, the follow-ups are generous portions of roasted turkey, roasted prime rib, grilled Atlantic salmon and glazed ham. All are accompanied by vegetables, potatoes and best of all, Chef Louai's corn-flake, walnuts and sundried cherry stuffing. A cascading sweet table with torts, flans, mini pastries, fresh fruit and berries completes the feast.

■ **Rochester Chop House** - 306 North Main, Rochester (248) 651-2266. "Thanksgiving at our house" is the special theme from noon to 7 p.m. Tom turkey served with garlic buttered mashed potatoes, stuffing, giblet gravy, spaghetti squash and cranberry sauce is \$14.95. Children's portion for ages 13 and under \$5.95. But if you'd prefer roasted goose \$16.95 or venison \$18.95, that's also on the menu along with selected popular items from the Chop House

menu.

■ **Townsend Hotel Rugby Grille** - 100 Townsend Street, Birmingham, (248) 642-5999. From noon until 10 p.m. the Thanksgiving Day menu is pre-fixed (all-inclusive with the exception of beverage) with a variety of entree selections: traditional Thanksgiving with all the fixings \$42, roast prime rib \$44, broiled Lake Superior Whitefish \$42, roast rack of lamb, \$49 or a meatless selection with portabella mushroom and oven-roasted tomato tossed with fettuccini \$40. The price includes the entree plus choice of appetizer, soup, salad and concludes with a dessert tray bounty with fresh baked pies, tortes and cheesecake. Late planners be forewarned, Thanksgiving in the Rugby Grille sells out every year.

List compiled by Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Taste and Entertainment Editor, and wine columnist Eleanor Heald. If your restaurant is not included in our list, send menu to Wygonik at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, or fax (313) 591-7279.

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