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## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Ice is nice:** The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular starts Wednesday and our special section in today's Observer offers a guide to the event.

**Guess:** We're waiting for your guess on what the temperature will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, at the 16th Annual Ice Sculpture Spectacular in Kellogg Park. Please see the coupon on page A3. Prizes await the winners.

### TUESDAY

**Meet:** The Plymouth-Canton school board meets at 7 p.m. at the E.J. McClenodon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth.

**Township:** The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meets at 7:30 p.m. at township hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road.

### WEDNESDAY

**Get ready!** The 16th Annual Ice Sculpture Spectacular starts. An exhibit paves the way from 1-4 p.m. at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

**Recreation:** A joint committee of city and township representatives will meet at 4:30 p.m. at township hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road.

### FRIDAY

**Skate:** Come skate with the Whalers to benefit the Plymouth Community United Way 7:30-9 p.m. Friday at Compuware Sports Arena. Admission is a \$5 donation at the door.

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## Tax hike for improvements eyed



BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

A millage increase could go before Plymouth Township voters this year. That's what township officials are

**Plymouth Township Board of Trustees members are studying a host of facility improvements and possible staff increases that could be paid for with a millage increase. A decision has not yet been made.**

saying, as they've begun reviewing some possible staff increases and facility improvements.

The board of trustees has yet to determine which improvements to go for, which to leave out, and how much

they'll cost.

At a Tuesday study session, township government department heads presented wish lists and some estimated costs to trustees.

Both Treasurer Ron Edwards and Finance Director Rosemary Harvey said around an 8-mill increase would be needed if all wished-for improvements were sought. Some trustees said the wish lists will be pared down.

"We need to get them all on the

### PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

table," Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy told trustees and department heads.

"We've talked needs for police, recreation, fire, building. Let's look at pro-

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family business

Family-run businesses are a staple of our local economy. More than 50 percent of corporate entities in North America are family-owned, and produce more than half the gross national product.

Today's Observer takes a look at local families who continue to foster the entrepreneurial spirit that makes America great.

The families featured today also represent those who have beaten the odds and made it to at least the second generation. Many analysts believe the success rate for family businesses ends with the first generation.

"Seven out of 10 family businesses fail to get to the second generation," said Scott Friedman, an attorney and co-author of "How To Run a Family Business." "That figure can be attributed to the business dissolving, family conflict or the business spinning off. Of those remaining, only one of every 10 makes it to the third generation."

Family business have their share of successes and problems. Inside today's paper, experts offer tips and information on how to handle those problems unique to the small family-owned business.

We hope you enjoy reading about the families that make up the fabric of our local hometown business community.

—Susan Rosiek,  
managing editor

## Garden store blooms over time

BY MEGAN SWOYER  
SPECIAL WRITER

Bill Saxton's Plymouth lawn and garden business is kind of like a chameleon. Whatever the climate or environment, Saxton and his family adapt and survive.

A feed store turned farm supply business turned garden center, Saxton's has changed to different "colors" several times during its 70-year existence.

"When the farms started to disappear, we went (from feed and farm supply) more into gardening, power equipment, parts and service," said Bill Saxton, the 71-year-old owner of Saxton's Garden Center on Ann Arbor Trail.

But there wasn't always a demand for lawn mowers and fancy machines such as snow blowers. In fact, Bill says that when his father, Dean, started the business in 1928, never in their wildest dreams had farmers imagined a small, handy machine to blow snow.

"Later, when we first started in Plymouth, this was purely an agricultural town," recalled Bill. "We had a lot of farmers in town and we even had a harness shop."

He also recalls four or five family-run hardware stores prospering well. All of this was long before Home Depots and Builders Squares.

"Plymouth was doing four or five times as much business as Livonia. And now Livonia with its big shopping centers, we don't compete," he said.

### The beginnings

When Dean Saxton launched his first feed business, he chose Northville as the perfect site. Lots of horses, farms and plenty of farmers dotted the area. Thus was born the Northville Feed Store.

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**Long history:** Saxton's Garden City on Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth has seen many changes throughout its 70-year history. This family business includes Bill and Valerie Saxton and their son, Alan, and 16-year-old granddaughter Nichelle Saxton.

STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER

## Hard work spells success for families

BY MEGAN SWOYER  
SPECIAL WRITER

What's in a name? A lot, if it's a customer's name. That's what two Plymouth-based businesses have discovered during their years in town.

Knowing your customers and their needs keeps them coming back, said Station 885 owner Joyce Costanza. The same goes for Bonnie Austin, who helps to run Plymouth Office Supply. She's been catering to regulars for years and knows many of her walk-ins by name.

Beyond making customers feel right at home, Station 885 also stays on top of dining trends.

Brunching tops the list of several Plymouth-area families. Just take a look at Station 885 on any Sunday morning. Dozens of kids, couples, parents and

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**Family effort:** The Costanza family invests a lot of time in their restaurant, Station 885, in Plymouth's historic Old Village. Standing in front of a mural in the restaurant are (front row middle) Jerry Sr. and Joyce Costanza, along with their son, Jerry Jr. (left) and their daughter, Carla Guerra. Also pictured are (back row left) son-in-law Nick Guerra and son Robert Costanza.

## Experts offer advice, tips

BY MEGAN SWOYER  
SPECIAL WRITER

Conflicts within family businesses are inevitable. Many a former employee who quit his or her job has shared numerous stories about how he or she couldn't watch the company soap opera one more day.

There was the boss's son who hurled a stapler across the room at his inept receptionist, who happened to be his father's fiancée. Then there was the co-owner mother who never saw anything the same way as her co-owner husband did.

Various tiffs and spats are bound to arise within the family and around it. But it's not all bad. In fact, says Charles Soberman, a lecturer at Wayne State University's

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## Hope for cold weather as ice fest debuts

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

The cold weather came just in time for the 16th Annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

"At this point it looks like we're going to have absolutely perfect weather - in the 20s and in the low 30s during the day and dropping to the middle teens at night," said festival Executive Director Mike Watts.

The big event starts Wednesday and runs through Jan. 19 downtown.

Watts is keeping to a general

schedule of events proven successful last year. They include student and professional carver displays in Kellogg Park, The Gathering and the Central Parking Lot and the Fantasyland kids ice carvings display at Kellogg Park.

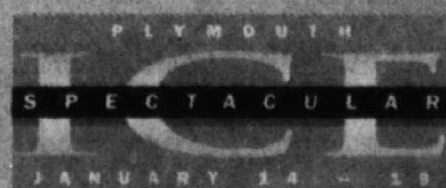
But there are a couple of new wrinkles. Shut-ins or others who like to use the Internet can punch up the ice festival web site and view pictures of carvings at <http://oeonline.com/plymouthice>.

Among professional carvers doing displays and competing in competi-

tions is Ted Wakar, a Canton carver who won a world championship carving title in Japan last February.

Wakar and another prominent professional carver, Jim Burr, "will be doing some displays for us, they'll practice pieces they'll be doing in the Olympics," Watts said.

A world championship ice carving competition is scheduled for the upcoming Winter Olympic Games in Japan. Watts said three other carvers scheduled to compete in Japan will also carve in Plymouth.



This year's celebrity carving competition features WKQI DJs Danny Bonadue and John Heffernan and the local Fox Sports News team doing a live broadcast from the com-

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jections about what the revenue looks like, and try to come to some decisions about what we're going to do and not going to do," she said.

The wish list presented to the group on Tuesday included:

- A new two-story Plymouth Township Hall. One possible site could be on five acres north of Hilltop Golf Course. The municipal services department could use township-owned golf course facilities for storage, and move to a portion of land just off the course. Selling the current buildings at Ann Arbor Road and Mill and the municipal services yard on Helm Street could pay for part of the project cost.

- Increasing the number of police officers from 26 to 44. This would raise the township's officer per 1,000 citizens ratio to 1.6 — a more acceptable ratio as compared with neighboring departments.

Lt. Bob Smith said sometimes when police receive calls, "You have to pick and choose," with current staffing.

- Six new firefighters. Plymouth Community Fire Chief Larry Groth said that among 15 area fire departments, Plymouth "has the highest number of runs per man."

- A new larger Hilltop Golf Course clubhouse, which could attract more golf outings and banquet and wedding business. Township Building Director Charles McIlhargey said that with major improvements under way at St. John's Golf Course, "You are in direct competition with these people."

The new clubhouse could be built on the first tee, and four holes could be reconfigured to improve the layout.



**Decide: Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy wants the township board to make a decision at the Jan. 27 meeting.**

Township officials could pay for the project through bond sales.

**■ 'We don't know if the city has any interest in doing a merger,' adding it may not be prudent to wait.**

**Kathleen Keen McCarthy**  
—Township supervisor

Trustee K.O. Mueller asked if a police merger with the city would take care of staff needs. McCarthy responded, "We don't know if the city has any interest in doing a merger," adding it may not be prudent to wait.

McCarthy said the board members and department heads would continue their review at a study session Jan. 24.

At the regular township board meeting Jan. 27, "I would like us to be ready to make a decision by then," she said.

## CARRIER OF THE MONTH: PLYMOUTH

### NORAJEAN KARAS

Norajean Karas, 12, delivers the Plymouth Observer in the Parklane Meadows subdivision. She has been delivering the Observer since December, 1996.

The Pioneer Middle School seventh grader's favorite subject is art. Her hobbies are playing soccer, hunting and trap shooting. She won second place in the Canton Soccer Club girls division (the Hurricanes), she also participated in field day.

Norajean wants to become a veterinarian. Talking to her customers is the best thing she enjoys about her route.

Running a business, understanding money, and dealing with people are some of the skills she has developed by being an Observer carrier.

Norajean is the daughter of Raymond and Marty Jean Karas. She has two brothers, Ray, 15; Joe, 14 and a sister, Elizabeth, 2.



Norajean Karas, 12, of Plymouth

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Department of Management and Organizational Sciences, it's quite wonderful to work with your family.

"Seeing your children blossom in their career and to have the opportunity to work with your father or mother is great," he said.

Soberman and other advisers and members of the local business community provide the following family-business advice and tips for those who are part of "the family" or those who are outside the family and work for a family-run business.

■ Beware of generational dissonance.

"I see generational conflicts all the time," said Ahmad Ezzeddine, assistant director of Professional Development at the Wayne State University School of Business Administration. Ezzeddine counsels businesses on everything from training to management development.

"You have fathers who start a business and it's like, 'I don't care what color the cars are as long as they are black,'" said Ezzeddine. "But if the market demands something else and the principles and demographics have changed since the start of the company, then the founders

have to accept that," he added.

Bill Saxton, owner of Saxton's Garden Center in Plymouth, knows all about change. When his father and grandfather started their business, it was a feed store in Northville. Then it became a farm supply business and now it's a garden center.

"(Among other things), I changed the volume of sales," he said. "We've also changed with the times."

■ Keep family and business separate.

"We rarely talk about business when together as a family outside of work, say, over a dinner," said Carl Schultz, CEO and chairman of Sealant Equipment & Engineering, Inc. in Plymouth Township.

■ Don't go into business to make money.

"That's a mistake," said

Schultz. "You start a business because you enjoy what you're doing. I did it to survive, to feed the family, have some cash flow in the bank and have some independence."

Added Saxton, "You have to be truly dedicated and know that it's not going to be easy. But if you have a love for a certain line of work, you can make it work."

■ As the owner or CEO, treat family members with respect. And never handle each of your offspring the same way. Each child should be treated according to his or her abilities.

"That's key," said Soberman. "You run into huge problems if the CEO or owner thinks he or she has to treat each of his children the same," said Soberman, who once helped run his own family paint business before they sold it to a Fortune 500 company.

Soberman cites, as an example, a family-run automotive

supplier company in which the father, who is president, believes in treating all four sons who work there exactly alike.

"He insists that they receive the same pay, that they have the same stock ownership and everything else," he said. "But that doesn't work and future conflict will arise, especially when the father passes away. In the interest of treating everyone equally, the father is blowing it as it's unlikely that four people would have the same experience, same motivation, same desires to achieve," he added.

"If the father hired the four off the street, he would treat each as an individual and that's how he should run his company."

■ Realize that working with family can sometimes be discouraging.

"Working with one's family can be incredibly gratifying as well as frustrating," Soberman said.

He warns that "there are many complications that do not exist when you are working for or with unrelated people. Like the difference between living with a roommate and living with a spouse. If there's a roommate, you can get another."

■ Hire family members according to skills.

"A problem occurs when a family member hires another family member for a job for which that person is not qualified or capable," Soberman said.

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Space Number: C88, Theodore Bonkowski: Beds, carpet, boxes, couches/love-seats, dining table, shelving.

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The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its annual meeting **Tuesday, January 20, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at 705 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.**

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## Notice of Public Hearing Necessity of Promotion Project in the Principal Shopping District

**Tuesday, January 20, 1998 at 7:00 P.M.**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 20, 1998, at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, for the purpose of considering the following:

The Necessity of the proposed Principal Shopping District Promotion Project as described in the City Manager's Report dated December 22, 1997. The boundaries of the principal Shopping District are the same as the Downtown Development Authority.

The public hearing will also consider what part of the cost of the improvement should be paid by special assessment on the property benefited, and what part, if any, should be paid by the city at large; the limits of the special assessment district to be affected; and the manner in which the benefits to be derived by property located in such district shall be measured and assessed.

The project report is on file and may be reviewed in the City Clerk's Office during regular business hours.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC  
City Clerk

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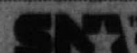
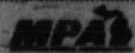
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# Old Village joins Ice Sculpture Spectacular fun

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

Ironically, the area where Plymouth's first business began hasn't been substantially involved in the ice festival, the community's flashiest and biggest annual retail promotion. But, that will change this year.

The more than 600,000 people who are expected to come to Plymouth during the ice festival will, for the first time, have at least three major sculptures to view in Old Village. In years gone by, there was only one sculpture, in front of Station 885.

The Old Village Downtown Development Authority has paid to have an ice carving, with a train motif, in the area's central

locale, Cannon Park. World champion Ted Wakar will carve a seven- to 10-block piece of icy art. In fact, the Canton resident's studio, Frozen Images, is in Old Village.

The Cannon Park carving is expected to begin Tuesday, but is dependent on the weather, according to Mike Watts, Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular executive director.

Old Village is bounded by Main Street south to Edward Hines Drive and Amelia to Edward Hines and is home to Plymouth's first settler. Since many of the Old Village businesses are in renovated houses, the area has an authentic village flavor, providing a homey feeling that's not often seen in other

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shopping areas.

"Over time, Old Village has developed into more of a residential area and less of a commercial area," according to Stephen Guile, director of the Old Village Development Authority and the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority.

"We're trying to bring the character back to the area," he said. "Given the crowds at the ice festival) it will give Old Vil-

lage more exposure."

Bringing sculptures to the district is one of many changes the Old Village Development Authority is planning as stimuli for growth and change, Guile said. Another Old Village attraction during the ice festival will be a purple ice replica of the Princess Di Beanie Baby bear in front of Robin's Nest on Starkweather. "It's going to be something that will probably be on the national news," according to Jerry Sindici, who with his wife, Robin, owns the Old Village business. "It will be the largest Lady Di bear in North America."

Old Village is a diamond in the rough, Sindici added. "And I think we're coming out shining," he said. "I want to bring people into Old Village. It's not just my

store. We have fabulous things and nobody knows about us. Until we were on the news, a woman who lives three blocks away never knew we were here."

"Old Village is coming around and we're coming out strong and swinging. I think this year (the Christmas season) we did more business than downtown." And some of those profits are going to help others.

The Sindicis have given some of the proceeds, about \$25,000, from Beanie Baby sales during the last six months to various organizations like Alhambra, working with mentally ill children; Children's Hospital in Detroit; Rainbow Connection; Make a Wish Foundation; as well as other organizations and individual requests. The

Princess Di Beanie Baby will be available during the ice festival.

"We will continue to donate to charities throughout the year," he said. "I would like to reach a goal of more than \$100,000 to charity. We haven't turned anyone down."

Meanwhile, Watts said he would like to see the ice festival grow in Old Village. "It will help the businesses and the restaurants over there," Watts said. "Many businesses haven't seen the light yet and to see that they can capitalize on this."

And it isn't too late for more businesses in Old Village to get involved in the ice festival this year, Watts added late last week explaining that businesses will be invited to take part until the event begins.

**Plymouth Ice Sculpture temperature highlights**

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**What's the Temperature CONTEST**

It's anybody's guess what the temperature will be during the 16th Annual Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular Jan. 14-19 in downtown Plymouth.

We want your guess at what the temperature will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 - during the heart of the ice festival.

Mike Watts, executive director of the Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular, and an undisclosed celebrity will determine the temperature in Kellogg Park at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17. Please fill out the accompanying coupon and mail to the Plymouth Observer.

Four winners will be drawn from a box containing all coupons with the correct temperature.

■ The first coupon pulled will be the grand prize winner and walk away with Whaler's tickets and dinner at Gino's in the Plymouth Sports Arena.

■ Station 885, Vaseels and John Cleveland's Water Club Grill have contributed gift certificates for the remaining three winners.

The contest is sponsored by the Plymouth Observer and the Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

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Deadline: Thurs., Jan. 15, 1998 at 5:30 p.m.

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grandparents are squeezing into the popular trackside restaurant for its exquisite array of omelets made to order, shrimp, fresh ham, eggs Benedict and other late-morning/early-afternoon offerings.

"We've only started the brunches about a year ago and they've been really successful," said Joyce Costanza, who with her family has owned the restaurant for more than 13 years.

Sure, the popularity is due to a nationwide trend in brunching, but the Costanzas also feature a special ingredient that often is not found in other eateries. The Costanzas serve friendliness.

### Family effort

Joyce and her husband, Jerry, along with their sons, Jerry Jr. and Robert, and their daughter, Carla Guerro, and her husband, Nick, invest a lot of time in the restaurant, which is located in Plymouth's historic Old Village.

"There's someone from the family there at all times," said Joyce. The restaurant serves - along with smiles and courtesy - pastas, steak, veal and chicken dishes, prime rib and more.

Joyce and Jerry know food. They've been at it for 36 years and also own two Big Boy franchises in Novi and Southfield and are part owners of Portofino in Wyandotte.

"My husband was the sole

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Joyce Costanza  
—Station 885 owner

inventor of our style of serving the public. He said, 'We do this at home and this is how we do it at work,' said Joyce, explaining their family-friendly philosophy.

Joyce, who always has loved entertaining and cooking at home and makes excellent holiday treats like fudge and sherry nuts, says the family business grew rapidly.

In 1959, she and Jerry left Pennsylvania to come to Livonia.

Today, they live in Canton Township, while their son, Jerry, lives in Plymouth; daughter Carla resides in Northville; and son Robert calls South Lyon home.

### Key to success

"To be in the restaurant business and be successful, you have to be a people person and love communicating with the public," said Joyce.

"And, of course, you have to like to work real hard and long hours," she added. "Put in that

extra 10 percent over the 100 percent."

Then there's the perfection aspect.

"Jerry (her husband) is a stickler when it comes to things like lettuce. If it's not perfect, we don't serve it," she said.

When it comes to competition, Joyce says there's plenty of it but it really hasn't impacted their eatery. With weekends packed (there's a call ahead system instead of a reservation policy), Joyce says patrons enjoy relaxing in the Trackside lounge.

The Costanzas also book musical entertainment Wednesday through Saturday.

No entertainment required at Plymouth Office Supply on Ann Arbor Trail. When customers walk through its door, they pretty much know what they're looking for.

From note pads to huge stacks of computer paper, the office supply emporium offers "anything you need for an

office," said Bonnie Austin, wife of owner Merrill Austin.

The store, which used to be owned by Merrill's uncle, Wesley McAtee, until 1978, has been at several locations and found its current home in 1971.

### Personal touch

Launched in 1964, Plymouth Office Supply prides itself on knowing customers.

"We've had some of the same commercial accounts for about 25 years," said Bonnie.

Naturally, in the age of technology, the store's biggest seller is computer paper.

With advances in technology comes bigger and bigger mega stores to supply customers with their home computer needs.

Plymouth Office Supply faces serious competition daily.

"We're surrounded by Staples, Office Max and Office Depot," said Bonnie.

But the Plymouth Office Supply crew isn't threatened by the giant stores. "We're knowledgeable," Bonnie said. "We know our products and our customers."

Bonnie and Merrill live in Plymouth and have no children. Bonnie says they some day will likely sell the business. That, unfortunately, will leave Plymouth with a lot of sad customers.

## Ice from page A1

petition at 5:30 p.m. Thursday.

Watts said among the first carvings to be made this week will be tribute carvings saluting the University of Michigan National Championship team, and a ice-carved Heisman Trophy, in honor of U-M recipient Charles Woodson.

A Stanley Cup will also be carved, in tribute to the Red Wings winning the cup.

Also as the ice festival opens this week, professional carvers competing in an Olympics-related competition in Japan next month will be in Plymouth to carve the Olympic rings.

A two man team competition opens at 6 p.m. Friday, featuring 10 teams. "We probably have the highest caliber competition we've had in 10 years," Watts said.

Fantasyland will feature a "Walk on the Wild Side" theme. Animals to be depicted in ice

**■ Shut-ins or others who like to use the Internet can punch up the ice festival web site and view pictures of carvings at <http://online.com/plymouthice>.**

include a 17-foot tall giraffe, a rhinoceros "Cheste. Cheto" - the cartoon lion in Cheetos commercials and more.

There will be a warming center at Masonic Lodge just north of Kellogg Park. Students from Schoolcraft College's culinary arts department will offer food for sale and warm drinks such as hot chocolate and coffee.

## Saxton's from page A1

"My grandfather, who died in 1940, worked in my dad's (Dean's) Northville store," Bill recalled. A lot of the Northville business focused on hay, feed and oats that went to the horses at Northville Downs, he added.

In 1934, Dean, who's now 100 years old and lives in Plymouth, opened the Plymouth Feed Store in nearby Plymouth on the bottom floor of the Mayflower Meeting House. Soon after, he opened the Redford Feed Store and was the proud owner of three supply stores.

During World War II, he sold the Northville store and closed the Redford shop to concentrate on the Plymouth business.

"Then we changed the name to Saxton's Farm Supply Store," Bill said.

Today Bill, who lives above the current Plymouth store on Ann Arbor Trail with his wife, Valerie, runs Saxton's Garden

Center with his oldest son, Alan, 49. Valerie does all the book-keeping and "just about everything else," said Bill, laughing.

Their 16-year-old granddaughter, Nichelle Saxton, also helps out at the business, which has been selling a lot of snow throwers, generators, bark mulches and burlap to prepare gardens for the winter.

In the spring, Bill sees a lot of lawn and garden fertilizers, tools and rotary tillers going out the door. "Our biggest dollar volume items in the summer are lawn mowers and tractors," he said.

It seems that as fast as the seasons change, so has Bill's clientele. He remembers the days when mostly farmers wandered the aisles of his shop.

"I've seen a lot of our farmers dwindle down to just a few. Now even those few are kind of going out of it one by one," he recalled. "Mr. Palmer used to be a regular

here. He's the one who grew the greatest sweet corn over on Warren Road, but he just passed away. His land will probably become subdivisions."

Buildings change, too. "We got married in a church across the street from here on property that is now a credit union," said Bill. And the building he's living in once was a dance hall.

"I tell people we got married in a credit union and live in a dance hall," he said, laughing.

Bill and Valerie had four children, one of whom died of a rare type of cancer two years ago. One of their sons works in the computer field and does most of the store's computer work, while another son works in a wholesale business selling tractors and commercial lawn equipment.

### Big vs. small

"People say there's no competition for us, but there's really all

of the above," said Bill.

"All of the big chains discovered that garden supplies would be a good attraction for them. But our customers are not really looking for the cheapest item, they want quality, durability," he said.

With nearly five decades of working in the business behind him, Bill offers some useful advice to those hoping to run their own business. "Whether a person succeeds or fails in a small business depends on determination and interest," said Bill, who, when he started working with his father, expanded the volume of the business.

"You have to realize that it's not going to be a piece of cake. You have to learn to be a self-initiator."

## Township police investigate peeping incident

A former employee of a Plymouth Township store has filed a complaint with police, claiming a male co-worker looked up her dress by peeping through a hole two feet from the floor in an adjacent wall.

In investigating the allegation, police said they found that a hole had been drilled in the front of her desk pushed against a wall at Drapery Boutique, 45646 Port St.

Police said the desk faces a wall which separates an office area from a warehousing area.

Since the woman filed the report with Plymouth Township police Oct. 3, three other women employees of the store have con-

tacted attorney Geoffrey Fieger, alleging they have been spied upon similarly, according to Karen Corbett of Fieger's office. Fieger was unavailable for comment Friday.

Police said that in investigating the charge brought by the Canton woman, 24, another male employee told police he spotted the male co-worker peeping through the hole in the wall, which provided a view under the woman's desk.

Police said they will present the case to the prosecuting attorney, adding they've yet to determine the charge against the male employee.

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# Family-owned businesses thriving here

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
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Family-run businesses are a staple of the American economy, with thousands of new ones opening every year.

In fact, more than 50 percent of corporate entities in North America are family-owned, and produce more than half the gross national product.

While names like Saxton's Garden Center, Bon Ton Shoppes, Trapp Doors and Santeu Funeral Home are well-known local family businesses, other names like Ford Motor Company, WalMart, and Anheuser-Busch are all recognizable family-owned enterprises.

"As long as people can get up in the morning, there will be those who believe they can have a family-owned business and do something better," said David Bork, founder of the Aspen Family Business Group in Aspen, Colo., an international consultant to family businesses. "It's the entrepreneurial spirit, and it's worldwide."

Many analysts believe the success rate for family businesses with the first generation.

"Seven out of 10 family businesses fail to get to the second generation," said Scott Friedman, a Buffalo, N.Y., attorney and co-author of "How To Run a Family Business." "That figure can be attributed to the business dissolving, family conflict or the business spinning off. Of those remaining, only one of every 10 makes it to the third generation."

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## Business life

Friedman believes the average life expectancy of a family-owned business is 24 years, which runs about the same amount of time the founder of the company is around to oversee the business.

"Decisions are not likely to be challenged when the founder is around," Friedman said. "However, when the founder is gone, there is no one with the same degree of influence in the business, and therefore more disagreements."

Bork doesn't subscribe to the numbers theory of Friedman, and many like him.

"What we really need to look at is how much the assets have compounded over generations," said Bork. "The most important issue is the economic continuity of the family. If a third generation decides it doesn't want the business, but sells it for a profit which allows them to do something else, then would you call it a failure?"

However, what both do agree on is that without a plan, conflict and turmoil will undermine the success of a family-run business.

"The chance of conflict goes up as the number of family members in the decision process increases," said Friedman. "Not only do they fight over getting rid of the business and suing each other, they fight over such things as titles, money, control and vacation time."



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOBFIELD

**Family effort:** The George W. Trapp Co. of Redford Township is a family-owned business that's been in operation for 68 years. Family members active in the company are George W. Trapp, company founder, (second from left) and his son, Dick Trapp of Orchard Lake. Also pictured are Dick Trapp's adult children Bill Trapp of Plymouth (left); and Darby Trapp Eland of Redford.

## Communication is key

"To avoid conflict, family members need to improve communication so everyone knows what decisions are being made, and why they are good for everyone," Friedman said. "Put everything

in writing, from who can own stock to how decisions are made. That way, when conflict erupts, there will already be a dispute resolution process in place to achieve amicable settlements." Bork also believes profession-

alism is the key for future generations.

"Over the generations, there must be an increased level of professionalism," said Bork. "There needs to be a clarification of the business structure for decision-making. Ownership may be a birthright, but the business opportunity has to be earned."

Bork suggests that while you are accepted unconditionally in a family situation, you should be judged by competence when it comes to running the family business. He believes family members earn that credibility by working outside the family business and proving themselves.

"Without the outside work experience, many family members miss out on the lessons of running a business," said Bork. "Often times, family members don't have the complete package, so the family business doesn't survive."

Friedman also suggests that "besides working outside the family business, make sure you have a good education. Smaller children should work in junior positions and earn their way up. The businesses that have the best shot are run like large corporations."

Generally, after the first generation, there are more family members who come in contact with the business. Sons and daughters get married, have children, adding more people who may be making decisions. One big mistake, according to

Bork, is the idea that everyone in the family gets a position in the business.

"It's a big mistake to believe the family-run business is a place for all family members," Bork said. "If the business has rules to operate, then only the competent should be allowed to participate. Otherwise, it's just an accident waiting to happen."

## Avoid conflicts

Both Bork and Friedman agree there may have to be outside directors, or a governing structure, to avoid family conflicts.

"The family-run business, especially when it gets to a second generation with more people involved, may need a board of directors to help run the business and make good decisions," said Friedman. "Family members look at many decisions from their own perspective, with many biases. An outside director lends good credibility."

Scott Friedman, co-author of "How To Run a Family Business," has a new book coming out soon titled "The Successful Family Business." David Bork is co-author of "Working with Family Businesses-A Guide for Professionals," and author of "Family Business, Risky Business-How To Make It Work."

## Michigan: A good place to operate, find resources for small business

BY MEGAN SWOYER  
SPECIAL WRITER

If you are operating a small or home-based business, or thinking about starting one, you'll be glad to know that two years ago, the Detroit area ranked second in Entrepreneur magazine's 30 best cities for small businesses.

The magazine cited Michigan's overall economy as a prime reason. In particular, the article highlighted the role of small high-tech firms and a growing retail sector. Other pluses included Detroit's proximity to Canada and a new trade zone.

To help understand and stay up to date on current small-business opportunities, roadblocks, legislative happenings and general economic factors, the following list of resources may be helpful:

■ Looking for information on how your new business may impact your family? Everything from child care tips to bookkeeping system ideas is available on the Internet at this University of Missouri Web site: <http://etcs.ext.missouri.edu/hes/business.htm>.

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■ Wayne State University operates a Small Business Development Center headed by B. Kevin Lauderdale. (313) 577-4850. E-mail address: [lauder@bizserve.com](mailto:lauder@bizserve.com).

■ The state-funded Michigan Small Business Development Center located on Wayne State University's campus can be reached at (313) 963-1798. E-mail: [ron@misbdc.wayne.edu](mailto:ron@misbdc.wayne.edu).

■ Lansing Community College's Small Business Development Center can be reached at (517) 483-1921. Deleski (Dee) Smith is its regional director. His e-mail address is [ds1921@lois.lansing.cc.mi.us](mailto:ds1921@lois.lansing.cc.mi.us).

■ Lawrence Technological University in Southfield offers a Small Business Development Center for Oakland County. (248) 204-4056. E-mail: [belknap@bizserve.com](mailto:belknap@bizserve.com).

■ The Michigan Manufacturers Association, the "voice of Michigan industry," can be reached at <http://www.mma-net.org/>. Or contact Debra

McGuire at (517) 487-8543. Her e-mail address is [mcguire@mmanet.org](mailto:mcguire@mmanet.org).

■ If you type in this address (<http://sun.falcon.edu/gdl/michigan.htm>) on the Internet, you'll find information on Michigan employment statistics, maps and small-business start-up information, organizations such as the Small Business Association of Michigan, the Better Business Bureau, the National Center for Manufacturing Sciences and lots of other interesting material. The University of Michigan Community Assistance Director's mission is to enhance life and business for Michigan. You can learn more about that at this address as well.

■ Also on the Internet is <http://www.einet.net/galaxy/Business-and-Commerce.html>. Type that in and a world of business information will greet you. Thinking about starting a business based on video production and conversion? You can read all about it at this site. Or how about a business for wedding planners? That, too, is available at this site.

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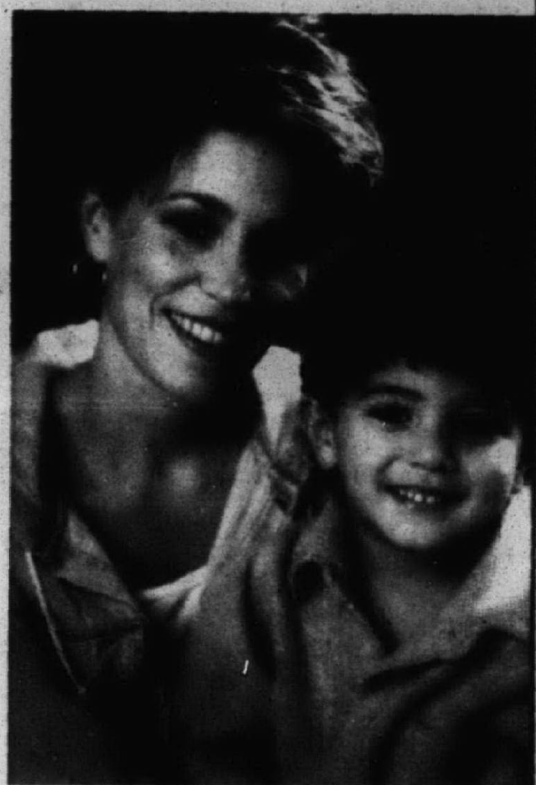
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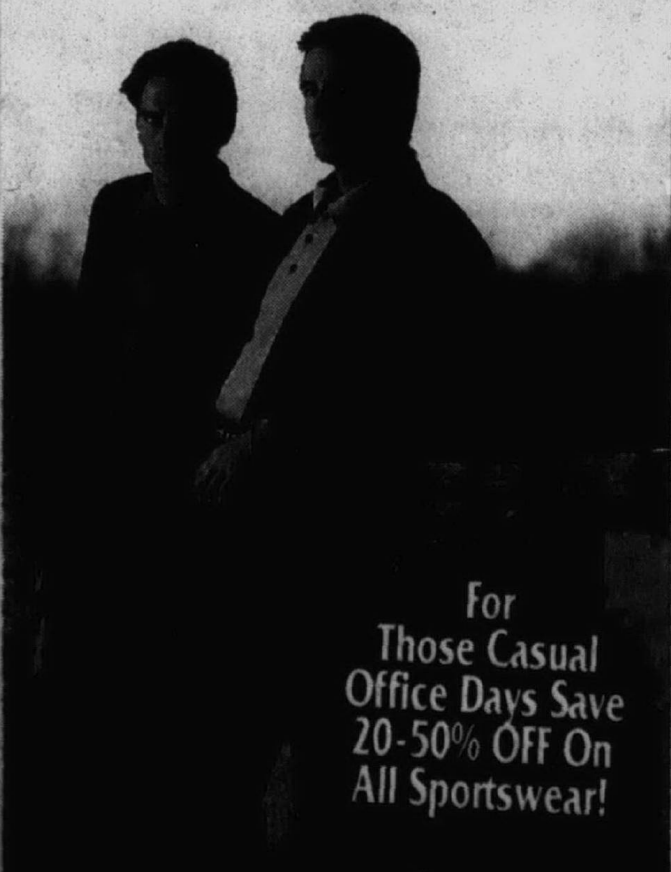
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# Katz to take over operation of county airports

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

A longtime aide to Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara was named by McNamara to lead Detroit Metro and Willow Run airports.

David Katz, McNamara's chief of staff, will lead the county's Department of Airports, replacing Ben Braun, who is leaving to undertake "entrepreneurial interests," said a spokeswoman for McNamara.

Katz, 39, will oversee daily operations of the two airports and manage the \$1.6 billion expansion of Metro with Wilbourne Kelley, assistant county executive for airports and public services.

"Over the past 11 years, Dave Katz has been the county's point man on every major project," McNamara said. "He knows how to put together high caliber work teams and how to lead big projects through the quagmire of

financial, bureaucratic, legal and logistic processes.

"The airport expansion is by far the biggest project this county will see for many years to come and Dave Katz is the best person to get the job done right, on time and on budget."

Katz joined the county executive's staff in 1987 after McNamara's election as county executive and has coordinated policy development and administration for eight executive departments with a budget of \$1.9 billion and over 5,000 employees.

McNamara said Katz was instrumental in lobbying the federal government for over \$200 million in grant funds for airport projects including the \$65 million grant to build the south access road and the \$150 million needed to complete the midfield terminal financing package.

Katz grew up in Livonia and is a 1977 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. He later



graduated from the University of Michigan.

Katz worked with McNamara while McNamara was mayor of Livonia. Katz worked with the city of Livonia, starting with the city's youth assistance program in 1982. He was appointed

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administrative assistant to McNamara in 1984 and joined him downtown after McNamara's election in 1987. Katz has worked as McNamara's chief of staff since 1991.

McNamara called Katz a "hands-on" person who worked to "make things happen."

"He's a quick study and a detail person," McNamara said about Katz. McNamara said Katz was instrumental in McNamara's success during McNamara's mayoral tenure in Livonia.

McNamara said Katz also drove the efforts to build the county's new \$14 million medical examiner's office, the \$70 million Dickerson Jail, the \$4 million Warren Valley Clubhouse and completed the \$30 million restoration of the Wayne County Building. All of these projects were completed under budget, which drew compliments from McNamara.

"Just try to find a community that wants a jail. That in and of itself was a major project. He oversaw the financing, building and design work."

As executive director of the Wayne County Building Authority, Katz is spearheading the construction of the new Wayne County Juvenile Detention Facility.

The new \$42 million facility is

scheduled to open later this year and has been designed to give youths an environment where they can have positive "work and learn" interaction with their peers and child care workers.

Katz sits on the boards of the Detroit/Wayne County Stadium Authority, Wings over Wayne, Friends of Wayne County Parks and the McNamara Scholarship Fund.

He is also active in a number of community organizations including Detroit Goodfellows, University of Michigan-Dearborn Citizens Advisory Committee, Detroit Chamber of Commerce and the Democratic Leadership Council.

Katz's appointment as airport director will be submitted to the Wayne County Commission for approval within the next several weeks. McNamara expects to name a new chief of staff within 10 days.

Katz lives in Grosse Pointe Woods with his wife, Patricia Leonard.

## SC board to interview 10 candidates for trustee

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Applicants seeking a vacancy on the Schoolcraft Board of Trustees face 20-minute interviews with the six board members on Jan. 17 and 24.

The board decided Wednesday to schedule six of the candidates for Saturday, Jan. 17, starting at 8 a.m. The following Saturday, Jan. 24, four candidates will be scheduled.

Trustees plan to approve a final candidate on Jan. 28.

The board also voted, 4-2, to disallow the application from Sean FitzGerald, a Plymouth resident and assistant general counsel at Wayne State University.

While some board members believed FitzGerald would be a qualified candidate, they were concerned about a candidate who was late for the deadline.

He submitted his application at 4:15 p.m. on Dec. 15, about 15 minutes after the deadline set by trustees.

The trustee vacancy was created by the resignation of John Walsh, who was elected in November to the Livonia City Council.

Board President Patricia Watson, and Trustees Mary Breen, Steve Ragan and Carol Strom voted not to consider FitzGerald's application, while trustees Brian Broderick and Richard DeVries supported considering him.

FitzGerald could not be reached for comment Friday.

Strom raised the issue about the deadline and asked trustees if they extended the deadline for one candidate 15 minutes, then why should the board not extend the deadline a day for others.

College President Richard McDowell told the board FitzGerald was "very apologetic" about missing the 4 p.m. deadline. Ragan said he did not want to eliminate a candidate who would be a good trustee, but added that he agreed with Strom.

Candidates will have two minutes for an opening statement, 10 minutes for formal questions, six or seven minutes for follow up questions and a one-minute closing statement.

The final applicants are:

■ From Canton, Bryan Amann, an attorney and former county commissioner, and Susan Kopinski, deputy chief financial officer at Detroit's Metro Airport.

■ From Livonia, Harry Greenleaf, director of transfer college programs in the College of Engineering and Science at the University of Detroit-Mercy and a former Schoolcraft trustee; Ken Harb, an investment advisor with Prudential Securities; Donald Knapp Jr., a research attorney for a Wayne County circuit judge; and Neil Weiner, a counselor at Mackenzie High School.

■ From Northville, Greg Stempien, an attorney.

■ From Plymouth, John Lynch, a retired consultant for the community and business relations division at Washtenaw Community College, and Robert Omilian, a finance manager at Ford Motor Co.

■ From Westland, Michael Novak, a police officer in Livonia.

The replacement will serve through June 30, 1999.

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Those little brown beans seem to be going through a metamorphosis. You could be sipping your latte in a rustic Vail-like ski lodge surroundings with stone, wood and a fireplace without ever leaving town at Caribou Coffee. Perhaps you enjoy sipping your joe while surfing the net at the Cyber Cafe or a good book and good company can be enjoyed 24 hours at the Lone Star. For a great decaf cappuccino on a comfy couch and a little jazz to add to the experience, try the Coffee Beanery.

Yep, I'm talking about the coffee shops of downtown Birmingham. Just when you thought, how many bean shops can one small town support? The largest U.S. coffee chain is moving into town ... Starbucks! Not only is there the traditional shops in the neighborhood, you can also pick up cappuccino at the Mobil station or drive through the newly opened "Joe to Go," of unique design, neighboring Birmingham on the west side of Woodward to get your favorite brewed drink of choice. Wow, so many choices! We're coffee crazy!

On an average, a regular house coffee (i.e. brew of the day without any modifications) will start around \$1.35. A cup of specialty coffee of cappuccino will start around \$2.25 and depending on what you add to it, such as flavored syrup, etc. can go as high as \$4. The Specialty Coffee Association reports there are more than 7,200 coffee outlets in the United States. The morning drink of yesterday has become an American ritual of unique concoctions, experiences and romance. We have become informed consumers that are looking for great quality, freshness and taste. In some ways it parallels the microbreweries presence of the past decade. We seem to have a hankering for the rich European tastes of the past vs. the stamped out, mass-produced products of today.

#### History

As rich as coffee is in taste, it is also rich in history. Historians have traced its discovery to the 10th century and even believe cultivation may have begun as early as AD 575. One of the earliest recorded legends report that a young Abyssian goat shepherd witnessed his goats eating these green colored berries which seemed to cause the goats to "dance" or frolic about. Actual coffee cultivation was rare until the 15th or 16th century when extensive planting of the tree occurred in the Yemen region of Arabia. Coffee consumption increased in the 17th century with Dutch colonies and the French transplanting to the island of Martinique in the West Indies, which was the genesis of the great coffee plantation of Latin America.

The soil in which coffee is grown must be rich, moist and absorbent enough to accept water readily but sufficiently loose to allow rapid drainage of excess water. The best soil is composed of leaf mold, other organic matter and disintegrated volcanic rock. Although coffee trees are damaged easily by frost, they are cultivated in cooler regions where temperatures range from 13 degrees to 26 degrees Celsius. Coffee plantations are usually maintained at sea level to the tropical frost level at about 1,800

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#### LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Focus on Wine
- Meat loaf

## One size fits all

BY PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS  
SPECIAL WRITER

*"To lengthen thy life, lessen thy meals" - Benjamin Franklin*

Obesity is an epidemic of alarming proportions and contributes to a number of serious health risks. One out of three Americans is considered overweight and the numbers keep growing. Sad but true, our children are growing up fat, too. The most dangerous aspect is that they will grow up fat and have a shorter life span, not to mention the psychological problems for overweight kids.

The new year brings new opportunities and goals. But really, how much new diet advice can you stand. Weight loss is the subject of literally hundreds of books, and stories about losing weight appear regularly on television, and in newspapers and magazines.

Overweight refers to an excess of total body weight including fat, bone and muscle. A football player or weight lifter would probably be considered overweight though not necessarily obese. Obesity refers specifically to an excess of body fat. Americans eat less calories today than we did at the turn of the century, but due to labor saving devices, we are fatter because we're less active.

At least 25 percent of us have a sedentary job, do no heavy house or yard work, do not pursue any sport or fitness program and avoid physical activity during the day. We take elevators whenever possible and drive to the corner store. Weight gain seems inevitable.

Are you overweight? The pounds can add up over the years and before we know it, we're risking our health with unneeded weight. An easy way to tell if you're in the "safe" zone is to test your Body Mass Index.

Multiply your weight in pounds by 705. Divide this number by your height in inches and divide this again by your height in inches. The number you will get will be somewhere in the 20s unless

you're extremely over or underweight. The higher your BMI, the higher the risk. The lowest death rates are for people with BMIs of 27 or lower.

Some say a BMI of 25 or lower for those under 35 and 27 for those over 35. However, this implies that it is OK to gain weight as we age, which is not necessarily healthy.

The idea that obesity is linked to illness was confirmed in 1959 when Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. of Chicago published the "Metropolitan Life Standards" on its baseline weight table. The company concluded that the fatter the person, the more likely that person will die prematurely.

Today, the generally accepted standard for appropriate weight is the 1983 Metropolitan Life Table, which allows for more weight gain than the standards of 1959. However, research shows that the lowest mortality rates are found in the 1959 table with the lower body weights.

Body fat distribution concentrated in your abdominal region, the so called "apple shape" is associated with higher risks of heart disease and diabetes and is worse for you than "pear" shaped fat concentration. No matter what your fat pattern distribution, excess body weight is unhealthy.

#### Analyzing the situation

Looking at various methods of weight loss and weight control can be as confusing and intimidating as setting up a financial plan. But, because obesity is a major epidemic and contributes to alarming health risks, it is worthwhile to take an "academic" approach to weight management.

Consider the following:

- There are many weight-loss programs. From do-it-yourself books and work site programs, to

commercially franchised programs to licensed professionals. No matter which program you chose, you should have a good understanding of the program components and what to expect from any maintenance phase.

Evaluate the program with regard to its approaches to diet, exercise, behavior modification and use of drugs or surgery as treatment. Decide whether the time is right for you to devote your attention and effort to succeed.

■ Drug therapy, if used, must be continued long term to work. However, many drugs have side effects that some people are not willing to endure. Drugs should only be used with people who are medically at risk for other health problems.

■ Focus your efforts on weight management, and not just weight loss. If weight management is the goal, then good health will be achieved.

■ Some of the best predictors of success at weight loss or weight maintenance include:

- High initial body weight
- Regular and consistent loss early in the program
- Having positive social support
- Having a positive, problem solving attitude toward life's stresses
- Engaging in regular physical activity
- Regular eating patterns with control of calories
- Ongoing self-monitoring (of intake, weight, etc.) and other behavior modification techniques
- Confidence that you can achieve a goal

#### Time for a lifestyle checkup

Benjamin Franklin was right when he said - "To lengthen thy life, lessen thy meals." It is a simple truth but something that is much easier said than done. As the new year gets under way, many of us make resolutions.

We will eat healthier, lose weight, spend less money, devote more time to family and friends, take time to relax, etc. I suggest

that instead of making resolutions that are difficult if not impossible to keep, we should strive to make lifestyle changes that will benefit us this year, and throughout our lives.

If we are overweight, it is time to change our eating habits. Sometimes that means making lifestyle changes that affect not only our food intake but the way we spend our time and money as well.

Joe Sarafa, president of the Associated Food Dealers of Michigan, has some simple suggestions that may inspire you. And, as you might expect, they all begin at the supermarket.

■ Eat healthier and lose weight - Sarafa says it's time to eat more meals at home. He's right, it is easier to eat correctly when you prepare the food yourself. After all, when was the last time you saw a grapefruit on the menu at a fast food drive-in window? If you or anyone in your family falls into the danger zone on the BMI test, then weight loss should be a priority. Eating at home, or at least preparing your meals at home and packing them (for school or work) can help. When we make our own sandwiches, salads and main courses we take charge of what we eat.

■ Devote more time to family - Adding structure to our chaotic lives is a priority of many people. Planning and making meals together with other family members can help. Sarafa suggests getting everyone involved. Include children in menu selection; ask them to find interesting recipes in magazines and cookbooks; let everyone into the kitchen during meal preparation time. Teaching children about good nutrition with hands-on kitchen experience will set them up for a lifetime of healthy eating habits.

■ Spend less money - If you eat less, you will probably spend less money. However, I suggest you take this a step further. Look at

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## 'Cuddle' foods comfort, warm on cold nights

#### MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL WAGNER

I picked this recipe to share with you because of its flavor, nutrition values and freezer friendliness. It's an adaptation of a Julia Child recipe. Need I say more about the taste?

I reduced the fat and saturated fat by substituting a well-trimmed cut of top round of beef for the chuck cut in the original. I'm sure you know that those fatty streaks in the meat muscle, known as "marbling," determine tenderness. The more streaks, the moister and more tender the cut, but also the higher the fat. To overcome the lack of fat, this lean cut of meat is cooked for a long time in wine and broth which will

act as both tenderizer and flavor enhancer. (I cut up my own meat for stew because I like to serve recognizable meat pieces. When I use the ready-cut stew beef, it seems to disintegrate into unrecognizable shreds.)

Stew has other health advantages. The delicious gravy in this recipe makes the recommended 3-ounce portion seem much larger, especially if it's served with a pilaf - like the accompanying Barley Pilaf. Did you know that barley has more soluble fiber than almost any other grain? There's a quick-cooking variety that makes it easier to prepare than rice or potatoes. The barley is cooked in broth so that you don't need fat for flavor and the sliced water chestnuts add the crunch of nuts without the fat.

In the original recipe you discarded the vegetables after they were cooked. I found that pureeing them and adding them back to the cooking liquid added additional flavor, not to mention nutritional values.

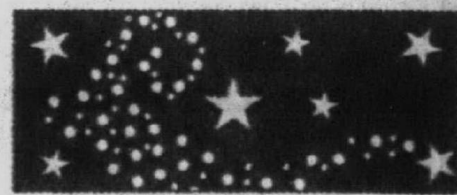
The Red Zinfandel wine imparts a distinct flavor to the recipe. This is a fruity red wine, not too expensive. It's worth a trip to a specialty store if it's not available at your regular market. If

wine isn't part of your diet, substitute more of the beef broth with a dash of apple juice.

This recipe is one of my favorite company dishes. While it takes a long time to cook initially, I can arrange to cook it at my leisure and freeze it. It's a snap to defrost and prepare the seasonings for the gravy. It makes a perfect company main dish because you can keep it on simmer almost forever. What a super dish for a Super Bowl party.

#### BEEF ZINFANDEL

- 4 pounds boneless round steak, 1-1/2-inch thick
- Cooking oil
- 3 cups low-sodium beef broth
- 2 cups sliced onions
- 2/3 cup sliced carrots
- 16 ounce can whole plum tomatoes
- 3 cups Red Zinfandel wine
- 1 teaspoon thyme
- Cornstarch (1 tablespoon of cornstarch per cup of cooking juice)
- 2 large heads of garlic
- 1/2 cup white wine of your choice
- 1/2 cup low-sodium beef broth



Trim beef of remaining fat. Cut beef into 1-1/2-inch by 2-inch cubes. Dry thoroughly. Coat a skillet with an oiled paper towel. Brown meat on all sides, adding beef broth to prevent sticking. Remove meat to a 4-quart casserole dish. Add onions and carrots to skillet and brown lightly. Add to meat. Cover beef with tomatoes, red wine, bouillon and thyme. Bring to a slow simmer on top of stove or in oven at 325 degrees F. for 1-2 hours until fork tender, basting the meat. Pour contents, except for meat, into a colander set over a sauce pan. Press juices out of vegetables. Puree the remains in a blender or processor. Add puree to juices. Add to rest of the cooking liquid and cook until slightly thickened. Pour over the beef. Stew may be frozen at this point.

To flavor the gravy: Separate and

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# Stone Soup tale has a delicious ending

By PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS  
SPECIAL WRITER

See related story on Taste front.

Here's an idea that will appeal to children: Make Stone Soup. I'm not kidding. Perhaps you remember the folk tale. I've included an abbreviated version with a recipe.

Reading the fable and making stone soup can be an enjoyable activity for the whole family.

**The Story of Stone Soup**  
Once upon a time a couple of weary, hungry travelers came to a village at the end of the day. With no money, the two tried to find someone kind enough to give them a meal and a place to sleep.

What they encountered instead was a village of stingy people who hid their food and closed their doors to the strangers. Believing that the villagers had hearts of stone, the

two travelers came up with an idea — they would make stone soup.

They rang the village bell, which brought all the townspeople into the square. Once gathered, the travelers announced that since the townspeople apparently had no food, they would make soup out of stones with a secret recipe.

The travelers instructed the townspeople to heat some water in a pot. Then a few cleaned stones were added.

"Mmmm," said one of the travelers as he dipped a spoon into the steaming pot and tasted it.

"Stone soup is very good plain, but it would taste even better if we could make the fancy kind."

The townspeople wanted to know how, so the travelers explained that salt, pepper and herbs were needed. The mayor's wife went to fetch some. Next came carrots, onions, milk, potatoes and meat.

Each time the travelers suggested another ingredient, someone from the town would run home and get it. Soon the soup was ready and everyone in the town, including the two travelers, sat down to fine meal.

## RECIPE FOR STONE SOUP

Retold by Marilyn Saplenza

Heat some water in a pot. Add some stones you've scrubbed a lot.

Sprinkle pepper, salt and herbs.

Let it boil undisturbed.

Drop in carrots, onions too. Let the soup heat through and through.

Stir in milk to make it sweet. Add potatoes for a treat.

Toss in meat cubes. Let it

stew.  
Let it bubble. Let it brew.

Taste the soup and when it's done,  
Share Stone Soup with everyone.

I like this recipe because it can be changed to suit your family's tastes. If you don't like snap peas and carrots, use celery and green beans instead, or any other vegetable combination. Stone Soup provides everyone an opportunity to contribute to the meal preparation.

## STONE SOUP

(An HDS Services low-fat version)

1 or 2 stones cleaned thoroughly (about 4-inch in diameter each, which is large enough so no one will try to eat them by mistake). It's a good idea to

boil them in water before adding them to the soup.

2 quarts water  
2 cups peeled, diced potatoes  
2 large peeled potatoes, left whole

1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast, cubed

4 carrots, chopped

1 medium onion, diced

2 teaspoons salt

1 teaspoon pepper

1 teaspoon thyme

1 teaspoon basil

1 cup non-fat dried milk

2 tablespoons cornstarch

1 tablespoon chicken bouillon powder

1/2 cup cold water

1 pound package of frozen vegetables (we used sugar snap stir-fry vegetables for this recipe, but you can substitute any vegetables you like)

Heat 2 quarts of water in a stock pot. Add the stones, potatoes (both diced and whole), chicken breast, carrots, onion, salt, pepper and spices.

Bring to a boil and reduce to a simmer. When the whole potatoes are cooked thoroughly, remove them from the soup and mash. Then add them back to the soup.

In a bowl mix dried milk, cornstarch and chicken bouillon powder. Add cold water and stir to dissolve. Add the milk mixture to the simmering stock. The mashed potatoes and the milk mixture both work to thicken the soup nicely and give it some additional flavor. Serves 10.

**Nutrition information per serving:** Calories 166, Protein: 13 grams, Fat: 1 gram; Sodium: 508mg; Carbohydrates: 24.5 grams. Percent of calories from fat: 5.3.

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meters (about 6,000 feet).

The coffee tree produces its first full crop when it's about five years old. Thereafter it produces consistently for 15 or 20 years.

There are two methods used for harvesting beans. One method is selective picking and the other is shaking of the tree and stripping the beans. Beans picked by the first method are generally processed with water, dried or heated, then roasted in rotating cylinders. The second method only dries the beans and removes the outer covering. In either case the final product is called green coffee.

## Coffee bean flavor profiles

General flavor profiles of the most common coffee varieties:

■ **Costa Rican:** Prized for the elegant richness of its flavor and its delicate acidity, this is a popular breakfast coffee.

■ **Colombian:** A fine coffee

with roundness, body and a good balance of flavor and acidity. Can be enjoyed with medium or dark roast.

■ **Guatemalan:** The beans from this country have a characteristic rich spice and a smoky character. Medium roasting is recommended to bring out the full body and pleasant, flavorful acidity.

■ **Kona:** This rare Hawaiian coffee is rich, earthy and full-flavored with a pleasant acidity, best when medium roasted.

■ **Kenyan:** A classic, aromatic coffee with a clean, sharp, bright taste and good acidity.

**Coffee information source:** "The Encyclopedia of Herbs, Spices and Flavorings" by Elisabeth Lambert Ortiz.

## Coffee Clutch

■ Several varieties of green coffees are usually blended to produce the wide needs of today's consumers.

■ Caffeine is removed from coffee by treating beans with chlorinated hydro carbon solvents.

■ Coffee beans were first consumed by chewing, long before the brewing process was discovered.

■ Roasting and refinement of beans started in the 1300s in Persia.

■ In Europe, it was originally regarded as a holy drink to assist the monks with longer hours of prayer.

■ In 1650, the first coffeehouse opened in Europe and by 1843 there were thousands of coffeehouses throughout Europe and the American colonies.

■ Whole bean coffees usually gross a profit margin from 30 to 50 percent.

■ Optimally, coffee should reach the consumer 21 days after it's roasted.

■ In the 1700s and 1800s, it could be considered grounds for

divorce if a husband didn't supply a sufficient amount of coffee.

■ The inferior beans are the ones that are often treated with flavored oils.

■ Coffee was revered as a medicine for many ailments including vision, depression, arthritis and headaches.

And with your coffee... Some desserts and coffee go hand in hand.

■ Espresso and anything chocolate

■ Cappuccino and carrot cake

■ Latte and molasses cookies

■ Iced coffee and New York Style cheesecake

■ A cup of Joe and chocolate chip cookies

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the activities you spend money on. If you typically dine out, see a movie or do other sedentary activities, perhaps a change is in order.

Try a light meal at home and then take a walk through a museum. Sledding or ice skating are activities that provide hours of recreation.

■ **Foster friendships** — What do you and your friends do when you get together? If your activities center around eating and drinking it could be time for a lifestyle change.

One Bloomfield Hills couple surprised us all by joining a square dance group. No only are they getting out for some good exercise, they have also made new, interesting friends, and they're having a great time. A lack of energy is associated

with obesity and may affect adherence to a weight loss program. For this reason it is vitally important to look for enjoyable ways to exercise.

If you have led a sedentary life, taking up jogging or high impact aerobics is probably setting yourself up for failure. However, walking in the shopping mall before the stores open may be just right.

So while old Ben's words certainly ring true, for many of us a change in lifestyle may be the real solution.

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# Flavorful wintertime sips warm and wonderful

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front. Recipes compliments of Kelli Lewton, 2 Unique

Caterers & Event Planners. Warm and wonderful coffee cups

## SPANISH COFFEE

1.5 ounce Spanish Brandy  
1 ounce Tia Maria  
1/2 ounce Cointreau  
6 ounces coffee  
Slice of orange  
Cinnamon  
Whipped cream

Rim glass with orange rind. Dip into coarse sugar and cinnamon mix. Hold glass on an angle and ignite brandy to crystallize sugar on rim. Add other liqueurs and coffee — top with whipped cream. There are many variations to this drink.

## MADDIE HEATER

1/2 ounce Baileys  
1/2 ounce Frangelico  
Splash of Cointreau  
1/2 ounce Tia Maria  
8 ounces coffee  
Combine liqueurs with coffee, serve.

## CHOCOLATE CARAMEL COFFEE

6 ounces coffee  
3 tablespoon chocolate syrup  
1 tablespoon caramel sauce

Dollop whipped cream

Combine coffee, chocolate syrup and caramel sauce. Top with dollop of whipped cream.

## PEPPERMINT PATTY

4 ounces hot chocolate  
4 ounces coffee  
2 teaspoons peppermint flavoring  
Dollop of whipped cream  
Ground peppermint candy

Combine hot chocolate, coffee, peppermint flavoring. Top with dollop of whipped cream and sprinkle with ground peppermint candy.

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peel garlic cloves. Simmer in a covered sauce pan with 1/2 cup of beef broth and white wine until tender (20-30 minutes). Add to beef. Before serving, reheat and stir, but do not boil. Serves 12.

**Nutrition facts:** 3 ounce portions. Calories 252; Fat, 6.7 g; Saturated Fat, 2.2 g; Cholesterol, 72 mg; Sodium, 161 mg.

Food exchanges — 3 lean meat; 1 vegetable.

I use a nonfat pilaf to accompany the main dishes. It adds the goodness of whole grain and important water soluble fiber that helps lower cholesterol when other dietary fat is lowered as well.

## BARLEY PILAF

2 cans sliced water chestnuts  
1 cup quick cooking barley  
3 cups low sodium beef broth  
2/3 cup chopped flat parsley

Using broth instead of water, prepare barley according to package directions. Add remaining ingredients.

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Look for Muriel's column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month.

# Pizza

Faced with the fate of "life on a with just one type Americans would Adorned with its pings of cheese pepperoni, pizza recognized as a but it does hold cially pizza restaurants mention homemade pizzas that are and nutritious.

Whether you yourself or choose frozen dough, pre-baked crust put on top that Making sauce with a limited a good start.

Keep high-fat mum, sprinkling ly with part-skil low-fat soy chee low-fat topping vegetables, lean fish and beans.

You can make with black, beans. Brown and spread wit sauce or even Top with beans fat Cheddar ch ciantrio before Tuscan chicken sized pieces of finely choppe roasted red p amounts of g and part-sk cheese.

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# Pizza – New ways to enjoy an old favorite

Faced with the hypothetical fate of "life on a desert island" with just one type of food, many Americans would pick pizza. Adorned with its traditional toppings of cheese, sausage and pepperoni, pizza is not widely recognized as a wholesome food, but it does hold potential. Specialty pizza restaurants, not to mention homemade pizza chefs, have developed a wide variety of pizzas that are both delicious and nutritious.

Whether you make the dough yourself or choose refrigerated or frozen dough, packaged mixes or pre-baked crusts, it's what you put on top that makes the pizza. Making sauces and toppings with a limited amount of oil is a good start.

Keep high-fat cheese to a minimum, sprinkling the crust lightly with part-skim mozzarella for low-fat soy cheese. Use plenty of low-fat toppings including fresh vegetables, lean poultry or shellfish and beans.

You can make a Mexican pizza with black, kidney or pinto beans. Brown the pizza crust and spread with a spicy tomato sauce or even a chunky salsa. Top with beans, grated, reduced-fat Cheddar cheese and chopped cilantro before baking. Create a Tuscan chicken pizza using bite-sized pieces of chicken breast, finely chopped green onions, roasted red peppers and small amounts of grated Parmesan and part-skim mozzarella cheese.

You'll never think of salad the same way once you've had a Caesar pizza. Lightly brown a pizza crust and sprinkle it lightly with grated Romano cheese. Bake until the crust is hot and well-browned. Remove from the oven, and spread with a tossed mixture of lettuce pieces, diced tomato, light Caesar dressing. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and serve at once.

Don't be afraid to experiment with new pizza varieties. Use roasted red, green and yellow pepper strips, along with red onion slices, to create a boldly flavored, eye-catching pizza. Go wild with a mushroom pizza that includes shiitake, portobello and oyster varieties. Chunks of eggplant and onions cooked with garlic and ginger bring Asian flavor to a pizza crust topped with a low-fat black bean sauce and sprinkled with cilantro.

## GREEK PIZZA

1 pound turkey cutlets, cut into thin strips

## Quick quesadillas

To spice up your winter and energize your body, turn to main-course grain dishes like Caramelized Onion Quesadillas. Ready in about 30 minutes, this dish is lower in fat than traditional Southwestern flare and high in complex carbohydrates – a perfect combination for zapping away winter doldrums.

## CARAMELIZED ONION QUESADILLAS

1 tablespoon olive oil  
1 medium red onion, thinly sliced  
4 green onions, sliced  
2 cloves garlic, chopped  
1 teaspoon cumin  
1/2 teaspoon cayenne powder  
1/4 teaspoon dried oregano  
1 tablespoon lime juice  
Four large (10-inch) tortillas  
2 cups reduced-fat shredded cheese (combination of Cheddar, jalapeno, Monterey jack or other spicy cheese)  
Optional: Salsa, guacamole and sour cream

Heat oil in skillet over medium heat and saute onions and garlic until softened, stirring occasionally, about 10 minutes. Stir in cumin, cayenne and oregano. Remove from heat and stir in lime juice. Place two tortillas on a baking sheet. Spread the onion mixture equally on the two. Sprinkle with equal amounts of cheese. Top with remaining tortillas and bake at 400 degrees F for about 8 minutes until the edges are golden. Let stand 5 minutes and cut each into sixths with a pizza cutter. Garnish with salsa, guacamole and a teaspoon of sour cream if desired. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 220 cal., 26 g carbo., 8 g fat, 18 g pro., 3 g fiber, 190 mg sodium.

Recipe from: Wheat Foods Council

2 cups thinly sliced onion  
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley  
1 teaspoon lemon pepper  
1 teaspoon minced garlic  
1 teaspoon dried oregano  
2 teaspoons olive oil  
1 package frozen bread dough (or 12-inch thin crust Italian bread shell)  
1 cup chopped tomatoes  
6 Kalamata olives, pitted and sliced  
6 ounces feta cheese, crumbled

In a large bowl, combine turkey strips, onion, parsley, lemon pepper, garlic and oregano.

In a large non-stick skillet, over medium-high heat, saute mixture in oil 5 to 7 minutes or until turkey is lightly-browned and no longer pink in the center. Place pizza shell on a large baking sheet. Top with turkey mixture, tomatoes, olives and cheese.

Bake at 450 degrees F. for 10 to 12 minutes, until the crust is heated through and the cheese is

slightly melted.

**Nutrition information:** Each of the 6 servings contains 328 calories and 11 grams of fat.

Information for this article was provided by the American Institute for Cancer Research.

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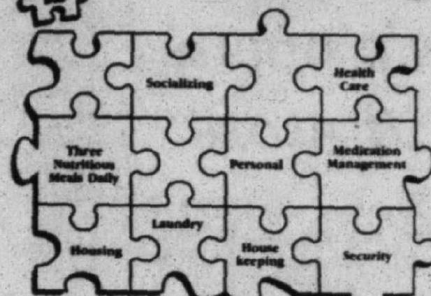
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**Family favorite:** Greek Pizza uses lean turkey, along with the sunny Mediterranean flavors of tomatoes, olives, lemon and feta cheese to produce a meal your whole family will enjoy.

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**Customer service:** Posing in the new West Bloomfield Klein's store, are (from left) Bob Firman, Toni Bango and Howard Klein.

## Klein's opens second store

Klein's of Livonia, a family-run, career and casual clothing shop for men and women (with roots dating back to 1916), now has a sister location - Klein's West Bloomfield.

The new store opened in October in the Westwind Lake Village Shopping Center on Haggerty and Pontiac Lake roads in West Bloomfield.

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Klein's of Livonia, meanwhile, continues to thrive at the location it's been at for nearly 20 years, Six Mile Road and Newburgh, in Livonia's Newburgh Plaza.

"The Livonia store is busier than ever and we're very pleased with the way our new store is being received," said Howard Klein, 42, co-owner and president of Klein's.

Both stores offer moderately priced (and some higher-end), brand-name fashion merchandise for men and women.

"We don't do a lot of faddy-trendy things," Klein said. "We carry more classic things. Because if something is going to go out of fashion in three months, then we feel it's not a value."

Some of the brand names the store carries include: (for men) Enro, Levi, Haggard, and Savane; (for women), Rafnelli, Vinci and Carol Anderson; and (for both men and women) Woolrich, Nautica, Tommy Bahama and more.

In general, women's slacks range from \$34 to \$80; men's slacks from \$40 to \$80, with most being about \$50; men's suits \$250 to \$390, with most being \$298 to \$348; and dressier dresses range from \$100 to \$150, Klein said.

Basic alterations are free for both men and women on most items that aren't sale-priced. Gift wrapping and gift boxes are also free.

Klein's is most known for its personalized service. That includes everything from knowing customers by name, to special-ordering merchandise upon request (when possible), to the stores' buyers bringing back items from fashion trade shows with a specific customer in mind ("Oh, that's the kind of dress Mrs. Smith likes").

Klein said it's that personalized service and his company's ability to adapt to changes in the marketplace (for example, the trend toward casual business days, which left many apparel stores reeling), that has enabled it to survive against the competition it continues to face from malls, department stores and boutiques.

Klein's was founded by his grandfather, Sam Klein, about 1916, in the Delray section of Detroit. The business later moved to the Plymouth and Evergreen area of Detroit and was located there for many years.

In 1979, Klein and his father, Edward, moved the store to its current location in Livonia.

Klein said the decision to open a second location was based on several factors. First business was good at the Livonia store, so the timing seemed right. Secondly, a significant number of the Livonia store's customers had moved from Wayne County to the West Bloomfield/Commerce area.

The manager of the new store is Bob Firman. He's been in the retail clothing business for more than 25 years and started with the well-known men's apparel shop, Eli of Troy. He's been with Klein's for four years. Klein divides his time between the two stores and continues to manage the Livonia store. Hours are Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call the Livonia store (313) 691-9244 or the West Bloomfield store (248) 669-1999.

## Marketer welcomes mall guests

With both Somerset Collection tenants and customers demanding TLC, marketing director Linda McIntosh puts on a happy face each day to assist all.

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO  
EDITOR

As new marketing director of the Somerset Collection in Troy (which she refers to as "downtown Michigan"), Linda McIntosh worries about satisfying "some very busy customers."

"We aim to far exceed the expectations of our guests," she said. "And I do mean guests. We're the premier shopping center in the state - there are 94 stores and restaurants here that you cannot find anywhere else in Michigan. The architecture of the center makes it a destination for many international visitors. We have a standard to maintain."

McIntosh of Livonia, came to Somerset Collection, a Forbes Cohen property in July 1997 after years of marketing two Taubman malls - Fairlane in Dearborn and Briarwood in Ann Arbor.

As mom to teenagers Kelli, 15, and Rob, 13, she runs a long, busy day - up at 5 a.m. driving Kelli to figure skating practice, and after work and weekends, she follows Rob to travel hockey games and Kelli to cheerleading sessions.

She is a 1974 graduate of Stevenson High School in Livonia, and points out that "it's tough to see my kids attend my old rival, Churchill High School." McIntosh earned a marketing degree from Michigan State University.

"These days marketers have to be more creative in stretching their budget dollars," she said. "At Somerset Collection, we're micro-marketing to bring in the business person who works along Adams Road or Big Beaver. We're macro-marketing to bring in the Japanese car manufacturer, in town to attend the Auto Show. As a year-old center, we're still enjoying the curiosity factor - 18 percent of our shoppers are still first-time guests."

According to mall estimates, 35,000



PHOTO BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

**Downtown Michigan:** Strolling through the Somerset Collection North in Troy, marketing director Linda McIntosh keeps an eye out for anything that might detract from a pleasant shopping experience for customers from around the globe.

guests visit Somerset Collection daily, the figure jumps to 50,000 on weekends.

McIntosh said she is serious when she insists that working at Somerset Collection "is a privilege."

"It's so beautiful here," she said with a wide grin. "And there's always something new."

Fans of the television show Seinfeld will be delighted to know that a J. Peterman catalog store is opening on the south side in April. That's the company "Elaine" works for on the show, with the eccentric owner putting out wild, weird and wonderful merchandise to descriptive catalog prose that reads like a romance novel.

A Crate & Barrel furniture store is also opening on the south side in the fall. And Saks Fifth Avenue is in the middle of a store-wide expansion that will add a spa, cafe and home decor

department to its offerings.

McIntosh said partnerships with the Detroit Visitors and Convention Bureau will help retail centers all over metro Detroit, especially when developments proposed for the city get under way.

"Right now we do a lot of business with shoppers from out-of-town, especially Toledo and Windsor," she explained. "Requests from shoppers for directions to the airport, Ann Arbor, or Greenfield Village, were so numerous that our concierge desks now provide maps for visitors."

Coming off her first holiday season at Somerset Collection, McIntosh reported sales were generally up across the board in all merchandise categories with Rand McNally earning its company's "Turkey Award" for the most sales in the country.

"This year, the gift wrappers in the

VIP lounge wrapped 33 percent more gifts than in 1996, and the sales of gift certificates from the Somerset Collection were also way up. In fact, our real problem was running out of merchandise! If you could find a men's x-large sweater anywhere in the center a week before Christmas you were lucky!"

McIntosh said attracting shoppers to both sides of the center joined by the pedestrian skywalk high over Big Beaver Road, is one of her biggest challenges.

"Yes, the south side is quieter since the north side opened, but popular south side stores like J. Crew and Crate & Barrel are helping marry the two centers. Mondy, with its Men's Night Only shopping event, also helped draw customers to the south side during the holidays."

## New Italian store is a family affair

BY BARB PERT TEMPLETON  
SPECIAL WRITER

"Everything is good. All is well."

That translation of the Italian phrase *tutto bene* couldn't be a more appropriate description for the new home decor shop Jennifer Rancilio recently opened in



Jennifer Rancilio

downtown Birmingham. The 24-year-old owner of Tutto Bene, a shop specializing in Italian ceramics, glass, jewelry and home furnishings, enjoyed a warm welcome to the retail market from both local shop owners and area customers.

"We just had a really good Christmas," smiled Rancilio, whose enthusiasm for her new venture is abundantly clear. An Albion College graduate, Rancilio earned a bachelor's degree in Economics and spent two years working at local advertising agency before branching out on her own.

"This has been in the dream stages for me for well over a year," said Rancilio, a longtime fan of Italian home decor. After leasing the space for her shop downtown last August, Rancilio began forming concrete plans for her dream. She hired a local design firm, Jon Greenberg and Associates, to help shape the look and feel of the new store.

"I wanted it to be as Italian as possible so we got the designers and they helped us out with the color schemes and the interior look, like the shelving," said Rancilio.

Once the ideas were laid out on paper, Rancilio and her family spent the next several months painting and pounding their own nails. They even put in the shop's floor prior to opening.

"I was lucky to have my brothers to do so much of the work for me," said Rancilio.

Boasting a warm, classic look, a focal point of Tutto Bene is a painted brick mural at the entrance. The store, roughly 1,200 square feet, includes 700 square feet of selling space.

A hot item is a line of ceramics by Sicilian artist Nino Parrucca. Many customers are avid collectors of Parrucca designs, particularly serving pieces and candle holders.

"His things are very primary-colored and really bright and I wasn't sure how they would go," said Rancilio, who stocks plenty of pieces from the Parrucca line.

Bringing imported Italian hand-made ceramic pieces, including everything from dish ware to picture frames, to the local market was important to Rancilio.

"I wanted to show off the art side of Italy, sure the food is good, too, but this is

the art and home decor side," she said. "And it's not all just decorative pieces. We have lots of serving pieces and many are dishwasher safe."

"This is not a chain, it's a very unique store with lots of gift items and it has that boutique style," she said.

Currently busy running her business a dozen hours a day, six days a week hasn't dampened Rancilio's entrepreneurial spirit. She hopes the future brings her debut in the wholesale market perhaps even establishing her own Tutto Bene catalog.

"I really have to give my family a lot of the credit because they gave me the courage to finally quit my job and go for it," said Rancilio. She still encounters surprised looks from customers who can't believe the shop boasts such a youthful owner.

"I can't blame anyone for that, I'm surprised by it myself," she laughed.

Tutto Bene is located one block north of Maple at 219 Old Woodward in Birmingham. Store hours Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Wayne/Warren. Westland.  
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(313) 425-5001.

### THURSDAY, JAN 15

### Sidewalk Sale

Mall merchants hold center-wide clearance sales through Monday, Jan. 19 during regular business hours near their storefronts.

Tel-Twelve Mall. 12 Mile/Telegraph. Southfield.  
(248) 363-4111.

### FRIDAY, JAN. 16

### Designer visits

Sportswear designer Ron Leal unveils his spring collection at Jacobson's from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Look for vibrant silks, knit trousers, jackets and tops.  
336 West Maple. Birmingham.  
(248) 644-6900.

### SATURDAY, JAN. 17

### Arthur visits

Meet the PBS character during Hudson's in-store appearances in the Kids Department, noon to 3 p.m. On Jan. 18 at Somerset North store, noon to 3 p.m.  
Oakland Mall. 14 Mile/John R. Troy.  
(248) 443-6263.

### Story hour

Barnes & Noble hosts "Miss Hattie's Book of Short Stories and Tall Tales," 11 a.m. to noon. Free. Reservations not required.

Telegraph/Maple. Bloomfield Hills.  
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### Bridal show

Jacobson's, The Community House and the Townsend Hotel join forces to host an afternoon of ideas for engaged couples 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jacobson's holds a fashion gown show 1-2 p.m. plus demonstrations on cooking for two. Tickets are \$25 to benefit the Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland.

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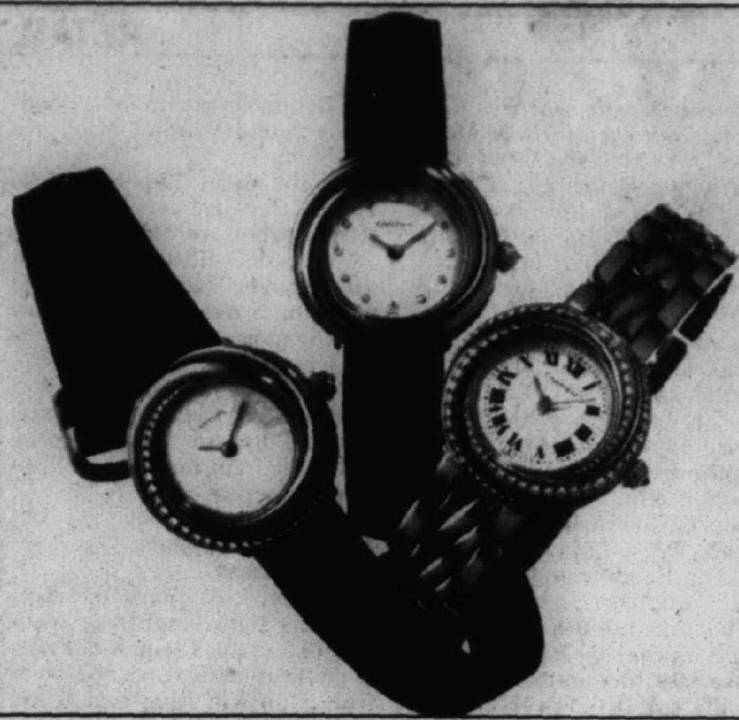
This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise in the marketplace. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement) please call Where Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message, and you should see your input in the following Sunday's column.

### What we found:

- A silver Christmas tree and revolving color wheel for Sally. Also **KLS Electronic** on Schoolcraft in Livonia sells the color wheel.
- **Bottom Better Diaper** rash cream can be found at **Lytle Pharmacy** in downtown Rochester or **Meijer's** in Canton.
- Video transfer box is sold at **ABC Warehouse** and **Adray Appliance** in Dearborn.
- The recording of **Little Drummer Boy** by Bing Crosby and David Bowie is on a CD "Edge of Christmas." **OGLIO** records is the producer.
- The game **Tric Trax** is made in Sweden by **Brio Company**. It can be ordered through **Muriel Doll House** in Plymouth.
- A brown haired **Barbie** for Linda of Troy was spotted at **J.C. Penney, Summit Place** mall in Waterford.
- **Jil Sanders** cologne for women is sold at **Saks Fifth Avenue** at Somerset Collection South. Try there also for the men's cologne.
- Karen has offered a suggestion to Myron: her grandmother taught her to darn socks by using a burned out light bulb. Stretch sock over light bulb and darn. Or try **Greenfield Village** or **Huckleberry Railroad**, they have them on display and might sell them. Or try the **Royal Oak market** on Sundays, one of the booths might have them.
- We found two people who can crochet a sombrero for a Tabasco bottle!
- The person who wanted the A&P dishes please call, Candy has a set.
- Found mens denim bib overalls in **J.C. Penney's Big & Tall catalog**.

### We're still looking for:

- A store that sells Christmas card address and record books for Mickey.
- Men's one- or two-piece pajamas with a seat for Carol of Westland.
- For Linda, nail products called **Mavala** found in drug stores.
- **Barby** is looking for a **1953 McCalls Giant Golden Make-It** books and a game **Survivorshot**.
- **Bodyology Cool Blue Eye Gel** for Chris.
- Fine crochet cotton size 30, 40 or 50 for Gerri.
- A 3 or 4 foot **Raggedy Ann** doll reasonably priced for Nancy.
- Cheryl is looking for a 1960 board game **WA-HOO**, similar to the game **Trouble**, it has an Indian theme.
- Replacement blades for hair wares.
- Pat is looking for four dark green and four raspberry cloth napkins by **Vera**, there is an one-half inch row of holes from the edges — and a white **Hummel** nativity set, Madonna, shepherd and the animals.
- John is looking for the hilarious song that J.P. McCarthy used to play on his radio show. It was called "Charge of the Lite Brigade and the Bugler." He'd be willing to donate to the J.P. Foundation.
- Linelle is looking for the game of **Pit**.
- Barbara is looking for **Shiny Sinks Plus**.
- Patricia is looking for **Anucci** perfume; it was a Neiman Marcus line.
- Need a pattern for a **Red Wings** afghan.
- Laura would like **Uncle Dan's Potato Chips**. She used to get them at a party store in Livonia.
- Sharon would like **Night Spice** cologne by Old Spice.
- Edna wants the starter kit for **Amish Friendship** bread.
- Still looking for card game **Hotel, Kismet** dice.
- A **Mrs. Beasley** doll for Shannon of Garden City.
- Janet would like dresses named **Chez**; they were carried at **SYS** on Southfield Road but they are no longer in business.
- A microwave turntable that comes apart for cleaning for Shirley.
- **Edwin Jeans** for girls and **Big Ben** jeans for boys for Karen.
- Kathy needs all solid color borders including black. She saw them on display but can't remember where.
- Looking for a book and record from the late 60's called **Shy Trunky**, it's about an elephant.
- The correct address for **E.J. Danish** modern chair cushions.
- Debbie is looking for a **Mary Mag** power doll hour from the early-mid 60s on magnetic stilts in its entirety.



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## Survey reveals shopping 'averages'

How "average" are you and your family when it comes to shopping?

A recent poll of 22,000 shoppers by the New York-based International Council of Shopping Centers revealed these surprising statistics:

- Consumers make an average of 39 shopping trips annually.
- Average mall visits now last about 76 minutes.
- Teens are among the malls' most fervent shoppers, spending \$40 on average, during each visit.
- Teens top the list of most-frequent shoppers with 54 mall visits per year; followed by senior citizens with 50 visits and Hispanics with 47 visits. The least frequent shoppers are folks ages 25-34 with 33 visits.
- Teens stay the longest (90 minutes) followed by Asians (82 minutes vs 69 minutes for Afro Americans. Females stay longer than men (81 minutes vs 66 minutes.)
- Shoppers spend an average of \$59.25 per visit. The biggest winners are department stores which take in \$28.50 of that sum. Food courts ring in \$3.20 of that dollar amount. Mall shops do well with \$27.50.
- Malls ring the most sales from 18-54 year olds (\$29 to \$32).
- Department stores have the highest sales per person among shoppers ages 35-64 at \$34-\$40.

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## Gift plans

### Why men feel good about buying ladies watches

BY DENISE RODGERS  
SPECIAL WRITER

Men like to buy their women watches.

This is one of the truths I discovered during the years I worked in my family's jewelry store. It makes a certain amount of sense. A man knows that his wife or girlfriend would like a gift of jewelry. After all, jewelry is the perfect gift to show commitment and adoration. What woman alive doesn't want to be adorned by a committed significant other?

But the man comes into the store ready to buy a watch because he has a complete lack of belief in the value of fine jewelry. To many men — certainly not all of them, but a vast number of Tim Allen-types — jewelry is an overrated and highly expensive gift form.

It's useless, serving no function beside depleting his checkbook balance. It is the cause of one of those men from Mars-women from Venus splits. Women want jewelry and some men just can't understand why.

Enter the watch. It has function as well as form. It does something: it tells time! And some of the fancier models tell the day and date and may even have a stop watch (though those gizmo-heavy models aren't likely to have much appeal to the typical woman).

The male gift-buyer is in heaven. He can purchase a gift at the jewelry store that appeals to his sense of the practical.

Depending on his choice, the watch may be a successful gift. Like jewelry, watches reflect a wide range of personal style — sporty and durable, fashionable and delicate, bold, formal, dressy, casual, stylish — you name it. Some women like to change their watches daily to match a particular outfit.

To these women, watches are like a piece of jewelry that happen to tell time. So a gift watch, if they like the style, would be an appropriate — and appreciated — gift.

As you can see, this is not a bad thing. The giver and the receiver are both happy. And another thing has happened. The man

went to the jewelry store to purchase a gift.

If the sales help is savvy, they'll recognize a way to be of help — and increase their sales at the same time. They will cautiously and helpfully introduce the man, who might be as thrilled about shopping in a jewelry store as he would be at the lingerie counter, to jewelry.

They might explain the over 3,000-year old veneration of gold and precious gems, appealing to his sense of history and value. They might explain that gold is so rare that only an estimated 102,000 tons have been taken from the earth by man so far, according to the World Gold Council. (According to these figures, more molten steel is poured in one hour than gold has been poured since the beginning of recorded time.)

If his eyes don't glaze over after the history spiel, a good salesperson would then explain the enduring value of jewelry compared to other gift favorites, say cut flowers and fine chocolates. Because gold does not rust, tarnish or corrode, it lasts through generations — and yet is an affordable gift. This concept of enduring value — and affordability — might motivate the man who sees jewelry as a waste of money to change his gift-buying ways.

While not all men fit this stereotype, it does represent a rather large cross section of the testosterone set. After all, do a majority of men feel more at home shopping in a hardware store than at their local jeweler's? The honest answer is probably a resounding YES! (Perhaps someone with an entrepreneurial noggin might set up a jewelry gift counter adjacent to the power tool section.)

And if not, take heart. It's the '90s. More and more women have stopped waiting for gifts from their men and are buying fine jewelry for themselves. Non-watch items, even.

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## Brief facts from Fruit of the Loom

Fruit of the Loom put out a redesigned brief recently, along with these fun facts:

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## Sweater drive under way

Detroit Public Television teamed up with C.O.T.S. (Coalition on Temporary Shelter) to participate in the Mr. Roger's Neighborhood Sweater Drive, through Jan. 18 at the WTVS Stores of Knowledge at Somerset North, Troy; Lakeside Mall in Sterling Heights; and Briarwood Mall, Ann Arbor.

Shoppers are asked to donate sweaters they no longer need to those less fortunate. For more details call Jill Silver at (313) 876-8358.

## Which way do you go?

In its winter bulletin, the Fashion Group International reports that 80 to 90 percent of shoppers turn to the right when they enter a store.

The reason for this is that we receive and compute information from the left to the right side of our brains according to marketing authority Peter Drucker, quoted in the article.

## Crepes anyone?

Plymouth residents have fallen in love with a new eatery in town, The Cafe Giverny at 370 S. Main. Owner Neb Brankovic said the cafe specializes in crepes and soups and is open daily from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Closed Mondays. For more details call (734) 453-6998.

## Thousands view Hudson's annual holiday exhibit

More than 150,000 shoppers passed through A Christmas Carol, the animated walk-through exhibit hosted by Summit Place mall during Novem-

ber-December according to Hudson's spokeswoman Michelle Shulman.

"That's about 20-percent less visitors than last year," she said. "Regrettably, we didn't have as many student-filled busses as in the past. For Holiday 1998 we're planning a more contemporary holiday story and that might be more appealing."

The complimentary exhibit is Hudson's gift to the community, created by set and costume designers from the Guthrie Theatre in Minneapolis.

## New catalog appeals to larger sizes

Junonia Ltd., markets active clothing for women who wear size 14 and up. The new quarterly publication features bodywear from Danskin Plus and Gilda Marx, swimsuits, sports bras, downhill and cross country ski-wear, tennis skirts, padded bicycle shorts and golf clothing.

President Anne Kelly said "our goal is to make the smaller women jealous."

The name of the St. Paul-based catalog comes from the Roman deity, Juno, protectress of women. "In art she is depicted as a goddess of large, majestic proportion," according to Kelly, who added, "to receive a catalog call 1-800-JUNONIA (586-6642)."

## New bridal store opens in downtown Birmingham

Roma Sposa, is now selling exclusive European designs for the bride, according to owner Anna Castaldi Roselli, at 722 N. Old Woodward in Birmingham.

Castaldi previously owned a bridal shop in Rome. A gown can take up to a year to make in the Old World style. They are priced from \$1,800 to \$4,500.

Current gowns-of-choice are made from a dazzling array of fine fabrics and silks including Gazar, Mikado, Georgette, Chif-



A sample of a Roma Sposa gown

fon, Duchesse and crystalline organza lace. For more details or a personal appointment call (248) 723-4300.

The shop will host a trunk show of Peter Langer creations, Jan. 29-31. Reservations are suggested.

## Coffee on the run

Joe, To Go, a traditional gourmet coffee shop with an unconventional drive-thru service, is open on Woodward, one block south of 14 Mile, in Royal Oak next to Spango's Coney Island at 32889 Woodward.

Joe offers its own line of pre-

mium house blends, cappuccinos, lattes and espresso along with other hot and cold beverages bagels, scones, muffins and cookies from area bakeries. Owner Susan Vert said she's open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekends.

## Mail hosts winter sport collectibles show

A sports coin and stamp show runs Jan. 16-18 at Livonia Mall, Seven Mile/Middlebelt during regular mall hours. Fun for the family as visitors buy, sell and trade. Meet former Tiger Sid Monge who pitched for the team 1984-1985, Saturday, Jan. 17 from 1-3 p.m. on stage near Crowley's. Call the mall for more details at (248) 476-1160.

## Magnetic jewelry out

Foes of body piercing who still like the look will want to check out a variety of styles of studs, spirals, stones, stars and spikes that let anyone have the pierced look for an hour or a day without the permanence and holes of the actual procedure.

"No Holes" Magnetic Jewelry from Gravity Free Factory, New York, has taken "piercing" mainstream. Powerful rare-earth backing magnets in the nose, behind the ear or between the lip and gum hold the jewelry securely to the desired spot.

More than a million pieces of the jewelry have been produced and sold in the past two years, according to Paige Eshelman, Gravity Free Factory's co-founder and marketing director. The line's growing popularity has led the company to more than quadruple the space of its production facility in downtown New York's TriBeCa district. The Web address is [www.noholes.com](http://www.noholes.com), and the toll-free phone order number for consumers is 800-529-5511.

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## ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

### Art heats up winter sales

**M**ore and more local development authorities and shopping districts are looking to ice carving as a way to draw customers into stores. This year alone Birmingham, Royal Oak, Rochester, and Plymouth will host events varying from simple showcases of the art to competitions with demonstrations by carvers.

Sponsored by the Birmingham Principal Shopping District, Winterfest is an exhibition of ice sculptures including a 10-block Victorian house. It takes place Thursday, Feb. 5, to Sunday, Feb. 8, in two locations: the Triangle area where Woodward and Old Woodward converge, and Shain Park, north of Merrill, east of Bates in downtown Birmingham. For more information, call (248) 433-3550.

"The idea is to bring people into the downtown area," said Dawn Booker, special events coordinator for the Birmingham Principal Shopping District. "This is our 14th year. It started off as a family fun event by The Community House. At one time it was a competition that evolved into a spectator sport which is now tied in with merchants in a sales event."

The Rochester Downtown Development Authority is gambling their first ice carving event, "No Ordinary Sale," will bring customers into the area 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and until 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31. For more information, call (248) 656-0060.

"We'd talked for several years about doing something involving ice at the beginning of the year when sales are slow," said Kristina Trevarrow, Rochester DDA promotions and marketing coordinator. "We're starting small with sculptures in front of the businesses and five major pieces scattered throughout the site. If it's well accepted we'll talk about expanding it next year."

Carver J. R. Lorentz, with his partner Alison Edwards, is producing the sculptures for the Rochester event. The 35-year-old Garden City resident is rare among carvers in that he pays his bills with his skills. Lorentz works full time in a Plymouth studio creating everything from custom carvings to company logos. The majority of carvers work as chefs and instructors and carve to supplement their income.

"I like to say I've got the coolest job around," said Lorentz. "A lot of people tend to do it as a hobby or as a money maker on the side, but I love it so much I do it full time. I work together with catering companies frequently but compete against the floral market. But with an endless variety of subjects and the different ways I can light a carving, it can be a focal point for any occasion. They also can be functional as well as aesthetic."

Weddings, bridal showers, anniversaries, banquets, parties, Lorentz can

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**Cold as ice:** J.R. Lorentz of Garden City runs a full-time ice carving business, not an easy task. He's pictured here competing in the nationals competition in Fairbanks, Alaska, last year.



**Winter time cure:** The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular chases away the winter blues Jan. 14-19 as hundreds of carvers compete for \$10,000 in cash prizes and scholarships with sculptures spanning a wide variety of subject matter.

## VANISHING ICE ART WARMS HEARTS OF VIEWERS SCULPTURE

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Visitors might think they're at the 1998 Winter Olympic Games in Nagano, Japan, when they arrive at the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular Jan. 14-19.

Aaron Costic's 20-foot-long by 15-foot-high carving of the interlocking rings, however, were meant only to commemorate the fact that five out of eight American carvers invited to the Winter Olympics will be testing their skills in Plymouth. Of those carvers, 1996 world champions Ted Wakar of Canton and Jim Bur Jr., an Eastpointe resident who grew up in Livonia and graduated from Churchill High School, will compete in the professional individual category (see accompanying story).

Michael and Sandra Watts have been working out at the gym for the last few months to prepare for the six grueling days when they coordinate the competitions making sure each of the 400,000 pounds of ice are in place and ready to carve. More than 500,000 visitors are expected to attend the event featuring professional, amateur and student carvers. Recognized as the oldest and largest ice carving event in North America, the Spectacular includes competitions, a 24-hour light show, a Family Warming Center to provide respite from the cold and hunger, and a Fantasyland of animal ice carvings including a 16-foot tall giraffe by John Fitzer of Westland.

"It's kind of an Olympic training camp for ice carvers," said

Michael Watts, who's excited by the fact Plymouth's reputation as a world-class event is growing. "This is the best crew of carvers we've had. This is the event to carve in."

Teams and individuals from across North America and Japan

will compete for more than \$10,000 in cash prizes and scholarships. For the first time in a major competition, the American Culinary Federation and the National Ice Carving Association will both sanction the events. Certified Master Chefs Milos

Cihelka, a Bloomfield Hills resident who retired from the Golden Mushroom; Dan Hugelier, an instructor at Schoolcraft College; and Austrian born Helmut Holzer from Atlanta are among two teams of judges awarding artistic and technical points to carvers.

Students and instructors from Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills, Schoolcraft College, Livonia; Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn; Macomb and Monroe community colleges as well as Plymouth, Romulus and Catholic Central High School in Redford look forward to learning from the masters.

As educational coordinator for the Spectacular, Richard Teeple will assist college and high school students with their pieces at the time of competition. Teeple, a chef instructor at Henry Ford Community College, along with his students will carve one of the major displays in The Gathering. The 40 blocks of ice will feature characters Subzero and Motaro from Mortal Kombat video game and films.

"The event is an opportunity to educate the community about ice carving that it's more than just finished pieces," said Teeple, a Plymouth resident competing in Frankenmuth Feb. 6-7. "But it's also a place for amateur carvers to learn. It's a theater to study everyone else's talents."

Even though Oakland Community College students will not compete, chef instructor Dan Rowison also believes the Plymouth event is an opportunity to expand ice carving skills. A team

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STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BREHLEN

**Olympic hopefuls:** Ted Wakar and Jim Bur Jr. will compete against ice carving teams from around the world in two separate championships in Japan.

### Sculptors go for the cold

LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

For the last six weeks, award-winning ice carvers Ted Wakar and Jim Bur Jr. have spent hundreds of hours drawing, constructing models and practicing for the Plymouth International Ice

Sculpture Spectacular, Jan. 14-19, and for two contests in Japan.

Wakar, an executive chef employed by Marriott Management at Ford Motor Co., and Bur, a product informa-

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## AT THE GALLERY

### Thewes comes up from the underground

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
STAFF WRITER

On his drive to teach an art history class to a group of junior high students, an indelible image came to Tom Thewes.

In a busy world that he describes as "filled with noise," driving often allows Thewes the time to find a quiet moment whereby he can recite the rosary. A practice, said Thewes, that reflects his desire for certainty rather than strict religious devotion.

During the drive to his teaching assignment, it became apparent to Thewes - a painter inspired by cubism and comic books - that a wreath of syringes would be the modern-day equivalent to a crown of thorns pinned to Jesus' head.

In his Royal Oak studio, Thewes points to the result of the epiphany: a painting that depicts Jesus with syringes stuck into his head, and through his hands and feet. If some Christians find it sacrilegious, anarchistic or Kevorkian-like, then they might not be looking deep enough, he said.

Provoking viewers of his art to "look deeper" has become Thewes' most pressing challenge.

Working with an airbrush and a range of media, including wood panels, sandpaper and canvas, Thewes' most recent edgy portraits, "Sandpaper Sally," are currently exhibited at C Pop Gallery in Royal Oak.

Although associated with low-brow underground

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STAFF PHOTO BY DAN DEAN

**Cutting edge:** Tom Thewes combines found-objects, cubist-style painting and computer-enhanced images in his art.



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of 24 students will create a 25-block scene from "Little Mermaid." Rowson expects the students to spend four days carving the commissioned piece.

"It's an opportunity to practice team work," said Rowson, a Farmington Hills resident and coordinator of the Winterfest ice sculpture event in Birmingham Feb. 5-8. "There's so much ice

out there, they're not intimidated by it. It's a positive learning experience. I suggest to my students that they become one with the ice."

"Plymouth is probably more well known for the Ice Spectacular than for being the site of the Daisy BB gun factory," said Watts. "We get calls from around the world asking about it. We

had a call from the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham asking when the show was because they've had calls from people who stayed there last year while attending the event. "I'd just like the weather to chill down and get the ground frozen," said Watts, in an interview on a 50 degree January day.

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carve something appropriate from the one block sculptures weighing in at 250 pounds and standing four feet tall for just about any occasion. The cost ranges from \$175 to \$225.

And how long does a carving usually last before turning into a puddle? Lorentz estimates six to eight hours depending on conditions.

A graduate of Garden City West High School, Lorentz came to ice carving after working in the collision business for more than 10 years. It was then he

decided to go for an associate degree in culinary arts at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn where he was president of the Ice Carving Club. Lorentz graduated in 1995. Two years ago, he founded J.R.'s Ice Sculptures, a full-service company which supplies sculptures, ice punchbolls, and carving blocks in the tri-county area.

Over the last year, Lorentz won several professional competitions including third place in the Plymouth Ice Spectacular with team mate Matt Cooper of

Fenton. On Friday, Feb. 6, Lorentz will defend the first place he took in the Great Lakes Ice Carving Competition in Frankenmuth. Lorentz and Jim Bur Jr. won the title as a team in 1997. Lorentz's dream is to compete in the 2002 Winter Olympics Ice Sculpting Competition just as carvers Ted Wakar of Canton and Bur, an Eastpointe resident who grew up in Livonia and graduated from Churchill High School, will do this year in Nagano, Japan.

tion manager at Bozell Worldwide Inc., a Southfield advertising agency, will compete as part of pregame cultural programs held in Nagano, Japan, prior to the 1998 Winter Olympic Games' opening ceremonies Feb. 7.

They will be competing in the individual category at the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

"Time wise it wasn't practical for us to compete as a team in Plymouth, which we consider one of the major North American events," said Wakar of Canton, who is married to Bur's sister Theresa.

"It's a matter of time and preparation. The drawing, layout and practice needed for an event like Plymouth is extensive. We felt it would be too taxing for us the week before we go over to Japan."

In addition to competing in Nagano, Wakar and Bur will once again compete in the World Ice Sculptors Competition Feb. 5-7 in Asahikawa, Japan.

The brothers-in-law were the first U.S. team ever to win the competition when they captured the title in 1996 at the 37th annual event.

They said individual competitions and carving 76 street sculptures for the Plymouth event will help them prepare physically and mentally for lifting 300 pound blocks of ice in below zero temperatures in Japan.

"As we get closer to Japan, we'll be going down to the ice house to stack our piece for the Olympics," said Bur. Seeing it on paper, and then seeing it life-size on the wall, and then in ice - it's a totally different perspective."

Wakar and Bur have spent hundreds of hours preparing for the competitions in Japan. Every day they fine tune the design for their sculptures. Before a chainsaw touches the ice, hours of strategizing, drawing and planning go into creating a world-class sculpture. Dozens of sketches lie on the drawing board and desk of Wakar's Frozen Images studio in Plymouth. Ten hours of practice in mid-December led to more draw-

ing after one of the figures collapsed as they neared the final stages.

Since the theme of the 1998 Winter Olympic Games is peace, their sculpture will consist of two female children, hands clasped in front of them. Usually, these sketches are shown to no one so as to protect their ideas from other carvers until the time of execution.

"We're still working out the kinks in the design," said Bur, Jr. "The idea was that without the other, one falls over. We like the figures because of the playfulness, the hair blowing in the wind. There's a fluid motion going on. Their hair and apparel says movement. The base, which we'll be working on in Plymouth, has movement as well. When you're doing an ice carving you have to create a scene, it isn't just a figure or a bird by itself. There has to be a beauty and peacefulness to it, a strength of design, making it more than just a couple of carvings in front of your face and that's difficult to do."

So what makes an ice carving good? Universally, the criteria for "good art" cuts across mediums. Movement is important to an award-winning piece but so are a number of other elements like originality in subject matter, a high quality of craftsmanship and artistic achievement, and the ability to draw the eye in and around the three dimensional piece.

"You have to find favor with the judges and they like figures. You can't fake it; your fundamental art skills have to be solid," said Wakar.

Working as a team is no easy task either. An endurance as well as a dangerous sport, each must know exactly where the other is and what he's doing.

"It's a challenge," said Wakar, who's making his fourth trip to the World Competitions in Japan. "We've learned how to balance our different ways of carving. We think out a flight plan ahead of time to orchestrate our movements."

Wakar and Bur, Jr. have worked more than three years

planning each and every event to lead them to the Olympics. Most of the competitions they've been involved with were chosen in order "to see other carvers art works and to see what judges were accepting."

They competed in high exposure events like the nationals in Fairbanks, Alaska; and the world championships in Asahikawa to match their skills to high level competitors. After Japan, they would like to compete in other international events including one in China.

"I'm excited about sharing the experience with my family," said Wakar, who's looking for businesses and individuals who have an appreciation or enthusiasm for ice carving to sponsor the team.

The medals, plaques and cups filling the shelves and walls of the Frozen Images office won't pay for the trip estimated at \$10,000 for each family. Airline tickets alone are \$1,400 each. They've approached chainsaw companies but the only response was "people will recognize our tools by the colors." According to Wakar, it's difficult for sponsors to view ice carving as more than a cute swan decorating a banquet table.

"It's what we represent, artistic endeavors," said Wakar. "We're creating in rugged conditions, striving for the highest level of art."

"There will be half a million Japanese alone seeing their product overseas," added Bur. "Whether it's wearing their product or their name, we see that as a positive to represent U.S. and Michigan companies."

Wakar and Bur hope to compete in the 2002 Olympic Games as well when they expect ice carving to be declared an official sport. The road to becoming a sport in the Olympics is not as direct as one might think.

To qualify as a sport, ice sculpting must be demonstrated for two consecutive games. Ice carving could finally receive qualification as sport as the 2002 Winter Olympic Games. When that happens Wakar and Bur want to be there.

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artists because of the earth-tone pallet and dark thematic currents in his work, Thewes' paintings are not so much shocking as revealing.

Arguably, his work reflects a growing trend that blurs the lines among graphic art, computer-enhanced imagery and fine art.

### Break out

Thewes' dazzling use of form, dramatic tension and his futuristic composition just might lead to breaking out from the "underground artist" label, said Rick Manore, C Pop Gallery owner whose aggressive promotion style has helped to elevate local artists Glenn Barr and Niagara to international attention.

"There's an intellectual intercourse in Tom's work," said Manore. "He doesn't have to resort to shock to get people's attention. He's got something to say about the world."

Unlike Thewes' underground artistic brethren infatuated with perverse imagery and versions of the impending apocalypse, much of his work is layered with meaning, rather than self-absorption.

It's a perspective Thewes

attributes to his Catholic upbringing and the belief that there must be lasting moral values in the vortex of American culture.

"I look around, there's such a lack of faith in everything," said Thewes, a graduate of Birmingham Brother Rice and Center for Creative Studies in 1989.

"People are searching for something to believe in," he said.

### Search for 'the real'

In the retro style of the '90s and Information Age, the resurrection of cubism and futurism seems like natural timing for an artist like Thewes, who has an ability to combine found-objects and computer technology in his paintings.

The contradiction of working with the refuse of post-industrialism and the latest software is strikingly similar to the cubists' response to the profound industrial changes occurring a century ago.

The angularity that distinguishes cubism evolved in response to the modern technical world of the early 1900s. Early cubist artists such as Picasso and Braque contended that the innovative form of painting represented a closer equation between art and "the real."

A century later, artists continue to struggle with reflecting "what is real." In today's world, the task facing artists inevitably requires addressing issues of rapid societal change, the integration of new and old techniques, use of popular imagery and technology, and ultimately, accepting or rejecting the role of faith.

In many ways, Thewes seems to be a conduit for those currents.

"Everyone is caught up with computers and the Internet, and in Detroit there's still this hardcore smelting mentality," he said. "This is the home of the post-industrial society."

And Thewes contends the creative energy reflects the struggle to come to grips with a high-tech culture where innovation is often a step ahead of comprehension.

In Thewes' studio, where the walls are covered in thick plastic sheets, a disassembled typewriter is strewn on the floor, not far from a large metal box of tools and other "found objects," collected at refuse sites. He's used a range of objects, including tin,

### Art on Display

**What:** "Sandpaper Sally," new works by Tom Thewes  
**When:** Through Sunday, Feb. 8

**Where:** C Pop Gallery, 515 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak; (248) 398-9999

wire bed frames, warped boards and a miniature trampoline in his work.

In the front of the studio, Thewes has placed two video arcade games, which he readily invites visitors to play, as he says, "to pass the time."

Like his paintings, Thewes' studio is a place where industrial grittiness meets virtual reality.

"My approach is to look at 'art' more as communication than something about ego," he said.

Meanwhile, in the back room, Thewes has assembled a state-of-the-art computer system where he scans, manipulates and prints illustrations and other images.

Manore calls Thewes one of the most sought-after commercial illustrators working on a computer in the region. Several weeks ago, he was called by Levi Strauss Co. to submit illustrative ideas for their new image campaign. He was given 24 hours. He made the deadline because he said he knew "it was important to show that I'm a team player."

That's an unusual admission from an artist.

While many artists draw a sharp line between commercial art and art that reflects their personal vision, Thewes strives for a seamlessness between the two.

Thewes doesn't lead on that he could have easily taken another path. While some artists cringe at the sight of a computer, Thewes finds it as natural as clicking a remote. It runs in the family.

His father, Tom Thewes Sr., was one of the three founders of Compuware, a billion-dollar software services company of Farmington Hills.

For a while, Thewes worked in the graphics department at Compuware. But, eventually, he decided he had to go his own way.

It was just a matter of faith

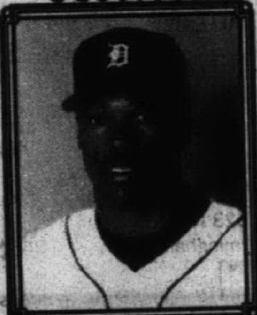
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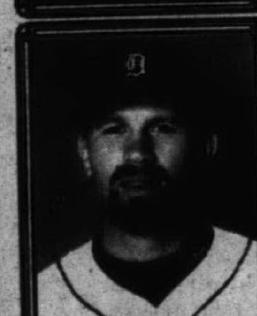
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Auditions for spring Tuesday, Jan. 13. Major shows each and a spring area resident, at Farmington Hills Mile Road, (Slide) Farmington Hills.

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### AUDITIONS/ CALL FOR ENTRIES

#### PARK PLAYERS

1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, open audition for Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado." All roles open for casting. Prepare 16 bars of a song to demonstrate vocal range. An accompanist will be provided. Scheduled performances March 21-23, 28-30 and April 3-4, 1998. North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale, Detroit; (313) 459-2332.

#### FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS

Auditions for spring session 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13. Chorus performs two major shows each year, a holiday concert and a spring concert. Must be an area resident, at least 18 years old. Farmington Hills Activity Center, 11 Mile Road, (east of Middlebelt), Farmington Hills; (248) 471-4516.

#### NAT'L JURIED EXHIBIT & ART & APPLES AT PCCA

Paint Creek Center for the Arts seeks entries for national juried all media exhibition, March 27-April 24, 1998. Deadline for slide entries: Jan. 15, 1998. PCCA seeks applications from artists in fine arts or fine crafts at the juried Art & Apples Festival, Sept. 12-13, 1998. Slides must be received by March 6, 1998. Entry fee: \$20. For prospectus and application form write or contact PCCA, 407 Pine Street, Rochester, MI 48307; (248) 651-4110.

#### BLUE LAKE FINE ARTS CAMP

Auditions for junior and senior high school ballet students for summer arts camp. Auditions will include a master-class taught by Jefferson Baum, Blue Lake's director of dance. Fee: \$15. 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, 3226 Old Main, Wayne State campus; (616) 894-1966.

#### PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY

Accepting new members until Jan. 19. Performing Bach's Magnificat and Testament of Freedom by Randall Thompson for May 3 concert. Leonard L. Riccinto conductor. No auditions. Rehearsals: 7:30-9:15 p.m. Mondays, St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren, Canton.

#### 17TH ANNUAL MICHIGAN FINE ARTS COMPETITION

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association seeks entries for its statewide all media competition, March 6-27. For information and a prospectus, call (248) 644-0866.

#### MICHIGAN DRAWING BIENNIAL '98

Hand deliver entries to Room 106 Ford Hall, Eastern Michigan University by 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10. Opening reception Tuesday, Feb. 3, exhibit through Feb. 20. For information, contact Eastern Michigan Art Department.

#### BREVARD MUSIC CENTER AUDITIONS

Regional auditions 4-7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, University of Michigan, Room #2043. Brevard Music Center is a summer music festival in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. The program runs June 24-Aug. 9, 1998 for advanced instrumentalists ages 14-35, and for opera students who have completed at least one year of college study. Auditions will serve both admission and scholarship purposes. To schedule an audition, and for more information, call Lynn Johnson, (704) 884-2975.

#### SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13 & 20. Fifty voice choir includes both students and experienced singers of all ages. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road (west of Inkster Road), Livonia; (248) 349-8175 or (313) 462-4435.

#### VERY SPECIAL ARTS MICHIGAN

Call for Art by people with disabilities for a juried exhibition. Deadline: Jan. 15. Contact VSAMI office, 21700 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI 48075; (248) 423-1080.

#### MUSIC COMPETITION

The Bohemians Club, a.k.a. The Musicians Club of Greater Detroit, will hold its first annual Solo Concerto Competition for orchestral instruments. Prize money will be awarded. Contestants, between ages of 16-22, must submit performance tape by March 1, 1998. Send to: Herbert Couf, c/o The Bohemians, 37685 Russett Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48331.

#### DOCUMENTA USA

Slides, videotape (no longer than 15 minutes) for a three-month spring 1998 exhibit. Every submission will be presented. Artists of any medium, age free to participate. The Museum of Contemporary Art, 23 W. Lawrence St., Ste. 101, Pontiac, MI 48342.

#### HARBOR BELLS

English secular hand bell choir has openings for ringers 18 years or older. Mus. read music. Rehearsals once a week, through June. (248) 681-6453.

#### BENEFITS

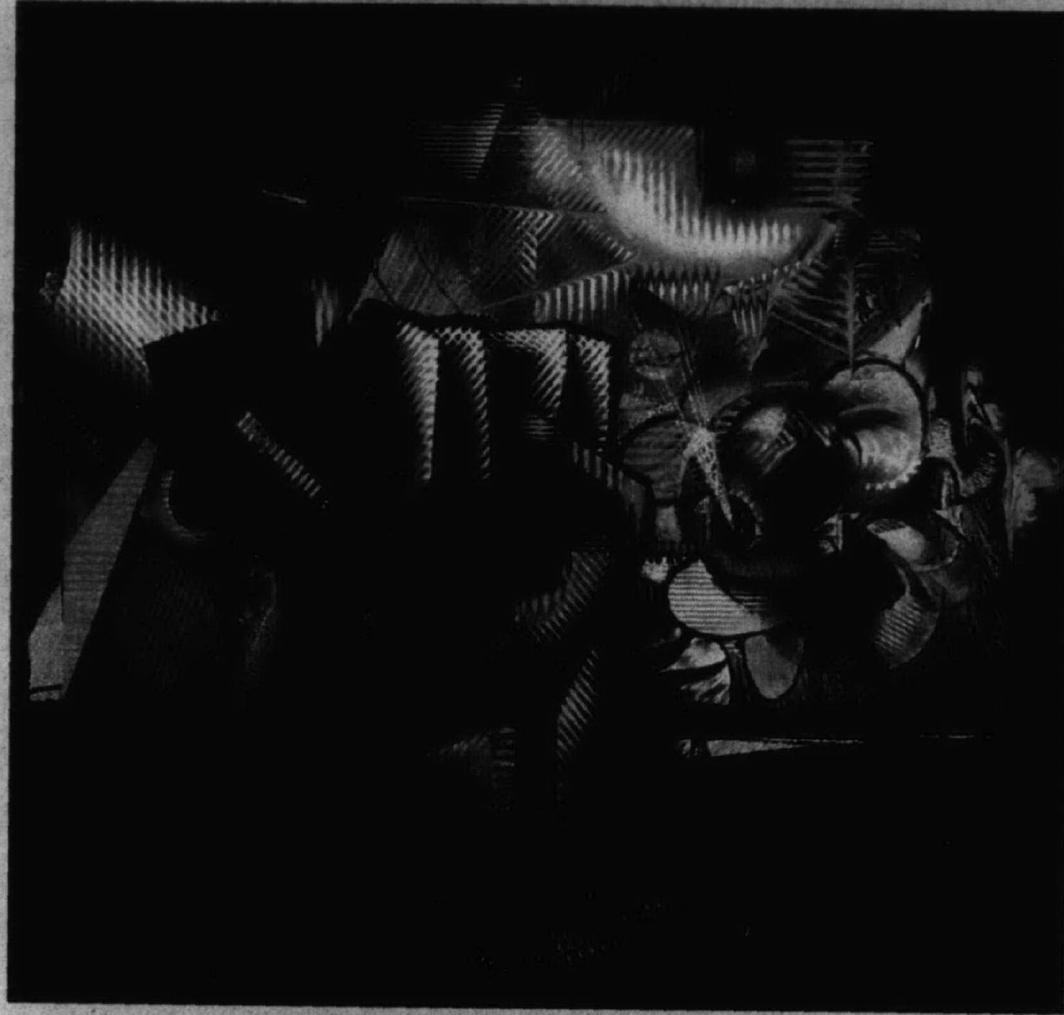
##### FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS

7:30-11:30 p.m., Jan. 24, "Swingtime '98," featuring gourmet food and wine tasting, dancing and silent auction. Tickets: \$50 per person; \$150 for patrons. Guardian Building, 500 Griswold, Detroit; (248) 559-1645.

#### BLUES

##### ROBERT JONES

2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 as part of the opening ceremonies for the exhibit, "Dust-Shaped Hearts: Photographs of African-American Men" by Don Camp. University of Michigan Museum of Art Museum, Museum of Art Apse, 525 S.



**Layered:** What does retro-futuristic art look like? Tom Thewes cubist-style paintings with a high-tech edge are on exhibit through Feb. 6 at C Pop Gallery, 515 S. Lafayette, Ste. D, Royal Oak; (248) 398-9999.

State Street, Ann Arbor; (734) 764-0395.

### BRASS

#### DETROIT BRASS SOCIETY

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16, OCC's "Just for You" series presents Thomas Cook and the Detroit Brass Society. Tickets: \$10. Highland Lakes Campus, 7350 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford; (248) 360-3186.

### CHORALE

#### DETROIT CONCERT CHOIR

"Amahl and the Night Visitors," an opera in one act by Gian-Carlo Menotti, the story of shepherd boy and the mysterious Magi. 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, St. Joan of Arc, 21620 Mack Avenue, St. Clair Shores; (313) 882-0118.

#### A CAPELLA

4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, internationally renowned Canada's Star-Scape Singers. Each singer has a three octave range. Material ranges from traditional classics to unique arrangements of contemporary classics. Tickets: \$12 & \$20. Shrine Chapel, St. Mary's College, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake; (248) 683-0521.

### CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

#### BBAW WINTER CLASSES

Registration for Jan. 12-March 28 classes, new offerings include Women and Visual Arts, Color Theory and Application, Experimental Basketry with Paper, Introduction to Printmaking, Steel Sculpture Workshop. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

#### PCAC WINTER CLASSES

Plymouth Community Arts Council open registration for art, music and theater classes for all ages. Classes start week of Jan. 12-April 1. Offerings include pottery, photography, batik, printmaking, beginning strings and more; (734) 416-4278.

#### PARTICIPATE IN PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS

Jingle BEL, Inc. of Rochester Hills offers members of Rochester and neighboring communities a program to expand skills to build self-confidence through participation in the arts. Winter classes: 7:15-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13-April 1, "Live Wires," the basics of vocal, drama and choreographic techniques; 4:15-5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14-April 1, "Broadway Brigade," instruction in music and theater; 3:15-4:15 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14-April 1, "Short Circuit," a children's class covering basics of drama, singing and movement with emphasis on developing listening skills; (248) 375-9027.

#### SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Winter classes: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, "Landscape in Pastel," \$120/10 weeks; 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, "Ceramics," \$50/8 weeks; 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, "Painting & Drawing," \$75/6 weeks; 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, "Experimental Watercolor Workshop," \$40/1 meeting; 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, "Introduction to Watercolor," \$75/6 weeks; 1-4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, "Advanced Watercolor," \$75/6 weeks; 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, "Chain Making Workshop," \$35/1 meeting; 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, "Basic Bead Stringing," \$10/1 meet-

ing; 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, "Vintage Beaded Knitted Bags," \$15/1 meeting. Southfield Centre for the Arts; 24350 Southfield Road.

#### TAKING SLIDES

Compile the ideal portfolio, learn about how to display your work in the best light. "Taking Slides," a two-week class 7-9 p.m., Jan. 22 & 29. Fee: \$25, members; \$28, nonmembers. Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004.

#### ART THERAPY

9:10-10:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, a 10-week art therapy workshop for children and adults taught by Holly Feen-Calligan, head of art therapy master's degree program at Wayne State. Fee: \$25. 163 Community Arts Bldg., Wayne State campus, Detroit; (313) 577-0490.

#### HUMANITIES SERIES

Registration for Jan. 29-March 19 class, 1-3 p.m. Thursdays, Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield; (248) 948-0470.

#### CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF PONTIAC

Winter classes begin Jan. 13, including drawing, sculpture and painting. Children's classes included drawing and cartooning, painting, mask-making, arts and crafts and printmaking. Teen and adult classes include beaded jewelry, ceramics, photography, Chinese brush painting and blues guitar. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

#### DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through March 5 - 10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., "Survey of World Art," Holley Room; Thursdays, Jan. 29, Feb. 5, 12 & 19, 4-6 p.m., "Drawing for Adults," Studio and Galleries; 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, "Altering Spaces: Installation Art," Holley Room; 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays Feb. 21, 28 March 7, "From the African Loom to the African American Quilt." Fees vary. Classes and workshops require pre-registration. To register call (313) 833-4249.

#### PAINT CREEK WINTER CLASSES

Registration open for classes from 4 years old and up at the Paint Creek Center for the Arts. Classes run, Jan. 19-March 4. Introductory three-session workshop for adults in ceramic bad making 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29 and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5. Two-session mat workshop for adults 6:30-9 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 22 & 29. Registration deadline: Jan. 15, 407 Pine Street, Rochester. To register, (248) 651-4110.

#### ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Winter classes begin the week of Jan. 12, including garden vessel workshop, painting landscapes, figurative painting. 117 W. Liberty, downtown Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004.

#### WINTER CLASSES WITH KAREN HALPERN

January and February classes with noted Bloomfield Hills artist. Class offerings include a range of media. Locations include Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, West Bloomfield, Ferndale and Petoskey. Schedules and information, call (248) 851-8215.

### CLASSICAL

#### TROY PUBLIC LIBRARY

3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, DSO violist Hart Hollman and pianist Arvi Sinka. Free admission.

#### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15 - Yo-Yo Ma in recital; 8:30 p.m. Saturday & 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 17-18 - Conductor Neeme

Jarvi, featuring trombonist Christian Lindberg, in a program of Kabalevsky, Rimsky-Korsakov, Sandstrom and Sibelius. \$17-\$60. 3711 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-3700/(313) 962-3610.

#### PONTIAC OAKLAND SYMPHONY - FUNDRAISER

7:30 p.m.-Saturday, Jan. 24, annual pops concert and fund raiser in cabaret setting with dinner and dancing following concert. Tickets: \$45 per person, purchase before Jan. 19. Northfield Hilton, Crooks at I-75, Troy; (248) 334-6024.

### DANCE

#### SWAN LAKE ON ICE

7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, and 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, the St. Petersburg State Ice Ballet performs the elaborately costumed production. Macomb Community College, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Twp.; (810) 286-2141.

#### IRISH DANCE

3 & 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, Trinity Irish Dance Company translates Celtic myths and stories. Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Twp.; (810) 286-2141.

#### SLEEPING BEAUTY

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, "Sleeping Beauty," presented by the Macomb Ballet Company and the Macomb Symphony Orchestra. Tickets: \$14, adults; \$12, seniors/students. 40730 Garfield Road, Clinton Twp.; (810) 286-8300.

### JAZZ

#### JAZZ VESPER

6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18, featuring Ron Kischuk and the Tartar Sauce Traditional Jazz Band. First Baptist Church, 300 Willis at Bates streets, downtown Birmingham; (248) 644-0550.

#### JAVA & JAZZ

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23, Sheila Landis Quintet. Tickets: \$12. Orchard Ridge Campus, Smith Theatre, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, just south of I-696, Farmington Hills; (248) 540-1540.

#### JEWISH LIFE IN JAZZ

3:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, the Cohn-Haddow Center for Judaic Studies presents "A Jewish Life in Jazz," a concert and informal lecture by pianist and composer Ben Sidran. Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-5700.

### LECTURE

#### DIA EDUCATION PROGRAMS

2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17, "Lecture: Lorna Simpson," an artist who challenges racial and gender-specific stereotypes. Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Avenue; (313) 833-7899.

#### ART OF CHINA

Six-week survey of Chinese Art begins 7:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12. Professor Michael Farrell will trace the development of Chinese art from Neolithic origins through the 19th century with attention to the sculpture, scroll painting and decorative arts. Fee: \$80 six week course; \$15 per lecture. Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road; (248) 424-9022.

#### BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES

Noon Thursday, Jan. 15, featuring Bob Gaylor, curator of rare books at Oakland University, to discuss book collecting and appraise books. Information Technology Building, 1200 N. Telegraph

Road; (248) 858-0415.

#### NORTHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION

LECTURE SERIES  
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, Feb. 11 and March 11, featuring Michael Farrell's lecture, "Three Masters of American Painting." Season: \$25; \$9 at door. Northville High School, 775 N. Center, Northville; (248) 349-3091.

#### CAPTIVE AUDIENCE

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, Balhazar Korab, renowned architectural photographer in conjunction with an exhibit of his work, "Traces." Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 Cranbrook Road; (248) 644-0866.

### MEETING

#### TUESDAY MUSICAL OF PONTIAC

1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13, monthly meeting. Following meeting entertainment by soprano Dorothy Berry and flutist Dorothy Pelton. Guests and new members invited. Nominal guest fee. Central United Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Road, Waterford; (248) 673-6568.

#### FARMINGTON ARTISTS CLUB

7 p.m. second Wednesday every month, September-May. Wednesday, Jan. 14, Chris Unwin. Admission free. Lower level of the Farmington Hills Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile Road, between Farmington and Orchard Lake Roads; (248) 646-3707.

### MUSEUMS (ON-GOING)

#### MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

Through Feb. 1 - "The Mars Show," a planetarium presentation of the red planet narrated by Star Trek's Patrick Stewart. 1109 Geddes Avenue, Ann Arbor; (313) 764-0478.

### MUSEUMS (OPENINGS)

#### CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

Jan. 24 - "Hunters of the Sky," an exhibit on the falcon through an array of mounted specimens and video footage. Through May 3. Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, noon-5 p.m. Sunday; (248) 645-3200.

#### U OF M MUSEUM OF ART

Jan. 24 - "Monet at Vetheuil: The Turning Point," an exhibit of Monet's work around 1880 in the small village on the Seine. Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Thurs., noon-5 p.m. Sunday. 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor; (734) 764-0395.

#### FLINT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Jan. 31 - "Best of Both Worlds: Human and Divine Realms of Classical Art from the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston," a collection of 81 objects of marble, bronze, terra cotta, limestone, ceramics from ancient Greece and Imperial Rome, from 6th century B.C. to 3rd century A.D. Through March 15. Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tues.-Sat., 1-5 p.m. Sunday. 1120 E. Kearsley Street, Flint; (810) 234-1695.

### READING

#### OPEN MIC AT CARIBOU

Third Wednesday of each month. Caribou Coffee, Walton & Livernois; (248) 544-4657.

### WRITING

#### WORKSHOPS BY PUBLISHED AUTHORS

7-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24, writing seminars including, "Writing for children," "Writing the romance novel," "How to tell the same old story in a new way," "Crimes real & imagined," "Writing the suspense novel." Fee: \$90 for five-week program, \$20 per session. To register: Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road; (248) 424-9042.

### GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

#### JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSEUM/GALLERY

Jan. 11 - 2 p.m., "The Birth of Israel," color photographs taken half a century ago of Israelis struggling to survive while creating a Jewish state. Through Jan. 29. Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

#### ART CORRIDOR GALLERIES, FARMINGTON HILLS

Jan. 12 - 6:30-7:30 p.m., a retrospective by international potter John Glick. Through Feb. 28. Hours: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills; (248) 473-9583.

#### CREATIVE RESOURCE

Jan. 14 - 6 p.m., opening reception, "Four Contemporary Women Artists: Karen Izenberg, Card Sams, Nancy Schatt, Janine Gibeau." Exhibit opens Jan. 23-Feb. 28. 162 Old N. Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 647-3688.

#### ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY

Jan. 15 - "Diversity: Focus on Islam," works of Islamic art, Middle-Eastern crafts and traditional calligraphy. Through Feb. 21. The University of Michigan Dearborn, Third Floor of the Mardigian Library, 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn; (313) 593-5058.

#### SYBARIIS GALLERY

Jan. 17 - 5 p.m., "Image and Object," an unconventional mix of miniature embroiderers and wood turners. Through Feb. 28. 202 E. Third Street, Royal Oak; (248) 544-3388.

#### BBAW

Jan. 16 - "Traces," architectural photography of Balhazar Korab, through Feb. 13. Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

#### JACOB/COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Jan. 16 - "Laughter Ten years After," an international touring exhibit of contemporary art by women artists. Through Feb. 21. Community Arts Auditorium, 5400 Gullen Mall, Wayne State University; (313) 577-2423.

#### NETWORK GALLERY

Jan. 16 - 6 p.m., "Money Nuts," an exhibit of new works by six former students of Cranbrook Academy of Art. Site specific and multi-media work by Katrin Asbury, Matt Garland, Michael Goodson, Kelley Roberts, Joe Ruster and Ahmed Salvador. Through Feb. 14. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

#### FEWABIC POTTERY

Jan. 16 - 6 p.m., pottery of Steve Thurston and Gregory Roberts, first floor gallery, and Ed Harkness in the Stratton Gallery. Through Feb. 28. 10125 E. Jefferson Avenue, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

#### DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS

Jan. 17 - "In the Spirit: Masks, Figures and Vessels." Through March 28. 104 Fisher Bldg., Detroit; (313) 873-7888.

#### CARY GALLERY

Jan. 17 - 6 p.m., "Transition," the watercolors of Donna Vogelheim. Through Feb. 14. Main Street, Rochester.

#### SUSANNE HILBERY

Jan. 17 - 4 p.m., "Pottery by Warren MacKenzie," one of the foremost functional potters. Through Feb. 28. 555 S. Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 842-8250.

### GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

#### ANN ARBOR ART CENTER

Through Jan. 15 - New Works by painter Nancy Wolfe. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor; (313) 994-8004.

#### HABATAT GALLERIES

Through Jan. 15 - New glass work by Pavel Hlava



# GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

## BOOKS

### Storyteller's collection invites communication

**Seeds From Our Past: Planting For The Future**  
Ed. by Corinne Stavish  
B'nai B'rith Center for Jewish Identity, 1997, \$9



ESTHER LITTMANN

How is it that folk tales, the storyteller's stock in trade, can capture our imagination with little more than the raconteur's dramatic art?

The answer lies in the performer's skill, of course, but also in the material. By addressing eternal human conflicts, folk tales reveal basic truths about ourselves, such as our longing for order and justice. Although the protagonist confronts obstacles and often endures great suffering, goodness and courage are rewarded in the end. Resolutions are seldom ambiguous. Loved by children and adults alike, folk tales build a sound bridge that connects one generation to another.

Nationally acclaimed storyteller Corinne Stavish strengthens that continuity with her recent publication of "Seeds From Our Past: Planting For The Future." Her performances

at Borders Books and Music, at the Detroit Institute of Art and at events sponsored by the Jewish community have delighted local audiences for years. Now, in her new role as editor, Ms. Stavish provides us with a compilation of 31 stories drawn from a variety of sources, including "101 Jewish Stories" and "A Treasury of Jewish Folklore." A short story entitled "Forbidden Friendship," in which two small boys — one Arab and the other Israeli — become friends despite the hostility of their elders, is authored by Ms. Stavish herself.

What distinguishes "Seeds From Our Past" from its sources is the express purpose the book serves. Corinne Stavish believes that folk tales offer, besides entertainment, a springboard to profound communication. "The stories in this volume," she writes in her Introduction, "are intended to be trigger stories, used to stimulate discussion."

Divided into 14 thematic groups such as Honesty/Dishonesty, Self Respect, and Drinking/Drugs, each one or two-page narrative touches on an issue that is both current and timeless. Her Discussion Guide in the appendix instructs parents, teachers, and facilitators in techniques that encourage the sharing of ideas and attitudes. Favoring the Socratic method, Ms. Stavish cautions against preaching and moralizing or telling "someone what the story means."

Drawing a moral, however, will not be difficult. Each tale is

an object lesson from which we learn, albeit vicariously, by experience. As Bruno Bettelheim writes in his "Uses of Enchantment," folklore and fairy tales "convey to us the advantage of moral behavior, not through abstract ethical concepts but through that which seems tangibly right and therefore meaningful."

With hundreds of superb performances to her credit, 3 audiocassette tapes that have drawn applause for style and material, plus numerous stories and articles in print, Ms. Stavish's new publication is yet another example of her creativity and professionalism. "Seeds From Our Past," a slender 95-page book replete with charming woodcuts to delight the eye, is a marvelous tool for parents and teachers. It lifts our appreciation of literature from the passive role of enjoyment to the active one of involvement.

To order "Seeds From Our Past: Planting For The Future," call (248) 356-8721, or send \$11 to B'nai B'rith Center for Jewish Identity, 1640 Rhode Island Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036

Esther Littmann is a resident of Bloomfield Township. She is a private tutor with Una Dworkin and Associates. You can leave her a message from a touch-tone phone at (313) 959-2047, mailbox number 1893. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

### 'Balancing Act' story anthology draws on rich ethnic heritage

**Balancing Act**  
By Pearl Kastran Ahnen  
(Legna Press, \$14.95)

This slim volume of short stories and poems is about human confrontations, small epiphanies closely observed. Ahnen is a sensitive writer who obviously cares deeply about her characters, though some stories don't ring true.

Ahnen sets several of her stories in Detroit and lets the city and its reputation stand symbolically — in a story about an old man's confrontation with young toughs, about a nephew who rejects his uncle's hardheartedness at a downtown coney island, about a domestic confrontation that leaves an abusive father dead.

Some stories draw on Ahnen's Greek-American background, especially the title story which deals with a young girl's efforts to honor her parents' wishes while avoiding an overly friendly uncle.

It is the small observations and insights into character that are the rewards of these stories. In the title story Ahnen lets you feel the delicate maneuvers Eleni must make to show "sevas" (respect) to someone she loathes. The story set in the coney island raises the struggle of young ideals opposed to the concerns of an older generation for money.

Some stories are too blunt and the end is telegraphed too soon. Some stories also seem drawn from news accounts and popular culture rather than from the rich vein of ethnic stories that Ahnen

writes so well, particularly a story set in 1921 Chicago which seemingly follows a grandfather's funeral procession through the eyes of a young girl and explores layers of family conflict. Ahnen shows a rich understanding of immigrant culture and the different roads to "becoming an American."

The poems are like impressionist's images, quick glimpses of people and events — a memory of a dead mother mixing regret with longing; a childhood tragedy played out in a few deftly sketched lines, gentle poems to children and a bittersweet farewell.

Ahnen will be signing her book 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at the West Bloomfield Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 6800 Orchard Lake Road.

### BOOK HAPPENINGS

**Book Happenings** features various happenings at suburban bookstores. Send news leads to Hugh Gallagher, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

**BORDERS (ROCHESTER HILLS)**  
Charles Robinson signs "The North American Experience," 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12; "How to Plan the Retirement of Your Dreams," 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14; Jake Reichart performs on guitar, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16; Medieval Faerie Tales, 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 at the store 1122 Rochester Road, Rochester Hills (248) 652-0558.

**BORDERS (BIRMINGHAM)**

Tom and Dave Gardner authors of "The Motley Fools Investment Guide," 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12; gay/lesbian discussion group 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12; Financial independence for today's woman, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13; mystery discussion of "A Morbid Taste for Bones," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 13; Caroline Myss author of "Why People Don't Heal & How They Can," Wednesday, Jan. 14; Elmore Leonard day reception and book signing 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16; science discovery "Homeward Bound," 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 17; meet Zoe Koplowitz author of "The Winning Spirit," 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 at the store 34300 Woodward,

Birmingham, MI 48009, (248) 203-0005.

**BORDER'S (NOVI)**  
Ann Arbor author Benjamin Kerner signs his book "A Petroglyph of His Own Choosing," 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, at the store 43075 Crescent Blvd., Novi.

**HALFWAY DOWN THE STAIRS**  
Infant song: Bounces and Rhymes for the Beginning of Life, 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 at the store 114 E. Fourth St., Rochester (248) 652-6066.

**SHAMAN DRUM**  
Rafael Zafar signs "We Wear the Mask: African Americans Write," American Literature, 1760-1870, 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15 at the store 313 South State Street, Ann Arbor 734-662-7407.

### GREAT ESCAPES

**Great Escapes** features various travel news items. Send news leads to Hugh Gallagher, assistant managing editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

**TELL US YOUR STORY**  
We want to hear from you! Have you been someplace interesting this past year? Have you had a special adventure? Is there a quiet island you'd like to recommend or a highly promoted place you'd like to warn against? Do you have special tips for other travelers to make their journeys easier? Have you met some interesting people in other countries that you'd like others

to know about? We want to share your stories and your color pictures on our travel page. Call Hugh Gallagher at 734-953-2118, or fax him at 734-591-7279.

**BYZANTIUM LECTURE**  
Vista World Cruises is sponsoring a lecture presentation 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, about Byzantium at the Troy Library. "The Byzantium Empire," said Theo G. Zachartos, president of Vista World Cruises, "constitutes one of the most important elements of Greek History through the ages." The presentation will feature a video featuring Byzantine scholar Sir Steven Runc-

mann. The library is at 510 West Big Beaver Road. For more information, call Vista World Cruises at (248) 641-3113.

**WINTER PACKAGES**  
Ontario's country inns have organized over 100 specialty packages designed to drive away the winter blues. Packages include Celtic celebrations, rural village shopping and antiquing, spa retreats, Valentine romance, skating, cross country and downhill skiing, fireside reading and "apres ski" activities. Packages continue through March. All packages include breakfast. For a detailed sampling of the packages, call 1-800-340-INNS (4667).

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"Denotes VIP restrictions"

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**AS GOOD AS IT GETS (PG-13)**  
1:00, 4:00, 7:30, 9:50  
**WAG THE DOG (R)**  
2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:40  
**GOOD WILL HUNTING (R)**  
1:30, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15, 10:00  
**TITANIC (PG-13)**  
1:00, 5:00, 7:30, 9:00  
**SCREEN 2 (R)**  
2:10, 9:45

**TOMORROW NEVER DIES (PG-13)**  
2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50  
**FOR RICHER OR POORER (PG-13)**  
2:15, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40

#### North Town Center 8

North Rd., South of I-96  
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Advance same-day tickets available

#### GIFT BOOKS NOW ON SALE

**TITANIC (PG-13)**  
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30, 10:00, 9:15  
**HOME ALONE 3 (PG)**  
1:30  
**GOOD WILL HUNTING (R)**  
1:15, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20, 9:40  
**JACKIE BROWN (R)**  
1:20, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45  
**FOR RICHER OR POORER (PG-13)**  
4:10, 7:35, 10:00  
**AS GOOD AS IT GETS (PG-13)**  
7:00, 4:00, 7:30, 9:00, 10:00  
**FLUBBER (PG)**  
1:45, 4:20, 6:50, 9:15, 10:00  
**POSTMAN (R)**  
9:25

#### Freemont (R)

2:00, 4:20, 6:50, 9:15, 9:55  
**AMERICAN WEREWOLF IN PARIS (R)**  
1:30, 9:30

#### Kings Twin Cinema

Orchard Lake Rd.  
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Sun. 4:15, 7:15  
MON-THURS. 7:15  
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Sun. 4:00, 6:50  
MON-THURS. 7:00

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#### Showcase Cinemas

**Showcase**  
Ann Arbor Hills 1.14  
2150 N. Opdyke Blvd.  
Between University & Walton Blvd.  
810-373-2660  
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All Shows until 6 p.m.  
Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

**THE BOXER (R)**  
12:15, 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50  
**GOOD WILL HUNTING (R)**  
12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30  
**WAG THE DOG (R)**  
12:45, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 10:10  
**JACKIE BROWN (R)**  
12:40, 3:50, 6:00, 8:20, 10:40  
**MR. MAGOO (PG)**  
12:30, 2:25, 4:20, 6:10  
**AMERICAN WEREWOLF (R)**  
8:10, 10:20  
**AS GOOD AS IT GETS (PG-13)**  
1:20, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00  
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**TOMORROW NEVER DIES (PG-13)**  
1:00, 3:40, 6:40, 9:20  
**MOUSEHUNT (PG)**  
12:25, 2:35, 4:45, 7:05, 9:10  
**ANIMATED (R)**  
1:40, 5:30, 8:20  
**SCREEN 2 (R)**  
1:50, 4:50, 7:40, 10:10  
**FLUBBER (PG)**  
12:40, 2:40, 4:40, 7:00

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Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

**GOOD WILL HUNTING (R)**  
1:20, 4:05, 7:05, 9:45  
**WAG THE DOG (R)**  
12:55, 3:15, 5:40, 8:00, 10:20  
**AMERICAN WEREWOLF (R)**  
8:05, 10:10  
**AS GOOD AS IT GETS (PG-13)**  
1:15, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00  
**POSTMAN (R)**  
9:00  
**MR. MAGOO (PG)**  
12:45, 2:30, 4:15, 6:10  
**TOMORROW NEVER DIES (PG-13)**  
1:10, 3:45, 7:15, 9:50  
**SCREEN 2 (R)**  
1:30, 4:00, 7:20, 10:05  
**ANIMATED (R)**  
12:50, 3:55, 6:30  
**FLUBBER (PG)**  
1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00

#### Showcase Pontiac 1-5

Telegraph Sq. Lake Rd. W. Side of  
Telegraph  
810-332-0241  
Bargain Matinee Daily  
All Shows until 6 p.m.  
Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

**THE BOXER (R)**  
1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 9:30  
**GOOD WILL HUNTING (R)**  
1:00, 1:30, 4:10, 4:40, 7:10, 7:40, 9:40, 10:10  
**TOMORROW NEVER DIES (PG-13)**  
1:20, 4:20, 7:30, 10:00  
**AS GOOD AS IT GETS (PG-13)**  
1:10, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50

#### Showcase Pontiac 6-12

2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of  
Telegraph  
810-334-6777  
Bargain Matinee Daily  
All Shows until 6 p.m.  
Continuous Shows Daily  
Late Shows Fri. & Sat.  
THRU THURSDAY

**WAG THE DOG (R)**  
12:25, 2:40, 4:50, 7:20, 9:40  
**JACKIE BROWN (R)**  
12:15, 3:10, 6:00, 10:45  
**MR. MAGOO (PG)**  
12:00, 4:00, 6:05  
**SCREEN 2 (R)**  
1:15, 7:45, 10:00  
**AMERICAN WEREWOLF (R)**  
6:05, 10:40  
**TITANIC (PG-13)**  
12:30, 2:15, 4:15, 7:00, 8:00  
**MOUSE HUNT (PG)**  
1:30, 3:45, 6:30, 8:30  
**ANIMATED (R)**  
12:45, 4:00, 7:30

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12 Mile between Telegraph and  
Northwestern at I-96  
248-353-STAR  
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PG-13 & R rated films after 6 p.m.

**HP FIRESTORM (R)**  
11:25, 1:35, 4:45, 7:50, 9:20  
**NO VIP TICKETS**  
**HP THE BOXER (R)**  
11:40, 2:20, 5:10, 7:45, 10:30  
**NO VIP TICKETS**  
**HP WAG THE DOG (R)**  
10:30, 1:00, 3:45, 6:40, 9:00  
**NO VIP TICKETS**  
**THE POSTMAN (R)**  
9:20 ONLY  
**JACKIE BROWN (R)**  
11:10, 2:30, 5:15, 9:40  
**AN AMERICAN WEREWOLF IN PARIS (R)**  
10:40, 1:20, 4:20, 6:50, 9:50  
**NO VIP TICKETS**  
**DECONSTRUCTING HARRY (R)**  
11:30, 2:00, 5:30, 8:20  
**MR. MAGOO (PG)**  
10:40, 1:00, 3:45  
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**MOUSEHUNT (PG)**  
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**SCREEN 2 (R)**  
6:30 & 9:10 PM  
**HOME ALONE 3 (PG)**  
10:10, 12:30, 3:30  
**FLUBBER (PG)**  
10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:15, 7:00

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**FIRESTORM (R) NV**  
12:10, 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45  
**TITANIC (PG-13) NV**  
12:00, 4:00, 6:00 & 1:00, 5:00, 9:00  
**JACKIE BROWN (R) NV**  
12:45, 4:30, 8:15  
& 1:45, 3:30, 9:15  
**MOUSEHUNT (PG)**  
12:30, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:10  
**DECONSTRUCTING HARRY (R) NV**  
12:15, 2:20, 4:30, 7:20, 9:40  
**HOME ALONE 3 (PG) NV**  
12:30, 2:35, 4:55, 7:10, 9:20  
**EYE'S DATUM (R)**  
12:50, 3:10, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00  
**ALLEN RESURRECTION (R)**  
9:50 PM  
NO CHILDREN UNDER 4 AFTER 6 PM

#### Star Rochester Hills

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**HP WAG THE DOG (R)**  
12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 10:45  
**NO VIP TICKETS**  
**HP THE BOXER (R)**  
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**HP AS GOOD AS IT GETS (PG-13)**  
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**NO VIP TICKETS**  
**THE POSTMAN (R)**  
9:20 ONLY  
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## ADVENTUROUS

SWF, 33, 5'5", brown hair/eyes, N/S,  
 enjoys the outdoors, golfing, boating,  
 fishing, concerts, seeks SWM, 28-37,  
 for friendship, possible relationship.  
 Ad# 5264

## DEEP BELIEFS

Independent SBF, 27, 5'5", full-figured,  
 Protestant, employed, enjoys bible  
 study, movies, sports, boating, opera,  
 classical music, seeking never married  
 Christian SBM, 28-35. Ad# 8201

## A BRIGHTER SIDE

Easilygoing SWM, 23, 5'2", Catholic,  
 enjoys meeting new people, dining out,  
 quiet times with someone special,  
 seeks SM, age unimportant. Ad# 1739

## GOOD VALUES

DW mom, 42, 5'2", professional,  
 Catholic, participates in bible study,  
 youth ministry, enjoys camping, family  
 activities, the outdoors seeks family-or-  
 iented Catholic WM, 35-49, children  
 okay. Ad# 5515

## WHAT MORE DO YOU NEED?

SWF, 47, 5'4", shy, college educated,  
 enjoys concerts, plays, dining out, sail-  
 ing, seeks educated, SWM, 45-53,  
 Ad# 1964

## WISHING UPON A STAR

SWF, 32, 5'8", outgoing, enjoys travel-  
 ing, long walks, music, line dancing,  
 movies, quiet nights at home, seeks  
 SWCM, 26-35, to share same interests.  
 Ad# 2732

## LOVER OF LIFE

Artistic, creative DWM mom, 43, 5'1",  
 participates in bible study, N/S, non-  
 drinker, loves playing the guitar, looking  
 for enjoyable S/DWCM. Ad# 4283

## WANT TO KNOW MORE? CALL!

Catholic SW mom, 33, 5'1", interests  
 are animals, horseback riding, music,  
 movies, reading books, TV, games,  
 seeks family-oriented SWCM, 28-42,  
 N/S, for a serious relationship.  
 Ad# 5564

## LOVE ANGEL

Catholic SWF, 48, 5'2", 118lbs., green-  
 eyed blond, caring, N/S, enjoys baeba-  
 cues, going to church, seeking spiritual,  
 tall, active, down-to-earth SM, N/S.  
 Ad# 6258

## A BRIGHTER SIDE

Friendly WWBFCF, 47, 5'6", enjoys going  
 to church, seeking easygoing, sincere,  
 level-headed SBM, 40+, for friendship.  
 Ad# 2346

## VERSATILE

SW mom, 24, 5'9", enjoys dancing,  
 reading, movies, photography, seeking  
 a SWM, 24-32, with high morals.  
 Ad# 3237

## LOVES THE LORD

Active, carefree, professional SWCF,  
 38, 5'11", 140lbs., blonde hair, blue  
 eyes, seeks tall, enthusiastic SWCM,  
 friend, to enjoy all that life has to offer.  
 Ad# 6755

## SOUTHERN BELLE

Educated SWF, 54, 5'7", 125lbs., plat-  
 inum blonde, green eyes, lives in Oak  
 Park, enjoys cooking, antiques, movies,  
 art, seeking a SWM, 50+, Ad# 2020

## LOOK MY WAY

Catholic DWF, 45, 5'2", no children at  
 home, from Oakwood County, hobbies  
 are dancing, long walks, candlelit din-  
 ners, the beach, concerts, hoping to  
 meet a DWCM, 41-49. Ad# 2234

## MARRIAGE-MINDED

Catholic SWF, 26, 5'5", outgoing, friend-  
 ly, from the Oak Park area, employed,  
 enjoys traveling, shopping, the casino,  
 concerts, seeks SWCM, 26-35, for seri-  
 ous relationship. Ad# 9811

## NEW CHAPTER

SWF, 70, blonde hair, enjoys long walks,  
 quiet evenings at home, dancing, seeks  
 caring SWM, 62+ for companionship.  
 Ad# 6255

## SOUND INTERESTING?

Protestant SWF, 23, 5'7", blonde hair,  
 brown eyes, friendly, enjoys sports,  
 movies, fishing, computers, seeking con-  
 genital SWM, 23-30. Ad# 1273

## INSPIRED?

Catholic WWBF, 47, 5'5", full-figured,  
 gregarious, from Detroit, loves Bingo,  
 current events, singing in the choir,  
 attending church, seeks Catholic  
 WWBWM, Ad# 3190

## ROMANTIC &amp; SPIRITUAL

DWCF, 48, 5'5", full-figured, dark hair,  
 green eyes, bright, pretty, down-to-earth,  
 professional, seeks sincere, sociable,  
 fun-loving SWCM, 42-52, for possible  
 long-term relationship. Ad# 7455

## SHE'S THE ONE

Friendly DWCF, 47, 5'6", long blonde  
 hair, blue eyes, enjoys singing, seeks  
 SM, 35+, for friendship first. Ad# 2285

## FOCUS HERE

Catholic SWF, 34, 5'6", reserved, enjoys  
 traveling, movies, classic car shows, din-  
 ing out, seeking SWM, 29-36, for possi-  
 ble relationship. Ad# 5656

## ONE OF THE FINEST

Catholic SWF, 47, 5'9", sort of shy, edu-  
 cated, employed, looking for Catholic  
 SWM, under 49, who is optimistic and  
 understanding. Ad# 2250

## FAITH &amp; HOPE

DWCF, 48, 5'4", 112lbs., reddish-blond  
 hair, brown eyes, sociable, self-  
 employed, lives in Rochester Hill, likes  
 dining out, jazz, concerts, plays, seeks  
 well-balanced, spiritual SWCM, 45-52.  
 Ad# 7777

## EXTRA NICE

Sociable DW mom, 26, 5'3", resides in  
 Garden City area, participates in Bible  
 study, seeking SWM, 27-38, for possible  
 relationship. Ad# 2429

## FUN-LOVING GAL

Protestant SWF, 37, athletic, lives in  
 Rochester, enjoys dogs, enjoys  
 animals, enjoys travel, seeks happy,  
 Protestant SWM, 30+, who has a positive  
 attitude. Ad# 1514

## PATIENT &amp; LOVING

Born-Again DWM mom, 44, 5'2", resides  
 in Troy, enjoys Bible study, science fiction  
 movies, Star Trek, seeks compassionate,  
 honest, Born-Again SWCM, 38-53, Troy  
 area preferred. Ad# 2948

## DON'T WAIT TOO LONG

Catholic WWWF, 68, 5'4", honest, lives in  
 Sterling Heights, enjoys golf, dancing,  
 travel, easy listening music, seeks SWM,  
 with similar qualities. Ad# 5569

## WORTH THE CALL

Catholic SWF, 27, 5'10", brown hair,  
 hazel eyes, friendly, enjoys running,  
 camping, dancing, seeks secure, profes-  
 sional SWCM, 27-38, with a positive atti-  
 tude. Ad# 3267

## CHILD OF GOD

Religious DWF, 38, 5'3", 165lbs., red hair,  
 brown eyes, affectionate, kind, enjoys  
 long walks, movies, the country, seeks  
 down-to-earth, caring, humorous, loving  
 SWM, N/S. Ad# 1000

## LIFE'S LITTLE WONDERS

Baptist SWF, 26, 5', sincere, honest,  
 enjoys hockey, the theater, movies,  
 singing, reading, seeks SWCM, 25-36,  
 with similar qualities and interests.  
 Ad# 1526

## SPEND TIME TOGETHER

Catholic SW mom, 24, 5'4", lives in  
 Canton, enjoys volleyball, tennis, hockey,  
 movies, playing cards, seeks SWM, 24-  
 32, for friendship first. Ad# 8648

## SWEET &amp; CUTE

Outgoing, never-married SBFCF, 23, 5'6",  
 student, enjoys outdoor activities, seek-  
 ing understanding, sensitive SCM, 25-  
 33. Ad# 8044

## LOVING AND CARING

Protestant DWF, 53, 5', 110lbs., N/S,  
 warm, witty, fun, happy, enjoys dining out,  
 cooking, day trips, music, seeks neat,  
 professional SWM, for friendship, possi-  
 ble long-term relationship. Ad# 3334

## CLASSY

SBF, 42, 5'8", well-educated, compas-  
 sionate, God-fearing, enjoys the theatre,  
 opera, aerobics, tennis, the outdoors,  
 ethnic cuisine, seeks easygoing, caring,  
 loyal, non-deceptive, SWM, 40-60, with  
 children at home. Ad# 4020

## LIGHT UP MY LIFE

Catholic DWF, 58, 5'2", 118lbs., brown-  
 eyed brunette, lives in Livonia, seeks  
 honest, romantic, trim SWCM, 54-62,  
 who enjoys dancing, travel, movies, con-  
 certs, fine dining and conversation.  
 Ad# 3355

## HAVE TIME FOR ME?

Catholic SWF, 45, 5'3", medium build,  
 enjoys concerts, barbecues, amusement  
 parks, dancing, museums, the beach,  
 quiet times at home, seeks DWCM, 40-  
 49, children welcome. Ad# 7259

## END MY SEARCH

DW mom, 43, 5'6", 160lbs., friendly,  
 down-to-earth, witty, serious, participates  
 in Christian activities, seeks humorous,  
 trustworthy, sensitive, faithful, honest,  
 employed SWM, 40-55. Ad# 3845

## SUPER WOMAN

Protestant SWF, 59, 5'4", upbeat, loving,  
 laid-back, kind, hobbies include walks,  
 reading, golf, religion, seeks honest,  
 open SWM, 57-77, integrity a must.  
 Ad# 5557

## RELIGION IS THE KEY

Baptist SB mom, 33, 5'7", outgoing, intel-  
 ligent, attractive, lives in Detroit, likes  
 movies, working out, quiet times, seeks  
 good-hearted, compatible SBWM, 27-39,  
 with good morals. Ad# 1936

## GOD COMES FIRST

SWF, 45, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes,  
 outgoing, friendly, hobbies include Bible  
 study, family activities, seeking SWM, 46-  
 56, for friendship first. Ad# 3257

## HARDWORKING

Attractive SWCF, 35, 5'10", sociable,  
 employed, enjoys spending time with her  
 child, seeking easygoing, handsome,  
 physically fit SWCM, N/S. Ad# 3876

## TEDDY BEAR TYPE?

Methodist DWF, 62, 5'6", full-figured, blue  
 eyes, from Belleville, romantic, enjoys  
 stamp collecting, reading, cuddling,  
 crosswords, seeks honest SWM, for pos-  
 sible long-term relationship. Ad# 1934

## NEW DIMENSION OF LIFE...

DWCF, 49, 5'6", from Commerce, ready  
 to make a commitment, in search of an  
 educated SWCM, 47-56, N/S, light  
 drinker preferred. Ad# 3569

## LET'S TALK

Energetic, pleasant SBF, 19, 5'6", goal-  
 oriented, enjoys biking, dancing, watch-  
 ing sunsets, seeks SBM, to share great  
 times, lots of laughter. Ad# 4610

## A WARM WELCOME

Professional DWF, 40, 5'7", slim, brown  
 hair, blue eyes, marriage-minded, owner  
 of dog and parrot, seeks SWM, 35-48, for  
 relationship, kids okay. Ad# 3957

## MEANT TO BE?

Catholic SWF, 23, 5', shy, honest, roman-  
 tic, from Royal Oak, enjoys rollerblading,  
 movies, dancing, seeks N/S, childless,  
 Catholic SWM, 23-27, with similar inter-  
 ests. Ad# 4808

## TIRED OF GAMES?

SWF, 24, 5'3", full-figured, enjoys camp-  
 ing, cooking, the theatre, children, seek-  
 ing honest, sincere, commitment-minded  
 SWM, under 30. Ad# 2572

## LONG-TERM?

Fun-loving, open-minded SWCF, 19,  
 5'3", lives in Canton, seeks childless,  
 compatible SWM, 21-29, who has never  
 been married. Ad# 3842

## COLLECTS TEDDY BEARS

Friendly SWCF, 22, 5'6", enjoys biking,  
 walks, movies, concerts, camping, writ-  
 ing poetry, seeks sweet, kind, caring  
 SWCM, 23-35, with same interests.  
 Ad# 4545

## HONESTY COUNTS

Catholic SWF, 50, reserved, practical,  
 enjoys skating, walking, photography,  
 dancing, music, theatre, looking for sup-  
 portive SM. Ad# 3839

## VERY FRIENDLY

Catholic SWF, 21, outgoing, attends  
 Christian activities, enjoys the outdoors,  
 seeks honest, sincere, romantic Catholic  
 SM, with a good sense of humor.  
 Ad# 1572

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## END MY SEARCH

Handsome, outgoing SWM, 23, 6'1", shy,  
 employed, enjoys sports, dining out,  
 music, movies and more, seeks honest  
 SWF, 19-30, to spend quality time with.  
 Ad# 9836

## ENJOYS ROMANCE

Professional, Catholic SWM, 39, 6'1",  
 thoughtful, sincere, seeks faithful, active,  
 slim, open-minded Catholic SWF, over  
 30, kids welcome, for long-term rela-  
 tionship. Ad# 2740

## END MY SEARCH

Protestant SWM, 31, 5'11", hardworking,  
 outgoing, enjoys outdoor activities, week-  
 end getaways, seeks SWF, age unimpor-  
 tant, with similar interests. Ad# 2828

## PLEASE CALL ME!

SWM, 44, 6', shy, athletic, romantic,  
 enjoys ballet, movies, weekend get-  
 aways, seeks spontaneous, SWF, 34-45,  
 to spend quality time with, children, wel-  
 come. Ad# 6110

## REBUILDING

Kind-hearted, well-rounded DWCM, 46,  
 in search of attractive, caring and mature  
 SWCF, 20-46, for companionship.  
 Ad# 7404

## GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'2", independent,  
 lives in Western Wayne, enjoys concerts,  
 movies, walks, quiet dinners, seeks  
 understanding, affectionate, SWCF, 28-  
 45, who is generous with her time.  
 Ad# 9876

## FOLLOW YOUR HEART

Handsome SBWM, 38, 5'9", outgoing,  
 friendly, who serves the Lord, seeks a  
 SBFCF, 25-45, for companionship, possi-  
 ble long-term, lasting relationship.  
 Ad# 3959

## LIKES TO LAUGH

Never-married, fun-loving SBWM, 36,  
 6'2", enjoys sports events, working on  
 cars, seeking attractive, down-to-earth  
 SWCF, age unimportant, with similar  
 interests. Ad# 9457

## SEEKS OPEN-MINDED MATE

Professional, handsome DWCM, 39,  
 5'5", N/S, non-drinker, participates in  
 Bible study, enjoys running, bodybuilding  
 and fitness, searching for attractive, intel-  
 ligent, athletic SWCF, under 40.  
 Ad# 5252

## YOUNG-AT-HEART

Catholic DWM, 53, 5'10", brown hair,  
 blue eyes, affectionate, monogamous,  
 likes sports, movies, walking, dining out,  
 seeks honest, caring Catholic SWF,  
 under 53, with similar traits. Ad# 6572

## GET TO KNOW ME

SWM, 52, 5'8", outgoing, active, enjoys  
 dancing, movies, concerts, traveling,  
 seeks slender, SF, under 51, for long  
 term relationship. Ad# 5094

## NEVER-MARRIED

SWCM, 21, 6'2", N/S, caring, honest, sin-  
 cere, reliable, outgoing, enjoys bible  
 study, music, biking, seeks SWF, 18-26,  
 with similar qualities. Ad# 4653

## LONG-TERM

Catholic DWM, 39, 6', 180lbs., N/S, lives  
 in Westland, enjoys lots of activities,  
 seeking S/DWCF, N/S, under 43, who is  
 compatible. Ad# 1182

## INTRODUCE YOURSELF

SWCM, 30, 5'9", professional, educated,  
 outgoing, honest, sincere, enjoys hockey,  
 sporting events, movies, outdoors, seeks  
 SWCF, 24-34, to share same interests.  
 Ad# 3229

## MARRIAGE MINDED

SWM, 40, outgoing, sincere, athletic,  
 romantic, well educated, seeks slender,  
 SF, age unimportant, to spend quality  
 time with. Ad# 4567

## WARM &amp; LOVING

SWM, 43, 6', 220lbs., brown hair/ eyes,  
 handsome, outgoing, seeks honest, sin-  
 cere, SWF, 38-46, with a zest for life.  
 Ad# 9781

## BELIEVE IN LOVE

Loving, caring, sensitive, SAM, 26, 5'6",  
 170lbs., black hair, blue eyes, Catholic,  
 seeks commitment minded, Catholic  
 SWF, 18-35, children welcome. Ad# 5275

## HERE'S TO NEW BEGINNINGS

SWM, 45, 5'11", 195lbs., blond hair, blue  
 eyes, professional, college educated,  
 physically fit, outgoing, enjoys music,  
 movies, theatre, dining out, seeks SF, 38-  
 51, with good sense of humor, down-to-  
 earth. Ad# 3639

## FOR THE FUTURE

Outgoing SWM, 50, 5'10", 175lbs., pro-  
 fessional, lives in West Bloomfield,  
 enjoys dining out, dancing, special times,  
 seeking SWF, 35-55. Ad# 9999

## FOLLOW YOUR HEART

SBM, 26, 5'6", hardworking, outgoing,  
 enjoys church, baseball, shooting pool,  
 movies, quiet evenings, traveling, seeks  
 SF, 18-24, to share same interest.  
 Ad# 9082

## LEAVE A NUMBER!

Catholic SWM, 40, easygoing, open-  
 minded, lives in Redford, employed,  
 enjoys outdoor sports, seeks slender  
 Protestant SWF, under 43, for possible  
 long-term relationship. Ad# 2225

## NEVER ENDING ROMANCE

SWM, 28, 5'11", shy, enjoys watching  
 sports, playing saxophone, skiing, the  
 theatre, acting, the outdoors, seeks sen-  
 sive, caring, SWF, 23-33, for friendship,  
 possibly more. Ad# 8885



## TRAVEL

## Bass fishing on the Amazon: too good not to repeat

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

At the ASAP Machine Shop in Plymouth, Mark Swain has posted the "Amazon Rules."

"It's - hot. The fish are rude. I'm going back."

A display of pictures, colorful fish scales and a pirana's skull also decorate the shop.

Swain's fishing trip on the Amazon with his brother, Rick, was supposed to be a "once-in-a-lifetime" opportunity. But as Rick had already discovered, once isn't enough.

"After you've gone down there, it can't be a once-in-a-lifetime trip. You have to go back there, the fish are so incredible," Swain said.

Rick, who works for Jack Roush Racing and lives in West-

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land, had taken the trip a year before and invited Mark to come along.

"He read about it in Bass Master magazine," Mark said.

Mark, 44, owner of ASAP Machine and a Plymouth resident, took the bait this October and signed up with Ron Speed Adventures to join his brother to fish the Amazon and its tributaries for peacock bass. He said he's been a serious bass fisher for five years.

"We fished a tributary of the Amazon, the Uatuma, in an area near Manaus in central Brazil," Swain said.

Manaus is one of Brazil's largest inland cities and in the late 1800s one of its richest

when rubber trees brought in a fortune. It is famous for its opera house.

"You stay in an air-conditioned river boat all week. Two boats go along together, one for the guides and support people and one for the fishermen," Swain said.

Fourteen American fishermen were aboard in late October, coming from Texas, Oklahoma, California and Michigan.

A head guide speaks English, but most of the guides speak Portuguese and only a little English. Each day the fishermen would go out in pairs with a guide on an aluminum 17-foot bass boat.

"The daily routine was to get up in the morning, breakfast would be laid out for you. You grab what you want and as soon as you and your partner are ready, Gilberto (the guide in charge) calls over for a guide," Swain said. "Every day you have a different guide. Your tackle is already there. He takes you fishing. Your lunch is laid out and then you go out after lunch and come back for dinner, which is already laid out."

After dinner it's time for fish stories.

"The fish were really yanking me around," Swain said. "They put up a fight."

A peacock bass can reach a top weight of 28 pounds. Swain said he used a 7-foot heavy rod with 100-pound braided line. He said even a 4-pound peacock bass will give "everything you can handle."

Swain was enthusiastic about the provisioning by Ron Speed.

"It was a first-class operation," he said. "There are cheaper ways to go down there, with lesser houseboats and lesser fishing boats."

The trip costs about \$3,500 from Miami. It includes a night in a luxury hotel in Manaus.

Swain said the cook, Velma, provided great and sometimes exotic meals. In addition to cooking some of the peacock bass, Velma also served up some "pretty tasty" crocodile.



Dropping a line: Rick Swain tries his luck fishing a small inlet on the Amazon.



Caught one: Mark Swain displays his 10 pound peacock bass catch with his guide Samuel.

"Well, I won't say it tasted like chicken. It's not a red meat, but it has the texture of beef and the taste of fish," Swain said.

Crocodiles made their presence known but generally stayed clear of the boats. The exotic pirarucu fish, herons, parakeets, howling monkeys and piranas were also evident, either because they could be seen or heard.

Swain said one boat encountered a shore fight between a monkey and a wild dog.

The human population along the river was sparse. Swain said the primitive Indian tribes often shown on the Discovery Channel live deeper into the Amazon. There were lone cabins along the river, built on stilts in anticipation of floods.

The guides knew their way along the river and knew what was needed to catch fish.

"All the guides were friendly, always smiling, very helpful about what tackle you have to

buy," Swain said.

Each day the guides competed for a kitty raised by the fishermen. Winnings were given for the boat that caught the most fish and the boat that landed the biggest fish.

Swain said he saw some of the notorious fires that have been burning out the rubber plantations to make way for development.

Swain said he had never fished in such an exotic or exciting location and is looking forward to going again.

Anyone interested in finding out more about fishing on the Amazon can call Swain at ASAP Machine, (313)459-2447.

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3. Only one entry per child.
4. 15 winners will be selected at random and each winner will receive four free tickets to SESAME STREET LIVE's production of 1-2-3 Imagine when it appears at the Fox Theatre at 7 p.m. on Thursday, January 22, 1998. Plus: four lucky winners will be selected to go backstage to meet one of the Sesame Street Live Muppet Characters!
5. All entries must be received by 12 noon Friday, January 16, 1998.
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# Sports & Recreation

The Observer

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Key contributor

The time goalie Robert Esche spent away from the Plymouth Whalers went to good use.

Esche, the Whalers No. 1 goalie, appeared in four games for the U.S. National Junior Team at the World Junior Championships, held Dec. 21-Jan. 3 in Hameenlinna, Finland. In the final round of competition, the U.S. edged Sweden 4-3 Jan. 3 to clinch fifth place in the 10-team tournament.

Esche was in goal in that final game, making 41 saves as the U.S. overcame a two-goal deficit. Two of the goals he surrendered came on first-period power plays; the third came with Sweden playing with a sixth attacker and an empty net late in the third period.

The U.S. finished with a 2-2 record in Group B, which was won by Russia (3-0-1). The U.S. was 4-3 overall.

David Legwand, the Whalers' first-year scoring sensation, also appeared in all seven games for the U.S. He did not score.

### Coach needed

Plymouth Salem H.S. is searching for a junior varsity softball coach for the upcoming spring season.

Those interested in the position should send a resume or letter to: Brian Wolcott, director of athletics and physical education, 46181 Joy, Canton, Mich., 48170, or they may call assistant athletic director John Robinson at (313) 416-7766 or Wolcott at (313) 416-7774.

### Magic tryouts

The Plymouth-Canton Magic, a girls AAU basketball club, is hosting tryouts for its 11-12 girls team 3-5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24 at the Plymouth Salvation Army, located at 9451 South Main in Plymouth.

Tryouts will be conducted by current Magic head coach and former Yale basketball player Sarah Jacobson.

For more information, call 207-5064.

### PCJBL to meet

The Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the north end of Plymouth Canton HS.

All residents of Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township are invited to attend. The upcoming baseball/softball seasons will be discussed, including registration times and dates.

For further information, call Ray Barnes at (313) 981-5170.

### Shoot to Score clinic

Suburban Hockey Schools will conduct a "Shoot to Score" hockey clinic on Monday, Jan. 19 at Devon-Aire Arena in Livonia.

Classes are open to all ages. Cost is \$40 per player, and space is limited. The clinic will focus primarily on developing proper shooting techniques for a variety of shots: wrist, backhand, snap and slap. Shooting drills will be performed while stationary, skating forward, moving laterally and while cutting.

Each player will receive on-ice video analysis of their technique.

For further information, call (248) 478-1600.

### Racquetball league

The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring its winter men's racquetball league at Body Rocks Racquetball of Livonia.

Cost is \$100 per person. There is no residency requirement.

Court times are 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday beginning Jan. 14 and running 14 weeks. Players will be divided into divisions based up level of ability.

Register at Canton Parks and Recreation Services, 46000 Summit Parkway, in Canton. Call 397-5110 for more information.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (313) 591-7279.

## Revenge!

### Beaten twice by Patriots in '97, Salem gets even

BY C.J. RISAK  
SPORTS EDITOR

Timing, timing, timing.

For Plymouth Salem's basketball team, it couldn't have been better — starting the Western Lakes Activities Association season at home Friday against a team that beat the Rocks twice last year, Livonia Franklin.

For Franklin, it couldn't have been worse. The Patriots had been struggling, having trouble finding their form since their three-week holiday break. Starting the WLAA season in a hostile gym, against a team that had lost twice to them last season — that's trouble.

And that's what Franklin got. Salem scored the game's first eight points, withstood a short-lived Patriot rally and used their superior defense

and rebounding to pound out a 61-30 victory.

"We've been struggling the last couple of games, especially on offense," said Franklin coach Dan Robinson, his team now 2-3 overall and 0-1 in the WLAA. "Granted, Salem played some good defense, but we couldn't make even the basic plays to penetrate it."

"We had to execute offensively, and we didn't."

Salem had a lapse or two, but for the most part the Rocks were on their game. By the second half, the Patriots were relegated to perimeter shooting; whenever they tried to pass it inside, there was a turnover or the ensuing shot was contested and/or blocked.

"The kids came out mentally prepared," said Salem coach Bob Brodie, his Rocks now riding a five-game winning streak at 5-2. "If they do that, they're a good team. They can't get complacent."

There was never any sign of complacency in this game. After Salem opened up a 10-2 lead with 3:42 left in the opening quarter, Franklin scored seven points in a row to narrow the gap to 10-9.

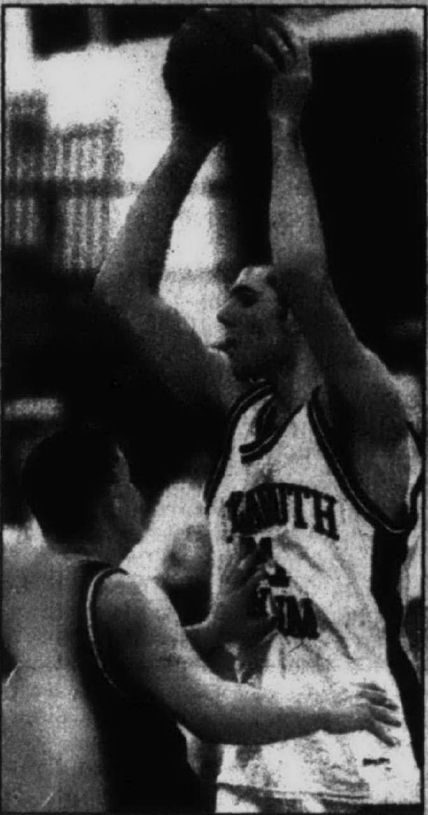
A three-pointer by Aaron Rypkowski with 42 seconds left in the period ended a three-minute scoreless streak for the Rocks and pushed their lead to 13-9. By the end of the quarter, it was 14-9 — and it would never be that close again.

Indeed, Franklin could not match that number of points in any of the following quarters. The Rocks had a 15-7 scoring advantage in the second period, giving them a 29-16 lead at the half, and a 15-6 third-quarter spurt to go up 44-22 after three.

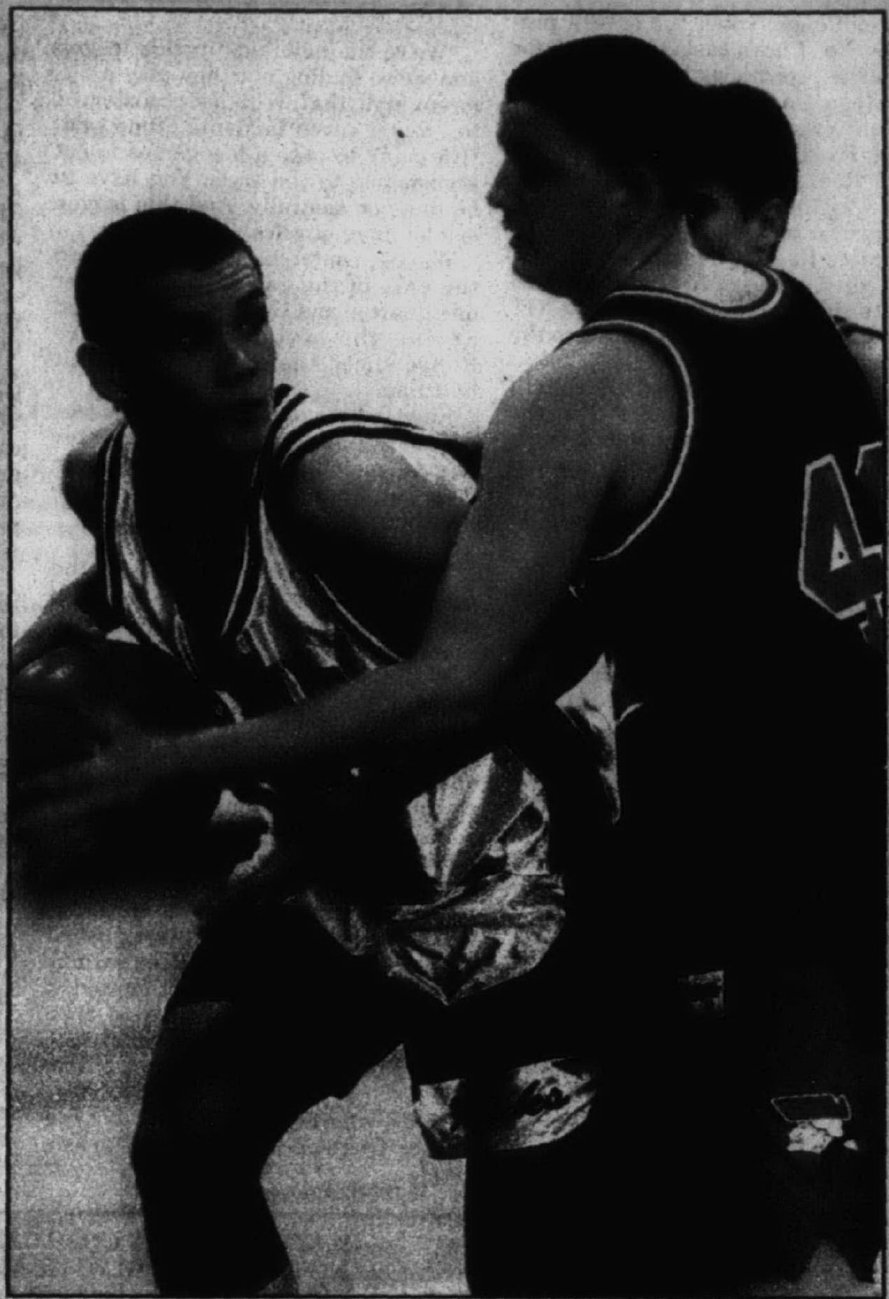
"I thought, as the game wore on, we improved," said Brodie. "They took a lot of time on offense, working their patterns. I have to give our kids credit for hanging in there (defensively)."

Team shooting percentages weren't terribly different: Franklin hit 34.3 percent to Salem's 40 percent. But the number of shots — Franklin took just 35, making 12, while Salem was 24-of-60.

The Patriots' performance at the



So big: Salem's Tony Jancevski was too tall for the Patriots.



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Point man: Aaron Rypkowski (with ball) came off the bench for Salem to score 10 points, including a crucial three-pointer late in the first quarter that turned the tide back toward the Rocks.

free-throw line didn't help. They converted just 4-of-15 (26.7 percent) to the Rocks' 10-of-17 (58.9 percent).

Scoring totals followed the pattern. Salem had nine players score, with Jeff McKian's 12 points leading. Rypkowski added 10 and Mike Korduba had 8. Nick Mongeau topped Franklin with eight points; Eddie Wallace contributed six.

The Rocks won't have time to relish the victory. After Tuesday's bye, they'll travel to Farmington Harrison to take on one of the WLAA favorites,

the unbeaten Hawks.

"It's a key game this early in the conference," said Brodie.

Harrison is led by Matt Derocher, an all-WLAA selection last season, Jarrard Johnson, Jared Hopkins and Kareem Smartt.

John Glenn 59, Canton 41: There wasn't anything in particular Westland John Glenn did against visiting Plymouth Canton Friday.

It was just an overwhelming tide of

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## 1st dual a winner for Rocks

Plymouth Salem got its dual swim meet season off to a good start Thursday night with a 102-84 victory over visiting Novi.

"This was our first dual meet," Coach Chuck Olson of the Rocks said. "It's always nice to start out with a win."

"They were 2-0 coming in, I think, so we're pretty happy to get by. They had some real good swimmers, too."

Salem won all three relays, the medley, 200-meter freestyle and 400-freestyle.

Olson teamed Nick Corden, Jason Rebarchik, Tim Buchanan and

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Andrew Locke for the medley relay and they won with a time of 1:43.25.

Locke, Mike Kilgore, Corden and Dan Jones combined to win the 200 relay, clocking 1:33.06. The 400 relay was swum in 3:23.52 by Buchanan, Corden, Locke and Brendon Mellis.

Freshman Paul Perez captured the butterfly with a time of 56.86 while Mellis was a double individual winner. Mellis won the individual medley in 2:05.73 and came back to take the backstroke in 57.90.

Two Rocks turned in state qualifying times in their victories.

Locke won the 50 freestyle in 22:55 while Corden took the 100 in 48.72.

Buchanan was a winner in the 500 freestyle, clocking 5:03.41.

Brian Mertens was second in the 200 free with a time of 1:56.24.

"Our ninth graders, Perez and Mertens, swam real well," Olson said. "Those were real nice swims for us that we were glad to see happen."

"We were also glad to see the state qualifiers. We always like to get those state cuts taken care of."



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRENNER

Next stop — Midland: Melissa Marzolf, a four-year starter at Canton, takes her considerable skills to Northwood.

## Marzolf picks Northwood

BY C.J. RISAK  
SPORTS EDITOR

It didn't take long for Melissa Marzolf, Plymouth Canton's standout guard, to decide where she'd like to further her education and playing skills.

Marzolf's mind was made up before the Chiefs' season ended in the Class A regional final with a tight loss to Class A state finalist Birmingham Marian. She'll attend Northwood University in the fall.

A four-year starter at Canton, Marzolf — a 5-foot-7 guard who was an all-Observer selection this season — had attracted the interest of several schools, including a few members of the Mid-American Conference. But the only schools she visited were Wayne State (where former Canton teammates Sarah Warnke, Erica Anderson and Britta Anderson play) and Northwood.

Both are members of the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Marzolf chose Northwood.

"It's in a little town (Midland) and I like the coaches," said Marzolf, whose initial interest is to pursue a career in sports management.

Northwood is coached by Erica Ledy, a former standout at Lake Superior State. Marzolf was recruited as a point guard, a position she played off and on at Canton.

"They put me out on the wing for more scoring my junior and senior years," she said. "But that's what I like to play — point guard."

As a senior, Marzolf averaged 10.5 points and a team-best 4.3 assists and 2.7 steals for Canton. She was a starter from the first game of her freshmen season.

What Canton coach Bob Blohm appreciated about Marzolf was her work ethic. "Because of the kind of worker she is, I think she'll continue to improve and develop," he said. "She was a great worker and a great team player."

"I think Northwood got a good player. And I think the GLIAC is a good league for her."

Marzolf knows that if she is going to play at the next level, she'll have to take her game to the next level. "I'm going to need to work on my shot and (using) my left hand," she said. "I think I'm a pretty good passer, and they recruited me as a point guard, so that's what they want me to do."

If anything, it's been Marzolf's shooting that's lacked consistency. "I think if she continues to improve her game, as in shooting the ball . . .," said Blohm. "Marz has always been a take-it-to-the-basket player. It's her outside game that needs some work."

"It never really developed the way it should have. That's the part of the game she'll have to work on. The rest of the game — passing, defending — it's all there."

One thing Marzolf may have to adapt to at Northwood is not starting. Another is enjoying the kind of

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## Legwand's return sparks Whaler win

Rookie David Legwand returned to the Detroit Whalers from the World Junior Championships in Helsinki, Finland, and played like he'd never been away.

Legwand scored a pair of goals and added two assists Wednesday to give the Plymouth Whalers a 6-3 Ontario Hockey League victory over the host Erie Otters in Erie, Penn.

Center Harold Druken of the Whalers netted his 20th goal of the season 12 seconds into the first period to stake Plymouth

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## Just a bit short

# Undersized Wayne can't quite chop down River Rouge giants

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

River Rouge, voted the state's pre-season No. 1 boys basketball team for all classes, continues to find out that the Mega Conference Red Division isn't any cake course.

The Panthers, newcomers to the Mega Red, had to scratch and claw their way to a 54-50 overtime victory Friday over host Wayne Memorial.

Charles Kage, a 6-foot-8 senior center, scored seven of his game-high 26 points during the four-minute OT period to lift Rouge (7-1 overall) to the victory.

Wayne, which dropped its fourth straight, falls to 2-4 and 0-2 in the Mega Red. The undersized Zebras, who nearly played giant killer against Rouge's 6-8, 6-7 and 6-6 front line, have lost four games by a total of 11 points.

"We had our chances," Wayne coach Chuck Henry said. "Under different circumstances I'd feel better, but not when you lose four in a row. If we had been 5-0 and lost to a team like Rouge, I'd feel a lot better."

Rouge, upset before the holiday break by Mega-Red foe Romulus, never could shake the pesky Zebras until the final minute of overtime.

Iowa-bound Duez Henderson, who seemed frustrated most of the evening by Wayne's quick man-to-man defensive tactics, scored on a finger-roll layup with 44 seconds left in OT to give the Panthers a 49-46 advantage.

A layup by Brett Darby, two free throws by Kage, and another free throw by Darby with just three seconds left secured the win for Rouge, now 1-1 in the Mega-Red.

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"We're the new kids in this league and we're finding out they play a different style that we're not accustomed to," Rouge coach LaMonta Stone said. "It's going to take a few games to get accustomed to the style. You have to be tougher mentally. And this league is a lot more physical."

Wayne, controlling the tempo and the pace of the game, led 10-8 after one quarter and by as many as seven during the second period before Rouge sliced the deficit to 22-19 at halftime.

Kage, whose play on the boards was pivotal, had eight third-quarter points, including an alley-oop dunk off a feed from Rodney Hughes, as the Panthers stayed close.

Wayne, however, led 31-29 at the end of the third period on a layup with one second to play by 5-8 sophomore guard Shane Nowak.

With 2:18 left in regulation, Darby made a shot in the lane for a 40-36 Rouge lead, but Wayne answered on a basket by Jamar Davis and two free throws by Brian Williams (with 1:30 to go) to even the count at 40-all.

Kage then scored inside with 54 seconds left to put the Panthers ahead again, 42-40. He was fouled on the play, but missed the free throw.

Wayne's Shomari Dunn was pushed trying to grab miss. He calmly stepped to the line on the other end of the floor and sank a pair of free throws to even the game again at 42.

Rouge then missed two shots to win it.

Kage was rejected by 6-7 Wayne center Quentin Turner and Darby's

three-point try as time expired rattled in-and-out.

Karl Calloway hit four of five free throws for Wayne in the overtime, but the Zebras couldn't get over the hump.

Kage's free throw with 1:50 to go in the OT put Rouge ahead to stay, 47-46. (Turner fouled out on the play.)

"Whenever we needed a big bucket, Charles delivered," Stone said. "And we'll ride him the rest of the season because he can rise to the occasion."

Henderson added 12 points for the winners, while Darby contributed nine.

"I'm not disappointed with the way we played, but we can play better," Stone said. "Our guys aren't used to catching the ball and seeing a defender in their face. The second time around we'll be better and this will prepare us for the state tournament."

"Wayne plays with a lot of mental toughness. They jumped on us the first quarter and then we made a run."

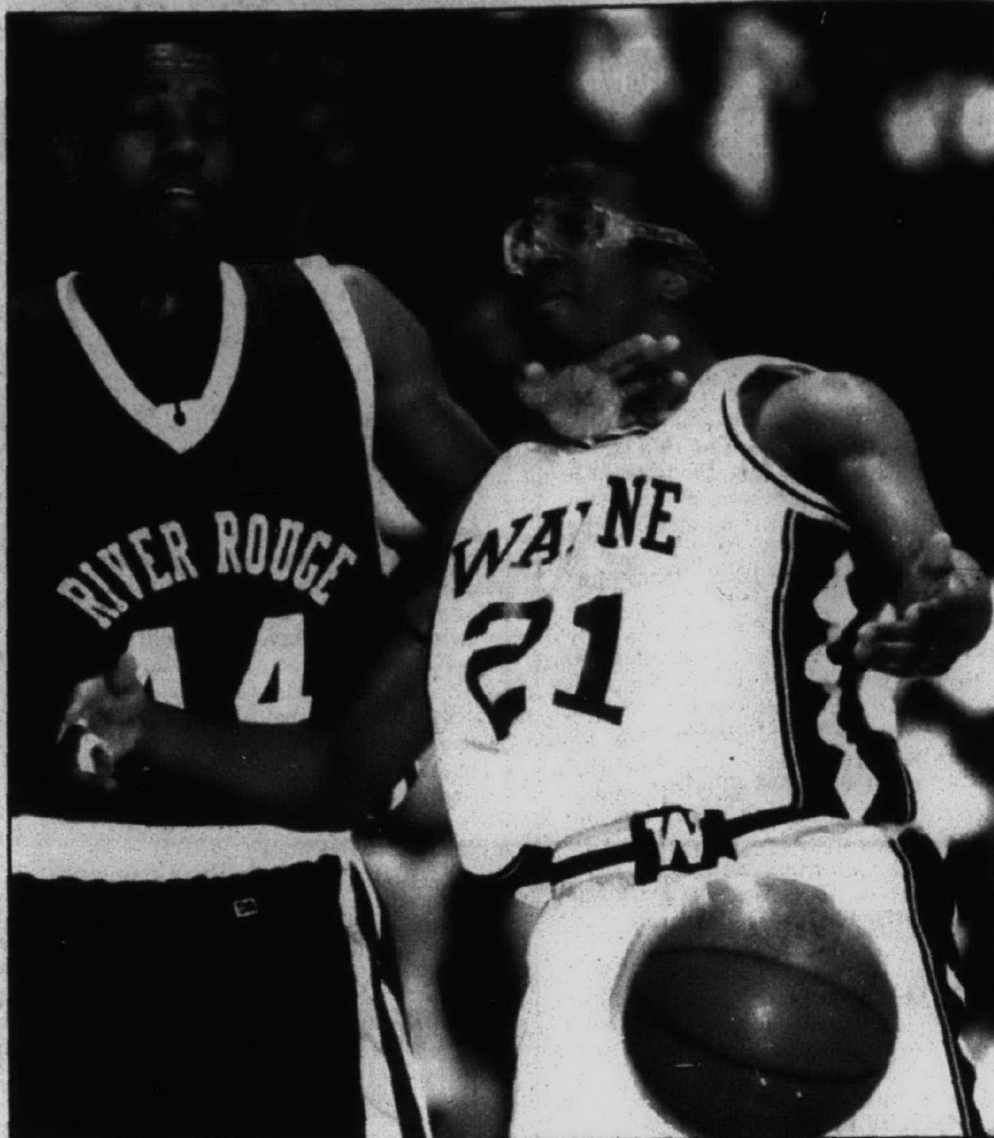
"Most teams would fold against us at that point, but they kept coming. They just kept coming and they play hard right until the end of the buzzer."

Reddick Borkins led Wayne in scoring with 11 points, while Nowak had 10. Jamar Davis and Calloway each added eight. The Zebras' top scorer, the 6-2 Williams, was limited to four.

"We've played hard and come close the last four times and it would have been nice to come out with a win," Henry said. "We had a good scheme against them."

"We were outsized — big-time — with their (Rouge's) three big guys."

"But no matter how you cut it, you're going to give up size."



Rough game: River Rouge's Duez Henderson (left) goes for the jugular while battling Wayne's Alf Williams for a loose ball.

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to a 1-0 lead.

Legwand's first goal, at 6:33 of the opening period, gave Plymouth a 2-0 lead which Erie negated with a late first-period score plus the only goal of the second period.

Erie took a 3-2 lead 4:25 into the final period but Legwand, fifth in the OHL in points but first among league and rookie goal-getters, notched his 38th of the season at the 8:23 mark to even the score again.

Defenseman Paul Mara, recently acquired by the Whalers, recorded his first goal in a Plymouth uniform at 10:11 to put his team ahead for keeps.

Forwards Yuri Babenko and

Jesse Boulerice rounded out the scoring for Plymouth. Boulerice was another player back from the World Juniors.

Goalie Robert Esche also returned from the tournament and recorded 39 saves to pick up the victory.

The return of Legwand, who has goals in nine consecutive games, from the World Juniors should help Plymouth in its pursuit of first place in the OHL's West Division.

The second-place Whalers have 47 points, three less than the Knights. Plymouth plays in Ontario this weekend against the Belleville Bulls, who hold

first place in the OHL East Division, and the Central Division runnerup Barrie Colts before returning home for games Jan. 17-18.

Legwand's 62 points help make him first on the Whalers in plus-minus. He's plus-22, two better than Kevin Holdridge. Only four Whalers are on the minus side.

Druken is runnerup on the Whalers in scoring with 41 points on 21 goals plus 20 assists.

Babenko, also an OHL rookie, enters the weekend third on the team in scoring with 39 points, one ahead of Andrew Taylor.

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success she's had at Canton, including a trip to the Final Four as a freshman.

It won't be easy in the GLIAC, one of the NCAA II's most competitive leagues. But a faster style of play doesn't really con-

cern Marzolf. "I think I'll like it better," she said.

As for memories, she has several.

"Going to the Final Four my freshman year was awesome," she said. "And this year, the feel-

ing I had after the Marian game — we were so close. People thought we wouldn't even be that close."

Her high school basketball days are over. But Marzolf will be heard from again, to be sure.

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athletes that beat the Chiefs.

Glenn led 9-5 after one quarter, and that's about as close as it got. The Rockets pumped that up to 33-21 at the half and to 47-30 by the end of three quarters.

"We're having trouble guarding athletes," said Canton coach Dan Young, his rather young and inexperienced team (just one senior and one starter back from last season) falling to 1-6 overall, 0-1 in the WLAA. "Glenn doesn't play great defense, but they're athletic as anything."

"We had a hard time containing their dribble penetration. That and their offensive rebounding were the two things that really beat us."

Canton also couldn't establish anything inside, and their perimeter game wasn't sharp. "We missed some easy shots, some open shots," admitted Young.

Joe Cortellini and Eric Larsen each scored 10 points to lead the Chiefs. For the Rockets (2-3, 1-0 in the WLAA), Stephan Lawson netted 19 points and Eric Jones collected 14.

Agape 78, Det. West Side 65: Paul Anleitner's career-best scoring performance — 38 points — was the difference in Canton Agape Christian's victory over visiting Detroit West Side Christian Friday.

The good news inside that good news is that Anleitner's prep career is only a few games old. He's a freshman.

A strong second half by the Wolverines allowed them to overtake, and then pull away from, West Side Christian — which led 38-32 at the half. And Anleitner was the sparkplug.

Agape outpointed West Side 26-15 in the final, pivotal quarter to turn a two-point game after three periods (52-50) into a comfortable win. Anleitner scored 25 of Agape's fourth-quarter points, making 12-of-13 free throws.

Steve Mecklenburg added 14 points and Rick Gutersohn had 12.

PCA 56, Franklin Road 53: The Eagles piled up a huge lead only to nearly lose it at the end.

Southfield Franklin Road Christian outscored Plymouth Christian Academy, 21-4, in the final eight minutes but fell just short in its homecoming game.

Plymouth Christian, 6-1 after the crossover victory, used a 23-9 second period to take a decisive lead at the half and was ahead, 52-32, after three periods.

Everybody played for PCA but Coach Doug Taylor complimented Franklin Road by noting "they played tough in the fourth quarter. They really fought back."

Both teams were miserable at the free throw line. PCA missed 12 of its 20 free throws while Franklin Road missed seven of its 11.

Sophomore forward Derric Iense scored 21 points and had

11 rebounds while sophomore point guard Jordan Roose had seven assists, all in the first half, plus six points and five steals. Guard Scott Carty scored 10 points.

Chris McIntosh scored 17 points to lead Franklin Road, now 3-4.

U-D Jesuit 70, Redford CC 59: Junior forwards Vince Alexander and Jeremy Murray scored 20 points each Friday night to lead host U-D Jesuit to the upset victory over Redford Catholic Central.

Senior guard Joe Jonna led CC, 3-2 overall and 1-1 in the Catholic League Central Division, with 13. U-D is 5-2 overall.

S'field Christ. 59, Huron Valley 40: The short-handed Hawks ran out of steam in the second half Friday night.

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran has nine players. One hurt his hand in practice, another was idled with back spasms, while a third got sick in the locker room at halftime, leaving the Hawks with six players.

Southfield Christian, 3-3, raced away from a 26-24 halftime lead and was ahead in its homecoming game, 45-28.

Bryant Curry scored 15 points for Southfield Christian while Kyle McAllister added 10.

Huron Valley Lutheran, now 2-4, got 14 points from Tom Husby, who hit four three-pointers in the first half.

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## COLLEGE ROUNDUP

## SC still unbeaten in conference

Kevin Melson's 34 points paced Schoolcraft College to a 74-70 men's basketball victory Wednesday night over host Delta College.

Delta, 1-2 in the Eastern Conference and 4-9 overall, gave Schoolcraft a scare when it held a 31-30 halftime lead.

"We struggled," Coach Carlos Briggs of the Ocelots said. "We didn't come out with our normal intensity."

"Delta played well. They gave us matchup problems. They used five guards and they shot well."

The Ocelots remained unbeaten in the conference at 3-0 while improving to 14-3 overall.

Derek McKelvey contributed 11 points and Emeka Okonkwo 10 to the Schoolcraft cause.

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The Ocelots won the game at the free throw line, making all but three of 18 attempts. Delta made 6-of-9.

**Cornerstone 99, Madonna 63:** The start of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference season wasn't kind to Madonna University's men's basketball team.

Cornerstone College of Grand Rapids hammered Madonna, 99-63, Thursday night in the visiting Crusaders' first game ever in the league. Madonna was admitted for play in the WHAC this season.

The Golden Eagles, 13-4, sprinted to a 24-11 lead with junior Mike Long scoring eight points. Cornerstone, rated 11th in the latest NAIA Division II poll, held a 49-28 halftime lead.

Madonna got 21 points from Mark Hayes and 16 from John-Mark Branch. Cornerstone put five players in double figures, led by reserve center Mark Zichterman's 17 points.

The Crusaders had the game's leading rebounder, Narvin Russaw, who had nine. Branch had seven.

Madonna made just 2-of-15 three-point shots, although Cornerstone wasn't much better at 6-of-19. The Golden Eagles forced 25 Crusader turnovers in the game.

## Cushman's 25 carries Crusaders past Cornerstone

The Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference season has started so it must be time for the Madonna University women's basketball team to get serious.

Madonna opened its WHAC campaign Thursday night with an 80-69 drubbing of Cornerstone College.

Katie Cushman came off the

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bench to lead the Crusaders with 25 points, making 7-of-11 three-point shots.

Cornerstone put three players in double figures, Julie Kosten with 15, Laura Yonkers at 14 and Megan Rhew with 12. Elissa

Grochowski took down a game-best 10 rebounds for the Golden Eagles, 9-10 overall after losing their conference opener.

Madonna, 9-5, got 16 points from guard Chris Dietrich and 15 from forward Mary Murray. The Crusaders only led by four, 41-37, at the half before pulling away to the win.

Murray had seven rebounds and substitute Jennifer Jacek got six. Angie Negri led her team with six assists and Dawn Pelc added four.

The Crusaders outscored the Golden Eagles, 26-3, in points off turnovers and held a 31-23 edge in bench points (thanks to Cushman).

## Rocks rout Farmington, run dual win streak to 5

## WRESTLING

Plymouth Salem's wrestling team crushed Farmington, 63-15, Thursday with the loss of only three matches in a battle of previously unbeaten Western Lakes Activities Association teams.

"We've got a real good team this year," Coach Ron Krueger of Salem said. "Farmington has a young team."

"Our kids have been around for awhile. He still has a nice team."

"We had all our kids up a weight class. One of our seconds got beat by theirs, so that's a plus for them."

Salem has won all five of its dual meets while Farmington is now 4-1-1.

The Lema brothers, Tony and Jerry, took two matches for the visiting Falcons. Tony defeated Josh Henderson, 8-6, at 130 pounds while Jerry, at 135, pinned Greg Petrovich in 4:27.

Farmington's other victory came at 215 pounds, where Carl Fridmore pinned Kevin Von Holten in 1:15.

Three Rock wrestlers won by void — Rob Ash at 103 pounds, Mike Popeney at 160 and heavyweight Ken Szydlowski. Salem won six matches by pins.

Dan Morgan (119) took 1:39 to pin Joe Seymour; Justin Bruner (125) beat Robin Fermin in 1:20; Sam Boyd (140) bested Matt Weaver in 1:15; James Green (152) pinned Dustin Gress in 2:53; Anwar Crutchfield (171) took Ben Lukas in 1:59; and Teano Wilson (189) beat Andy Wood in 3:41.

John Mervyn (112) of Salem decided Mike Pardy, 16-1, while Dan Hamblin (145) won over Sevan Sahiner, 15-2.

"We've got a big one coming up with Livonia Stevenson," Olson said. "I'm sure they're going to be ready."

"I saw them once, at our tournament, and they look pretty good."

## CC coach has team on a roll

Danny Knipper, who already has an associates degree in culinary arts, has returned to school to work on a teaching degree at Eastern Michigan University.

Knipper is considered a 25-year-old freshman, but that's nothing out of the ordinary compared to what he's doing at Detroit Catholic Central.

Knipper has returned for his second year as the CC boys swim coach, which is far more rare than starting college over at age 25.

The Shamrocks don't have a pool at their school, but they certainly have had a revolving door for coaches. Believe it or not, Knipper is the first in about seven years to not leave after his first season.

"Teachers come up to me and can't believe I'm back," said Knipper, a North Farmington High School graduate. "They wanted me to sign a contract at the end of the year just to make sure. It's a place I really like and the guys are well disciplined."

Knipper expects good things from the Shamrocks, who finished ninth at last year's Class A state meet.

The only major loss to graduation was Kevin Reinke, who finished ninth in the 100-yard freestyle at the state meet and was part of the 200 medley and 400 freestyle relays that also placed.

The Shamrocks were second in the Catholic League meet again, trailing Birmingham Brother Rice, which has won four straight state championships.

"They're definitely a powerhouse, good again but not as good," Knipper said of Rice. "It's a team I'm looking to beat in a couple, three years. We should do as well if not a little better than last year."

The Shamrocks are 1-0-1 in dual meets, beating East Lansing, 131-54, in December and tying Birmingham Seaholm on Thursday, 90-90.

Leading the way for CC are seniors Nick Sosnowski, Paul Connolly, Paul Garabelli and Matt Connolly.

Sosnowski swims the 200 individual medley and backstroke as well as the medley and 400 freestyle relays.

Connolly swims the breaststroke, medley relay and 400 freestyle relay. Sosnowski and Connolly each placed among the top 12 at the state meet.

"Sosnowski is my best all-around swimmer," Knipper said. "He trains real hard, knows what has to be done. He does everything outside of the pool, too, watches his diet."

"Connolly is strictly a breaststroker, somebody we're looking to see step up in the top six (at state meet) this year."

"I look for those two to take the lead role, kind of guide the rest of the team to get up in individual events."

## THE WEEK AHEAD

## BOYS BASKETBALL

**Monday, Jan. 12**  
Macomb at Canton Agape, 5 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Jan. 13**  
Wayne at Willow Run, 7 p.m.  
Northville at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.  
Wyandotte at Redford Union, 7 p.m.  
Crestwood at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
Franklin at Novi, 7:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Groves, 7:30 p.m.  
St. Agatha at R.O. Shrine, 7:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley at Fairlane, 7:30 p.m.  
N. Farmington at Seaholm, 7:45 p.m.  
**Thursday, Jan. 15**  
Inkster at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Jan. 16**  
Canton Agape at Greater Life, 7 p.m.  
Luth. North at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
Wyandotte at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
Stevenson at Northville, 7 p.m.

N. Farmington at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
Salem at Harrison, 7 p.m.  
John Glenn at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.  
Farmington at Canton, 7:30 p.m.  
Borgess at Notre Dame, 7:30 p.m.  
DeLaSalle at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.  
St. Alphonsus at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m.  
PCA at Southfield Christian, 7:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley vs. Warren Zee at Marshall Jr. High, 7:30 p.m.

## MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**Wednesday, Jan. 14**  
Schoolcraft at Henry Ford, 7:30 p.m.  
Oakland CC at Delta, 7:30 p.m.  
Madonna at Spring Arbor, 8 p.m.  
**Saturday, Jan. 17**  
Wayne County at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.  
Alpena at OCC-Highland Lakes, 4 p.m.  
Madonna at Concordia, 7:30 p.m.

## WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**Monday, Jan. 12**  
UM-Dearborn at Madonna, 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, Jan. 14**  
Schoolcraft at Henry Ford, 5:30 p.m.  
**Thursday, Jan. 15**  
Spring Arbor at Madonna, 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, Jan. 17**  
Wayne County at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.  
Concordia at Madonna, 7 p.m.

## ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

**Sunday, Jan. 11**  
Ply. Whalers at Barrie, 2 p.m.  
**Saturday, Jan. 17**  
Ply. Whalers at Sarnia, 7:30 p.m.  
**Sunday, Jan. 18**  
Whalers vs. Windsor Spitfires at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m.

## PREP HOCKEY

**Wednesday, Jan. 14**  
Churchill vs. Pt. Huron Northern, Franklin vs. Okemos at Edgar Arena, 6 & 8 p.m.  
Redford CC at Cranbrook, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Jan. 16**

Franklin vs. Lakeland, Stevenson vs. South Lyon at Edgar Arena, 4 & 6 p.m.  
Churchill vs. W.L. Western at Lakeland Ice Arena, 8:20 p.m.  
**Saturday, Jan. 17**  
Churchill vs. Redford Union at Redford Ice Arena, 1 p.m.  
Redford CC vs. Trenton at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

**Monday, Jan. 12**  
Canton Agape at Temple, 4:30 p.m.  
John Glenn at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.  
Farmington at W.L. Western, 6:30 p.m.  
Northville at N. Farmington, 6:30 p.m.  
Borgess at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Wayne, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Wyandotte, 7 p.m.  
Trenton at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Jan. 13**  
Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 5:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley vs. Roper

at Livonia St. Paul's, 6 p.m.  
Mercy at Marian, 6:30 p.m.  
Ladywood at H.W. Regina, 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday, Jan. 14**  
W.L. Central at Harrison, 6:30 p.m.  
Salem at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
Redford Union at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
Lincoln Park at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
**Thursday, Jan. 15**  
Ladywood at Bishop Foley, 6:30 p.m.  
Mercy at Riv. Richard, 6:30 p.m.  
St. Agatha at DePores, 7 p.m.  
**Friday, Jan. 16**  
Agape at Greater Life, 4:30 p.m.  
Country Day at Luth. W'sid, 5:30 p.m.  
Ecorse at Ply. Christian, 6 p.m.  
**Saturday, Jan. 17**  
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## MEDICAL BRIEFS

### Medical thermology

Heart attacks, strokes and breast cancer are the typical end-stage manifestations of a degenerative process. There are many techniques used to detect degenerative diseases at a stage when treatment can reverse their effects. Among non-invasive techniques, thermology, has been demonstrated to be the most reliable having little or no risk of complications. To learn more about thermology and how this technique can save lives through early detection, attend SANT's Jan. 19 lecture when Dr. Philip Hoekstra will speak on medical thermology. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Sinnett Holistic Health Center in Livonia, located at 29200 Vassar in the Livonia Pavilion, Suite 140, across the street (Middlebelt) from Sears at Livonia Mall. Admission is \$5. For more information call, (313) 274-4971 or (313) 837-2647.

### Lupus support group

The Northwest Suburban Lupus Chapter will hold a rap session, Monday, Jan. 12 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Farmington Library conference room, 23500 Liberty Street (one block west of Farmington Road and one block south of Grand River). March 12, Anthony A. Emmer, D.O. neurologist, will host a session on "Lupus and CNS Involvement - myths and facts." For more information (313) 261-6714 ask for Andrea Gray. A meeting is scheduled for May 3.

### Surviving cancer

A support group for young adults (ages 20-40) who are facing cancer, treatments and recovery will be hosted at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute (Lathrup Village Office) from 6-7:30 p.m. The group will meet the first and third Tuesday of each month beginning Jan. 6. The Institute is located at 18831 West 12 Mile Road (west of Southfield Road). For information, call Barbara Bickling, volunteer coordinator, (810) 294-4432 or Karen Ruwoldt, ACSW, (810) 543-6330. Refreshments will be served.

### Birth rate increases

Women seeking treatment for infertility will find that their "take home baby rate" with in vitro fertilization (IVF) is one of the best in the nation at Henry Ford Center for Reproductive Medicine in Troy. "Our 1996 figures show that we are one of the best clinics in the United States in helping couples bring home a baby," said Michael Mersol-Barg, M.D., the medical director for the center. Mersol-Barg said 43.5 percent of women under age 35 and 33 percent of women between the ages of 35-39 brought home a baby after IVF treatment at the Henry Ford Center.

### Grief support seminar

Angela Hospice will be offering a grief support workshop free of charge on Tue., Jan. 13 and Jan. 27 at 1 and 6:30 p.m. both days. Call (734) 464-7810 for more information.

### Hospice SE Michigan

Hospice of Southeastern Michigan community relations manager, Dan Layman, will speak at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Sunday, Jan. 18 at 9:45 a.m. in an effort to reach out to the community and inform others about the care Hospice provides to those with a life-limiting illness and their families. Hospice aims to enhance the quality of life by controlling symptoms such as physical pain and to help deal with the emotional, social and spiritual issues that arise at the end of life. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church is located at 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. For information, call (313) 422-1470.

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# READ BEFORE EATING

## MANY FOODS HAVE HIDDEN DANGERS

By KIMBERLY A. MORTSON  
STAFF WRITER

Food plays a major role in our lives and is the highlight of most social occasions. For some, however, eating can be a terrifying experience if you are allergic to a food that has the potential to kill you.

Logic would tell you not to consume the life-threatening allergen, but when it comes to peanuts, determining whether the legume is an ingredient in your egg roll or brown gravy can be very difficult. Peanuts, found in the legume food family, (kidney beans, licorice, alfalfa, lentils) aren't something you would expect to find in things such as chili, spaghetti sauce, enriched cocoa and pie crusts, but they are commonly used as fillers in processed foods and lunch meats, sources of protein in prepackaged foods, ground up as flour in cakes/cookies and thickening agents in gravies and sauces.

Unreliability of ingredient lists on commercial food products, a lack of understanding, and accidental exposure have led to rising incidents of peanut allergy deaths as a result of anaphylactic shock.

Unlike common food allergies such as milk, eggs, wheat and soy, peanut and shellfish allergies are considered lifelong. Medical experts say people often lose their sensitivity to other allergens - insects, animals, medication, mold, dust and latex.

The peanut threat to an allergy sufferer can include severe hives, difficulty breathing, swelling, throat closing/tightness and loss of consciousness.

### No cure yet

Currently, there is no preventive medication or cure for peanut allergies other than avoidance. And with hidden ingredients and a lack of education, it's not easy for a family or child to maintain a sense of security in settings such as schools, restaurants and even their own home.

"Eating at a restaurant is like Russian roulette for my family," said Nancy Waterbury of Livonia, whose two young boys have food allergies. "There's no margin of error when it comes to peanut allergies so we just don't take the chance. The risk of exposure is too great."



Reading labels: Jimmy Waterbury, 9, (left) and his brother Mark, 7, (right) are learning to read the labels on foods, like the fruit snacks they enjoy after school, before eating them in case they were to include peanuts or other allergens.

In reality, it's less challenging to be peanut-free than it is peanut-free due to a high level of cross-contamination in the food industry and the relative ease of exposure from inhalation and physical contact as minimal as peanut residue.

Although food allergies are not new, medical professionals link the food industry's use of more and more protein additives in processed foods as a determining factor in the rise of allergic persons having near-fatal and fatal reactions.

Waterbury's sons, Jimmy, 9, and Mark, 7, both strictly monitor their diets and are learning to read food labels in hopes of avoiding a physical reaction to their allergens. Jimmy cannot consume nuts and peanuts while Mark is allergic to eggs, peanuts, nuts, chocolate and all dairy products (milk, cheese, ice cream).

Jimmy has had two major anaphylactic responses from peanuts - first from a spoonful of a breakfast cereal and the second from a bite of cake cut with the same knife that was used to slice a cake containing nuts, said Waterbury. Neither were swallowed but still caused serious side effects.

"We're very careful and we read everything," said Waterbury. The Livonia mother said food is such an important part of our social occasions that the boys sometimes feel alienated from their classmates because of

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## Teacher, classmates join to protect students

By KIMBERLY A. MORTSON  
STAFF WRITER

Sending a food allergic child to school for the first time can be a stressful and anxious occasion for the student, parents and school administration.

Eriksson Elementary school in the Plymouth-Canton district was challenged with educating two kindergarten students with life threatening peanut allergies in August 1995.

Creating a safe learning environment for Brooke Graham and Colin Beney would need to be more involved than filling out an emergency medical card and storing their medication in the front office. With the cooperation of the children's parents, school nurse Mary Huber, RN, the Eriksson staff and principal Judy Ireson a comprehensive plan was initiated in March, six months prior to the kindergartners arrival.

"Judy and myself had experience with a student, 12 years prior, that was allergic to fish," said Huber, a Plymouth-Canton school nurse. "The potential for exposure in a school setting involving peanuts is significantly greater than that of fish, so we knew we had to plan ahead and be prepared for every possible scenario involving peanuts."

"We were given the problem and ran with it," said Ireson. "The preparations were time consuming but we collaboratively came up with a very workable plan. Brooke and Colin's parents were very willing to work with us and approached the situation not asking for unreasonable things."

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### Common goals

Through team planning a decision was made not to designate the entire school peanut-free in an effort to avoid a "sense of complacency" said Ireson. "We couldn't insure the all-out elimination of peanuts in a building with a population of some 570 students and nearly 60 staff members."

To date, Eriksson maintains a single peanut-free classroom and has only had two instances since 1995 when exposure might have been a possibility, but was avoided due to the keen foresight of the Canton elementary school staff.

The 1995-96 school year for both students was deemed more manageable than first grade was expected to be, due to the ability to eliminate food in a 2.5 hour day with an emphasis on awareness. The added pressure ensued the following year when the concentration had to shift to the lunch hour.

"And we had to be sensitive to the needs of all the children in school," said Ireson.

Again, several months before the start of the first grade, Eriksson staff members put their heads together and tried to anticipate any situation Brooke and Colin might encounter on a day-to-day basis relating to food.

### Life saving suggestions

Ireson said it was input from a custodial staff member and the physical education teacher that led

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### First-graders:

Brooke Graham and Colin Beney eat lunch in a peanut-free classroom at Eriksson Elementary School in Canton.



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## Peanuts can cause deadly response

By KIMBERLY A. MORTSON  
STAFF WRITER

Persons who suffer from allergies to peanuts fear the anaphylactic reaction or "allergic shock" they experience from even the most minimal exposure to the allergen.

Anaphylaxis is a rapid and potentially deadly response triggered by skin exposure, inhalation or consumption of an allergen such as peanuts, shellfish, tree nuts (almonds, cashews, walnuts) and fish.

Imagine the anxiety a 7-year-old may after biting into a cookie, with no known peanut ingredient, only seconds later to begin itching, having their lips and tongue swell up and experience difficulty breathing as their throat begins to close.

This is not an uncommon scenario for a school-aged child with peanut allergies. Exposure to any form of the allergen such as an art project containing peanut shells, the residue left on a lunch table where a peanut butter sandwich was eaten or the breath of another child who had just eaten a peanut butter cookie.

While airborne or skin exposure may cause a more mild allergic reaction than physical consumption, the response can be equally tragic if not treated seriously. The reaction occurs when the body's immune system perceives the protein response as a threat and therefore overproduces histamine and other natural chemicals to fend off the danger.

If the response to full-blown anaphylaxis is unheeded or the injection of epinephrine does not occur within minutes, the results can be fatal. Epinephrine administered through an auto-injection device called an EpiPen® buys the child time to be transported to a hospital for medical treatment.

Epinephrine, also known as adrenaline, is a hormone which the body instinctively pro-

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Lunch buddies: Brooke Graham and Colin Beney (in background) spend their lunch time with lunch buddies Nicole Spino and Jonathan Glove.

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our social occasions that the boys sometimes feel alienated from their classmates because of the special precautions. Snacks at school, art projects, birthday parties and school outings are planned ahead of time to ensure Jimmy doesn't come in contact with a peanut-related food. Swapping treats out of lunch boxes is out of the question and Halloween has become more of an adult headache than a childlike ritual.

Her sons eat only foods prepared at home or thoroughly examined by herself or her husband. The Waterburys say they don't even purchase foods from the grocery store for themselves that may cause a problem for their sons because avoidance is the best method of prevention.

"We try and even things out so they don't feel isolated and different," said Waterbury. "A great effort is made to lead as much of a normal life as we can."

### Doing her best

Although she thoroughly scrutinizes food label ingredients at the grocery store and again before it goes into the pantry of her Livonia home, Waterbury says she still can't be 100 percent confident that her son is safe.

"Cross-contamination at facilities where food is prepared and packaged is very common. Jimmy could have a reaction from a food product that was prepared on the same line as something that contains peanuts. And while companies take precautions to avoid contamination, a lack of knowledge about the seriousness of this allergy con-

tributes to mistakes being made."

Waterbury is not alone. She and her husband are members of the Food Allergy Michigan Network, a support and educational organization of parents and children who deal with and suffer from food allergies. Waterbury's former neighbor, Anne Russell, a registered nurse from Plymouth, has a son who is allergic to peanuts, nuts and eggs.

Russell initiated the local support group which meets six times a year in Plymouth where approximately 200 families meet face-to-face with other parents and stay informed through board-certified allergists who are regular guest speakers.

FAMN is a branch of The Food Allergy Network (FAN), a national nonprofit organization, that helps families live with food allergies and increase public awareness about allergies and anaphylaxis.

Waterbury and Russell say they discovered their children's similarities through months of conversations and were both shocked to learn the boys had so much in common when it came to their heightened sensitivity to peanuts.

"Neither of us had ever heard of peanut allergies but we found comfort in sharing our fears and high anxieties about them consuming something that caused them to break out in hives, swell up and close their throat," said Russell.

"Children with peanut allergies are different in a special way," she added. "You have to accept it and come to grips with it. You kind of grieve the loss of a healthy child and end up feeling angry, shocked, frustrated and guilty it may

have been something you passed on to your child."

### On the upswing

Researchers are delving into increased cases of peanut allergies and looking for possible allergy inducers due to the consumption of peanuts by pregnant women and newborn formulas containing peanut proteins and oils.

It is estimated about 5 percent of children in the United States currently suffer from some form of food allergy, according to the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunization.

Since Waterbury and Russell first discovered their children's allergies, they say food manufacturers are slowly acknowledging the threat of anaphylactic reactions by labeling or warning consumers to potential health problems.

FAN mailing list members receive regular updates on mislabeled products, shared equipment and other problems food conscious consumers would need to be aware.

For example, FAN network members were alerted in September by The Quaker Oats Company that all peanut allergic individuals should be aware that some flavors of Quaker Rice Cakes were soon to be manufactured on "shared equipment" with a peanut-containing rice cake. The affected flavors were named and reportedly were labeled "May Contain Traces of Peanuts."

The members were also notified of the rice cakes that would be of no threat to allergy sufferers and that in the future they should refer to the ingredient list-



On the menu: Dinner for Jimmy (left) and Mark (right) will consist of foods their mother Nancy knows won't cause an allergic reaction, such as carrots, cauliflower, spaghetti and juice. Between the two boys, food allergens include peanuts, nuts, milk, eggs and chocolate.

ing regarding product changes.

"In general, the manufacturers are getting better," said Waterbury. "But we try and avoid all together anything we can't be sure is safe. Even trace amounts of peanuts can be poison to our kids."

• The Food Allergy Michigan Network will meet in March. For more information, call Anne Russell, (734) 420-2805.

Donations will be accepted at the door to cover costs of postage and copying.

• To join the national Food Allergy Network, write: FAN, 10400 Eaton Place, Suite 107, Fairfax, Va. 22030-2208. Call (703) 691-3179 or fax (703) 691-2713. E-mail address fan@worldweb.net

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Safety: Canton paraprofessional Bev Denner carries an Epi-pen® auto-injector in case of anaphylaxis.

duces in response to stress. Upon being administered the medication, the muscles of the chest relax, opening airways, to improve breathing. Epinephrine can also lessen the itching sensation and reduce swelling.

Children with life-threatening allergies carry fanny-packs containing an EpiPen® (depending on their independence and confidence in using the auto injector) and any other asthma medication they may need as many food-allergy chil-

dren also suffer from asthma. EpiPens® are also carried by teachers or paraprofessionals in addition to office staff and administration who are trained to administer an epinephrine injection following a reaction.

Typically an emergency management plan has been devised with the cooperation of parents and school officials. Detailed, comprehensive plans and practice runs are executed in the event that a child suffers an anaphylactic reaction.

"Cooperation and education work in your favor," said Anne Russell, registered nurse and mother of a Plymouth student with a food allergy to peanuts.

"It's important to make sure accurate information is received by everyone involved from fellow classmates and teachers to paramedics and emergency room physicians."

## Classmates from page E4

to the rearrangement of the children's gym hour and the suggestion that the floor be disinfected each night prior to Brooke and Colin's regularly scheduled gym class, first thing in the morning. The all-purpose room served as the cafeteria and the gymnasium where exposure to peanut residue could go unnoticed.

### Special measures

Other precautions include disinfecting the floors prior to school assemblies; a vigilant hand-washing policy; the cafeteria manager does not bake anything with peanuts in it; allergy students use the adult bathrooms; all students were educated to their fellow schoolmates life threatening allergy; and updates were sent home to families through the school newsletter.

The children were also certified 504 and a paraprofessional (teacher's aide) was hired through a special federal funds process, to supervise them at

lunch, on the playground and on any field trips where food was involved.

504 designation is a civil rights statute found in a section of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, designed to "prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in federally-funded activities ... take certain affirmative steps to ensure that students with disabilities receive an appropriate public education."

Eriksson's 504 aide, Bev Denner, has responsibilities within the school in addition to supervising Brooke and Colin on the playground and sitting with them during their lunch hour. They eat in the peanut-free classroom where the pair can choose one lunch buddy each to dine with.

Denner scrubs down the tables and checks the lunches of the buddies to insure they haven't mistakenly brought anything that may be a threat to their friends. She also carries a small

bag containing Epi-pens® that she is trained to administer.

According to Denner, eating with Brooke and Colin "is a privilege." "The children monitor themselves quite stringently and are really disappointed if they forget the rules and can't be a lunch buddy," said Denner.

### Awareness is the key

Awareness training in the event of exposure has been given to specific bus drivers, substitute teachers, office staff and the emergency plan has been reviewed by the Canton Township Fire and Rescue Department who are aware of the special needs of the two Eriksson students.

"I believe Colin and Brooke feel safe and comfortable in school. The steps we've taken to guard against exposure has allowed us to reach the goal of a safe learning environment," said Huber.



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**ELECTRICAL SUPPLY**  
Caniff Electric Supply — <http://www.caniff.com>  
Progress Electric — <http://www.pe-co.com>

**ELECTRONIC SERVICE AND REPAIR**  
ABL Electronic Service, Inc. — <http://www.ablerv.com>

**EMPLOYEE LEASING COMPANY**  
Genesys Group — <http://www.genesysgroup.com>

**EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**  
Employment Presentation Services — <http://www.epweb.com>

**ENVIRONMENT**  
Resource Recovery and Recycling — <http://oeonline.com/rtrroc>  
Authority of SW Oakland Co.

**EXECUTIVE RECRUITERS**  
J. Emery & Associates — <http://www.jemeryassoc.com>

**EYE CARE/LASER SURGERY**  
Greenberg Laser Eye Center — <http://www.greenbergeye.com>

**FLOOR COVERING**  
The Floor Connection — <http://www.floorconnection.com>

**FROZEN DESSERTS**  
Savino Sorbet — <http://www.sorbet.com>

**HAIR SALONS**  
Heads You Win — <http://www.headsyouwin.com>

**HEALTH CARE**  
Family Health Care Center — <http://oeonline.com/ehrmann>

**HERBAL PRODUCTS**  
Nature's Better Way — <http://oeonline.com/nbw>

**HOSPITALS**  
Botsford Health Care Continuum — <http://www.botsfordsystem.org>  
St. Mary Hospital — <http://www.stmaryhospital.org>

**HYDRAULIC AND PNEUMATIC CYLINDERS**  
Hennells — <http://www.hennells.com>

**HYPNOSIS**  
Full Potential Hypnosis Center — <http://oeonline.com/hypnosis>

**INDUSTRIAL FILTERS**  
Elxair Corporation — <http://www.elxair.com>

**INSURANCE**  
J. J. O'Connell & Assoc., Inc. — <http://www.bconnellinsurance.com>

**INTERACTIVE CD ROM PUBLISHING**  
Interactive Incorporated — <http://www.interactive-inc.com>

**JEWELRY**  
Haig Jewelry — <http://rochester-hills.com/haig>

**METROLOGY SERVICES**  
GKS Inspection — <http://www.gks3d.com>

**MORTGAGE COMPANIES**  
Mortgage Market — <http://www.interest.com/observer>  
Village Mortgage — <http://www.villagemortgage.com>

**NEWSLETTERS**  
GAGGLE Newsletter — <http://oeonline.com/gaggle>

**NOTARY SERVICES**  
Notary Service & Bonding Agency, Inc. — <http://www.notaryservice.com>

**NURSING EDUCATION**  
Michigan League for Nursing — <http://oeonline.com/mln>

**PAINTING**  
Al Kahn Painting — <http://oeonline.com/alkahn>

**ORIENTAL RUGS**  
Azar's Oriental Rugs — <http://www.azars.com>

**PARKS & RECREATION**  
Huron-Clinton Metroparks — <http://www.metroparks.com>

**PERSONAL GROWTH**  
Overcomer's Maximized Living System — <http://www.overcomer.com>

**PLANNING AND TRAFFIC CONSULTANT**  
Birchler Arroyo Associates, Inc. — <http://www.birchlerarroyo.com>

**POWER TRANSMISSION**  
Bearing Service, Inc. — <http://www.bearingservice.com>

**PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR**  
Profile Central, Inc. — <http://www.profile-usa.com>

**PUBLIC AND INVESTOR RELATIONS**  
Rein Norm & Associates, Inc. — <http://www.profile-norm.com>

**REAL ESTATE**  
REALnet — <http://oeonline.com/realnet.html>

Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors — <http://www.justlisted.com>  
Chamberlain REALTORS — <http://www.chamberlainrealtors.com>  
Cornwell & Company — <http://www.michiganhome.com/cornwell>  
Dan Hay — <http://dancan.com>  
Marcia Gies — <http://sda.oeonline.com/gies.html>  
Hall & Hunter Realtors — <http://sda.oeonline.com/hallhunt>  
Langard Realtors — <http://www.langard.com>  
Max Brook, Inc. — <http://www.maxbrook.com>  
Sellers First Choice — <http://www.sfcrealtors.com>  
Bob Taylor — <http://www.bobstaylor.com>  
Western Wayne County Association of REALTORS — <http://www.michiganhome.com>

**REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL**  
BBSOAR Appraisers Committee — <http://justlisted.com/appraisal>

**REAL ESTATE - COMMERCIAL/INVESTMENT**  
Property Services Group, Inc. — <http://www.proserv.com>

**REAL ESTATE EDUCATION**  
Real Estate Alumni of Michigan — <http://www.ramadavantage.org>  
Sellers First Choice — <http://www.sfcrealtors.com>

**REAL ESTATE-HOME WARRANTY**  
HMS Home Warranty — <http://oeonline.com/hms>

**REAL ESTATE SOFTWARE**  
Envision Real Estate Software — <http://www.envision-res.com>

**RELOCATION**  
Conquest Corporation — <http://www.conquest-corp.com>

**REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH**  
Midwest Fertility and Sex Selection Center — <http://www.mfss.com>

**RESTAURANTS**  
Steve's Backroom — <http://www.stevesbackroom.com>

**RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES**  
American House — <http://www.american-house.com>  
Presbyterian Villages of Michigan — <http://www.pvm.org>

**SHOPPING**  
Birmingham Principal Shopping District — <http://oeonline.com/birmingham>

**SURPLUS FOAM**  
McCullough Corporation — <http://www.mctoam.com>

**SURPLUS PRODUCTS**  
McCullough Corporation — <http://www.mcsurplus.com>

**TOYS**  
Toy Wonders of the World — <http://www.toywonders.com>

**TRAINING**  
High Performance Group — <http://www.oeonline.com/-hpg>  
Virtual Reality Institute — <http://www.vrinstitute.com>

**TRAVEL AGENCY**  
Cruise Selections, Inc. — <http://www.cruiseelections.com>

**UTILITIES**  
Detroit Edison — <http://www.detroitedison.com>

**WELD GUN PRODUCTS**  
C.M. Smilie Co. — <http://www.smilie.com>

**WHOLISTIC WELLNESS**  
Roots and Branches — <http://www.retkplace.com>

**WOMEN'S HEALTH**  
Asghar Afshar, M.D. — <http://www.gyndoc.com>  
PMS Institute — <http://www.pmsinst.com>

**WORSHIP**  
St. Michael Lutheran Church — <http://www.stmichaellutheran.org>



RECREATION

# Practice safety on and off the ice

The recent January thaw has wreaked havoc on southeastern Michigan lakes as ice fishing has come to a halt.

There is currently no safe ice in the area. In fact, most lakes sport open water.

Winter will inevitably return and the local lakes will, hopefully, freeze solid enough so the ice fishing opportunities will return. When winter reappears don't be so anxious to get out on the ice that you throw caution to the wind.

Here are a few safety tips to remember when contemplating a trip out on the ice:

- Always check ice conditions before venturing out.

- The best ice is hard, blue ice. When ice has a gray or whitish tint to it or is

full of bubbles and air pockets it's smart to stay on shore.

- Ice thickness can sometimes be misleading. Thin ice up to three inches that has frozen solid and remains frozen can often be safer than five or six inches of ice than has frozen, thawed and frozen again. Ice that is soft or mushy, or tends to give way when weight is placed on it, should be avoided.

- Be aware of ice-covered rivers and river mouths. Moving water will keep ice from freezing and leave many rivers and river mouths unsafe.

- Sunny warm weather can weaken safe ice during the course of the afternoon so be sure to periodically check the ice if you stay out for an extended period of time. Look for puddles forming on top of the ice and watch to see if the ice is beginning to bend or bow in the area in which you are fishing.

- If you fall through stay calm and call for help. Try to pull yourself out in the direction you came from. Extend your arms to keep your head above the water and kick with your feet. Try to roll out of the hole and use spikes or ice creepers if you have them to help you grip the ice.

When you get out of the water roll well away from the hole before standing up. Remember, the added weight of the water on your clothes will make you heavier and prone to breaking through again, so don't try to stand up immediately.

- Shed your wet clothes for dry ones as soon as possible since hypothermia can begin to take hold in as little as four minutes.

- If you're with someone who falls through the ice throw them a rope, pole, ladder, hose, jacket or anything available. Do not, by any means, run out to the hole and try to pull someone out.

- Consider purchasing a fishing jacket with a personal flotation device built into it.

- Be sure to carry, creepers or spikes in your pockets so they are available if you do fall through.

- Keep a rope, hose or life saving device handy if you live on a lake or plan to spend time on a lake.

- Finally, treat all ice as if it's unsafe. Don't cross unfamiliar ice without first checking it out.

Keep these safety precautions in mind when the ice returns and have a fun, safe, successful ice fishing season.

Deer season 2nd safest

The 1997 firearms deer season, which saw nearly 750,000 hunters take to the field, was the second safest on record according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement officials. There were 27 hunting accidents this year including two fatalities. Last year was the safest season on record with a total of 16 accidents and one fatal.

Firearms deer season remains a safe recreational pursuit, due to the successful efforts of hunter safety education in Michigan and the overall compliance of almost 750,000 hunters with laws and safety guidelines," said Herb Burns, chief of the DNR's Law Enforcement Division. "Over half the accidents and at least one of the fatalities were clearly the result of actions which constituted violations of law or safety rules."

A quick look at the accidents seems to underline that fact.

Eight non-fatal accidents and

one fatal accident occurred when one hunter shot another while attempting to shoot a deer. (Be sure of your target and what is beyond your target.)

In separate incidents, four young hunters between the ages of 14 and 17 accidentally shot themselves in the foot or lower leg. (Always keep your gun pointed in a safe direction and keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.)

One fatal and three non-fatal accidents occurred when a hunter was mistaken for a deer. (Be sure of your target and what is beyond your target.)

Two non-fatal accidents occurred while a hunter was loading a firearm. (Know your firearm and its ammunition.)

Two individuals were injured by stray bullets in separate incidents while they were inside a dwelling. Two others were injured by ricochets. (Be sure of your target and what is beyond your target.)

One non-fatal injury occurred when a hunter grabbed another hunter's gun by the barrel and another occurred when someone was taking a loaded gun out of a vehicle. (Treat every gun as if it were loaded.)

The shooters and the reason for the other two accidents are unknown.

While this season stands out as the second safest on record, 27 accidents is still 27 too many. Hunter safety classes and the mandate for hunters orange have gone a long way in improving the safety of our sport but we must continue to strive for an accident-free season.

Always be sure every member of your hunting party is aware of and practices the 10 Commandments of Hunters safety. Everyone wants to be successful and bring some venison home, but when the quest for success clouds your judgment accidents can and do occur.

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

### 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 (248) 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.

### DATES

**GOOSE**  
The special late Canada goose season runs through Feb. 1 in southern Michigan. The boundaries for the late hunt have been changed this year and are now the same as those for the South Zone of the regular waterfowl season. The entire south zone is open during the late hunt with

the exception of the five GMU's.

**RABBIT**  
Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

**TURKEY**  
Feb. 1 is the deadline to apply for a spring turkey permit.

### CLASSES

**FLY TYING**  
The Challenge Chapter of Trout Unlimited and Birmingham Continuing Education will offer a 10-week fly tying class beginning at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, at Birmingham Seaholm High School. Call (248) 203-3800 to register and for more information.

### 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.

### 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.

**1998 PERMITS**  
The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

**WINTER STARS**  
Homeschoolers at the 4th-grade

level or higher will learn the winter constellations during this two-hour indoor program, which begins at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at Indian Springs. There is a \$1 fee per child, pre-registration is required and participants should bring a light colored t-shirt.

### OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

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

**TUNING YOUR TOT INTO WINTER**  
A nature program for children ages 3-6 including a hike, stories, snacks, crafts and more will be offered at 10 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 21 and 22 at Independence Oaks. The program will be offered again at 1 p.m. and at 2:45 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 24.

**OWL PROWL**  
Learn about the different kinds of owls found in Michigan then take a hike to hear some resident owls during this program, which begins at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at Independence Oaks.

### STATE PARKS

**STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS**  
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

# Who is Bowler of the Year?

O & E "Bowler of the Year" begins with a search for a 1997 honoree.

Any bowler of any age in any league is eligible for consideration as long as the entrant is a resident of a community served by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

A panel of experts has been selected to consider all entries. The winning bowler will receive a beautifully inscribed plaque, have an article written about his or her bowling accomplishments and receive a nominal cash award.

The winner will also get a new bowling ball of their choice, a free one-year subscription to their local O & E newspaper and have their photo in the O & E newspaper of their hometown.

Anyone can submit entries. It could well be about a bowler who had mention in this column during the past year, a tournament winner, or someone who had honor scores or high averages in their respective leagues.

Other considerations could be selections in any bowling Hall of Fame, service to the bowling community through local organizations or any other activities such as fundraising for charities.

All readers are invited to submit entries for any bowler they think would be worthy of such an honor.

Send a nomination memo or recap by mail to the Observer offices at 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, 48150, or fax to me at (734) 422-5935 or E-Mail at [tenpinal@oeonline.com](mailto:tenpinal@oeonline.com) online.

It should be an interesting venture and whoever submits the winning entry will receive acknowledgment and a prize.

Phil Horowitz of West Bloomfield might be considered after his fine performance at Mayflower Lanes last Wednesday in the Men's Senior Classic.

I was two lanes away and watched with amazement as he opened with a 257, then lit up the overhead monitors with 11 in a row for a 298 game. Horowitz, well aware he needed a 245 for an 800 series, shot 246 to hit the three game total of 801 — the first in the league's history.

It was a great day for him, and the only jackpot he didn't win was the mystery game. His awards from ABC will include a ring for the 800 and/or 298 (a watch or plaque is the alternate to a ring).

He also gets an 11-in-a-row plaque, an 800 Chevron and award card, a 150 pins over average Chevron and a 298 Chevron. I suspect that Phil's bureau drawer is already pretty full of ABC awards.

Any time an individual puts on a great performance, the electricity is in the air and

most everybody is pretty excited, except perhaps the opponents on that particular day.

Feb. 7 is the date of the 3rd Annual Senior/Youth Challenge which will feature Mayflower Senior Classic bowlers local youth program bowlers.

It is always an exciting event and has generated a lot of interest each time. This year, the selected charity will be the Joan Levenson Memorial Fund for Needy Children in the Redford school district and a scholarship fund which will tie in with the youth bowlers competing in the event.

There will be lots of door prizes for the participants and the annual champions will be duly and truly recognized.

The seniors will bring in a few ringers such as Eddie Lubanski, Tony Lindemann and Lew Saad, still going strong at the age of 94.

In the first two meetings, it was the kids who won. This year the oldsters are going to be out for sweet revenge.

The public is invited to come out and cheer for their favorites, starting with the opening ceremonies and a rendition of the National Anthem by Tammy Plofchan. The event begins at 10:30 a.m.

Time Warner cableTV will tape the event for viewing at a later date and Michael Barr of WJR radio will both emcee and participate in the bowling competition.

A special thanks to Faball Industries for donation of a new "Hammer 3D Offset Ball."

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**Pizza Lanes (Plymouth)**  
Keglers: Bob Bazner Jr., 239-267-201/707; Mark Beasley, 299-201/707; Ron Solak, 300-201/707; Sheldon Road Men: Larry Minehart Jr., 278-235/711.  
**Bionic Bowlers:** Karen Luce, 206-245-203/694.  
**Pizza Men:** Steve Demeter, 254-260/706; Larry Minehart Jr., 227-279-227/733.  
**St. Colettes:** Clem Diglio Jr., 279-232-222/733; Mike Madsen, 252-230-243/745.  
**Burroughs Men:** Dave Schwartz, 247-246-217/710.  
**Waterford Men:** Steve Demeter, 247-246-243/736; Rick Ring, 242-268-223/733; Jim Kureah, 245-256-221/722; Tom Buchanan, 245-236-232/713; Bob Healy, 248-247-215/710.  
**Suburban Prop. Travel (men):** Bill Gerace, 263; Robert Custard, 258/682; Bob Pittaway, 256; Tim Magyar, 248/643; Lou Ivancik, 243/653.  
**Suburban Prop. Travel (ladies):** Janet Doering, 232/575; Nancy Cribbs, 214; Gail Fehrenbach, 213; Viv Waldrep, 212/507; Joann Wodogaza, 210/537.

### Cloverlanes (Livonia)

All-Star Bowlerettes (12-29-1997): Juanita Marzette-Smith, 256-278-205/739; Cheryl Stipak, 232-269-235/736; Angela Tesner, 223-242-265/730; Kathy Siemles, 236-267-225/728; Michelle Anger, 232-269-225/726; Ellen Johnson, 247-248-213/708; Tamika Glenn, 236-237-232/705.  
**Suburban Prop. Travel (men):** John Hurley, 279/762; Bill Gerace, 257/667; Tony Ballarta, 247; Herbie Graves, 246; Jack Clark, 254/690.  
**Suburban Prop. Travel (ladies):** Gail Fehrenbach, 223; Lisa Borowski, 223/541; Viv Waldrep, 211/547; Patty Jaroch, 211/574; Dot Fulton, 209/547.  
**All-Star Bowlerettes (1-5-1998):** Lisa McClenahan, 258-234-215/707; Sheryl Tilton, 224-224-235/683; Darlene Dysart, 210-279-192/681; Julie Wright, 233-205-235/673; Tamika Glenn, 230-216-227/673.  
**Fomoco Bowling:** Frank Barnes, 258/642; Jack Considine, 258/656; Chuck O'Rourke, 671; Larry Frank, 250/692; Steve Bester, 717; Gary Hodge, 271/666; Tony Bennett, 286, 745; Bob McCarrick, 265/732; Ted

Glynn, 231/683.

### Woodland Lanes (Livonia)

Morning Stars: Betty Koski, 602.  
**Sat. Rangers (youth):** Steve Lenhardt, 246.  
**Friday Rollmasters (youth):** Krystie Chambers, 221.  
**Senior House:** Dave Norwick, 278/740; Mark Payne, 256/712; Doug Spicer, 278/753; Tom Madgwick, 249/690; Glenn Bradford, 279/707; Jim Johnson Jr., 269/736; Gary Durrard, 269/712.  
**Gay 90's (seniors):** Chuck Simpson, 257; Chuck Schumacher, 233.  
**Morning Glories:** Barb Sherry, 221.  
**Swinging Seniors:** Paul Brewer, 636.  
**Midnight Mixed:** Tim Rose, 300/690; Steve Hutch, 278/745; Tony Mazzella, 663; Bill Robertson, 667; Jim Hyatt, 257.

### Wonderland Lanes (Livonia)

Westside Senior Men's Traveling: Don Martin, 257-258/717; Mort Friedman, 701; Jim Gray, 695; Milo Quilton 659; Jess Macciocco, 279.  
**Wonderland Classic:** Brian Raf, 299/784; Larry Franz, 278/787; Dale Williams, 278/734; Bryan Macek, 299/772; Tony Stoltz, 267-268/758; Bill Sayyae Jr., 268-268/743.

**Low Ansara All-Star Traveling Classic:** Joe Krajenke, 299-269/804; Harold Sullins, 279/783; Mike Lee, 289/760; Bob Chamberlain, 269-270/753; Travis Franz, 279/735.

### Mayflower Lanes (Redford)

**Good Neighbors:** Charlene Miller, 201; Joanne Stugis, 193.  
**Men's Wed. Senior Classic:** Phil Horowitz, 256-299-247/801; John Staricha, 209-242-259/710; Bill Furke, 206-268/658; Walt Arsenault, 238-257-213/708; Tony Wolak, 267/640; Owen McGill, 244/629; Jim Shmetz, 244-204/646; Gerald Cole, 245-203/638.

**Friday Seniors:** Don Meadows, 277/722; Ed Patrick, 298/688; Hank Tyl, 256/649; Alvar Freden, 254/640; Bill Kandelian, 269/632; George Kompolitowicz, 267/647.  
**Monday Seniors:** Jack Dahlstrom, 237-258/708; Dick Brown, 267/643; Mel Albrite, 248/677; John Bierkamp, 247/660; Alvar Freden, 241/648.

### Beech Lanes (Redford)

IHM Men's: Randy Coleman, 266; Fred Davis, 279; Todd Statetzky, 276.  
**Monday Seniors:** Beverly Shmetz, 207/512; Jim Shmetz, 259/618.

**Beech Nuts:** Brenda Cutchins, 296.  
**Saturday:** Charles Miller, 242.  
**Friday Youth:** Larry LaFont, 211; Clint Zcheranik, 233; Mack O'Connor, 189.  
**Young Couples:** Donnie Martens, 277.

### Westland Bowl

**Coca Cola Majors (youth):** Roy Hixson, 242/646; John Skope, 240; Rob Lademan, 221/601; Crystal Trongo, 205; Melissa Jablonski, 177; Amber Trongo, 174.  
**K of C:** Paul Velasquez, 300.

### Country Lanes (Farmington)

**Greenfield Mixed:** Debbie VanMeter, 236-234/638; Chris Brugman, 215-255/637; Mark Silverstein, 235-202/627; Ron Blanchard, 242/620; Cheryl McDowell, 236/518.  
**Country Keglers:** Scott Siefman, 278; Paul Postula, 257; John Largent, 254/657; Pat Forma, 248/652; Jim Rennolds, 247.  
**Metro Highway:** Bob Garvin, 258-226/656; Craig Bowles, 254; Kevin Barnes, 238-212/621; Mark Strzalkowski, 237-211/652; Dave Creedon, 234-200/618.

**Country Jans:** Joye Patterson, 259/667; Sharon Duncan, 213/545; Julie Dunn, 199.  
**Country High School:** Jeff Krzaczkowski, 237/643; Brandon Teddy, 234/679; Jenny Long, 179/503; Debbie Gintotti, 162; Dana Gintotti, 179.

**Country Juniors:** Shawn Meyers, 194; Melissa Miller, 172.  
**Country Preps:** Caleb Gill, 156; Brandie Krzaczkowski, 133; Kerriann Sidor, 131.  
**Country Beginners:** Nicholas Crockett, 100; Jeremy Crockett, 97; Christine Richardson, 97.

### Pium Hollow Lanes (Southfield)

**Providence Mixed:** Mike Bracey, 212-221-237/260; Rudy Nash, 241/655; Bob Orloff, 266/657.  
**Wed. Pindroppers:** Johnnie Moore, 255; Pat Christensen, 229.  
**Sat. Youth Majors:** James Hardy III, 274-214-243/731; Bradley Paul, 233.  
**Sat. Youth Juniors:** Curtis Paul, 201.

### Troy Lanes

**Over the Hill Classic:** Bill Dewid, 235-234-255/724; Aron Upsley, 248-256; Jeff Moreo, 248-246; Larry Dionne, 278; Ron Pawlak, 286; Judy Hallcock, 244.  
**Dirty Dozen:** Dave Coffman, 247; Ed Thiel, 238; Bill Topplin, 242-038.  
**Monday Nite Men:** Ron Nagy, 300.  
**Vickers:** Jim Skinner, 300.  
**Gays & Dolls:** Kim Sylvor, 289.

# Bird Watching goes High-Tech

Man has been interested in bird migration for many years.

In the times of Plato people recognized that birds left the northern latitudes and later returned, but they thought they buried themselves in the mud, at least waterfowl, when the disappeared.

Placing a metal band on the leg of a bird was first done by John James Audubon. This technique was improved upon and is now used by researchers to investigate many aspects of bird biology. It was the best thing in migration studies for many years.

Various techniques have been used to gather information about the timing of migration, the kinds of birds migrating and how

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much energy they use during migration.

People would set up telescopes pointed at the full moon and identify the basic groups of birds crossing the moon's surface.

Researchers also collected dead birds at the base of radio and television antennas. Nocturnal migrants would hit the guide wires and die, but from these dead birds they were able to determine how much energy they had in their fat reserves.

Today with satellites and telemetry devices, scientists are taking advantage of this new technology. Two young bald eagles were outfitted with telemetry devices in Florida in an effort to determine where they go on their wanderings.

One female left the nesting area of central Florida in mid June. Periodic transmissions tracked her progress: June 27 (North Carolina); July 18 (Toronto, Canada); Aug. 11 (Whitefish Point, Mich.). The second female was tracked to northern Maine

on July 6 after leaving the nesting area around June first.

A similar experiment was done with osprey that nested in New York. After being fitted with a telemetry backpack, researchers received transmissions from satellites locating its positions on the way to Venezuela.

By using satellite transmissions it was determined that one female left New York on Aug. 18, 1997 and arrived in Venezuela on October 5, 1997.

This new technology has allowed researchers to gather new information on migration with a much faster return rate than ever before. If you would like to see the information collected on the osprey and other birds of prey check out the Raptor Center's web site at <http://www.raptor.cvm.umn.edu>.

Not only does new technology help the researchers, it helps you and I learn more about what the researchers are learning.