



Sign up: The Plymouth **Community Fire Depart**ment will conduct a CPR class for adults 6-10 p.m. Jan. 28. Space is limited. For registration, call the fire department, 453-3840, Ext. 221.

MONDAY

Practice: The AAUW is continuing its rehearsal tonight of "Jack and the Beanstalk" at West Middle School. The annual play will be in March.

TUESDAY

Schools: The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. at Tonda Elementary School, 46501 Warren in Canton.

Township: The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees will meet at 7:30 p.m. at township hall. 42350 Ann Arbor Road.

WEDNESDAY

Debut: The Tonguish Creek Economic Club will

One hurdle is out of the way for Our Lady of **Good Counsel Catholic Church as it moves** forward with its plans to build a new church and parochial school development in the township.

BY TONY BRUSCATO

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, a pillar of the Plymouth community since 1920, has received the goahead from Plymouth Township officials to move forward on plans to build a new church complex at North Territorial and Beck roads

The township planning commission

Wednesday night granted approval of a special use request for OLGC's plans for a three-phase church and parochial school development, totaling 201,600square-feet.

The next step for the church is to file its site plan, said Shirley Barney, community development director.

The first phase of the project will consist of a sanctuary with 1,499 seats, fellowship hall, administrative offices,

meeting rooms and parking for 550 cars. That compares with current seating for approximately 900 people and parking for only 200 cars.

Phase two will include recreational facilities with an indoor gymnasium, a soccer/football field, two ball fields, a concession building and parking for 40 cars.

The third phase will consist of a 100,000-square-foot school for kindergarten through eighth grade. Church officials estimate completion

of all three phases is expected to take 10-20 years.

The property, which was purchased nearly three years ago by the church, is just shy of 36 acres. It's zoned singlefamily residential, however, the planning commission voted to allow the church under special conditions

"If everything moves the way we hope it does, we will have ground-breaking in mid-spring," said the Rev. John Sullivan. "It will take 13-14 months for construction, so we hope to have the church ready by mid-1999."

While Sullivan says the church will cost about \$9-million, architects are suggesting that price tag could go up as construction costs rise. "We're going to be doing some things

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BRUSCATO

Full stop: Bill Thomas stops Haggerty Road traffic to cross students from Allen Elementary.

debut at noon with its featured guest speaker Michigan Secretary of State Candice Miller. The luncheon is at the Plymouth Manor. Tickets are available for future lun-cheons. In February, Michigan Supreme Court Justice Conrad Mallett will speak. Call 455-1166.

THURSDAY

Get ready: Plan ahead and get your tickets for the next home Plymouth Whalers game at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Compuware Sports Arena on Beck Road. They will play the Sarnia Sting. Tickets are available by calling 453-8400 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

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ill Thomas was hired five years ago to be the crossing guard at Edna Allen Elementary School in Plymouth, for one hour in the morning and another hour in the afternoon.

However, to the people who teach there, the mothers who spend time. there, and the kids who cross paths with him, Bill Thomas is not your average crossing guard.

"Bill keeps an eye on the parking lot, keeps the traffic flowing, helps kids out of their cars, scrapes windshields for teachers, and puts the flag up and down," said James Burt, Allen School principal. "He's much more than a crossing guard to us."

He certainly is, as he maintains' control of one of the most congested parking lots in the district.

"Bill is the guardian angel of the Allen School parking lot," proclaims MaryLou Garcia, a mom who appreciates someone watching over the children. "He watches the kids very closely, makes sure they get in their

cars, and that the traffic is flowing in the right direction.'

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Talk to just about any mother at Allen School, and you'll find out Thomas does a lot more than stand in front of the school with a big red stop sign, halting traffic so kids can cross a busy and dangerous Haggerty Road.

"Bill cares about the kids and their safety, and how they are behaving," said Deborah Maloni, an

Allen teacher. "He cleans off our cars when it's snowing, and in the morning when I come in he helps me with packages.

"He also comes to the evening activities to support the kids," continued Maloni. 'He wants them to know there are other people who care about them besides their parents." Another mom recalls Bill's

big heart. "There was one family in

the community who didn't have any food or clothing, and Bill helped us when we were gathering items for them," she recalled. "He's a real special guy. He helps in little ways no one even knows about.'

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Thomas attended classes in the district, and was taught by the. school's namesake, Edna Allen, who was his 11th grade English teacher. He has five grown children, all of



whom went to school in the Plymouth-Canton district.

BILL BRE

Thomas worked for 27-years as a salesman for Sears, until retiring at age 62. Thirteen years later he began working at Allen, saying he "just wanted something to do, and besides it pays ok."

He's always got his eye on the lot, looking for children who may stray in harms way. He's also a favorite of

those who drive by, waving to the many who honk their horns at the familiar face they see each day.

The main reason I like this job is because the kids are great, the faculty is great and the administration is great," said Bill. I enjoy the kids.

"I go to some of the activities when I can, like Christmas parties and graduation," commented Bill. "I

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Wish list prompts response

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER

Homeowner association representatives surprised Plymouth Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy on Thursday night with their openness to the possibility of increasing property taxes to fund township improvements.

"I was surprised that people were as recept tive and positive as they were," said the supervisor following the invitation-only meeting she organized. "I know how I usual-ly react personally to tax increases and that's

"They made some very valid comments," she added.

Around 25 homeowner-association officials - representing about half the 35 active asso-ciations in the township - showed up for the special invitation-only meeting of the Home-owner Association Presidents Advisory Com-mittee, with which McCarthy has been meeting since 1992.

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Law goes to class BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER For the past three school years,

35th District Court Judge Ron Lowe has been teaching students at Central Middle School in Plymouth about all facets of the law.

For Lowe, who sits on the Michigan State Bar Committee for Law Related Education, becoming involved is a way of letting students and the public develop a relationship and understanding with the legal

"I believe that if I can educate some people and develop an under-standing of the system and law, I can help develop an appreciation of it," said Lowe during a break in classes at Central. "We catch a lot of criticism, and we're the brunt of lawyer jokes and discussions of how bad lawyers are." The Canton resident was a lawyer

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In touch: Judge Ron Lowe of the 35th District Court talks about the law with Central Middle School students.

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right away, like moving trees and the house on the property, "foted Sullivan. Sullivan suggested he would give the house on

the property to someone for free, if they would agree to move and restore it. Otherwise, it will cost the parish money to tear it down.

Maintaining beauty

And, what is being billed as the "world's largest ee spade" will be at the site next month to move tree spade" will be at the site next month t three large trees so they won't be destroyed.

The site has considerable topography, and es small hills, slopes and a wetlands.

"We are very concerned about how we build and how we use the land," noted Sullivan. "We do not want to ruin the beauty of this property because of its ideal setting. We want to enhance the environment and make it a family-friendly place. When we aren't using the playfields, they will be open to the community.

Mark Hieber, a site planner with Harley Elling-ton Designs in Southfield, says there will be mini-mal site preparation needed, keeping the cost a bit

"We have structured the complex so it sits well in the current topography," said Hieber. "We have positioned the buildings so they are well-removed from the intersection of Beck and North Territorial, and are permitting the existing pastoral view to remain. We will focus actively on preserving trees and wetlands."

Neighbors' concerns

veral residents from neighboring Rolling Oaks subdivision, including an OLGC parishioner, voiced opposition to the ballfields being within 30-feet of their property lines, and the possibility of people cutting through their yards to get to them.

Others expressed fears of increased traffic at an already busy intersection, and lighting that would filter into their neighborhood. "I think traffic is always a concern,

but a church is a good use for that area," said planning commission chair-man Dennis Cebulski. "It will look good as an entry point to the community, and will be a nice buffer between the freeway (M-14) and the neighborhood.

"They've also taken great care not to disturb the wetlands and environment. And, they've taken the concerns of the neighbors into consideration."

Church officials say they will work to buffer the neighborhood from the fields, and turn off parking lot lights early so they won't be a disturbance. They also believe traffic at peak times for most church services, on Sunday mornings, will actually be during hours which are slow times for motorist traffic.

In addressing possible traffic tie-ups with nearby Temple Baptist, Sullivan

told the commission "OLGC's schedule is very compatible with Temple Baptist ... when they're in, we're out; when they're out, we're in."

On the move

OLGC has been at its present location since 1965, and has always been located in Plymouth. The Plymouth Township location will be the sixth move for the church.

Sullivan said the parish will have to come up



New: This is an architect's rendering of what the new Our Lady of Good Counsel will look like at North Territorial and Beck roads. This side of the facility will face away from the roadway.

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER

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The Plymouth City Com-

approved a request by Penni-man Delicatessen Inc. for a

full-year Class C liquor

The resolution is required

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with half the money for the new church, and the can't enroll any children from parishes which are Detroit Archdiocese will lend the remainder at a very low interest rate.

When the new church is ready, Sullivan said the present church will be turned into a gymnasium.

We'll probably have enough space, but if we do anything we'll ad a few more classrooms to lower class sizes," noted Sullivan.

Sullivan says the parish won't even think about building a new school for at least five years. That's because the church, by rules of the Archdiocese,

served by the new All Saints School in Canton. After that period, OLGC could actively recruit students from those parishes for its new school.

Sullivan, who is 57, has been at OLGC the past

five years. He tells the Observer he "hopes to see

the project through, at least a good portion of it."

Deli wants license

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probably don't know 10 names out of the whole school, but when I see them here I take an interest in them."

And that is verified by many students, including junior high pupils who are dropped

off by bus at Allen and cross Haggerty Road with his help.

"I've known him for a few years and he's so nice," said Kristin Teefey, 12, of Plymouth. "He asks us how we're doing and how school 18.

"He's really, really

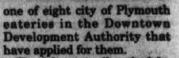
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Kristin Teefey -Student talking about crossing guard **Bill Thomas**

kids" to know he has a heart of gold. Theo Igrisan, a parent of two Allen students, expressed the sentiments of most at "Bill's a sweetie, we'll keep him."

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

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



The deli originally asked for a Class C tavern license, which would permit sale only of beer and wine, but that has been changed to include hard

City Manager Steve Wal-ters said there is no way of knowing just where the commission is in the delil tion process on any of the 16

BY RICHARD PEA STAFF WRITER Saying "It's

that makes th Plymouth Town ing chief of pol tion ceremony ordinary citi police officer staffers.

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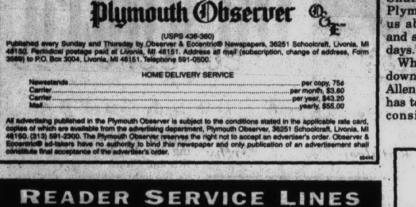


BY RICHARD STAFF WRITE

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nice," confirms Jessica Shantz, 11, also of Plymouth. "He asks us about our classes and says 'Happy Holidays. While Bill likes to downplay his part at Allen School, one only Allen. has to hear him say "I consider them my



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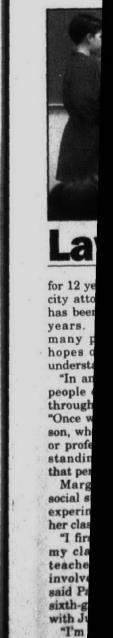
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Above and beyond Police officers honored

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER

Saying "It's this partnership that makes the department, Plymouth Township's former acting chief of police led a recognition ceremony Jan. 15 saluting ordinary citizens as well as police officers and civilian staffers.

"It's really an honor to be recognizing these people for what they've done," said Lt. Bob Smith, who changed the annual awards ceremony from one preceding a township board meeting into a free-standing event at the VFW Hall.

"It's much more ceremonial, much more meaningful," he said. "All of these people performed above and beyond the call of duty and we wanted to be able to recognize them properly." Around 90 people attended the

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> Lt. Bob Smith -Plymouth Township police

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Six Plymouth Township residents received civilian commen dations: Ann DeGhetto, Nicole Hunt and Cheri Gordon for helping coordinate National Night-Out participation; Donna Pawlowski for her work in the D.A.R.E. program; Frederick Kuykenda'll for chasing and catching an armed robbery suspect and Robert Sudz for helping catch several youngsters breaking into automobiles in his neighborhood.

The awards even crossed political boundaries when city of Plymouth police officer Ron Bianchi received the township's certificate of merit for sharing information that helped the township make multiple arrests in a series of breaking-and-entering

Sgt. Jeff Felts earned a departmental citation for assisting Plymouth city police in capturing a breaking-and-entering suspect and also received an honor guard departmental unit citation.

The other departmental citation went to officer Eric Anderson, who caught a B&E suspect hiding in some rafters.

Top township awardwinner was Sgt. Robert Antal with three unit citations: two for leading his platoon in arresting breaking-and-entering suspects and a third for dedication to service in the department's honor guard.

Township officer Steve Cheston received an individual commendation for service beyond the call of duty and also won the department's safe-driving award.

Cheston was honored for helping a couple catch their Metro Airport flight to Paris after their car broke down on M-14 and for going five years without an accident

Smith said township officers drive about 110 miles per shift or 16,000 patrol miles per year, adding the township's 470 miles of roadway exceed the distance

Other individual commendations were awarded Sgt. Denny Wilson, who's taken only four sick days in 13 years, and to dispatcher Herbert Rockwell, who coordinated radio information during the last Ford plant shooting - "class work," said Smith.

Also earning departmental unit citations for honor guard were Sgt. James Jarvis and officers John Drake, Ed Gauthier, Cal Lauria, Kevin Lauterwasser and Mike Lego.

Officers honored for their platoon work in capturing breakingand-entering suspects were Drake and Lego plus Shawn Cor-

citations and Jamie Senkbeil, Eric Anderson-Smith and Todd Seipenko, one each.

Like dad: Bailey Anderson-Smith tries on dad Eric's hat. Her dad was recog-STAFF PHOTOS BY BILL nized for his achievements. BRESLER

Officer Eric Anderson-Smith, at right, also received a departmental citation. to Escanaba in the Upper Peninbett with two

Drill Team presents the colors to open the meeting. City and township join forces to study shared services

BY RICHARD PEARL

A permanent joint services committee is being established between the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township to "develop an ongoing dialogue" between the elected officials in the two governmental bodies.

The dialogue will enable them to discuss "issues that may arise" regarding current joint services and activities and "to actively seek additional opportunities for cooperation," according to a statement Friday from Plymouth City Manager Steven L. Walters

Court Authority.

Welcome: The Plymouth Township Police Department

In addition, the two governments have held joint on-going discussions concerning joint recreational and public works ervices

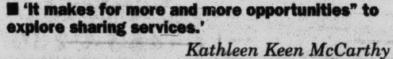
Plymouth City Mayor Don Dismuke said Friday he sees the new committee as "an excellent opportunity for the members of the two governments to work together for the betterment of the community as a whole.

He said it will help elected officials "get to know each other better so that, as we explore the joint services between the governments, we can develop bonds of trust between the governmental units." Dismuke announced during Tuesday night's commission meeting that he was appointing **Commissioners** Dave McDonald and Colleen Pobur to join him in

representing the city on the committee. Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen-McCarthy, who plans to make her appointments later this month, said Friday the committee "has the opportunity to streamline the process" of exploring joint services more efficiently.

"It's really just an opportunity to formalize the process" of exploring joint efforts "and have the same people who are already familiar with the issues" do the studying, instead of having to educate new committees each time, as has happened in the

past.



services, she added. Keen-McCarthy said she will

appoint, at the next board meeting Jan. 27, Trustees Ron Griffith and Chuck Curmi to join her--Supervisor on the joint services committee.

"It makes for more and more opportunities" to explore sharing





Cooperative efforts to date include the Plymouth Community Fire Department, Senior Citizens Services, Ann Arbor Road Corridor Project, Cable TV Consortium and the 35th District

Also, departmental staff people can be brought in as needed, she said. And, because elected officials will be participating regularly, there will be "extra eyes and ears" available to the mayor and the supervisor.



Advising: Judge Ron Lowe whispers a word of advice to Judge Michelle LeMaux during the mock legal proceedings. Defense team Brandon Dugan and Amber Skupski are at left, plaintiff's team Grace Cameron and Mike Dendrinos are at right. STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

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for 12 years, most of them as the city attorney for Plymouth, and has been a judge the past three years. He wants to touch as many people as possible, in hopes of gaining friends and understanding.

"In any stereotypical situation people develop wrong opinions through ignorance," said Lowe. "Once we make friends of a person, whether it's a different race or profession, having an understanding helps you appreciate that person or profession."

Margo Panko, a sixth-grade social studies teacher, began the experiment three years ago for her classes.

"I first invited Judge Lowe for my classes, and then all the teachers wanted to have him involved with their students." said Panko. "Now, all 300 or so sixth-graders meet once a month with Judge Lowe."

"I'm hoping the students will learn to be at ease with a person who is a judge, to understand he

is a person like everyone else," said teacher Jacque Young. "To understand the law, and how to stay clear of the courts and lead a life of good character."

> In a recent class, students learned about contracts, agreements, legal remedies and negotiations.

> When Lowe asked if any of the students had negotiated anything recently, he received several responses.

> "I promised a boy I wouldn't fight him if he wouldn't fight me," said Scott Gossett of Plymouth.

> "I told my sister I would clean up our room if she would shut up for a week," said Jessica Mattarella of Canton.

"Is she keeping her end of the bargain?" asked Lowe.

"Yes," replied Jessica.

"And are you going to clean your room?" asked the judge. "Naw, I don't think so," said

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Mike Dendrinos of Plymouth

served as a lawyer in Lowe's makeshift classroom court.

"I learned how to handle decisions," said Mike. "I've always wanted to be a judge when I grow up."

Terra Moore-Caron of Canton participated with a lot of questions, and a lot of answers.

"I would like to be a lawyer." said Terra. "Now that I've learned a little about law, it sounds a little easier to understand.

And that's what Lowe is looking for, positive feedback from students.

"I get a lot of feedback from their homework assignments and thank you letters," said Lowe. "If I can keep them participating, it's better than just talking at them."

Lowe and 35th District Court Chief Judge John MacDonald accept invitations at many schools in the district to discuss law, participate in career days and hand out awards.

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vices for Rosemary Stewart, 60, of Canton were held on Jan. 23 at the Chapel of the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton with the Rev. Rick Thomas of Canton Free Methodist Church

Mrs. Stewart was born on July 23, 1937, in Stevens Point, Wis. She died on Jan. 19 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. She was a postal carrier for the U.S. Postal

Her survivors include three sons, James Ziebell, Mark (Jane) Ziebell, Thomas (Laura) Liacakes; one daughter, Kristi

Shepard; one brother, James ph; one sister, Joanne eph; one sister, southildren.

LARRY N. LOMIBAO JR. A funeral Mass for Larry N. Lomibao Jr., 49, of Canton was held on Jan. 19 at St. Thomas A' Becket Catholic Church, with the Rev. Jack Loughran officiating. Burial was at St. Hedwig Cemetery. Local arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home in Canton.

Mr. Lomibao was born on July 13, 1948, in Detroit. He died on Jan. 17 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. He was a technical advisor for MichCon.

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His survivors include his wife, Eleanor Lomibao; two daugh-ters, Sharlene Lomibao of Can-ton, Kristina Lomibao of Canton; parents, Larry N. Lomibao Sr. and Anita Lomibao; two broth-ers, Arthur Lomibao, Anthony Lomibao; and two sisters, Benita Chan, Maggie Rebujio,

LILLIAN LEPPER Services for Lillian Lepper, 94, of Canton were held on Jan. 22 at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton, with the Rev. Jerry Yarnell officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery. Local arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home in Can-

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Mrs. Lepper was born on Jan. 1, 1904, in Detroit. She died on Jan. 18 in Plymouth. She was a retired sales clerk for J.L. Hud-

son Company. Her survivors include her two

sons, Richard Lepper of Houghton Lake, Donald Lepper of Houghton Lake; one daughter, Dianne Monahan-Berglund of Canton; seven grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren. Memorial may be made to St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000

Sheldon, Canton, Mich. 48187. ROBERT L. PEABODY Services for Robert L.

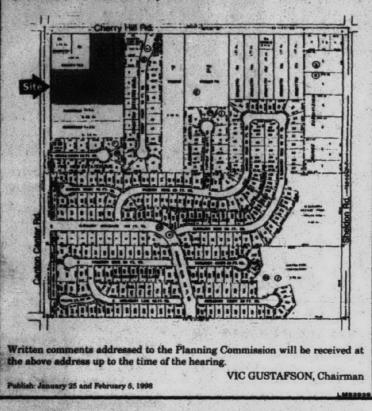
Peabody, 71, of Portage Lake were held on Jan. 23 at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home. **Burial was at Washtenong** Memorial Park in Ann Arbor.

Mr. Peabody was born on Feb. 9, 1926, in Nankin Township. He died on Jan. 19 at Chelsea Community Hospital. He was a resident of Portage Lake since 1970 and was retired from Wayne County General Hospital. Mr. Peabody was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific. He was a member of the VFW 4096 of Chelsea and the Phoenix Lodge No. 13 F & AM of YpsilanHe was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth A. White; two brothers, William Blake Peabody Jr., Dean Peabody; and his son-in-law, Jack C. Radcliffe Jr. His survivors include his daughter, Pamela K. Radcliffe of Chelsea; two grandchildren, Kevin (Michelle) Radcliffe, Sharon (Jeremy Fisher) Radcliffe; two sisters, Bonnie (Marvin) Keller of Gladwin, Mich., Barbara (Glenn) Rogers of Traverse City; and two sisters-in-law, Bethel White of Plymouth, Geri Whote of Sarasota, Fla.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Monday, February 16, 1996 at 7:00 P.M. in the Lower Level Conference Room #3 of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road to consider a request for the following Special Land Use as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance.

TMF-V SHOPPING CENTER SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER QUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A PLANNED HOPPING CENTER GREATER THAN 40,000 SQ. FT. BUT LESS THAN 00,000 SQ. FT. GROSS FLOOR AREA (PROPOSED GROCERY STORE-PPROX. 54,200 SQ. FT.; RETAIL BUILDING-APPROX. 8,950 SQ. FT.) AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 16.02B.9 FOR PARCEL NOS. 086 99 0003 000, 86 99 0005 000, AND 086 99 0006 000. Property is located east of Canton Center Road and south of Cherry Hill Road.



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Group presidents were asked to bring board members to the meeting, which she called to get their reactions to community issues and needs.

McCarthy was to present homeowners' questions and reac-tions from Thursday night's meeting - which followed a trustees' study-session earlier this month at which department heads presented their "wishlists" - at a Jan. 23 trustees' study session.

Wish list items included more police officers and firefighters, to

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provide more adequate protection; a consolidated township hall, to save expenses and increase convenience for citizens; expansion of the golf course to increase usage and revenue; and increased recreational services for residents.

The supervisor said she also gets complaints from residents that water bills are too high. A 5-mill increase would cover the wish-list.

The association representatives, in a show of hands at the end of the meeting, most strongly favored adding about half the 18 policemen requested for the current staff of 26 and adding all six full-time firefighters requested for the current staff of 21.

There was somewhat less support for new township offices, golf course improvements and a millage to replace the existing water and solid waste disposal fees and service charges, even though a millage would decrease water bills and make the pay-

ments tax-deductible

Paul Bortell of the Plymouth Commons Association said he could see a 3-mill increase raising the township's fund balance, or savings account, to 6.5 mills to boost police, fire and 911 cov-

erage. The supervisor told the homeowners the township can continue to balance its budget - as required by law - only until about the year 2000 and then must either increase taxes or decrease services.

She explained that part of the township's fund balance, established in 1993 by the mini-building-boom, was used to make up the \$735,973 deficit in police, fire and 911 services in 1997.

That's because the 2.5 mills budgeted - out of the total of 3.5 mills - is insufficient to cover expenses. The same scenario is expected for 1998, although at a smaller (\$621,776) total deficit.

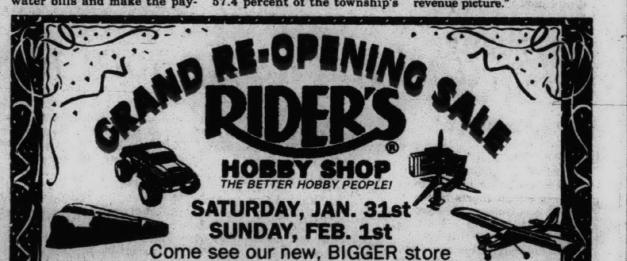
Police, fire and 911 make up 57.4 percent of the township's

total expenses, but property taxes designated for them - even with the fees which the City of Plymouth now is paying for joint fire protection - make up only 36.7 percent of the township's revenue. The police and fire millages expire in 2002 and 2005.

Adding to the problem, she said, is that state shared revenue from the State Legislature is subject to state budgetary needs and economic fluctuations. And local building fees - another source of revenue - are beginning to decline because the township is almost completely developed.

"Even if we do nothing" after 2000, she noted, "expenses will continue to increase at the rate of inflation.

"Since we must have a balanced budget, we will need increased taxes or decreased services to deal with the changing revenue picture."



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Regional bus system SMART, D-DOT to talk coordination

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Will the two regional bus systems serving Detroit and its suburbs eventually merge? It is a question that may be

better answered once D-DOT, SMART and Wayne County officials talk about improving coordination between the two systems over the next several eeks.

Over the next several weeks Richard Kaufman, general manager of Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation, Al Martin, director of Detroit's Department of Trans-portation, and Mike Duggan, istant county executive, will talk about coordinating bus routes, and the two systems use of similar computer systems and radios. These three officials decided to discuss these issues after meeting Thursday with six Wayne County commissioners who serve on the Committee of Roads, Airports and Public Ser-

The committee discussed the bus systems after a resolution from Commissioner Bernard Parker, D-Detroit, calling for "We will discuss the coordi-nation of schedules, fare boxes,

radios and computer systems," Duggan said later. "If this coordination is successful, the discussions could move into the next phase, which would be talks of a merger." Before the three officials

decided on the continued dis-cussions, they needed to assess the transportation issue for commissioners.

'Difficult to understand'

Before Martin arrived at the committee hearing, Duggan and Kaufman wanted to make sure commissioners knew that SMART was not to blame for **DDOT's discontinued routes.**

Duggan said D-DOT made some decisions a year ago that were "difficult to understand" by adding routes that were

"extremely cost inefficient." "Less than one year ago, they started a whole bunch of service to the suburbs," Duggan said. D-DOT started routes to Novi and Troy and DDOT's annual costs doubled from \$50 million to \$60 million.

They cut the routes because they realized they made a bad decision, Duggan said. The cuts were effective last Saturday, but many of the routes are duplicated by SMART, such as the routes to Livonia and Wonderland malls, Schoolcraft College and Madonna University,

Duggan said. "The suggestion that this was abandonment just is not true," Duggan said. Duggan referred to a recent

referred to a "long-standing turf war" between the two bus systems. In the article Martin said SMART, the suburban car-rier, should "step up to the responsibility" of providing transportation so the region can get comprehensive public transit

Kaufman said he was "dazed" by the news article's assertion. Actually D-DOT had printed a brochure highlighting not just the DDOT's routes, but SMART ones listed under each one, Kaufman said.

Position was 'political'

Commissioner Edna Bell, D-Detroit, asked Duggan if there were any conversations about a merged bus system. Duggan said the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce favored a erger, but the city of Detroit had taken a political position on the transportation issue.

"I think what is going on here is just plain wrong," Duggan said.

Commissioner Robert Black-well, D-Detroit, who chairs the commission's Committee on Roads, Airports and Public Ser-vices, asked if the Big 4 - the three county executives of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties and Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer - had met to resolve the issue.

Duggan responded that they newspaper article which were working to match fare. boxes and computers for the two systems, but he believed

the city was not. "If anyone here has any influence, there are people in Archer's office who agree with me, we just can't get them to the table to talk about it."

Martin later explained D-DOT initiated those routes for provide employment opportunity for Detroit residents. Martin wanted coordination of services with SMART, but one route that was eliminated and one SMART has not continued was a route from Detroit to Novi.

We have not been able to work out a true coordination of routes," Martin said. "We could not continue that service because of financial reasons

We decided it would be in the city's best interest to eliminate these runs."

SMART has serviced areas already affected by the D-DOT route cuts, except Holbrook and Eight Mile routes, which have a low ridership rate and will not be picked up by SMART.

D-DOT has shortened the time span between buses on current routes, telling commis-sioners D-DOT's first obligation was to improve service within the city of Detroit.

Commissioner Parker, D-Detroit, introduced a resolution of support of regional trans-portation two weeks ago. Park-

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House panel to hear from public on SBT

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

Ever since it was passed in 1975, Michigan's single business tax (SBT) has been under attack from business.

In every session of the Legisla-ture, a multitude of bills seeks to alter its base (value added by a firm) or its rate. The Engler administration's boast of 24 tax cuts includes several changes in the SBT alone.

Lt. Gov. James Damman headed a commission appointed by Gov. William G. Milliken to revise it during the late 1970s. Few revisions were made.

The House Tax Policy Committee will try again, beginning at 9 a.m. Monday, Jan. 26, in the Southfield City Hall, 26000 Evergreen. (An earlier announcement in this newspa-Evergreen. per listed the correct day but the wrong date.)

After listening to experts, the panel, chaired by Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti, will listen to public testimony.

The Small Business Association of Michigan last week made its views known. It would prefer no business tax at all but would settle for these cuts:

A higher exemption for gross receipts, aiding small firms. Elimination of health care

from the tax base.

A credit for research and development

The Michigan Chamber of Commerce magazine reported the state Treasury Department is issuing new guidelines for multi-state companies, the sub-ject of three Court of Appeals

decisions in the past year. When SBT was passed, con ventional political wisdom held that one or more of the Big Three automakers drafted the bill, and rigged it to help large manufacturing firms by applying it largely to payrolls. Small businesses, particularly office-type firms, began the attack.

SBT was designed to replace

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House panel eyes change in court site for lawsuits BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

State attorneys would have to go to local circuit courts to sue cities and companies under environmental laws, under a bill being considered by the state House Conservation Committee. Currently, attorneys representing the Department of Natural Resources may sue in either Ingham Circuit Court, near the State Capitol - making defendants and their attorneys drive hundreds of miles to fight cases - or the local circuit court.

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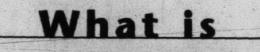
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"It's 600 miles from Ironwood to Lansing," said Rep. Paul Tesanovich, R-L'Anse, the bill's sponsor. "Even the federal government doesn't require that," he said, noting there's a federal court in Marquette.

The House panel, chaired by Rep. Tom Alley, D-West Branch, heard only brief testimony in Lansing Jan. 21. No vote was

Don Stypula, environmental affairs advisor to the Michigan Municipal League, didn't get a chance to testify. But he prepared remarks to say it would help cities in Eaton and northern and western Oakland counties who have had run-ins with DNR.

Those communities have had landfill and sewage treatment lagoon problems with DNR where they were unable to nego-tiate settlements, Stypula said. Co-sponsors include Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, Tom Kelly,

D-Wayne, Greg Kaza, R-Rochester Hills, Deborah Whyman, R-Canton, Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti, and Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville.

Current law - the 1994 Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act - allows DNR and the Department of Environ-mental Quality to choose between Ingham Circuit Court and other circuits in filing a suit. "I like this bill," said Rep. Mike Middaugh, R-Paw Paw, "but I imagine the attorney gen-eral is going bananas over this." Attorney General Frank Kel-ley had no spokesman at the hearing, but Alley wants to hear from his office before taking a vote on Tesanovich's bill. "I'd ike to have a hearing in the Upper Peninsula in March," he maid. "There's some controversy over this. We need to continue

Rep. Liz Brater, D-Ann Arbor, uggested an alternative if the novich bill works too much of a hardship on the attorney

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Richard named to journalism hall of fame Bus from page A5

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

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Tim Richard believes one of his more significant newspaper stories was one that was never published.

In 1966, Richard, who was a reporter with the Kalamazoo Gazette, was excluded from secret meetings of the board of Western Michigan University.

"One day I asked for minutes of past meetings and the board secretary accidentally gave me the minutes of the secret meetings, during what they had made policy decisions," Richard said.

"I wrote the story and the editor spiked it."

Richard said he never received a full explanation about why the story was killed, but believed the editor could not fathom the WMU board doing anything wrong.

"I got a fire in my belly about the issue of open government."

That issue started Richard on a long newspaper career which now finds him as news service regional editor for Hometown **Communications Network Inc.**, the parent company of the **Observer & Eccentric Newspa**pers. In his current role, Richard covers state, regional and community college issues.

He advocated and worked toward the eventual passage in 1976 of the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act.

For his longtime commitment to the public's right-to-know, Richard, 62, was elected to the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame on Jan. 17.

Words of praise

Stan Soffin, chairman of the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame Committee, said the committee was impressed by Richard's "courageous leadership on behalf of a free press."

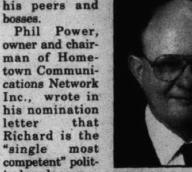
"(Richard's) commitment to the FOIA and Open Meetings Act - and (his) tireless work behind the scenes to protect these measures - will stand as a model for Michigan journalists for years to come." Richard will be inducted April 18 at the Kellogg Center at Michigan State University.

The nomination letters reflect

some of the professional respect that exudes from his peers and

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ical and govern-**Tim Richard** mental reporter in Michigan.

'Tim's journalistic output is truly prodigious," Power said. "He regularly writes core stories on significant events with localization possibilities scattered throughout."

Power also cited Richard for singlehandedly reporting policy issues associated with the State Board of Education and with its attempt fundamentally to change the nature of Michigan public schools.

"He is particularly the great-est example I know of a disciplined, serious and perceptive reporter relating statewide events to the needs of individual readers in their hometown communities.

Bill-Ballenger, editor of Inside Michigan Politics, once called **Richard** "perhaps the Capitol's most serious, scholarly reporter ... "

Another Richard nominator,

Lee Ann Johnson, cited Richard's efforts in co-founding the Michigan Freedom of Information Committee, and efforts in championing prisoners' rights in the press.

Marsha Stopa, president of the Metro Detroit Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, wrote: "The Michigan Freedom of Information (Act) is alive

and well today because of Tim **Richard's** determination to never let legislation get swept under the rug or hidden in obscure language. Most of what we in the media know about FOI and sunshine laws has in some way, come to us through Tim Richard."

Richard grew up on Detroit's west side and attended Redford High School. He attributes excellent

high school journalism teachers with getting him started as a reporter.

After he graduated in 1953, **Richard attended the University** of Michigan where he received a bachelor's degree in economics in 1957 and a master's degree in business administration in 1959.

He spent seven years at the St. Joseph Herald-Press and Kalamazoo Gazette. Richard joined the Observer & Eccentric in 1967, working as Oakland editor and editorial page editor.

Big stories

Richard's career has taken many interesting turns and twists, judging from some of his favorite stories

In 1961, Richard won a first prize in the Michigan Associated Press contest for a feature series on St. Joseph (public) Junior High School and how it matched

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the standards set in James Bryant Conant's post-Sputnik book "The Junior High Today." The unpublished WMU expose

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in 1966 led directly to his advo-cacy of the Open Meetings Act, and activity in the Society of **Professional Journalists and** Michigan FOI Committee Inc. to defend the "sunshine" laws and teach people how to use them through seminars and newsletters

In 1971, Richard wrote about the "age of majority" in the old Observer and sold the idea to Gov. William Milliken, which resulted in the state laws lowering legal ages from 21 to 18. "I had done a study of the

maturity of people, and found people were maturing three, four and five years earlier than a century ago," Richard said. "Our laws were based on 21, and that age of maturity, because that's when a man was strong enough to wear and bear armor.

But Richard is known for his work on FOI and Open Meetings acts, work he did for the public good and the public's right to know. He enjoys helping out citi-zens with FOI requests and giving seminars on the same.

You have a right to know what the government wants to do to you before it does it to you. You have a right to know the amendments before the final product comes out, who's really on your side or who's voting yes at the last minute.

Richard has won his share of awards, receiving Suburban Press Foundation's national prizes for feature story and editorial. He received six awards from the Michigan Associated Press Editorial Association.

Last year, he won first prize for a column from the Michigan Press Association.

Richard and his wife, Nancy, live in Livonia.

er's resolution calls for SMART to add a "sufficient number of routes" to accommodate displaced riders who formerly rode with D-DOT.

Kaufman recently told officials who serve on the Conference of Western Wayne that SMART was delivering on its millage promises of three years ago. This 1/3 mill is expected to be on suburban Wayne County community ballots in August, but it is not known yet which communities will opt in or opt out of the

millage

"I think we're been pretty good in delivering transportation," Kaufman said. "We're way ahead of schedule in reducing the deficit.'

Kaufman believes any discussion of a merger at this time is premature.

"If we can't do some of the smaller things, then we shouldn't get into some of the larger issues, such as a possible merger," Kaufman said.

wsuits from page A5 would apply to individual and

general: That the state be required to sue in a court within a certain number of miles of the defendant rather than in the defendant's county.

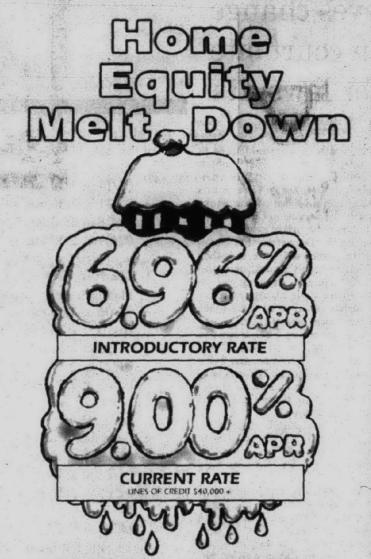
Tesanovich indicated he would consider the idea. "I don't speak for the attorney general," he said, "but we legislators make the laws."

The committee discussion revolved mainly around municipal defendants, but the bill also 517/373-5734 for the agenda.

corporate defendants. Refer to House Bill 5410 when writing to your state representa-

tive, State Capitol, Lansing 48909. The Conservation Committee usually meets at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesdays on the fourth floor of the Capitol Building; contact the clerk at





from page A5 about eight other taxes, including the corporate income tax. The corporate income tax was unpopular because its revenue stream was so volatile in Michigan's cyclical economy. The pre-

vailing view was that Michigan had too many types of taxes on business and should replace them with a single tax. Business spokesmen, then and now, have been of two minds about business taxes. First, they hold that businesses aren't people, don't really pay taxes, but simply collect taxes for government.

ually monitor the percentage of state revenues provided by business. Whenever it slips, Democrats say Republicans are favoring business and socking it to "working families."

Currently, SBT provides about \$2 billion a year versus 4 billion-

Be as brief as possible - no more than five minutes, preferably no more than three.

"If you decide to testify, notify the committee as soon as possible." You will be asked to fill out a card with your name,

address and group affiliation.

"If you are asked a hostile question, keep a cool head." If you can't stay until the

end, write out your comments and leave a copy with the committee.

Other Tax Policy Committee members include John Freeman,

Second, they hold that all business taxes are "double taxation" of personal income, and business shouldn't be taxed at all. Michigan Democrats continplus from the personal income tax.

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No specific bills are listed on the House Tax Policy Committee's agenda. That's unusual because committees generally have a specific bill in front of them when they meet.

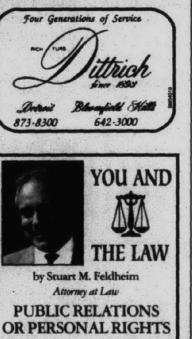
Here are the Legislature's own guidelines for testifying before a committee:

ou represent a group of individuals or an organization, choose one person to present the group's point of vie and bring others along as supporters. No committee wants to hear the same testimony over and over." Typically, group spokespersons are called on before individuals.

"Prepare testimony and/or suggested amendments in advance.

Avoid emotional speeches and propaganda."

D-Madison Heights, David Gubow, D-Huntington Woods, Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, Barbara Dobb, R-Union Lake, Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville, and Deborah Whyman, R-Canton.



It is no secret that the business community and insurance companies have launched public relations efforts in recent years to argue that personal injury awards have had a bad effect upon society. Jury Verdict Research Group's analysis of 90,000 jury verdicts in personal injury cases over a recent five-year period indicates that these efforts have had some success The percentage of personal injury plaintiffs winning their cases declined from 61% in 1987 to 52% in 1992.

Personal injury attorneys see themselves as advocates for the rights of the individual, believing that truth and justice should prevail over the profit motives of big business and insurance companies. Big business and insurance companies never introduce legislation to put a cap or limit on their profit but they would like to cap your right to recover damages when you are injured. Think about it.

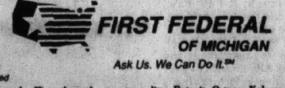
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The best recipes are ones you share

he very best recipes are home-made and shared with family and friends. Some are holiday traditions such as Auntie Flo's Fruit Salad, which is a must on Peggy Peck's Thanksgiving dinner table.

Peck, who lives in Redford, sent her treasured recipe in response to our request for a "dish to pass" on Thanksgiving, which appeared in the Nov. 23 issue of Taste.

Auntie Flo's Fruit Salad is delicious. So good that after reading the recipe in our paper, Jean McDonald of Livonia cut it out.

"I made it for Christmas," said McDonald who loves to cook. "Everyone makes cookies so I thought I would do something different.'

She made Auntie Flo's Fruit Salad, divided it into 10 little, clear cocktail glasses, put them in bags, and took them to bingo to share with friends.

"Everyone loved it, and asked for the recipe," said McDonald.

Garlic Guru



Tom Reed has earned the reputation "Garlic Guru" for sharing his garlic recipes and tips. He will be at the Spring Home & Garden Show Thursday-Sunday, Jan. 29 to Feb.1, at Novi Expo Center, (248) 737-4478.



The Observer

Chili recipes

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Chilling out at Winter Freeze Chili Cook-off

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER

Competition at the fifth annual Winter Freeze Regional Chili Cook-off and Salsa Contest in Allen Park Jan. 18 was hotter than a habanero which is the hottest chile, having 3 to 50 times the firepower of jalapenos.

• Yet, the 38 cooks competing for \$650 and the chance to advance to the World Championship Chili Cook-off in Reno this October were cool.

Gary and Laura Ray of Livonia stirred a simmering pot of chili next to Diane Adamski of Redford whose late husband, Jim Adamski, was the reason they started competing in chili cook-offs.

"We were friends for years, he could cook a pot of chili," said Gary remembering his friend.

The Rays have been competing for nine years. "It's fun, it's like a family reunion," said Gary. "We hug and kiss, we share ideas.

"There's a lot of good competition here today," said Laura. She wasn't kidding.

Of the 38 cooks competing in this International Chili Society sanctioned event, 23 have been to the World Cook-off, and six of the 23 placed in the top five in previous

world competitions. Georgia Weller of Bloomfield Hills, one of the six, won the 1996 World Cook-off, but didn't place in the top five at this event.

She cooked beside her husband, Jim, who placed third in the chili cook-off and second in the salsa contest. When the winners were announced, Georgia was among the first to congratulate him.

Jan. 28, he'll teach a 7 p.m. cooking class at

Vic's World Class

Tom Reed

Market, 42875 Grand River, Novi, The class costs \$25 per person, call (248) 305-7333, Ext. 130 for reservations and information.

"Fresh garlic is nature's antibiotic," said Reed. "Start your day with a garlic shooter, 2 cloves of garlic, minced fine, put it in a small glass of grapefruit juice, and chug it all at one time. I don't get colds or flu."

Reed said he believes garlic can make this country healthier, and he's on a mission to prove it. "I really think I can have an impact," he said explaining studies have shown garlic is an effective weapon for fighting heart disease, many forms of cancer, lowering cholesterol, and strengthening your immune system.

Sharing a recipe is one of the nicest things you can do for someone. Reed said he enjoys sharing garlic recipes, because it's his way of helping people lead healthier lives.

When was the last time someone asked you for a recipe? Will you share it with our readers?

Please send your "Recipe to Share," along with your name, address, phone number, and best time to call. Be sure to tell us why this is your favorite recipe to share.

We're looking for every kind of recipe including salads, soups, snacks, sandwiches, casseroles, entrees and desserts. We'll interview some of the cooks who shared our favorites, and print their recipes, with tips for success, in the Sunday, Feb. 22, issue of Taste.

If your recipe uses canned goods, be sure to specify what size can in the ingredient list. Include sources for hard-to-find or unusual ingredients.

Send your recipes to me – Keely Wygonik, Taste Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 School-craft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them by calling (734) 591-7279.

We're confident "Recipe to Share" will be a popular new feature that you'll look forward to reading every month in Taste. Don't be shy, we

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

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Dinner guests: Jim Uzelac joins guests (from left) Jack and Kathy Dawson of Rochester Hills and Debbie Friedman of Bingham Farms.

uests never quite know what to expect when they get an invitation to Jim and Pauline Uzelacs' Bloomfield Hills home for a party.

What they do know - the Uzelacs always plan something that is sure to banish the winter blahs.

One recent gathering involved six couples, including the hosts, and an invitation for dinner. The guests knew this wasn't going to be just an ordinary evening when they were greeted by strangely and colorfully garbed Jim and Pauline, both teach-

ers in the Waterford School District. They also knew this knew something was amiss when they were shown to the dining table. Each guest was handed a menu guaranteed - "to fill you up" - "to stagger your imagination" - "to give you heartburn." Listed were 28 "foods" and guests were asked to select four items for each of the four courses, no duplications were allowed.

There, were however, a few problems. Careful inspection of the dining table revealed no eating

utensils. Also, the "menu" gave guests no indication of what exactly they were ordering.

"What on earth is 'Load Up Deluxe"? asked Debbie Friedman of Bingham Farms. Her husband, Larry, asked the same question about "Sniffles Stopper." Host Jim, serving as waiter, was

mum. No help was given with selections. Nor was hostess Pauline in attendance. She was hidden behind curtains covering the opening to the

"What the heck," said Jack Dawson of Rochester Hills as he and his wife, Kathy, dutifully filled in their course selections. Other guests followed their lead with chuckles and a sense of

One by one, each guest was served their first course choices. The "Sniffles oper" turned out to be chicken nooup, a great first choice, but only if the dinner selected was "Diggin Deep." That turned out to be a spoon. Another good first course choice was

"Greek Love." That was a feta cheese salad. However, it helped if guests who chose this also ordered the "Load Up Deluxe." That was a fork.

Guests watched in wonder as each diner was served their selections. And each watched in awe as table mates found creative, and not so creative ways, of consuming their selections without needed utensils.

Soup bowls were picked up and the contents consumed by drinking; salads became finger food. This was acceptable for as stated on the menus, "Emily Post's rules of etiquette will

not apply to any of the courses served tonight." The guests The merriment continued around the table as wasn't going to each course offered other surprises. "Chip off the Old Block," was a toothbe just an ordinary evening pick, a great aid if "Boxer's Glory" (cauli-flower) or "Midnight Special" (kielbasa and sauerkraut) or "Squealer's Fright" (roast pork) was ordered. Utensil sharing was a must, and guests were accommodating, for "Chop Chop" (Chinese salad) and "Water Won-**School District.**

ders" (seafood salad). While some guests ate

hearty during the meal unknowingly they made "good" selec-tions - nobody was allowed to leave hungry. After the fourth course, the Uzelacs invited everyone into the kitchen to help themselves to a buffet of all the choices.

"We love having unusual events," said Pauline. "We want our guests to have evenings to remember, mixed with a lot of fun and good people."

According to Jim, they design their parties so all the guests are sure to get to know one another.

"You really get to know the person sitting next to you, couples are never allowed to sit next to each other, if you have to share eating utensils, washed, of course. Also, this dinner took almost three hours, enough time for the guests to become friends.

The Uzelacs are now planning their next extravaganza, but won't give a hint of the theme. "But it will be different, and hopefully, lots of fun. "If it's anything like past events, guests won't be disappointed."

Jim and Pauline Uzelac share Entertaining Tips

- Always invite some new and interesting individuals to add zest to "the same old crowd."
- Pick a theme, such as "A Winter Picnic," "Mexican Night," "The Roaring '20s," or "A Croquet Party." Ask guests to dress accordingly, and plan the menu and decorations around the theme.
- Want an unusual theme? Use things as products of the season such as peaches or apples and have a peach or apple festival. In winter, consider hosting a soup or chili tasting. Follow through with appropriate decorations such as everything peach-colored for peach festivities, or a cowboy motif for the chili event.
- Plan a menu that can be prepared ahead of time so you can be with your guests.

Although their most recent party, Banish Winter Blahs, required a variety of food offerings, some were served straight out of the container such as olives and cottage cheese, others were made ahead of time - gelatin dessert, tossed salad and chicken soup. The roast pork, fried rice and pierogi were prepared just before guests arrived.

Start the evening, especially one with many guests, with a "mixer" game so that everyone mingles. At one of their parties guests were taken, individually, to a separate room where an object such as a paper clip, safety pin or rubber band was attached to them. The object of the game was for guests to discover which object was on which person and where it was located. "The evening was spent with everyone looking people over. In the process they got to know one another," said Jim.

- Stay within in your budget. Whether formal or casual, the Uzelacs decide ahead of time how much they're going to spend and plan accordingly. "Otherwise you can go overboard on the food and/or decorations," said Pauline
- Think "party" when visiting garage, estate and close-out sales. The Uzelacs found a wonderful deal on large sea shells, which, in turn, were used for a party with a sea theme. Another purchase of clown costumes at a garage sale led to a "Just Clowning Around" party.
- Have fun, Try something unusual. Once the Uzelacs supplied their friends with Groucho Marx glasses (plastic noses attached), which they wore for an evening out for dinner at a restaurant.
- Put as much planning and effort into a party for your friends as you would for a birthday party for one of your kids. In fact, according to Pauline, "A Kid's Party" is always fun for adults.

We're happy for each other when one of us wins," said Jim who has also competed at the World. "We've cooked in 36 states. It's fun, that's the absolute only reason we do it. The people are great."

"This cook-off is respectable," said Gary Ray. "These people are big shooters, it's an honor to be here. I'm going to taste everyone's chili."

Marilyn Frederick of Farmington Hills was the head chili judge. Her brother Frank Klancnik, who has also competed in the World, was chairman.

"Frank has a good reputation," said Frederick explaining the success of the Winter Freeze Regional Cook-off. "A lot of the cooks know him. There aren't many cook-offs in early winter. A bunch of cooks are aching to cook, and want to compete early to quality for the World."

The participants came from Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Missouri, and as far away as Reno, California, and Colorado. Of the 38 competing 13 were from out of state. Bob Hall of Illinois placed first.

'We had space for 41 cooks, but three didn't show up," said Klancnik who grew up in Farmington Hills. "We turned 20 cooks away, it was heartbreak, we're looking for a bigger hall for next year. It's a regional cook-off, which qualifies you for the world championship and \$25,000 prize, and it's fun."

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Prize-winning cook: Jim Weller of Bloomfield Hills placed third in the Winter Freeze Regional Chili Cookoff with his "Macktown Chili."

when they were greeted by strangely and colorfully garbed Jim and Pauline, both teachers in the Vaterford

Champs share recipes for prize-winning chili

See related story on Taste

- CHEF BOY-R-BOB CHILI
- 2 tablespoons Wesson oil 3 pounds chuck tender, cut
- into 1/4-inch cubes
- 1 (14 1/2 ounce) can chicken broth
- 1 (14 1/2 ounce) can beef broth
- 1 (8 ounce) can Hunt's tomato sauce
- 1 (4 ounce) can green chilles (seeded and chopped)
- 4 tablespoons Gebhart Chili Powder
- 4 tablespoons California Chili Powder (mild)
- 1 tablespoon New Mexico Chili Powder (hot)

Cook-off

2 teaspoons Pasilla (light) -(this is a very mild chili

- powder) 1 1/2 tablespoons garlic
- powder 1 tablespoon onion powder
- 2 teaspoons brown sugar 1/2 teaspoon Tabasco Sauce
- (red) 1/2 teaspoon Tabasco Sauce (green)
- 3 tablespoons cumin

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Brown meat in skillet with oil. Drain and add to 6 quart pot with rest of the ingredients, except 1/4 of spices.

Simmer for 2 1/2 hours, stirring occasionally. Add remainder of spices and cook 1/2 hour longer.

Add water as needed, salt and pepper to taste. Recipe compliments of Bob

Hall of Taylorville, Ill., winner of the 1998 Winter Freeze Regional Chili Cook-off.

JIM WELLER'S FAMOUS "MACKTOWN CHILI"

- **3 pounds cubed Tri-Tip Beef** or Chuck Tender Beef (Chuck Tender is available at most Foodland Stores) 7 tablespoons chili powder 2 tablespoons hot Mexican
- chili powder 3 tablespoons cumin 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon brown sugar
 - 1 teaspoon cornstarch

1/2 teaspoon black pepper 1/4 teaspoon white pepper 1/2 teaspoon red Cayenne

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- pepper 2 tablespoons onion powder 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1 (14 ounce) can chicken broth
- 1 (14 ounce) can beef broth 2 (8 ounce) cans tomato sauce
- Water as required

Combine all spices Using a 6quart stainless steel stockpot, add omato sauce, broths, and 70 percent of combined spices

For chili society member-Bring to a boil and reduce to ship information:

ICS - (714) 631-1780 - member-In a separate pan, brown the

ship \$30 a year, includes quarterly cubed meat, drain and add to stock pot. Simmer for 2 hours or until newspaper. CASI - (520) 378-7179 - memmeat is almost tender. Add bership \$15 a year, includes remaining 30 percent of spices, and continue simmering for an

monthly newspaper. The "Goat Gap Gazette" is also a monthly chili newspaper available Additional water may be added by writing to: P.O. Box 800.

Brookesmith, Texas, 76827-0800. Here are some mail order

sources for chili spices: Pendery's - (800) 533-1870

Stewart's - (415) 571-8530

1 cup sugar

Serves 4-6

1/2 cup vinegar

minutes before serving.

shredded

1 pound salad shrimp

3 bunches green onions,

1 tablespoon soy sauce

Blend four ingredients together.

Add dressing to salad and toss 20 "

SEAFOOD SALAD

5 pounds imitation crab meat,

green part only, chopped

Beaty's - (805) 524-2078 Recipe, and information compliments of Jim Weller of Bloomfield Hills, third place winner, Winter Freeze Regional Chili Cook-off.

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"I won this cook-off five years when it was a district cookoff." said Hall who is chairman of the Illinois Chili Cook-off. The recipe he uses is his mother-in-'s, "but I perfected it," he

There are no secrets to making great chili he says. "It's the lend of spices, and your personal preference. You want a good, smooth chili for home. Competition chili is too robust. You kick up the spices to get the judge's attention. Take mom's or grandma's recipe, try it, perfect, stay with it, and don't play with it. " Competition chili is different

from chili you make at home. For one thing International Chili Society rules don't allow beans and other fillers.

What's his secret I asked Hall after the prizes were announced. As a judge I tasted 19 of the 38 as submitted, his was one I picked as a winner.

Salt makes the judges come ck to taste it again. It causes the other spices to stand up. You can add too little or too much salt. You've got to get the judges on the first taste.

Skip Cooley left Reno early in the morning to compete in the cook-off, and placed fifth.

"It's the camaraderie," he said when asked why he came, with Hall nodding in agreement. "And the dedication to being as good as you can be."

the other cooks shared was the kind of meat they use. No ground beef for them Gary Ray like other cooks I talked to uses at Tri-Tip cut of beef, which he purchases at Butcher Block in Livonia. Hall

uses chuck tender, "it's the tenderloip of the chuck. I dice and chop it into squares."

If you're thinking of competing in a chili cook-off, try to judge one. "The best thing is to be a judge, because then you know what they look for," said Hall. For the best home-cooked chili, he recommends making a batch

and inviting friends over to critique it. Try a blend of spices and pick out a blend that works best for you.

Les Eastep tied with Hall for first. Gail Ihlenfeldt of Belleville placed fourth.

"We had a taste-off to pick second place," said Frederick. "If the first-place winner can't go to the World, the second-place winner takes their place. Three judges, who didn't taste the chilies on the final table, tasted the two tied for first to pick a winner.

Ken Brundage of Livonia, and Bob Vargo of Walled Lake were among the chili cook-off contestants from Michigan. Vargo also participated in the salsa contest. Other local salsa contest participants included Lynne Hunter

of Plymouth. John Beadle of Ida

These recipes are compliments of the Garlic Guru, Tom Reed.

THE GARLIC GURU'S ROASTED

GARLIC GOAT CHEESE 20 cloves peeled fresh garlic

20 pitted kalamata olives 3/4 cup olive oil 3 ounce package goat cheese

(log form) 2 sprigs fresh rosemary

Coarsely ground black pepper In a heavy sauce pan, heat olive

oil, garlic, and olives for approximately 30 minutes over very low heat. Do not allow to boil. Garlic should become very soft.

Roll the goat cheese in pepper so it is completely covered. Place cheese roll standing up in a shallow bowl.

Surround the cheese with the oil, garlic and olives. Garnish with rosemary. Serve with sourdough bread.

With a knife, cut a piece of cheese and put on bread. Next add an olive and garlic clove and a small piece of rosemary. Wash it down with a great California cabernet.

SKORDALIA

2 large potatoes (peeled &

boiled until soft) 4 garlic cloves, peeled and

finely minced 1 slice white bread, crust

Sait & freshly ground pepper to taste

1/2 cup white vinegar 1/4 cup olive of

Soak bread in water and squeeze out water. Cool the potatoes and place in blender with other ingredients. Mix just until thoroughly mixed and smooth. Don't over process, or you will

have glue. Chill until serving time. Serve at room temperature with crackers, pita chips or baguettes.

asked Philip Power, chairman of

HomeTown Communications

Network, the company that owns

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know you've got a great recipe to share, and look forward to hearing from you.

this newspaper, to share one of his Venison Chili recipe. Feel free to call me, (734) 953-2105 if you have any questions. 10 get our new feature

Toss up some salad Great garlic appetizers surprises for friends

> front. CHINESE SALAD

additional 30 minutes.

as required depending on consis-

tency of sauce. Additional sauce

or Crystal Hot sauce. Makes

approximately 3 quarts of chili.

may also be required. If additional

heat is desired, try adding Tabasco

Cook's note: This will make a

competition type chili that can be

used in an "ICS" or "CASI" sanc-

tioned Chili Cook-off.

2 packages Ramen noodles (broken up) 1 package slivered almonds

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(about 1/2 cup, or to taste) 1 package sesame seeds (1

tablespoon, or more according to taste)

- 1 stick (1/2 cup) butter or margarine
- 1 napa cabbage 1 bunch green onions, chopped

Fry noodles, almonds, and sesame seeds in butter until golden brown. Tear cabbage in small pieces and toss together with browned ingredients and onions.

DRESSING

3/4 cup vegetable oil

hours in refrigerator, turning occathyme, oregano, and rosesionally 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground Pat steak dry. Cut into bite-

black peoper.

Chill Ingredients 1 big Spanish onion, chopped

8 stalks celery, chopped 4 cups mayonnaise Poppy seeds and garlic salt to taste Thaw crab meat and shrimp.

Mix all ingredients together. Chill. Serves 12. compliments of Recipes

Pauline Uzelac



"I like it because it takes a full afternoon of simmering, and I can sit in the kitchen in front of the fireplace reading, or maybe watching a football game, thinking about how good that chili's going to taste. I like it made from venison, but I suppose you could use buffalo or even beef cut into small chunks rather than

- ground up." PHIL'S VENISON CHILI
- 2 pounds venison steak
- **Marinade Ingredients**
- 1/2 cup olive oil 1/2 cup red wine (I prefer
- Burgundy)
- 1/2 cup red wine vinegar
- 3 cloves garlic, smashed 1 1/2 tablespoon herbs of
- your choice such as Ital-
- an, or combination of

chunky

mary

- 3 stalks celery, coarsely chopped
- 1 green pepper, chopped fine 2 cups canned tomatoes in
- juice
- 3 cups meat stock of your choice
- 3 heaping tablespoons chili powder
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin 1 teaspoon ground ancho chilies or cayenne pepper
- to taste 1 heaping teaspoon ground
- yellow commeal
- Combine and whisk marinade ingredients.

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Marinade venison steak 24

THE PETIX EMI-ANNUAL SALE SAVINGS THROUGHOUT THE STORE

Take meat out and brown vegetables, adding more olive oil if necessary. Put meat back into pot, add tomatoes, meat stock and spices. Simmer for 3 hours, adding water if necessary. Taste and correct seasonings. Mix a little of the liquid from the simmering chili with the cornmeal to make a paste. Stir into chili to thicken. Simmer 20 more minutes.

sized chunks. Brown in 3 table-

spoons of olive oil in a Dutch oven.

Serving suggestions: Over rice, or with corn chips. You can top it with grated cheese such Cheddar, or sour cream. If you want to add more protein, add a can of (drained) red pinto beans during the last 20 minutes of cooking. Serves 8 with leftovers. Keely Wygonik is editor of the Taste section.

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Canned or fresh, beans are nutritious, versatile

The humble bean has been dubbed the near-perfect food. It offers the perfect balance of plant-based protein, complex carbohydrates and dietary fiber, as well as being low in fat and sodium. Beans contain no cholesterol, but are rich in vitamins and minerals, including B-vitamins, calcium, iron, zinc and potassium.

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Whether you use canned or dried varieties, beans are not only nutritious, but also highly versatile. Add them to vegetable soups or make bean gumbos. Mix them into stir-fries, casseroles and pasta sauces. Nothing beats the variety and fresh flavors in a hearty bean stew made with kidney beans, carrots, mushrooms, celery, potatoes, onions, green peppers, corn and peas. While cooking the beans,

steam the potatoes and carrots until just tender. When the beans are done, drain off all but two cups of cooking water. Then mix in all of the vegetables, along with seasonings, including soy sauce, vegetable bouillon cubes, parsley, sea salt, basil, paprika and cayenne red pepper. Simmer the soup for 25 minutes, until the vegetables are cooked and the flavors and blended.

Home-cooked or canned beans can be marinated and tossed cold salads, and combined with pasta or greens. Canned beans will absorb dressings and marinades better if you rinse them and allow them to come to room temperature before using.

Great Northern beans pick up the zesty flavors of salad made with lightly steamed strips of zucchini and red pepper, capers and minced red onion, and dressed with olive oil, garlic, balsamic vinegar and cumin. Pureed beans or chickpeas

mixed with herbs and spices make a Middle Eastern hummus that's great as a dip for raw vogetables, or as the filling for Southwestern dishes like tacos or tostadas.

Creamy Mediterranean white bean dip is the perfect spread for toasted rounds of Italian bread. Simply mix four cups of cooked or canned cannellini beans in a food processor with three scallions, six sliced garlic cloves, 1/3 cup lemon juice, 1/4 cup toaster pine nuts and two tablespoons chopped fresh basil. Puree the dip until smooth and serve at room temperature.

Big bowls of steaming stews like this Great Bean Gumbo will keep you warm on chilly days.

GREAT BEAN GUMBO

1 1/2 cups frozen okra 1 cup chopped onion 1 clove garlic, mashed 1 tablespoon olive oil

1/2 cup diced celery

1 medium green pepper, chopped

2 (16 ounce) cans whole tomatoes

1/4 teaspoon black pepper 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper

1 teaspoon thyme

1 cup frozen peas

1 (16 ounce) can kidney beans,

rinsed and drained

3 cups cooked brown rice

Cook okra in a cup of boiling water until just tender. Set aside. Saute onions and garlic in olive oil until soft and golden.

Add celery and green pepper and cook until tender. Add tomatoes, and heat to boiling. Reduce heat.

Add pepper, cayenne, and thyme, and simmer for 45 minutes.

Add cooked okra, peas and beans, cooking for a few minutes longer until the peas are done.

Each of the 6 servings contains

300 calories and 4 grams of fat **Recipe and information**

from the American Institute for Cancer Research

Make-ahead appetizers help you be a guest at your party

AP - When it comes to entertaining, what is more stressful? Cooking? Planning? Or the expense of it all?

The top six problems encountered by home cooks, according to recent research, are: preparation, planning, expenses, overall stress, shopping and no time to visit with guests with preparation at the top of the stress list.

"This research confirms that cooking for any size gathering can be a challenge," says Lydia Botham, director of Land O'Lakes Test Kitchens & Consumer Affairs. "Simplifying food preparation, such as selecting make-ahead recipes, will minimize the hassle of hosting a party.

Botham suggests the following recipes for holiday appetizers: Zesty Roast Beef Roll-Ups, Mexican Confetti Squares and Hot Artichoke & Sundried Tomato Dip

ZESTY ROAST BEEF ROLL-UPS

over sour cream mixture. Place 2 slices roast beef over spinach;

sprinkle with about 3 tablespoons cheese. Roll each tortilla up tightly; wrap with plastic food wrap. Refrigerate 4 hours. To serve, cut each tortilla into 1-inch pieces or diagonally in half. Makes 10 appetizers

Nutrition facts per appetizer using regular sour cream: 200 cal., 10 g pro., 15 g carbo., 11 g fat, 40 mg chol., 290 mg sodi-

Nutrition facts per appetizer using light sour cream: 180 cal., 11 g pro., 17 g carbo., 8 g fat, 30 mg chol., 290 mg sodium. Nutrition facts per appetizer using no-fat sour cream: 170 cal., 11 g pro., 18 g carbo., 6 g fat, 30 mg chol., 290 mg sodium.

MEXICAN CONFETTI SQUARES

Preparation time: 25 minutes

Chilling time: 2 hours

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Nutrition facts per appetiz

HOT ARTICHOKE & SUNDRIED TOMATO DIP

- **Preparation time: 15 minutes Baking time: 22 minutes** 1/4 cup freshly shredded
- Parmesan cheese 1/2 cup sour cream (regular,
- light or no-fat)
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup coarsely chopped sundried tomatoes (oilpacked or dried, softened)
- 8 ounces (2 cups) Swiss cheese, shredded 14-ounce can artichoke

hearts, drained, chopped 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder

1/4 teaspoon hot pepper sauce Chopped fresh parsley, if

desired Crackers, toasted baguette

slices or bread sticks

large bowl stir together all ingredients except parsley and crackers. Spoon into 9-inch ovenproof shallow dish. Bake 22 to 26 minutes or until edges are very lightly browned. Sprinkle with parsley. Serve with crackers, baguettes or bread sticks. Makes 12 servings.

Tip: To soften sundried tomatoes, cover tomatoes with boiling water. Let stand for 5 to 10 minutes; drain.

Nutrition facts per serving using regular sour cream: 150 cal., 7 g pro., 7 g carbo., 11 g fat, 25 mg chol., 340 mg sodium.

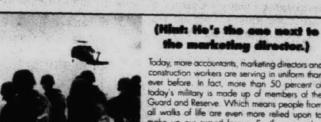
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Nutrition facts per serving using light sour cream: 150 cal., 7 g pro., 7 g carbo., 10 g fat, 25 mg chol., 340 mg sodium.

Nutrition facts per serving using no-fat sour cream: 140 cal., 7 g pro., 8 g carbo., 9 g fat, 20 mg chol., 340 mg sodium.

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members of the Guard and Reserve, please give

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them the freedom to protect ours.



Winter warmer: Serve big bowls of Great Bean Gumbo to conquer the chill of winter.

Serve over cooked brown rice.

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mg chol., 70 mg sodium.

pimentos, green onions, chilies and olives. Spread about 1/3 cup cream cheese mixture over one tortilla. Top with another tortilla; spread with about 1/3 cup cream cheese mixture. Repeat layering two more times ending with tortilla; wrap in plastic food wrap. Repeat with remaining tortillas and cheese mixture. Refrigerate at least 2

hours or overnight. To serve, cut tortillas into 1-inch squares; sprinkle tops with paprika. Garnish with jalapeno pepper rings. Serve with toothpicks. Makes 6 dozen appetizers.

Tip: Serve the cream cheese mixture in a bowl with crackers for a great party spread.

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- rrep ration time: 20 minutes Chilling time: 4 hours
- 1 cup sour cream (regular, light or no-fat)
- 2 tablespoons prepared horseradish
- 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard
- Five 8-inch flour tortillas 30 fresh spinach leaves or leaf lettuce, stems removed
- 10 thin slices (5 ounces) deli Italian roast beef or roast beef 4 ounces (1 cup) Cheddar
- cheese, shredded

In small bowl stir together sour cream, horseradish and mustard. Spread about 3 tablespoons mixture evenly on each tortilla.

Arrange 5 or 6 spinach leaves

- 1/2 cup sour cream (regular, light or no-fat)
 - 4 ounces (1 cup) mozzarella cheese, shredded

8-ounce package light cream

- 2-ounce jar diced pimentos, drained
- 2 tablespoons sliced green onions
- 2 tablespoons chopped mild green chilies, drained 2 tablespoons chopped ripe
- olives, drained Ten 8-inch flour tortillas
- Paprika or chili powder Jalapeno pepper rings or sliced olives, if desired

In small mixer bowl combine cream cheese and sour cream. Beat at medium speed, scraping bowl often, until smooth (1 to 2 minutes). By hand, stir in cheese,

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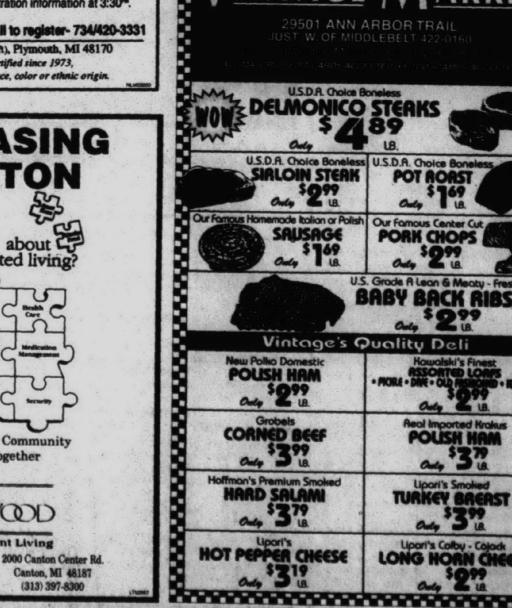
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Sales associates beware: the next shopper

Images

Beauty bonus at local salons

Happy Birthday to me! It is always such fun and not so depressing, to turn fifty-one!

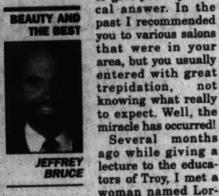
Yes, my friends, the big 51 tolled this past Thursday, Jan. 22. But do not fret, I still look. . . fabulous. (You know how shallow I am, and

that's all that really matters.)

The reason I am bringing up this major event is because I started my career on my exact birthday when I turned 17. Don't reach for the abacus, Thursday, began my 35th year in the business. (I hear a rumor that some people hadn't even been born 35 years ago!)

In reflecting upon the past 35 years, I recall the most common question that has been asked, ad nauseum: Jeff, what about my hair?"

It has taken me 35 years to be able to give you a practi-cal answer. In the



you to various salons that were in your area, but you usually entered with great trepidation, not knowing what really to expect. Well, the miracle has occurred! Several months ago while giving a lecture to the educators of Troy, I met a woman named Lor-

raine Skala. Lorraine is the premier image consultant in the metropolitan Detroit area.

Now I know what you are thinking: If you go for electronic imaging you will be shown the usual four hairstyles (Mamie Eisenhower, Marlo Thomas, Barbara Bush, or, Lord help us, Joey Heatherton, so attractive on a 60 year old!)

Lorraine has up-to-date computer g equipment that carries at you approach could be on assignment to evaluate your performance. Mystery shoppers help retailers gain the customer's perspective on day-to-day operations.

BY BARB PERT TEMPLETON SPECIAL WRITER

When Harold Blumeno, 68, of Farmington Hills retired from the advertising business several years ago, he thought he was ready for a life of leisure

Instead he quickly grew bored, sought part-time employment and dis-covered a world of new challenges as a mystery shopper for local restaurants and retail outlets.

"When I was sitting around the house it was a bad time for me. I applied for several positions but kept being told there was nothing open," said Blumeno. "That's when I saw the classified ad for mystery shoppers. I've done 600 shops in the last year and believe me I'm not idle anymore.

After studying a clip board of questions, Blumeno drops by major retailers like Kmart and the Gap to take a good look at their service. His observations often begin in the parking lot as he checks out the lot and entry way of the store for clutter or cleanliness.

"Inside the store I usually start at the service desk and check on things like how long the line is and if the clerk is courteous," said Blumeno. "After that I might have specific departments I'm to visit to check the merchandise or to see if employees are helpful."

Although Blumeno is hired by an outside firm some retailers provide their mystery shoppers with congrat cards to present to good employees.

Mystery shoppers spy service

"If I can find an employee who will walk me to the area I'm looking for, or just gives me exemplary service, they get a congrat card - that's a \$50 bonus in their paycheck," said Blumeno. Noting that he's thrilled to be active and busy again, Blumeno said the pay rate for shopping isn't bad either. He usually earns about \$10 an hour and in some cases free dinner at the restaurant he's reviewing.

The basic job includes 20 to 30 minutes visiting inside the retailer and another half hour or so filling out paperwork. Most of Blumeno's assignments are close to home and he has been sent to visit a number of stores more than once. In fact one of his most frequent mystery shopping trips has been to area Kmart stores.

Keeping close tabs on how things look from the customer's standpoint is a major part of the program at Kmart, according to Mary Lorencz, Director of Media Relations. The popular retail chain utilizes an outside firm for it's mystery shopping program and has all 124 of their Michigan stores shopped at least twice every month.

Cleanliness, stocked shelves and the friendliness and courteous of service

employees are areas Kmart likes to take a closer look at via the mystery shoppers

"The shoppers have a form to fill out and they are looking for certain things each visit," said Lorencz. "Things like, how do our associates serve our customers? Are they friendly and helpful? Will they answer questions, help you find a product or find someone that can help you?"

The results of the customer service report are taken quite seriously at Kmart and in fact the bonus and annual compensation package given to store managers is based on the results of the report, said Lorencz. Kmart also utihizes the service to check out their competitors to see what's going on there.

"The shoppers bring us the information on our competitors and we can take that and perhaps improve and do better things in our stores," said Lorencz.

While Blumeno certainly takes his task seriously and is impressed with how important his work is to the retailer he admits he's still having a ball. A recent assignment had Blumeno visiting three Evola Music stores where he got to give away cash to attentive employe

"I had three \$100 gift certificates and my assignment was to give them out if the employee greeted me as I entered the store and if they demonstrated the Yamaha keyboard first, before any other instrument," smiled Blumeno. "In all three cases they did it. I just love this, it's like being a mystery millionaire."

Blumeno has been so thrilled with his success he wants to share the



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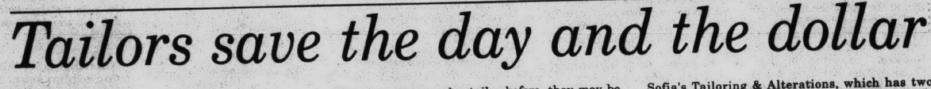
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research and knowledge he has gained. His newsletter, "Mystery Shoppers Network" is issued four times a year with an annual subscription rate of \$29.95.

For more information call 1-800-215-3959 or write to 33228 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48334.



BY DONNA MULCAHY SPECIAL WRITER

What do you do when your favorite clothes become too tight or baggy, or when the new pants and jacket you bought on sale are too long?

could move them to the back of your

If you've never used a tailor before, they may be less expensive than you think.

An informal survey of five local tailors revealed what services they typically offer and the prices charged for each task. All of them said that they ask \$8 to hem a pair of pants, that sometimes alter-ations can be performed in one day, and that their

Sofia's Tailoring & Alterations, which has two locations, in Livonia and Canton, usually charges \$12 to \$16 to hem a skirt, and \$8 to \$16 to hem jacket sleeves, according to owner Sofia, who declined to give her last name.

She also custom-makes clothing, including wedding dresses. She said she learned the art of tailor-

least 1,200 different styles! When we met it truly was the answer to my prayers. We have joined forces in a way that has been most beneficial for the public.

How many times have you gone into a salon, sat down, asked for a trim and you walk out looking like. . . well, me! Yes, I've not done too badly, but very few women can carry my look (can you imagine?) The most important thing between client and hair stylist is communication: Don't be afraid to ask for a consultation prior to your appointment.

Brutal honesty

Many women go to a professional with unrealistic expectations. You may have a certain type of hair that will not do what is necessary to achieve the look you want. Your color you've decided to become will not you've decided to become with not become you! The new length you desired is too long, makes your neck disappear, you've automatically added 10 pounds to your frame, and lost two inches in stature. What in the world is the alternative?

is the alternative? Back to Lorraine. Here's the scoop on what she does: She works in two ways. The first is in a salon located near to you. You would have a make-up application, lesson, skin care les-son, and then a computer imaging taken with a television camera. This session is \$50. The other option is Lorraine coming to you! She works either in groups of three or five. The 90-minute session consists of makeover, (using Jeffrey Bruce cosmetics of course,) as well as your computer imaging. You will have 12 new hairstyles, col-

your computer imaging. You will have 12 new hairstyles, col-ors, lengths, recorded for you at that time so you may take the photos home to discuss with your significant other. Lorraine goes all over Michigan with her equipment. The at-home ses-sion is \$75 with \$35 going towards any Jeffrey Bruce products used. To reach Lorraine at her downtown Riverfront Towers Studio, please call (313) 393-5032.

Appointments

As far as I am concerned, my Janu-ary, February and March dates at The Townsend are sold out. We are accept-ing appointments for April to coincide with Mother's Day. The number to call s 1-800-944-6568.

My new E-mail address is bb@worldnet.att.net.

ase keep your letters coming. dumn this past year, and 1. d fun year with all of the closet, to await the miraculous day when they'll fit. Or better yet, take them to a professional tailor.



The right fit: Dino (The Tailor) Mitropou-los (right) poses with one of his famous clients Lee Iacocca.

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Main-streets, c/o The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

SUNDAY, JAN. 25

The Littlest Mermaid" performed daily at 7 p.m.

Saturdays 11, 1 and 3 p.m. Sunday at 1 and 3 p.m. MeadowBrook Village Mall. Adams / Walton. Rochester Hills. (248) 375-9451.

TUESDAY, JAN. 27

Ginger Ward of Dean Witter Reynolds presents "How to realize your retirement dreams," 7:30 p.m. at Borders Books. Free. 34300 Woodward Ave. Birmingham.

(248) 203-0005

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28

Through Feb. 1, glass repair by Mr. Chips, plus chibits showcasing furniture, books, dolls pottery, hina, prints and cut glass throughout the mall dur-

Tel-Twelve Mall. 12 Mile / Southfield.

ations can be perfo shops are non-smoking.

Dino Mitropoulos, owner of Dino the Tailor in Adams Square, Birmingham, said he charges about \$18 to \$30 to hem a skirt, depending on the materi-al and whether or not it is lined or has pleats. However, beaded skirts can cost \$70 or more to shorten, because of the work involved.

Besides alterations, Mitropoulos specializes in making custom-made clothing for men and women. His custom-made men's suits (including coat, vest and pants) start at \$1,200. The price depends on the material. His better suit cloths range from \$60 to \$1,200 a square yard, custom-made dresses begin at

Originally from Greece, Mitropoulos attended a tailoring school in Athens. When he immigrated to Detroit in 1968 he went to work at Kosin's and become head tailor at the prestigious mens store.

He opened his own store, Dino's Tuxedo & Alterations, at Oakland Mall in Troy about 10 years ago. A year ago, he relocated that store to its present location, in the Adams Square on Woodward near Maple in Birmingham. For more information call him at (248) 645-2700.

Jill of all trades

Michelle Moenssen, owner of Metropolitan Tailor in downtown Birmingham, said she charges about \$8 to \$25 to hem a skirt and \$15 to \$20 to shorten sleeves

She also custom makes clothing, including wed-ding dresses. Moenssen has a bachelor's degree in fashion design from Wayne State University and used to be a theater costumer for the Detroit Institute of Arts.

With 10 years experience, she opened her shop a little over a year ago at 267 S. Old Woodward in Birmingham; (248) 594-8465.

ing in Greece and brings with her 35 years of ex rience. She's been in business at both locations for 10 years.

The Livonia shop is on Plymouth at Stark Road, (313) 422-6080, the Canton shop is on Joy between Lilley and Sheldon, (313) 454-0330.

Restoring fabric

Rainbow Custom Tailoring & Tuxedos in Farmington Hills charges about \$15 to hem sleeves (the price can be higher, depending on the material and work involved), and anywhere from \$30 to \$80 to reweave suits that have been ripped or torn, said Marie Warra, who owns the business with her mother, Layla Shihadeh and brother, Michael Shihadeh.

The business has been in their family for 35 years. Her mother makes custom clothing for women (including wedding gowns), her brother makes custom clothing for men, and she handles the renting and selling of tuxedos. The shop is on 12 Mile, west of Middlebelt. For more information, call (248) 477-6610.

Denise Gerke, owner of the Village Tailor in Plymouth, said she charges between \$8 and \$25 to hem a skirt, and about \$8 to \$20 to hem sleeves.

She's been in the tailoring business for about 15 years and at her current location for about 10 years. She does zipper replacements, re-weaving, mono-

gramming and other repairs and alterations, but does not custom make clothing. Her shop is at 696 N. Mill, between Spring and Liberty in the Old Vil-lage, Plymouth, (313) 451-7820.

Gerke said many dry cleaners also offer simple alterations for a fee - they'll mend tears and fix zippers, but most don't offer fittings like a tailor would. Also tailors do not insist that garments be drycleaned before working on them like many cleaners

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

(248) 353-4111.

Motivational speaker Borders Books hosts Judy Laslie, author of "9 Chances to Feel Good About Yourself!" with a 7:30 p.m. workshop addressing "Problems! Stress!" 14 Mile/Orchard Lake. Farmington Hills. (248) 737-0110.

1248) 737-0110. THURSDAY, JAN. 29 Spring Home & Garden Show Through Feb. 1, more than 300 exhibitors present the latest technology/products for home improve-ment. Admission \$6, Seniors \$4, Kids 6-12 \$3. Spon-sored by the Building Industry Association of South-eastern Michigan. Treasure chest contest with daily prizes. Today and Jan. 30 from 2-10 p.m. Jan. 31 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Feb. 1 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Novi Expo Center. I-96/Novi Road. (248) 737-4478.

SATURDAY, JAN. 31

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Bookstore fun Children meet Curious George from 11 a.m. to noon at Barnes & Noble. Later, Linda Cox discusses

"A New Year, A New Beginning," 4-5 p.m. Telegraph / Maple. Bloomfield Hills. (248) 540-4209.

Fashion Breakfast

Nordstrom offers a runway show of winter-tospring collections for children and women, beginning with breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Coat is \$10 per person. Call the concierge for reservations. Somerset Collection North.

Big Beaver / Coolidge. Troy. (248) 816-5100. ext. 1690.

THURSDAY, FEB. 5

Winterfest

Downtown Birmingham merchants and restaurateurs present an ice sculpture show in Shain Park through the weekend. Stores offer extended hours and clearance sales throughout the shopping district. Merrill / Bates. Birmingham.

(248) 433-3550. Winter makeovers

Neiman Marcus presents a spring colors event in Cosmetics through Feb. 7. With any \$50 fragrance/beauty purchase, shoppers get a NM signa-ture black tote filled with sampling of products. Somerset Collection South. Big Beaver / Coolidge. Troy. (248) 643-3300.

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helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or base-ment) 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.

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Here's what we found:

• Unicure can be ordered direct from Atlanta, Ga., by calling 1-888-Unicure. President Richard Tucker said his miracle product for hair and skin can't be beat.

 Christine owns the compa ny that makes Word of Mouth spaghetti sauce. Call her at (248) 476-4643 for retailers who sell the sauce.

. Emily passes along a tip on how to remove hairspray from mirrors and doors: Try denatured alcohol found at Meijer's in the hardware department or any Damman or Ace hardware store. Dustin suggests the commercial cleaner Wundo-Clear at Nelco Supply, 928 University, Pontiac.

• The recording of "Little Drummer Boy" by Bing Crosby and David Bowie is on a CD 'Edge of Christmas," OGLIO records is the producer. It was also sighted at Borders on Ford Road in Dearborn on CD for 1/2 price.

•Mrs Beasley doll was spotted at Value Village, on the east side of Gratiot between 10 and 12 Mile in Roseville.

•Kathy has the book "Don't Go With Strangers," the person who wanted this book please call again.

•A caller insists it was Vaughan Monroe not Cary Grant made the recording "Red Roses for a Blue Lady."

•E.J. Danish now called E.J. Inc. no longer makes chair covers and cushions because the eamstress retired.

• A caller said Tatiana is no longer available on QVC but the Americas Store (800) 284-3400 has it, item #664464, 1 oz or \$27.50.

·Barbara has Kismet score cards. She offers this suggestion: Buy a set of regular dice scrape off the black numbers and use a red marker on the 2 and 5 and a green marker on the 3 and 4.

brush might be at Kmart.

We're still looking for:

•Pauline says you can find the Absolut calendars at Barnes and Noble on Max Factor powder eyebrow makeup applied with a

This feature is dedicated to can be taped on the body to ease arthritis, etc.

•Kathy wants a Baby Dear doll designed by the Goldenbooks illustrator Eloise Wilkin manufactured by Vogue.

·Linda of Plymouth is looking for regular chestnuts in a

•Margaret is looking for Chupa Chups suckers in a #1 bucket.

•Lynn needs the Revion nat-ural herb cleanser (makeup remover) in a 10 oz. plastic jar. It is discontinued.

•Carol needs refills for a bean bag chair. •Irene is looking for Milk

Plus cleansing cream •Edith wants 10-inch

tapered slim candles made by Colonial Candle of Cape Cod. •An adjustable single edge

blade safety razor for Ron. •Dustin is looking for an

autographed Barry Sanders game used jersey. •Walt Disney animated "101

Dalmatians" movie.

•Men's one- or two-piece pajamas with feet for Carol of Westland.

•Nail products by Mavala found in drug stores. • A 1953 McCall Giants

Golden Make-It books and a game Survivorshot for Barby.

•Bodycology Cool Blue Eye Gel for Chris. •Fine crochet cotton, size 30,

40 or 50, for Gerri. •A Raggedy Ann doll for

Nancy • A 1960 board game WA-

HOO, similar to the game Trouble, it has an Indian theme for Cheryl. •Replacement blades for

Hair Wares. • The game of Pit.

Shiny Sinks Plus.

•Anucci perfume, it was a Neiman Marcus product, for Patricia.

•Need a pattern for a Red Wing afghan.

•Uncle Dan's Potato Chips for Laura of Livonia

 Sharon would like Night Spice cologne by Old Spice. •Still looking for card game Hotel, Kismet dice.

•Janet would like dresses named Chez, they were carried at SYS on Southfield Road, 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. •Kathy needs all-solid color

borders including black she



Roses are red. Violets are blue. Complete this poem and win dinner for two!

How would you like to win a makeover for two at the trendy Bellissima Salon in West Bloomfield, followed by candlelit dinner for two at the upscale Ruth's Chris Steak House in Trov?

If you and a friend think this a great way to spend your Valentine's Day, Saturday, Feb. 14, 1998, fill in the last two lines of this timeless love poem and submit your creative contributions to: Malls & Mainstreets c /o The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009 by Noon on Wednesday, Feb. 4. You can also fax them to: Valentine Contest at (248) 644-1314. All participants must be over age 18.

Observer & Eccentric editors Susan DeMaggio, Joe Bauman and Meg O'Brien will select the winning poem based on originality (humor and romance a big plus.)

The winner will be announced in the Sunday, Feb. 8 edition of Malls & Mainstreets and 10 of the best renditions will be printed to provide cupids all over town with an inspiration or two.

Ruth's Chris Steak House is the country's largest steak house company with 60 restaurants serving U.S. Prime beef, corn-fed, richly marbled, never-frozen, custom-aged and hand-cut daily on the premises, at the Top of Troy Building 755 West Big Beaver (248) 269-8424.

Salon Bellisma in the Simsbury Plaza at 14 Mile in West Bloomfield is a full-service hair salon offering styling, shades, highlights, manicures, pedicures, waxing, makeup and more. It's open seven days at (248) 851-5559.

Since the winner will be notified by phone, be sure to include a daytime exchange, plus your name and address.

Resale shopping tips aid parents on a tight budget

Parents with young children know all too well how costly it is to outfit kids today.

Walt Hamilton, who heads Children's Orchard, an upscale resale clothing, toy and equipment store franchise, says that while there is money to be saved through wise shopping, even

RETAIL DETAILS

anel collection reviewed

The Saks Fifth Avenue store at Somerset Collection South in Troy, hosted a fashion show and breakfast, Jan. 22 to benefit the American Lung Association. Chanel's spring/summer ready-to-wear line featured classic Chanel designs reinterpreted in colorful, lightweight tweeds, with "tease" slits up the sides of skirts and down the front of blouses, revealing belly buttons and

A dragonfly seemed to float on the fabric printed up for several sheer, layered dresses, fluttering with every model's step. The clothing was presented with spectator shoes, prompting Lorraine Schultz of Bloomfield Hills to comment, "You can tell it's Chanel, but the fabrics are a lot thinner, sheerer."

ALA president Bettina Gregg welcomed supporters to the wintry morning event, explaining that the funds raised would be used "in the fight against young people using tobacco." Look for complete coverage of

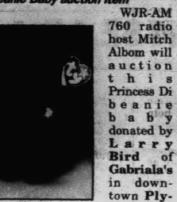
the event in the Spring issue of Eccentrique, the Eccentric Newspapers new fashion magazine, due out Thursday, April 9.

Getaway to the spa If you need a mid-winter escape and you can't make it happen, Salone Nadwa & Day Spa offers this solution: Stop in for a stress-reducing treatments to "bring bliss to your physical and mental well-being."

They recommend an aromatherapy facial, a detoxifying body masque, a massage, or a rest in the Energy Sequence Chair "unraveling tight and tense knotted muscles in the back, shoulder and neck."

The spa is at the Novi Town Center. For more details call (248) 348-7316.

Beanie Baby auction item



describing her path from artist to mid-life entrepreneur. Her knitwear designs "Primal Chic' are produced with custom-dyed colors and natural fibers of 100percent cotton. They are handloomed by artisans. For more information call her showroom at (313) 996-9955.

Third generation takes the helm ; Third generation jeweler Brian;

Schubot was named president of Jules R. Schubot Jewellers, 3001 W. Big Beaver in Troy.

He will be responsible for supervising the sales staff, assur-ing quality control of jewelry and timepieces, and continuing the traditions of the 80-year-old busi-ness establishment. He is a 1984 graduate of Michigan State University, a graduate Gemologist of the Gemological Institute of America and Certified Gemologist and Gemologist Appraiser with the American Gem Society.

New to Lakeside Center Macomb County welcomes its first Banana Republic store, opening at Lakeside, Sterling, Heights, mid-February. A division of the Gap, the store will sell lifestyle clothing for men and women with a hint of adventure rooted in the company's earliest safari and military designs.

The family entertainment. superstore FYE (For Your Enter-) tainment) is also new at Lakeside. The 27,000-square foot storeincludes a 60-game video arcade, personal electronics, computer. games and software, listening stations and more than 80,000 CDs. cassettes and videos. There is a similar store at Wonderland Mall in Livonia.

FYE is a division of Trans World Entertainment of Albany, New York which also operates **Record Town** stores.

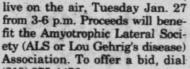
Hudson's offers grant guidelines Hudson's 1998 Community Giv-

ing Guidelines are now available to non-profit organizations seeking funding for programs involv-ing children and youth. The CGP focuses on agencies that nurture youth with emphasis in three areas: Preventing Child Abuse, Developing Self-Sufficiency and Education Through the Arts.

Organizations interested in applying for a grant should obtain guidelines from their local Hudson's store executive office, or call, (248) 443-6219.

Godiva treasure promotion set

A ruby and emerald bead and. diamond necklace once owned by **Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis** (purchased for \$156,000 in 1996at the historic Sotheby auction of her estate) will be presented to ne lucky buyer of Godiva chocolates this Valentine's Day. A winning certificate for the necklace has been hidden in specially marked boxes of Godiva's 1998 "Romantic Designs" Valentine's Day Collection, priced at \$20 or more. The candy is available at Godiva boutiques and finer department stores, 1-800-9-; GODIVÁ.



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more can be saved by following a few simple guidelines.

· Know brand names of new clothing before you buy resale.

· Compare prices. If you're not getting 40 percent or more off retail, then you're not getting a deal.

· Look at items one size up because there may have been shrinkage.

· Check out store standards for accepting "gently used" cloth-

Be sure there is a "no questions" return policy in case items don't fit.

• Make sure new items such as bibs, socks and underwear are competitively priced.

Designer hosts retrospective Chris Triola knitwear designer celebrates her 10-year career with an exhibit of sketches and 30 graphic knits on display Jan. 30-Feb. 28 at the Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher at Huron street in Ann Arbor. She will lecture on "Living the Dream" Thursday, Jan. 29 at 7 p.m. to open the exhibition,

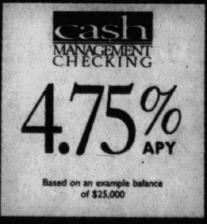
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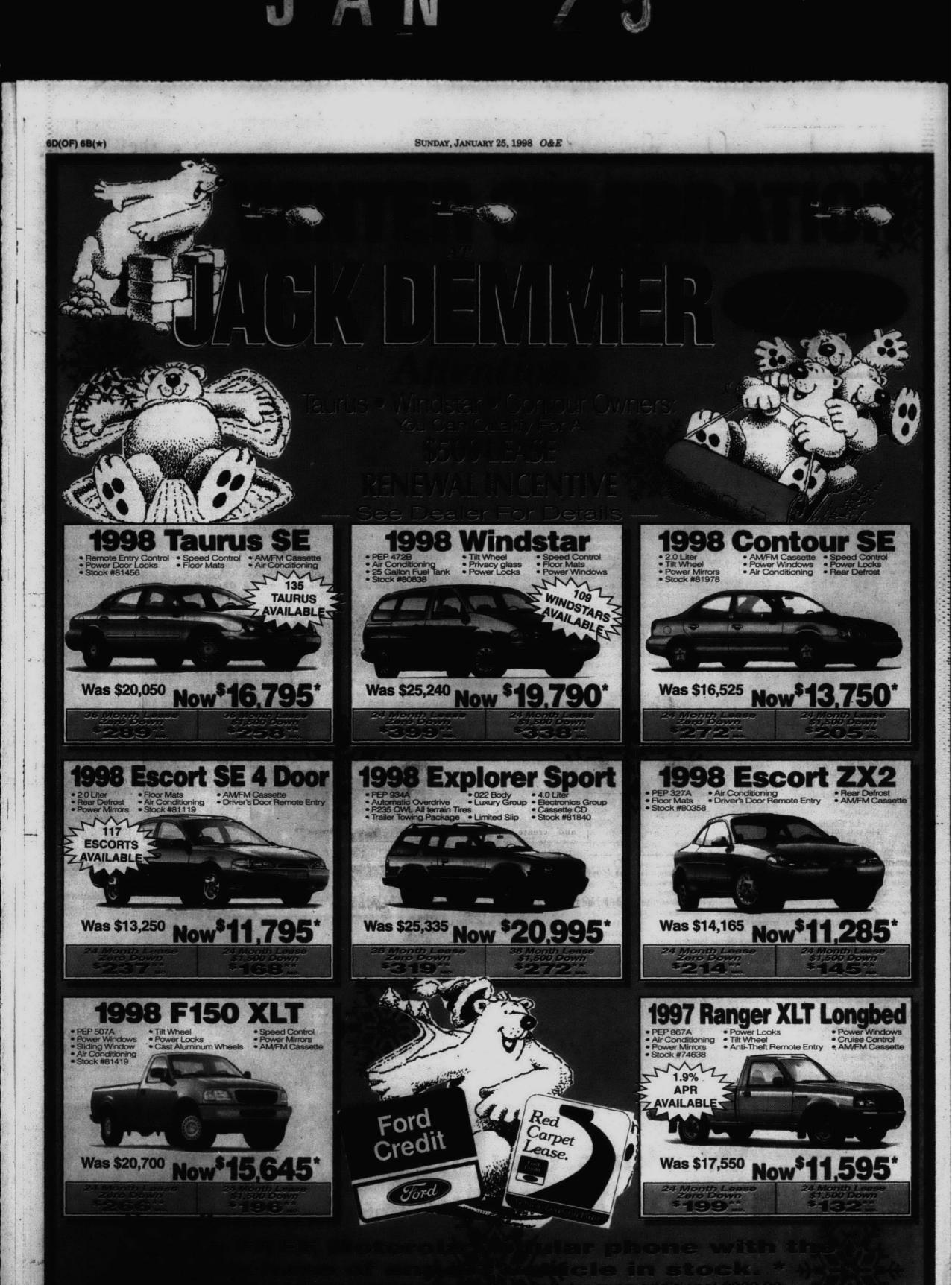
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LINDA ANN CHOMIN

ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS

'Good art' cuts across mediums

or years, ice carvers have been looked upon as less than sculptors who work in clay, marble and bronze. The only difference between the two is that unlike sculptors working in traditional mediums, ice carvers have a specific amount of time to execute an art work depending on the number of ice blocks - from four hours for one to three blocks, to 20 hours for a 10-block sculpture.

Although techniques may differ, originality, proportion and quality of craftsmanship remain essential when creating "good art." I've found this to be true the last three years I've served as a one of the judges scoring works in the 16th annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular competitions.

Chefs representing the American Culinary Federation were one of two teams of judges presiding over this year's competitions. This was only the second time that American Culinary Federation and National Ice Carving Association judges had both sanctioned the event. The first joint judging, a few weeks earlier in Cincinnati, was engineered by Dan Hugelier, chef instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, and NICA president Glen Motley. All of us looked for a number of elements in judging the ice sculptures created by amateurs, professionals and students during the competitions. Artistic achievement/strength of design, craftsmanship, detail and precision, strong lines, symmetrical or even depth and uniformity, originality, creativity, and proportion were divided into four separate categories for which American Culinary Federa-

Close to her heart: Patricia Bombach took great care in painting this portrait of her grand-sons Daniel (left) and Jason Bombach.

arol Masters knew immediately when she saw Patricia Bombach's portraits at the Ann Arbor Art Fair that the artist's style would sensitively convey the beauty and intelligence of her co-worker and friend, the late Dr. Deborah Budd Iverson.

Dr. Iverson was abducted from a Birmingham parking lot and murdered in May of 1996. Two months later Bombach, a paraprofessional for Livonia Public Schools, was commissioned by Masters to create a memorial portrait. The painting now hangs in William Beaumont Hospital's Ophthalmic Learning Center, which is dedicated to Dr. Iverson's memory.

"Patricia does capture something in Debbie, especially in the eyes," said Masters, administra-tive assistant in the ophthalmology department chair at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal



Oak. "Everybody loves the portrait, (Dr.) Bob Iverson and her parents just love it.

Producing portraits of relatives and loved ones who have died is never easy for Bombach. She painstakingly lays down each stroke or line to capture the personality and create an accurate likeness. Working from a snapshot of Dr.

Portrait artist stirs memories

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN . STAFF WRITER

> Treasured art: (Left) Patricia Bombach works from photographs to capture the personalities of pets in portraits. (Far left) Bombach was commissioned to create this portrait of Dr. Deborah **Budd** Iverson after she was murdered in May of 1996. The painting now hangs in William Beaumont Hospital's Ophthalmic Learning Center, which is dedicated to her memory.

tion judges awarded points from one to 10.

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Ice Carving Course

What: Class offers lecture and hands-on ice carving (single and multi-block) experience for beginning and advanced students with chef instructor Richard Teeple. All necessary tools provided. Additional ice carving experience available with the college's Ice Carving Club. Check out their web site under "student activities" at http://www.henryford.cc.mi.us Where: Henry Ford Community College (Gate Room, Student Center), 5101 Evergreen, south of Ford Road, Dearborn. When: 2-5 p.m. Mondays, Feb. 9 to March 16, excluding March 9. Cost: \$231 for Dearborn residents, \$255 non-residents. For more information, call (313) 845-9865/730-5960. If you would like to know more about ice carving before taking the course, visit Teeple and his students at the East Dear-born Snow Frieze Tuesday-Sunday, Jan. 27 to Feb. 1. Sponsored by the business com-munity, the event will raise money for floor-ing improvements in Dearborn Facilities and Services for the Retarded's group homes.



ice art: Richard Teeple (right), ice carving and chef instructor at Henry Ford Community College, discusses elements of a sculpture at the Plymouth Ice Spectacular with Chuck Usztics, a culinary arts instructor at Romulus High School.

Iverson in a lab coat, Bombach began to create a portrait which relayed the doctor's love of education and dedication to her profession.

"It's always hard for me to do a portrait of someone who's passed away," said Bombach, a longtime Livonia resident now living in Northville. "It's a challenge but also a great opportunity. I wanted to create a portrait that really showed Dr. Iverson's inner beauty and that would be a wonderful reminder of her life."

For more than 25 years, Bombach portraits of people and pets have recorded precious memories for several families, including those of children who have died from cancer. Nevertheless, Bombach still struggles because she wants it to be perfect.

"Patience is important for both my art work and working with students in special ed," said Bombach, a pastel artist who also works in oil.

A paraprofessional in special education for the last 19 years, Bombach teaches work skills in the greenhouse at the Western Wayne Skills Center. The students, ages 16 to 26, learn how to craft flower arrangements and wreaths so they have the skills necessary to gain employment.

"I feel the Lord gave me a talent, and I have to pass it on," said Bombach, whose work has been published in Detroit Metropolitan Woman magazine. "When the students see a finished product, it makes them feel good about themselves. If they're in special ed or have a disability they



need to feel good about themselves."

In addition to portraits, Bombach creates landscapes which are on exhibit at Frame Works where she was a featured artist during the "Plymouth Is Artrageous" gallery walk last Septem-ber. From a fieldstone dam in Romeo to a cascading river in Yosemite, Bombach relays tranquility and a peacefulness in the predominately green scenery.

"Her work has a real warm feel to it," said Frame Works production manager, Jamie Spaulding. "And she does commissioned landscapes of certain places for people if they bring her photographs that are special to them.

According to Spaulding, many of Frame Works' customers look for art by local painters when they are about to make a purchase for a home or office.

"Patricia must have a good rapport with her customers because we get a lot of repeat orders,"

said Spaulding. "And if people don't like something, Patricia will come in and change it for them so they're happy with it."

After more than a quarter or a century, Bom-bach continues to study art. She travels twice a week to Romeo for an informal portrait work session, and a landscape class with August Gloss, owner of Starkweather Alley Gallery there.

An accomplished artist, Bombach, as a member of the Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans in Ann Arbor, exhibits in the annual Summer Art Fair. She has also shown her work at the Liberty Fest Fine Art Fair in Canton, and the Wyandotte Street Fair. One of the most cherished achievements came in 1993 when she was asked to create a Christmas ornament for a tree in the State Dining Room at the White House.

In keeping with her love of teaching, Bombach has taught drawing to children at the Plymouth Community Arts Council and adults in the Plymouth-Canton Continuing Education program.

MUSICIANS

Orchestra spotlights young musicians at chamber concert

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Bonnie Holyoak believes the support of young artists is important to the future of symphonic music. To insure its survival, the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra hosts a Youth Artist Competition every year, which awards cash prizes and an opportunity to appear with the orchestra

This year, conductor Russell Reed decided to take the nonprofit organization's support a step further by including a dust performed by two young harpists in the Jan. 31 Chamber Concert at the Plymouth-Canton Little Theatre.

The young musicians will step into the spotlight for the program, which features string quartets, a brass trio, bassoon duet, an alp horn solo and flute quartet.

e young musicians are the ones who will carry on," said Bonnie Holyoak, orchestra executive director. "If they don't become involved, there won't be any symphonic music. Christina Szelag, a Farmington Hills harpist has performed with the PSO in "The Nutcracker Ballet," for the last two years. Szelag began studying harp 10 years ago with Ruth

Myers, director of the Detroit Metropolitan Harp Ensemble. A graduate of Harrison High School in Farmington Hills, Szelag is a first year music student at Eastern Michigan University. This is her first appearance with the Plymouth Symphony as a featured artist.

"It's going to be a fun concert," said Szelag. "I've always played with the

Christina Szelag



perform a duet with Allegra Lilly, a seventh grade student at Bloomfield Hills Middle School. Lilly is the 1997 winner of the Detroit Symphony Civic. Sarah Hamilton Orchestra's

Concerto Competition, and as a result was a featured soloist on the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Educational

This is also Sarah Hamilton's first appearance as a soloist with the orchestra. Hamilton, first chair flutist at Novi High School, won second place in the Youth Artist Competition, along with Ross Huff, a trumpet player and



junior at Plymouth-Canton High School. Both will perform with the orchestra and receive a \$300 cash prize. Five young musicians from

Plymouth-Canton, Plymouth-Salem Belleville Northville, and Novi high

schools entered the orchestra's annual competition in mid-December. Firstplace winner Stephen Goto, a senior at Plymouth-Canton High School, will make a guest appearance in a violin solo at a future concert.

Hamilton, who will perform the first movement of a Poulenc sonata during

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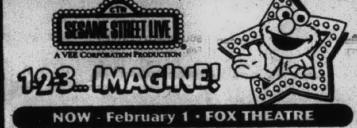
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Hugelier; Helmut Holzer, an Austrian born Certified Master Chef from Atlanta; Joe Decker, pastry chef instructor at Schoolcraft College; Richard Teeple, ice carving and chef instructor at Henry Ford Community College; Chef Milos Cihelka, a Bloomfield Hills resident who retired from the Golden Mushroom, and myself met with carvers late Friday afternoon just as the professional team competitions were about to begin.

The first topic discussed was safety. One of the carvers had already run a chainsaw across his fingers while carving wood earlier in the week, requiring more than 100 stitches. That brought up a lecture on safety and a discussion of the rules. Since a third person or helper is not allowed to assist carvers during the 20-hour stint, a member of a competing team volunteered to lift the carver's ice block in place. The rule that no power tools may be used after midnight (until 6 a.m.) raised the question could carvers use irons after midnight. A vote was taken by judges and carvers and there were no objections.

Rules are important to maintain fairness and ensure safety of the carvers. On Saturday, a carver was injured with a chisel, requiring six stitches. That's





why judges like Mark Scofield, a chef at The Community House in Birmingham, constantly walk the area looking for situations which could cause carvers injury. Scofield, as a line judge, watches whether competitors are breaking the rules. He also makes safety calls when necessary. Even so, there's always an

ambulance on site. "I can remember times walking past a carver with a jammed chain saw and seeing him hit the trigger with a screw driver while the saw was still plugged in," said Scofield, a Livonia resident who began carving ice in 1974 while a student in the culinary arts program at Schoolcraft College

Scofield remembers one year when Cihelka was competing and another carver bumped into his sculpture. The next year, the area surrounding each carver was expanded. As interest in ice carving competitions continues to grow, safety is a major concern for everyone. City officials estimated the crowd at 750,000 this year. And with the Plymouth Ice Spectacular web site receiving 41,000 hits from all over the world, can larger crowds be far behind.

"As a line/rules judge, it's my responsibility to maintain safety for the carvers so they don't

become so engrossed in their work that they bump into one another, and to make sure the spectators are safe."

Scoring judges as well as line judges participate in the competition. After Holzer said "get your chain saws ready and your power tools plugged in" the students dug into the ice to carve outlines of mermaids and bucking stallions, Hugelier walked the area looking for safety concerns. Like a snowblower, a stream of ice flew off the blocks. Speaking was difficult and shouting necessary to be heard above the orchestra of chain saws whirring in dissonance.

Safety first

"Safety is the first consideration," said Hugelier, a carver for more than 25 years.

A co-worker of mine at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers was concerned about carvers not wearing eye protection when he visited the Plymouth Ice Spectacular on Sunday.

Teeple, who served as educational coordinator of the competitions, said that some carvers do wear them while others don't because of a tendency for goggles to fog from body heat but he does plan to bring up the issue as a safety concern before next year's competitions.

Teeple, who spent eight days before and during the festival assisting students, watching for safety violations, and demonstrating ice carving techniques, will stress safety in an ice carving course beginning Monday, Feb. 9, at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn. Students are issued goggles as part of their ice carving kit when signing up for his ice carving class.

"Safety is the number one concern," said Teeple, who will wear goggles while competing at Zehnder's Snowfest in Frankenmouth Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 7-8

"In competition, judges constantly monitor to make sure the students have a good, safe event because they get distracted while focusing on the ice. It's important that they do not carve with one hand and that they cut away from the body. We make sure equipment is properly grounded. I was shoveling snow and blocks of ice from the area so they don't back up and fall over it "

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

The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, North America's oldest and largest ice carving competition, awarded \$10,000 in cash prizes and scholarships Jan. 17-18. The results of Saturday's team professional competition were close with "Ride the Grey Winds" by Peter Slavin and Marty Long of Philadelphia placing first. The sculpture, featuring a female figure and four hounds, was a crowd favorite along with carvings of three coins by third place winner Paul Ahrens (Cincinnati). Here's a guide to the rest of the American Culinary Federation winners:

Professional Individual Gold Medal: Aaron Costic, Ohio for a female figure; Gold Medal: Jim Bur, Eastpointe for a tree frog; Gold Medal: Matt Williams, Ohio.

Professional Team - Glen Motley and Matt Williams (Ohio) took second place and a Silver Medal.

Amateur Individual Bronze Medal: Ron White, Mich., Second Place Karl Malin, Traverse City.

College Individual – Silver Medal: Alison Edwards, Henry Ford Com munity College; Silver Medal: Kevin Kleiner, HFCC; Silver Medal: Tajana Raukar, Schoolcraft College.

College Team - Silver Medal: Alison Edwards and Marvin Purdy, HFCC; Bronze Medal: Dennis Dobbins and Brad Crum, University of Akron; Bronze Medal: Kevin Kleiner and Nicholas Watts, HFCC and Western Michigan University.

High School Individual – Bronze Medal: Gerald Ford, Edsel Ford High School; Bronze Medal: Michael Watts, Detroit Catholic Central in Redford; Bronze Medal: Cedric Ducksworth, Oakland Technical Center.

High School Team- Andrew Wilcox and Joseph Mulso, Oakland Technical Center; Jill Blake and Stacey Priest, Oakland Technical Center.

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the Chamber Concert, said she was surprised at winning the competition because she knew most of the other musicians from attending the All-State program at Interlochen and "knew they were really good."

The \$300 cash prize will go into the bank for her college expenses. She hopes to attend either Michigan State University or the University of Michigan as a music major next fall.

"I'm looking forward to the concert because it will be such fun to perform," said Hamilton. Hamilton's mother Kathy is

proud of her daughter, a senior at Novi High School. "We're very proud of Sarah," said Kathy Hamilton. "I'm probably the only mother of a teenager that comes home and yells about turning down classical

music." Huff, also a second-place winner in the competition, began trumpet studies six years ago at Arnoldt Williams Music in Canton. He has attended master classes with jazz trumpeter John Faddis and Kevin Good of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

A winner of the Jeanet M. Allison Scholarship sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council in 1997, Huff has performed with the Michigan State Band and Orchestra Associations' All State Honors Band in the Michigan Youth Arts Festival at Western Michigan University. He is a 5-year veteran of the All State Band Program sponsored by the University of Michigan at Interlochen Center for the Arts. In 1996 as a member of the Symphony Band at Plymouth Canton Educational Park, Huff performed for President Clinton at a ground-breaking ceremony for the Metro Airport expansion.

He is a member of the newly formed Wind Ensemble at the Educational Park and the award-winning Plymouth Canton Marching Band. A student of Jean Moorehead Libs, Huff teaches trumpet to beginning students. He has recorded with Detroit Police Chief Isaiah McKinnon and the "Blue Pigs."

"I didn't go into the competition expecting to win anything," said Huff. "I just went in to do my best and see how I measured up against other trumpet players around my age." What: The Plymouth Sym

Chamber Concert

phony Orchestra presents light chamber music performed by its members and winners of the Youth Artist competition.

Where: Plymouth-Canton Little Theatre, 8415 Canton Center Road at Joy Road, Canton.

When: 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31. An *aftergiou* takes place immediately following the concert at the Willow Brock Inn, 44255 Warren, east of Sheldon, Canton. Admission is free.

Cost: Concert tickets are \$8 adults, \$6 for seniors/college students, and \$5 for children K-12. Call (313) 451-2112.

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DREAM CATCHER WORKSHOP

The North American Indian Art Gallery and Trade Center will hold an open house and dream catcher workshop with Andrea (Ojibwe) and Truman (Oneida) White noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25 at the gallery, 17321 Telegraph Road, Suite 207, Detroit.

The class is \$10, materials \$5.

Learn more about North american Indian art and culture by bisiting the gallery during the open house. For more informa-

tion, call (313) 535-7602. RECITAL OF CLASSICS

Cellist Peter Rejto and pianist Michele Cooker are the featured artists in a concert noon Wednesday, Jan. 28 in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads in Livonia.

The free concert is open to the public.

The program consists of Beethoven's "Sonata in A Major, Opus 69," and works by Debussy and J.S. Bach.

Rejto has been hailed as one of America's premier cellists.

FINAL DAYS

The Livonia Arts Commission presents a display of minerals, fossils, shells, and carvings by Lawrence Woolams of Ann Arbor through Jan. 29 in the showcases on the second floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington. While you're at the library, don't miss the exhibition of paintings by Livonia artist Barbara Demgen continuing through Jan. 30 in the Fine Arts Gallery. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

OPEN HOUSE

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will officially dedicate the new Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts Saturday, Jan. 31 at the center, 774 North Sheldon Road, Plymouth.

The public is invited to an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Children on hand at 10 a.m.

will participate in the unveiling of the long-awaited sign in front of the building. The action is symbolic of the council's focus on the next generation. The adults are the current caretakers of arts programming and the children, the future artists and art appreciators.

ART ON THE RUN

Saundra Weed is a busy artist and teacher. The Westland resident and her students from Schoolcraft College and the Visual Arts Association of Livonia are exhibiting 85 paintings through Jan. 30 in the lobby of Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive east of Farmington. The works include oil, acrylic, watercolor, and Sumi brush painting.

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AUDITIONS/ CALL FOR ENTRIES

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Auditions 7:30 p.m. Monday-Tuesday Jan. 26-27 for late April, early May production. The Village Players, Woodward Avenue at Chestnut, Birmingham, two blocks south of Maple; (248) 258-2812. EXPERIENCED CHORAL SINGERS Tuesday Musicale's rehearsals 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Central Methodist Church, 3882 Highland Road, Waterford;

(248) 363-4471. **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. ANN ARBOR FILM FESTIVAL

Enter 16 mm film in the following categories: documentary, animated, experimental, narrative and personal. Shown during week of March 17-22. Entry form: Ann Arbor Film Festival, P.O. Box 8232, Ann Arbor, MI 48107-8232. URL: http://aafilmfest.org

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.

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

ANN ARBOR STREET ART FAIR Accepting applications for the 1998 fair For application, send a business #10 self-addressed stamped envelope to: Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, P.O. Box 1352. Ann Arbor, MI 48106, or call (734) 994-5260. Deadline: Feb. 15, 1998. Fair will take place July 15-18, 1988 LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS Auditions 7:30 p.m. Tuesday evenings, Frost Middle School, Stark Road near I-96. Livonia: (734) 525-1447

BENEFITS

FRIENDS OF CAMP WESTMINSTER 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, a benefit performance, "Sylvia," proceeds go to support programs for children, youth and adults at Camp Westminster, Higgins Lake. Tickets: \$20. St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills; (810) 549-3006 or

Into the black: Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association will hold a fund raiser, "Get the Red Out," to subsidize the recent renovations at their facility. The dinner, dancing, fine art exhibit by the General Motors design staff will be held 7 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Feb. 14 at the GM Truck Product Center, 2000 Centerpoint Parkway, Pontiac. Reservations must be made by Jan. 31; (248) 644-0866.

"Adventures in Watercolor Painting," taught by Sandra Levin. Eight-week class begins Tuesday, Feb. 3. Classes: 12:30-3:30 p.m. and 6:30-9:30 p.m. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

6:30-9 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 12-March 5. Techniques to make books, journals, cards and envelopes. Paint Creek Center for the Arts, 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248() 651-4110.

Registration for Jan.-March 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) 644Two-day workshops 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

8691 N. Lilley Road; (313) 453-3710. Adult winter art classes in oils, pastels and drawing. Children's after-school

CLASSICAL

3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, featuring sopra

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DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 8:30 p.m.

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DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS

Ellington joins the DSO to honor the

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music of her grandfather, Duck Ellington.

Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Avenue,

"Pistons and Pipes," 8 p.m. Friday, Jan.

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8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, American String Quartet in a program of Beethoven and

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FERNDALE MUSIC SERIES

Michigan, Ann Arbor; (734) 764-2538. LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, "Now Hear This," featuring planist Joshua Cullen in a program of Beethoven's Concerto No. 1, "The Sorcerer's Apprentice," "An American in Paris." James P. Carli Auditorium in Churchill High School, Livonia. For tickets, (248) 645-6666 or (313) 421-1111

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Brentano String

Quartet, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward

The Village Barn, 32670 Franklin Road, Franklin; (248) 851-7877.

DANCE

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

MOORE & MORE

Noon Sunday, Feb. 1, a classical ballet performed by students at Moore & More" Dance Studio, Lascu School of Ballet, 982 Dennison Court, West Bloomfield; (248) 960-0778. 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Moore and More dancers, featuring Janet Clayton, Susan Clayton-Blaize, Megan Jordan, Michelle Millman and Connie Aiken Moore, Maggie Allesee Studio, Wayne State, southwest corner of Warren and Cass Avenue; (313) 577-4273. GISELLE

American Ballet Theatre's "Giselle," Detroit Opera House. Times: 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 5-6, 2 & 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8. Tickets: \$15-\$62. Madison Avenue at Broadway, Detroit; (313) 874-SING or (248) 645-6666.

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

1-4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, "The Unknown Sequence," a multi-arts workshop and performance event, featuring painting, writing, modern dance. Adults and teens at all skill levels welcome. Fee: \$20. To register: (313) 965-3544. Henry Ford Community College, Fine Arts Bldg., 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. LOVE AND ROMANCE

8 p.m. Feb. 6, "Dances for Lovers," featuring the Eisenhower DAnce Ensemble. Smith Theatre, OCC Orchard Ridge Campus, Orchard lake Road & 12 Mile Road. Admission: \$16; (248) 471-7667.

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RED GARTER BAND 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, the fourth pro-gram in Nardin Park Methodist Church's Music Series. Nardin Park Church, 29887 W. Eleven Mile Road, west of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills; (248) 476-8860.

JAZZ

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

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

Visitors." 1221 N. Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 645-3323.

READING

LUNCH AT BALDWIN Noon, Wednesday, Feb. 4, librarian Susan

LaBelle presents a collections of essays. Tea and coffee provided. 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham; (248) 647-1700.

RENAISSANCE MUSIC

ROCHESTER CONSERVATORY

3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, "A Journey Into Ancient Song," featuring Owain Phyfe in concert with The New World Renaissance Band. Tickets: \$10. Varner Hall, Oakland University, Rochester; (248) 650-3366.

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 & imagin "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.

CRANBROOK WRITERS GUILD

Day-long seminar, beginning at 9:30 a.m., on the basics of self-publication, Saturday, Feb. 7. Keynote address by publishing attorney George Meyer. Other topics include business, marketing and how-to books. Fee: \$45. Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022 or (248) 646-6223.

GALLERY (OPENINGS)

PAINT CREEK CENTER

Jan. 30 ~ "Place/Position: Installation Art," main gallery. Concurrent exhibit: "Wraiths Stain," by Pi Benio. Through March 13. 407 Pine Street, Rochester; (248) 651-651-4110.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSUEM/GALLERY

Feb. 5 - "The Illegal Camera Exhibition," photography in the Netherlands during the German occupation, 1940-1945. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloo (248) 661-7641

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SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS Feb. 5 – 6 p.m., "Compassion and Achievements of African-American Culture," featuring the works of Ivan Steward. Exhibit includes paintings celebrating military, sports, music and west-

ern achievements by African Americans. Through Feb. 27. 24350 Southfield Road. just south of 10 Mile Road; (248) 424-9022. HABATAT GALLERIES Feb. 6 - "It's in Material," an exhibit of

artist who use glass as a mixed media in sculpture. Through Feb. 28. 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac: (248) 333-2060.

Monday, Feb. 23 and Thursday, Feb. 26. classes in drawing, painting and crafts. 4417 S. Commerce Road, Commerce Township; (248) 360-5772.



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Directing: Edgar A. Guest, III is directing St. Dunstan's Theatre of Cranbrook's production of "Sylvia," 2 p.m. Sunday;

and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 at the theater. Tickets \$12, \$10 seniors and students, call (248) 644-0527.

(313) 341-2697. HEARTLANDE THEATRE

11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, a performance of original 10-minute plays. Barnes & Noble, Orchard Lake Road between 14 & 15 Mile Road, West Bloomfield: (248) 433-1233. OAKLAND SINGERS

3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 to sustain the par ent-run organization. Money raised will go to scholarship fund. Admission: \$5. St. Owne Church, 6869 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 651-5351. PAINT CREEK CENTER

7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, "For the Love of Art," I fund raising Valentine gala, featuring .'oor prizes, dancing, hors d'oeu-

vres. Great Oaks Country Club, Rochester. Tickets: \$65 per person. (248) 651-4110.

BBAA BENEFIT

7 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Feb. 14, "Get the Red Out," a fund raiser for the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Associations renovation project. Dinner, dancing, fine art exhibit by the General Motors design staff, Tickets: \$225 per person. GM Truck Product Center, 2000 Centerpoint Parkway, Pontiac. Reservations by Jan. 31; (248) 644-0866.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, Mardi Gras at Fox Hills Country Club featuring dinner, ilent and live auction by J. Dee Mauchelli and music by the New mation Dixieland Band. Tickets: \$50. Call PCAC, (313) 416-4278.

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, 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 preregistration. To register call (313) 833-4249.

PAINT CREEK WINTER CLASSES

Black & white photography workshop 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5 and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7. Fundamentals include developing, printing and darkroom techniques. Session also will be repeated Feb. 18 & 20, Feb. 26 & 28, and March 11 & 14. Hand coloring workshop 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10. Learn to hand-color black and white photos. 407 Pine Street, Rochester. To register, (248) 651-4110.

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 Petosky. Schedules and information, call (248) 851-8215.

THE ART GALLERY/STUDIO

Classes in basic drawing and general art for the very young with Frances Fletcher Saturdays Feb. 21, 28, Mar. 7, 14 in the studio, 29948 Ford Road between Henry Ruff and Middlebelt, Garden City. Times: 10-11:30 a.m., 12:30-2 p.m. and 2:30-4 p.m. Cost: \$40 (includes supplies). Deadline to register: Feb. 16. Portrait and still life for adult taught by Lin Baum 1-4 p.m. Fridays, Feb. 6, 13, 20 and 27. Cost: \$50. Deadline to register: Feb. 2.

Breezin' along: The Detroit Chamber Winds perform their annual concert, "Pistons and Pipes," 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30 at Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, near the corner of Lone Pine and Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 362-9329.

BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE

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1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, "parade of American Music, featuring works of com posers Elaine Lebenborn, Geraldine Schwartz, George Rochberg. Birmingham Community House, 380 S. Bates Street, Birmingham; (248) 475-5978. DETROIT ORATORIO SOCIETY 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13 with the Cleveland Baroque Orchestra, Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 752-0607. LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15, "Valentine Rag," featuring CutTime Players and Alexander Zonjic. Birmingham Unitarian Church on Woodward Avenue at Lone

CONCERT BANDS

FESTIVAL OF COMMUNITY BANDS Saturday, Jan. 31, day long celebration of community bands from Birmingham. Farmington, Novi, Plymouth, Royal Oak, Twelve Oaks Mall, Novi Road, between I-96 and 12 Mile Road.

CRAFTS

17TH ANNUAL QUILT SHOW

9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Feb. 5-7, "To Warm Your Heart," more than 100 authentic Amish and Mennonite quilts along with a collection of traditional and contemporary handcrafted pieces from five states.

SCULPTOR'S EXPLANATION

2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, a lecture by Narelle Jubelin, whose work appears in "Changing Spaces: Artists' Projects from the Fabric Workshop and Museum, Philadelphia," currently at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Lecture Hall, DIA, 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

NORTHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION LECTURE SERIES

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, 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 **ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY** 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, "Farce and One Step Beyond" a lecture by Bruce Mann, associate professor of English. 500 Olde Towne, Rochester; (248) 370-3321

MUSEUMS

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

Opens Jan. 30 - "The Life & Times of Paul Robeson," through June 30. Coleman A. Young Exhibitions Room, 315 E. Warren, Detroit; (313) 259-4109. **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.

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Through March 15 - "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. Docent-led tours 7 p.m. Thursdays, and 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor; (734) 764-0395. Cost: \$6 adults; \$3 for non-U-M students, U-M faculty and staff, and senior citizens; free to Museur Friends, U-M students, and children under age 12. Advance tickets are recommended, call (800) 585-3737. CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM

Through March 29 - "Beautiful Scenes: Selections from the Cranbrook Archives by Buzz Spector," "Chairs of Words," a visual essay by Carla Harryman; through April 5 - "Art on the Edge of Fashion." "Olga de Amaral," "Selections fro the Permanent Collection for Younger

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

Feb. 7 - "The Modern Masters: Photographic Portraits by Michel Sima (1912-87)." Through Feb. 28. 163 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 433-3700.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY

Through Jan. 25 - Stephen Magsic: Urban Landscape Paintings. Meadow Brook Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills; (248) 370-3005. JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSEUM/GALLERY

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

Through Jan. 31 - "A Retrospective: Zuhair Shaaouni." Past photographs and enhanced imagery inspired by the art of Mesopotamia. Shaaouni, a native of Iraq. immigrated to the US in 1977 and has exhibited throughout Europe. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849. THE HALSTED GALLERY

Through Jan. 31 - "Monique's Kindergarten," a series of photographs by Michael Kenna. 560 N. Old Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 644-8284. ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Through Jan. 31 - "National Horse Show," an invitational featuring 45 artists. 107 Townsend Street, Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Through Jan. 31 - An exhibit of the art of Tina Dupke. 24350 Southfield Road, between 9 & 10 Mile, Southfield. SOUTHFIELD LIBRARY

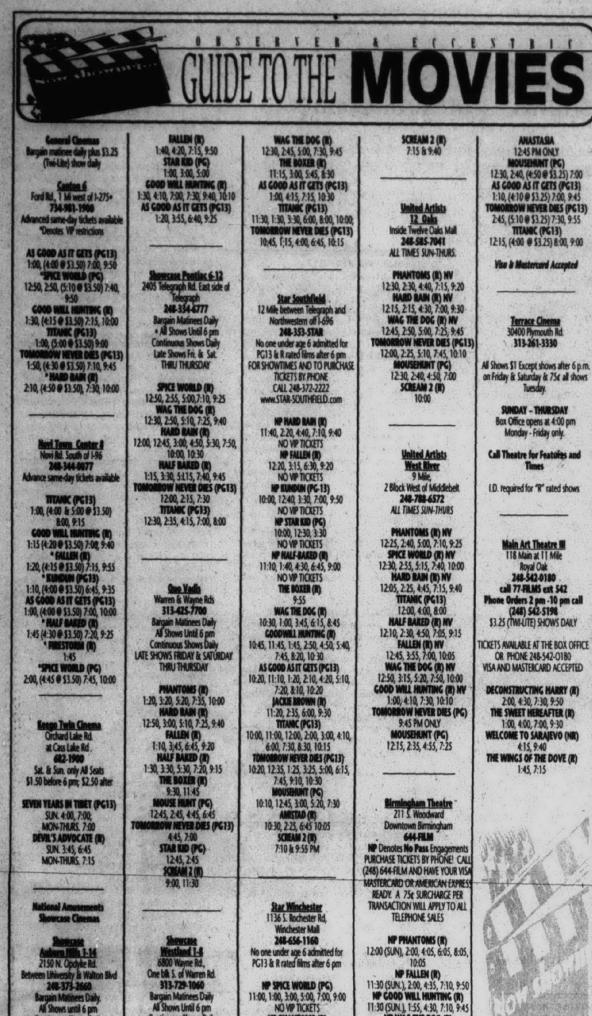
Through Jan: 31 - Dianne Zyskowski's antique and collectible glass collection, dating from 1825 to 1910. Main Level, Southfield Public Library, Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen Road. Southfield; (248) 948-0470.

DONNA JACOBS GALLERY

Through Feb. 5 - "A Return to Roots," featuring artifacts from Pre-Columbia America and objects from Mexico, Peru, Panama and the Dominican Republic. 574 Old N. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 540-1600.

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



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Spice lives above the store in a

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She's about as beautiful as her

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It's a long story. Maybe it's too long. Though Detroit author

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BOOKS

and love, her characters never take on much more dimension than paper dolls. Consequently, many readers may find that this widow Spice book loses its punch early in the Witherspoon game. Essentially, Spice's problems

ourmet center around on a dark past delight called and her two adult daughters. Sterling is a 26-year-old, hero-Southern Spice. in-addicted ne'er-do-well. Always It's a glorious, obsessed with her personal four-star restaurant in downappearance and supported by town Rochester, her indulgent mother, she's also Mich., a fiveobsessed with fellow ne'er-dowell and drug dealer Bennie. story, reconvert-

Older sister Mink, on the other hand, is an over-achiever. Not only one of the first black females to pilot a commercial airliner, she's recently been promoted to captain. With loving husband Dwight and cute daughter Azure, she resides in one of the splendid old mansions of the Boston-Edison District. She also drives a sparkling new Jag and owns her own 310 twinengine Cessna, made possible by her \$270,000 annual salary. (Hard-working Dwight holds down two jobs: firefighting and landscaping.) Still, Mink needs more. As she struggles to get it, however, she begins to lose what she already has. A brief affair with a handsome-but-shallow copilot crash lands. And her troubles have only just begun.

In the meantime, Otis Witherspoon, brother of Spice's deceased husband, and Golden Westbrook, beloved pastor at Detroit's Divinity Baptist Church, vie for the lovely, but highly independent Spice's attention. "I enjoy my freedom ... I don't need a husband anymore," she declares at some point - and somehow a reader

gets the feeling this should be filed under Famous Last Words.

Also, in the meantime, Spice's talented chef and longtime friend, Carmen, has developed some life-threatening drinking problems, due to her own dark past, which is inextricably linked with Spice's.

In addition to its cardboard characters, McMillan's novel is hampered by a an omniscient, flowery "voice" that interjects a kind of ill-fitting, intrusive commentary from time to time. ("Death is the foreshadowing of life; we die that we may die no more." or "Memories are like books that remain a long time shut and need to be opened from time to time to exhume the dust that's collected.") Also, a conclu-sion that's very hard to swallow especially in its melodramatic timing - does little to enhance this book.

McMillan's imagination seems liveliest when it comes to painting word-pictures of things instead of people. Living spaces, restaurants, clothing, food, the background tapestry of Detroit in general - all of these add more spark and sparkle here than do leading players. The author paints a surprisingly engaging (though not always flattering) portrait of the thriving metropolis of Novi, by the way, with its linen shops and bookstores side by side with truck stops, automate laundries and the ubiquitous Red Roof Inn

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Author takes a hard look at life

What Looks Like Crazy on an Ordinary Day

By Pearl Cleage Avon Books, 1997, \$20

> What does a woman do when she's HIV posi-

For every action there's a reaction, and in this town it goes by the name of Joyce. When Ava arrives, she finds her widowed sister raising consciousness and compassion with survival lessons for the unwed mothers of her she discovers newly formed "Sewing Circus." Teaching birth control, nutrition. and self-defense, her ultimate goal is to help mend the torn fabric of black society. Ava, meanwhile, is occupied elsewhere helping Joyce raise Imani, an abandoned crack baby and reveling in the warm embraces of a new love, a man whose curious blend of street smarts and Buddhist quietude speaks to her needs. Complications arise, predictably, from the town's teen predators, but also from an unlikely source. Why, Ava wonders, do the reverend and his strait-laced wife want to break up the Sewing Circus? The secret that lies behind their hostility toward Joyce's efforts spices a novel already bristling with outrage and suspense. As author of two nonfiction books, columnist for the "Atlanta Tribune," and playwright whose productions have appeared in the Alabama Shakespeare Festival and the Kennedy Center, Pearl Cleage is a courageous voice in women's literature. Her rollicking and sometimes humorous tone belies the deadly seriousness of her subject matter: nihilism in the black community. In "What Looks Like Crazy," Cleage describes, with chilling realism and an ear finely tuned

to the cadence and diction of inner-city lingo, violent youths consumed by self-hatred and women abandoned or dependent on abusive men.

"I thought there was a limit we would reach," writes Cleage in the persona of her protagonist. "A cutoff. A damn We used to brag about it. There were certain crimes we considered ourselves incapable of committing. When we read in the paper that someone had stabbed their mother to death or raped a 2-year-old, we would shake our heads and cluck our tongues and turn the page because we knew it wasn't one of us. "Not anymore. We do it all. mostly to each other, and when we get caught and the six-o'clock news shows us in our bright orange prison coveralls with our hands cuffed behind us and lint in our hair, we don't look sorry. We don't even look scared. What we look is bored." Avoiding the simplistic justsay-no solutions and self-righteous claims of victimization. Cleage's novel - beneath a solid surface of entertainment value is a call for responsibility, compassion, and desperately needed mutual support. Pearl Cleage appeared for a signing of "What Looks Like Crazy" at Borders Book Store. 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) 953-2047, mailbox number 1893.

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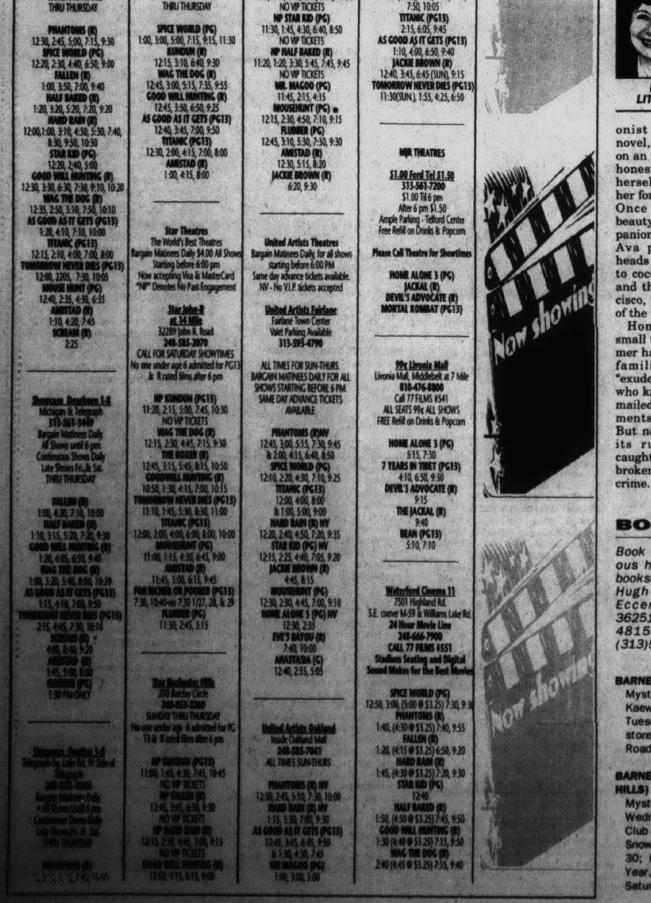
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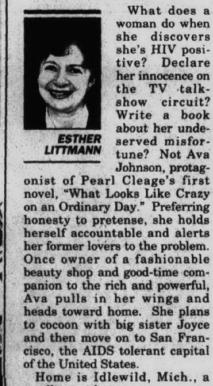
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to cocoon with big sister Joyce and then move on to San Francisco, the AIDS tolerant capital Home is Idlewild, Mich., a small town that was once a summer haven for middle-class black families. At one time, they "exuded the confidence of people who knew the house note will be mailed on time and the car payments are always up-to-date. But now Idlewild, like many of its rural counterparts, has caught the urban disease: drugs, broken homes, child abuse, and

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.

BARNES & NOBLE (NORTHVILLE) Mystery book club discusses Julie Kaewert's "Unbound," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27 at the book store, Six Mile and Haggerty Road, Northville.

BARNES & NOBLE (BLOOMFIELD HILLS)

Mystery book lovers, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28; Fiction Book Club discusses "Smilla's Sense of Snow," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30; Linda Cos discusses "A New Year, A New Beginning," 4 p.m. Saturday Jan. 31 at the store

book "An Unfortunate Prairie Occurence," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27; Emmy-winning documentary maker Gary Glazer discusses downtown's resurgence 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28; Jeffrey Caponigro discusses "The Crisis Counselor," 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29; Dennis Cyporan Trio, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Han. 30; meet Angelina Ballerina, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 at the store 34300 Woodward. Birmingham, MI 48009. (248)203-0005.

TRUTH BOOKSTORE

Dr. Jawanza Kunjufu will discuss his book "Black College Student Survival Guide," a book on how black students can succeed in attaining a college degree, 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the bookstore, Northland Mall, Southfield (248)557-4824

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a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 at the store 1122 Rochester Road, Rochester Hills (248)652-0558.

(248)737-0110.

BORDERS (FARMINGTON HILLS) Nancy O'Hara signs her book Just Listen: A Guide to Finding Your True Voice," 7 p.m. at the store 30995 Orchard Lake Road,

BORDERS (BIRMINGHAM)

Robert Burns Birthday celebration 1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25; Mask Puppet Theater, 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25; Jamie Harrison signs her

6575 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills. BORDERS (ROCHESTER HILLS) Super bowl Spa, 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 25; David Kraus gives travel tips, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27; singer/songwriter Dan Hazlett 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30; Leader Dog presents program on how they train dogs, 11



Cranbrook exhibit explores how fashion shapes identity

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER

Maybe it's all the talk about allegations, subpoenas and denials coming out of Washington. Whatever the reason, it's time to face the difficult truth: We're all superficial.

Most of us not only judge a book by its cover, but we buy it, maybe read a chapter and then tell everyone what a great book it is. Why worry about substance when it's easier to be fashion-able?

Somewhere between superficial judgments and searching for matching socks is a place where art meets fashion. A checkered state of mind examined in Cranbrook Art Museum's "Art on the Edge of Fashion."

In a series of sculptures, pho-tographs and installations, "Art on the Edge of Fashion" slides into an unfashionable world that would make Paris designers shudder. Outrageous is one thing, but fashion that challenges stereotypes, preconcep-tions of gender and culture is, well, pretty heady stuff.

"This exhibit goes beyond the aesthetics and utility of fashion," said Irene Hofmann, who coordinated the exhibit, which premiered at Arizona State University Art Museum in Tempe.

There's an awareness (in the exhibit) of how clothing and fashion play a role in shaping identity," she said. Thankfully, the exhibit doesn't

take itself too seriously. There are several tongue-in-cheek reminders that fashion might make us appear hip, but there's no cloaking the soul.

Semmes' elongated arms of her

gigantic-sized formal velvet gowns would make the pages of Vogue. But they do make a mon-

umental impression. And then, there's a truly

frightening thought: Nick

Vaughn's disproportional hodge-

podge shirts and slacks make

Jerry Seinfeld's gland-swollen

"puffy shirt" look like fashion-able art.

The funniest, by far, is Vaughn's vision of fashion with-

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that reveals a world of dorky,

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What would we be without ashion, asks vau nn. Hmm. Maybe ourselves. If looking at Vaughn's disheveled fashion models offers a clue, that's both a relief and a worry.

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Fashion is immediate

"Fashion's influence surpasses the white cube of the art gallery," wrote curator Heather Lineberry in the catalog to the exhibit.

"An artist shows a new body of work about every other year compared to the six-month cycle of the fashion world," she said. 'Fashion is immediate.'

Who could argue? Fashion is not only immediate, it's pervasive. There's no separating fash-ion, commerce, art and culture.

But fashion is not merely about appeal and aesthetics. It's about creating a style that makes a statement about indi-viduality and personal identity. (We've all heard the explanation from body piercers about the "need to be me.") And ultimately, that's the square aim of "Art on the Edge of Fashion."

The more serious pieces in the exhibit examine how fashion can be shaped to bring meaning to an individual's personal history. And in understanding how cloth-

"Fashion's influence surpasses the white cube of the art gallery.'

ing fashion, in particular, has perpetuated gender stereotypes. Much of that awareness,

according to Hofmann, was inspired by feminism and the

recognition of prejudices in lan-guage and social customs. Over the years, how many women have been compared - or have compared themselves - to Marilyn Monroe, Raquel Welsh, Farah Fawcett, Christie Brinkley? Or more recently, to the angelic, scantily clad women in a Victoria's Secret catalog or the anemic waifs on the covers of fashion magazines?

A man's archetypal woman is parodied in Kerrie Peterson's two sculptures, "Standing Woman I" and "Standing Woman II." The former is a oversized black linen dress hung on a steel pole inspired by Lachaise's original sculpture, while the latter, a narrow silk dress, could be draped over one of Giacometti's existentially stark sculptures.

Heather Lineberry

Curator

True mystery

Historically, stereotypes of "beauty" have been inseparable from what many males find to be sexually desirable. To its credit, "Art on the Edge of Fashion" ventures into a much more personal and practical place.

For instance, Christine LoFasco has created a boudoir chair to comfortably shaped suit any woman's bottom side, and a goldleaf jacket made from credit-card

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slips. In "Maternity," a tea-stained skirt pattern held together with pins, LoFasco breaths life into an unformed garment. A case where the person makes the fashion, rather than vice versa.

And in "Hysteria," the most coherent mingling of politics and fashion in the exhibit, LoFasco has typed the words Hysteria and Herstory on a translucent skirt. Her point, however, is a bit over-the top: "History ... teaches that those who forget to think of themselves will be forgotten." So, what shouldn't be forgotten

about the exhibit? In an age of retro-fashions,

trendy hairstyles, liposuction and plastic surgery, "Art on the Edge" offers a dose of therapy for anyone coming to grips with their superficial side. The lesson is clear. Change

clothes, hair style or address, if you must. But you can't hide. Come clean. It's becoming

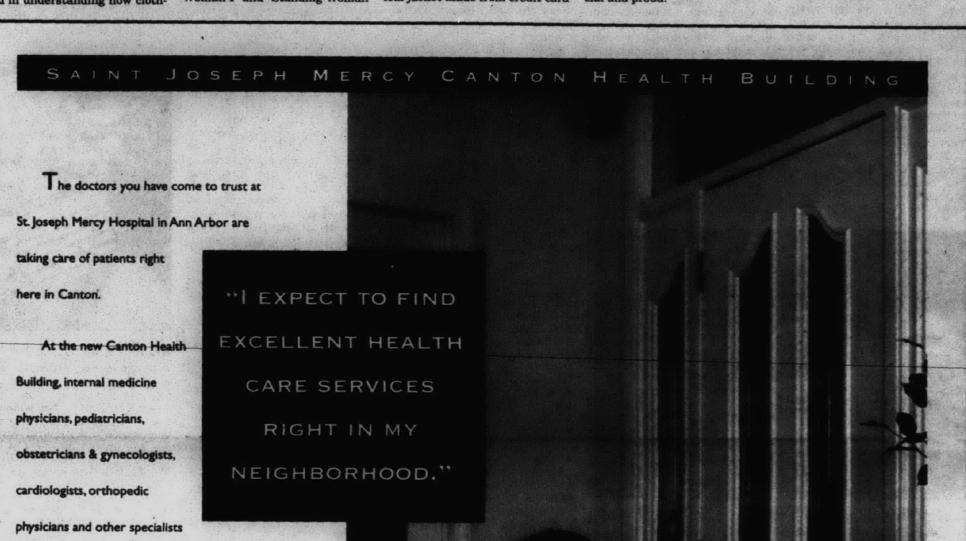
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Unflattering: Nick Vaugh's photographs of himself offers a jarring impression of how perceptions are shaped by fashion.



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In an advanced consumer soci-ety where fashion trends change almost as rapidly as Dennis Rodman's hair color, "Art on the Edge of Fashion" is as superficial and substantive as American culture itself.

Now that's a dizzying thought.

Exhibit

What: "Art on the Edge of Fashion When: Through April 5 Where: Cranbrook Art Museum, 1221 N. Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills; 248) 645-3323 Hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday

Other exhibits

Beautiful Scenes: Selections from the Cranbrook Archives by Buzz Spector," through March 29. An unusual exploration of the history of the Cranbrook Educational Community drawing on the themes of utopia and arbitrarine

"Olga de Amaral: Nine Stelae," through April 5, an installation of nine suspended woven constructions incorporating gold and silver leaf by the Colombian fiber artist. Chairs of Words: A Visu-

al Essay by Carla Harry-man," through March 29. Combination of contemporary literature by Michigan-based writers with works from the museum's permanent collection.

Selections from the Pernanent Collection for Young Visitors," through March 29. Exhibit features a fun, handsn activities and informative "learning to look" labels designed for young visitors. facility provides on-site laboratory and radiology

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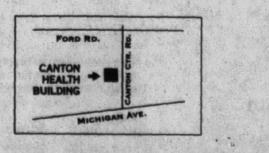
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Belize is alive with jungles, beaches and caves

BY SHARON BEAR SPECIAL WRITER

TRAVEL

The shark suddenly turned direction. It was swimming straight toward me. It closed in. Face to face our eyes locked. Now only about two feet of warm seawater separated us. A few inches closer and abruptly the predator veered left. Reaching out my hand, I caressed the passing rough gray skin. It hadn't wanted the piece of lobster meat I had proffered. Oh, well.

Nurse sharks probably prefer fish. So down I dove and fed the lobster morsel into the gentle lips of a manta ray. This magnificent being undulated its thanks in silent ballet below. Never before had snorkeling been this much fun.

But then this was Belize. Home of the world's second largest barrier reef. Poster child of unmarred ecology and gentle adventure. Mother to the '90s travel mantra: Eco-cultural tourism.

En route from Belize Airport to the jungle lies the world famous Belize Zoo. This is not your ordinary zoo. It's a "must see" if you wish to actually see most of Belize's jungle animals (who normally hide), like the jaguar. These serene, elegant cats lazed comfortably in natural habitats. Surprisingly an "albino" jaguar, which lacked orange coloring, was therefore black.

Meandering the zoo's forested pathways, natives of the Belize wilderness (kinkajou, jaguarundi and tayra) studied this homo sapien as I studied them. I

would late recall these mysterious faces when I visited their natural home, the jungle.

The jungle is an paradox. Still, immobile, yet alive with a harmonious cacophony. My eyes saw nothing move, yet hundreds of unseen eyes saw my every move. Telltale footprints of taper, coatimundi and jaguar informed me I was walking in the steps of the hunted and the hunter.

It was late night ... a "jungle walk" with only my headlamp and a young guide named Pedro. (He also carried a machete and a gun). In our cautious search for a glimpse of the shy, big animals the powerful pungent smell of pig-like peccaries announced our proximity to marsh.

My jungle base was a quasi primitive camp at Ian Anderson's Caves Branch Jungle Lodge. Here one can pitch a tent by the Caves Branch River or rent a thatched roof cabana complemented with kerosene lamps, ceiling fans and lots of screening. (Bugs and critters are free).

Using available resources, the latrines were mahogany-constructed and grass hut showers utilized overhead holey buckets. At night tiki torches romantically lit the camp pathways. And a sight that would make my greatgreat-grandmother proud - camp staff scrubbed laundry on a large washing stone in the river.

All meals were served "family style," meaning everyone had a plate at the table ... including the cook, two dogs and a highly mischievous spider monkey named Julius. Julius' pranks are legendary - especially a \$5,000

roof rethatching. (Words to the wise: visitors always keep cabana doors tightly latched.) Rates accommodate everyone: \$5 tent, \$50 cabana per night.

More upscale is Pook's Hill Lodge, carved in the heart of the jungle. This exotic destination provides mountain bikes, horses and foot paths for exploring 7,000 acres of lush rain forest and rushing rivers. It is the nature lover and birder's idyllic retreat. With a tropical view todie-for, the private, clean cabanas sport electricity and hot showers.

Caribbean/European cuisine served on an intimate dining porch helps create a tropical oasis for an easy price (\$90 double and meals \$5-\$15). Hosts Ray and Vicki Snaddon also nurture an iguana project and rescue orphaned parrots.

Among Mayan ruins overgrown with towering hardwoods and wild grapevines, we "budding birders" spotted a mangrove swallow, cormaroon and the brilliant yellow kiskadee flycatcher. They chirped along with the plentiful parrots and colorful toucans.

One of Ian Anderson's popular adventure tours was a day tubing and exploring Footprint Cave. After we eight "norteamer-icanos" donned life jackets, head lamps and inner tubes, our knowledgeable guide Carlos led out little flotilla far into the ancient cave.

In these dens the Maya believed their gods actually lived and the cave was the entrance to the netherworld. (For this reason caves were entered only by Mayan priests for the highest ceremonial rituals).

Discovery Expeditions is a top-rated, dependable tour operator that we used for several excursions. A trip down the New River to Lamanai Outpost Lodge was one of my favorites. At this remote compound I discovered exquisite lodgings, spectacular surroundings and once-in-a-lifetime opportunities doing jungle research. A complete eco-adventure in one spot.

There are 200 cayes (pro-nounced "keys") off the Belize coast. Each caye possesses a unique flavor. Each its own mini-paradise. The 185-milemuch anyone who just wants a quietly lapped beach with clean lazy water to salve city-stressed nerves.

With our first step onto Caye Caulker, my traveling companion, Lucy, and I shucked shoes and chorused, "Let's never leave." Streets are sand. Bars and beach restaurants are sand. Golf carts, bicycles and feet rule the three main sandy byways.

Accommodations at the Vega Inn were on the beach, two beds, clean share-a-bath and \$12.50 a day. At Daisy's Hotel the rate was only \$10 per night - but "bring your own towels and soap.

Ambyrgis Caye is a more cosmopolitan version of Caye Caulker and launch site for most diving expeditions of the barrier

To the north of San Pedro Town, which has the award-winning Elvi's restaurant, lies a little "find" worthy of its own story, the Essene Way. Opened

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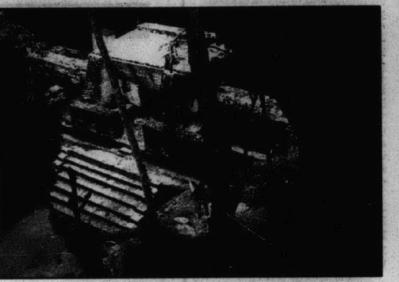
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Ancient ruins: This was once the private residence of a Mayan family from the Pre-Columbian era in what is now Belize.

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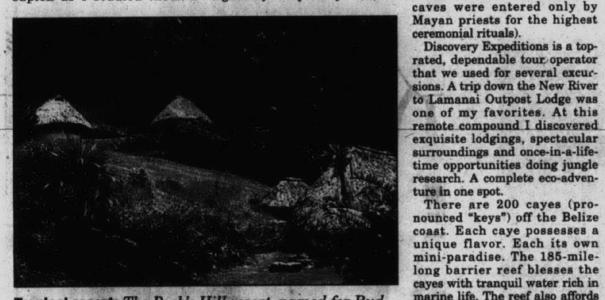
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Cave dweller: Writer Sharon Bear explores the Footprint Cave.

Tropical resort: The Pook's Hill resort, named for Rudyard Kipling's stories, features jungle inspired villas.

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WINTERFEST

Grand Haven holds its annual Winterfest Jan. 30 to Feb. 7. The 20th annual event kicks off with a Winterfest Parade noon, Saturday, Jan. 31 in downtown Grand Haven in western Michigan. The festival also features art competition and exhibition, musical performances including a tribute to Stephen Foster, skiing and skating, a raquetball competition, tobogganing and a Mardi Gras Weekend, Feb. 6-7. For more information, call (800)968-0898

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MUSEUM EXHIBIT

COSI Toledo, the city's handson science museum is presenting

a special exhibit, "Turbulent Landscapes: The Natural Forces that Shape Our World," Jan. 30 through May 10.

The exhibit is comprised of 21 interactive, kinetic art works that illuminate the beauty and order of nature's apparently chaotic systems. Turbulent warn you, "Be careful about drinking the water - for if you do, you will come back to Belize.'

Sharon Bear is a Birmingham free-lance writer.

Landscapes will enable visitors to experience phenomena such as the creation of sand dunes or the patterns of wind and water first hand.

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Whalers tie

A goal late in the final period enabled the host Windsor Spitfires to earn a 3-3 tie with the Plymouth

OBSERVER SPORTS

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Whalers Thursday. The tie left the Whalers in second place in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division at 24-14-4 (52 points), behind division leader London (27-14-3, 57 points). Sarnia also had 52 points, but the Sting had played three more games than Plymouth.

The Whalers twice had the lead in Thursday's game. David Legwand tied it at 1-1 with 1:17 left in the first period, scoring his 39th goal of the season. Plymouth then went ahead 2-1 on Julian Smith's goal midway through the second period.

Windsor (15-29-2, 32 points) re-tied it at 2-2 with a goal by Jeff Martin with 2:01 left in the second period, but the Whalers got the lead again in the opening seconds of the final period, when Harold Druken — who assisted on Smith's goal — scored. It didn't last, however. With 1:50

remaining, Kevin Hanson put a shot past Whaler goalie Robert Esche to knot it at 3-3. Esche made 30 saves for Plymouth.

Busy team

The Canton Wings, an under-12 girls s occer team, completed its first session at Ann Arbor's Wide World Sports Center just where it wanted to be — in first place, with an undefeat-ed record.

The Wings have started their sec-nd session in much the same fash-They are tied for first at Wide World, and are also unbeaten in their league in Wixom.

Team members are Adrienne Adams, Kim Allen, Katelyn Chalifoux, Kristen Dolmetsch, Katie Dondzila, Alyson Ecklund, Genna Foster, Jaclyn Huggins, Heather Jones, Andrea Kiefer, Jessica Mattarella, Jordan McDonald, Kelli Pfaff. Kim W Krissy Watkins and Kathryn Wheatley. The team is coached by John Kiefer and Bob McDonald; Kim Kiefer serves as team manager.

When Plymouth Christian Academy guard Scott Carty saw his coach Friday afternoon, he delivered a good mes

"He told me he feels it, then he went home and took a nap," PCA coach Doug Taylor. Carty returned well rested and nailed nine threepointers to lead the Eagles to a 72-60 victory over vis-

iting Bloomfield Hills Roeper. The message Carty had told Taylor signified a good night for PCA, Taylor explained.

Scott is a pure shooter and probably the best shooter I've ever coached," Taylor said. "The thing is that he knows when he's on. He'll come to me and tell me he feels it. And when he tells me that, he's usually right."

Carty tied his own school record for threes, which he set in the first game this season. The senior finished with a career-high 33 points and was an impressive 9-for-13 from behind the arc.

With the victory, the Eagles improved to 8-2 overall and 2-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Associ-

ation. The Rough Riders slipped to 6-4 overall and 1-2 in the league.

Carty came up big in the fourth quarter as he nailed six treys and netted 21 points. His hot hand didn't please Roeper coach Ernie Righetti.

"You hit two three-pointers, than you are recognized; you hit three of them and you cover him - but if you hit nine of them something is wrong," the Roeper coach said. "I can't go out there and cover him.

The game was close from the start but the fourth

Please see PCA HOOP, D2

McKian keeps Saints flowing

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

It wasn't a matter of being recruited as the go-to guy, the axis of the offense. When Fred Smith approached him at Henry Ford CC, Dan McKian knew that if he chose to attend Siena Heights College, he would probably never make headlines as a point-producer.

Smith, who coaches the Saints, had guys to do that. What he needed was a few grinders, some low-post muscle to rebound and play defense.

"I lost five seniors (from last year's team)," Smith explained. All were front-court players standing 6-foot-5 or better. If he had hopes of his team's returning to the NAIA final eight, or even going beyond, Smith would have to plug the holes.

"I recruited two JC players, but one of them left school before the season started," Smith said. That left him with McKian, a Plymouth Salem graduate who spent two years playing for Henry Ford CC.

"We needed to move Dan to the five-spot," Smith said, referring to the pivot.

all gone so well. With last Wednes-day's 106-62 rout of Madonna University, the Saints improved to 17-4 overall and 3-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, and they remain ranked in the NAIA's top 10.

"He's really adjusted well," said Smith of McKian, "because he's so quick. He's got great hands and he finishes well."

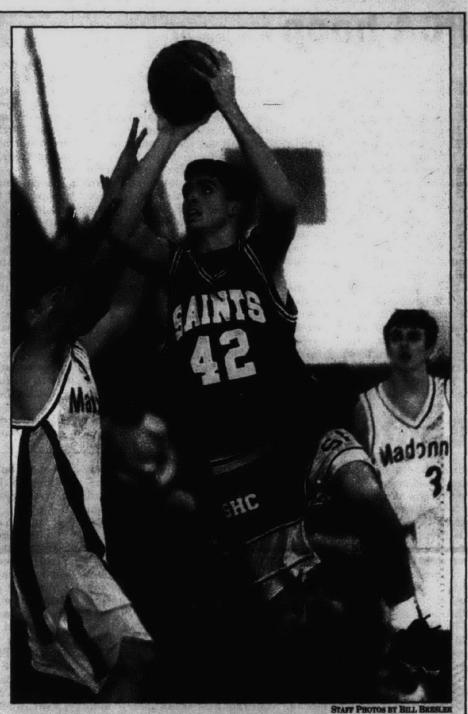
Smith readily admits that when he signed McKian, all he wanted was "rebounding and good defense." He got something more.

"Offensively, we try to isolate him on the blocks because he is so quick," Smith said

McKian has started every game for Siena Heights this season. He averages 8.8 points (making 51 percent of his floor shots) and 6.5 rebounds in 22 minutes of action per game.

The former Salem standout will be the first to credit the Saints' backcourt - Anthony Staffney, Byron Johnson and Sam Lofton - for his own success.

"Our guards are phenomenal," McKian said. "I played with some Ford, but nothing like this, no tandem this quick.



Still going strong

Oakland University's women's basketball team continues to play impressively in this, its transition year from NCAA Division II to Division I, which it will play next season.

The Lady Pioneers ran their record to 13-4 with a 90-54 trouncing of University of Michigan-Dearborn Wednesday at OU. UM-D is 3-18.

Cyndi Platter, a fifth-year senior from Plymouth Salem, played 33 minutes, scoring nine points while taking just three floor shots and grabbing a team-high 11 rebounds. Platter also had three assists and a steal.

SC leaders

Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team entered Saturday's game against Mott CC leading the Eastern Conference with a 6-0 record (17-3 overall), with good reason: The Ocelots are atop the conference in scoring (96.95 points a game), scoring differential (22.55 points) and field goal percentage (55.8 percent), and they're second in three-point shooting (41.1 percent) and third in free-throw shooting (67.3 percent). SC's Kevin Melson continues to

lead the conference in scoring (28.5 points a game); he's fourth in rebounding (8.8) and third in shooting (63.4 percent). Emeka Okonkwo leads the league in steals (2.8 per game), is 12th in scoring (13.5 points), sixth in shooting (58 percent) and seventh in three-point shooting (38.7 percent).

Pete Males (from Garden City) ranks second in assists (5.9) and fourth in three-point shooting (41.5 percent), while Derek McKelvey is fourth in scoring (17.4 points), second in three-point shooting (44.3 percent) and seventh in free-throw shooting (78.4 percent).

Family skate

The Canton Parks and Recreation The Canton Parks and Recreation Services will again offer Family Skate Night starting Thursday, Feb. 5 (weather permitting) from 7-9 p.m. on the Heritage Park Ponds, behind the Canton Administration Building. No registration is necessary and there is no charge. Ponds will be lighted and refreshments will be

Call (313) 397-5110 for more infor-mation or for skating conditions.

It was not a natural move for McKian, a thin 6-6 player who's built more like a small forward (indeed, that's the position he filled much of the time at Henry Ford last season). But he's adapted, and the Saints have flourished

"At five (spot) I'm kind of undersized, but I get lots of help," said McKian. "A lot of my points come on garbage.

The best part is McKian has blended in at a new school, with a new team, at a different position, and it's

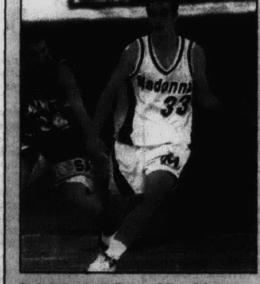
"We play an up-tempo style that's got me running around a lot more than I'm used to, and I like it." It is physically trying, McKian

admits. "This might be the first team we've played where the opposing center was my size or smaller," he said, referring to Madonna. "But it's not like I'm out there alone.

One thing the Saints have is depth. In Wednesday's win, five of them

Please see McKIAN, D2

Delivery man: Dan McKian, a Plymouth Salem grad, has provided Siena Heights with just what it needed most - an inside presense, with defense and rebounding.



Point threat: Jason Maschke scored 14 points for Madonna.

Siena Heights mauls Madonna

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR

One statistical comparison can sum up the first-half performance of Madonna University's men's basketball team Wednesday against visit-

ing Siena Heights College. The Crusaders had the same number of points as turnovers - 22.

And that's not good. It goes a long way toward explaining why the game was about over at the intermission: Madonna trailed 63-22.

The final score, when everything is considered, was what one might expect when the best in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference goes against the worst - 106-62.

Siena Heights improved to 17-4

overall, 3-1 in the WHAC; Madonna fell to 2-18 overall, 1-4 in the WHAC.

"I can give you some excuses about the players we've lost," said Crusader coach Bernie Holowicki. "But that's not it.

"Most teams I've had would have been dying to play this game. They just weren't mentally prepared, and that's my fault as a coach." There's no doubt Madonna suffers

from its lack of size (6-foot-5 Narvin Russaw plays center) and experience (three freshmen and two sophomores start).

But this was the 20th game of the season. Many of those first-half mistakes (the Crusaders finished with 28 turnovers for the game) came in the backcourt, against the Saints" pressure.

"We worked on that all week," said Holowicki. "Our second unit attacked our first unit like crazy. And they were getting better, although they didn't show it tonight.

Baskets by Mark Hayes and Rus-saw gave Madonna an early 4-0 lead, but it evaporated quickly. Siena Heights scored 20-consecutive points, forcing five turnovers in a 2-1/2 minute stretch.

From then on, it wasn't a matter of who would win, but just how big the margin would be.

Holowicki was unsatisfied with all

Please see MADONNA, D2

Balanced attack carries Chiefs to a key triumph over Patriots

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Canton's young basketball team took a step in the right direction. It won without a ton of points from leading scorer Joe Cortellini.

"That's what we told our kids," Chiefs' coach Dan Young said Friday night after his team eked out a 41-40 victory over Livonia Franklin. "We won without Joe having a big scoring night."

Junior Cortellini scored nine points, right behind Eric Larsen's 10, eight of which came from 10 free throw tries. Everybody who played for Canton scored.

"We told our kids he's not going to be able to carry us every night," Young said. "We all have to step up,

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win in other ways. This was huge for our confidence, huge for our team. They defended Joe very well. And he wasn't really rolling.

The winning point was Scott Samulski's only one of the evening, which came with 27 seconds to play and made the score 41-38.

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Rocks remain on top of WLAA with lopsided win over North

BY DAN O'MEARA STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Salem extended its winning streak to seven games in boys basketball Friday as it coasted to an easy, 76-41 victory over host Farmington

The Rocks are 3-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, trailing Westland John Glenn (4-0) by half a game, and 7-2 overall. The Falcons, who have lost three of their last four, are 1-2 and 6-3. "Td say (Salem coach) Bob (Brodie)

has the best team in the Western Lakes from what I've seen," Farmington coach Denny Mikel said. "Some body will have to play a pretty darn

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good game to beat them."

The Rocks were rolling early Friday, using a pressing defense and transition game to hold in check Farmington scoring sensation Trevor Gaines and gradually turn the game into a non-conte

Senior Jeff McKian scored 13 of his game-high 17 points in the first quarter, finishing a lot of fast breaks with layups and helping Salem take a 21-10 lead.

"We knew they would press us, and

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but one of his players' performances: "Narvin Russaw was the only player we had who played his heart out. But he needed help. Someone's got to step up and help."

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Russaw did have his best game of the season, netting 19 points on 9-of-14 shooting (64.3 rcent), grabbing 10 rebounds, dishing out three assists and making two steals

Jason Maschke (from Livonia Franklin) had a decent game as well, finishing with 14 points and seven boards. Next best for Madonna was Chad Putnam (Redford Thurston) with eight points.

Five Saints reached double-figures in scoring, led by Byron Johnson's 24 points. Anthony Staffney and Justin Bascom added 14 points apiece, and Dan

McKian (Plymouth Salem) and

Sam Lofton scored 10 each. Staffney also had six assists and four steals.

The closest it got in the second half: 42 points.

Four days before this game, the Crusaders had halted a 13game losing streak with a 14point win over Concordia. If any momentum was gained from that victory, it didn't stay with Madonna very long.

Siena Heights 74, Madonna 66 (women): The Saints defense limited visiting Madonna to 30 second-half points in pulling away to the WHAC win Thursday in Adrian.

The win evened Siena Heights' record at 11-11 overall, 2-2 in the WHAC. Madonna fell to 12-7 overall, 3-2 in the conference.

Siena Heights led 37-36 at the half. Christi Duminie's 22 points topped the Saints; she also had six rebounds. Netarsha Napier had 16 points, five boards, five assists and four steals, and Trisha Thomas contributed 10 points

Madonna got 12 points from Mary Murray and 10 from Melis-sa Poma (Plymouth/Livonia Ladywood); Dawn Pelc, Angie Negri and Lori Enfield each added nine, with Pelc getting five assists and Negri four with three steals, and Enfield grabbing seven rebounds.

The Crusaders' top two scorers, Katie Cushman and Chris Dietrich, were limited to a combined nine points on 2-of-12 shooting from the floor (Dietrich scored seven, Cushman two). Cushman did have five assists.



Traffic snart: Madonna's Chad Putnam finds himself surrounded by Saints during Wednesday's game.

McKian

reached double figures in scoring McKian finished with 10 points and a team-best six rebounds in 19 minutes of action - with 11 of 13 players register. ing points. They finished shoot, , ing 40-of-72 from the floor (55.6 percent); McKian was 4-of-6.

But as well as they've adjusted to their new frontcourt, hardly missing a beat, the Saints -McKian included - know they'll have to get even sharper if they. want to reach, or surpass, last year's accomplishments.

"This was a good game for me, he said. "I've been in kind of a slump the last couple of weeks. Now I just want to try and step it. up even more."

Keeping his totals in double figures, for both points and rebounds, could be a strong indication that this team is indeed ready to contend for the NAIA championship.

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quarter was especially exciting. The Rough Riders held a slim 44-43 advantage heading into the quarter and was able to stretch their advantage to 50-45. But then Carty got hot.

Carty hit four triples in a span of 1:35 to give PCA a 57-52 lead. Sophomore Neil Ashmon was doing all he could to keep Roeper in the game as he scored 12 points in the quarter, including three free throws which closed the deficit to 59-57 with 1:49 left. But Carty countered with two consecutive triples to put the ame away.

PCA received a spark in the fourth quarter from senior Michael Lehoczky, who played in his second game of the season after sitting out with an ankle injury. With the forward in the game, PCA went on a 14-7 run. "Michael came in and electri-

fied us with his rebounding and

hustle," Taylor said.

Ashmon finished with a teamhigh 20 points. Sophomore guard Royce McKinney added 14 for the Rough Riders. Rob Jones, a 6-foot-7 center, scored 10 in the first half but was shutout in the second half.

Sophomore forward Derric Isensee had 15 points and eight rebounds for PCA. Sophomore guard Jordan Roose collected eight assists, six rebounds and five steals.

Carty's fourth-quarter heroics came before a packed crowd at CA, which was celebrating its homecoming. The festivities caused the game to begin close to p.m., another factor that Righetti wasn't pleased about.

The homecoming proved to be successful for PCA. After senior guard Jamie Roose was named Homecoming King, his team went on a 10-0 run to end the

first quarter to take an 18-11 lead.

"We had three players in their suits for the presentations and they were asking me how they looked," Taylor said. "I was worried about how they would come out and play, but they responded well."

Roeper countered with an 11-1 run to end the second quarter and led 30-28 at halftime. PCA contributed to the Roeper rally with seven turnovers.

"At halftime I told them we have to improve our defensive rebounding and had to start taking care of the ball," Taylor said. 'We weren't doing a good job rotating the ball and we made some bad passes. We told Derric he had to step up and he did (Isensee committed one turnover in the second half after making four in the first half)."

Another key to the victory was

PCA's free throw shooting. The Eagles, who average 52 percent as a team from the line, made 10-of-13 attempts (84 percent). Roeper was unable to take

27-27 tie.

we usually win."

them play for us."

Brodie said. "With our athleticism, we wanted to attack them as well as we could.

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"Our kids are seeing the floor better and better every game. They're making plays; everybody is contributing, and the confi-

39-17 at halftime.

Both finished with 11 points and three treys apiece. Salem juniors Rob Jones, Tony Jancevski and Aaron Rypkowski chipped in nine, eight and six points, respectively.

Salem's pressing defense also

(six in each half) to lead Farmington. It was his lowest total of the season and came one game after Gaines had a season-high 35 points Tuesday at South

"We played some pretty good players step to him and rotate."

Bhavin Patel, a 6-foot-2 junior, had the job of guarding Gaines but got his third foul in the second quarter and his fourth early in the third. McKian and the 6-9 Jancevski also helped with post defense.

cult as we could for them to get into their offense. It looked like they were frustrated, because we were coming at them in so many ways

guard Matt Mikel) did a nice job. against the press. It seemed it was always the second or third pass that got to them.

Farmington is a good ballclub. Tonight we just played a little harder.'

the third quarter as the Rocks." finished with a 15-4 run that ballooned their lead to 57-27. Both coaches turned to their benches for much of the fourth quarter

takes Trevor out of the game is going to cause problems for us," coach Mikel said. "That's no secret. It wasn't so much that as we made some bad decisions."

Sophomore Justin Milus and Mikel added eight points apiece for Farmington, senior Matt Orr : seven.

Salem was 29-of-56 from the floor, and Farmington connected on 18 of 45 field goals. Gaines had just nine shots at the basket and made five.

The Rocks were 7-of-15 from three-point range and the Falcons 3-of-23. Salem made 10 of 19 free throws, Farmington two of four. "I think we're most disappoint-ed in the score," Mikel said. "If oy take a loss, you take a loss. But to lose by 40 is a little embarrassing, and I think the kids feel they didn't play as well as they could.

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throw line violation but both eams had possessions after that which came to naught.

Brian Facione came down and scored on a shot from just inside the free throw line with 19 seconds left to bring his team within a point.

anton, 3-6 overall and 2-1 in the Western Lakes Activities ociation, threw the ball away with seven seconds to play. "We had a shot to win," Coach Dan Robinson of the Patriots said after Franklin slipped to 4-5 overall and 0-3 in the WLAA. The Patriots were led by Nick Mongeau, who had 13 points, and Eddie Williams, who had 10. cione added eight.

seven straight scoreless one-shot essions in the second quarter, watching a 15-10 lead turn into a 24-15 deficit as Canton ade 7-of-10 shots in the quarter. It was 26-17 at the half.

"I attribute that to their defense," Robinson said. "They play an awful good man-to-man. We played better defense in the

(15-of-44) but were badly outshot at the line. Franklin was 5-for-6 on free throws while Canton was 16-for-23.

"This is going to be a tough, hard-fought game," Young said minutes before the contest began. "It should be a close one." Missed a great chance there.

22-8. A pressing defense enabled the Shamrocks to score numerous transition baskets in the quarter.

way too many - it's been our

problem all year," Righetti said. "When we take care of the ball,

PCA's plan to stop the Roeper

height was simple. "Our plan was to stretch their

zone and not to let their big guys

get planted underneath the bas-ket," Taylor said. "I was worried

about all their post guys. I even

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Free throws were another critical factor. Catholic Central connected on 15 of 25 from the charity stripe while Notre Dame made eight of 12.

Don Slankster and Joe Jonna scored 17 points apiece to lead the Shamrocks, who are 3-1 in the Central Division and 6-2

advantage of their superior height advantage, as the rebounding battle finished in a dence level is building." Senior guards Andy Power and "I was disappointed with how we rebounded and the fact that we made 26 turnovers which is

Matt Mair scored eight points apiece in the first half, including two three-point baskets each as the Rocks increased their lead to

threw Farmington's offense out of sync and kept the Falcons from getting the ball to Gaines, their 6-foot-6 senior center who was averaging 21.25 points per game

Gaines finished with 12 points

team defense tonight," Brodie said. "(Gaines) got our man in trouble, but we had a lot of other

We wanted to make it as diffiwe wanted to take it to them,"

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"Farmington played hard;

Six players scored for Salem in

"Anybody who plays us and

The Falcons had 32 turnovers as opposed to 12 for the Rocks.

Franklin was hurt when it had

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second half. We keyed on Cortellini and some others rather than everybody."

Canton scored all eight of its fourth-quarter points on free throws and shot 39 percent for the game (12-for-31), mainly due to Franklin's sticky man-to-man defense.

Should have asked him who wa going to win the Super Bowl.

Catholic Central 74. Notre Dame 62: Playing at home Friday, the Shamrocks used a strong second quarter to get by Harper Woods Notre Dame. Trailing 15-13 heading into the second period, Catholic Cen-The Patriots shot 34 percent tral outscored the Fighting Irish

Canton at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.

Northville at Salem, 7:30 p.m.

Thurston at M.H. Madison, 7:30 p.m.

Borgess at U-D Jesuit, 7:30 p.m.

Redford CC at Brother Rice, 7:30 p.m.

St. Agatha at St. Florian, 7:30 p.m.

Huron Valley vs. Macomb Christian

at Marshall Middle School, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 30

Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 7 p.m.

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Wayne at Romulus, 7 p.m.

Lincoln Park at Garden City, 7 p.m.

Southgate at Redford Union, 7 p.m.

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W.L. Central at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Farmington at John Glenn, 7 p.m.

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Canton at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.

Franklin at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.

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Redford CC at Borgess, 7:30 p.m. St. Agathe at Det. Loyola, 7:30 p.m.

PCA at Taylor Baptist, 7:30 p.m. Huron Valley vs. Warren Bethesda

overall. Chris Young added 15 points and Nick Moore 13. Slankster also had 18 rebounds and Young 13. Moore had eight assists.

Whitney Robinson scored a game-high 29 points for Notre Dame, 1-3 and 6-3.

"We didn't predicate our whole defense on stopping Gaines," Brodie said, adding the Rocks also put a lot of pressure on the Farmington guards.

"But it's just one game in 20."

Spartans scare Rockets: Wayne bounces Belleville

Perhaps something good came out of this Western Lakes Activities Association game for both

Perhaps host Livonia Steven-son reached a turning point after losing seven-straight basketball games before Friday's 61-56 loss against a Westland John Glenn team battling for first in the Western Lakes Activities Association. And perhaps the Rockets discovered that if they take someone for granted in the league, they'll get their butts Dunce

Which is what almost hap-pened Friday. With 10 seconds left, the Spartans had the ball, trailing by three. Their triple-try missed, however, and Glenn rebounded, was fouled and converted two free throws.

victory as we could hope for,' said Stevenson coach Tim Newman, his team now 0-8 overall, 0-4 in the WLAA. "The kids did a really nice job, just like I drew it on the board. Glenn just finally

overall, 4-0 in the WLAA) had to do was battle back from deficits after every quarter. Nine points by Brian Schleif in the first quarter helped Stevenson jump out to a 21-9 lead after one.

Glenn narrowed that to 32-26 by halftime, but the Rockets still trailed 44-40 entering the final quarter. Ten points by Eric Jones — he led all scorers with 21 — in that final period boosted Henn to the victory. He got help from Stephen



Lawson, who scored 12 of his 18 points in the second half, and Yaku Moton, who totaled 10.

Mike Blazaitis' 17 points paced Stevenson.

Wayne 73, Belleville 52: The Zebras may have played their best game of the season Friday by crushing arch rival Belleville at home.

Wayne was forced to play much of the game without the services of Brian Williams. The senior guard suffered a bone bruise in a game with Dearborn Tuesday and was limited to about a quarter's worth of action.

"Everyone picked it up a step," coach Chuck Henry said of his team, which improved to 6:4 overall and 3-2 in the Mega Conferenc

The difference in the game was simple, he added. "We shot so much better than

we have all season," said Henry. "I'm not sure why

Wayne led 32-19 at halftime and wasn't challenged in the

final two quarters. Senior center Quinten Turner led the Zebras with 15 points and 12 rebounds. Shomari Dunn, a senior forward, added 11 Borkins had 9 oints and guard Reddick

Belleville fell to 3-7 overall. Wayne plays Romulus in a criti-cal Mega Red Division game Fri-

day, Henry he said. "They're undefeated in the division and we have two losses," added. "If we have any realisic chances, it's a must win."

BOYS BASKETBALL nday, Jan. 26 Canton Agape at Westside, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27 Oak. Christian at PCA, 7 p.m. Luth. W'sid at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. Mott at N. Farmington, 7 p.m. Groves at Harrison, 7 p.m. Churchill at Farmington, 7 p.m. Franklin at John Glenn, 7 p.m. W.L. Western at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

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"They did exactly what they had to do to win the ball game." What the Rockets (now 6-3

Chiefs touch out Northville

Although their record might not have indi-cated it, Plymouth Canton swim coach Kyle Lott thought he might have the best team in the Western Lakes Activities Association's West Division.

Last Thursday, the Chiefs had a chance to prove it — and they did, swamping visiting Northville 114-72 for their first dual-meet victory of the season.

Canton is 1-3 overall, 1-0 in the WLAA's Western Division. Northville is 0-1 in the division.

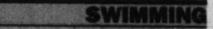
"This time, we got a lot of touch-outs," said Lott. "The score's a little deceiving, that's for sure. They've been working hard on finishing strong, and tonight it paid off.

"It could have been a lot closer if we didn't hit the wall first in every single event." Kurtis Hornick had a big night for Canton,

getting two individual-event victories and two more firsts in relays. Hornick won the 50-yard (23.38) and 500-yard (5:09.43) freestyles, teammed with Justin Allen, Matt Heiss and John Theisen for a win in the 200 medley relay (1:44.30) and combined with John Cook, Jason Musson and Andy Schmidt for a first in the 200 free relay (1:36.49).

Canton ended up sweeping top honors in all three relays. Musson, Cook, Aaron Reeder and Mike Dempsey were winners in the 400 free relay (3:35.05).

said.



Other firsts went to Musson in the 200 free (1:54.18) and Theisen in the 100 butterfly (1:00.59).

Northville swimmers broke one Canton pool record and tied another. Evan Whitbeck was first in the 200 individual medley in 2:00.33, breaking the pool mark of 2:01.72 set by Livonia Stevenson's Gordy Gatewood in 1992. Whitbeck also won the 100 breaststroke (1:02.64).

And the Mustangs' Craig Seiving tied the pool record in the 100 backstroke (55.89), originally set in '92 by Stevenson's Aaron Reider.

The road doesn't get any easier for Canton. On Tuesday, the Chiefs swim Stevenson at 7 p.m. at Livonia Churchill. The Spartans are ranked in the state's top 10.

Salem sinks North

Pocock pinned Farmington

Hills' Larry Affholter in 3:03 at

135 pounds. Brothers Jim and

Dan Shelton followed with pins

in under a minute in the 145 and

"(They) really performed well," Demsick said. "Dan had our

At 160 pounds, Robert Dem-

sick pinned Gary Kurzynski in

1:33. Canton's Mowly Krishram-

varthy (171), Larry Anderson

(189) and A.J. Maloni (heavy-

fastest pin of the season (:14)."

152-pound divisions.

weight) won by void.

Paul Perez and Nick Corden each won two individual events to boost Plymouth Salem to a 118-68 triumph over North Farmington Thursday at Salem.

The win boosted the Rocks' dual-meet record to 4-0 overall; they are 1-0 in the WLAA's Lakes Division.

We swam well and finished hard," said Salem coach Chuck Olson. "A lot of guys swam fewer events and new events. It was our only meet this week, so we had to get

everyone involved. "We had some good races. I like the way we finished a couple of them. We went onetwo in the (individual medley) — that helped to get us off to a good start." Perez was first in the 200 IM (2:12.06),

just ahead of teammate Brian Mertens (2:12.12). Perez also won the 500 freestyle (5:18.62).

Corden's firsts came in the 200 free (1:49.64) and the 100 butterfly (1:00.46).

Other individual winners for Salem were Andrew Locke in the 100 free (51.14) and Jason Rebarchik in the 100 breaststroke (1:10.11).

Brent Mellis, Locke, Tim Buchanan and Dan Kelly won the 200 medley relay (1:44.43); Kelly, Buchanan, Locke and Corden were first in the 200 free relay (1:31.05); and Buchanan, Locke, Mellis and Kelly captured the 400 free relay (3:31.81). The Rocks swim at Westland John Glenn

at 7 p.m. Thursday, then go up against topranked Ann Arbor Pioneer and Livonia Stevenson in a double-dual meet starting at noon Saturday at Pioneer.

Canton comeback earns win over Hawks

It isn't how you start a wrestling match, it's how you finish it.

Plymouth Canton proved that point Thursday by beating league rival Farmington Hills Harrison 48-33. The Chiefs fell behind early, but rallied to take the victory.

"We have a lot freshmen and first-year wrestlers in the lineup," assistant coach John Dem-sick said, "so it took us awhile to get going."

Harrison led 24-6 by garnering pins in the 112, 119, 125 and 130-pound weight classes. Canton roared back by winning six of the final nine matches.

"John Pocock really set the team going with a pin over one of their better wrestlers," Demsick

here," said Demsick. WRESTLING

Salem rocks Glenn Plymouth Salem kept its dual

meet record unblemished Thursday by taking an easy road win over Westland John Glenn.

The Rocks won all but three matches to improve to 7-0 overall. Salem is 3-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Rob Ash got his team rolling at 103 pounds by pinning Glenn's Jason Kesniowski in 1:17.

At 112-pounds, John Mervyn decisioned Jesse Purdon 14-3. Dan Morgan made it three in a row for Salem by pinning Jeff Albrecht in 1:20 at 119 pounds. The Rocks swept through 125-

"We've beat a lot of teams in 142 weight classes. tournament action, but it was Josh Henderson (125) pinned good to get the dual meet win

Eric McMichael in 2:26. Greg Petrovich (130) topped Derek Gismondi 10-4.

Sam Boyd pinned Chris Wolf-gang in 2:57 at 135 pounds. Dan Hamblin pinned Alan Waddell in 27 seconds (140). James Greene won by void at 145 pounds.

Westland's John Fedulchak got his team on the scoreboard by pinning Eric Greene in 1:44 at 152 pounds. Salem's Anwar Crutchfield pinned Matt Biddinger in 4:38 (160).

Pete Langer of John Glenn pinned Mike Poperey in 45 seconds (171). Teono Wilson (189) and Charlie Hamblin (heavyweight) won by pins for Salem.

Jake Pharp pinned the Rocks' Kevin VonHohen in 1:33 at 215 pounds.

Glenn is no match for rampaging Rocks

Plymouth Salem's volleyball squad may have the most appropriate nickname in the entire Western Lakes conference. That's because the Rocks keep rolling over

opponents at an alarming rate. Salem crushed Westland John Glenn Wednesday at home 15-0, 15-9.

"We're playing really well and getting better," co-coach Allie Suffety said.

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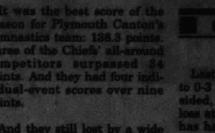
Rocks host Farmington tomorrow night. Suffety was concerned that his team didn't have a Saturday tournament to compete in yesterday or next week.

"I hope we can keep our motivation," he commented.

As for the John Glenn match, Salem had an easy go of it. The Rocks played their starting lineup in game one and went to the bench for the finale.

Jenny Trott led the attack by scoring four digs and four kills. Angie Sillmon also recorded four kills and added a pair of digs. Kelly Street and Andrea Pruett both had three kills.

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High marks

Despite solid scores,

Canton, Salem fall

And they still lost by a wide argin to Northville, which taled 148.7 points Wednes-

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and finished sixth in the mencipe (9.15).

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Canton is now 5-3 overall in dual meets, 1-2 in Western Lakes Activities Association

The Chiefs go up against Tri-Farmington at 7 p.m. Monday at the Farmington Training Center, then host the Canton Invitational beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday.

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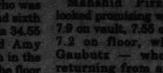
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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Prostate drug study

Henry Ford Hospital and William Beaumont Hospital are seeking par-ticipants for a study examining the effectiveness of certain drug combina-tions on men who have a problem with urination. All tests, medication and clinic visits for the study are free. Men who have a weak urinary stream, get up at night to urinate, have to urinate frequently or have some difficulty postponing urination are excellent candidates for the study. Call (313) 523-2722, before Jan. 31.

Red Cross blood drive

Schoolcraft College is sponsoring an American Red Cross Bloodmobile visit from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, in the Waterman Campus Center. Donors will receive a free bowl of soup, courtesy of Schoolcraft's College Food Service. Appointments may be scheduled by calling (734) may be scheduled by calling (734) 462-4400 ext. 5050. Walk-in donors are welcome. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads, just east of I-275.

Celiac sprue support

Tri-County Celiac Sprue Support Group (TCCSSG) is a support group (TCCSSG) is a support group for persons who have been diagnosed with celiac sprue and dermatitis her-petiformis (families, spouses, friends). The next meeting is Feb. 9 at the Southfield Presbyterian Church locat-ed at 21575 West 10 Mile Road. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. For fur-ther information call M. Campbell (248) 477-5953 or E. Lobbestael at (313) 522-8522.

Monthly meetings include informa-tion on gluten-free food, label reading, recipe sharing, taste testing, ideas for children and information from professionals.

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Natural tuneup Yoga pushes away stress, anxiety

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI SPECIAL WRITER

Most of the 17 men and women of all ages, shapes and physical abilities raised their hands when yoga instructor Ginger Frig asked if they were taking her class to conquer stress. As they followed her movements it was easy to imagine them battling their demons using body stretches and deep breathing exercises as their swords

On Tuesday nights for six weeks, these strangers will come together for the "E-Z Hatha Yoga" instruction at Botsford Hospital's Total Rehabilitation Athletic Conditioning Center in Novi

More than anything, people come to get rid of stress and let go," Frig said. "In the afternoon class, there were four new students and all were recommended by their doctors. The West is finally catching up to the East."

While no one knows for sure how long yoga has been practiced, there is proof that it has been around at least since 3000 B.C. Originating in India, yoga means to join. Hatha means sun and moon.

"Imagine that the sun and moon represent the dualities in our life - day and night, pain and pleasure, hard and soft, breathe-in and breathe-out, logic, intuition, contraction, relax-ation," said Lilias Folan on her tape, "Lilias

Yoga, Workout Series." Her television shows "Lilias, Yoga and You" and "Lilias!" have appeared on public television for more than 20 years. "Enter hatha yoga whose ultimate purpose is to balance these opposing forces," Folan said on the tape. "Tenon is an important and juicy part of our life. It's that starting of the race feeling. But, staying chronically tense is like wearing a body suit of armor.

"Relaxation is healing – just as too much relaxation turns people into marshmallows. Hatha yoga with all of its practices returns you to a natural balance of tension and relaxation."

Balance body, mind

The stretches, meditation and deep breathing are intended to balance the mind and body with an understanding that to change one affects the ated with yoga isn't involved in class. Frig stressed that yoga is not a religion and shouldn't be confused as one. After demonstrating a few simple stretches at the start of the class, Frig uses a calm and reassuring voice to explain that the students don't have to lift their legs over their heads to do yoga. "Yoga is for anybody at any age," said Frig, a Botsford yoga instructor for eight years. "But, yoga is not a magic pill. It's another alternative method to help you and it's all free. You can do it in your home, in your car or standing in the airport. Sometimes it's just a matter of standing the right way or breathing correctly." Stretching her legs and arms in another posi-tion, Frig added: "You get up in the morning and you can start with something simple, like this. You do what's comfortable for you."

Schurr said. "You're very relaxed when you get done. I do a little every day." Her friend, Sue Darold, also of Farmington Hills, said she takes yoga for the stretching benefits and for stress reduction

"My medical doctor said it's a good thing to do," she said. "I'd recommend it to everyone and to start early before they get any medical problems."

Frig's classes have students from their teens to their 80s. Each student will walk away with an understanding of how to breathe correctly, a skill most of us never expect that we need to learn. "It's a wonderful tool," Frig said.

Many benefits

"When you slow down breathing and breaths, you get instant results. You won't get as upset about things that are out of your control. You realize the only thing you can control is yourself. The benefit from doing hatha yoga is that you'll be much more flexible and it will help you relax. Just by the way you breath will affect your heart rate, blood pressure and your sugar levels.

Most of us take weak breaths that don't give our bodies the necessary oxygen. Deep breaths, on the other hand, calm our muscles and organs by releasing built-up tension and stress. Yoga experts advise taking slow, even and long breaths. Consciously take even longer to exhale. After awhile the

process becomes natural. During the class, Frig regularly reminds the students to stop if they experience pain. A half hour after they began, some admitted feeling muscles they had forgotten about. "Take it to the edge, but never go into pain," said Frig after demonstrating one posture. Some medical experts draw a link between yoga and improving medical conditions like, infertility, arthritis, high cholesterol, back pain, asthma and mental stress, according to "New Choices in Natural Healing," by Prevention Magazine.

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Reach: Tom McTigue of Redford performs a stretching exercise to relieve body tension. He is one of 17 people enrolled in the E-Z Hatha Yoga class sponsored by the Botsford Health Development Network at the Total Rehabilitation Conditioning Center.

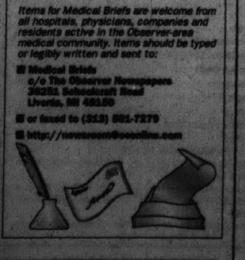
accepting blood donations from 2-8 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 10-11, in Madonna University's Take 5 Lounge in Livonia. To make an appointment call the office of stu-dent life at (734) 432-5428. Walk-in donors are also welcome. Madonna University is located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia.

Volunteers needed

Community Hospice and Home Care Services of Plymouth and West-land, is offering its winter volunteer training program for individuals interested in donating their time, effort and talents to support those in need of hospice care. The 8-week pro-gram begins Wednesday, Feb. 18 at Cherry Hill Presbyterian in Dearborn. The classes will be held Wednesdays from 6-9 p.m. Call Lau-rie Behling, director of Volunteer Ser-vices (313) 522-4244.

Books aid newborns

The Pediatrics Department at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital - Ann Arbor has begun a program to provide books and reading materials for parents and special care newborns to foster a love for books and early childhood reading development. More than 400 new-borns who are in St. Joe's Special Care Nursery each year will benefit borns who are in St. Joe's Special Care Nursery each year will benefit from the new program, which is fund-ed by the Karla Fund, a special pro-ject within Ann Arbor's Baby Book Club. For more program information call Victor Stoeffler at (734) 761-4414 or Barton Hamilton at (734) 741-



In her second year taking yoga classes at Botsford, Ann Schurr of Farmington Hills said she hopes yoga will prevent her from becoming stiff when she gets older.

"I have arthritis and I like to keep limber,"

"Scientific research is proving many of these claims," the book said. "For example, researchers in Britain studied yoga's effects on 18 people with mild asthma, who ranged in age from 19 to 54. The result: All 18 reported more improvement in their conditions when they used yoga-style breathing." Yoga also helps heart patients and improves cognitive and motor skills among children with learning disabilities.

During the class, some of the students are more flexible than others. Frig tells them not to judge themselves on how they're performing. "Just keep coming back," she said. "There's no prizes, no perfection. Do what's good for you. You're going to tell the difference as you age. When you go to reach something. It gets better

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"Meditation is something anyone can do if they have the motivation, the effort and the determination," she said. Meditation sometimes helps people feel less nervous, less depressed, more self-reliant, more self-confident, improves work experiences by accepting the peace in the present moment. "We realize that most of our fear is in

Other times, though, most of us acci-

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Someone calls your name, but because you're so absorbed, you don't hear any-

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the past and the future and our power is in the present moment," May said. You learn thought management so you can get back to that calmness. We learn that unwanted emotions are signais to tell us that we need to change our procedures or our perceptions so we can get back to experience the nat-ural state of well being."

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Self-guided imagery good for mind, body

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI SPECIAL WRITER

"All man's miseries derive from not being able to sit quietly in a room alone." - Blaise Pascal

Laurie Pappas likens meditating to giving her mind a daily bath. The tran-quility found in our own minds is a doorway to better feelings about our-selves and the world around us. "Many of us have heard that we use

only 10 percent of our minds," said Pappas, co-director for the Detroit Met-ropolitan Center for Attitudinal Healing, with a support group at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills and Royal Oak Unity Church.

"This cosmic part of our minds is much greater; full of wisdom, love, understanding and compassion and that's the part of our minds that can feed us new ideas, new thoughts, inspi-rations and ways of looking at things,"

Pappas said. "Cleaning out the mind provides pure energy of cosmic awareness which is full of love, wisdom and compassion. When we can get in that state that's when we feel peaceful, good, comfort-

Meditation is a process of turning your attention from the outer world

inward and finding that calm, still place inside, explained Donna May, stress management instructor and con-sultant for Botsford General Hospital. She teaches meditation as a stress reduction mechanism; a way to lower blood pressure and a means to strengthen immune systems.

Being calm

By being calm we can regulate our blood pressure, she said. Some people also use guided imagery to fight cancer by imagining their immune systems are strong. Studies have also shown that meditation can reduce the severity of premenstrual syndrome, asthma, migraines and chronic pain. In fact, some doctors believe that stress and tension are responsible for more than half of all medical problems.

"Our immune system is dependent on how we receive our outer world," May said. "It's almost as if we have an immune system within producing chemicals and hormones based on our

chemicals and hormones based on our interpretation of what's going on around us." For instance, if you perceive a roller coaster ride as fun your body produces hormones, like interferons and inter-leukins. But if the roller coaster ride was terrifying your body produces stress chemicals, like adrenalin and

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Donna May -Botsford consultant

cortisol. While there's many different ways to meditate, typically it's done by focusing attention on breathing, or repeating a sound, word or phrase. This clears the mind taking you to a calm and quiet place within. Oxygen consumption is lowered and the heart and pulse rates slow. At the end you might want to concentrate on purpose-ful thoughts, like imagining your

bright white or pink light representing love and harmony. The biggest problem most people have is an inability to still the mind.

"The mind just wants to dart in all directions and that's very normal for the first few minutes you are meditat-ing," May said. "You want to avoid evaluating your experience of medita-tion and experience what is there for

immune system strong; or goal-setting. To improve relationships, for instance, the person might see himself or herself and the other person in a

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Most recently, she was senior public affairs officer at Henry Ford Hospital where she held several positions since 1988. In her new position, her primary responsibilities are arranging media interviews, responding to media inquiries and communications planning.

Dental merger

Dr. Brian Andress, who has racticed in Livonia on Eight file near Gill Road for the past ten years, is merging his practice with Dr. Herbert Elfring Jr. of Novi into a new practice on Grand River a half mile west of Haggerty as of Feb. 1, 1998.

The new Novi offices will fea-ture expanded services, extended hours and bring the latest cos-

Health Medical Center - Livonia

from 11 a.m. to noon. Call 800-

John F. Taylor, Ph.D., a promi-

Deficit Disorder, will present a

"Beyond Ritalin: Mega-Answers

to AD/HD" from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

at the Double Tree Suites Hotel in Southfield. Registration

received by Jan. 30 is \$39. At the door is \$49. For registration call

Alternative Medicine - Expand-

ing Your Options," is the focus of

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metic dental care to patients. Other special features will include: a Japanese interpreter available, stereo headphones for use during treatment, intra oral cameras and halitosis detectors. The practice is accepting new patients, call (248) 442-0400 for nore information.

Executive director

William Isenstein has

recently been appointed execu tive director of Providence Part ners in Mission, LLC, a physi cian-hospital organization (PHO) comprised of Providence Hospi-tal and the Physician Medical Group, PC.

His current responsibilities and vice president of Managed Care Service will include providing senior leadership and direction to the newly formed PHO.

Improve medical knowledge through Internet resources

teve Dunn PC of Boulder, Colorado, didn't believe his doctor when he was told that there just wasn't much that could be done for his kidney cancer. So he took to the World Wide Web and found WENDLAND

a way to get experimental multidrug treatments that,

claims Dunn, melted his tumors. Dunn's cyberspace trek to health is chronicled on a Web site he set up (www.cancerguide.org).

In Tynesale, England, 67-year-old Clifford Sanderson also had kidney cancer. He also was told by his doctor to basically go home and die, that there wasn't much that could be done because of his age and the extent to which the cancer had spread. He didn't believe his doctor, either. Sanderson found Dunn's Web

site and then a doctor who was willing to give him the same experimental drugs Dunn found. Now, both men are alive and their cancers in remission

Welcome to do-it-yourself medical research, one of the Internet's fastest growing area.

I spent most of last week in St. Petersburg, Florida at a journalism think-tank, the Poynter Institute for Media Studies, helping teach a group of medical journalists how to use the Internet to research and background their stories.

"I'm finding that my readers are starting to be more on top of my beat than I am," the medical reporter for a large newspaper in the Pacific Northwest told me. "They're using the Internet to stay informed and even passing along tips to me. I am amazed at what's online."

Take the case of Connie, a 50year-old Troy woman who, a couple of months ago, became concerned about irregular and excessive menstrual bleeding. Connie sent me an e-mail that described her Net education. As she explained, her regular gynecologist was on vacation when she had her problem. She made an appointment with his associate, examined her and ordered an ultrasound. He told her to come in for an appointment in two days time. "I hate it when they do that," said Connie. "You end up not sleeping, imagining the absolute worse case scenario. So Connie went to the Net. She visited Healthfinder (www.healthfinder.gov), a U.S. government site that calls itself a "gateway to consumer health." Says Connie: "Just by clicking and searching the sites they linked to, I found my condition was not that unusual, a normal part of a woman's path through menopause and I was able to

rest easy until I saw my doctor, knowing that I was probably at the beginning stage of my on menopause.

Other extensive collections of medical health information include

Healthweb (healthweb.org), is a site created by librarians from medical schools. It tends towards the technical but, in terms of medical research, it's probably one of the top sites for solid, reliable state-of-the-art medical information.

Medscape (www.medscape.com), one of the oldest and most popular Internet sites for consumer health information.

Oncolink (oncolink.upenn.edu), a very comprehensive site with information on all types of cancer maintained by the University of Pennsylvania.

The Center for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov), health info about AIDS, influenza, communicable diseases, traveling abroad and the latest statistics on death and disease in the U.S.

The American Medical Association (www.ama-assn.org), which offers a very popular feature called "Physician Select." It's a database of all licensed physicians in the nation. It allows you to look up doctors by speciality, zip code or both.

Ask the Doctor (www.health-net.com/ask.htm), where you can ask general medical questions of real doctors.

Drug InfoNet (www.druginfonet.com/askmd.htm), where you can learn about side effects and dosage info about various prescription drugs

These sites are all detailed and among the Net's most responsible. In turn, from them, you can locate hundreds of other medical, health and fitness sites.

But ... be careful. There is also a lot of dubious

information out there on the Web That's why I recommend a site called Quackwatch (www.quackwatch.com). Maintained by a real doctor, this is a site that exposes the many irresponsible or questionable sites out there in cyberspace. Among the key things Dr. Stephen Barrett's site says consumers should be skeptical about are the many Web sites that push dietary supplements and vitamins. Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV Newschannel stations across the country and can be seen locally on WDIV-TV4, Detroit. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday and Sunday afternoons on WXYT-Radio AM1270 and he is the author of a series of Internet books (call 888-222-1866). You can reach him through his Web site at http://www.pcmike.com

first time on Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. Designed to help expectant parents learn about their baby's needs. The second session establishing a Women's Recovery includes child and infant CPR. Registration required, please call (734) 458-4330.

WED, JAN. 28

REDIRECTING BEHAVIORS

This five-week course teaches practical parenting skills. Attendees will learn how to build mutual respect, resolve conflicts and create effective teamwork at home. The class is taught by certified parenting instructor Christa Williams, RN, MS on Wednesdays (Jan. 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25) from 6-9 p.m. at Haab/Ypsilanti Health Building, 111 N. Huron Street. Call (734) 712-5400 or 800-231-2211

JANUARY WELLNESS SEMINAR

be presenting an interactive lecture on "An Introduction and **Overview of Stress Manage** ment," sponsored by MED-HEALTH Wellness Center. The seminar will begin at 7 p.m. at the MEDHEALTH Wellness Center Plymouth facility located on 47659 Halyard Drive. Call (734) 459-1800.

Lawrence J. Collins, M.A., will

THUR, JAN. 29

OVERVIEW TO WOMEN'S HEALTH Botsford physician Melody Mac-Martin, D.O., will present an "Overview to Women's Health." This monthly forum, for women ages 40-60, presents issues and concerns dealing with mid-life changes from 7-8:30 p.m. free of charge at Botsford General Hos-pital's 3 West Conference Room, 28050 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 477-6100.

RLS SUPPORT GROUP

Do you have itching, crawling or tingling sensations in your legs? This could be Restless Leg Syndrome (RLS). You are not alone so join us and learn more about managing this disorder from 2-3:30 p.m. and 7:30-9 p.m. 35600 Central City Parkway. Call (734) 458-7100 to register.

YOUNG AT HEART

The physical and psychological aspects of aging program enti-tled: Young at Heart - Slightly Older in Other Parts. Presented by S. Webb, RN, BSN. Mission

BUSINESS CALENDAR

Business-related calendar items a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$50 and includes lunch. Registrations are being accepted through Jan. 23 by calling the Madonna University School of Business at (734) Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our 432-5354. Madonna University is located at I-96 and Levan

Road in Livonia.

WED, JAN. 28 BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L

Business Network International will host a regular meeting of

THUR, JAN. 29

ENHANCE YOUR IMAGE

The University of Michigan Alumni Association will host a. workshop entitled "Enhance Your Professional Image and Style." This workshop will help participants create a professional presence for success in today's workplace. Open to the public, this workshop will take place between 6:30-9:00 p.m. at the Alumni Center, located on U-M's

FRI, JAN. 30

BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L **Business Network International** will host a regular meeting of the Livonia Chapter from 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Koney Island, Plymouth Road near Stark. For more information call BNI regional offices at (734) 397-9939

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Points conference, presented by Oakwood Healthcare System beginning at 8:15 a.m. The event will be held at the Dearborn Inn, 20301 Oakwood Blvd. in Dear-

born. Cost is \$30 per person and includes information

breakfast, lunch, discussion panel, and two discussion topics. For more information call 800-

Oakwood Healthcare Center Livonia from 1-5 p.m. Call 800-

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central campus at 200 Fletcher Street in Ann Arbor (behind the Michigan League). To register, contact Chanel DeGuzman at 800-847-4764 or e-mail her at careercenter@umich.edu

Business Network International will host a regular meeting of the Laurel Park Chapter from 7-8:30 a.m. at Richards Restaurant, Plymouth Road & Newburgh. Call (734) 397-9939.

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as you do your yoga."

Eager students

Judy Miller of Farmington Hills said she was taking the class to learn how to stretch properly and to improve her flex-

seemed limber and took the stretches further than most students, she said, she also wanted more flexibility.

ibility. Although Amy Seifried Township sat on a mat an arm's' shoulder to shoulder, Frig length away, and explained that she hoped yoga would help control her diabetes. "This will help me stretch and exercise," she during the day you can do this Linda Cassese of Canton added. Rolling her neck from for yourself," she said.

watches the students as they copy her movements.

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appas, a Franklin resident, has een meditating for 10 to 15 ears and now devotes time to it aily. She wonders how she nanaged without the routine. When I look at myself, I see a nuch different person than I was 10 or 20 years ago and par-

ticularly since meditating," Pappas said. "Meditation is the greatest gift that I've ever received and I wish more people knew about it."

Meditation is cumulative, she added, so what you gain over time keeps growing. Pappas said

she wished more people accepted meditation as a useful and natural tool "rather than something that is foreign, far out, New Age or alternative. I think it has a bad reputation, mainly because it seems so different," Pappas said. "But it really is wonderful, at (248) 477-6100.

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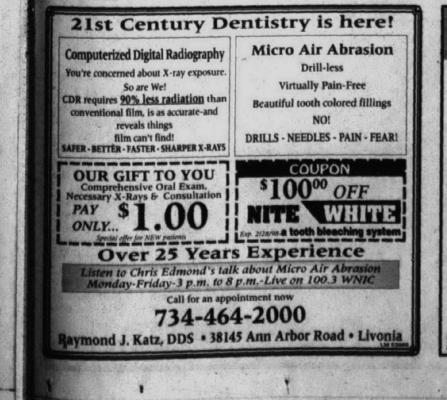
For more information about meditation and stress management programs at Botsford call the Health Development Network

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where we are currently accepting patients. We provide dentistry withou "twilight sleep" intravenous sedation. I call 478-2110 to schedule an appoint





RECREATION

Ice fishing holes not far from backyard

Ice is finally starting to form on most area inland lakes so the ice fishing season will heat up in a hurry. Anglers venturing out should still exercise extreme caution especially of you are unfamiliar with the body of water you are headed out onto.

With the help of local guide Bob "Hangman" Mitchel, of Redford, we've come up with some of the area's best winter fishing spots. Orchard

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Lake is excellent for pike on tip-ups right in front of the state boat launch on Orchard Lake

Road and behind Apple Island. Large suckers or dead bait suspended three feet above the weeds or one foot off the bottom work well. Pan fish can be found on the flats and along the many weed lines and readily accept wax worms or spikes. Crappie, ranging from eight to 13 inches, are plentiful in the weedy areas of the lake and are caught on small shiner minnows' throughout the night and just before dawn.

Union Lake is a good bet for pike and pan fish and sometimes offers up trout and walleye as well. Pike up to 18 pounds and walleye up to eight pounds have been caught in Union Lake.

"The area across from the public access site gives up pike and pan fish," said Mitchel. "The north shoreline is good for trout and walleye."

Mitchel suggests anglers try minnows or corn for trout. Walleye can be found along the

ledges in 10 to 20 feet of water. Jig-and-minnow combinations are deadly as are dead lines or tip-ups (10-pound monofilament with a No. 4 splitshot and a No. 8 treble hook) baited with shiners

"The south end of the lake has two large sunken islands that hold great numbers of large crappies, monster pike and schools of walleye," said Mitchel. "But it's a long walk of almost two miles to get there."

Cass Lake is another ice fishing hot spot and regularly produces nice catches of pike and pan fish. An occasional walleye or large trout will also show up for the dedicated angler. Ice anglers do well in the bay north of Dodge Park and along the sunken islands and sand bar off the beach. For the larger game fish check the drops in 15 to 45 feet of water. Try a jig-and-minnow combination or a tip-up baited with a live shiner;

"Walled Lake is a real sleeper for ice fishing," said Mitchel. "The only real access is at Bogie's Restaurant at the north end of the lake."

Walled Lake annually gives up some dandy pike, blue gill and crappie for anglers fishing the scattered flats and weed lines. For those not afraid to travel, the south end of the lake holds some huge pike, blue gill up to 12 inches long, and crappie up to 15 inches.

"All the proven tactics work well here," added Mitchel.

Proud Lake is probably the area's most under-fished winter lake. "Proud Lake gets very little winter pressure because of the difficulty of access," explained Mitchel. "You can only get on at the boat launch at the state recreation area and then, only if the river is frozen. But when you can get out there the fishing is nothing short of spectacular."

Jumbo blue gill and perch, rainbow and brown trout, and some of the fattest pike in the county are caught through the ice on Proud Lake.

Look for weeds near a drop-off and you'll undoubtedly find pike. Gills and perch are found in 10 to 30 feet of water and trout are in the 20 to 40 foot depths. Deau smelt or large shiners work well for pike. Gills are fond of wax worms and spikes and small shiners work well for perch or trout.

"A secret trout tactic is to dump some canned corn down the hole then set a dead line in the middle of the bait," explained Mitchel. "Use a small single hook on six-pound line with a No. 7 splitshot and two kernels of corn.

Kent Lake consistently produces good catches of blue gill and crappie in the five to seven inch range. Good numbers of pike also come through the ice with an occasional monster weighing up to 15 pounds. Kent is one of the best inland walleye lakes in southeastern Michigan and is stocked annually with walleye fingerlings.

The deep holes at the south end of the lake hold both pike and walleye. The old river bed between the beaches and the drop off near the freeway bridge are also good locations. Crappies bite out in front of the dam at the southwest end of the lake in 10 to 20 feet of water. The bays and flats along the south shore are good spots to set up a tip-up for pike.

Lake Orion is an ice anglers paradise with bays, points and islands scattered throughout the

lake. Blue gill, perch, crappie and pike are abundant in Lake Orion.

The bay in front of the state boat ramp off Indianwood Road holds a nice population of blue gill as does the bay in front of Snug Harbor. Pike anglers do well around Park Island and along the break just south of the dam at Paint Creek. Crappie and perch are caught with regularity off the points around Bellevue Island.

These are some of the better lakes in the area, but most inland lakes serve up a decent winter catch.

Before you head out be sure to think about safety first. The cold weather hasn't been around long enough to form safe ice on all the lakes in the area, so take it one step at a time.

Remember, hard, blue ice is the best 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. Always be aware of ice-covered rivers and river mouths since moving water will keep ice from freezing and will leave many rivers and river mouths unsafe. Sunny warm weather will weaken existing ice so be aware of those balmy afternoons.

On a final note, always let someone know exactly where you'll be fishing and never go out alone.

Good luck and be sure to call me with your fishing success.

If you're looking for a speaker for your club or an upcoming show contact Mitchel at (313)

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 Lead-ership, Adventure and Recre-ation, a non-profit organiza-tion 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-

HOLIDAY NATURE PRESERVE The Holiday Nature Preserve Association meets monthly at the Livonia Civic Center

begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4. Call (313) 522-8547 for

Kathy Treppa will lead a win-ter walk beginning at 12 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at the William P. Holliday Nature

Preserve in Westland. Call (313) 522-8547 for more infor-

Library. The next meeting

more information.

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CAMPER & RV SHOW

The 14th annual Camper,

Travel & RV Show will be

held Jan. 21-25, at the Ponti-

DEER & TURKEY SPECTACULAR

The Michigan Deer & Turkey Spectacular will be held Feb.

BOAT, SPORT & FISHING The 15th annual Boat, Sport

and Fishing Show will talke place Feb. 18-22, at the Ponti-

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the Livonia Civic Center. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

Fishing Buddys Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. The meetings are open to all anglers. 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.

ARCHERY

JUNIOR OLYMPICS The Oakland County Sports-man Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program begin-ning 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. Sat-urdays 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.

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NATURE

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in their breeding territory during winter.

In December, during the Detroit Audubon Society's Christmas Bird Count, Chris Hull and Maya Hamady identified a goshawk in northern Oakland County. This is

During the summer, adults defend their nests very aggressively and loudly. Adults have been known to dive and attack people that venture too close to their heavy nest often in a beech or

maple tree.

Forest fragmentation is again

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goshawk. It will be interesting to see if the increase in crows in southeastern Michigan has anything to do with the expansion of the nesting range of the goshawk.

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These . redeved. gray, inhabitants of old forests are seldom seen by people in southeastern Michigan.

One of the

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Goshawks are

more likely seen in the upper two thirds of the state where they nest during the summer. But it is believed that young of the year move south in fall and avoid competition with the adults that stay

the first time a goshawk has been seen during the count since 1974. Before that, the only other bird

seen was in 1957. Even in winter goshawks do not like any intrusions in their hunting territory. Though Chris and Maya did not see the bird, it became very vocal when they entered its area.

By comparing vocalizations with other hawks, choices are very limited this time of the year, they identified it.

When a large female approaches like a strafing Spitfire, you quickly realize the bird means business.

Though most goshawks nest north of Oakland County, the closest highly and likely nest was on the southern border of Lapeer County.

After the lumbering era, goshawk numbers were very low. Large forests that are the preferred nesting habitat were destroyed. As the forests recovered, so did the goshawk popula-

One study found that crows and red squirrels were the main items in the diet of the goshawk.

By the way, both crows and red squirrels can prey on songbirds nests and some game bird species.

If we can preserve some forest lands for the goshawk, we would also be preserving some land for songbirds to nest in.

Masters Tournament finalists sport Observerland flavor

Goshawks sighted in Oakland County

Qualifying rounds of the **Greater** Detroit Bowling Associ-ation Masters tournament took place last weekend at **Cloverlanes** in Livonia.

The top 32 finishers will compete for the championship in the finals

this weekend. There were 33 finalists due to a tie for the last spot

The Masters is for elite bowlers in the Metro Detroit area and the list of entries looks like a "who's who" of bowling.

To qualify, bowlers have to roll a total of 16 games. The best scores determine the final-

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202: Mary Domeyer (119 avg.), 210: Michelle Jones, 244/574; Jeriny Nied, 518; Karen Bearder

560; Jo DeBogorski (107 avg.), 459 series. Tues. Delphi: Mike Mott, 234; Larry Bird, 247-233; Len Gorscki, 238; Kevin Teylor, 246.

Monday Ladies Doubles: Arlene Fogle

231/591: Marge Russell, 214/611: Mary Mohac sl, 225;256-258/739: Mary Foor, 279. Seturday Night Hot Shots: Patrice Chell, 235

Rite On Time: Stan Wright, 257-257-180/694; Phil Szonye, 217-268/670; Bill Carr, 212-228

221/661; Andy Benyo, 254-214/647; Scott Moore, 270/636.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia) Ray 90's (seniors): Bob Radtke, 274-218-

es is: Maggie Hamada, 252; Shirley

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mers: Irene Proszek (127 avg.)

ists The top three finishers were from Observer & Eccentric cities. Ken Kossick of Canton led the field followed by Troy's Dan Ottman and David Schumacher of Rochester Hills.

Other qualifiers included: Kelly Bennett and his dad, John of Auburn Hills, who finished in 6th; Garden City's Rick Eiermann was 19th; Tony Stipcak of Redford 24th; Eddie Grace III of Novi came in 25th; Ed Grant of Rochester Hills 26th; and Ed Malinowski of Livonia tied with Billy Gerace of Dearborn for 32nd

Next week's Ten Pin Alley will list the results of the finals. Each of the 32 bowlers in the final field have an equal chance to win the prestigious "GDBA Masters" title. The talent is so close a lucky break here or there

could determine the winner.

•The third Annual Henry Mistele's Senior/Youth Challenge is going to take place with opening ceremonies at 10:30 a.m. Mayflower Lanes, Saturday, Feb. 7.

The public is invited to come and watch as the youngest bowlers battle the old-timers in an interesting format. Eddie Lubanski and Tony Lindemann will take part along with Lewis Saad, still going strong at 94.

This year, the Sunday Youth **Classic All-Star traveling league** will be represented for the first time

Contestents will find lots of great prizes including bowling balls, a chocolate bowling pin and free entry to the Pro-Am at Taylor Lanes.

Door prize contributors include Faball, USA, Red Robin

Restaurants, AutoNation USA. Murphy's Restaurant, Family Video, David's Right Line Pro Shop, Redford Bowling & Trophy, The Looney Baker, Murrays Discount and Taylor Lanes. The full-size chocolate bowling pin is from Truan's Candies.

•Entries are starting to come in for "Bowler of the Year." The person selected will receive a beautifully engraved plaque, \$100 in cash and a free bowling ball of his or her choice.

Should you know of someone who had an outstanding bowling year in 1997, please send in their name to the Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or Fax to (313) 422-5935 or e-mail to: tenpinal@eonline.com or phone (313) 422-1609.

DATES

OOSE

The special late Canada goo 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 season runs through March 31 statewide. TURKEY

Feb. 1 is the deadline to apply for a spring turkey permit.

MEETINGS

The next monthly meeting of the state Natural Re source Commission will be Feb. 11-12, at the Lansing Center. Persons with disabilities eding accomodations for effective partisiption in the eting should call Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 a week in advance to request assistance.

FISHING CLUBS

CLINTON BASS ANGLERS Clinton Valley Bass Anglers is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. The next meting is slated for 10 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 11. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more infor-

TRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelhead 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

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia larenceville Junior High chool. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in

Study the intricate patterns and designs formed by skele-tal branches of leafless trees during this program, which begins at 2 today, at Stony Creek.

WINTER TREASURE HUNT Search for hidden winter

goodies along a snowy trail during this program, which begins at 2 today, at Indian Springs.

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO Visit these islands, located off the coast of Venezuela, through a slide presentation, which begins at 2 today at Kensington.

THE MAKING OF MICHIGAN Homeschoolers age eight and older can learn how Michigan was formed during this program, which begins at 1 p.m. Monday, at Indian Springs.

OAKLAND **COUNTY PARKS**

COUNTY PARK REQU Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

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 Provid Laboration For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433, For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

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Bring your binocular and enjoy a guided bird hike dur-ing this program, which begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at Maybury.

264-246/789; Don Badrak, 263-218-210/691; Dale Manteuffel, 233-266-179/678; Phil Puczkowski, 219-252/658; Tim Rose, 266. Thurs, Senior House: Jim Johnson, Jr., 234-279-268/781: Minh Grougan, 221-275-258/754; Arnie Goldman, 253-215-257/725; Bob O'Brien,

254-247-222/723; Leo Devine, 257/716. Ladies Nite Out: Alicia Ziemba, 248-240/655;

Theresa Johnson, 242. Men's Trio: Ken Kibit, 703; Bob Tiplady, 686

Paul Gadomski, 675; Chuck Myers, 694; Mark Howes, 690. Ford Parts: Joe O'Connell, 694; Greg Sa 721; Scott Begin, 682; Minh Grogan, 688; Tim Allbert 672.

Senior House: Rick Patton, 258/699; Glen Bradford, 265/722: Craig Johnson, 249/690: Don Chambers Sr. 235/665: Jack Boyd, 267/692; Reed Posh, 259/693.

nd Rangers (youth): Steve Lenhardt, 258 (150 avg.).

Livonia Strikers: Murray Hole, 299. Pinjammers (Mon. Youth): Stephanie Parrish

Afternoor Delights: Sherrill Everett, 265/659. Burroughs Men: Tom Cotner, 22 Woodland Rollers: Mary Cutting, 243/644: 213/689; Don Cotner, 246197-258/701.

Linda Sydor, 254. as (Lhunnie

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

St. Aldan's Men: Dave Weber, 235-234/662 Emie Wagner, 227; Joe Shaw, 233; Frank Dardzin ski, 240; Jeff Amolsch, 222-200/607.

FoMoCo Thurs Nite: Ernie Humphr 267/639; Chuck O'Rourke, 257/688; Bill Bun don, 254; Bill Freeman, 248/640; Jim Griffith

243/659.

Mayflower Lanes (Redford) Wed. Senior Men's Classic: Emie Segura, 233 245-256/734; Mike Lucas, 244-248/685; Jim Casteel, 212-236-233/681; Tony Golchuk, 210-251-222/683: Jack Dahlstrom, 209-246 214/669: Art Kuzniar, 206-214-246/666.

Friday Seniors: Mel Albirte, 279/717; Dick ompson, 254/725; Al Thompson, 276/665; Ozzle Hovseplan, 268/652; Alvar Freden, 247/691.

Monday Seniors: Jack Dahlstrom, 265/672; Paul Temple, 255/660; Andy Parrato, 256/659; Benny Lanetta, 242/632; Tom Wojnowski. 242/619.

Burroughs Men: Tom Cotner, 224-252-

Powertrains Men: Rob Randolph, 244-215-246/705.

St. Colettes Men: Ksiazek, 205-262-258/725. Sheldonroad Men: Josh Lanning, 227-227-279/733; Darryl Alexander, 210-252-257/719; Dave Eastman, 234-278/694; Bill Scott,

262/687. Plaza Men: Harry Rodman, 232-269-233/734.

Keglers: Wally Wolfe, 214-247-259/720.

215/753; Al Dobles, 300-258/748; Ed Stephen son, 247-255-243/745; Frank Billinger, 218-289-213/720; John Adomitis, 225-233-257/715;

Suburban Prop.Travel (men): Dan Rose.

ley, 206/509; Kathy Butler, 200/519; Joann Wodogaza, 199/565. /

Tuesday A.M. Bowlers: Mary Ann Huddas (147 avg), 284/549.

Garden Lanes (Garden City) St. Linus Classic: Gary Czaja, 249-289-

Rance Bartok, 234-265-210/709.

263/705; Lou Ivancik, 257/730; Bill Bishop, 257/655; Norm Leppala, 256/635; Mark Voight,

urban Prop Travel (ladies): Sharon Beards

Westland Bowl (We K of C; Paul Valasquez, 300.