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## Get ready: MEAP is here

■ Now's about the time students are gearing up for the annual MEAP test, which draws a variety of opinions on its results.



BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton school students, along with those around the state, have begun taking the 1998 version of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests.

School districts can give the tests anytime during a three-week period, from Jan. 26 through Feb. 13.

In the elementary schools, fourth-grade students are tested in reading and math, while fifth-graders are tested in writing and science. In the middle schools, seventh-graders are tested in reading and math, while eighth-graders are taking the writing and science tests.

### Bragging rights

Soon test scores will be published and many people will use those scores to rate cities and school districts, and the bragging rights will begin.

"The MEAP scores are definitely used as a selling tool," said Jennifer Finley, a Realtor at Remerica Home-town II in downtown Plymouth. "We

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## Imagine ...



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRISLER

A door: Joanne Winkleman Hulce founded the Plymouth Community Arts Council. On Saturday, her dream will fully come true when the new facility is dedicated.

## Powerhouse

### Arts center dedicated to founder

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI  
STAFF WRITER

Joanne Winkleman Hulce has been a powerhouse of ideas - especially for the arts - in the Plymouth community for so long it's easy to take her nature as a doer and a giver for granted.

But not for much longer. On Saturday, Hulce, the impetus behind the popular Plymouth Community Arts Council, will finally have her name up in lights - sort of.

At 10 a.m. the center will officially become the

Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts during a dedication and open house for the public.

"I'm a doer. I like to be creative and plan things. It doesn't matter who gets credit. It's what happens that's important," said the Plymouth resident.

Amen to that, say those who know her and work with her.

"She is our fearless leader," said Jennifer Tobin, PCAC executive director. "She is someone who will do the smallest, insignificant task. She is not out there

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## New tax request may go before voters

BY RICHARD PEARL  
STAFF WRITER

A proposed increase of up to 3.5 mills probably will be put before Plymouth Township voters at the Aug. 4 primary election.

The township's board of trustees met for five hours at Schoolcraft College Saturday to discuss a proposed tax increase and resulting improvements.

It was the second such study session this month and it followed a meeting last Thursday between township Supervisor Kathleen Keen-McCarthy and leaders of several township homeowners' associations, called to assess residents' views on either increasing taxes or decreasing services.

Association officials favored increasing police and fire protection above all

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other issues, such as having additional recreational services and consolidating the various township offices into a new building.

Township property owners now pay a total of 3.56 mills, which includes fire and police protection.

The increases under consideration would address the concerns voiced to McCarthy by providing three more fire-fighters and up to 10 new police officers.

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STAFF PHOTO BY ELIZABETH CARRISSE

Speaker: Secretary of State Candice Miller talks with Sheila Friedrich, Tonquish Creek Economic Club and Bill Joyner, club director, Wednesday afternoon.

## Secretary of state opens Economic Club

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Michigan Secretary of State Candice Miller told a Plymouth audience Wednesday that she is trying to make secretary of state branches more user-friendly.

Upon taking office after her election in 1994, Miller said that in those branch offices, "there were no fax or copy machines."

Now, each of the state's 178

branches have fax and copy machines and personal computers used by the branch managers.

Miller addressed the first lunch meeting of the Tonquish Creek Economic Club, sponsored by Standard Federal Bank. About 200 showed for the noon event at the Plymouth Manor, including city and township elected officials, business leaders and students.

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## Dilapidated house is up for a makeover

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

The varmint-infested house on Garland Street is getting cleaned up.

Some neighbors of the house at 14648 Garland on the township's north side had complained about the property in recent years.

That's because some said they could hear animals rustling inside the long-abandoned wood-frame house.

"They had a problem with raccoons," explained Tim Cronin, Plymouth

Township attorney.

Plymouth Township building officials inspected the property. Besides finding evidence of raccoons inhabiting the place, the floor under the kitchen was structurally unsound due to water damage. The building department also listed several other needed repairs.

After taking the owners to court "every couple of months" over the matter, starting in 1996, Cronin reported to the Plymouth Township Board of

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## For Plymouths, SMART isn't making headway

By Kevin Brown  
STAFF WRITER

The value of SMART bus service for greater Plymouth is underestimated by local government.

That's what SMART General Manager Richard Kaufman suggests, as he is preparing to ask other Wayne County voters to renew a 1/3 mill to fund the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation.

In greater Plymouth, residents don't pay that SMART millage. Three years ago, both the Plymouth City Commission and Plymouth Township Board of

Trustees agreed to end SMART bus routes in greater Plymouth.

Officials said local taxpayers costs toward SMART - then about \$85,000 in the city of Plymouth alone - were greater than what residents were getting back in service.

City Manager Steve Walters said, "There was one SMART line that terminated at Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street. There were only a few riders on it."

"And when you looked at what that levy was, we could have bought those

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# Former Plymouth recreation chief goes to trial

**BY DARRELL CLEM**  
STAFF WRITER

Former Plymouth Parks and Recreation Director Charles Skene faces trial Monday on felony embezzling charges, amid allegations he took city of Westland - where he worked - money while he struggled with a gambling addiction.

Defense attorney Stephen Boak of Plymouth predicted Tuesday that Skene will be cleared of allegations that he stole hundreds of dollars from his recreation department in the city of Westland. Boak said prosecutors lack evidence to convict Skene.

"They have to prove their case, and they don't have the evidence

to do it," he said during a telephone interview from his Plymouth office.

Skene, fired from his \$53,339 job last April as Westland parks and recreation director at age 46, faces a jury trial Monday on five felony embezzling charges. Wayne County Circuit Judge Timothy Kenney, an appointee of Gov. John Engler and a Livonia resident, is assigned to hear the case.

Court testimony that emerged during a May preliminary hearing had indicated Skene could face similar charges in Livonia, where he was involved in a local softball association and had access to its bank account.

But Skene was never charged



Chuck Skene

maintained his innocence on all embezzling charges, despite testimony in May from Westland police Lt. Gary Sikorski that Skene "admitted that he was addicted to gambling" and that he borrowed money from his

in Livonia, and Boak said Tuesday that investigators knew all along those allegations weren't true.

"That was all baloney," he said, "and they knew it at the time."

Skene has

department.

Sikorski testified that Skene, while under police surveillance, visited Windsor's Riverboat Casino twice one evening and went to his office between visits.

Sikorski also testified that police found gambling paper work discarded by Skene in trash near Westland City Hall, and Sikorski said Skene admitted that he gambled illegally.

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas fired Skene last April 22, amid allegations that Skene embezzled money between Aug. 7, 1996, and April 12, 1997, from parks department funds.

Former Westland Finance Director Michael Gorman testified that Skene's department

failed to turn over about \$7,000.

But Nora Herbert, who was Skene's secretary, testified that the city had cashed checks submitted by the parks department on the days in question. Her testimony indicated that Skene's department did, in fact, turn the money over to the city treasurer's office.

Other employees have said that Skene took money from city funds and left personal checks, although testimony indicated similar actions by other workers.

Then-Westland Personnel Director Kent Herbert said the city had no policy against taking cash and depositing personal checks.

Meanwhile, Boak said Skene

will not suddenly avert his trial by pleading guilty to a lesser charge - because he still maintains his innocence.

Boak suggested Skene was accused of taking money because of a "vendetta" by other city officials who didn't like him.

Still, Boak said he didn't expect any startling revelations to emerge during Skene's trial.

"I don't expect any smoking guns to come out on either side," he said.

On Friday, three days before the trial, attorneys are expected to argue motions aimed at adding prosecution witnesses and restricting Westland police statements.

## COP CALLS

### Good samaritan

A knight in shining armor, he wasn't.

When a 28-year-old Westland woman emerged from a late-night stop at the Lower Town Grill Jan. 17, she found someone had purposely scratched the driver's door of her 1997 white Ford Explorer.

"Then up walked a man who told her he'd been waiting to give the owner of the sport utility vehicle the license number of the

late-model red Ford Probe in which the culprit who keyed her car had fled.

The grateful woman's hopes were dashed soon after, however, when a police computer check of the alleged license came back "no record."

Adding insult to injury was the fact the supposed "good Samaritan" had disappeared, too.

### Credit card theft

A 62-year-old Plymouth woman gave away more than she planned when she inadvertently left credit cards in some clothing she was donating to a charitable organization.

She told police Monday that, two days after the items were picked up, she began getting calls from her credit card companies regarding "strange charges made in Detroit" on the cards. She has since canceled the cards.

### Rear-end collision

Three cars were involved in a chain reaction collision around 5:30 p.m. Monday on northbound Sheldon Road north of Sheridan.

A van cut in front of a 1995 red Jaguar, causing its driver, a Plymouth woman, to hit her brakes. An '89 Buick driven by a Plymouth man hit the Jaguar's rear and a '93 Plymouth driven by a Livonia woman then hit the Buick. No one was injured.

### Goose stolen

A three-foot-tall cement goose was reported stolen between Jan. 16-18 from an 80-year-old woman's condominium in the 100 block of Pinewood. The condo's front door is shielded from view by shrubs.

Because of the sculpture's weight, at least two people are suspected of the theft, but police have no leads.

### Woman falls

A 74-year-old Melvindale woman was treated and released Jan. 18 at Annapolis Hospital after she fell about 4:30 p.m. near the northwest curb of Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail.

The woman told police she struck her head and didn't know where she was. The incident happened during the ice festival.

## CARRIER OF THE MONTH: PLYMOUTH

### STEPHANIE TOTTY

Stephanie Totty, 17, delivers the Plymouth Observer in the Beacon Meadows subdivision. She has been delivering the Observer since May, 1996.

The Plymouth-Salem 11th grader's favorite subject is chemistry. Her hobbies are music, and working at the AMC Theater.

Stephanie wants to go to college and become a lawyer. Earning money and spending time with her dad are some of the things she enjoys most about her route.

Responsibility is a skill she has developed as an Observer carrier.

Stephanie is the daughter of Gordon and Linda Totty. She has one brother, Gordon Matthew, 19.



Stephanie Totty, a Plymouth Salem 11th-grader, is Carrier of the Month.

If you want to be a Plymouth Observer carrier, please call 591-0500.

## School hosts open house

On Sunday, Feb. 8 from 2-5 p.m., the students at New Morning School will transform the

building into a museum. Each child from primary through grade 8 will display a subject they have been studying.

This special event is open to the public. A discussion of the New Morning School curriculum will take place at 3:30 p.m. The first opportunity to apply for fall classes is at the Open House. Please phone the school if you plan to attend.

The Open House is also the first time to preview selected auction items scheduled to be auctioned March 8.

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# Internet

## OLGC students travel the world without ever leaving home

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Students at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School are planning trips to the White House, Smithsonian Institution and Middle East ... all without ever leaving Plymouth during Catholic Schools Week.

This school year, the OLGC computer lab has added Internet access to its capabilities, and all 563 students are learning the power of the World Wide Web.

"It's been a great learning experience for the kids," said principal Ted Behn. "During the summer, we added the Internet lines, and now all the kids have their own e-mail addresses. They go to the lab once a week to get their e-mail messages

from relatives and classmates, and learn how to maneuver the Internet."

While Our Lady of Good Counsel has had computers for about seven years, there's been a big push the past several years to upgrade the system.

"It seems like just a few years ago, Catholic schools were just getting fax machines, and now we're getting e-mail," Behn said, tongue-in-cheek. "We found in some cases the kids' computers at home were better than ours, so it was time for an upgrade."

And, thus far, the program appears to be working.

"Two years ago we began assessing a \$100 per student computer fee, which has given us \$112,000 to upgrade," said Behn. "I think we might be able to drop that somewhat next year because the startup costs have been covered, and our main costs now are Internet access and upgrading. I'd like to replace about five computers a year so we don't have to replenish all at one time."

The junior high classrooms have eight computers, and a downstairs lab has 20 more. Having 20 in one room allows for classes to be taught once a week for each grade, as well as for large group projects. Behn is also studying plans to put computers in all classrooms, and offer use of the lab to adults of the parish in the evenings.

Maria Chubb teaches the computer labs.

"The first thing I try to impress upon the students is the Internet is more than just chat rooms," said Chubb.

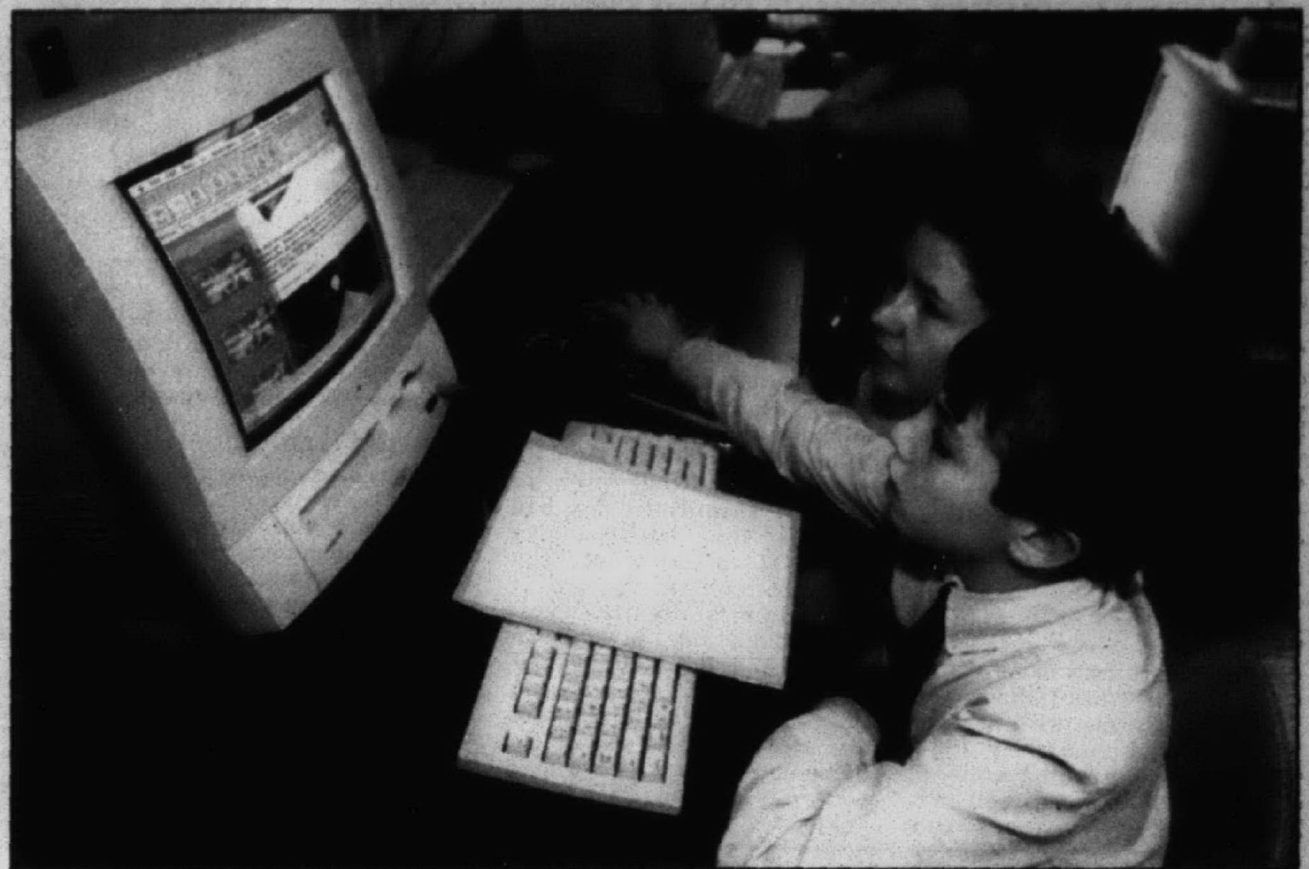
"There are some very interesting learning experiences on the Internet, and I try to get them to think of it as an encyclopedia. I show the kids there are plenty of good sites if they just look for them."

Because many of the students have home computers, sometimes Chubb has to pull in the reins.

"I've had some students give me direction on how to use the computer and Internet, and I've had to explain to them I haven't gotten to that point in the lesson yet," Chubb said with a smile. "Some of the kids are advanced, and yet there are some who have yet to experience being on a computer."

The lab is always staffed with two volunteer parents, to help Chubb make certain students don't stray on the Internet.

"Mistakes do happen, and we let the kids know that if they get to something unacceptable to let us know, and we'll help back them out of it," said



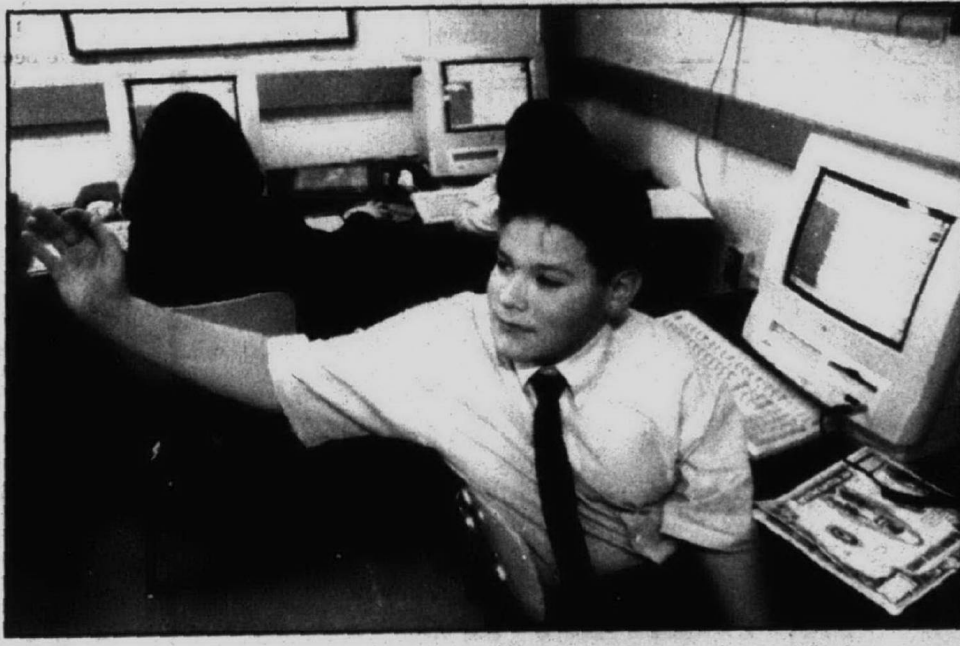
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**On line:** Rochelle Baron is a parent volunteer helping OLGC student Tim Storch with his Internet assignment. This year the school added Internet to the computer system.



**Practice:** Students John Napolitano, Jason Zarate and Nina Savastino work on their Internet assignment while OLGC principal Ted Behn offers Nina advice.

**Learning:** Michael Stanford waits to be called on when he has a question about using the Internet. The computer lab at OLGC is always staffed by two parent volunteers to ensure that students are not straying.



### Miller from page A1

Miller said that upon taking office, she started thinking about how technology could be put to use in the secretary of state branch offices where 60,000 transactions are performed each day.

"Hopefully they can have a positive experience about state government," she said.

Miller said she has set out to visit each of the branch offices. "You need to get out and understand the process on both sides of the counter," she said.

Formerly, each branch had two computer terminals for reviewing driver's records. Miller said that to access them, clerks had to wait in line - like customers did on the other side of the counter.

Now, she said, sufficient terminals have been provided for faster service, while her overall budget has been trimmed.

Besides better service at the

**■ 'Hopefully they can have a positive experience about state government.'**

**Candice Miller**  
—Secretary of State

branches, Miller talked of "seamless government" initiatives requiring no need to visit a branch office. These include license tabs by fax 24 hours a day, and Touch-Tone phone watercraft registration.

Those attending the event were each provided with a sample future Michigan driver's license, complete with magnetic strip on back, similar to a credit card.

Miller said she understood concerns that a driver's entire record or other personal information could be included on the

card strip.

"I'm very sensitive about that," she said, adding she worked with the state Legislature to limit that information to driver's license number, date of birth and license expiration date.

Audience members responded positively. "She's been a very progressive secretary of state," said Plymouth businessman Larry Bird.

"I think utilizing technology only makes sense, there's no reason why state government can't be more user friendly," said John Warner of Plymouth.

Miller encouraged students to register to vote when they're eligible. "It's so important. If you don't, people are going to be making decisions for you that you might not like," she said.

Miller, a Republican, said she plans to run for a second term in November.

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### Literacy Council sets training for volunteers

The Community Literacy Council, Inc. will conduct seminars for people interested in becoming tutors.

The seminar will be conducted in two parts. Part A will be the initial introduction to the program. It includes information on how the council operates, where students are from, and how students are assigned tutors, sensitivity training, cultural similarities and differences, confidentiality issues, and administrative requirements of the tutor.

Part B includes training in the Laubach Way of

Reading and Laubach Way to English, the Challenger series, alternate educational tools, and a teaching video of English as a Second Language.

Any person wanting to be trained as a reading tutor should call the council office at (313) 416-4906 or (313) 254-9255. The first segment of the seminar will be held 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29 at the Canton Public Library and repeated 6-9 p.m. Feb. 12, at Auto Nation. The second half of the seminar will be conducted 9:15 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 and repeated Saturday, Feb. 14. Space is limited to 25 people.



## House from page A1

Trustees on Tuesday the matter is finally being settled.

Cronin said the former occupant of the house plans to return there to live. "We finally got him to get financing," Cronin said - a remortgage to raise money for a substantial renovation.

By Monday afternoon, the renovation was proceeding. A

red Dumpster had been placed on the front driveway to collect scrap wood piled on the front lawn.

"They're going to gut the interior, they're going to use a large chunk to rebuild the interior and the back end of the house, they've signed a contract with the builder," Cronin said.

In a letter to Township

Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy, Cronin wrote, "It doesn't make any sense for the township to continue to litigate the matter as long as these reconstruction efforts continue."

Cronin reported that the homeowner is paying \$65,000 to construction contractor Robin Palmer to renovate the

structure.

"I would like to recommend that the lawsuit be dismissed to see that the board is apprised and that the board authorizes the dismissal," Cronin continued.

The matter was presented to the board Tuesday for its approval.



**Facelift:** Work is beginning on this dilapidated house on Garland. The township has taken the owner to court on a number of occasions.

## Hulce from page A1

seeking glory and fame."

Stella Greene, PCAC president, echoes Tobin's sentiments. "Jo is a very modest person. She is shy about talking about her accomplishments. But she has earned the right to have her name on the building. She is such a reflection of the whole philosophy of the arts council."

### Living in the arts

Saturday won't be the first time that Hulce's name will be up in lights. When Hulce was 16, she was a soloist with the Wisconsin Symphony. By 1943, Hulce, who studied voice at DePaul University, as well as in Chicago and New York, was a

professional singer in opera, concerts and nightclubs in the Chicago area.

Her next step was as soprano soloist with the Phil Spitalny "Hour of Charm" Sunday CBS radio broadcast beginning in 1946. By 1948, Hulce also had done her share of Broadway stage shows and toured the United States.

"I had just started to experiment," Hulce said, when she and her husband, Ray, started their lives and moved to Dearborn in 1948. Her four children were born in the next 5 1/2 years.

But no regrets. "I have four wonderful children. That is the real joy."

And her career as a mother certainly didn't stop the ideas and the joy she found in the arts and in community involvement.

### Move to Plymouth

While the arts fill her life with joy and excitement, Hulce's arrival in Plymouth in 1953 meant the community was about to experience a boom.

Everything you associate with Plymouth, somewhere you will find Hulce's name. For example: a school board member for six years, three as secretary; planning commissioner for two years, Fall Festival board member for two years; president of the Plymouth Symphony League; presi-

dent of the PTA.

"The greatest rewards one has is in volunteering. You are giving back to the community that embraces you," Hulce said.

Having children in the school district drew Hulce to the school board. "Again, it's giving back. People who have an interest and beliefs can help and they should run."

While involved in the community, Hulce was never far from the arts. She brought them into everything she did. While on the school board, she suggested creating a radio station - now WSDP - for students to learn and become involved in broadcasting.

### Pilot program

In 1968, also while on the school board, Hulce organized what is now the PCAC. "I wanted a five-year pilot program. We could instigate things in the schools and the community and step back and see if it worked."

The school board accepted the idea and gave \$500 seed money for the pilot program. Hulce was the PCAC's director for the first five years. Success was obvious. The organization was then incorporated. "It was always a volunteer organization," Hulce said.

"What we wanted to do was supplement what the schools do, not to replace. And we want to

add more to what they do. I wanted to do something that was a working council," she continued. "We wanted to give children an appreciation for the arts. Teachers didn't have the time. You have to start with the very young."

Children and education in the arts is Hulce's guiding light and the guidance she has provided the community. "She has spent her life focused on the arts, children and adults, in that order. She is still inspired by that the kids do," Tobin said. "She is always exploring the new, the unsafe, the untrodden path in the arts."

While guiding the then-fledgling PCAC, Hulce continued to involve herself in the arts, making it clear that Broadway and the larger cities aren't the only place to surround yourself with art, music and theater.

The new building at Junction and Sheldon is pivotal and the crowning glory of what Hulce had imagined for the community. It is now where children and adults can come to experience the arts and try new things.

"The opportunities here are unlimited. We have wonderful leadership here," she said.

### She's a doer

Hulce has been a soloist at the Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, as well as with the Plymouth Symphony. She also was a leader of youth groups and children's choir at the church. A Plymouth Symphony board member, Hulce initiated the Symphony League as a means of raising money for the effort.

And the resume doesn't stop. Her love of the arts and art education has led her to Lansing and Ann Arbor. In 1971, she was appointed by Gov. Bill Milliken to the Michigan Artrain Committee and by 1972 was chairwoman of the Artrain to Plymouth project. By 1973, Milliken appointed her to the Michigan for the Arts Community Advisory Committee Grants Program. She was a five-year member of the advisory committee of the University of Michigan Musical Society, as well as the Ann Arbor School for the Performing Arts.

In 1979, she was chairwoman of the first Plymouth Arts Council Follies, and initiated and co-chaired the six-month Sculptor in Residence program with Peter Rockwell, who worked directly with students in the schools.

The PCAC was never far from Hulce's heart. By 1995, Hulce was back as president and remained in that position through 1997.

### Seeking a balance

After all these years in the community and in the arts, Hulce has some concerns. The lack of funding for the arts worries her greatly and she hopes the private sector can pick up the slack. "We will need endowments, more concerts, more areas for concerts."

The computer age also concerns her.

"We need to balance the creative process with the computer process," she said. "The creative process certainly lends a wonderful dimension to whatever children do. We have to provide as many experiences to kids in the arts as possible."

"We have to get at the young. We can take artists into the classroom and show the children that they are regular people. They are no different than their moms and dads."

And her own involvement in the arts continues. She's now taking piano lessons. About three nights a week, Hulce finds herself at the theater or at concerts. "I try to take advantage of as much as I can because the arts are wonderful."

In fact, as far as Hulce is concerned, choice is what it's all about. "Let's provide young people with an opportunity to make a choice of where they want to spend their time as children and later as adults."

And that's what she plans to do. "I won't stop until they plow me under."

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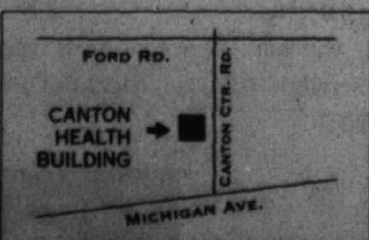
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# Stempien named to S'craft board

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

A local community college once served as an important academic stepping stone for Gregory Stempien.

The Northville resident and Livonia attorney attended Henry Ford Community College many years ago, because, he admits, he wasn't quite ready academically for the University of Michigan-Dearborn and later the Detroit College of Law.

"If it wasn't for a community college, I probably wouldn't have received my law degree," Stempien said.

But Stempien's respect and regard for community colleges and his community involvement helped Schoolcraft trustees decide Saturday to choose Stempien, 57, to fill a vacancy on the college's board of trustees.

"I think he will be a tremendous consensus builder, and he models that in his involvement in the community," said Patricia Watson, board president. "He understands the mission of the community college, he's a product of the community college, and he's been successful as an attorney."

"We had a tough decision. Everyone we interviewed I would have been comfortable with on the board."

## Stempien's background

Stempien was raised in Dearborn, and later attended Henry Ford Community College. He transferred to UM-D, where he

obtained a bachelor's degree in 1966. In 1971, he received his juris doctorate from Detroit College of Law.

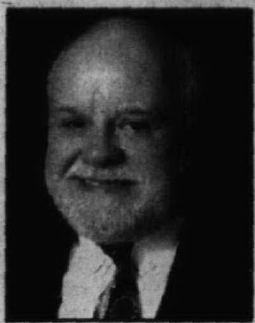
Stempien's law office is located in Livonia. He was a co-founder and president of the University of Michigan Club of Northville, a member of the Rotary Club, co-chair of the Fourth of July Parade in Northville and volunteered during Northville's Easter Egg Hunt.

Stempien has contributed to the Schoolcraft College Foundation and Women's Resource Center. Stempien's wife, Jeanne, is a former Schoolcraft trustee and now a Wayne County circuit judge.

Prior to his selection, Stempien told trustees he believed a trustee should work for a consensus, which he has experienced in resolving legal disputes as a mediator and an arbitrator. He also cited his financial experience in his legal practice.

"I also run a business. No matter what kind of service you provide, you need money and you need a budget," Stempien said.

Stempien told trustees he believed HFCC was "very good academically."



Stempien

"I thought Henry Ford was more difficult than U of M," Stempien said. "My grades actually improved at U of M." Stempien said he took remedial classes at HFCC. Not every child at 17 is ready for college, Stempien said. "I, at 18, was not," he said.

## Boon to clients

Stempien said he promotes Schoolcraft's Women's Resource Center with clients, particularly those going through a divorce. He also takes cooking classes in the Continuing Education program.

When asked what improvements were needed at the college, Stempien said maintaining academic quality should be a top priority of the board. "I think

that it sets a tone for the overall college."

When asked what he believed was the top issue facing trustees, Stempien said, "We don't need to create new programs, but just continue to improve current programs."

Stempien said he would run for trustee next year.

"I don't see anything I would get out of this, other than putting something back in the community. (Being a trustee) is a lot of hard work. It isn't just simply one meeting a month."

Stempien called the appointment "an honor."

"I look at it as giving back to the community and use what I know from being a part of that community. I have no political agenda, I have no political philosophy and I don't have any personal agenda except what we tackle as a board."

Stempien was expected to be sworn into office last night (Wednesday) during the board meeting.

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# 'Hey, Grandpa Mike!'

## Webster Elementary kids flock to their favorite school-day visitor

BY MARIE CHESTNEY  
STAFF WRITER

**O**n Tuesday and Thursday mornings, Michael Scarpello arrives at Livonia's Webster Elementary just as the students get there.

"Hi, Papa," or "Grandpa!" the students call out as they rush to greet the retired Ford Motor Company supervisor.

For Scarpello, 74, the twice-a-week visits to his grandson's special education classroom have been good therapy since the death of his wife, Jane.

"I live alone and look forward to coming in," said Scarpello, who lives on Pinetree in Plymouth. "The kids make me happy for the rest of the week."

For the special ed youngsters at Webster, and especially grandson Nicholas Minor, son of James and Michelle Minor of Plymouth, Grandpa Mike's visits are pure joy.

Often he brings such favored treats as bananas and doughnuts.

After snack time, Grandpa Mike helps the youngsters wash their hands and face. He also washes the dishes and table and sweeps the floor.

He then helps the teachers walk the special education students to their next class.

"He plays with them and adds another set of eyes and hands for their safety," said Webster teacher Christine Kleimola. "Grandpa ends most days by helping us walk the children to their bus. On the cold days he always says to the staff, 'You just stay inside. It's so cold, I'll walk them out. I have on my coat.'"

In addition to helping with the children, Scarpello does many odd jobs, including replacing batteries, fixing toys, delivering items to other parts of the school, and accompanying students on field trips.

Ever since his grandson, who suffers from Down syndrome, first started school in an early intervention program, Scarpello has accompanied him. In earlier years, he was accompanied by his wife, Jane.

"I'll stay with him until I die," Scarpello said.

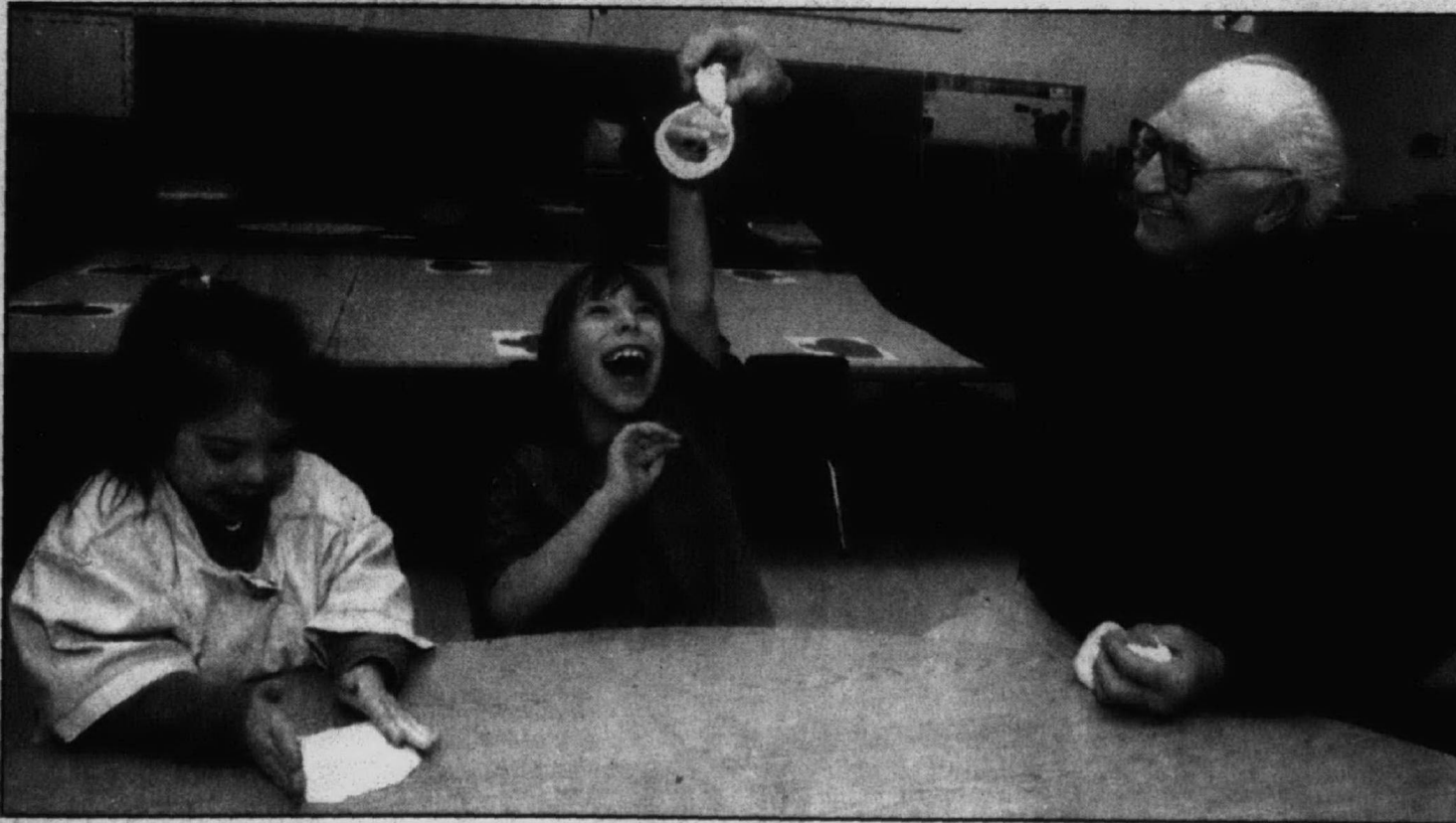
"All my grandchildren are special, but I have to help Nicholas because he is the most needy."

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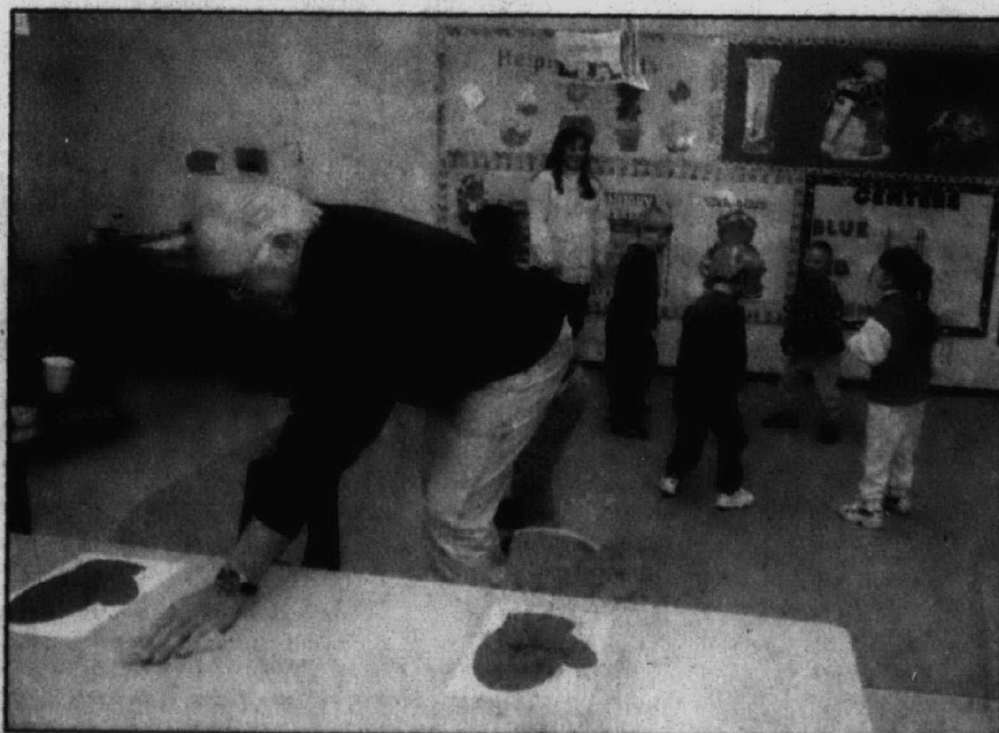


Special visitor: Mike Scarpello of Plymouth hugs his grandson Nick Minor at Webster Elementary School in Livonia. "Grandpa Mike" volunteers his time twice a week in Mary Buscemi's Primary One class. "The kids love him" she said. (Top of page) Grandpa Mike is greeted by the students when he arrives at school, where he volunteers on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Livonia Public Schools recently gave the retiree a Golden Apply award for his volunteer efforts on behalf of the kids.



**Volunteer learning:** Mike Scarpello works at the school's sensory motor center station with students Chelsea Watkins (left) and Ashley Clough (right) from Geralyn Catallo's classroom. Students look forward to visits from their favorite "grandpa."

**Cleaning up:** At right, Mike Scarpello cleans off tables after a student snack.



**Lending a hand:** Grandpa Mike helps Webster Elementary student Harjaap Singh with his boots and shoes as Andrew Vasser looks on.

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# Korean veterans get medals some 50 years late

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

Tears of joy flowed recently as family and friends watched 10 members of Naval Patrol Squadron 731 accept the Distinguished Flying Cross, the highest aviation honor bestowed by the U.S. Navy.

The honors came nearly 50 years after the squadron's outstanding performance in Korea.

William Peterson of Livonia, Michael McDonnell of Farmington Hills, Raymond DeGroote of West Bloomfield, Pete Giorio of Allen Park and John Reardon of Grosse Pointe Farms were among then Michigan men who received medals Jan. 18 during an emotional ceremony in Livonia's Herc's Leather Bottle.

In addition, squadron members from California, Tennessee, Florida and Arizona traveled to Livonia for the special program which recognized the forgotten Naval Reserve Squadron that served during the Korean Conflict.

The men, now in their late 60s and 70s, finally received medals they earned while serving in Korea during the early 1950s.

Patrol Squadron 731 was Naval Reserve unit that drilled at Naval Air Station Grosse Ile in the late 1940s. The squadron was recalled to active duty in September 1950 and reported to Korea in January 1951. The squadron returned in August 1951 and received no recognition at the time, although the active

duty squadron which preceded them received Distinguished Flying Crosses, Air Medals and gold stars in lieu of second and third air medals.

The squadron deployed again in 1952 and this time members were given awards as they were earned. The unit was redesignated VP-48 in February 1953.

## 'Forgotten war'

"Some call the Korean Conflict the forgotten war and you could say these men were the forgotten squadron," said Commander Gary Dye, commanding officer of Navy Recruiting District Michigan, during the awards presentation.

Peterson, who hadn't seen some of the men gathered in the room since 1952 in Korea, said it was a joy just being with these people again. His medal, earned for completing 37 flights from Feb. 8, 1951, to Aug. 5, 1951, in Korea, was a bonus.

"It's something I didn't expect," he said.

As for any bitterness for having to wait almost five decades to finally get the medal, Peterson said: "I didn't give it

much thought. With working and so on it didn't give me much time to think about it."

Farmington Hills resident Michael McDonnell said he had "a great feeling of accomplishment."

"We were called out for active duty against our will, but that's what we were training for and we really can't complain," said McDonnell.

The Korean Conflict was a three-year police action that was officially over in July 1953.



William Peterson



Michael McDonnell



**Special honor:** The award came nearly 50 years late, but members of Patrol Squadron 731 received their Distinguished Flying Crosses in a special ceremony Jan. 18. Commander Gary Dye (top from left) made the presentation. Honorees are (from left) Frank Phillips, Fallbrook, Calif.; Pete Giorio, Allen Park; Michael McDonnell, Farmington Hills; Andrew Yancey, Memphis, Tenn.; John Doyle, Sarasota, Fla.; (bottom from left) John Reardon, Grosse Pointe Farms; Raymond DeGroote, West Bloomfield; Charles Lipari, Peoria, Ariz.; Robert Backmer, Whittier, Calif.; and William Peterson, Livonia. An old photo (below) was a reminder of the squadron in 1951.

American troops fought to defend South Korea from communist invasion when North Korea crossed the 38th Parallel.

"The 46-year delay in presenting these awards in no way diminishes their values or significance," said Dye.

"These awards recognize the dangers and challenges you faced, and the achievement you made during those arduous months you spent in Korea," added Dye.

## Special effort

Many of the men in Squadron 731 left family, friends and jobs to take part in the war. Hope

was fading that they would ever see the medals, until crew members Andrew Yancey, who now lives in Memphis, Tenn., and Bill Masser of Detroit made sure they weren't forgotten. Masser previously received an Air Medal with two gold stars.

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# MEAP

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Jack Lucas, of Castelli and Lucas Century 21 in Canton, knows "purchasers today are very family-oriented, more than ever before. Home buyers are very well-educated as to districts and MEAP scores."

While administrators, teachers, parents and community leaders want students to perform and rank well on the tests, many believe there is too much attention given to the standardized exams.

"I think it's a decent means to watch progress," said Kathy Wixson, professor and associate dean of education at the University of Michigan, who helped develop the current MEAP reading assessment. "It's meant as a large scale assessment, not to be used in a large stakes political environment. I really hope it

will stimulate a lot of good instruction."

However, Wixson does admit that today's "MEAP tests are tied to accreditation of schools ... and puts pressure on students, parents, teachers and administrators. It's become a high stakes test, and some districts do ugly things, like drilling, to raise test scores."

## Doing well

However, according to educators in the Plymouth-Canton district, there's no need to drill, or practice, testing beforehand.

"Our curriculum is aligned with the state curriculum, which is where the MEAP comes from," said Charles Little, Plymouth-Canton superintendent. "If we teach the curriculum, then the kids should do well."

"In general, we make sure our curriculum is in line with state guidelines," said Verna Anible, director of instruction for Ply-

mouth-Canton schools. "We have test-taking strategies ... like telling students to read all the alternatives and don't give up."

Anible agreed with most others, that MEAP tests, while important, are just a piece of the educational puzzle. The curriculum is set districtwide, and the results can be dissected at individual schools.

"We can break it down to see what areas need better teaching," said Anible. "Not just the curriculum, but the kinds of teaching, the presentation."

"MEAP tests used to be basic skills," added Anible. "Now, they're essential skills, a much higher level of thinking."

## Striving for improvement

Concerning last year's scores, Anible said science in particular could be improved. Writing scores were very good last year.

## Like the old adage of not buying a car built on a Monday or Friday, the same holds true for MEAP testing.

Math and reading are adequate, with room for improvement.

"That's what education is all about, striving for improvement," Anible said.

"It used to be that we were responsible for offering an education program, and some took advantage of it better than others," recalled Anible. "Now, it's our responsibility to make sure that every person takes full advantage of what we have to offer."

And that can be a challenge, especially with more competing activities these days for time and attention, which can take away from time spent doing homework.

"I think it's a good measure to look at within our district, but I don't think it's good to compare with other communities," said Miller Elementary School principal Peggy Brooks. "It's a good measurement to look at with district teachers, to share information on how to teach better, so all children will get a good, strong education."

Like the old adage of not buying a car built on a Monday or Friday, the same holds true for MEAP testing.

"We don't test on Monday, coming off the weekend," said Brooks. "We don't give MEAP tests on Friday, the students are too tired."

Anible suggested there are a few things parents can do to help improve their child's scores:

■ Make sure students are in school on a regular basis so they don't miss group activities related to the MEAP tests.

■ Students should have a good

night's sleep.

■ Make certain children eat a good breakfast.

■ Talk to your children about the importance of the test, but assure them so they aren't overly concerned.

Wixson noted that while the MEAP tests are a good measure, parents should also be asking school districts to prove what they claim.

"Parents need to ask questions, see if the school district can describe its curriculum, and then show you an example of students' work to show achievement along the way," said Wixson.

Little says he's not concerned about the importance Realtors, parents and community leaders put on the MEAP scores.

"I don't have any issues with it, this is just one way to assess," said Little. "We take the tests seriously, and expect to have better results than last year."

# Tax

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However, approval for the additional firefighters is tied to funding approval from the city of Plymouth, which operates the Plymouth Community Fire Department jointly with the township.

The fire department - which has the highest number of runs per man among neighboring communities - is requesting six firefighters for a total of 27 full-timers while the police department is seeking 18 officers for a total of 44, plus additional 911 dispatchers and support staff.

McCarthy told the trustees the top two citizen complaints she gets are, "I don't see any cops in my neighborhood" and "There's never any followup" by police on criminal cases.

During the morning session Saturday, when trustees met with township department heads, new Police Chief Lawrence Carey told the board that, at present, "we are providing adequate response to citizen calls for service," with an average of three patrol cars on the road and an average of three off-

icers working per hour in a 24-hour period.

But, he said, the staff of 26 sworn officers - including himself - is being "stretched to our limits" when there are multiple incidents while officers are in court and also trying to perform administrative duties, such as filing reports.

Carey offered Jan. 15 as an example. Township police found themselves looking for a 5-year-old missing from a mobile home park while also dealing with three accidents - one involving a police officer. Even with Carey and Lt. Bob Smith helping out, the township needed assistance from the Michigan State Police and Plymouth city police.

It turned out the child had come home from school on a different bus and the driver had failed to check the child's permission slip.

But trustee Charles Curmi said the child's whereabouts were more a question of parental responsibility and flatly stated, "I won't support any proposal that adds more than six policemen."

Carey told trustees four officers would raise the average number on duty per day to four.

Regarding other budget items, board members said they need more information before deciding on the total millage increase and whether to put it before voters. An increase seems likely,

though, because the township must, by law, maintain a balanced budget, and inflation and declining revenues will make that impossible at present service levels by the year 2000.

Trustees noted that the township's current tax rate is second lowest in Wayne County. Grosse Pointe's is .6486 mills.

Trustees are considering a recreation levy increase and a tax levy to retire bonds for a new township hall, should one be sought.

They are studying whether a .5-mill recreation levy is sufficient to provide at least some of the programs residents want.

They also need to pick a site for a new township hall, get con-



**Meet:**  
Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy met with homeowners.

struction costs and see how much the sale of the current collection of buildings will bring before they will know the millage levy needed to retire bonds sold for its construction. The board said it would seek to retire such bonds over a 15-year period.

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# SMART

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four or five people cars for that money," Walters said.

"I think that's a little narrow view of the value of public transportation," Kaufman responded. He said one can spot "Help Wanted" signs in businesses up and down Sheldon Road.

"SMART is a supporter of the business community to the extent workers are brought in to make businesses flourish, that part is not being taken into consideration," said Kaufman, who

lives in the community.

Local business, he said, is "having to pay more an hour to acquire help."

"It's far more important for greater Plymouth than local officials think. I do believe it's the right thing for my home communities of Plymouth and Plymouth Township to opt in," Kaufman said.

But Kaufman said he won't approach local officials to ask them to reconsider their posi-

tion. "My attitude is if they opt out they need to call me, I'm not going to force myself on them," he said.

Kaufman said he plans to meet in coming weeks with the Wayne County Transportation Authority and the Wayne County Commission, to seek their approval for an Aug. 4 ballot issue. The millage would be raised over four years, if approved.

The proposed property tax would cost the owner of a \$100,000 home \$16.65 per year. "Three years ago we went to the voters and said, 'Here's the

**'My attitude is if they opt out they need to call me, I'm not going to force myself on them.'**

Richard Kaufman  
—SMART director

promises, trust us," he said.

And after a deficit reduction and service improvements that have resulted in increased ridership, he added, "Today we say your trust was well-placed."

**CANTON TOWNSHIP ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS**

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley  
ADA Coordinator  
Charter Township of Canton  
1150 S. Canton Center Road  
Canton, MI 48188  
(313) 397-5435

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PUBLIC HEARING**

On Thursday, February 19, 1998, at 3:00 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, the Charter Township of Canton, under the auspices of the Canton CDBG Advisory Council and the Resource Development Division, will hold a public hearing to accept citizen comments and suggestions for the following: First Public Hearing for FY 1998 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Action Plan. The FY 1998 allocation is \$423,000. Requests for information may be directed to the Resource Development Division at the address above, (313) 397-5392. If a reasonable accommodation is needed to attend any public meeting, please contact David Medley at (313) 397-5435.

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

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**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN**

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, February 5, 1998 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following items:

Z-97-14 302 W. Ann Arbor Rd.  
Non-Use Variance Requested  
Sign Area  
Zoned: B-3, General Business  
Applicant: Colony Car Wash  
Non-Use Variance Requested  
Signs  
Zoned: B-2, Central Business  
Applicant: RSVP  
Non-Use Variance Requested  
Driveway Width  
Zoned: B-2, Central Business  
Applicant: Thomas & Patti Kent

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Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator  
201 S. Main Street  
Plymouth, MI 48170, (313) 463-1234, Ext. 206  
All interested persons are invited to attend.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids up to 10:00 a.m., February 12, 1998 for the following:

**JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR CANTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING**

Specifications are available in the Finance and Budget Dept. The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids up to 10:00 a.m., February 12, 1998 for the following:

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**REAL ESTATE UPDATE**

by John Goodman  
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Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Building/Fire Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Canton on Thursday, February 5, 1998 at 10:00 A.M. The meeting will be held in the second floor Engineering Conference Room of the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. The following agenda will be discussed:

Roll Call: Korchak, Paciocco, Pennington, Scramstad, Yessayan

Acceptance of Agenda

1. Consider request from pastor Jeff Ledbetter of Cornerstone Baptist Church, 1545 Ridge Road, for a variance to the fire prevention code, Section F500.7 and F500.8, fire hydrant requirements.

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**CITY OF PLYMOUTH PUBLIC NOTICE 1998 CDBG FUNDS: PROPOSED USES AND PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to Federal guidelines, the City of Plymouth is announcing its objectives and possible uses for developing projects using 1998 Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding.

**OBJECTIVES:**

- To provide benefits directly to persons of low/moderate income, and/or to areas in which at least 43% of the residents are of low/moderate income.
- To provide benefits to senior citizens.
- To provide benefits to handicapped citizens.

**PROPOSED 1998 PROJECTS:**

The City anticipates receiving approximately \$61,000 in CDBG funds for 1998 and has identified the following potential projects for use of these funds.

1. Senior Programs:	
a. Senior Citizen Van Driver	\$21,000
b. Senior Citizen Van Dispatcher	3,000
c. Senior Citizen Nutrition Program Delivery	3,000
d. Senior Citizen Chore Service	1,500
e. Senior Citizen Newsletter	1,500
2. ADA compliance modifications in public buildings	\$30,000
3. Old Village Improvements	16,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$61,000</b>

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Citizens are invited to comment on the proposed projects listed above, and to suggest other projects. All projects must meet one of the federal CDBG objectives.

A public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed uses of 1998 CDBG funds and additional suggestions for use of said funds, will be held by the Plymouth City Commission on Tuesday, February 17, 1998, at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC  
City Clerk

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BY KEN ABRAM  
STAFF WRITER

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# SC board post takes 6 ballots

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Schoolcraft College trustees went through six ballots Saturday to select Livonia attorney Gregory Stempien to fill the vacancy on the college's board.

Board President Pat Watson asked the trustees who were their top contenders for the vacancy in a "straw" vote.

Watson, Brian Broderick and Steve Ragan each named Stempien, Bryan Amann of Canton, Harry Greenleaf of Livonia, and John Lynch of Plymouth in "no particular order" of preference. Naming Amann, Lynch and Greenleaf were Richard DeVries, while Carol Strom named Amann, Greenleaf and Stempien; and Mary Breen chose Amann and Stempien.

With those four final candidates, board Secretary Fran Joswiak passed out ballots to the six trustees. Each trustee voted for one finalist and signed each ballot. The process continued until one candidate received four votes.

The first official written vote was a three-way tie, with Amann, Greenleaf and Stempien each receiving two votes. Broderick and Ragan supported Amann; DeVries and Strom backed Greenleaf; Breen and Watson voted for Stempien.

Joswiak had printed each set of ballots on different colored paper for trustees to use. She passed out yellow ballots for the second vote, in which DeVries switched to Amann.

DeVries considered Amann and Greenleaf "equal" candidates. "I felt comfortable voting either way," DeVries said. Strom continued voting for Greenleaf because she believed Greenleaf was the best candidate.

Breen said candidates generally do not return to the college for activities once trustees

appoint a new board member, which bothers her, but explained her support for Stempien.

"Greg has been here. Greg won't go away. He will continue to be involved because that's the kind of person he is," Breen never wavered in her support of Stempien.

The next vote found another three-way tie, and was the same as the first vote. Subsequent ballots found Amann obtaining three votes, but never the four-vote minimum.

Finally the sixth ballot found Stempien receiving four votes from Breen, Broderick, Strom and Watson. Ragan and DeVries backed Amann.

Ragan then moved and Breen supported the selection of Stempien to fill the board vacancy.

Strom said the caliber and qualifications of the candidates were a real tribute to the college. She said later she switched from Greenleaf when she realized she would not get four votes.

Another trustee who switched was Broderick. Amann and Stempien were "equally qualified," he said. Broderick switched because "Stempien has a presence in the community, and has been active at Schoolcraft College for a number of years," Broderick said.

## Others interviewed

Trustees also interviewed Amann, Greenleaf and Ken Harb that morning.

Amann, an attorney at a Livonia firm and a former county commissioner representing Canton, and assistant county executive, told trustees he believed it was an exciting time at the college and in western Wayne County, particularly along I-96, I-275 and M-14.

"As a county commissioner, I was amazed at some of the

things going on in your own back yard," Amann hoped to expand on the college's relationship with local businesses and industries. "One part of the (trustee) job is preparing people for the rest of their life," Amann said.

Amann cited the Women's Resource Center, Business Development Center and police and fire training as some of the college's assets. Amann called Canton an "underutilized asset" for the college, but quickly added that the entire district needed to be utilized as a resource.

Greenleaf, a director of college transfer programs for the College of Engineering and Science at University of Detroit-Mercy and an industry adviser consultant at the University of Michigan, served as a Schoolcraft trustee from 1977-95. He worked for 36 years at Ford Motor Co. in specialist, supervisory and managerial positions in engineering, human resources management, education and training.

Greenleaf said he wanted to serve again because he was committed to public service.

Harb, a vice president of investments with Prudential Securities and Livonia resident, said trustees should work together with administrators and teaching staff to reach goals in the mission statement.

"We're the board of directors of a multi-million dollar corporation," Harb said.

Harb suggested the college should promote evening and weekend programs to enhance revenue, as overhead costs for these programs remain constant. Harb believed the college should provide programs at satellite campuses "if the economics were right."

## Veterans from page A9

prove that he and other members of his squadron completed the missions and were deserving of the DFC.

It was even questioned whether Squadron 731 was ever in Korea. Using the Internet, the federal Freedom of Information Act, countless long distance phone calls, numerous ribbons for his printer and every military contact he could muster, Yancey succeeded in convincing the Navy that these men were overlooked.

"This squadron is like a family," Yancey said. "It's been a labor of love."

He gives credit to Masser for starting the effort with a letter writing campaign in 1979. "All I've done is assist," Yancey said.

Together, they learned that the squadron of 278 men earned 43 air medals, 72 gold stars and 14 DFC medals. Only the men in the squadron who could find their flight books to prove they had flown the missions had the necessary documentation to get

the medal.

## Tide turns

The tide began to turn in 1997 when Congress passed an act to waive the time limitation and the National Defense Authorization Act was signed into law by President Bill Clinton and finally these men were remembered for their heroism.

Family members at the ceremony were obviously proud. Fern Ray of Westland explained that she attends annual squadron meetings to represent her late husband, William, the squadron's executive officer, who died in 1971.

"He would be so happy to see this if he were here today," Ray said. "Can you believe how long it's taken them to get these medals?"

The delay didn't diminish the effects of the medal for those who received them.

Ray DeGroote of West Bloomfield said: "I feel humbled con-

sidering the fact that I'm among many of the others who got the medals and to be included among them."

It's still a mystery why receiving the medals took so long. "We really didn't know why we didn't get the medal," Masser said.

Bob Blackmer traveled from California to receive his medal. "This is a big thing as far as we're concerned. It's 46 years too late and no one can figure out why."

One explanation was that their commanding officer was supposed to submit the required paperwork, but he was killed in an airplane accident after returning to the U.S. For some reason the paperwork was never completed.

On Sunday, the men were much more elated than embittered. "I enjoy bringing these people together," Masser said. "It makes me feel good that it's finally happening. It should have happened in 1952."

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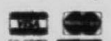
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## OPINION

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1998

## Mayflower

### Demolition makes good sense

It's never easy to tear down something as closely associated with the heart of Plymouth as the Mayflower Hotel. It has been a Plymouth icon for decades and a centerpiece for the downtown.

But the time has come for some tough decisions, one of them being to put aside emotion and to tear down the building, which is showing signs of deterioration. Quite frankly, the Mayflower II looks like a sore thumb and not at all a part of the original hotel and the flavor it offers downtown.

Plymouth could benefit from the proposed \$20 million project suggested by the new owners. They are currently awaiting word on financing for the project. We hope they are successful.

The \$20 million project would include a new hotel, retail and office space and extended stay condominiums.

The new project would offer variety for downtown. It would provide an influx of new business with the retail and office space. The condominiums would give the downtown a more cosmopolitan flavor and, let's be honest, keep people downtown.

This is not to ignore the fact that a \$20 million project would definitely be good on the tax rolls, compared to a \$5 million or so renovation project.

Matt Karmo, Mayflower general manager, said his goal is to replicate the look and feel of the original hotel while providing modern amenities.

He has also suggested that the new build-

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ing would be six stories tall. Right now, the hotel is three stories. Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters is rightly concerned about the proposed height. It falls within height restrictions. But the Karmos must take a realistic look at how the proposed height will impact downtown. A new building that overshadows its neighbors would detract from the ambience that downtown promotes.

We also are concerned about adequate parking and hope as the Karmos receive financing and move along the review process that this issue is clearly reviewed.

Part of what hurts Plymouth already is its difficult parking situation. Visitors to Plymouth have no idea of all the nooks and crannies in Plymouth that are available for parking.

It's always difficult to say goodbye to a favorite spot that likely has had memories for plenty of people in the Plymouths.

But tearing down the old hotel makes sense for the owners and for downtown Plymouth.

## Mass transit needs solution

Recent cancellation of Detroit Department of Transportation bus service to suburban areas only underscores the need for a truly united regional mass transit system.

Nowhere is the lack of cooperation between Detroit and its suburbs more apparent than with regard to mass transit - even this far into the Archer era, a so-called golden age for urban/suburban cooperation.

Nowhere has that lack of cooperation had a more devastating economic effect.

Many of the now-canceled suburban lines were relatively new, added one year ago to help Detroiters find jobs in the suburbs.

They were canceled because they were unprofitable, according to D-DOT, but mass transit itself is generally unprofitable on its own. Even the most successful systems demand subsidies from government. SMART, the area's suburban line, has said it will pick up some of the slack. But SMART, subsidized on a community-by-community basis, can't cover the whole load.

The situation shows just what a political pawn mass transportation and those who need it - employers and employees - have become in our region.

We are left with a patchwork system. On one hand, we have a Detroit bus system that serves Detroit and a suburban system that serves most, but not all, of the communities in Wayne and Oakland counties.

Mass transit has become the province of the poor. While our area's poorest residents most definitely need access to jobs and, therefore, to transportation, unified systems in other cities have long served people of all social classes.

Our too-heavy dependence upon the auto-

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mobile is already bringing dire consequences. Businesses and residents are moving ever further away from the central city. Urban sprawl eats up valuable farmland and open space, defeating the goal of seeking out peace and serenity, which lasts but a few years.

The quality of life is diminished as rush hour is extended and individual commutes to work grow longer.

A reasoned and reasonable, unified mass transit system will benefit employers and employees.

At the Sears store at Livonia Mall, about 50 employees, out of a workforce of 400, relied on D-DOT, said Jim Spilos, the store's human resources manager. Most now use SMART, but Spilos said there are five who decided the added hardship is not worth their jobs.

"Can't we really get a viable transportation system that's cost-effective for the city and the suburbs?" he said.

It's time for county leaders in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and representatives from Mayor Dennis Archer's office along with SMART and D-DOT officials to huddle and find a solution to the mass transit problem that has plagued this region for too long.

### Downtown Icon



**Demolition:** The new owners of the Mayflower Hotel are close to receiving financing to replace the facility at Main and Ann Arbor Trail with a \$20 million project that includes a new hotel, retail and office space and extended stay condominiums. Receiving the green light from financial institutions is only the first step. The owners will have to go through a number of reviews, including one by the city Historic District Commission

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

### LETTERS

#### Drop it

These are the facts about Jerry Vorva's lawsuit challenging the school bond issue election:

1. Vorva's challenge of the election results has been denied by: the Plymouth-Canton School Board of Canvassers, the Wayne County Board of Canvassers, Secretary of State Candice Miller, and Wayne County Circuit Court Judge James Rashid.

2. Vorva has stated that he is willing to go to the United States Supreme Court and is prepared for the process to last three or more years.

3. For every year Vorva delays the building of the new high school and the new elementary school, the overcrowding in the schools continues.

4. Each year, construction costs rise, making our bond money worth less. If the lawsuit continues much longer, will we be able to afford to build the desperately needed new schools?

Where is the community outrage that one man, Jerry Vorva, is trying to stop a project desperately needed by the school district? Vorva is forcing the school district to spend taxpayer dollars defending this frivolous lawsuit. He is wasting everyone's money.

Don't be fooled by Vorva's statements to the effect that he is only trying to defend the democratic process: his only goal is to try to overturn the result of the election, not to ensure equal protection or represent the community.

That the district needs this project is clear, and no one who cares about quality education in our schools should doubt that. Our voters realized that, and passed the bond issue.

Now, our tax dollars are being wasted by every minute of delay, and the excellent reputation for education which the Plymouth-Canton Schools have always deserved is suffering.

Clearly, the people of the Plymouth-Canton School District are supporting educational excellence. That one man can thwart the will of a community is obscene, and should not be allowed to continue.

If you agree that Vorva must drop the lawsuit now, let him know: write or call Jerry Vorva, 1349 Elmdale, Plymouth, MI 48170, (313) 459-3953.

If you would like to join the effort to get Vorva to drop the lawsuit, call (313) 455-4929.

Sherly Tripp Khoury  
Plymouth

#### Lifesavers thanked

The Plymouth Lions Club has always been thankful for the generosity of the Plymouth community and others. This generosity has provided the Lions Club with successful fund raising projects for many years. This tremendous spirit of generosity was demonstrated once again as passers-by came to the assistance of one of our longtime members. On Saturday, Nov. 29, while taking part in a fund raising project at the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon, a member of the Plymouth Lions Club experienced a serious health problem.

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## POINTS OF VIEW

## Rouge project finds its place for business owners

If you have not fallen into the Rouge River while skating on it in the winter or walking or biking along its banks in the summer during the 1950s, you haven't really experienced the worst the river has ever offered. Water, polluted or not, always has been a strong attraction for kids. Having grown up in Dearborn, we've had the pleasure or should we say the displeasure of having done all of the above.

Since the 1950s with the efforts and contributions of many civic groups, Friends of the Rouge in particular, we have observed a dramatic improvement in the condition of the river. We have also become more educated and aware of what a delicate and important resource this is to conserve.

Recently, there has been conversation to develop boat tours along the Rouge River. The tours would be an approximate 4-mile trip down the river connecting such landmarks as the Henry Ford Estate, Ford Motor Company's historic Rouge Industrial Complex and Greenfield Village. Planners in both Dearborn and Melvindale are pursuing this development. Others involved in the project include the University of Michigan-Dearborn, Ford Motor Land Development Corporation and several municipalities. "The Rouge hasn't been in a positive light for some time, but the boat tours would reintroduce people to the river and all of its history," Edsel B. Ford II was recently quoted saying. Who would have imagined this to be possible 40 years ago?

## GUEST COLUMNISTS



TONY AND JUDY SCARPACE

We are also doing our part. We are pleased to offer Friends of the Rouge place mats in Quizno's Classic Subs, our restaurant in Farmington Hills, to help share knowledge and information pertaining to the various activities and events associated with the

Rouge River. The place mats have been a topic of conversation and have been well-received by our patrons. Not only do they serve a practical purpose, but the map alone has been helpful to our out-of-town visitors in giving them a visual depiction of the surrounding communities. Quizno's is a fast-food restaurant, so place mats are available for the use of customers when they pick up their food at the counter.

Recently, our supply of Friends of the Rouge place mats was depleted and you would have thought that we removed a popular item from our menu. We did not realize what an expected feature the place mats had become. With our new and redesigned supply of place mats came even more positive comments demonstrating to

us the awareness level of people in our community. The added customer satisfaction the Friends of the Rouge place mats have brought to us is one that we hope is with us for a long time to come.

We must all do our part to contribute to the well-being of this precious natural resource.

Tony and Judy Scarpace both grew up and continue to live in Dearborn. They own and operate Quizno's Classic Sub restaurant at Orchard Lake Road and 12 Mile in Farmington Hills. To date, 100,000 Rouge River place mats have been distributed in Wayne and Oakland counties. To get more information about the availability of the place mats, call the Rouge Information Line, (313) 961-0730.

## Cloning plays second fiddle to old-style reproduction

Legislatures are reactive bodies. As quickly as they perceive public interest in a topic — such as cloning an animal, or even a human — they rush to write news releases and laws.

So it is in Michigan in the wake of Chicago physicist Richard Seed's statement that he intends to clone humans.

Cloning: the duplication of the genetic material of one creature. Princeton's Harold Shapiro, the former University of Michigan president who chaired the president's National Bioethics Advisory Commission, said the Scottish cloned sheep Dolly is merely a genetic twin, delayed, of a single adult sheep.

Rep. Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti, is horrified at the prospect of cloning a human. "A clone is a result of genetic manipulation in a lab that doesn't reflect the Creation you and I and all of us are," he said during the Jan. 25 Channel 7 "Spotlight on News" show. "Life comes from one Source with a

capital S." He refers to a clone as "an entity they might call a human." Profit seems to suggest a human clone wouldn't have a soul.

"Immoral," added Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton. "God is the entity that creates life. Just because we have the technology to do it, that doesn't mean we should do it."

What bothers me is not whether a clone would have a soul (I think it would) but the fact that it took 277 embryos, a bunch of spontaneous abortions and stillbirths to produce Dolly. The chance of wasting as many innocent human souls is too costly.

Profit, a 45-year-old ex-undersheriff and five-term lawmaker, chaired the committee that produced three bills awaiting full House action:

■ HB 4846 saying one "shall not clone or attempt to clone a human being," revoking the medical license forever of anyone who tries it, and fining the miscreant \$10 million in civil damages.



TIM RICHARD

■ 4962 amending the penal code to make cloning a crime punishable by 10 years in prison and a fine of \$5,000.

■ 5475 prohibiting state funds for cloning research.

Bennett has parallel bills, except that his "sunset" after several years and would need to be reconsidered. "With term limits (taking effect after 1998 in the House and 2002 in the Senate), we must build in more sunsets. We might make a mistake." They agree that even research on

human cloning ought to be stopped.

"The public is demanding it. It's the right thing to do," said Bennett, a 46-year-old former township official and first-term senator.

Not so fast, said professor Toby Citrin, a lawyer and public health expert at U-M. "Cloning also has the potential of alleviating lot of pain and suffering ... I don't think there's anything essentially immoral about cloning ...

"We're not ready to clone a human yet ... Scientists I've talked to say we're years away. We're going at it (legislatively) the reverse of the way it ought to be.

"A temporary hold (advocated by Shapiro's commission) makes good sense. We should leave our options open beyond that," Citrin said. While he personally likes Profit, Citrin is clearly unhappy with the Legislature's rush to legislation.

I see a glut of confusing rules coming down the pike.

The federal Food and Drug Admin-

istration last week declared it has the power to block scientists from cloning through denying "investigational new drug applications."

Meanwhile, U.S. Rep. Vern Ehlers, R-Grand Rapids, the former college physicist, has a congressional bill to ban federal financing of human cloning experiments.

And then we have the half-dozen legislative bills in Michigan.

So who is in charge? Who needs this triplication?

We should be able to agree that the way nature and nature's God designed reproduction would result in less "inbreeding," and a better genetic mix and more fun.

There's just something innately more healthful about a mom and dad producing and raising a baby.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1881.

## Journalist earns his stripes

In my experience, most newspaper folks feel slightly uncomfortable when they are the ones being written about. Perhaps it's because they prefer to be judged on the basis of their own work.

But there's a good reason to violate this practice in the case of Tim Richard, who for many years has been the head of this newspaper's statewide news service, reporting on Lansing and on state stories that have local significance to our readers. You see, Tim has just been elected to the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame, a very big honor, especially for a reporter still in the prime of his career.

Because Tim would never do it himself, I'm writing this column to mark his achievements and to say how fortunate I've been to have worked with him for more than 30 years.

I first met Tim Richard back in the early '60s when I was administrative assistant for U.S. Rep. Paul H. Todd Jr. Tim was the political reporter for the Kalamazoo Gazette.

He asked tough questions, time after time. He quoted me and the congressman accurately, time after time. He saw through the spinning, time after time, but he was never unfair, never played "gotcha" in the news columns. He was one terrific reporter.

After I started my own company in 1966, I asked Tim if he'd come back home to southeastern Michigan and help me create a new kind of community journalism, focused on what the news really meant for real people, living in their own hometowns. I was so pleased when he agreed to come, and over all the years we've worked together I've never felt any different.

When I told Tim I was going to write this column about him, he got a little grumpy. But he lightened up when I asked him to tell me about his favorite moments in journalism. Here they are, in his own words:

"The 1966 expose on how the Western Michigan University board held secret meetings (from which I was specifically excluded) and made policy decisions. The story was spiked (killed) by the editor of the Kalamazoo Gazette, who devoutly believed that the 'community leaders' serving on the board were incapable of doing bad.

"This led directly to advocacy of the 1976 Open Meetings Act and my activity in the Society of Professional Journalists and Michigan FOI Committee Inc. to defend the 'sunshine' laws, teaching people how to use them through seminars and newsletters. Our biggest thrill is when civic troublemakers and journalists use the 'sunshine' laws to learn about government and have their own chances for input."

Tim adds another highlight: "In the 1980s, I edited columns of freelancers Penny Wright-



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Steele and Tim Nowicki. Both won Michigan Audubon Society awards as journalist of the year.

"We turned Steele's casual observations of crowded ladies' rooms into a series that resulted in Michigan's 'potty parity' law sponsored by Rep. Jan Dolan, R-Farmington Hills. It will require adequate ladies' restrooms in the new Tigers' and Lions' stadiums."

In the early '90s, Tim began to notice the busy doings of the Religious Right at the local level. He wrote me a compelling memo on the subject that led to "stories and columns exposing the Religious Right's 'stealth' political tactics and hidden agenda toward public education."

Tim also covered national politics, but from a local angle. In 1988, he caught "Gov. Jim Blanchard's remark that Jesse Jackson's Democratic national convention speech was 'left-wing baloney; warmed-over McGovernism, but not as good.' This brought me the most fame, but in terms of its impact on people it was not as good as my open meetings, age of majority, environmental editing and Religious Right work."

Did you catch the key phrase, "impact on people"? That's the core of Tim's work ethic and why at the end of the day he's in the Journalism Hall of Fame. The guiding objective of his reporting is the eventual impact of people in their daily lives.

Tim is probably as good a reporter as exists today in Michigan; he's accurate, thorough and knowledgeable and he's got a memory like an elephant. He insists on being detached from the news events he's covering, but he is passionate about the concrete results his work produces.

I've gained immeasurably as a journalist and a manager by working alongside Tim. But the people of Michigan have gained far more from his career than I.

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## DEPLOYMENT

Marine 1st Lt. Douglas W. Smith, son of Nicholas and Joan E. Smith of Plymouth, is currently halfway through a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), embarked aboard the ships of the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group. Smith is one of more than 2,000 Marines who departed their home base of Camp Lejeune, N.C., in October aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Guam, the amphibious transport dock USS Shreveport and the dock landing ships USS Oakhill and USS Ashland.

## PROMOTED

Navy Seaman Apprentice Nicholas B. Powell, son of Douglas M. and Cathy A. Powell of Plymouth, was recently promoted to his present rank upon graduation from recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1997 graduate of Plymouth Salem

## High School.

## BASIC TRAINING

Navy Fireman Jeffrey A. Hunsaker, son Deborah G. Hunsaker of Plymouth, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill. He is a 1997 graduate of Lutheran High Westland High School in Westland.

## HEADMASTER'S LIST

Cadet Brian Munson an 11th grader at Howe, the son of Michael Munson of Canton, received his name on the headmaster's list. This special award is received by attending at least a 3.0 average in his studies in a college prep curriculum.

## ENLISTED

Shanon Burkhammer, daughter of Leslie and Mark Burkhammer of Westland, enlisted in the Air Force. Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six-week basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, she is scheduled to receive technical training as a signals intelligence production apprentice. Burkhammer, a 1997 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, will earn credits toward an associate degree in

applied science through the Community College of Air Force while attending basic and technical training schools.

## GRADUATED

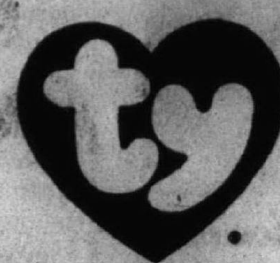
Air Force Airman 1st Class, Leslie Y. Green has graduated from basic military training at

Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations. Green is the daughter of Patricia R. Jennings of Canton, and the granddaugh-

ter of Clifford and Erma Ross of Knoxville.

Army Pvt. Jonathon L. Matulevich has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Knox, Ky. The training included basic military training and advanced individual training. The first eight weeks of ini-

tial entry training (IET) includes basic combat training, drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions. Matulevich is the son of Susan I. Matulevich of Plymouth.



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## Sing, sing a song



NANCY K. SWANBORG

### From welfare to work: It's not a quick fix

There's been a lot in the media describing the necessity for the transition from welfare to work. Recently, I read a very interesting article by Dana Milbank, called, "Under the Underclass: A Bold Welfare Experiment Fails." The article describes the Marriott Hotel program that takes the client through a six-week program culminating in employment.

As I reflect on this situation, I have been looking at my own life experiences and those of the people around me. From my first memories, my father got up every morning and left home to work. My mother stayed within the home environment and worked everyday. If the family wanted to do something or go somewhere, it took planning. Individual members needed to be physically ready and have the finances to accomplish the event. I heard about the checks and bank accounts, mortgages and utility bills.

As I moved into adulthood, I began to take on the responsibilities for these livelihood activities myself. I expected to join the workforce. I was encouraged to complete an educational program and seek employment. Without a conscious intent, I learned

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**Practice, practice:** Gerry Wyrabkiewicz of Wayne (from left), Carol McKee of Canton and Pam Majewski, also of Canton, join fellow members of the members of Spirit of Detroit Chorus in rehearsing "Orange Color Sky," by Nat King Cole.

## Chorus readies its world-class sound

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

Watching the Sweet Adelines belt out songs during a recent practice felt like having front row seats to a Broadway show instead of a folding chair in the basement of a church.

The local group, called the Spirit of Detroit Chorus, has every reason to look polished and there are a lot of professional eyes and ears who think so. The 111 women recently won the regional division competition among 27

other Sweet Adeline choruses in eastern Michigan and western Canada.

"It's awesome to win it and know that everyone worked together to make it come together," said Carol McKee, membership co-director with Pam Majewski.

And their spirits are soaring, because this entitles them to go onto the international competition next November in Nashville, Tenn., to compete against other Sweet Adeline groups from around the world.

For the last nine years, the Spirit of Detroit Chorus has won every regional division competition they've entered. However, the highest they've rated at the international level was 15th, and this year they hope to place in the top 10.

### Variety in group

Members of the local group range in age from 14 to their late 70s and they live in just about every community in the metropolitan Detroit area as well

as Canada and Ohio. By day they work as secretaries, travel agents and countless other jobs.

And their musical repertoire is just as varied ... Nat King Cole, Gloria Estefan and Barbra Streisand, songs from Broadway to Motown, Big Band to jazz.

"The Sweet Adelines are great, because we don't have to read music," Majewski said. "You just have to carry a tune and swing."

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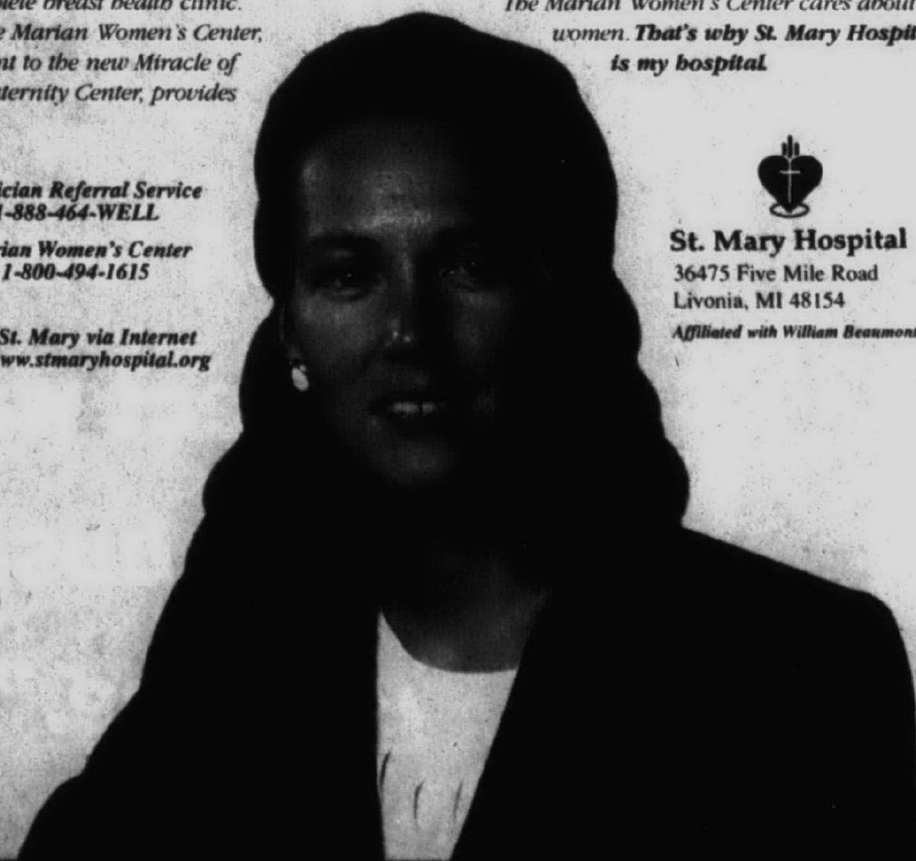
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"And smile," added McKee. Dodi LaMarte, a Sweet Adeline for 20 years, said the group takes pride in teaching people how to sing.

"We show them correct posture, breathing and vocal production," LaMarte explained.

Marge Dugan, a member for 33 years, said the group has developed professionally over the years, "and the educational aspect has grown by leaps and bounds."

Their standout performances of four-part harmony in the barbershop genre don't come by accident. From 7-10 p.m. every Tuesday, all year long, they practice at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Five Mile in Livonia. They also practice songs and routines on their own.

Their next public performances are at 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16, at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills.

Or, you might find them at nursing homes, women's auxil-

iary groups, weddings, funerals and other functions. They also perform during the summer Music Under the Stars program in Livonia as well as events in Farmington and Birmingham.

A week before the Mercy performance, the Sweet Adelines will take part in this year's regional competition. However, they won't be able to compete in it because they are last year's winners.

They will perform the two songs, "So Mother, Kiss Your Boy Goodbye" and "World War I Medley" that they plan to perform during the international competition. The judges at the regional performances will make critical comments to help them perfect their act.

"Singing with this group is a thrill," Dugan said. "The chemistry is very good and the director (LeAnn Hazlett) is wonderful."

In fact, Hazlett drives back and forth to Swanton, Ohio, weekly for every rehearsal and

for each performance. A Sweet Adeline since she was 17, Hazlett is also the lead singer of the 1991 International Queens of Harmony quartet, "Swing Street."

What motivates this all-volunteer group to maintain such a high level of energy and dedication?

"Most people are here, because they love to sing and it's a definite opportunity," said LaMarte, adding that the group offers positions in costume design, choreography and many administrative posts.

During the practice, the Sweet Adelines fine-tuned their choreography and voices to "World War I Medley." Linda Lupo, Sweet Adelines' chorus choreographer, coaxes them every step.

"Move into the hand gestures," she pleads. "Feel it. Establish that championship attitude."

They have to be in tune with one another for every step and note on stage and their comradeship is just as strong when they're not performing.

"My mother passed away suddenly and I had vans full of people coming over with food," LaMarte said. "It bowled me over by their support."

Membership seems to run in blood lines, too. LaMarte has two sisters, Peggy Gibb and Marilyn Grimes, who are fellow Sweet Adelines. There also are numerous mother-daughter teams and even twins in the group.

The Sweet Adelines are always looking for new members.

"All you need is a love of music and a spirit of fellowship," McKee said.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

**Cool moves:** Not only do Margaret Morgan of Westland (from left), Kathy Green of Farmington Hills and Dianna Sanburn of Livonia sing, they also dance as part of the chorus's rendition of "Heat Wave."

For more information or for tickets for the Mercy performance, call Marge Dugan at (313) 937-2429. If you're inter-

ested in booking a performance, call Tish Tankersley at (734) 425-4049. To join the group, call McKee at (734) 459-3785 or

Majewski at (734) 495-1505.

"Carol and I will make sure they're welcomed with open arms," Majewski added.

## Prospective volunteers invited to orientation

Volunteer Impact is holding a prospective volunteer orientation for people interested in learning where their help is needed in the community.

The orientation will be 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

Families, friends and co-workers are invited to come and find out more about where they can

volunteer together. Some projects are appropriate for youth and seniors.

Preregistration is required and can be completed by calling Volunteer Impact at (248) 559-4950.

Based in Southfield, Volunteer Impact offers monthly calendar of approximately 25 volunteers projects to participate in based on interest and availability. There is no required time commitment or fee for membership.

## Swanborg from page B1

the value of getting up on time, being responsible for my attendance, being appropriately dressed, and having the language and communication skills to work well with others.

Today, as I watch colleagues anticipating retirement, I see the overt planning that they are doing as they are adjusting to a lifestyle change. Many employers hold classes in retirement planning; financial planners are sending materials everyday; and organizations and resorts are very willing to help in this transition time. What would my life be like if none or most of those underlying expectations were not present?

This description of a middle class lifestyle helps me frame the concerns that I have about the concept of welfare-to-work in a six-week project/program.

### The welfare recipient

If I look at a welfare recipient,

I find a woman who has a dependent child (AFDC = Aid to Families with Dependent Children). I find a woman who has multiple barriers to her success in the world of work: child care, medical care, time management, financial planning, physical and mental abuse, poor social skills, low reading and critical-thinking skills, poor self-esteem, a weak or nonexistent support system, repeated failure in a wide spectrum of choices, often no working private transportation or poor public transportation and often a lack of personal responsibility. Is it any wonder that individuals participating in these programs fail to adapt to their lifestyle changes as a result of a six-week training program?

In addition to learning the specific skills required for the job, the participant must reframe her day by arranging for the care of her children when they are well and when they are

sick, find transportation to the place of training/employment, acquire the clothing necessary for the workplace or dress in the uniform provided, continue to maintain her household with meals, laundry, maintenance, interact positively with supervisors, address chemical dependency if it is an issue, and learn to balance the many simultaneous requests for her time and attention.

There is never the luxury of time to address her own personal needs and wants, hopes and dreams.

Those who have the ability to retire from full-time employment tell me that they are often disoriented (unaware of the day of the week) and initially experience anxiety due to change. Learning about and planning for retirement is a process that consumes them for many months, even years, before they embark on the change.

The more aspects they have thought about and anticipated, the easier the transition. As one humorist wrote, "For better or for worse, but not for lunch every day." Often the seemingly easy changes are the most problematic.

### People in transition

The Women's Resource Center staff has worked with many women who are in transition. Some of the transition is from the home environment to the paid workforce. In our "Chips" (From Chocolate Chips to Micro Chips) program, we systematically address many of the issues mentioned here.

After 16 weeks in the formal program, we can see a dramatic change in many of the participants. Often the affirmation that each is a capable human being has been internalized to the point of belief and that is the driving force for continuing

change.

They have 16 weeks to begin to know themselves and to use that information to make a positive choice. The values of a support system become a reality: someone to call, someone who cares whether you make it or not, someone who will listen, someone who will help solve those difficult decisions, and resources.

After 16 weeks, the participants have their feet firmly in the starting blocks. They are ready to move ahead. Often their track is like a marathon route that has twists and turns, hills and plains, and the finish line is not in sight as they begin. But the cheering crowd is there and some refreshment, too. Some of the hurdles are lower and some are disappearing, while some remain ever-present to be overcome.

Some participants are ready to begin looking for paid employment; others need to build basic skills before employment is realistic. Taking the time to build a strong foundation will have enormous benefits for the future. It reminds me of the adage: "Give one a fish and one eats for a day; teach one to fish and one eats for a lifetime."

Are the welfare-to-work programs unrealistic? I think they are. Lifestyle changes require time for the process. They are not quick fixes. To be effective, they must be integrated into every aspect of a person's life. Six weeks is not long enough for that process to happen and to learn a marketable skill at the same time.

Nancy K. Swanborg is director of the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

## TCBY holds 'Heart' benefit

TCBY Treats Shops and United Cerebral Palsy are asking TCBY lovers to "Have a Heart for UCP."

Now through Sunday, March 1, metropolitan Detroit area TCBY shops will give customers 50 cents off coupons in exchange for a \$1 donation to UCP. Customers also will receive a paper heart to personalize and hang in the store to show off their donation.

TCBY has been a corporate sponsor of UCP for 10 years, donating more than \$1 million a year to help the organization continue its mission of "Turning Obstacles into Opportunities" for people with disabilities.

Most of TCBY's corporate donations come from donations canisters and national programs, but the "Have a Heart for UCP" program, which takes place each year around Valentine's Day, was conceived by Michigan TCBY franchise owners as a way to raise more money locally.

Metro Detroit TCBY franchises can be found in Livonia, Farmington, Troy, Rochester, West Bloomfield, Waterford, Grosse Pointe, Madison Heights, Royal Oak, Port Huron, Sterling Heights and Shelby Township.

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## WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

### Pryce-Swiderek

Matthew David Pryce and Sharon Marie Swiderek were married Oct. 11 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth by the Rev. John Sullivan.

The bride is the daughter of Bill and Pam Swiderek of Canton. The groom is the son of Brad and Jane Pryce of East Lansing.

The bride is a graduate of Divine Child High School in Dearborn and the University of Michigan. She is a fifth grade teacher at Burns Park Elementary School in Ann Arbor.

The groom is a graduate of East Lansing High School and the University of Michigan. He is an assistant business manager at Equity Residential Properties and Trust in Southfield.



They reside in Dearborn Heights and are planning a Caribbean honeymoon cruise at Easter.

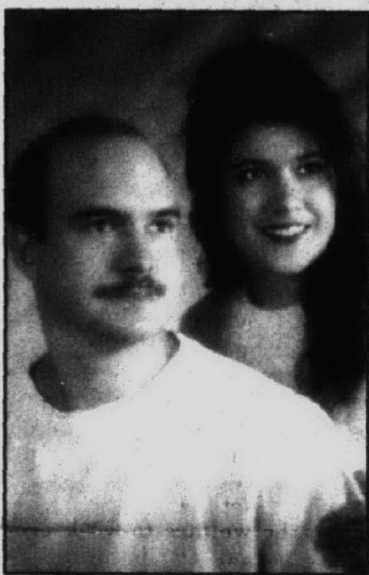
### Clement-Shuttleworth

Clarence Clement of Westland and Mildred Pariseau of Weldon, Calif., announce the engagement of their daughter, Terri L., to Thomas G. Shuttleworth, the son of Michael and Norma Shuttleworth of East Tawas.

The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. She is employed as a legal secretary by KPM Group.

Her fiancé also is 1990 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. He is employed by G. Campo Inc.

A February wedding is planned at St. Genevieve Catholic Church in Livonia.



### Oppen-Ritchie

Michael and Elaine Oppen of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Ronald William Ritchie, the son of Clyde and Sandra Ritchie of Southgate.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Madonna University, and a master's degree candidate at University of Detroit Mercy. She is employed by Southgate Community Schools.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Wayne State University. He is employed as a supervisor with United Parcel Service.

An April wedding is planned at St. Edith's Catholic Church in Livonia.

### Hagan-McCormick

Ken and Gail Hagan of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie, to Sean McCormick, the son of Don and Jerri McCormick of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a student at Eastern Michigan University student where she is pursuing a teaching certificate.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed as a police detective by the Pittsfield Police Department.

A July wedding is planned at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton.



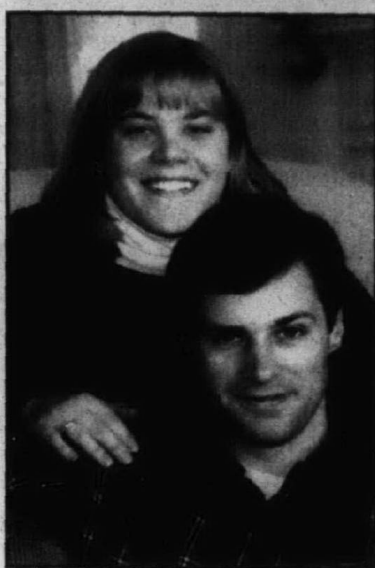
### Thompson-Huntington

Sandra Thompson of Plymouth and Norman J. Thompson of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey C., to Charles R. Huntington Jr., the son of Joann and Charles R. Huntington Sr. of Pennsylvania.

The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. She is employed as a registered nurse at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Ill. He is employed at Smith Barney in Bala Cynwyd, Pa.

An August wedding is planned at Narberth Presbyterian



Church in Narberth, Pa.

### Bist-Badrak

Donald and Delores Bist of



Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Laure, to Derek Badrak, the son of Donald and Jo Badrak, also of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School.

A May wedding is planned at St. Aidan's Catholic Church in Livonia.

### Bernstein-Laurette

Lawrence Hui and Judy Hasty of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Sue Bernstein, to Phillip David Laurette, the son of Frank and Nancy Laurette of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She is employed as a dental receptionist in Westland.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Schoolcraft College with an associate degree in applied science. He is employed as a controls designer for Motorama Engineering Group in Farmington.

A July wedding is planned at the Unitarian



Church of Farmington.

### Lovett-Sukockas

Brad Alvie Lovett and Cindy Marie Sukockas were married Dec. 5 at Martha Mary Chapel in Greenfield Village by Miriam Jarvis.

The bride is the daughter of Elsie Sukockas of Farmington Hills. The groom is the son of Bob and Barbara Lovett of Salem Township.

The bride is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in construction management. She is employed as a construction manager for Graystone Construction Co. in Novi.

The groom, a graduate of Wayne State University with a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Wayne State University, is pursuing a master's degree. He is employed as a chemical engineer at the Budd Company in Troy.

The bride asked Stacy Buatti to serve as her matron of honor with bridesmaids Shelley Malloy and Meghan Post. Sydney DeNuccio and Hayley Wilk served as flower girls.

The groom asked Edward Kull to serve as best man with groomsmen Joel Amyx and Michael Manson. Ronald Sukockas and Michael Buatti served as ushers.

The couple received guests at a reception at Lovett Hall in Greenfield Village, before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Aruba. They are making their home in Farmington Hills.

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# Duggan's 8th annual dance raises money for First Step

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Eight ain't enough as far as

Brian Duggan is concerned.  
The Livonia city councilman  
is hosting the eighth annual

charity dance to benefit First  
Step 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday,  
Feb. 6, at Burton Manor, 27777  
Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.

Steve King, who like Duggan  
graduated from Livonia's Bent-  
ley High School, and his band  
The Dittillies will provide the  
entertainment.

Complimentary hot and cold  
hors d'oeuvres will be served  
7:30-9:30 p.m. Like years past, a  
chef will carve roast beef for din-  
ner. To ease hunger pangs later  
in the evening, pizza will be  
served around 11 p.m.

Individual tickets are \$18 in  
advance, \$23 at the door. Checks  
should be made out to First Step,  
tax I.D. No. 38-220 8980. For  
more information, call Duggan  
at (734) 422-4333 or (734) 591-  
1900. Corporate sponsorships  
are also available.

Duggan came up with the idea  
for a First Step benefit more  
than eight years ago.

"I met Judy Ellis, the director  
of First Step, and she gave me a  
little pitch about what First Step  
is all about," he said of his part-  
nership with the shelter. "I felt  
that it was a really good charity  
to work on. I've been doing it  
ever since."

First Step is a private, non-pro-  
fit agency serving 35 communi-  
ties in western Wayne County  
and Downriver. It provides such  
comprehensive programs as a  
24-hour help line, First Response  
Team to answer calls for inter-  
vention in hospitals, clinics and  
police stations and temporary  
emergency shelter for the vic-  
tims of domestic violence and  
sexual assault.

Duggan's original idea was to  
have a beach party at Camp  
Dearborn, but when those plans  
fell through he chose a charity  
dance. "A couple years later I  
came up with the idea for cor-  
porate sponsors; that gives me

more of an insight of how many  
people are coming. It's been  
growing since then," he said.

Last year, more than 1,200  
people attended the event, and  
200 businesses signed on as cor-  
porate sponsors or donated door  
prizes.

There are three types of spon-  
sorships. The \$1,000 platinum  
sponsors receive a separate, 3-  
by-10 banner with its name on  
it, a full-page ad in the program,  
30 tickets (three reserved tables)  
to the dance, a bottle of cham-  
pagne, a table sign identifying  
the company as a sponsor and  
company recognition in the pro-  
gram.

Gold sponsors who give \$500  
get a separate 3-by-6 banner  
with their company name on it, a  
half-page ad in the program, 20  
tickets (two reserved tables) to  
the dance, a bottle of cham-  
pagne, a table sign identifying  
the company as a sponsor and

company recognition in the pro-  
gram.

For \$200, silver sponsors  
receive 10 tickets (one reserved  
table) to the dance, a bottle of  
champagne on each table, a table  
sign identifying the company as  
a sponsor and company recogni-  
tion in the program.

Duggan has tried to make  
other changes to the event, but  
admits patrons look forward to  
dancing.

"I have tried different things,"  
he said. "I've been trying to get  
comedians out there, but people  
enjoy the atmosphere and they  
enjoy the dancing. That's pretty  
much what they want to do."

Even when the 60 to 100 door  
prizes are handed out, people are  
anxious to return to the dance  
floor.

"Sometimes that gets too long  
because they really want to  
dance," Duggan said.

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priced at 99 cents, Feb. 17-18 for  
shirts and blouses at 99 cents  
each and Feb. 24-25 for pants at  
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ety's 17 store locations - 501  
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Ecorse Road, Allen Park; 12354  
Fort St., Southgate; 1337 24th  
St., Port Huron; 15725 Grand  
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Listings for the Religion Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

## ON THE INTERNET

Newburg United Methodist Church is asking the community to take a few minutes to visit its Web site - <http://www.gbgm-umc.org/newburgumc/> - to find out the many activities and events taking place at the church at 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

## ANNUAL CARD PARTY

St. Richard's Women's Guild will have its annual card party at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, in the church social hall, 35851 Cherry Hill Road, Westland. Sloppy Joes, salad, beverage and dessert will be served. Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased at the door, from a Guild member, or by calling Jan at (734) 721-5353.

## BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance divorced and separated Christians, will have a Together Dance at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Divine Providence Catholic Church, Nine Mile Road between Beech Daly and Telegraph roads. The charge will be \$8, including refreshments. For more information, call Rose at (734) 464-3325.

The group also meets on Sundays for breakfast and Mass - 10 a.m. at the Redford Inn, Five Mile Road west of Beech Daly Road, Redford, and at 11:15 a.m.

at St. Aidan's Church, Farmington Road north of Six Mile Road, Livonia - call Val at (734) 729-1974 - for coffee and conversation at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Archie's Restaurant, Plymouth Road east of Merriman, Livonia, and for pinocle at 7 p.m. every other Friday - call Rose.

## SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries' next installment of "Talk It Over" program will feature Linda Limbers Mitchell speaking about "Goal Setting" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23, in Knox Hall of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Indoor volleyball is offered at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Knox Hall. A \$1 donation is suggested to help maintain the equipment. For more information, call (734) 422-1854.

## SUNDAY LESSONS

"Ground Hog Day" will be the lesson at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at Church of Today West in Village Oaks Elementary School, 23333 Willowbrook, between Haggerty and Meadowbrook roads, Novi. The church also offers youth education, a course in miracles at 7 p.m. Tuesdays and others courses in 4T, meditation and unity basics. For more information, call (248) 449-8900 or at its Web site, <http://www.cotw.com>.

## CONFIDENTIAL HELP

Life Care Ministries of Livonia offers a free, confidential Christian telephone listening service 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. by calling (734) 427-LIFE Monday through Saturday. Life Care Ministries can be reached through P.O. Box

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## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

The radio series, "What Is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Sundays of WQBH-AM 1400. The topic will be "Does Christian Science do anything about the world's problems?" on Feb. 1 and "What would a Christian Scientist do if he were in a serious accident?" on Feb. 8. "The Christian Science Sentinel-Radio Edition" also can be heard at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. The conversational program discusses current public topics as well as shares healing through prayer from people all over the world.

## EXERCISE FUN

The Merriman Road Baptist Church Fitness Bunch meets 6:15-7 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the church, 2055 Merriman Road, Garden City. The program consists of low-impact light aerobics, perfect for toning and shaping muscles. For more information, call the church office at (734) 421-0472.

## NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings, a grief support group held year-round at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, east of Merriman Road, Livonia, continues with its monthly speaker series at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, with "The Grief Process," presented by the Rev. Chuck Quigley. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need. For more information, call the church office at (734)

422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at (248) 380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at (734) 462-3770.

## CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will have its International Student Day and carry-in casserole luncheon at 12:15 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia. Students from other countries will speak about their homelands. The program will be presented by Bill Cameron of the Rotary Club.

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## RETHINKING MARRIAGE

Single Point Ministries' ReMarrieds Ministry will sponsor a Rethinking Marriage When Thinking Remarriage Workshop 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 7, in the Calvin Room of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. Cost will be \$5, including workbook and continental breakfast. Registration can be completed at the door. For more information, call the ReMarried Ministry at (734) 542-7747 or Single Point at (734) 422-1854.

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Single Point also is sponsoring a seven-week divorce recovery workshop at 7 p.m. Thursdays, beginning Feb. 12, in Knox Hall. Cost will be \$30 for those who register the first night of the workshop, \$25 for preregistration and \$15 for those repeating the workshop. Free child care will be provided. For more information, call the Single Point office at (734) 422-1854.

## LAS VEGAS NIGHT

St. Theodore Parish will have a Las Vegas Night 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the parish hall, 8200 Wayne Road, Westland. Admission will be \$3. There will be games of black jack, easy craps, roulette and money wheel. There also will be hourly 50/50 drawings and tickets available for the parish raffle with prizes of a trip for two to Las Vegas (three-night stay), overnight trip for two to Mount Pleasant, overnight trip for two to Windsor. The drawing will be at 9:30 p.m. Food, beer and wine and soft drinks also will be available.

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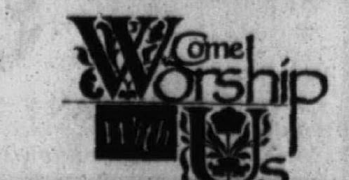
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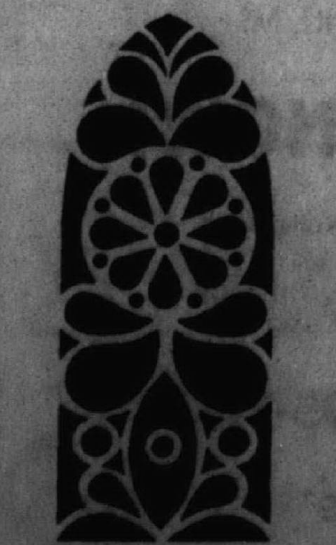
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In Italy: Marian and Clayton Roshirt of Tampa, Fla., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in a grand style. They joined daughter Kathy Herrino (left) of Livonia on a trip to Italy. Herino. Armed with a Livonia Observer, the trio struck a picture postcard pose in front of the ruins of Pompeii.

## McLarens ask friends to tour hospice residence

About the only thing Alexander McLaren loved more than golf was his family. They were very close, and when he died, his wife, Margaret, and their six children and many grandchildren wanted to remember him in a special way.

"He had been ill for five years," Margaret said. "Then that last year he was really sick and we had him in Arbor Hospice care for the last five weeks. That's one good thing about hospice is that they get you to talking about the death."

"My daughter one day said, 'When Dad dies, I'm going to have a golf outing for him.'"

It seemed appropriate. Every time Alexander McLaren wound up in the hospital with complications from his emphysema or gallbladder cancer, the doctors would ask him what his expectation were.

"To swing the golf club one more time," he would reply.

He died in March 1996 and that August the first Alexander McLaren Memorial Golf Tournament took place in Canton.

The family, which hails from Livonia, Canton, Allen Park and White Lake, set up a foundation to run it, elected board members and had monthly meetings.

They contacted businesses for donations and asked for hole

**'My daughter one day said, 'When Dad dies, I'm going to have a golf outing for him.'**

**Margaret McLaren**  
hospice supporter

sponsors. The community response was generous, and they had prizes such as a new Saturn car to give away to the winner of the hole-in-one contest.

From the beginning, Margaret knew she wanted the money to go to Arbor Hospice. Since 1984, the agency has cared for more than 5,000 patients and their families throughout southeast Michigan with more than 600 doctors referring patients.

Margaret and the children were very pleased with the care Alexander McLaren had received. With a new residence being planned to provide comfort and care for terminally ill patients during their last few months, the McLarens made it a goal to sponsor an entire private room.

The Arbor Hospice Residence will open in February, and the Alexander McLaren room is one of many rooms that will provide a comfortable, home-like place for patients who can't die at home for a number of reasons.

The Arbor Hospice Residence has been widely supported by the residents of southeast Michigan. Sixteen of its 26 patient rooms plus the gift shop, hallways, a conference room and dining room were donated by people living in western Wayne County.

Each room is individually decorated, and the McLaren room

has a humming bird theme. Shades of soft green and pale pink and a handcrafted quilt, decorated with appliqued hummingbirds gathering nectar from flowers accent the room.

Along with the two golf tournaments, the foundation has hosted a euchre tournament at the Union Lake Grill and Bar where the owner donated a full course spaghetti and chicken dinner to the card players.

And financial support isn't the only help the McLarens have provided Arbor Hospice. Family members have helped with the Tree of Remembrance ceremony and other projects.

Margaret feels the residence, located in Ann Arbor, is an especially important part of Arbor Hospice.

"At the Tree of Remembrance ceremony, this woman came up to me and said, 'I'm so glad they're building that residence; it gives me a little bit of peace of mind,'" Margaret said.

When asked why, the woman told Margaret, "I've taken care of my mother, my sister and my husband. I'm the only one left. There's no place close enough for me to go."

Thankful for the community support, the McLarens are inviting their supporters to join for an open house 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the residence, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor.

"We've had a lot of good support from a lot of good people," said Margaret.

People wishing to join the McLarens in supporting the Alexander McLaren Foundation, can call Debbie Gambino at (734) 383-8800. For more information about a guided tour of the residence, call (734) 662-5999.

### CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

#### SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Applications are being accepted for the spring craft show Saturday, March 7, at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. The fee is \$90 for a 12-by-12-foot space, \$55 for a 10-by-10-foot space and \$40 for a 8-by-9-foot space or an 8-by-4-foot hallway space. There is an additional \$15 fee for electricity. To receive an application, call the department of marketing and development at (734) 462-4417.

#### ST. MEL'S

St. Mel's Catholic Church will

have its spring arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 7 at the church, 7508 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights. In addition to crafts, food and beverages will be available. There also will be a special crafters raffle. Table and a 5-by-10-foot space costs \$30 and a 5-by-10-foot space only is \$25. For more information, call Debbie at (313) 6881.

#### LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Crafters are wanted for the Livonia Churchill High School PTSA spring arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 21 at the school, 8900 Newburg Road, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 523-0022 or (734) 523-9200.

#### LIVONIA FRANKLIN

The Livonia Franklin High School Patriots Club will have a craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 21 at the school, 31000

Joy Road, Livonia. More than 175 crafters will be featured. Admission will be \$1 for those older than 5 years of age. No strollers will be permitted, however, people in wheelchairs will be admitted at 9:30 a.m.

#### DEARBORN HIGH

The Dearborn High School Yearbook Staff and Class of 1998 is sponsoring a spring arts and crafts extravaganza 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 21 at the school, 19501 Outer Dr. Admission will be \$1. Spaces are still available. For applications, call (313) 562-2677 or (313) 561-0158. Deadline is March 1.

#### LIVONIA STEVENSON

Crafters are needed for the Livonia Stevenson High School Booster Club's Spring Spectacular craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 28 at the school, 33500 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Spaces - 10 feet by 10 feet or 5

feet by 16 feet - cost \$50. Limited electricity is available at no additional cost, and chairs (no tables) are available upon request. For an application or more information, call (734) 464-1041 or (248) 478-2395.

#### MADONNA UNIVERSITY

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 13th annual spring arts and crafts showcase 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 28, in the Activities Center on campus, Schoolcraft and Levan Road, Livonia. Booth space measuring 9 feet by 6 feet with two chairs and one 6-by-8-foot table is \$50. Booths with electricity are limited and are an additional \$5. Exhibitors may purchase up to three spaces. Crafters will receive a \$5 discount, if their forms are received by Sunday, Feb. 1. For more information, call the university at (734) 432-5603.

## Suburban West BPW hears about 'hidden job market'

Joyce Fortier of "Create Your Career" will discuss the hidden job market when the Suburban West Business and Professional Women's Club meets on Monday, Feb. 2.

The group will meet at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Livonia, I-275 and Six Mile Road.

The evening will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m., followed by the dinner and program at 6:30 p.m. There also will be a silent auction.

For more information, call Eunice Taylor at (313) 254-9617.



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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Whalers make Top 40

The Top 40 will be put on ice Feb. 10 in Toronto, and a pair of Plymouth Whalers will be there.

Rookie center David Legwand and second-year defenseman Kevin Holdridge were both selected to the 40-player roster for the Chrysler Cup Challenge, a game featuring hockey's top prospects.

Legwand, who has 39 goals and 31 assists in 38 games this season, is rated second overall for the National Hockey League entry draft, according to the NHL's Central Scouting Bureau.

Holdridge, a 6-foot-4, 200-pound defensive defenseman from Novi, has four goals and 11 assists in 39 games, with a plus-18 plus/minus rating. Holdridge is rated a late first-round pick.

The three-day event surrounding the Chrysler Cup features practices and skill testing, ending with the prospects game, with one team coached by Hockey Night in Canada analyst Don Cherry and the other by Boston Bruin Hall of Famer Bobby Orr.

### Soccer sign-up

■ The city of Plymouth's Department of Recreation will conduct registration for spring youth soccer through Friday at the Recreation office, located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

All registrations require a birth certificate. Cost is \$40 for city of Plymouth residents and \$60 for non-residents. Office hours are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

For more information, call (313) 455-6620.

■ SoccerZone-Nowi is currently accepting registrations, either walk-in or mail-in, for its eight-game third indoor session, which runs from Feb. 14-April 17.

Cost is \$695 per team, not including referee fees which vary by team age division. Individual player fee is \$55.

Registration runs from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. through Feb. 5. SoccerZone-Nowi is located off Grand River between Meadowbrook and Novi roads.

For further information, call (248) 374-0500.

### Adult floor hockey

The Detroit College of Business still has openings for teams in its Sunday afternoon adult indoor floor hockey league.

All games are played at the Sheridan Recreation Center on Pardee in Taylor. Cost is \$550 per team, which includes all expenses for a 10-game season plus playoffs, including referee fees, gym rental and trophies.

Individuals without a team interested in signing up, or anyone wishing further information, should call Kevin Brazell at (313) 581-4400, Ext. 389, or (313) 562-5033.

### Murray's kicking camp

Former Detroit Lion Eddie Murray will conduct a youth placekicking and punting camp June 24-26 at Adrian College in Adrian.

The camp is open to all boys 8-20 years old who are interested in refining their placekicking and punting skills and techniques.

"We're teaching them kicking and punting, but we're also trying to tell them a little bit about life," said Murray, who kicked for the Minnesota Vikings last season. "What we're trying to do is not only make them better kickers, but better people as well."

For more information regarding the camp, call (800) 555-0801. Overnight housing is available.

### Family skate

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 available.

Call (313) 397-5110 for more information or for skating conditions.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may fax them to (313) 591-7279.

## Double defeat is a Whaler setback



There's still more than six weeks left in the season, with 21 games remaining on the Plymouth Whalers' schedule. But an opportunity escaped them last weekend, for certain.

The Whalers battled the London Knights in a back-to-back, home-and-home set, a two-game series that could go a long way toward deciding who the Ontario Hockey League's West Division champion would be.

London entered the weekend seven points in front of Plymouth, but the Knights had also played three more games — which meant the Whalers could conceivably eliminate six of those points.

Unfortunately, Plymouth did not take advantage of the situation. The Knights proved superior in both meetings, beating the Whalers 4-1 Friday in London and 6-1 Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

The double setback left the Whalers trailing the first-place Knights by 11 points.

It was a game for a period both days. Plymouth

drew first blood in each, getting a goal from Eric Gooldy just 1:30 into Friday's game. London tied it 10 minutes later on a goal by Richard Pitirri. Second-period goals by Rico Fata and Jay Legault gave the Knights a lead it would not lose.

The Whalers never did get on track offensively against London and goalie Gene Chiarello, who stopped 22 of 23 shots Friday and 37 of 38 on Saturday. Leading scorers David Legwand, Andrew Taylor and Yuri Babenko, who have 74 Whaler goals com-

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## Canton can't stop Spartans

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

If frustration is creeping up on Plymouth Canton's swim team, it would certainly be understandable. After all, the Chiefs' 112-74 loss Tuesday to Western Lakes Activities Association foe Livonia Stevenson was their fourth in five dual meets this season.

But as Canton coach Kyle Lott is quick to point out, that isn't the case at all. "The way they're reacting to the problems is terrific," he said. "It wasn't a whole lot of fun tonight. Being 1-4 can't be a whole lot of fun."

"But we're probably one of the best 1-4 teams in the state. These kids are very competitive, like me, and I hate to see them get beat up and down the pool. They're swimming tired right now."

Stevenson, ranked in the state's top 10 — indeed, three of the four teams to have beaten Canton in duals are state-ranked — had too many frontrunners for the Chiefs. There were only two first-place finishes for Canton.

The first came from a first-year member of the team: freshman Ryan Cunningham posted his best score ever to capture top honors in diving (172.45 points).

Canton's other win was by Matt Heiss in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:07.98).

There were some other good times turned in by the Chiefs. Mike Dempsey had a season's best by three seconds in the 200 individual medley (2:15.79), finishing third; John Theisen broke a minute for the first time in his career in placing fourth in the 100 butterfly (59.91); and both Jason Musson and Justin Allen had solid performances in

their first swims in the 500 freestyle this season, Musson placing second (5:20.3) and Allen fourth (5:25.5).

Despite their effort, however, it wasn't good enough to catch the Spartans, who had three double-winners in individual events (Keith Falk, 100 and 200 free; Mike Malik, 200 IM and 500 free; and Steve Domin, 50 free and 100 fly).

There was good news for the Chiefs. Don LeClair and Steve Blossom, both major contributors last year who have been idled by injuries (LeClair from knee surgery, Blossom from jaw surgery), returned to action, and David Le, another key competitor who had left the team early in the season, has returned and will swim against Farmington Harrison tonight. All three should boost Canton's fortunes.

"I really don't think we'll get beat in another dual meet this year," Lott predicted.

Still, the Canton coach is looking for something more. "I really haven't seen any of our 'A' guys step up yet," Lott said. "We need them to step up, to get into the top six (in the league)."

The Chiefs are hoping to challenge for the third spot in the WLAA, behind favored Plymouth Salem and Stevenson. But to do so, they'll need a number of their swimmers to drop their times enough to reach the league's top six.

And that won't be easy.

Last Saturday, Canton made a trip to the Monroe Invitational with a short-handed team. The Chiefs' divers did not go along.

How much that hurt Canton is not certain, but the swimmers did their best to propel the Chiefs to a second-place finish.

Milan ended up on top.



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRISLER

Back against it: Canton's Aaron Reeder gives it a good effort in the 100-yard backstroke, but Livonia Stevenson had a bit too much speed for the Chiefs.

## Rocks gain favorite status

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

Sooner or later, time changes everything. Even an American Football Conference team will eventually win a Super Bowl, given enough time.

So when the Seventh Annual Observerland Wrestling Tournament gets under way Saturday morning at Westland John Glenn, expect some changes.

Nothing too drastic — three of last year's top four teams will probably still be at the top of the standings by day's end. What seems likely to change, however, is the order of their finish.

Livonia Stevenson is the reigning Observerland king. Indeed, the Spar-

tans have owned the tournament the last few years, winning three of the last four. Only Redford Catholic Central was able to interrupt that dominance with a championship in '96.

"We've been lucky," said Stevenson coach Don Berg. "We've had some good wrestlers. We still got some good wrestlers, but I don't know if we're good enough to win it this year."

While the Spartans have had to plug holes in their lineup due to injury and graduation losses, the team that gave them the most trouble at last year's Observerland — Plymouth Salem — has flourished.

Which is why the Rocks, beaten by a mere six points at last year's tournament, are the favorites this time.

None of it means too much to Salem coach Ron Krueger. "You know, we're not even ranked in the top 10 in the state, and we've beaten several teams that are," Krueger said. "All that being favored and that other stuff doesn't mean anything."

Well, adhere to that path and the question that follows is: How important is the Observerland Tournament?

The answer: Don't underestimate it. "It's our last tune-up," Krueger said. "After this weekend, we have a week off, then we come right back in with the (Western Lakes Activities Association) tournament."

"We just have to keep ourselves

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### Observerland Tournament

■ **When:** Wrestling begins at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

■ **Where:** Westland John Glenn HS.

■ **Admission:** \$4 (for all day). Concessions available.

■ **Teams competing:** Plymouth Salem, Plymouth Canton, Farmington, Redford Union, Farmington Harrison, Garden City, North Farmington, Redford Catholic Central, Westland John Glenn, Wayne Memorial, Livonia Churchill, Redford Thurston, Lutheran Westland, Livonia Clarenceville, Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevenson.

■ **Defending champion:** Livonia Stevenson.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Board battle: SC's Dan Gomez (middle), from Canton, and Jose Bru get rebounding position.

## Ocelots mangle Macomb

A problem has emerged with Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team.

It has not been totally unexpected. When Ocelot coach Carlos Briggs was informed he would lose two of his top seven players to academics earlier this month, he knew depth could become troublesome.

Which means finishing games could be a problem.

In the second half of last Saturday's game against Mott CC and Monday's game at Macomb CC, SC was outscored by a combined total of 26 points. Fortunately, the Ocelots had a big enough cushion Monday against Macomb to withstand the onslaught: They won, 93-84,

after building a 50-31 lead by halftime.

SC was not as fortunate against Mott. The 42-36 halftime lead wasn't enough; the Bears moved into a tie for first place in the Eastern Conference with an 85-75 come-from-behind win.

"We didn't handle their pressure well at all," said Briggs of the loss to Mott. "And it's something we can do. It was just one of those games."

"We didn't rebound the basketball well, either. (Mott) out-rebounded us badly."

Monday's win was much-needed. It raised SC's overall record to 18-4; the Ocelots' conference mark is 7-1. With

Henry Ford CC losing at St. Clair CCC Monday, two teams remained atop the conference standings entering Wednesday's games: Mott and SC.

Derek McKelvey's career-best 35-point scoring performance, which included six three-pointers, keyed the victory over Macomb. Others also played major roles, however. Kevin Melson contributed 26 points and 14 rebounds, Emeka Okonkwo tossed in 16 points, and Dan Gomez netted 10 points.

Reno Thompson's 30 points was tops for the Monarchs (7-11 overall, 2-6 in the conference).

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## Crusaders knock off Tech to earn a split

Madonna University rebounded from a lopsided loss in Friday's first round of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Classic Tournament to earn a split by beating Indiana Tech Saturday in women's basketball.

On Friday, the Lady Crusaders were thumped by Central State (Ohio) 98-73. The Marauders are ranked in the NAIA's top 10.

On Saturday, five players reached double-figures in scoring to propel Madonna to a 93-86 triumph over Tech.

The split left the Crusaders at 13-8 overall.

The loss to Central State overshadowed a career-best performance from freshman center Lori Enfield, who led Madonna with 18 points (on 8-of-13 shooting) and 11 rebounds. Jennifer Jacek contributed 16 points.

However, for the second-straight game, the Crusaders top points producers were throttled. Chris Dietrich and Katie Cushman, who combined to score just nine points in a loss to Siena Heights a day earlier (they average more than 27), totaled 11 on 5-of-16 shooting against Central State. Cushman did have six assists and Dietrich got four, with two steals.

Central State was led by Marieme Lo, who poured in 30 points (13-of-21 from the floor), grabbed nine rebounds and had three steals. Sheba Lewis and Melissa Richards added 16 points apiece, and Sheri Ponto got 12 points and 13 assists.

In the win over Indiana Tech,

### WOMEN'S HOOP

Cushman and Dietrich hit stride, combining for 26 points on 8-of-14 shooting. Cushman had 19 points and four assists; Dietrich added seven points and four assists.

Enfield turned in her second consecutive strong performance, going 8-for-8 from the field to score 16 points. Angie Negri added 13 points, five assists and two steals; Michelle Miela got 11 points; Melissa Poma finished with 10 points; and Dawn Pelc totaled seven points, and 10 rebounds.

Indiana Tech got 25 points from Jan Johnson, 15 from Michelle Curry, and 10 apiece from Dawn Howard and Kelly Hays.

**Macomb CC 88, SC 58:** Schoolcraft College proved no match for the unbeaten frontrunner in the Eastern Conference Monday at Macomb CC.

The loss was the second-straight for the Lady Ocelots as their overall record fell to 9-9. They are 5-3 in the conference.

Macomb is 13-4 overall, 8-0 in the conference.

Deidra Fields riddled SC for 35 points and 13 rebounds. The Ocelots were paced by Amber Tackett's 18 points.

Last Saturday at SC, the Ocelots were upended by Mott CC 59-56. Mott lost Monday at Oakland CC, 68-62, dropping the Lady Bears to 6-14 overall, 3-5 in the conference.



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Stretching it: Jenni Talbot (right) goes after a loose ball for SC during Saturday's game against Mott. Talbot won this battle, but the Lady Ocelots lost the game.

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Mott, which improved to 15-4 overall with a victory over Oakland CC Monday, got strong play from its guards in beating SC last Saturday. Alex Spivey collected 17 points and Roy Davis scored 14 as the Ocelots battled to overcome the Bears' pressure.

Fouls also took their toll. Okonkwo sat out most of the second half in foul trouble; he eventually fouled out with three minutes left and SC trailing by six.

Melson's 23 points paced the Ocelots. McKelvey added 17 and Jose Bru came off the bench to score a much-needed 14.

SC will get another shot at the Bears Feb. 18 in Flint. "If we attack their pressure, this is a team we can beat," said Briggs.

There's a lot more territory to cover before that showdown,

however.

**St. Mary's 99, Madonna 85:** Three Eagles combined for 73 points Saturday in Orchard Lake as St. Mary's College bested Madonna University for the second time this season.

The loss dropped Madonna to 2-19 overall.

Kevin Spencer did most of the damage for St. Mary's, pouring in 33 points (on 12-of-20 floor shooting) and grabbing 16 rebounds. Al Rogers and Pierre Brown contributed 20 points apiece; Rudy Elliott netted 12. Between those four, they made 27-of-46 shots (58.7 percent).

For the Crusaders, Mark Hayes led with 19 points and seven assists. Jason Maschke (from Livonia Franklin) had 17 and nine boards, Erick Giovanni (Livonia Stevenson) collected 14 points and nine rebounds. Chad Putnam (Redford Thurston) scored 13, grabbed six rebounds and had three steals, and John-Mark Branch and Narvin Russaw each totaled 11 points, with Branch hauling down eight boards.

However, their combined shooting was 35-of-83 (42.2 percent). St. Mary's was also 30-of-43 from the free-throw line (69.8 percent) to Madonna's 7-of-14 (50 percent).

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### BOYS BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 30

Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 7 p.m.  
Harper Wds. at Luth. W'sd, 7 p.m.  
Wayne at Romulus, 7 p.m.  
Lincoln Park at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
Southgate at Redford Union, 7 p.m.  
Melvindale at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
Farmington at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Northville at Harrison, 7 p.m.

W. Wayne at Canton Agape, 7:15 p.m.  
Canton at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.

Franklin at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.

N. Farmington at Salem, 7:30 p.m.

Redford GC at Borgess, 7:30 p.m.

St. Agatha at Del. Loyola, 7:30 p.m.

PCA at Taylor Baptist, 7:30 p.m.

Huron Valley vs. Warren Bethesda at Marshall Middle School, 7:30 p.m.

#### MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Saturday, Jan. 31

S'craft at OCC-Orchard Ridge, 3 p.m.

#### WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Thursday, Jan. 29

Madonna at Aquinas, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 31

S'craft at OCC-Orchard Ridge, 1 p.m.

Madonna at Bluffton (Ohio), 3 p.m.

#### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Jan. 29

Clarenceville at Liggett, 6:30 p.m.

Aquinas at Borgess, 7 p.m.

Huron Valley at Taylor Baptist, 7 p.m.

PCA at Oakland Christian, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 30

Ply. Christian at Agape, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 31

Romulus Invitational, 8:30 a.m.

UM-Dearborn Tournament, 8:30 a.m.

E. Kentwood Tournament, TBA.

Country Day Tournament, TBA.

Greenhills Invitational, TBA.

#### PREP HOCKEY

Thursday, Jan. 29

Redford Union vs. Franklin at Redford Ice Arena, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 30

Churchill vs. Stevenson, at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 31

Franklin vs. W.L. Central at Lakeland Ice Arena, 8:20 p.m.

Redford CC vs. G.P. North at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

#### ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Jan. 30

Whalers at Sarnia, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 31

Ply. Whalers vs. Sarnia at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 1

Ply. Whalers vs. Kitchener at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

#### PREP WRESTLING

Saturday, Jan. 31

Observerland Tournament

\* at Westland Glenn, 9:30 a.m.

### BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES

Following is a list of Observerland boys best swimming times and diving scores. Coaches can report updates to Dan O'Meara by calling (313) 953-2141 or faxing the information to (313) 591-7279.

#### 200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY

Livonia Stevenson 1:40.62  
Plymouth Salem 1:43.04  
Redford Catholic Central 1:44.38  
Plymouth Canton 1:44.82  
North Farmington 1:46.23

#### 200 FREESTYLE

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:45.45  
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 1:48.97  
Nick Corden (Salem) 1:49.39  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 1:50.30  
Matt Baran (Redford CC) 1:52.31  
Jason Musson (Canton) 1:53.35  
Brent Mellis (Salem) 1:53.37  
Pete Bosler (Farmington) 1:54.50  
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 1:55.18  
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:55.20

#### 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 2:00.73  
Nick Sosnowski (Redford CC) 2:01.67  
Steve Domin (Stevenson) 2:05.49  
Brent Mellis (Salem) 2:05.73  
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 2:06.18  
Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington) 2:07.36  
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 2:07.44  
Nick Corden (Salem) 2:07.49  
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 2:08.58  
Brian Mertens (Salem) 2:11.51

#### 50 FREESTYLE

Steve Domin (Stevenson) 22.11  
Nick Corden (Salem) 22.14  
Andrew Locke (Salem) 22.44  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 23.08  
Dan Kelly (Salem) 23.10  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 23.13  
Jacob Varty (Stevenson) 23.21  
Matt Zald (N. Farmington) 23.29  
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 23.36  
Matt Baran (Redford CC) 23.70

#### DIVING

Joe Lelovic (N. Farmington) 243.40  
J.T. Svoke (Harrison) 237.10  
Jeff Phillips (John Glenn) 223.55  
Chris Cameron (Salem) 223.00  
John Lowry (Farmington) 221.00  
Mike Belvith (Salem) 189.40  
Dave Sutton (Redford Union) 183.60  
Mike Dzikowski (Franklin) 182.00  
Greg Brazunas (Redford CC) 174.90  
Ryan Cunningham (Canton) 172.45

#### 100 BUTTERFLY

Steve Domin (Stevenson) 53.16  
Mark Sgriccia (Stevenson) 54.17  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 55.34  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 55.56  
Nick Sosnowski (Redford CC) 55.66

James McPartlin (John Glenn) 56.31

Paul Perez (Salem) 56.86

Brent Mellis (Salem) 58.38

Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 58.43

Matt Tobkin (Redford CC) 58.45

#### 100 FREESTYLE

Nick Corden (Salem) 48.47  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 49.02  
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 49.80  
Steve Domin (Stevenson) 49.84  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 50.00  
Andrew Locke (Salem) 51.14  
Matt Baran (Redford CC) 51.40  
Pete Bosler (Farmington) 51.85  
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 51.17  
Ryan Zounbaris (John Glenn) 51.60

#### 500 FREESTYLE

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 4:48.79  
Nick Sosnowski (Redford CC) 4:49.30  
Steve Domin (Stevenson) 4:57.05  
Brian Mertens (Salem) 5:03.06  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 5:03.41  
Brent Mellis (Salem) 5:05.43  
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 5:05.84  
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 5:09.05  
Paul Perez (Salem) 5:11.80  
Justin Barringer (Harrison) 5:14.21

#### 200 FREESTYLE RELAY

Plymouth Salem 1:29.70  
Livonia Stevenson 1:34.36  
North Farmington 1:35.90  
Plymouth Canton 1:38.16  
Redford Catholic Central 1:38.54

#### 100 BACKSTROKE

Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington) 55.23  
Nick Sosnowski (Redford CC) 56.03  
Nick Corden (Salem) 56.17  
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 56.61  
Mark Sgriccia (Stevenson) 57.23  
Brent Mellis (Salem) 57.53  
Aaron Reader (Canton) 58.74  
Devon Hopper (Farmington) 58.85  
Josh Duffy (Harrison) 58.91  
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 59.39

#### 100 BREASTSTROKE

Ryan Zounbaris (John Glenn) 1:04.05  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:04.47  
Matt Walker (Harrison) 1:03.34  
Jody Gomez (Franklin) 1:04.87  
Paul Connolly (Redford CC) 1:05.57  
Matt Heiss (Canton) 1:06.27  
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 1:07.31  
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 1:07.67  
Dave Bosman (Franklin) 1:07.73  
Kevin VanTiem (Stevenson) 1:07.80

#### 400 FREESTYLE RELAY

Plymouth Salem 3:20.38  
Livonia Stevenson 3:21.07  
Redford Catholic Central 3:26.34  
North Farmington 3:33.32  
Plymouth Canton 3:34.18

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bined, were held scoreless.

On Saturday, the Whalers again had the early lead, thanks to a power-play goal by Harold Druken (his 23rd of the season) midway through the first period. Legault tied it for London on the power play with 2:42 left in the opening period.

Three second-period goals left the Knights in control. Max Spiridonov finished with a goal and three assists for London. Former Whaler Mark Cadotte scored a goal in each game for London, giving him 29 for the season.

The Whalers will once again have a busy weekend. They play at Sarnia Friday, host the Sting at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, then entertain Kitchener at 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

### ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS (Through Jan. 27)

East Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Belleville Bulls	31	16	2	64
Ottawa 67's	29	11	7	59
Kingston Frontenacs	26	17	3	55
Oshawa Generals	19	25	4	42
Peterborough Petes	18	29	5	37
Toronto St. M. Majors	10	27	8	28
Central Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Quincy Storm	31	12	5	67
Sarnia Colts	30	13	3	63
Kitchener Rangers	18	20	6	42
Owen Sound Platers	19	25	2	40
Sudbury Wolves	16	30	4	36
North Bay Centennials	12	31	6	30
West Division	W	L	T	Pts.
London Knights	31	14	3	65
Plymouth Whalers	25	16	4	54
Sarnia Sting	22	17	8	52
Erie Otters	20	26	2	42
St. Catharines	15	27	6	36
Windsor Spitfires	15	30	3	33

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# Viking pressure jolts Chiefs

## Canton claims win

The pressure was on for Plymouth Canton's basketball team. And as their coach, Dan Young, summarized: "We didn't deal with it very well."

Walled Lake Central attacked one of the Chiefs' weak points relentlessly, building a huge first-half lead and keeping it throughout for a 62-44 Western Lakes Activities Association triumph Tuesday at Central.

The win ended Canton's two-game winning streak, dropping the Chiefs to 3-7 overall and to 2-2 in the WLAA. Central evened its overall mark at 5-5; the Vikings are 3-2 in the WLAA.

"We didn't deal with their pressure very well," Young repeated, "and that was pretty much the story. We got down early and had to play catch-up, and that's hard for us."

Central took full advantage of Canton's inexperience in constructing a 20-9 lead by the end of the first quarter. The Vikings increased that to 34-17 by half-time.

Four players reached double figures in scoring for Central: Cory Heitsch (14), Dave Cardinal (12), Nick Hall (11) and Todd Negoshian (10).

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Canton had just one player in doubles: Joe Cortellini scored 15. Eric Larsen was next highest with seven.

"One of our goals in practice is to get better against pressure," said Young. "We're a young team — we're going to have our ups and downs. One of the problems we've had all season is handling pressure. We haven't dealt with it all season."

The Chiefs will get another chance when they play at Livonia Churchill Friday.

**Salem 63, Northville 43:** Bit of an adjustment defensively and — voila! — another victory for Plymouth Salem.

For the Rocks, the win was their eighth-straight, pushing their overall record to 8-2. They are 4-0 in the WLAA.

Salem led 18-15 after one quarter, then made a few defensive changes that limited the Mustangs to 28 points over the last three quarters.

"We stepped up our defense a bit, played more aggressively," said Rocks' coach Bob Brodie. "We started it in the second

quarter, and it carried over to the second half. "(Northville) turned it over quite a bit in the second quarter."

Three Rocks reached double-figures in scoring, led by Jeff McKian with 15 points, 10 rebounds, five assists and three blocked shots. Bhavin Patel added 12 points and Andy Power had 10 points, five assists and five steals.

Dave Terakedis paced Northville with 12 points. Salem outscored the Mustangs 17-8 in the second quarter and 28-20 in the second half.

**PCA 67, Oakland Christian 62:** It was another important league game for Plymouth Christian Academy Tuesday, and the Eagles came away with another important win.

Host PCA kept Auburn Hills Oakland Christian behind with clutch free throw shooting down the stretch, allowing the Eagles to improve to 9-2 overall, 3-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Oakland Christian, the defending MIAC champ, fell to 4-5 overall, 1-3 in the league.

"This is a big win for us," said

PCA coach Doug Taylor. "They've been handing us our lunch for a long time."

Indeed, this is only the third time PCA has beaten Oakland Christian since 1985. "We won ugly," Taylor said, "but we won."

Scott Carty's deadly three-point shooting again played a role. The senior guard scored 24 points, including six three-pointers. Jordan Rose added 14 points and Derric Isensee had 12.

Aaron Willson's 27 points paced Oakland Christian. Jimmy Mehlberg had 14 and Dustin Quarrella 12.

PCA led 15-13 after one quarter and 28-24 at the half. The Eagles were clinging to a 41-38 advantage after three quarters.

A 26-22 scoring advantage in that final period sparked the Eagles. Carty had seven in the quarter and Rose scored six, but the key points came from James Jones, who came off the bench to net six points, and Isensee. Both were 4-for-4 from the free-throw line in the final period.

Mike Lehoczyk added to the Eagles' bench performance, grabbing seven rebounds.

It was close — right down to the final rotation.

In fact, the outcome of Monday's dual meet between Plymouth Canton and the tri-Farmington team seemed to be leaning toward Farmington after three events. Canton was ahead by nearly two points, but Farmington's final event would be the floor exercise while the Chiefs were on the balance beam.

And anyone who's familiar with gymnastics knows more points are usually scored in floor than beam.

Unless, of course, your team happens to be Canton.

"Canton's always been a beam team," said Chiefs' coach John Cunningham. His gymnasts proved it by scoring 35.15 points on beam to Farmington's 34.85 on floor.

That gave the Chiefs a 138.05-135.00 victory at the Farmington Training Center.

Canton improved to 6-3 overall in duals, 2-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

"They've just got a very good team," Farmington coach Jeff Dwyer said of the Chiefs.

Canton gymnasts posted the

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best scores in three of the four events, with Liz Fitzgerald getting two of those. Fitzgerald won the vault (8.9) and uneven parallel bars (9.15); she was also second in the beam (8.9).

Fitzgerald's all-around total of 35.45 was highest in the meet.

Amy Driscoll had Canton's other first-place finish, winning the beam (8.95).

While the Chiefs dominated the beam, claiming the top four positions to outscore Farmington 35.15-33.1 in the event, Farmington got the better of Canton in floor exercise, posting the top three scores to outpoint the Chiefs 34.85-34.05.

Brook Rubin, whose all-around total of 35.0 was second to Fitzgerald, was first in floor (9.0). Kelly Barenie was second (8.85) and Marie Law was third (8.75) for Farmington.

Marcie Emerick, who had a second in vault (8.85), a third in bars (8.65), and fourths in both beam (8.6) and floor (8.65), had the third-best all-around total (34.65).

## Battling the best

### No. 1 Holt holds off Salem

The final score seemed a bit confusing, and it certainly was upsetting to Plymouth Salem, which came out second to defending Class A state champion Holt at last Saturday's Holt Invitational Wrestling Tournament.

"If you score everything, which is what it seems they did, then we should have won," said Salem coach Ron Krueger. "We were right there with them. I'm not going to worry."

According to the final tally, Holt totaled 279.5 points to finish first. Salem was next with 266.5, followed by Bay City Western (248), Swartz Creek (238.5), Grosse Pointe North (229), East Kentwood (173.5), St. John's (148), Port Huron Northern (143), Walled Lake Central (128), Midland and Holt's 'B' team (each with 101), Ferndale (99), Lakeland (77), Owosso (72.5) and Portage Northern (70.5).

Four Rocks finished first in their weight divisions. Perhaps most impressive among them was the performance of Charlie Hamblin at heavyweight. In the championship match, Hamblin faced Port Huron Northern's James Nelson, who finished third in the state last year. Hamblin emerged with the win,

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2-1 in overtime.

Another of the Rocks champions was Teono Wilson at 189. He beat Swartz Creek's Steve Bright 10-2 in the championship round.

Anwar Crutchfield turned in one of the tournament's most impressive performances with five pins in five matches at 160, including a victory in 3:57 over Port Huron's Northern's Nate Hurst in the division final.

The Rocks' fourth champion was at the other end of the weight scale: John Mervyn, who won the title at 103 with a 6-3 triumph over Holt's Jack Scott in the championship bout.

Three other Salem wrestlers managed third-place finishes: Dan Morgan at 119, with a pin of Swartz Creek's Joe Broderick in 2:59 of the consolation final; Josh Henderson at 125, with a 7-1 victory over Walled Lake Central's John O'Brien in the consolation final; and James Greene at 145, with a 3-1 triumph over Bay City Western's Brandon Brissette in the consolation final.

Rob Ash (112) and Dan Hamblin (140) both came away with fourth-place finishes. Hamblin lost in the consolation final by

injury default after hurting his hand; he will not wrestle at Saturday's Observerland Tournament.

### Demsick paces Canton

There wasn't a whole lot of positives for Plymouth Canton at last Saturday's Belleville Invitational, but it wasn't all so bad, either.

The Chiefs finished 14th in the 17-team tournament. Best performance among them came from Robert Demsick at 160 pounds. Demsick defeated Steve Wolf of Belleville 7-3 in the consolation final to place third.

The victory was a bit of vengeance for Demsick; a week earlier at the Romulus Invitational, Wolf had beaten him in a close match. For the day, Demsick collected four match wins at Belleville.

"We knew right off that many strong teams would be there, so we went there for the experience and to win matches where we could," said Canton assistant coach John Demsick. "We were able to stay out of the bottom three places as a team, so that's a start."

Canton will be among the 16-team field at Saturday's Observerland Tournament at Westland John Glenn.

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together."

That's something the Rocks have done quite well all season. Their lineup has few weak spots.

"They're real solid, all the way through," said CC coach Mike Rodriguez of Salem. His Shamrocks placed fourth last year, but he believes Salem's lineup is too complete for his team to challenge.

What Rodriguez will have in his lineup are two returning Observerland champs in Mitch Hancock, who won in '97 at 112 but has wrestled up to 135 this year, and Casey Rogowski, now a heavyweight who is unbeaten this season.

"We're young," said Rodriguez. "We only have two seniors."

Stevenson, which had just one Observerland champion last year (Nick Petryk, who graduated), still has plenty of firepower

in Katsuhiko Sueda, Chris Goins, Dan Seder, Jeff Brach, Brian Barker and Joe Moreau. Goins and Barker placed third at the '97 tournament, while Sueda, Seder, Brach and Moreau all lost in the finals.

Several other defending Observerland champs return, like Wayne Memorial's William Laramie (heavyweight) and Nate Wensko (103) and John Glenn's John Fedulchak (140) and Matt Biddinger (152).

"Both Salem and CC have strong teams, strong traditions," said Berg. "It'll be interesting. If everything falls just right, we could wrestle well."

"We'll show up. We'll be there, we'll battle. You never know, if things fall our way."

Krueger won't be hoping for luck, although the status of one

of his better wrestlers — 140-pound Dan Hamblin, who lost in the Observerland finals last year — is still in doubt. Hamblin injured his hand at the Holt Invitational last Saturday.

Salem does have one returning Observerland champion in James Greene at 135. Several others could challenge for titles, including John Mervyn at 103, Rob Ash at 112, Dan Morgan at 119, Anwar Crutchfield at 160, Teono Wilson at 189 and Charlie Hamblin at heavyweight.

"If we go in and wrestle the way we can, we'll do well," said Krueger. With victories already this year over Stevenson and CC, the odds would certainly seem to be in the Rocks' favor.

Of course, Green Bay was thinking the same thing at Sunday's Super Bowl.

## Charger rally shocks Falcons

Livonia Churchill made it a clean sweep of the three Farmington schools Tuesday, clawing back from a 17-point halftime deficit to earn a 72-71 boys basketball triumph at Farmington.

The Chargers, fresh from a 51-45 upset Friday of Farmington Harrison, outscored the host Falcons 46-28 in the second half.

Churchill is 4-6 overall and 3-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Farmington drops to 6-4 and 1-3.

Corey Cook, Lamar Smith and Erik Uhlinger combined for

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32 second-half points to lead the comeback.

Cook, a senior forward, finished with a game-high 19. Smith added 17, while Uhlinger had 12, including the game-winning free throw with 16 seconds left.

Uhlinger also had nine assists and eight steals.

Junior guard Justin Jakes added 10 points, 12 assists, four steals and four rebounds.

Farmington's 6-foot-6 senior center Trevor Gaines led all scorers with 24.

Matt Orr and Justin Milus contributed 15 and 14, respectively, for the Falcons.

Farmington's Ryan Gargol cut the deficit to one with a pair of free throw with 10 seconds left.

Churchill followed with a turnover, but the Chargers' George Kithas sealed the win when he deflected a lob pass intended for Gaines and into the hands to Uhlinger as time expired.

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# Early rampage boosts Shamrocks to win over Rice

BY JOE KYRIAKOZA  
STAFF WRITER

If only the Birmingham Brother Rice basketball team had played the entire game with the same gusto and enthusiasm it exhibited in the fourth quarter.

If only the Warriors sprawled and clawed for every loose ball, banged for every rebound and worked hard for good shots in the first three quarters. If ...

The big IF. Had the Rice players performed all of the above from the opening tip 'till the final buzzer, the outcome would undoubtedly have been different.

Instead, visiting Redford Catholic Central took the lead with 4:21 left in the first quarter and never let go of it, holding off a late but inspired comeback by Brother Rice to claim a 71-67

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victory on Tuesday in Catholic League Central Division action.

"In our league on the road you've just got to be happy to get the win," Central (7-2, 4-1) coach Rick Coratti said. "Rice and Catholic Central are great rivals and that always comes into play. It's always a tough game."

Rice, which fell to 6-5 overall and 2-3 in the league, nearly avenged a 13-point third-quarter deficit with a 29-20 fourth quarter, but fell short as Central hit 8 of 8 free throws down the stretch.

"I felt pretty good with our free throw shooting toward the end," Coratti said. "I thought we had our best free throw shooters in the game."

Rice stayed competitive throughout the contest thanks to the sharp shooting of senior forward Jon Poyer, who scored 10 of his 29 points in the final period. But Central countered with the interior dominance of 6-11 senior Chris Young. The University Michigan-bound center collected 24 points, including 15 in the second half.

"We did a decent job of freeing him up inside," Coratti said of Young.

"In a game like this," Rice coach Bill Norton said, "they go to Young and we go to Poyer. If anything (we didn't go to Poyer) enough."

"I'd like to have two Jon Poyers, one to play inside and one to play outside."

The bulk of Poyer's points came from the outside, but the senior was Rice's only outside threat as the Warriors were unable to exploit Central's 2-3 zone defense.

"We needed to make shots," Norton said. "That was the key. They were in a 2-3 zone so we have to make those open shots and we have to recognize how to get those shots."

Especially in the first half, the Warriors failed to make most of their open shots as they trailed 16-10 after the first quarter.

Three straight buckets increased the Shamrocks' lead to 10 with 6:00 remaining in the second quarter. Poyer closed out the half with a jumper and a pair of free throws as Rice trailed 31-21.

The third quarter belonged to Young as he tallied 13 points including two three-point plays. Central sophomore forward Rob Sparks high-arching 3-pointer with under a minute left in the third quarter made the Warriors' deficit 51-38.

Rice, though, fought back to make it close early in the fourth backed by an 8-0 run which cut

the lead to 51-46 with 6:16 remaining. But a pair of gutsy 3-pointers by senior guard Joe Jonna with 4:59 and 1:46 left kept Rice at a safe distance.

Poyer renewed hope for Rice with :57 seconds left as his 3-point shot swished and he was fouled. Poyer missed the free throw but the deficit was down to two points. Central went 6-6 from the charity stripe in the final 35 seconds to seal the win.

Young added 10 rebounds and four steals to his Central team-high 24 points. Jonna scored 13 points and hauled down nine rebounds and Sparks tossed in 12. Junior point guard Nick Moore added 10 points and eight assists.

Rice senior center J.P. Sullivan followed Poyer in the scoring column with 10 points off the bench. Senior forward Chris Petty collected nine points, six boards and three steals while guards Leon McDonald and Ron Austin had six points apiece.

Norton refuses to mail the season in because of one tough home loss.

"Win or lose, this does not make or break our season," Norton said. "We've got five big games coming up with teams that we played already and were 2-3 against. We need to do better this time."

The road to improvement can begin for the Warriors at home

tomorrow as they host Warren De Lasalle. Catholic Central looks to continue its Catholic League success at Redford Bishop Borgess tomorrow.

**John Glenn 73, Franklin 72 (OT):** Sophomore Yaku Moton poured in 17 of his career-high 25 points during the second half Tuesday as host Westland John Glenn (7-3, 5-0) outlasted Livonia Franklin (4-6, 0-6) in overtime.

The 6-7 Moton and sophomore guard Eric Jones combined for 10 of 11 Glenn overtime points.

Jones had six, including a three-pointer, en route to a 19-point outing. Junior forward Stephen Lawson added 11 points.

Franklin senior guard Nick Mongeau led all scorers with a 27 points, hitting seven 3-pointers. He scored all 10 Franklin overtime points.

Senior guard Eddie Wallace contributed 24, including 13 in the final period.

Wallace scored with nine seconds remaining to give the Patriots a 62-60 lead. Jones answered, forcing overtime on a basket with just one second to go in regulation.

Franklin led 21-17 after one quarter as Mongeau connected on a desperation three-pointer from half-court.



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## HOLLIDAY NATURE PRESERVE

The Holliday Nature Preserve Association meets monthly at the Livonia Civic Center Library. The next meeting begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4. Call (313) 522-8547 for more information.

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

## WINTER WALK

Kathy Treppa will lead a winter walk beginning at 12 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at the William P. Holliday Nature Preserve in Westland. Call (313) 522-8547 for more information.

## OUTDOOR SHOWS

## CAMPER &amp; RV SHOW

The 32nd Annual Detroit Camper & RV Show will be held Feb. 7-15 at the Novi Expo Center (I-96 and Novi Road). Show hours are 2 to 9 p.m. Saturdays, and noon to 6 p.m. Sundays. Admission is \$6.50 (age 13 and up), \$2 for children 6-12, and children five and under will be admitted free. Two-for-One coupons are available exclusively at participating MARVAC dealers.

## DEER &amp; TURKEY SPECTACULAR

The Michigan Deer & Turkey Spectacular will be held Feb. 13-15 at the Lansing Civic Center. Show hours are 4-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13; 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14; and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15.

day, Feb. 15. Admission is \$8 adult, \$3 for children ages 6-11 and children ages five and under will be admitted free. Friday is Family Night and all children ages 15 and under will be admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

## BOAT, SPORT &amp; FISHING

The 15th annual Boat, Sport and Fishing Show will take place Feb. 18-22 at the Pontiac Silverdome.

## OUTDOORAMA

Outdoorama '98 Sport and Travel show will take place Feb. 20-March 1 at the Novi Expo Center. Show hours are 4-9:30 p.m. Feb. 20, 23, 24, 26 and 27; 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Feb. 21 and 28; 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Feb. 22; noon-9:30 p.m. Feb. 25; and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. March 1. Admission is \$6.50 adult, \$3 for children 12 and under, and children ages five and under will be admitted free. A two-day adult pass is available for \$10 and a two-day children's pass is \$5.

## SPORTFISHING EXPO

The 10th annual Greater Detroit Sportfishing and Travel Expo will be held March 5-8 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

## MEETINGS

## NRC

The next monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Feb. 11-12 at the Lansing Center. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should call Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 a week in advance to request assistance. The Commission will take public comment on the issue of legalizing the use of raised platforms during the firearms deer season. Persons wishing to give testimony should call Golden to arrange for a time to address the commission.

## FISHING CLUBS

## METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

## MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Junior High School. Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

## FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Livonia Civic Center. Lt. Larry Schmoekel of the Wayne County Sheriff Marine Division will be the guest speaker at the Feb. 4 meeting. Call Jim Kudej at (313) 591-0843 for more information.

## FISHING BUDDIES

Fishing Buddies Fishing Club meets monthly in Rochester Hills. The meetings are open to all anglers. Call (248) 656-0556 for more information.

## CLINTON VALLEY BASS ANGLERS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Garden Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 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.

## SEASON/DATES

## GOOSE

The special late Canada goose season runs through Feb. 1 in southern Michigan. The boundaries for the late hunt have been changed this year and are now the same as those for the South Zone of the regular waterfowl season. The entire south zone is open during the late hunt with the exception of the five GMU's.

## RABBIT

Rabbit season runs through March 31 statewide.

## TURKEY

Feb. 1 is the deadline to apply for a spring turkey permit.

## SHOOTING RANGES

## BALD MOUNTAIN

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours are 10 a.m. to dusk on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd. (three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills). Call (810) 814-9193 for more information.

## PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (810) 666-1020 for more information.

## ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours through Dec. 22 are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (810) 693-6767 for more information.

## ARCHERY

## JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

## JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

## METROPARKS

## METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks, toll free: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

## 1998 PERMITS

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

## NATURE ON STAMPS

Take a look at nature by studying stamps from all over the world during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday at Kensington.

## WINTER ECOLOGY

Take a trek along the trails to learn about winter woodland ecology during this program, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday at Indian Springs.

## CRITTER-N-CRAFT

Ages 5 and older will have a chance to get up close to "Kermit's Kissin' Cousins" during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Saturday at Stony Creek.

## THE MISSING GROUNDHOG

Groundhog Day and no groundhog? Follow the mystery through the exploits of an enterprising reporter and puppet cast during the Fury, Tale Theatre's production of "The Case of the Missing Groundhog," which begins at 1:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday at Kensington.

## BACKYARD WILDLIFE

A slide presentation followed by a nature hike to learn about wildlife that can be found in your backyard begins at 2 p.m. Sunday at Indian Springs.

## OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

## COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS

Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call

(810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

## GROUND HOGS AND WEATHER PROPHECY

Learn how some animals and plants are used to predict the weather during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at Independence Oaks.

## SUNDAY SNOWSHOES

School-aged children through adults can explore the wonders of winter during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday at Independence Oaks. Participants should call the park at 248-625-6473 on Friday, after 10 a.m., to reserve a pair of snowshoes.

## STATE PARKS

## STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

## BIRDING AT HAVEN HILL

Bird watchers can explore the nature area in search of winter resident birds during this program, which begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Highland Recreation Area. Participants should bring binoculars and meet at the Park Office.

## RIVER TRAIL SKI/HIKE

Explore the River Trail by skis or by foot during this program, which begins at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at Proud Lake Recreation Area. Ski rental is available and participants should meet at the annex parking lot.

## BIRD HIKE

Bring your binocular and enjoy a guided bird hike during this program, which begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at Maybury.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing to consider: An ordinance to amend Enrolled Ordinance No. 92-676, as amended, to add Section 3 to establish a duty upon the Director of each Executive Branch department to send to the Auditor General a copy of each audit or management or operations analysis performed on activities under their purview by auditors other than those of the Auditor General; and to establish civil infraction penalties for a failure to comply with this duty; and to establish misdemeanor penalties for a refusal to comply.

The hearing will be held:

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1998  
Commission Chambers, 10:00 a.m.  
Wayne County Building  
600 Randolph, Detroit, Michigan

Copies of the proposed amendment to the ordinance may be reviewed at the Commission Clerk's Office, 406 Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, Detroit 48226. (313) 224-0903.

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## RESA HEAD START PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Wayne County RESA Head Start, a federally funded, comprehensive preschool program serving 3 & 4 year olds is announcing the availability of \$1,000,000.00 in Head Start funds to serve 340 children and families in the Western Wayne area, as a delegate of the above grantee. (Inkster)

Wayne County RESA Head Start has operated Head Start in Wayne County outside of the city of Detroit for nearly 30 years. The present enrollment of this grantee is 3,743 children and families. Comprehensive services including health, nutrition, family services, parent education and parent involvement are provided in 23 sites throughout the service area.

Recent Community Assessments indicate an ongoing need for services in this area. Thus opening up an opportunity for an agency to expand their service commitment to children and families in the Western Wayne service area. (Inkster)

The program must open September 1 and be able to provide the required weeks and hours of service.

The minimum number of children to be served is 340. At least 85 children must be provided full day service to meet the needs of working parents. Delegates must provide a 20% local match/non-federal share. The non-federal share is computed on the amount of the federal funds. The non-federal share may be met by cash and/or in-kind contributions in the form of space, equipment or services which has been fairly evaluated.

The Head Start program provides comprehensive health, education, nutrition, social and parent involvement services to primarily economically disadvantaged pre-school children. The legislative authority for the Head Start program is Title VI, Subtitle A, Chapter 8, Subchapter B of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981, PL 97-35 commonly known as the "Head Start Act", which is codified at 42 U.S.C. 9801, et. seq. The Head Start program can be found in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) at 93.600.

Eligible applicants are limited by 42 U.S.C. 9836 to local public or private non-profit agencies, a federally-recognized Indian tribe or a local government entity. Any non-profit organization submitting an application must include proof of its non-profit status at the time of submission. The non-profit agency can accomplish this by providing a copy of the applicant's listing in the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) most recent list of tax exempt organizations described in Section 501 (c)(30) of the IRS code OR by providing a copy of the articles or incorporation bearing the seal of the State in which the corporation or association is domiciled.

The annual funding level for Head Start is dependent upon Congressional action but it is expected to continue. The successful applicant can expect continued funding if the program is operated in compliance with program requirements and provides quality services.

Requests for applications must be received by 3:45 EST on February 5, 1998. The requests must be made at the Bidders Conference or addressed to:

Patricia J. Horne McGee, Director  
WCRESA Head Start  
33500 Van Born Road  
Wayne, MI 48184

No phone requests accepted.

Complete applications are due by 3:45 on March 27, 1998.

An applicant conference will be held at Thursday, February 5, 1998 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 a.m. in Room 20, WCRESA Annex. Questions will be answered at this time.

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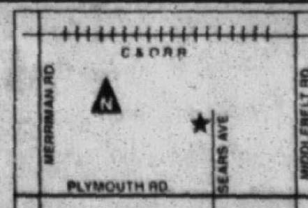
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# CALENDAR

YOUR GUIDE TO EVENTS IN AND AROUND PLYMOUTH

## WEEKEND

### FAMILY TRIP

■ Canton Parks and Recreation Services is sponsoring a family trip to see "Sesame Street Live!" on Saturday, Jan. 31. The theme will be "1-2-3 Imagine!" and the bus will leave Summit on the Park at 9:15 a.m. with a return at approximately 1 p.m. The cost is \$14 per person; registration ends Jan. 30. Call (313) 397-5110 for information.

### ORIGAMI EXHIBIT

■ Madonna University is continuing this exhibit through Jan. 30 in the University Library, during regular hours. Lessons and presentations are included and it is free. Call (734) 432-5711.

### SCULPTURE EXHIBIT

■ Eastern Michigan University is hosting "The Powerful Object: Fetish Works" in its Ford Gallery, located in Ford Hall on the EMU campus. This sculpture exhibit has been described as "powerful, stunning, and dramatic." It runs through Jan. 30, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and it is free. Call (734) 487-1268.

### HEALTH CARE PRESENTATION

■ Ron Lieberman will offer this lecture 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 2, at Summit on the Park in Canton, in the Maple Multi-Use Room. The focus will be on choosing the right HMO with information on current plans available. There will be no insurance representatives. Refreshments will be apple pie and ice cream. Call the Senior Program to reserve a space, 397-5444.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

■ The VFW No. 6695 Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting an "All You Can Eat" pancake breakfast on from 9 a.m. to noon Sunday, Feb. 1. The tickets are \$3.50. The VFW No. 6695 Hall is at 1426 S. Mill St. in Plymouth. Call Ann Smith for information, 453-1529.

### CLARINET RECITAL

■ Dr. Kimberly Cole, Eastern Michigan University's professor of clarinet, will give a full recital 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, in Pease Auditorium, located at College Place at West Cross in Ypsilanti. Admission is free. Call the EMU Music Events Hotline, (313) 487-2255.

## AROUND TOWN

### SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP

■ The Midwestern Precision Championship will be 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday through Sunday, Feb. 6-8, at the Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth Township. This is the largest skating event this year in the United States with more than 145 teams and 3,000 skaters. Call (313) 453-6400 for information.

### HEALTH FAIR

■ Health Fair 98 is taking place 3-6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile in Livonia. This is an opportunity for seniors to receive free health screenings and a variety of health information. Visitors are asked to use the south entrance. Call (313) 427-8270.

### ANTIQUA RADIO SWAP

■ The Michigan Antiqua Radio Club is hosting the only swap meet in the Metro area 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Armenian Community Center, 19319 Ford Road in Dearborn. Admission is \$3 and sellers' tables are \$5 each. "Radio Rescue" will be a free service to anyone

who needs a radio repaired, sold, or evaluated. Call (734) 207-2346.

### SIBLING CLASS

■ The Marian Women's Center, next to St. Mary Hospital, will offer this class 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 7, in the West Addition Conference Room A. Children are invited to attend and learn how much fun it can be to be a brother or sister. Registration is required and the cost is \$10 per family. Call the center at (734) 655-1591.

### FALL FESTIVAL BOARD

■ The Plymouth Fall Festival Board meeting will be 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, in the Plymouth Township Hall Annex (formerly Friendly's). All organizations considering participating in the 1998 Fall Festival should send a representative to this meeting. Call Kurt Lamar at (734) 453-7820.

### MARDI GRAS

■ The Plymouth Newcomers are celebrating 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Water Club Grill. Join the fun in a costume or masks at this Mardi Gras Masquerade Dinner Party. The Water Club Grill is located at 39500 E. Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. Call 416-0300 for information.

### THE GAYLORDS

■ After enjoying the seven-course Italian dinner at Genitti's, enter the theater on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 6-7, to be entertained by The Gaylords, a singing comedy duo. Tickets are \$45 per person. Genitti's is located at 108 E. Main St. in Northville. Call for reservations, (248) 349-0522.

### NEW DADS CLASS

■ St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer the class, "Just for Dads ... Childbirth and Beyond," 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, in the West Addition Conference Room B. Open discussion, instruction, and demonstration are included. The cost is \$15 per person and registration is required. Call (734) 655-1100.

### ARTS DEDICATION

■ The public is invited to help the Plymouth Community Arts Council officially dedicate the new Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts Saturday, Jan. 31. An open house for the public is scheduled 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. Following the unveiling, families can sample various art center classes and activities. Classroom art volunteers will be on hand to give short presentations of the picture, sculpture and culture units used in the schools. There will be short creative-dramatic workshops including theater games to highlight the joy of performing. In the art classrooms, families can experience different art media. In the evening, a private reception will be held to honor Joanne Winkleman Hulce, the founder of the Plymouth Community Arts Council, and to thank major contributors and longtime volunteers.

### OSTEOPOROSIS

■ Oakwood Healthcare Center on Mercury Drive in Dearborn will be hosting a osteoporosis screening noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3. Receive bone density X-ray and results in minutes. Cost is \$10, \$5 for Oakwood Health Advantage members, and free for Head Start and Oakwood Healthcare Plan members. Call 1-800-543-WELL for further information.

## You're Invited



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRENNER

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### SOCIAL SECURITY

■ Join in the discussion on Social Security 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at American House Westland II. Sarah Talley from the Social Security Administration will be there to answer questions. It is free. American House Westland II is at 39201 Joy Road near Hix. Call (313) 454-9838.

### BUILD BOOK COLLECTION

■ Join the Plymouth District Library and help build the collection. Choose to donate to the adult or youth collection with \$25. The staff will help select a title and a bookplate will identify your donation to honor a friend or family member. Call 453-0750, Ext. 213.

### BLUE LAKE FINE ARTS

■ Auditions for music, art and theater students to earn a scholarship to attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp next summer will be held in public schools in Ann Arbor and the Detroit area during February and March. Scholarship auditions will be held in Dearborn Feb. 4-5; Ann Arbor Feb. 23-26; and Detroit March 3-4. Application forms and other information on Blue Lake Scholarship Office at 1-800-221-3796 or (616) 894-1966.

### GERMAN CLUB

■ Fasching, Germany's version on France's Mardi Gras, will be celebrated from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. The festi-

ties will be sponsored by the German-American Club of Plymouth. Authentic German food, wine and beer (for those of the appropriate age) will be served. Admission is \$6.50 per person. Music for dancing, sing-along and entertainment will be provided by the Enzians, a German band well-known throughout the Detroit metropolitan area and beyond. Door prizes and prizes for the best and most imaginative costumes will be awarded. For more information on this local Fasching celebration and for tickets, call Fritz Sanders in Livonia at (313) 425-0044, or Phyllis Urban in Plymouth at (734) 459-4261.

### PLYMOUTH YMCA

■ The Plymouth Community Family YMCA is currently accepting registration for the Winter 1998 classes. The classes are being offered for preschool through adult. Some of the classes offered are Bumble Bee Indoor Soccer, Y Pucks and "Y" Hoops for Preschoolers. Contact the Plymouth YMCA at (734) 453-2904 for further information or to register with a Visa or MasterCard.

■ The Plymouth Community Family YMCA is sponsoring the YMCA Parent/Child Guide Programs. Enhance your relationship with your child. Go on tours, canoeing, camping, hayrides. Make crafts together and build floats for the Fourth of July parade. Call (734) 453-2904 or come to the YMCA office to register at 248 S. Union

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### PRESCHOOL OPENINGS

■ Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings now in all classes 18 months through 5 years old. Located in Livonia bordering Canton, Plymouth and Westland. Quality education offered with parental involvement. Low tuition. For more information, contact Michelle at (313) 421-6196. ■ Plymouth Children's Co-op Nursery will be holding an open house 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, for children ages 3-5. The nursery is located on Sheldon in Canton. For more information, contact Pam at 453-2832.

### KARATE REGISTRATION

■ American Okinawan Karate Academy of Canton will hold winter registration for ages 6 years and up, Feb. 2 through April 23, Mondays and Thursdays at the gymnasium at Summit on the Park. Registration fee is \$52 per annual pass holder (10-week session), \$58 per Canton resident (10-week session), and \$63 per non-resident (10-week session). A \$5 late fee is charged after Jan. 26.

### YOUTH SOCCER

■ The city of Plymouth Recreation Department will take Spring Youth Soc-

cer registration during the month of January 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the recreation office, 525 Farmer. A birth certificate is required; \$40 for residents, \$60 for non-residents. Call 455-6620.

### FUNNIEST VIDEOS

■ Enter "Michigan's Funniest Videos" at East Lansing's first annual Film Festival on March 29. Tapes should be acceptable for family viewing and no longer than 10 minutes. Deadline is Feb. 10. Send them to: Michigan's Funniest Videos, P.O. Box 025035, Lansing, Mich. 48909-5035. Call (517) 336-5802.

### SALVATION ARMY

■ Senior citizens of all ages, get your exercise and have a good time, too, in the Senior Volleyball Program. The program meets 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. There is an annual fee of \$10. For more information, call the Salvation Army (313) 453-5464 and ask for Martha.

■ The Salvation Army offers open gym time 1-4 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. There is a \$1 per person fee. For more information, call (313) 453-5464.

■ The Gamma Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is once again offering college scholarships to Canton or Salem graduating seniors majoring in education. The scholarships provide financial assistance, promoting the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. Funds are the result of community participation in the annual fall craft fair held at West Middle School. Applications are available at both high school counseling offices or at Hoben Elementary School, 44680 Saltz Road, Canton.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

### EMPOWER

■ One free hour for parents or families to empower: counseling, resources and support for crisis situations, medical needs or ongoing issues. Call for an appointment, 981-3039.

### NEW BEGINNINGS

■ The New Beginnings Grief Support Group meets 7 p.m. every Monday at the Plymouth Church of Christ, 9301 Sheldon, just south of Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Anyone who is grieving a loss of a loved one is invited to attend. There is no charge. For information, call (313) 453-7630.

### ARBOR HOSPICE

■ A seven-week support and educational group for parents who have lost an adult child will be offered by Arbor Hospice. Groups will meet 4-5:30 p.m. Thursdays at Arbor Hospice, 3810 Packard, Ann Arbor. The group is open to any parent who has experienced the death of an adult child, regardless of whether the loss occurred recently or many years ago. A minimal donation will be requested. For more information and to register, call Arbor Hospice at (313) 677-0500 or 1-800-783-5764.

### LIFE MINISTRIES

■ Have a problem? Want to talk? Call Life Care Ministries (313) 427-LIFE 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Confidential. No charge.

### MDDA

■ MDDA (Manic Depressive-Depressive Association) holds its meeting 2-4 p.m. the second and fourth

Sundays 2-4 of the month at Oakwood-Canton Health Center Community meeting room. For more information, call Nancy at (313) 455-8598.

## CLUBS

### MOTHER OF MULTIPLES

■ The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples club meets 7 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month. Call Barb at (313) 207-5224. Playgroup meets every other Tuesday; call Sue at (313) 459-9324.

### PSI

■ Professional Secretaries International, Office Professionals, monthly meeting of the Huron Valley Chapter will be at the Sheraton Inn, Ann Arbor, this year. The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb. 5. The guest speaker will be Dana Drebes of the law firm Cummings, McClorey, Davis and Acho of Livonia. Drebes will speak on "Women in Law." If you would like to attend the meeting, obtain more information about PSI or join the chapter, call Marti Ruedger, CAM, at 996-7519.

### CAREER WOMEN

■ The National Association of Career Women West Suburban Chapter meets on the third Tuesday of each month at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road in Plymouth. The meeting will be from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

### GOODFELLOWS

■ The Plymouth Goodfellows meet 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month at the City Hall on Main Street. Call 455-8611 or 451-3554.

### BNI

■ Business Network International will hold monthly meetings from 7-8:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30. For more information, call the BNI regional office at (734) 397-9939.

### COUNCIL ON AGING

■ Plymouth Community Council on Aging will have its monthly meeting 1:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9, at the Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St. in Plymouth, at 1:30 p.m. There will be a demonstration on how to make an angel pin and also some Irish history. Call Phyllis Hess at (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

### M.O.M.

■ Meet Other Mothers (M.O.M.) offers guest speakers and discussion. It meets at 9:30 a.m. the second and fourth Friday of the month at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. Babysitting is provided. For more information, call Kate at (313) 453-3675.

### GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

■ The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets at the Livonia Senior Citizens' Activity Center, 15128 Farmington Road, southeast corner of Five Mile and Farmington roads, behind the Golden Lantern Restaurant, Livonia. Meetings are scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month. All meetings are open to the public at no charge. A beginning genealogy class meets at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call (313) 425-8832 or (313) 455-1122.

### TOASTMASTERS

■ Join the Oral Majority Toastmasters Club at 6:45 p.m. Sundays at the old Friendly's building, at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. For more information, call Marc Sullivan at (313) 455-1635.

## CALENDAR FORM

The Plymouth Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

### Event:

### Date and Time:

### Location:

### Telephone:

### Additional Info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary



# Entertainment

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## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



Saxophonist James Carter, and his Quartet, plus the Cyrus Chestnut Trio, perform 8 p.m. at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. Tickets \$38 to \$13, (313) 576-5111.

### SATURDAY



The Polo Fields Golf and Country Club in Ann Arbor presents Soupy Sales with special guest comedian Bill Barr, 7 p.m. (dinner) 8:30 p.m. (show), \$60 per person, (313) 998-1555 or (248) 645-6666.

### SUNDAY



Robert (Dean Gaboury) watches as Sarah (Laurie Freedman) helps her husband Harry (Kevin Edwards) up after showing off her karate moves in "Company," 2 p.m. at Stagecrafters' Baldwin Theatre in downtown Royal Oak. Tickets \$12-\$14, call (248) 541-6430.



The Harlem Globetrotters suit-up for an all-star performance 5 p.m. Sunday at The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$18, \$15, \$13 and \$11.50, (248) 645-6666.

## ANN ARBOR FOLK FESTIVAL

# Singers help float the Ark

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Grammy-nominated folk singer Guy Clark finally has the opportunity to help the Ann Arbor club that avidly supports him.

Clark will join Paula Cole, Doc Watson and David Grisman, Chris Smither, The Nields, Great Big Sea, Dee Carstensen, Karen Pernick and Willy Porter 6-11 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor for the 21st Ann Arbor Folk Festival, the annual fund-raiser for The Ark in Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$25.

The event will be emceed by Cheryl Wheeler, a hit songwriter whose songs have been covered by Bette Midler, Melanie, and Suzy Bogguss.

"I've always wanted to do it," Clark said via telephone from his Nashville home. "Every time I play there I tell them, 'You have to have me for the lineup.'"

Among the benefits of playing a festival, Clark said, is the opportunity to play with Doc Watson.

"Plus, it's an audience that's coming to see that kind of music. They know what they're there to see. It's like preaching to the converted. You're home free."

The festival offers a variety of music including the Canadian Celtic band Great Big Sea, harpist Dee Carstensen, folk legend Watson as well as multi-Grammy Award nominee pop singer Paula Cole.

David Siglin, director of The Ark, said the definition of "folk" is so vague that every year he's able to touch on a variety of genres.

"I don't even know what the definition of folk is anymore. Is Shawn Colvin folk or pop? Is Mary Chapin Carpenter folk or country? I don't know those answers anymore. Paula Cole's music fits what The Ark does," he explained.

"Jewel is called folk/pop, but she never played The Ark or any folk club that I know of. What we're trying to do with the headliner is find someone whose music is compatible even if it's different. Obviously she'll draw a younger audience and that's cool."

The music these concert bands play is as diverse as their membership. Farmington Community Band has 80 to 100 on their roster, and 50 to 60 members end up playing concerts. In addition to people like McDonald who studied music in school, and enjoy playing, the membership includes music teachers, and professional musicians.

South Oakland Band members include a policeman, lawyer, engineer, and retirees. They play a variety of music, everything from light classical, pops, marches, and Broadway show tunes.

"We're here for folks to enjoy and have a good time making music," said Barber. Farmington Community Band rehearses 7:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays at Harrison High School. You can call McDonald, who also serves as business manager, for more information, (734) 261-2202.

New members are always welcome. The

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"More bands called to see how they could participate," he said. "It's a win, win situation. The mall draws more shoppers, and it provides the general public with an opportunity to hear live music in an informal setting."

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South Oakland Concert Band, one of the oldest in the area, is among the participants.

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GUY CLARK

Money raised from the concert represents a significant portion of The Ark's \$750,000 budget, according to Siglin.

"It raises about \$50,000 for The Ark, which off-sets the about \$40,000 to \$50,000 loss that we make at The Ark every year. It is vital. It's not like icing on the cake," Siglin explained.

"We are a non-profit organization. The goal is to break even but we want to do better than break even. The non-profits that break even keep going, the non-profits that don't go under. The folk festival is absolutely vital to The Ark."

Pop/folk singer Willy Porter, who's playing to support his latest release "Dog Eared Dream," said he's thrilled to help out The Ark.

"It's a nice opportunity. There's some great artists on the bill. I've just seen the people who played it in the past and it seems to be somewhat of a time-honored thing," said Porter who opened for Toad the Wet Sprocket and the Cranberries at Pine Knob Music Theatre in the summer of 1996.

Like Clark, Porter is looking forward to seeing Doc Watson perform.

"That's something that I've never gotten to do. Hopefully there will be some other people there who want to sit around late night and jam. I like that more than performing."

After the Ann Arbor Folk Festival, Porter will return to The Ark for a headlining show in February, while Clark will perform there in the summer.

"The room is designed for acoustic musicians so it's a really great environment when you walk through the

### Ann Arbor Folk Festival

**Who:** Paula Cole, Doc Watson and David Grisman, Guy Clark, Chris Smither, Cheryl Wheeler, The Nields, The Great Big Sea, Dee Carstensen, Karen Pernick and Willy Porter

**What:** Perform as part of the 21st annual Ann Arbor Folk Festival

**When:** 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31

**Where:** Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor

**Why:** To support The Ark, a folk-music club in Ann Arbor

**How:** \$25 tickets are available at the Michigan Union Ticket Office, Herb Davis Guitar Studio, Schoolkids Records, and all Ticketmaster outlets. For more information, call (734) 763-TKTS or (248) 645-6666. Tax-deductible patron sponsor tickets are available at The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, or by calling (734) 761-1800.

### Other upcoming shows:

■ The Great Big Sea performs at 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, in the Capitol Theatre's Pentastar Playhouse, 121 University Ave. West, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. Tickets are \$20 Canadian. For more information, call (519) 253-8065, e-mail [capitol@mnsi.net](mailto:capitol@mnsi.net) or visit <http://www.mnsi.net/~capitol>

door," Porter said of The Ark. "You're not going to stomp them with your sound requirements. They're really sort of embraced contemporary acoustic music in a way that no other club has done."

Clark added that he feels comfortable playing The Ark.

"The venue supports the acoustic folksy songwriter stuff. It's always nice to play where you feel comfortable. I like smaller rooms. It's just easier to communicate and a little more relaxed."

## MUSIC

# Shop for a band to join at the festival

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Playing clarinet was something Ginny McDonald of Livonia used to do before she started having kids.

"I played in grade school, high school, and college," said McDonald who joined the Farmington Community Band after hearing them play at Twelve Oaks Mall during the Festival of Bands 10 years ago.

"I picked up a brochure the band gave out at the festival and gave them a call."

Since then, Monday nights are Ginny's, and she enjoys the time "playing a challenging selection of music," with other people who love music as much as she does.

If you miss playing in the band and are shopping around for a group to join, plan to spend some time at Twelve Oaks Mall Saturday during the 18th annual Festival of Bands. Six different community bands, including the Farmington Community Band, will be performing throughout the day.

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### Festival of Bands

**When:** Begins 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31. Last band plays at 7:30 p.m.

**Where:** Twelve Oaks Mall, I-96 and Novi Road.

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THEATER

# St. Dunstan's goes to the dogs - and the result is hilarious

St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook presents "Sylvia," a romantic comedy by A. R. Gurney, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, (between Woodward and Laher) Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$12, seniors and stu-

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By SUE SUCHYTA  
SPECIAL WRITER

St. Dunstan's goes to the dogs in the comedic romp "Sylvia," a romantic love triangle about a wife, a husband, and his exuberant and affectionate mutt Sylvia. The interesting twist is that Sylvia the dog can talk - and the humans seem to understand her

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Kate and Greg are empty nesters who have traded the suburbs for a city apartment. Kate, played by Nancy Brassert, is finally free from the ties of motherhood. With a hard won masters degree in hand, she's ready to enjoy a career as well as travel and entertaining.

Greg, however, played by Keith Leppard, has become increasingly dissatisfied with his job, and discovers Sylvia, played by Janie Castagna, in the park one afternoon when retreating after a fight with his boss.

Greg and Sylvia fall instantly in love - she jumps all over him

and readily admits he's "God"-while Greg acts like a middle aged man having an affair with a nymphet. Not only doesn't Kate want the responsibility of a dog, she quickly comes to realize that Greg pays more attention to Sylvia than her.

As the play progresses, Sylvia becomes a four-legged mistress as Greg fawns on her, and Kate plots to regain her status with her husband. Encounters with a fellow dog owner, a family friend, and a counselor further underscore the humor as we witness Greg's and Sylvia's bond grow as Kate's patience wears thin.

Janie Castagna brings unflappable energy and enthusiasm to the demanding canine role of Sylvia. She literally becomes a dog - albeit a wisecracking teenager of a dog. She pants, leaps, jumps on the furniture,

and strains on the leash. She even pulls the old "dog on the leg of the seated guest" stunt, much to the amusement of the audience. We love the dog and at the same time sympathize with Kate's growing frustration and jealousy.

Greg's behavior is partly explained by his wife's new found independence and the departure of his children. Sylvia becomes his adoring dependent - she makes him feel important. Kate's opposition to the relationship seems to drive them closer together.

Brassert and Leppard make a likable, realistic couple, and bring the comedy realistically to life. Tom Peterson is delightfully versatile in the triple role of Tom, Phyllis and Leslie.

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CHRISTINA FUOCO

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**John Monaghan**  
One of the occupational hazards of reviewing movies is seeing your favorite novels regularly mutilated for the screen. A case in point: "Great Expectations," a modern take on Charles Dickens' masterpiece on the hazards of social climbing that already ranks as one of the most miserable misfires this year.

Though my day job as a high school English teacher makes me something of a literature snob, I'm not adverse to updating the classics. Last year's MTV approach to "Romeo and Juliet" was precisely what the Bard needed, with plenty of clever updates and sincere, likable performers to keep the lines fresh.

The new "Great Expectations," starring Ethan Hawke and Gwyneth Paltrow, stays relatively close to its source. Dotty old Miss Havisham still roams the overgrown family estate, where she was stood up at the altar three decades ago.

Instead of wearing her tattered wedding dress, Anne Bancroft's incarnation sports a new wig with each scene and is

obsessed with the Cha Cha.

The orphaned Pip is now Finn, raised in the Florida Keys by his sister and her boyfriend Joe. It's here that he meets and is almost killed by a shackled convict (Robert DeNiro) who promises to gut the boy in his sleep if he doesn't procure food, drink, and some heavy duty steel cutters.

Soon after, Miss Havisham hires Finn to "play" with her niece Estella, making it no secret that she hopes to use the girl to break men's hearts. Finn's visits are just the warm-up act.

In the book, Pip's great expectations took him to 19th century London where he was prepped as a gentleman. Here Finn is thrust into the New York art scene, where he's given painting supplies, a to-die-for loft space, and a one-man show, all compliments of a mysterious sponsor.

The identity of Finn's fairy godmother (hint: it's not Miss Havisham) should come as no surprise, because the movie streamlines Dickens' characters down to only a handful. The movie is so insulated that even the busy New York streets are only sparsely populated by routine screamers and dog walkers.

One of the most poignant scenes in the novel was Pip's snub of Joe, his one true friend, whose impromptu visit threatens the boy's position as a gentleman. And with what he's got to

work with, Joe is one of the few things that comes through the movie more or less intact.

The other performers take turns embarrassing themselves for the camera. For Ethan Hawke, most of these moments come when he's supposed to be in his late teens, sporting a fright wig and makeup only slightly less ghastly than Bancroft's.

Gwyneth Paltrow, who proved so charming in "Emma," is a statue in midriff-baring designer clothes. The erotic scene where she strips for Finn while he makes passionate sketches of her would have been tedious even if we hadn't just seen it in "Titanic."

As for Bancroft, the veteran actress tries to have fun with her Norma Desmond take on Miss Havisham. So why couldn't the filmmakers give her and the others a more interesting update of the story?

The answer: Because director Alfonso Cuarón has absolutely no idea how to make "Great Expectations" fly in the '90s. It's still a compelling tale, but in its present form one that will likely confuse Dickens novices as much as it irritates his scholars.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.

## SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters as reviewed by John Monaghan.

**Detroit Film Theatre** Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 833-2323 (\$5.50; \$4.50 students/seniors)

**"The Tango Lesson"** (England-1997). Friday-Sunday, Jan. 30 to Feb. 1 (call for showtimes). Sally Potter stars as essentially herself, a talented and impatient filmmaker who becomes entranced by the art of tango. Soon she's taking lessons from a handsome and legendary Argentinian dancer living in Paris.

**"Magic Bag"** 22918 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030, (\$2)

**"Full Metal Jacket"** (USA-1987). 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29. This 10-year-old film is still the most recent film from director Stanley Kubrick. His Vietnam saga has two parts, both in training and in battle, but Lee Ermyer's performance as a drill instructor in the early scene ranks as one of the screen's most vivid and frightening creations.

**"Boogie Nights"** (USA-1997). 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan.

31. Nearly three-hour odyssey about the porn film industry in the 1970s.

**Main Art Theatre** 118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak, (248) 542-0180 (\$6.50; \$4 students, seniors & matinee; \$3)

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## STREET SCENE

## Teddy Richards makes his own way



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Having purposely missed INXS's 1994 shows at the Pontiac Silverdome, Teddy Richards had no desire to travel to Grand Valley State University to see the Australian band's performance the

following day.

But a good friend persuaded him to go, and it has proved to be a turning point in the Southfield pop singer's career.

Hanging out backstage with INXS, Richards slipped a copy of his six-song EP to Andrew Farriss, the band's songwriter/key-boardist.

"I thought it would end up in the garbage. This is a guy who has written 20 to 30 No. 1 hits, like he has time to listen to my tape," Richards said.

Not only did Farriss listen to the tape, he called Richards and suggested that they collaborate on a few songs.

"I couldn't believe he was making himself available, somebody of that stature. He thought he might be instrumental in helping me get this to the right people."

Farriss and Richards inked a deal through Farriss' publishing company to write two songs. By early 1995, Richards was on a plane to England, where Farriss resides. The two wrote the rock song "Naked" and the funk tune "Hangin'," both of which fell together quickly and easily. The two-song publishing deal evolved



**Showcasing material:**  
Teddy Richards performs Friday at the Magic Bag in Ferndale.

into 11 songs.

"By watching him and working with him, I am able to reconstruct a song and make it more cohesive and not clutter the music. It lets it breathe," Richards said.

Richards also wrote songs with Oliver Lieber, who has penned songs for Paula Abdul and who is the son of Lieber and Stoller's Jerry Lieber, and also wrote with Gary Clark of the Interscope Records band Transistor.

Among the songs written with Clark is the ballad "Brand New Day," which Richards calls "the song that's getting my phone calls returned." If everything

goes as planned, "Brand New Day" may show up in an episode of the television show "La Femme Nikita."

On his demo tape, which is not available for purchase, Richards shows his affinity for ballads while dabbling in Motown-flavored funk and ethereal pop.

He performed the material when he opened for INXS in California where he was reintroduced to Nina Blackwood, a VJ for MTV during the 1980s. The two met at the opening of the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio.

"She offered some assistance. She could see that at that point I was running this thing on my own. All the people I was working with were in England."

Since his demo tape was finished, Richards played a showcase in England with his U.K. band that includes Depeche Mode's drummer. While rehearsing for the show, Richards was visited by Elvis Costello, who was practicing for a BBC special with the Bronsky Quartet.

On this side of the ocean, Richards will hit the Magic Bag's stage Friday, Jan. 30, to perform for the public and record company executives. His U.S. band includes longtime bassist Joe Hayden, keyboardist Randy Sly of the swing band Atomic Fireballs and formerly of BOP (harvey), guitarist John Antone, background vocalist Susan Calloway, and drummer Jerome Day of the Howling Diablos.

A musician all of his life,

Richards was hired to play guitar for his mother, Aretha Franklin, in the fall of 1984. Since then, he has backed her up at the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame opening, on "The Late Show With David Letterman," and on numerous tours. He and his mother will make a return appearance on Letterman's show in late February.

"I love working with my mom. It's a real honor. It's a wonderful thing to be able to do. But I have my own song to sing."

Although he is Franklin's son, it hasn't been an easy road for the Oak Park High School graduate.

"Being Aretha Franklin's son does not make me privy to anything. ... I don't think there's a musician in the world who has an easy road. The average serious musician works really hard. It's not an easy thing to be a full-time musician. Most musicians are weekend warriors and have a full-time job somewhere else," said Richards who earned a degree in telecommunications from Michigan State University.

Teddy Richards performs with special guests Stewart Francke and Sue Calloway Friday, Jan. 30, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Doors open at 8 p.m. for the 18 and older show. Tickets are \$6. For more information, call (248) 544-3030 or visit <http://www.themagicbag.com>.

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### THEATER

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#### DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

"Fences," through Sunday, March 22, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15. (313) 868-1347

#### MEADOW BROOK THEATRE/ PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY

"Thunder Knocking on the Door," a story about a young blind woman trying to win back her sight in a blues guitar-duel with an unearthly musician, and features songs by Grammy Award-winning blues artist Feb Mo played by a live onstage blues band, 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29 (\$22), 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30 (\$26.50), 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 (\$22), 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 (\$32), and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 (\$22). Meadow Brook Theatre, Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. (248) 377-3300

#### PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY

"Julie Johnson," Wendy Hammond's poignant story of an uneducated young mother who seeks a better life for herself and her two children, 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays through Saturday, March 14. \$15 preview Thursday, Jan. 29, \$30 opening night Friday, Jan. 30, and \$20 Wednesdays-Thursdays and Sundays, \$25 Fridays-Saturdays. (734) 475-7902, group sales 475-5817

#### WALK AND SNAWK

"Inhlanzi Ishelwe Amanzi - As Fish Out of Water," a multilingual tapestry of diverse South African characters, images, observations and personal stories, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1. Performance Network, Ann Arbor, and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, and Saturday, Feb. 7, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Wayne State University's General Lectures Building, corner of Anthony Wayne Drive and Warren Avenue, Detroit. \$12 and \$15. (734) 668-0407

### COLLEGE

#### WSU BONSTELLE THEATRE

"Flyin' West," the story of four African-American female pioneers who settled in the all-black town of Nicodemus, Kansas, by Pearl Cleage, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 and Feb. 6-8, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater, 3424 Woodward Ave., on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2960

#### WSU HILBERRY

"Saturday, Sunday, Monday," by Eduardo de Filippo, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Jan. 29-30; "Of Mice and Men," by John Steinbeck, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. \$10-17. (313) 577-2972

#### WSU STUDIO THEATRE

"Three One Acts" including "The Jewish Wife," "The Informer," and "The Elephant Cal," by Bertolt Brecht, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater below the Hilberry, 4743 Cass Ave., on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

### COMMUNITY THEATER

#### ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE

"You Can't Take It With You," by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor. (734) 971-AACT

#### HEARTLAND THEATRE COMPANY

Birmingham-based federally tax-exempt professional arts organization, performs a selection of original 10-minute plays between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield Township. As part of the bookstore's book fair fundraising program to support non-profit community organizations, Heartland will receive a portion of the profits from books purchased at designated registers in the West Bloomfield store on this one day between 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds will be used to support Heartland's festival of original plays, "Playscape '98." (248) 433-1233

#### ST. DUNSTON'S THEATRE OF CRANBROOK

"Sylvia," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, West Bloomfield. \$12, \$10 seniors and students. (248) 644-0527



**Family show: The World Famous Harlem Globetrotters visit the Palace of Auburn Hills for an all-star performance 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1. Tickets \$18, \$15, \$13 and \$11.50. Superfan seating also available. Call (248) 645-6666. Children 12 and under and seniors 60 and over receive \$2 off \$18, \$15, \$13, and \$11.50 tickets. Group discounts also available, and members of the Catholic Youth Organization receive \$4.50 off \$11.50 tickets by calling (248) 377-0100. Special VIP packages include courtside ticket and a commemorative Globetrotter jersey, call (248) 377-0100 for details.**

### DINNER THEATER

#### GENITTI'S HOLE IN THE WALL

"No Refunds, No Exchanges," through the end of January; The Gaylords, Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7 (\$45), at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. Price includes seven-course meal of soup, bread, pasta, antipasto salad, baked chicken, Italian sausage, Italian steak, vegetables and dessert. (248) 349-0522

#### JACKSON PRODUCTIONS DINNER THEATRE

"The Retirement Murders," an audience participation murder mystery comedy, 6:30 p.m. Saturdays through March 7, Fiorelli's Restaurant, 26125 E. Huron River Dr., Flat Rock. \$28 in advance, \$33 at the door, includes dinner, show, tax and tip. Non-smoking dinner theater. (734) 782-1431

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

#### CAPITOL THEATRE

"Schoolhouse Rock," the U.S. national touring children's show based on the Emmy-winning ABC television series, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 (\$15, Canadian); "The Pied Piper of Hamelin," one-hour musical based on the children's fable, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5 (\$8, 7 children, Canadian), in the theater's Pentastar Playhouse, 121 University Ave. West, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. (519) 253-8065 or capitol@mnsi.net or http://www.mnsi.net/~capitol

#### CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

PuppetArt puppet theater performs "Close the Window - A Chelm Law," an adaptation of the I.B. Singer folk tale "The First Shlemiel," 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the center, 47 Williams St., Pontiac. \$5, \$3 children under age 8. (248) 333-7849

#### JET THEATRE

"Anne Frank and Me," by Cherie Bennett is a story of a contemporary girl studying Anne's diary in school, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 \$10, \$5 children; student performances with teacher guides and talk-backs with cast continues 10:30 a.m. Mondays-Fridays to Feb. 13 (\$5), at the Millenium Theatre Center, Southfield. (248) 788-2900

#### PONTIAC THEATRE IV

"Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," adaptation by Tim Kelly, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Pontiac Northern High School. \$7, \$6 seniors/students. (248) 681-6215

#### WALLED LAKE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

The Performing Arts Program presents "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 5-7 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8 at the high school, Walled Lake. \$8, \$5 students/seniors, all seats reserved. (248) 960-8678

#### WILD SWAN THEATRE

"Owl's a Winter," a collection of stories for young children based on Arnold Lobel's "Owl at Home," 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Community House, 380 S. Bates St., Birmingham. \$6. (248) 644-5832

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### "BEACH BASH 1998"

Camp Ticonderoga restaurant's annual event featuring reggae music by O.C. Roberts and the Samaritans, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, and La Trinity (formerly known as Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band), 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday,

Feb. 6-7, an oyster bar, hairbraiding, limbo contests, tropical food such as jerk buffalo balls, blackened catfish, Jamaican jerk chicken, rum runners and pina colodas, and tattoos in the tattoo hut, at the restaurant, 5725 Rochester Road (south of Square Lake Road), Troy. Free. 21 and older. Weekend also includes polar golf tournament, 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7. \$42 includes shotgun scramble tournament, a polar party pack, a Jamaican lunch, an imported cigar and a chance to win prizes. (248) 828-8288

#### DETROIT BOAT SHOW

"Charity Launch," 6-9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Cobo Center, Detroit. \$150 benefactors, \$100 patrons, benefits the Lighthouse of Oakland County, Vista Maria in Wayne County, and Turning Point in Macomb County; The 40th annual Detroit Boat Show featuring more than 300 boat dealers and marine businesses, 1,000 boats of all types and sizes, more than 100 manufacturers, and a Squalus Live Shark Show with a 9,000 gallon saltwater tank, divers with huge circling sharks and an antique and classic boat exhibit, Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 8, Cobo Center, Detroit. Noon to 10 p.m. Saturdays and Wednesday, noon to 8 p.m. Sundays, 3-10 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. \$8 adults, free for children ages 12 and younger with an adult, free for seniors ages 62 and older on Monday. (800) 932-2628 (benefit)/(800) 224-3008 (show)

#### SPRING HOME AND GARDEN SHOW

Featuring 300 exhibitors, "Garlic Guru" Tom Reed, WXYT personalities, demonstrations on decorating, home repair, remodeling, and a daily treasure chest contest, 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Jan. 29-30, and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 1, Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Dr. (I-96 and Novi Road), Novi. \$6 adults, \$4 seniors, \$3 children 6-12, and free for children ages 6 and younger. \$9 family tickets for two adults and accompanying children available at Farmer Jack. (248) 737-4478

#### "VISIONS TO REMEMBER"

Antiques show and sale, preview reception Friday, Feb. 6, show and sale 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House activities center, 1100 Lake Shore Dr., Grosse Pointe Shores. \$6 for show, benefits Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. (313) 824-4710

### BENEFITS

#### "GET THE RED OUT"

A black-tie bash with dinner, dancing to Mel Ball and the Colours, an interactive sneak peek at how to design the vehicle of the future, and an exhibition of "Out of the Workplace" fine art produced by artists from the GM Design Center, 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Feb. 14, GM Truck Product Center, 2000 Centerpoint Parkway, Pontiac. \$225 (\$185 is tax deductible), benefits the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association. Reservations must be made by Saturday, Jan. 31. (248) 644-0866

#### "HEARTS FOR THE ARTS '98"

A benefit dinner and celebrity art auction presented by the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra and the Heart Care Program of the University of Michigan Health System, 6:30 p.m. champagne reception and silent auction, 7:30 p.m. dinner Friday, Feb. 13, Crowne Plaza, Ann Arbor. Last year's

auction included contributions by artists and celebrities such as Chris Roberts Antieau, John Travolta, Lloyd Carr, Steve Yzerman, George Bush, Matthew Hoffmann, Billy Joel and Dr. Michael DeBaakey. \$75. (734) 994-4801

### FAMILY EVENTS

#### BIRMINGHAM WINTERFEST

Featuring an ice festival in Shain Park, and sales throughout downtown Birmingham, Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 5-8. (248) 433-3550

#### HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS

5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$11.50, \$13, \$15, and \$18. Superfan seating available. Children ages 12 and younger, and seniors ages 60 and older receive \$2 off. Groups of 15 or more receive \$3. Members of the Catholic Youth Organization receive \$4.50 off \$11.50 tickets only. Special VIP seating packages including a courtside ticket and a commemorative Globetrotter jersey are available. (248) 377-0100

#### JCC'S "FAMILY ARTS MAGICAL SUNDAYS WITH THE KIDS"

"Two Tales of Cinderella," with storyteller Corinne Stavish introducing the audience to Jewish fairy tales through the story of "Shmutzie," the Jewish Cinderella, and the Russian-American puppet troupe Puppet Art performing the original "Cinderella" story with marionettes and a classical music



**On Stage: Janie Castagna stars as Sylvia and Keith Lepard as Greg in the St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook production of "Sylvia" a romantic comedy by A.R. Gurney. Performances 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 30-31, at the playhouse, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets \$12, senior and student tickets \$10, call (248) 644-5027.**

accompaniment, 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Jewish Community Center's Jimmy Prentiss Morris Building, 15110 W. 10 Mile Road, Oak Park. \$4 adult members, \$5 non-members, \$3 child members, \$4 child non-members. (248) 967-4030

#### SESAME STREET LIVE'S "1-2-3 IMAGINE"

11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 1; Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$9-\$15, with a limited number of VIP seats. (248) 433-1515

### CLASSICAL

#### AMERICAN STRING QUARTET

"Beethoven the Contemporary," 8

p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. \$16-\$30. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

#### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor Neeme Jarvi and soprano Kathleen Battle performing "Symphony No. 48 in C Major" by Haydn, and "Daphnis and Chloe, Suite No. 2" by Ravel, 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 576-5111

#### URSULA OPPENS

Pianist performs "Beethoven the Contemporary," 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. \$16-\$30. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

#### OWAIN PHYFE AND THE NEW WORLD RENAISSANCE BAND

As part of the Rochester Conservatory of Music's program at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University campus, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10, \$8 students and seniors. (248) 650-3366

#### PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Performs a chamber concert 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, with harpists Allegra Lily and Christina Szegal, and Youth Artist Competition winners Sarah Hamilton (flute) and Ross Huff (trumpet), in the Plymouth Canton High School Little Theatre, 8415 Canton Center Road (at Joy Road), Canton. \$8, \$6 seniors/college students, \$5 children K-12. (734) 451-2112

#### ST. PAUL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

With pianist Emanuel Ax, conductor Hugh Wolff, and the Dale Warland Singers, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. \$16-\$45. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

#### DALE WARLAND SINGERS

8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Ann Arbor. \$20. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

#### WINDSOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"No Frills Friday," 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30; "Classics III: Rachmaninov Third Piano Concerto," 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Chrysler Theatre in the Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. West, Windsor. (800) 387-9181 or http://www.city.windsor.on.ca/cleary

### POPS

#### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor Erich Kunzel, special guest Mercedes Ellington, vocalists Monica Cantrell and Sam Gibson, and dancers Mark Esposito, Lyn Wiltshire-Beer Elam, Rory Johnson and Jennifer Ladner, as part of "Sophisticated Ellington: Symphony and Swing," 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17-\$60. (313) 576-5111

#### "FESTIVAL OF BANDS"

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### AUDITIONS

#### "SESAME STREET LIVE"

Holds auditions for male character performers, 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and full-body costume performers, 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Full-body costume characters (5'0" to 6'2") must be versatile in dance styles, with strong technical ability in jazz and musical theater. Gymnastics, tap and roller skating are a plus. Male live character auditioners should be prepared to perform a ballad and up tempo selections (a capella or instrumental tape). Show monologues and a dance combination will be part of the audition process. All auditioners should bring a picture and resume and wear or bring dance attire. Aerobic shoes can also be worn. Auditioners must be 18 and older. (612) 375-9670, ext. 704

#### STAGECRAFTERS

Auditions for "Lend Me a Tenor," by Ken Ludwig, 6:30 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Feb. 1-2, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette Ave., Royal Oak. Roles available for four men and four women. Those auditioning for the roles of Max, Tito and the Bellhop must "sing reasonably well" and should be prepared to sing a portion of "Dio, che nell'alma infondere" from Verdi's "Don Carlo" or the famous aria from "The Barber of Seville." An audiotape is on reserve at the lower level of the Royal Oak Public Library. Showdates are weekends March 20-29 and April 3-5. Script cut is available for a three-day check out from the theater office. (248) 541-4832

#### WYANDOTTE COMMUNITY THEATRE

Auditions for everyone from age 8 to senior citizens for "Camelet," 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Copeland Center, Fourth and Mulberry street (south of Northline), Wyandotte. Be prepared to sing one song from the show. For performances May 1-2, 8-9. (734) 479-0266/438-0126

### CHORAL

#### RENAISSANCE VOICES

Performs "Requiem" by John Rutter, 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, North Congregational Church, 36520 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. \$5. All ages. (313) 317-6566

### JAZZ

#### DWIGHT ADAMS TRIO

9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (trumpet/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

#### MARCUS BELGRAVE

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Oakland Grill, 32832 Woodward Ave. (south of 14 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Free, complimentary sushi. All ages. (248) 549-7700

#### SEAN BLACKMAN AND JOHN ARNOLD

8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Royal Oak Brewery, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 544-1141/(313) 861-8101

#### GARY BLUMER TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

#### SANDRA BOMAR TRIO

7-11 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

#### JAMES CARTER QUARTET

With Cyrus Chestnut Trio, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-3700

#### HENRY GIBSON TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

#### HEIDI HEPLER AND MICHELE RAMO

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River, Novi. (248) 305-7330

#### KIMMIE HORNE

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (jazz/pop/R&B) (248) 852-0550

#### LEROY JENKINS

9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen Road (south of Ford Road), Dearborn. \$15. All ages. (jazz violinist/new music composer) (248) 548-9888/(810) 775-4770

#### JERICHO GUITAR TRIO

Three local guitarists performing jazz and pop arrangements, 8-10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Espresso Royale Caffe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-1838

#### CARY KOCHER/PAUL KELLER QUARTET

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann

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## KATHY KOSINS

7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 30-31, Fleetwood on Sixth, 209 W. Sixth St. (between Main and Washington streets), Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 541-8050

## SHEILA LANDIS

With Rick Matle and pianist Pat Cronley, 7-11 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older; With Rick Matle and guitarist/vocalist Lou Rye, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. Free. All ages; With Rick Matle, 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and with Rick Matle and percussionist Dennis Sheridan, 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, Smitty's 222 Main, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 645-2150/(313) 271-4441/(248) 652-1600

## MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With vibist Cary Kocher, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29; With saxophone player George Benson, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, the Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington. \$5 cover waived with dinner. (248) 474-4800

## JEANNINE MILLER AND VINCENT SHANDOR TRIO

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

## MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY (MAS)

9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (contemporary jazz/top 40) (248) 852-0550

## RUBBERBAND TIMMY

Featuring James Page, formerly of Brothers From Another Planet, 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Gold Dollar, 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (funky jazz trio) (313) 833-6873, gold\_dollar@mindless.com or http://members.tripod.com/~gold\_dollar

## TANA REID QUINTET

9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, and 2 p.m. showtime during 1-4 p.m. Sunday Brunch Sunday, Feb. 8, SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Musicians workshop 1:30-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the ballroom. \$20 per show and for the workshop. (313) 832-3010/(248) 645-6666

## STEVE WOOD

7:30-11:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 29, and Feb. 5, Friday, Feb. 6, Fleetwood on Sixth, 209 W. Sixth St. (between Main and Washington streets), Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 541-8050

## NEW AGE

## YANNI

8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$65 and \$39.50. All ages. (248) 377-0100

## WORLD MUSIC

## DADDY LONGLEGS

With Circus McGurkus and Grin, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$3. 19 and older. (reggae/rock) (734) 996-8555

## HAWAIIAN SLACK KEY GUITAR FESTIVAL

With George Kahumoku Jr., the Rev. Dennis Kamakahi, and Cyril Pahinui, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451

## IMMUNITY

9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (734) 421-2250

## FOLK/BLUEGRASS

## ANN ARBOR FOLK FESTIVAL

With Paula Cole, Doc Watson and David Grisman, Guy Clark, emcee Cheryl Wheeler, Great Big Sea, Chris Smither, The Nields, Dee Carstensen, Willy Porter and Karen Pernick, 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. \$25 festival tickets, \$55 patron tickets, \$110 sponsor tickets. (734) 761-1451

## AL AND EMILY CANTRELL

Featured in the movie "A River Runs Through It," 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students, seniors. All ages. (fiddle/vocals) (734) 761-1451

## CHESAPEAKE

With Slaid Cleaves and the RFD Boys, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (bluegrass) (734) 761-1451

## DENNIS CYPORAN BAND

7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Borders Books and Music, 34300 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (bluegrass) (248) 203-0005

## LISA HUNTER BAND

9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Xhodos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile Road (west of Woodward Ave.), Ferndale. Free. All

ages; 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Woodward Avenue Brewers, 22646 Woodward Ave. (one block south of Nine Mile Road), Ferndale. Free. 21 and older. (248) 399-3946/(248) 546-3696

## JAN KRIST

10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 861-8101

## MATT WATROBA

Celebrates release of CD "Live at the Ark," with a performance, 9-11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Xhodos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. (248) 399-3946

## DANCE

## AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE

"Giselle," 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 5-6, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$15-\$62. (313) 874-SING

## EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE

"Dances for Lovers," featuring seven dances about love and relationships, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Smith Theatre, Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$16. (248) 471-7667

## ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING

Workshop and dancing led by Eric Arnold and Don Theyken, with live music by David West and Donna Baird, hosted by the Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance, 7-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road (north of Plymouth Road), Ann Arbor. \$4. (734) 663-0744 or (734) 662-5158

## CHRISTINA KAMMUELLER'S ADULT INTERMEDIATE AND ADVANCED STUDENTS

"Moore and More Dances," noon Sunday, Feb. 1, Lascu School of Ballet, 982 Dennison Court, West Bloomfield. Free. All ages. (248) 960-0778

## COUNTRY MAGIC FLOOR SHOW

Featuring Bobby Ray and Five-Piece Band, country music and music from the 50s and 60s, 3-7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 (dinner at 1:30 p.m.), at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road (at Dequindre Road), Troy. \$20 includes dinner and show. (248) 689-3636

## MID-WINTER BALL CONTRA DANCE

With music by Silver Strings Dulcimer Society, and callers Karen Missavage and Tom Allen, 8-11 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Masonic Temple, 730 Penniman St., Plymouth. Beginners welcome. \$7. (734) 332-9024/(734) 995-1336

## U-M DANCE DEPARTMENT

"Changing Steps" by Merce Cunningham, featuring three U-M choreographers' interpretations of each point on the compass and Cunningham's work representing east, 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 5-7, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$14 and \$18, \$7 students. (734) 764-0450

## VIENNESE STRAUSS BALL

Featuring the Eric Neubauer Ensemble and a 22-piece orchestra directed by George B. Stepulla, 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Riverview Ballroom at the Cobo Center, Detroit. \$55. (248) 650-0889

## COMEDY

## HOLLY HOTEL

Mark Knopp and Jeff Margrette, Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, at the hotel, 110 Battle Alley, Holly. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays, and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. 8:30 p.m. shows non smoking. (248) 634-0000

## JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Mike Veneman, Todd McCune and Jim Hamm, Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31 (10); Chas Elstner and Joey Bielaska, Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 5-7 (10), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays (free), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, 8 p.m. Sundays (new talent night/improv). (734) 261-0555

## JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S

Wendy Liebman, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 (\$12, \$25.95 dinner show package), and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package); "Al the Only," 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5 (\$8, \$18.95 dinner show package), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

## ALAN KING

8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Macomb Community College, 44575 Garfield Road (at M-59), Clinton Township. \$29, \$26 students and seniors. All ages. (810) 286-2141

## MAINTREEST COMEDY SHOWCASE

Cathy Ladman, voted "Best Female Stand-Up" at the 1992 American Comedy Awards, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 (\$12), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor.

## SOUPY SALES

With Bill Barr, 7 p.m. dinner with 8:30 p.m. show Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Polo Fields Golf and Country Club, 5200 Polo Fields Dr. (off Zeeb Road, 1/2 mile south of I-94), Ann Arbor. \$60 includes choice of soup or salad, petite filet mignon with bernaise sauce, herbal veloute chicken breast, non-alcoholic beverages or one glass of wine, tax, gratuity, and show. Vegetarian entree available upon request. (734) 998-1555 or (248) 645-6666

## SECOND CITY

"Generation X-Files" through Sunday, Feb. 8, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays (\$10), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays (\$17.50) and Saturdays (\$19.50). The cast performs a free improvisational comedy set after Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday shows, and the late shows on Fridays and Saturdays. The show's title is reflective of current cultural trends, not necessarily the show's content. (313) 965-2222

## MUSEUMS AND TOURS

## DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

## DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

African-American exploration on the web, Tuesday-Saturday, Feb. 3-7, at the library, 5201 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-4042

## DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER

IMAX movies include: "Super Speedway," 10 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays (indefinitely), and 3:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and Sunday, Feb. 1: "Special Effects," 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays-Fridays (indefinitely), 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and Sunday, Feb. 1: "Tropical Rainforest," 1:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and Sunday, Feb. 1: "Sharks," 2:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31; and "Destiny in Space," 2:15 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the museum, 5020 John R (at Warren Road), Detroit. Special \$4.75 admission through Sunday, Feb. 1, includes one IMAX Dome film, an interactive science demonstration, the Cyberspace Safari Exhibit Lab and a laser light show. \$2.50 each additional IMAX film; After Sunday, Feb. 1, \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older, includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups to 10 or more. Hours are: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400 or http://www.sciencecenter.org

## HENRY FORD MUSEUM AND GREENFIELD VILLAGE

"Echoes Across the Prairies: The Vanishing Black West," film by writer and producer Ann Eskridge, shown weekends during February, Black History Month, at the museum, 20900 Oakwood Blvd. (west of the Southfield Freeway, and south of Michigan Avenue), Dearborn. Museum and village hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 seniors age 62 and older, \$6.25 for kids ages 5-12, free for children ages 5 and younger and members. Group rates available. (313) 271-1620

## MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

"A Communion of the Spirits: African-American Quilters, Preservers and Their Stories" exhibits featuring 175 photographs of varying sizes, a selection of the surveyed quilts, interpretive panels, and a limited amount of other artwork related to the quilters, through Sunday, June 7. The exhibit features area quilters and celebrity quilters such as Maya Angelou, Rosa Parks, Bernice Johnson Reagon, Faith Ringgold, Sonia Sanchez and Alice Walker; "The Life and Times of Paul Robeson" exhibition featuring records, photographs and paintings on loan from private citizens and from the collection of the MAAH, runs Saturday-Tuesday, Jan. 31-June 30; "Walk to Freedom: Detroit Shares a Dream," photograph display of the 1963 civil rights march led by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Detroit, through Saturday, Feb. 28; Wednesday movie night featuring African-American films 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays in February; "The Spirit of Harriet Tubman: One Woman Show," 10 a.m. and noon Tuesday, Feb. 3, at the museum, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush Street), Detroit. Museum hours 9:30 a.m. to 5

## POPULAR MUSIC

## JOHNNY BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

## BEAVER SHOOT

9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Gold Dollar, 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (experimental) (313) 833-6873, gold\_dollar@mindless.com or http://members.tripod.com/~gold\_dollar

## BENNY AND THE JETS

With Unity, the Sea Monsters, and special guest "JT The Brick" from the sports radio station WDFN, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Diesel - Sports Rock Cafe, 22509 Ecorse Road (east of Telegraph Road), Taylor, part of the filming of "Benny and the Jets Movie." Cover charge. 21 and older (rock) (313) 730-1627

## BIZER BROTHERS

9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Pages, 23621 Farmington Road, Farmington. Free. 21 and older. (248) 477-0099

## BLUE RAYS

9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

## BLUE SUIT WITH GENE MORGAN

9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

## BLUESAHOLICS

9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Carriage House's Blues Alley, 24200 Grand River Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 535-3440

## BUGS BEDDOW BAND

6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. Cover charge. All ages; 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, Beale Street Blues, 8 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$2. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 494-5800/(248) 334-7900

## BOTFLY

With Fat Amy and FACE, 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Canceled. (rock) (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

## BR5-49

With Gino and the Lone Valley Boys and Swingin' Demons, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, rescheduled from Friday, Feb. 6, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$12.50 in advance. 18 and older. (honky tonk country) (313) 833-9700

## BRIDGE

9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, and Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 5-7, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. \$3. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

## BUSTER'S BLUES BAND

10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Mount Chalet, 4715 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 549-2929

## THE CIVILIANS

10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750

## COAL CHAMBER

With Day in the Life, 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (hard rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

## COOLBONE

8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (brass-driven hip-hop) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

## KACY CROWLEY AND CHRIS STILLS

3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (pop) (734) 913-1100

## DELTA 72

With Bantam Rooster and The Gol, 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (punk/soul) (313) 833-POOL

## SCOTT FAB

With Dorothy and Fat Amy, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (734) 996-8555

## FOOLISH MORTALS

10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Woody's, 208 W. Fifth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 543-6911

## THE FOUR TOPS

7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the Macomb Center for Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road (at M-59), Hall Road, and Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$29, \$26 students/seniors. (Motown) (810) 286-2222/(248) 645-6666

## FREEK WATERS

9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$6 in advance. 19 and older. (roots rock) (734) 996-8555

## GOVERNMENT HONEY

9 p.m. Sundays in February, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

## THE GRUESOMES

With Soot, 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

## HIS NAME IS ALIVE

With Outrageous Cherry and Velour 100, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5 in advance. 19 and older. (ethereal alt/napop) (734) 996-8555

## JILL JACK

10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Captain Tony's, 3333 Woodward Ave. (between 13 Mile Road and Coolidge Highway), Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (roots rock) (810) 731-1750/(248) 288-6388

## JIMMIE JACKSON AND THE BLUES CONNECTION

9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

## NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS

10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older. (R&B) (810) 731-1750

## KNEE DEEP SHAG

With Jazzoditty, 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (



## DINING

# Brothers pioneer new family tavern

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

With the same can-do spirit of pioneers who traveled "westward ho!" Brothers Dan and Joe Josifoski rustled up family and friends to turn a long vacant restaurant into a welcoming wagon stop. They opened Pick-A-Bone Family Tavern on Wednesday.

"We love the community, and thought it would be a great place to operate a family restaurant," said Dan Josifoski who spent four years renovating the former Vargo's, which closed 10 years ago.

"We felt Livonia was lacking a place where family and friends could gather. We will be working together as a family. We'll both be on the premises all the time to greet customers."

The brothers live in Livonia, and their parents - Danny and Zlatka, brought them up in the restaurant business. Dan's grandfather started their family-style restaurant in Roseville.

While Joe worked at the restaurant with his father and mother, Dan, who has a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, and an associate's degree in electronics, worked on renovations at Pick-A-Bone.

"We did a 120 percent job," he

said. "Everything is new."

They worked with a designer, Roseanne Duncan of Bloomfield Hills, to create an Old West atmosphere that's fun, comfortable, and eclectic. A mural inside the saloon area was painted by local artist Frances Fletcher.

Like the setting, the menu also has a Western flare. Barbecue ribs are their specialty. Pick-A-Bone ribs are marinated in a flavorful blend of seasonings, smoked to enhance the flavor, then char-grilled and basted with a family's secret sauce.

Ribs are served with garlic toast and choice of dinner salad or cole slaw, steak fries, red skins or baked potatoes.

Appetizer offerings include a rib sampler, buffalo wings, and Jesse James Cajun Style Pizza.

The brothers recommend "Picadillas," which they describe as being like Quesadillas only better. Of course there's chili on this menu, and onion soup.

Try one of the salads - Antipasto, Chicken Caesar, Greek, Tropical Chicken, or Blackened Chicken Salad.

Pick-A-Bone also offers a variety of sandwiches including burgers, a barbecue pork sandwich, Reuben, turkey and barbecue chicken sandwich, served with choice of soup of the day or steak fries.

## Pick-A-Bone Family Tavern

Where: 30325 Six Mile Road, (between Middlebelt and Merri-man) Livonia, (734) 762-2063, or (734) 762-RIBS

Hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. Closed Monday.

Menu: Western Style fare including ribs, steaks, chicken, some seafood, salads, sandwiches, soups. Children's menu for kids 12 and under. Lunch menu served until 4 p.m.

Reservations: Accepted for parties of six or more.

Credit Cards: All majors accepted

Carry-out: Yes, they also offer Broasted Chicken by the piece for parties.

Banquet Facilities: For up to 120 people, dance floor. Banquet room has private entrance.

Seating capacity: Restaurant seats up to 190 people

If you're not in the mood for ribs, there are a couple of steak options - Cowboy Steak - the original T-Bone Steak; City Slicker Steak - 12 ounces of classic New York Strip, or a one pound mouth-watering Porterhouse. Pick-A-Bone uses top quality Black Angus Beef for their steaks.

Broiled pork chops, prime rib in 16 or 12 ounce cuts, and sirloin steak are also available. Steaks and chops are served with garlic toast, vegetable of the day, choice of dinner salad or cole slaw, and choice of steak fries, red skins, or baked potato.

With so many choices, it's hard

to decide. Try one of the combos, barbecued ribs 'n chicken' barbecue ribs 'n shrimp, barbecued chicken 'n shrimp, or "The Ultimate B.B.Q." - ribs, chicken, shrimp, and pork loin. Combos are served with garlic toast, dinner salad or cole slaw, and choice of steak fries, red skins, or baked potato.

If you don't feel like "pigging out" seafood choices include jumbo shrimp, honey barbecued salmon steak, broiled white fish, char-grilled swordfish and tuna, or fish and chips served with salad or cole slaw, rice pilaf, vegetable of the day and garlic toast.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOBFIELD

New restaurant: Joe (left) and Dan Josifoski welcome customers to Pick-A-Bone Family Tavern.

There are also many other entrees to choose from including broasted chicken, barbecued chicken and pork loin, lasagna, spaghetti, Chicken Monterey, Chicken Pecan, and Chicken Stir-fry, Steak, Chicken or Shrimp Fajitas, served with dinner salad or cole slaw.

"We want to appeal to all groups of people, and different palates," said Joe.

Pick-A-Bone offers a variety of beers, white, sparkling and red

wines, and specialty drinks including Margaritas - traditional, or raspberry, strawberry or lemonade.

The prices are reasonable, ranging from \$4.45 for a Billy the Kid Burger to \$16.95 for Whole Slab of Ribs for Two.

"We're here to stay, we're not travelers," said Dan. "We're devoted to Livonia." Joe said he's "glad open a business and serve the people."

# Backstage Pass welcomes songwriter Bernie Taupin

## BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

Right now, Wisconsin is full of cheeseheads analyzing their performance this past Sunday. "Maybe if my head were made of American instead of cheddar..." Assessment is a part of getting better, and we run each episode of Backstage Pass through a virtual spectroscopy of analysis. Did it succeed in getting people to events? Was it fun? Did it keep the hot side hot, the cool side cool?

Any way you slice it, tonight's show is a winner. For starters, we have one of the most prolific lyricists of the 20th century in the Detroit Public Television studio: Bernie Taupin. And here's a surprise, he sings. Bernie will lead a trio with words he's written for his own voice.

Of course, people know Bernie Taupin from his 27-year collaboration with Elton John, a pairing that has resulted in sales of more than 100 million records. Together, these talented men have authored countless pop classics, including hits like "Your Song," "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road," "Daniel," "Candle in the Wind," and "The One."

Praise for the Taupin/John team has really poured in recently, as if the industry and fans have taken stock of the most amazing songwriting tandem since Lennon and McCart-

ney. In '91, there was the CD/book/video package "Two Rooms," a tribute that included artists like George Michael, Sinead O'Connor, Sting, Eric Clapton and Phil Collins interpreting Bernie and Elton's music. Other accolades include 1994 ASCAP Songwriters of the Year, induction into the Songwriters Hall of Fame, six Ivor Novello Awards (the European equivalent to the Grammy), and the coveted INA's International Achievement of Excellence. Bernie was also inducted into the American Academy of Achievement in 1994.

Bernie has figured out the healing power of music, too. In 1992, he produced "Commitment to Life VI," which raised an unprecedented \$4 million for AIDS Project Los Angeles. The event included top industry stars

and was so successful that in 1995 Bernie introduced a follow-up event, "Commitment to Life VIII - Under the Influence."

Switch gears from pop to jazz, and we have another blockbuster booking: a quartet of world-renowned Detroit jazz all-stars, fronted by James Carter on saxophone and including Harold McKinney on piano, Don Maybury on bass and Richard "Pistol" Allen on drums. Each one of these guys has chops on the world jazz scene in his own right, and they're playing together as an ensemble exclusively for Backstage Pass.

James Carter, who plays this Friday night at Orchestra Hall, is widely regarded as one of the most exciting young saxophonists to arrive on the jazz scene in the last 25 years. I called our Backstage Pass jazz hosts Kim

Hunter and W. Kim Heron for perspective on this special player. Hunter explained, "There's a big schism in jazz - there's the avant garde, and there's the classical. Most people can do one of the other. James can play both, and that's unusual. He's well respected in both camps, because he can play far out and really in."

Both Kims had great things to say about all the players in the Backstage ensemble. Kim Hunter said, "Harold McKinney is probably one of the best piano players on the planet. And he's gotten better as he's gotten older, which is rare for anybody. But Harold's still got it, and he's got

a lot of imagination, too." W. Kim concurred, "McKinney's nicknamed 'The Baron,' and is an elder statesman of the Detroit jazz scene. He's played with people like Charlie Parker, John Coltrane, Donald Byrd, Charles Mingus, Sarah Vaughn - the list goes on and on."

Hunter continued, "Don Maybury is an incredible bass player. He did a great collaboration with a singer named Angie Smith. It's just the two of them, which is unusual. You can really hear what each of them do. And he has a great tone." Heron said, "Pistol Allen was a Motown mainstay. He's played with people like Nancy Wilson, Sammy

Davis Jr., June Christy and Arthur Prysock and worked a lot at Baker's in his heyday." Hunter summed up our assemblage of talent, "Each one of these guys can just flat out play. They're not these young pyrotechnic players with something to prove. They just play."

We also welcome actor John Amos ("Roots," "Good Times," "Coming to America," to name a few), at Music Hall with his incredible one-man tour de force, "Halley's Comet," and visit the exhibition "White" at the Center Galleries. That's tonight on Backstage Pass on Detroit Public Television at midnight, repeated Friday at 7:30 p.m.

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