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Roadwork: If you're driving on I-275 to Detroit Metro Airport this weekend, you'd better bring some pattence and allow for extra travel time. Air travelers will face a busy airport and construction crews working on road repairs. For the next two months, southbound I-275 traffic between I-96 and I-94 will be reduced to two lanes in some areas./A9

OPINION

Readers write: Last week's Observer editorial on gun bills provoked a strong response from readers. /A13, A15

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Loyal following: There are three elements to the hairstylist-customer quotient. Put them together and you end up with longlasting relationship./B1

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Mayflower redevelopment on the move

Efforts to redevelop the downtown spot occupied by the Mayflower Hotel are stepping up.

Hotel general manager and partner Matt Karmo said Thursday, "We are basically approaching it on two fronts." First, Karmo said he's awaiting the

findings of a feasibility study. The study seeks to establish what sort of hotelretail-condo development could be possible on the property at Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street

"The study should be complete in three weeks at the most," he said. "We have two brokerage companies working on it. The bank and lenders need that in

order to lend us the money." Karmo said he's also exploring a sec-

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Library pulls up stakes

It's too noisy for the new Plymouth District Library to be open.

That's because everybody knows a library is a quiet place. And this week at the two-level building that is about to become a library, one could hear radios playing, workmen calling out

The library opens from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, April 26, to the general public. The day before, it will host a party for the Friends of the Library

group.

"The contractors are really scrambling to get it ready," said Library Director Pat Thomas on Tuesday.

Some finishing touches due this week included the installation of a piped water snow melting system. The black pipes were bunched at the bottom of the library steps, awaiting placement on Tuesday.

To enter, step carefully around gravel strewn about the circular front

when you reach the main lobby level, watch out for workmen putting the finishing touches to brick paving stones. Some are on ladders, adding

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Ready to move: Plymouth District Library Director Pat Thomas sits down for a brief moment during the move to a new facility just south of Plymouth City Hall.

Township eyes August ballot

ship residents will have a chance to vote on a recreation millage in August.

After township trustees discussed the issue at a Tuesday study session, "It seemed to me the consensus is to go out in August for a single (recreation) millage request," said trustee Ron Grif-

Griffith said township Supervisor

It's more likely that Plymouth Town- Kathleen Keen McCarthy on Wednesday was to begin trying to determine deadlines for filing ballot language with the county. The township board of trustees could take up the issue at its meeting Tuesday, April 14.

Township voters could be asked to decide on whether to approve a halfmill for recreation. City officials say that if the vote passes, they'll contribute a like amount from the city

Township trustees took up the issue after Plymouth city commissioners on Monday lamented slow progress on joint city-township recreation talks.

City commissioners said that if a recreation program is to continue in greater Plymouth this fall, Plymouth

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schools reach accord

■ A tentative contract has been hammered out between teachers and school administration, all without any hint of strife.



For the first time in recent memory, the Plymouth-Canton Education Association and the school district have come up with a tentative contract without any hints of

The two sides met Monday night and

worked into the early hours of Tuesday, coming up with a three-year pact that both agree is something they can Tom Cotner, the PCEA's chief nego-

tiator, said the agreement calls for a 2percent wage hike the first year, with 2.5-percent increases in each of the next two years. The pact also calls for a \$60,000 buyout for teachers at the top of the pay scale who want to leave.

If a teacher takes the severance, the money will be put in a trust and paid out over the next eight years," said Chuck Portelli, PCEA president. "The teachers will only pay tax on a monthly basis, and at the tax rate they are at during the payouts. They will be severing their employment here, not retiring, so they can leave and work some

Portelli said the buyouts will allow the district to hire more teachers at the lower end of the pay scale, a savings which will help pay for wage increases

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Sue Davis, incumbent





Richard Ham-Kucharski





Five candidates vie for school seats

Four Plymouth-Canton school district residents have filed nominating petitions to run for two; four-year seats on the Board of Education in the June 8 election.

Meanwhile, only the incumbent has filed to run for an unexpired twoyear term on the board.

Sue Davis, board vice president, will run for her second term. Davis, who is the director of the juvenile justice program at Growth Works, says she wants more time to make an

"It's taken four years to really get involved and understand everything that goes on," said Davis, a Canton resident who had three children attend classes in the district. "I feel that I've accomplished some things, and there are some things I would like to see finished."

Among the issues Davis sees as important are building a new middle school, settling the current bond issue which is in litigation and hold-

ing up the construction of a new elementary and high school, and overcrowding at the elementary schools.

The other five candidates are Sheila Friedrich, Richard Ham-Kucharski, Darwin Watts and newlyappointed board member Judy Mardigian. Timothy Greenhoot of Plymouth filed petitions, but dropped out of the race Wednesday morning.

Sheila Friedrich of Canton is a single parent who has a son in fourth grade at Eriksson Elementary. A motivational speaker for Weight Watchers, Friedrich says she decided to run for the board to help build the best possible schools:

"I do think we need a new middle school," said Friedrich. "I also think we need stronger computer learning centers ... more computers in the classrooms, not just the media centers."

Richard Ham-Kucharski of Canton also says he decided to run because

Please see CANDIDATES, A3

Plymouth-Canton schools seeking new bond

For the second time in a year and a half, voters in the Plymouth-Canton school district will be asked to approve a bond issue for a new school

At stake, this time ... construction of a new building to replace Lowell Mid-

The board of education has directed Superintendent Chuck Little to make plans for a vote on Saturday, Oct. 3. The date would have to be approved by Wayne County election officials before being officially set.

Little told the board that an acceler-

ated schedule could result in construction of a middle school by the summer

of 2000, the same time the district loses its lease at Lowell from Livonia Public Schools.

The optimistic plan shows that in less than two years a middle school could be constructed if the board of education was willing to do the plan-ning in advance of the bond," Little said. "It would be likely, that with proper planning in advance, a new middle school could be open by the year 2000. That would remove some of the concerns the housing committee pre-

sented to us a week or two ago. The 11-member Housing and Facilities Committee, believing that con-

struction of a new middle school would not be completed by the start of the 2000-01 school year, suggested splits shifts and an extended school year as short term options until a new school is

"The plan bars the unforeseen," said Little. "Such as weather, and labor will be at a premium because of all the building around us. We would have to have an architect that would buy into the plan. One firm (Roy G. French Associates Inc.) is telling us they can make it. It's something that will have to take the undivided attention of the school district prior to the election."

While the board has directed Little to look into a bidding process for an architect, he's hoping to bypass the procedure and use one of the two that were chosen for the last bond election. Little believes that would speed up the process and avoid increased costs associate ed with split shifts and an extended school year.

"In my opinion its urgency, and as long as it's done openty, will probably be a savings to the taxpayers if we can get it completed by the year 2000," said

Where are the signs?

Where are the temporary stop signs we

s what Harvey Street residents

About 30 residents of Harvey, north of downtown, showed for the regular commission meeting at city hall.

It was Harvey resident Jim Bouton's second appearance in the last month. Bouton and other residents say they're worried that cars speeding on the wide street could strike children.

"I'd like to know what kind of progress here has been," Bouton asked. Mayor Don Dismuke said that the city

mmission would begin reviewing the pro-used 1988-99 budget today.

The issue is going to be a budgetary

City Building Official Jim Penn said that

by state law certain provisions must be met for traffic counts and accidents. "There's a liability issue, if we put up stop signs with-out meeting these warrants," he said.

temporary stop signs."

Zimmerman said residents could raise the money for signs. "There really is a worry about small children running into the street."

Dismuke responded that the city commis-



Walting: Harvey Street resident Jim Bouton says he and other residents are waiting for help from the city with speeding problems on their north-south residential road.

sion would await traffic counts compiled by the building department and present find-ings at the next commission meeting April

Police Chief Robert Scoggins said police could try to step up patrols in the area, but residents in other areas of the city also ask for stop signs and increased patrols.

Scoggins said the approaching warm weather downtown cruising season also takes up significant police staff.

Housing

Bond to replace Lowell tops the list

Approximately 80 Plymouth-Canton school district residents took time to attend at least one of two public hearings Tuesday at Lowell Middle School – asking questions and giving opinions on the Housing and Facilities Committee recommendations for the future of the district.

Of all the building needs the committee is recommending, a bond issue for a new middle school to replace Lowell is at the top of the list.

Several can't understand why Plymouth-Canton officials waited until the Livonia Public Schools decided to stop leasing the building before taking a course of action.

"I'm just wondering why a lot of this wasn't done sooner," said Pam Thomas, who has students at both Fiegel Elementary and Lowell. "A growing school district shouldn't have to wait on a building for 14 years." (

If a new school isn't approved by voters, options include split shifts and extended school year

"I've taught at Pioneer for 30 years, and am one of the few that has taught both split sessions and extended school year," said Jim Marchio, "If there's any way possible, I wish you would survey the teachers involved in that. There were a lot of problems, and it took us five years to convince the administration."

The committee is recommending refurbishing and adding portable classrooms at the high schools as a short-term solution until a new high school is constructed.

"When I look at the high school and see a need to bring portable classrooms up to code and safety standards; that upsets me," said Jill Wheaton-Adzima of Plymouth Township,

II 'Now I'm thinking I may have to move. Parents I know who are involved with the schools are thinking the same thing."

Karen O'Keefe

who is thinking ahead for her preschoolers. "There should be no child in the district that's being housed in a portable that's not up to safety standards. I'm seriously considering sending my children to private school."

A number of residents told the committee they moved into the. Plymouth-Canton area because of the schools, and they are now inclined to move out ... because of the schools.

"We move to Plymouth because of the excellent school district," said Karen O'Keefe, who lives within the Bird Elementary boundaries. "Now I'm thinking I may have to move. Parents I know who are involved with the schools are thinking the same thing.

"We need to stress to the community they need these changes, whether they have kids or not, from a property value stand-

After hearing public comments, the committee will once again review its recommendations. They include redistricting elementary and middle school boundaries, a new middle school. a new high school, more portable classrooms, and the possibility of split shifts and staggered student schedules.

The final recommendation is expected in front of the board of education sometime next month.

Township will appeal ruling in Wayne County Jail charges

Plymouth Township's govern-ment will appeal a judge's ruling that \$68,000 in jail charges must be paid to Wayne County.

Wayne County Circuit Judge James Rashid on Tuesday rejected the township's contention that jail housing charges

billed by the county are exces-

Plymouth Township began withholding the payments in 1988. That was after voters approved a Wayne County request to tax themselves 1 mill to build, staff and operate the Dickerson jail facility in Ham-

While all Plymouth Township prisoners lodged by the county were taken to Dickerson, the county still billed the township for housing prisoners. Thentownship Supervisor Maurice Breen said the billing was excessive and didn't pay.

Township Supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy said the county sued the township in 1994 for \$68,000 in unpaid jail charges from 1988-94. By that time, the county jail rate had fallen from \$68 to \$30 per day, a figure that township officials agreed to pay.

McCarthy said no timetable has been set for filing the

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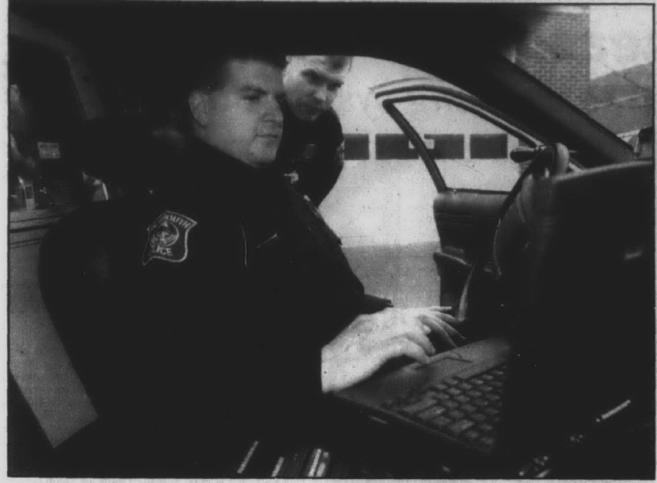
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Technological: Plymouth police Officers Tony Angelosanto and Jamie Grabowski work with the laptop computer mounted in a patrol car.

Computerized

City cops test new system

ing an in-car laptop computer system that cuts down on paperwork.

But Police Chief Robert Scoggins said the system's biggest benefit could be eliminating inaccurate transfers of information between police and clerical staff.

"Ninety percent of police reports can be done electronically," Scoggins said, by officers entering information on the laptop computer. "No longer do you have to have the officer coming back to the station to write reports," he

If adopted, the system could be expanded so that officers could "write" tickets on the screen, print them out and serve them to violators.

"It makes the officers personally responsible for data entry," Scoggins said. Should the system be adopted departmentwide, more of the police department budget

could go for hiring officers as less clerical staff would be

"We want to put money toward putting police officers on the street," he said.

Software for the system is available through Windows. The price for the test unit is around \$2,500.

Scoggins said the city police are the first department in western Wayne County to test the system. Last year, Ann Arbor police were the first in the area to begin using laptop computers

Plymouth police have had the laptop computer for two weeks and will continue to test it for 45-60 days, Scog-

We'll try to work out all the bugs in the system before introducing it full-fledged to the entire force," he said.

If the laptop proves workable, Scoggins said police will

to place in cars.

The unit now in use is mounted between the driver and passenger seats. Officers can move their finger along a small pad centered at the bottom of the unit, to act as a mouse to access various entry sections of the soft-

Scoggins said the unit could eventually connect with the state's license information system, to call up information on suspected vio-

"It gives us the opportunity to do a better job," the chief

Among officers trained on the laptop are new Officers Jamie Grabowski and Tony Angelosanto.

Meanwhile, Scoggins said he expects to soon resume bike patrols and officer walking patrols downtown.

Police wait for results of autopsy

Plymouth Township police continue to await a county medical examiner's report on the human skeletal remains found March 30 on the township's northeast side.

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Detective David Hayes said police have had two inquiries from area departments on the case, but no significant leads on the subject's identity.

Police believe the subject to be male, based on the clothing found at the scene, west of Eckles and south of I-96 in a wooded area. A rusty handgun was also found at the scene, leading police to speculate the death was a sui-

A resident of nearby apartments was taking a walk in the

woods when he found the remains, police said.

The dead man was wearing a blue baseball hat with a bullet hole through it, police said. The hat had a red bill and "6K Con" struction" embossed on the front

The subject was also wearing a red and white plaid shirt, camouflage hunting jacket, blue Wrangler jeans, brown hiking boots, and a leather belt with a belt buckle with a bear's image and the word "Bear" underneath.

The man had no identification on him, police said. They found \$11 and some change in his

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Candidates from page A1

few people have stepped for-

"Young people in the district don't seem to be participating, and that's a problem," said Ham-Kucharski, an expectant father. "We need to develop more community involvement.

Ham-Kucharski, a systems engineer for EDS, said "we need more schools and classrooms, and need to make them more secure.

Darwin Watts of Plymouth Township, the father of 7-yearold twin boys at Bird Elementary, said being a part of the school board is "one of the best ways to make a positive impact on the community.

Among Watts' priorities are "future planning of school needs, school funding priorities, and a new middle school."

Judy Mardigian, who was appointed to the board March 17 after Jack Farrow stepped down, is the only candidate for the two

■ The annual school board election is Monday, June 8. **Candidates have until 4** p.m. today to withdraw from the race.

remaining years left in the vacated position.

"Clearly, we've got to address facility needs," said Mardigian, a Plymouth Township resident. We also need to get more equitable funding from Lansing so we can do what other districts are already doing. Another priority is to implement a long-range plan to deal with curriculum, class size and school facilities."

Mardigian is co-owner of Health Decisions Inc., a health benefits consulting firm in Plymouth. She has two students who attend Isbister Elementary.

Livonia man found dead from suspected overdose

drug overdose Friday in a Plymouth hotel room was accompanied by a 20-pound stash of mar-

Plymouth Township police were called to Quality Inn, 40455 Ann Arbor Road, by employees. They found a Livonia man, 38, dead of an apparent

A man who died of a suspected drug overdose. Also found were several small packages with traces of drugs, possibly heroin or cocaine, township police said.

Police are awaiting a toxicology report on the victim to determine cause of death. A 9 millimeter handgun was also found at the scene, police said.

Township composting under way

As of April 6, Plymouth Township residents may start putting out yard waste for compost col-

Acceptable containers for grass clippings, leaves, prunings and like materials are 30 gallon reusable containers with sturdy

The container should be marked "compost." Paper yard bags are also accepted. Plastic bags are not accepted for disposal of compost material

All residents with solid waste pickup are required by ordinance to separate yard waste for composting from regular trash. This includes both those who are part of the township's solid waste pickup system and those with private contractors.

For more information, call the township Division of Public Services, Solid Waste Department at 454-0530.

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Tornado season

Seventh siren to be added to warning system

As April begins what is known as the tornado season in Michigan, Plymouth City Manager Steve Walters says a seventh tornado siren will soon be part of the area's storm warning system.

"As a result of storm damage last July in which Wayne County was declared a federal disaster area, the city was able to apply for federal grant money," said Walters. "With the grant we'll purchase a new tornado siren, which we hope to have up within 60 which we hope to have up within 60

The money will come from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, with the \$15,000 grant expected to pay

There are currently five sirens in Plymouth Township, and one in Plymouth. Walters expects the new siren to go in the township, in an area south of Five Mile and west of Sheldon roads.

of Five Mile and west of Sheldon roads.

It's the only area in the two communities that isn't covered by sirens now, and will give the entire area overlapping coverage," said Walters.

Plymouth Township Emergency Program Manager Chuck VanVleck agrees "that corner is not covered as well as the rest of the Plymouth community."

The township sirens are located at Pioneer Middle School, Ridge and Ann Arbor roads, Ridge Road north of M-14, fire station No. 2 at Wilcox and Schoolcraft, and the township offices at Ann

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Patricia Cops

—Tornado spotter

Arbor and Lilley roads.

The city's siren is located atop city

Michigan averages 16 tornados a year. Ironically, that's the same number of twisters that ripped through the state last July 2, which resulted in the fire that destroyed 35th District Court.

"We get severe weather information from our state monitor, and from our officers in the field," said Robert Scognize. Plumouth relies chief. "If an officers in the second course of the second cou

gins, Plymouth police chief. "If an offi-cer reports a tornado, or one is spotted in the vicinity, then the sirens are set

Patricia Cops of Plymouth Township is one of those people who may spot and report a tornado.

Cops is a storm spotter for the township, a trained volunteer who is sent to perch in one of a number of areas when

bad weather strikes.

"At the first sign of bad weather we are notified by the township dispatcher," she said. "We are given a two-way

radio, first aid kit, and a box of flares to take with us to our appointed loca-

Cops sits in her car and checks in every half-hour, or sooner, depending on the circumstances.

"We have to judge how far away the storm is, watch the cloud formations and how hard the wind is gusting," said Cops. "When my car starts rocking, I figure the winds are gusting at about 35 mph.

"Tve never seen a tornado, but I've been outside during gusts of wind which nearly knocked me down," Cops

Cops, who moved to Plymouth 12 years ago from England, said she'd been here only two weeks when the sky turned a greenish-purple color. "My husband then told me 'I forgot to

tell you, we live in tornado alley, "Cops said with a chuckle. "I'd be interested in going to Oklahoma and chasing tornados, just like they did in the movie Twister."

Both communities test the sirens at 1 p.m. on the first Saturday of every

While most of the time the sirens off without a hitch, VanVleck said the tewnship did have a problem during last month's test.

"We had a power outage and found out it deprogrammed the sirens from



Another one: The community will soon have another weather siren in time for tornado

the computer," said VanVleck. "It's a simple matter to correct, and now we are aware of how to fix the problem. That's why we have tests, to make sure we are ready for the real thing."

Tax from page A1

Township should schedule a millage election for August or contribute some money. They passed a resolution urging the township board to act.

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In a letter to McCarthy, Plymouth Mayor Don Dismuke wrote, "The city hopes the town-ship board will place the (recreation) millage on the Aug. 4 primary election ballot.

"However, if the township would like to provide an interim subsidy while a later election date is being scheduled, the city will be happy to discuss this in more detail," Dismuke said.

TOWNSHIP

"I think because of the city's budgetary concerns it's incumbent on us to put that forward," said Griffith, who also serves on the city-township recreation committee.

"At least we'll know once and for all what the township people want to tax themselves for recreation," he said.

While putting together the annual budget in spring 1997, city officials said they could no longer contribute around \$200,000 to run the Plymouth Cultural Center and other communitywide recreation programs.

While some participation fees for township residents were raised, city officials urged the township to get involved financially in supporting recreation.

That request sparked a communitywide recreation survey last summer. Respondents said they favored some government "The problem is not here, it's

across Mill Street," Commissioner Dennis Shrewsbury said.

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4:00 p.m., Monday, March 23, 1998 Regular meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Thomas Yack, Karen Woodside, Kathleen A. Keen-McCarthy.

Agenda – adopted as presented.

Minutes – regular meeting of February 23, 1998 – approved as presented.

Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$389,629.62 – approved.

Operations and Maintenance Monthly Report – received and filed. Operations and Maintenance Monthly Report – received and filed.

Operations Manager's Report – received and filed.

Administrative Goals Report (FY 97/98) – received and filed.

Job Description Drafts – distributed for review & comments.

Addition of chemicals at the WTUA pump stations – approved.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK Chairman

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Secretary of state hosts Gift of Life Buddy Day' Volunteers from the Gift of Life Agency of Michigan will of working with the Gift of Life

Agency.

In addition to our participation in Buddy Day, we have a long history of distributing organ donor labels and information in our branch offices and with the driver's licenses we mail," Miller said.

"With the new Michigan driver's license, we have taken the initiative of making organ donation even easier. We have designed the new license and

state identification card so that space for writing organ donor and medical alert information is prominently featured on the

Gift of Life volunteers, also known as "Buddies," are either organ recipients, individuals waiting for an organ donation, or family or friends of a recipient or

While at the branch offices, Buddies will provide organ donor information, donor reg-

istry cards, stickers, pencils and other educational materials about organ donation. Branch offices without Buddies will have information available from the Gift of Life Agency.

With the introduction of the new Michigan driver license and ID card this spring, residents will write their organ donor wishes in the space provided on the back of the card rather than on a label. Labels will still be available at all branch offices for

those with the old style driver license and ID.

More than 2,400 Michigan residents are waiting for an organ or tissue transplant. Individuals wishing to become an organ donor should first discuss their

wishes with their family. Prospective donors can indicate intentions to donate organs by signing the back of the driver license, an organ donor registry card and, most importantly, discussing their wishes with their

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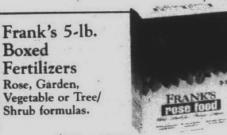
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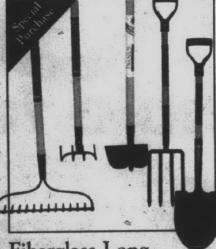


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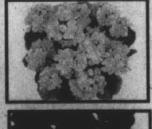
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Communities to benefit from grant program

Wayne County Executive \$51,000; Garden City, \$114,000; Morthville, \$50,000; Northville Township, \$90,000; Plymouth, \$61,000; Plymouth Township, Edward McNamara has designated April 6-12 as Community Development Week in Wayne County in conjunction with the national celebration of the grant program.

The block grant program was created through the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. It was designed as a tool to assist communities in improving the physical, economic and social conditions in their environs. Wayne County's 30 participating communities have received more than \$30 million n funding since 1987, including \$3.6 million this year.

The nine communities that make up the western part of the consortium will share \$776,000. The communities are: Belleville.

\$100,000; Sumpter Township, \$82,000; Van Buren Township, \$108,000; and Wayne, \$120,000.

Since 1987, these communities have received more than \$9.1 million in funding through the block grant program.

Northville Township and the city of Northville have initiated a shared services agreement in support of their joint funding of a new senior citizens center which serves residents of both communities.

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Auto insurance rebates examined

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

Q. If I believe the publicity releases, both Democrats and Republicans have done me a huge favor on the "catastrophic claims" part of my car insurance. Any dissent?

A. Some. Both parties in the House joined forces to approve, 104-3, House Bill 5491 requiring the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association to refund \$1.2 billion of the fund "surplus," or \$180 per vehicle.

All lawmakers from this

area voted yes. One dissenter was Rep. Mike Green, R-Mayville, who filed this protest in the permanent House Journal: "This bill is nothing but political posturing. I believe we should leave this fund alone and continue letting reserves build up and not change any premiums until it

Q. Any evidence Green was right about "political

posturing"?
A. The Democratic view, as stated by Rep. Bob Brown of Dearborn Heights: "This issue wasn't on anyone's political radar until Democrats came out with a plan to give the money back. If not for the House Democratic plan, there would be no refund.

The Republican view, from a news release: "Under pressure from Republicans and the public, Democrats crossed party line to support Gov. Engler's proposal to refund \$1.2 billion of the fund's \$2.5 billion surplus."

The facts:

■ HB 5491 was Democrat Brown's bill, pushed by his

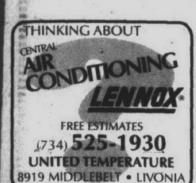
Republicans won 90-15 approval of their amendment to deny claims to anyone convicted twice or more of drunk driving since Jan. 1, 1998. All local lawmakers voted yes. It was opposed by one Republican and 14 Democrats, including Speaker Curtis Hertel of

Republicans also won 75-33 support for their amendment to cap catastrophic claims premiums at \$6 a year for the next two years. Democrats cast 32 of the "nay" votes. "Unfortunately," said Rep. Howard Wetters, D-Kawkawlin, "this proposal would place at risk the fund which pays catastrophic claims."

Q. So where do we auto owners stand?

A. The Senate still must act on these bills, and there's no telling whether it will.

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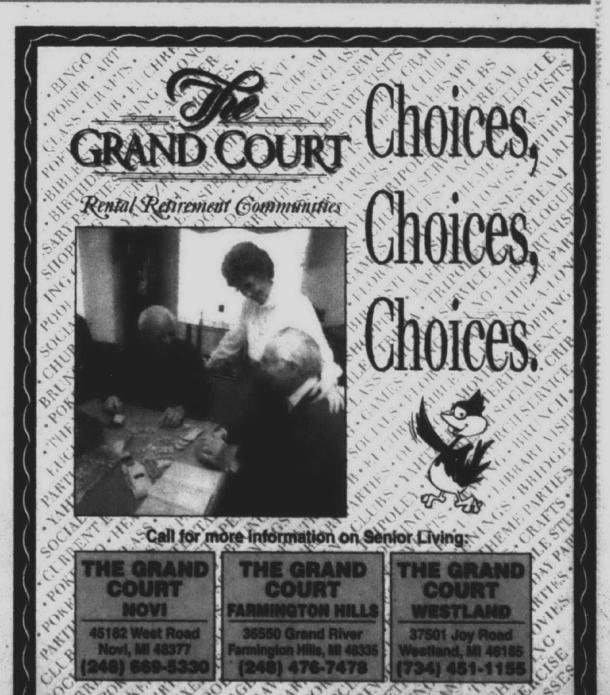
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Committee to review SMART millage

Wayne County commissioners referred the SMART transportation millage proposal last Thursday to its Committee on Ways

Richard Kaufman, general manager of Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation, sent a suggested resolution to commissioners calling for a ballot proposal to ask voters on Aug. 4 to approve a fouryear, 0.33 mill.

Suburban Wayne County residents will be asked to renew a 1/3 mill for SMART's public transportation system of buses, possibly for four years. That

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property tax will cost the owner of a \$100,000 home about \$16.65

Kaufman said SMART will seek the four-year term so election renewals will fall on county ballots and not cost taxpayers and communities more money for special elections. The current SMART millage actually reached its third year in December 1997, so it must be renewed some time this year to collect property taxes in December

At the same meeting, commissioners approved, 8-7, a "supermajority" proposal asking voters on the same August ballot whether they wish to require a 60 percent support of millage increases before they are effective. If voters approved it, it would not be effective until Jan-

The Committee on Ways and Means is scheduled to meet Monday, April 13, at 11 a.m. in

room 402 in the Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, in

Fees to committee

Annual greens fees for Inkster Valley Golf Course - which included a \$2 charge for users who live outside Wayne County - also were sent back to the commission's Committee on Roads, Airports and Public Ser-

Inkster Valley's proposed reen fees range from \$20 to \$35 for nine or 18 holes on weekdays with a cart, to \$23 to \$40 for weekends.

Buddy from page A5

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Buddies' appear

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Mile Road, branch manager Joseph Hayes, buddy volunteer Cynthe Lewis. (248) 476-4538.

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■ Westland: 6090 N. Wayne, branch manager Deborah Dayton, buddy volunteers Jack Spitza and Teri Zakrian. (734) 721-3813.

Rebates from page A7

Meanwhile, the MCCA on March 18 (one day after the House vote) announced it would rebate \$1.2 billion on its own. So it looks as if no law will be necessary to pay the rebate and hold down costs. But Democrats will claim credit for forcing the dissue.

The Democratic rejoinder two weeks later was a bill requiring insurers to pay the rebates by Oct. 1

Q. Refresh me - what is this "catastrophic claims" issue?

A. Sorry if the politicians and press talk in legal shorthand.

Michigan in 1972 enacted nooffault auto insurance. It required insurers to pay lifetime medical benefits - no dollar limits.

But there arose a class of losses called "catastrophic claims, more than \$250,000 and usually involving brain or spinal cord damage and years of therapy. To calculate insurance, you need defined losses; you can't "insure" to an unlimited amount. That's actuarial science.

So in 1978 the state enacted

the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association (MCCA) act to cover losses greater than \$250,000. MCCA is an unincorporated, non-profit association of private insurers. Its board sets rates and levies mandatory assessments against member

Q. Democrats keep referring to a "car tax."

A. It isn't a tax, according to the Michigan Supreme Court when the rate was challenged. We find that the monies sought to be collected by the MCCA are assessments, and not taxes," wrote Justice Michael Cavanagh in a 7-0 opinion.

Q. So how did the fund swell to \$2.5 billion?

A. Catastrophic claims are hard to predict, just like earthquakes and tornadoes. When a person suffers a catastrophic injury, there's no telling if he will live one year or 50.

For some years, the board was very conservative and built up a fund to cover future claims. Conventional think today is that the fund got too big.

Q. Democrats have other bills (HB 4993-4996) to open up MCCA operations. They would expand board membership, require state audits, and make the MCCA board subject to the Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Acts. What are their chances?

A. Slender to zero. MCCA is not a state agency...

Q. Not even if it was created by the Legislature in state

A. Right. "Taken as a whole, the characteristics of the MCCA lead us to recognize it as a private association," said the Supreme Court

Since it's not subject to the Administrative Procedures Act (center of the 1990 lawsuit), MCCA is not likely to be made subject to the "sunshine" laws, FOIA and OMA.

It's like the comic Shakespearean character, "neither fish nor fowl." MCCA was created by law; the insurance commissioner appoints the board and serves as an "ex officio" non-voting member; and it can make assessments that insurers and drivers must pay.

But it's still not a state ageny. It isn't even listed in the Michigan Manual, the so-called "red book" in every library reference shelf.

Q. If we didn't have a catastrophic claims program, what would happen?

A. Many families of injured people would go broke and wind up on welfare. That's why no one want to get rid of MCCA.

Q. What happens next?

A. House and Senate Republicans are seeking attention for their latest round of bills to crack down on drunk drivers as Democrats raise civil rights objections. But that's another

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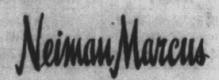
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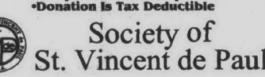
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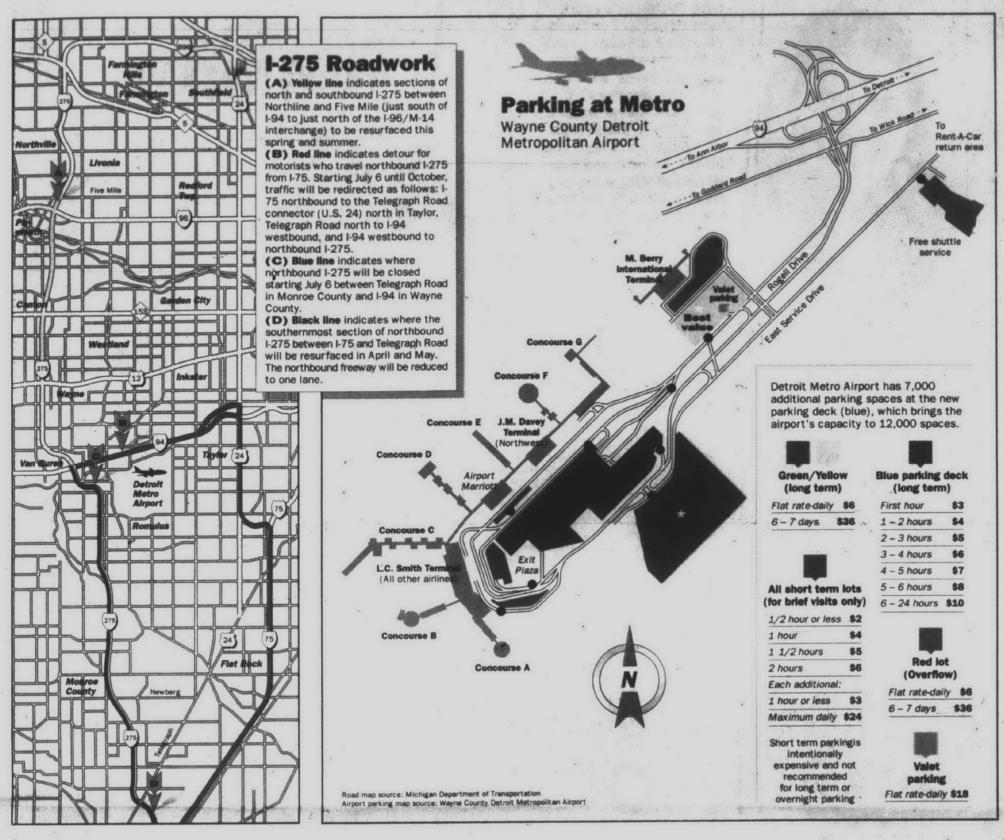
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f you're planning on driving on I-275 to Detroit Metro Airport for a long awaited Easter holiday vacation, you better bring some patience and extra travel time along.

Not only will air travelers need to deal with an airport busy with holiday and spring break vacationers, they will need to cope with construction crews on I-275 working on road repairs and resurfacing projects.

"For the next two months, southbound I-275 traffic between I-96 and I-94 will be reduced to two lanes in some areas," said Robin Pannecouk, spokeswoman for the Michigan Department of Transportation. During the next two weeks, MDOT does not anticipate any work that will impact the northbound lanes, Pannecouk said.

The I-275 resurfacing project will cost an estimated \$40-\$45 million, funded through state and federal money.

Other work on the freeway is scheduled for later this spring and summer as well:

The southernmost section of northbound I-275 between I-75 and Telegraph Road in Monroe County will be resurfaced in April and May. The northbound freeway will be reduced to one lane

Starting July 6, motorists who travel northbound I-275 from I-75 will take a detour of I-75 northbound to the Telegraph Road connector exit (U.S. 24) in Taylor, Telegraph Road north to I-94 west-bound and I-94 west-bound to northbound I-275.

"This year's historic \$1 billion road and bridge program is bound to affect travel in some areas, but we are doing everything we can to reduce driver inconveniences," said James DeSana, state transportation director. "A great deal of the work on I-275 will be accomplished during off-peak hours such as weekends and midday times.

"We are getting in; fixing the road, and getting out of the way

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Learning experience

Area Close Up students visit and study Washington, D.C.

Editor's Note: The following is Salem High School student Jessie Lobenherz's story about the annual Close Up trip to Washington, D. C. She also photographed her fellow students in the national Capitol.

BY JESSIE A. LOBENHERZ SPECIAL WRITER

Malcom Forbes once said, "The purpose of education is to replace an empty mind with an open one.'

Recently, students from Salem and anton high schools had the opportunity to enhance their minds and their education when they spent a week in Washington, D.C., over their mid-win-

While in Washington, students were able to see first-hand how our government works, as well as meet new people, see new things, and have new expe-

Students were given their first-hand experience of how our government works on a day devoted to the exploration of Capitol Hill. Students could



Jessie Lobenherz, Salem Close Up student

attend House and Senate committee meetings, visit the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Supreme Court and surrounding buildings, or tour the

In addition to meeting with Michigan's representatives in Congress, I attended a Senate committee meeting on foreign relations, at which the effectiveness of using unilateral trade sanctions against Asia was debated. I also visited the Senate and the **House of Representa**tives, although only the Senate was in session.

Capital.

Students were had a chance to meet with Michigan Rep. Lynn Rivers, who represents Plymouth and Canton in the 13th Congressional District. They were also given the opportunity to meet with legislative correspondents to Michigan senators Carl Levin and Spencer Abraham, as well.

Lynn Rivers posed for photographs with all of the students. Spencer Abraham, although he was unable to speak with the students as a group, did pose for photographs with some students who he met on one of the trolleys that connect parts of the Capitol. In addition to meeting with Michigan's representatives in Congress, I attended a Senate committee meeting on foreign relations, at which the effectiveness of using unilateral trade sanctions against Asia was debated. I also visited the Senate and the House of Representatives, although only the Senate was in session.

In order to visit either the Senate or the House of Representatives, you must have a pass. Before you enter either of the chambers, you must check all of your belongings and pass through metal detectors.

At the Senate, Salem Close Up teacher Bill Boyd kept setting the metal detector off, and he was asked to empty his pockets (which contained close to \$10 in quarters). Boyd also had to remove his watch before he could enter the Senate chamber. After having passed through the metal detector three times, and setting it off each time, Boyd had to be scanned by a guard with a hand-held detector. Finally, he was allowed to enter the Senate, although it was never determined what exactly kept setting the alarm off. This incident is testament not only to the security found at the Capital and all around Washington, D.C., but also to the oncein-a lifetime experiences that can occur on the trip.

Another great aspect of the Washington, D.C. trip is all the new people we were able to meet. At our hotel, there were students from Delaware, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, North Carolina, Texas, Washington and, of course, Michigan. Students roomed with one person of their choice from their own

D.C. trip. school and two people from another Monument and the White House. state. This was a great way to learn about the differences and similarities between life in Michigan and life in

Visiting: Jessie Lobenherz (at left), accompanied by Close Up teacher

Al Sudia, meets with U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers during the Washington

other states My roommates were from Minnesota and from them I learned a lot about their high school and their lives in Minnesota. I also had the opportunity to meet interesting people around Washington, D.C. while standing in line at McDonald's at Union Station. For example, I talked with a man from Maryland who told me about his job working at a judge's office. On Capitol Hill day, I met a reporter from Malaysia who told me about the Newseum in Virginia. I also met a Senate building maintenance worker in the elevator of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. At the Vietnam Memorial, I talked with a Vietnam veteran who was selling merchandise. And, at the National Air and Space Museum, two friends and I met some Washington, D.C. residents who told us about the city. This short list does not include all of the people I met throughout the city, or all of the other students from the different areas of the country who were on the trip and stayed at the same hotel.

In Washington, D.C., there were also many places to visit, and during the week spent in the city, the Close Up students visited almost all of them. There were museums, such as the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, the National Air and Space Museum, the Newseum, and the National Museum of American History. There were memorials, such as the Malcolm X Memorial, the Jefferson Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial, the Franklin Delane Roosevelt Memorial, the Vietnam War Memorial, the Korean War Memorial and the Iwo Jima Memorial. There were other attractions such as Arlington National Cemetery, the Washington

Students visited many restaurants, such as the Hard Rock Cafe and Planet Hollywood. In their workshops or assigned groups, students also visited neighborhoods, such as Shaw and Adams Morgan.

In the neighborhood Adams Morgan, I ate at an Ethiopian restaurant for the first time and discovered that you don't get silverware. Instead, you use sponge-like bread to eat your food. Also, everyone's meal is served on one giant plate, and you serve yourself from this

The Washington, D.C. trip was full of once-in-a-lifetime experiences. All of the students had the opportunity to attend a performance of the humorous musical group "Capitol Steps." Students on bus three (workshops five and six) visited the Taipei Economic and Cultural representative in the United States and received an 834-page 1997 "The Republic of China Yearbook" and a soda pop. At the Capitol, I and other workshop students saw President Pro Tempore Strom Thurmond. Students and teachers watched two male students sing "Heaven" at the Close Up banquet talent show.

The Washington, D.C. Close Up trip was an excellent opportunity for all involved. It was truly a worthwhile experience. Students were taught to open their minds to new people, new places, new experiences and new ideas. Only by opening one's mind can one realize one's full potential. With an open mind, one can determine what needs to be changed and then work for that change, which is what our country and our democratic government is founded on. Working together with our minds open, we can keep democracy alive in the United States.

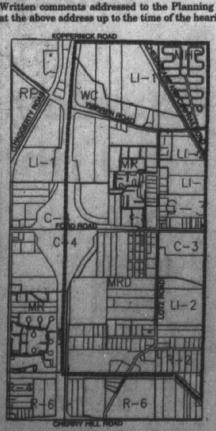


U.S. Capital. From left to right, front row, are Rachel Brown, Mandey Ryan, second row, Liz Kraydich, Robin Beaudry, Jessie Lobenherz, teacher Bill Boyd, Peter Hoskins, and back row, Sarah Huth and Lisa Jasnowski.

Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 20, 1998 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

TOWNSHIP-INITIATED TEXT AMENDMENT (98-2) - CONSIDER AMENDING ARTICLE 6, SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO SPECIFIC USES, BY CREATING SUBSECTION 6.08, SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR THE CORPORATE PARK OVERLAY DISTRICT. TO IMPLEMENT THE FORD/LOTZ CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT PLAN. The district is located within Sections 12, 13, and the south quarter of Section 1, bounded by Koppernick Road on the north, eastern Township border on the east, Detroit Edison power lines north of Cherry Hill Road on the south, and I-275 on the west.

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



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Noise ordinance passes muster

A noise ordinance sparked by complaints of some Lower Town Grill neighbors passed a first reading Monday before Plymouth city commissioners.

It must pass a second reading to become law. Commissioners and residents suggested some changes to the draft ordinance put together by City Attorney Sarah Osburn and City Commissioner Colleen Pobur.

The ordinance could return before the commission as early as the next meeting April 20.

Dean Kariniemi, who organized a petition drive last summer to encourage action against loud bands at the Lower Town, urged commissioners to act soon.

Saying his sleep is affected four nights a week, Kariniemi said, "There's no way anybody could understand what kind of emotional toll that takes."

Lower Town Grill owner Kim Guenther watched quietly as

commissioners and Kariniemi discussed the ordinance. After the discussion, Guenther said he looked forward to an ordinance "that describes something we can deal with. I have a very hard time trying to figure out what

that (noise) level is." Tickets earlier written against the Lower Town Grill for excessive noise were thrown out of local district court. The ordinance they were written against was determined too vague.

Osburn and Pobur said the proposed ordinance was put together after researching noise ordinances in towns of similar size. Pobur said the ordinance is geared to covering all kinds of

The proposed ordinance sets a 61 decibel level to qualify as a violation, as measured at the complainant's property line.

But Kariniemi urged commissioners to lower the level to 55

decibels, by the time a final version is approved. He told commissioners he likes to leave his windows open in the summer.

"Any noise level in excess of 50 is more than any resident should tolerate," he said.

Guenther has made some changes at the Lower Town to minimize noise leakage outside the club. Kariniemi said the sound of the bass is the main

"I've heard very few noise complaints to the city commission, except for one situation," Mayor Don Dismuke said, adding he wondered if an ordinance is nec-

"Noise is bad news," said longtime resident Jack Wilcox. "The good news is I'm deaf, I don't hear a lot of it," he quipped, adding loud radios from downtown cruisers are a nuisance.



Cazy: This quiet area, complete with large fireplace, is on the main floor of the new Plymouth District Library on Main Street, which opens April 26.

Design consultant Dick de Bear said most cities building new libraries these days choose modern designs. But the new Plymouth library fea-tures a Williamsburg-classic

"There are intense wall col-ors, the detailing of the furni-ture is unordinary," he said.

Walls are blue green and Botticelli red. Some pillars are gold, some are cream-colored.
"The colors used in the walls are used in the carpet," de

Just left of the entrance one

can see past some fixed French doors into a 170-person meet-ing room. The library features several other rooms for kids' programs and group study.

Opposite the entrance is a

gas fireplace. Thomas said chairs and couches will be added, and people can sit and read or browse through current magazines displayed

*People talk about computers taking over. We wanted to have a place that says library," Thomas said. Also on the upper floor will be all best sellers, fiction and

checkout. The lower level will

house reference materials; computers and work stations.

Voters approved nearly 1 mill to build and stock the library, on the site of the former Dunning-Hough Library just south of Plymouth City Hall on Main Street.

The temporary library site.

The temporary library site at the former Farmer Jack's supermarket building on South Main closed Sunday. Library materials can be returned starting April 26 at the new library location.

Bond from page A1

Board member Judy Mardigian, who worked on the last bond proposal for a new elementary and high school, believes the timetable for a referendum is a good one.

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We would be able to hit the ground running when the community comes back from summer vacation," said Mardigian, referring to a campaign to get out the "yes" vote. "It's an issue with a lot of clarity.

Despite hearing figures indi-

cating that 45-percent of Satur- tant to have people turn out. If day elections resulted in failure, the board was unanimous that Saturday would be a good day for the voting public.

"The issue may be more likely to fail on Saturday, but we will have a tremendous increase in turnout," said board President Mark Horvath.

"We need to be sensitive to our commuting community," said trustee Susan Davis, referring to weekday votes. "It's more impor-

we fail, then we have to have "It's for the convenience of vot-

ers and an increase in voter turnout," said trustee Carrie Blamer. "I don't care what they say, as long as they turn out."

The board did have one concern about a Saturday, Oct. 3, bond referendum. However, that was alleviated when it was noted that the Michigan Wolverines will play at Iowa that day.

Garden Club hosts guest speaker

The Plymouth Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will meet at 12:30 p.m. Monday, April 13 at the home of Doris Richards.

The guest speaker for the meeting will be Louis Mascola of Garden Views, 202 W. Main Street in Northville. The meet-

ing will focus on "Gardening Today, It's More than Bushes and Flowers.

The Garden Views store is filled with accent items of bird baths, benches, fountains, and garden tools. Mascola "will bring to the garden club the newest in these accent items," said Joan

Calhoun, program chairwoman.

The tea chairwoman for the upcoming event is Heather Shepard, assisted by Juanita Fenkell, Pat Robinson and Janet

Guests are welcome by calling Virginia Bake at 455-1241.

Pact from page A1

in the new contract.

We have a lot of teachers on the top end, and it will generate money for the people who stay behind, as well as the trust that's being designed," said Portelli. "The public needs to realize it's an education issue, too. There's a monetary advantage to having younger teachers come in, but the disadvantage is that you lose your seniority people who are using good educational practices.

School board President Mark Horvath said that with the buyout program he's "convinced we will have for more than enough money to cover the costs" of the wage increases.

In the last contract, changes in medical benefits were a major stumbling block.

We would have liked to fix the health care problem, but there will be no changes in this con-tract," said Cotner. "The district made some moves to get things done early. We made some moves, including keeping the

health insurance as it is." Both sides appear happy at not only the outcome, but the

way negotiations progressed.

"I've been doing this for 25 years, and this is a good deal for everybody," said Cotner. "We sure didn't get everything we'd like, and I'm sure the district didn't get everything they'd like. However ... it's a good deal for teachers, they get a wage increase; and it's a good deal for the district, we didn't knock them out of the box."

"We are recommending it to the staff," said Portelli.

Superintendent Chuck Little said "it represents the work of dozens of people over a long period of time, both sides of several tables, to begin step-by-step to recreate the labor relations atmosphere in our school district. I'm pleased with the agreement.

"I'm thrilled," said Horvath. "I'm pleased we were able to get an agreement long before any bitterness, like we had in the

last contract."

Portelli said the contract was completed quickly because many noneconomic issues, items that would ordinarily go to the bargaining unit, are instead being resolved by labor-management

This is the beginning of a change in the way we do business," said Portelli. "If I have a problem and I want to complain about it, and I write up a solution to the labor-management team, I must sit on that solution team and help solve it. It's bargaining in a different format."

Portelli said he hopes to have the contract in the hands of the 875 teachers by Friday, April 24. He's hoping to answer their questions at a meeting tentatively set for Monday, April 27. A vote by the PCEA members would come a day or two after

If ratified by union members, the contract would then go to the board of education for approval.

Hotel from page A1

ond option for developing the

We've been talking to a couple of people, one is a major developer, another is a major

hotel investor," Karmo said. This option would involve Karmo and his partners joining with other developers to make a hotel project happen

While Karmo said he prefers the first option, "I want to accelerate the project," he said.

"As far as the joint venture issue the people are very well set to go as far as finances," he

Karmo estimated the project would cost \$20 million.

"The thing we're trying to develop is a complete full-service

hotel with 150 rooms on site and a much larger meeting space, with the possibility of retail and some downtown condominiums,"

Among issues to resolve with the city government over the new project is the cost for developers to buy the Weidman lot adjacent to the hotel. Karmo said the land could be needed as part of the project.

By an earlier agreement with the city, the hotel owners have the option to buy the city-owned

The cost would be \$132,000 this year and \$125,000 in 1999, the final year of the agreement

reached in 1981 with the city. Efforts to redevelop the corner now occupied by the hotel followed the decision by Karmo and his partners in December to abandon plans to renovate the

The renovation, once estimated at \$2.5 million, turned out to be more costly when architects began getting deep into Mayflower building specs. Some quirky improvements over the years meant some of the hotel's floors weren't contiguous.

Karmo said that called for lots of extra work for renovators and higher project costs. He and his partners decided to start over. adding financing institutions would be more favorable toward a new project.

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OBITUARIES

DAVID EARLE SWI Services for David Earle Swisher, 49, of Canton were April 4 at McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel.

Mr. Swisher was born March 24, 1949, in Detroit, and died March 31 in Canton. He was a manufacturing technician for Ford Motor Co.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce; son, Scott; daughter, Jen-nifer; and sisters, Beverlyn Johnson and Marie Steffes

Memorial contributions may he made to the Hospice of

Services for Joseph Albert White, 74, were April 4 at Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township, with the Rev. Bean A. Klump officiating. Burial was in Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta, Mich. ... Mr. White was born Nov. 17, 1923, in Swoyerville, Pa. He died April 2 at St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. He was a millwright for

Burroughs Corp.

He is survived by his wife, Bernice of Plymouth; sons, Joseph (Camille) of Canton, William (Rose) of Lake Leelanau, Mich.; sisters, Jennie Frew of Plymouth, Georgia Daley of Plymouth, Josephine Reid of Plymouth. He was pre-ceded in death by his sisters, Elizabeth Lahr, Lottie Cole and Grace Owens. His survivors also include granddaughters, Stacy

White, Christine White, Jessica White, Emily White; and grand-sons William White, Geromy White and Joseph White.

KAREN ANN MCLAND Services for Karen Ann McLand, 54, of Canton were April 4 at Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township, with the Rev. Joel F. Beam officiating. Burial was in Acacia Park Cemetery, Birmingham. Mrs. McLand was born June

15, 1943, in Highland Park and died April 1 in Ann Arbor. She was a customer service representative for NBD.

She is survived by her husband, James W. of Canton; daughter, Kimberly (Douglas) Roshl of Birmingham; parents, Clarence A. and Frances Hodges of South Carolina; mother-inlaw, Virginia McLand of Plymouth; sister, Bonnie Bierma of Australia; and brother, John Hodges of Lansing.

Memorials may be made to the Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48103 or the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, 1500 E. Medical Center Drive, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48109-0752.

LILLIAN E. CLELAND Services for Lillian E. Cleland, 83, of Livonia were April 5 at **Newburg United Methodist** Church with the Rev. Melanie

Lee Carey officiating.

Mrs. Cleland was born Nov. 21, 1914, in South Range, Mich., and died April 2 in Livonia. She was a bookkeeper.

She was preceded in death by her father, Joseph Joutsi and mother, Jenny Joutsi. She is survived by her sons, Keith (Jean-nine) Cleland of Plymouth and Bruce (Mary) Cleland of Milwaukee, Wis.; sisters, Anne Zitterbart of Farmington Hills and Ruth Simons of Houghton Lake; and three grandchildren, Elizabeth, Jessica and Christopher.

MICHAEL P. CAPOZZO Services for Michael P. Capoz-

zo, 78, of Canton were April 9 at St. Thomas a' Becket Catholic Church, Canton.

Mr. Capozzo was born Nov. 5, 1919, in Detroit and died April 5 at St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. He was a tester for automotive paint.

He is survived by his wife, Josephine C.; daughter, Frances J. (James) Shehadi; son, Anthony J. (Catherine); two brothers. Joseph and William; and four grandchildren, Jimmy, Marie, Carolyn, Michael.

Memorials may be made to the National Alliance for Autism Research, 414 Wall St., Research Park, Princeton, N.J. 08540.

JOYCE KELLY

Services for Joyce Kelly, 54, of Fulton, Ky., were April 7 at Strong Funeral Home in Hickman, Ky., with the Rev. Ronnie Sutton officiating. Burial was in Hickman City Cemetery, Hick-

Mrs. Kelly was born Nov. 7, 1943, in Union City, Tenn. She died April 4 at Parkway Regional Hospital, Fulton, Ky. She was of the Baptist faith.

She is survived by her husband, Jackie of Kentucky; son, Jimmy Kelly of Plymouth; daughters, Lisa Kelly Combs of Kentucky; Jacqueline Ludwig of Northville, Tammy Kelly of Kentucky; brother, Rice Dewitt Pinion of Taylor; sisters, Barbara Micol of Novi, Barbara Dyer of Tennessee, Linda Yates of Westland, Jane Brockwell of Kentucky, Lucy Trierweiler of Livonia. She was preceded in death by her father and mother, Rice A. and Eula Mae; stepmother, Sammie Irene Pinion; brother. Vernon Marvin Pinion; and sister, Anna Rawson.

Funeral services for Kerry A. Meyer, 38, of Livonia were held April 8 at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home with the Rev. Jerry A. Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran

Church officiating. Mr. Meyer, who died April 3 in Plymouth Township, was born in Highland Park. He was a laborer in the construction field.

Surviving are: wife, Deanna; mother, Betty; brothers, Mark and Kevin; and a sister, Laura. He was preceded in death by

his father, Robert.

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DISPLAYING THEIR WORK

ants in the fourth and fifth at Gallimore Elementary grades at Gallimore Elementary
School created a State/City Fair
March 31. The activity was the
culmination of the fifth-grade unit on
the 50 states and fourth-grade

studies of Michigen.

Each student was responsible for their own display of one of the 50 states. The entire day the classes showcased their work.

West Middle School held its eighth-grade band concert April 1. Featured this year were four guest members accompanying the band. The guest members were none other than schools Superintendent Chuck Little; PCEA President Chuck Portelli, West principal Judith Stone and Choral Director Mary Anne Martin

The educators' performance with the students will show the district's work team solution in action, a ming between the students and fi throughout the district, enhancing educational excellence.

Armed with their favorite calculators, East Middle School students accepted the challenge of three major math competitions and scored big!

The first competition was the Detroit Country Day Invitational.
Next they 'doubled' their success at Math Counts and then had 'multiple' successes in the Michigan Math League Competition.

East sent a team of two seventhgraders, Mary Mei and Susan Merenda, and two eighth-graders, Mike McDonald and Abe Thurtell, to Competing against 28 other schools, East took third-place

At the Math Counts Region Competition, East's team, Mary Mei, Susan Merenda, Mike McDonaid, and Patrick Pruitt, walked away with second-place trophies. In addition, Mike McDonald carried home a trophy for the fifth place in the individu

As regional winners, the East
Math Counts Team was invited to
Western Michigan University March
21 to compete against 44 other
winning teams at the State Math
Counts Contest. There, East took a 15th place.

In the Michigan Mathematics
League Contest, the results are in for the seventh and eighth-grade contests. The sixth-grade results will be in April. The seventh-grade team consisting of Ben Dzialo, Scott Fisher, Mary Mei, Susan Merenda, Adam Sonnastine, Mike Varney and Nick Yee competed against 159 other schools and took fourth place. In Wayne County, this team came in second place and Adam Sonnastine took a 10th place individual score.

The eighth-grade East team

The eighth-grade East team consisting of Den Christenson, Nikki Kashani, Mike McDonald, Matt Reuter, Eric Varney and Jon Woods placed third out of 173 schools. They will receive a plaque for their first-place finish in Wayne County. Mike McDonald took an individual four-place finish, Daniel Christenson a 14th place and Matt Reuter took a 21st place.

Plymouth Baptist Church presents drama

Easter an Concert/Drama entitled, "Who Do You Say I Am?" at 7 p.m.,

Plymouth Baptist Church will day, April 10. The biblical char- 5 will not be admitted to the acters come to life in this presentation of the Passion Week. There is no admission charge for Thursday, April 9 and Good Frithis concert. Children under age

auditorium.

care will be provided. Doors (734) 453-5534. open at 6:30.

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

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 20, 1998 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

CONSIDER A REQUEST TO ESTABLISH CAMBRIDGE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCELS 061 99 0006 701 AND 061 99 0007 001. Property is located west of Canton Center Road and north of Saltz Road. Preliminary Plan-1st Public Hearing. Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received at the above address up to the time of the hearing.

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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BUILDING/FIRE BOARD OF APPEALS **APRIL 20, 1998**

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Building/Fire Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Canton on Monday, April 20, 1998 at 2:00 p.m. The Meeting will be held in the lower level #1 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

Consider request from Greenfield Die & Machine, 8301 Ronda Dr., Canton, MI 48187, for a variance to the 1993 B.O.C.A. National Building Code, Section 507.2

Approval of April 2, 1998 minutes

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

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1959 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 20, 1998 at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Comprehensive Plan:

FORD/LOTZ-TOWNSHIP INITIATED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
TEXT AMENDMENT - CONSIDER AMENDING THE
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO INCORPORATE THE FORD/LOTZ CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT PLAN AS A SEPARATE ELEMENT. This Plan affects properties located within Sections 12, 13, and the south quarter of Section 1, bounded by Koppernick Road on the north, eastern Township border on the east, Detroit Edison power lines north of Cherry Hill Road on the south, and I-275 on the west.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission will be received

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

at the above address up to the time of the hearing.

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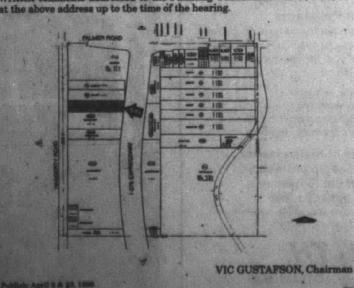
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, May 4, 1998 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

RUKAMIN REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 098 99 0024 000, 098 99 0025 000 AND 098 99 0026 000 FROM O-1, OFFICE, TO RP, RESEARCH PARK. Property is located on the east side of Haggerty Road between Palmer Road and Michigan Avenue.

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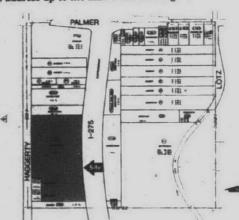
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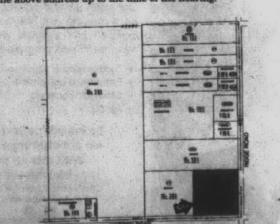
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Editorial disappoints

was extremely disappointed in the recent editorial on gun bills, published April 2, 1998.

Like many other newspapers across the county in the recent past, the Observer has decided to go for the emotional outcry rather than the truth.

The truth is that states that have improved concealed carry laws for honest citizens have all seen a decrease in violent crime of all types. Improved concealed carry laws make states safer.

The truth is also that today's laws are must more "abusive" than the proposed laws. Today, it is nearly impossible for an individual to get a concealed carry permit in most counties is to have political connections. Only the wealthy, famous or politically connected are fortunate enough to obtain

The current law is abusive and arbitrary while the proposed laws are fair and reasonable.

The truth regarding the proposed close door sessions is hardly abusive. In fact, it is a big improvement, allowing the citizen a chance to appeal to the concealed carry board and to discuss concerns with them in private. The current law provides no appeal. The new laws remove abuse from this system.

The truth is that the new laws require more training and contain tighter restriction than the current political patronage system. The current law has no provision for alcohol abuse. The new laws are an improvement in every area.

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Chairman

The truth needs to find its way into the Observer. Well-respected studies in recent years have stated that guns in the hands of the honest citizen prevent crime over one million times a year across the United States. Some estimates are even higher! States like Florida have shown a continuous decrease in violent crime. States like Texas show that concealed carry permit holders are over three times less likely to be arrested than others. Ver-

mont allows it citizens to carry without any bureaucratic interference. Is Michigan, with its severe restriction on concealed carry, safer than Vermont?

The anti self-defense editorial closes with the line "... the life you save may be your own." Supporting these bills may be the best thing anyone could do to save their life or that of a loved one.

Dan Rakoczy Livonia

Support gun ownership

Your editorial of April 2 is full of misleading information. It is obvious that you support gun control laws. It is also obvious that you really don't think that law-abiding individuals can be trusted to act appropriately with the ownership of guns.

You state that the "shall issue" provision in the current proposed gun bills will "pose a serious public safety threat to everyone," "has a potential for misuse in a variety of situations" and "is poor public policy and a clear public safety threat." You also cite a Prosecutors Association and a Medical Association who support gun control laws. The quotes from these organizations provide no factual information whatsoever. They simply state that there is a growing incidence of firearm violence reaching epidemic proportions.

You really ought to consult FBI statistics which clearly show that in areas of this country where there are the fewest gun laws, there is also the lowest incidence of violent firearm crime. Conversely, in the areas where there are the most stringent gun control laws (take Washington, D.C., for example) violent gun crime is at those epidemic levels you so indicated.

It really doesn't take a great deal of brain power to figure out that criminals will choose as victims those people who are the most vulnerable. And let's face it, a disarmed citizenry provides one hell of a lot of sheep for the wolves to prey upon.

POINTS OF VIEW

You also said, "Under Michigan law, a person with a permit to own a gun may carry that gun; he or she just may not carry it concealed." This is very misleading. Under current Michigan law, unless you are at the gun range or somewhere on your back 40 acres, when carrying this gun, it must be in a locked case, unloaded, and if being transported in your car, must be kept in the trunk. Tell me what use an unloaded, double lockedup gun will be when a carjacker or a rapist assaults you or your loved ones? No less than Thomas Jefferson said, "Laws that forbid the carrying of arms ... disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes ... Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants; they serve rather to encourage than prevent homicides, for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence than an armed man."

And lastly, the most important reason that individuals should be allowed to own and carry guns is summed up quite nicely in the following few quotes from some rather famous historic characters:

"The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is at the last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government." Thomas Jefferson.

"Firearms stand next in importance to the Constitution. They are the American people's liberty teeth and keystone under independence ... From the hour the pilgrims landed, to the present day, events, occurrences, and tendencies prove that to insure peace, security and happiness, the rifle and pistol are equally indispensable. Every corner of this land knows firearms, and more than 99 percent of them by their silence indicate that they are in safe hands. The very atmosphere of firearms anywhere and everywhere restrains Evil interference ... they deserve a place of honor with all that's good. When firearms

go, all goes ... we need them every hour." George Washington.

"Before a standing army can rule, the people must be disarmed, as they are in almost every kingdom in Europe. The supreme power in America cannot enforce unjust laws by the sword because the whole body of people are armed, and constitute a force superior to any band of regular troops that can be, on any pretense, raised in the United States." Noah Webster.

"(The Constitution preserves) the advantage of being armed which America possesses over the people of most every other nation ... (where) the governments of Europe are afraid to trust its citizens with firearms ... (The American people shall remain armed to) form a barrier against the enterprises of despotic ambition." James Madison, Federalist Papers No. 46.

I will leave you with this last thought-provoking question: How will you defend the right to a free press, to free speech, to freedom of religion, freedom from unreasonable search and seizure, etc. (if you in fact believe in such), if you don't have the means to defend those rights from tyrants?

Jeffrey Hartzel Livonia

Support gun bills

wanted to share my experience with "right to carry" gun legislation.

Seven years ago, I moved from Michigan to Indiana. Once there, I found that Indiana was a "right to carry" state, meaning if one applied for a gun permit, the only reasons for denial were conviction of a felony or a history of drug or alcohol abuse. I had my doubts that everyone would behave themselves with this sort of privilege.

Many men and women where I worked had permits to carry. I figured shortly I'd be reading horrible stories of gun mishaps. I waited and waited.

Four years ago, I became a deputy sheriff. I had never owned a gun before that time. While a deputy, I took a police report from a woman in her 30s about an attempted carjacking. One of the bad guys pulled in front of her car on a deserted road. He drove very slowly to a stop sign and would not pull away from the sign. The woman was stuck. Sensing something was wrong, the woman who had a permit to carry a pistol, removed her pistol from her purse.

Shortly afterward, a young man, sprung from a creek that was next to her car and ran to her driver's side window. The movement attracted the woman's attention, as she had been watching the car in front of her. As she spun to face the window with the gun in her hand also pointed at the window, the attacker's facial expression changed to horror as he noticed the gun already drawn on him. He immediately turned and ran.

I'm glad to let you know that is the report I took, instead of the report that could have been taken if the woman had not had a gun. Hopefully, the bad guys would only have stolen her car, not hurt her or worse.

If the police can not protect the citizens, then the citizens should be able to protect themselves. The police do a fine job, but the criminals keep getting bolder.

Also, what happens to a criminal when the possibility exists the person he's attacking may be armed? I'd like to think maybe some will decide to get into another line of work.

To be fair, I have heard of two instances in my seven years in Indiana where the permit to carry did endanger innocent people. Both cases involved people with guns shooting at criminals that had already committed crimes.

The bill being considered by Michigan would have eliminated those shootings by requiring 12 hours of education before issuing the permit. Currently, no training is required in Indiana.

Tell your representatives to vote yes on House Bills 5551-5559.

Dave Homyak Plymouth

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Old Village

Important to health of city

he success of commercial and residential development in Qld Village is of paramount importance for the health of Plymouth as a community.

While great effort and dollars have been pumped into downtown Plymouth, Old Village has been much like a second thought. Yet the area has great potential for the Plymouth community.

Improvements are needed in Old Village that will maintain its individuality, yet inject it with a dose of health and vitality.

Old Village would do well with a streetscape project, improving sidewalks, installing decorative lights and providing adequate and accessible parking.

There's no need to duplicate what's in downtown Plymouth. Old Village should offer something unique to shoppers and visitors. We agree with a report issued by business consultant Doyle Hyett who believes the area would do well to become a specialty retail center emphasizing art, antiques, home products, such as hardware and paint-glass-wallpaper store, and specialty and ethnic foods.

There's no doubt that many of the businesses in Old Village struggle. Many of the businesses indeed offer specialty items, but part of the answer for success may be in drawing more shoppers and visitors to the area. Additional businesses, such as restaurants, certainly could serve that purpose.

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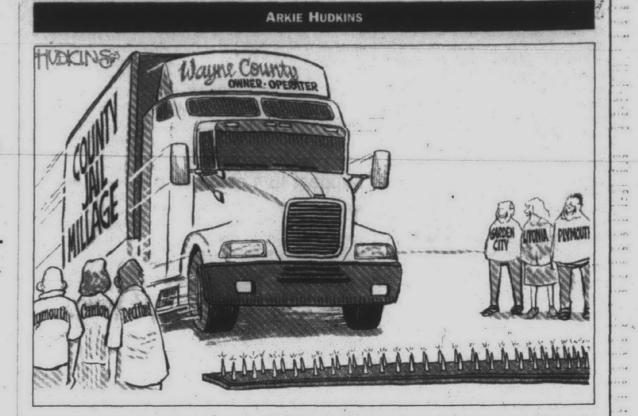
nition to visitors driving in and through downtown. It's hard to know where Old Village is. More and improved signs pointing the way would help.

The backbone of Old Village has always been the houses and their residents, a good number of whom take pride in where they live. Many of the houses could stand some sprucing up and renovation, which would quite naturally improve property values.

Renovations in the residential sector must be supported through programs such as the federal Community Development Block Grant that offers housing rehabilitation grants and low-cost loans. Of course, the city must allocate a share of block grant money for these improvements.

Now that a report has been issued, there's no time to waste in making improvements in Old Village. But those improvements will come only through activism by business owners and residents, as well as city officials.

What makes Old Village unique is the mix of commercial and residential. The health of both is instrumental to the success of Old Village. Residents and business owners are urged to meet and talk about improving their area of the world.



LETTERS

Where's the research?

Did the Observer, Prosecuting Attorneys
Association of Michigan and the American
College of Physicians do any research of more
than two weeks when they came up with their
conclusion that Right to Carry laws are a hazard to lives and safety of our citizens?

Thirty-one states have Right to Carry laws and have not reported a single permit holder being involved in a violent crime.

Take Glenn White, president of the Dallas Police Association, who noted, "I lobbied against the law in 1993 and 1995 because I thought it would lead to wholesale armed conflict. That hasn't happened. All the horror stories I thought would come to pass didn't happen. No bogeyman. I think it has turned out well. And that says good things about the citizens who have permits. I am a convert."

Harris County District Attorney John Holmes has admitted he's "eating a lot of crow on this issue."

They found that the Right to Carry laws save lives and reduce threats that citizens face from rape, robbery and assault. Criminals tend to attack the weak, and guns are a deterrent to attack.

What's more, they highlight the net benefit all citizens gain from Right to Carry laws, as criminals can't determine if a potential victim is armed.

It's time that the honest citizens of Michigan were trusted to exercise their fundamental right to self defense.

Vincent Manderachia Plymouth

Interactive Web sites needed

Inter-ac-tive adj. 3. of or involving a mode of operation in which there is a continual exchange of information between the computer and the user at a video screen.

That's the dictionary's third definition for a word that has become more and more a part of the average person's vocabulary. The increasing use of the term can no doubt be traced to the growth of the Internet and the tirtual (no pun intended) explosion of the World Wide Web.

Just about everyone today seems to have a Web site, from the White House to perfume makers to the fly fisherman who lives down the block.

As the growth continues, more and more local communities and governmental units are adding their own sites. And that's what brings us to a discussion of "interactive."

A Web "site" can be as simple as a onepage, text-only document with biographical information about the page "designer," but with little information of use to anyone else. An "interactive" site, on the other hand, allows you to seek out useful information or perform necessary tasks right from your home computer. You can buy airline tickets online, invest in mutual funds or learn more than you ever wanted to know about the Titanic.

Many of the local Web sites we've visited are somewhat similar to the one-page biography: text and pictures describing the community and its services with welcome messages from the local head of government (mayor, county executive, township supervisor). Such sites are interesting but not particularly useful.

Some communities, however, have developed truly "interactive" sites that make use of the potential of the Internet and offer valuable information or material to local residents.

Rochester Hills has such a site at metronet.lib.mi.us/ROCH/RH/index.html.

Users can view and download press releases, information on city parks, recycling, election information (including a list of precincts by number and address), official fire incident reports, a municipal directory with address and phone numbers for all departments plus the usual list of officials and commission members. There's more, including a downloadable form to enroll in the city's automatic water/sewer bill payment program.

The city of Farmington (www.ci.farmington.mi.us/) has a similar site, although it isn't quite as developed as Rochester Hills. While it is still in the testing stage, the Farmington site is developing on-line application forms for electrical, plumbing and mechanical building permits – forms that can be filled out online

Certainly one of the most 'useruseful' sites we have found is the Washtenaw County Web site.

and submitted electronically, without even having to download them or print them out.

Oakland County's Web site (www.co.oakland.mi.us) is well-designed and attractive and contains a good deal of information about vital statistics and legal records, listings of congressional and state legislative districts and a telephone directory for county offices and departments that a user can print out and save for future reference. But it lacks the interactive component that makes some other sites more useful.

Certainly one of the most "user-useful" sites we have found is the Washtenaw County Web site (www.co.washtenaw.mi.us/). Among the services it offers is an extensive online recycling guide with links to local recycling agencies plus specific information on how to dispose of anything from ammunition to yard waste. A "forms" link allows users to print out official forms requesting birth, marriage and death records, concealed weapons affidavits and parks and recreation forms.

An extension service section of the page provides links to local extension service and garden programs plus horticulture links on how to grow and care for everything from asparagus to zucchini.

A county court link makes available the complete dockets for all of the local courts for a two-week period, while a "self-help" section offers extensive information on how to file a case in small claims court and how to collect the money if you win.

. It's a site worth visiting just to experience the potential of the Internet for providing useful, local information to residents. And it's a site that other communities could well emulate.

We'd like to see Wayne County officials do some serious upgrading of their Web site (www.waynecounty.com). Its offerings are limited and some of the material that is available, such as departmental telephone directories, is not formatted in such a way as to allow a home user to simply hit the "print" button and print out a usable copy on a standard printer.

We know that developing and maintaining a state-of-the-art Web site is not an easy task and that such a site requires constant updating. But we think the benefits to the community are worth the cost and the effort.

We encourage local communities and governments to develop genuinely "interactive" Web sites that, while they may serve as public relations vehicles for community officials, also provide useful services for local residents.

Bills no good

We would like to compliment you on your editorial and Arkie Hudkins' political cartoon outlining the public harm that would be caused with the passage of House Bills 5551 through 5559, which would liberalize Michigan's concealed weapons laws.

Too often in the past, passage of such harmful legislation goes through without the public being aware of the implications and how it can affect the quality of life of all Michigan citizens.

You do a public service by bringing light to bear on what the bills will do and how they will affect our daily lives.

We were impressed that the Detroit Free Press editorial also opposed the concealed weapons bills and pointed out over 70 percent of Michigan citizens opposed the legislation. They pointed out the havoc such legislation could cause on current "road rage" accidents; where a concealed weapon could be used to

settle an argument.

We urge all your readers to do what we have done. If you oppose these concealed weapons House Bills write to state Rep. Gerald Law and state Sen. Bob Geake and let them know your views.

We agree with you that "the life you save may be your own." Please keep informing your readers about what our elected legislators are doing.

Hillary W. McLeod Margaret McLeod Livonia

Final comment

This will be our last letter to the editor regarding Tim Richard and his columns.

Mr. Richard has spent years venting his anger about Ameritech in the pages of the

anger about Ameritech in the pages of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. We respond with a letter to the editor that clarifies and corrects his information, yet the process continues.

We've met with Mr. Richard and the editorial board at the newspaper several times to discuss the issues and offer our participation in his columns. Unfortunately, Mr. Richard steadfastly refuses to contact us and his columns are filled with factual errors, misrepresentations and half-truths. His latest column "Ameritech, fairness tough to put in same sentence" is a prime example of the vitriolic name-calling he is famous for.

We at Ameritech would rather focus our energies on serving customers with quality communications products and services. We have stopped reading Mr. Richard's columns and we urge your subscribers to view his columns with a critical eye and to be wary of anything he reports as "fact."

Robert Cooper president Ameritech Michigan

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fter reading your April 2 editorial on gun bills, I read your mission statement at the bottom of the page where you describe yourselves as accurate journalists and caring citizens of the communities where you

I didn't see much accuracy in your editorial, and any caring citizen would not deny a law-abiding citizen the right to defend himself from some thug who is illegally carrying a concealed weapon already.

If you really want to be accurate, print the entire letter from the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan and let your readers make up their own minds. Draw the readers' attention to the sentence, "Common sense dictates that when a handgun is available in explosive situations, or when it is accessible to children, there is a strong likelihood that it will be misused."

To me, common sense dictates that a handgun in my possession is not available to children, and statistics show that a handgun is properly used every 13 seconds in the U.S. in justifiable defense. And that a shot is fired in that defense less that 2 percent of

Further down the letter, we read "Is what is perceived as consistent with public safety in one county appropriate in other counties with totally different circumstances?" Are they referring to Macomb County. where residents are allowed to defend themselves, versus Wayne County, where you have to know somebody to get a CCW?

This isn't the first time that Eight Mile Road has been used as the line of demarcation between good and evil. This elitist attitude of the county gun boards is one of the main issues the Cropsey bill would rectify.

Your editorial also stated that the medical community considers gunshot wounds as a "public health issue." You would do well to mention that when Congress found out that the Center for Disease Control spent \$3 million tax dollars to make that determination; their budget for the following year was slashed \$3 million dol-

And, although more gunshot wounds are in fact being seen in the emergency rooms, the number of criminals being shot is rising while the number of wounded citizens is falling. Attribute that to the evergrowing number of states that realize that a police officer cannot be assigned to every citizen.

An "accurate journalist" should do his homework before deciding what is right for his community.

Westland

Editorial opposed

hose who value freedom and liberty should take great exception to the Observer's stance against Second Amendment rights, as stated in the recent editorial regarding House Bills

These bills do not create a Vermont-style "shall-issue" policy, as was implied. If anything they would increase the gun boards' power to deny law-abiding gun owners their rights, while requiring them to state a reason for doing so.

The reference to one bill giving "potentially abusable discretion" to gun boards is laughably ironic. To find abuse, one need only look at the current system. The gun board in the county with the highest crime rate (and, by the way, the highest ethnic minority population) routinely denies permits to all but the most elite and/or politically well-connected applicants, while across Eight Mile Road, suburbanites enjoy a de facto shall-issue policy.

The Observer not only endorses it, but propagates the charade, declaring "each county has a board which reviews requests and approves them if the applicant can prove a reason to have the permit." Talk about arrogance!

In Wayne County, there are basically three "good reasons": (1) You're a police officer. (2) You're an elected official or politically well-connected. (3) You're a business owner who carries a lot of cash. What if you're, say, an abused woman in mortal fear of

the man who said he would kill you if you left him? You get a restraining

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What if you once looked down the barrel of a robber's gun and fear that the next robber might not be so kind as to just cock it, watch you sweat, laugh and walk away? Not a "good reason."

The editorial also makes the absurd claim that "under Michigan law, a person with a permit to own a gun may carry that gun; he or she just may not carry it concealed." There's a minor problem called the Brandishing Act, which recently took away even that right. Look it up. The great injustice here is the very existence of county gun boards, which these bills do nothing to eliminate.

Gun control advocates exploit the uninformed among us, who think safety is derived from laws that only affect the law-abiding. Just look at the reduction in crime in the 30-odd states which have granted concealedcarry rights to the law-abiding citizen. I say: If guns cause crime, matches cause arson.

Ted Gomulka Jr. Livonia

Support Cropsey bill

read with amazement your article on gun bills. The article shared many thoughts that are totally unfounded, statements of opinions,

Here are the facts and why most of our state representatives support the Cropsey Bill.

The Cropsey Bill (or CCW, as it is often referred; CCW stands for Concealed Carry Weapon) is intended to prevent crime, statistics from Florida clearly demonstrate this.

Why Florida? Florida has had "shall issue" since 1987 when CCW went into effect for that state and provides statistically sound data aged

Florida homicide since 1987 is down a whopping 34.4 percent! Professor John Lott of Chicago University has been studying the 31 states that already have CCW laws and his conclusions support with statistics that

not only are homicides down but rape and assaults as well.

Informed and trained citizens are our best defense in reducing crime. CCW is further supported by the Michigan Constitution, which states Every man has the right to keep and bear arms for the defense of himself and the State."

Let's stop making decisions based on emotions and make them based on fact. If criminals don't know who is carrying a weapon they will think twice before they commit a crime.

Every year, 1.4 million violent acts are foiled because of armed citizens and you will be glad when that person is there for you.

By the way, most of these foiled criminal acts are prevented by merely the presence of a weapon and not by shots being fired. The life that is saved could be yours.

Please write your representative in support of the Cropsey Bill.

> **Andy Brandt** Plymouth

Editorial off base

he editorial (Observer, April 2) opposes the current Cropsey legislation, in the form of House Bills 5551-5559, that would require all county gun boards to operate using statewide, uniform standards.

As an area representative for the Law Enforcement Alliance Of America (LEAA), I take issue with the editorial's comments regarding how the proposed legislation, should it become law, would pose a serious threat to public safety. The fact is, the editorial couldn't be further from the truth.

I doubt that whoever wrote this editorial actually spoke with any of the officers on the streets or in the prisons regarding how they feel about a law-abiding citizen's right to selfdefense.

Readers of the Observer are being 'tricked" into believing that by allowing law-abiding citizens the right to self-protection, that somehow more crime would result. The LEAA doesn't subscribe to the attitudes of high level

"political" prosecutors and attorneys general. Our organization is the largest, non-union, professional law enforcement organization in the U.S.

The LEAA represents the views of those officers who work the "streets' and in the prisons and jails of this country. We speak on behalf of those who know, firsthand, that removing the citizens' right to bear arms is not an effective form of crime control.

Rep. Cropsey's legislation does give a great deal of control to the county gun boards. What it does remove, is the atmosphere that has been past practice that allows gun boards to discriminate against people and refuse them their lawful right to self defense under both the Michigan State Constitution and the Second Amendment

Michigan citizens as well as the law enforcement community know all too well that they have nothing to fear from a law-abiding citizen who carries a concealed firearm. These citizens will still be required to pass the scrutiny of the county gun boards.

Police officers know that criminals will not take the time to purchase firearms legally. Police officers also know that criminals will carry concealed firearms without permission Apparently the editorial staff at the Observer Newspapers is having trouble differentiating between law-abiding citizens and criminals. The good news is that the law enforcement community knows the difference, and does support a citizens right to carry a firearm for protection.

The truth is that Michigan citizens have a right to protect themselves. And protecting each individual is something that courts have proven police departments are not legally obligated to do (see Warren vs. DC).

Michigan legislators who do not support a law-abiding citizen's right to self-defense have either not read the Michigan State Constitution, or they have neglected their Oath of

I'm confident that Observer readers, like all Michigan citizens are more intelligent than the Observer editors have given them credit for.

Frank Finch LEAA area representative Canton

Affirmative action debate hits home

esponding to an aggressive national campaign against affirmative action, California voters in 1996 passed Proposition 209. a law that banned use of race, sex, color or ethnicity as factors in university admissions.

Since then, the concern has been over just what kind of impact the new law would have on unorities seeking access to the state's line public university system. According to data released last week, the impact is devastating.

The number of African Americans, Hispanics and Native Americans offered places in this year's freshman class at the University of California's flagship campus at Berkeley dropped 61 percent compared to a year ago. Places offered at UCLA fell 36 percent, and similar declines were reported at other system campuses.

University officials expect further declines this fall, when those few minority students actually accepted go to college out of state or at private universities unaffected by Prop 209.

The evidence from California is important to us here in Michigan, where the debate over affirmative action in admissions is proceeding. A conservative Washington-based legal advo-

cacy outfit, Center for Individual Rights, alleges University of Michigan is using unconstitutional race-based weighting in its admissions practices and has brought suit. A petition drive is under way to get a Prop 209-type affirmative action ban onto the ballot. Bills to the same effect have been introduced in the legislature.

Should courts or the voters ban use of race, sex, color or ethnicity in university admissions decisions, I can see only two outcomes:

As in California, the first almost certainly would be to re-segregate the campuses of public universities in Michigan. What a sad and perverse outcome for our public higher education system that is among the finest in the nation!

The second, oddly, would be to eliminate the ise of any academically-based factor (such as high school grade point average or standardized st results) in admissions decisions. Already, ne people in California are arguing that ACT or SAT tests are intrinsically unfair to minority tudents and that a fairer system would be to dmit kids to college by random lottery. What an equally sad outcome for a wonderful university like the U of M, which has gained its

tature by being highly selective in admissions! One of the reasons I cherish serving on the U f M Board of Regents is my conviction that nen the historians get around to writing up he history of 20th century America, they will nclude that the signature contribution of our ciety has been the creation and support of riously excellent public universities.

The ultimate purpose and special claim to oral distinction of these great universities has



PHILIP POWER

been to provide the widest possible access for the greatest diversity of students.

That is why attempts why to restrict great public universities fromtaking into consideration factors such as race or ethnicity are so unfortunate. Wouldn't it be odd if the job of making the full opportunity of America maximally available wound up in the hands of the same private universities that not so long ago were citadels of bias?

There will be a lot of argumentation about all of this, most of it probably couched in legalisms.

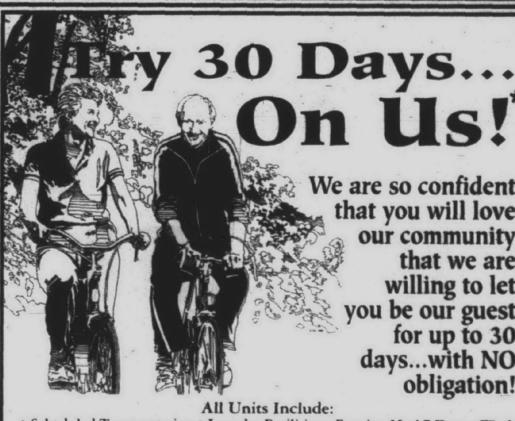
I find more compelling examples like that of Donald R. Deskins Jr., a professor of urban geography and sociology at the University of Michigan and an African American. Raised in Brooklyn, Don was drafted after high school and served in the infantry in the Korean War. After his discharge in 1957, GI Bill in hand, Don had to decide where he was going to go to college.

He chose Michigan. Why? "I always saw Michigan as a place offering unlimited opportunity for all kinds of kids - blacks, middle-class whites, poor whites, Jews, immigrants. Michigan was known as a place that was open all kinds to bright people from all over, a place where kids got a chance to show what they would do on their own.'

Don did pretty well in Ann Arbor. Played starting tackle on the football team; graduated with honors; eventually became a full professor; married and had three girls, respectively a physician, a lawyer and an electrical engineer.

Don Deskins is a living example of what public universities are all about in providing opportunity to the full diversity of our people and why they are so enormously precious if our society is to truly to offer opportunity to all.

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Panel sends new teacher sub bill to House

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

School districts would be able to hire college juniors as shortterm substitutes under a bill headed to the full state House of Representatives.

The House Education Committee reported it out April 1 on a 10-2 vote.

"I want the bill amended so that a candidate would have to be 'enrolled' in an approved teacher education program, not just 'admitted' to one," said Rep. Brown, D-Dearborn Heights, who voted no.

"It's a technical thing, but important. I could be 'admitted'

any intention of enrolling and finishing it," he said.

Rep. Rose Bogardus, D-Davison and a former public school music teacher, also voted no. "This will degrade the quality of teaching. We should go the other way - provide incentives for

The current school code permits a school board to hire a substitute teacher with at least 90 semester hours of college credit (at the senior level). Purpose of House bill 5481 is to allow boards to hire subs with 60 hours credit (junior level).

Educators got the sponsor,

to a program and never have Rep. Clyde LeTarte, R-Jackson, to amend it will these safe-

■ The bill "sunsets" (expires) in mid-2003. ■ It covers kindergarten

through grade 9 only. ■ The district must first try to hire a sub with at least 90 credit hours.

21 years old. ■ The person may be engaged for no more than two consecutive

■ The person must be at least

days in the same classroom. ■ The person "has been admitted to an approved teacher education program leading to a provisional teaching certificate.'

"It's a bad idea whose time has come," quipped Rep. James Agee, D-Muskegon, a former superintendent who voted yes reluctantly. Agee wants to amend the bill to move the sunset forward to 2001 and to ask the Department of Education for a detailed plan to deal with sub-

stitute teachers. Supporters included the Michigan Association of School Administrators and Oakland Intermediate School District. Opposed was the Michigan Federation of Teachers.

The Michigan Education Association supported the bill with

Parliamentarians to meet

The Michigan State Association of Parliamentarians will sponsor a parliamentary procedure workshop on April 25 for people interested in learning more about or refining their parliamentary skills.

The workshop, Take a Trip on the Motions Express," will be held from 1-4 p.m. in the Holiday Inn Livonia West at I-275 and Six Mile Road. Special emphasis will be placed on ways to alter or revisit a

Speakers and topics include Josephine Horn, first vice president of Michigan State

Association of Parliamentarians, "Change Your Itinerary"; Marjorie Weber, National Association of Parliamentarians District Four director, "Revise Your Actions"; and Nola Pursiful, NAP third vice president.

The workshop fee is \$20 for adults or \$10 for high school or college students. Make checks payable to the 1998 MSAP Convention - Dorothy Haslett, and mail to: Virginia E. Place, 35300 Woodward Avenue, No. 306, Birmingham, MI 48009.

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as quickly as possible."

Road work begins

Lane closures began-Friday night as southbound I-275 received some preliminary repairs between Five Mile Road and Ann Arbor Road to prepare for resurfacing this summer. North and southbound I-275 between Northline and Five Mile - or just south of I-94 to just north of the I-96/M-14 interchange - will be resurfaced over the next five to eight months,

depending on the weather. Traffic in that area was narrowed down to one lane at times last weekend, but at least two lanes were open to traffic by

Monday's rush hour. "These closures will impact traffic traveling through the I-275, M-14/I-96 interchange," said John Sanford, engineer with Michigan Department of Transportation. "We are doing everything we can to minimize this impact, but fixing roads that carry high traffic will undoubtedly cause some inconvenience."The actual paving work must be completed when the night-time temperatures are consistently above 50 degrees.

Some of the construction work will be completed on off-peak hours on weekends.

During the northbound resurfacing project, contractors will be closing two lanes, one that will be paved and the other for maneuvering the contractor's equipment and trucks and provide workers' safety. That work is slated to start April 20 or April 27.

Motorists should use caution through these construction areas

"It's really important for people to slow down," Pannecouk said. "Number one, we have construction workers out there ... and number two, accidents are more often between vehicles in work zones.

"The construction and lane closures mean your ability to judge distance and width is reduced. (Slowing down) is really impor-

tant, not only for the workers, but for yourself and other

motorists Updates on the construction progress can be accessed through radio traffic reports and the MDOT 24-hour construction hotline at 1-800-641-MDOT. A meeting will be scheduled in one of the affected communities in June to update residents, Pannecouk said.

Holiday crunch

Anyone traveling to the airport should listen to the radio for traffic updates and determine where the delays are, said Mike Conway, spokesman for Wayne County Detroit Metro Airport. If they are advised of traffic backups, possible alternate routes in western Wayne and southwest Oakland County suburbs include Merriman and Middlebelt roads, which can

take motorists directly to Metro

Airport. Air travelers not only should account for road construction, but for the heavier holiday air traffic in and out of Detroit Metro. Conway said the schedule of chartered international flights on Friday, Saturday and Sunday is "very busy."

"Easter tends to be a holiday where people fly, and on Memorial Day and Labor Day holidays, they tend to drive," Con-

way said Monday. Easter is a heavy holiday travel period. The airlines have sales on air fares and the economy is good. We're already busy.

Travelers should plan to arrive at the airport early, Conway said.

"Give yourself plenty of extra

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time. For domestic flights, they ought to allow two hours (to arrive before departure), and at least three hours for international flights.'

Travelers who wish to obtain a parking update can call the airport's parking hotline at 1-800-642-1978. Long-term parking is available in the green and yellow lots at \$6 a day, or \$36.a week, where motorists can park for six days and receive the seventh for free. Those rates also apply to the red and blue overflow lots

Detour reinstated

Northbound I-275 will be closed from July 6 through October between Newberg Road in Monroe County and Northline

Road in Wayne County, so motorists must take the same detour they drove last year.

Southbound traffic will continue to have access to southbound I-275. During the spring, crossovers will be built for the southbound traffic. Northbound lanes will be used by the southbound motorists because southbound lanes will be resurfaced. this spring and summer.

Northbound motorists will be detoured because those lanes will be used for "crossover" traffic by southbound motorists.

"We're not doing the actual crossover traffic until July 6." Pannecouk said. This construction project is expected to last three months





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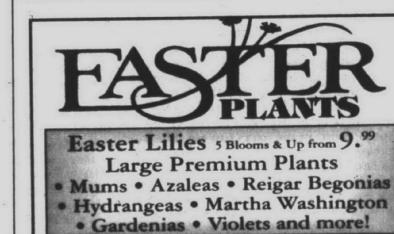
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TEDD SCHNEIDER

Flora's more than haircut 9 times a year

Will I go to Hartland just to get my hair cut?

This 60-mile round-trip has been on my mind for the last couple of years, ever since Flora announced she hoped to find work closer to her family's new home in Livingston County. Every six or seven weeks it inches closer to reality. The home was finished last fall, Flora is all moved in, but so far (thank goodness), she hasn't been looking for a job in her new neighborhood.

Flora is Flora (Gomez) Sparks and she's been cutting my hair for about 17 years, even before it started getting thin on top, in back.

In fact, I trusted my hair to Flora before I was ready to commit to a lot of other things. Like marriage or having a family, owning a home or even reliable transportation.

It goes beyond the fact that she knows her craft. Certainly, I like that she never really teased me about the black blotch (birthmark) on the side of my brown-haired head. Well, not much after the first visit, anyways, when she made sure every stylist in the shop had a chance to move in for a close look

Regular customer

What made me one of Flora's "regulars," I think, was the easygoing conversations we enjoyed while she snipped and clipped her way around my scalp. Ten or 15 minutes out of my day - and hers - where what really mattered was the movie you just saw or the vacation you were planning. This serious stuff of careers and relationships, that could wait until later, when a new haircut would allow a fresh perspective.



Milestones: Flora Sparks has shared haircuts and life's special moments with the Schneiders.

Then too, Flora and I have always been around the same place in our lives. Our relationship has been through her marriage to Kline and mine to Lori. She bought a home in Livonia around the same time we were looking in Farmington Hills. Her two children - Colleen, 9, and Logan, 6 - preceded my 4-yearold by a few years, so at least I knew what to expect.

Through the years, we've exchanged baby gifts, holiday presents and dog stories - her 8-yearold cocker spaniel vs. our 7-year-old golden retriever.

Flora is modest, another quality in short supply these days. It wasn't until I called to ask her about this column that she mentioned she cut Tim Allen's hair once or twice before the "Home Improvement" star made it big in TV or movies. "He was doing standup and Midas (muffler shop) commercials," she said. All these years sitting in her chair and I never had a clue my hair stylist also coiffed the soon-to-be rich and famous.

Something comforting

Although not really friends in the truest sense, Flora and I nonetheess have something tangible and

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Clip, clip: (Above) The barber pole is on the window on Naimola's Barber and Style Shop on Plymouth Road in Livonia, started by Mike Naimola's father in 1957. (Photo at right) Nancy Austin of Canton has been a regular of Bill Coatta at Coatta's Unisex Salon in Livonia for 30 years.



Loyal customer: Al Tanski has been get-ting his haircut at Naimola's since he was 3 years old.



HAIRSTYLISTS

ABOVE THE REST

A good hairstylist, it seems, is more than a talented pair of hands. He or she is a confidant(e), a sharer of good news and bad, is tolerant of clients' petty complaints, ignores their irritating habits and can boost their fragile egos to bouffant heights.

In turn, customers are forgiving of the occasional slip of the scissors, anemic perm or off-the-chart color that threatens to stretch a bad hair day into a month.

Indeed, clients are willing to follow their ravorite stylists from salon to salon, city to city, pledging their undying loyalty along the way.

Nancy Austin of Canton has followed her stylist, Bill Coatta, owner of Coatta's Unisex Salon in Livonia, for 30 years. She said she'll become a "lost soul" when he retires.

"We know each other so well now, that our lives have become intertwined," she said. "We know about family weddings, funerals, births, joys, tragedies and everything else life deals us.'

It's more than a great haircut - " Every hair is measured during the cut" - that keeps Austin coming back

"That shop is so comfortable; that's where I go and hide for three hours once a month.

Every Wednesday for the last 19 years, Marty Wise of Livonia has placed herself in the capable hands of Diane Timmerman, owner of The Tangerine Room of Beauty in Livonia.

"She's just a wonderful person. I call her my miracle worker because I feel so good when I come out," said Wise Timmerman appreciates Wise's devo-

"Marty is a very sweet person. She walks



Drying out: Arlene Turner of Canton has been a customer at Diane Timmerman's Tangerine Room of Beauty in Livonia for 14 years.

here every week, no matter what the

Wise said her hair is a bit thin and Timmerman always makes sure everything is covered "just perfectly." Wise also appreciates Timmerman's knack for suggesting rather than pushing new products, like the

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Hair-praising tales

There are plenty of "hair-raising" stories out there, stylists who won't listen and customers who won't follow advice. Our readers got right to the "root" of what makes the ideal customer and hairstylist.

Customer from heaven:

"An ideal customer is a person who lets you style their hair to suit their face and their occupation. When you get a person like that you enjoy your job, you create."
- Joannie "I'm stylin' today" Khoury Steiger • Joannie's

Hair Salon, Livonia

"One who is very social. I like to have someone talking all the time. Someone not stuck in a rut. If someone's open to change, you have a much better relationship. And, of course,

- Christine Campbell . Rumorz Hair Salon, Westland

Probably a satisfied customer. A customer who likes change. A customer who's dependable. We like loyalty, but we can't demand it."

- Cheryl Bias . C J's Hair Stop, Canton

"A customer who keeps an open mind. Talkative. One who's not afraid to tell us what they like. That's how we learn. One who treats us like family because that's what we're like here.

- Sue Berger . Reflections, Garden City

"Someone who's funny. Someone who's cooperative and ready to change, not arraid to dive in.

- Dennis Schuster . Headstart, Plymouth

Stylist from heaven:

sit there, get my hair cut and go."

"I want them to do exactly what I want. Also, I want them to remember what they did with my hair the last time.' - Karin Keim • Canton

"When you walk out feeling happy because you had come in. When he or she doesn't deviate from you're own personal image of yourself. When your hair doesn't turn orange." - Maria Kosonski-Chestney • Plymouth

"Listening to what the client wants rather than just hear-

- Debra Fitzgibbon • Garden City "Someone who gives a good haircut. I don't mind the chitchat, but I can live without it. I will talk, but I'd just as soon

- Bill Casper • Redford

"Somebody willing to give you ideas, but listen to what you want. My hairdresser and I work together. I'll come up with an idea, but she'll say, 'No, it won't work. We'll do this.'"

- Karen Schiffman • Livonia

Re-enactors bring authenticity to 'Lincoln'

Extra speclal: Waiting to be summoned for filming of scenes in a replica of Ford Theater for "The Day Lincoln Was Shot" were "living history background artists" Becky Turza (left) and her mother, Beth, of

Canton.



Beth Turza tripped the light fantastic with Hollywood director Ron Maxwell Saturday night. Amid period music, period desserts and period clothing, she savored the chance to contra dance with the director of highly acclaimed film, "Gettys-

"I feel he was there scouting," said the Canton resident. "He talked in-depth about his new film, 'Gods and Generals.' The rumor mill has it that he's approached some of the stars from 'Gettysburg' to revive their roles."

The dancing was part of a special movie premiere at the Antietam National Battlefield Park Visitor Center in Sharpsburg, Md. Turza was among a group of more than 100 "backgrounders" treated to a screening of the TNT Original film "The Day Lincoln Was Shot," which premieres Sunday, April 12, on TNT.

Turza and her daughter Becky, Lynn Calil of Royal Oak, Glenna Rost Christen of Warren, Jackie Wakeling of Taylor and Elizabeth Potas of Dearborn Heights were among 35 re-enactors hired by Pat James, in charge of the film's living history casting, to work as extras for the production.

James negotiated are-enactor fee for the production and was allotted 135 slots for re-enactors

during the filming. Turza and her daughter were hired for seven days of filming in Richmond and Petersburg, Va., while the rest of the group worked for four days in Richmond.

"Pat wanted to make a difference; she talked to the director about paying a decent fee to get quality people," said Turza. "Background people or extras are furnishings in a movie, so Pat wanted to make sure the furnishings fit in with the peri-

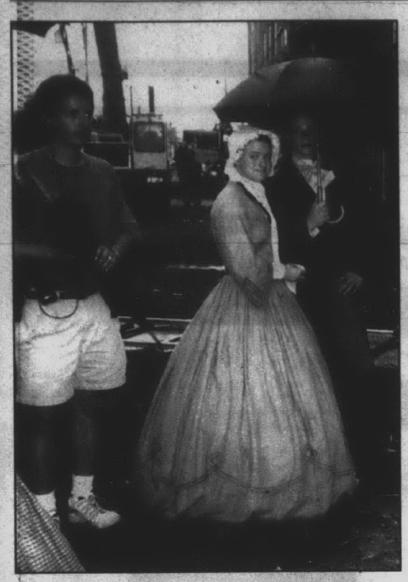
Based on the Jim Bishop's best-selling book of the same name, "The Day Lincoln Was Shot" chronicles the days and hour leading up to the assassination of Abraham Lincoln from the perspective of the president and his murderer, John Wilkes Booth.

The facade of the White House was created at the Millenium Studios in Virginia, while the interior of Ford Theater was created inside a theater in Richmond. The outdoor scenes were filmed on a street in a warehouse district in Petersburg that still has some of its original cobblestone.

"The Day Lincoln Was Shot" is the first film work for Turza and her daughter. She has been a

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Re-enactors from page B1



Places, please: Jay Guerra (left), the second second assistant director, positions the backgrounders, including Becky Turza and Andrew Brenner, for a shot of the crowd waiting outside the house where Lincoln died.



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re-enactor for 22 years and Becky got her first taste of it at Gettysburg in 1981 when her mother was seven months preg-

Their backgrounder work follows in the footsteps of husband Jim whose movie credits include "Gettysburg," "Glory" and "Antie-tam," an independent film currently in production. He made his "acting debut" in the television mini series, "North and South Book II."

A budding thespian, Becky just finished a stint as Frenchie in Plymouth Salem High School's production of "Grease" before taking on assistant stage manager and costumer for the Wyandotte Community Theater's production of "Camelot."

The family's penchant for acting started with the troupe and with daughter Jessica, a student at Michigan State University, who appeared in its production of "Ann of Green Gables" and in "Crazy for You" with Becky.

Told in advance what the director was looking for, Turza packed six period outfits for the filming. Her choice of a brown silk dress with a gathered bonnet landed her a seat in the front row for filming inside the theater. Becky, who wore a dark mauve silk dress with a black jacket and gathered bonnet was seated four rows back.

"The director was so pleased with the quality of the re-enactors, that they were seated in the front rows of the theater before the extras they had hired,'

Turza said. "As re-enactors, we're not as highly paid as professionals actors, but we come with our own wardrobe of period clothing. And we policed each other so we portrayed the period authentically.

There was a lot of waiting involved in the filming and the backgrounders marked time in a banquet room where one day piano playing led to dancing and complaints about their bouncing around by the "hair Nazis."

Some days started at 6 a.m. and on one occasion ran until 1 a.m. And on the fourth day, much of the time was spent in the theater as the assassination scene was shot "over and over again" before the stunt was set up for Booth's jump onto the

The film stars Lance Henriksen as Lincoln, Donna Murphy as Mary Todd Lincoln and Rob Morrow as Booth. After seeing the film, Turza praised the performances of Henriksen, Murphy and Doug OLear who played Doctor Leale, the physician who cared for Lincoln at the theater and accompanied him to the house across the street from the

"We called him Doctor Dougie; he was really friendly, a personable, nice guy," Turza said. "We didn't realize he had such a big role until we saw the film.

Her photo album includes snapshots of the work on the TNT film. There's a photograph of John Wilkes Booth (Morrow) talking on his cell phone - "I

thought it was amusing." Becky with her movie partner Andrew Brenner, a re-enactor from Stanley, Va., and Turza check-to-check with director John Gray.

"I had a camera hidden under my shawl in the theater and on the third day I got brave enough to take some pictures during the down time," Turza said. "The director walked by and asked who had the camera and I figured I was in trouble. He took it, sat down beside me and held it out to take a picture of us."

Turza is already talking about future roles. She'd like a spot re-

enacting in Maxwell's "Gods and Generals," while Becky would like to step up to a speaking role.

And she gladly adds a few tips for watching the film. Number

one, there is a gratuitous sex scene, and ... "You can pick out Becky in the open air scenes because of her

yellow bonnet, and my bonnet

stands out in the theater scene.' "The Day Lincoln Was Shot" will air at 8 p.m. April 12, on TNT, with encore presentations at 10 p.m. April 12, midnight April 13, 11 p.m. April 14, 5 p.m. April 18, 1 p.m. April 19, 10 p.m. April 21 and 6:30 p.m. April 26.



Something noble? Titus Welliver (left) and Jaimz Woolvett (right) join Rob Morrow as conspirators in the plot to the assassinate President Abraham Lincoln.

Hairstylis from page B1

shampoo Wise recently started using to promote hair growth. "It's done wonders," she said.

Not just a service'

When Tracey Darabon of Canton wanted a new look after her son was born five months ago, she made an appointment with Christine Campbell, owner of Rumorz Hair Salon in Westland. Campbell, who's been Darabon's stylist for five years, chopped off Darabon's long, blonde tresses.

"I love it," said Darabon. So does her husband, who first covered his eyes when Darabon came home with her new do.

Darabon just plain likes Campbell: "I like her as a person. She talks and I talk. I feel she's not just giving me a service. We've become friends. She's warm and friendly. You tell her things you wouldn't tell other

Mary Ann Snodgrass of Garden City most likely sets the record of remaining faithful to a hair

stylist, 37 years. "I followed her from beauty

school to a shop to her home when she had children to another

Snodgrass said of Janine Wood, owner of Charles & Co. Hair Design in Dearborn Heights. "She is very knowledgeable. She's a stylist to whom you can say do something different. I've always been pleased." Only once was Snodgrass forced to go to another stylist.

shop, which she now owns,'

That's when Wood took six months off to have her last child. The fill-in stylist gave Snodgrass the perm from hell. "It was terrible. I never

thought it would grow out," she said. "I was a happy girl when Janine started working again."

Thirty years as a hair stylist has taught Sharon Le of Plymouth "to have fun and take life lightly." A former customer who lives in Florida has been sending Le her wigs to wash and style for 25 years.

"The clerks at the post office think the boxes are filled with air because they are so light," said

For the past 23 years, Le has been the resident hairstylist at Northville Psychiatric Hospital.

"When I meet new acquaintances and they ask what I do and where do I work, I get a variety of responses," she said. "It is by far not a glamorous job, but none could be more rewarding than to motivate ladies who are depressed, neglected or need a new look to perk them up and feel better about themselves.

"The doctors tell me patients act better when they look better."

It's a guy place

Where do guys go when they need perking up? Mike Naimola, owner of Naimola's Barber and Style Shop on Plymouth Road in Livonia, said a lot of them come to his shop. He doesn't offer them cookies and flavored coffee, just a good listening ear.

"They don't get out of here without talking - sports, jobs,

going to Florida. Not many people come in here and say, 'Shut up, I don't want to talk,' " he said.

Naimola's father opened the shop in 1957, and Naimola has been cutting hair there for 25 years. He keeps files on his customers' preferences, like square or oval backs, how much off the top and how high above the ear

"All he has to do is tell me his name. It takes the guesswork out, and I can repeat the haircut.

Naimola even makes housecalls for special customers.

"When they get sick, they call me up and I go to their home," he said. "If they offer me a cup of coffee, that's all I want."

While good communication is a part of the relationship between stylist and client, it's no secret what makes for a good relationship. And Wise sums it all up with: "I feel like she's my

Flora from page B1

challenges by those eight or So Flora cuts our hair and is by least one or two more visits nine visits each year.

The bond is firm enough that I have followed her all over the western suburbs - from Southfield, to Livonia (two stores) to Novi - since that day in 1981 Clips (now BoRics) for a trim.

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comforting. We are tied to life's Sarah, often come in with me. out knowing there would be at extension almost part of our before decision time.

Flora doesn't know this. But I used to love hearing about the endless construction delays on her new house. Oh, I would when I walked in to Super commiserate with her when I went in for my haircut.

Secretly though, I walked

You know, maybe Hartland isn't so far after all. My car gets good mileage, I can always free up some time on a Saturday ...

Tedd Schneider is the community editor of the Canton Observer. He likes his hair cut short, but not too short.



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Larry and Marjorie Darby of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Marjorie, to Stephen Michael Cloutier, the son of Margaret Cloutier of Ecorse and the late George Cloutier Jr.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, Bowling Green State University with a bachelor of science degree and the University of Michigan with a master of business administration degree. She is employed as a market research consultant by R.L. Polk.

Her fiance is a graduate of Gabriel Richard High School, Wayne County Community College as a registered nurse and Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree in health administration. He is employed as an advanced business analyst in health care audit

Cangemi-Fedewa

Salvatore and Deanna Cangemi of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Joanna Marie, to James Michael Fedewa, the son of Alice Fedewa of Plymouth and Stan Fedewa of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She is employed at Community Federal Credit Union in Plymouth

Her fiance is a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School. He attended Eastern Michigan University. He is the president of Xerographic Solutions, a Xerox franchise in Plymouth and Fort Lauderdale, Fla. A May wedding is planned at

Pyzocha-Pelletier

Lawrence Catchpole of Waterford and Marjorie Lebert of Harrow, Ontario, Canada, announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracey Lee Pyzocha, to Robert Allen Pelletier, the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Pelletier of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Oakland Community College with an associate's degree in liberal arts and criminal justice. She is majoring in political science at Oakland University. She

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A September wedding is planned at St. Thomas a' Becket Church in Canton.



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is employed by First of America Bank as a subpoena coordinator in Royal Oak.

Her fiance is a graduate of Schoolcraft College with an associate's degree in science and Western Michigan University with a bachelor of business administration in human resource management. He is employed at Fluid Automation

A May wedding is planned at Newburgh United Methodist Church in Livonia.

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McElroy-Ferguson

Sue Dodson of Canton and Lawrence McElroy of Mesa, Ariz., announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy McElroy, to David Ferguson, the son of David Ferguson of Madison Heights and the late Nancy Fer-

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She is employed by Oakland Catholic Credit Union in Troy.

Her fiance is a graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed by Spartan Tube in

Mitchell-Cox

Jacqueline Fobare of Plymouth and Allen Mitchell of Lake Orion announce the engagement of their daughter, Suzanne Marie, to Allen Lee Cox Jr., the son of Allen and Rebecca Cox of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is a graduate student at Central Michigan University studying human resource administration. She is employed as a branch operations supervisor for Western Staff Services in Farmington Hills.

Her fiance is a 1991 graduate of Indiana Wesleyan University. He is a graduate student at Central Michigan University studying public administration. He is employed as a police officer by the City of Plymouth.

Kuhn-Angiulo

Christopher Jason Kuhn of Holly and Stefanie Marie Angiulo of Canton were married Feb. 14 on St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, by Jeff Gargane.

The bride is the daughter of John and Lana Angiulo of Canton. The groom is the son of Karl and Gloria Kuhn of Naubinway.

The bride is attending Schoolcraft College. She is employed as a medical assistant. The groom is attending Michi-

gan State University. He is employed as an investment officer with NBD.

The couple received guests at Magen's Bay Beach, St. Thomas. They are making their home in Holly.

Nelson-Draeger

Linda Nelson of Plymouth and John Nelson of Ypsilanti announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly A., to Lars Draeger, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Draeger of Grand Haven. The bride-to-be is a 1996 grad-

uate of Plymouth Canton High School. She is a junior at Grand Valley State University, major-ing in elementary/special educa-tion. She is a member of Sigma

Kappa sorority.

Her fiance is a 1996 graduate of Grand Haven High School. He is a junior at Grand Valley State University, majoring in elemen-tary/physical education. He is a defensive lineman on the Grand Valley State football team.

Przywara-McGlade

Shirley Przywara of Westland and Phil Przywara of Chicago, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Pamela Sue, to Scott Thomas McGlade, the son of Sandy Madden of Wayne and Thomas McGlade of Westland.

The bride-to-be is employed at Ford Motor Company as a project archivist.

Her fiance is employed at Platinum Technology as a regional sales manager in Bloomfield

A November wedding is planned at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Wayne.

Hinderleider-Abrams

Jeffery and Lynn Hinderleider of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Anne, to Brian Philip Abrams, the son of Christina and Richard Abrams of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1989 graduate of Westland John Glenn High School and a 1996 graduate of Cleary College with a bachelor of business administration degree. She is employed as a claim supervisor for Sedgwick CMS Inc.

Her fiance is a 1989 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School. A veteran of Operation Desert Storm, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1989 to 1993. He is employed by Chrysler Church in Canton.



A May wedding is planned at Garden City Presbyterian





A spring wedding is planned at St. John Neumann Catholic

6 residents elected to YW board of directors

Six area residents have been elected to the Board of Directors of the YWCA of Western Wayne

County. Freij of Livonia, Terry Ahwal, Carol Steffanni and Coleen Pobur of Plymouth and Carolyn Kimbrough were tapped for the

Marianne Talon and Maha positions at the agency's recent

Also elected were Nadia Berry and Joyce Ball of Dearborn, Tommie Butler of Dearborn Heights, Veronica Massey of Detroit, Marianne Rilley of Taylor, Clementine Payton of Inkster, Jennifer Granholm and Karen Woodside of Northville, Dr. Shereen Arraf of Dearborn service,

Zinner of Southgate and Donna McEachern of Wayne.

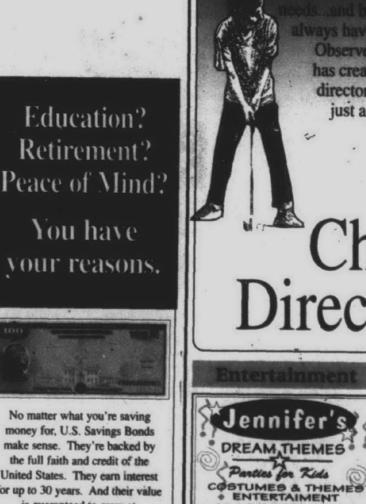
Elected to the 1998 agency nominating committee were Kay Beard of Westland, Mary Dumas of Livonia, Margaret Glatfelter of West Bloomfield.

Suzanne Hall and Joan Dyer- and Viola Dougherty, Margie Rose, Naomi James and Judge Sylvia James, all of Inkster.

The YWCA Volunteer Award of Meritorious Service was presented by Barbara Gepford of Livonia to Mary Ribbron o Inkster for her nearly five decades of dedicated volunteer



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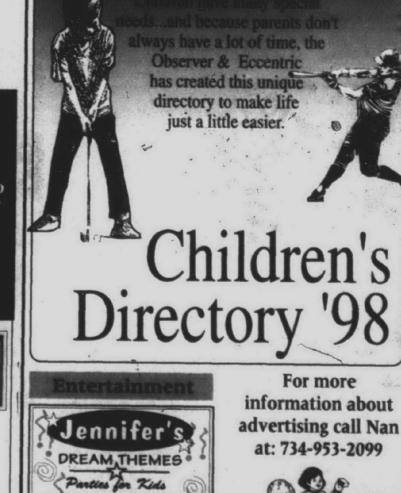


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WEEKEND

The Plymouth-Canton Jaycees will hold the annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 11, at Plymouth Township Park, Ann Arbor Trail just east of Beck. The hunt will begin at 10 a.m. Parents and children are asked to be ready to go at that time because the candy will disappear quick-ly. The Easter Bunny will be on hand 9-11:30 a.m., and Polaroid pictures will be available. There is no cost to this event. For more information, call the Plymouth-Canton Jaycee Hot-line at (734) 453-8407.

The Easter Bunny will make an appearance 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2-4:30 m. Saturday, April 11, at Keller & Stein, 42158 Michigan Ave., Canton. A free picture with the Easter Bunny is compliments of Keller & Stein.

Canton Parks and Recreation is sponsoring its annual Easter Marshmalow Drop at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 11, at Heritage Park. Canton youngsters ages 10 and under will be divided into age groups for the exciting helicopter marshmallow drop. Children will have the opportu-nity to retrieve marshmallows in exchange for good-ies and treats. The event is

BREAKFAST WITH BUNNY

Fox Hills presents breakst with the Easter Bunny 9-11 a.m. Saturday, April 11, at 8768 N. Territorial, Salem Township. There will be a bountiful breakast buffet with fresh fruit, breakfast pastries, cold cereals, scrambled eggs, bacon and sausage, waffles, not chocolate and fresh fruit juices. There will be crafts, games, story time and prizes, too. Between 10 and 10:30 a.m., colorful eggs will be dropped from an airplane, and after landing, there'll be an Easter gg hunt. Price is \$10.50 per person. No charge for children under 2. Reservations are from 9-11 a.m. For more information, or r a reservation, call (734) 453-7272.

BEARY MAGICAL MOMENTS

The final show in the Youth Variety Series is set for Saturday, April 11, with magician Gordon luss and "The Magical Adventures of Super Bear." The series at the Summit is ponsored by Canton Pro-ect Arts and the Plymouth Canton Jaycees. Saturday's how begins at 1 p.m. and s designed for children ges 10 and under. It hasizes audience participation and the magic of puppetry. Rosco the Clown will appear before and after the show (at 12:30 p.m. and 1:45 p.m.), making balloon animal sculpares and performing. Pickets are \$5 and can be urchased at the Summit advance or at the door he day of the show. For re information, call 734) 397-5381.

INGLES

Single Place presents mmunion Maundy hursday service at 7:30 hm, at the First Presbyte-ian Church, Northville. for more information, call he church 248-349-0911.

The Plymouth District

Library is now closed until a grand opening of its new facility April 26. Patrons may use area libraries. including Canton, Northville, Livonia and Westland. The bookdrop at the Farmer Jack library location on Main Street remains open.

CHAMBER MIXER

■ The Plymouth and Livo-nia chambers of commerce will meet for their April mixer and business card exchange 5-7 p.m. Thursday, April 9, at Water Club Grill. Cost is \$5 plus a cash bar. For more information, call the Plymouth chamber, 543-1540.

GARDEN MEETING

■ The Plymouth Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will meet at 12:30 p.m. Monday, April 13 at the home of Doris Richards. The guest speaker for the meeting will be Louis Mascola of Garden Views, 202 W. Main in Northville. The meeting will focus on "Gardening Today, It's More than Bushes and Flowers." The Garden Views store is filled with accent items of bird baths, benches, fountains, and garden tools. Mascola "will bring to the garden club the newest in these accent items," said Joan Calhoun, program chairwoman. The tea chairwoman for the upcoming event is Heather Shepard, assisted by Juanita Fenkell, Pat Robinson and Janet Stuckey. Guests are welcome by calling Virginia Bake at 455-1241.

GO TO THE MOVIES

■ The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra presents "Let's go to the Movies," at 6 p.m. Friday, April 17, at Laurel Manor. The evening is a Pops dinner concert and auction. For more information, call 451-2112.

SPRING CONCERT ■ The 120-voice Plymouth

Community Chorus will

present its Spring Concert,

"Broadway Magic," at 8 and 4 p.m. Sunday, April 26, at Plymouth Salem High School, 46181 Joy. The chorus is celebrating its 25th anniversary in September. Many numbers from this concert will be included in a recording that will be made to commemorate the occasion. Included will be songs from "West Side Story," "Les Miserables," "Guys and Dolls," a celebration of Andrew Lloyd Webber's music, songs from "Man of La Mancha," "Beauty and the Beast," "Sound of Music," "Fiddler on the Roof," and "Cabaret." Tickets are \$8 and may be obtained from: Evola Music, 215 Ann Arbor Road, Side-ways Gift Shop, 505 Forest, and the Northville Record, 104 W. Main. Tickets may also be ordered, as can the 25th anniversary audio tapes and CDs, by calling 734-

455-4080. CRETARY'S DAY

■ The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its ninth annual Secretary's Day Luncheon noon-1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, at the Plymouth Manor. The luncheon will feature guest speaker K.C. Mueller, Ply-mouth Township trustee and Remerica Hometown Realtors. The event also will feature a drawing for the Secretary of the Day, who will receive special recognition and gifts. Each secretary will receive a flower, luncheon, door flower, luncheon, door prizes and a fashion show featuring fashions from Unique Accessories, I Do Two, Sunny J's Lingerie and Motown Harley.

Advance reservations are

Jump for health



Jump by Jump: Nichole Cupo was one of about 250 Allen Elementary School students who hopped, skipped and jumped their way toward raising money for the American Heart Association.

Students jump for hearts and health

bout 250 Allen Elementary School students expended some energy recently to raise money for the

American Heart Association.

Jodi Ring, an American Heart Association board member and West Middle School teacher, supported the students during the events. "Our goal was to collect at least \$500," Ring said. The pledge money was collected from family mem-

The event was a good opportunity for students to learn about health, Ring

"It's nice to see that the two can go hand-in- hand. Not only physical exer-cise but also community service," she

For the fifth-grade students, the jump roping gave them a chance to apply nowledge about the circulatory system and have fun at the same time.

The students got a chance to feel like

they were doing something that mat-

"Students don't always get a good reputation for doing community service,"

required and may be made only by calling the chamber. 453-1540. The cost is \$17 per person.

HONOR YOUR SECRETARY

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will present an appreciation continental breakfast, a flower, art rental for a month - all for \$10. The drop-in breakfast is 7:30-10 a.m. at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N Sheldon at Junction. For more information and reservations, call the center, 416-4ART.

PHOTOGRAPHER TO SPEAK

■ Kathleen Thompson of Northville, a photographer who has won national acclaim, will speak at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 23 at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady. Her topic will be "Creativity and the Camera." The talk and slide show at the library will be in the Carlo Meeting Room. There is no admission, but reservations are required by calling 248-349-3020.

HEALTH-O-RAMA

Free and low-cost health screenings are available at Project Health-O-Rama 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, April 25 at the Canton Summit. Free health screenings include vision, hearing, glaucoma, podiatry, nutrition counseling and body composition analysis. Lowcost screenings include blood panel chemistry,

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prostate cancer blood test, ovarian cancer blood test, colon-rectal cancer selftest, bone density, gastrointestinal, take-home HIV test. No registration is required. Call the Saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine for more information, 734-712-5400 or 800-231-2211.

OPENING PARTY

■ The Friends of the Plymouth Library will host a The Tradition Continues," to celebrate the grand opening of the new Plymouth District Library Saturday, April 25. The grand opening of the library will be Sunday, April 26. The black tie-optional event begin at 7:30 p.m. and run until 10 p.m. The event includes appetizers, champagne and a scavenger hunt. A saxophone quartet of Carrie Fry, Steve McGuire, Aaron Shehon and Lisa Reissenweber will provide music. Tickets are available at Little Professor on the Park for \$25 per person, or by calling 453-7432. Those who donate \$500 or more to the library will receive two complementary tickets to the party. Just 200 tickets are available. Ticket sales end April 18.

YOUTH EXCHANGE

Local Rotary Clubs are accepting applications from students in the community and surrounding areas who are interested in spending a year overseas with

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 Mo Street, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 7344594224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

Use additional sheet if necessary

school year. Participants must be 16-18 when they depart and at that time may be current students or immediate graduates of high school. If you would call Dawn Rossi at (734) 420-4171.

■ The Plymouth YMCA is taking registration for Spring T-ball, Coach Pitch, Youth Softball League and Spring Soccer League. Other programs being offered are Preschool sport classes, Aerobics, Camp Tonquish, Camp Jellybeanz and much more. Call the Plymouth YMCA at (734) 453-2904 to register or for more information.

GOLF LEAGUE

■ The "Sundowners I" women's golf league has openings for play at 5:15 p.m. Mondays at Hilltop Golf Course in Plymouth. Golf begins April 20 and runs 18 weeks. For more information, call Kathy Santos at (734) 453-5929.

BLOOD PRESSURE

■ Blood pressure screenings are held at 1 p.m. every third Monday of the month at the Summit in Canton. No appointments are necessary; just check in at the senior desk in the Parkview Room. This free

Rotary International's Youth Exchange Program during the 1999-2000 like more information on Rotary Youth Exchange,

Plaza Lanes in Plymouth will sponsor a Youth 9-Pin Tournament at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 24. First-place trophies will be given in various age groups. The price is \$7 per youth bowler. Door prizes also will be available. For mo information call Plaza Lanes, 42081 Ann Arbor Road, at 453-4880.

YARD SALE

■ The Plymouth Historical Museum will sponsor its annual Yard Sale 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, May 30 at the museum, 155 S. Main. For more information and pick ups, call the museum, 455-8940.

SCHOOL OPENINGS Livonia Little People's

Co-op Preschool has openings for the school year in the 3- and 4-year-old classes. The preschool is at 8820 Wayne Road, just north of Joy. For more information, call 422-1176. Suburban Children's Coop Nursery has openings now in all classes 18 months through 5 years old. The nursery is in Livonia. Parental involvement erx[ected. Low tuition. For more information, contact Michelle at (734) 421-6196.

■ Henry Clay Preschool Cooperative in Marshall Elementary School, 33901 Curtis, Six Mile and Farmington roads, Livonia, is accepting applications for the 1998-99 school year for 3-4-year-old classes. Morning and afternoon sessions are available. For more information, call Judy at (734) 953-9728.

New Morning School has new student openings. Openings exist for fall 1998 students in full and halfstudents in full and half-day kindergarten through the fifth grade at New Morning School. Mid-year openings are available for upper elementary students. New Morning School is a state-certified and licensed nonprofit school. For more

information, call (734) 420-3331.

service is provided by the Senior Advantage Program

PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS

Free prescription drugs to middle-income seniors if

able by appointment only at the Plymouth Township Hall Clerk's Office 1-4 p.m.

For more information, call

SUMMIT ON THE PARK

Summit on the Park

This service is offered every Tuesday through

April 14 in the Parkview

Room. Appointments are necessary for counseling,

ing or afternoon times.

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bound. Call 397-5444 for

Plymouth Dog Jog '98 is

set for Saturday, May 9 in Kellogg Park. Registration is at noon, followed by the

Dog Jog at 1:30 p.m. and

"Dogmatics," the Dan Mor-ris Canine Precision Drill

Team at 2:30 p.m. Prereg-

istration before May 1 is

\$15 and on the day of the

walk, \$20. All proceeds go

to the Michigan Humane

Humane Society and the

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which is presenting the

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455-7526.

Fairlane Christian School is having open enrollment for preschool through grade 12 at 24425 Hass, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call the school office at (313) 565-9800 or the preschool at (313) 565-9873.

■ Garfield Cooperative Preschool is having open enrollment for children 18 months to 5 years old. Registration is at Cass Elementary School, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and east of Wayne. For more information, call (734) 462-0135.

BOOK SALE

■ The Livonia League of Women Voters nees more books for its April used books sale. New batches of used books are always needed. Hardcover and paperback books in different categories of nonfiction and fiction for all ages are received. To donate, call (734) 421-4420 or (734) 427-0222. For more information, call Esther Friedrichs at 427-0222 or Marge Gade at 261-3191.

SCHOLARSHIPS ■ The Gamma Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is 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. Toney to pay for the scholarships comes from community participation in the annual fall craft fair at West Middle School. Applications are available at both high school counseling offices or at Hoben Elementary School, 44680 Saltz, Canton.

SUPPORT GROUPS

COMMUNITY HOSPICE

Adults who have experienced the loss of someone significant in their lives may participate in the Adult Grief Support Group, sponsored by the Community Hospice & Home Care Services Inc. (CHHCS). The group meets 6:30-8 p.m. the third Monday of the month at CHHCS Westland office, 32932 Warren Road, Suite 100, northwest corner of Warren and Venoy. To register for the support group, contact Becky Rouse, bereavement coordinator, at (734) 522-4244.

ARBOR HOSPICE

Arbor Hospice is offering a free seven-week grief support and education group 7-8:30 p.m., starting Saturday, April 7, at the Northville Senior Citizen's Center. This group is rec-ommended as a "first step" for people who have experienced a loss of any kind, a spouse, parent, sibling or close friend, whether the loss occurred recently or years ago. For more information or to register, call Arbor Hospice at (734) 662-5999 ext. 114 or 1-800-783-5764

EMPOWER

One free hour for parents or families, Call for an appointment, 981-3039.

MDDA (Manic Depressive-Depressive Associa-tion) meets 2-4 p.m. the second and fourth Sundays of the month at Oakwood-Canton Health Center Community meeting room. For more information, call Nancy at (734) 455-8598.

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NEW VOICES

Michael Marant and Mistie Young of Redford announce the birth of Raven Ashli Young Dec. 26 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Steve Marusso,

Tanya Young and Cindy Marant. Christopher and Mary Kay DeBrito of Canton announce the birth of Marianne Christine Jan. 28 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. She joins a sister, Renae Marie, 18 months. Grandparents are Mary and Syl Noetzel of Canton and Marcia and Joe DeBrito of Monroe. Great-grandparents are Sylvester A. Noetzel of Livonia.

Kevin and Amy Radtke of Dearborn Heights announce the birth of Marissa Marie Dec. 30 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a sister, Jenna Lynn, 19 months. Grandparents are Steve and Nanette Fulayter of Allen Park and Ann and John Radtke of Garden City.

Dan and Nancie Schaffer of Livonia announce the birth of Bryan Daniel Nov. 6 at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. He joins a brother, Kevin Matthew, 3, and a sister, Nicole Lynne, 22 months. Grandparents are Ed and Pauline Praizner and Dan and Joyce Schaffer, all of Livo-

Eric and Renee Selix of Westland announce the birth of Patrick Todd Jan. 4 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Patrick and Joan Naughton and Beverly Selix, all of Westland.

Joel and Lori Dean of Taylor announce the birth of Jessup

Aaron Feb. 19 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He joins a sister, Alicia Marie. Grandparents are Ronald and Grace Dean and Henry and

Janet LaGrow, all of Westland.

Andy and Maria King of Garden City announce the birth of Cooper Blake Jan. 5 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. Grandparents are Pat Evans, Jim King and Louise King, all of Garden City.

Joel Minzey and Brenda Reed of Romulus announce the birth of Paiden Genae Earhart Feb. 14 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Donald and JoAnn Earhart of Romulus and John and Genae Glover of Livo-

Richard Barton Jr. and

Roseanna Dobbins of Westland announce the birth of Jeremy Edward Barton Jan. 7 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. He joins a brother, Anthony Dobbins, 3, and a sister, Kayla Barton, 1. Grandparents are Phillip Dobbins Sr. and Richard Barton, both of Westland.

Robert and Debra McClain of Westland announce the birth of Sandra Jeanne Feb. 24 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She joins two brothers, Sean and David: Grandparents are Sandra Pineau of Royal Oak and Bob and Phyllis McClain of Sylvania,

Dan Allen and Therese Ann Harris of Taylor announce the birth of Andrea Therese Jan. 7

at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a sister, Amanda Marie, 6, and a brother, Dan William, 3. Grandparents are William and Charlotte Sheffer of Garden City and David and Diane Harris of Webster

Springs, W.Va.

Ricky and Dana Allison of
Belleville announce the birth of Ricky Gene Jan 1 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He joins a sister, Deanna Raquel. Grandparents are Dennis and Nancy Allison of Garden City and Carolina Miller of Southgate.

Gary and Lori Wagner of Canton announce the birth of Kayle Nicole Jan. 10 at the Birthing Center of Garden City Hospital. She joins a brother, Ryan, 7. Grandparents are Les

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Rev. Richard Martzolf, Pastor

Easter Sunday Worship

with Holy Communion

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

Klein of Canton, Nancy Klein of Dearborn Heights and Renee

Christopher Bouton and Michelle Hunt of Garden City announce the birth of Brandon Howard March 1 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Howard and Vivienne Hunt and Eric and Brenda Bouton, all of Garden City.

Mark and Joy Dickinson of Garden City announce the birth of Eric Kyle March 18 at Oak wood Hospital Annapolis Center Wayne. He joins a sister, Angela Faith. Grandparents are George and Wanda McIntosh of Canton; Bernie and Sandy Luther of Plymouth and Bob and Carol Dickinson of Allen Park.

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Good Friday Service

April 10 - 1:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday

April 13 - 7:00 & 10:00 a.m.



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HOLY WEEK SERVICES MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 9 - 7:00p.m. with Holy Communior GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES, April 10 - 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Prayer Vigil beginning Friday Evening after the Good Friday Service at 8:00 p.m. and ending on Sunday, April 12 at 6:30 a.m.

Easter Sunday Services 6:30 a.m. - SUNRISE SERVICE • 7:30 a.m. - EASTER BREAKFAST 9:00 a.m. - FAMILY SERVICE • 11:00 a.m. - FESTIVAL SERVICE



Join us Holy Week at: Faith Lutheran Church

30000 Five Mile Rd. (1/4 mile west of Middlebelt) 734-421-7249 Livonia

April 5th: Palm Sunday 8:15 & 10:45 worship April 9th: Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Service April 10th: Good Friday 12 noon Service

7:30 p.m. Tenebrae April 11th: Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m. Service April 12th: Easter Celebration 8:00 & 11:00 Service

Maundy Thursday worship 10:00 am & 7:30 pm Good Friday afternoon worship

1:00 pm Good Friday Tenebrae (darkness) service 7:30 pm Easter Services 7:00 am & 10:00 am

Easter Breakfast 8:00 am Our Easter service will be broadcast on

WLQV 1500 AM from 10:30-11:00 am

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14750 Kinloch Redford, MI 48239 (313) 532-8655

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Risen Christ Lutheran Church 46250 Ann Arbor, Plymouth, MI 313-453-5252

MAUNDY THURSDAY7:30 p.m. GOOD FRIDAY......7:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY......7:30 p.m. & 11:00 a.m. Message: "Celebration on the Way"

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Maundy Thursday April 9 7:30 p.m. Foot Washing, Eucharist Stripping of Alter Good Friday April 10 Noon & 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday Liturgy

angelical Presbyterian Church

April 5-12 Palm Sunday Services

8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m. Message by Dr. James N. McGuire

7:00 p.m. - "An Easter Worship Concert"

Maundy Thursday 7:30 p.m. - Service of Shadows

Good Friday

12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.

Tre Ore Services

"Faces Around the Cross"

Easter Services
7:00 a.m. – Sunrise Service in the Chapel

8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m. Message "If A Man Dies, Will He Live Again?

by Dr. James N. McGuire

7:00 p.m. pert of Prayer in the Chapel

Easter Eve April 11 7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil, Baptism First Eucharist of Easter **Easter Sunday**

April 12 7:45 & 10 a.m. Flowering of Cross, Eucharist Easter Egg Hunt for Children at 9 a.m.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

9083 Newburgh, Livonia 734-591-0211 The Rev. Emery F. Gravelle, Vicar

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HOLY SATURDAY - 7:30 p.m. The Great Vigil, Holy Baptism, Holy Eucharist

EASTER DAY - 7:30 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist A Barrier Free Facility for the Handicapped



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MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK: 9:00 a.m. Mass HOLY THURSDAY: April 9th, 7:30 Mass

Adoration until Midnight following Liturgy GOOD FRIDAY: April 10th Noon - Seven Words of Christ, 12:45 p.m. Rosary, 1:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross, 1:30 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

HOLY-SATURDAY: 1:00 p.m. Food Blessing, 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil EASTER SUNDAY: 8:30 a.m. Mass & 10:30 a.m. Mass - Church & 10:30 Mass All Saints School

(Blessing of Easter Food after all Masses)

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cum 453-5280 You're Welcome At All Of Our Holy Week Activities:

April 9 Maundy Thursday Communion Service 7:30 p.m. April 10 Good Friday Worship Service 12:30 til 2:00 p.m. (Shared With First Baptist Church)

April 12 Easter Sunrise Service 7:15 a.m. Easter Breakfast 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. **Easter Worship Service** 11:00 a.m.

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7:00 p.m.-Solemn Evening Mass-Followed by the procession to Altar of Repose-The Stripping of the Main Altar - And Adoration at the Altar of Repose until midnight. Thursday:

4/10 Good Confessions 11:00 a.m. / 12:40 p.m. & 3:00 / 5:00 p.m. 12:45 p.m.-Stations of The Cross Friday:

1:30 p.m.-Solemn Afternoon Liturgy, with the Latin Chant of the Passion of Christ and Solemn Adoration of the Cross.

4/11 Holy 8:00 / 9:45 p.m.-Confessions 10:00 p.m.-Paschal Vigil and High Mass of The Saturday: Resurrection at Midnight

8:30 a.m. / 9:25 a.m. Confessions 4/12 Easter 9:30 a.m.-Mass of The Resurrection



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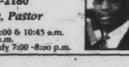
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11:00 a.m. "The Appearance Of Our Savior"

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At Aldersgate Church: The men of Aldersgate United Methodist Church will present a dramatic portrayal of the Last Supper at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, at the church, 10000 Beech Daly, Redford. As Jesus and his disciples come and gather around a table set with food for a Passover celebration, He tells his disciples one of them will betray him. Shocked by the suggestion, they all ask, "Is it I?" and freeze in the famous DaVinci pose. Once "Lord, is it I?" is sung in darkness, then one by one, they "come alive" to share their thoughts on why they may be the one who will betray Jesus. The service will close with the disciples serving communion to the congregation. For more information, call the church at (313) 937-3170.

April 10, at Covenant Community Church, 25800 Student, north of Five Mile Road, Redford. The orchestra of 25 men and women, complemented by soloists and well-known throughout Russia, is touring the United States with a musical presentation highlighting the Easter Sea-

A free will offering will be received for the church in Russia. For more information, call the church at (313) 535-3100.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES The Maundy Thursday, April 9, worship at St. John's Lutheran Church, 13542 Mercedes Ave., east of Inkster Road and south of I-96, Redford, will be at 7:30 p.m. The service will include the ritual foot washing, Holy Communion and the stripping of the altar, while worship on Good Friday, April 10, will be a candlelight Tenebrae service at

An Easter Vigil will start at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, and include music, Holy Communion and a prelude to the Resurrection.

Easter Sunday will start off

with an Easter breakfast at 9 a.m., followed by worship with Holy Communion, handbells, special instrument and choir music at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call (313) 538-2660.

Maundy Thursday worship at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church will be at 7:30 p.m. with Holy Communion at both the Livonia campus, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia, and Canton campus, 46001 Warren Road, Canton. Special music from the Christ Our Savior Choir and Woodwind Choir will enhance the Livonia worship, and there will be a drama, "Rock Like," in which a remorseful Peter, whose faith was rocklike, denies Christ but is remembered by Him. As part of the service, the altar will be stripped of all cloths, candles and furnishings in preparation for Good Friday.

The Good Friday service of the cross will be at 12:30 p.m. in Livonia with special music. There also will be a drama involving the Roman Centurion who nailed Christ to the cross and then realizes He is truly the son of God.

Easter Sunday will be celebrated at the Livonia campus with a 6:30 a.m. sunrise devotion and festival Communion services at 8:30 and 11 a.m. The Christ Our Savior, Cherub, Choristers, Handbell and Brass choirs will join together in performing "On the Third Day" by Allen Pote at each festival service. A staffed nursery will be available throughout the morning.

An Easter breakfast will be served by the church youth 7-10:30 a.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children 4-10 years and free for children 3 and under.

Special music will highlight the Easter festival service at 9:30 a.m. at the Canton campus. An Easter brunch will be held after the service. For more information, call (734) 522-6830.

At Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, the Maundy Thursday Tenebrae service will be at 7:30 p.m. and include a dramatic portrayal of the Last Supper and Holy Communion. The Good Friday service will be at 12:15 p.m. Music for both services will be by the Chancel Choir, and child care will be pro-

On Easter Sunday, the sunrise worship service will be at 7:30 a.m. at Newburg Church at Greenmead Historical Village. A sunrise breakfast, sponsored by the United Methodist Men, will be served 7:30-10 a.m. in Gutherie Hall. The also will be worship services at 9:15 and 11 a.m. and Sunday School. For more information, call (734) 422-

■ Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia, will have a service at 7:30 p.m. Good Friday. There will be a dramatic service of readings with increasing darkness, climatic moment of Jesus' death and solemn closing. There will be three festival Com-

munion services, with choirs, instrumentalists and a joyful Eucharist, at 8, 9:45 and 11:30 a.m. Easter Sunday. For more information, call the church at (734) 464-0211.

On Maundy Thursday at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, Garden City, there will be a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed by a Tenebrae Service of Shadows and Communion at 7:30 p.m. An ecumenical service will be held noon to 3 p.m. Good Friday at Garden City Presbyterian. On Easter Sunday, there will be a sunrise service at 7 a.m., followed by breakfast at 10:15 a.m. Worship services also will be conducted at 9:15 and 11 a.m. For more information, call (734) 421-7620

At Canton Community Church, 41600 Ann Arbor Trail, Canton,

the Good Friday service will be at noon and feature a dramatized version of the folk tale, "The Tale of Three Trees." Easter will be celebrated in song and drama at 9:15 and 11 a.m. Easter Sunday. For more information, call (734) 455-6022.

■ Northville Christian Assembly, 41355 Six Mile, Northville, is inviting the community to communion services at 12:30 and 7:30 p.m. Good Friday. The Rev. Otis Buchan will lead worshipers in the memorial and celebration of Christ's death and resurrection. For more informa-

tion, call (248) 348-9030.

GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST The annual Christian Men's Good Friday Breakfast will be at 8 a.m. April 10 at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon Road, Canton. The guest speaker will be former Detroit Lion and U.S. Football League defensive back Luther Bradley. The 23rd annual event includes a full breakfast. Tickets cost \$5 for adults and \$2 for juniors 10 years and under. Call the church office at (734) 459-3333 for tick-

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia, will be the site of a combined service at 1 p.m. Good Friday. Also participating will be St. Matthew's United Methodist, Church of the Savior, Reformed, Nativity United Church of Christ, Rosedale

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Gardens Presbyterian, St. Edith Catholic, St. Paul of the Cross Monastery and St. Timothy Presbyterian churches. The Rev. Chuck Sonquist of St. Matthew's will be the speaker, and an inter-church choir will perform.

SINGLE POINT Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will present Talk It Over* at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, in Room C317/C319 of the new church, Six Mile Road just west of Haggerty Road, Northville Township. Dick Bont will speak about "Where Do We Go from Here?"

Single Point's BYOS (Bring Your Own Sneakers) will take place at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at the Livonia Family YMCA, Stark Road north of Schoolcraft. BYOS costs \$6 for adults and \$2 for children 14 years and under. For more information, call the Single Point office at (734) 422-

WOMEN'S AGLOW

Gloria Wyatt, a single mother of four children who is vice president of ministries for the Southeast Aglow Area Board and ministers joyfully in storytelling and song, will be the guest when Women's Aglow Westland/Canton Chapter meets 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 11, in the **AutoNation USA Community**

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The April meeting of the Single Adult Fellowshipers, a part of Newburg United Methodist Church, will be at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at Bill Knapp's Restaurant on Plymouth Road near Farmington Road, Livonia.

EASTER PROGRAM "The Glory of Easter: Doubt and Discovery" will be presented at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at Temple Baptist Church, 49555 N. Territorial, Plymouth. Tickets are \$6, \$8 and \$10. For more

information, call (734) 414-3980. The Canton Free Methodist Church will present Madison Greene in concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at the church,

44815 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. A \$2 offering will be taken. For more information, call (734) 981-

EASTER SERVICES

On Resurrection Sunday, April 12, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia, the high school youth group will lead a sunrise service at 8:30 a.m. in the auditorium. A continental breakfast will be served in the main foyer after that service and those at 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. For more information, call (734) 464-6722.

At St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, Livonia, the Easter Sunday worship service will be at 10 a.m. For more information, call (734) 422-6038.

A moving and fun drama will be presented at 9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday, April 12, at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daly Road, Redford. The children and youth will present the drama, "Jesus Was, Jesus Is," which explores the question of what is the most important attribute of Jesus.

Two more traditional services, featuring the bell choir and chancel choir and preaching by co-pastors the Revs. Bob and Diana Goudie, will be at 8 and 11 a.m. Homemade hot cross

buns will be served at coffee hours between the services. For more information, call the church at (313) 937-3170.

New Life Lutheran Church, which meets temporarily in the chapel at Our Lady of Providence Church, 16115 Beck Road, Northville, will celebrate Easter with a 10 a.m. Communion service Sunday, April 12. Special vocal music and brass ensemble will be featured along with a special processional by the children.

An Easter breakfast will be available 8:30-9:30 a.m., and an Easter egg hunt for children ages 2-12 will be at 9 a.m. A gift for each child after the egg hunt and during worship will be a part of the morning. For more information, call the Rev. Ken Roberts at (734) 459-8181 or (734) 207-5223.

At Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, Northville Township, the Easter celebration will include early Easter Baptism and Communion service at 8 a.m. Easter Sunday, a free Easter fellowship breakfast at 9 a.m. and worship with music, orchestra, compelling drama and inspiring Easter mes sage by Dr. Carl Leth at 10:30 a.m. There also will be an children's worship service, free child care and a gift for guests. For more information, call (248) 348-

SUNDAY LESSONS

Church of Today West has weekly Sunday lessons at 9 and 11 a.m. Sundays at Meadowbrook Elementary School, Meadowbrook Road south of 13 Mile Road, Walled Lake. The church also offers youth education at both services. A course in miracles is taught year-round at 7 p.m. Tuesdays. Other basic courses include 4T, meditation and unity basics. For more information, call (248) 449-8900 or visit its Web site at http://www.cotw.com.

BIBLE STUDY

The Livonia Family YMCA is starting a Bible study group designed to focus on daily successful living. The group will meet 7-9 p.m. Mondays, April 13, May 4 and June 8, at the Y, 14255 Stark Road, Livonia. The program will offer music, fellowship, prayers, devotional read-

ings, Bible readings and fun with Bible trivia. The program is free of charge. For more informa-tion, call (734) 261-2161, Ext.

MMAGE SALE

A spring rummage and bake ale will be held 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, April 16-17, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 18, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt Road at Eight Mile Road. A light lunch and baked goods will be available.

The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, April 24, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at the church, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight and Nine Mile roads, Novi.

St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church will have its spring rummage sale 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 2, at the church, 26431 W. Chicago, between Inkster and Beech Daly roads, Redford. For more information, call (313) 937-

BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance divorced and separated Christians, will have an ice cream social at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 18, at St. Kenneth Catholic Church, Haggerty Road, south of Five Mile Road, Plymouth Township. The charge is \$5 for adults and \$3 for teens. For more information, call Rose at (734) 464-3325.

The group also meets regularly 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, 17500 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 Family Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road, Livonia, and for pinochle at 7 p.m. every other Friday – call Rose at (734) 464-3325. SOUNDS OF MUSIC'

Calvin Taylor, pianist and recording artist, will appear in concert for the 10 a.m. worship service Sunday, April 19, at St. Matthew United Methodist

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Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. A unique mirror and lighting system will allow the audience to see the entire key-

Taylor, who has toured throughout the world, has degrees in music from Oberlin Conservatory and the University of Michigan. He has authored several music books, including "Spirituals for Piano" and "The Patriotic Piano."

For more information, call the church at (734) 422-6038.

'WIND AND FIRE'

The Northwest Wayne Vicariate is sponsoring a six-week Wind and Fire" seminar at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, April 23 through May 25, at St. Edith Church Hall, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia. To register, call Chris at (734) 464-9587.

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The inspiring 30-minute interview program, produced by Lutheran Hour Ministries, can be heard locally at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 12, on WAAM-

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Wallace's guests; Mike Brown and Erin Kramp, who has died since the taping of the program, were both told they only had a short time to live

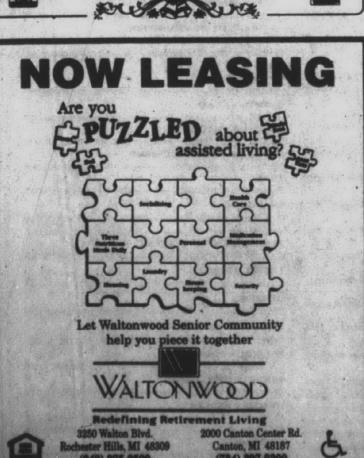
Throughout the interview, both guests explain what they would have done differently in their lives if they had the chance, and describe the peace they were given to live their remaining days.

"This is one of the most inspiring programs I can remember," Wallace said. "It was moving to

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Salem golfers fall

The season-opener for Plymouth Salem girls' golf team was no plea-

The Rocks hosted Livonia Stevenson Monday at Hilltop Golf Course, and it was the Spartans who emerged with an easy victory, 192-258.

Stevenson's Mara Mazzoni was meet medalist, shooting a 43. Her three scoring teammates all shot better than Salem's young team: Sherry Jarvis, 47; Jessica Makowski, 49; and Jill LeBlanc, 53.

The Rocks were paced by Angie Jones with a 59. Other Salem scorers were Kim Tan, 63; Grace Yolanek, 66; and Michelle Anger, 70.

The Rocks are now idle until April 20, when they host Walled Lake Central at Hilltop.

United Mundial champs

Michigan United Mundial, an under-15 Little Caesars boys soccer team, recently finished first in its first-ever indoor season at Wixom Total Soccer.

Mundial took first during the regular season and won two playoff games en route to the championship.

Members of Mundial include: Marty Bartram, Jeremy Bruckner, Patrick Camarena, Dustin Drabek, Jeff Flora, Joe Gardner, Patrick Hayes, Matt Isner, John LeAnnais, Mark Moretto, Bryan Nakonezny, Kyle Pitt, Eric Scott, John Sink, Evan Tarrant, James Thornton, Mark Willoughby and Mike Wojtowicz.

The team is coached by Daniel Rios, Tom Hayes and Gary Pitt. The team manager is Doug Sink.

Title-winner

His legacy remains still in Plymouth, but A.J. Baker continues to forge ahead in his new endeavor in Alabama

Baker, hockey fans may remember, founded the Metro Summer Hockey League, which still operates out of Plymouth Ice Arena every summer, now under the guidance of Keith Pietila. He left four years ago to take over as hockey coach at Alabama-Huntsville, an NCAA Division II

Baker quickly made the team a Huntsville has won two NCAA II titles and finished second once.

The latest championship came last month, as Huntsville capped a 24-3-3 season. Baker, a Redford native, still uses his local ties to build his team; one of his more consistent players was Paul Schloss, a junior left winger from Livonia (Redford Catholic Cen-

"He played on our third or fourth line," Baker said, "and he played fairly well. He uses what (size) he has very, very well (5-foot-11, 180). He did a lot of penalty killing for us - he was a role player.'

In 26 games, Schloss netted four goals and nine assists.

Another player from the area was Mark Motowski, a junior defenseman from Dearborn Heights who scored seven goals and collected 12 assists in

Salem football boosters

The Plymouth Salem Linebackers Football Booster Club will have its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22 in the Salem HS cafeteria. Parents of any boy playing, or wishing to play, football this fall are both welcome and encouraged to

Among topics to be discussed: the golf outing, picnic and other fund-raisers. For further information, call club president Joe Mestrovich at (734)

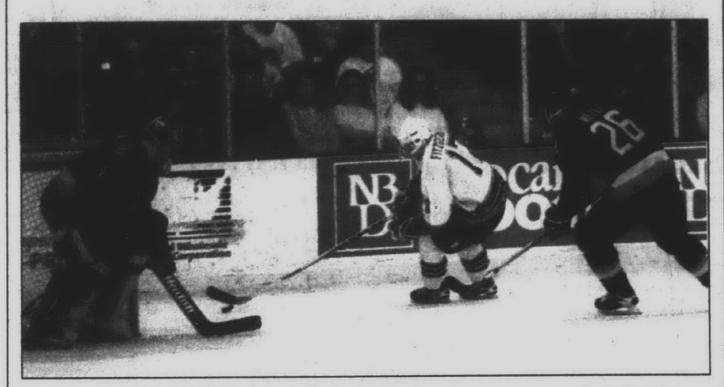
Coach wanted

Plymouth Canton HS is in need of a cheerleading coach. Qualifications for applicants: must be a high school graduate, must have experience in high school-level cheerleading, and must have a schedule compatible of the high school.

To apply, contact Canton HS principal Pat Patton at (734) 416-7545. Deadline for application is 3 p.m.

For further information, contact Rick Opasik, president of the Canton Cheerleading Club, at (734) 981-1905 after 5 p.m. weekdays.

On to the semis!



Player of the game: The Whalers' Randy Fitzgerald (in white), attempting to evade the Bulls' Branislov Mezei (26) as he carries the puck toward goalie Shawn Gallant, scored two goals in Tuesday's series-clinching victory over Belleville.

Whalers blast past Bulls

More than five minutes had elapsed in the third period Tuesday night, and this Ontario Hockey League quarterfinal playoff game between the Plymouth Whalers and the Belleville Bulls had taken on a familiar look

When the Bulls' Joel Trottier tipped in a centering pass from Dan Cleary to trim the Whalers' lead to 3-2 with 14:37 remaining to play, it seemed certain this game would end just like its five predecessors: with a single goal separating the winner and loser.

But then, just 24 seconds after Trottier's goal, the forechecking Whalers got possession of the puck behind the Bulls' net. Harold Druken passed it out to an unchecked David Legwand, who was perched less than 15 feet in front of Belleville goalie Shawn Gallant.

Gallant had no chance. Legwand's blast beat him cleanly, restoring the Whalers' two-goal lead and turning the tide in this tightly-played series. Plymouth added two more goals in the final 14 minutes and actually won going away, 6-2, at Plymouth's Com-

The series-clinching victory — the Whalers won the first three games by a single goal, then lost the next two by a single goal — puts Plymouth into the OHL semifinals against the Guelph Storm, the league's regular-season champions (game dates had not yet been determined).

"They play a totally different style than Belleville," said a relieved Pete DeBoer, the Whalers' coach, after securing the series against the Bulls. "Belleville is one of the best offensive teams in the league, and Guelph is one of the best defensive teams

"But we're in the semifinals. And this was a team people thought would finish fourth in our division.

The Whalers certainly proved them wrong. One major reason for their success: Legwand, the rookie from Grosse Pointe who has emerged as one of the league's premier players. Named one of the game's three stars Tuesday, Legwand scored twice, giving him seven goals and 19 points in 11 playoff games

But he isn't the only reason. The

Whaler who emerged as the series star was goalie Robert Esche. Up against the league's most proficient offensive force, Esche was superb, allowing 19 goals in six games (3.16 per game).

"You're not going to totally shut this team down," DeBoer said of the Bulls. But (Esche) made some big saves when he had to. He played great for

That included the opening period of game six. The Whalers did draw first blood when Legwand fed a pass through to Harold Druken on a break, whose shot was stopped by Gallant. Legwand, however, was there to poke in the rebound a moment before the net came off its mooring. Druken and Andrew Taylor assisted.

Belleville tied it with a power-play goal by Justin Papineau with 2:54 left in the period: It was a pivotal point in the game for both teams; after the Legwand goal, the Bulls had started assuming command and, by the end of the period, they were in control.

Indeed, Belleville outshot Plymouth

Rocks rule Pioneer Invite

Team depth helped Plymouth Salem take first place at the Ann Arbor Pioneer Indoor Invitational track meet at the University of Michigan Saturday.

Salem scored 102 points to outdistance runnerup Toledo Central Catholic, which had 78 points.

"Any time you go to an invitational it's nice to come out a winner," Salem coach Geoff Baker said. "We scored all over the track and in everything we did, which was nice."

The team of Andy Briggs, Matt Anderson, Nick Allen and Ian Searcy took the 3,200-meter relay with a time

Briggs won the 400, clocking 51.8,

with Scott Kingslien second (52.7). Searcy took first in the 800 (1:56.9) and Jon Little captured the 1,600 (4:33.7).

BOYS TRACK

Little was second in the 3,200 run (9:55.6) and Nick Allen ran fourth in the same event (10:03.8). Briggs, Matt Fair, Kingslien and Searcy were second in the 1,600 relay (3:32.5).

The team of Clemons, Ryan Silva, Charlie Fisher and Dave Hester was fourth in the shuttle hurdle relay. Hester's 44-foot, 10 3/4-inch heave was good for fifth in the shot put, and Gabe

Salem's Mike Shull was third in the event (6.58). Ryan Thomas took third in the 55-meter hurdles (7.90), .01 ahead of teammate Clemons, who was

Salem's 800 relay team of Shull, Mark Sheehan, Clemons and Kingslien was third (1:37.1).

ting outdoors," Baker said, "having dual meets and getting faster out-

Chiefs can't match Harrison's power

that Plymouth Canton's baseball team is playing much better than it was a year ago at this juncture of the season.

The record may not reflect it. A year ago, the Chiefs had a difficult time trying to get to .500, a level they never quite reached. On Monday, it appeared this season would be no different; Farmington Harrison, the defending Western Lakes Activities Association champions, clubbed Canton 8-3 at Canton - thanks to five extra-base hits, including a pair of home runs from Zack

That defeat dropped the Chiefs to 0-2 for the s both overall and in the West-

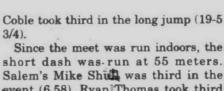
First of all, understand ern Division. Harrison improved to 2-0, both overall and in the division.

But despite the loss, Canton coach Scott Dickey was encouraged. "I'll tell you what, we're way ahead of where we were last year on defense, with just one error in two games," he noted. "I knew we'd have four tough games to start the season. And this was just a case of them being better than we are right now.

"We're still a pretty young team. And we are way ahead of where we were last year at this time.

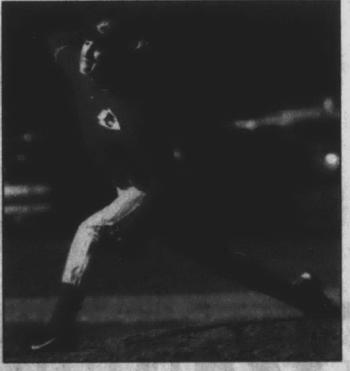
Cornwell's slugged a solo homer in the opening inning as Harrison struck for three

pitching performance in relief Monday, but Harrison was already in command.



"Now we're looking forward to get-

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Too late: Kevin Tomasaitis turned in a strong

SOFTBALL

Falcon pitcher gets the better of Salem, 5-4

This isn't exactly going as figured. The pitching was just supposed to keep the score close enough for the Plymouth Salem bats to eventually bury the opposition. On Monday against Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division rival Farmington, the Rocks got a solid pitching performance from sophomore Amanda Sutton - but the bats

A four-run first inning proved more than the Rocks could overcome as they fell to 0-2 both overall and in the Lakes. Farmington improved to 3-0 overall, 2-0 in the Lakes.

faltered, and Salem lost 5-4 at

Still, Rocks' coach Bonnie Southerland remained optimistic. "It's coming together," she said. "I just wish we had the offense to back (Sutton) up, but we aren't swinging the bats real well right now."

Salem managed just six hits off Falcons' pitcher Melissa Mytty, who proved to be a two-way threat (she also had two singles). Mytty walked one and struck out eight in earning

What impressed Southerland most about Sutton was the walks allowed: There were only four (compared with 17 in the opening loss to Walled Lake Central last Friday). She alsogave up 11 hits, but struck out

Maureen Buchanan paced Salem's offense, collecting two hits (including a triple) and three runs batted in. Buchanan's two-run triple in the sec-ond narrowed the Falcon lead to 4-2.

Karen Prosyk's run-scoring single in the fourth drew the Rocks to within 4-3, but Farmington got another run in the fifth, and Buchanan's RBI single in the sixth wasn't enough. Stefanie Volpe contributed a single and scored two runs for Salem.

Meghan O'Rear and Kelly DePotter added two hits apiece for Farm-

Harrison 3, Canton 1: Farmington Harrison's Ali Ault outdueled Plymouth Canton's Jenny Fisher Monday, handing the Chiefs their fourthstraight loss (they're 1-4 overall) land dropping them to 1-1 in the WLAA's Western Division.

Harrison is 2-0, both overall and in the Western.

Canton had the early lead, scoring in the first on a walk to Becky Mize, a sacrifice and a single by Elizabeth Elsner. The Hawks tried to get Mize at third, but the throw hit her in the helmet and bounced away, allowing her to scamper home.

Harrison struck for two in the third, the first scoring on Ault's bunt single, steal of second and a base hit by Katina Vitanis. Vitanis then scored on Amy Roble's double.

The Hawks added a run to their total in the sixth when Vitanis singled, stole second, was sacrificed to third and scored on a wild pitch.

Fisher surrendered six hits but no walks, striking out two. Ault was the winner for Harrison, allowing two hits and five walks, fanning two.

Canton pitching ace Gretchen Hudson has yet to make an appearance this season. Hudson injured her elbow during pre-season practice; she is expected to return later this

Mercy 9-11, Bishop Foley 3-4: Farmington Hills Mercy swept a Catholic League doubleheader Monday from host Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

Sophomore Jennifer Simpson tossed a five-hitter in the first game, allowing only three hits while striking out 10. She walked five.

Seniors Katie Homant and Beth Ann Nowak led the Mercy offense with two RBI apiece.

Senior Leah Moeller was the winning pitcher in the second game, combining with senior reliever Terri Schroeder to scatter seven hits, strike out nine and walk three.

Senior Shayla O'Mara was 3-for-3 with three RBI. Sophomore Dana Falvo and freshman Lauren Monterey also had three hits apiece wi three and two RBI, respectively.

The Marlins had a 2-1 record for lowing the victory.

COLLEGE SPORTS

Madonna splits pair with Siena Heights

Madonna University used a strong oitching performance by Angie Van-Doorn and the 3-for-3 hitting of Kristy McDonald in the first game of its double-header against Siena Heights to secure a 5-1 triumph Saturday at Livonia Ladywood.

However, in the second game, four Madonna errors led to two unearned runs and helped the Saints (4-19 overall) gain a 6-3 victory. The split left the Crusaders at 5-5 in the WHAC.

In game one, McDonald (from Redford Thurston) had a double among her three hits, with one RBI. Christy Riopelle added a two-run single, the key blow in Madonna's five-run fifth inning.

VanDoorn gave up one run on six hits and a walk in seven innings, striking out four to even her record at 5-5. Kristin Heinze took the loss for Siena

In the second game, not much went right for the Crusaders - who outhit the Saints, 9-8. McDonald again led the hitters with three singles and an RBI. Jenny Kruzel chipped in with two hits and an RBI, and Jamie Cook added a hit and an RBI.

Shanna Price started and lasted four

innings for Madonna, allowing three runs (one earned) on four hits and three walks; she took the loss, falling to 3-3. Janel Leschinger relieved, working the last three innings and giving up three earned runs on four hits and three

Mariann Bauman started for Siena Heights and got her first win of the season (1-7); she surrendered two earned runs on five hits and four walks in 3 1/3

Leslie Keane, Jen Scherer and Jamie Hallenbeck each had two hits for the Saints, Keane driving in two runs.

Madonna 33-26, Rochester College 1-

1: Madonna's two games Sunday against Rochester College (0-3)at Ladywood didn't last as long (in innings) as one game should. Both were called after

Stephanie Dye worked the last two innings in the first game, allowing a run on no hits and three walks, with three strikeouts; she also got the win in the second game, pitching all three innings and giving up one unearned run on one hit and one walk, with six strikeouts.

Hitting stars were aplenty in both games. In game one, Stephanie Dick was 3-for-3 with eight RBI; Vicki Malkowski had four hits and four RBI; Shawna Greene got three hits and three RBI, with five runs scored; Courtney Senger had four hits and two RBI; Jen Walker collected two hits and three RBI; and Angela Litwin (from Plymouth Canton HS) had a hit and three RBI.

In game two, Madonna took advantage of 16 walks issued by the Rochester. pitchers. Price had two hits and Litwin one, with each driving in three runs; Stacey Piontkowski had two hits and two RBI; Senger had two hits and an RBI, scoring four times; Van Doorn scored twice and knocked in three runs: Kruzel had a hit and two RBI; Leschinger had two runs scored and two RBI; and Marissa Mittleman scored four runs and drove in another.

rusaders come close, but lose 3 of 4 to St. Xavier

Discouraging, to say the least. Madonna University's baseball team had a good chance to push its record over the .500 mark last weekend when it visited St. Xavier University in Chicago. At least, the Crusaders should have returned home no worse off, having split their two double-head-

But errors led to five unearned runs in the four games and, combined with a failure to come away with the clutch hit when

needed, it resulted in three losses and just one win.

Madonna fell to 10-14. The Crusaders only victory came in Saturday's first game, and that one took eight innings before Mitch Jabczenski emerged with the 2-1 victory to improve his record to 3-1. Mike

Darrah took the loss for St.

Jabczenski gave up one run on four hits and three walks in eight innings, striking out six. Darrah worked all eight innings, allowing one earned rup on nine hits and three walks.

Daryl Rocho kept up his double assault, hammering two twobaggers to bring his season total to 13 doubles in Madonna's first 21 games. His second produced the game-winning run.

Rocho doubled Jeff Warholik, who had singled, to third with one out in the eighth inning. Dave O'Neill's ground out scored Warholik with the game-winner. Rocho added a single, going 3-

for-4. Eric Marcotte (from Plymouth Canton HS) had two hits. In Saturday's second game,

Xavier's Roger Munda outdueled Madonna's Mark Serra to win, 4-2. Serra surrendered four runs (two unearned) on three hits and two walks in six innings, striking out three as his record fell to 0-4. Munda tossed a three-hitter as well for Xavier, walking two and giving up one earned run, with six strikeouts, in seven

Marcotte doubled in one run and scored another for the Crusaders, both coming in the open-

On Sunday, Madonna lost the first game 3-2 as once again the St. Xavier pitcher, in this case Jason Michalowicz, was just better enough than the Crusaders' James O'Connor (from Redford Catholic Central).

O'Connor, who fell to 2-1, gave up three earned runs on seven hits with no walks, striking out one. Michalowicz stopped Madonna on seven hits and three walks, striking out six in seven innings.

Rocho and Marcotte again paced the Crusader offense, each getting two hits and scoring a run; Rocho singled in Marcotte, who had a base hit and stole second and third in the fourth

In the seventh, Pete Quinn (Redford Thurston) slugged a pinch-hit, run-scoring double with two out that trimmed Xavier's lead to 3-2. But Todd Miller (Farmington Hills/Birmingham Brother Rice) grounded out to end the threat and the

In Sunday's second game, Xavier's LeCarlo Moore limited Madonna to two runs on six hits and four walks in his team's 5-2

Nick Newman, who started and worked the first 3 1/3 innings for the Crusaders, was victimized by his team's four errors. He allowed two unearned runs on two hits and four walks. Jason Carter relieved and gave up three runs (one earned) on three hits and a walk in 2/3 of an inning, taking the loss to fall to

No one had more than one hit for Madonna. J.R. Taylor led with a single and an RBI.

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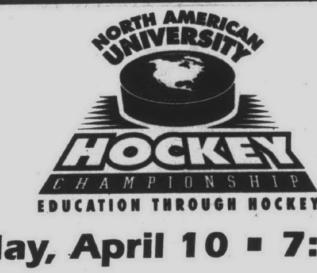
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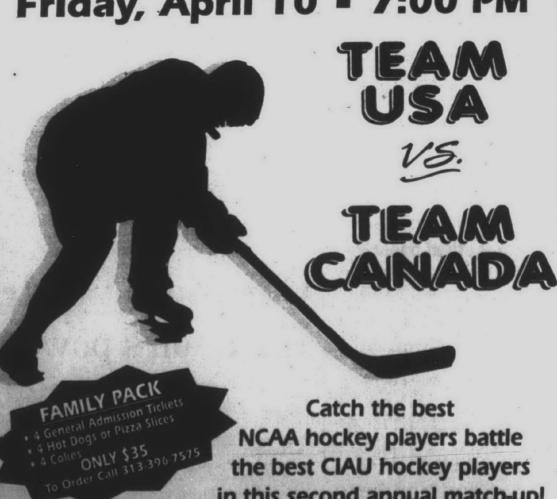
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the Falcons had posted four-straight wins, all by shutout. The first goal host Farmington allowed this season proved to be the game-winner. Midway through the first half, Jenny Fisher slipped a shot past Falcon keeper Kate Adams as she charged out to cut down the angle. Fisher's shot got just inside the post for the goal

"Their field is pretty small," said Salem coach Doug Landefeld, his team now 5-0, "but they work very hard, and they've got some pretty good players, and their keeper is

It didn't come easily, Plymouth Salem's 1-0

soccer victory over Western Lakes Activities

Association Lakes Division rival Farmington

on Monday. But the Rocks never should have

anticipated it would; going into the game,

"They're going to give some people some fits, especially on their field."

Jill Dombrowski and Jenny Fitchett split time in goal for Salem, Dombrowski working the first half and Fitchett the second.

The Rocks had 18 shots on goal.

Canton 6, Northville 1: After a tight first half, Plymouth Canton broke loose for five strikes in the second - scoring three times in the first nine minutes following the intermission Monday at Canton.

The win pushed the Chiefs' record to 3-1-1 overall, 1-0 in the WLAA's Western Division. Melissa Marzolf, Abi Morrell and Anne Morrell each scored goals in Canton's quick second-half surge. Kristin Mayer and Jessica Palis also netted second-half goals for the Chiefs; Anne Morrell accounted for Canton's first goal, just 90 seconds into the match. Marzolf, Vicki Palis, Abi Morrell and Lisa Tomasso had assists.

Kristin Lukasik was in goal for the Chiefs.

Salem 3, Novi 0: On Saturday, the Rocks scored once in the first half and twice in the second to avenge last season's 3-0 loss to the

Playing at home, Salem took a 1-0 lead

into halftime on a goal by Jeannine Edwards midway through the half. Mia Sarkesian assisted.

Sarkesian picked up her second assist five minutes into the second half, setting up Jami Coyle for the score. Missy Simons made it 3-0 halfway through the half, with Edwards assisting.

Fitchett was in goal for the first half and Dombrowski the second for Salem.

Last Wednesday, the Rocks blanked Westland John Glenn 7-0 at Salem. Simons scored three times for the winners, with Coyle, Sarkesian, Kristina Seniuch and Fisher also getting goals. Fitchett (first half) and Dombrowski (second) split time in goal.

Canton 1, Troy 1: In a game that could be a preview of the state tournament, Canton scored first and led 1-0 at the half, but Troy knotted it early in the second half and that's the way it ended Saturday at Troy.

Anne Morrell accounted for the Chiefs' goal. Abi Morrell assisted

Kristin Lukasik was in goal for Canton.

Track from page C1

The Rocks had a dual meet st Thursday against West-nd John Glenn and won, 73-

Hester won the shot put (46-5 1/4); Cameron Blanchard took the 100-meter dash (11.9); Briggs won the 400 (53.9) Searcy finished first in the 800 2:01); and Allen was first in

the 1,600 (4:45).

The quartet of Clemons,
Sheehan, Kingslien and Searcy
won the 800 relay (1:36.9), and
the 400 relay combination of
Pat Johnson, Blanchard,
Clemons and Kingslien fin-

ished first (47.1).

The Rocks upped their overall dual meet record to 2-0 with the crossover victory.

Chiefs finish ninth

Plymouth Canton had two first-place finishes at last Sat-

Druken and Legwand) five min-

utes later. It stayed that way

until Stanley scored on the

power play (from Joel Dezainde

and Papineau) with 7:19 remain-

ing, setting the stage for Baker's

Whalers' keeper Robert Esche

made 39 saves in the game,

while Belleville's Shawn Gallant

had 33 saves. After Plymouth's

commanding 21-8 advantage in

the first period, the Bulls out-

shot the Whalers 35-15.

game-winner.

urday's Ann Arbor Pioneer Indoor Invitational at the Uni-versity of Michigan's indoor

Eric Larsen leaped 19-feet, 11 1/2-inches to take top hon-ors in the long jump, and Kevin Keil tossed the shot 50-feet to win the shot put.

The Chiefs scored 22 1/2 points, placing ninth.

Other point-scorers for Canton came from three sixthy place finishers: Larry Anderson in the 400-meter dash (54.6); Mark Popejoy in the shot (44.9 1/2); and Chris Kalis, a freshman, in the high jump (5-7).

"We're proud to have two champions and a nice finish by one of the freshmen. We're looking for big things from (Kalis) before he exits Canton High School," Chiefs' coach Bob Richardson said.

Whalers from page C1

17-8 in the period, which did not bode well for the Whalers as the second stanza started.

But Esche kept Plymouth from falling behind with several solid saves. Then, with 11:32 left in the second, the Whalers forced a turnover in the Bulls end. Eric Gooldy got possession of the puck behind the Belleville net; he brought it out on the right side, patiently looking for an opening. He found it, slipping a pass through to defenseman Sergei Fedotov rushing the net on the left side. Fedotov popped the puck in, and the Whalers had a lead they would never

A roughing penalty against the Bulls' Jonathan Cheechoo led to a power play goal for the Whalers, scored by Randy Fitzgerald after Paul Mara fired a shot into a crowd in front of the Bulls' net. Julian Smith also Kris Purdy finished the scoring

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got an assist, and with 7:53 to play in the period Plymouth led

At that point, the shots on goal told the story: After being outshot by nine in the first period, Plymouth had a 15-3 advantage through the first 16 minutes of the second period.

"I thought we kind of felt each other out in the first period," DeBoer said. "Both teams looked tired. But we dug down and found some energy in the second period, and that was the differ-

In the third period, after Legwand's second goal had restored the Whalers' two-goal lead, the Bulls ran out of gas. Plymouth scored twice in the last 6:14. Fitzgerald getting the first (his second of the game, earning him No. 1 star status) after a Smith takeaway in the Belleville end.

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with his first playoff goal, firing a shot from the left wing on what had seemed an innocent play. But Gallant misplayed it, and it trickled into the net.

Strangely, Purdy's score gave the Whalers something, they never had in winning the first three games of the series - four more goals than the Bulls.

Bulls 4, Whalers 3: Forget the players - how much more can the fans take?

Five games played, all decided by a single goal. Now that's

After winning the first three ames of the series, the Whalers lost their second-straight Sunday at Belleville, this time squandering a 3-2 lead by surrendering two goals in the final 7:19. Paul Mara and David Legwand sparked the Whalers' offense, each scoring a goal and assisting on the other two. Nik Tselios added a goal and an

assist, and Harold Druken had

Plymouth never trailed until, with 5:38 to play, Kevin Baker scored for Belleville, from Dan Cleary and Chris Stanley. The Whalers led 1-0 after one period on a power-play goal by Tselios, from Legwand and Mara, and clung to a 2-1 lead after two periods on a score by Legwand, from Tselios and Mara:

Justin Papineau tied it for the Bulls with a power play goal just 35 seconds into the third period,

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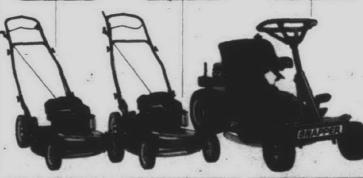




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April 6 at John Glenn No. 1 singles: Brad Jaffe (NF) defeated Danny Kovacs, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Nomit Shah (NF) def. David Kovacs, 6-1, 6-1; No. 3: Steven Krieger (NF) def. Matt Vail, 6-0; 61, No. 4: Brandon Finkel (NF) def. Rajivi

Dashairya, 6-1, 6-D. No. 1 doubles: Justin Street-Chris Erickson (NF) def. Darrin Turner-David Stephens, 6-0. 6-2 James Johnson-Pat Sonak, 6-0, 6-0; No. 300 Mark Solomon-Gabe Yashinsky (NF) def. Charles Farley-Dan Fowler, 6-2, 6-2; No. 4: Greg Fox-Andrew Golaszewski (NF) def. Antro-

ny Lambert-Evan Waddell, 6-0, 6-0.

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as. It didn't get any better for Canton in the second inning; tarting (and losing) pitcher Jeff age, who lasted just 1 2/3 nnings, giving up six runs on five hits and two walks with two rikeouts, surrendered a threerun double to Mike Fisher in the second inning, increasing the Hawks' lead to 6-0.

He was relieved by Kevin Tomasaitis, who tossed 5 1/3 rong innings in relief. Harrison red twice off Tomasaitis, on ive hits and two walks; he k out seven

Matt Derocher pitched well ugh for the Hawks to make heir early lead stand up. erocher worked five innings, Howing two runs on five hits and no walks; he got the win, with Joe Ghannam pitching the final two innings and giving up a run on two hits.

Fisher had two doubles in the game, Cornwell - who slammed a two-run homer in the seventh had three hits, and Mike Hoad slugged a two-run triple in the first for Harrison.

The Chiefs scored single runs in the third, fifth and seventh. Phil Ross, Andrew Copenhaver and Oliver Wolcott each had two hits, and each drove in a run.

Salem 3, Farmington 2: Finally a one-run decision that

favored Plymouth Salem. The Rocks lost so many like "that last year, no one wanted to keep count. And then, in their season-opener Friday, it looked "-like more of the same when Walled Lake Central got a two-

out, game-tying home run in the bottom of the fifth, then won the game 4-3 with a two-out single in the sixth.

But against the Falcons Monday at Farmington, Salem got the most out of their two hits and some errant defense by Farmington. And the Rocks got the most out of pitcher Jason Lukasik, too.

"He just pitched a beautiful game," said Salem coach Dale Rumberger of Lukasik, who went all seven innings, allowing one earned run on five hits and one walk, striking out five. The victory evened the Rocks' overall record and their WLAA Lakes Division mark at 1-1; Farmington fell to 0-4 overall, 0-2 in the Lakes

Dave Viane was the hard-luck, losing pitcher for the Falcons. He went the distance, giving up two earned runs on just two hits and four walks, striking out 10. But as Rumberger noted, of the four walks Viane allowed, three of them scored.

"It was a good game, again," said Rumberger. "We're not swinging the bats the way we should, but our pitching and defense will keep us close until

"I'm just so surprised to see the kids play so well this early in the season.

Salem took a 1-0 lead in the first when Tony Bernhardt walked, stole both second and third base, then scored on a passed ball. The Rocks made it 3-0 with two runs in the third; Jamie LaGrow started it with a

walk. Like Bernhardt, he moved all the way to third on stolen bases, then came home on a wild pitch. Phil Cosens then walked and raced to third on Chris Longpree's single, Brett Burelson's ground out scored Cosens, making it 3-0.

Farmington got two runs back in the bottom of the third, with Brad Baranie reaching base on Bernhardt's error and going to third on Brad Baker's double. Viane singled, scoring both runners and drawing the Falcons to within a run with one out. But Lukasik, a sophomore, got out of the jam by striking out Justin Gerwatowski and getting Charlie Avery to fly out.

Farmington threatened again in the seventh, with Baranie and Baker both singling with two out. But Lukasik survived, getting Viane to strike out to end the threat and the game.

PCA 18, Franklin Road 6: An eight-run opening inning got Plymouth Christian Academy started off right, and was enough to propel the Eagles past South-field Franklin Road Christian Tuesday at Griffin Park in Ply-

The win pushed PCA's record to 4-1-1. Franklin Road is 0-2.

Randy Dahlman delivered the key blow in the first-inning rally for the Eagles, slugging a tworun home run. Chris Brandon went 3-for-3 with two runs batted in and two runs scored, and Derric Isensee had two hits with four RBI and three runs scored. James Jones added a hit, three walks and three runs scored.

Andy Powers started and got the win, the game stopped after four-and-a-half innings by the 10-run mercy rule. Powers allowed six runs on five hits and

three walks in 3 1/3 innings, striking out nine.

PCA 5, Zoe Christian 1: Jones improved to 2-0 for Plymouth Christian Academy, tossing a three-hitter at Warren Zoe Christian in Warren Monday.

Jones gave up one unearned run (in the seventh) on three hits and two walks, striking out six. He has a 1.50 earned run average to date.

Dahlman and Isensee paced the Eagle offense with three hits apiece. Dahlman had a double and two runs batted in, while Isensee contributed two runs scored and an RBI. Zack Parton also had two hits for PCA.

Last Friday, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard powered past host PCA 11-2. Powers absorbed the loss, working the first three innings and surrendering five

Redford CC 11, Divine Child 6: Catholic Central rallied for a Catholic League crossover victory on Monday after spotting Dearborn Divine Child four runs in the top of the first inning.

It was the season-opener for the Shamrocks, who had two double-headers last week postponed due to the weather.

Junior right-hander Dan Duffey earned the pitching victory in relief of senior starter Tony Nozewski. Duffey struck out all seven batters he faced in 2 1/3 innings of work. He walked three but allowed no runs after entering with two out in the top of the

Nozewski allowed six runs on five hits and had four strikeouts

CC trailed 4-3 through three innings before scoring four runs in the bottom of the fourth to

in 4 2/3 innings.

take the lead for good. The Shamrocks added four insurance runs in the fifth.

Bob Malek reached base five times, going 2-for-2 with three walks and three runs scored to lead the eight-hit CC attack.

Junior catcher Chris Woodruff went 2-for-4 with four RBI, collecting two-run singles in the fourth and fifth innings.

Matt Firlik was 2-for-4 with a pair of RBI, and Mark Cole was 2-for-4 with two runs scored.

The Shamrocks are idle until April 18, when they play a doubleheader at Birmingham Brother Rice.

"We did a nice job of coming back," CC coach John Salter said. "Duffey did an especially good job in relief. He was very

W.L. Central 10, Franklin 6: Cory Johnson belted a three-run homer in the third inning to lift host Walled Lake Central (3-2 overall) to the Western Lakes **Activities Association crossover** win over Livonia Franklin (0-4 overall) in a game played at Walled Lake Western.

Jeff Henick and Brian Lindstrom each added two hits for the victorious Vikings.

Mike Higgins was the winning

Jamie Proffer, the Franklin starter, took the loss. He was relieved by Tony Saia, who held Central scoreless over the final 3 2/3 innings.

Tom Jones had two hits and three RBI in the loss.

And despite six errors by the Patriots, freshman shortstop Joe Ruggerio made two outstanding defensive plays.

John Glenn 3, W.L. Central 2: Westland John Glenn earned its first win of the year Monday with a Western Lakes Activities

Association-Lakes Division triumph over visiting Walled Lake Central

Chet Reese, who went two-forthree with a triple and RBI, scored the game-winning run in the bottom of the sixth when he

stole home successfully. Reese led off the inning with a single, took third on a Mike Swafford sacrifice bunt and advanced to third on a passed

Glenn got a run in the first on a walk to Justin Fendelet and a triple by Reese.

The Rockets picked up another in the third when Fendelet walked, stole second and scored on Tim Reeves' RBI single.

Joe Paletta and Ryan Wing each had two hits for the

Swafford, who pitched four scoreless innings in relief of starter Greg McCollum, earned the victory. Swafford scattered three hits and one walk.

Glenn is 1-2 and 1-1 in the

W.L. Western 8, Churchill 2: Kevin Thomas smacked a tworun homer and doubled Monday, leading host Walled Lake Western (4-1, 1-1) to the WLAA-Western Division win over Livonia Churchill (4-1, 1-1).

Trevor Johnson added three hits in three trips for the victorious Warriors, who scored four times in the third and two more each in the fourth and fifth innings

Jeff Winkler and Carl Prokopchak each had RBI singles for Churchill.

Mike Coopersmith, the winning pitcher, allowed just two hits over seven innings. he fanned five and walked four.

Justin Draughan, who gave up eight hits in 4 2/3 innings for Churchill, took the loss.

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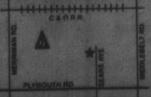
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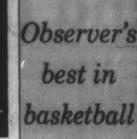
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Coach of the Year

'Team' defined

Salem's Brodie earns top coach accolades

For the first time since 1993, no Observerland boys basketball teams advanced to at least the quarterfinals of the state tourna-

But that doesn't mean the 1997-98 season lacked excite-

Redford Catholic Central advanced to the Class A regional finals before losing to Detroit Cass Tech in a double-overtime thriller, 116-115.

The Shamrocks' run included a last-second half-court heave by junior guard Nick Moore that completed a comeback victory over Southfield in the district semifinals.

Wayne Memorial, which reached the state Class A semifinals the last two years, was eliminated in the district finals by Mega Conference Red Division rival Belleville, 51-49.

Here's how tough the Red is. Less than three weeks later, Belleville, which ended the regular season with a 7-13 record. lost in the Class A finals to Detroit Central.

Plymouth Salem was the top team in the Western Lakes Activities Association, winning both the regular-season and tournament championships. Northville ended the Rocks' postseason hopes, using David Terakedis' 39 points to post a 71-65 upset victory in the district final.

Redford St. Agatha enjoyed a fine campaign as well, winning a Class D district title after losing in its bid to repeat as Catholic League C-D champion at the University of Detroit-Mercy.

Redford Bishop Borgess, the defending Class C state champion, forgot a rough start by coming on strong and winning the Catholic League AA Division

The Spartans won a district title before losing to eventual Class C champion Detroit

DePorres in the regional final. Farmington High was the other district champion in Observerland, reigning at

Bloomfield Hills Lahser. Salem's Bob Brodie, in his 14th season, has been named Coach of the Year, leading the

Rocks to a 19-4 final record. CC's Rick Coratti, Wayne's Chuck Henry, St. Agatha's John Fenbert, Borgess' Roosevelt Barnes and Farmington's Denny Mikel should be commended for fine coaching jobs. The following is a profile of the All-Area first and second teams as selected by the sports staff.

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Michigan, among others.

. Chris Young, 6-11 Sr., Redford CC: A "A.J.'s a tremendous athlete and University of Michigan signee, Young scorer, can shoot, go to the basket, saved his best for last, scoring a careerrebound," Borgess coach Roosevelt high 39 points with 20 rebounds and 12 Barnes said. "He's a clutch scorer - late blocks in a 116-115 double overtime in the game you want to have the ball in loss to Detroit Cass Tech in the Class A A.J.'s hands.

• Trevor Gaines, 6-6 Sr., Farmington: A two-year starter, the 6-foot-10 cen-Gaines was a three-year varsity starter ter averaged 18.8 points, 12.7 rebounds for the Faicons (15-8) but blossomed and five blocks for the Shamrocks. He into one of the area's most outstanding shot 60 percent from the field and 66 players as a senior. percent at the free throw line. The 6-foot-6, 210-pound center made

Coratti said the strides Young made dramatic improvement between the last since his freshman year "were a 200 two seasons and stepped up his game, averaging an impressive 21 points and 15 rebounds per game. He has accepted "He came in as a gangly, skinny freshman, about 6-5 - he had to catch a Division I scholarship offer from the up to himself," Coratti said. "His University of Vermont.

Gaines never failed to score in double floor - the way he moves for a big kid. figures this year, scoring 20 plus in 14 of 23 games. He had a season high of 35 points against South Lyon.

He exceeded 20 rebounds in six games and had a season best of 24 against Plymouth Salem in the WLAA Valuable Player, he averaged 22.5 playoffs.

"Trevor is one of the finest young men I have had the pleasure to work with in He also had a flare for the dramatic, my 27 years of coaching," Farmington

making a jump shot just before the coach Denny Mikel said. "He made the most improvement of Dame and send the Spartans into the any player in one season that I have ever seen. Trevor is a leader on and off the court, and he has worked hard to He scored more than 1.000 career develop himself into a Division I player."

Since 1991, Gaines is Farmington's University of Detroit-Mercy, Eastern career leader in games played (49), field

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goals (295), points (738), scoring average (15.1), rebounds (560) and blocked shots (99).

Gaines also is the single-season leader (regular season) in points (479), field goals (189), field-goal percentage (.578), scoring average (20.8), rebound average (15.1), free throws (105) and rebounds (348).

·Nick Moore, 6-1 Jr., Redford CC: Moore is a playmaker extraordinaire, averaging eight assists per game, but he had people talking about his ability to score - from everywhere - in the

Moore made his last 29 free throw attempts, including two straight to tie Southfield in the final seconds of a Class A district semifinal game. He decided that outcome by burying a desperation half-court shot just before time expired after stripping a Southfield play-

Already heavily recruited by mid-major Division I colleges, Moore averaged 16.4 points per game, shooting 50.7 percent from the field, including 41 percent from three-point range.

He made 75 of 85 free throw attempts (88 percent).

"Almost every time we scored he was a part of it," Coratti said. "His floor leadership is great, he's just a great kid. It seems like he's been around forever because we brought him up (to the var- it and you wouldn't have known it.'





sity) as a freshmap. He's always been a good shooter but he's one of those kids who gets others involved and sometimes overlooks shots.

*Brian Williams, 6-2 Sr., Wayne Memorial: Averaged 18.4 points, 3.7 rebounds, 2.4 steals and 2.0 assists per game for the Zebras, who played in the tough Mega-Blue Division against the likes of River Rouge, Romulus and

Williams ended his career with a 29point effort in a 51-49 district final loss to state Class A runner-up Belleville. He had a career-high 31 against Romulus.

"I really believe that Brian is one of the best I've ever coached," Wayne's Chuck Henry said, "He had an outstanding career and played a key role on our team last year (when Wayne finished 24-2 and reached the state Class A semifinals).

"He was clearly our MVP, a great captain and a great leader. He's one of the hardest workers I've ever had in practice. His intensity is as intense as anybody I've coached.

" He played hurt two or three games with a bad knee, but he played through

Williams is considering Schoolcraft

SECOND TEAM

*Andy Power, 5-8 Sr., Plymouth Salem: A returnee to the all-Observer team, Power's worth to the WLAA cham pion Rocks became evident when he injured his ankle in the team's 65-64 victory over Westland John Glenn in the conference playoff final.

Power was never quite at full speed in the state tournament, which consequently led to a loss in the district final

His worth showed in more than, scoring, although Power led Salem in that category, averaging 13.0 points a game. He also led the Rocks in steals (2.8)per game) and was second in assists (3.5).

"He was a good, all-around player." said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "He was as strong defensively as he was offen-

•Eric Jones, 6-0 Soph., Westland John Glenn: A starter since his freshman year, Jones has already surpassed the

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Chargers' strong 2nd half routs Franklin

Livonia Churchill broke a eless halftime deadlock with five unanswered goals in the second half Monday to beat visiting Livonia Franklin in girls soccer,

Churchill, now 4-1 overall, got two goals and one assist from Kersten Conklin.

Andrea Galindo, Stacey Supanich and Lisa Fabirkiewicz also scored for the Chargers.

Terri Owens contributed a pair of assists, while Tina Fisher had

Kerrie LaPorte, the Churchill goalkeeper, posted the shutout.

Franklin, coming off a 6-0 loss Friday to visiting Northville on Friday, falls to 0-5. We played an extremely well-

disciplined first half defensive-ly." Franklin coach Mary Kay Hussey said. "But we made some

errors in the second half which opened the door to give them a few scoring opportunities.

"But the kids are working hard and doing much better than expected. We just have to improve in the second half and not let our intensity down."

*STEVENSON 10, N. FARMINGTON 0: Defending state champion Livonia Stevenson improved to 4-0 on the season Monday behind Allison Campbell's

Goalkeepers Jenny Barker and Katie Westfall combined for the shutout, Stevenson's third on the year.

Sarah Wittrock, Melissa Backus and Brianna Roy each contributed a goal and one assist for the Spartans, who led 6-0 at intermission.

Leah McGrath and Michelle Vettraino

also scored goals for Stevenson, while Becky Peterson, Cheryl Fox, Julie Murray, Lindsay Gusick and Megan Urbats

.JOHN GLENN 6, W.L. CENTRAL 2: On Monday, Westland John Glenn's Noelle Swartz had three goals and two assists as the host Rockets outshot Walled Lake Central 30-7 en route to the victo-

Sarah Pack, Kristen Krohn and Katie Krause also tallied goals for Glenn, now

Pack and Krause also chipped in with

·LUTHERAN NORTHWEST 3, LUTHER-AN WESTLAND 1: In a Metro Conference encounter Monday, Melissa Van Gordon scored twice as Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest defeated host Lutheran High Westland.

Anna Rolf had the lone goal for the Warriors, who trailed 3-0 at intermission. Sarah Hoffmeier drew the assist.

Sarah Voight (two saves) and Krissy Rose (three saves) each played a half in net for Lutheran Westland.

In the Warriors' first-ever varsity game played Friday, host Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian and Lutheran Westland battled to a 1-1 draw.

Voight's goal gave Lutheran Westland a 1-0 second-half lead, but Fairlane's Amy Putin tied it with four minutes left.

. MERCY 3, LADYWOOD 2: Susie Roble scored a pair of goals Monday, including the game-winner with just

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ton Hills Mercy (3-1, 2-1) the Catholic League victory and keep Livonia Ladywood (0-4 overall) winless.

Abbey Shepherd added an unassisted goal for the Marlins, while goalkeeper Kelly Fuller made nine saves.

. WAYNE 1, SOUTHGATE 1: Kristina McCahill scored unassisted the goal Monday for host Wayne Memorial (0-2-

1) in a Mega-Blue encounter, but South gate Anderson's Sue Musleh tied it with four minutes remaining.

It was 0-0 at intermission. Natalie Garrison was in goal for the

Wayne opened its season last weekwith a 1-0 loss to Dearborn Heights-Crestwood followed by a 3-1 defeatagainst Grosse Ile.

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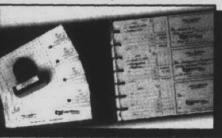
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He averaged 15 points per game for the Rockets, who advanced to the finals of the Western Lakes tournament before falling to Plymouth Salem, 65-64. Jones had 29 and 26 in two WLAA

playoff games. "One of things you can safely say bout Eric was a leader on the floor

which is uncommon as a sophomore." Glenn assistant coach Todd DeLuca said. "He was our go-to guy, made things happen for other guys around him. He was unselfish. "He was a little bit stronger, more

confident than last year." Last fall, Jones was a standout receiv-

er on the Glenn football team which reached the Class AA playoffs. He was a first-team All-Observer pick.

.Sam Hoskin, 6-7 Sr., Bishop Sorgess: An Eastern Kentucky University signee, Hoskin averaged 19 points, 10 rebounds and three blocked shots

He was a three-year starter for the

"He was a dominant player for us inside, a tough kid," Barnes said. "He's a hard worker with a good attitude. He can shoot the three, too. The only reason he didn't is we needed his inside

. Jeff McKlan, 6-4 Sr., Plymouth Salem: Perhaps the most expedient thing to do, when trying to describe

McKian's game, would be to simply repeat the stuff said about his teammate, Power

Not that they were the same kind of player. How could they be, when McKian stands a half-foot taller? But they share similar attributes, and that's what made Salem such a success this season.

"I can't think of any weak parts of their game," said Salem coach Brodie. *They were both just a pleasure to

McKian was second on the team in scoring (11 points a game) and rebounding (6.0), and he led the Rocks in assists (4.0):

"They're smart kids, both of them." said Brodie of both McKian and Power.

•Matt Derocher, 6-4 Sr., Farm, Hills Harrison: Derocher was a four-year varsity player for the Hawks; who tied a school record for single-season victories this year (18-4) and were 35-9 the last The 6-foot-4, 235-pound post/wing

was the leading scorer on a balanced Harrison team, averaging nearly 10 points a game. He was second in rebounds with 5.3. Derocher shot 39 percent from the

field, making 78 of 201 shots, including 26 of 87 three-point attempts. He sank 74 percent of his free throws (34-of-46).

He ends his career as the secondleading scorer in school history with 908 points. He averaged 10.6 points and nearly six rebounds.

During his career, he made 44 percent of his field goals (330-of-751), 38 percent of his three-point tries (106-of-277) and 71 percent of his free throws (142-of-200). He also had 128 career assists, 85 steals and 24 blocks.

Derocher, who will likely play at Albion College next season, is the alltime Harrison leader in threes made and attempted, and he is second in career defensive rebounds (355)

"He developed into quite a complete player," coach Mike Teachman said. "He came in as a shooter and left a basketball player who was very concerned with winning. He understood the game, and he understood it was a team game.

"This was not a stat year for anybody on our team. This was a team year. He was playing with a team load of players. He might have been the one player people on other teams were trying to stop."

The last shot of Derocher's prep career was a made three to force a 41-41 tie with Farmington in the district final. Farmington eventually won the game, 43-41.

"The most telling factor was the number of big shots he made to win or tie games," Teachman said. "He always hit the big shot and wanted to take it."

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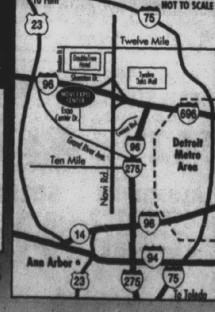


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SWM, middle-aged, 5'8", 175lbs, brown/green, short beard, trimmed moustache, glasses, engineer, seeks active, attractive, intelligent woman, for tennis in summer, recognitical in winter, and other agreeable pursuits. Not interested in marriage. \$\text{T24126}\$

MR. POSITIVE

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Loving caring, somewhat shy SWM, 35, enjoys boxing, movies, and music, seeks SWF for fun and LTR. I have mild cerebral paley, no wheelchair, self-supporting, full-time job, no debts. \$\mathbb{T}\$4127

DOWN-TO-EARTH

Good-looking, Instworthy DWM, 36, blue eyes, social drinker, teddy bear, employed, homeowner, no children, enjoys quiet times together, movies, tishing, and animals. No games. \$\mathbb{T}\$4186

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College-educated, blue-collar (by choice), romantic, spontaneous, non-materialistic DWFM, 37, 165lbs, 5'10', brownhazel, sense of humor, seeks SF, with similar qualities. Looks unimportant. \$\mathbb{T}\$4185

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WHY BE ALONE?
aring, affectionate, DWM, 51, 577.
Olbs, handsome, loves movies, ding out. Seeking woman, petite to adium, for friendship to monogamous lationship. \$24141
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160bs, seeks relationship-orient3F, soulmate, 33-43, who enjoys inday drives, boating, beach walks, leeybell, movies, art fairs, denoing, order to the control of the con

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Great build, athletic, 6*, 190lbs, blue eyes, plays all sports, great dancer, loves movies and outdoors. Seeking very good-looking lady, 22-36, petitle, in good shape, for possible LTR. 12*4042

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Outgoing, sincere, honest, widowed WPM, 50+, 5*9*, medium build, N/S. Looking for that special woman, 30+, H/W proportionate, to share life together. 12*4037.

NEW IN TOWN.

TRUE LOVE

Attractive DWM, 52, 6', 180lbs, brown/
blue, NS, athletic, interests include: travel, plays, dining out, movies and
sports. Seeking affectionate, caring,
warm, physically fit SWF, 40-48, N/S

24125

IS ANYBODY OUT THERE?

Attractive, affectionate, sincere SWM,
26, 5'11', 175lbs, enjoys outdoors,
bowling, darts, pool, guelt evenings.
Seeking attractive SWF, 18-28, with
similar interests, for possible LTR.

24193 Seeking attractive SWF, 18-28, with similar interests, for possible LTR. \$\mathbb{T}\$4193

ALL POINTS BULLETIN...

for a queen-sized beauty, who enjoys laughter, of any race. Sought by romanic, affectionate, with, intelligent SWM, 5'10", brown/hazel, teddy bear. Long hair a definite plus. \$\mathbb{T}\$4189

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DWM, 51, interested in a prety, petite, 5'3" tall or less, honest, kind, good hurnored and unencumbered female. \$3" tall or less, honest, kind, good hurnored and unencumbered female. \$38-48, NS, ND preferred, for companionship, movies, dinner, and dancing. \$\mathbb{T}\$4128

ADVENTUROUS

SWM, 29, \$\mathbb{T}\$10", 155/bs, professional, dark hair and eyes, considered good-looking, enjoys traveling, skiing, sporting events, working out, hurnor, romanic dinners, and much more. \$\mathbb{T}\$4032

er. \$24037

NEW IN TOWN

Attractive SWM, 35, 5'10', N/S, recently transferred to area, enjoys dring out, traveling, outdoor activities. Seeking attractive, active fernale, 25-35, N/S, for possible LT, \$24094

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GOOD GUY
Humorous, good-looking, financially
stable, professional SWM, 35, good
build, with many interests, seeks very
stractive, outgoing SWF, 22-31, must
be thin, without kids. \$24038

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SPM, 37, physician, seeks intelligent,
attractive SWF, for special relationship.

TP 4030

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SM seeks fun-loving, adventurous, ute, edorable woman who likes living on the edge. Age doesn't matter. \$24092

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YOUNG WIDOWER
Professional, honest, intelligent, good

Good-looking SWPM, 37, financially secure, owns a place up north, seeks non-career minded, attractive female, attractive female non-career minded, attractive to 27-34, who likes outdoors, snowing and boating. \$79447

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Honest, humorous, essygoing SWM, 41, N/S, enjoys riding, canceing, nature, animais. Seeking SF, who enjoys horses, adventure. 27958

SEEKING SPECIAL SOMEONE Sensitive, unique SWM, 31, 6°, physically fit, no dependents, enjoys outdoor activities, quiet evenings, movies, long walks. Seeking ambitious, sensitive, romantic SWF, 28-34, H/W proportionate, for triendship, possible LTR. 279649

T9649

SWM, 40, 510*, 185lbs, physically fit, N/S, N/D. Enjoys the outdoors, qufet evenings, reading, writing, going to the-ater/movies, dancing, comedy clubs. Seeking SWF, 38–48, similar interests, N/S, N/D, kids welcome. T9650

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

SWPM, 42, 58* fit, no dependents, communicative, curious, humorous, flexible and perseverent, ediectic taste in movies, music and more. Seeking fit, emotionally available SWF, to share healthy, happy relationship. 379651

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SEEKING BEST FRIEND & LOVER Good-looking DWM, 38, 5'9', medium build, enjoys Red Wings, movies, romance, being together and more. Seeking attractive SWF, 20-40, HW proportionate, one-man woman, for ingful, serious relationsl answered. 1279657 LOOK NO FURTHER

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HARD-WORKING AND HONEST Self employed, romantic SWM, late 20s. 5'11', 280lbs, single dad, enjoys dinner, movies, sporting event, quiet times. Seekling warm, triendly SWF, looks and age unimportant, great personality a must. Single morn ok. \$\frac{\partial{T9664}}{29664}\$

NICE GUY

SWM, 33, 5'10', 180lbs, elementary teacher, intelligent, humorous, loves children, golfling, other sports. Seeking petite to average SF, 25-35, for possible commitment/family. \$\frac{\partial{T9616}}{29664}\$

DREAMS DO COME TRUE

SWM, 32, 6', HWP proportionate, N/S. N/D, enjoys hockey, rollerskating, bowling, darts, dancing, movies, romantic evenings, church. Seeking attractive SF with similar interests. \$\frac{\partial{T9623}}{29623}\$

HONEST & STEADY

Old-fashloned SWM, 45, 6'S', 250lbs, N/S. N/D, auto worker, homeowner, sense of humor, seeks female, 35-45, with sense of humor, readitional values, who wents to work together to build a steedy future. \$\frac{\partial{T9625}}{29625}\$

LOCKING FOR MISS RIGHT

Handsome, romantic, considerate DWM, 43, 5'7', 145bs, brown/blue.

Handsome, romantic, considerate DWM, 43, 57*, 145lbs, brown/blue, smoker, N/D, down-to-earth, openminded, monogamous. Seeking alm 3/DWF, 35-44, for monogamous relationship. All calls answered. No games. 279630

3/DWF, 35-44, for monogamous relationship. All calls answered: No games.

19930

MR. FIX IT TYPE

SWM, late 40s, 6', 210lbs, brown/brown, N/S, enjoys tinkering with machinery, electronics, cars. Seeking WP, medium build, N/S, N/Drugs, non-religious, to share time with. 19932

FRIENDSHIP OPENS DOORS

Boylshly handsome, blond SM, 29, 5'9', 180lbs, blue eyes, seeks WF to "hang out with (movies, concerts, exercising, social gathenings). 12'9668

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Good-looking DPWM, 49, seeks a female friend, 30-50, for dinners with wine, blues/lazz clubs, exercise, tun, friendship or romanos, and celebration of life. Ann Arbor. 199669

AFFECTIONATE

Sincere DWM, 38, 6'3", 250lbs, blond/blue, N/S, seeks slim, attractive female for dates and companionship. All replies answered. 25'9670

VERY ATTRACTIVE SWM

Seeking attractive SWM country-westerm girll Club, dance, Nascar, rodeo, Whitehorse Salcon fan. 199671

CATCH ME WHILE YOU CAN

SWM, 34, athletic, enjoys the out-doors, weight training, seeks athletic female, who is communicative, compatible and courageous, for possible LTR. 19873

LOOKING FOR ROMANCE

SWCM, 49, 5"11", 180lbs, enjoys dancing, walking, and more. Seeking SWCF.

O-45, to share fun and good times and ormance. Single mothers preferred. 199674

CLASSIC ROCKER

CLASSIC ROCKER Baby boomer, turns 50 this year. DWPM, 57°, 175lbs, anjoys rock-n-roll, top down drives, turn offs: smoking, ex-cess baggage, Seeking SWPF, for fun and romance. \$79530

WANTS A SMILE

Affectionate, considerate SWM, 40s, seeks very thin, flat-fligured fermale, to shere times. TS9195.

CHEERFUL
Degreed professional, nifty fifty, 5107, 160bs, N/S, with a 2set for fife, enjoys travel, golf, movies, dining, and good conversation. Seeking physically fit lady with similar interests. TS931

CHARBING
PROFESSIONAL
Attractive, outgoing SWM, 36, 5107, 175bs, enjoys travel, cooking, golf, tensis, children, seeks attractive SWF, for open, honest, sincere, monogamous relationship. TS9532

LEBANESE SCOTSMAN
SWM, 5107, 170bs, hull hair intelligent, attractive, fit, and a young-looking 56 employed invita horseowner, would like to meet younger lady must be smart fit slender and n/s. TS9539

GENERATION X'ER
Attractive, withy SWPM, 25, 577, 170bs, lack/brown, responsible architect by lack/brown, and travel, for LTP/marriage.

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MOST ELGIBLE

Handsome, sincere DWM, young 51, brownbrown, 5'8', 165lbs, N/S, N/D, francially/emotionally secure, no dependents. Seeking attractive female, slim, 35-45, for LTR. No games. 299542

LTR IN LIVONIA

Young SWPM, 48, 5'10', handsome, large frame, western dances often, has handicap of 6 golfing. Seeking attractive. SWF, 35-55, comfortable in jeans or formal gown at private country club. 33947

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

mal gown at private country club. 279547

SOMETHING DIFFERENT
Outdoorsy SWM, 28, 5107, 210lbe, active, intelligent, good-locking, Seeking SF, 24-35, N/S, N/D, camping, music, theater, great sense of humor. I'm open to new experiences, are you? 279548.

SINCER AND CARING.
Sincere, honest, nice-looking, degreed DWM, 55, 519*, 145/bs, N/S, social drinker, enjoys movies, theater, concerts, sports, long walks, quief talks. Seeking S/DWF, 42-50, HWW proportionate N/S, social drinker, LTR, 279549.

SURNY AND WARM.

Affectionate , caring, handsome,

Affectionate carring handsome, humors, SWPM,39, 5'9', 175lbs,with no dependents, seeking, SWF, 30-55, for frendship and fun. 279555

AUTOMOTIVE PROFESSIONAL Very good-findering sevenage of 124

AUTOMOTIVE PROFESSIONAL
Very good-looking, successful SWM,
34, 57°, 140lbs, MBA, engineering
manager, likes to ski and golf. Seeking
SF, 25-35, for LTR. 279590

HONEST, FUN GUY
SWPM, 39, 5°6°, who's active, goodlooking inside/out, active, fun-loving,
high energy, very honest, trustworthy
heart. Seeking similar, oute, fit SOF, 2611, kide ok. 279395

LOOKING FOR MS. RIGHT
SWM, 60, 55°. 160lbs, likes to do most
anything: walks, movies, dining out, theater, dancing, quality time at home.
Seeking petite, siender lady, 55-62.

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LOXING FOR A LADY SWM, looking for a SWF 30-40, for friendship, possible relationship. It's what counts on the inside to me. \$1355.

HEART OF GOLD?
Honest, handsome DWM, 36, 6', 195bbs, brown/green, N/Drugs, STD-free,
responsible, employed nights, father of
three, enjoys most outdoor/indoor recreation. Seeking S/DWF, petile, pretty, romantic, trustworthy. Baywatch
babe not required. For possible LTR.
179439

TALL

A HANDSOME

Humorous, attractive SWM, 36, 6'4', seeks SWF, who's attractive, enjoys comedies, movies, walking, or just fun.
Plymouth area. #9440
SEEKING COMPANION
Nice-looking. health.

comedies, movies, walking, or just fun. Plymouth area. T9440

SEEKING COMPANION
Nice-looking, healthy DM, 34, 5'8's, singer, likes bowling. Seeking HW proportionate SF, late 40s to early 50s, N/S, for possible LTR. T9445

EXCEPTIONAL
Intelligent, attractive SWPM, 46; 6'1'. 190bs, dark blond hair, excellent shape, interested in meeting intelligent, attractive SWF. HW proportionate, who enjoys travel, fitness, dining out, theatre, and shared moments. T9446

AFFABLE.
EDUCATED, PRACTICAL.
Good-looking, sery but not loud, good job, seeks attractive, sensible and smart female, who is not self-centered, or a Hollywood watcher. T948B

DANCING PARTINER
SWM, 39, 5'10', 170lbs, N/S, honest, sincere, hiendy, devoted, enjoys romantic dining and dancing, all aports, movies and poporn. Seeking SAWF, with same values. T9499

LET'S SHARE LIFE
SIM SBPM, 35, 6', 170fbs, seeks slim to medium-built SWF. Let's share romance, ice cream, Seinfield, Royal calls, T9452

Oak, music, and fun. Will answer all calls. 179452

AFFECTIONATE
Very attractive, N/S SWM, 28, 510°, 215be, muscular build, brown/brown, enjoys dining out, and quiet nights at home. Seeking attractive, curvy SWF, for LTR. 179453

LIKE OLDER MEN?
Mature professional, 44, enjoys the finer things in life, seeks slender, petite, younger WF, for possible relationship. 179456

WARM-

younger WF, for possible relationship.

WARMHEARTED GUY
SWM, 39, enjoys all life has to offer; seeks lady to share life with, and who can keep up. If you think this is you, then the next step is up to you. \$29457\$
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A DOG LOVER?

Very attractive male, 34, seeks fernise who loves animals and herself. I enjoy alternative music, films, and ethnic food. Want to start as friends and see what happens? \$22458\$

BIKER CHICK...
seeks mountain/tour biking partner,
SWM, 38-48, N/S, for biking secursions
and triendship. \$27957
LOCKING FOR A FRIEND
WM, 36, N/S, N/D, looking for WF, 2445, to help with yogs training, plus an
uncomplicated relationship. \$279572

CLOSE TO GOD ritually-minded WF, 52, 57°, 150lbs nde/blue, enjoys church activities king, dining out. Seeking compas nate WM, 55-85, for companionship sably something more serious state.

RETIRED OUTDOOR MAN
DWCM, 62, 58°, enjoys R.V. camping,
boating, seeks friendly cering SWF, 5564, light smoker and drinker. \$\mathbb{T}\$4031

HELP RUN FLEA MARKET
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Felix Unger (Jack Lemmon, left) gestures pointedly at Oscar Madison (Walter Matthau) in "The Odd Couple II" opening today at metro Detroit movie the-

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Oakland University Department of Music, Theatre and Dance presents "Children Of A Lesser God," featuring Matt Hammond and Kimberly Lucius, 8 p.m., Varner Lab Theatre, on the campus in Rochester. Tickets \$10 with discounts for seniors and students, (248) 370-3013.



"Rent" musical drama by Jonathan Larson continues at the Fisher Theatre, 3011 W. Grand Boulevard, Detroit. Performances 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$24-\$60, call (248) 645-



Hot Tix: Royal Hanneford Circus comes to the Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (1-75 and Lapeer Road), Thursday, April 9-Sunday, April 12. Performances 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, 10:30 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, April 11, and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, April 12, Tickets \$12 and \$8 reserved, \$5 general admission, call (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com



Swing your partner: Mary Leiger of Westland (left) and Ross Berman of Farmington Hills (right) have been taking lessons and swing dancing at the 24-Karat Club, formerly the Mosquito Club, in Westland for six weeks. Swing has become the rage within the last two years.

n an overcast afternoon, The Velvet Lounge in Pontiac is dark, empty and cool. Posters of the band Pulp, from "Brit Pop" night, sit on a bench and ripple like the ocean when the door is opened.

A mug with "hepcat" painted on it sits near the bar. Mirrors reflect the DJ booth from which music by Frank Sinatra. Royal Crown Revue and the Cherry Poppin' Daddies resonate.

The evenings aren't so quiet and peaceful. Twentysomething young men donning slick suits and fedoras spin, dip and toss their dates, many of whom are wearing USO-era dresses. Cigar smoke battles with swing music to fill the room. Dripping in sweat, dancers constantly fuss with their hair to keep the pompadours in

"On Friday nights that area over there is filled with regulars," Velvet Lounge owner Rob Potter said of the seated area closest to the dance floor. "They usually don't come on Saturday because they're here four nights a week," he added with a laugh.

Thanks in part to the indie film "Swingers," swing music has been the rage. The punk-dominated Warped Tour tapped into the trend by including Royal Crown Revue, Jim Carrey's back-up band in "The Mask," on its tour. This year, selected Midwest dates

include Detroit's Atomic Fire-

This weekend, however, is probably the biggest for the swing scene with at least five scheduled shows. Big Bad Voodoo Daddy has two area appearances on Saturday at Borders in Ann Arbor and the Mill Street Entry in Pontiac

The band, who appeared in the closing scenes of "Swingers" when star Jon Favreau dances with his new beau, is one act that is reaping the benefits of the trend. A fan of swing, Favreau "discovered" the band at The Derby in Cali-

"It's amazing the power that the movie actually has," said drummer and former Pontiac resident Kurt Sodergren. "Last night when we played in Washington, D.C., we played a 2,000-capacity venue and it sold out weeks in advance. That movie was a real break."

Katie Grand, a 17-year-old Canton resident who works at Repeat the Beat in Plymouth, said CDs by Big Bad Voodoo Daddy and the Mighty Blue Kings are easy sells to customers ages 19 and older.

Her sales skills are bolstered by the fact that she is a swing music fan who takes lessons at the 24-Karat Club in Westland.

"Have you ever swing danced? It's awesome. It's the happiest, funnest music. The funnest thing you can do is swing dance. You don't feel like you're in the '90s anymore."

Singer Ross Bon of the Chicago-based Mighty Blue Kings said the popularity of swing has always lingered.

"I don't believe it ever went anywhere. There's just a new audience listening to it. As much as a trend comes, it goes out. I'm more concerned just about our own longevity," he explained.

The Mighty Blue Kings are a part of the diverse lineup of the "Kings of the Road Tour," which comes to the State Theatre in Detroit on Friday, April 10. The band is joined by the punkabilly act The Rev. Horton Heat and straight-up punkers Face to Face.

"We wanted to get out with these two bands so we could get to a new audience. We'd go out and play with Yanni if we had to. It's all about getting our music out to new people and letting people see what The Mighty Blue Kings are all about," said guitarist Gareth Best, whose band will record its debut for Sony Music's The Work Group this summer.

While the Mighty Blue Kings are trying to dodge the "swing" label, the Ann Arbor-based 11piece Imperial Swing Orchestra saw the trend in early 1997 and went for it.

"The guitar player Chris Neal and a couple of his friends were talking about doing a band with a horn section. They were saying how swing is really popular on the west coast and how it was a trend right at the moment. They asked me if I wanted to

Please see SWINGS, E2

UPCOMING SWING SHOWS

■ The Mighty Blue Kings open for The Rev. Horton Heat and Face to Face at 7 p.m. Friday, April 10, at the State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. For more information about the all-ages show, call (313) 961-5451 or visit http://www.961melt.com.

■ The Cherry Poppin' Daddies open for Los Fabulosos Cadillacs on Friday, April 10, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Doors open at 6 p.m. for the allages show. Tickets are \$15 in advance. Call (313) 961-MELT or visit http://www.961melt.com for more infor-

■ Big Bad Voodoo Daddy has two area appearances. It will perform a free show at Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., in Ann Arbor during the afternoon of Saturday, April 11, and later that night at the Mill Street **Entry below Clutch** Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, in Pontiac. Tickets for the Mill Street show are \$5



Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

in advance for the 21 and older show. Doors open at 9 p.m. Call (248) 333-2362 or visit

http://www.961melt.com for more information about the Pontiac show. Borders' phone number is (734) 668-

Imperial Swing Orchestra has several local shows. It will perform during the afterparty for the Detroit Music Awards, 9 p.m. Friday, April 24, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are \$10 in advance. (313) 961-5451. Other shows include: 9:30 p.m. Saturdays, May 9 and June 20, at the Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. (734) 996-8555; 9 p.m. Saturday, May 23, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-POOL; and 9 p.m. Saturdays July 18 and Aug. 29, at the Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron St., Pontiac. (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com

■ The Atomic Fireballs will celebrate the release of its debut CD with an all-ages show Saturday, May 23, at The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Call (313) 961-MELT or visit

http://www.961melt.com for more information.

The II-V-I Orchestra, who recently released the CD "In the Lounge," performs Thursdays at the Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans) in Detroit, (313) 259-2643, and Sundays at the Heidelberg, 215 N. Main St., Ann Arbor, (734) 663-7788.

■ Royal Crown Revue, the band featured in the Jim Carrey movie "The Mask," is expected to return to the area

■ Phil Collins Big Band performs big band and swing versions of his and Genesis's hits on Monday, June 22, at Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. Ticket infor mation soon. For more information, call (248) 377-0100.

The Brian Setzer Orchestra will perform at the Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre, 10 Water St., Pontiac, on Saturday, July 11. Ticket information soon. For more information, visit http://www.961melt.com.

SWING DANCE LESSONS/NIGHTS

The Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, hosts Swing-a-billy" nights with DJ Del Villareal on Sundays. Dance lessons are held 8-9 p.m. with dancing afterward. There is a \$3 cover charge before 9 p.m. and \$5 after-

Beginner swing dance lessons are held from 8-10 p.m. Tuesdays, and intermediate and advanced lessons held from 8-10 p.m. Mondays at The Velvet Lounge, 29 S. Saginaw St., Pontiac. Dancers can practice at swing nights Friday and Saturday. (248) 334-7411

Swing and Latin dance is taught from 7:30-9:30 p.m. followed by an open dance 9:30 p.m. to close Wednes days at Bacci Abracci's upstairs bar and ballroom, 40 W. Pike St., (the former location of the Ultimate Sports Bar), Pontiac. (248) 253-1300

DJ Sonny spins at JD's Entertainment Center's swing nights from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Wednesdays. Lessons are offered 8-10 p.m. at the club, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. The best dancing couple receives a \$100 prize. The bounty is increased to \$1,000 on Wednesday, April 29. Call (810) 465-5154 for more information.

■ The 24 Karat Club, formerly the Mosquito Club, 28949 Joy Road (between Middlebelt and Inkster roads) in Westland, offers swing dance lessons 8-10 p.m. and dancing afterward on Wednesdays, it is free and open to those 21 and older. Call (734) 513-5030 for more infor-

Illusions Bar and Grill, in the former location of the Metro Musicafe, 326 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak, hosts salsa and swing night on Wednesdays. (248) 586-1313.

COMEDY

Stevenson class of 1971 clown still clowning around

Comedy is tough - "it's just you and your material, there's no back-up, no orchestra," said Bill Hildebrandt who will be at Joey's Comedy Club in

Livonia April 9-11.

But Hildebrandt, who traded his briefcase for a mic 10 years ago, is having fun

"I recently had a lawyer heckle me by shouting I make three times the money you do,' to which I replied, "Sure but I only work four hours a week so who's the idiot?"

After graduating from Livonia Stevenson High School in 1971, Hildebrandt, an admitted class clown, went to Eastern Michigan University where

He really wanted to do something in radio or TV, but there weren't any jobs. A buddy told him about an auto supplier who was hiring, and when they learned he had a college degree he was bumped from the line to front office.

What: Comedian Bill Hildebrandt When: 8 p.m. Thursday, April 9; 9 p.m. Friday, April 10; 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11.

Where: Joey's Comedy Club, upstairs at Kickers All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (734) 261-0555. cets: No charge Thursday; \$12 Friday and Saturday. Also of interest:

Bill Hildebrandt hosts the Sunday amateur night. Local amateur comedians perform 8-9 p.m. followed by the Third Level Improv Troupe 9-10 p.m.

n Bill Hildebrandt's Comedy Boot Camp begins in May and meets for eight hours over two Saturdays. The cost is \$100 per person. Call Kickers (734) 261-5500 or Bill Hilde brandt, (248) 476-1121 for information.

"I-was seduced by the money, and it spiraled from there," said Hildebrandt who spent 13 years as an executive. Then the auto supplier was purchased by a giant conglomerate, and he was out of a job.

A buddy talked him into going to a comedy club in Ann Arbor. He didn't want to go. "I thought man this guy's funny, I can do that."

The guy on stage was Tim Allen, and while Hildebrandt isn't yet a household name, he's work-

There's a sitcom being developed for Canadian comedian Leo Dufour called 'Strange Customs,' based on his comedy about the differences between Canadians and Americans," said Hildebrandt. "It's really quite funny and the pilot will be taped in Toronto. I'm waiting to hear if I got the part of the sleazy strip club owner."

Hildebrandt has also appeared on Comedy Central and written for Dick Clark's practical jokes. He spends about 20 weeks on the road perform-

ing, and 20 weeks in metro Detroit. According to

Please see CLOWN, E2 Bill Hildebrand



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play piano with them," said Tom Loncaric, the band leader and classically trained planist.

John Bunkley and his band the Atomic Fireballs, on the other hand, weren't aware of the trend when they formed.

"I didn't know this was going on when the band got together. It was something that I thought was going to be completely different," said Bunkley, a 1987 Oakland University graduate. The Atomic Fireballs will release its debut CD in May.

Newcomers aside, the II V I Orchestra is the elder statesman of the genre having played together for 25 years.

"I couldn't believe it when I



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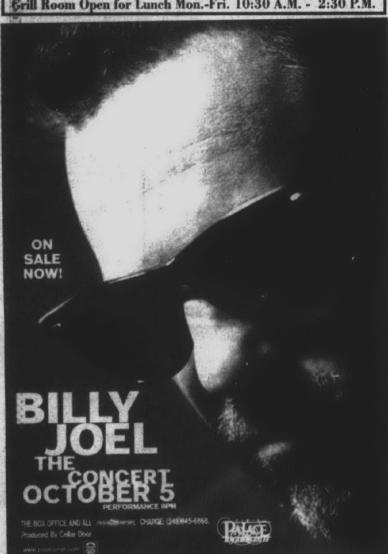
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first started to notice that stuff. We've done the same thing since the early '70s. People have always liked it when they come to see it. Now, the whole thing is people of all ages are being more enthusiastic with it these days, said saxophone player David Swain, 44.

"It's wonderful to see all the people having a good time with it. Young people who are in peak physical condition and don't know the steps are out there dancing. Some of the oldsters who have trouble getting up the stairs, once they hear the music they're showing the kids a thing or two. It makes the old folks look young and graceful, and it makes the young kids realize they have something to learn."

The schedule of the band -

which includes trombonist Tony Lorts of Lake Orion, saxophonist Harry Demirgian of Farmington Hills, and trumpeter Cary Heller of West Bloomfield - has only gotten busier since swing has moved into the mainstream.

"When we were the only kids on the block, we were sitting there kind of lonely. Now, the more the merrier. We're keeping busier now that there's 10 other bands like us in this area," Swain said.

Bringing it home

The Velvet Lounge's Potter, a Rochester resident and 1996 Oakland University graduate, is often credited with starting the swing music scene in the Detroit

A former bartender at the neighboring Industry nightclub, Potter brought swing music here after witnessing the genre's resurgence in cities like New York and Chicago. It was apparently a good hunch. He fielded 45 calls about dance lessons in one day. The Velvet Lounge will celebrate its second anniversary in May with the opening of a second-floor dance and bar area.



Learning to swing: Instructor Bobby Black formerly from Westland (left) demonstrates with Jennifer Miller of Taylor steps to swing dancing at the 24-Karat Club, formerly the Mosquito Club, in Westland. Swing has become the rage within the last two years.

Since then swing nights have popped up all over the Detroit area. The Mosquito Club, what was the home of heavy metal music, baseball hats, jeans and flannels, switched over to The 24-Karat Club and a dress code. Abandoning live music, the new format includes swing on Wednesdays, and salsa and mambo on Thursdays. Swing nights bring in about 60-80 dancers, said owner John Anton.

JD's Macomb Theatre in downtown Mount Clemens forayed into swing at the end of February. Illusions in Royal Oak also adopted a swing night. The Velvet Lounge is still one of the biggest draws in town. Rochester

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David Swain II V I Orchestra

enjoys a variety of music from swing to the Grateful Dead, was introduced to swing at the Vel-

"Still, I am all over the place,"

Hills resident Kristin Mack, who Mack said about her musical

"Some people are only into one thing - alternative or indie or whatever their thing is. Swing just happens to be what I'm excited about right now."

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comedy clubs per capita in Michigan than any other state including California.

"California is where the TV is a hardworking, hard partying

Hildebrandt there are more opportunities are, but the good paying live gigs are here in the Midwest," he said. "Detroit is a great place to play. The audience

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What makes people laugh? "A common denominator. Things

about work, parents, relationships," he said. "You know those messages on freeway overpasses," he asked. "I went to buy a card for this girl Glory. There was a Hallmark for \$5.50, and across the aisle a can of black spray paint for 78 cents. Do the math, what's more cost effec-

He counts Jonathan Winters and Bill Cosby among his heroes. "Bill Cosby is one of the greatest story tellers. George Carlin and Richard Pryor broke new ground."

tive? It's observational comedy."

On Sundays he runs amateur night at Joey's. He relates to the young comedians who walk up to the mic.

After going to his first ama-teur night, Hildebrandt went to amateur night every Tuesday at Main Street Comedy Showcase for six months and just watched. "One day I got up the nerve and went up, and it was horrible. I got off. It's a lot different than it looks. The manager told me the thing I said about Ypsilanti being a hillbilly theme park was funny and that I should build on it. That's what I did and it worked."

Like any business, there are rules in comedy, and if you want to succeed it helps to know them. Hildebrandt shares what he knows in Comedy Boot Camp, a class offered at Joey's Comedy Club for eight hours over two Saturdays.

"This business eats their young," he said. "There are only so many available slots, stages to perform on. It's fun imparting knowledge. When you teach you learn more yourself, I find myself saying - 'you ought to practice what you preach.'
"It's interesting to see new

comedians, even if they don't do well it's funny. Sometimes they make me cringe."

For a comedian, performing is the easy part, the hard stuff is sending out tapes, making phone calls to get booked into clubs across the country, and following up.

"Sometimes I run into people that I used to go to school with, who are not the least bit surprised that I ended up in this profession," he said. "You wouldn't believe the number of people who were in management of the said." who wrote in my yearbook, 'I never would have made it through algebra if you weren't there. I was a teaching aid, but the teachers didn't know it."

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Hanneford cat tamer gets excited taming wild ones

Big cats and little cats are a lot alike - "they could care less about me," said animal trainer Lance Ramos who is coming to the Palace of Auburn Hills this weekend with the Royal Hanneford Circus.

Ramos, 29, follows in the footsteps of his father, Manuel Ramos, and represents the sixth generation in his family of circus artists. His family is known as "The Great Ramos Family of Mexico," but Lance was born and raised in the United States.

He took over his uncle's cat act when he was 16, but lions and tigers weren't exciting enough, so Lance added a few more big cats to his act.

During the Royal Hanneford Circus he performs in the ring with 11 big cats - two black leopards, two jaguars, two male lions, two Bengal tigers, two white tigers and a Tabby tiger.

"They all have different personalities," said Ramos. "They're natural enemies in the jungle

Royal Hanneford Circus
When: Eight performances, Thursday-Sunday, April 9-12. Performances 7:30 p.m. Thursday; 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Friday; 10:30 a.m., 3 p.m., and 7 p.m. Saturday; 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday Where: The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr.,

Tickets: All seats opening night \$4. Tickets for Friday matinee are \$5. Children 12 and under, and seniors 65 and over will receive \$2 off \$12 and \$8 tickets for all shows except the April 9 performance and 11 a.m. April 10 performance. Call (248) 645-6666. Groups of 15 or more, can call (248) 377-0100.

and would kill each other if left alone in the ring.

Would they kill him? "It's a high, it's exciting," said Ramos explaining why he's chosen this dangerous profession. "I want to see if I can control and present these animals and come

He's had his group of big cats together since February. So far, "it's been smooth sailing," he said. "They had one big fight. You can't read their minds. Everything is challenging. In the beginning of our act we do a pyramid where they sit up. They're about a foot apart from each other, and it's pretty tense."

While he's had plenty of close calls, Ramos said he's never been hurt by his cats. When they're not performing with the circus. Ramos runs them through the act once a day. He works with them one by one to teach them tricks, and gradually adds other cats. "They snarl and growl at each other," he said. "It gets a little rough.

Ramos tours with the circus for nine months, and is off

December, January and February. Home is Riverview, Fla.

Besides the cats, Ramos also trains elephants and horses. He's an accomplished acrobat, bareback rider and teeterboard artist

With the big cats he has to always be on his toes. "The cats don't feel remorse or love. I can pet them, and a couple of minutes later they'll try to bite me."

Elephants are different. "Once they get to know you, you're fine," he said. "Elephants are very intelligent. They care about the person who takes care of them, and they're excited to see me. Elephants go through

their routine fine." It's the applause that makes this job gratifying. "It makes you smile when someone says you did a great job. It keeps me going."

To people who say it's cruel to train animals for the circus, Ramos says "animals in captivity live longer and are healthier. They don't have to worry about their next meal, they're beautiful animals and in good shape."

Showcasing animals in the circus "shows the public wild animals and what ability the animal has," said Ramos. "How agile they are and how you can teach to make money. We live with them 24 hours a day. They're well cared for."

Married and the father of a boy who's 2, and daughter, 4 months, Ramos said he would like one of them to follow in his footsteps, but you never can tell.

He's looking forward to performing at the Palace. "Come out and see it," he said. "You've probably never seen an act with so many cats."

This year, the Royal Hanneford Circus presents a tribute to the Old West in a circus rodeo

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Mark Karoly, the "King of Comedy," and The Karoly Riders will celebrate 300 years of equestrian excellence. Dania Kaseeva, "The Queen of the Hulu Hoops," returns with her husband, David Maas, the singing ringmaster, to present their astonishing magic. Miss Kimberly Smith, the youngest woman ever to be shot out of a canon, follows in her father's footsteps, Guinness Book of World Records holder David

'Rent' offers \$20 tickets

Seats in the front two rows of the orchestra will be made available for \$20 for every performance of "Rent," the Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning musical, at Detroit Fisher Theatre. During the subscription weeks, April 10 to May 17, seats will be made available in the first three rows.

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person. Line ups begin no earlier than 6 a.m., and there is no line jumping or space saving. Interested persons should enter the Fisher Building at the south entrance on West Grand Boulevard. Failure to follow any of these guidelines could jeopardize a person's place in line.

"Rent" opens April 8 and runs through June 13. The Fisher Theatre box office is at, 3011 W. Grand Blvd. only.

For general ticket information, call Ticketmaster at (248)645-

Farmington Players host barnraising party

you to join them for some "Laughter on the Ground Floor" April 18 as they scramble to raise money to build a new the-

The benefit features a premier performance of Neil Simon's "Laughter on the 23rd Floor," opening at the theater April 24, hors d'oeuvres, silent auction, live music, and afterglow recep-

No building plans have been finalized, but the Players have begun discussion with Sunrise Assisted Living, Inc. of Fairfax, Va., which plans to build a senior assisted living facility on property next to the Players Barn on 12 Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

Farmington Players have called the white dairy barn home for 45 years, but it is in need of of Sunrise's plans.

Farmington Players

What: "Laughter on the Ground Floor," a benefit for the Farmington Players Theater 6 p.m. Saturday, April 18. Where: The Players Barn, 32332 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills.

Tickets: \$75, elegant attire, call (248) 553-2955. Farmington Players presents Neil Simon's "Laughter on the 23rd Floor," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 24-25; May 1-2, May 8-9 and May 15-16; 2 p.m. Sunday, April 26, May 3, May 10 and 8 p.m. Thursday, May 14. Tickets \$8, call (248) 553-2955.

"In a planned unit development, the barn would be rebuilt on the other side of our property to allow Sunrise room to build their facility," said Cynthia Tupper, president of Farmington Players. "Sunrise has proposed exchanging some land with us to allow room for their building and to improve our parking space.

The two organizations have discussed their plans with the updating, and stands in the way city, and site plans are being Tupper.

developed.

For the past year, the Farmington Players have been discussing the feasibility of either renovating their existing facility, or building a new one. The opportunity to work on a project with Sunrise is a recent and unexpected development.

We originally planned our fund-raiser with the idea of starting a building fund," said

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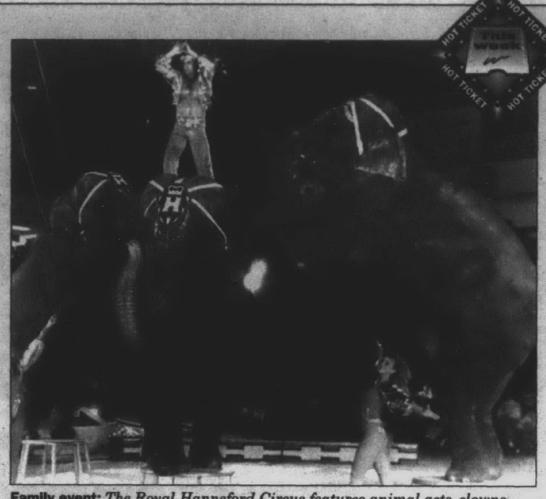
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Cabaret,* by Joe Masteroff, John
Lander and Fred Ebb, 8 p.m. Friday-



Family event: The Royal Hanneford Circus features animal acts, clowns, acrobats and more, Thursday-Sunday, April 9-12 at The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. Performances 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, 10:30 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, April 11, and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, April 12. Tickets \$12 and \$8 reserved, \$5 general admission. Children ages 12 and younger, and seniors ages 65 and older receive \$2 off \$12 and \$8 tickets for all shows except 7:30 p.m. April 9, and 11 a.m. April 10 shows. Groups of 15 or more receive \$4 off all seats except 7:30 p.m. April 9 and 11 a.m. April 10 shows. Opening night tickets \$4. Friday matinee tickets \$5 (groups of 15 or more \$3). Free parking. (248) 377-0100 or http:// www.palacenet.com

Saturday, April 17-18, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 19, at the theater, 3424 Woodward Ave., on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

WSU HILBERRY THEATRE

'Three Sisters," by Anton Chekhov, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11, and Thursday, April 16; "A Woman of No Importance," by Oscar Wilde, 8 p.m. Friday, April 17, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972 **WSU STUDIO THEATRE**

"Speed the Plow," by David Mamet, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 9-11, at the theater below the Hilberry, 4743 Cass Ave., on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-

COMMUNITY THEATER

IN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE "The Merchant of Venice," by William Shakespeare, Thursday-Sunday, April 16-26, at the playhouse, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor. 8 p.m., 2 p.m. Sundays. \$16, \$14 students and seniors. (734) 971-2228 HARTLAND PLAYERS "The Foreigner," 8 p.m. Fridays-

Saturdays, April 17-18 and 24-25, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 26, Hartland Music Hall, 3619 Avon Road, Hartland. \$8, \$7 students and seniors. (810) 220-3521 ROSEDALE COMMUNITY THEATER "The Odd Couple," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, April 17-18 and 24-25, and May 1-2, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 26,

at the Upstage Theater, 21728 Grand River Ave. (1/2 block east of Lahser Road), Detroit. \$10, with discounts for groups, seniors and students. (313) 532-4010 STAGECRAFTERS 2ND STAGE

"Extremities," a play which explores the impact of an attempted rape and its emotional aftermath for the intended victim, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, April 17-18 and 24-25, 7 p.m. Sunday, April 19, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 26, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette St., Royal Oak. 47, with discounts for groups of 25 or more. (248) 541-6430 TROY PLAYERS

"You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," based on the comic strip "Peanuts" by Charles M. Schulz, 8 p.m. Fridays Saturday, April 17-18, 24-25 and May 1 2, 2 p.m. Sundays April 19 and 26, and 2 p.m Saturday, May 2. at the play-house, 3179 Livernois (the old Troy High School), north of 16 Mile (Big ever), Troy. \$10, \$9 seniors/children under age 12, group rates available. (248) 879-1285

DINNER THEATER

GENITTI'S HOLE IN THE WALL

"Trial By Error," live interactive comedy dinner theater, through June at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville, \$39,95 includes seven-course dinner of soup, bread, pasta, antipasto salad, baked chicken, Italian sausage, Italian steak, vegetables and dessert, the show, tax and tip. (248) 349-0522 JACKSONN PRODUCTIONS
"Murder Italian Style Part 3," an audience participation murder-mystery com-edy, 6:30 p.m. Saturdays through May 16, at Fiorelli's Restaurant, 26125 E. Huron River Dr., Flat Rock, \$30 in

advance, \$35 at the door, includes din-

ner, show, tax and tip. Non-smoking dinner theater. (313) 782-1431

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS MARQUIS THEATRE

"Charlotte's Web," 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, April 18 and 25, and Sundays, April 19 and 26, and Monday Friday, April 13-17, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville, \$6.50. Children ages 3 and younger will not be admitted. (248) 349-8110

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS "The Wizard of Oz." Saturdays and

Sundays through Saturday, April 11, Historic Players Club, 3321 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, Noon lunch and 1 p.m. show Saturdays, and 1 p.m. lunch and 2 p.m. show Sundays. \$7.50 includes lunch. (810) 662-8118

SPECIAL EVENTS

AMERICAN CULTURES FESTIVAL Featuring live cultural performances, displays, handouts and food, and booths displaying different artifacts and symbols of the Hispanic. American Indian. African-American, Chinese, Filipino, Polish and Italian cultures, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Padoga Room, Student Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 845-9628 COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY SHOW

With new and used computers, hardware including modems, printers, keyboards, CM-ROMs, scanners, shareware, and computer furniture, noon to 9 p.m. Friday, April 10, and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. (734) 287-2000

With guns, rifles, hunting supplies, and ammo, noon to 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, April 18, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 19, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. (734) 287-2000 "MARTINIS AND MARGARITAS"

Tremors' spring cigar social with an allyou-can-eat gourmet hors d'oeuvres, sampling of Stoll flavored martinis, margaritas with Don Julio tequila, wine and two premium hand-rolled cigars of choice, and jazz, swing and retro lounge music, 5-8 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Tremors in the Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Dr., Livonia. \$25 in advance for men, \$20 in advance for ladies. NAL MONSTER RECORD AND CD

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 11, The Elks Lodge, 325 W. Eisenhower Parkway, Ann Arbor. \$3, free for children ages 10 and younger. Patrons are allowed to carry in a small number of records to trade or sell. (734) 475-

FAMILY EVENTS

AMERICAN GIRLS TEA 2-4 p.m. Sundays, April 5 and 19, Mary Denning Cake Shoppe, 8036 N. Wayne Road, Westland. \$12 children, \$6 ulta. (734) 261-3680

Magical entertainment by Baffling Bill, 1:30-2:15 p.m. Saturday, April 18, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. \$3.25, \$2.50 per person groups of 10 or more. (248) 424-9022 MAGICIAN GORDON RUSS

Presents close-up magic at your table, 6-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11, and 5:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday, April 12, at Roger's Roost Restaurant, 3362 Schoenherr, Sterling Heights. Free. (810) 979-7550

WADE CARNIVAL

With rides and games, through Sunday, April 19, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. 3-11 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 3 p.m. to midnight Fridays, noon to midnight Saturdays-Sundays. (734) 287-2000

BENEFITS

"UNDER THE BIG TOP" AUCTION The Parents Club of Our Lady of Refuge School in Orchard Lake present an auction fundraiser of more than 500 items, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at Orchard Lake St. Mary's Dombrowski Field House, Orchard Lake. \$35 per person, \$25 per person by April 9, to fund a science lab for Qur Lady of Refuge School. (248) 932-3237

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS Musical Revue Dinner Theater, silent and live auction, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18 at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. Tickets \$15, call (248) 988-7049.

CLASSICAL

ABYSSINIAN STRING QUARTET Performing Brahms' "String Quartet #2 in A minor, Opus 51 No. 2" and Shostakovich's "String Quartet #8 in C minor, Opus 110," and classical guitarist Geoffrey Esty, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at the Fourth Avenue Gallery, 210 S. Fourth Ave. (between Liberty and Washington), in the Town Center Building, Ann Arbor. \$8 at the door. (734) 327-2041 "ALICE IN WONDERLAND - A MUSIC

THEATER PIECE" Composer Braxton Blake's work for mezzo soprano and two planos is based on the stories of Alice Liddell, Lewis Carroll's inspiration for Alice in Wonderland, as she looks back on her childhood, Carroll, her family and other characters, many of whom are portrayed in the book, 8 p.m. Friday, April 17, Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$25 rows 1-2, \$15 rows 3-5, \$10 general admission. (734) 769-2999 or

http://www.peus.com/kch HAM MUSICALE Scholarship winners perform 1 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Birmin Community House, 360 S. Bates St. ingham. \$2 guest donation. (248)

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA With conductor Neeme Jarvi and planist Leif Ove Andsnes performing Still's "Afro-American Symphony," Prokofiev's "Piano Concerto No. 3," and Schumann's "Symphony No. 3 ("Rhenish")" and "Symphony No. 2," 10:45 a.m. Friday, April 17, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18, and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 19, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave. (between Mack and Warren avenues), Detroit. \$17-\$60. (313) 576-5111

PIANIST EVGENY KISSIN 8 p.m. Monday, April 13, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. \$20-\$50. (800) 221-1229 or LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA 'Good Friday' concert features the St. Genevieve Interdenominational Festival Choir performing Rutters' "Requiem,

7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, at St. Genevieve Church, 29015 Jamison Ave., (one block south of Five Mile, east of Middlebelt), Livonia, \$12.50. (248) 645-6666/(734) 421-1111 **OWAIN PHYFE**

With the New World Renaissance Band, 9 p.m. to midnight Thursday, April 9, and as part of "Renaissance Night." 9 p.m. to midnight Thursday, April 16. O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road. Berkley. Free. 21 and older. (248) 399-

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Hosts their annual Pops Concert, an evening of dinner, silent and live auctions, and music from Broadway and the movies to raise money for the orchestra, 6 p.m. Friday, April 17, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. \$45, \$25 children. Advance reservations needed. (734) 451-2112

POPS/SWING

BIG BAD VOODOO DADDY As seen in the movie "Swingers," Saturday, April 11, Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages; 8 p.m. Saturday, April

11, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$5 in advance, 21 and older, (swing) (734) 668-7553/(248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com

AUDITIONS

B.W. PRODUCTIONS

Auditions for males and females ages 8 to adult for "When God Comes Down From Heaven," a semi-musical comedy gospel, 6-9 p.m. Friday, April 10, no experience necessary but a plus, training will be provided, at Bernath Auditorium, Wayne State University, 5155 Gullen Mall, between Warren and Second, Detroit. (313) 865-2375 CAPITOL THEATRE

Auditions for "Pump Boys and Dinettes," 6-9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, April 14-16, at the theater, 121 University Ave. W., Windsor, Ontario.

(519) 253-8065 **DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE** Auditions for a male dancer to perform

with the company March to May and Aug. 26 to May 1999, must be highly skilled in modern dance technique and improvisation and have training in ballet, auditions take place during company classes 9:30-11 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, at Central United Methodist Church, corner of Woodward and Adams, Detroit, (313) 965-3544 MICHIGAN THEATRE AND DANCE TROUPE

Open auditions now through August for dancers ages 16 and older, by appointment only 2 p.m. Saturdays. The performing arts company regularly appears year round. (248) 552-5001

SECOND CITY Looking for actors to join Second City -Detroit's mainstage, touring, business or the new Children's Theatre improvisational casts. Actors can be non-equity or equity and should have extensive stage and performance experience. Strong writing skills, singing ability and an improvisational background are a plus. Auditions by appointment only, 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday, April 13, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call Julie Clement at (313) 965-2222 before Tuesday, April 7, for an appoint-

ment. TROY COMMUNITY CHORUS Seeks a chorus director for its new season beginning in September. Candidates must be available for Tuesday evening rehearsals from 7:30-9:30 p.m., two formal concerts in May and December, and various other local community engagements. Candidates should send their resume and salary requirements to the chorus, P.O. Box 165, Troy, MI 48099. (248) 879-0138

CHORAL

OU CHORUS/CHORALE Sings songs of the '80s, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Varner Recital Hall. Varner Half, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10, \$8 seniors, \$5 students. (248) 370-3013

OU COMMUNITY CHORUS "Grand Choruses from the World of Opera" concert 8 p.m. Friday, April 17, Varner Recital Hall, Varner Hall, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10, \$8 seniors, \$5 students. (248) 370-3013 "SHAPE NOTE SING" With Glen Morningstar, featuring 19th

century style of community church singing, 11 a.m. Sunday, April 12, the music room of Scarlett Middle School. 3300 Lorraine, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 665-8863

JAZZ

SEAN BLACKMAN AND JOHN ARNOLD 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. ("gypsy jazz") (313) 861-8101 NEGIE HALL JAZZ BAND

8 p.m. Friday, April 17, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave. (between Mack and Warren evenues), Detroit. \$13-\$60. (313) 576-5111

FREDDY COLE QUARTET
The brother of the late Net "King" Cole performs 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$18. (734)

JACK DRYDEN TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, April 17, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (gui tar/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150 ALEX GRAHAM QUARTET

8 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$15 rows 1-5, \$10 general admission, \$5 students. (734) 769-2999 or http://www.peus.com/kch **CHARLES GREENE**

7:30-11:30 p.m. Fridays, April 10 and 17, and 6-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley, Free. 21 and older. (jazz pianist) (248) 399-6750

JOHNNY GRIFFIN QUARTET 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Wednesday Thursday, April 15-16, Bird of Paradise. 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO 8:30-10:30 p.m. Thursdays, at Java Master, 33214 W. 14 Mile Road (east of Farmington Road), West Bloomfield; 7-10 p.m. Fridays, at Cafe Cortina, 30715 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 626-7393/ (248) 474-3033/ (248) 305-7333

CHARLIE HUNTER AND POUND FOR With Galactic, 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 14,

Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron St. Pontiac. \$15 in advance. (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com IMMUNITY

9:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 360-7450 INTRIGUE

Friday-Saturday, April 10-11, top 40 and contemporary jazz, at D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road at M-59. Rochester Hills. (248) 852-0550 ISABELLA

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11. Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-1600 KID BROTHER

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, April 16. Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150 **KATHY KOSINS TRIO**

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, April 10. Edison's, 220 Merrill St. Birmingham. Free. 21 and older (vocal/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150 SHEILA LANDIS

With her trio, 8:30-11 p.m. Friday, April 3, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester Free. All ages; With Rick Matle and drummer Dave Taylor, 8-11 p.m. Saturday, April 4, Bistro 313, 313 E.

Walton Road, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 652-1600/(248) 332-7184 LORI LEFEVRE AND THE JIMMY LEE 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11,

Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

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7 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, Colangelo's, 2 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (248) 334-2275 **KEVIN MAHOGANY** Vocalist in the movie "Kansas City." 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9,

Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310 or http://www.99music.com FRANK MCCULLERS TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, April 11.

Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave. (at Center Street), Royal Oak. Free, 25-cent surcharge on drinks during live entertainment. (248) 546-1400 MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With guest trombonist Ron Kischuk, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, and the trio only, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner (served until 8 p.m.) plus a \$5 drink minimum. (248) 474-4800 HARVEY THOMPSON TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, April 9, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham, Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150 With Poignant Plecostomus and DJ

Bubblicious, 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 10. Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (acid jazz) (734) 996-8555 URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300 STEVE WOOD TRIO 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, April 11. Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax/piano/bass

WORLD MUSIC

trio) (248) 645-2150

LOS FABULOSOS CADILLACS With Cherry Poppin' Daddies, 6 p.m. Friday, April 10, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$15 in advance. All ages. (Latino/swing) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com PINO MARELLI

8 p.m. Friday, April 17, Luciano's, 39031 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. Free. All ages. (English/Italian/Spanish pop standards and originals) (810) 263-6540

BLUEGRASS

DANCING LIGHTS FOLK FESTIVAL Showcases eight folk music acts includ-

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Continued from previous page ing Jere Stormer, Vint and Mathilda, Jennifer Jean Smith, Richard Lawrence, Michael Wagner, and Liz Momblanco of Farmington, 7 p.m. Saturday, April 18, the U-Club in the Michigan Union, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. \$10, \$7 with ID students/seniors, available at the door. (734) 763-3202/327-2041 **DEE CARSTENSEN**

7:30 p.m. Friday, April 17, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or

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9-11 p.m. Friday April 17, at the Coffee Studio, 600 West Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. Free. The Coffee Studio is looking for musicians and poets to read their works and perform during Open Mic nights every Wednesday. Sign up time is 7:30 p.m. (734) 416-9288 JAN KRIST

10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, Matt Brady's, 1820 E. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 861-8101/(248) 584-4242 ANNIE RAPID

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. 9734) 668-

SPECIAL CONSENSUS With The RFD Boys, 8 p.m. Friday, April 10, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students, seniors. All ages. (bluegrass) (734) 761-1451

DANCE

ANN ARBOR DAWN DANCE WEEKEND Three-day spring music and dance party featuring contras, swing, squares, Scandinavian, English country, Scottish, singing, jamming, and a concert by Jive at Five, Friday-Sunday, April 10-12, Scarlett Middle School, 3300 Lorraine. Ann Arbor. \$7-\$20. (734) 665-8863 **ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING** With the Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance, callers

Eric Arnold and Don Theyken, and music by David West and Donna Baird. 7-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, Chapel Hill Condominium clubhouse, 3350 Green Road (north of Plymouth Road). Ann Arbor. \$4. (734) 663-0744/(734) 662-5158

WOLVERINE SILVERSPUR DANCERS 7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, April 11, St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus Hall, 44425 Utica Road (west of Van Dyke Avenue), Utica. \$6 members, \$7 non-members. (313) 526-9432/(810)

COMEDY

BIG RED'S COMEDY CLUB

Pete George and John McDonald, Friday-Saturday, April 10-11; Keith Ruff and Chris Spyer, Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, at the club in Mr. B's Roadhouse - Oxford, 595 N. Lapeer Road (M-24), Oxford. 9248) 628-6500

CLUB

Kevin Burke, Frank G. and Jim Hoke, 8 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. Friday-Saturday. April 10-11, at the club, formerly known as Gadzooks, 9531 Highland Road (three miles west of Oakland Pontiac Airport), White Lake Township. \$5, \$18.95 dinner and show package, \$36 dinner and show package for two. (248) 698-2414

JD'S ENTERTAINMENT CENTER Open mic night hosted by MaryAnn DeMoss and an acoustic jam session with Ernie Douglas "The Acoustic Terminator, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, at the center, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (810) 465-5154

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB Bill Hildebrandt and Joey Bielaska, 9 p.m. Friday, April 10, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11 (\$10); Leo Dufour, Tim Rowlands and Joey Bielaska, Thursday, April 16 (free), and Friday-Saturday, April 17-18 (\$12), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and 8 p.m. Sundays for new talent/Third Level improv.

(734) 261-0555 JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S Alturo Shelton, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9 (\$5), 9 p.m. Friday, April 10 (\$8, \$18.95 dinner show package), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday. April 11 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package); Joe Piscopo, Friday-Sunday, April 17-19, cancelled; Bob Golub, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16 (\$8, \$18.95 dinner show package), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday. April 17-18,

(\$12, \$24.95 dinner show package) at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road. Dearborn. (313) 584-8885 MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE Glen Super, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9 (\$9), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11 (\$12); Totally Unrehearsed Theatre, 8:30 p.m. sday, April 15 (\$6); Chris Titus,

8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16 (\$9), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 17-18 (\$12), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080 MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE Totally Unrehearsed Theatre and Spike Rizzo, Thursday-Saturday, April 9-11; Jeff Stillson and Tim Costello, ly-Sunday, April 15-19, at the b, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m.

Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices same unless otherwise noted. (248) 542-9900 or http://www.come-

"Down River Dance," 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$10), Thursdays (\$10) and Sundays (\$10), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays (\$17.50) and Saturdays (\$19.50), through spring, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 965-2222

As part of FM 98 WJLB's CoCo's House of Comedy, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. \$27.50 in advance. 21 and older. (248)

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM/SOCI-

"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; "A Community Between Two Worlds: Arab Americans in Greater Detroit," exhibit focusing on Arab Americans and their daily life after settling in the Detroit area, runs through the end of September, 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 SCIENCE CENTER IMAX movies showing indefinitely include: "Super Speedway," 10 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays; and 'Special Effects," 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays-Fridays; at the museum, 5020 John R (at Warren Road), Detroit. \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older. 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.sciencedetroit.org GREENFIELD VILLAGE American Girls Museum Program based on the character of Samantha Parkington, 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Thursday-

Friday, April 9-10, and Monday-Friday April 13-17 at the village, Dearborn. \$40 includes light refreshments and the 2 hour and 45 minute-hour program. (313) 982-6180 MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HIS-

"A Communion of the Spirits: African-American Quilters, Preservers and Their Stories" exhibits featuring 175 phoand a limited amount of other artwork June 7, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush

tographs of varying sizes, a selection of the surveyed quilts, interpretive panels, related to the quilters, through Sunday, Street), Detroit. Museum hours 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays. \$3 for adults and \$2 for children aged 12 and younger. (313) 494-5800

POPULAR MUSIC

9 p.m. Friday, April 10, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans), Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 259-2643

ALL HAIL ME With Stun Gun, 9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, JD's Entertainment Center, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. \$6. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 465-5154 JOSLYN B. AND THE DETROIT STREET PLAYERS

9 p.m. Friday, April 10, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

THE BANDITOS 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, Free, 21 and older (blues) (248) 644-4800

JOHNNIE BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS 9 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans), Detroit, Cover charge, 21 and older. (blues) (313) 259-2643

BUGS BEDDOW BAND 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, April 10, Corradi's, 1090 Rochester Road, Troy. Free, 21 and older; 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, Bachelor's, 1967 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 588-3471/(248) 682-2295 or http://www.bugsbeddow.com

NORMA JEAN BELL AND THE ALL STARS 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays through June 27, Bacci Abbracci, 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac. Free. All ages, (variety) (248) 253-1300

BENNY AND THE JETS 9 p.m. Sundays in April, Buck's Place, 23845 W. Warren Road (one block east of Telegraph Road), Dearborn Heights. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 274-6005.

BETTER DAYS 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 17, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac, Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 338-6200 BIG DAVE AND THE ULTRASONICS 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (jump blues) (734) 455-8450

THE BIZER BROTHERS 8 p.m. to midnight Fridays and Saturdays in April, The Rattlesnake Club, 300 River Place, Detroit. Free. All ages. (pop) (313) 567-4400 BLUE CAT

With Ken Murphy, 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800 BLUE EYED SOUL

With Caustic Pop, 9 p.m. Friday, April 10, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 Woodbridge, Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 567-6020 BLUE RAYS

9 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge, 21 and older, (blues) (734) 451-1213 BLUE SUIT BLUES BAND

9 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Carriage House Blues Alley, 24200 Grand River Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St. (at Orleans), Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 535-3440/(313) 259-2643

BONNE TEMPS ROULLE With Leonard Moon, 9 p.m. Friday Saturday, April 17-18, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (R&B) (248) 652-1600

BRAN YAN 3000 7 p.m. Thursday, April 16, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8.50 in advance, \$10 at the door. All ages. (hip-hop/pop) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com BRIDGE

9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 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, April 11, Mount Chalet, 4715 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak, Free. 21 and older. (blues/funk) (248) 549-2929 CD3

With Almighty Groove, 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, Griff's Griff, 49 N. Saginaw,
Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older.
(rock) (248) 334-9292
CHISEL BROS. WITH THORNETTA DAVIS
9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Memphis
Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak.

Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300 **CLOWN POUNDERS**

With Khaki Warriors, 9 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 334-9292 DANNY COX

8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 544-1141 CREED

With Cool for August and Samiam, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$16 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-5451 or http://www.961melt.com C-TEC

With Rorschach Test, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 16. St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (techno) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com **DAMON AND NAOMI**

Formerly of Galaxie 500, perform with Masaki Batoh and Michio Kurihara of April 13, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (acoustic) (313) 832-2355

DETROIT COBRAS With The Fells and The Hentchmen, 8 p.m. Sunday, April 12, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and

older. (garage rock) (313) 833-POOL or MajeStickC@aol.com DIVESPIRE With Sunday Afternoon Trio and Nailing Betty, 9 p.m. Friday, April 10, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover

charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 334-DR. JOHN

7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$20 in advance, \$23 day of show. All ages. (blues) (734) 761-1451. **DUKE TUMATOE**

8 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Carriage House Blues Alley, 24300 Grand River Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 535-3440 GLEN EDDIE

9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. blues) (248) 644-4800

With Guster, 8 p.m. Friday, April 17, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$12.50 in advance. 19 and older. (Deadhead)

With The Crossing, 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, JD's Entertainment Center, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens, Ladies free before midnight. 18 and older. ('70s hard-core covers) (810) 465-5154

8 p.m. Thursday, April 9, The Palladium Music Club, 17580 Frazho Road, Roseville. Cover charge: 18 and older. (rock) (810) 778-6404

With The Hentchmen and Detroit Cobras, 8 p.m. Sunday, April 12, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6, 18 and older. (garage rock) (313) 833-POOL or MajeStickC@aol.com

5 TON CREEK 10 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Library Pub. 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free, 21 and older. (rock/funk) (248) 349-9110

With Slight Return, 9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Peppi's, 3270 W. Huron St., Waterford. Cover charge. 21 and older: 10 p.m. Friday, April 17, Scalici's

Underground Lounge, 6650 Allen Road, | Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (alterna-Allen Park. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 682-6200/(313) 438-

JULIE FOUNTAIN 8 p.m. Friday, April 17, Coffee Studio, 600 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Free. All ages. (acoustic) (734) 416-

With Twist of Fate and Frank Buscemi of The Serfs, 9 p.m. Friday, April 10, JD's Entertainment Center, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. \$6. 18 and older. (rock/cover bands) (810) 465-

FUNKTELLIGENCE With Uncle Booby, 9 p.m. Friday, April 10, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (funk) (734) 485-5050 GOVERNMENT HONEY

9 p.m. Sundays in April, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. \$3. 21 and older, (rock) (313) 533-

9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Union. Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Sunday, April 12, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 360-7450/(248) 543-4300/(734) 421-

2250 10 p.m. Friday, April 17, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 332-HOWL JOHN HAMMOND AND LITTLE CHARLIE AND THE NIGHTCATS

7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance, \$18 day of show. All ages. (blues) (734) 761-1800 or http://www.99music.com DAN HICKS AND THE ACOUSTIC

8 p.m. Friday, April 17, Magic Bag. 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$12 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (248) 544-3030

HOWLING DIABLOS With Universal Stomp and 20 Dead Flower Children, 6 p.m. Friday, April 10, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages; With Blue Eyed Soul, 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 18 and older. (funk/rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

With Jill Jack, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$7 in advance. 19 and older. (roots rock) (734) 996-8555

/ (313) 832-2355

With Ultra Spank, 7 p.m. Saturday, April 11, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

With The Rivermen and Jo Serrapere, 8 p.m. Friday, April 10, Magic Bag. 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$6. .8 and older; 9 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, Captain Tony's, 30919 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (roots rock) (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com / (248)

288-6388 NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS

10 p.m. Friday, April 10, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Library Pub. 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 421-2250/(248) 349-

KILLER FLAMINGOS 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, Memphis

Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (R&B/pop) (248) 543-4300 MIKE KING

With his band, 10 p.m. Saturday, April 11, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 683-5458 KUNG FU DIESEL

9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, April 11, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake, Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday. April 17, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and

older. (rockabilly) (734) 485-5050/(248) 683-5458/(810) 731-1750 JOHN D. LAMB 10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 9-10, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older; 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth

St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic pop) (248) 349-9110/(734) 421-2250/(248) 544-1141 or http://www.jdlamb.com THE LOOK 9:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free

21 and older. (rock) (248) 338-6200

LYNNFIELD PIONEERS With Barnyard Playboys, 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$7. 18 and older. (hard rock) (313) 833-POOL or MajeStickC@aol.com

With The Triggers, 9:30 p.m. Saturday,

tive rock) (734) 996-8555 CINE HAT

10 p.m.-2 a.m. Wednesdays in April, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road jone block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

With Uncle Booby and Variac, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, \$6, 18 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 544 3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com "METRO SOUL" NIGHT Featuring new R&B acts Lafayette Reed and Sarah, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, JD's Entertainment Center, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover

5154 MR. B With Bob Seeley, Jean-Pierre Bertrand and Philippe LeJeune, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$17.5. All ag

charge. 18 and older. (R&B) (810) 465-

(blues/boogie piano) (734) 761-1451 MOONPIE FONTANA 9 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Beaver Creek, 1609 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (classic rock) (734)

MIKE MORGAN AND THE CRAWL 9 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free, 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

With Godzuki and Bell, 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 17, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (734) 996-8555 MOJO RATTLE

10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Shield's Pizzeria, 25101 Telegraph Road, Southfield. Free. ("soulful blues") (248) 356-2720

MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM MCCARTY 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300 STEVE NARDELLA 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11, Fox

and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800 ROBERT NOLL'S MISSION

9 p.m. Friday, April 10, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213 OVERKILL

9 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Harpo's, 14238 Harper Road, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 21 and older. (metal) (313) 824-1700 PAKISTANI TAMBOURINE 8:30 p.m.-12;30 a.m. Mondays in April,

Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford, Free, 21 and older, (rock) (313) 533-4477 ROBERT PENN

9 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300 PIGFACE

Featuring Jared Hendrickson (Chemiab), Vas Kallas (Hanzel und Gretyl), Meg Lee Chin (Crunch), Bobdog (Evil Mothers), Curse Mackey (Evil Mothers), Gus Ferguson (Test Department, Dead Can Dance), Charles Levi (Thrill Kill Kult), and Martin Atkins (P.I.L., Killing Joke, Ministry), and special guests Scorn, FM Einheit of Einsturzende Neubauten, Bagman featuring Lee Fraser of Sheep on Drugs, and Not Breathing, 8 p.m. Friday, April 10, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$15.50 in advance. All ages. (industrial) (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com or

http://www.invisiblerecords.com **PLUMLOCO** 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, Cross Street

Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (734) 485-5050 PRESTON

With Original Formula, Giant, and Ich Bin Ein Berliner, 9 p.m. Thursday, April 16, JD's Entertainment Center, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 465-5154 **PROMISE RING**

With Jimmy Eat World and Compound Red, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 833-POOL or MajeStickC@aol.com

PULL 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 360-7450

PLIRE With the Gandharvas and Plain, 6 p.m. Friday. April 17, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress. Detroit. Free. All ages. (pop) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

PURPLE FLY 10 p.m. Friday, April 17, Library Pub. 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock/funk) (248) 349-9110

9 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050 LAFAYETTE REED

With The Soulful Elegance of Sarah. 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, JD's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St. Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (R&B) (810) 465-5154/(313) 965-8055

THE REV. HORTON HEAT April 11, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., With Face to Face and the Mighty Blue (734) 451-1213

Kings, 7 p.m. Friday, April 10, State
Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit.
Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages.
(punk/swing) (313) 961-5451 or
http://www.961melt.com
MERL SAUNDERS AND THE
RAINFOREST EAND
9:30 p.m. Monday, April 13, Blind Pig,
206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$15 in
advance. 19 and older. (Deadhead)
(734) 996-8555 or
http://www.99music.com
SAVE FERRIS

SAVE PERRIS
With Home Grown and Hagfish, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, April 11, St. Andrew's Hall,
431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at
Ticketmaster. All ages. (ska/rock)

(313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com
KETH SAXTON AND THE POOR BOYS
9 p.m. Saturday, April 11, O'Maro's,
2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Free.
21 and older. (blues) (248) 399-6750
SISTER SEED

9 p.m. Friday, April 10, Matt Brady's, 1820 E. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. Cover charge. 21 and older. (acoustic pop) (248) 584-4242

With The Skoidats and Inspector 7, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 9, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance, \$7 day of show. All ages. (ska) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

"SOLAR NIGHT"
Techno and house with DJs Chuck
Hampton, Carlos Souffront and Twonz, v.
9:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, Blind
Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (techno/house) (734) 996-8555

STEVE SOMERS With Valerie Barrymore, 9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Carriage House Blues Alley, 24200 Grand River Ave., Detroit... Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 535-3440 THE SPECIALS

8 p.m. Friday, April 10, The Majestic, M 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20 in advance. 18 and older. (ska) (313) 833-9700 or http://www.99music.com THE STATLERS

7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16, and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 17-18, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Macomb Community College, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$35, \$32 students and seniors. (country) (810) 286-2141

IKKI SUDDEN AND THE CHAMBER

Former Swell Maps member performs with special guests Mount McKinleys, 9 p.m. Friday, April 17, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$7. 18 and older. (garage

rock) (313) 833-POOL or With Telegraph, 7 p.m. Friday, April 17. Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$8 in advance. All ages. (ska/punk)

(248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com Featuring Tim Reynolds, guitarist for the Dave Matthews Band, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16, Blind Pig. 206-208

19 and older, (rock) (734) 996-8555 or

http://www.99music.com TANGERINE TROUSERS 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, Bo's Bistro. 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older; 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (248) 338-6200/(248) 544-1141

TELEGRAPH 9 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (ska) (734). 485-5050

TWISTIN' TARANTULAS 10 p.m. Friday, April 10, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, April 17, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (810) 731-1750/(248) 683-5458

2XL 10 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750 VAL VENTRO

With Skeeto, 10 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 421-2250 RANDY VOLIN AND SONIC BLUES 9 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Hamlin Pub. -741 S. Lapeer Road, Lake Orion. Cover charge, 21 and older; 8 p.m.

Wednesday-Thursday, April 15-16, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages; 10 p.m. Friday, April 17, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 814-8109/(248) 644-4800/(734) 421-2250 or http://www.rockindaddys.com WAILIN

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 581-3650 **CHRIS WHITLEY**

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Bruce Willis falls further in lame 'Mercury Rising'



undercover FBI agent who takes it upon himself to protect a young murder witness. The kid has autism and spends half of the movie kicking and scream-

ing, saying he's

In "Mercury

Rising," Bruce Willis plays an

not supposed to talk to strangers You sit through a movie like

this with your mind racing. Who thinks up this kind of nonsense? Did they run out of buddy movie pairings? Was it produced by a Citizens with Disabilities organization? And, most importantly, didn't Willis learn after the last

Since taking to the big screen, he has been basically a one-note actor, with his smug, too-cool

approach to any and all situations. His lines usually arrive with a taunting scowl or a

droopy-eyed smirk.
"Mercury Rising" begins with a puzzle book that nine-year-old Simon picks up and unravels mazes, crosswords, and word searches prove a breeze for the boy. When he stares at a page of random letters and numbers, his mind kicks into high gear and, sure enough, you can hear his computer-like calculations on the

The hidden message says to dial an 800-number which connects him to a top secret government organization. The puzzle was the last safeguard to prove that a supercode could not be cracked and, by doing so, the boy and his family are placed in immediate danger.

Willis, who pops pills and flashes back to the needless deaths of teenage bank robbers, has various close calls in saving

movie's uncaring villain, says the death of a "retarded kid" is a small price to pay for protecting national security.

The score, by John Barry, recalls the veteran composer's work on the James Bond soundtracks, not so much in the action scenes as in the slower, plot-driven passages. It doesn't really help the standard issue action situations, including gunfights in busy Chicago streets with a blandly cast assassin.

If not for all the profanity and the blood, this could be a Disney movie. It would make the plot points a lot easier to swallow, especially when Willis involves a young woman to help harbor the

The dialogue is worse than usual, especially when bad guy Baldwin says, "I conduct business the way my wife says I cook: quick and tasteless."

In one scene, he and Willis

the kid. Alec Baldwin, as the an uninvited guest at a fancy dinner party - square off in the wine cellar. The ever-cocky Willis wrenches the corks off of priceless bottles of wine, takes a sip, makes a wry observation, and then smashes them to the floor.

While Willis looks tired but fairly robust, Baldwin is starting to take on the paunchiness of middle age. This is especially evident in the climax, where the wind from the helicopter blades plasters his usually-perfect hair over his face, making him look

For awhile there it looked like Willis was gravitating toward roles better than this. But memories of "Pulp Fiction" and Twelve Monkeys" grow dimmer with each idiotic action movie like "Mercury Rising."

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SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.

Classic Cinema Series -Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. Call (248) 424-9022 for information. (\$3)

"The Stranger" (USA - 1947). 7. p.m. Friday, May 15. Orson Welles' most conventional film made in the hopes of appeasing the studios who found his films too weird - is still a cut above the rest. Welles plays a Nazi criminal hiding out in a New England college town, chased by irascible Edward G. Robinson.

Detroit Film Theatre -Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Call (313) 833-2323 for information (\$5.50; \$4.50 students/seniors)

"Love and Death on Long Island" (England - 1997). Fri-

day-Sunday, April 10-12 (call for showtimes). When a reclusive in hopelessly intertwined rela-

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tionships. Magic Bag - 22918 Woodward, Ferndale. Call (248) 544-3030 for information. (\$2)

"Jackie Brown" (USA-1997). 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, and Wednesday, April 15. Most were impressed by the performances (Robert DeNiro, Samuel Jackson, Bridget Fonda, Pam Grier and Robert Forster) but unmoved by the story, which went on forever and nowhere at the same time. Ultimately, the only thing you can say for director Quentin Tarantino is that he's not predictable.

Main Art Theatre - 118 N. Main (at 11 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Call (248) 542-0180 for information. (\$6.50; \$4 students/seniors and matinees; \$3 twilight)

"The Real Blonde" (USA -1998). From Tom DiCillo, director of "Living in Oblivion," comes this romantic comedy set in New York City about a group of characters whose lives intertwine in the superficial world of fashion and entertainment. Matthew Modine and Daryl Hannah star.

"Niagara Niagara" (USA -1998). Two misfits meet while shoplifting in this contemporary melodrama set in upstate New York.

"The Apostle" (USA - 1997). Robert Duvall's tour de force as a preacher who has a crisis of faith and thus tries to get his life back in order. Farrah Fawcett co-stars.

Star Southfield - 23555 West 12 Mile Road (near Northwestern and Telegraph), Southfield. (\$7.50 \$5 adults; \$4.75 children/seniors before 6 p.m.)

"Mrs. Dalloway" (Britain -1997). When a woman (Vanessa Redgrave) encounters a man she knew some 30 years earlier, it causes her to reevaluate the path her life has taken. Based on a novel by Virginia Woolf.

Windsor Film Theatre -2135 Wyandotte Street, Windsor, Canada. Call (519) 254-FILM for information. (\$5.25 Canadian; \$4

"Underground" (France/Germany - 1995). 7 p.m. through Sunday, April 12. This Cannes prize winner reaches into the last 50 years of Yugoslavia's history as a man who goes under-ground during World War II and only surfaces in 1992.

"Succubus" (West Germany -1967). 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11. Perhaps the best from Jess Franco, director of European trash in the 1960s who takes an entertainingly Mod look at depravity.



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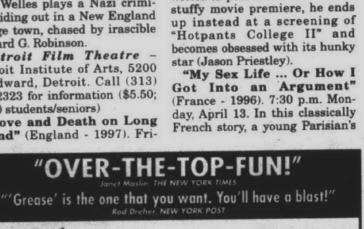
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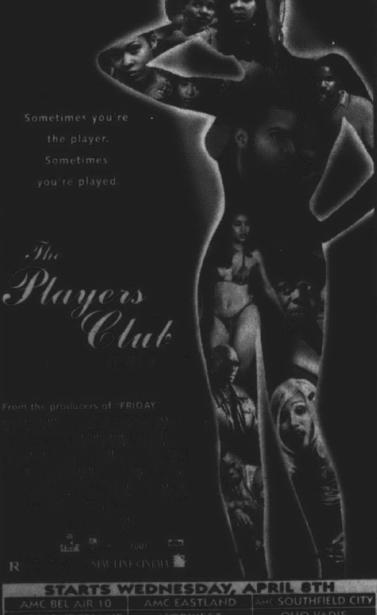
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"We've got this weird karma with Detroit. Sue Hynes did our logo and James Smolka did our photographs. I just met them in New York but they're from Detroit," the Montreal resident explained.

I meet a lot of people from Detroit in Montreal too. It's kind of strange. I'm very anxious to go there. I feel very close to the

Di Salvio gets his chance Thursday, April 16, when Bran Van 3000 plays The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit.

Bran Van 3000 shipped its debut album "Glee" to U.S. stores Tuesday, March 10. The album already achieved gold status in

Bran Van 3000 fans who own the Canadian version will have to make the trek back to the record store. Capitol Records has added three new tracks to the U.S. release - "Rainshine," "Carry On" and "Old School."

"Glee" is not only Bran Van 3000's debut album, but Di Salvio's first foray into music. Two years ago, Di Salvio was pursuing a career as a filmmaker and a music video director. On the side he was working as a DJ and remixing songs. Then the musical bug bit him.

So he took the money he made from directing a video for Branford Marsalis and bought studio equipment to record "Glee."

Di Salvio recruited 20 Montreal musicians, producers, singers and rappers to work on "Glee" but whittled his permanent band down to eight - DJ/ keyboardist "Electronic-Pierre" Bergen, vocalists Jayne Hill, Sara Johnston and Stephane Moraille, rap-per Steve "Liquid" Hawley, bassist Gary McKenzie, guitarist Nick Hynes and drummer Rob

His project has proved to be successful. The first single off "Glee," "Drinking in L.A." has become a certified hit in Canada and on urban and alternative stations in the Detroit area.

"I can't complain about the reception," Di Salvio said during a recent phone conversation from the Capitol Records build-

pianists, among them Mr. B and

Bob Seeley. Backstage Pass

music producer Ron Pangborn

(himself one of the area's top

ing in Hollywood.

You do this little album just kind of for fun, almost as therapy, in the living rooms of all kinds of people. Then all of a sudden people are listening to it. It's really freaky."

"Glee" kicks off with a frenetic

sampling of music and public service announcements, and leads into the low-fi, hip-hop track "Couch Surfer" which couples vocals with a kazoo. On "Drinking in L.A." he trades off vocals with the soulful Moraille. The latter part of the CD dips into pure pop on "Everywhere" and "Exactly Like Me," during which Johnson and Di Salvio are paired with violins and acoustic

Buried in the middle of the CD is a stripped-down cover of

Slade's "Cum on Feel the Noise" sang by Johnston, Hill and

Nearly every pop genre is addressed on "Glee."

"I wanted to make a record that spanned all my loves. I have the theory that you do it (an album) as if it's your last record. As a DJ you make mix tapes for friends. If one of my friends was only into punk, I'd sneak other things on there. When you have to hold a bar for four or five hours, you get pretty good at pacing,"

Now that Di Salvio has dabbled in music and filmmaking, his next venture will be in comic

"I never thought I'd make a record, so maybe I'll make a comic one day. I can't even draw

my own foot, but I don't know do re mi' and I pulled off a record."

• Lilith Fair and Levi's are

hosting an "Acoustic Talent Search" Friday, April 24, at the Mill Street Lounge, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Contestants must submit a two-song demo before Thursday, April 16, to Ritual Inc./ Lilith Contest, Attention: Maria Cukr, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, Mich., 48226. Femalefronted acoustic acts (three-piece maximum) are eligible. Finalists will be notified by phone and their names will be posted on the Ritual Inc. website at http:// www.961melt.com Runners up will win Levi's prize packages and Lilith Fair concert tickets. The winner will play this year's Lilith Fair show in Michigan.

Well-oiled machine keeps Backstage Pass humming along

BACKSTAGE

Backstage Pass offices at Detroit Public Television are in the dog days of production. Oddly, that doesn't mean we're sleeping for about 22 hours a day and turning around three before times lying down. It

means we're in the thick of the production season, a week-toweek grind of putting together programs that showcase the best of Detroit's visual and performing arts.

Just how does this well-oiled machine work? Well, let's use this week's show as an example for one of those "behind the scenes making of" specials.

Every week, we have a production meeting. The production meeting is attended by any and all Backstage Pass contributors. Of course, we all have other gigs (I do a little radio show), so not everyone can make it every week. Not a problem. Their ears are to the rail for new artists, venues and exhibits in

Our stellar roster of genre hosts is the real strength of the show. They're all tops in their fields, and their experience spreads a wide net over area happenings. In the visual arts, we have long time area art critic and Cranbrook archivist Marsha Miro and the curator of the area all that often; we kept miss-

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Wildlife Interpretive Museum at the Detroit Zoo, Gerry Craig. In theater we have Blair Anderson from the Wayne State Theatre Department faculty and Gary Anderson, the producing artistic director of Plowshares Theatre. In film, we have Elliot Wilhelm, curator of film at the Detroit Institute of Arts and the director of the Detroit Film Theatre at the DIA. WDET's W. Kim Heron helps us out with jazz, along with Kim Hunter, who is also immersed in the spoken word scene. Peter Sparling takes time from his own company to keep us up on Detroit's dance scene. WDET's Nkenge Zola covers just about everything, Paul Russell covers classical music, Gary Graff helps me cover pop music

eyes and ears in pop culture. Now, the producers know what's coming up, because they practically live under the deluge of press releases, letters, and demos that are sent in every week by artists, venues, promotions people, press agents, managers and record labels.

and rock and Lex Kuhne is our

For instance, last season W. Kim Heron mentioned that pianist Mr. B has been on a oneman crusade to preserve the art of boogie-woogie piano. A few years ago at Detroit's Montreaux jazz festival, Mr. B played with Detroit-area boogie blues piano legend Bob Seeley. The set was so hot it instantly became the stuff of legend. How about we bring these guys in?

Well, Mr. B doesn't gig in the

ing him. Finally, we saw that he to play. They agreed, finally fulhad put together a show at the filling W. Kim Heron's suggestion Ark in Ann Arbor, "Mr. B's First of almost a year ago! Annual Boogie Blues Piano Orgy." The show boasts four of the world's top boogie and blues

A few months ago, Marsha Miro told us the art world was buzzing about Jane Lackey, a former Cranbrook student who had just been appointed to head up the school's fiber department. The producers thought this had musicians) invited them to the something to do with cereal until Detroit Public Television studio Marsha Miro explained that

fiber is one of the key material disciplines in art, and that Ms. Lackey was one of the best fiber artist going. When Marsha told us that the Sybaris in Royal Oak was exhibiting Ms. Lackey's work, we contacted the gallery about taping the work, and Marsha sat down to talk about it

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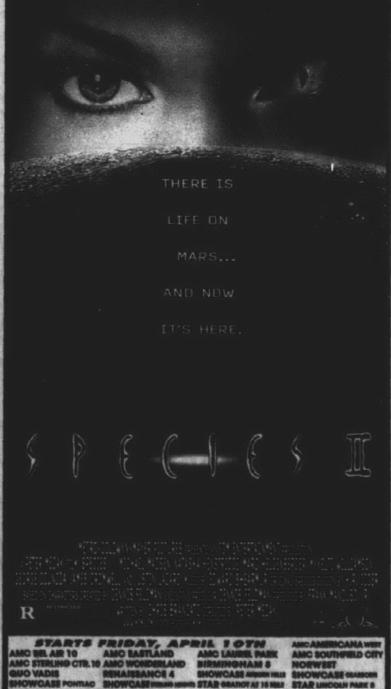
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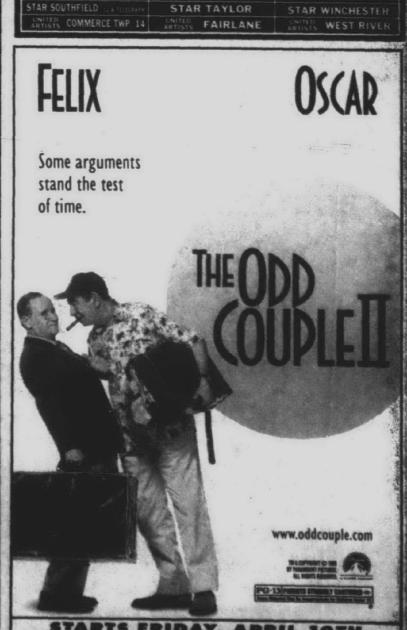
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Arriba puts emphasis on 'authentic'

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

"All places go through a life cycle, some longer, some shorter. You fight to extend the life cycle, stay in touch with people and the market," said Dennis Serras.

After 21 years, Ann Arbor's Maude's had run its cycle and Serras and his partners in Mainstreet Ventures had to decide what to do with the downtown Ann Arbor restaurant that had once been "the place for ribs."
In March Maude's became

Arriba, a Mexican restaurant with an emphasis on "authentic." "Maude's was here 21 years. It

reached its life cycle. It was successful and made money until the day we closed it," Serras said.

The first thought was to redo Maude's to help it fit into the ever-changing downtown Ann Arbor mix, which includes Mainstreet's other ventures Gratzi's, Real Seafood and Palio's

Maude's opened in 1977 as a "high-class" hamburger joint with specialty burgers at higher prices. Then the restaurant introduced baby back ribs and became a downtown mainstay.

"We were thinking of a Michigan theme with apples, Michigan cherries, something, but no one was real excited by it," Serras

Then someone suggested Mexi-

"We said Mexican and we didn't understand Mexican at all, I was thinking refried beans and cheese," Serras said.

Serras, Executive Chef Simon Pesusich and others hit the road to find out what Mexican food was all about. They went to Texas, Mexico and California.

"Then in La Jolla, someone told us about this hole in the wall," Serras said.

Here was a different kind of Mexican food - quesadillas made of masa into turnovers, boatshaped masa cakes called sopas, a variety of chile sauces, unusual cheeses and no Monterrey Jack. This was lighter, fresher than the Tex-Mex food served at chain Mexican restaurants.

The next step was to send

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Marvin's Bistro - 15800

Middlebelt, Livonia, (734) 522-

5600, Easter brunch served noon

to 8 p.m. Sunday, April 12. Cost \$16.95 adults, \$6.95 children

under 10. Includes carved roast

beef Au Jus, Honey Baked Ham,

Stroganoff, Wild Mushroom Fet-

tuccine, medley of vegetables,

rice pilaf. Desserts include Truf-

fles by Chef Remy, chocolate

dipped strawberries, Chef Remy

Chocolate Mousse and Cheese-

cake with raspberry sauce. Call

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Seafood Newburg,

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EASTER BRUNCH

RESTAURANT SPECIALS

Beef

What: Mexican restaurant emphasizing authentic regional Mexican dishes. Alcohol: yes

Cost: Entrees, \$6.95-\$13.95; appetizers, \$4.95-\$5.75; salads, \$2.95-\$8.75.

Where: 314 St. Fourth St., Ann Arbor

Reservations: For parties of six or more. (734)662-8485. Hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday; 4-11 p.m. Sat-

urday; 4-9 p.m. Sunday. Credit: All major credit cards.

Pesusich to Chicago.

Chicago? That's where Rick Bayliss has been serving a variety of regional Mexican dishes at his Frontera Restaurant. Pesusich trained for several weeks at Bayliss' restaurant and came away with a new respect for Mexican food. Bayliss operates a haute-cuisine sister restaurant to Frontera, Topolobompo as

"The more I studied, the more excited I got. I stayed up to 4 or 5 in the morning reading about it and getting excited," Pesusich

The Arriba menu has been kept deliberately small, manageable with items that may have names similar to other area Mexican restaurants but are really very different. The one thing that is like other restaurants and is not "authentic" is three kinds of fajitas, those flaming, grilled, tortilla-wrapped sandwiches.

"That's the skeleton in our closet," Serras said.

But here, Pesusich has created a winner, fajitas made with portabello mushrooms. They are outselling the chicken and steak

The other dishes provide taste surprises. Appetizers include such unusual items as quesadillas capitalinas, corn masa turnovers stuffed with chihuahua cheese, chile and gucamole; sopas rancheros, small

Big Rock Chop & Brew

House - 245 S. Eton Street,

Birmingham (248) 647-7774,

beginning 10:30 a.m. with lunch

ding with Pheasant Sausage.

with a raffle of Beanie Babies.

at \$17.



corn masa boats with shredded chocolate bread pudding, a lime beef and aged Mexican cheese; custard and, Pesusich's favorite, and for a sampling of items a rum raisin rice pudding.

Arriba has the usual offering of Mexican, domestic and imported beers, wines and margaritas. "This is the most complex thing I've done here," said Pesusich. "It was strange and new to

getting ready to understand it." In the weeks ahead Pesusich said he will be introducing a limited number of specials.

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In addition to new food, Arriba needed a new look. Serras said they worked with a designer from Cincinnati to develop the eye-popping design with its emphasis on bright primary colors, Mexican artifacts and suggestions of Old Mexico.

"What we created was an illusion of what people may think it's like there. What is authentic is the colorfulness, bright reds and blues," Serras said.

Color is everywhere from stripped snake sticks over the bar to a multi-colored fabric hanging suggesting chiles to green cactuses. At the center of everything is a plaster tree festooned with lanterns. The tree and the adobe shaped booths and clay patterned floor suggest a courtvard.

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Robert Hart,

utive Chef

Simon Pesu-

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some of Arri-

ba's unusual

dishes, clock-

wise from left,

Entremes Sur-

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Asada, a steak

entree; and, for

dessert, choco-

pudding with

Kahlua sauce.

late bread

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(left), and exec-

To add to the "illusion," a mariachi band strolls through Arriba 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday-Fri-

"We did this in three weeks and two days," Serras said. 'We're at our best when we create things. We've never used a concept more than once. We've got seafood, northern Italian, Tuscan and now Mexican."

Next up for Mainstreet will be a high-end steakhouse next to Gratzi's on Main Street later this

EATING OUT IN THE SUBURBS

Just in case you missed it, or last the paper. Here are some of the restaurants we've recently

Plymouth Landing -Where: 340 N. Main St., Plymouth, (734) 455-3700. Open: 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday (bar stays open until 1 a.m., limited Casual Fare menu after 10:30 p.m.); 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, brunch served until 2 p.m. Menu: Creative cooking with Greek, Italian and French flare, American fare also. Cost: Lunch ranges from \$6.50 to \$12.95, dinner \$7.95 to \$21.95; brunch \$10.95 adults, \$5.95 children ages 5-10; no charge children age 4 and under. Reservations: Recommended. Credit cards: All majors accepted. Banquet Room: For up to 50 people. Easter Buffet - 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, April 12, \$12.95 adults, \$6.95 children ages 5-10; no charge children age 4 and under. Menu includes ham and turkey, pasta with tomato sauce. mixed vegetables, roast pork with gravy, Polish sausage, rice pilaf, dressing, mashed potatoes, sweet & sour cabbage, variety of salads, assorted pastries and desserts.

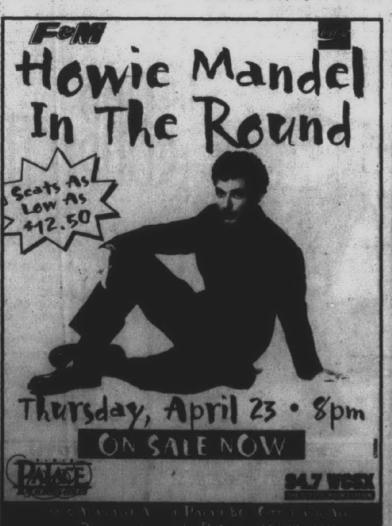
■ Mesquite Creek - 45250 Ford Road. Open 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday. Menu: Steakhouse fare with great seafood. Mesquite Creek takes a Tex-Mex spin on everything they do, and uses Certified Angus Beef. Reservations: Sunday-Thursday for parties of eight or more. Credit Cards: All majors accepted. Cost: \$5-\$12 lunch; \$9-\$27 dinner. Children's menu available. Entertainment: 7-11 p.m. Wednesdays, The Hits plays soft pop rock favorites

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days, owner Tom MacKinnon believes Easter is special. This year, in addition to regular menu items, he's adding House-smoked

entremes surtido.

The specialties include a char-

grilled chicken breast in a sauce

of chile ancho and red wine with

bacon and winter squash puree;

garlic and spice rubbed shrimp

chargrilled; and carne asada,

marinated grilled top sirloin

the traditional little corn chip

sandwiches, as some disappoint-

ed customers discovered. For

others the tacos de tinga de ver-

duras, a vegetarian plate with

zucchini, mushrooms and avoca-

dos was a pleasant surprise. The

taquitos are crisp rolled tortillas

with chicken and poblano chiles.

Enchiladas feature chicken with

a red mole sauce, the Mexican

chocolate sauce used in many

Desserts include a flan, a

Tacos at Arriba are not like

with guajillo chile sauce.

Pork Loin, Turkey with Herb Dressing and Lobster dishes using the freshest from his lob-





