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## Crime dips in the Plymouths

Crime was down in greater Plymouth last year, according to 1997 reports compiled by local police.

In Plymouth Township, reported larcenies, assaults, burglaries, stolen cars, robberies and rape were all down. In the city, burglaries and assaults decreased. Robberies and larcenies remained the same.

Statistically, murder rose 100 percent in greater Plymouth. That's because there were two reported in Plymouth Township last year, compared to one in 1996.

But this may not be the last word on the township's 1997 murder rate. It could be halved - if it's proven that the decomposed body of a man, found near railroad tracks on the township's west side last year, was killed somewhere else.

There were no murders in the city last year.

Plymouth city Police Chief Robert Scoggins said the 13-percent decrease in index crimes - including assault, burglary, larceny, car theft and robbery - "is a very favorable sign and indicator of the department's performance in

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## Low-bid trash hauler gets dumped



**Mr. Rubbish wasn't the lowest bidder, but the city commission is bringing back the company after reported problems with low-bidding trash firm Painter-Ruthenberg.**

Plymouth city residents are getting a trash hauler that doesn't mix recyclables with other trash.

City commissioners voted 6-1 Monday to bring back Mr. Rubbish, effective July 6.

Three years ago, commissioners opted to switch to low-bidding trash firm Painter-Ruthenberg, to save \$240,000 over the term of a three-year contract.

But complaints from residents over Painter-Ruthenberg's service caused the city to hire a part-time municipal services employee at \$18,200 per year to clean up the mess that the hauler sometimes left behind.

Resident complaints phoned to the city municipal services department have ranged from trash cans being run over or left in the street to crews throwing regular trash and recycling

bags in the same truck.

"It is the one that angers residents the most," said Paul Sincok, municipal services director.

"We haven't gotten the level of service we need in the city of Plymouth - period," said Commissioner Dave McDonald who said he's received complaints from residents.

"We've been paying somebody to cover the mistakes of our current refuse hauler the last three years," he added.

City Manager Steve Walters said that while Painter-Ruthenberg's latest bid was \$30,000 less than that submitted by Mr. Rubbish, that savings is

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mitigated by the \$18,200 spent annually on the employee's salary to respond to complaints.

Tony Guerro, attorney for Painter-Ruthenberg, said the 255 complaints from residents in 1997 amounts to seven-tenths of one percent of those getting the service.

Further, on a citizen survey he said 94 percent rated their service good to excellent. "That seems to speak well to the service being provided by Painter-

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### '98 ACADEMIC ALL-STARS

## STUDENTS SHINE

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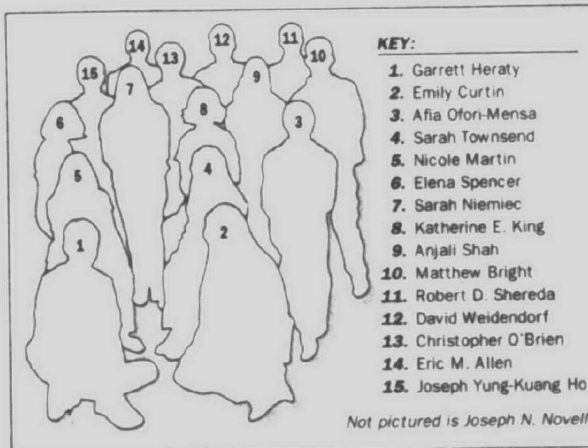
Meet 16 of the most accomplished high school seniors in the metro area, the 1998 Observer Academic All-Star Team. A group of area high school principals met at the Observer in March to tabulate test scores and grade point averages and determine the winners.

Your newspaper today includes a special section spotlighting the 1998 Observer Academic All-Stars. Take time to read about their accomplishments and look at their pictures. You're looking at the future, and it looks pretty good.

#### The team

The 1998 Observer Academic All-Stars, chosen from nominees from local public and private high schools, include: Nicole Martin of North Farmington High School, Katherine E. King of Livonia Stevenson High School, Afia Ofori-Mensa of Plymouth Canton High School, Matthew Bright of Plymouth Salem

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**Top scholars:** Meet some of the most accomplished high school seniors in the metro area, the 1998 Observer Academic All-Star Team.

## Awards: Students turn around their lives

**P**lymouth Salem High School student Kelly Kubeck will graduate in a few weeks.

She's been active in various school activities, spends a number of hours performing community service, has lettered on the Salem varsity tennis team, and has a job ... all while getting A's and B's on her report card.

And in the fall, the 17-year-old Plymouth Township resident will head down the road to Michigan State

University.

Despite all the accomplishments, Kelly is most proud of the fact that she has been sober for 17 months and six days.

Kelly, along with 26 other students in the Plymouth-Canton school district, were honored Tuesday at the third annual Turnaround Achievement Awards sponsored by Super Bowl Lanes at the Summit on the Park in Canton.

The students, who ranged from elementary to high school students, were honored for their effort, perseverance and commitment to turning their lives around.

"I was dependent on drugs and alcohol for four years, got into some trouble and couldn't stand it anymore," said Kelly. "I just hit rock bottom."

Kelly was able to pull herself together for what turned out to be the biggest challenge of her

young life.

"I had my mom and dad get me into a recovery program in Ohio, a lockup facility for four weeks," Kelly said. "Then I went to court and the judge gave me one last chance. So far it's worked."

Along with her parents and teachers, Kelly credits the student services program at the high school for keeping her sober.

"The alternative education program helps people get into rehab, get sober, and help reidentify themselves," said Kelly. "The teachers introduced me to their aftercare group where there are about 10 recovering students. We have Alcohol Anonymous meetings for the entire school every Friday, and learn how to turn around your whole life."

Lynn Sandmann, who directs the program with Diane Matsumoto and Allie Suffety, presented the Turnaround Award to Kelly.

"Kelly is an amazing and courageous young woman," said Sandmann. "She has created new life options for herself ... and is working hard at balancing priorities in her life."

And it goes without saying that her parents are proud of the way Kelly has turned her life around.

"We went through some tough times,

#### It's your turn to shine

The following students were honored Tuesday in the 1998 Turnaround Achievement Awards:

- Serene Garlow-Wyatt • Bird Elementary
- Jacob Whinnie • Eriksson Elementary
- Christian Smith • Field Elementary
- Keith Porter • Gallimore Elementary
- Michael Krafchak • Hulsing Elementary
- Daniel McClure • Miller Elementary
- Brent Deaver • Central Middle School
- Ryan Case • Central Middle School
- Christopher Hutchinson • East Middle School
- Kimberley Diedrich • East Middle School
- Christina Hughes • Lowell Middle School
- Tim Kasten • West Middle School
- Jantae Gertos • West Middle School
- Andrew Leonard • P-CEP
- Kevin Globbie • P-CEP
- Chris Miller • P-CEP
- Bobbi Jones • P-CEP
- Mark Snyder • P-CEP
- Lauren Wozniak • P-CEP
- Michael Reeser • P-CEP
- Kelly Kubeck • P-CEP
- Amanda Heady • P-CEP
- Beth Pope • P-CEP
- Steven Tutor • P-CEP
- Jana Jacobs • P-CEP
- Mary Ann McMullen • Starweather Center



**New life:** Kelly Kubeck pledges "If it is to be it is up to me," at the annual Turnaround Awards.

but we're very proud of her," said Ken Kubeck, Kelly's father. "It was like

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# Despite complaints, new city noise rules adopted

A noise ordinance was approved Monday by Plymouth city commissioners, but some residents claim it's not enough to end sleepless nights.

Then again, some said the ordinance could be almost too strict.

It sets a nighttime standard of 55 decibels as the maximum allowable.

While commissioners and city staff working on the ordinance said this is a median number suggested by noise ordinances in other cities, some residents said it was too high.

Kathryn Smith of Mill Street said a neighbor couldn't sleep Saturday because of a loud band at the nearby Lower Town Grill on Liberty Street.

"You are not listening and I am very embarrassed," she angrily told commissioners.

Dean Kariniemi, who appeared before commissioners to challenge the proposed ordinance two weeks ago, asked why the ordinance was not revised despite several comments from residents.

Kariniemi and some other Lower Town Grill neighbors said

they wanted the decibel level in the ordinance lowered to 45. Some neighbors of Dick Scott Dodge said they were also dissatisfied with the 61 daytime decibel level set in the ordinance, saying dealership loud-speaker announcements are annoying.

John Ronayne of Penniman, who two weeks ago complained of loud music on the porch of the Plymouth Coffee Bean Co. at night, urged another ordinance change. He said the sound measurement should be made at the property of the noise emitter — not at the complainant's proper-

ty line as specified in the ordinance.

Commissioner Colleen Pobur and police Chief Robert Scoggins said investigations of ordinance violations will be sparked by resident complaints. Therefore, they said it's more fitting to measure from the complainant's property line.

Mark Oppat of Blanche Street said he works in the sound business. "I think it's (55 decibels) a good level. If anything, it's fairly restrictive."

But he said the issue involves more than decibel levels. "What one person considers annoying is

different from another person," Oppat said.

He offered to advise the Lower Town Grill on how to mitigate sound complaints, which have centered mainly on too-loud electric bass guitars. Oppat said that two brick walls "would virtually kill it," adding the restaurant's back wall, partly of glass, is a likely source of the problem.

"Bands could be on the other side of the building, but that's his (the owner's) call," Oppat said, adding he supports live music there. "I think that's the future of Plymouth, as an entertainment district."

Fran Toney, executive director of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, said several industrial businesses are concerned about the ordinance.

"We're trying to be broad, we're trying to be enforceable," Pobur responded.

Work on a city noise ordinance began after the 35th District Court threw out tickets written against the Lower Town Grill for too-loud music last summer, saying they were unconstitutional.

Police can begin writing tickets against those violating the ordinance in 18 days.

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Ruthenberg," he said.

Commissioner Joe Koch asked why the city hadn't back-charged

Painter-Ruthenberg for the city responding to complaints.

That led to some commission-

ers asking if higher performance standards could be included in a new, re-bid contract.

McDonald noted that the city has had good experience with Mr. Rubbish, and they continue to be highly rated in other communities. "Their trucks are generally clean, there's a phone number and a name on them," he said.

Guero responded that there is a 24-hour response to complaints specified in the current contract. "Is it worth spending \$18,000 for one complaint a day?" he asked.

"I had two (complaints) on my answering machine today," McDonald responded.

Sincock said a resident recently came to his office to complain strongly about the mixing of

**"Their trucks are generally clean, there's a phone number and a name on them."**

**Dave McDonald**  
—City commissioner, talking about city's experience with Mr. Rubbish

recyclables with other trash. Walters added that this ultimately reflects poorly on the city.

City Commissioner Dennis Shrewsbury was the lone commissioner voting no.

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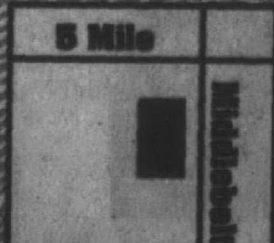
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# Plymouth merchants prepare for Stanley Cup fever

Red Wing fever is back.

First symptoms of this affliction, common to hockey playoff time, could be spotted Sunday. That's when Detroit's National Hockey League team dumped their first playoff opponents.

"The excitement is definitely here; now that they're past the first round you'll see more people getting on board," said John Kwiecien, owner of Trader Jack's sports collectibles on Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth.

Jim Glowski of Plymouth, checking out the selection of \$4.95 Red Wing pins displayed on a glass counter Monday, said he wasn't worried when the team was down briefly in their first series.

"They do this every year. They've got to get their playoff legs going," he explained.

Glowski collects Red Wing pins. "My wife's got an Yzerman jersey," he said.

Once playoff time starts, Kwiecien's sales of Wings jerseys jumps from 10-20 per week to 30-40.

Jerseys, at \$100, remain the biggest selling hockey-related item. "Yzerman is still No. 1, closely followed by Shanahan and Fedorov - his popularity is rising again," Kwiecien said.

Also popular are the Vladimir Konstantinov "Belief" patches and Red Wing car flags, selling at a clip of 25 per week.

There are also coins and plaques celebrating last year's Stanley Cup win, Red Wing watches, posters, putters, golf balls, golf shirts and little Zambonis with the Wings' symbol.

Could the level of Red Wing Fever this year match last year's, if they repeat as Stanley Cup winners?

"Last year was something you'll never see again," Kwiecien said, as it was the team's first championship in 42 years.

Just in case another Stanley Cup win is in the works, he's already ordered a slew of stuff to help fans celebrate.

"I'm rooting for them," Kwiecien said.



**Shopping:** Jim Glowski shops for new pins to add to his wife's collection. Fans are already shopping for hockey, Red Wings and Stanley Cup memorabilia.



**Memorabilia:** John Kwiecien owns Trader Jack's, where sports fans head to when teams, such as the Red Wings make Detroit proud.

## School district goes back to court

### SPECIAL ED

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education is once again going to court in an attempt to recover lost funding from the state of Michigan for special education programs.

If it sounds all too familiar, it is because the district, along with 83 other Michigan school districts, just settled the well-known Durant case.

The 17-year court battle finally ended when the Michigan Supreme Court ruled the state had to pay back to school districts a limited amount of money they spent on special education programs, which the state was required to fund according to the Headlee Amendment.

Subsequently, Plymouth-Canton received a check April 15 for \$5.3 million, much less than the \$12 million the district spent for special education.

"In spite of that settlement, the state has continued practices of underfunding mandated programs ... which is contrary to the Headlee Amendment," said Superintendent Chuck Little. "In this latest suit, about 50 districts thus far are seeking a declaratory judgment, an effort to get full funding for the expenses we're incurring right now."

Little noted the current group of school districts is hoping to add another 100 districts to the suit.

Little believes that if the state doesn't live up to the Headlee provision, the district will be

denied \$500,000 in funding for the 1997-98 school year. That's money which will then have to come out of the district's operating funds.

**'They've said our foundation grant goes toward special education. They're playing a shell game.'**

*Chuck Little*  
—School superintendent

"It's quite clear the state has made no plans to pay the money," added Little. "They've said our foundation grant goes toward special education. They're playing a shell game."

Without the money, the district will continue to pay more than it believes it should for state-mandated programs.

"Over the next five years, nationwide expectation is that special education needs will increase by about 19 percent," said board trustee Elizabeth Givens. "So, if we don't increase what we get from the state, we'll be that much more in the hole because of inflation."

Board member Carrie Blamer was concerned about legal costs becoming higher than the return. However, administration officials said they don't expect that to happen, noting the district spent \$36,000 for two trips to the Supreme Court to recover \$5.3 million.

## Passed Teachers ratify pact

Teachers in the Plymouth-Canton school district have overwhelmingly approved a three-year contract.

The Plymouth-Canton Education Association knew after only half the ballots were counted the agreement easily passed.

The pact, which covers 875 teachers, calls for a 2-percent increase the first year, with 2.5-percent wage hikes in each of the next two years.

The other major component of the contract is a \$60,000 buyout for teachers at the top end of the wage scale who want to leave.

"I think most people are happy with it, definitely those who will get the buyouts," said one Plymouth-Canton teacher who didn't want to give his name. "Our union leadership tells us compared to other districts the pay increase is good. Those of us who have been around a little

**'I think it's quite equitable.'**

*Charlotte Milotz*  
—Teacher

longer think we should be getting a little more."

"I think it's quite equitable," said Charlotte Milotz from Pioneer Middle School. She and Pioneer colleague Leann Gross believe the security of a three-year contract is worth more than the pay increase.

Several elementary teachers didn't like at least one facet of the pact. PCEA President Chuck Portelli said the state is mandating an additional 12 minutes to the length of the teacher's school day.

The board of education is expected to approve the pact at its May 12 meeting.

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combating crime."

There were 21 burglaries in the city last year, compared to 38 the year before. There were 29 stolen cars reported in 1997, up from 24 in 1996. Three robberies were reported in the city in 1997, compared to four the year before.

Also in Plymouth city, there were 82 assault-and-battery cases reported to police last year, down from 98 in 1996. Drunk driving arrests dipped from 149 to 139.

In Plymouth Township, Police Chief Lawrence Carey reported that index crimes decreased for the second straight year.

Assaults dropped from 132 to 97, burglaries from 85 to 75,

**'With aggressive law enforcement and crime prevention, the department hopes to continue reducing crime.'**

**Chief Lawrence Carey**  
—Plymouth Township

larcenies from 426 to 374, robberies from seven to three and reported rape from six to five, according to the annual police report.

"With aggressive law enforcement and crime prevention, the department hopes to continue reducing crime," Carey said.

Township police made 555 arrests in 1997, 203 of them

based on outstanding arrest warrants.

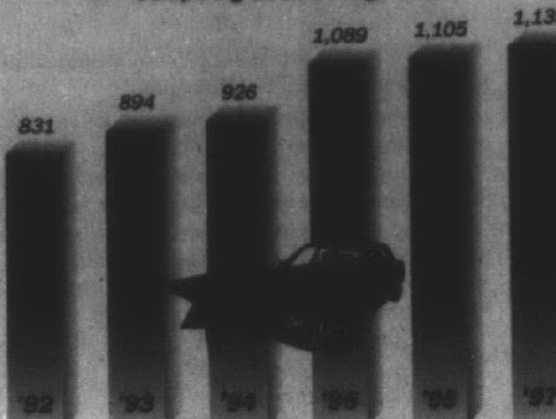
Other arrests included 23 for domestic assault, two for criminal sexual conduct, eight for home invasions, eight for malicious destruction of property, nine for receiving stolen property and 68 for drunk driving.

Township police reported there were 1,928 business and residential burglary or fire false alarm calls and \$18,450 in fines collected for repeated false alarms.

Calls for police service from businesses and residents rose to 12,535 in 1997, compared to 9,734 in 1994, Carey reported.

Township police investigated 1,135 motor vehicle collisions in 1997, compared to 1,105 the year before. Traffic accidents were also up in the city, with 551 last year compared to 518 in 1996.

**Motor vehicle collisions in Plymouth Twp.**  
Comparing 1992 through 1997



**Major crimes in the City of Plymouth**  
Comparing 1996 and 1997

CATEGORY	'96	'97
Murder	0	0
C.S.C.	9	3
Robbery	4	3
Assault	10	5
Burglary	47	31
Larceny	282	256
Stolen Vehicle	29	33
Arson	1	4

C.S.C.: Criminal Sexual Conduct

**8-year comparison of major crimes in Plymouth Twp.**  
Comparing 1990 through 1997

CATEGORY	'90	'91	'92	'93	'94	'95	'96	'97	% CHANGE
Murder	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	+100%
C.S.C.	5	5	8	6	3	3	7	5	-20%
Robbery	2	5	5	3	2	3	7	3	-133%
Assault	121	96	97	80	97	190	132	97	-36%
Burglary	87	138	99	65	56	123	85	75	-13%
Larceny	495	551	441	386	371	414	426	374	-14%
Stolen Vehicle	90	83	59	73	61	51	54	52	-4%
Arson	1	3	0	1	0	4	4	4	0%

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### Citations issued

Plymouth city and township police in a joint operation issued citations Friday at three stores for selling alcohol to minors.

Participating in the 7-10 p.m. operation were three Schoolcraft College criminal justice stu-

dents, all 19, four township officers and two city officers, police said.

All 18 alcohol sellers in greater Plymouth were visited, excluding bars. Tickets were written for selling alcohol to minors at Beyer's Drugs, 1100 W. Ann Arbor Road; Bill's Market, 584

### COP CALLS

Starkweather; and Quick Pik on Lilley Road, police said.

Tickets were issued to three clerks for selling to minors. The offense is punishable by up to 90 days in jail and a \$500 fine.

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission is also notified of the violations, police said.

### Motorcycles stolen

Two motorcycles parked at 6

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High School, Robert D. Sherada of Livonia Churchill High School, Joseph N. Novell of Clarenceville High School, Eric M. Allen of Harrison High School, Elena Spencer of North Farmington High School, Anjali Shah of Plymouth Canton High School, David Weidendorf of Farmington Harrison High School, Joseph Yung-Kuang Ho of Livonia Churchill High School, Sarah Townsend of Ladywood High School, Sarah Niemiec of Garden City High School, Garrett Heraty of Redford Union High School, Emily Curtin of Farmington High School, and Christopher O'Brien of Lutheran High School Westland.

## Behind every ...

"My parents have always been my most influential teachers," said Katherine E. King of Livonia, who plans to major in engineering at the University of Michigan.

Nicole Martin of Farmington Hills said "a lot of support from my parents and a good work ethic" contributed to her academic success. Martin expects to be walking the campus of Harvard University this fall. She's pretty sure she wants to be a physician, but then there's those great Harvard writing teachers.

"Probably my parents have a lot to do with it. Ever since I was young they helped me to do whatever I wanted to do," said Sarah Niemiec, who plans to study premed at the University of Michigan. She wants to be a neurosurgeon.

Christopher O'Brien of Livonia rated his parents his number one influence followed by his school's atmosphere. He will attend Calvin College or Hope College and is considering a teaching career.

David Weidendorf of Farmington Hills and Eric Allen of Farmington Hills are a couple of "stick-with-it" students. Weidendorf, who plans to study medicine at Northwestern University, Harvard University or the University of Michigan, said his academic success has everything to do with "having the guts to stick it out."

Allen, who will major in computer science at Michigan Technological University, said "sticking it out" was his key to a success in high school.

"Setting goals to be the best" propelled Afia Ofori-Mensa of Canton and Joseph Yung Kuang Ho of Livonia to academic success. Ofori-Mensa has an internship with Proctor and Gamble. She plans to major in management and English or Spanish at the University of Michigan or the University of Pennsylvania.

Yung Kuang Ho plans will choose his major from biology, computers, engineering or medicine. The University of Michigan and Case Western Reserve University are two of the schools he is considering.

Matthew Bright attributes his success to his parents, Linda and Ken Bright of Plymouth and his teachers. In particular he named Canton High School teacher Susan Schneider as the teacher having the greatest influence on his high school career.

"She taught me that good literature has value in almost every part of life," said Bright, a National Merit Scholarship Finalist and a member of the nationally recognized Plymouth Canton Educational Park Marching Band.

Bright will study electrical engineering at either the University of Michigan or Stanford University.

Sarah Townsend of Northville said two factors contributed to her good academic performance:



Joseph Novell, Academic All-Star

attending a small school and having attentive teachers. She plans to study business at the University of Michigan and eventually become a corporate lawyer.

Garrett Heraty of Redford reduced his success to two factors: luck and a love of science. He will study a branch of physical science at Michigan State University.

## Parents, take a bow

Rosemary Martin of Farmington Hills said people often ask her what she fed her daughter Nicole as a baby. From the time Nicole tucked a pencil across her shoulder at age 3 in imitation of violinist Itzhak Perlman to her senior year when she scored a perfect 1600 on her SATs, Rosemary has taken little credit.

"The day we brought her home, I started reading to her. That's all I did. And I talked to her constantly."

Martin said her daughter would never "brag" about her achievements, such as playing the violin at the White House in 1996 or winning a four-year scholarship to the University of

Michigan. "She's just a nice humble kid."

B.R. and Thomas King of Livonia always made sure they answered their inquisitive daughter's questions. "If I couldn't answer one of Katy's questions, we would look it up or find a resource person who could," said B.R.

The Kings also provided rewards. "My husband told Katy when you speak Spanish as well as I do, we'll go to Spain," said B.R. Katy managed to condense five years of Spanish into two and a half. The Kings are planning a trip to Spain this year.

Katherine King and Nicole Smith attended pre-school and kindergarten together. They recently met at a University of Michigan scholarship weekend and rekindled their friendship.

Dipti Shah of Plymouth said her husband, Rajesh, has been their daughter's role model. "Anjali had to be like him. He's her idol. She always compared herself with him. He was an excellent student."

Dipti, who said she always sat with her daughter as she studied, is modest about her role in her daughter's success. "She was always a self-motivated child. She has to work hard. If she doesn't understand something,

she's after it."

## Sweet dreams

While Elena Spencer of Farmington Hills pursues a degree in biology from the University of Michigan, she expects to be part of a generation that will improve the world through an "increase in open-mindedness."

Joseph Novell of Clarenceville High School said asking someone about their expectations for society is a "big question anytime." However, Novell, who is undecided about the major he intends to pursue at the University of Michigan or Wayne State University, said "being an individual and accepting people for who they are" is important.

Robert D. Sherada of Livonia, who will major in biology and bio-chemistry most likely at the University of Michigan, sees his generation contributing great advances in biological engineering, communication devices and alternative energy.

"All of this will be accomplished with the mistakes of the past in mind; unlike our predecessors, we will make our advances in a moralistic and prudent fashion."

Anjali Shah of Plymouth, president of Plymouth Canton High School's National Honor Society

and captain of the tennis team, hopes to help create a society that values the sciences and humanities equally and is "more accepting of different people and cultures."

Shah plans to major in business, engineering or psychology in college.

Emily Curtin of Farmington Hills, a future engineer from Kettering University, said her generation will contribute "amazing technological advances and cures for many diseases."

Katherine King of Livonia, who won a University of Michigan Regents Scholarship, envisions a return to the "religious values of our ancestors." She hopes her generation respects diversity without compromising what is right and strengthens its families.

Matthew Bright of Plymouth has dual expectations for his generation: great contributions in technology and communication and a return to more traditional family and community values.

For generations, dreams and expectations have propelled young people forward with hardly a backwards glance. The 1998 Observer Academic All-Stars are ready for the future. What an exciting journey.

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## Voters to decide SMART millage

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The owner of a \$100,000

home with a taxable value of \$50,000 will pay \$16.50 annually for the millage.

The Wayne County Commission is expected to support a ballot proposal at its meeting today.

The Wayne County Transit Authority approved a resolu-

tion that outlined the ballot language last month to be placed before many Wayne County voters. The authority called for 1/3rd of a mill for four years.

George Cushingberry, chairman of Ways and

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## Funding crisis looms for community colleges

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

A crisis is brewing among Michigan's 28 community colleges — the same kind of funding crisis that precipitated Proposal A of 1994.

"It's one of those simmering issues," Macomb Community College President Al Lorenzo told a House Appropriations subcommittee meeting May 1 on Oakland Community College's Auburn Hills Campus.

"The lowest funded college gets \$5,000 per student; the high is \$10,000. If that range grows over time, it might become a public policy issue," Lorenzo warned.

Oakland Community College ranks near the bottom in per-student funding — \$5,214, second lowest in the state, Chancellor Richard T. Thompson said. Lowest is Kalamazoo Valley at \$5,071.

At the top is Kirtland, in northeastern lower Michigan, with \$10,402, followed by Wayne County Community College at \$10,309.

Other area colleges are below the state average of \$7,816. Schoolcraft, in western Wayne County, has \$6,939; Macomb, \$5,434; Henry Ford in Dearborn,

\$6,457; and Lansing, \$6,524.

Lorenzo likened the 2-1 spread to the vast gap between K-12 school districts, from \$4,000 to \$11,000 per student, prior to the crisis that resulted in Proposal A in 1994. Voters approved major property tax cuts, a sales tax increase and a funding formula that now guarantees nearly every district \$5,400 per pupil.

"It bothers me," said Rep. Tom Mathieu, D-Grand Rapids, "that some students get \$5,000 and some get \$10,000."

Lorenzo predicted: "If it gets to the point where it breaks, the public will say it's too big a difference."

"The big issue is making it known to the public," said Rep. Tom Kelly, D-Wayne, whose district includes Garden City.

The irony is that community colleges in areas with large business tax bases — such as OCC and Schoolcraft — are among the lowest in per-student funding. Among K-12 districts prior to 1994, the highest spending districts were in the metro Detroit suburbs and Great Lakes shoreline districts.

Another problem is that 65 state representatives are being forced to retire this year because of voter-approved term limits.

Lawmakers and many college people fear the result will be a "loss of institutional memory" in the House.

The House panel, chaired by Rep. Hubert Price, D-Pontiac, will hold hearings in Grand Rapids and Mt. Pleasant before marking up the Senate-passed bill.

Gov. John Engler recommended \$271 million — a zero percent increase — in state aid for community colleges in the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1. The Senate added 3 percent — 1.5 percent across-the-board and 1.5 percent for the complex Gast-Mathieu funding formula.

Here's what the Senate recommended for area colleges:

■ Oakland — \$20.3 million — up 2.3 percent from Engler's recommendation.

■ Schoolcraft — \$11 million — up 3.8 percent.

■ Wayne — \$16.1 million — up 2.5 percent.

Engler had defended his recommendation of flat state aid by saying that college pension costs were being cut as a percentage of payroll.

Bad example, said Macomb's Lorenzo. "In the one year there's a decrease (in pension costs), it's viewed as an increase in the community colleges budget. But when costs were rising in six of the last seven years, there was no recognition of that in the budget."

Price noted the original community college funding formula called for 50 percent from the

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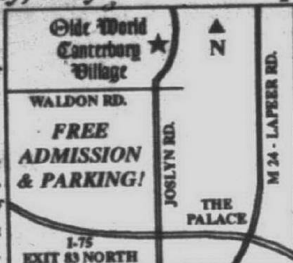


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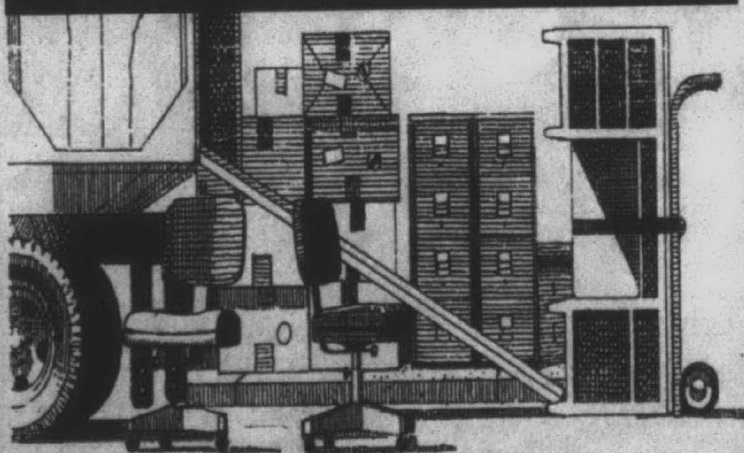
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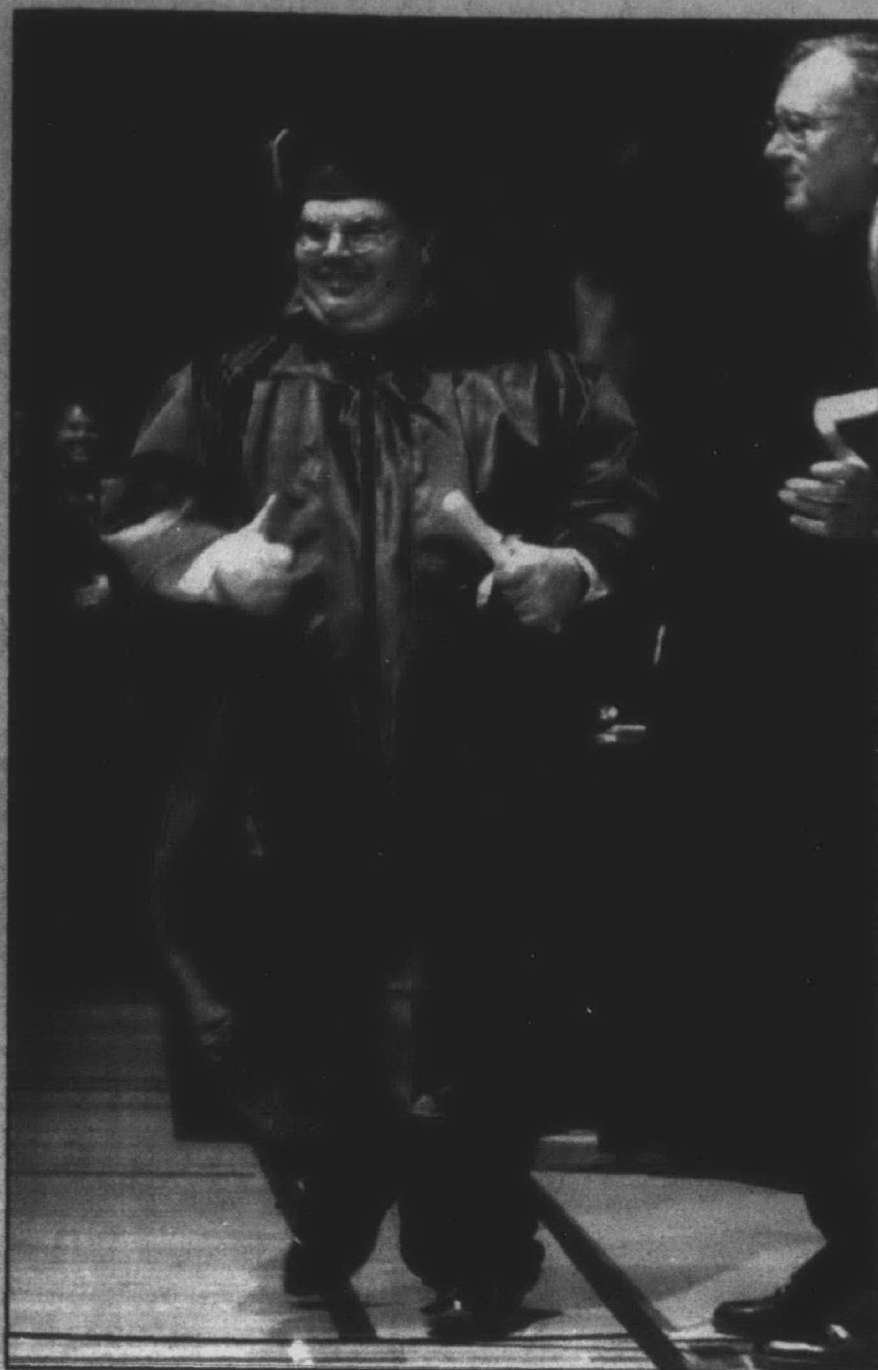
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Schoolcraft College graduated its largest class ever Saturday with 1,070 students receiving degrees.

"It was a hard-working class, and that helped push the numbers," said Richard McDowell, Schoolcraft president.

Florine Mark, president of Weight Watchers International of Farmington Hills, was guest speaker at the commencement. Mark, whose firm

employs 2,500 people, talked to students about being a success in life.

Mark received an honorary degree as did Thomas McCardle, president and CEO of Kolene Corp. of Detroit, and Arthur and Diane Rockall, two active supporters of Schoolcraft.

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part in Schoolcraft metallurgy and materials science department for 30 years.

Arthur Rockall retired from Ford Motor Co. and is a Schoolcraft graduate. He initiated two scholarship funds. His wife, Diane, is an author and columnist and active in several library associations.

The Rockalls are planning a reunion for Schoolcraft scholarship recipients.



**Special time:** Ann Welkinback (left) holds her great-grandson, Justin Welkinback, 3 1/2, as they watch the students walk into the gym. Joyce Galindo (above left) adjusts her son Brian's cap, before the mother and son team march in to receive their diplomas. (Above) Carla Kittler of Canton makes one final check before commencement exercises begin.



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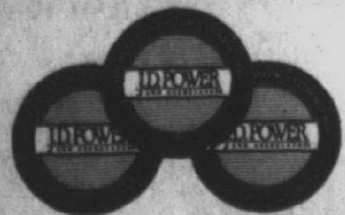


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# Senate tackles crime issues, bills pending

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

Catching up on crime and other bills in the Michigan Senate:

## Guards empowered

Private security guards at theaters and arenas would be able to eject unruly patrons if a Senate-passed bill is enacted by the state House of Representatives. "This would allow private

security to remove people who are screaming, standing on chairs, fighting, spilling drinks," said Sen. Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham, the former police officer who sponsored Senate Bill 995.

"Now they have to seek out police officers. Court decisions say they (places of public entertainment) have a duty to protect the public."

The guard could eject the unruly person from a theater,

arena, circus, athletic grounds or any entertainment place with a seating capacity of 200, including a shopping center. The guard could not perform an arrest.

Bouchard's bill sailed through the Senate April 29 on a 30-6 vote but without debate. All area senators voted yes except Alma Wheeler Smith, D-Salem.

## Bomb bills OK'd

Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloom-

field Township, won unanimous support for his pair of bills to prevent manufacture and use of weapons of mass destruction.

"Times have changed, and we need to address the very real threat of chemical, biological and radioactive weapons," said Peters. "My bill will give prosecutors the tools they need to deal with this new threat."

The package includes:

■ SB 443, which makes it a crime to manufacture biological,

chemical or radioactive substances, punishable by 15 years in prison. For property damage, the penalty would be 20 years; if injury to a person, 25 years; if serious impairment of a body function, life in prison; if death, a mandatory life sentence without probation.

If the bomber's target were "vulnerable" such as schools, churches, hospitals or other public buildings, 25 years would be attached. It would not apply to

the military, law enforcement or a person using them on the job.

■ SB 1011, which prohibits parole for prisoners sentenced to life in prison for use of explosives, chemical or biological weapons. The Senate Fiscal Agency couldn't estimate a total cost, but the cost for a single prisoner, assuming 50 years behind bars, would be \$900,000. Both bills go to the House.

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## SMART

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Means, said Tuesday the resolution "continues with the status quo" regarding the two systems, which will postpone any discussion of a merger of SMART with the Detroit Department of Transportation.

"We've lobbed the ball to the state," Cushingberry said, in reference to the state's funding for part of the operations of SMART and DDOT. Cushingberry believes the state can pressure the two bus systems to seriously consider a merger.

Cushingberry said the committee amended the resolution to require maps of both systems be made available for citizens.

Wayne County Commission Chairman Ricardo Solomon said at a tri-county summit on Tuesday proposed that a joint task force be formed to talk to the state about merging the system and securing financing."

## Crisis

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state, 25 percent from student tuition and 25 percent from local property taxes. How had it worked out?

Thompson said OCC is getting 17 percent from the state, 40 percent from students and 43 percent from property owners.

College chiefs also attacked business tax breaks as eroding their local revenue streams.

Macomb's Lorenzo said, "We (colleges) have no tax without a vote. It's inappropriate for anyone to change the mind of voters by diverting money" to TIFAs (tax increment finance authorities) and DDAs (downtown development authorities).

OCC loses \$312,000 per year and Schoolcraft \$109,000 per year through breaks given to business, according to the Michigan Association of Community Colleges.

Statewide, community colleges lost \$11.3 million in fiscal 1995-6 due to business tax breaks. That's the equivalent of 4 percent of Engler's budget recommendation for state aid.

Other college presidents, however, saw a "dilemma" in tax breaks. On one hand, they cost community colleges revenue. On the other, they are necessary to save manufacturing jobs.

## CLARIFICATION

A story in the April 23 Wayne County editions of the Observer "Hard work culminates in Madonna degree" incorrectly identified a Madonna University graduate. The story should have said that Livonia resident Linda Acosta, now a substitute teacher, was among more than 760 graduates who received degrees.

While at Madonna full-time, she received various scholarships, including the Michigan Colleges Foundation Chrysler Minority Scholarship and was nominated to Kappa Gamma Pi, a national Catholic honor society.

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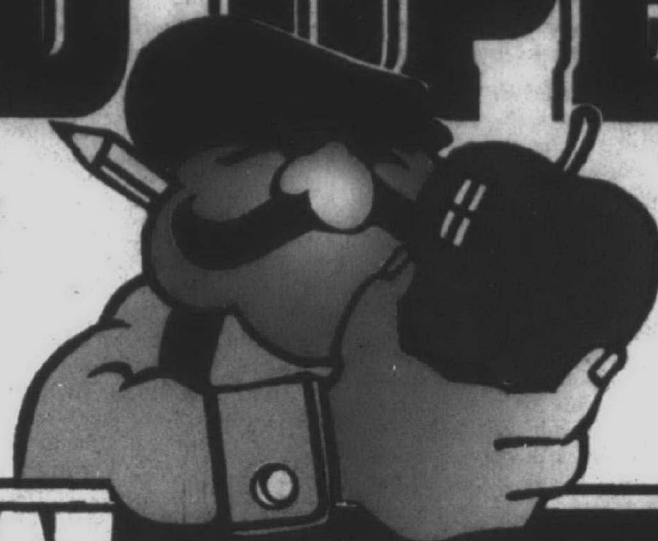
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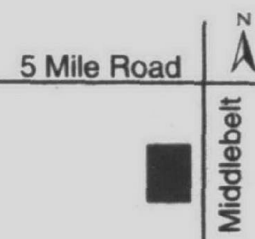
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## Emergency aid

The Senate expanded the Good Samaritan law to provide immunity from liability for volunteers who treat emergency cases with an automated external defibrillator (AED).

Sponsored by Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville, SB 1050 doesn't cover professionals called on a 9-1-1 service. If passed by the House, Geake's bill would take effect July 1.

Current law provides Good Samaritan protection for persons who render CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) to another.

An AED is emergency equipment for heart cases. It provides an electrical shock to restore a normal heartbeat.

Geake argued down an amendment from Sen. Diane Byrum, D-Onondaga, who wanted to require owners of AEDs to

make instruction available to such users as security guards, airline attendants and movie theater managers.

"This flies in the face of the purpose of the bill," Geake said of Byrum's amendment. "It imposes a duty of instruction. Once we open the door to imposing a duty, we open the door to lawsuits - which is opposed to the purpose of the bill." The Byrum amendment lost in an unrecorded voice vote.

A companion bill, SB 1051 sponsored by Dale Shugars, R-Portage, would provide liability protection for emergency and medical personnel using an AED unless gross negligence or misconduct were involved.

Both go to the House for action.

Refer to bill number when writing to your state representative, State Capitol, PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909.

# Auction helps Plate Lady employee

BY AL HARRISON  
SPECIAL WRITER

Michelle Podorsek of Redford Township had been working for The Plate Lady for about five years when she started to complain of a backache last October.

After a visit to the doctor and several tests, she was told she had leukemia.

"I was completely devastated," she said.

Now, after months of hospitalization at Botsford Hospital, she has been able to return home and continue her treatments.

"The outlook is very promising and I am feeling much better," said Podorsek, 31.

But even with health insurance, the expenses mount up. That's when Nancy White of Farmington Hills - owner of The Plate Lady on Middlebelt Road in Livonia - stepped in.

White is donating a Swarovski

ki Crystal Peacock, a limited edition centerpiece valued at \$1,800, for a silent auction to benefit Podorsek.

Money from the silent auction will help pay Podorsek's medical bills.

The Plate Lady has been part of Livonia's business community for the last 18 years. The store, 16347 Middlebelt, between Five Mile and Six Mile roads, sells collector's items and giftware. There's also a variety of figurines, dolls, lithographs and gifts.

Customers can stop in at The Plate Lady now through Sunday, May 10, to look at the centerpiece and place a bid. The highest bidder will be announced at 3 p.m. May 10.

The bids will be placed in a box and then at 3 p.m. the highest bidder will be announced. All the proceeds will go to Podorsek.

"She may even be able to come back to work soon, I hope," said White.

"I just can't wait to get back to a normal life," Podorsek said.

For her, that means her job and some favorite things like music, movies and reading.

The Plate Lady is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays. For more information, call White at (734) 261-5220.



Bidders welcome: Nancy White, owner of The Plate Lady, holds the Swarovski Crystal Peacock, a limited edition centerpiece she has donated for a silent auction to benefit Michelle Podorsek of Redford Township.

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# Project: Plymouth Rotary completes annual fix-up blitz

BY DIANE HANSON  
SPECIAL WRITER

"I feel like I won the Lotto," said Judy Fifer, the recipient of Saturday's Rotary Cares home fix-up blitz.

She expressed deep gratitude to her pastor, Hugh McMartin at Christ Lutheran Church, for submitting her name and to the Plymouth Rotary for selecting her as the beneficiary of its members' home improvement skills, as well as all the area businesses that made such generous contributions.

This is the third annual event for the Plymouth Rotary. Carrie Blamer, chairwoman of the Rotary Cares program, said organizers narrowed down the selection of the recipient from recommendations they received from various organizations like the Salvation Army and from local churches.

This year, workers also repaired the deck on a mobile home in Canton.

"Eventually, we would like to get it so we would be able to get three or four homes done in one day," Blamer said.

This year there were about 55 Rotary volunteers that performed Fifer's one-day home renovation.

While Fifer, who must use a walker after suffering a closed-head injury and spinal damage in a car accident, waited anxiously in a motor home in front of her house, the volunteers worked on everything from her yard to the garbage disposal.

New doors and molding were installed, wallpaper stripped, coats of paint applied everywhere, a new countertop, sink and disposal were added to the kitchen and a new furnace installed in the basement. The mild temperatures and sunny day were perfect for all the yard work done by the volunteers.

"This project is the reason I joined the Rotary," admitted Ken Ingle of Ken Ingle Construction, Plymouth. He has served as general contractor for the project all three years. He said planning for the April 25 project started around Christmas.

"What I have to be careful about is that most of the members are not famil-

■ 'Eventually, we would like to get it so we would be able to get three or four homes done in one day.'

Carrie Blamer  
—Project coordinator

iar with this line of work," said Ingle. Among Rotary volunteers are airline pilots, stockbrokers, lawyers and insurance men. Retired U.S. Congressman Carl Pursell was also among the paintbrush-wielding group.

"Everybody's pretty handy," said Ingle. He said they are getting more do-it-yourselfers who will take on more projects now. He added, "Guys who started out with the first house have built up confidence."

For Fifer, the project, volunteers and businesses have been an enormous blessing. "I just want to say, God bless and may He hold each and every one of them in the palm of His hand," she said

with emotion. "I am very thankful to the dear Lord Jesus."

Sponsors for the 1998 Rotary Care project include: Ken Ingle Construction, Plymouth; Horton Plumbing, Plymouth; Mark J. Baldwin & Associates, Plymouth; Christensen's Plant Center, Plymouth; Down River Refrigeration Supply Co., Westland; and N.A. Mans Building Center, Canton.

Also, Painters Supply, Plymouth; David Frey, Electrician, Canton; Larry Cunningham, Heating Contractor; Amerispec Home Inspection Service, Plymouth; American Blind & Wallpaper Factory, Plymouth; A.C. Masters Electric Supply Co., Plymouth.

Also, Canton Rotary, Canton; Coffee Studio, Plymouth; Farmington Deli, Farmington; Penniman Deli, Plymouth; Absopure Water, Canton; Maas Enterprise, Canton; Varga Signs & Decorative Arts, Plymouth; Parkway Portable Toilets, Belleville.



At work: Mike Ingle cuts moldings to size.

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held on Tuesday, April 28, 1998 at 1150 South Canton Center Road. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to move from an open session to a closed session at 6:00 P.M. to discuss employee negotiations and pending litigation. Motion carried.

### ROLL CALL - CLOSED SESSION

Members Present: Bennett, Burdick, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Durack, Santomauro

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to return to an open session at 7:05 P.M. Motion carried. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL - OPEN SESSION

Members Present: Bennett, Burdick, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Durack, Machnik, Minghine, Santomauro, Zevalkink

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Trustee Shefferly added adoption of the Minutes of the Regular meeting of April 7, 1998 to the agenda. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of April 7, 1998 as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of April 14, 1998 as presented. Motion carried.

### PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by LaJoy, to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

### Expenditure Recap

General Fund	101	\$162,866.14
Fire Fund	208	20,750.38
Police Fund	207	52,363.07
Community Center Fund	208	22,698.49
Golf Course Fund	211	51,077.17
Cable TV Fund	230	1,260.86
Community Improvement Fund	246	147,415.54
E-911 Emergency Fund	261	1,735.39
Special Investigative Fund	267	112.00
Federal Grants Funds	274	1,353.75
State Projects Fund	289	1,253.96
Downtown Development Auth.	294	48,361.55
Building Auth. Construction Fund	469	21,886.87
Water & Sewer Fund	592	235,377.82
Tonquish Creek Storm Drain	804	58,031.50
Total - All Funds		\$824,544.49

### CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to remove from the table and adopt the amendment to the Condominium Ordinance No. 138A, to become effective upon publication in the Canton Observer on May 7, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

### SECOND READING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

AMENDMENT ORDINANCE NO. 138A SUMMARY  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 138, CONDOMINIUM ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR STREET TREES; PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR BUFFER LANDSCAPING; PROVIDING FOR INTERPRETATION, CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY, REPEAL, AND PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

### THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

#### Section 1. AMENDMENT.

Ordinance No. 138 entitled "Condominium Ordinance", Article 4, Design Standards; Section 4.1, Design Standards; Subsection E, Street Trees, and Subsection F, Buffer Landscaping, are hereby amended:

#### 23.041 Section 4.1 DESIGN STANDARDS.

Subsection 4.1E.5 provides for increasing the minimum street tree size to three (3) inches in diameter.

Subsection 4.1E.6 provides for the Township Planning Official as the review official.

Subsection 4.1F.1 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirements to a minimum of one shade and one evergreen tree every forty (40) lineal feet; minimum of one ornamental tree every eighty (80) lineal feet; minimum of one (1) shrub for every ten (10) feet.

Subsection 4.1F.3 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirement to increase the minimum shade tree size to three (3) inches in caliper.

Subsection 4.1F.4 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirement to increase the minimum ornamental tree size to two (2) inches in caliper.

Subsection 4.1F.5 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirement for evergreens to have a spread of at least five feet and to specify that arborvitae and cedars are not considered evergreen trees.

Subsection 4.1F.6 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirement to provide for substitution of dwarf shrub species to achieve a specific design goal at a minimum of eighteen (18) inches in height or spread utilized at a rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the base shrub requirements for buffer (road frontage) landscaping.

Subsection 4.1F.7 provides for the Township Planning Official as the review official.

#### Section 2 INTERPRETATION, CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY, REPEAL, PENALTIES.

This section provides for the interpretation, conflict with public and private requirements, savings provision, adoption and repeal, amendment, severability, penalties and enforcement.

#### Section 3 EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides for the effective date.

\*NOTE: The above is a summary of Ordinance 138A, which becomes effective upon publication in the Canton Observer on May 7, 1998. Ordinance 138, as amended, is available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI during regular business hours.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to remove from the table and adopt the amendment to the Subdivision Control Ordinance No. 126C, to become effective upon publication in the Canton Observer on May 7, 1998. Motion carried unanimously.

### SECOND READING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AMENDMENT SUBDIVISION CONTROL ORDINANCE NO. 126C SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 126, SUBDIVISION CONTROL; PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR STREET TREES; PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGN STANDARDS FOR BUFFER LANDSCAPING; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

### THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

#### Section 1. AMENDMENT.

Ordinance No. 126 entitled "Subdivision Control", Article 4, Design Standards for Subdivision Planning and Require Improvements; Section 4.1, Design

Standards; Subsection F, Street Trees, and Subsection G, Buffer Landscaping, are hereby amended:

#### 23.041 Section 4.1 DESIGN STANDARDS.

Subsection 4.1F.5 provides for increasing the minimum street tree size to three (3) inches in diameter.

Subsection 4.1F.6 provides for the Township Planning Official as the review official.

Subsection 4.1G.1 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirements for a minimum of one shade and one evergreen tree every forty (40) lineal feet; minimum of one ornamental tree every eighty (80) lineal feet; minimum of one (1) shrub for every ten (10) feet.

Subsection 4.1G.3 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirement to increase the minimum shade tree size to three (3) inches in caliper.

Subsection 4.1G.4 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirement to increase the minimum ornamental tree size to two (2) inches in caliper.

Subsection 4.1G.5 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirement for evergreens to have a spread of at least five (5) feet and to specify that arborvitae and cedars are not considered evergreen trees.

Subsection 4.1G.6 provides for changing the buffer (road frontage) landscaping requirement for shrubs to increase the minimum spread of low growing shrubs to twenty-four (24) inches; and to add a notation that dwarf shrub species may be used, to achieve a specific design goal and shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches in height or spread utilized at a rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the base shrub requirements.

Subsection 4.1G.7 provides for the Township Planning Official as the review official.

#### Section 2 INTERPRETATION, CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY, REPEAL, PENALTIES.

This section provides for the interpretation, conflict with public and private requirements, savings provision, adoption and repeal, amendment, severability, penalties and enforcement.

#### Section 3 EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides for the effective date.

\*NOTE: The above is a summary of Ordinance 126C, which becomes effective upon publication in the Canton Observer on May 7, 1998. Ordinance 126, as amended, is available for public inspection in the Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI during regular business hours.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution recognizing Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High School Graduates. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution proclaiming April 19, to 25, 1998 as National Crime Victims Rights Week. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the Township Supervisor nomination of John Roughley, Robert Olson and Gregg King for appointment to the Canton Historic District Commission for three year terms effective May 1, 1998 through April 30, 2001. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the request of The Friends of the Canton Public Library, Canton Township, County of Wayne, be recognized as a non-profit organization operating in the community for the purpose of registering with the State of Michigan for a gaming license. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to amend the current Canton Township investment policy by adding the following language to Articles 8.0 (d) and 8.1 (iii): investments pools under the local government investment pool act of 1985, and investment pools organized under the urban cooperation act of 1967, in order to ensure that Canton Township's current investment practices remain in compliance with Public Act 20, as amended. Motion carried.

### GENERAL CALENDAR

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to approve the preliminary site plan for Heron Ridge South Site Condominiums. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution approving the site plan for the proposed 7-11 Convenience Store and Automobile Filling Station. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution approving the site plan for the proposed On the Move Marathon Station, Convenience Store and Restaurant. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to adopt the resolution to approve the rezoning of certain property identified by property tax EDP #068-99-0009-000 from RR, Rural Residential to R-2, Single-Family Residential District. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdick, to adopt the resolution to grant the special use for the proposed elementary school for Plymouth Canton Community Schools. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the amendments to the zoning ordinance relative to landscaping requirements, single-family attached structures as special land uses in R-4/R-5 and adding essential services as a special land use in C-4. Motion carried.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

#### ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 98-1 SUMMARY

Article 5, Section 5.02, Subsection (B.3.b) and (D.1) is amended as follows:

#### Article 5.00 - Landscaping, Screening, and Walls

#### Section 5.02 - General Landscaping Requirements

#### Subsection B.3.b BERMS - Required Plantings.

This section is amended to increase the height and density requirement for evergreens to 8-foot height planted in two rows with staggered offset planted 15-foot on center of both rows to create a visual barrier for at least 75% of the length of the berm.

Subsection D.1 SCREENING - General Screening Requirements.

This section is amended to increase evergreen screen height to at least eight feet above ground level within five years of planting.

Article 5, Section 5.03, Subsections (A.3), (B.2), (C.7), and (D.3) are amended as follows:

#### Article 5.00 - Landscaping, Screening, and Walls

#### Section 5.03 - Specific Landscaping Requirements for Zoning Districts

#### Subsection A.3 REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS - Landscaping Adjacent to Roads.

This section is amended to increase the minimum requirement for trees to one deciduous and one evergreen tree for each forty lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage, plus a minimum of one ornamental tree for each eighty lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage. Dwarf species of shrubs may be utilized at a rate of 1.5 times the base shrub requirement. Shrubs must be planted in masses of at least five.

#### Subsection B.3 REQUIREMENTS FOR MOBILE HOME PARKS - Landscaping Adjacent to Roads.

This section is amended to increase the minimum requirement for trees to one deciduous and one evergreen tree for each forty lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage, plus a minimum of one ornamental tree for each eighty lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage. Dwarf species of shrubs may be utilized at a rate of 1.5 times the base shrub requirement. Shrubs must be planted in masses of at least five.

#### Subsection C.7 REQUIREMENTS FOR MULTIPLE FAMILY DISTRICTS - Landscaping Adjacent to Roads.

This section is amended to increase the minimum requirement for trees to one deciduous and one evergreen tree for each forty lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage, plus a minimum of one ornamental tree for each eighty lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage, plus a minimum of one shrub for each

ten lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage. Dwarf species of shrubs may be utilized at a rate of 1.5 times the base shrub requirement. Shrubs must be planted in masses of at least five.

#### Subsection D.3 REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL USES IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS - Landscaping Adjacent to Roads.

This section is amended to increase the minimum requirement for trees to one deciduous and one evergreen tree for each forty lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage, plus a minimum of one ornamental tree for each eighty lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage, plus a minimum of one shrub for each ten lineal feet or portion thereof of road frontage. Dwarf species of shrubs may be utilized at a rate of 1.5 times the base shrub requirement. Shrubs must be planted in masses of at least five.

Amend Article 5, Section 5.04, Subsections (C.1, 2, 3, 4, 9) amended as follows:

#### Article 5.00 - Landscaping, Screening, and Walls

#### Section 5.04 - Standards for Landscaping Materials

#### Subsection C. PLANT MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

This section is amended to increase the minimum requirement for deciduous trees to three inches in caliper; ornamental trees to two inches in caliper; evergreen trees to eight feet in height with a five-foot spread, with a notation that arborvitae and cedars shall not be considered evergreen trees; upright yew, juniper and arborvitae to three feet in height, with a notation that dwarf shrub species may be used in landscaping adjacent to roads to achieve a specific design goal and shall have a minimum eighteen inches height or spread; and mulch is to be applied at a depth of four inches, composed of shredded materials (not recycled construction materials or pallets) and treated with a pre-emergent herbicide.

Amend Article 6, Section 6.03, by adding Subsection (F) as follows:

#### Article 6.00 - Site Development Standards Applicable to Specific Uses

#### Section 6.03 - Site Development Standards for Residential Uses

#### F. SINGLE-FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL REQUIREMENTS IN R-4 AND R-5

This section establishes the criteria for single-family attached residential uses as a special land use in the R-4 and R-5 zoning districts, including: minimum site size of five acres not located in a platted subdivision; buildings limited to two units; density not to exceed four dwelling units/acre; attached, side-entry, two-car garages in the rear quadrant of each unit; adjacent garages to utilize a common driveway; minimum unit size of 1150 square feet; maximum length of building not to exceed 100 feet in length with a minimum of five-foot horizontal offset between units; minimum distance between two adjacent building planes: side to side separation - 40 feet, rear to rear separation - 70 feet, side to rear separation - 50 feet; minimum setbacks: minimum distance from adjacent public rights-of-way, 45 feet from all other site boundaries, 25 feet from the back of curb of an internal private road; landscaping in compliance with applicable parts of Section 5.03C, plus one street tree for every 40 lineal feet along the internal road adjacent to the sidewalk; minimum internal road width of 27 feet; four-foot wide sidewalks adjacent to curbs along all internal streets; establishment of a condominium association for exterior maintenance of all structures and grounds; and submittal of covenants and restrictions with site plan application.

Amend Article 11.00, Section 11.02, by adding Subsection (B.15):

#### Article 11.00 - R-1 through R-5, Single-Family Residential Districts

#### Section 11.02 - Permitted Uses and Structures

#### B. SPECIAL LAND USES - Single-Family Attached Residential Units in R-4 and R-5.

This section adds single-family attached residential units in R-4 and R-5 as a special land use, subject to the provisions in Section 6.03F.

Amend Article 18.00, Section 18.02, by adding Subsection (B.4):

#### Article 18.00 - C-4, Interchange Service District

#### Section 18.02 - Permitted Uses and Structures

#### B. SPECIAL LAND USES - Essential Services.

This section adds essential services as a special land use, subject to the provisions in Section 2.16A.

\*NOTE: This Amendment to the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance (98-1) becomes effective upon publication of this Summary within the Minutes of the April 28, 1998 Board Meeting in the Canton Observer on May 7, 1998. A complete copy of this Amendment is available for public inspection in the Canton Township Planning Services Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 during regular business hours.

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Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to approve a professional services contract with Siegel Tuomasala Associates in the amount of \$8,000 for the purposes of preparing a space analysis for the first, third and lower levels of the administration building. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to waive the bidding process and purchase the Power Hawk Rescue System from Curtis Wright Flight Systems, Inc., of Fairfield, New Jersey. Price not to exceed \$8,000. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy, to award the bid for purchase of one (1) Ford New Holland 1920-SSS 4WD tractor for Fellows Creek Golf Club from the low bidder, W.F. Sell & Sons, Inc., in the amount of \$11,063 which includes a \$3,700 trade-in allowance. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the contract between Canton Township and the Canton Police Officers Association to run from July 1, 1997 through June 30, 2000. Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to accept the recommendations of the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory for the FY 1998 block grant program; and further to approve the forwarding of said recommendations to the Department of HUD as the Canton FY1998 CDBG Final Plan. The particulars of the FY1998 Final Plan are:

FY98 PROJECT REQUESTS	RECOMMENDED	FY97 ACTUAL (for comparison only)
Volunteer Coordinator	6,500	6,500
HelpSource (Adult Day Care)	4,000	5,000
First Step	26,850	25,500
Growth Works	10,500	10,000
Salvation Army	13,000	13,000
Wayne Co. Neighborhood Legal Services	2,500	2,100
Administration	29,110	81,000
Harrison Drain	260,000	reprogrammed
Contingency	20,000	49,000
Housing Rehabilitation	44,540	29,900
ADA Doors - Summit	6,000	-0-
TOTAL ALLOCATION:	\$423,000	\$416,000

Motion carried.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to approve the creation and filling of an intern position in Management Information Services. Further to approve the funds transfer from Capital Outlay to MIS Salaries and Fringe Benefits of \$10,000 as follows:

101-258-977-0000	Capital Outlay	(\$10,000)
101-258-705-0000	MIS Salaries	\$ 9,000
101-258-720-0000	Fringe Benefits	\$ 1,000

Motion carried.

ADJOURN  
Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by LaJoy, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M. Motion carried.

The above is a synopsis of actions taken at the Regular Board meeting held on April 28, 1998. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of the Board on May 12, 1998.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor





**Helping:** Mitsubishi employees (standing) are Rose Brantley, Kristy Leschinski, Kelly McLaughlin, Mark Leahke, Barb Ruhat, Chuck Carter, Paul Poe. In the foreground are MariTess Rasala, Sara Foley, Kathy Furtaw, Kathy Rychlick, Hank Sugimoto, company executive vice president, and Sister Margaret Mary.

## Mitsubishi lends helping hand

Mitsubishi Electric Automotive America Inc. of Plymouth last week presented Our Lady of Providence Center with a check for \$10,600 and two 32-inch Mitsubishi color TVs with stands and a VCR.

The gifts to the Northville facility, which houses developmentally disabled young men and women, were from the plant's Plymouth employees and the Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation.

Since 1991, Mitsubishi has sought to provide employment opportunities for those served by Our Lady of Providence Center. Currently, five young women with the job coach are a valuable part of the Mitsubishi team, packaging radios for various automotive contracts.

## Awards from page A1

gaining our daughter back after she went through rehab and the help at the school."

"There were some very key people who entered her life at a very critical point and helped her, and thank God for them," said her mother, Kathy. "No one else could do this for her; she had to do this herself."

Kelly, who helps mentor other students, has some words of advice for those who face the same tough road she traveled.

"There is a chance to turn your life around," she said. "You need self confidence, courage, and can't be afraid to stand up for what you believe is right ... even if you're the last one standing."

Each of the 27 students presented awards had success stories, those you don't hear about every day.

Michael Krafchak is a Hulsing Elementary student who couldn't read well in the third grade. His work and determination raised his reading skills to a fifth-grade level, defying research which indicates that children who can't read by the third grade will never catch up.

Brent Dreaver is an eighth-grader at Central Middle School who had a 1.3 grade point average with discipline and behavioral problems. Today, he is an

honor student with a grade point average over 3.0.

Ryan Case, also of Central Middle School, spent more time in the office than in class with a 1.6 GPA in sixth grade. Now, an eighth grader, Ryan raised his GPA to a 3.6 and has become a model student.

Kevin Globke, a Salem senior, began his high school career with a 1.16 GPA, and finished his sophomore year not much better, mainly because of a lack of attendance and initiative.

In the summer of 1996 Kevin received a heart transplant and was out for about 10 weeks. Kevin worked hard to make up the credits he lost through class work and independent study, and last semester finished with a 3.3 GPA. He will graduate with the rest of his class in June.

At age 15, Bobbi Jones became pregnant while attending Canton High School, and dropped out of school for a semester. However, that didn't deter her from becoming an honor student at Starkweather Education Center, a member of the journalism staff, and returning to the gymnastics team.

Superintendent Dr. Chuck Little told the group it's "the students with the help of your parents, teachers and guidance



**Changing:** "If it is to be it is up to me," promises Christian Smith, a student at Field Elementary School in Canton. Twenty-seven students were honored at a luncheon Tuesday afternoon at the Summit on the Park.

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# Plymouth Observer

## OPINION

794 SOUTH MAIN, PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN 48170

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1998

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## Underground paper

### Take opportunity to educate

Children should be seen and not heard is a concept from the Victorian age. But it seems to be alive and well in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

A case in point is the recent expulsion of Jim Tantalo, 17, a Salem junior. He was given the heave-ho following distribution of his underground newspaper.

While such distribution violates school rules, school officials, who would not provide details because the family blocked records from being revealed, say there is more to Tantalo's expulsion than just the newspaper.

Yet, clearly the newspaper played a role, likely a large role, in his expulsion. School officials have missed an opportunity to channel Tantalo's interests and abilities. As a penalty, expulsion does not fit Tantalo's crime, even if the student has been dabbling in underground papers since he was in middle school. This isn't a bad kid. There's no indication that Tantalo has the type of problems other students have who are expelled.

Indeed, Tantalo, who appears to be creative, energetic, and a risk taker, is a student who would be better served staying in school, surrounded by educational opportunities.

Tantalo's right to free expression has been stepped on. That certainly has a chilling effect on other students who also may wish to express themselves whether through an underground newspaper, clothing and hair style, art or music.

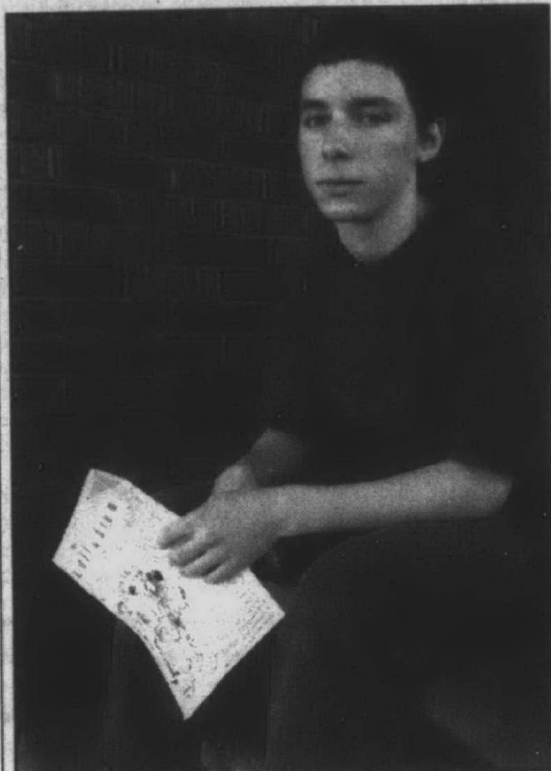
We must be grateful that early American patriots stood up for free expression, a concept and a right that has become a backbone of American society. And that's not to mention tolerance for civil disobedience, yet another precept of American society.

Expression — particularly in a newspaper — by its nature is designed to inform and entertain, as well as encourage others to think, to respond and to get involved in issues that prompt reaction.

Instead of punishment with expulsion, the school board and teachers should have channeled Tantalo's interest in writing, as well as his apparent feelings about authority, bureaucracy and any other topics he raised in his underground newspaper. Those in the business of education have done little to educate Tantalo, and even less to nurture and foster his interests and abilities.

In other words, here's another kid who challenged the system with his self-expression, will pay the price and likely not come out educationally wiser for the experience.

On the other hand, teachers should have used the underground paper as a teaching



**Expelled:** Educators missed a chance to channel Jim Tantalo's interests and abilities.

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tool, not just for Tantalo, but for all students interested in writing and publishing. With any form of expression comes responsibility and a demand for sensitivity.

Tantalo could have used a lesson in libel — what you can and cannot print — sensitivity to others, and cautious use of your opinion if it targets a person or group. Tantalo could have used a lesson in fair and balanced reporting, all the things he also should have been taught as a member of the school newspaper.

Too often, adults in power, often frustrated with the youth who confront them, react according to rules and regulations, yet forget the needs of the youth standing in front of them. We hope Tantalo's future will not slip through the cracks.

ARKIE HUDKINS



LETTERS

### Return NASA channel

I was deeply disappointed to learn of the cancellation of one of the few channels that concerned itself with science, math, future technologies, history and space exploration.

The replacement of the NASA channel with a 24-hour real estate program is sure to be a blow to science and math educators in the community and those who enjoy watching the shuttle missions, Mars exploration and programs that encourage young minds to embrace the future.

It is sad to see that special commercial interests means more than being a corporation that makes a contribution to the education of young people. That excuse about the FCC requiring you to provide a channel seems implausible. It appears you have plenty of channels available. Look at all the home shopping and infomercials you have now! We need more?

President Clinton is encouraging the nation's youth to become technologically literate, and to be first in the world in math and science education. The programming on the NASA channel might not be razzle dazzle all the time, but the material they present is both historic and unique. My children enjoy it and so do I, and I encourage them to watch it whenever they can. I am requesting you to reconsider this decision. It makes you look like you are a corporation more concerned with a shallow commercial enterprise instead of community education.

I realize you have a limited number of channels, but don't sacrifice one that provides educational benefit. There are not enough of them around.

Jim Schirmer

Parent and technology educator

### Concerned about education

A middle school? I think in the near future that administrators will want 15 students, one teacher's aide and two volunteer parents in each classroom.

Even so, I think this district would still struggle to be on top of the academic success list. Why? Because this district once had a working model for success, a model that has slowly been tweaked and gradually changed over the years to end up looking like the Canton Master Plan, nothing like its original self.

Our past academic successes are shadows to the new public education machine. My concern is that the district continues to look outward for answers and not enough from within. It relies on recent reports and studies, that postdate the successful years, as a means to justify the need to change.

This district has not looked closely enough at its own past success as a model for the

future. High-priced teaching aides only partially supplement a strong "basics" program. Get back to basics. Prior to the last tax (bond) vote the following issues were unacceptably given second rank in the public forum, causing great concern about the direction of the public school system: teaching methodology, curriculum, discipline, teacher authority, corporal punishment, back to basics, student behavior, societal changes reducing student behavior as they enter the school system, motivation, unequally applied rules, a plan for computer implementation.

The vote was never about class size. Never. Class size worries merely scratch the surface compared to real concerns. The vote was a referendum on responsibility. It asked one question, "Citizen, do you accept society's decline and do you feel a duty to lift the yoke of society's slacking responsibility around your neck? Are you willing to sacrifice even more of your life for weak policies, changing attitudes and decline? When will you draw the line, now or never?"

The bottom line is that for a sustained period of time the district taught many hundreds more students than are in the system now. When the high school complex opened, it "boasted" over 4,300 students. "Boasted," a term used by the district, was stated in a positive sense. The district was new, societal attitudes were different, the basics were emphasized, teacher pay was less, per pupil spending was less, class sizes were "large," and we achieved higher academic success. The three-topic campaign of computers, overcapacity, and success tied to class size was like pouring an inch of blacktop over a Michigan road or cold patching year-round, the surface is smoothed out, sure lower class size will help any district, but the foundation is not repaired.

Proposal A isn't even an issue because we've opened two elementary schools since then and per pupil spending has increased 21.7 percent since 1994. The real problems are still there. Keep working on them and "overcapacity" will become the secondary issue to success.

How can I reward the public school system by sacrificing more of my life for a middle school, when I can't get the district's attention to focus on strengthening the basics? Saying "yes" tells the district that everything is going OK, after which my influence in public forums is pretty small. Saying "no" doesn't mean I'm not for education or all children, it says please continue to look at other areas more than just class size and emphasize these issues more in your public campaigns, then I'll consider paying more taxes. I'm concerned about my child's public education.

Glenn Kremer  
Plymouth

## Academic All-Stars offer good news

You read about kids in trouble and children at risk. Editorial writers decry the decline of learning in our schools and what they see as the general failure of the educational system.

School shooting incidents like the ones in Edinboro, Pa., and Jonesboro, Ark., lead the network news on television and make headlines in newspapers across the country.

It might make you wonder: Is all the news bad? Is anything good coming out of our schools?

Inside today's Observer, you can read some good school news in a special section dedicated to the 1998 Observer Academic All-Star Team, 16 of the best and the brightest high school seniors in the metro area. Spend some time with it. You'll learn a lot about these young people and their accomplishments.

They come from a variety of backgrounds and are headed for some of the most prestigious universities in the country, where they will prepare for careers ranging from medicine to computer science to engineering and business. They credit their parents and their teachers for their academic success. And it's nice to hear young people saying positive things about parents and teachers.

But these 16 All-Stars deserve plenty of credit themselves. The mother of one of the All-Stars said of her daughter: "She was always a self-motivated child." So, we suspect, were they all. Self-motivated and hard-working. They deserve the recognition they have received. After all, it was their own accomplishments that were evaluated by the selection committee.

The winners were selected by a group of area high school principals, who tabulated test scores and grade point averages.

The 1998 Observer Academic All-Stars, cho-

**■ Inside today's Observer, you can read some good school news in a special section dedicated to the 1998 Observer Academic All-Star Team, 16 of the best and the brightest high school seniors in the metro area.**

sen from nominees from local public and private high schools, include: Nicole Martin of North Farmington High School, Katherine E. King of Livonia Stevenson High School, Afia Ofori-Mensa of Plymouth Canton High School, Matthew Bright of Plymouth Salem High School, Robert D. Shereda of Livonia Churchill High School, Joseph N. Novell of Clarenceville High School, Eric M. Allen of Harrison High School, Elena Spencer of North Farmington High School, Anjali Shah of Plymouth Canton High School, David Weidendorf of Farmington Harrison High School, Joseph Yung-Kuang Ho of Livonia Churchill High School, Sarah Townsend of Ladywood High School, Sarah Niemiec of Garden City High School, Garrett Heraty of Redford Union High School, Emily Curtin of Farmington High School, and Christopher O'Brien of Lutheran High School Westland.

We offer each of them our sincere congratulations.

The special tab section inside today's paper, which was co-sponsored by the Observer and Madonna University, is also available on our Web site at <http://observer-eccentric.com>. And while you're there, you'll find a pointer to the Madonna Web site.

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POINTS OF VIEW

Will kids benefit?

Some people see the glass as half empty and others see the glass half full. Students and staff at Plymouth Canton and Salem high schools see their school life as overflowing.

We know that there are 4,700 students at the high schools, but have you thought about the 4,700 fifty-pound backpacks that follow those ninth- through 12th-graders everywhere they go?

As a parent, I make sure my kids wear their seat belts, and I fight with them to wear helmets, knee pads, and wrist guards when they ride their bikes or rollerblade. I still remind my seventh- and ninth-graders to look both ways before they cross the street; I can't help myself. We all want our kids safe at home, at play, and at school. But every day I send my ninth grader to a very crowded school. And soon my seventh grader and his backpack will go to the same overcrowded school.

I have two questions. First: Where in Michigan's Constitution does it say that the 14,000 Plymouth-Canton public school children's educational future is to be represented in the court by an unelected one-term congressman?

There's a saying that at the end of our lives, no one will wish that he had spent more time at work; rather, we'd wish for more time with our families. If our children are our best natural resources, then we have to provide and support their education. These children are our partners in this world, and they need to know that it's not only our responsibility to build schools, but our privilege. Well, we are all going to have to look back at this time and ask ourselves: Did our children benefit from not building new schools? Are Canton, Plymouth, and Plymouth Township a better place to live because we didn't build new schools?

Debbie Madonna  
Plymouth

Please stand up

Gloria Steinem's big picture of women's rights is not big enough. It stops short of truly caring about the natural wish of all nations, colors, cultures to be their own selves - protected from the smothering propaganda of the false feminists.

Her clue words are, "the president is all that stands between them (false feminists) and a pro-life Congress."

The horrible threat of a "pro-life Congress" is the ogre the Steinems use to beat the innocent females into abject submission.

Feminists come in different varieties. There was Clare Booth Luce, writer, congresswoman, ambassador to Italy, wife of Henry Luce of Time, Life, Fortune. Sixty years ago, she fought with Alice Paul on the streets of Washington to bring women's rights to the marketplace.

Then in 1982 she wrote the Women's Lobby demanding that they remove her name from their masthead because they had made abortion rights the keystone of their political agenda. She explained that abortion was an "unnatural act," pointed out that if it were natural the world would be empty. A sensible viewpoint, it seems.

Another sensible viewpoint came from present-day warrior, Catherine MacKinnon, who says she believes the women whose accusations of the president's wandering hands - to her - ring true. She criticizes her sister-feminists who are willing to overlook his predatory moves on females for the sake of his political friendship on "child care and abortion."

"That's a corrupt bargain," she says. (Detroit Free Press, April 4, 1998)

But both MacKinnon and Steinem are blind to the devastation a woman visits on herself when she agrees to the butchery of her own child. It is only the members of the pro-life movement who can be honestly be called feminists. They care about the women - all of them. They have befriended the unhappily pregnant single mother and the miserably post-

aborted non-mother with all the support systems they can muster. They have responded immediately to the crying need for educational truth and simple common sense. They resist the blather of gender hatred and paranoia and replace it with self-respect.

Will the real feminists please stand up?

Paula Ervin  
Plymouth

Do you care?

Whatever happened to community pride? Sixteen years ago, Old Village was a busy little community full of quaint cubby hole shops, antique stores and fairly well-kept homes.

Today I look out my kitchen window onto an alley with obscene smelly dumpsters, obnoxious "Do Not Enter" signs, half-painted buildings, cars that don't have anything to do with my business in my parking area and a semi-truck parked next door.

Is this Plymouth or the inner city? Now that the snow is long past, most property owners seem to be blind to the trash, debris and unkempt yards that have surfaced.

There's a lot of talk about the city putting some dollars into Old Village, but without the efforts of property owners and businesses, why bother?

We need to move ahead, not backwards, to improve the quality of life in this section of town. With a small amount of effort, our property values and our businesses may improve so we could afford to paint our buildings. Most important is that we need to get along with each other and respect our neighbors' views.

Step back and look all around your property and ask yourself "Would I like to look at this every day?" If the answer is "I don't care," it's a pretty selfish attitude, don't you think?

Diana Licht  
Business owner and resident  
Plymouth

Avoid name-calling

So Tim Richard is upset with the folks at the Mackinac Center again ("Mackinac Center seeks school money with code words," March 19). What else is new?

He's called them everything from "bozos" to "right-wing fanatics" and this time they're "deceitful rogues." Given the amount of time and ink Tim devotes to attacking them, you have to figure the Mackinac Center is doing something right.

Of course, Mr. Richard's vitriol is far from the only evidence of this.

Since you can hardly pick up a newspaper or tune into a public debate in Michigan anymore without noticing Mackinac Center ideas being discussed, I'd say their goal of shifting the window of public opinion has been largely successful.

These facts bother Tim, who would prefer all policy debate to remain mired in name-calling, sloganeering, and failed economic ideas rather than based on empirical evidence and modern research from reputable and credentialed scholars.

The Mackinac Center is the largest "think tank" of its kind outside of Washington, D.C., and it has been credited by a number of public officials, including the governor, for not only raising the level of debate but for actually improving Michigan's public policy.

Tim Richard could take a lesson from those he disparages on how to really influence public opinion. Here's a hint - it doesn't involve name-calling!

David M. Holt  
Livonia

He's got a solution

Just about every letter to the editor regarding the Plymouth-Canton school bond issue has attacked Jerry Vorva from every angle. They make Vorva a new swear word in the English language. He must be doing something right.

Now let me ask the citizens of the

Plymouth-Canton school district what would have happened if the school bond issue failed by 96 votes? The school establishment would have scheduled new elections over and over, probably even on Christmas Eve at midnight until they wrangled a vote in their favor. Of course I'm exaggerating. They would never inconvenience themselves by interrupting one of their many vacations.

I've watched Livonia, Wayne-Westland and Garden City school districts build more and more schools. Today and you will find empty buildings in every district. The overexpansion decisions were obviously made by inexperienced school boards pressured by an equally incompetent school establishment.

My oversimplified solution: take a deep breath, add a wing or two on the present buildings, sit tight and I'll guarantee that in a few years the district will be closing down some of the existing school buildings.

Do you know that our schoolteachers are now costing us around \$85,000-\$90,000 in wages and fringe benefits annually? Incidentally they are all "part time." I don't suggest that we cut their wages but simply freeze their wage rate for a set number of years. Our teachers seem to enjoy union protection so as unionized employees they should be required to punch a time card at the beginning and end of each day. Each day should consist of eight full hours spent on the job within their place of work, the school building. This will give them time to correct papers and do all the other work they claim they are doing at home. They should work the year-round. They can use the summer months to counsel students, plan ahead for the coming year. Perhaps cut the grass and clean and maintain their buildings. Now you know they will say this is impossible and unreasonable, but think about it. Isn't this what we the taxpayers do on our jobs every day of our lives?

Harold Monet  
Plymouth

Term limits also have liabilities

For a majority of the state House of Representatives - 65 out of 110 - time is up. Term limits, approved by the voters in 1992 and affirmed by the court this year, prohibit them from running again in August and November.

It's easy and, sometimes useful to poke fun at our legislators. But the fact is they work hard - probably harder than most of us - and they do care about their communities.

Tim Richard, the head of the HomeTown News Service that brings stories from Lansing to this newspaper, interviewed retiring legislators. What they said was thoughtful and, often, insightful. Here's a sampling that readers might want to clip out for comparison when candidates for the House come calling this fall:

LYN BANKES, R-Livonia, who served 14 years in the House and is running for the Wayne County Commission, spoke to her biggest disappointment: "Not getting the appliance repair bill passed. It's a very simple consumer protection bill. But one lobbying group, the Small Business Association, doesn't like it and has prevented its getting through. It parallels the auto repair act - they have to give you a written estimate, and if they change the estimate they have to let you know."

BARBARA DOBB, R-Union Lake, who heads her own CPA firm in West Bloomfield and is thinking of running for the Senate, reflected on the consequences of term limits: "The whole political landscape is going to change under term limits. This will be our first election under term limits. The public will get a real wake-up call as to how far-reaching it is. You're going to see changes in the type of legislation that comes out of the House and what types of coalitions are built."

PENNY CRISSMAN, R-Rochester, who leaves the Legislature with mixed feelings. "I will not miss the travel time, an hour and a half one way. But there is life outside the Legislature, and I'm looking forward to it." She says her biggest frustration was, "When I came in, you were expected to sit and listen (until gaining seniority). But term limits came in. We had to convince them (the leadership) they no longer had the luxury of time in learning. We needed to be brought on board."

ALLAN L. CROUSEY, R-DeWitt, best known for pushing gun ownership bills and representing fundamentalist Christians, advises his successor: "They need to have a well-rounded education, well-rounded life experience. Listen to the constituents and hear what they're really saying; hear the fear that's motivating their stand on an issue. A lot of times you can come to accommodations."

FRANK FITZGERALD, R-Grand Ledge, who is running for the Republican nomination for



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attorney general after six terms in the House, reflected on a reading list for a good legislator: "There's not a single document or a book. One can do this job without being a political science major or a lawyer. Two documents a legislator should have the greatest familiarity with are the U. S. Constitution and the State Constitution. Beyond that, some general grounding in government, common sense and a knowledge of your people. Reading the local newspaper, honest, is the second most important."

GREG KAZA, R-Rochester Hills, the House's libertarian policy wonk, advised his successor: "Knock on a lot of doors - that's the most important factor. Make sure you don't hold grudges and go to as many events put on by members not only of your party but of the opposing party."

TOM MIDDLETON, R-Ortonville, who is challenging incumbent Sen. Mat Dunaskiss in the GOP primary, advised his successor: "Meet the people. There are 110 of us in the House. You can't be an expert on everything."

KIRK PROFIT, D-Ypsilanti, advised 21-year-olds considering a career in the Legislature: "Live life to the fullest every day. Understand people and what they want. We don't come here with the answers. We come as conduits, advocates and facilitators."

DEBORAH WHYMAN, R-Canton, is running for the Senate seat being vacated by Bob Geake. Her biggest disappointment: "Seeing adults act like kindergartners. We work on bills and all get very tired, and (some) return to the behavior they had when they were 5 years old - petty bickering, just generally childish."

Reflecting on the distilled experience of these retiring legislators makes me more than a little nervous about what's to come when the Legislature is dominated by the six-year term limit.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@oonline.com

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## Post office employees collect for Salvation Army

Plymouth post office employees are hoping to set another local record for giving as they collect non-perishable food items for the Salvation Army this Saturday.

"Last year, both Plymouth post offices set a record by collecting 7.5 tons of food," said carrier Stacy Alton, who is coordinating the downtown post office effort. "This year our goal is eight tons."

Postal workers are asking that non-perishable items be left at the mail boxes for pickup by carriers.

Residents can also drop off food items inside the Beck Road or downtown post offices, or in drive-up bins at the two locations. Collections will also be taken at Hiller's Market at Five Mile and Haggerty, Kmart at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty, as well as Danny's on Main Street.

"The Salvation Army needs the donations because supplies are starting to dwindle," said Alton. "It's the major food drive that will last until the Christmas season. Our customers are

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very giving, and we're hoping for a record amount of food for the needy."

All the food collected goes to people in Plymouth, Canton and Northville ... areas in which many might not see a need.

"When I moved here from St. Louis last year, I thought to myself, 'What need is there in this area?'" said Bill Moritz, social services director at the Salvation Army in Plymouth. "Believe me, there is a big need. It's just hidden very well. Many people are living from paycheck to paycheck."

Moritz said the Plymouth Salvation Army helps 30-40 families a month. And even though many receive government assistance, it still isn't enough.

"I was surprised at how much people in the Plymouth area give," said Moritz. "At Christmastime, I was overwhelmed at the generosity of those in the area. This is a good community."

## Central scores in German contest

Central Middle School students competed with more than 20 schools and a total of more than 1,000 other German students at the annual German Day at the University of Michigan in March.

Central's play of "The Pied Piper" tied for first place with the skit from South Grosse Pointe High School.

Students brought scenery of timbered houses, costumes and even a lunch of stuffed rats with them to the Michigan Union, where they presented their play in front of professors - judges - in the U-M's German Department.

Central's television commercial about Dr. Brecht's magic elixir also took first place. It was performed by Grad Eichkorn and Stephanie Langwell before an audience of more than 1,000 students.



Acting: Central Middle School scored big with a production of the "Pied Piper," part of the competition for the annual German Day at the University of Michigan recently.

Twenty Central students came home with prizes of Bertolt Brecht T-shirts, German and Austrian posters and books.

Central students also competed in poetry recitation, musical selections, extemporaneous speaking, and a video, which students wrote.

Students discovered that after only six months of German study, they could understand and perform at a high level.

Joy Large, Central's German teacher, said she was pleased with the students' performance in the competition.

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

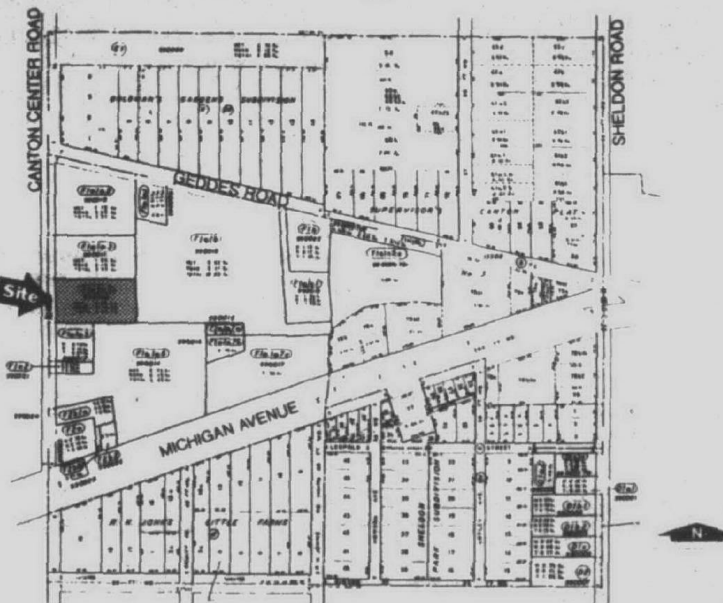
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

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, June 1, 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:

**WITKOWSKI REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 134 99 0012 000 FROM O-1, OFFICE, TO C-1, VILLAGE SHOPPING.** Property is located on the east side of Old Canton Center Road between Michigan Avenue and Geddes Road.

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

SEE ATTACHED MAP



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS May 14, 1998

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1998 AT 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call: Cisek, Demopoulos, Johnson, Redfern, Williams

Acceptance of Agenda

1. Peter Toarmina, 47500 Hanford Rd., Canton, MI 48187, for property located at same. Appealing Article 26.02, Schedule of Regulations, Agricultural and Residential Districts, Side Yard Setbacks. The request is for a variance of 20' from the side setback requirement of 20' in R-1 for Lot 6; and a variance of 12' from the required 150' lot width in R-1 for Lot 7. Parcel No. (Lot 6) 029-02-0006-000 and (Lot 7) 029-02-0007-000 (Planning)
2. Limbach Company, 24535 Hallwood Ct., Farmington Hills, MI 48335, representing Yazaki North America, for property located at 6800 Haggerty Rd., Canton, MI 48187. Appealing Article 26.04, Requirements for Industrial Districts, Front Setbacks in LI-1. The request is for a variance of 30' from the 40' front setback from Warren Road to install a cooling tower. Parcel No. 046-99-0005-000 (Planning)
3. Bonnie Giniel, 1984 Brookfield, Canton, MI 48188, for property located at same. Appealing Article 26.02, Side Yard Setbacks. The request is for a variance in order to build a 12' X 22' attached garage. Parcel No. 105-01-0090-000 (Building)
4. William & Christina Sankovich, 1458 Whittier Dr., Canton, MI 48187, for property located at same. Appealing Article 2.03, Accessory Structures and Uses, Unattached Structures. The request is for a variance of 133 square feet in order to build a 24 X 24 sq. ft. garage. Parcel No. 058-01-0011-000 (Building)
5. Gerald L. Murphy, 1113 Selma, Westland, MI 48186, for property located at 7015 Stonebrook Ct., Canton, MI 48187. Appealing Article 26.02, Front & Rear Yard Setbacks. The request is for a variance in order to rotate the house 20' to face the cul-de-sac. Parcel No. 029-99-0003-704 (Building)
6. Paul Citkowski & Lenore Walkuski, 43651 Antietam Dr., Canton, MI 48188, for property located at same. Appealing Article 26.02, Side Yard Setbacks. The request is for a 3' variance to construct a 20' X 22' attached garage. Parcel No. 088-01-0097-000 (Building)

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of March 26, 1998

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of April 9, 1998

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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## Watch for city meetings on cable

Plymouth city commission meetings should be on local cable TV within 60-90 days.

"We're about to turn into a television studio," City Manager Steve Walters told city commissioners on Monday from the dais in the second-floor commission room at city hall.

Commissioners approved a low bid from Thalner Electronics of

\$52,640 for three TV cameras and support equipment. The money comes to the city from Media One, through a franchise agreement between the city and the cable company.

City commission meetings happen at 7 p.m. the first and third Mondays of each month. Walters is exploring using volunteers to run cameras.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids up to 10:00 a.m., May 21, 1998 for the following:

#### EPOXY FLOOR COATING FOR NEW FIRE STATION

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

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids up to 10:00 a.m., May 28, 1998 for the following:

#### EXTERIOR PAINTING OF FELLOWS CREEK CLUBHOUSE

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

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

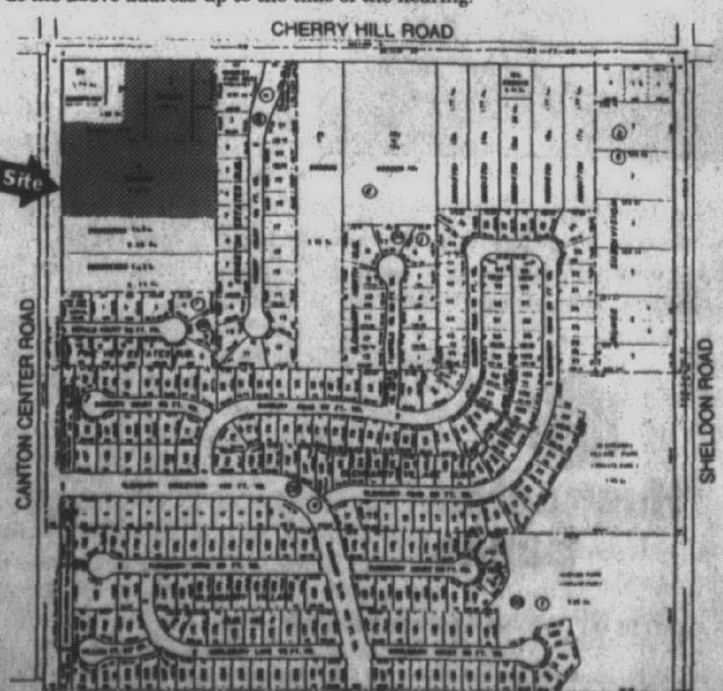
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### CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Monday, May 18, 1998 at 7:00 P.M. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road to consider a request for the following Special Land Use as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance.

**ATM-V SHOPPING CENTER SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A PLANNED SHOPPING CENTER GREATER THAN 40,000 SQ. FT. BUT LESS THAN 200,000 SQ. FT. AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 16.02B.9 FOR PARCEL NOS. 086 99 0003 000, 086 99 0005 000, 086 99 0006 000 AND PART OF PARCEL NO. 086 99 0004 702; AND TO CONSIDER A REQUEST TO AMEND THE SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL GRANTED FOR PARCEL NOS. 086 99 0004 701 AND 086 99 0004 702 (AMOCO SERVICE STATION) FOR AN AUTOMOBILE SERVICE STATION AND AUTOMOBILE WASH FACILITY, BY REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE A 1.5 ACRE L-SHAPED GREENSPACE ON THESE PARCELS ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIALLY-ZONED PROPERTY CURRENTLY ZONED COMMERCIAL. Property is located east of Canton Center Road and south of Cherry Hill Road. (Rescheduled and amended from February 16, 1998; rescheduled from May 4, 1998)**

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

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, May 20, 1998 at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan, commencing at 7:00 p.m., for the purpose of considering the Tentative Preliminary Plat for Portsmouth Crossing, a proposed subdivision located north of North Territorial, south of M-14, east of Beck Road, west of Beacon Meadows Subdivision as required by Subdivision Ordinance No. 32. Application No. 1457A.

Description of property for proposed subdivision is:

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

**Parcel 1:** That part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 28 described as beginning at the North 1/4 corner Section 28 and proceeding thence North 18 degrees 15 minutes along said center line 504.0 feet thence South 1 degree 55 minutes East 1076.0 feet to the center line of North Territorial Road, thence North 84 degrees 00 minutes West along said center line of point to the North and South 1/4 of Section 28, thence North 1 degree 45 minutes West along said 1045.0 feet to the Point of Beginning.

**Parcel 2:** Part of South 1/2 Section 21 Town 1 South, Range 8 East, Beginning South 89 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds West 1895 feet from Southeast 1/4 corner Section 21 thence South 89 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds West 1575 feet thence North 3 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds East 509.72 feet thence North 88 degrees 40 minutes 20 seconds East 1575.07 feet thence South 0 degrees 40 minutes 00 seconds East 525.50 feet to Point of Beginning.

**Parcel 3:** Part of Southwest 1/4 Section 21, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, Beginning North 85 degrees 45 minutes 45 seconds East 1138.52 feet from Southwest 1/4 corner Section 21, thence North 85 degrees 46 minutes 45 seconds East 662.94 feet, thence North 3 degrees 16 minutes 55 seconds East 510 feet, more or less thence South 85 degrees 18 minutes 51 seconds West 800 feet, more or less thence South 12 degrees 28 minutes 15 seconds East 125 feet thence North 77 degrees 31 minutes 45 seconds East 60 feet thence South 12 degrees 28 minutes 15 seconds East 28.36 feet thence on a curve to left radius 25 feet arc 36.67 feet thence South 4 degrees 13 minutes 15 seconds East 60 feet thence South 85 degrees 46 minutes 45 seconds West 21.60 feet thence South 4 degrees 13 minutes 15 seconds East 171.95 feet to a point of beginning.

Tax I.D. Nos. 011-99-0004-003; 012-99-0003-003; 033-99-0006-000.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the application may be examined at the Plymouth Township Department of Public Services Building, Community Development Department, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting. The application review and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone No. 734-453-4372. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall, The address of Township Hall is 46350 Ann Arbor Road.

MARCIA SAYLES, Secretary  
Planning Commission

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## HOOKED ON HISTORY



VIRGINIA BAILEY PARKER

## Cold War: It was up close and personal

Did my eyes deceive me? Was that Mikhail Gorbachev, former leader of the Soviet Union, doing a recent fast food commercial?

Younger people may not find this surprising since the U.S.S.R. was dissolved six years ago. To those of us who lived through the height of the Cold War, though, this is a remarkable transformation.

An experience a few years ago drove this point home. Shortly after the breakup of the U.S.S.R., Don and I took our children to a professional soccer game. The teams competing were from the U.S. and the newly created Russian alliance, the Commonwealth of Independent States (C.I.S.).

I was deeply affected by the sight of the huge C.I.S. banner above our opponents. It brought a monumental change in global politics to my doorstep.

"This marks a tremendous moment in history," I told Natalie and Phil. I followed up with a thumbnail sketch of the downfall of a world power — our communist nemesis.

They took my explanation in stride. The dynamics of the event were too far removed to hold the same meaning as for me. Their history textbooks, of course, described the communist witch hunts of the McCarthy era.

Documentaries showed clips of the Senate hearings and described the political mindset. The kids absorbed an academic understanding of the Cold War, so, to them, the demise of the Soviet Union was merely a change in government noted on the evening news.

To understand what this experience really meant requires calling up memories from the 1950s. The McCarthy hearings were not documentaries to us; they came live into our living rooms.

There was talk of building bomb shelters in backyards. Plans for constructing them were available, along with instructions for stocking them. My sister Regina had a few friends whose fathers put them in.

### Seeing the 'need'

The "need" was not lost on our young minds. At the time, we thought these flimsy shelters would protect us. Never mind the kind of world to which we would return.

In school, we practiced atomic bomb drills. We were marched into the basements where we knelt in the fetal position, our hands protectively covering our heads. The teachers made it clear this was what we would do not if, but when the Russians attacked.

Even more ludicrous, given the utter devastation of nuclear warfare, was the drill Regina's classmates were made to practice. They had to jump off their bikes and curl up into the fetal position — next to a curb, of all places — to wait out an attack!

We laugh at some of this from our safe distance, but, at the time, a list of reasons made the possibility of war very real to us. We lived near Chicago, which, the community had been told, would be one of Russia's first targets. Detroit was another.

Dentist Leslie Swartz, who grew up in Detroit, remembers that his father attended monthly meetings and was issued a civil defense captain's badge from the Detroit Police Department.

In addition, war itself was not remote. Our nation had already engaged communism on the battlefield in Korea, but the reality of war that loomed largest in our consciousness was the fresh memory of World War II. My father's wartime stories, and those of relatives, were frequently told. Our parents' realities became ours.

Moreover, danger of the Cold War escalating into a hot one during the '50s led to a frequent refrain that reached our young ears: "We shouldn't have stopped with the Nazis; we should have marched into Russia and finished the job."

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# MWF looks to women for help

■ The demand far exceeds the money the Michigan Women's Foundation has available to grant to programs that benefit women and girls, so it is looking to convince women they don't need to be rich to be philanthropists.

When it comes to women, Peg Talburt speaks matter-of-factly. Women, she says, are givers. They volunteer more than men and give more of their time.

It's that attitude of giving that Talburt wants to tap into. She wants women to realize that they can give of their resources, that they don't have to be rich to be a philanthropist.

And she has just the place for them to give to, the Michigan Women's Foundation, a statewide public foundation devoted to promoting economic self-sufficiency and personal well-being for women and girls.

"We want to encourage women to act as philanthropists so that they feel connected to the problem facing women and girls and to the problem-solving," said Talburt, the foundation's executive director. "We'd like to see women step up to the plate."

"Only 5 percent of foundation dollars given nationally and in the state are targeted for women and girls. We know women have resources and we know the needs of women and girls exist, so we want to foster that match."

The foundation is encouraging women to make the decisions now about where their assets should go — planned donations or living legacies — when they are gone. And with good reason.

According to an Independent Sector/Gallup survey done in the fall of 1996, 71 percent of women gave to charities in 1995 as opposed to 65 percent of men. And an IRS publication, Statistics of Income Bulletin, in 1993, showed that 43 percent of Americans with assets greater than \$500,000 were women.

"Eighty-five percent of the consumer decisions are made by women, so women are used to making economic decisions for themselves and their families," Talburt said. "But a vast num-



Listen hear: Peg Talburt will go to the far corners of the state in her role as the executive director of the Michigan Women's Foundation, to talk to women about supporting the work being done by the foundation.

The foundation also conducts two other grant programs — the Women's Health Funding Initiative and Young Women for Change.

The initiative provides \$50,000 grants for Careerline Tech in Holland, which offers educational support, vocational assistance and social services for pregnant teens and keeps them plugged into their education with home teachers, and Hutzel Hospital's Community Health Program for production of a videotape and discussion guides for girls ages 9-12 and caregivers on the issue of teen pregnancy.

Young Women for Change targets the needs of girls and young women in Kent County. A committee of 14 teenaged girls makes the decisions as to how the \$20,000 grant will be used. Plans are in the works to start a second program in southeast Michigan.

"We've been referred to as the best kept secret in the state and we want to refute that," Talburt said. "We don't want to be a secret."

The foundation is "bicoastal," according to Talburt, with a small office in Grand Rapids and its main office in Livonia, where it is close to 50 percent of its grant recipients and a majority of its donors.

Grant money is raised in several ways, including grants from other foundations which it then re-grants to selected projects. A case in point is the \$50,000 matching grant from the Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation that was used for the Women's Health Initiative.

"We act as a pass through organization," Talburt said. "We were able to get this money because we were able to target the money for projects with laser beam precision."

The foundation also takes its message on the road with Talburt, board members and a grant recipient talking about the MWF at city receptions around the state.

The receptions are small, intimate gatherings in homes for 50-100 women. By invitation only, participants pay \$35 to attend. Last month, Talburt was in Farmington at the home of Marcia Stroko. Upcoming receptions also are planned in Ann Arbor, Holland, Muskegon, Grand Rapids, Grosse Pointe and Traverse City.

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## And this year's winners are ...

Begun in 1991, the Michigan Women's Foundation's "Women of Achievement and Courage" recognizes women who have made significant contributions to the lives of women and girls. The honorees are selected for their leadership, vision, passion and accomplishments.

This year's honorees are:

■ Vernice Davis Anthony, the senior vice president of Urban and Community Health at St. John Health System in Detroit has been a statewide leader to prevent infant mortality and teen pregnancy.

As director of the Michigan Department of Public Health for four years, she implemented a number of health and education programs that led to lowest infant mortality rate in Michigan's history and a reduction in teen pregnancies.



Anthony



Josaitis



Wolfe



Beckwith

■ Eleanor Josaitis, co-founder and executive director of Focus: HOPE, has been a significant contributor to increased public awareness of hunger and malnutrition to the formulation of public policy and responsible legislation.

She has played a major role in the

development of Focus: HOPE's nationally recognized training programs which promote movement from poverty to the financial mainstream.

■ Joann Luedders Wolfe, founder of the West Michigan Environmental Action Council, is recognized internationally for her many contributions to environmental protection.

# Students go 'big time' with 'Dreamcoat'

In rehearsal:  
Eighth-graders  
John de Vries (left)  
as the  
Pharaoh  
and Philip  
Rousseau as  
Joseph  
rehearse a  
scene from  
St. Matthew  
Lutheran  
School's  
weekend  
production  
of "Joseph  
and the  
Amazing  
Technicolor  
Dreamcoat."



Each year St. Matthew Lutheran School puts on a spring production. This school year drama coordinator Rich Schumacher decided to do something a little different.

"I realized that we haven't done anything major so we decided on 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat,'" said Schumacher. "This is the first big name show that we've done. We've done the basic school program sort of thing. We decided we could better."

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" will be presented at 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 8-9, at the school's gymnasium, 5855 Venoy Road, north of Ford Road, in Westland.

Schumacher and principal Jeff Burkee decided on "Joseph" based on their backgrounds in theater.

"Personally, I have a strong background in drama having performed in many community theater shows," said Schumacher who also teaches seventh and eighth grades. "Our principal has produced several shows at the other schools he's been at. We had a desire to do something better."

Schumacher explained that "Joseph" bodes well for his cast which ranges in age from third through eighth grade.

"When Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber wrote it, they wrote it for a school production," he said. "It's very appropriate for this age level."

Rice and Webber were commissioned by the school's headmaster to create an original musical piece for the end-of-term concert. The play debuted March 1, 1968, at Colet Court School in London as a 15-minute play.

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## History from page B1

Tensions were high between the two superpowers as the next decade dawned.

In 1960, the continuing threat of war was vividly etched in our minds with the image of Nikita Khrushchev banging his shoe on a desk at the United Nations and shouting. Or telling Western diplomats that "We will bury you," or assuring us "Your children will live under communism!"

Of course, while all this was going on, we were still kids. We

played baseball, ate ice cream cones and otherwise occupied ourselves when we were not practicing dodging atomic bombs.

### Frightening time

Nonetheless, underneath all this, the political climate of the 1950s frightened the dickens out of us. I clearly remember childhood nightmares where I was being chased for political reasons. "We all did," a friend said recently.

**■ Of course, while all this was going on, we were still kids. We played baseball, ate ice cream cones and otherwise occupied ourselves when we were not practicing dodging atomic bombs.**

A few weeks ago, Regina went to an auction where bomb shelter water barrels were being sold. They still bore instructions to clean them and replace the water every three months. She laughs recalling how, despite the Cold War paranoia that gripped

the country, practicality ultimately had taken over.

"Had anyone needed to use the bomb shelters, they would have been hard-pressed. Every time my friends' parents were short of storage space, they used the bomb shelters. Eventually, there

wasn't any room left for people."

It's this shared experience that has made "The Russians Are Coming" one of our family's favorite movies. The brutality of communist regimes notwithstanding, the film pokes fun at paranoia-run-rampant during the Cold War.

Lacking a personal frame of reference, however, young folks Natalie and Phil's age can no more appreciate the movie's political satire than they can my feelings at that soccer game.

As for gazing upon "Commonwealth of Independent States" emblazoned above the Russian soccer players, I felt a wave of emotion was over me. The Soviet Union that invaded my dreams as a child no longer existed. In the end, the U.S. had survived the regime that threatened to bury us.

Historian and author Virginia Bailey Parker has a bachelor's degree in history and a master's degree in historic preservation. She lives in Canton Township.

### Surf's up



At annual dinner: The Beach Boys will be minus co-founder Carl Wilson (third from left), who died of cancer in February, when they perform at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Institute's 16th annual dinner Saturday, May 9. The dinner will be at Chrysler Corporation's Connor Assembly Plant in Detroit, home of the Dodge Viper and Plymouth Prowler. The band, which has embodied the spirit of America with a string of hits beginning with "Surfin' USA" in 1961, will headline the event. Tickets cost \$750 for patrons, \$500 for friends and \$250 for friends. For more information, call Lisa Zanlungo at 1-800-KAR-MANOS (527-6266).

## Women from page B1

"We've found that women love to give money and love a good story," Talburt said.

### Recognizing women

The foundation's major fundraiser is its two "Women of Achievement and Courage" dinners, sponsored by General Motors.

Four women have been selected to be recognized at the dinners, held in Grand Rapids last month, and at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn on Tuesday, May 12.

They are Vernice Davis Anthony, Eleanor Josaitis, Joann Luedders Wolfe and Gladys May

Beckwith.

The event is being co-chaired by Deborah Dingell, president of the General Motors Foundation, and Geneva Williams, executive vice-president and COO of United Way Community Services.

They expect the dinners will attract more than 850 people and raise close to \$225,000 for the foundation.

Tickets for the May 12 dinner at the Ritz Carlton cost \$150 each and are available by calling the MWF at (734) 542-3946.

"This event achieves two important outcomes," Williams said. "It raises funds that directly support programs for women

and children in our state, and at the same time, it's a wonderful opportunity to recognize the women in our state whose leadership and commitment are vital to women's and children's causes."

"The dinners represent the largest, single chunk of money raised for the foundation," Talburt added. "The dinner is the first place we go for corporate donations. We also go to the corporations for partners for grants."

The Michigan Women's Foundation is at 17177 Laurel Park, Suite 445, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 542-3946.

## Joseph from page B1

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" tells the story of Joseph, the second youngest and favorite son of Jacob.

Jealous about the attention Joseph received, his brothers attacked him and sold him as a slave to a band of Ishmaelites. The brothers told their father that Joseph had died.

"It's a show that I personally have enjoyed," Schumacher said. "I haven't seen it on Broadway but a lot of the kids have. It's a good show as far as notoriety

and name.

"Also, the music to it is very simple and very easy for the kids."

Auditions for St. Matthew's "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" were held in September and the students have been rehearsing for it since then. Eighth-grader Philip Rousseau of Westland will play Joseph.

Each night 80 kids primarily from Garden City, Westland and Canton will perform characters to chorus members.

St. Matthew's production, Schumacher said, will rival other companies' presentations.

"We have a stage set up in the gym with a number of props similar to what many people have seen with other productions of Joseph," he said.

Tickets for "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" cost \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children ages 5-12, and free for kids ages 4 and younger.

Tickets can be reserved by calling the St. Matthew's School at (734) 425-0261.

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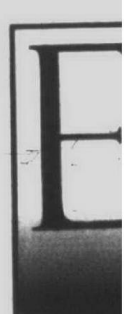
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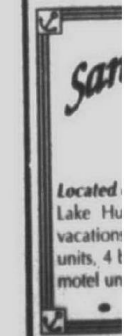
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## ENGAGEMENTS

## Lundy-Holappa

John and Denise Lundy of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Marie, to Todd Michael Holappa, the son of Ronald M. Holappa of Bonita Springs, Fla., formerly of West Bloomfield, and the late Carol Holappa.

The bride-to-be is a bakery manager at Farmer Jack.

Her fiancé is employed as an area manager for Priscilla's.

A June wedding is planned at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton.



## Patyle-Putman

Joseph and Magdalyn Patyle of Hinsdale, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie Anne of Westland, to Robert Ronald Putman of Livonia, the son of Terry and Ruth Putman of Onsted.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Madonna University with a bachelor of science degree in psychology. She is employed as a case manager at Fairlane Behavioral Services.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Ferris State University with a bachelor of science degree in marketing. He is employed as a project manager at Phillips Service Industries.

A June wedding is planned at



St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia.

## Dangerfield-Collier

Terry and Georganna Dangerfield of Taylor announce the engagement of their daughter, Terra Lee, to Stephen Leslie Collier, the son of Stephen and Carole Collier of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Taylor Kennedy High School. She is employed by Wayne County.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. He is employed by Time-Warner Cable.

A September wedding in



Wyandotte is planned.

## Robinson-Stolt

Mel and Ellen Robinson of Mason City, Iowa, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lori Ann, to Richard John Stolt, the son of John and Nancy Stolt of Redford.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Anderson University in Anderson, Ind.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Fairlane Christian Schools in Dearborn Heights and Anderson University.

A May wedding is planned in Mason City.



## Zimmerman-Walter

Clyde and Yvonne Zimmerman of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter Lauren Julia, to Bryan James Walter, the son of James and Patricia Walter of Farmington.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Ladywood High School and the University of Michigan-Dearborn. She is employed as an environmental scientist for an engineering consulting firm in Ferndale.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Farmington High School. He is employed as a carpenter for Walter Construction Inc.

A June wedding is planned at St. Valentine's Catholic Church



in Redford.

## Turczyn-Piasentin

Thomas and Jane Turczyn of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Julianne, to John Guido Piasentin, the son of John and Julia Piasentin of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Ladywood High School and the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a bachelor of arts degree in international business. She is employed as a project planner at TRW-Automotive Electronics.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Wayne State University with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He expects to earn a master of science degree in mechanical engineering from WSU in 1999. He is employed at General Dynamics-Land Systems Division.



An October wedding is planned at St. Robert Bellarmine Church in Redford.

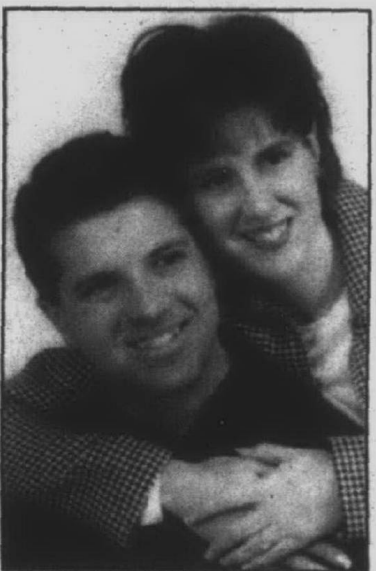
## Carlisle-Leonard

Jim and Carol Carlisle of Dallas, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter to Anthony Sigmond Leonard, the son of Raymond and Patricia Leonard of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin. She is employed by Ameriserve as a senior program analyst for Taco Bell.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is employed as an electrical engineer by Texas Instruments.

A May wedding is planned at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Dallas.



## Trostile-Rave

Donald and June Trostile of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Elizabeth, to Todd Mitchell Rave, the son of Char and Bee Rave of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and attends Eastern Michigan University. She is employed by Hudson's as a visual display artist.

Her fiancé also is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a



degree in philosophy. He attends Marquette University Law School in Milwaukee, Wis.

A June wedding is planned at the Dixboro Methodist Church in Ann Arbor.

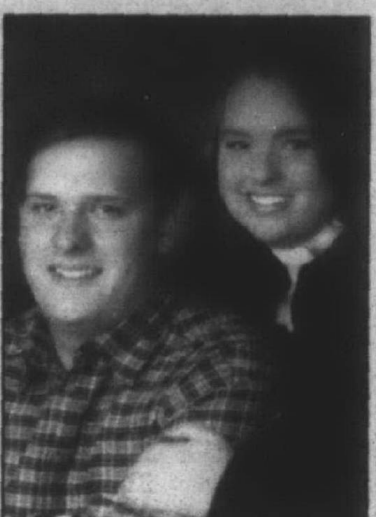
## Wilhelmsen-Zaske

Eileen Wilhelmsen of Livonia and Ray Wilhelmsen of West Bloomfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn, to Todd Andrew Zaske, the son of Robert and Carolyn Zaske of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in communications. She is employed as a operations analyst at Caetech of Livonia.

Her fiancé will graduate in May from Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in telecommunications.

A May wedding is planned at Christ Our Savior Lutheran



Church in Livonia.

## Stuart-Coughlin

William Stuart of Livonia announces the engagement of his daughter, Leigh Anne, to Scott Coughlin, the son of Evelyn and Terry Coughlin of Mount Pleasant.

The bride-to-be, the daughter of the late Judith Stuart, is a 1989 graduate of Ladywood High School. She attended Oakland Community College. She is employed at Michigan Boating Industries Association in Livonia.

Her fiancé is a 1986 graduate of Sacred Heart High School in Mount Pleasant and a graduate of Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in sales and marketing. He is employed at Don Blackburn and Co. in Livonia.

An October wedding is



planned at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia.

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## WEEKEND

**BLOOD DRIVE**  
Kroger Pharmacy No. 671 will sponsor a blood drive 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, May 8, at Kroger, 1905 Canton Center, Canton. If you have any questions or would like to schedule an appointment, please call (734) 844-2677. Walk-ins are also welcome.

## DINOSAUR DISPLAY

There will be a lecture, slide presentation, and fossil display entitled: "Jurassic Park: Genesis and the Dinosaur" at 6 p.m. Friday, May 8, at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Canton. The lecture will be presented by Erich A. von Fange, Ph.D., professor emeritus of Concordia College, Ann Arbor. Cost is \$16 per adult and \$3 for children 12 and under.

## GARAGE SALE

Risen Christ Lutheran Church will hold the second annual Garage-Rummage-Craft Sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 8, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday, May 9, at 46250 Ann Arbor Road, one mile west of Sheldon, Plymouth Township. Table space is available or your items can be sold on commission. Donation of items also appreciated. Proceeds go to benefit the Building Expansion Fund. For more information or details, call the church office at (734) 453-5252.

## ART EXHIBITION

Three exceptional fiber artists will be featured at the Plymouth Community Arts Council's upcoming spring art exhibition. "Hanging by a Thread" will debut Friday, May 8, at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts at 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. The exhibition has been generously underwritten by Maggie La Forrest, owner of Plymouth's Maggie & Me. An opening reception will be 7-9 p.m. The public is invited to meet the artists, Cynthia Wayne Gaddield, Chris Roberts-Antieau and Kathy Zasuwa, and view their eye-catching designs. The exhibit will run through May 29. The hours are 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday; and 1-4 p.m. Saturday. For additional times, call the Arts Center at (734) 416-4278.

## AUCTIONS

WSDP will hold an auction 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 9. During this time, WSDP will broadcast the auction on 88.1FM and simulcast on MediaOne. WSDP auction volunteers will be visiting businesses through the middle of April. All donations to WSDP are tax-deductible. Businesses interested in donating should contact the station at 416-7731.

## DOG JOG

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 Morris Canine Precision Drill Team, at 2:30 p.m. Registration on the day of the walk is \$20. All proceeds go to the Michigan Humane Society, Huron Valley Humane Society and the Plymouth Kiwanis Club, which is presenting the special event. All participants will receive a limited edition "Dog Jog '98" T-shirt and will become eligible for prizes. All participating dogs will receive a designer bandana. Registration forms may be obtained at 9450 S. Main, Suite 101, Plymouth. Call Eric or Denise for more

information, 459-7000.

## AROUND TOWN

**GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
The city of Ann Arbor Department of Parks & Recreation is now taking registrations for its annual Spring Scramble Golf Tournament scheduled for Sunday, May 17. The shotgun start begins at 8 a.m. at Leslie Park Golf Course, 2120 Traver in Ann Arbor. Play is open to all golfers, stroke play and no handicaps. Each player tees off with the best being determined from the shots played. The fee is \$135 for a three-person team. Register in person at Leslie Park Golf. Leslie Park has a new non-metal spike rule this year. Call (734) 994-1163 for more information.

## GOLF OUTING

The Washtenaw/Western Wayne Chapter of the American Diabetes Association will hold the twelfth annual "Swing Away for the A.D.A." golf outing on Tuesday, May 19. The location for the vent is the Eagle Crest Golf Club, 1275 S. Huron St., Ypsilanti. The 8 a.m. breakfast and registration will be followed by a 9 a.m. for the scramble tournament. The event will conclude with lunch and an awards ceremony. The cost per golfer is \$100 for registrations received on or before May 8, and \$125 after May 8. This donation includes green and cart fees in addition to meals and refreshments. To register for golfing or to inquire about a sponsorship, please call Barb at (734) 207-1621.

## CASINO TRIPS

The city of Plymouth Parks & Recreation Department will be sponsoring a trip to the Bay Mills Casino in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The 2 night/3 day trip departs on June 4. The cost of the trip is \$189 (based on double occupancy) and includes transportation two nights accommodations at the Bay Mills Casino/Resort, two full breakfast buffets and one full dinner buffet, shuttle service to Vegas Kewadin Casino, stops in Frankenmuth & Gaylord, and much more. For further information, please contact the recreation department at (734) 455-6620.

The city of Plymouth Parks & Recreation Department in cooperation with Bianco Tours will be sponsoring a trip to the Soaring Eagle Casino in Mt. Pleasant on Tuesday, May 26. The trip cost is \$27 for the city of Plymouth residents and \$28 for non-city residents. The trip includes: round trip transportation and free time at the casino. For further information, please contact the recreation department at (734) 455-6620.

## HANDBELL RINGERS

If you are a handbell ringer and/or director and would like to be a part of the 1998 Plymouth July 4th Parade, organizers would like to hear from you. They are again trying to organize a handbell choir from Plymouth and the surrounding communities to take part and march in the parade. All ages are invited. If you are interested and would like more information, contact Fran Loiselle at (313) 459-4263.

## ADULT SOCCER

The Canton Soccer Club is accepting registrations for its Men's Over 30 Soccer League. For more information, call Craig Cox at (734) 454-9072.

## Take a run

### Plymouth Family YMCA 19th Annual Run ENTRY FORM

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Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Race: ☐ Diaper Rash ☐ Tot Trot ☐ Jr. Jog ☐ 1 Mile Walk  
☐ 1 Mile Run ☐ 5K Walk ☐ 5K Run ☐ 10K Run ☐ Triple  
T-Shirts: Adult ☐ S ☐ L ☐ XL Youth ☐ 10-12 ☐ 14-16  
I hereby state that I am in proper condition for the race I have entered and that I waive any right I may have against the Plymouth Community Family YMCA and any of their sponsors and the City of Plymouth for any injury or damages resulting from my participation in the Plymouth Community Family 19th Annual Run.  
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Signature of parent or guardian (if under 18 years of age) \_\_\_\_\_  
Visa/Mc#/Exp. date \_\_\_\_\_ Card holder name \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Yes I will donate to the "Y" Invest in Youth, I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please volunteer for this event -  
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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Office use only: Date received \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. paid \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_

Sign up: The Plymouth Community YMCA will host its 19th Annual Run on Father's Day, Sunday, June 21. Mail the above coupon to the YMCA at 248 S. Union, P.O. Box 6120, Plymouth, Mich. 48170. Awards will be presented in all of the race and age categories. For more information, call the YMCA, 453-4191.

## PLANT AND BAKE SALE

The Women's Service Club of Meadowbrook Congregational Church will hold their annual Plant and Bake Sale 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturday, May 16, at 21355 Meadowbrook, between Eight and Nine Mile Rd., Novi. A wide variety of geraniums, high quality flats, pots and hanging baskets will be available. In conjunction with the plant sale, there will be a bake sale.

## ART FROM THE HEART

A new Art From the Heart group is starting mid-May in Northville. Art From the Heart is for children 6-12 years old who have experienced the recent death of a loved one. An atmosphere is created where children can engage in art making as a means to continue their grief and bereavement process with other children who have also experienced the death of a loved one. Art therapy allows children the opportunity to identify and express feelings, strength memories and develop helpful coping skills. Art From the Heart is part of Arbor Hospice's care for children's program. For more information or to register, please call Liz Goldstone, art therapist at Arbor Hospice (248) 348-4980.

## ART RENTAL

The Art Rental Gallery at the Plymouth Community Arts Council will conduct a sale of some of its

inventory 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. every Wednesday during the month of May. This is a rare opportunity to purchase some fine original and reproduction framed art at very reasonable prices. Rental fees are just \$6 per month for most pictures and \$2 for very small ones. It is not necessary to be a member of the Arts Council or a Plymouth resident to rent pictures. The sale will enable the gallery to purchase some new art works for its ever-changing collection. The PCAC is located at 774 N. Sheldon at Junction in Plymouth.

## DISPLAY

The Salem Area Historical Society, in celebration of "National Preservation Week," May 10-16, will host a photographic display in the Jarvis Stone School at North Territorial and Curtis roads. In order to illustrate the motto of this year, "Preservation Begins At Home," the exhibit will feature some examples of local preservation efforts in Salem Twp. The exhibit will be open to the public on Saturday and Sunday, May 9-10 and on Saturday and Sunday, May 16-17. Hours on Saturdays are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sundays 1-5 p.m.

## LIVING TRUST SEMINAR

There will be an advanced living trust seminar 10 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, May 13, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. The discussion will be pre-

sented by Paul Leduc, financial consultant. The event is free of charge and open to the public. For more information, call (248) 594-1020.

## YMCA

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 Jelly-beanz and much more. Call the Plymouth YMCA at (734) 453-2904 to register or for more information.

## BOWLING TOURNAMENT

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 more information, call Plaza Lanes, 42081 Ann Arbor Road, at 453-4880.

## LOOKING FOR ARTISTS

Canton Township still has a limited number of booth spaces left for artists and crafters that are interested in the Seventh Annual Fine Art and Fine Craft Show at Liberty Fest '98. The show will be June 20 and 21. The hours are Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity for local artists to demonstrate and sell their art work in the excit-

ing atmosphere of Liberty Fest. The art show is a juried show and each participant will be required to submit slides or pictures of their work from the approved categories: Painting, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel and selected fine crafts. No commercially produced merchandise will be allowed. For more information, please contact Sharon Dillenbeck of D & M Studios at (734) 453-3710.

## YARD SALE

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

## SCHOOL OPENINGS

### TUTOR TIME

Tutor Time, located at 951 N. Canton Center, Canton, is now enrolling ages 6 weeks to 5 years. School hours are 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Also, you can enroll now for the summer camp program for ages 6-10 years. For more information, contact Donna Pomerson at 981-8463.

### SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for Kids Time School will be held Tuesday, May 12, at Allen, Bentley, Bird, Farrand, and Eriksson elementary schools; Wednesday, May 13, at Field, Fiegel, Gallimore, Hoben and Hulsing elementary schools; and Thursday, May 14, at Isbister, Miller, Tonda and Smith elementary schools. For more information, call (734) 420-7040.

## OPEN HOUSES

### NEW MORNING SCHOOL

New Morning School will hold an Open House for upper elementary students and their parents 9-10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 13. Openings exist for fall 1998 enrollment in the upper elementary program. Students visiting on May 13 will be paired with a New Morning School student as they participate in classroom activities. Parents will meet with executive director Elaine Yagiela for a tour of the facility, and a question and answer period. Registration is necessary for this open house event. Call (734) 420-3331.

### ST. MICHAEL'S

St. Michael Christian School will hold an Open House at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 30, at 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton. Come see what we do at this great private school. Tour the facility and meet teachers, students and parents. All welcome. For more information, call (734) 459-9720.

## CLUBS

### MOTHER OF MULTIPLES

The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples Club meets 7 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month. Call Barb at (734) 207-5224. Playgroup meets every other Tuesday; call Sue at (313) 459-9324.

### NAOCW

The National Association of Career Women, West Suburban Chapter will host their monthly networking meeting at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, May 19, at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Featured speaker will be Priscilla J. Peterson, president and general manager of management

recruiters group of Lansing, Holt, Mich. Her topic for the program will be "Ingredient For Success."

## VIETNAM VETERANS

The Vietnam Veterans of America will be holding their general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 11, at 9318 Newburgh, between Joy and Ann Arbor Trail. All veterans on active duty Jan. 1 1959-May 7, 1975, regardless of duty station are eligible. For additional information, call Don Dignan, (313) 446-3492 or (734) 525-0157.

## BNI

Business Network International will hold monthly meetings 7-8:30 a.m. Thursday and Friday, May 14-15. For more information, call the BNI regional office at (734) 397-9939.

## PSI

Professional Secretaries International, Office Professionals, monthly meeting of the Huron Valley Chapter will be at the Sheraton Inn, Ann Arbor. This month's meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 4. If you would like to attend the meeting, obtain more information about PSI or join the chapter, call Marti Ruedger at 996-7519.

## COUNCIL ON AGING

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging will hold the monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 11, at the Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. For more information, call 453-1234, Ext. 236.

## THE MICHIGAN AMERICAN LEGION

The Michigan American Legion will host an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, May 11, at the Canton Township Hall, Canton Center Road, Lower level - Room 3. All area war veterans are invited to participate. American Legion officials will be available on site that day from 5:30-9 p.m.

## STAMP CLUB

The West Suburban Stamp Club holds meetings at 8 p.m. the first and third Fridays at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton.

## M.O.M.

Meet Other Mothers (M.O.M.) offers guest speakers and discussion. It meets at 9:30 a.m. the second and fourth Friday of the month at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. Baby-sitting is provided. For more information, call Kate at (734) 453-3675.

## GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets at the Livonia Senior Citizens' Activity Center, 15128 Farmington Road, southeast corner of Five Mile and Farmington roads, behind the Golden Lantern Restaurant, Livonia. Meetings are scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month. All meetings are open to the public at no charge. A beginning genealogy class meets at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call (734) 425-8832 or (734) 455-1122.

## TOASTMASTERS

Join the Oral Majority Toastmasters Club at 6:45 p.m. Sundays at the old Friendly's building, at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley in Plymouth Township. For more information, call Marc Sullivan at (734) 455-1635.

## CALENDAR FORM

The Plymouth Observer welcomes Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Plymouth Observer, 794 South Main Street, Plymouth, MI. 48170, or by fax to 734-459-4224. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 459-2700 if you have any questions.

Event: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date and Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Additional Info.: \_\_\_\_\_

Use additional sheet if necessary



# Last 'Seinfeld': Countdown to nothing?

After nine seasons, the top-rated comedy "Seinfeld" is coming to an end. The topic of the last episode, 9 p.m. Thursday, May 14, has been kept hush-hush.

Tabloids, magazines, television show and fans have all speculated on how the half-

hour sitcom will wrap up its run. One tabloid ran a story in March saying "Seinfeld" would feature a dream sequence where Kramer and Newman started a rickshaw business. The episode ran in April and it wasn't a dream.

A tabloid television show

reported this week that one of the characters is a victim of a carjacking. Fans of the show have guessed that Jerry and Elaine will marry.

Now it's your turn.

Call or e-mail us with your predictions for the last "Seinfeld" at (734) 953-2130 or

efuoco@homecomm.net by Monday, May 11. Make sure you leave your name, address and phone number.

We'd also like to hear about your favorite episode. Was it the "Master of My Domain" episode? Newman's millennium party to which he refused to

invite Jerry? The show with Elaine's boyfriend who's obsessed with the song "Desperado"? When Jerry fantasized about his girlfriend's talking belly button - "hellooooo" - and Kramer hired an intern for his business Kramercia? Pick one from any of the nine

years' worth of shows.

By the way, because "Seinfeld" is a show about nothing, don't expect to get much of a prize - just your name and comments in the Observer's Community Life section on Thursday, May 14.

## St. Colette's Youth Ministry sponsors benefit auction

The St. Colette Youth Ministry has put the welcome mat for a "Spring Celebration" auction and raffle it is sponsoring Saturday, May 9.

The celebration will be 6-9 p.m. at the St. Colette Activity Center, 17600 Newburgh, between six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

Admission is free of charge, and the proceeds will help mem-

bers of St. Colette's Youth Ministry and Angela Hospice, said event organizer Laura Piccone.

Founded in 1985, Angela Hospice provides supporting care for terminally ill patients and their families in the southeastern Michigan service area.

Available to the highest bidder will be a one-week stay in a condominium in Florida, Princess

Diana Beanie Babies and a AMC unlimited movie pass for one year.

For sports fans, there will be an assortment of autographed sports memorabilia, including autographed jerseys from Detroit Red Wings Steve Yzerman and Brendan Shanahan, box seats to see the Detroit Tigers and several golf packages.

For those interested in some-

thing entertaining, there will be tickets to see the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular at the Fox Theatre, starring the Radio City Rockettes.

Guest auctioneers for the evening will be WXYZ-TV meteorologist Randy Bhirdo and local television personality Audrey Sommers. Entertainment will be

provided by the Tim O'Hare Irish Dancers.

For more information, about the auction and raffle, call Piccone at (734) 464-1677.

## WSDP ready for annual auction

A Red Wing jersey autographed by Ted Lindsay, catered dinner for six in your home, airfare to anywhere in the continental United States and a Princess Diana Beanie Baby are among the items up for bid at WSDP's annual radio auction from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 9.

The auction benefits the station, 88.1 FM, at Plymouth Salem and Canton high schools.

New items will be featured every half-hour and local celebrities will serve as guest auctioneers, including Dr. Charles Little, superintendent of Plymouth-Canton schools, Christina Fuoco of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, Patricia Patton, principal at Canton High School, and Mark Horvath, Plymouth-Canton school board president.

This year's auction will also be broadcast on MediaOne's local channel from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sponsors for the auction are Sport-Way of Westland, Rosey's Romper Room of Canton, the Gross family of Plymouth, dentist Pares D. Patel of Canton and American Family Chiropractic of Canton.

First Step, a nonprofit organization that works to reduce domestic violence and sexual assault, will receive a portion of the proceeds. If the WSDP auction raises \$5,000, the station will donate \$500 to First Step. If \$8,000 is raised then \$1,000 will be donated.

First Step's services include a staffed 42-bed residential shelter, a 24-hour help line, a 24-hour crisis intervention services, counseling, grief support, children's programming, transportation, legal clinics, in-court advo-

cacy and a 24-hour sexual assault team.

Those who would like to make a donation or want to help with the auction should contact Bill Keith, station manager, at (734) 416-7732.

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## RELIGIOUS NEWS

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

## RUMMAGE SALES

Immanuel Lutheran Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday, May 7-8, at the church, 27035 Ann Arbor Trail east of Inkster Road. For more information call (313) 278-4594 or (313) 278-5755.

Christ United Methodist Church will have a spring rummage sale 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 17, at the church, 27830 Avondale, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. There will be a boutique, and collectibles will be featured. For more information, call (313) 278-1080 or (313) 277-8033.

The First United Methodist Church of Wayne will have its annual spring rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 22, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 23, at the church, 3739 Newberry St., across from the Wayne Post Office. There also will be the Plus Room with antiques and collectibles, bake shop and refreshments. Saturday will be the \$2.50 a bag sale (not including the Plus Room). For more information, call the church office at (734) 721-4801.

St. Damian Church will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 6, at the church, 29891 Joy, Westland. Table rentals are available by calling (734) 421-6130.

## NEW BEGINNING

New Beginnings, a grief support group held year-round at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia, continues with its monthly speaker series at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 7, with "Physical Effects of Grief," presented by Jeanne Hess, a registered nurse. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need. For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-6038, Marilyn Wilkinson at

## Churches to host Andersons in concert

Dave and Barb Anderson will come to the western Wayne County area Sunday, May 17, for concerts at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church's campuses in Canton and Livonia and Christ the Good Shepherd Church in Canton.

The Andersons will be at Christ Our Savior-Canton, 46001 Warren Road, at 9:30 a.m. and the Livonia campus, 14175 Farmington Road, at 11 a.m. A freewill offering will be received. For more information, call Suann Dibble at the church office at (734) 522-6830.

They will present an evening concert of praise, fellowship and testimony at 7 p.m. at Christ the Good Shepherd, 42690 Cherry Hill Road. A freewill offering will be received. For more information, call the church at (734) 981-0285.

Ministers of the gospel in song and the spoken word, the

Andersons head The Fellowship Ministries, based in Phoenix, Ariz. Their concerts include a mix of contemporary and traditional Christian songs and they share from their hearts their personal experiences and their walk with God.

Throughout 23 years of ministry, the Andersons have touched audiences around the world with sincerity and warmth. In 1995, they were miraculously rescued from a plane crash in the Bering Sea 22 miles from Nome, Alaska.

They were returning to the U.S. from a weeklong humanitarian and Christian ministry mission to Lavrentiya, a town of 4,000 located in the Russian Far East. There, they delivered food and medical supplies to a part of the world all but forgotten by Moscow 10,000 kilometers away.

They spoke of the power of God to a community that had

never heard it before, delivered illustrated Bibles, written in Russian, and presented concerts to every evening.

A woman named Rosa, the head of the local Communist party and organizer of the anti-American movement there, attended one of the gatherings to disrupt it, but ended up asking that she and her grandson be baptized, according to the Andersons.

When the Andersons returned to Lavrentiya last February to continue the mission, they were met at the airport by Rosa who knew only one word of English at the time. As they approached her, she pointed to herself and said that word, "Christian," they said.

They will be joined in concert by friend and fellow musician Dale Post. Skilled in acoustic and electronic piano, he is on staff at a Minneapolis church



Dave and Barbara Anderson

where he accompanies and directs choirs and worship teams. He traveled with the Andersons in the past as the first accompanist hired full time with Fellowship Ministries.

(248) 380-7903, or Rosemary Kline at (734) 462-3770.

## CHASTITY SPEAKER

St. Damian Parish in Westland will present chastity speaker Pam Stenzel at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 7, at the church, 30055 Joy, Westland. Stenzel will speak on "Sex Has a Price Tag." Pizza and pop will be served at 6 p.m. Cost will be \$2 for youth. For more information, call (734) 421-6130.

## DAY OF PRAYER

Calvary Baptist Church in Canton will present via satellite the fifth annual three-hour Concert of Prayer on the National Day of Prayer 8-11 p.m. Thursday, May 7, at the church, 43065 Joy.

The concert will take place at the 14,000-member Prestonwood Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas. Singing and scripture will be interspersed with times for congregational prayer. More than 50 nationally known Christian leaders and recording artists, including Henry Blackaby, Joni

Eareckson-Tada and Jim and Shirley Dobson, will lead the prayer meeting.

The Rev. William Gatz will be the guest speaker at a prayer service at 7 p.m. Thursday at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church-Canton, 46001 Warren Road, west of Canton Center.

The interim pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church in Adrian, his theme will be Mountain-Moving Prayer, the only thing that will bring the nation back to God.

Music for the service will be lead by Jude Kade. Prayer rocks and Michigan Prayer Guides, provided by the Michigan Family Forum, will be distributed to those who attend. The prayer rocks are placed on pillows to remind participants to pray for the country and its leaders. The service is sponsored by Christ Our Savior's Board of Women's Ministry.

## FRIENDSHIP TEA

The Women's Ministry of Canton Community Church will host

a Friendship Tea 6:30-9 p.m. Friday, May 8, at the church, 41600 Ann Arbor Trail, Canton. The program will feature high tea, speaker Sheila King and a wedding dress fashion show. Admission is free. Reservations can be made by calling (734) 455-6022.

## BANQUET

A Mother/Daughter Banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 8, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township. Tickets cost \$8 for children 3-6 years old and \$10 for those 7 years and older. Tickets will be sold on Sunday mornings at the ticket booth between services. For more information, call the church at (734) 422-1826.

Newburg United Methodist Church will have a mother/daughter banquet at 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 8, in Guthrie Hall of the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Cost is \$6.50 for adults and \$4 for children ages 3-12 and under age 3

free for the catered meal and clowning around with clowns Bonnie Chrysler and her daughter. For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-0149.

## SINGLE POINT

Dick Bont will speak about "Where Do We Go from Here?" focusing on "From Community to Intimacy - Building Healthy Relationships," as part of Single Point Ministries' Talk It Over at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 8, at Ward Presbyterian Church, Six Mile west of Haggerty, Northville. Carol has six albums, 10 Dove Awards and 2 Grammy Awards to his credit, not to mention numerous nominations. A free will offering will be accepted, and child care will be provided.

Single Pointers also will be biking Northville to Maybury State Park on Saturday, May 9, for the annual Eagle Run Classic. The classic will feature 5K and 10K races, a 1-mile fun walk/run and live entertain-

ment. A picnic lunch will be available for \$2. For more information, call the Single Point office at (734) 422-1854.

## WOMEN'S AGLOW

The Canton/Westland Chapter of Women's Aglow International will share songs and informal Bible study with the residents of Westland Convalescent Center, 36137 Warren Road, Westland, 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 9. Participants should meet in the activities room at 9:45 a.m. For more information, call Penni at (734) 261-5288.

## BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance divorced and separated Christians, will have a dance at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at St. Gerald Catholic Church, Farmington Road, north of Eight Mile, Farmington. Cost will be \$8, including refreshments.

The group also meets regularly on Sundays for breakfast and Mass - 10 a.m. at the Redford Inn, Five Mile west of Beech Daly, Redford, and at 11:15 a.m. at St. Aidan's Church, 17500 Farmington Road (north of Six Mile), 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 pinocle at 7 p.m. every other Friday - call Rose at (734) 464-3325.

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

St. John Bosco will have a Mother's Day pancake breakfast 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, May 10, at the church, 12100 Beech Daly, Redford. Cost will be \$3.50 for adults and \$1.75 for children 12 years and under for all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, donuts, bagels, juice, milk and coffee. Tickets will be available at the door.

## MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

Canton Friendship Church will have a Mother's Day celebration at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 10, in the Walnut Room of the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. The theme will be "Don't Mess with Mom," with Friendship's youth services director Howard

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Matthews giving the message. The service will be the beginning of the church's "Home Improvement" series which will explore themes dealing with marriage, sexuality, parenting, discipline, family finances and more.

Canton Friendship is a new contemporary Christian congregation affiliated with the United Methodist Church. For more information, call the church office at (734) 451-2100 or visit its Web site at [www.cantonfriendship.org](http://www.cantonfriendship.org).

### MEDITERRANEAN MAGIC

The St. Francis Family Services will sponsor Mediterranean Magic, a fundraiser to benefit foster parent recruitment efforts, Wednesday, May 13, at St. Priscilla Catholic Church Parish Hall, 19120 Purlingbrook, Livonia.

The evening will start with a reception at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:25 p.m., entertainment at 8 p.m. and dancing at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$50 and include dinner featuring a Mediterranean cuisine, Turkish coffee bar, magician/comedian and open bar.

For more information, call St.

Francis Family Services at (248) 552-0750. A non-profit child welfare agency, it is dedicated to the preservation of families throughout the tri-county area. Its offices are at 17500 W. Eight Mile, Southfield.

### INFORMATION NIGHT

St. Edith Catholic Church will have a Garden and Pet Information Night 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, in the Parish Hall, 15089 Newburgh, south of Five Mile, Livonia. A professional gardener and veterinarian will be on hand to answer questions. There also will be door prizes and free samples. Admission is free. For more information, call the Christian Service Office at (734) 464-2027.

### MILLENNIUM CLASSES

Unity of Livonia Church is offering a new class, "New Thought for the New Millennium," at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays for 13 weeks throughout the spring and summer at the church, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia.

Rev. Gene Sorensen will teach the class, using the "Twelve Powers for the 21st Century," textbook with chapters penned

by Barbara Marx Hubbard, Bernie Siegel, Sir John Templeton, Eric Butterworth, James Dillet Freeman, Barbara King, Jim Rosemergy and others. For more information, call the church at (734) 421-1760.

### CARD PARTY

St. Hilary Rosary Altar Society will have its annual springtime card party at 7 p.m. Friday, May 15, in the Parish Social Hall, 23749 Elmira, Redford. There will be door prizes, table prizes, raffle, dessert buffet table, coffee and tea. To reserve tickets, priced at \$6 each, call Betty at (313) 533-8239, Dorothy at (313) 533-5698 or Lillian at (313) 533-9197.

### CLASSICAL BELLS

A spectacular handbell concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 17, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, Livonia, will mark the 15th anniversary celebration of the Classical Bells, a semi-professional 12-member handbell ensemble, directed by Diane Ebersole.

Besides six octaves of handbells and five octaves of choirs, the concert will include harp, oboe, organ, trum-

pet, flute, percussion, handbell solo and more. A reception in the Fellowship Hall will follow the concert.

Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door for adults and \$5 for children 12 years and under. They are available by sending a check, payable to the Classical Bells, at P.O. Box 51253, Livonia 48151 or by calling Ebersole at (734) 454-9285 or Corinne Kert at (734) 414-9940.

### SOLEMN SERVICE

St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church, 18100 Merriman, Livonia, will hold a special solemn service to remember the

catastrophe Al Nakbah, which befell 2 million Palestinian people who were driven out of their homes and off their lands and massacred to make room for the newly formed Zionist State.

The candlelight vigil will be at 12 noon Sunday, May 17. In attendance will be His Eminence Metropolitan Philip Saliba, primate of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, and Rt. Rev. Bishop Antoun, auxiliary bishop to Metropolitan Philip, and many priests and delegates from throughout the country who are meeting as a task force to aide

Orthodox Christians in the Holy Land.

For more information, call Rev. George Shaloub, pastor of St. Mary's Antiochian, at (734) 422-0010.

### IN CONCERT

Proclaim, one of the area's gospel quartets, will be in concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 17, at Merriman Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City. The group, based in Monroe, is well-known for its beautiful harmonies and stirring testimonies. Admission is free. For more information, call the church office at (734) 421-0472.

## 'Woman to Woman' focuses on Mom

In a special edition of the weekly radio talk show, Woman to Woman, host Phyllis Wallace will interview two national celebrities whose intensely driven lives continues to be impacted by their mothers.

In the 30-minute special, "To Mom, With Love," Suzanne Douglas, star of the television sitcom, "The Parent Hood," will share her adult relationship with her mother and reflect on her 20-year career in acting. She also will share insights into mothering her young adopted daughter.

The program also will feature an interview with LaDonna Gatlin, the youngest sister of country music's famous Gatlin Brothers. Gatlin's life as a popular contemporary Christian artist continues to be inspired by sustaining a strong relationship with her mother through the years.

The "Woman to Woman" Mother's Day special can be heard locally at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, May 10, on WAAM-AM 1600. It also is available in

RealAudio on the Internet at <http://www.lhm.org/w2w>.

To learn more about "Woman to Woman" and other programs from the Lutheran Hour Ministries, Internet users are invited to visit "Wired With the Word" at <http://www.lhm.org>.

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Award-winner

Matti Kilpelainen, of Canton, was named an award-winner at the first annual Michigan Association of the USA Track and Field Board of Governors Awards Banquet March 21 at the Baldack Park Recreation Center in Detroit.

Awards were presented for excellence in athletic achievement in track and field. Kilpelainen was the winner for 1997 in the Masters men's division.

Among the 27 others honored was Plymouth Salem track and cross country standout Ian Searcy in the Youth Track and Field and Cross Country category, young men's division.

For Kilpelainen, it was certainly an honor well-earned. Among his achievements for 1997: first in the pole vault at the National Masters Indoor Championships, 50-54 age division, with a jump of 13-feet, 1-inch; an American record of 13-8 in the pole vault for 51 years old or older men, June 1, 1997; second in the decathlon for 50-54 year olds at the National Masters Championship, Sept. 20-21, 1997.

### Golf league forming

The 1998 Senior Golf League, sponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, is now accepting registrations for its upcoming season, scheduled to begin play next Tuesday at Fellows Creek Golf Course.

There are no residency requirements. Play is open to all those age 50 and over, both men and women. The league meets at 8 a.m. every Tuesday through mid-August. Cost is \$15 to register plus weekly greens fees.

Registration may be completed between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Canton Parks and Recreation Services offices, 46000 Summit Parkway, in Canton.

For more information, please call (734) 397-5110.

### Schoolcraft hoop camp

Registration is now underway for the Schoolcraft College Basketball Camp of Champions, for boys 6-18 years old. The camp will be under the direction of SC basketball coach Carlos Briggs, former NJCAA All-American at SC who later starred at Baylor University; Briggs guided the Ocelots to their best season in school history in his first season as coach last year and was named NJCAA Eastern Conference coach of the year.

The camp will be from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. daily, from June 22-25. The main focus will be on fundamentals of the game, in shooting, ballhandling, passing and defense, with drills in rebounding and one-and-one play. There will also be guest speakers daily, including former pro and collegiate players.

Cost is \$100 per camper, which includes a free camp T-shirt. Registration forms are available at the Schoolcraft College athletic offices.

### Left out

In last Sunday's sports editions of the Plymouth and Canton Observer, the winning pitcher from Plymouth Canton's softball victory over Northville was inadvertently omitted. It was senior Patty Snook, who improved her own personal record to 3-1 in the 18-7 triumph.

Snook pitched all five innings in the 10-run mercy win, allowing four earned runs on six hits and one walk, with two strikeouts.

### Going for the title

The Western Wayne Wildcats, an under-12 girls AAU basketball team, will compete this weekend against 16 teams at the AAU state finals in Grand Rapids.

The Wildcats advanced to the finals after winning the regional championship in Lansing April 25-26.

Members of the Wildcats include Cassandra Calcagno, Meghan Depp, Kelli Howse, Krissy Lake, Anna Lukasik, Jennifer Murray, Colleen O'Brien, Stephanie Phillips, Michelle Roelofs and Sarah Samulski.

Western Wayne is coached by Harold Howse and Steve Murray.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to the sports editor, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (313) 591-7279.

## A drawn-out battle



**Bottled up:** Neither Salem nor Canton could get much going offensively Wednesday, despite the efforts of Salem's Mia Sarke-sian (above right) and Canton's Kelly Connell.

If these two teams clash again — and it's almost a certainty they will — bring a pacemaker.

You'll need it.

The regular-season showdown between cross-campus rivals Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem was waged last night, and nothing was resolved. After 80 minutes of hard-nosed, hard-hitting soccer, the scoreboard had not changed: Canton 0, Salem 0.

As far as the Western Lakes Activities Association is concerned, the game means nothing. Canton clinched the WLAA's Western Division Monday when it beat Livonia Churchill; that means the Chiefs play at Livonia Stevenson at 7 p.m. next Thursday (May 14) for the WLAA championship. Salem finished second in the Lakes Division behind Stevenson, which means the Rocks host Churchill at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Both Salem and Canton are now 11-1-2 overall.

But whatever this match may have lacked in suspense as far as the WLAA is concerned, it made up in raw rivalry. This was only Round One; it's a preview of the district tournament, quite likely a look at what to expect when the two teams meet in a match to determine their fates in the state tournament.

Wednesday's result was not what was anticipated. Both teams, while exhibiting tough defenses throughout the season, had seemed to be better offensively; they both lived on their scoring.

But it was defenses that controlled play throughout Wednesday's match.

"We were real happy with the way we played," said Salem coach Doug Landefeld. "We created the four/five opportunities you're going to get in a game like this, and that's about all you can hope for. It's indicative of the kind of teams these are."

Indeed, the marking for both sides was so tight, there was only one truly solid scoring chance recorded by each side. Salem's came with 15:30 left in the match, a long but accurate shot lifted by Missy Simons that Canton keeper Kristin Lukasik leaped to punch out of the box, and out of harm's way.

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## Elsner's homer catapults Canton

Thought this kind of stuff only happened in the movies!

That assumption was definitely wrong. With first place in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division on the line, and the game extending past the seven-inning deadline with no runs scored, the drama kept building.

When the end finally did come, it was with such a resounding, crushing blow that no doubt could remain who belonged on top.

Liz Elsner provided that proof.

The senior outfielder did something that, prior to this season, hadn't been done at Canton HS since the Chiefs'

### SOFTBALL

Danielle Mortiere did it in 1992 — and it was the second time this season Elsner has managed it. After Sarah Freels reached base with a single in the bottom of the ninth inning, with one out, Elsner knocked an Ali Ault pitch into the next field, a home run over the fence to boost Canton to a 2-0 triumph over Farmington Harrison Monday at Canton.

"It was just a great game," said Chiefs' coach Jim Arnold, his team now 15-6 overall and 6-1 in the WLAA's

Western Division. Harrison fell to 5-2 in the Western. "The kids are just playing great ball. They've got a great attitude. Everyone knows their roles . . . I can see it all coming together."

It took nine innings for the offense to come together against Harrison. Fortunately, the pitching and defense was enough to keep the Chiefs in the hunt. Gretchen Hudson took another big step forward in her recovery from an elbow injury suffered during the pre-season; she worked all nine innings to earn the pitching win (she's now 9-0), tossing a three-hit shutout. She walked two and

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## Runaway champs

### Salem dominates at Observerland

Ian Searcy anchors Plymouth Salem's relay teams but he's the leadoff man when it comes to doing chants with his teammates.

He's comfortable with either role. "When I say S-A, you say L-E-M," yelled Searcy, leading teammates in a victory chant after the Rocks dominated Saturday's 28th annual Observerland Relays at Livonia Churchill, winning nearly half of the 16 events and finishing with 112 points.

Salem won seven events and finished second in four others.

Searcy, a senior, was on four winning relays and seniors Scott Kingslien and Andy Brigg were on three each. Mike Shull, Nick Allen, Matt Anderson and Bob Cushman were on two each.

Searcy anchored the distance medley relay, which won in 11 minutes, 8.4 seconds, the sprint medley relay (2:30.0) and the 1,600 relay (3:28.3). He also cleared a personal best of 6 feet, 2 inches to help the Rocks win the high jump relay with a combined jump of 18-6.

"Ian can do whatever he wants," Salem coach Geoff Baker said. "He said he'd like to do hurdles someday but we'll have to put the

kabosh on that."

This was Salem's fifth Observerland championship, the fourth under Baker.

Salem's total was more than twice as much as its closest competitor, Livonia Churchill, which took second with 53.5 points. The real battle was for third and North Farmington won out with 48 points, ahead of Plymouth Canton (46) and Northville (44).

"Our goal in the last week and a half was to try and score 100 points," said Baker, who also won an Observerland championship while attending Salem, back in 1981. "We figured on paper we could score 109 and we surpassed that goal. Our seniors stepped up big. We rode our horses tonight."

Kingslien joined Searcy on the sprint medley relay and the 1,600 relay and anchored the 800 relay, which took first in 1:31.9.

Winning the sprint relays was especially gratifying for the Salem sprinters, Kingslien joked.

"We kept getting dogged by our distance runners, saying we never win anything," Kingslien said. "We had to get first to show them who's boss."

Brigg ran second on the winning distance medley relay and also led off the winning relays at 6,400 and 3,200 meters. The 6,400 relay finished in 18:30.9, a new school record, and the 3,200 relay finished in 8:05.0.

Churchill, an eight-time champion, had its best finish in years. The Chargers had a pair of first-place finishes and a tie for first to go with one second.

The Chargers' Ryan Kearney won the open 110 hurdles in a school-record time of 14.1 seconds and he also led off the winning shuttle hurdle relay team that finished in 1:01.5. The pole vault team tied Farmington Hills Harrison for first with a combined jump of 32-6.

"I'm elated, and surprised, but the kids work so hard anything is possible," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "They made it happen tonight."

North Farmington, which hasn't won an Observerland Relays, was ecstatic about taking third. The Raiders had 22 points in the field events, winning the shot put relay, and had three third-place finishes.

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## Crusaders win WHAC crown; Series is next

Talk about catching lightning in a bottle.

Madonna University, the third-place team during the regular season in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, captured the WHAC baseball playoffs with four straight wins capped by Monday's convincing 14-0 triumph over Tri-State (Ind.) in the finals at Bailey Park in Battle Creek.

The Crusaders (29-24-1 overall) in their inaugural WHAC season, advance to the eight-team, double-elimination NAIA Great Lakes Region Tournament beginning Friday in Marion, Ind. There will be five conference champions and three at-large teams. A blind-draw is pending.

"We put everything together," said Crusader coach Greg Haeger, a Redford Catholic Central and University of Michigan graduate. "We pitched well, we hit well and we played defense well. During the season, we had streaks where we pitched real well and we hit as well as any team in the country. During the tournament, we put it all together."

How far the Crusaders will go in the NAIA Tournament will depend on how their pitching survives. "If we continue to pitch a little bit and play some defense, we have a good chance because our offense at times can be phenomenal," said Haeger, noting three Crusaders with 10 or more home runs on the season.

That, of course, could depend on making it past the opening round games without a trip through the loser's bracket. "That's the key," agreed Haeger. "If we go into the loser's bracket we might have a tough time. I think we're a pitcher short."

The Crusaders have been shy a pitcher since losing promising freshmen Kevin Bilbia (Plymouth) and James O'Connor (Redford Catholic Central) to injuries during the season.

Madonna had no such worries in the WHAC Tournament. Designated hitter J.R. Taylor and third baseman Daryl Rocho paced a 17-hit Madonna attack in Monday's championship win over Tri-State.

Taylor, a senior, was 3-for-5 with six RBI, including a pair of homers (including a towering shot over the left field fence), raising his season total to 16. Rocho was 3-for-5 with five RBI. He clubbed his 13th round-tripper of the year.

Others with two hits included Kevin Foley, Eric Marcotte (Plymouth Canton), Aaron Shrewsbury and Jeff Warholik.

Winning pitcher Mark Serra (5-5) allowed just one hit over six innings. E.J. Roman, Matt Snyder and Jason Carter (Livonia

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**Big winner:** Salem's Ian Searcy was part of four winning relays, a big reason the Rocks dominated at Observerland.



# Rocks rebound, roll past Farmington

After six-straight losses, Plymouth Salem baseball coach Dale Rumberger was ready for a win in any shape, manner or form.

He got his wish as the Rocks took a 13-7 win over visiting Farmington Monday. So never mind that the Rocks made four errors.

"We needed a win," Rumberger said.

The Rocks trailed 5-0 after two innings due to poor defense. None of the runs off of starter Jason Cox were earned.

"We were not ready to play," said Rumberger. "I've seen that a lot over the years in the first inning."

Salem rallied for six runs in the third inning to take the lead. The Rocks added two runs in the fourth and fifth innings, then three more in the sixth.

Chris Longpre, Joe Rizzi, Mike Hoben, Jason Lukasik and Nick Eicher each had two hits for Salem. Hoben nailed his fourth home run in the third inning.

Cox improved his record to 3-1 by pitching into the sixth. Scott Hay picked up his second save out of the bullpen.

Salem improved to 10-10 overall and 6-6 in the Western Lakes

## BASEBALL

Activities Association's Lakes Division.

For Farmington, catcher Dave Vaine had three hits and Mark Prudhomme had two.

Last Saturday, the Rocks traveled west on I-94 for a pair of games in the Sturgis Tournament. It turned out to be a long bus ride home after the Rocks dropped both games.

They opened the tournament with a 5-4 loss to Tecumseh.

The Indians scored the game-winning run in the bottom of the seventh. With a runner on second, Salem's Hay threw from the wind-up instead of the stretch, which allowed the Tecumseh runner to get a running start. The batter then chopped one through the middle and scored the runner from second base.

"It was a mental error," Rumberger said.

Rizzi, Kurt Berlin and Jamie LaGrow each had two hits to pace the Salem offense. Hay took the loss in relief of Lukasik.

In game two, the Rocks again fell victim to a seventh-inning rally as Charlotte edged them 11-10. The Orioles scored twice

in the bottom of the seventh to take the win.

Charlotte's comeback was aided by a pair of Salem errors in the inning. Rumberger said it wasted a good comeback by his own team.

"We did that on hitting," he added. "It's a shame we gave it away."

Hoben took the loss in relief. Steve Gordon started the game and was relieved by Jeff Bennett and Cox.

**N. Farmington 5, Canton 4:** A valiant comeback was wasted by Plymouth Canton Tuesday when North Farmington's Jonas Schwartz followed Andrew Weitz's sixth-inning double with a run-producing double of his own at North.

The Raiders improved to 9-2 overall.

The Chiefs led 1-0 after one inning, but the Raiders took control with a run in the second and three more in the third for a 4-1 lead. Canton started chipping away at that lead, getting single runs in the fourth, fifth and sixth innings to tie it at 4-4.

Joe Cortellini led the Chiefs' attack with three hits, including a double and a triple. Phil Ross added a run-scoring single and an RBI squeeze bunt. Schwartz, Weitz and Matt

Kelmigian each had two hits for North.

Ron McCue relieved Canton starter Mike Rourke in the sixth inning and took the loss. Kirk Taylor improved to 5-0 for the Raiders, giving up four runs (two earned) on seven hits and four walks, with 12 strikeouts.

**Harrison 11, Canton 5:** Plymouth Canton had the early advantage Monday against host Farmington Harrison, but that changed quickly thanks to the Hawks' long-ball ability.

Bob Austin slugged a grand-slam home run with two out in the fourth inning to overturn a 2-0 Canton lead and send the Hawks on the path to victory. They struck for another run in the fifth and six more in the sixth in overwhelming the Chiefs, who rallied after Austin's blast for two runs in the top of the fifth to tie it briefly at 4-4. David Pesci, who had doubled earlier in the game, banged a three-run homer to highlight Harrison's six-run sixth.

Kevin Tomasaitis started and took the loss for Canton; he lasted five innings. Zach Cornwell got the win in relief for the Hawks, who are now 11-3 overall and 6-1 in the WLAA's Western Division. He pitched the last 2 2/3 innings, allowing just one

run, taking over for Harrison starter Joe Ghanam (4 1/3 innings, four runs allowed).

Four other hitters had two hits apiece for Harrison: Chris Ghanam had two, with two runs batted in; Mike Fisher and Andy Gutierrez each had two hits and one RBI; and Blake Boesky had two hits.

Andrew Copenhaver's two hits and two RBI paced the Chiefs. David Kwiatkowski added a run-scoring double in the seventh.

**W. L. Central 7, Salem 3:** Errors cost the Rocks in last Friday's home loss to Walled Lake Central.

With the game tied 3-3 in the fifth, Central put runners on second and third. Both ended up scoring on passed balls. The Vikings added two insurance runs on a home run.

Berlin started and took the loss for Salem. Shawn Morrison went the distance for Central.

"He always seems to pitch well against us," Rumberger said of Morrison.

**PCA 13, S'field Christian 0:** Plymouth Christian Academy's offense was in high gear Tuesday as the Eagles routed visiting Southfield Christian.

Chris Brandon and Evan Gaines each went 3-for-3 with

two RBI in the 14-hit PCA attack. Gaines also stole four bases; Brandon stole two bases.

Freshman Travis Yonkman drove in three runs with a pair of hits and Randy Dahlfeld chipped in with two hits and one RBI. Jon Isensee had one hit, two walks, one RBI and three stolen bases.

James Jones (4-3) recorded the win by pitching the first four innings. He scattered two hits, struck out one and didn't allow a walk. Bill Kiesel retired the side in order in the fifth inning.

PCA improved to 6-7 overall and 3-2 in the MIAC. Southfield dropped to 6-8 overall and 2-3 in the league.

On Monday, the Eagles lost 3-2 at Royal Oak Shrine as PCA surrendered three unearned runs.

Shrine scored twice in the first inning, aided by three PCA errors. Shrine added an insurance run on a PCA error in the sixth inning.

The Eagles scored their only runs in the seventh inning on a two-run home run by Isensee. Gaines also scored on the play.

Zack Parton didn't allow an earned run but picked up the loss. He scattered six hits and struck out four in five innings of work.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### PREP BASEBALL

Thursday, May 7

Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m.

Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

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

Greenhills at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 8

Harrison at Churchill, 4 p.m.

W.L. Central at Stevenson, 4 p.m.

Wayne at Allen Park, 4 p.m.

Luth. Westland at Liggett, 4 p.m.

Clarenceville at Luth. East, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 9

(all double-headers unless noted)

Salem at Midland Toun., 9:30 a.m.

Roper at Huron Valley, 10 a.m.

Clarenceville at Annapolis, 10 a.m.

Inter-City at Luth. W'sid, 10 a.m.

Churchill at Crestwood, 11 a.m.

Edsel Ford at John Glenn, 11 a.m.

Redford CC at DeLaSalle, 11 a.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Thursday, May 7

Canton at Franklin, 4 p.m.

John Glenn at Salem, 4 p.m.

Ladywood at Marian (2), 4 p.m.

Greenhills at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 8

Churchill at Harrison, 4 p.m.

Allen Park at Wayne, 4 p.m.

Liggett at Luth. Westland (2), 4 p.m.

Luth. East at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

Agape at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 9

(all double-headers unless noted)

Canton Classic, 10 a.m.

Fred Pieper at R.O. Memorial, 9 a.m.

Churchill at Redford Union, 11 a.m.

John Glenn at Garden City, 11 a.m.

S'field Christian Tourney, TBA.

### BOYS TRACK

Thursday, May 7

Canton at Farm. Harrison, 3:30 p.m.

N. Farmington at Salem, 5:30 p.m.

Ply. Christian at Univ. Liggett, TBA

Churchill at Franklin, 3:30 p.m.

Stevenson at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.

W.L. Central at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.

Belleville at Wayne, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 9

Troy Athens Relays, 9:30 a.m.

River Rat Invitational, 9:30 a.m.

Adrian Invitational, 9:45 a.m.

Annapolis Invitational, 10 a.m.

Oxford Invitational, TBA.

### GIRLS TRACK

Thursday, May 7

Salem at N. Farmington, 3:30 p.m.

Harrison at Canton, 3:30 p.m.

Franklin at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.

Farmington at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.

John Glenn at W.L. Central, 3:30 p.m.

Wayne at Taylor Truman, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 9

Troy Athens Relays, 9:30 a.m.

River Rat Relays, 9:30 a.m.

Annapolis Invitational, 10 a.m.

Clarkston Invitational, TBA.

Jackson N'west Relays, TBA.

### GIRLS SOCCER

Thursday, May 7

Marian at Ladywood, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, May 8

Monroe CC at John Glenn, 5 p.m.

TBA — time to be announced.

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Salem golfers win

With Jessica Hedges turning in her finest dual-meet performance of the season, Plymouth Salem's girls golf team collected its second triumph of the season by a wide margin, 215-326 over Livonia Franklin Monday at Hilltop.

The Rocks improved to 2-5 in the Western Lakes Activities Association and to 2-7 overall.

Hedges fired a 46 to earn medalist honors. Angie Jones placed second for the Rocks with a 50, followed by Kim Tamme at 56 and Michelle Anger at 63.

Jenny Jones paced Franklin with an 80.

### Football boosters

The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 in Room 165 of Plymouth Canton HS. Among topics to be discussed will be fund-raising goals for the upcoming season.

All parents of Canton football players are asked to attend. Parents who will have freshmen football players at Canton this fall are also encouraged to attend. Future meetings will be held at 7 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month in Room 165 of Canton HS. For further information, please call booster club president Anne Sicilia at (734) 397-3046.

### Good Counsel golf

The Our Lady of Good Counsel Golf Outing, sponsored by the Booster Club, is set for two starts: 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, May 30 at St. John's Golf Course, located at 14830 Sheldon in Plymouth.

Cost is \$90 for golf and dinner (\$40 for dinner only), with your choice of a.m. or p.m. starts in the shotgun format. The price includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch and dinner. There will also be a silent auction during dinner.

Proceeds will benefit the Our Lady of Good Counsel athletic programs. Checks should be made payable to OLCG Booster Club and mailed to Rick Huetter, 10110 Creekwood, Plymouth, MI, 48170 (phone 416-9177), or Steve Rapson, 93697 Oak Brook, Canton, MI, 48187 (phone 455-6634); or Dave Hall, 11204 Bellwood, Plymouth, MI, 48170 (phone 455-8257).

### Indian tryouts

The Michigan Indians travel baseball team, for 11-and-under players, are conducting tryouts for its team. Although based in Plymouth, there are no residency requirements.

The team will play 45-to-50 games, with various weekend tournaments and an opportunity to advance in the Little League World Series. Players must have a birthdate between Aug. 1, 1986 and July 31, 1987.

For further information, call Bruce Price at (734) 453-9180 (home) or (734) 459-2960 (work).

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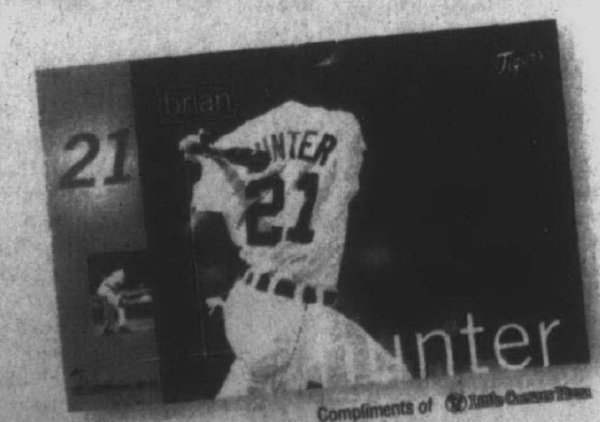
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## Canton's best in field; Salem's 1st on track

The sport is track and field. Rarely is it more clearly defined as it was in Tuesday's Mangan Meet.

In the boys meet, Plymouth Canton ruled in the field and Plymouth Salem reigned on the track in a meet that, for the first time, had no official team scores.

There were, however, plenty of individual standouts to go around — for both sides.

The Rocks had two individual event double-winners: Ian Searcy, in the 400-meter (50.9) and 800-meter (2:01.8) runs, and Nick Allen, in the 1,600 (4:29.8) and 3,200 (9:47.5). Searcy's wins were both in tight, down-to-the-wire races; he edged teammate Andy Briggs in the 400 (Briggs was second in 51.3) and he nipped Canton's Shaun Moore in the 800 (Moore was second in a career-best 2:02.0).

Canton also had two individual event double-winners: Kevin Keil, in the shot put (50-feet, 10-inches) and discus (151-9); and Eric Larsen, in the long jump (19-10) and high jump (5-10). Larsen was also a narrow second to Salem's Mike Shull in the 200

(Shull won in 23.1; Larsen was right behind in 23.2).

Other individual event winners were: For Salem, Scott Kingslien in the 100 (11.4); Dave Clemons in the 110 hurdles (15.2); and Ryan Thomas in the 300 hurdles (41.8); and for Canton, Jordan Chapman in the pole vault (9-6).

Chapman also placed second to Larsen in the long jump (18-6 1/2), while Canton's Mark Popejoy was second in both the shot (46-10 1/2) and discus (132-9).

Salem ruled all four relays, finishing first in each. The four-some of Manvir Gill, Craig Little, Donnie Warner and Andy Gabriel — all freshmen — set a new Salem school record for freshmen, winning the event in 8:53.6.

The team of Shull, Chris Mason, Mark Sheehan and Kingslien combined to win two relays for the Rocks — the 400 (44.8) and the 800 (1:32.8). Briggs, Kevin Conte, Kingslien and Sheehan teamed to capture top honors in the 1,600 relay, too (3:33.3).

### 28th annual OBSERVERLAND BOYS TRACK & FIELD RELAYS

May 2 at Livonia Churchill

**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Plymouth Salem, 112 points; 2. Livonia Churchill, 53.5; 3. North Farmington, 48; 4. Plymouth Canton, 46; 5. Northville, 44; 6. Livonia Stevenson, 39; 7. Farmington Hills Harrison, 38; 8. (tie) Westland John Glenn and Redford Catholic Central, 31 each; 10. Livonia Franklin, 26; 11. Redford Union, 16; 12. Redford Thurston, 11.5; 13. (tie) Farmington, Wayne Memorial, Garden City and Redford Bishop Borgess, 0 each.

### FINAL RELAY RESULTS

**Shot put:** 1. N. Farmington (Sean Clark, Matt St. Charles, Kirk Moudros), 137 feet, 9 inches; 2. Redford CC, 135-514; 3. Canton, 134-312; 4. Salem, 128-514; 5. Franklin, 126-6; 6. Churchill, 125-1134.

**Discus:** 1. Canton (Kevin Keil, Jarde Chapman, Mark Popejoy), 394-5; 2. Stevenson, 388-9; 3. N. Farmington, 380-3; 4. Churchill, 355-2; 5. Redford CC, 348-7; 6. John Glenn, 348-2. **Individual best:** Guy Diakow (LC), 143-5.

**High jump:** 1. Salem (Ian Searcy, Sean Galvin, Ryan Silva), 17-0; 2. John Glenn, 16-3; 3. Canton, 16-2 (fewer misses); 4. Harrison, 16-2; 5. Stevenson, 16-2; 6. (tie) Churchill and Thurston, 16-0 each. **Individual best:** (tie) Tim Moore (WJG) and Ian Searcy (PS), 6-2 each.

**Long jump:** 1. Harrison (Kevin Woods, Andre Davis, Krishna Reed), 59-12; 2. John Glenn, 56-7; 3. Canton, 56-6; 4. RU, 56-6; 5. N. Farmington, 55-10; 6. Thurston, 54-10. **Individual best:** Ryan Krum (RT), 20-10.

**Pole vault:** 1. (tie) Churchill (Matt Weber, Brandon LaPointe, Chad Bohr) and Harrison (Derek Lawkowski, Jeff Lazor, Caleb Smith), 32-6 each; 3. Franklin, 32-0; 4. N. Farmington, 29-0; 5. Stevenson, 27-6; 6. RU, 26-6. **Individual best:** Derek Lawkowski (FHM), 12-6.

**6,400 meters:** 1. Salem (Nick Allen, Bobby Cushman, Matt Anderson, Jon Little), 18:30.9; 2. Stevenson, 18:42.8; 3. Churchill, 19:04.4; 4. Redford CC, 19:17.4; 5. Canton, 19:35.4; 6. Thurston, 19:41.7.

**Distance medley:** 1. Salem (Kevin Conte, Andy Briggs, Gabe Coble, Ian

Searcy), 11:08.4; 2. Stevenson, 11:20.2; 3. John Glenn, 11:22.0; 4. Northville, 11:23.6; 5. RU, 11:29.3; 6. Franklin, 11:32.9.

**800:** 1. Salem (Mike Shull, Chris Mason, Mark Sheehan, Scott Kingslien), 1:31.9; 2. Harrison, 1:32.8; 3. Northville, 1:33.0; 4. Canton, 1:35.0; 5. N. Farmington, 1:35.2; 6. RU, 1:35.7.

**3,200:** 1. Salem (Andy Briggs, Matt Anderson, Bobby Cushman, Nick Allen), 8:20.9; 2. Stevenson, 8:22.8; 3. N. Farmington, 8:25.7; 4. Churchill, 8:35.3; 5. Canton, 8:48.3; 6. Thurston, 8:55.6.

**Sprint medley:** 1. Salem (Mike Shull, Mark Sheehan, Scott Kingslien, Ian Searcy), 2:30.0; 2. Northville, 2:33.3; 3. Canton, 2:34.5; 4. N. Farmington, 2:35.4; 5. Harrison, 2:36.4; 6. Franklin, 2:37.2.

**Shuttle hurdle:** 1. Churchill (Matt Weber, Corey Lake, Brant Hauck, Ryan Kearney), 1:01.5; 2. Salem, 1:03.5; 3. Franklin, 1:03.8; 4. Redford CC, 1:06.5; 5. RU, 1:06.8; 6. Harrison, 1:08.0.

**400:** 1. Northville (Jon Clemens, Chris Searcy, Geno Peters, Tony Clemens), 43.6 (broke meet record held by Harrison at 43.9 in 1997); 2. Salem, 45.0; 3. John Glenn, 45.2; 4. N. Farmington, 45.9; 5. Thurston, 46.3; 6. Stevenson, 46.5.

**1,600:** 1. Salem (Andy Briggs, Gabe Coble, Scott Kingslien, Ian Searcy), 3:28.3; 2. Churchill, 3:33.7; 3. RU, 3:35.0; 4. Northville, 3:36.2; 5. Stevenson, 3:37.4; 6. John Glenn, 3:39.3.

### INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

**110 hurdles:** 1. Ryan Kearney (Churchill), 14.4 (tied meet record with 14.1 in preliminaries shared by Wayne's Ken Riley, 1995); 2. Ryan Thomas (Salem), 15.3; 3. Josh Callahan (N. Farmington), 15.3; 4. Jason Woelke (Redford CC), 15.5; 5. Geno Peters (Northville), 15.9; 6. Tim Moore (John Glenn), 16.4.

**100 dash:** 1. Tony Clemens (Northville), 11.0; 2. Mike Shull (Salem), 11.3; 3. Ryan Krum (Thurston), 11.4; 4. Keith Battle (Harrison), 11.4; 5. Rob DeRoven (N. Farmington), 11.4; 6. Tim Finnerty (Redford CC), 11.8.

**1,600:** 1. Josh Burt (Franklin), 4:31.5; 2. John DiGiovanni (Redford CC), 4:33.4; 3. Jon Little (Salem), 4:34.3; 4. Shaun Moore (Canton), 4:35.7; 5. Jon Berman (N. Farmington), 4:46.0; 6. Jason Richmond (Churchill), 4:46.4.

## Chiefs stop Churchill, win division

The Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division title was captured Monday by host Plymouth Canton (11-1-1, 4-0), with freshman Anne Morrell scoring twice to lead the Chiefs to a 4-1 triumph over rival Livonia Churchill (10-3, 3-1).

Jennell Cobar added one goal and two assists for the Chiefs, who led 2-0 at intermission.

Sophomore Jessica Palis had the other goals, while freshman Beth Sandusky and senior Lisa Reissenweber also drew assists.

### SOCCER

Churchill, outshot 15-12 in the match, pulled within two with 12 minutes remaining on Kersten Conklin's goal from Brooks Cioma.

"It was a good game for us, up and down the field," Canton coach Don Smith said.

On Saturday, Canton downed visiting Livonia Ladywood, 4-1, as Cobar scored twice. Melissa Marzolf and Kelly Connell also

scored goals for the Chiefs. Morrell collected two assists, while Reissenweber added another.

Canton outshot the Blazers, 22-2.

Kristin Lukaak was in goal for Canton during both wins.

"We're getting help defensively," Smith said. "We're progressing nicely and blending as a group."

The loss dropped Ladywood to 3-8-1 overall.

Salem 5, Franklin 0: Playing on the road Monday night, the

Rocks completely dominated Livonia Franklin.

Salem led 4-0 at the half. The Patriots mounted little or no offensive attack.

Kristina Senich and Jami Coyle scored two goals each to lead the Rocks (11-1-1). Mia Sarkisian and Brandi Groves added goals.

"It has been a good year," Salem coach Doug Landefeld said. "We have some good players, but none of the superstars. We're a hard-working team."

Franklin dropped to 2-9-1.

## Hard-hitting CC tips Country Day in 8th

Redford Catholic Central scored two runs in the top of the eighth inning Monday to snare a 7-5 non-league baseball victory over host Detroit Country Day.

The Shamrocks collected 10 hits, marking the 11th game in the last 12 that they've recorded at least 10 hits.

CC, 12-4 overall, used five pitchers and they combined for an eight-hitter.

Bob Malek, who hasn't struck out in 48 at-bats, and Casey Rogowski each went 3-for-5 to lead the Shamrocks.

The two CC runs in the eighth were unearned. Malek, leading off, was safe on an error. He advanced to third base after a sacrifice bunt by Matt Firlik and a fly ball by Dave Lusky.

Another infield error on a ball hit by Casey Rogowski brought home Malek for a 6-5 lead. Rogowski took second on the error and scored on Chris Woodruff's single.

RBI singles by Lusky and Rogowski highlighted the Shamrocks' five-run explosion in the third.

The winning pitcher was Mike Haller, who retired the side in the sixth and seventh innings — the only two he pitched. Mark Cole earned the save, retiring DCD in order in the eighth.

Andrew Tomey started for the Shamrocks, allowing three runs on six hits and one walk while striking out four in three innings.

Dan Duffy and Tony Nozewski threw one inning each. Duffy allowed two runs on only one hit and one walk. He also struck out a batter.

Nozewski allowed no runs and gave up walk and a hit.

DCD used only one pitcher, Rod Hudson, who walked two and struck out six.

The Shamrocks now have a .361 batting average as a team.

John Glenn 10, W.L. Central 7: Limited to just one hit through four innings Monday, visiting Westland John Glenn (7-8, 4-2) exploded for all 10 runs in the final three innings to earn the Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division win against Walled Lake Central (7-14, 3-4) in a game played at Walled Lake Western.

### TENNIS RESULTS

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May 4 at Canton

**No. 1 singles:** Daniel Odendaal (F) def. Shab Singh, 6-2, 6-1; **No. 2:** Vinnie Ikeh (PC) def. Chris Lee, 6-3, 6-2; **No. 3:** Matt Nagy (PC) def. Randy Haffan, 6-3, 6-7, 6-0; **No. 4:** Richie Ikeh (PC) def. Brandon Mytty, 6-1, 6-1.

**No. 1 doubles:** Gary Levenbach-Jason

Darow (PC) def. David Milewski-Brandon Welling, 6-1, 6-4; **No. 2:** Erik Bruce-Ben Broder (F) def. Scott Mincher-Chris Houdek, 6-1, 6-3; **No. 3:** Chris Foss-Nate Moothart (PC) def. Daniel Turkovich-Shamir Trivedi, 6-4, 6-3; **No. 4:** Luke Montgomery-Andrew Oleszkowicz (PC) def. Hemanth Srinivas Harinder Gil, 6-1, 6-4.

**Canton's dual meet record:** 6-2-1 overall and 6-2-1 Western Lakes.

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The Chiefs put the ball around the Salem net on several occasions, but never got off a solid shot on goal. Their best chance came with just 3:15 remaining, with a shot angled toward the Rocks' goal with senior forward Melissa Marzolf in pursuit. But Salem keeper Jill Dombrowski reached the ball first, snatching it away from a sliding Marzolf.

"I knew it would be tough," said Canton coach Don Smith. "We've just got to put one in. We got a lot of good crosses into the box, but there was nothing good on the end of them."

The Canton player that most concerned Salem was freshman phenom Anne Morrell. She was well marked by Salem sophomore Suzi Towne.

"Suzi Towne did a good job on Anne," Landefeld said. "Suzi took more hits, but she knew going in that's the way it would be. And I thought Christen Shull did a good job for us at sweeper."

The number of hits inflicted by both sides made it seem more like a game of attrition. "Nobody was backing down, that's for sure," said Canton's Smith.

The Chiefs' defenders were equally adept at bottling up Simons and Mia Sarkesian, the Rocks' only two seniors and their biggest offensive threats. Smith mentioned defenders Cheron Rice, Heather Thompson and Kelly Connell, midfielder Abi Morrell and sweeper Elisa Esper as each handling the task presented them. "They all marked very tough," he said.

And yet, as well as each side played, it cannot be overlooked:

Nothing was decided. Although Salem played very well against the second-ranked team in the state, there was no victory to cheer. And the fourth-ranked Rocks "still have to find ways to score" against the best teams, Landefeld noted.

Canton will face an even tougher challenge Thursday in its rematch against defending state champ — and currently unbeaten and untied — Stevenson, which blanked the Chiefs 3-0 in their first meeting. "You've got to get the ball up in the air in front of their goal," said Smith of the Spartans. "You're not going to score on the ground against Stevenson."

The problem with trying to apply relentless pressure on the Spartans is twofold: Allison Campbell, who's averaging about three goals-a game, and Lindsay Gusick, who comes very close to matching Anne Morrell as the state's premier freshman.

The Stevenson counterattack is so precise and so formidable, it might be wise to think twice about using pressure as a tactic.



Even-up: Canton's Jessica Pallis (left) and Salem's Maureen Grif-fith won't let up.

## Softball from page C1

struck out four in outdueling Harrison's Ault, who allowed five hits but no walks, striking out two.

Still, had it not been for the Canton defense, the game may have been decided before Elsner's blast. In the top of the eighth inning, the Hawks' Lindsey Emmett walked and stole second on Canton catcher Kathy Mokienko, who was subbing for the injured Erica Hancz. But when Emmett tried to steal third as well, Mokienko threw her out.

The win avenged Canton's only division loss this season, a 3-1 setback to Harrison April 6. The Chiefs are 8-2 in all WLAA games.

**N. Farmington 3, Canton 2:** The Chiefs enjoyed their big victory over Harrison for only 24 hours as visiting North Farmington shocked Canton.

The Raiders (11-5) rallied for three runs in the top of the fourth inning to record the win. Key hits in the inning were RBI doubles by Lynn Livernois and

Katie Deverux (each had two hits). Lauren Oullette added a run-scoring single.

The Chiefs (15-7 overall, 8-3 in the WLAA) scored its first run in the second inning. Carrie Kovachevich singled, stole second base and later scored on a passed ball.

Canton cut a 3-1 deficit in half in its half of the fourth inning after Liz Elsner doubled and later scored on a fielder's choice.

Elsner and Jenny Fisher each had two hits and a double for the Chiefs.

North's Mickey Spisz held the Chiefs in check, scattering only five hits, striking out four and walking two.

Fisher took the loss, striking out five and walking three in her six innings of work.

"We just came off a nice nine-inning win over Harrison and then we had a letdown," Canton coach Jim Arnold said. "We weren't in the game mentally, but hopefully the team will learn from this."

**Harrison 9, Salem 4:** Farmington Harrison struck for six runs in the first inning Tuesday, and that was more than Plymouth Salem could handle in this cross-division conference game at Harrison.

The loss left Salem at 7-10-1 overall.

Shannon Coultas took the loss for the Rocks. She surrendered nine runs on 14 hits and four walks, with one strikeout. Lindsay Emmett got the win for the Hawks.

Stefanie Volpe paced the Rocks' offense with two hits and two runs batted in. Becky Esper also had two hits for Salem, including a double.

**Salem 4, Farmington 2:** Three meaningless singles — that's all Plymouth Salem managed against host Farmington Monday. Fortunately for the Rocks, it didn't matter; they got enough runs and some solid pitching to pull out the victory.

Salem improved to 7-9-1 overall, 4-6 in the WLAA and 3-4 in

the WLAA's Lakes Division. Farmington fell to 3-4 in the Lakes through Monday.

Sophomore pitcher Amanda Sutton was the difference for Salem. Sutton limited the Falcons to four hits and no earned runs, and did not walk a batter while striking out two. Melissa Mytty took the loss for Farmington; she, too, did not surrender an earned run while tossing a three-hitter.

Farmington led 1-0 after two innings, but Salem took control with two runs in the third and two more in the fourth. Sutton's pitching made that lead stand up.

"She pitched a great game," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "I'd like to see us get a few more hits, but as long as the outcome's like this I'm happy. She's just where she has to be, considering she's just a sophomore."

The Rocks only hits were singles by Becky Esper, Stefanie Volpe and Katie Gagleard.

## Madonna from page C1

Churchill) each hurled an inning to finish up.

Tri-State bowed out at 13-21 overall.

Madonna opened the tourney Friday with a 12-6 win over Tri-State as Taylor went 4-for-4 with seven RBI, including three homers.

Madonna racked up 15 hits with Rocho and Warholik adding three apiece. Catcher Delano Voletti also homered, while Pete Quinn (Redford Thurston) and

Brandon Jaskolski each contributed two hits.

Serra pitched six innings, allowing four runs on eight hits. Jeff Gutt (Redford Catholic Central) worked the final three innings.

In perhaps the pivotal game of the tourney which started Friday and was suspended after two innings until Saturday because of rain, Madonna upended WHAC regular season champ and top seed Aquinas College, 6-

2, as Mitch Jabczynski (6-2) pitched all nine innings to pick up the win.

Jabczynski scattered 10 hits and struck out nine. He did not allow any walks.

Marcotte, the shortstop, went 3-for-4 in the victory. Warholik, Rocho, Quinn, Taylor and Jaskolski each knocked in runs.

The Crusaders broke a 1-1 deadlock with five runs in the bottom of the sixth inning.

The defeat left Aquinas at 33-13-1 overall.

On Saturday, Madonna reached the winners bracket championship round with an 8-6 win over Spring Arbor as winning pitcher Bob Mason (4-7)

pitched a complete game.

He allowed just three earned runs on just one hit and a no-hitter going until one-out in the ninth when Spring Arbor catcher Wayne Forman got an infield hit. He walked eight and struck out five.

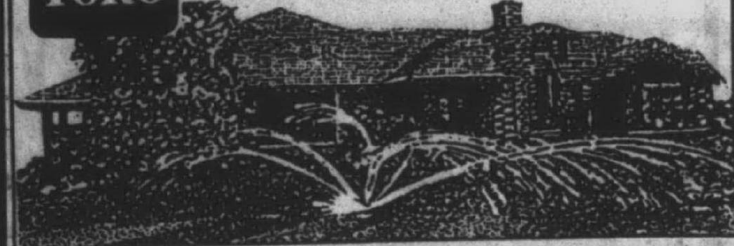
Losing pitcher Kevin Thomas also went the distance, allowing 14 hits.

Taylor, who was 10 for 20 in four games with an astounding six homers and 18 RBI, led the attack going 2-for-5 with four RBI.

Voletti added three hits, while Marcotte, Shrewsbury and Rocho contributed two apiece.

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The Plymouth-Canton Cruisers gave it a shot, but couldn't catch Dexter at the nine-team Southern Michigan Swim League conference championship meet. Dexter finished first with 2,756 points; the Cruisers were second with 2,593 and Saline placed third with 1,953 points. The Cruisers did win the 11-12 year-old boys age division.

Point-scorers for the Cruisers were:

**Eight-and-under** — Katie Gorman, third in the 25-yard butterfly, sixth in the 25 freestyle, seventh in the 100 free; Carolyn Orey, eighth in the 25 backstroke, 12th in the 100 free; Ashley Forde, 14th in the 100 free; Darcy Paulus, 16th in the 100 free and 25 back; Colin Smith, third in the 25 butterfly, fourth in the 100 free, sixth in the 50 free; Steve Johnson, fifth in the 100 free and 25 free, eighth in the 50 free; Chris Marinica, sixth in the 100 free, seventh in the 25 back; Blaine Kincaid,

ninth in the 25 breaststroke, 14th in the 100 free; Alyssa Johnson, first in the 25 breast, third in the 100 individual medley, fifth in the 50 free; Lucy Liu, fifth in the 100 IM, sixth in the 25 breast, seventh in the 25 butterfly; Casey Molloy, third in the 100 IM, seventh in the 50 free and 25 fly; Trevor Silbernagel, fourth in the 100 IM, fifth in the 50 free and 50 breast; Brian Baumgart, second in the 25 breast, third in the 25 back, fifth in the 100 IM; Daniel Lipford, 14th in the 25 free, 16th in the 25 fly; Kelley Hodges, 14th in the 25 fly, 16th in the 50 free; Drew Greenisen, 10th in the 25 fly, 12th in the 25 back; Coralie Nambride, 15th in the 25 breast, Scott Nussbaum, 10th in the 25 breaststroke; Girls 100-yard medley relay team of Carolyn Orey, Alyssa Johnson, Katie Gorman and Lucy Liu, second; boys 100 medley relay team of Casey Molloy, Brian Baumgart, Colin Smith, Trevor Silbernagel, second; boys 100 medley relay team of Chris Marinica, Blaine Kincaid, Drew Greenisen; Daniel Lipford, fifth; girls 100 free relay team of Carolyn Orey, Darcy Paulus, Ashley Forde, Kelley Hodges, 10th; girls 100

free relay team of Broniak, Amanda Forde, Bielak, Autumn Nelson, 15th; boys 100 free relay team of Chris Marinica, Drew Greenisen, Daniel Lipford, Steve Johnson, fourth.

**9-10 year-olds** — Jessica Zokas, fourth in the 50 free, fifth in the 200 free, 10th in the 50 breast; Amanda Newman, seventh in the 100 free, eighth in the 200 free; Julie Greenisen, 10th in the 200 free, 15th in the 50 fly, 15th in the 50 back; Danielle Roy, 16th in the 200 free; Stephen Orey, fourth in the 200 free, fourth in the 50 back, eighth in the 50 free; Greg Calabrese, eighth in the 200 free, eighth in the 100 free, eighth in the 50 back; Alex Marinica, 10th in the 200 free, 10th in the 50 fly; Max Ozawa, 13th in the 200 free, 15th in the 50 fly; Alice Maples, first in the 50 breast, fifth in the 100 IM; Kristen Nevi, third in the 50 fly, eighth in the 100 IM, eighth in the 100 free; Ryan Smith, first in the 50 fly, first in the 100 free, second in the 100 IM; Billy Horgan, third in the 50 breast, fourth in the 50 free, fourth in the 100 IM; Ryan Nussbaum, 15th in

the 100 IM, 15th in the 50 breast; Anna Dempsey, fifth in the 50 back, 12th in the 50 free; Emily Stephens, 16th in the 50 free, 16th in the 50 fly; Molly Dowd, seventh in the 50 back, 10th in the 50 fly; Patricia Ahern, 11th in the 50 fly, 13th in the 50 breast; Kathleen Wu, 15th in the 50 breast; girls 200 medley relay team of Anna Dempsey, Alice Maples, Kristen Nevi, Amanda Newman, first; girls 200 medley relay team of Molly Dowd, Jessica Zokas, Patricia Ahern, Emily Stephens, fifth; boys 200 medley relay team of Stephen Orey, Billy Horgan, Ryan Smith, Greg Calabrese, second; boys 200 medley relay team of Antoine Dupessey, Ryan Nussbaum, Alex Marinica, Max Ozawa, ninth; girls 200 free relay team of Emily Stephens, Molly Dowd, Anna Dempsey, Amanda Newman, third; girls 200 free relay team of Allison Arble, Alice Maples, Elaine Lafayette, Lisa Storch, 10th; boys 200 free relay team of Alex Marinica, Max Ozawa, Antoine Dupessey, Ryan Nussbaum, ninth.

**11-12 year-olds** — Amy Mertens, first in the 50 breast, second in the 200 free, third in the 100 free; Sarah Bealafeld, fifth in the 50 back, 15th in the 200 free, 16th in the 50 free; Ben Dzialo, first in the 200 free, first in the 100 free, second in the 50 free; Ron Opydyke, seventh in the 50 fly,

seventh in the 200 free; Joe La, 10th in the 200 free, 10th in the 100 free; Megan Troup, third in the 50 fly, fifth in the 100 IM, seventh in the 50 breast; Alicia Dotson, first in the 50 fly, second in the 100 free, sixth in the 100 IM; Stephanie Lamar, eighth in the 100 back, 11th in the 50 breast, 13th in the 100 IM; Jessica Fricke, 15th in the 100 IM; Kyle Silbernagel, first in the 100 IM, first in the 50 fly, first in the 50 back; Mike Horgan, second in the 100 IM, second in the 50 fly, fourth in the 50 back; Nick Yee, eighth in the 50 breast, 10th in the 100 IM; Matt Lipford, 10th in the 50 fly, 13th in the 100 IM; Jamie Bielak, eighth in the 50 free, ninth in the 100 free; Matt Vivian, fourth in the 50 free, seventh in the 100 free; Matt Showalter, seventh in the 50 free, seventh in the 50 breast; Lyndon Wright, 10th in the 50 free, 12th in the 50 back; Alex Derian-Toth, 14th in the 50 breast, 15th in the 100 free; Katie Bielak, 13th in the 50 breast; Billy Birkett, 14th in the 50 breast; girls 200 medley relay team of Stephanie Lamar, Amy Mertens, Alicia Dotson, Megan Troup, first; girls 200 medley relay team of Jennifer Kelly, Alex Derian-Toth, Jessica Fricke, Jamie Bielak, eighth; boys 200 medley relay team of Kyle Silbernagel, Nick Yee, Mike Horgan, Ben Dzialo, first; boys 200 medley relay team of Joe La,

Matt Showalter, Ron Opydyke, Matt Vivian, fourth; girls 200 free relay team of Jennifer Kelly, Jessica Fricke, Sarah Bealafeld, Jamie Bielak, fifth; girls 200 free relay team of Danielle Powers, Rachel Broniak, Alex Derian-Toth, Katie Bielak, ninth; boys 200 free relay team of Matt Vivian, Joe La, Ron Opydyke, Matt Showalter, second; boys 200 free relay team of Matt Lipford, Peter Letasz, Lyndon Wright, Nick Yee, fifth.

**13-14 year-olds** — Christy Roy, 10th in the 200 free, 10th in the 100 free; Chelsea Opydyke, 12th in the 200 free, 12th in the 100 breast, 15th in the 50 free; Sara Higgins, 13th in the 200 free; Brian Mertens, first in the 200 free, sixth in the 100 breast, eighth in the 100 free; Aaron Shelton, first in the 100 back, second in the 50 free, sixth in the 200 free; Andy Kee, seventh in the 200 free, 11th in the 100 free, 15th in the 50 free; Nick Markou, fourth in the 100 back, ninth in the 200 free; Karl Foust, first in the 100 back, third in the 200 IM, fourth in the 10 fly; Alex Evans, seventh in the 10 back, eighth in the 20 IM, 11th in the 100 fly; Kirsten Orey, sixth in the 100 back, 12th in the 200 IM, 15th in the 100 fly; Julie Holbel, 13th in the 100 free, 14th in the 200 IM; Brad Nilson, first in the 200 IM, second in the 100 fly, fifth in the 100 breast; Adam Sonnanstine, 10th in the 200 IM, 15th in the 100 breast; Jeff Nevi, 13th in the 200 IM, 13th in the 100 fly, 15th in the 100 back; Eric Lynn, ninth in the 100 fly, ninth in the 100 back; Ben Mellis, 15th in the 200 IM; Lindsay Ramos, 11th in the 100 breast, 10th in the 50 free; Stephanie Morgan, 12th in the 50 free; Emily Laskie, 13th in the 50 free, 14th in the 100 free; Jim Ross, 12th in the 50 free; Jon Heiss, seventh in the 100 breast, 13th in the 50 free; Matt Wisniewski, 13th in the 100 free, 14th in the 50 free; Erin Rogala, fourth in the 100 breast; girls 200 medley relay team of Karl Foust, Erin Rogala, Lindsay Ramos, Stephanie Morgan, third; girls 200 medley relay team of Kirsten Orey, Alex Evans, Sarah Broniak, Emily Laskie, seventh; boys 200 medley relay team of Aaron Shelton, Brian Mertens, Brad Nilson, Eric Lynn, third; boys 200 medley relay team of Nick Markou, Jon Heiss, Ben Mellis, Jim Ross, fifth; girls 200 free relay team of Stephanie Morgan, Christy Roy, Chelsea Opydyke, Lindsay Ramos, third; girls 200 free relay team of Sara Higgins, Erin Rogala, Sarah Broniak, Emily Laskie, eighth; boys 20 free relay team of Andy Kee, Jim Ross, Nick Markou, Matt Wisniewski, fourth; boys 200 free relay team of Jeff Nevi, Ben Mellis, Adam Sonnanstine, Jon Heiss, seventh.

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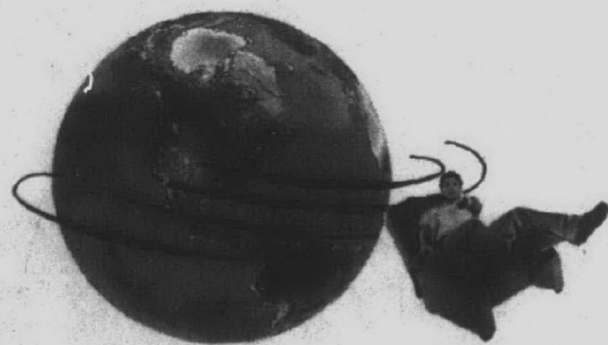
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Yoko Minowa (Harris)  
Bekah Hoffmeier (Lu)  
Felicia Barnett (Joh)

Nkechi Okwumabua  
Nicole Jarrett (Joh)  
Mahogany Fletcher

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Lou Willoughby (Re)  
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Dave Hester (Salem)  
Kirk Moundros (N. Fair)  
Was Morland (Harr)  
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Tim Moore (John G)  
Dad Collip (Franklin)  
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Kierens Reid (Har)  
Andrew Wilder (N)

Ryan Shiplett (Fre)  
Matt Weber (Chur)  
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Jeff Lazar (Harris)  
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Jeff Frederick (Farr)  
Duff Clouser (Redf)  
Mich Forester (F)  
Ryan Noel (Luthe)

**110**  
Ryan Kearney (Ch)  
Jason Sharp (Har)  
Ryan Thomas (S)  
Pat Hayes (Frank)  
John Callahan (N)  
Jason Woehike (F)  
Ryan Ollinger (Lu)  
Dave Clemons (S)  
Duff Hester (Sal)  
David Popiel (Re)

**300**  
Ryan Kearney (Ch)  
John Callahan (N)  
Was Morland (Harr)  
Ryan Thomas (S)  
Dan Blankster (F)  
John Kayes (John)  
Pat Hayes (Frank)  
Ryan Ollinger (Lu)  
Jason Woehike (F)  
David Popiel (Re)

**1**  
Harden James (J)  
Rob Fant (John G)  
Keith Battle (Har)  
Mike Shull (Salem)  
Tom Glennon (S)  
Mike Shull (Salem)  
Reggie Spearman  
Kevin Woods (H)  
Scott Kinglessen  
Terrance Thomas

**2**  
Ryan Kearney (Ch)  
Keith Battle (Har)  
Mike Shull (Salem)  
Ardre Davis (Har)  
Eric Larsen (Cant)  
Robert Fant (John)  
Tom Glennon (S)  
Reggie Spearman  
Scott Kinglessen  
John Frando (Gar)  
Scott George (T)

**3**  
Ian Searcy (Salem)  
Ardre Briggs (S)  
Scott Kinglessen  
Mike Fraborn  
Keith Battle (H)  
Terrance Thomas  
Mike Millat (N)  
Gabe Coble (S)



# Relays from page C1

North may have finished higher if it could have fielded a high jump or shuttle hurdle relay.

Redford Catholic Central, expected to make a bid for one of the top three places, tied for eighth place with Westland John Glenn with 31 points.

The Shamrocks were without eight performers, including standouts Joe Hubert, David Popiel and Nick Brzezinski. Coach Tony Magni didn't let the eight compete because they were out the night before at Livonia Ladywood's prom.

Had it been CC's prom, the eight could have competed, Magni said.

The Shamrocks managed fourth-place finish in the shuttle hurdle relay despite a wipeout of Don Slankster, one of CC's seniors.

"Our kids have two proms to go to and I say pick the one that doesn't have the race after it," Magni said. "I've been doing it 30 years and I'm not going to change now. We weren't going to win it, not with Salem here, but would have been much better. Salem is very, very good."

"The kids we had here today were excellent. I'm very impressed with Slankster. How many kids get knocked over the last hurdle and just stay there? He finished."

Defending champion Farmington Hills Harrison got out strong with 23 points in the field events, including a first place in the long jump. But the Hawks, without top sprinter Jerrard Johnson, managed no firsts and only one second in the running events.

## LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS WAYNE AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

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## PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN 7:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 1998

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 1998 at 7:00 p.m., in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

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All interested persons are invited to attend.

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Following is a list of Observerland girls best track times and field-event distances and heights. Coaches should report updates to Dan O'Meara by calling (734) 953-2141 or faxing information to (734) 591-7279.

### SHOT PUT

Melissa Gratz (N. Farmington) 36-9  
Tiffany Grubough (Salem) 38-4  
Danielle Wensing (Franklin) 35-24  
Paula Tomlin (Salem) 32-104  
Kerstin Andziewski (Harrison) 32-84  
Bethany Molitor (Wayne) 32-4  
Emily Yambasky (Stevenson) 32-1  
Stephanie Kujawski (Salem) 32-1  
CeCe Johnson (Mercy) 31-4  
Shauna Jones (Churchill) 31-3 1/4

### DISCUS

Melissa Gratz (N. Farmington) 133-6  
Tiffany Grubough (Salem) 118-11  
Emily Yambasky (Stevenson) 109-11  
Martha Obinger (Mercy) 97-5  
Miranda White (Salem) 96-5  
Kristen Stone (John Glenn) 95-6  
Jaclyn Bernard (Canton) 94-11  
Erin Allen (Farmington) 94-9  
Julie Yambasky (Stevenson) 93-6  
Kerstin Andziewski (Harrison) 93-2

### HIGH JUMP

LaToya Chandler (John Glenn) 5-7  
Natalie Grondin (Mercy) 5-2  
Kim Theeke (Canton) 5-0  
Erin Stabb (Canton) 4-10  
Autumn Hicks (Salem) 4-10  
Laurel Bolhouse (Mercy) 4-10  
Jordyn Goddard (Stevenson) 4-10  
Andrea Polasky (Stevenson) 4-10  
Aisha Chappell (Salem) 4-10  
Jessica Robinson (Thurston) 4-10  
Yoko Minowa (Harrison) 4-10  
Bekah Hoffmeier (Lutheran Westland) 4-10  
Felicia Barnett (John Glenn) 4-10

### LONG JUMP

Nkechi Okwumabua (Canton) 17-44  
Nicole Jarrett (John Glenn) 16-11  
Mahogany Fletcher (Harrison) 16-6

Bryna DeNeen (Salem) 15-74  
Erin Hayden (Ladywood) 15-7  
Wendy Leander (Salem) 15-4  
Yoko Minowa (Harrison) 15-4  
Erin Stawars (Stevenson) 15-3

### POLE VAULT

Katie Mitchell (Stevenson) 7-6  
Nicole Dettloff (Stevenson) 7-6  
Shiloh Wint (Franklin) 7-0  
Kim Wase (Garden City) 7-0  
Jane Peterman (Churchill) 7-0  
Kari Caza (Churchill) 7-0  
Bekah Hoffmeier (Lutheran Westland) 6-6  
Lauren Turner (N. Farmington) 6-6  
Jaclyn Bernard (Canton) 6-6  
Kelly Van Putten (Salem) 6-6  
Melissa Sobier (Stevenson) 6-6

### 100-METER HURDLES

Nicole Herring (John Glenn) 15-2  
Emily Mayberry (Harrison) 15-6  
Christie Tzilos (Stevenson) 16-4  
Lisa Rosemary (Harrison) 16-6  
Erin Stabb (Canton) 16-6  
Katie Gaffey (N. Farmington) 16-9  
Crystal Alderman (Canton) 16-9  
Katie Callahan (N. Farmington) 17-0  
Jami Snow (Mercy) 17-1  
Monique Bush (Farmington) 17-2  
Cassie Ehlers (Stevenson) 17-2

### 300-METER HURDLES

Christie Tzilos (Stevenson) 48-9  
Suzanne Pepinaki (Ladywood) 49-2  
Katie Sherron (Stevenson) 49-7  
Aisha Chappell (Salem) 49-9  
Anna Rolf (Lutheran Westland) 50-0  
Crystal Alderman (Canton) 50-2  
Nicole Herring (John Glenn) 50-4  
Katie Callahan (N. Farmington) 51-0  
Jami Snow (Mercy) 51-5  
Tiffany Reiber (Salem) 51-5

### 100-METER DASH

Kania Adams (John Glenn) 12-5  
Mahogany Fletcher (Harrison) 12-5  
Brianna Watson (Ladywood) 12-7  
Temica Clayton (Harrison) 12-8  
Rachel Jones (Salem) 12-9

Danielle Wensing (Franklin) 12-9  
Alina Boyden (Canton) 13-0  
Kendall Carey (Ladywood) 13-0  
Nicole Carter (Mercy) 13-1  
Sharia Felton (Redford Union) 13-1  
Kelly Moryc (Stevenson) 13-1  
Michelle Bonior (Salem) 13-1  
Nkechi Okwumabua (Canton) 13-1  
Jackie Fadini (Stevenson) 13-1

### 200-METER DASH

Nicole Jarrett (John Glenn) 26-2  
Temica Clayton (Harrison) 26-4  
Danielle Wensing (Franklin) 26-6  
Rachel Jones (Salem) 27-0  
Felicia Barnett (John Glenn) 27-0  
Mahogany Fletcher (Harrison) 27-2  
Nkechi Okwumabua (Canton) 27-2  
Brianna Watson (Ladywood) 27-2  
Autumn Hicks (Salem) 27-5  
Nicole Dettloff (Stevenson) 27-6

### 400-METER DASH

Autumn Hicks (Salem) 1:01.5  
Nicole Jarrett (John Glenn) 1:02.0  
Kelly McNeelance (Stevenson) 1:02.4  
Danielle Wensing (Franklin) 1:02.8  
Page Ahrens (Ladywood) 1:03.4  
Ashley Williams (Canton) 1:03.5  
Nicole Carter (Mercy) 1:03.8  
Jennifer Hardacre (Stevenson) 1:03.9  
Becky Zak (Harrison) 1:04.1  
Rita Malec (Franklin) 1:04.7

### 800-METER RUN

Kelly McNeelance (Stevenson) 2:21.6  
Andrea Parker (Stevenson) 2:26.7  
Evelyn Rahhal (Salem) 2:28.0  
Annemarie Vercruyse (Salem) 2:29.0  
Kelly Travis (Stevenson) 2:29.8  
Kristin Hetra (Churchill) 2:30.0  
Alyssa Burnisky (Mercy) 2:32.4  
Anni Figurski (Ladywood) 2:32.5  
Katie Bonner (Salem) 2:34.0  
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Public Hearing is required by Ordinance No. 83 and/or Subdivision Ordinance No. 32, of the Charter Township of Plymouth. (Application No. 1518/0398) Tax I.D. No. 065-99-0003-000.

Questions regarding the application may be directed to the Community Development Department, Department of Public Services Building, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Planning Commission will consider the application at its regular meeting on Wednesday, May 20, 1998, commencing at 7:00 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting. The application review and address for written comment is: Plymouth Charter Township, Community Development Department, 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Telephone No. 734-453-4372. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall. The address of Township Hall is 42350 Ann Arbor Road.

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MARCIA SAYLES, Secretary  
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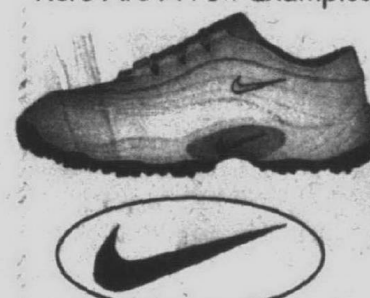
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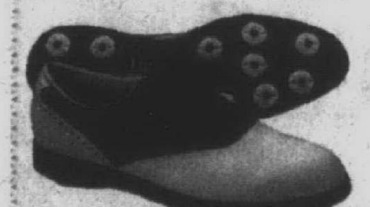


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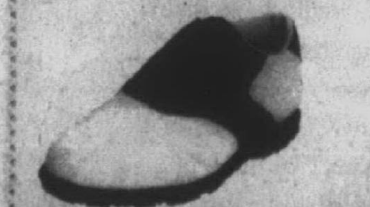
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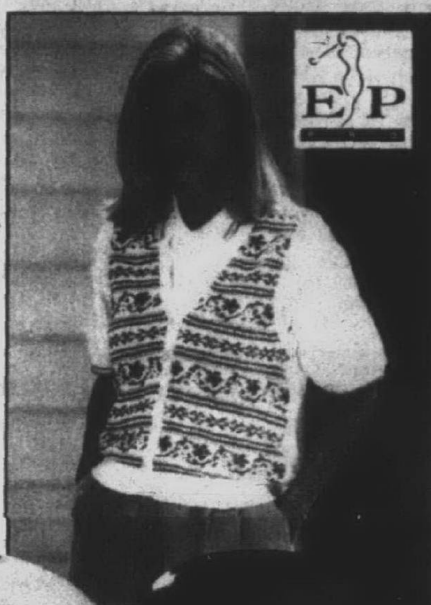
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# Entertainment

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## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



The City of Southfield presents a Celebration Concert featuring Lou Rawls, 8 p.m. at Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. Tickets \$30 and \$35, call (248) 645-6666, or (248) 354-4854.

### SATURDAY



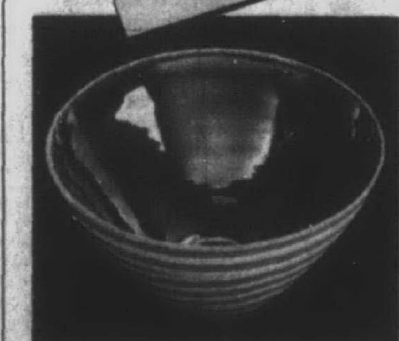
Tony O'Brien presents a Spring Concert with Lance Luce 8 p.m. at the Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser Road. They will perform solos and duets, from Broadway show tunes to classics, at the Redford's theater pipe organ. Tickets \$8, call (313) 534-1954 or (313) 537-2560.

### SUNDAY



Parker Plague (left to right), Terry Heck and Adam Rockkind in "Lost in Yonkers" 2 p.m. at Meadow Brook Theatre, on the campus of Oakland University. Tickets \$22, call (248) 377-3300.

## HOT TICKET



Hot Tix: Birmingham Fine Art Festival 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday in Shain Park, and adjacent streets in downtown Birmingham features line entertainment, and works by 300 artists from the U.S. and Canada including Richard Cohen who created this iridescent blue-lined bowl with golden yellow and white stripes. For more information, call (248) 644-0866.

## Elixir of Love

A MAGIC POTION OF LEVITY



Comedic opera: Ana Maria Martinez as Adina in "The Elixir of Love" at Michigan Opera Theatre. She is sharing this role with Janet Williams of Detroit.

Opera, a barrel full of laughs?

Well, that's not the first thing that comes to mind. Especially if you've seen any of the eviscerating Romantic operas that make you want to enroll in grief counseling and wail like a baby.

But for the operatic light of heart, the Michigan Opera Theatre is offering a magic potion of its own, Donizetti's "The Elixir of Love," which premieres Saturday.

The opera is among the most popular comic operas, and comes as the second of MOT's three-opera spring season.

Once again, the familiar angelic soprano Janet Williams sings the lead female role. Williams, perhaps the most famous operatic star from Detroit, is currently with the Berlin Opera.

Along with Mozart, Donizetti has written several of the most performed comic operas in the repertoire. In addition to "The Elixir of Love," he composed "The Daughter of the Regiment," and "Don Pasquale."

"The characters are accessible and very contemporary," said David DiChiera, managing director of MOT. "Audiences are sympathetic (with the characters) throughout this opera."

Following MOT's critically acclaimed "Manon," and preceding the great American opera "Porgy and Bess" in their spring season, Donizetti's comedic opera offers the levity of one of today's sit-coms with some of the most recognizable operatic music.

"The Elixir of Love" is a classic comedic tale of misperception and rooting for the underdog. The story is based on the travails of a peasant named Nemorino, one of opera's most

**What:** "The Elixir of Love" by Gaetano Donizetti presented by the Michigan Opera Theatre

**When:** 8 p.m. Saturday, May 9; Wednesday, May 13; Friday & Saturday, May 15-16; 2 p.m. Sundays, May 10 & 17

**Where:** Detroit Opera House, (at the corner of Madison Avenue and Broadway, one block east of Woodward Avenue), Detroit

**Tickets:** \$18-\$95, call (313) 874-7464, or (248) 645-6666.

beloved characters.

The nerdy Nemorino and his rival, a virile soldier named Belcore, are hardly matched. The town folk deride Nemorino's chances of winning the heart of the vivacious Adina, the flirtatious treasure of the village.

What's needed, of course, is a magic potion. Preferably, an inexpensive panacea. With Seinfeld-like timing, enter a quack doctor named Dulcamara.

The rambling doc persuades Nemorino that imbibing a flask of cheap Bordeaux can work wonders. Even improve his chances of winning Adina's heart.

The real elixir, however, is clearly in the music and the vocal diversity required to wring the lessons of love from the humorous plot.

Two of opera's greatest tenors - Enrico Caruso and Luciano Pavarotti - have made the lead

tenor's role among their signature performances. After his 1904 debut at New York's Metropolitan Opera, Caruso's fame skyrocketed. Ironically, 16 years later after performing the role he suffered a throat hemorrhage and died shortly after.

For both Caruso and Pavarotti, the emotional breadth and subtlety of the romantic "Una furtiva lagrima" ("A Furtive Tear") in the second act has demonstrated their eminence as opera's royalty.

Quite likely, those won't be tears of tragedy rolling down audiences' faces. Donizetti's playful opera proves that you can get the same response by appealing to a good laugh. It's simply called "tears of joy."

## MUSIC

### Classical pianist tickled to play crowd pleasers

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

Pianist Garrick Ohlsson will be playing favorites Saturday night when he gives a brief recital as part of his special evening at the University of Michigan.

The University Musical Society has named Ohlsson the 1998 UMS Distinguished Artist in recognition of his long association with the UMS series, and especially

his recent two year series of recitals covering the complete solo piano works of Frederic Chopin.

Ohlsson will perform in concert at Hill Auditorium and then be feted with a gala dinner and dance at the Michigan League.

Ohlsson has chosen crowd pleasers for his hour-long recital - Gershwin's preludes, Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata and three pieces by Chopin.

"It's Gershwin's year (his centennial) and I love playing his preludes. I don't play them very often, in fact the last time was in 1990 at the White House. They wanted something American. It's different, most people don't associate me with that music, and I love it."

Ohlsson said the idea was to play really great music that was also popular.

"The Chopin was inevitable. He's one of the great all-time composers, but also universally loved," Ohlsson said.

Ohlsson's association with Chopin is long and honorable. He gained musical fame in 1970 when he won the prestigious Chopin Competition in Warsaw.

Ohlsson, 50, began playing piano when he was 8 and entered Juilliard at 13. Following school he entered and won several competitions before the Chopin.

During the 1995-96 concert seasons Ohlsson won unanimous critical acclaim and soldout audiences for his Chopin cycle, which he performed in Ann Arbor, New York City, Purchase, N.Y., (main campus of the State University of New York) and Toronto.

"When I was looking around to do the Chopin cycle, I first looked on to New York for many obvious reasons, but I wanted the experience of doing it more than once, it's like your best suit that you want to wear more than once," Ohlsson said.

The UMS series, which he first played in 1971 and played again this year as part of a tribute to Schubert, had an opening.

He said doing the complete Chopin gave him a chance to get the composer into his blood stream.

"It's the difference between going to a museum and seeing one Monet, one



Garrick Ohlsson: Classical pianist

### Garrick Ohlsson Recital and Tribute

**What:** Acclaimed pianist Garrick Ohlsson honored as UMS Distinguished Artist of the Year. Performs works by Gershwin, Beethoven and Chopin.

**When:** 6 p.m. Saturday, May 9

**Where:** Hill Auditorium, University of Michigan central campus, Ann Arbor

**Tickets:** \$15-\$45, special \$100 and \$150 tickets. Gala package tickets \$300

\$1,000 includes concert, dinner and dancing (at the Michigan League). Call UMS box office, (734) 764-2538 or (800) 221-1229.

## FAMILY FUN

### Musical brings Rugrats to life at the Fox

#### "Rugrats - A Live Adventure"

**When:** Friday, May 8 through Sunday, May 17. Fifteen performances: 7 p.m. Friday, May 8 and May 15, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 14; noon, 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, May 9 and May 16; 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 10 and May 17.

**Where:** The Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

**Tickets:** \$12.50, \$19.50 and \$25, available at the box office, Ticketmaster locations, or call (248) 433-1515.

On TV the Rugrats seen by millions of kids everyday on Nickelodeon can do anything. But bringing Angelica, Tommy, Phil, Chuckie, Lil, and Susie to life on stage for "A Live Adventure," coming to the Fox Theatre May 8-17 was a challenge.

For many children, the show will be their first introduction to the theater.

"Our live show stays true to what kids love about Rugrats - adventure - this time they turn a typical rainy afternoon into a wild ride of the imagination," said Jonathan Hochwald, executive producer.

The live show presented by Nickelodeon and PACE Variety Entertainment, Inc., features the talent behind the original Rugrat voices, including E.G. Daily as Tommy Pickles, Christine Cavanagh as Chuckie Finster, Kath Soucie as Phil & Lil DeVille, and Cheryl Chase as Angelica Pickles.

With backgrounds ranging from rock-and-roll to Broadway stage, TV and movies, a team of professionals worked to make the Rugrats bigger than life.

Please see RUGRATS, E2



On Stage: Angelica Pickles and her pals come to life in "Rugrats - A Live Adventure."



## Pianist from page E1

Van Dyke, one Picasso and seeing a whole exhibit of Monets or the Picasso show last year where you could study all the paintings from the early part of his life. It's like the difference between taking a highlights tour and staying a while," he said.

Ohlsson said he was surprised by the total success of the project, though he said he knew Chopin was popular.

"It was tremendous. It went

far beyond ego gratification, though ego gratification is always nice, but it doesn't last," he said.

The Chopin cycle was atypical for the busy pianist who has built a career on playing a broad repertoire of classical music as a soloist, chamber player and with symphonic orchestras.

"Solo recitals are more challenging, you have to create the atmosphere, everything," he said.

"It's like a poetry reading or a monologue by an actor. With an orchestra, it's more like a play, a cooperative effort. There is nothing like playing a great concerto with a fine orchestra and a great conductor. You are stimulating each other."

Ohlsson said he has a "standard seven" of great composers for the piano - Mozart, Haydn, Beethoven, Schubert, Debussy, Liszt and, of course, Chopin. But,

he said, he plays many more not on that list, including contemporary composers.

"You can't play everything, but I tend to do a wide range," he said. "I play as wide a repertoire as any concert pianist."

He said he plays contemporary music because "music doesn't exist unless it's played" and it can't be judged if no one ever hears it.

Ohlsson, like most concert pianist began playing as a child. He said playing piano and violin are so complicated that you almost have to shape your body to the instrument, and it is hard for someone who doesn't begin as a child. Though he sometimes gets challenged.

"Occasionally I'll run into someone in their '30s who says they're going to buy a piano and

take lessons so they can play like me. Well, good luck," he said.

Following his fete, Ohlsson will be making trips to New York, Spain and Italy before flying home to San Francisco and a three week break before the summer music festival rounds. He has scheduled recording dates with Arabesque to perform works by Beethoven and Liszt later this year.

## Rugrats from page E1

"We celebrate the episodes, but we wanted the stage show to be unique," said Hochwald. "The characters are six feet tall. It's almost a 'Honey I shrank the Kids' effect. It's purely magical. The parents are kept on a different level so they don't appear out of proportion. They're separated from the kids who are in their own world. We chose a rainy day because it creates an atmosphere where the imagination could fly. We snuck in Chuckie's fear of

thunder."

This is not a skip and wave presentation. The cast of 22 actors, dancers and singers portray over 30 characters. Cast members range in age from 21-29.

"They're amazing," said Hochwald. "They capture the essence of the character even though they're buried underneath layers of costume."

It's a show designed for older kids, ages 5-11. Younger kids will

enjoy it too, but they might not "get" everything in the story.

There's lots of dancing, and the live music includes disco, rock, salsa, funk and opera performed by a three piece band. Devo frontmen Mark and Bob Mothersbaugh, composers for the TV series, composed the live tour music and lyrics with show co-authors and co-lyricists Jon Cooksey and Ali Marie Matheson.

Danny Herman, winner of the

Joseph Jefferson Artisan and After Dark Awards is the choreographer.

"It has the feel of a kids' rock concert," said Hochwald. "The same people who built the stage for the Rolling Stones tour built our stage. It's a three story stage structure. There's a lot to look at."

Kids familiar with the show will recognize some of the references to previous episodes. "They'll remember what hap-

pened to the different characters," said Hochwald.

"Our biggest fear was that kids wouldn't get it, but we've had incredible experiences. There's some interaction, but it's very spontaneous. It's cool when the curtain goes up. The show absolutely will not be tortuous for parents."

Like the TV series, Hochwald hopes the live show develops a loyal following. "We hope to have

new episodes out every 18 months."

The tour starts in the United States and they plan to take it to South America and Europe.

Hochwald said he is looking forward to visiting the Fox Theatre again. "I played there three years ago with David Copperfield," he said. "It's just a fabulous place, one of the really noteworthy, landmark theaters. There's a spirit of place, almost haunting. It's so cool."

## Gilda Meets 'Godzilla' at movie premiere

Two entertainment icons, Gilda Radner and Godzilla, will join forces Wednesday, May 20, at the Star Southfield Entertainment Centre when General Motors presents "Gilda Meets Godzilla," a movie premiere of the TriStar Pictures action thriller, "Godzilla."

The event, which begins with refreshments at 6 p.m. in the Old Detroit Lobby, is a benefit for Gilda's Club Metro Detroit,

the free cancer support community named for the comedian and former Detroit, Gilda Radner.

While Gilda once made a "monster" movie called "It Came From Hollywood," she never crossed Godzilla's path before. Monies raised at the benefit will help fund the program at the recently opened clubhouse in Royal Oak, which features social and emotional support for men, women and children with all

types of cancer, as well as their families and friends.

"Godzilla," starring Matthew Broderick and produced by Roland Emmerich and Dean Devlin, of "Independence Day" fame, will begin at 7:30 p.m. General tickets are \$25 and reserved patron tickets are \$100. To order tickets, send check or Visa/MasterCard number to Gilda's Club Metro Detroit, 3517 Rochester Road, Royal Oak,

Mich. 48073 by Friday, May 15. For information, contact Gilda's Club, (248) 577-0800.

Star Southfield Entertainment Centre, at 25333 W. Twelve Mile, between Telegraph Road and Northwestern Highway, has been integral in helping raise over \$400,000 for dozens of charities since its June 1997 opening.

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## THEATER

## Plymouth Theatre Guild delivers delightful 'Arsenic'

The Plymouth Theatre Guild production of "Arsenic and Old Lace," continues 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through May 16 and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 10, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile, Northville. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$9 at the door. Call (248)349-7110.

BY SUE SUCHYTA  
SPECIAL WRITER

"Arsenic and Old Lace," a three-act comedy by Joseph Kesselring is well acted and produced, a delightful end to the

Plymouth Theatre Guild's 51st season.

Abby and Martha Brewster are two kind, genteel spinsters whose misplaced philanthropy lead to them to methodically put lonely prospective male boarders out of their misery with a nip of their poison-laced elderberry wine. Throw in a nephew who thinks he's Teddy Roosevelt, another who's on the lam and another madly in love and you have a houseful of humorous twists and turns.

The Theatre Guild has assembled a strong and effective cast for their final show of the sea-

son. Nancy Schuster and Bobby Silberberg as Abby and Martha Brewster make a strong impression as the seemingly benign sisters filled with the zeal of their self-discovered mission. The dialogue flows smoothly between them and their mannerisms and synergy firmly establish them as a convincingly deadly duo.

The husband and wife team of Ariana and Keith Prusak lend their real-life newlywed passion to the roles of Elaine Harper and Mortimer Brewster, the show's romantic interest. Their physical affection and easy banter lent a

likable believability to the romantic pair. However, their closing gambit, in which they intentionally smeared the bottom half of each others' faces with a ludicrous amount of garish red lipstick by way of an intentionally prolonged and messy kiss was a strange, sophomoric stunt that detracted from their otherwise professional performances.

The entire cast performed well, with even the minor characters offering colorful, strong performances. Otto Canis' Teddy Roosevelt garnered a generous

share of the laughter, while Mike Megerian's villainous portrayal of Jonathon Brewster was delightfully evil without being uncomfortably dangerous.

In addition to developing a strong cast, director Ralph Rosati's blocking is seamless and wonderfully effortless, bringing together a multitude of complicated interactions like a well-choreographed ballet. Mortimer's last minute tackle to keep Mr. Gibbs from quaffing the poisoned wine was as exciting as a winning touchdown in the Super Bowl.

The set was exquisite - multi-level, well laid out and beautifully dressed and decorated. The lighting and sound effects were well done, too - with the sound of the nighttime crickets through a briefly opened window a nice touch.

The costumes received meticulous attention, right down to hosiery seams and the well-fitted police uniforms. The ladies' costumes, especially Elaine's, were elegant and well suited to the era. They reinforced the believability of the actors' already strong performances.

## 'Angels In America' elevates future collaboration at OU

"Angels in America: Millennium Approaches," a play by Tony Kushner, is a co-production of Meadow Brook Theatre and the Department of Music, Dance and Theatre at Oakland University.

Performances: 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 7-8, May 13-15; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday May 9 and 16; 2 p.m. Sunday, May 10 and 17. Varner Studio Theatre, Varner Hall, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills. Tickets: \$18, (248) 377-3300.

Seldom does a play come along that serves as many purposes as "Angels in America: Millennium Approaches" at Oakland University's Studio Theatre.

A provocative play about a range of hot-button topics, "Angels In America" spares neither tactfulness nor decorum in making its point: America is in serious denial, more concerned with consumerism than social conscience.

But politics aside, "Angels In America" is an optimistic sign of the future of theater in Oakland County.

The collaboration between OU's Department of Theatre and Meadow Brook Theatre proves that at the core of any theatrical experience must be an appeal to

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community.

After one-too-many musical revivals and predictable dramas, perhaps Meadow Brook Theatre has found a way to push the boundaries without insulting its conservative subscribers.

To his credit, director Geoffrey Sherman pulls off a gutsy production that combines some fine performances by an experienced cast along with a look at some promising student-theaters still figuring out their craft.

Set in the intimate Varner Hall Studio Theatre, Tony Kushner's Pulitzer Prize-winning play literally engages audience members by making them feel a part of the play.

In a frenetic display of indignancy, raw homosexuality and the haunting insanity of a society lacking compassion, the play unfolds on the floor-stage from several directions.

There are four entrances/exits with actors carrying on props to complement the play's minimal set design.

The issues covered by playwright Kushner could be placed in the pot of the most controversial issues of the day: AIDS, homosexuality, racism, sexism, political aggrandizement and notions about what exactly is "American."

In essence, homosexuality isn't just a label or something that happens "out there." The proximity of the actors presents the "uneasy issues" an arm's length away. Close enough to see the humanity of those who are victims of prejudice and a plague.

But as an alarming indication about the state of American theater, no other play in the '90s has compelled audiences to directly confront the long shadows sweeping over American culture.

Essentially, Kushner defiantly poses a challenge to the audience: Deal with it.

And the cast proves they're up to the challenge. Again and again and again.

Structured in well-timed episodes, the ensembles handles a range of roles. Primarily, the

story revolves around the infamous attorney Roy Cohn, a homosexual couple and a husband and wife.

In a preview performance, the cast showed the raw energy and dexterity of an ensemble finding its own rhythm and interpretation. That's an incredible accomplishment given that they had rehearsed the play for less than three weeks.

Once again, Sherman and the OU Department of Theatre deserve kudos for tackling the demanding play and putting together a production that doesn't compromise the author's vision nor the character's dimensionality.

As mentors, veteran actors Robert Grossman and Karen Sheridan prove up to the task. In particular, Grossman's portrayal of Cohn is achingly surreal, at times he's the calculating beast behind the persecution of Joe McCarthy's political enemies and pathetically insecure about his own sexuality.

Given time, Grossman will no doubt create one of the most unforgettable portraits seen in some time in Detroit theatre.

The remaining cast all have their outstanding moments. Of special note is Ray Schultz, who walks a fine edge of his character's intellectual ramblings and his basic desire to survive the

onslaught of AIDS.

For sheer energy and emotional range, John Bidenbach demonstrated that he is an actor willing to stretch and experiment.

Bidenbach's performance is the centerpiece of the play. And he doesn't flinch. His energy and emotion resound long after the winged angel descends.

For anyone who believes theater can heal, you'll find "Angels In America" is the first step. A catharsis of the first order.

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#### DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

"Scott Joplin," a musical play about the king of ragtime, through Sunday, May 24, at the theater 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15. (313) 868-1347 or [DetRepTh@aol.com](mailto:DetRepTh@aol.com)

#### FISHER THEATRE

"Rent" continues through June 13 at the Fisher Theatre, 3011 W. Grand Boulevard, Detroit. \$26-\$60. Seats in the front two rows of the orchestra will be made available for every performance for \$20, available at Fisher Theatre box office on the day of performance only, two hours before the show, and are available to anyone, cash only, with a limit of two tickets per person. Line ups begin no earlier than 6 a.m. and no line jumping or space saving. Enter the Fisher Building at the south entrance on West Grand Boulevard. (248) 645-6666

#### JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

"The Cemetery Club," a story about three widows in their early 50s who meet monthly to remember their husbands, through Sunday, May 24, Aaron DeRoy Theatre, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 8 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays, and 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 13. \$13-\$23, with seniors, students and group discounts available. (248) 788-2900

#### MEADOW BOOK THEATRE

"Lost in Yonkers," 8 p.m. Thursday, May 7 (\$22), 8 p.m. Friday, May 8 (\$26.50), 2 p.m. Saturday, May 9 (\$22), 8 p.m. Saturday, May 9 (\$32), and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 10 (\$22), at the theater at Oakland University, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. (248) 377-3300

#### PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY

"Book of Days," by Lanford Wilson, through Sunday, May 24, at the theater, 137 Park St., Chelsea. \$20-\$25. (734) 475-7902

#### WALK AND SQUAWK

PERFORMANCE PROJECT  
"How Can You Stoop Solo?" 8 p.m. Thursday, May 7, 9 p.m. Friday, May 8, 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, May 9, and 7 p.m. Sunday May 10, 1515 Broadway theater, 1515 Broadway, Detroit. \$15, \$12 students and seniors, "pay what you can" Thursdays; Workshop "Theatre Beyond Words," Monday-Tuesday, May 11-12, at 122 E. Mosley, Ann Arbor. Free with purchase of ticket to "How Can You Stoop Solo?" (734) 668-3023

### COLLEGE

#### WSU HILBERRY THEATRE

"Two Gentlemen of Verona," by William Shakespeare, 8 p.m. Thursday, May 7, and Saturday, May 9; "Three Sisters," 8 p.m. Friday, May 8, 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, and 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 14-15, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

### COMMUNITY THEATER

#### ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE

"Jesus Christ Superstar," Andrew Lloyd Webber's rock opera, Thursday-Saturday, May 14-16 and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 16-17, at the Lydia Mendelsohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$18, \$16 seniors/students. (734) 971-2228

#### AVON PLAYERS

"Blood Brothers," a musical about twin brothers separated at birth and the dramatic events that reunite them, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, May 9, 15-16 and Thursday, May 14, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 10, at the playhouse, 1185 Tienken Road, east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. \$13, student/senior and group rates available for Thursday and Sunday performances. (248) 608-9077

#### FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Neil Simon's "Laughter on the 23rd Floor," 8 p.m. except Sundays, May 7-9; 14-16, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 10, at 32332 West 12 Mile, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$8; (248) 553-2955

#### HURON CIVIC THEATRE

"Gypsy," Fridays-Sundays, May 1-3 and 8-10, at the theater, 32044 Huron River Dr., New Boston. \$10, \$8 students and seniors. (734) 782-5380

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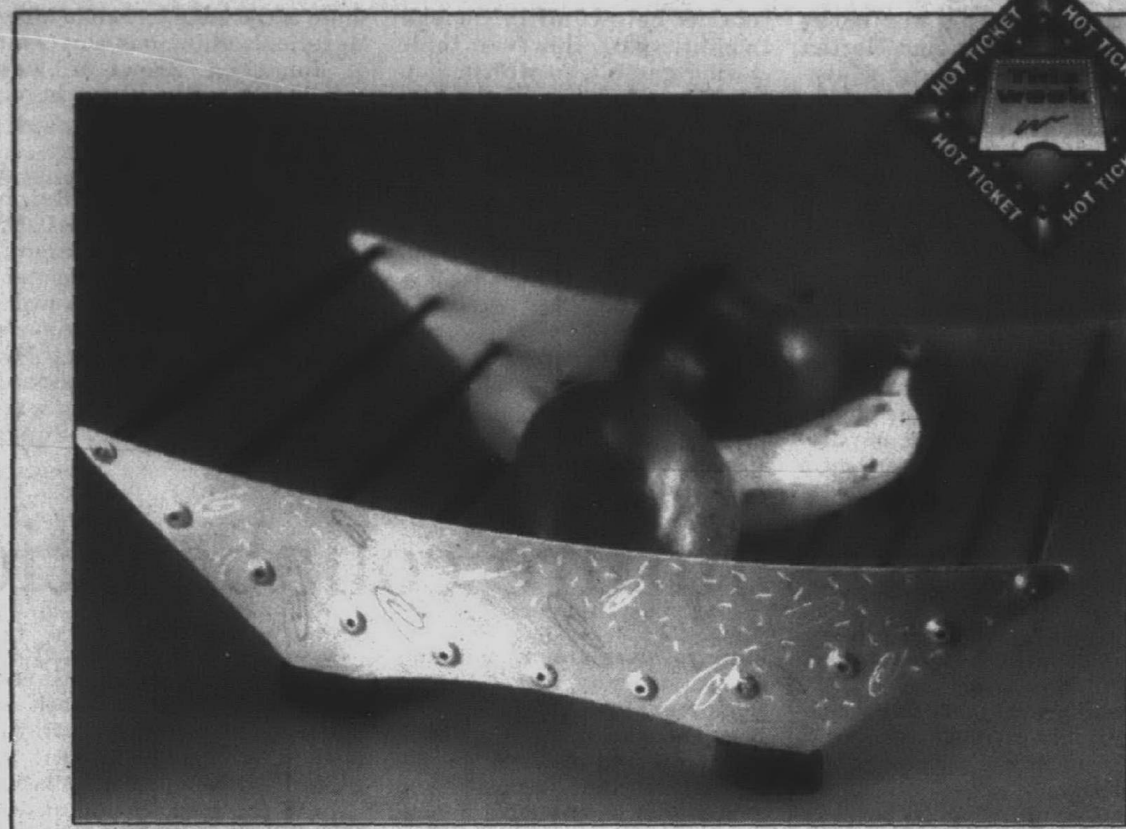
"Gypsy," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, May 8-9 and 15-16, at Mason Middle School, 3835 W. Walton, Waterford. \$8, \$7 seniors/students. (248) 681-1277

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"Southwest Side Story," a modern reworking of "Romeo and Juliet" and "West Side Story" starring two Detroit Latin musicians Benny Cruz and Eileen Orr, Thursday-Sunday, May 14-17, St. Anne Church Hall, 1000 St. Anne at Lafayette, Detroit. (313) 842-0856

#### PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY

"Joe Turner's Come and Gone," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays through May 24 (\$18), 3 p.m. Saturdays and 6 p.m. Sundays (\$16), at the Dr. Charles H. Wright Theatre, Museum of African



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### Entertainment

**■ Saturday, May 9**  
11:30 a.m. - Danny Cox, acoustic guitarist singer-songwriter; 12:30 p.m. - Oakland University Dept. of

Music, Theatre and Dance's performance, selections from "Hansel and Gretel"; 1:30 p.m. - St. Dunstan's Theater Guild's selection from "Into the Woods"; 3:30 p.m. - Troy Community Chorus; 4:30 p.m. - jelly's pierced tattoo, a funk/alternative band.

### ■ Sunday, May 10

11:30 a.m. - Pandora's Puppets; 12:30 p.m. - Sean Blackman and John Arnold; 1:30 p.m. - Brass Sextet from the Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra; 2:30 p.m. The Harding Sisters Trio from the Detroit Civic Orchestra; 3 p.m. - The Schuster Trio; 3:30 p.m. - Daniel Carhane, saxophonist.

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"Arsenic and Old Lace," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, May 8-9, 15-16, and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 10, at the Water Tower Theatre, 41001 W. Seven Mile, Northville. \$8 advance, \$9 at door. (248) 349-7110

#### P.T.D. PRODUCTIONS

"Bent," 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturday May 7-9, Riverside Arts Center, Ypsilanti. \$12, \$9 seniors and students. (734) 483-7345

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#### RIDGE DALE PLAYERS

Female version of Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays; May 8-9, 15-16, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 14 and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 10, 17, at the theater, 205 West Long Lake, Troy. \$11 includes sandwich and coffee afterward, \$10 on Thursday for everyone and on Sundays for seniors/students. The public is asked to bring donations for Haven House, a shelter for abused women and their children. (248) 988-7049

#### SRO PRODUCTIONS

"Crossing Delancey" Fridays-Sundays, May 15-31, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays, at the Burgh, Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, east of Telegraph, Southfield. \$8, \$7 seniors/children. (248) 827-0701

#### STAGECRAFTERS

"Kismet: A Musical Arabian Night," Friday-Sunday, May 15-17, Thursday-Sunday, May 21-24, Thursday-Sunday, May 28-31, and Friday-Sunday, June 5-7, at the theater, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. \$12-\$14. (248) 541-6430

#### TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

"Love All," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, through May 16, 4 p.m. Sundays, at the playhouse, 38840 W. Six Mile road, Livonia. \$8. (734) 464-8302

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#### JACKSONN PRODUCTIONS

"Murder Italian Style Part 3," an audience participation murder-mystery comedy, 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 dinner, show, tax and tip. Non-smoking dinner theater. (313) 782-1431

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

#### MARQUIS THEATRE

"Hansel and Gretel," 8 p.m. Friday, May 8, 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, May 9, 16, 23 and June 6, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays, May 10 and 17, at the theater, 135 E. Main, Northville. \$5.50. Children younger than 3 will not be admitted. (248) 349-8110

#### NOVI THEATRES

"The Wind in the Willows" 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday May 15-16 and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 17, at the Novie Civic Center Stage, 451-75 West 10 Mile, Novi. \$8, \$7 advance. (248) 347-0400

#### PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS

"You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" Saturdays and Sundays through May 24, 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) 682-8118

#### YOUTH THEATRE AT MUSIC HALL

"Young Tom Edison," traces Edison's journey from a young boy labeled "addled" to tireless inventor, a musical from New York's Theatreworks/USA, recommended for ages 7 and up, no one under age 5 admitted, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 16 and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 17, at Music Hall, 350 Madison Avenue at Brush, Detroit. \$7 advance, \$8 at door. (313) 963-2366

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#### BENEFIT FOR INFANT MORTALITY

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#### HANDS-ON MUSEUM AUCTION

Benefit family auction includes dinner, silent auction and hands-on experiences as you visit with a pilot, an archaeologist, a dentist, and detective. Come and explore "What You Wanna Be When You Grow Up." 6-9 p.m. Friday, May 15 at the museum, 219 East Huron, Ann Arbor. \$75 per family. (734) 995-5439

#### METROPOLITAN DETROIT PRESERVATION LEAGUE

Sponsors a lecture and tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's Affleck House in Bloomfield Hills 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 9. \$12, \$10 League members. (810) 988-1017

#### PRESERVATION WAYNE TOUR

Explore the historic community around Eastern Market 10 a.m. Saturday, May 9, at St. John-St. Luke Church on Russell Street southeast of Gratiot. \$10, reservations recommended. (313) 222-0321

#### ALEXANDER ZONJIC & FRIENDS

Third annual Mothers Day Concert for the Windsor Downtown Mission, with organist Dave Wagner and gospel group Highest Praise, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 10, at Central United Church, 660 Ouellette Avenue, Windsor. \$12, \$10 seniors/children. (519) 973-5573

### FAMILY EVENTS

#### LOST DINOSAUR MAGIC SHOW

Magician Gordon Russ with dinosaur friends Pee-Wee the Brontosaurus, Tony the T-Rex and Clyde the Triceratops, 2 p.m. Saturday, May 9, at The Underground's Upstage Magic Theatre, 110 S. Main St., Royal Oak. \$6, \$5 for children ages 12 and under. (248) 546-1123

#### MAYBURY STATE PARK

"Sheep Shearing Days," 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 9-10, at the park's Demonstration Building, 20145 Beck Road, Northville. Free with State Park motor vehicle permit; Spring bird hike, 8-10 a.m. Saturday, May 9, at the park's riding stable parking area on Beck Road, 1/4 mile south of Eight Mile Road. Free with State Park motor vehicle permit. (248) 349-8390

#### "RUGRATS - A LIVE ADVENTURE"

Various times Friday-Sunday, May 8-17, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$12.50, \$19.50 and \$25. All ages. (313) 983-6611

#### SOUTHFIELD ICE SPECTACULAR

With more than 120 skaters, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, March 14-15, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16, and 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, May 17, Southfield Sports Arena, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield. \$8.50-\$9.50. Benefit performance with Scott and Charlene Wong Williams, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13. \$200 per group of four, \$100 per couple with an afterglow with the cast after the performance; \$10 upper rinkside and lodge, benefits Providence Hospital's Institute for Craniofacial and Reconstructive Surgery. (248) 354-9357/(248) 354-9603

#### LOU RAWLS

In honor of their 40th anniversary, The City of Southfield presents a special celebration concert featuring Lou Rawls, 8 p.m. Friday, May 8, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. Tickets \$30 and \$35, available at Southfield City Hall, 26000 Evergreen Road, weekdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., or the Parks & Recreation Building 5-7 p.m. evenings, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. Tickets also available at all Ticketmaster centers, or call (248) 645-6666. Afterglow reception after concert with pastries, coffees and wines, \$5 payable at the door. For more information, call (248) 354-4854

#### MOTHERS GOOSE DAY

Mothers Goose on parade noon Friday, May 8, come dressed as your favorite Mother Goose character and join the parade, gather in Farmers' Market area at Kerrytown Market and Shops, 407 N. Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 769-3115. Followed by performance of "Mothers Goose on Parade" 7-8 p.m., at the Ann Arbor District Library, 343 S. Fifth Ave. To register, (734) 327-8301

#### JON ROSS DANCE MAGIC SHOW

2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, May 10, JD's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. \$15, \$10 children. (810) 465-5154

#### SEW ELEGANT FASHION SHOW

Featuring a lunch and spring designs sewn by American Sewing Guild members, noon Saturday, May 9, in the Kings Court Castle, Olde World Canterbury Village, 2325 Joslyn Road, Orion Township. \$30. Advance reservations only due by April 30. (248) 288-3173/(248) 391-3703

#### SPORTS CARD SHOW

Noon to 9 p.m. Friday, May 15, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 16, and 10

8 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser Road (at Grand River Avenue), Detroit. \$8. (313) 531-4407

### CHORAL

#### AMERICAN BOY CHOIR

7:30 p.m. Friday, May 8, at Christ Church-Detroit, 960 East Jefferson at I-375. Free-will offering. Sponsorship available for \$50 includes reserved front seating. (313) 259-6688

#### FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS

"Shakin' the Blues Away" concert, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 8-9, Farmington High School, 32000 Shiawassee (west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington. (248) 788-5322

#### FORD MOTOR COMPANY CHORUS

"Movie Melodies," song and dance from the movies such as "Titanic" and "Footloose," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 15-16 and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 17. \$8, \$6 seniors/students ages 6-12. (313) 323-8173

#### NOVI CHORALAIRES

"A Date With Disney" concert, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Novi High School's Fuerst Auditorium, Novi. \$6, \$5 seniors and children ages 12 and younger. (248) 347-0400

#### RENAISSANCE VOICES

4 p.m. Sunday, May 10, with guest Owain Phye of the New World Renaissance Band, at Christ Episcopal Church, 120 North Military at Cherry Hill, Dearborn. \$10, \$7 students/seniors. (313) 317-6566

#### SPIRIT OF DETROIT SHOW

CHORUS OF SWEET ADELINES

#### INTERNATIONAL

Will perform Music Under the Stars 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16 at Mercy High School, 11 Mile Road at Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. The show features 1991 women's international quartet champions Swing Street and 1992 men's international champions keepsake, and the award-winning Spirit of Detroit Show Chorus singing a variety of songs from traditional barber shop to contemporary melodies. Admission \$14, seniors/students \$12 for matinee only. Call (313) 937-2429

#### JAZZ

#### REGINA BELL

With Phil Perry, 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 15, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10-\$15, 21 and older. (313) 961-5451

#### PAUL FINKELBEIN TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, May 14, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (trumpet/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

#### NNENNA FREELON

9 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 15-16, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance. 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

#### PHIL KAPUT AND MAINSTREAM JAZZ TRIO

9 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, May 16, at the Lonestar Coffee Co., 207 South Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 642-2233

#### PHIL KELLY TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, May 15, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums) (248) 645-2150

#### KATHY KOSINS TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursday, May 7, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

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Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

## DAVE WECKL

Former drummer for Chick Corea's Elektric and Akoustic bands, 8 p.m. Sunday, May 10, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$13 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>  
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## WORLD MUSIC

### THE ARTICLES

10 p.m. Thursday, May 7, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (Jamaican jazz/ska) (734) 332-0800/(248) 543-4300

### IMMUNITY

9:30 p.m. Friday, May 8, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older; 5-7 p.m. Friday, May 15, Augie's, 31660 John R., Madison Heights. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, May 15, The Deck at Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 360-7450/(248) 588-3120/(313) 965-2222

### MILLADOIRO

8 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. ("Celtic Spaniards") (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

### OLD DUO CONCERT

American Recording Productions presents a program of original and traditional Armenian and Middle Eastern folk music by Ara Topouzian on kumani, and Dick Barsamian and Joe Zeytoonian, oud and percussion 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9; afterglow reception 9:30-10 p.m., at Henry Ford Centennial Library Auditorium, 16301 East Michigan Avenue, between Greenfield and Southfield freeways, Dearborn. \$20 advance, \$25 at the door, \$25 seniors age 65 and over. (248) 851-9225 or [www.arpmusic.com](http://www.arpmusic.com)

### PINO MARELLI

7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 6-7 and 8 p.m. Friday, May 8, Luciano's, 39031 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. Free. All ages. (English/Italian/Spanish pop standards and originals) (810) 263-6540

## FOLK/BLUEGRASS

### RON CODEN

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 8-9, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Free. 21 and older. (248) 399-6750

### HOT RIZE

8 p.m. Friday, May 15, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$20. All ages. (bluegrass) (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

### LISA HUNTER

9 p.m. to midnight Friday, May 8, Tuscan Cafe, Northville. Free. All ages. (acoustic folk pop originals) (248) 305-8629

### CHERI KNIGHT

8 p.m. Thursday, May 14, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

### JAN KRIST

9 p.m. Friday, May 8, Matt Brady's, 1820 E. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. Cover charge. 21 and older; 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 15-16, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 584-4242/(248) 544-1141/(248) 652-1600

### CARRIE NEWCOMER

1 p.m. Sunday, May 10, Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-7100

### RICHARD WOOD

Maritime fiddler and stepper, as well as lead fiddler in Shania Twain's band, performs 8 p.m. Saturday, May 9, in Capitol Theatre's Daniel Patrick Kelly Theatre, 121 University Ave. W., Windsor, Ontario. \$20 (Canadian). All ages. (519) 253-8065 or <http://www.mnsl.net/~capitol> or [capitol@mnsl.net](http://capitol@mnsl.net)

## DANCE

### BELLY DANCE CLASS

Learn basic technique and cultural aspects of Middle Eastern dance beginning May 20 for six weeks in Westland, all ages and skill levels. \$32. (734) 422-1246

### ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING

7-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road, north of Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. \$4. (734) 663-0744/662-5158

### COUNTRY CLASS

Country/Western Dance, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 16, at the Plymouth Elks, 41700 East Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. \$6.50. (734) 425-2207

### CRANBROOK SCHOOLS

Present an "Evening of Dance," with original choreography by Cranbrook Kingswood Upper School dance instruc-

tor Jessica Sinclair, several of the costumes were designed and created by Cranbrook Academy of Art fiber student Sheila Walker, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 14-16, at Lerchen Hall, 550 Lone Pine Road between Lahser and Cranbrook roads, Bloomfield Hills. Free. (248) 645-3064

### DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

In cooperation with Swords into Plowshares Center for Peace Gallery, the Collective performs "Galleriedance," also "From Auschwitz to Hiroshima," a photography exhibit by Skip Schiel and Bill Ledger, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 9, on the second floor at Central United Methodist Church, 23 East Adams, and Woodward at Grand Circus Park, Detroit. \$35, advance sale only. (313) 965-3544/(313) 963-7575

### MOTHER-SON DANCE

6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9, boys age 14 and under, at the Southfield Pavilion. \$6, \$8 non-Southfield resident. (248) 354-9603

### WOLVERINE SILVERSPUR

**DANCERS**  
Country-Western dancing, 7:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, May 9, at the Italian American Cultural Center, Warren. \$7 non-members, \$6 members. (313) 526-9432/(810) 573-4993

## COMEDY

### BIG RED'S COMEDY CLUB

Chris Zito, of WPLT's "Johnny in the Morning Show," and Mark England, Friday-Saturday, May 8-9; Jim McLean, Friday-Saturday, May 15-16, at the club in Mr. B's Roadhouse - Oxford, 595 N. Lapeer Road (M-24), Oxford. (248) 628-6500

### JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB

Basile, Nick Swardson and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday, May 7 (free), and Friday-Saturday, May 8-9 (\$15); Bobcat Goldthwait, Hector Rezzano and Chris Zito, Friday, May 15, and Goldthwait, Rezzano and Joey Bielaska, Saturday, May 16 (\$18), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays. (734) 261-0555

### JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S

Adam Ferrara, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 7 (\$10, \$20.95 for dinner show package), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 8-9 (\$12 and \$24.95); Bobby Collins, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 15-16 (\$14 and \$27.95), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

### MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE

Lewis Black, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 7 (\$9), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 8-9 (\$12); Totally Unrehearsed Theatre, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 (\$6), 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

### "MOTHER'S DAY COMEDY JAM"

With Simply Marvelous, Chocolate, Majia DiGiorgio and Small Frie, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 10, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17.50-\$35. All ages. (313) 961-5451

### MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE

Jeff Jena and Mark Knope, Thursday-Sunday, May 7-10; Mike Green, Wednesday-Thursday, May 13-14, and Sunday, May 17; Bill Engvall of "The Jeff Foxworthy Show," 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 15-16 (\$17.50), at the club, 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.comedycastle.com>

### SECOND CITY

at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 965-2222

## MUSEUMS AND TOURS

### DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

### DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER

IMAX movies 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, includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups of 10 or more. Hours are: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400 or <http://www.sciencedetroit.org>

### MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

"A Communion of the Spirits: African-American Quilters, Preservers and Their Stories" exhibits featuring 175 photographs of varying sizes, a selection of the surveyed quilts, interpretive panels,

and a limited amount of other artwork related to the quilters, through Sunday, June 7. The exhibit features area quilters and celebrity quilters such as Maya Angelou, Rosa Parks, Bernice Johnson Reagon, Faith Ringgold, Sonia Sanchez and Alice Walker; "The Life and Times of Paul Robeson" exhibition featuring records, photographs and paintings on loan from private citizens and from the collection of the MAAH, runs through Tuesday, June 30, at the museum, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush 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

### A DEUCE

With former Harms Way singer Brad Erwin; 9 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (hardcore/industrial/hip-hop) (734) 485-5050

### ACETONE

With Mysteries of Life, 6 p.m. Friday, May 8, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (pop) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

### ACME JAM

8 p.m. Thursday, May 7, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

### AGENTS OF GOOD ROOTS

With Emmett Swimming, 8 p.m. Monday, May 11, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$12.50 in advance. 18 and older. (pop) (248) 335-8100 or <http://www.961melt.com>

### AURORA

With Godzuki and Little Princess, 9:30 p.m. Friday, May 15, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (experimental rock) (734) 996-8555

### 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

### BAD RELIGION

With Squatweller, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$10 in advance. 19 and older. (rock/punk) (734) 996-8555

### MATT BESEY

10 p.m. Friday, May 8, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (248) 349-9110/(734) 421-2250

### BIHLMAN BROTHERS

10 p.m. Friday, May 15, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (810) 731-1750

### THE BIZER BROTHERS

8 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday, May 15-16, The Rattlesnake Club, 300 River Place, Detroit. Free. All ages. (pop) (313) 567-4400

### BLACK FUZZ

9 p.m. Thursday, May 14, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

### BLUE CAT FEATURING KEN MURPHY

9 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

### BLUE EYED SOUL

9 p.m. Thursday, May 7, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050 or <http://www.blueeyedsoul.com>

### BOOGIE CHILLEN

9 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Carriage House Blues Alley, 24200 Grand River Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 535-3440

### BROTHERS CREEGGAN

Featuring Jim Creeggan, bassist for the Barenaked Ladies, and Kevin Creeggan, former keyboardist for BNL, with special guest Susan Calloway, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (eclectic) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

### RICHARD BUCKNER

With Chris Knight, 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11.50 in advance. All ages. (734) 761-1800

### THE CHISEL BROS. WITH THORNETTA DAVIS

9 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (R&B) (313) 581-3650

### DANNY COX

9 p.m. Friday, May 8, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (rock) (248) 652-1600

### DETROIT BLUES BAND

9 p.m. Thursday, May 14, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

### THE DIRTY THREE

With Calexico, 9 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (313) 833-POL

### DISGUST

With Cromwell and Joe Brown, 10 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 334-9292

### DOWNTOWN HOEDOWN

With Ruby Lovett (6 p.m.), Thompson Brothers (7:30 p.m.), Daryle Singletary (9 p.m.) and Neal McCoy (10:30 p.m.), Friday, May 15; With Matt King (3 p.m.), Forbes Brothers (4 p.m.), Rodney Allen Atkins (5 p.m.), Suzy Bogguss (6 p.m.), Mark Chesnutt (7:30 p.m.), Sammy Kershaw (9 p.m.), and Lorrie Morgan (10:30 p.m.), Saturday, May 16; and with Clinton River (3 p.m.), Keith Haring (4:30 p.m.), Melody Crittendon (5:30 p.m.), The Dixie Chicks (8 p.m.), and Pam Tillis (9 p.m.), Sunday, May 17, Hart Plaza, downtown Detroit. Free. All ages. (country) (313) 259-4323

### DREAM THEATER

With Full on the Mouth, 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 12, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

### DUNGBEATLES

10 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 332-HOWL

### GLEN EDDIE BAND

9 p.m. Friday, May 8, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 15-16, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213/(248) 644-4800

### ELIZA

10 p.m. Thursday, May 14, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (pop) (734) 421-2250

### THE REV. MARC FALCONBERRY

7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Hazel Park Raceway, 1650 E. 10 Mile Road, Hazel Park. (blues) (248) 398-1000

### FOOLISH MORTALS

10 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750

### FOUR DEGREES

9 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Woody's, 208 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, May 15, Drinks North, 2505 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford Township. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 543-6911/(248) 683-8186 or <http://www.fourdegrees.com>

### FUGAZI

With Shellac and Blonde Redhead, 6 p.m. showtime Saturday, May 9, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6.75. All ages. (punk/rock) (313) 961-5451

### GAUNT

9 p.m. Friday, May 8, Motor Lounge, 3515 Caniff, Hamtramck. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 396-0090 or <http://www.motordetroit.com>

### GOV'T MULE

9:30 p.m. Monday, May 11, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$15 in advance. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

### THE GRUESOMES

With Slugbug, 9 p.m. Friday, May 15, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

### GRR

10 p.m. Friday, May 15, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

### GYPSY TRIBE

9:30 p.m. Friday, May 8, Bo's Brewery, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, May 9, Mount Chalet, 32955 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, May 15, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 338-6200/(248) 549-2929/(248) 332-HOWL

### COL. BRUCE HAMPTON AND THE FUJI MARINERS

With Johnny Socko, 8 p.m. Friday, May 8, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

### WAYNE "THE TRAIN" HANCOCK

8 p.m. Monday, May 11, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com>

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# Spike Lee drops the ball in lame 'He Got Game'

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JOHN MONAGHAN

Spike Lee says the movie never gets the game of basketball right. As a self-proclaimed hoops addict (you'll see him seated courtside at just about every Knicks game), he should know.

So where does Spike get off making a movie as shallow and, in the final analysis, hokey as "He Got Game?"

His over-two-hour saga follows a high school senior named Jesus (Ray Allen), whose title as

top basketball prospect in the country ("Jesus Saves!" the headlines scream) makes him a hot property. His decision—play college ball and get an education or go straight to the pros—holds our interest for awhile before Spike drops the ball with the most forced melodrama imaginable.

"He Got Game" opens like a Spike-directed Nike commercial with kids nationwide shooting slow-motion hoops. There's the white farm boy practicing on a makeshift court behind the barn, African-American kids on the urban asphalt of Brooklyn, even a woman's team. All are backed by the strains of ultra-American composer Aaron Copland.

Let's get one thing straight: I'm not a basketball fan and can't stand to see sports mythologized on the screen. I wasn't crazy about "Field of Dreams" and despised "The Natural." Still, I enjoyed this part of "He Got Game," if only for the visceral cinematography by Malik Hassan Sayeed.

In his Nike commercials, Spike gets his message across in 30 seconds. In the movie, he doesn't know when to say "cut" in the strained relationship between Jesus and his father, Jake (Denzel Washington), who is serving time upstate for killing his wife, Jesus' mother.

Jake has returned home on a mission. It seems the governor's

alma mater, Big State, is interested in Jesus so sends dad out to sign him up. Favors like this won't be forgotten, half-promises the warden (played by an even-jawier-than-usual Ned Beatty).

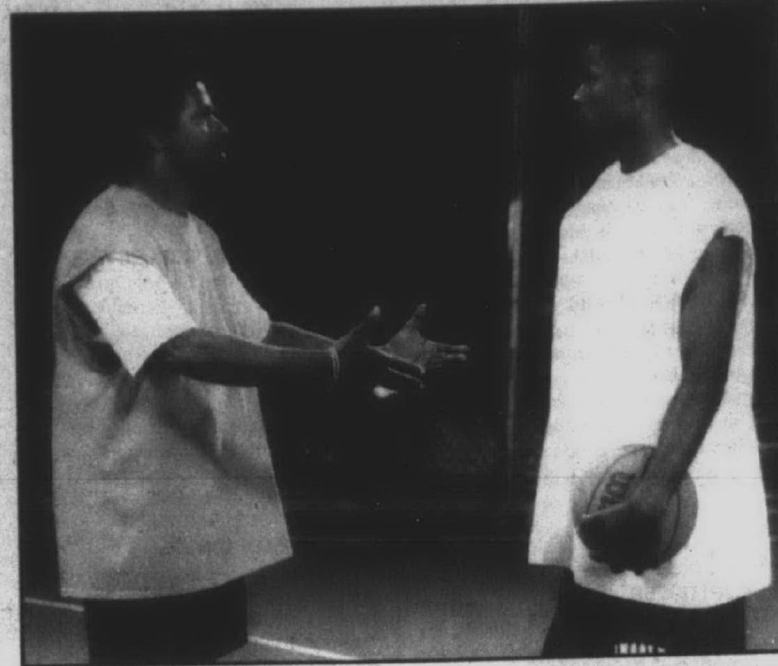
Spike is astute when he presents the forces trying to influence Jesus' decision. Everyone wants a piece of him. Universities offer him the moon, including dorm rooms full of frisky white coeds. On his return, Uncle Bubba (Bill Nunn) shows up in a brand new car.

And just when you think that Jesus' white high school coach is really looking out for his best interests, he turns on him, too, pushing 10 grand in his face for a hint about his decision. (I just knew Spike couldn't let this guy off the hook.)

"He Got Game" reunites Spike with Denzel Washington, the star of "Malcolm X," and it's a potentially meaty role. But Spike does everything he can to sabotage the part, which here includes hooking Jake up with a white prostitute (Milla Jovovich) redeemed by his newfound compassion.

Anyone is going to fare badly next to Washington, but Ray Allen looks especially out-of-his-league during the volatile father-and-son confrontations. The real-life Milwaukee player (he's 22) does look genuine when shooting basket after effortless basket in the scene where he and his old man finally square off on the court.

Some moments I liked, including John Turturro as a coach



DAVID LEE/TOUCHSTONE PICTURES

**Drama:** Denzel Washington (left) stars as temporarily paroled prisoner Jake Shuttleworth whose future depends on his being able to convince his estranged son Jesus (Ray Allen) to accept a basketball scholarship at the governor's alma mater in "He Got Game."

who stages a lavish production to lure Jesus to his university. The screen fills with Jesus' highlight clips interspersed with adoring followers from nameless Biblical epics.

By the time we reach the end of "He Got Game," Spike goes all sappy on us again, junking the movie up with heavy-handed symbolism. When the audience

gave it a collective groan, I knew that I wasn't alone in my suspicions: "He's Got Game" had gotten truly lame.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.

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## DINING

## Local Color Brewing Company celebrates community

## EATING OUT IN THE SUBURBS

Urban meets up north at Local Color Brewing Company where the staff works hard to make sure your visit is enjoyable, every time. The atmosphere on all three levels designed by Ron Rea of JPRA Architects, is casual and comfortable.

"I want customers to feel special," said owner Peter W. Paisley. "We're very family oriented."

While traveling in Europe, Paisley, 30, visited a few European pubs, and developed an appreciation for the hearty character and taste of German beer.

Local Color has seven beers on tap - Smooth Talker Pilsner, Old Friend Stout, No. VI Brown Ale, Tomboy Red, Corporate Jim's Pale Ale, Social Climber Light Lager, and a seasonal microbrew. If you're not sure which to try, order the Local Color Sampler Tray. Ken Belau of Milford is the brewmaster.

Everything at Local Color is made fresh daily. Executive Chef Matt Bronski, a graduate of the Oakland Community College Culinary Arts program, cures and smokes meats in-house for sandwiches such as Bremerhaven Smoked Turkey served on honey-pumpkin with sautéed onions, sliced tomato, Boursin cheese and lettuce.

For "Starters" Bronski recommends Keweenaw Pretzel Dip, three soft pretzels brushed with a lite maple and fennel glaze, served with smoked trout dip; or Spinach and Artichoke Gratin.

There are six wood fired pizzas to choose from - BBQ Chicken, Classic Italiano, Wild Mushroom, Zanie's Reuben, Triple Cheese and Vegetarian. You can add a side Caesar salad for \$1.99.

"Local Favorites" made with 100 percent Black Angus Midwest Beef include New York Strip, Center Cut Filet, Top Sirloin and

## Local Color Brewing Company

**Where:** 42705 Grand River Ave., (next to Vic's Market) Novi, (248) 349-2600.

**Hours:** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. seven days a week.

**Menu:** Classic American fare including steaks, ribs, seafood, and chicken with a Bavarian touch. Wood fired pizzas, salads, pub style sandwiches, appetizers and soups.

**Cost:** Entrees range from \$9.25 to \$19.85; sandwiches \$5.85 to \$6.99; salads \$7.50 to \$9.95. Children's menu available.

**Reservations:** For parties of eight or more except on week-ends.

**Highlights:** Microbrews, house-made root beer. An outdoor beer garden will open soon with seating for 70 people.

**Restaurant seats:** 300

Prime Rib served with a bread basket, house salad, skillet Yukon Gold potatoes and vegetables.

Some dishes such as Manistee Pork Schnitzel, Aushlager Style Chicken, and Apple Smoked Back of Ribs have a Bavarian flair, which compliment Local Color microbrews.

Often ordered salads include Pecan Crusted Salmon - served warm on Romaine leaves with grilled portabello mushrooms, red onions, cucumbers, Roma tomato, crusty croutons and drizzled with a honey lime dressing; and Copper Harbor - sliced chicken breast, bleu cheese, bacon, hard-cooked egg, tomato and black olives atop mixed greens served with Copper Harbor dressing. All salads are served with a flavored scone.

On the sandwich side, customers often order Brewhaus



Reuben; Harvest Moon Grill - grilled eggplant, bell peppers, red onions and Fontinella cheese on olive bread, served open face; and Great Lakes Whitefish Melt.

Sandwiches are served with tortilla chips and a side of marinated salads. Sliced pickles served on request.

Warm up with one of Local Color's tasty soups - Smoked Vermont Cheddar and Potato, North Country Onion and Ale, or Bavarian Kraut and Lentil. Ask

your server about dessert options.

Local Color seems like a strange name for a brewing company, but Paisley explains "it's all about people in the local community surrounding us."

Paisley wanted to open his own business, but he also wanted to make a difference by serving the people in the community.

"We're very big on giving back to the community," he said. "If I am successful it is because of the

support I receive from the community."

An outdoor beer garden with seating for about 70 customers is scheduled to open soon. "There's nothing better than sitting outside on a summer night enjoying a beer and appetizer with a friend," said Paisley.

Local Color also offers beer to go. They're currently bottling Smooth Talker Pilsner. It sells for \$4 a six pack or \$16 case, including deposit.

Just in case you missed it, or lost the paper. Here are some of the restaurants we've recently visited:

**■ Champps Americana** - 19470 Haggerty Road, (between Seven and Eight Mile Roads) Livonia, (734) 591-3334. Open 11 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. Monday-Saturday; 10 a.m. to midnight Sunday. Sunday brunch menu 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Menu: Classic American dining including salads, sandwiches, pasta, chicken, steaks, seafood, pizza and hamburgers. Children's and late night menus available. Cost: Entrees \$9.95 to \$14.50; sandwiches \$6.25 to \$10.50; burgers \$4.75 to \$6.95; pizza \$6.50 to \$8.25. Sunday brunch items range from \$6.95 to \$8.95. Reservations: Not accepted. Credit cards: All majors accepted. Seats: 300 people. Highlights: Magician performs 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays during brunch.

**■ Fire Academy Brewery & Grill** - 6677 N. Wayne Road, Westland, (734) 595-1988. Open: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 11 a.m. to midnight, Thursday-Saturday; noon to 11 p.m. Sunday. Menu: Something for everyone including hand-crafted beers and root beer, sandwiches, soup, salads, steaks, baby back ribs, chicken, shrimp, whitefish, and pasta. Children's menu available. Cost: Ranges from \$4.75 to \$5.95 for sandwiches, entrees \$7.95 to \$15.50. Credit Cards: All majors accepted. Reservations: Not accepted after 5 p.m. Very busy 5-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, expect to wait. Banquets: Able to serve up to 50 buffet style, or 45 sit down, inside a vintage fire truck. Reservations recommended well in advance. Parties are not scheduled on Friday and Saturday evenings.

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**■ Marvin's Bistro & Piano Bar** - New Sunday buffet 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; adults \$9.95, children under 10, \$4.95. The restaurant is at 15800 Middlebelt (between Five and Six Mile Roads) Livonia, (734) 522-5600. Call for Mother's Day reservations.

**■ Corsi's** - Mother's Day Buffet. Seatings 1 p.m., 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Cost adults \$10.95, seniors \$10.25, children under 10, \$5.75. Includes homemade lasagna, mostaccioli with meat sauce, oven roasted chicken, roast top round, homemade meatballs and Italian sausage, oven roasted potatoes, two fresh vegetables, salad, pizza, soup and more. The

restaurant is at 27910 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Call (248) 777-4960 for reservations.

**■ Water Club Grill** - Mother's Day Buffet in the lower level, seatings at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Cost \$17.95 adults, \$7.95 children age 10 and under. Tax and gratuity not included. Water Club Grill is at 39500 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Call (734) 454-0666 for reservations for parties of five or more. Menu includes salads, vegetable, cheese and fruit trays, smoked salmon pate, scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, snow crab legs, roast beef, baked chicken, potato encrusted whitefish, seafood jambalaya, pineapple

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## 1998 Academic All-Stars

## All-Stars shine light on the future

**W**e are proud to introduce the 1998 Observer Academic All-Star Team, 16 of the brightest and most accomplished high school students in the metro area.

These talented young men and women were chosen on the basis of their grade point averages, college entrance test scores, leadership abilities and involvement in extracurricular activities.

Behind every outstanding student, there's a great teacher. Almost every student on our Academic All-Star Team credited a teacher for his or her motivation to become a disciplined learner and push the limits of ability.

Our team members also had great expectations for their generation, from advancing technology and discovering awesome medical cures to reinvigorating Americans' sense of family and community values. We wish them well.

Listed in order of point ranking, team members include: Nicole Martin of North Farmington High School, Katherine King of Livonia Stevenson, Afia Ofori-Menso of Plymouth Canton, Matthew Bright of Plymouth Salem, Robert Shereda of Livonia Churchill, Elena Spencer of North Farmington, Eric Allen of Harrison High School in Farmington Hills, Anjali Shah of Plymouth Canton, David Weidendorf of Harrison, Joseph Yung-Kuang Ho of Livonia Churchill, Joseph Novell of Clarenceville, Sarah Townsend of Ladywood High School in Livonia, Sarah Niemiec of Garden City, Garrett Heraty of Redford Union, Emily Curtin of Farmington and Christopher O'Brien of Lutheran High School.

#### Nicole Martin North Farmington High School Farmington Hills

Nicole Martin of Farmington Hills plans to study premedicine at either Harvard University or the University of Michigan.

She received a perfect SAT score of 1600 and enjoys the distinction of being ranked first in her class of 292.

Martin is a member of the National Honor Society, a National Merit

Scholar Finalist, a Quiz Bowl participant, an American Legion/Sansung Scholarship Finalist, and a recipient of the Madame Curie Award and Superintendent's Award of Excellence.

She is also co-editor of her school newspaper, a member of the U-M Bentley and Shipman Societies, and a volunteer at Botsford Hospital.

Martin credits Virginia Lambert, her Advanced Placement Biology and Environmental Science teacher, for inspiring her to continue her study of science in college and "beyond."

In addition to her talents in science, Martin loves theater and music. She played the title role in "Annie" and Maria in "West Side Story." She is concertmaster in the Metropolitan Youth Symphony and a member of her school's marching band.

Regarding her generation, Martin said: "I hope that my generation will work towards ethnic and racial harmony throughout all levels of society. I also expect that we will discover cures for cancer and AIDS."

Martin is the daughter of David and Rosemary Martin and sister of Jon-Paul, age 12.

#### Katherine E. King Stevenson High School Livonia

Katherine King of Livonia will major in materials science engineering at the University of Michigan this fall.

Her academic honors include: National Merit Finalist, Advanced Placement Scholar, Madame Curie Award, National Merit Science Award, U-M Regents-Alumni Scholarship, Phi Beta Kappa Scholarship and Tynelol Scholarship.

She is Spanish Club president, National Honor Society secretary, Varsity Quiz Bowl captain and German Club past secretary. In addition, she is a member of Student Council, Spectrum Literary Magazine, Physics Club, Bible Study and Spirit Club.

She envisions her generation re-embracing society's core values of Gpd,

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Nicole Martin  
North Farmington



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Stevenson



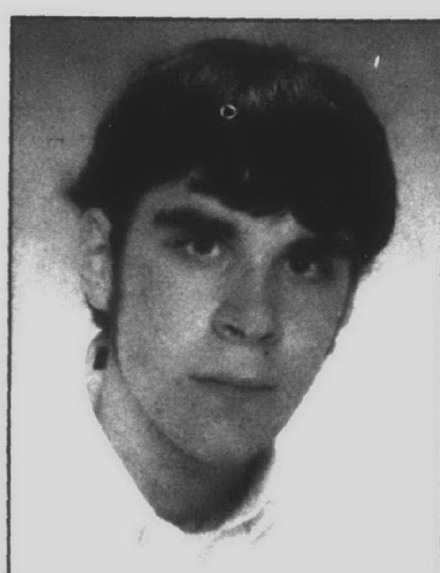
Afia Ofori-Mensa  
Plymouth Canton



Matthew Bright  
Plymouth Salem



Robert D. Shereda  
Churchill



Joseph N. Novell  
Clarenceville

**All-Star team:** Left to right starting at front row: Garrett Heraty, Emily Curtin; second row, Nicole Martin, Sarah Townsend, Afia Ofori-Mensa; third row, Elena Spencer, Sarah Niemiec, Katherine King; fourth row, Joseph Yung-Kuang Ho, Christopher O'Brien, Anjali Shah, Matthew Bright; fifth row, Eric Allen, Robert Shereda, David Weidendorf. Not pictured is Joseph N. Novell.



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Eric M. Allen  
Harrison



Elena Spencer  
North Farmington



Anjali Shah  
Plymouth Canton



David Weidendorf  
Harrison

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family and community. "I see us returning to the religious values of our ancestors, while learning to respect diversity of interests and opinions without compromising what is right. I hope that our generation will strengthen its families. This will lead to stronger moral values and communities that are focused on improvement and service."

Martin said her parents have been her most influential teachers. "They have supported me by listening to my thoughts and questions and helping and encouraging me to accomplish what I want to do."

"They have shown their faith in me by never letting my childish questions go unanswered or believing that because I am young, I cannot be wise. They have made me first in their lives, and I want to thank them."

She is the daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (B.R.) King.

#### Afia Ofori-Mensa Plymouth Canton High School Canton

Afia Ofori-Mensa of Plymouth plans to major in management and English or Spanish at the University of Michigan.

She is a National Honor Society member whose academic honors include: National Achievement Scholar, LEAD Program (Leadership, Education and Development), National Recognition Program, INROADS, Presidential Scholars Candidate, and WXYZ-TV Brightest and Best.

Ofori-Mensa is a member of the school's brass quintet, a member of the Law Club, and a former drum major and section leader in marching band. She also co-directed a community theater production.

She expects her generation to "advance technology and society with our wealth of individuality and creativity."

She said her math teacher, Tom Cotner, influenced her life positively. "He taught me that it's good to think for myself, and he has shown genuine con-

cern for my success in and out of the classroom."

Ofori-Mensa is the daughter of Agnes and Charles Ofori-Mensa. Her siblings include Akua, 20, and Panin and Kuma, both 11.

#### Matthew Bright Plymouth Salem High School Canton

Matthew Bright of Plymouth will major in electrical engineering at either the University of Michigan or Stanford University.

His academic honors include: National Merit Finalist, Hoby Youth Leadership Delegate, and placing second in the state in the Calvin College German Competition. Bright also has enjoyed the honor of being named Student-of-the-Month.

He will not forget teacher Susan Schneider after he graduates. "She taught me that good literature has value in almost every part of life."

Bright has great expectations for members of his generation. "I expect both great improvement in technology and communication and also a return to more traditional family and community values."

Bright is the son of Ken and Linda Bright.

#### Robert D. Shereda Churchill High School Livonia

Robert Shereda of Livonia will study biology and biochemistry "most likely" at the University of Michigan. However, he is also considering Duke University, Northwestern and Notre Dame.

Shereda is a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, an Advanced Placement Scholar, a University of Michigan Regents-Alumni Scholarship recipient, Top 100 in the 1997 Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition, and a member of the Bentley Society upon acceptance to U-M.

He also has received the Livonia PTA's Outstanding Youth Award and is a three-time recipient of Churchill's Scholar-Athlete Award.

He is senior class treasurer for Student Council, treasurer of the National Honor Society, secretary for Students Against Driving Drunk, past president of French Club, and captain of the swim team. He is also a member of marching band and Churchill's Big Sibling Program and Spirit Club.

Shereda believes his generation will contribute significantly to society in the areas of high-technology science. "Great advances will be made with biological engineering, communications devices, and alternative energy sources. All of this will be accomplished with the mistakes of the past in mind; unlike our predecessors, we will make our advances in a moralistic and prudent fashion."

He says his 10th-grade Advanced Placement United States History teacher, Michael Hughes, was his biggest influence during high school. "He taught me the importance of working hard consistently rather than sporadically. He also showed me that the classroom becomes more interesting and actually more effective when approached with a sense of humor."

Shereda is the son of Daniel and Ellen Shereda and brother of Laura, 16, George, 13, and Mary, 9.

#### Joseph N. Novell Clarenceville High School Livonia

Joseph Novell of Farmington Hills will attend Wayne State University or the University of Michigan-Dearborn this fall. He has not decided upon a course of study.

Novell is a National Merit Scholarship Finalist and has been ranked first in his class. He said his generation's most important contribution to society would be "accepting people for who they are."

About English teacher Bobbi Gutman, Novell said: "She actually cared about kids and their education. She got involved in your personal life. She didn't nag you but said you had to get this done. She cared on an individual basis."

Novell is son of Richard and Nancy Novell and brother of Thomas, 15.

#### Eric M. Allen Harrison High School Farmington Hills

Eric M. Allen of Farmington Hills will major in computer science at Michigan Technological University after graduation.

He is a member of the National Honor Society and placed in the Top 100 in the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition. He also earned three academic letters.

Allen was co-captain of the Quiz Bowl, participated in the Science Bowl and was a member of the State Champion TEAM March 1998. In addition, he did cross country and track.

He hopes his generation "introduces world peace and a cure for cancer."

Of his fifth-grade teacher, Allen says: "Mr. Stafiej had the biggest influence on me because he taught me the importance of good organizational skills."

Allen is the son of Clay and Patricia Allen and brother of Paul, 11.

#### Elena Spencer North Farmington High School Farmington Hills

Elena Spencer of Farmington Hills plans to study biology at the University of Michigan.

She is the recipient of the U-M Regents-Alumni Scholarship and departmental awards in Spanish and chemistry. She also earned three academic letters.

Spencer's expectations of herself and her generation are all-encompassing. "I expect that my generation will contribute an increase in open-mindedness to our society that will allow for changes that can improve our world in all aspects."

She credits teacher Carl Gippert, her high school's band director, with teaching her more than an appreciation for music. "He not only taught me how to excel as a musician but how to excel in

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any facet of my life."

Spencer is the daughter of Craig and Marie Spencer.

**Anjali Shah**  
Plymouth Canton High School  
Canton

Anjali Shah of Plymouth plans to study business, engineering and psychology at either the University of Michigan, Case Western Reserve, Brown University, University of Pennsylvania or Yale University.

Her academic honors include U-M Regents-Alumni Scholarship, Gujarati Samaj Scholarships, National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine Nominee, and her school's Student-Athlete Award.

Shah has been National Honor Society president, Spanish Club treasurer, Student Athletic Council member, tennis team captain and a member of Swadhyay, a religious organization. She also finds time for volunteer work.

Her values are expressed in her expectations of her peers: "I hope that our generation will grow up to create a society which values equally the sciences and the humanities and is more accepting of different people and cultures."

Shah is thankful to math teacher Tom Cotner and social studies teacher Scott Beaman for teaching her an important lesson: "They taught me how much you learn in a class is much more important than the grade you earn in it."

Shah is the daughter of Rajesh and Dipti Shah and sister of Amit, 14.

**David Weidendorf**  
Harrison High School  
Farmington Hills

David Weidendorf of Farmington Hills will study premedicine at the University of Michigan, Northwestern University or Harvard University.

In addition to being a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, Weidendorf was Quiz Bowl captain, Science Bowl cap-

tain, a member of TEAMS (Test in Engineering Aptitude in Math and Science), and a participant in Physics Olympics. He participated in cross country and track and appeared in school musicals.

He credits his physics teacher, Mr. King, for teaching him "how to attack a problem."

Weidendorf said his generation will contribute to society what every other generation has already done: "Something no one will expect until it happens."

Weidendorf is the son of Robert and Roberta Weidendorf.

**Joseph Yung-Kuang Ho**  
Churchill High School  
Livonia

Joseph Yung-Kuang Ho of Livonia plans to attend the University of Michigan, Ohio State University, Case Western Reserve University or Northwestern University, where he will choose a program in biology, computers, engineering or medicine.

He graduates summa cum laude with several certificates of academic merit in both advanced placement biology, math and computer science classes and Churchill's select MSC (Math, Science, Computers) chemistry and computer math classes.

He participated in the American Invitational Mathematics Examination and qualified as a semifinalist in the 40th Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition.

Yung-Kuang Ho is a member of the National Honors Society and Spanish Club and is very active in his church's "Young People" group.

"I expect my generation to develop computers to become even more powerful and improve the Internet to be faster, more efficient and more useful. I also expect that my generation will develop many treatments to diseases and disabilities, including AIDS, Alzheimer's and cancer. I expect that the cloning issue would continue to be

debated and that a human being will eventually be cloned."

Yung-Kuang Ho says Mr. Hughes, a social studies teacher, was his greatest influence. "This is because I learned many important things in his class, including test-preparatory habits and responsibility with my work. His classes caused me to work harder in school and prepared me for other challenging courses in the future."

"Though his classes were difficult, his teaching methods and experience made them interesting and pushed me to try my best."

Yung-Kuang Ho is the son of Wei and Wen-fan and brother of Jonathan, 15, and Esther, 9.

**Sarah Townsend**  
Ladywood High School  
Livonia

Sarah Townsend of Northville will attend the University of Michigan, where she will major in economics and Spanish in a prelaw program.

She is class valedictorian, a four-year member of the Principal's List, and a National Merit Scholarship Finalist. She is also a National Science Olympiad medalist for 1994-96 and a 1996 Hugh O'Brien Youth foundation Ambassador.

Townsend has been an editor and reporter for her school newspaper, anthology and yearbook and a member of Spanish Club. She is past captain of the tennis team and has received many awards for the sport. She has been in competitive figure skating for 13 years.

She also has been a camp counselor and an elementary and high school tutor.

She expects her generation to place an emphasis and value on education. "With increased education, we can thus solve many of the world's other imminent problems. In addition, we can pass the zeal for learning to future generations."

Townsend says Mrs. Phillips, her

10th-grade Accelerated English teacher, was her greatest influence. "Her class was one of the most difficult classes I have ever encountered, but one of the most worthwhile. Mrs. Philips improved my writing skills immensely because she never settled for second best. She, in turn, taught me to demand the very best from myself."

Townsend is the daughter of Robert and Joan Townsend and sister of Molly, 15.

**Sarah Niemiec**  
Garden City High School  
Garden City

Sarah Niemiec of Garden City plans to enter a premedicine program at the University of Michigan or the University of Notre Dame this fall.

Her academic honors include the Bausch & Lomb Science Award, Wayne County Academic Achievement Award, MEGA League All-Academic Team, and several department awards in English, mathematics and science. She is a member of the National Honor Society.

Niemiec is captain of the varsity cheerleading team, a DARE role model, a member of SADD (Students Against Driving Drunk), and a member of the Varsity Club. She has played varsity soccer.

Her expectations for her generation include "a cure for AIDS and the many other diseases that now plague our society."

She credits her AP Calculus teacher, Mr. Penski, for being an important influence. "He showed me how mathematics applies to everyday life and he pushed me to my limits."

Niemiec is the daughter of John and Sandra Niemiec and sister of Tammy, 15.

**Garrett Heraty**  
Redford Union High School  
Redford

Garrett Heraty of Redford plans to major in a branch of physical science at Michigan State University.

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Joseph Yung-Kuang Ho  
Churchill



Sarah Townsend  
Ladywood



Sarah Niemiec  
Garden City



Garrett Heraty  
Redford Union

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His academic honors include being a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Competition and achieving second round in the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition.

Heraty expects his generation's contributions to society to be in the area of government. "Day after day, we see stories of government corruption and White House scandals. It is obvious that a change is necessary. I believe that the leaders of tomorrow will be more conscious of their moral obligations as elected officials."

Heraty says third-grade teacher Cheryl Patterson influenced his love of learning. "She made learning fun by making it a hands-on experience. In my third- and fourth-grade class, she worked with us on activities about chivalry, galleons, and future problem-solving. She made me look forward to going to school and learning."

Heraty is the son of Keith and Barbara Heraty and brother of Brian, 19, Amber, 14, Ashley, 11, and Katie, 8.

**Emily Curtin**  
Farmington High School  
Farmington

Emily Curtin of Farmington Hills will major in mechanical engineering at Kettering University.

She is a National Merit Commended Scholar and a four-year honor roll student.

She volunteers at senior residences and works at the Farmington Library. She sings in her school's choir and plays viola and piano. She toured Europe and the United States with the International Youth Symphony during the summer of 1995. In December 1996, she played viola with a small chamber group at a White House Christmas party.

Curtin believes her generation will contribute "amazing technological advances and cures for many diseases" to society.

"The teacher who had the greatest influence on me was probably my viola teacher, Barbara Stolberg. She taught me discipline the knowledge that I can accomplish anything if I try hard enough."

Curtin is the daughter of Patrick and Mary Curtin and sister of Jessica, 23.

**Emily Curtin of Farmington Hills will major in mechanical engineering at Kettering University. She is a National Merit Commended Scholar and a four-year honor roll student. She volunteers at senior residences and works at the Farmington Library. She sings in her school's choir and plays viola and piano. She toured Europe and the United States with the International Youth Symphony during the summer of 1995. In December 1996, she played viola with a small chamber group at a White House Christmas party.**



Emily Curtin  
Farmington

**Christopher O'Brien**  
Lutheran High  
Westland

Christopher O'Brien of Livonia plans to major in mathematics or German, maybe both, at Calvin College, Hope College, Valparaiso University or Concordia College.

His academic honors include: National Merit Scholarship Finalist, Academic All-Conference, 1996 Football Team Academic All-State and class co-valedictorian.

O'Brien is National Honor Society president, Christian Growth Committee chairman, and member of the Chamber Choir. He has played baseball, football and participated in school musicals.

He said his generation "may be the generation to turn the trend of America's falling moral values."

For O'Brien, the teacher who had the most influence was "Mr. Zehnder, my seventh-grade teacher, with whom school first became fun and my desire to learn really grew."

O'Brien is the son of Cliff and Tina O'Brien and brother of Renee, 15, Sean, 13, and Kelly, 11.



Christopher O'Brien  
Lutheran High

## Area principals' judging is no small task

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers take pride in presenting our 13th annual Academic All-Star Teams. But it wouldn't happen without the help and guidance of Larry Boehms, principal of Troy High School, who organizes the selection committee.

The All-Star Team Selection Committee meets in Livonia and reviews nomination forms and makes calculations to choose the all-star teams for the Observer Newspapers and the Eccentric Newspapers.

This year, seven area high school administrators took on the task: Larry Boehms of Troy High School, Dale Collier of Livonia Stevenson High School, David S. Symington of Lahser High School, Pat Patton of Canton High School, Carol A. Baldwin of Avondale High School, Tom Johnson of Northville High School, Rebecca Jeffries of Troy High School and George Fornero of West Bloomfield High School.

The group reviewed nomination forms from more than 50 public, pri-

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**Choosing:** High school principals review candidates for the Academic All-Star team. This year, seven area high school administrators took on the task of selecting the top high school seniors.



## Madonna University at a Glance

Founded more than 50 years ago, Madonna University is one of the largest Catholic Franciscan independent universities in the country. Madonna combines the resources and diversity of a comprehensive university with the atmosphere of a small college. Current enrollment of approximately 4,000 men and women represents various economic, religious, social and cultural backgrounds, including students from more than 14 countries. A student-to-faculty ratio of 17 to 1 allows students to receive the personal attention needed to make their Madonna University education a successful one.

### Majors and Degrees Offered

More than 50 undergraduate majors are offered by six academic divisions and are complimented by a graduate program in business, education, health services, hospice and nursing. The University awards associate's, bachelor's and master's degrees, as well as certificates at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

### Academic Programs

Madonna University combines academics grounded in the liberal arts with solid career preparation. Unique academic programs include church music, hospice, international business and economics, mental health, professional and technical writing, and Sign Language studies and interpreting.

The University's many distinctions include: the only college to offer a bachelor's and master's degree in hospice education in the United States • the only four-year independent liberal arts institution to offer a Sign Language studies degree in North America • a nationally renowned nursing program, with an average of 96 percent of its graduates passing the nursing board examinations on the first attempt • a solid reputation for responding to the needs of the educational community with its teacher preparation programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels • the video communications program produces a nationally televised public service program, which is watched by over 40,000 people in the Detroit metropolitan area.

All programs are accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (30 North LaSalle St., Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602-2504, 312/263-0456) and other program-related accrediting associations.

### Off-campus Opportunities

The **Center for International Studies** promotes and facilitates study, work and travel opportunities and exchanges for students and faculty. The University now has formal affiliations with programs in the United Kingdom, Japan, Poland, Mexico, Austria and Italy.

The **Cooperative Education and Placement Office** gives students a head start in their careers. Students gain academic credit and paid job experience directly related to their majors. Annually the Co-op Office works with more than 100 employers.

### Facilities, Technology and Services

The library has information in all formats, including an on-line catalog and CD-ROM collection, complimented by World Wide Web search capabilities.

Students have access to the **Internet, e-mail, World Wide Web and technology classrooms**. State of the art computer labs offer networked PC and Macintosh computers with current software, laser printers and advanced computer graphics. Specialty labs on campus include a writing lab and mathematics lab. Media Services provides audio-visual services in the classroom, telecourses, satellite conferences and distance learning.

Madonna University offers many support services to meet the educational, emotional and spiritual concerns of students. Students with special needs have access through a barrier-free campus. **Educational Support Services** assists disabled students and provides services such as note taking, sign language interpreting, and tutoring. All students may take advantage of a campus-wide tutoring program offered by the **Center for Personalized Instruction**. And students of diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds are served by the **Office of Multicultural Affairs**, which offers counseling, advising and special events. **Campus Ministry** offers daily Eucharistic Celebrations, weekly Bible studies and annual retreats.

### Student Organizations and Activities

Students have the opportunity to pursue their interests and develop leadership skills through many **campus organizations**, including Gerontology Association, International Student Organization, Multicultural Forum, MU Nursing Student Association, Project Earth and Student Government. There are also six **honor societies** which recognize and award superior scholastic achievement.

### Admissions Processes and Requirements

Admission is granted to all qualified applicants who can attain their educational goals within the framework of the University. Its rolling admissions policy means applicants can expect to receive written notification of their admission status shortly after all required documents are received.

And in keeping to its commitment of making higher education accessible to students of all backgrounds, the University has dropped its application fee of \$25.

## Crusaders Make Impact in Athletic Conference

Madonna University's Athletic Department has made an impact

in its first season in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (WHAC) within the NAIA. Making a grand entrance, the Crusaders captured conference



regular season and playoff titles in both men's soccer and women's volleyball. Seven players were named to the WHAC All-Conference teams. In addition to men's soccer and women's volleyball, Madonna offers men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball and will add women's soccer in the Fall of 1998.

## Student Life On and Off Campus



Mary Baumgartner, student in the Education Program, reads to children during the Dr. Seuss Birthday Festival at Madonna. The event was part of Read Across America, a nationwide campaign by the National Education Association.

Bruce Bett, library co-director, helps students Anita Tucker (seated) and Malinda Woods. Madonna's library has information in all formats, including an on-line catalog and CD-ROM collection, complimented by World Wide Web search capabilities.



General dietetics major Sandy Seykell assists students from South Elementary School in Chelsea in creating a healthy plate of food using magazine pictures. Seykell was one of the volunteers for the Ann Arbor Dietetic Association's "Put on Your Best Milk Mustache" event.



Nursing students Michael Schroeder and Tracie Johnson helped turn an overcrowded storage closet into a health clinic at Coffey Middle School in Detroit. It was all part of a nursing class which brought Madonna students and faculty to the school to educate 7th and 8th graders about Hepatitis B and give them vaccinations.



The Third Annual HIV/AIDS Awareness Day featured a display of The Names AIDS Quilt Project. Madonna students from Student Government, International Student Organization, Nutrition Network, Social Work Club and Madonna University Nursing Student Association joined Midwest AIDS Prevention, Archdiocese of Detroit, Crown Pharmacy and AIDS Fraud Task Force for the event.



## Tuition Remains Accessible to Diverse Student Body

The Board of Trustees of Madonna University set the tuition rates for the 1998-99 academic year, maintaining its commitment to keep a Madonna education accessible and most affordable.

The undergraduate regular tuition for the coming year will be \$207 per semester hour; nursing tuition, \$257; and graduate tuition, \$260. Room and board will be \$4,508, which includes a semi-private room and meal plan. Annual full-time tuition based on 30 semester hours, plus registration fees, will be \$6,310, considerably less than the average Michigan independent college tuition of \$12,000.

Board Chairman John Sennett, chairman of Sennett Steel Corporation in Madison Heights, stated, "The challenge for independent colleges and universities is to maintain affordable access to quality educational programs. This modest increase of less than five percent enables Madonna University to remain among the most affordable independent liberal arts institutions in Michigan. It also ensures Madonna students that they will be prepared through their excellent education to compete successfully in the world."

When asked about tuition Madonna students have this to say:

"It's a great school and I love it," said David Roberts, senior criminal justice major from Southgate. "I know tuition is

going up, but that's the way it is. There are a lot of things I like at Madonna. The computers are always up-to-date and the drop-in writing center and computer centers are really nice. This university is definitely student-oriented."

Roberts likes Madonna so much that he has encouraged his friend Kelly Dominick from Detroit to enroll. "Dave had a lot of nice things to say about Madonna and since its location is so accessible to Detroit, I plan on going here in the spring or at the latest next fall." Dominick will major in pre-radiology or pre-nuclear medicine technology.

Adult learners, Beatrice Womack from Detroit and Veronica Murawski of Garden City, students in the long term care administration program, feel that the benefits of a private school are a plus. "Tuition rates at other private schools in Michigan are more expensive," said Beatrice Womack. "I'm in my senior year and I wouldn't go anywhere else. I love it here." Murawski agreed and said that she really is impressed that the faculty give out their home telephone numbers so that they can be reached if students have any problems.

No student at Madonna University pays the full cost of his/her education. Due to the generosity of many benefactors and aggressive fund-raising efforts, students are assessed only 75 to 80 percent of the actual cost.

## New Programs Enhance Academics

The American Bar Association has approved the new **Nurse Paralegal Program** at Madonna University. The program is the only one of its kind in the metropolitan Detroit area. Designed for the nurse who holds a bachelor of science in nursing degree, the 30-semester hour Certificate of Achievement will be offered as an evening program and students will take only paralegal courses.

A new **Certificate of Completion in Dementia Care** can be taken as part of the gerontology or long term care administration majors at Madonna. Practitioners may also enroll in courses for continuing education credit.

Health care professionals and the general business community may now take advantage of an online master's degree program offered by Madonna University's School of Business. Courses in the **Cohort Online Program (COP)** will be delivered by the Internet, e-mail, audio and videotapes over a 23-month period beginning Fall 1998. At the end of the 36-semester hour program, students will earn a master of science degree in business administration, specializing in health care practice management or leadership studies.

**Madonna University and New Horizons Computer Learning Centers** are collaborating to offer computer training to students. Madonna University will award students college credits for computer classes taken at New Horizons. A joint certification program will offer Microsoft and Novell technical training from New Horizons to prepare students to obtain certification as a Certified Novell Administrator (CNA), Certified Novell Engineer (CNE), or Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE). Students may also earn commercial art credit for courses taken in computer graphic applications such as Illustrator, Photoshop and QuarkXPress.

Continually at the forefront of supporting nurses who wish to expand their career, Madonna University has created new graduate certificates in **nurse entrepreneurship and nursing education**. The certificates are available to nurses in the University's graduate program and to those who already possess a master's degree. The certificate programs are designed for working adults, offering courses after work and on weekends.

Students David Roberts and Kelly Dominick



"Over 50 percent of our students receive financial assistance in addition to this subsidy," said Sr. Francilene, Madonna University president. "We are committed through our Catholic Franciscan educational mission of truth, goodness and service to provide access for students from many different economic, religious, social and cultural backgrounds. Our diverse student body of 4,000 men and women deserves to be taught by quality faculty, to have a wide choice of program offerings and to have the latest technology at their fingertips."

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## Financial Aid Available to Madonna Students

Students are encouraged to apply as early as possible to assure full consideration for all types of aid.

Madonna University student Maria Garza was just one of 38 students chosen nationally as recipient of the CBS Foundation Scholarship Program, administered locally by the Michigan Colleges Foundation. "The Foundation's kindness and generosity has taken a burden off my family financially and encouraged me to keep striving for the best," said Garza, a journalism/public relations major.

One of the many scholarships available to Madonna



Maria Garza



Melanie Stringer

students is the Catholic Student Award. Initiated by the University's Board of Trustees, it is a four-year grant awarded to a qualified Catholic student beginning his or her first year at Madonna.

"I was looking for a small Catholic university and Madonna was perfect. The scholarship was a bonus, because I was so certain about Madonna University," said Melanie Stringer, Catholic Student Award recipient.

Nicholas Popadich received a Joseph Sryniawski Endowed Scholarship from Madonna.

"I became familiar with Madonna University during the Summer Institute I attended in 1995. The counselors and professors were very nice and I felt at home," said Popadich, who is majoring in English/journalism and plans to teach after earning his degree.

Contact the Admissions Office at 734/432-5339 for more information.



Nicholas Popadich

## Tuition Rates 1998-99 (per semester hour)

Undergraduate Regular ....	\$207
Nursing .....	\$257
Graduate .....	\$260
Room and Board .....	\$4,508*

\*Based on semi-private room and meal plan

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## 1998 Academic All-Stars

## 1998 runners-up have reason to be proud

**T**wenty-eight students were runners-up for the 1998 Observer Academic All-Stars team. We congratulate them on their outstanding high school records and wish them success in all their future endeavors.

**Jason Novak**  
**Wayne Memorial High School**  
**Wayne**

Jason Novak of Wayne will major in mechanical engineering at the University of Michigan-Dearborn or Michigan Technological University this fall.

Novak, an honor roll student, was named State of Michigan Student-of-the-Month in March 1997 and January 1998. He also earned an academic letter from Wayne Memorial.



Jason Novak



Melissa Ann Kelle



Swati Rout



Brian Miller



Rebecca Hill



Benjamin Wilson



Erin Donaldson



Heather LaPrairie



Christina Anne Fenbert



Taniqua Brumfield

He is a member of the National Honor Society, the National German Honor Society and the German Club. He is president of his school's Ski Club.

Novak said his generation will contribute to society "a vast expansion in today's technologies and a greater personal understanding between people and nations of the world."

He said teacher Ralph Brickman influenced him significantly. "He showed me how to analyze things logically."

Novak is the son of Daniel and Joanne Novak and brother of John, 19, and Jaime, 15.

**Melissa Ann Kelle**  
**Thurston High School**  
**Redford**

Melissa Ann Kelle of Redford will enter a liberal arts program at the University of Michigan this fall.

Her academic honors include: Michigan Competitive Scholarship Finalist, Madame Curie Award, Michigan Technological University Award, and several departmental awards. She is class valedictorian.

Kelle is an executive board member of the National Honor Society, captain of her school's cross country team, a member of the French Club, and a participant in the Science Olympiad.

"I feel that three teachers have been particularly influential to me. Mrs. Patricia Duthie has influenced my political beliefs, and Mr. Gavin Johnson and Mrs. Eleanor Sheposh have helped me learn about myself."

Kelle expects her generation to contribute "continued advancements in technology, medicine, entertainment and the arts, and efforts to improve the Earth and the standard of living."

Kelle is the daughter of Neil and Marcia Kelle.

**Swati Rout**  
**Plymouth Salem High School**  
**Canton**

Swati Rout of Canton plans to major in engineering at the University of Michigan or Michigan State University.

She has received U-M's YK Award for Excellence in Leadership and has been named a Michigan State University Distinguished Minority Semifinalist and a National Merit Scholarship Commended Student. She is on her school's Dean's List High Honor Roll.

She is a member of the National Honor Society and past secretary of the Key Club. She is vice president of I.A.S.A., a multi-cultural club.

Rout said her generation's exposure to high technology and cultural diversity will result in a more dedicated citizenry.

"My generation is committed to developing technology that will improve people's lives; and we will constantly push the boundaries of knowledge to make exciting and useful discoveries in other fields as well. Who knows, maybe they will find the cure for cancer or AIDS."

"We have grown up in a very diverse age and have been exposed to the unique features of many cultures. Due to this we are more tolerant and accepting of other people's differences."

Shah said her third-grade teacher, Dr. Hirsch, "showed me that I had the ability to be anything I wanted and should pursue my goals no matter how difficult they may seem. Along with typical third-grade lessons, we learned a lot about life from her."

Swati is the daughter of Rabindra and Chitra Rout and sister of Preeti, 20.

**Brian Miller**  
**John Glenn High School**  
**Westland**

Brian Miller of Westland will attend either the University of Michigan or Lawrence Technological University, where he will study engineering.

He has received a three-year Academic Letter Award and is an Academic All-State Baseball player. He also is a National Honor Society member, a varsity baseball player, a Ski Club member, and a participant in the Ford Explorers Program.

Miller expects his generation will contribute "a continual prowess for the improvement of all problems, whether they are mechanical or social."

He said Mr. Kemppainen influenced him significantly. "He had the greatest influence because he made me strive for excellency by knowing when to criticize, encourage, push, and compliment me, all while genuinely caring about me."

Miller is the son of John and Eleanor Miller and brother of Justin, 11.

**Rebecca Hill**  
**John Glenn High School**  
**Westland**

Rebecca Hill of Westland will study psychology at the University of Michigan this fall.

She is a four-year honor roll student, a member of the National Honor Society, and a recipient of her school's academic letter. She is in marching band and is first-chair viola in the symphonic orchestra.

"Mr. Kemppainen, my English teacher of seventh, eighth and 11th grade, was my greatest influence in that he moved me into AP English and always helped me achieve my academic goals."

Hill expects her generation will "continue to work toward lasting world peace and to continue to improve the quality of life here in the United States."

Hill is the daughter of Patrick and Karen Hill and sister of Kevin, 14.

**Benjamin Wilson**  
**Plymouth Christian Academy**  
**Canton**

Benjamin Wilson of Dearborn will attend Albion College, Michigan State University, Calvin College, or the Uni-

versity of Michigan-Dearborn. Eventually, he plans a career in veterinary medicine.

He is a member of the National Honor Society and has received many class awards. He works at a veterinary clinic, swims competitively (occasionally), and spends lots of time of his computer.

He thanks his teacher, Mr. Sherman, for giving him a foundation in science.

Wilson is the son of Eugene and Shelly Wilson and brother of Rosy, 14, Walker, 5, Zoe, 3, and Reuben, 1.

**Erin Donaldson**  
**Agape Christian**  
**Canton**

Erin Donaldson of Plymouth plans to major in art education at Wayne State University.

Donaldson is a four-year honor roll student and the recipient of Wayne State University's Presidential Scholarship. She has received her school's Principal's Academic Award, Superior Award and an academic letter.

She is vice president of the National Honor Society and teen department music leader at her church.

Donaldson said her English teacher, Mrs. Henry, was her greatest influence because "her joy showed me I could be happy if I had God."

She expects her generation to contribute one thing to society: "Hope."

Donaldson is the daughter of Mike and Pat Donaldson and sister of Kelly, 19, and David, 13.

**Heather LaPrairie**  
**Huron Valley Lutheran**  
**Westland**

Heather LaPrairie of Westland plans to study prelaw at Wayne State University this fall.

LaPrairie has received the Daimler-Benz Award of Excellence and the Madame Curie Award. She is president of student council and co-captain of both the basketball and cheerleading teams. She also is a member of the Drama Club.

She said she expects her generation to bring about "a cleaner environment and a more peaceful society."

She is grateful to teacher Grace Mattek "because she taught me how to argue."

LaPrairie is the daughter of Duane and Kimberly LaPrairie.

**Christina Anne Fenbert**  
**St. Agatha High School**  
**Redford**

Christina Fenbert of Redford will attend John Carroll University, Notre Dame or Albion College and major in either international business or architecture.

Her academic honors include: Madame Curie Award, Wayne County Academic Award, U.S. Army Reserve Scholastic Athlete Prep Bowl and Scholastic All-Catholic Team.

She is vice president of her class; treasurer of the National Honor Soci-

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ety; secretary of Students Against Driving Drunk; and captain of varsity volleyball, cheerleading and softball. She also volunteers in a soup kitchen.

She believes her generation will "continue the pioneering efforts to develop and enhance communications, via computers, among nations."

Fenbert says her history teacher, Sister Rosemary Petrimoult, always made class interesting. "She has visited so many different countries and always shared her experiences with her classes. Sister Rosemary taught me that history is important because we must learn from our past to be able to deal with the future. She has the love and respect of her students, especially me."

Fenbert is the daughter of John and Carolyn Fenbert and brother of Michael, 18.

**Taniqua Brumfield**  
**Bishop Borgess High School**  
**Redford**

Taniqua Brumfield of Detroit has narrowed her choice of colleges to the University of Michigan, Wayne State University and the University of Rochester. She will major in biology and minor in business.

She plans to enter medical school after she graduates from college.

"I am undecided as to which specialty I would like to pursue. I am certain that I would like to administer to children. Once I have established myself as a reputable doctor, I plan to give back to the community through volunteer work and donations."

During high school, Brumfield received the Kodak Young Leader Award and the Bausch & Lomb Science Award. She is a National Honor Society member and co-president of student council. She also volunteers at Henry Ford Hospital.

She expects her generation to safeguard the environment and "find more ways to cure diseases."

Her eighth-grade teacher, Ms. Vileta, was her greatest influence. "She helped me get over my fear of speaking in public."

Brumfield is the daughter of Barbara Brumfield.

**Emily Ann Krozek**  
**St. Agatha High School**  
**Redford**

Emily Ann Krozek of Detroit plans to attend the University of Detroit Mercy.

She is a member of the National Honor Society and has received a Detroit Science Award and The Wayne County Executive Academic Achievement Award. She also has received awards in volleyball, basketball and softball, including Volleyball All-Academic. She has participated in student government.

Krozek said Sister Rosemary Petrimoult "taught me a lot about history and a lot about myself."

She expects her generation to "help the less fortunate in all the ways available to them."

Krozek is the daughter of Walter and Marsha Krozek and sister of Adam, 13.

**W. Scott Richardson**  
**Agape Christian Academy**  
**Canton**

Scott Richardson of Canton will major in aerospace engineering at the University of Michigan College of Engineering.

His academic honors include: first place - ACSI Mid-America Math League, Pre-Calculus Division; first and second place - National NAACP ACT-SO Physics/Energy; and various awards in French, math and history.

Richardson was selected to be on the University of Michigan NSBE-PCI Robotic Arm Design Team (National Society of Black Engineers-Precollege Initiative), which competed nationally in Anaheim, Calif., this year.

He also has received several awards for piano, including a Superior Rating Level 10 from the Michigan Music Teachers Association.

Richardson expects his generation to contribute "a sense of the worth and value of human life."

He says teacher Mrs. Henry was a significant influence. "She emphasized that enthusiasm and a love for the Lord play a vital role in my development as both a young person and a Christian."

Richardson is the son of Wendell and Charlene Richardson and brother of Stacey, 15, and Michelle, 14.

**Jason Sikorski**  
**Detroit Catholic Central High School**  
**Redford**

Jason Sikorski of Plymouth plans to major in English at the University of Notre Dame.

He is a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, a Notre Dame Scholar, a Father Embser Scholarship recipient, a member of the National Honor Society and Gabriel Richard Club, and a Wayne County Achievement Award recipient. He has received many departmental awards in English, French, history and writing.

He is managing editor of the school newspaper, editor-in-chief of the school literary magazine, and editor of his church bulletin. He also is a volunteer peer tutor.

Sikorski has faith in his generation's future. "I foresee a culture marked by honesty and integrity in dealing with other people, where everyone is guaranteed a limitless future and great thinkers will usher us into the new millennium."

He says his first-grade teacher was his greatest influence. "Miss Dyer's enthusiasm and cheerful smile got my education started on the right foot. She made learning fun at a time when everything was new and uncertain."

Sikorski is the son of Dr. Robert and Kathryn Sikorski and brother of Lisa, 22.

**Molly Corinne Penn**  
**Mercy High School**  
**Farmington Hills**

Molly Penn will study foreign languages (Romance, Arabic, Japanese) at the University of Michigan, the

University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, or the University of Virginia this fall.

She has won several academic awards, including: Marie Curie Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics, National Council of Teachers of English National Writing Winner, National Honor Society Excellence in Spanish, Phi Beta Kappa Scholarship, and Prep-Bowl All-Catholic Scholastic Award.

She is a member of the National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society and an officer in Ecology/Earthwatch. She has participated in school plays and enjoys piano and figure skating.

Penn has an agenda for her generation: "Much more progress in science, further awareness of cultural diversity, and further progress in saving the environment."

She said her writing teacher, Larry Baker, "opened my eyes on how to analyze literature and use my writing talent."

Penn is the daughter of Randall and Marcia Penn and sister of Bryan, 14, and Meghan, 19.

**Danielle Natalia Wroblewski**  
**Mercy High School**  
**Farmington Hills**

Danielle Wroblewski has applied to Brown University, Harvard University, Macalester and the University of Michigan.

Her academic honors and awards include: National Merit Finalist, Scholastic All-Catholic Award, Spartan Award, SHH Service Award, DAR Good Citizen Award, and Scholar Athlete Leader Award. She also has been a Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation Ambassador.

About her generation's future contributions, Wroblewski said: "So many stereotypes have been broken down before me, and so many have been shattered in my lifetime, thus far. I expect my generation to benefit from this and bring society still closer to the equality ideal."

She credits her second- and third-grade teacher, Cheryl Bush, with laying "the emotional groundwork for me to be the person I am today and the person I am striving to become."

Wroblewski is the daughter of Daniel and Stephanie Wroblewski.

**Tomas Sirgedas**  
**Detroit Catholic Central**  
**Redford**

Tomas Sirgedas plans to study computer engineering at the University of Michigan this fall.

He has received the following academic honors: National Merit Scholarship Finalist, 1997 Michigan Math League State Competition Champion, 1997 Lawrence Tech Math Competition (third-place medalist), 1997 Rensselaer Medal Winner for Science and Math, Michigan Math Prize Competition (bronze medalist-1996, '97 and '98), University of Michigan Regents-Alumni Scholarship, Purdue University.

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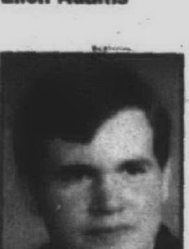
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Collin R. Black



Kim Krapel

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ty Junior Scholar in Math, Certificate of Distinction-AHSME Exam.

He is a member of his school's National Honor Society, Math Team, Computer Club, Quiz Bowl Team and Science Olympiad and Science Fair. He also is treasurer of the Lithuanian Catholic Youth Organization of Detroit and camp counselor for the Lithuanian Catholic Youth Camp.

"I expect my generation to make a serious attempt at eliminating the environmental problems of the world today. I hope that world hunger and poverty can be eliminated by my generation also."

Sirgedas said Mr. Weinburg, his high school economics and government teacher, has been an important influence. "He always had interesting viewpoints on the issues facing the world. He had unique solutions to today's problems and he always made us think by making bold statements for us to react to."

Sirgedas is the son of Vitas and Donna Sirgedas and brother of Lina, 15, Laura, 12, and Julia, 5.

#### Matthew Smith Plymouth Christian Academy Canton

Matthew Smith plans to study computer engineering at Taylor University or the University of Michigan this fall.

He is a member of his school's National Honor Society and French Honor Society. He placed second in the OCS Math Meet and received the Who's Who Award.

He said his generation will contribute "more technology advances, especially in the area of computing."

Smith said Mr. Sherman, a teacher, taught him that "doing your best has rewards and is important."

Smith is the son of Craig and Patricia Smith and brother of Kevin, 13, and Dave, 21.

#### Alan Kulifay Wayne Memorial High School Wayne

Alan Kulifay has received an academic scholarship to Lawrence Technological University, where he will major in mechanical engineering this fall.

He is a member of his school's National Honor Society and has received an Academic Letter.

His expectation for his generation is direct but far-reaching: "I expect them to make revolutionary breakthroughs in the way things are produced."

Smith's CAD-CAM teacher, Mr. Bogataj, had the biggest and most practical influence on his life: "He taught me about what a real job is like."

Kulifay is the son of Glenn and Mary Kulifay.

#### Adam Michael Johnston Franklin High School Livonia

Adam Johnston will major in biology and secondary education at Northern Michigan University this fall.

His academic honors include: Presidential-Harden Scholarship, Freshman Fellowship Award, Wayne County Aca-

demic Achievement Award, and second place in the Veterans of Foreign Wars School Writing Contest. He is a member of his school's National Honor Society.

Johnston said Mr. Danes, a teacher, was a great influence "because he was energetic and funny enough to get everyone involved in my favorite subject, which is science."

Johnston expects his generation "to impose a more peaceful and less judgmental mind-set on generations to come."

Johnston is the son of John and Jocelynn Johnston and brother of Wade, 20.

#### Erin Risser Stevenson High School Livonia

Erin Risser will major in biology or math at Albion College this fall.

She will graduate summa cum laude and is in the Who's Who of American High School Students. She also is a National Merit Scholarship finalist.

She has been a handbell ringer for nine years and director of a youth handbell group for the past year.

"My science teacher, Mr. Roster, was the greatest influence on me because he showed me that a person can lead a fulfilling and exciting life and have a career also. He always had a personal experience to help illustrate the concepts we learned in class. He also encouraged the class to ask questions, even if they did not pertain directly to the class."

Risser said her generation must give back to society for being the recipient of tremendous breakthroughs in technology and science. "We will be faced with answering the moral and ethical questions which are the result of these discoveries. The responsibility of using this knowledge in a way which benefits the planet and all of its inhabitants will be my generation's most significant contribution."

Risser is the daughter of Richard and Yvonne Risser and sister of Ryan, 16.

#### Ellen Adams Farmington High School Farmington

Ellen Adams will study engineering at Tufts University this fall.

She is president of her school's National Honor Society, treasurer of student council and captain of the cross country and track team. She made Academic All-State Cross Country in 1995 and 1997.

She said her coach, Liz Zynda, was a great influence because "she knew me better than I knew myself and believed in me."

Adams expects her generation to contribute "enthusiasm and determination that we have learned through our past experiences."

Adams is the daughter of George and Mary Ellen Adams and sister of Katharine, 18, and George, 21.

#### Elizabeth Leich Thurston High School Redford

Elizabeth Leich plans to major in

accounting at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

A four-year honor roll student, Leich is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, a Michigan Competitive Scholarship Finalist and a recipient of the Presidential Academic Fitness Award. She also is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

"Mrs. Lopez, my English and German teacher, has been the greatest influence on me, since her teachings are not simply from textbooks but include important lessons and stories about life."

Leich expects her generation "will finally realize that beneath all our differences we are linked by our humanness, and thus destroying the hopes and dreams of others would be undesirable."

Leich is the daughter of Jack and Catherine Leich and sister of Jack, 15, and Mark, 12.

#### Colin R. Black Clarenceville High School Livonia

Colin Black received the Buell Honor Scholarship, a full tuition scholarship, for Lawrence Technological University, where he will study electrical engineering.

He has received his school's academic letter and several departmental awards in government and advanced math. He is graduating magna cum laude and is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

He is a member of the National Honor Society and his school's marching and symphonic bands. He tutors and has participated in Red Cross blood drives and Habitat for Humanity.

Black is grateful to Bobbi Gutman, his English and writing teacher, for her influence. "In addition to being an excellent teacher in her area of expertise, she also takes a personal interest in each of her students and assists them by presenting useful educational and career information."

About his generation's future contributions, Black said: "Because my generation has grown up using computers and other forms of technology, we are comfortable with them and knowledgeable about their use and will be able to contribute to advances in this area."

"In addition, because of advances in communication and the increases in travel and worldwide commerce, my generation needs to recognize the importance of understanding the differences between people, working toward a cooperative global community."

Black is the son of Randolph and Kathryn Black and brother of Alexis, 16.

#### Kim Kraepel Huron Valley Lutheran Westland

Kim Kraepel received an academic scholarship to Wisconsin Lutheran College, where she will major in secondary or elementary education, business or both disciplines.



Brent Accurso



Kristin Knuutila



Crystal Peterson



Phillip Bossard

She is an honor roll student and a member of the Society of Women Engineers. She also is a member of her school's Hawk Singers and co-captain of the cheerleading squad.

About teacher Virginia Witt, Kraepel said: "She is the most caring person I've ever met and she makes you want to work harder without you realizing it."

Kraepel believes her generation should strive for the ideal. "I believe my generation has the potential to change the world. We will always remain positive and never give up until our goals are reached."

Kraepel is the daughter of John and Carol Ann McMurdie and sister of Kristy Ruth Cyr, 19, and Karin Rebekah, 15.

#### Brent Thomas Accurso Franklin High School Livonia

Brent Accurso has applied to the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Indiana University, where he will study biology, biochemistry and medicine.

A member of the National Honor Society, Accurso has received the Wayne County Executive Award and will graduate summa cum laude. He has participated in varsity basketball and track, Students Against Smoking, Student Congress, and Youth for Unity.

Accurso's expectations for his generation are laudable: "I expect it to fix the ills facing us today, and bravely march towards a better future."

He said his fourth-grade teacher, Mrs. Mooney, "got me focused in science and taught me how to be successful."

Accurso is the son of Tom and Diane Accurso and brother of Aaron, 4.

#### Kristin Knuutila Redford Union High School Redford

Kristin Knuutila, who graduates first in her senior class, will attend the University of Michigan this fall. She is undecided about a major field of study.

Her academic honors include: Madame Curie Award for Math and

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## Judging

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vate and parochial high schools in the Observer & Eccentric readership area.

Selection criteria are test scores and grade point average.

A single score is given to each student. This score is tallied by a combination of the highest score earned on either the ACT or SAT and grade point average. Using this total score, students are then ranked.

This year, 16 students were selected to each of the Observer and the Eccentric teams.

The Observer team had students nominated from school in Farmington and Farmington Hills, Livonia, Redford Township, Westland, Garden City, Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township.

The Eccentric team had students nominated from schools in Rochester, Rochester Hills, Troy, West Bloomfield, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Southfield, Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford and Southfield.

It is the 13th anniversary of the Observer & Eccentric All-Star teams. The program started in 1985 when Bob Schramke, then principal at Redford Union High School, approached the newspaper with the idea of honoring students for academic achievement.

Those named to the all-star teams will receive a certificate of recognition, the latest edition of Webster's New World Dictionary and be featured in this special section. Also featured in the section are the runners-up.

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**Top picks:** Above, principals Tom Johnson of Northville High School (left) and Dale Collier of Stevenson High School (right) look at candidates. Principal Larry Boehms of Troy High School (left) helps Rebecca Jeffries of Troy High School with a question on a candidate.

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Science, U-M-Dearborn Chancellor Scholarship, and MSB of E Summer Institute for Arts and Sciences at Michigan Technological University.

Knuutila is a member of the National Honor Society, post president of the Explorers and a member of Students Against Driving Drunk.

She said high school teacher Walter Girbach was her greatest influence. "I had him all four years. It was in his class that I discovered success in mathematics and found a teacher who truly cares for his students."

Knuutila said technology will be the area in which her generation makes its greatest contribution. "I think my generation will attain a level of success in technology never seen before in our society, allowing us to contribute greatly to medical and scientific discoveries."

Knuutila is the daughter of Keith and Faye Knuutila and sister of Alan, 23, and Michelle, 28.

#### Crystal Peterson Garden City High School Garden City

Crystal Peterson has received a full tuition scholarship to Wayne State University, where she will study music industry management.

In addition to the Wayne State scholarship, Peterson has received a Partial Chancellor's Scholarship to the University of Michigan-Dearborn and an academic letter and pin from her high school.

She is a member of the Garden City Singers and Victor's Christian Club.

"The teacher who had the greatest influence was Mr. Penski, because he made me feel good about myself and made learning hard math fun. Also Mr. Abbott, for his caring about students and willingness to spend time outside of school-related activities with them."

Peterson wants her generation to bring about a more peaceful society. "I expect my generation to contribute an attitude of peace to society and to end the segregation and racism that still exists today."

Peterson is the daughter of Norman and Shirley Peterson and sister of Michelle, 30, and Carrie, 29.

#### Phillip Bossard Lutheran Westland High School Westland

Phillip Bossard will study engineering at the University of Michigan, Michigan Technological University, Lawrence Technological University or Valparaiso University.

He is a member of the National Honor Society and salutatorian of his senior class. He is team captain of his school's Quiz Bowl and a member of Chamber Singers. He also participates in the Emmanuel Lutheran Church Youth Group and is a Boy Scouts junior assistant scoutmaster.

"Mrs. Headapohl, my Quiz Bowl coach and English teacher (and other subjects), was the greatest influence. This is because she is just the one teacher I have had the most classes and activities with."

Bossard expects his generation to "use technology to try to reverse problems in the environment and in our society."

Bossard is the son of Gary and Evelyn Bossard and brother of Joseph, 14, and Sarah, 9.



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**M**adonna University has an excellent reputation in everything they do, that is why I decided to go there. *Joe Kelley, bachelor's degree in criminal justice, 1997, dispatcher for City of Plymouth Police Department*

**I** have always felt Madonna offers an excellent, quality education that prepares you for the real world and your next educational endeavor. The professors in the business program come from the business world and pass on their knowledge. *Elgene Doinidis, bachelor's degree in social science with business core, 1986, coordinator of distance learning for Schoolcraft College*

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